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The fact that his presence at today's Cairo summit (boycotted by Iraq) was unanimously requested by all nine participants—including Hussein—shows the Arab ruling classes see Arafat as their main hope within the guerrilla leadership.

The guerrilla movement must break off all relations with the Cairo meeting and denounce those who support or take part in its schemes to betray the revolution in Jordan.

## Lunar probe signals stop

JODRELL Bank radio-astronomy station in Cheshire, which has been picking up signals from the latest Russian moon probe, Lunar 16, reported that the signals from the mooncraft had been switched off at about 10 a.m. yesterday.

CHARLES PARKINS takes a closer look at the so-called 'Black Power' bid to take over Britain's municipalities.

Special branch man seen here with a truncheon protruding from his inside pocket at a recent demonstration at Hyde Park.



# Dangers of provocation

DRAMATIC headlines in the press have told recently of a 'Black Power' bid to seize control of Britain's municipalities. Speculation as to the nature of this take-over has centred on a Manchester group which tried, unsuccessfully, to field more than 90 candidates in one city ward.

But what kind of people are behind this group which operates under two names—the Committee for Action for the Relief of Need (CARN) and the British Community Welfare Association?

They claim to have the interests of the immigrant community at heart. But couldn't they be used by right-wing elements to whip up a white backlash to split the working class on racialist lines?

## Infiltration

Before we delve into the northern events, let us reflect on the rich history of right-wing infiltration and provocation by British intelligence and their allies on the right.

Perhaps the most celebrated episode was the case of the Zinoviev letter, where certain high Tories, with the help of Foreign Office officials and a professional forger, produced a false document purporting to be from the secretary of the Communist International to

The capitalist press began an enormous 'Red scare' campaign over the 'Zinoviev letter' which was instrumental in the defeat of the 1924 Labour government at the polls.

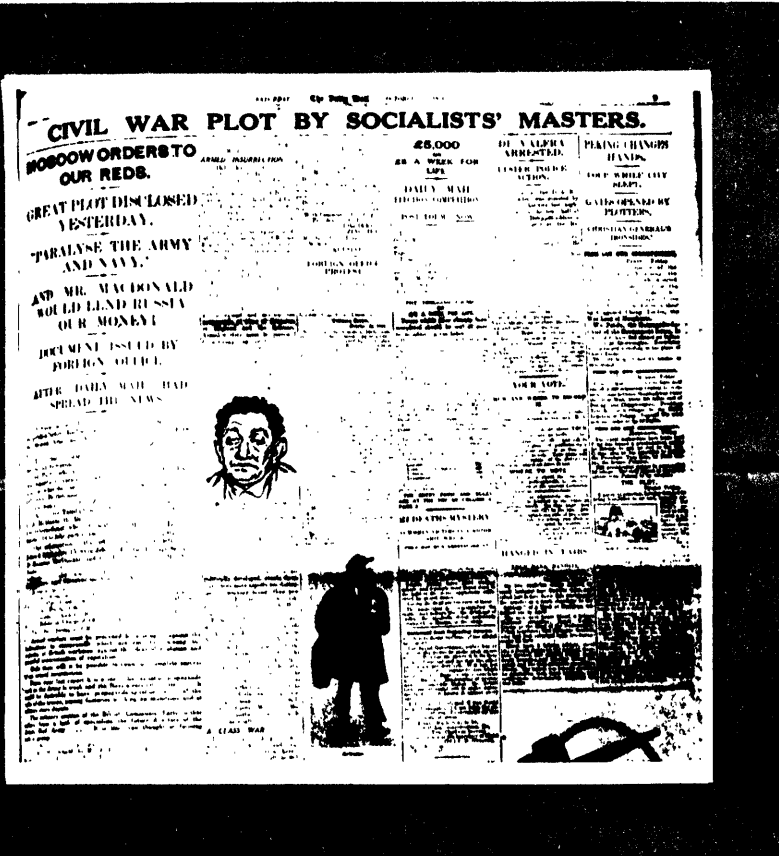
the infant British Communist Party.

The phoney letter, which called for revolution in Britain, was instrumental in the defeat of the 1924 Labour government at the polls.

This defeat was actively encouraged by the willing participation of the capitalist press in the enormous 'Red scare' campaign built up around the forgery.

Of course, efforts by the right and the police to weaken and confuse the work of those who struggle to end the capitalist system are not accidental.

They reach their most frantic and calculated in pre-revolutionary periods when



there are the objective conditions for the working class to break from their reformist leadership and dispense with bourgeois ideology.

It is hardly surprising therefore that in Britain at the present time there is a rash of attempted subversion from the right.

Consider, for example the ubiquitous activities of the mysterious 'Militant Workers' group who issue, apparently from nowhere, leaflets and posters calling for strike action and revolution in Britain, couched in the language of Victorian melodrama, garnished with public school homilies—'let's get the bloody swine off our backs', etc.

Their addresses to people contain no indication of how or where this group of fighters can be contacted and, according to the press, the Special Branch are 'investigating'—their probe so far being apparently without success.

The genuine left and all trade unionists treat these publicists with extreme scepticism.

Another development—exposed in Workers Press and other left-wing publications—is the attempt of the Special Branch itself to infiltrate demonstrations, presumably to glean what information they can about future activities and names and addresses, etc.

## Bomb scares

Then there have been the attempts by the Tory press to link the recent bomb scares in London cinemas with the Irish Republican Army or other similar organizations, despite the fact that Scotland Yard was forced to admit they have no reason to suspect that the IRA is responsible.

(In N Ireland a number of explosions, blamed on the Republicans, turned out to be the work of Protestant extremists.)

When the newspapers turned their attention from

Irish to the 'Black Power' issue, a letter, conveniently turned up, allegedly from POQO (a guerrilla movement in S Africa) threatening to kill a policeman.

Again the language was somewhat curious, with frequent allusions to 'you white cats'.

The Special Branch are reported to take this seriously and are investigating.

During the Second World War both British and German intelligence utilized the method known as 'black propaganda'. This involved the creation of radio stations issuing leaflets and newspapers supposedly coming from the enemy—all kinds of rumours and fake news bulletins were broadcast in a bid to spread confusion.

## Warfare

There was one really authentic-sounding 'German army' broadcasting station staffed by British psychological warfare experts—a number of whom have exercised their skills in Fleet St.

This type of technique is the sort of thing that appeals to the mentalities of many of the extreme right.

Before I describe my investigations in CARN, let me say that I make no allegations that the organization is working in the traditions of the earlier groups.

There may be quite genuine people in this group who do not realize there are certain peculiar features which should be explained by this organization if it stands for what it claims to stand for.

I first heard of the group when I met its organizer, Mr Tony King, collecting for the British Community Welfare Association (BCWA) in a Manchester public house. BCWA appears to be the same organization as CARN; at least it has many of the same personnel.

King carried a collecting box and yet had no literature to

explain the aims of the Association.

He informed me that the Association wanted to help needy old people and that it was a militant group.

I visited Mr King at his home in Moss-Side, Manchester's immigrant quarter, and found there a tall West Indian, Mr Trevor Beach, a co-organizer of CARN and the BCWA.

There were some Black Panther posters on the walls and some collecting tins around the flat, but again, no literature.

Activities, as far as I could discern, consisted mainly of raising funds.

But Mr Beach told me that they were also encouraging Moss-Side people to stand for their rights, and that the BCWA had contacts with the Black Panthers in America and that they aimed to run candidates in the local elections.

In May this year the two organizers made CARN a little better known by fielding 19 candidates in the municipal elections.

One candidate was Mr Anthony William John King, who stood in St Marks ward and gained 20 votes. Agent for Mr King and other candidates was Mr Enos Trevor Beach.

Though they won few votes and had apparently engaged in little canvassing, CARN had contested an impressive number of seats.

## Strange

An article in 'The Guardian' of June 24 by Simon Hoggart and Alec Greenhugh headed 'Curious behaviour of new group in politics' revealed that CARN wanted to build a movement among black people in Manchester, but that it was going about it in a strange way.

Not only did it carry out no canvassing, but its candidates seemed to be completely in the dark as to what the movement was all about.

A Mr Binkell Campbell, a 37-year-old West Indian, candidate for Crumpsall, never visited the ward during the election and had no intention of representing it. He told 'The Guardian' how he came to be on the ballot papers:

'I was at the petrol filling station filling my car when Tony King came up to me. I have seen him around, but I don't know him too well. He said he was standing in the elections and asked me to sign a form.'

'He said I would be a candidate, but that there was no chance of my winning and any votes I got would be transferred to him.'

'I didn't understand what it was all about at the time, but it sounded like a favour I could do him so I signed the paper.'

'I forgot all about it until forms began arriving from the Town Hall about me being a candidate. I realized then how serious it was and wrote back saying I wanted nothing to do with it. They told me it was too late to withdraw.'

'I did nothing during the election campaign. I didn't seek any votes and I have heard nothing from CARN.'

The reporters found it difficult to trace other candidates. Some had moved and those who had proposed candidates were completely in the dark.

A Moss-Side woman said she remembered signing a form for Beach under the impression it was a petition for a children's nursery.

An even more peculiar factor attached to CARN's activities. As 'The Guardian' article remarked:

'Even more puzzling to the people was the couple's open associations with Manchester supporters of the British Union Movement.'

It went on:

'Both men equally refused to entertain any thoughts that they might be manipulated by fascist elements in Manchester. Mr King said: "Of course, I know many fascists in this city; you can learn a lot from them. They are great fixers. I have used them, but they have not used me".'

## Candidates

The next episode in the CARN saga came this month when Messrs King and Beach declared that the 'Black Power movement' would offer more than 100 candidates in a ward by-election next month.

So far 98 nominations have been handed in—95 from CARN and the others in the name of the National Freedom Movement!

## TV

### BBC 1

9.15 a.m. Schools and colleges: Mathematics in action; 9.38 Maths workshop: stage 1; 10.00-10.20 Look out; 11.00 Watch!; 11.18 Going to work; 11.40-12 noon Making music. 1.00-1.25 p.m. Dyna Wall. 1.30 Watch with mother. 1.45-1.53 News and weatherman. 2.05 Schools and colleges: Look and read. 4.20 Play school. 4.40 Jack-anony. 4.55 Vision on. 5.20 Marine Boy. 5.50 News and weather. 6.00 NATIONWIDE. London. 6.45 TRANSWORLD TOP TEAM. 7.05 Z CARS. The other arm of the law. Part 2. 7.30 THE HIPPODROME CIRCUS. Great Yarmouth. 8.15 MINI, MIDI, MAXI? 9.00 NEWS and weather. 9.20 BEYOND THE WALL. Documentary—The other Germans. 10.10 MONTY PYTHON'S FLYING CIRCUS. 10.40 24 HOURS. 11.15 VIEWPOINT. The Smith of Smiths. 11.35 Weatherman.

### REGIONAL BBC

All regions as BBC 1 except: Midlands, E Anglia: 6.00-6.45 Nationwide. Midlands today. Look East. 10.10-10.40 Miracles take a little longer. 11.37 News, weather. 10.10-10.40 North, NW, NE, Cumberland and Westmorland: 6.00-6.45 Nationwide. Look North, weather. 10.10-10.40 A Canney view: part 2 (NE only). 11.37 News, weather. Wales: 5.20-5.55 Teletext. 6.00-6.45 Wales today, weather. Nationwide. 6.45-7.05 Heddw. 10.10-1.40 Chang-

### BBC 2

11.00-11.20 a.m. PLAY SCHOOL. 7.30 p.m. NEWSROOM and weather. 8.00 SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE'S SHERLOCK HOLMES: 'The dancing man'. 8.50 WHEELBASE. 9.20 PREMIER: 'Winchester 73'. With Tom Tryon, John Saxon and Dan Duryea. Western. 10.55 NEWS ON 2 and weather. 11.00 LINE-UP.

### ITV

11.00 a.m. Schools: Picture box; 11.19 Meeting our needs; 11.40-11.55 Experiment; 1.40 p.m. Towards mathematics; 2.00 My world; 2.15 People work here; 2.40-3.00 Ways with words. 4.17 Hatty Town. 4.30 Crossroads. 4.55 Bright's Boffins. 5.20 Maggie. 5.50 News. 6.02 TODAY. 6.25 THE GHOST AND MRS MUIR. 6.55 'THE TIN STAR'. With Henry Fonda, Anthony Perkins and Betsy Palmer. 8.30 CRIBBENS. Bernard Cribbens' new comedy series. 9.00 ARMCHAIR THEATRE. 'Warm feet, warm heart'. 10.00 NEWS AT TEN. 10.30 THE DAY BEFORE YESTERDAY. A political tragedy. 11.30 NATIONAL EXHIBITION OF CHILDREN'S ART. 11.50 FROM ONE POINT OF VIEW.

### REGIONAL ITV

CHANNEL: 11.00-11.55 London. 1.40-3.00 London. 4.00 Puffin's birthday greetings. 4.10 London. 4.25 Nanny and the professor. 4.55 London. 6.00 News, weather. 6.10 Police file. 6.15 Lookaround. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00 Movie: 'No Kidding'. With Leslie Phillips and Julia Lockwood. 8.30 London. 11.30 Aquarius. 12.15 Gazette. 12.20 News. Enchanted house. 12.15 Faith for life. 12.20 Weather. SOUTHERN: 11.00-3.00 London. 4.00 Houseparty. 4.15 Enchanted house. 4.30 London. 6.00 Day by day. 6.40 Love, American style. 7.00 Suspense and intrigue: 'Edge of eternity' with Cornel Wilde and Victoria Shaw. 8.30 London. 11.30 News. 11.40 Weather. Action 70. WESTWARD. As Channel except: 3.58 News. 3.58 Gus Honeybun show. 4.10 Enchanted house. 12.15 Faith for life. 12.20 Weather. SOUTHERN: 11.00-3.00 London. 4.00 Houseparty. 4.15 Enchanted house. 4.30 London. 6.00 Day by day. 6.40 Love, American style. 7.00 Suspense and intrigue: 'Edge of eternity' with Cornel Wilde and Victoria Shaw. 8.30 London. 11.30 News. 11.40 Weather. Action 70. HARLECH: 11.00 London. 2.40-2.58 Living and growing. 4.18 Women

(Since this article was written, many of the candidates have been disqualified by the Lord Mayor of Manchester for electoral irregularities. Ed.)

Mr King says he is also an organizer for NFM.

The 'Sunday Times' of September 6 reported some further interesting details on King and his organizations.

Apparently last year CARN was collecting money around the big stores in the West End of London. Assisting Mr King was a Mr Walter Hesketh.

Mr Hesketh has presided over the Young British Movement, a body set up by Fellowship and Services Ltd, whose directors numbered supporters of Sir Oswald Mosley. Mr Hesketh was a one-time Mosleyite candidate.

At the time of the West End collections, CARN shared offices with the Immigrant Control Association at 136 Sloane Square—an organization aimed at the repatriation of all coloured immigrants.

King and Hesketh returned to Manchester last year where King set up the BCWA.

According to the 'Sunday Times' it gave £100 to a militant black organization struggling with the moderate West Indian Co-ordinating Committee.

## Suspicious

This brings the story up to date, but no doubt more will be heard of its participants' future—and past—activities.

Such groups as CARN and BCWA are bound to appear at the present time in Britain when there is a growth of radicalism and militancy.

Where 'instant militancy' replaces theory, they can survive and thrive for a time.

It is with the development of the revolutionary party that they will be understood by both black and white workers. It is this understanding that will bring about the downfall of such groups.

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# Utopian play within a play



Scenes from 'The Demonstration' by David Caute, playing at Unity Theatre, London, at weekends. Workers Press Photographs

## Theatre

AT FIRST sight David Caute's play 'The Demonstration', now showing at the Unity Theatre in London after a first performance in the autumn of last year at Nottingham University, might seem 'dated'.

It is about the 'student revolt' in Europe and the United States, and the 'student movement' is now completely overshadowed by the class struggles building up in all the major capitalist countries.

The play very much resembles its subject. It moves by fits and starts, flaring up and as rapidly dying down. It seems frightened that if the tempo slows, everything will collapse.

It is held together only by its own momentum.

Ideas are caught up, tossed about and played with, and then as casually discarded and replaced by others.

### Obsessed

The characters are obsessed with the present moment—'What are we doing now? How shall we act?'—and the stage reflects them, with rapid changes of scene, the same props making new, opposed situations.

In this sense, not as any 'documentary', it is a realistic play.

In an English university students are producing a play by John Bright, a 'radical' Professor. He is Caute's main character, and Bright's play is a political parable, 'exploring the dilemmas' of revolutionary action.

### Own play

The students want a play that immediately reflects their wish to revolt and they compel Bright to produce their own play—'The Demonstration'.

The University authorities punish some of the students for breaking the rules and they



retaliate with an actual demonstration, occupy the university, and imprison the administration.

### Ambiguous

This is the subject of the play and also of the 'play within the play'. The two become one, or at least they become inextricably tied up with one another.

Almost every scene is ambiguous, showing what they are doing and/or what they are hoping, fearing and imagining.

In Paris 'The bankers panic, the Bourse is in flames, workers' councils spring up, spontaneous and democratic. The regime totters . . . falls . . . totters. Max Brown is the supreme leader of a movement without leaders. He is interviewed by Jean-Paul Sartre. In your presence, says the great philosopher, I must learn everything afresh.'

The embattled university president speaks openly for his 'rights' as the representative of the 'bankers, businessmen, politicians and other disinterested parties who sit on our Council'.

There is nothing slipshod about this 'confusion', nor is it just a theatrical device for the sake of greater effect.

### Illusions

Caute expresses the illusionistic, 'Utopian' nature of the students' revolt.

They have no lasting power, only a hatred of the powers assembled against them.

'Realism' comes only when they are forced to recognize that they must surrender.

Some cannot accept the end: 'No, no, take your dreams for realities!' Others hypnotize themselves from the beginning: 'Time is a bourgeois freak-out. Be your own clock'.

Bright, as his name implies, is a 'realist'—he has come to terms with his own impotence.

In the end he betrays the students to the police, so that they can share his 'realism'. He has leisure and education and can handle 'art' with the tricks of the trade.

### Machine

Real life serves for him as a generating machine for ideas and ironies to be enjoyed on the stage. But if it should threaten the final irony and blow up its own theatrical image, it would step outside his control and lose the only meaning he can find in it.

His 'realism' is the practical viciousness with which he protects his own freedom of fantasy. When that comes into play, his 'sympathies' evaporate with scarcely a trace.

To provoke the students to interesting reactions, Bright comes among them in various disguises. In these sketches Caute parodies the human furniture of modern universi-

ties — which he is clearly familiar and must often have sat upon.

### Caricatures

Behind the wit he reveals how all the 'schools of thought' exist only in their relation to Marxism, as cynical opponents or flabby caricatures.

The students' rude empiricism turns a deaf ear to the lot of them. Like life, art can never produce anything perfect and finished.

I cannot believe Caute can be satisfied with 'The Demonstration' as anything other than an exercise for the future.

Like all sketches, it abstracts — and it abstracts from what is most important and difficult to grasp: the relationships between ideas and wishes and the independent world from which they come.

### Understand

To take hold of that, a dramatist today must understand and struggle against the forces which have formed him.

Bright—whom Caute implies is a partly autobiographical character—is fixed where he is because he cannot or will not do that.

That is the core of 'The Demonstration's' realism, and also of its promise.

'ECOLOGICAL DISASTER' and 'biological backlash' are terms that are becoming all too familiar.

Articles and books are now being turned out in an ever-increasing flood which deal with this or that aspect of man's unplanned and often catastrophic interference with an environment which refuses to be parcelled up into neat, separate compartments.

By far the most interesting piece to appear in a colour supplement for some time was Gordon Rattray Taylor's 'Plague of the Crown of Thorns' which appeared in the 'Observer' magazine of September 13 and comprised an absorbing snippet from his latest publication, 'Doomsday Book'.

Taylor reports on the population explosion that has beset the large starfish known as the 'crown of thorns' (and zoologically as *Acanthaster planci*) and which is now threatening to consume all the coral in the Pacific Ocean.

### Eaten

At present, it is reported that about a quarter of the 1,000-mile-long Great Barrier Reef has been eaten.

What is the cause of this sudden upsurge? Nobody is quite sure.

However, Guam University's Richard Chesher suggests that 'man is probably responsible', possibly through destroying some natural check on the starfish population by pollution.

Of course, having dropped nearly every conceivable substance (including the recent nerve gas loads) into the oceans over the last two decades without a thought about abstract questions like the ecological balance, the chain of cause and effect is now impossible to trace and the proposed solutions are both temporary and primitive.

In the case of the starfish, an ineffective campaign was waged by teams of divers who descended on the voracious munchers with giant syringes and hot water bottles of formalin to inject the creatures with a lethal dose.

If this conjures up a somewhat amusing picture, it also is an expression of the tremendous gap between theory—as opposed to scientific knowledge in a number of separate academic disciplines — and man's social practice which unconsciously encompasses an entire planet.

### 'Backlash'

We do not have to go as far as the Pacific to come upon other examples of 'backlash'.

Remember myxamatosis? It killed a lot of rabbits and, for a while, upset the feeding habits of numerous bunny-eaters, particularly the fox. However, in the end the rabbits that survived became resistant to the disease and spawned others who were likewise immune.

This undoubtedly peeved the farmer, but probably didn't give the rest of us many sleepless nights.

Rats, however, are a little different. Much research time and finance has gone into finding the quickest and most effective ways of eradicating the disease-carrying rodents with disturbing consequences.

Up till about 20 years ago, killing rats meant using highly toxic, dangerous and painful rat poisons which could also mean the painful death of farm animals, pets or humans unless kept well out of the way.

These poisons were abandoned in favour of humane killers such as Warfarin which kills by interfering chemically with the rats' blood.

Now the development of immunity in rats to these chemicals is threatening Wolverhampton and other urban areas of the Midlands with a rodent invasion.

The super-rats have broken the Ministry of Agriculture's three-mile deep cordon around Welshpool and are pressing onwards.

### Dangerous

A Wolverhampton spokesman said:

'The cordon operation is over. The rats got through it. Now the farmers will be responsible once again for their own rodent control.'

'Where there are Warfarin-resistant rats, we are back to the pre-1950 days when the anti-coagulant rat poisons started.'

'What has occurred is a small genetic change in their cells. The rats look the same as ordinary rats. Their immunity to Warfarin can only be told by testing how long it takes their blood to clot.'

As one Farmers' Union official remarked:

'These rats will be extremely dangerous if they spread to the urban areas of the Midlands, to the housing estates, factories and rubbish dumps.'

Having thrown in the towel against the rats, the men from the Ministry are probably getting ready with the hot water bottles and outside syringes.

It remains to be seen how near the mark that is!

# behind THE NEWS Cause and effect



The immunity of rabbits to myxamatosis has brought forward new methods of controlling them. In Australia a special rabbit-proof fence divides the rabbit-infested land from the rest.

## A democratic death

SENATOR WILLIAM PROXMIRE of Wisconsin has accused the Pentagon of many things which must have made the US military-industrial complex feel a little hot under the collar.

Much of the material is brought together in his book 'Journey into Wasteland' which appeared in Britain recently and deals with the profitable wheelings and dealings in billions of dollars that goes on behind every government military project.

One of the Senator's most recent revelations was the nature of the top-secret 'Project Master', now being tested by the American government, and the answer to any megalomaniac's dream.

Proxmire accused the US government of spending more than £800m so far on the project and 'involved the use of advanced electronics. The aim is the development—at a final cost of around £8,000m—of an 'automated battlefield'.

Says Proxmire:

'Whole villages may be wiped out by seeding areas with air-dropped devices designed to kill anyone who ventures near them.'

'Once seeded we could lose control of these devices and they would represent a permanent menace to the civilian population.'

The automated battlefield system, employing computers, sensors and laser beams 'is an effort to develop a totally new method of waging ground warfare,' Proxmire said.

### Sensors

The sensors, according to the Pentagon, are of different types.

Some are 'spies', either collecting information about the landscape into which they are dropped by air or camouflaged to look like trees. Others dig themselves deeply into the ground while others explode when approached.

All of this is quite credible (and profitable, no doubt).

Not that there aren't a few problems in bringing the bless-

ings of automation into the realms of destruction.

One report in July, noting that over £1,000m had been spent on electronic listening devices which had been dropped into the jungles of Indo-China, remarked: 'The trouble is they don't work'.

### No distinction

One aspect of 'Project Master' that particularly seems to disturb Senator Proxmire is that automated systems make no distinction between civilians and enemy soldiers.

It would indeed be surprising if the US military ever gave such questions a moment's thought. The nearest they have come to making a distinction of any sort, was that between human beings and property.

That is why chemical and biological warfare still remains dear to the heart of many a Pentagon resident. Germs don't destroy factories.

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# Partial victory in 'cold' strike

By an Industrial reporter

PATTERNMAKERS at the Chrysler-Rootes factory in Linwood, Scotland, are to return to work at the end of their annual holiday next Monday, ending their strike for better heating facilities inside the plant.

They took this decision by a narrow majority at a meeting last Friday after it had been reported that plant heating would be turned on as soon as the holiday ended.

Previously the management had stated the heating would not be turned on until October 1.

Linwood patternmakers have been fighting for better heating over a long period. Workers claim that gas heaters supplied by the management are inadequate on cold days. Many feel that though the management have been forced to climb down, the victory is only partial.

There is no agreement to pay the workers for the days they were sent home. They have to be on strike for three days to qualify for union strike pay.

By resuming on Monday they will have been on strike only for two days.

The patternmakers stand to lose almost a week's pay if the management cannot be forced to pay them for the days they were sent home.

## ALL TRADES UNIONS ALLIANCE MEETINGS

WELLINGTON: Monday, September 28, 7.30 p.m. YMCA, Wrekin Buildings, Walker St. Speed-up and unemployment. The GKN-Sankey and Pilkington disputes.

## WEATHER

London, SE England, central southern England, E and W Midlands, Channel Islands, SW England. Bright or sunny intervals, cloudy at times. Risk of rain. Wind light or moderate. Very warm. Max. 22C (72F).  
E England, NW England, central northern England, NE England, N Ireland. Rather cloudy, rain at times. Wind SE, moderate or fresh. Normal. Max. 17C (63F).  
Glasgow. Dry, sunny intervals. Wind SE, moderate or fresh. Very warm. Max. 18C (64F).  
Outlook for Wednesday and Thursday: Scattered rain at first, sunny spells and mainly dry later. Temperatures above average.

# OVERTIME BAN IS BROKEN AT CAV

From our Industrial correspondent

STEWARDS at CAV, Acton, have allowed workers who maintain 'essential services' to break the plant overtime ban operated in protest against short-time working, announced by management last week.

The ban is now reported to be in 'utter shambles' and workers have criticized their executive committee for allowing this breach in the decision to ban overtime taken at a mass factory meeting last Wednesday.

The cut-backs in work, which management say are necessary because of a drop in diesel sales, affect over 120 men in three departments.

This weakness at Acton is largely the responsibility of the stewards who for years have concentrated on the skilled sections of workers and tended to ignore the lower paid workers who must work a 50-hour week to make up a decent wage.

These were the same stewards who accepted tele-control, a 12-month wage freeze and a piecework-vetting committee recently, as part of a productivity deal.

## Encouraged

Management will be encouraged to push their economies ahead in the light of these splits amongst the Acton workers. One steward told the Workers Press that the demand should be, 'five days' work or five days' pay'.

## Jordan

FROM PAGE ONE

the scene of civil war; blood is being shed and the towns are shrouded in smoke.

Many middle-class pacifists, liberals and Christians wrote about the Russian civil war in exactly these terms.

And in the 'Tass' statement, oppressed and oppressor are also placed on an equal footing:

'The cessation of fratricidal fighting and the establishment of peace and security is an absolute necessity... The existing differences can be solved only by peaceful means, since the experience of history is that it is best to solve disputes and conflicts through negotiation.'

Conspiracy This is nothing less than a demand for the guerrillas to lay down their arms and a despicable defence of the reactionary Hashemite dynasty which is a conspiracy against Arab freedom and independence.

It is not at all surprising that this demand is made by the Palestinians, through their refusal to have any truck with Stalinist-inspired 'peaceful means' and 'negotiations', now stand on the threshold of decisive victories. The 'experience of history' has taught the Palestinians that imperialism can only be defeated by revolutionary means.

This determination to fight, no matter what the odds, now finds 'Tass' administering the age-old ruling class poison to the Palestinians:

'Violence breeds violence, and obstructs the way to peace, progress and prosperity.'

Break silence Now that the Kremlin has spoken, the British Stalinist 'Morning Star' can break its week-long editorial silence.

Also refusing to take sides with the guerrillas, yesterday's 'Star' attempted to exonerate Hussein by putting all the blame on his military leaders, who supposedly frustrated the King's cease-fire.

The 'Star's' refusal to call for the overthrow and military defeat of Hussein leads directly onto its demand that 'urgent efforts should be made by Britain's labour movement to get the government (I) to oppose any intervention in Jordan before it is too late.'

The same government which is intervening in the most brutal manner in Ulster.

We challenge the Stalinists and the 'Tribune'-ites to declare publicly—where do they stand on the civil war in Jordan?

Are they for the military victory of the guerrillas over the Royalists? Are they for class action against the Tory government, forcing it to resign, if and when Heath and his US allies intervene in Jordan?

Decisive question These are decisive questions. They demand unequivocal answers.

In spite of Stalinism and against it, the Palestinians will win and Hussein will go the way of Nuri Said, King Abdallah and all the other oppressors of the Arab people.

British labour can and must shorten the death agony of these imperialist puppets by intensifying the struggle to bring down their Tory managers.

## PRICELESS HYPOCRISY

Following reports that 200 Syrian tanks, manned by Palestinian guerrilla fighters, had taken on the royalists in N. Jordan, King Hussein yesterday formally charged Syria with invading Jordan.

In what is undoubtedly the most priceless example of hypocrisy the Jordan crisis has yet produced, this house-trained puppet of British and US imperialism accused the Syrians of being 'imperialist agents'.

In fact the Syrian decision to aid the guerrillas has been a bitter blow to imperialism everywhere and is causing great concern amongst the Zionist leaders in Tel Aviv.



Guerrillas on alert in Amman.

## Whitbread girls out again

OFFICE and laboratory staff—mostly teenage girl office workers—were on picket duty yesterday at Whitbread's Luton brewery, stopping all beer supplies throughout the Midlands and southern England.

The strikers re-started their stoppage on Friday after suspending it for the management's promised 'meaningful negotiations'.

The strikers are demanding a £6 a week pay rise to bring salaries up to £1,400 for men and £1,000 for women.

On present wages a skilled woman worker takes home as little as £12 a week. The company's offer of an £800 minimum salary has been rejected.

## Tahitians demonstrate

HUNDREDS of Tahitians demonstrated against the visit of Henri Rey, French Minister in charge of overseas territories, during his visit to Papeete, capital of the Pacific island state.

The islanders, ruled from Paris as an overseas 'department', were led by the independence deputy Sanford and the ex-deputy Teariki.

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## SLL Central Committee says:

# Hands off the Arab Revolution!

THE Central Committee of the Socialist Labour League urges the immediate mobilization of the British working class against the threats of United States imperialist intervention in Jordan, with the danger of another Vietnam.

It is the internationalist duty of the working class and labour movement to give full and unconditional support to the Palestinian and all Arab workers against imperialism and its instrument, the Zionist state.

Such solidarity with the Arab revolution is a blow struck against the common enemy—imperialism.

In this struggle against imperialism in the Middle East, the Jewish and Arab workers must unite.

The higher the level of the struggle of the Arab masses against Hussein and all the feudal and bourgeois allies of

the imperialist oil interests, the greater is the blow struck against the Zionist imperialist agents and in favour of the Jewish workers.

The struggle of the Arab workers against Hussein is indissolubly linked to the struggle for socialism in Britain. A defeat for Hussein is also a defeat for Heath and the Tories.

The aim of the revolution must be a socialist Palestine, without any discrimination against religious and national minorities as part of a Socialist Middle East.

The oil companies must be expropriated under workers' control.

The Four-Power resolution on the Middle East is nothing but a weapon of imperialism and must be smashed.

We condemn the connivance of the Stalinist bureaucracy and the Communist Parties of the capitalist countries in the imperialist carve-up of the Middle East.

Together with the imperialists, they aim at the defeat of the Arab worker and peasants.

## Heroic struggle

We applaud the heroic struggle of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which has dealt a powerful blow against big-power diplomacy and against the Arab agents of imperialism.

Halt British and US imperialist intervention in the Middle East!

The working class must act in solidarity with the Arab revolution!

The TUC, trade unions and factory and docks committees must organize industrial action against intervention!

Stop all arms supplies to British and US forces!

Down with secret diplomacy! Down with the Kremlin bureaucracy's collaboration with imperialism!

Free Leila Khaled and all Arab political prisoners!

Long live the unity of Arab and Jewish workers!

Down with Hussein!

Victory for the struggle of the Arab workers against imperialism!

September 19, 1970

## SDP slips back in Swedish elections

OLAF PALME's ruling Social Democratic Party lost their absolute majority in Sunday's election to the new single-chamber Swedish parliament. They gained 166 seats out of 350, and are now expected to form a government with the support of 17 Communist Party representatives.

The Party increased its share of the poll from 3 to 4.5 per cent. Earlier this year the highly-developed Swedish system of class collaboration on wage negotiations—whereby union leaders settle with the government for an overall increase in money wages and then share out the proceeds among the different sections of the working class—broke down in a series of bitter union strikes led by iron-ore miners and Gothenberg dockers.

It was this that prompted the Social Democrats to try and retrieve their political position with a fraudulent 'freeze' of food prices, announced three weeks before the election.

## Phase Two difficulties

LONDON DOCKERS went to work in a tense and watchful mood yesterday—the first day of Devlin Phase Two.

The new arrangements provide for two-shift working, mobility of labour, an end to piecework and the introduction of Measured-Day Work payment systems.

Implementation of the scheme was in doubt right up to the last minute as dock foremen threatened to ban shiftwork in support of their demand for an extra £3 a week.

The foremen are to meet stevedoring employers today to discuss their pay demand and have agreed in the meantime to work the two-shifts.

Fork-lift drivers on the Royal Group struck work yesterday soon after the beginning of the first shift in support of their demand for contingency payments for handling mechanical appliances.

They returned to work later.

## Banks end paperwork

SWEDEN'S largest commercial bank, Svenska Handelsbanken, is to replace its entire internal paper work system with computers. 519 branches will operate with a series of teller-terminal windows. Altogether, 1,200 cashiers terminals will eventually be connected to the bank's operational centre.

## Anglo-US capital ousts Belgium from Congo

THE MOBUTU regime in Congo-Kinshasa—previously the Belgian Congo—has refused the Belgian mining combine Union Minière permission to resume its exploitation of the Congo's natural resources, including the SE copper deposits of Katanga.

Rights have been handed over to a consortium including the US Standard Oil of New Jersey, the Anglo-American Corporation and the Japanese Mitsui Company.

The French Bureau of mineralogical and geological research has been permitted with the further prospecting of Congolese mineral resources.

## ITALY

# TU chiefs back-pedal on reforms

ITALY'S three main national trade unions, the CGIL (Communist and Socialist), CISL (Catholic) and UIL (Social Democratic) re-opened negotiations with the Colombo centre-left government last week on demands for reform.

It was the threat of a one-day general strike for the reforms on July 7 which brought the resignation of Colombo's predecessor, Rumor.

The UIL and CISL broke the strike—and were promptly followed by the Communist leadership of the CGIL—on the grounds that 'the main party to the negotiations now no longer exists'.

Completely ignoring this political conspiracy, and still waving the flag of 'trade union unity' the Stalinists are now party to fresh talks on reduced demands.

Questions of education, transport, prices and taxes on wages have been quietly dropped and Economics Minister Giolitti was able to claim 'many points of contact' after last week's meeting. Talks were limited to questions of housing and health.

## Statement

An inter-union statement on the negotiations will be prepared for approval by rank-and-file meetings throughout Italy.

It will not commit the unions to strike action, although similar 'soundings' in the spring brought wide support for a general strike to back the original demands.

It is only the confusion and disillusionment caused by the July betrayal which enables the trade union leaders to combine in these retreats.

Even so, 'lefts' are necessary to make militant noises for the benefit of the most determined sections of the working class.

CGIL metalworkers' leader Trentin said at the weekend that 'there will be no autumn of reforms if action on the claims is not resumed within the factories'.

## RIPPON ENDS TALKS

Wellington, Monday—Britain's Common Market negotiator, Mr Geoffrey Rippon, today ended his first round of talks with New Zealand ministers on Britain's proposed Market entry.

Mr Rippon, who is here for talks on safeguards for New Zealand's agricultural exports to Britain, said today's talks had gone well.

## SOCIALIST LABOUR LEAGUE

# Trotsky Memorial Meeting

GLASGOW Partick Burgh Hall (nr Merkland St underground) 7.30 p.m. Admission 2s.

'Trotsky and the coming English Revolution' Speaker: G. Healy (SLL national secretary)

Sunday October 4

Leonid Brezhnev's last words: 'I am confident of the victory of the Fourth International. Go forward!'

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## LATE NEWS

HUSSEIN ORDERS TRUCE—REPORT Beirut, Monday—King Hussein tonight ordered his army to cease-fire immediately against the Palestine commandos, according to an Amman Radio announcement.

## FISH STRIKE RECOGNIZED

The week-old strike by 24 cold-store workers at the Aberdeen fish firm of Claven Ltd was made official by the Transport and General Workers' Union yesterday.

The strike is over union recognition and the victimization of two leading T&GWU workers.

The company recognizes only the General and Municipal Workers' Union.

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