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APPRECIATION OF POSITION

The beginning of the eighth day of the strike finds the whole country quiet. The rapidly improvised transport facilities steadily expand. The Government protection measures suffice. Although there have been important defections from the ranks of the strikers particularly among railwaymen, the men to-day still hold aloof. Meanwhile there is a considerable increase of unemployment due to the closing down of industries consequent upon the strike.

NEWS ITEMS.

The number of buses on the streets and trains on the Underground continue to increase. Suburban train services are also improving. Railwaymen including drivers, plate-layers and signalmen are drifting back to duty throughout Kent and Sussex.

The situation in the Provinces is fairly quiet with the exception of a few minor disturbances.

In some districts a number of men have returned to work.

TO DAY'S NEWSPAPERS

The majority of the London newspapers including the British Gazette were published this morning, and are about the same size as yesterday's editions.

BELFAST DOCKERS COME OUT

In accordance with the notice served on Shipping Companies, Belfast Dockers who are members of the transport and General Workers Union, and workers on the Liverpool boats last night withdrew their services.

SOVIET RUSSIA AND THE GENERAL STRIKE.

Moscow telegram states that having learned of the refusal of the General Council of the T.U.C. to accept the financial support from foreign Trade Unions, the General Council of the Trade Union of Soviet Russia have decided to return to the Trade Unions the sums transferred to the British Union and to promote a special relief fund for the British Miners.

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FOOD.

The situation in London is reported to be quite satisfactory. Foodstuffs have arrived by road from various directions. Meat, vegetables and fruit have come in quantities from the Continent, and have been easily cleared at the Railway Termini, while several ships are being unloaded at the docks. Yesterday a convoy from the docks took out 10,000 sacks of flour and huge quantities of other supplies.

SITUATION IN THE PROVINCES.

All districts reported satisfactory.

ROAD TRANSPORT.

In the London district the whole position is reported to be steadily improving. A scheme has now been completed for conveying vehicles. Yesterday showed a notable increase in the heavy transport on the road.

DOCKS.

London Dock Area is generally quiet, and it is believed that no violence from the regular docker heed be looked for. Disturbances caused mainly by hooliganism.

VOLUNTARY SERVICE.

The total number registered to date throughout the country amounts to 323,608.

TRAINS.

Railway services continue to improve throughout the country. Yesterday the L.N.E.R. ran 977 trains as compared with 760 on Saturday, and the G.W.R. ran 800 as against 600 on Saturday. The L.N.E.R. state that one third of the clerks in the North Midland Division have returned to work. They also state that their men are returning to work in good numbers and 800 resumed work yesterday, and to-day's goods services will include the usual milk and vegetable trains. A butter train and some fish trains will run. The G.W.R. states that the number of goods trains that will run today will reach well over 100. The L.M.S.R. The number of trains run yesterday totalled 1,227.

The Mill Operatives and Power plant men of the Flour Mills at Deptford and Greenwich resumed work yesterday, mills started producing early this morning.

10,000 bags of flour from the mills at Poplar have been delivered during the last few days.

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SMITHFIELD PACKERS.

With reference to the announcement which was made last night regarding Volunteer meat packers for Smithfield Market, we are requested by the Smithfield Emergency Committee to state that Volunteers will be seen at 14 West Smithfield at 10 o'clock this morning. Owing to an error the Committee did not specify the time at which applicants should present themselves at 14 West Smithfield in their original message. The Committee expresses regret for the omission which led to a number of Volunteers reporting last evening who could not be registered.

RAILWAY NEWS

The L.N.E. Railway expect to run over 1000 Passenger trains to-day. New train service bills issued at offices and stations of the Company. This advice applies also as regards to other railways. Good services, particularly food traffic is being worked to an increasing degree. The G. N. R. ran about 1,000 trains yesterday, including nearly 100 goods trains. To-day the Company will have 1025 passenger trains in service.

POLAR FLIGHT

A telegram states that the Airship Norge lying ready at King's Bay, Spitzbergen to start in time to-night for flight over the North Pole.

COVENT GARDEN OPERA SEASON

The Opera at Covent Garden last night was given to a crowded audience, and was received with the greatest enthusiasm.

BANKS CLEARING HOUSE FIGURES.

The Bank clearing House returns in Liverpool last week were £6,562,000 as compared with £9,357,000 for the corresponding figures last year

LABOUR GAINS IN CHISWICK

Labour gained a seat from a Conservative at the By-election of the Chiswick District Council yesterday.

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