

Q1) Name the revolution which led to the fall of monarchy in Russia & explain.

Ans) → The workers' quarters & factories were located on the right bank of the River Neva. On the left bank were the fashionable areas, the Winter Palace, & official buildings, including the palace where the Duma met.

→ In 1917, the winter was very cold - there had been exceptional frost & heavy snow which led to food shortages.

→ On 22nd February, a lockout took place at a factory on the right bank. The workers marched to the Winter Palace.

→ Fashionable quarters & official buildings were surrounded by workers, the govt. imposed a curfew.

→ On Sunday, 25 Feb, the govt. suspended the Duma.

→ Demonstrators returned in force to the streets of the left bank on the 26th.

On the 27th, the Police Headquarters were ransacked.

→ The streets thronged with people raising slogans about bread, wages, better hours & democracy.

→ The soldiers did not support police but ~~the~~ supported the workers. Soldiers &

Striking workers had gathered to form a soviet / council in the same building as the Duma met.

This was the Petrograd Soviet.

→ Petrograd had led the February Revolution that brought down the monarchy in Feb 1917.

Q2) What do you mean by Petrograd Soviet?

Ans) → By the evening of 27th Feb, soldiers & striking workers had gathered to form a 'Soviet' / 'Council' in the ~~so~~ same building as the Duma met.

→ This was the Petrograd Soviet.