

Title:

Bristol

Shelfmark:

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Description:

Bill recalls participating in the protest march in 1932 that culminated in the Old Market riots.

Lexis:

pancake day = Shrove Tuesday (from custom of eating pancakes on this day); *licking* = beating, thrashing (colloquial); *whacker* = to strike, blow, hit; *copper* = policeman (colloquial); *set-to* = fight

Phonology:

H-dropping; rhoticity; T-glottaling

GOAT [ou]; MOUTH [{U ~ @U]; PRICE [VI]; START [A` : ~ a` :]; NORTH [O` :]; NURSE [@` :]; SQUARE [E` :]; STRUT [V]; BATH [a.]; LOT [Q ~ A]; LETTER [@`]

note also *particular* [p@`tIk=l@`], *binoculars* [bInAk=l@`z], *procession* [pr/@usES@n], *police* [pli:s], *us* [Vs], *half* [a:f], *one* [wVn], *further* [f@` :v@`], *batons* [ba?@nz], *getting* [gE?IN], *wasn't* [wQd=n], *here* [j@` :], *potatoes* [p@tEI?@z ~ p@tEI@uz] and *old* [wo:L?]

Grammar:

there was + plural complement (*see if there was any jobs going; there was casualties down there*)

determiner, those → *them* (*opposite where them big nail pillars are; in them days*)

zero plural marker on nouns (*under six foot; ten stone seven*)

preterite *come* (*if they come out from the annexe and took the first dozen rows from behind; some of the crowd ... come back with half bricks*)

third person plural *was* (*people was getting whacked with the batons; people was hurt, people was took to hospital; the casualties was more of a bruise to the shoulder; they was people selling fruit and vegetables; they was stripped; they was throwing cabbages, potatoes, anything; coal carts was coming from the middle of the road; the bags was tipped out and lumps of coal was flying across the road at the police*); first person plural *was* (*we was getting a right licking*)

past participle *took* (*people was took to hospital*)

verbal inflection with *I* (*I gets to my feet*)

gender assigned to it (*that banner there, when he was picked up and held up it said on there, "We*

want power not pancakes”)

note use and phonetic quality of utterance final discourse marker *mind* [mVInd]

