

# Exodus, 1947!

Steel-helmeted soldiers armed with guns, clubs, rubber truncheons and water hoses, threatening, beating and spraying 4,500 defenseless Jews.

Steel-helmeted soldiers cursing violently as they drive these 4,500 people from the holds of ships that carried them for 55 days from a near haven in Palestine.

Steel-helmeted soldiers, acting under orders of the British imperial government, carrying out brutal, brutish orders that awaken in these youngsters latent feelings of anti-Semitism for having to do a dirty, evil job against a defenseless, weak and tortured people!

**Back to the land of their dead and living dead. Back to the land of their concentration camps, dungeons and gas chambers; back to the cemeteries which contain the rotting bodies of their relatives and friends.**

For the 4,500 Jews who were forcibly seized by the British armed forces in Palestine have not been returned to their country and their homes. They have no land. They have no homes.

**The world, the capitalist world, the imperialist world, which only yesterday hurled all the peoples into the greatest slaughter ever seen by mankind, has no room for several hundred thousand displaced and starving people.**

No place for them in the United States!

No place for them in Great Britain!

No place for them in unpopulated Australia, whose government officials announced yesterday that theirs is a land for whites only!

No place for them in Canada, or South America.

And no place for them in Stalinist Russia, the modern slave state which falsely calls itself a land of socialism.

## CUSTODIANS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

And so these people, to save themselves, sought a haven in Palestine where almost three-quarters of a million of their fellow-Jews now reside. They went there because they had no other place to go to. But they were intercepted by the British, the Royal British, who rule Palestine under a League of Nations mandate, and rule it like a colony with all the cleverness of their long experience as imperialist despots.

Who is responsible for this new crime against the Jews who have suffered for so many years for the old crime of being . . . Jews. It is not the conservative Tory government of Churchill; it is not a fascist Britain. No, it is Britain under the rule of the Labor Party, of men who call themselves socialists!

**There's the rub! They do not conduct themselves as socialists or like men who believe in the socialist future. It is not a question of their ill-will toward the Jews. No, it is that the leaders of the Labor Party who now stand at the helm of the government, act as the custodians of a dying British Empire—just as Churchill before them! Their conduct in Palestine, where the policy they pursue is not one whit different from that of the reactionary gang which preceded them in office, is the product of the "imperial mind."**

As with other questions of British Empire policy, the "socialist" leaders of the British government are concerned with maintaining the empire as long as possible, even though this once great power is slowly decaying and disintegrating on the rotten capitalist foundation which supports it.

Thus it is that two years after the great war to save the peoples of Europe from the scourge of German fascism, and in the first place the Jews, these same people are faced with a new uncertainty, a new hopelessness as a result of the imperialist profit interests of all the great powers.

## UNITED STATES SHARES RESPONSIBILITY

No, it is not Great Britain alone which is responsible for this situation. The United States, whose doors are shut tightly to the most helpless of all people, is as much guilty. And so is the highly touted United Nations which is currently engrossed in the problem of how big and how many buildings it should construct to house its thousands of parasitic pretenders to world peace and security.

**The 4,500 Jews of the Exodus are not the first, and if British policy prevails, will not be the last, who sought a haven in Palestine only to find themselves once more in crowded ships and trains, in concentration camps, under the brutal supervision and surveillance of special soldiers and police.**

The crime against Exodus, 1947 is a crime against all humanity. Labor of the United States: protest this brutal reactionary persecution of Europe's hungry, homeless Jews. Demand that the United States government open its doors to these displaced people.

**Demand the right of free immigration to the Jews as well as to all other displaced peoples!**

**Demand the right of the Jews to emigrate to Palestine!**