



THEY DID NOT PASS

CABLE STREET FOREVER!

On October 4, 1936, 250,000 people blocked a march by the British Union of Fascists through East London.

Workers and the unemployed came from Scotland, Wales and regions of England to stand in solidarity with the Jewish and Irish communities of the East End.

Led by the Communist Party, supported by other working-class organisations, they built barricades across Cable Street and elsewhere against police and Blackshirt attacks.

Soon afterwards, thousands of Communists and socialists travelled to Spain to fight the fascist rebellion of General Franco. Hundreds of English, Scottish and Welsh volunteers in the International Brigades and its medical units died there.

We - the people - won the Battle of Cable Street, but Franco destroyed Spanish democracy and built a brutal dictatorship.

The peoples of Britain, Europe, the Commonwealth, the Soviet Union, China and the USA then smashed German and Japanese fascism in World War Two.

But not before the Nazis had murdered at least 11 million Jews, Slavs, gypsies, gays and others in the Holocaust. They also killed 27 million Soviet citizens and millions of people in the other Allied countries including our own.

That's why we say today -

Fascism - never again



NO IFS, NO BUTS - NO TO RACISM

Photo of communist
Max Levitas, veteran of
the Battle of Cable Street
1915-2018

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The Black Lives Matter movement has highlighted the legacy of slavery and the slave trade - not only in the USA, but in Britain too.

Many banks, ports and the Industrial Revolution itself were funded from the huge profits.

The British Empire enriched the bankers and industrialists at the expense of the colonies. Racist ideas used to 'justify' the super-exploitation of non-white peoples still survive today.

Yet we all know that there are good and bad in every race and nationality. We are all on this planet together.

Pandemics, poverty, mass unemployment and global warming call for unity, not division. Prejudice and discrimination are unfair and dangerous.

That's why the Communist Party calls for:

- A non-racist immigration policy based on our common humanity.
- A one-off amnesty for unauthorised immigrants who contribute to our economy and society.
- A humanitarian policy towards people fleeing poverty, persecution and war - treat them as we would want to be treated in their place.

**Unite to fight for jobs, health,
peace and a better world!**