

CIVIL WAR IN HUNGARY.

Budapest, the twin city which is Hungary's capital, is the flashpoint where the fight against Russian domination explodes into bloody revolt. Popular demand sweeps into power Imre Nagy, the Tito of Hungary, but unlike Poland's Gomulka, Nagy seizes the reins too late. The rebellion is out of his control, and soon assumes the proportions of the East German rising which first challenged Russia's power in Eastern Europe. As in Germany, burning buildings and bitter street fighting signal the release of long-pent-up resentment.

As in Germany, Soviet tanks go into action - but this time at Nagy's request; he calls on the Russian Army for help in restoring order, at the same time promising reforms when the fighting is over. But the fighting does not stop. Our cameraman filmed these scenes at the Austro-Hungarian border, where Austrian defence minister Graf is making a personal investigation. Most of Western Hungary is in rebel hands, and Red Cross supplies are rushed over the border - for casualties are reported to be heavy. Blood plasma is among the shipments.

Day and night the supplies pour in; the frontier is no longer the line of fear and suspicion it has been for a decade, for Hungarian soldiers have joined in the revolt. There are contributions from many lands. Supplies from Britain, too, are on their way from Vienna. Traditional Hungarian emblems, on building after building are replacing the Red Star.

At Magyarovar, a few miles inside Hungary, 85 men, women and children who were killed in the fighting receive a mass funeral; tragic victims of a conflict which has been a stern warning, to the Russians, that a people's wishes, a people's national pride, deserve respect before it is too late - before bitterness becomes civil war.