

Who marched and why at Cable Street?

Worksheet Sources

Source A: Edition of the BUF newspaper “The Blackshirt” announcing the march and showing the antisemitism that characterised the BUF.

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Advertisement announcing the march and meetings

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JEWISH PEOPLE'S COUNCIL

AGAINST FASCISM AND ANTI-SEMITISM.

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164 COMMERCIAL ROAD, E.1.

30th September 1936

REPRESENTING:

Friendly Societies.
ACHEB BIRTH
Lodge Nos. 1, 3, 9, 10, 42, 59,
71, 89, 100, 102.
GRAND ORDER OF ISRAEL
Lodge Nos. 16, 2, 6, 22, 36,
54, 88, 150, 154, 158.

SONS OF DAVID
Lodge Nos. 1, 2, 44.

ORDER ACHIB BIRTH
Lodge Nos. 4, 5, 37.

Trades Unions.
U.L.T.U.
N.U.T.G.W.
N.A.S.T.A. 15
N.U.D.A.W. (Met. Bn.)
London Jewish Bakers
Shop Assistants (Whitechapel).

Synagogues.
Vine Court.
Walford Road.
Treadle Street.
Sydney Street.

Youth.
Fed. Zionist Youth, C.C.
Kadimah.
Devonshire Lit. & Soc. Society.
Hafscar.
Isrl. C.C.
Isrl.
University London Jewish Youth.
Union London Jewish Youth.
League Jewish Youth.
Jewish Students Union.
Union Young Israel Soc.
Woodlanders.
Arts and Crafts.
Harcourt Society.

Zionist.
Fed. Women Zionist.
Bow Bow Zion.
Merkatz Isrl.

Workers' Circle Branches.
Central Committee.
Branches 1, 10, 11, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.

Ex-Servicemen's Movement
against Fascism.

AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS

The Right Hon. Sir John Simon, P.C.
H.M. Secretary of State for Home Affairs.

Dear Sir,

The Jewish People's Council is earnestly desirous for permission to have a deputation wait upon you in regard to the proposed British Union of Fascists march in East London on Sunday 4th October.

As a large organisation with a specialised knowledge of conditions prevailing in East London at the moment (resultant upon recent Fascist agitation in the Area), we are most anxious to assist the Authorities in maintaining peace and order.

We propose that our deputation be received by you on Friday, 2nd prox. at 11.30 a.m. When a petition supported by 100,000 signatures obtained within 2 days, expressing the feelings of East London's population in the matter of the proposed march, will be presented.

The deputation is in the position to support the petition by a reasoned statement, and it is our sincere hope, therefore, that in the interest of law and order you will accept the deputation from the Jewish People's Council.

The deputation will be led by James Hall, M.P. for Whitechapel and St. Georges, supported by A.W. Hall, Secretary of the London Trades Council, Father J. Grosz, of Christ Church, Watney Street, Stepney, E.1. and representatives of the Jewish People's Council.

Yours faithfully,

J. Peace.

Organising Secretary.

Extracts from the petition to the Home Secretary, organised and written by the Jewish People's Council: the covering letter; the petition; some of the signatories.

To THE RIGHT HON.

SIR JOHN SIMON, P.C.

H.M. Secretary for Home Affairs.

WE, the undersigned citizens of East London, view with grave concern the proposed march of the British Union of Fascists upon East London.

The avowed object of the Fascist movement in Great Britain is the incitement of malice and hatred against sections of the population.

It aims to further ends which seek to destroy the harmony and goodwill which has existed for centuries among the East London population, irrespective of differences in race and creed.

We consider racial incitement by a movement which employs flagrant distortion of truth and degrading calumny and vilification as a direct and deliberate provocation to malicious attack.

We therefore make an earnest appeal to His Majesty's Secretary of State for Home Affairs, to prohibit such marches and thus retain peaceable and amicable relations between all sections of East London's population.

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Mr. Bernstein	25 Harpeth Rd. Victoria Rd. E.8
Mr. A. Berg	16 Arch Rd. Clapton, N.16
by report	24 Apple Court, N.16
L. F. Shillito	61 Jubilee St. E.1
A. Gish	59 Commercial Rd
R. Goldman	107 1/2 Wyke Road, S. E.1
M. Porte	44 Leopold St. E.1
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Miss Goldman	337 Cambridge Rd E.2
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Mr. Marks	192 Devonshire St, E.1
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J. Richman	35, Kyndale Rd, N.16

SAVE THE EAST END OF LONDON FROM FASCISM
THROUGH STREETS IN PROTEST




NO LIBERTY FOR THE ASSASSINS OF LIBERTY
Let Gentiles And Jews Unite In Defence Of Freedom

WILL Fascism prepare civil war against the people? Tomorrow, Sunday, Mosley leads his "officers in charge of Operation 'M'" in the streets of East London. His uniformed forces will parade for inspection in Royal Mint Street, prior to entering the workers' quarters.

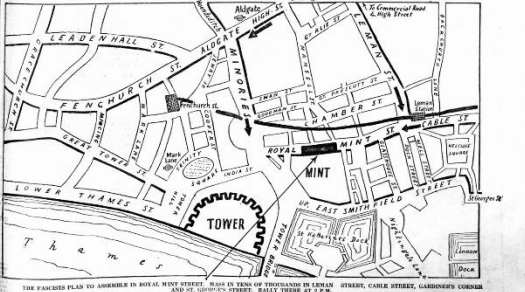
Mosley, aristocrat and turncoat, seeks to rouse feelings against the Jewish citizens of this country. If he thus succeeds in splitting the people, then he will be able to go on to destroy all democratic institutions. Anti-semitism is the old ruling-class game of divide and conquer. Mosley praises the heroes of Fascism—Hitler, Mussolini and Franco. Remember the massacres of Badajoz and Irun! Remember the torture chambers and concentration camps of Hitler! Remember the bombing and gassing of the Abyssinian people!

Londoners, assert your rights and defend your freedom. Protest against the Fascist plans to destroy trade unionism, co-operative and labour organisations, cultural and intellectual freedom!

All support to the East End protest against Fascism on Sunday! By 2 p.m., fill Cable Street, Leman Street, St. George's Street, Gardiner's Corner with the protest of London's anti-Fascist people.

Against Fascism! For Freedom and Democracy! For the victory of the Spanish People! For the raising of the blockade which deprives them of arms! For Peace and Freedom in East London!

—Communist Party, London District Committee, Young Communist League, L.D.C.



"Everyone understood its provocative intent. A challenge was being flung by the reactionary fascist forces at the workers of East London."

When the government refused to ban the march, the ILP argued that workers themselves had to stop it:

"The proposed march was a threat. The fascists were obviously looking for trouble."

"But the workers said NO! And NO IT WAS. MOSLEY DID NOT MARCH through East London."

Urgent Warning

It is understood that a large Blackshirt demonstration will be held in East London on Sunday afternoon. Jews are urgently warned to keep away from the route of the Blackshirt march and from their meetings. Jews who, however innocently, become involved in any possible disorders will be actively helping anti-Semitism and Jew-baiting. Unless you want to help the Jew-baiters

Keep Away

All out



Against Fascism—the enemy of the people abroad and at home

Against Fascism
London Workers! Anti-Fascists! Peace-lovers!

THE LONDON COMMUNIST PARTY CALLS TO YOU—
Rally to the Embankment (opposite Temple Station) at 2.30 p.m. on SUNDAY OCTOBER 4. March to Trafalgar Square, where LONDON'S YOUTH WILL VOW THEIR SOLIDARITY WITH SPAIN'S PEOPLE. Help the Youth to raise £100 at the Meeting for further medical aid in Spain.

ANSWER MOSLEY'S PROVOCATION
Join the Great March after the Meeting from Trafalgar Square through East London in opposition to the four meetings where MOSLEY will speak — then back to hear TOM MANN at the SHOREDITCH TOWN HALL UNITY MEETING

DEMONSTRATE AGAINST
FASCISM IN SPAIN AND BRITAIN — THE BUTCHER GENERAL FRANCO and the JEW BAITER MOSLEY

London: Printing Co. (P.C.), Welles Place, Clerkenwell, London, E.C.1.

Source E: Advert from The Jewish Chronicle, 2 October 1936. © Jewish Chronicle.

Source F: Communist Party leaflet advertising a march in support of anti-fascists in Spain, which was altered to reflect the Party's change of mind.

Source G: An Independent Labour Party (ILP) pamphlet (produced immediately after the event), *They Did Not Pass: 300,000 Workers Say NO to Mosley* gives us the ILP's view about the march.