

Berlin *Shop Stewards* *EB 10/11* *1918* *Fight SB 005*

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Revolutionary Shop Stewards *Orderwin* *1918*

1918 in the general strike arose Revolutionary Councils.
1918 hundreds of thousands of workers came out of the factories in Berlin and Wilhelm II fled to Netherlands, and the abdication of the Kaiser was announced.

Councils were elected in factories and barracks, and an executive Committee of Workers' and soldiers' councils claimed full power throughout the Reich. Nov. 8th HL gets out of prison. Nov. 10th he gets to Berlin.

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Sept. 1918 a new wave of strikes breaks out. *p.710* From Nov. onwards, soldiers' councils appeared at the front and workers' councils sprang up in most major cities of Germany. The sailors council Kiel sent a radio message to Moscow.

For a short time, the situation in the provinces was more revolutionary than in Berlin. Revolutionary Shop Stewards and Spartacus, i.e., Liebknecht plan an organized rising for Nov. 11th. That date is voted down by the ~~workers~~ Stewards who set the 11th for the day. On Nov. 9th however, 2 days before, "deadline", a general strike breaks out in Berlin, and armed workers and soldiers throng the streets.

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