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(Leon Rosselson)

The cloth cap and the working class, as images are dated.
For we are Labour's avante-garde, and we were educated.
By tax adjustments we have planned to institute the Promised Land
And just to show we're still sincere, we sing The Red Flag once a year.

Firm principles and policies are open to objections;
And a streamlined party image is the way to win elections.
So raise the umbrella high, the bowler hat, the college tie
We'll stand united, raise a cheer. And sing The Red Flag once a year.

It's one step forward, one step back. Our dance is devilish daring
A leftward shuffle, a rightward tack, then pause to take our bearings.
We'll reform the country bit by bit, so nobody will notice it
Then ever after, never fear, we'll sing The Red Flag once a year.

We will not cease from mental fight till every wrong is righted,
And all men are equal quite, and all our leaders knighted.
For we are sure if we persist to make the New Year's Honours list.
Then every loyal labour peer will sing The Red Flag once a Year.

So vote for us, and not for them, we're just as true to NATO,
And we'll be calm and British when we steer the ship of state-O.

We'll stand as firm as them *

To show we're patriotic gentlemen *

Though man to man shall brothers be, deterrence is our policy.
So raise the mushroom cloud on high, within their shades we'll live and die.
Though cowards flinch and traitors sneer, we'll sing The Red Flag once a year.

* these two lines sung to tune of "send her victorious, happy and
glorious" from God Save the King.

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