

Yesterday's Events:

At PRESTON the power station was working normally. The town is quiet.

Bus services are fair in Lancashire on the whole. Special Constables are on duty there.

200 PENDLETON Co-operative employees delivering milk, bread and coal have joined the strikers.

WEST RIDING is reported quiet, with essential services maintained. At HALIFAX 50 transport workers reported for work to-day. Some textile mills have closed for want of coal.

At BRADFORD a large number of men in the building trade have ceased work.

At NEWARK the Police were obliged to disperse the strikers who were holding up a train at a level crossing. Order has been restored.

3000 men who tried to hold up a train at LEEDS were dispersed by baton charge of the police. One man was arrested.

700 Engineers are returning to work at ARMLEY to-morrow.

COVENTRY. The situation is quiet, but there are no trams or buses. All is quiet in the Midlands.

NORTH MIDLANDS. Beyond an attempt to interfere in the motor traffic, all is quiet in the North Midlands.

At NORTHAMPTON some shoe hands have ceased work through lack of trade.

All is quiet at DERBYSHIRE. 3000 men of the Stanton Iron works withdrew yesterday.

There are no trains at NORWICH. 3000 men are on strike in the City.

At KING'S LYNN the dockers are out, but there is no trouble.

Coal: In the North Midland division stocks held are satisfactory.

NORTH SHIELDS: Corporation workers refused to come out.

Recruits in the Home Counties number 21,069.

In the LONDON DOCK AREA, as the result of the withdrawal of T.U.C. permits tickets by Mr. Bevin, more work and more lorries were handled yesterday than on the previous day. 6000 sacks of flour were removed by one of the lorries yesterday.

British Ships at Rotterdam: The British Consul General at Rotterdam reports that the central Union of Transport Workers there have issued a proclamation calling upon transport workers and seamen to prevent the loading of coal bound for England, and to prevent the bunkering of coal on ships bound for this country. The Consul-General doubts whether full effect will be given to this proclamation.

Miners Executive: The miners executive were in session this morning from 9.30 to 11.30 at the Federation Headquarters. Just before noon Mr. Herbert Smith accompanied by Mr. Cook left to consult with the General Council of the T.U.C. Several of the members on leaving the Federation Headquarters, went to the House of Commons. It was stated that up to the present there was no further development in the situation.

Imprisonment of Mr. Saklatvala: The Speaker read to the House of Commons to-day the Bow Street Magistrate's letter notifying Saklatvala's committal. In reply to Mr. Kirkwood the Speaker said that members of Parliament enjoy no privileged position as regards the criminal law.

Mr. A.J. Cook on the situation: Mr. A.J. Cook the Miners Secretary, in a statement this morning repudiated the remarks attributed to him that "it is all hopeless". Mr. Cook himself said that he "hoped commonsense would prevail, and that the miners would get a fair settlement."

Mr. Ben Tillett on the situation: Addressing a mass meeting of the strikers at Reading last night Mr. Ben Tillett said that he considered the position was one for hope. He asked the men to remain firm and maintain order.

The Conference of the National Federation of Postal and Telegraph Clerks arranged for Monday next at Birmingham has been postponed.

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