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BERLIN RIOTS REMEMBERED

In this memorial garden lie the bodies of German workers killed on June the 17th last year in Berlin. On the anniversary of their death they are mourned by their colleagues who now call that day "The day of German Unity". This was the scene in Berlin on that day when thousands of workers rioted against the Russians. A small-scale strike, which began as a protest against a Red Order for more work, quickly developed into savage riots.

The Red Flag was torn down from the Brandenburg Gate and ripped to pieces by the mob. Then the Russians brought tanks into action. The riot was the first act of defiance by the Germans against their Red overlords. This year West Berlin workers attempted a similar disturbance, but Red troops, and the much-strengthened People's Police prevented such a large-scale rebellion. Nevertheless 214 people were injured in the skirmish. 46 Berliners (including three women) are now under arrest by the Russians.