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Children in a village in Iranian Kurdistan, 1979. In the 1960’s, more than half of Kurdish families lived in single-room dwellings, most with neither electricity nor running water. In 1979, 26 years after the Shah’s “White Revolution” was supposed to bring land reform, a Kurdish peasant said, “We have nothing here, no jobs and no schools, no electricity and no hospitals—no life and no future.”

Mohammad Shah Pahlavi poses with his wife, Farah, and his son, Prince Reza, at the 1967 coronation ceremony.
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*HINT: Compare the colored photograph to the cartoons!

Magazine photos showing life of Iranians under the Shah

The caption says: “The Shah had a lot of sympathy for The poor.”

The caption says: “Economic prosperity.”
Anti-Shah demonstrator at a Tehran rally. The pictures he wears are snapshots of the Shah’s SAVAK secret police victims.
Scenes showing how the Shah’s secret police, SAVAK, treated Iranian prisoners during the Shah’s reign. From Ebrat Museum in Tehran, Iran.
U.S. President Jimmy Carter and Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi in formal dinner in the Niavaran Palace in Tehran, Iran, December 31, 1978
PROTEST SHAH’S U.S. VISIT!

Independence and Democracy for Iran!

SHAH IS THE U.S. PUPPET DOWN WITH THE SHAH
“The BBC said there were 400 victims. The Shah said that a group of religious fanatics perpetrated the massacre. But the people knew it was the Shah’s fault!!!”

-excerpt from Marjane Satrapi’s Persepolis
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The Shah's Imperial Guard Shooting at Protesters, Black Friday, Tehran, Iran, September 8, 1978

"Black Friday" victims at a Tehran morgue, September 1978.