

GERMANS SHOOT NOTED FRENCH TRADE UNIONIST

René Le Gall, General Secretary of the Labourers' Union of the Seine-et-Oise department, has been shot as a hostage in Paris.

A report describing his death has reached Free French H.Q. in London.

"Le Gall refused a bandage over his eyes", this report states. "The Germans tried to break his nerve by taking a long time over the preparations on the execution ground. He was kept waiting for fifteen minutes. During this time Le Gall walked up and down smoking a cigarette. Before he was shot he shouted several times, 'Vive l'Angleterre!' and 'Vive de Gaulle!'"

In London, the National Federation of Building Trades Operatives has passed a resolution expressing its "abhorrence at the murder by the German authorities of René Le Gall" and placing on record its "appreciation of M. Le Gall's services to the French working class movement over a period of many years".

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