

RENT ACT

~~MAJER~~ M.P. SPEAKING "MAJOR BELCHER YOU WROTE ME SOME TIME AGO ABOUT YOUR HOUSING PROBLEM, COULD YOU TELL ME MORE ABOUT IT.

MAJOR BELCHER SPEAKING "WELL ITS QUITE SIMBLE I RECEIVED NOTICE TO QUITTE NEXT OCTOBER AND I'VE JUST ~~EXXLEAVE~~ GOT TO LEAVE

WELL IS THERE ANY ALTERNATIVE TO NOTICE TO QUITTE?

WELL THE LANDLORD ~~XX~~ HAS OFFERED TO SELL ME THE HOUSE FOR £3,700 BUT I JUST CAN'T AFFORD IT.

WELL CAN'T YOU ~~RIIX~~ RAISE THE MONEY?

NOW AT MY AGE, BECAUSE THE BUILDING SOCIETIES WON'T LEND ON A HOUSE WITH ONLY 54 YEARS TO GO.

WELL WHAT HAVE YOU DONE ABOUT IT?

C.U. M.P. "WELL WHAT HAVE YOU DONE ABOUT IT?"

C.U. MAJOR BELCHER "WELL I'VE BEEN EVERYWHERE, I'VE SEARCHED EVERYWHERE AND SIMPLY CAN'T FIND ANYWHERE TO RENT AT ALL AND IT LOOKS AS IF AFTER ~~KEVIX~~ LIVING HERE 18 YEARS I'VE GOT TO MOVE INTO AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT NEIGHBOURHOOD.

BUT CAN YOU FIND ANYWHERE?

I CAN'T,  
TO RENT,

NO, NOTHING AT ALL

WELL WHAT ABOUT BUYING?

CAN'T AFFORD IT, I HAVEN'T ANY MONEY AND THE BUILDING SOCIETIES WON'T LEND TO SOMEBODY OF MY AGE.

SO WHAT IS THE POSITION?

I JUST DON'T KNOW

AND WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU?

I DON'T KNOW AT ALL, I'M REALLY DISTRESSED ABOUT IT.

AND WHEN OCTOBER COMES YOU'VE GOT TO GO?

I'VE GOT TO GO, YES.

S.V. M.P. SPEAKING "DO YOU THINK YOU'VE BEEN PAYING ENOUGH RENT OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS?"

NO, I DON'T, AND I WOULD BE QUITE WILLING TO PAY SUBSTANTIALLY MORE

BELCHER CONTINUES TO SPEAK "IF I HAD A CHANCE TO PAY.

WHAT YOU WANT IS SECURITY OF ~~THE~~ TENURE?

THAT'S RIGHT.

YES, I SEE.

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S.V. BILL SYMON APPROACHING JENKINS "MR. JENKINS ARE YOU OPPOSED TO THE RENT ACT?"

"CERTAINLY NOT, I THINK ITS A VERY GOOD ACT, BUT I AM OPPOSED TO THE CLAUSE WHICH ~~MY~~ CREATE UNNECESSARY SUFFERING AND EVICTIONS OF TENTANTS."

S.C.U. "HAVE YOU ANY SUPPORT IN PARLIAMENT?"

"OH YES, THERE ARE AT LEAST ~~AT~~ 35 MEMBERS WHO I KNOW BY NAME AND I ~~BELEIVE~~ BELEIVE THERE ARE MANY MORE WHO ARE EXTREMELY WORRIED."

C.U. "DO YOU THINK THIS ACT WILL HAVE ANY BEARING ON THE NEXT ELECTION?"

"I'M SURE IT WILL, <sup>A</sup> ~~THE~~ GOVERNMENT CAN INTRODUCE UNPOPULAR LEGISLATION IT CAN INCREASE TAXATION AND IT WILL BE FOREGIVEN IN DUE COURSE. BUT IF YOU TAKE A MAN'S HOME AWAY FROM HIM HE'LL NEVER FORGIVE YOU."

SYMONS QUESTIONS

"ARE YOU OPPOSED TO THE RENT ACT?"

"HAVE YOU ANY SUPPORT IN PARLIAMENT?"

"DO YOU THINK THIS ACT WILL ANY INFLUENZE OVER THE NEXT ELECTION?"

Q "DON'T EVICT,"  
SAYS TORY M.P.

End of Title shot, Parliament

Entrance to Courtyard, Parliament. Jenkind arrives.

Jenkins pases

(We are asking him if he can get Housing Minister Brooks to pose also. *To Court*  
but there is not perhaps much likelihood of getting this.)

West End flats - say, 25 feet.

*by*  
Shots of Dulwich High Street

Sign: Dulwich Village

~~Smiths' house. M.P. enters gateway. Cut in: "Roseway" M.P. talks to old couple.~~

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Cut in: "Roseway"

M.P. talks to old couple.

Major's House.

M.P. arrives. Enters House.

Talks with Major.

Dulwich College

W. Symon accosts M.P.

Interview.

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