DEFEND ARAB REVOLUTION

by CHRIS HARMAN
just returned from Amman

JORDAN has seen one of the great national uprisings of modern times in the last week. The overwhelming majority of the population, led by the guerrilla organisations and the units of the popular militia, have fought to overthrow Hussein's reactionary government.

Even Western journalists report that the King's soldiers are coming under increasing pressure, and people helped the guerrillas when we came in." The Royal Army has started to crush the popular movement in the only way it knows.

For the last week the full firing power of the artillery and tanks has been directed at the densely-packed, poor sections of Amman where the guerrillas have the bulk of their support.

The shells have been tearing apart the corrugated iron huts, tents and crude concrete dwellings where the refugees somehow eke out an existence. Whole blocks of flats have been blown out and the streets are now a single sniper.

NO SCRAPULOUS

Estimates of those killed already approximate 15,000 and the King's regime has no scruples about firing upon the Palestinian hospitals where some of the wounded could be treated.

Yet even in Amman, where Hussein's forces have been concentrated, the resistance remains far from crushed.

The Palestinians go on fighting because they feel they have to and because for 30 years they have been denied refuge in refugee camps, kept safe by a 1949 armistice agreement with Israel. Now they are being subjected to the full power of the modern state.

ORIGIN OF SYRIA

The Arab Liberation Army (ALA), formed in Syria in 1949, was the first organic armed group of the Arab cause. It was formed in parallel to the Palestinian groups, and by 1956 had fought to much of the Syrian desert.

.GOING TO AID

Stories of Syrian intervention cannot be checked, but there is no doubt that the population of Syria would be absolutely right to rise up against their Syrian brother's reactionaries, despots and anti-Western regimes. Syria, in its struggle for freedom, is a part of the imperialist carve-up after the First World War.

Arab countries are fighting for something far more sinister - both the Americans and Israelis are planning to act if the Palestinians even come close to success.

The United States is taking advantage of the situation to re-establish its control. When such a thing has been scored before, as in the Congo five years ago, it has been a stroke for the US to intervene and tie the balance decisively in the interests of its puppet.

On the one side in the present conflict in Jordan stand all the old powers - the oil monopolies and feudal sheikhs. Zionist politicians who practice anti-Arab racism and Arab racists who thrive on anti-Semitic crimes, those who are wagging a bitter war against the Vietnamese people and those who are putting down the workers of Budapest and Prague.

On the other side the Palestinians stand alone. Their only support are the masses in the other Arab countries as they fight for a land free from imperialist occupation, where Muslim, Jewish and Christian can live and work together.

A minority of the Palestinians see further than this. They recognise that such a democratic state is only possible in the framework of the United Socialist Middle East.

Will British troops go in?

INFORMATION received by Socialist Worker this week indicates that the British Army reserve has been put on standby and that US troops are being stationed in Jordan. We are told that this is to stop an American attack on Israel, or Israeli forces are to move into Jordan to provide a "political cover" for American intervention.

A British attack will be a British attack, particularly of the oil monopolies who control the wealth of the Middle East.

The US is not just another Western government that is backing the PLO. The Russians see it as the revolutionary fervour of the Palestinians as a threat to their own great power interests, such as the oil-rich re-opening of the Suez Canal. This explains the American pressure on the Soviet Union to try to "save" Jordan.

Many people, for long the self-proclaimed "leader of the Arab revolution", stand on the national broadcast. They will travel to army camps usually reserved for transporting troops overseas.

This information indicates that the government, in collusion with the US, is thoroughly considering the possibility of sending British forces into Jordan.

Victory to the Palestinians
Support the guerrillas

THAT SATURDAY 26 September
Meet Speakers' Corner, Marble Arch 2pm
Called by Palestine Solidarity Campaign
Supported by International Socialists

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FOR THE LAST six years President Eduardo Frei has been spearheading a Chilean 'Revolutions in Liberty'. Elected in 1964 as leader of the Christian Democratic Party and bailed throughout the world as an example to politicians, he has made his mandate to ease class tensions in Chile by carrying out thoroughgoing reforms.

The failure of the Christian Democrats to carry out its policies led to the so-called box ballot revolution which on Friday 4 September, in an 84 per cent poll, gave President Frei a lead of 40,000 votes in his closest presidential opposition.

Despite this narrow one with almost 1.3 in his favour, 33.5 per cent of the votes were balanced against him by communist and socialist forces. The reformist alliance was split and Frei was re-elected for a second term by a margin of 0.3.

In January Rangel banned against them he was carrying out a coalition of the left and the centre. Jorge Alасase-

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Should socialist principles be forgot, there's always the House of Lords...

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The Charter attracted little support and no enthusiasm. And already the VPS campaign of the late 1950s and early 1960s were shop-floor militancy, shop-floor militancy, shop-floor militancy.

Nowhere to go

Rebels of yesteryear like Lords Brookway, Soper and Ballogh have been joined since the election by Lord Harold Owen, former champion of anti-imperialism in South East Asia, Lord Greenwood, former champion of the municipalisation of rented property and Lady Jennie Lee, former champion of the abolition of the House of Lords.

The House of Lords, wrote Jennie Lee in Tribune 13 years ago, 'belongs to the Tories and the past'. Now there is nowhere else for her to go.

But it really be that the major task for socialists today is to start another 'into action' campaign to force the Labour Party into another round of debate, compromise, electoral victory and sellout?

Will there be anything to show for 'a return to the Labour Party, but the slender possibility of the creation of Lord Hether, Lord Atkinson and Lord Bidwell?

How much more relevant to build out of the deepening struggles of workers and students a new socialist organization whose purpose and perspective is based not on disillusion and compromise but on the urgent necessity to take the power in society from the operators and gangsters who now

MORE THREE FOR THE HOUSE OF LORDS

Pashley, the Labour MP for the city of Birmingham, had been one of the leaders of the campaign in the early 1930s. But after the General Strike of 1926, he had been forced to resign his seat. He then joined the Communist Party and became one of its most active members.

The combination of political retreat and electoral defeat has left the party rank and file no option but to despair. Yet for socialists outside the conference hall there is no cause for despair. The last two years have seen an unprecedented renewal in militancy and in the willingness to fight back against the meaness and bureaucracy of modern capitalism. Workers everywhere, including low-paid workers who until now have been accustomed to accept 'their lot' without protest, have started to challenge this system.
Bosses ‘solve’ piecework problem and provoke battle for parity

IN ORDER TO survive successfully in the cut-throat battles of international competition, it is necessary for the motor owners to accumulate substantially greater profits. They urgently require these profits in order to increase their investments in modern machinery.

With the depressed state of the home car market, however, these profits can only be obtained at the expense of the car workers’ wages and working conditions.

WEAKEN

The long-term strategy of the employers is to weaken the workers’ struggle against the trade union organisations by introducing the introduction of piecework, productivity deals, job evaluation and shop stewards. This strategy, because it is long-term, cannot resolve the immediate problems.

In Chrysler for example, Measured Day Work productivity deals were introduced in 1968 and 1969, with the addition of piecework in 1972. The Chrysler workers have obviously learned from this experience that it is not beneficial to them in the long run, but it is possible it is beneficial in the short run. Thus they have as many as possible in the short run.

The use of the small numbers - 604 in 4030 was introduced in the motor industry. The Chrysler workers are being offered such a pitifully small number that they are beneficial to them in the short run, but it is possible it is beneficial in the short run. Thus they have as many as possible in the short run.

In every major industry the question of productivity deals is of central importance. The recent dock strike over a basic wage of £30 per week was fundamentally connected to the employers’ determination to introduce the Devlin productivity proposals. In strike after strike workers are struggling against productivity deals. At GKN Slockley, Ottemill and Dunlop the central issue was the reorganisation of the workforce - productivity. In the power industry and the mines the employers’ attack has been through the threat of productivity deals.

Some Cliff’s book is of absolute importance to every worker. Order copies now for your union branch and shop stewards’ committee.

BACON BOXES TO YOU, TOO...

By a Manchester correspondent

How’s this for rai-bagging? Denton Plastics of Old Trafford, Manchester, are offering a $100 a week prize.

A casual worker there recently managed a ‘miserable’ wage of £1.80 a week for a 66 hour week. When he got the job, running out plastic bacon boxes for Tesco, with all the work delivered, he was told that was the “as much overtime as you want”.

GREAT! But when he came to pay day, the boss kindly told him that the overtime rates only applied to regular workers, so he didn’t qualify for the time-and-three-quarters ‘bonus’.

STANDARD

And it also came out that casual workers were being paid a rate of 25c an hour instead of the usual rate for regulars of 25c an hour.

This seemed to be pretty standard for the other casuals working there. One black worker worked for three full days on a moulding machine at 5s an hour when he and his mates doing the same job were getting a shilling an hour extra plus the overtime and bonus schemes.

As all this wasn’t enough, the boss told the casual worker when he started that he didn’t need his cards — so he hadn’t got any stamps for the time he worked there either. Looking back at it, he wondered just what would have happened if he’d have had an accident while working there as he wouldn’t have been insured.

By a Manchester correspondent

He might have been able to sue the company for an accident at work on Friday.

Eventually, he decided to pack it in. But before he left, the boss asked him if he’d like to work on the Sunday.

Suspicious, our friend asked if there was to be any change of pay rate.

No, the boss, just ordinary time, 5s 6d an hour. Because, he explained: ‘Monday starts a new week.’

‘Our friend told him where to stick his bacon boxes!’

VITAL pamphlet for all militants by PAUL FOOTE

HOW TO FIGHT THE TORIES

A copy and postcard from: 18 BOOKS, 8 Cottons Gardens, London E2 8DN

NEXT WEEK: How to win...
AMAZING

The work is filthy. ‘Maggots are the worst part,’ said Mike. ‘When I went up there I was appalled. They’ve got us all up and we’re out to get them. Now I look and there are twenty of us on the door and the sign to the market is on the wall. You can see them.’

‘It’s amazing, some of the women’s rooms are really clean. The inside and outside of the houses are spotless. One of the women was walking on the street and said, “I don’t live here.”’

‘Some of them live in the slums and some of them live in the dustman’s house. I asked Mike about it. He said, “They usually get them as a result of the job.”’

‘I’ve been up to 100 tons in one minute. I’ve never seen anything like it.’

Body and soul

WORKERS threatened with redundancy at Upper Clyde shipbuilders because of the world’s worst shipbuilding depression say they will not relax until they are guaranteed to receive their full wages.

The workers have been told that their jobs are endangered because of the company’s loss of £203,000 and Wox has even threatened to limit the number of men employed on the ship.

Meanwhile, the woman in charge of the women’s rooms was said to be considering moving house from their present location because of the noise and dirt.

Mike has been told that he is the last man to work on the shipyard.

No ifs or buts

ARTIST 15 years working with the same fruit farmer, Mr. Arthur Smith, has been working in the fields of the company for two weeks. He is said to be happy with his job.

The artist’s son, Richard, aged 12, has been working with his father since he was nine. He said: ‘I don’t mind working in the fields. It’s better than sitting in the house.’

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Miners angry over six-week strike ballot

Left' and right union leaders unite to break GKN strike

by John Setters

Notices

LIVERPOOL, 15 public meeting. The out of the labour government and government of working class pete will be this week. The people who are gathered together, and the people of the city, will discuss the strike ballot and the Workers' Committee, will be held on Tuesday, 15th October, at 7.00 p.m., at the Free Trade Hall, Liverpool. The meeting will be addressed by John Setters, the secretary of the National Union of Mineworkers, and by James Steel, the secretary of the South Wales Miners' Federation.

MAGNIFICENT but betrayed is the one possible victory on the end of the GKN-Balfour strike at Wellingborough. The workers were out for six days. They had a tremendous following and determination to strike against the company's refusal to make the strike official and wait until the strike was contained. It was a mark of the workers' strength that they finally forced the company to make a deal for 23 weeks for most skilled workers for some soldiers

The 'left' officials of the TUC and AEP, Meirion and David

Pilkington strikers call for big St Helens march

ST HELENS: The rank and file members of the Pilkington's Joint Shop Stewards Committee called for a mass demonstration in the town on Monday, 12th October to defend the right to strike. 300 workers have been out for more than two months. They include steel, electricians, engineers, and electricians for the electronic industry. The call was made on behalf of the joint development committee. The demonstration was organised by the National Union of GKN workers, and supported by the National Union of Mineworkers.

SW Reporter

General and Municipal Workers Union which has refused to help them and openly collaborates with Pilkingtons.

Widely welcomed support has been given by the 12 October demonstration. On Friday, 9th October, workers from all over the country joined in the demonstration. The campaign is being supported by trade unions from all over the country.

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