

workers power

BOSSSES PLANS - MAKE THE WORKERS PAY.

"Is it my job next?" The Tory government has managed to get this idea firmly into the minds of working people. Not content to allow the World Recession to take its toll of jobs, Thatcher and Co. have deliberately set out to increase unemployment; interest rates, cuts etc.

In no way can the 2 million unemployed be put down to the "Mad Axewoman" or loony Keith Joseph. No, the policies of the Tories have been carefully worked out and are perfectly SANE when viewed from the position of the Ruling Class. They are hoping that they can use the recession to change the face of British industry, and most importantly "Industrial Relations."

Outdated and antiquated factories and plants are being allowed to go to the wall, regardless of workers' jobs. The Employment Act and Codes on Picketing have been brought in to deal with any effective action against their policies. The Bosses are determined to make workers pay for the crises in their system.

Beware YOUR LEADERS.

The fightback against these attacks has to be organised NOW amongst rank and file workers. The T.U.C. has shown at Brighton, that despite fine words they are incapable of organising any effective action against the bosses plans. They would much rather return to the days of beer and sandwiches at No. 10.

On our doorsteps in Reading we can see the dangers that face us if we rely on the Bureaucrats to lead our struggles. At Adwest over 50 T&G.W.U. and A.U.E.W. members came out on strike over 4 months ago, in support of a fellow worker who was victimised by management. Though the strikers were given very encouraging noises from the local union full-timers at the start of the strike, it is still unofficial.

The Reading Trades Union Council has also done absolutely nothing. At their

last meeting, whilst ignoring the Adwest strike they spent their time discussing what could be done to support a month of action in November against the attacks on Trade Unionists. All this when the Adwest strikers have been refused the right to picket; when almost 30 pickets have been arrested facing fines of £150.

A PROGRAM TO WIN.

Rank and file militants must organise inside the unions to force the unions to fight for the defence of every job.

Against the Bosses full scale war on all our jobs we must respond with a program that defends our needs:-

WORK OR FULL PAY. We must demand a guaranteed job or income regardless of the financial plight of any of the bosses, bankrupt or solvent. We won't pay for their crises.

CUT THE HOURS NOT THE JOBS. For the 35hr week now with no loss of pay. For workers control of hours worked and for the sharing of all available work between the whole workforce.

FOR WORKERS CONTROL OF HIRING, FIRING AND WORK RATE. For trade union registration of the unemployed.

OPEN THE BOOKS of bosses threatening redundancies to elected workers committees. No to the business secrecy that hides the financial trickery of the bosses.

FOR THE NATIONALISATION OF ALL FIRMS THREATENING REDUNDANCIES under workers control, with no compensation to the previous owners.

FOR MILITANT DIRECT ACTION to achieve these demands - occupation of factories threatening closure, blacking of work once done by sacked workers.

BEWARE DIVERSIONS

Workers Power will be fighting for this program against the inactivity of the bureaucrats and the "little englandism" of the Labour lefts and the Communist Party with their demands for import controls. Also against the "Right to Work Campaign" which, under the control of the Socialist Workers Party, cannot spearhead the fightback against Unemployment and the fight to get rid of Capitalism. However, the march they have organised from South Wales to the Tory Party conference will provide a focus around which militants can begin to hammer out the policies and organisation which will be needed to face up to the Bosses' plans.

Workers Power asks all militants to join with us in the fight for the above program. Support the Right to Work Marchers and

- * attend the PUBLIC MEETING called by the *
- * Reading Labour Parties and the Trades *
- * Council. OCT.2nd 7.30pm Old Town Hall, *
- * Friar St., Reading. *