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Twelve useful tables and a bibliography complete the book. When British troops were dispatched to Saudi Arabia, in 1990, to take part in the liberation of Kuwait, there can be no doubt that, as with the Falklands, few Britons had more than a vague idea where Kuwait was. The new Labour government was in a worse situation than in 1964.

Britain since 1939: Progress and Decline by David Childs (Paperback, 2001) for sale online

The reason for Iraqi and Western interest in this small Arab kingdom was its oil. This implied measures to gradually reduce eligibility for state benefits, in order to get people back to work.

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Britain since 1939

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Yet Belfast surprised the visitor by its air of prosperity, fine shops, public buildings and parks. James Callaghan, Foreign Secretary, won praise from the Left by cancelling naval visits to Greece and Chile because of their authoritarian regimes.

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