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BRITISH STRIKERS BACKED ON CONTINENT

WORKERS IN SEVERAL LANDS DECIDE IN FAVOR OF SUPPORT OF WALKOUT

Transportation, Paralyzed in Early Hours Today, Starts Slight Movement Towards Evening; Otherwise Industry Tied Up

CLASHES OCCUR AT INDIA DOCKS Picketers Turn Back Vehicles and Some Overturned; Food and Milk Trains Only Railway Vehicles Moving; Trades Council Visits House of Commons

LONDON, May 4 (2.30 p. m.)—Labor's first attempt to tie up all the industrial life of Great Britain has been mainly successful since the inception of the general strike at midnight. Up to this hour no disorders of moment had been reported. The government's emergency services for supplying the necessities of the population are working and volunteers are running a few trains, trams and buses, but beyond this scarcely a wheel is turning throughout the country.

FIRST VIOLENCE The first approach to violence in the general strike came this morning at the East and West India cargo docks, which are in the heart of the Communist district of London. Large bodies of men compelled innumerable vehicles to turn back, and some of the lighter vehicles were overturned. The attitude adopted toward those proceeding to work, even women and girls, was far from friendly. All work ceased on the docks.

TRADES CONGRESS MEETS The general council of the Trades Union Congress met during the morning in Euston Square and left shortly after one o'clock for the House of Commons. Former Premier Ramsay MacDonald, J. S. Thomas, secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, Arthur Henderson, home secretary in the MacDonald Labor government; Herbert Smith, vice-president of the Miners' Federation, and A. J. Cook, his chief, participated in the conference. They declared no statement would be forthcoming before late this afternoon.

STRONG SUPPORT IN EUROPE The British general strike has had strong reverberations on the continent, where organized labor as a whole has shown indications to support the British strikers.

AMSTERDAM—The International Federation of Trade Unions, embracing the unions of 28 countries, has announced it will strongly support the British trade union congress. BERLIN RAISING FUNDS BERLIN—The general federation of trade unions has summoned their executive board to meet tomorrow to decide what course they will follow. The International workers' relief, said to be the main object of the meeting, is collecting funds to aid British miners. ROTTERDAM—The transport workers have distributed a manifesto to the dock workers asking them not to assist in loading coal for Great Britain.

PARIS—A joint meeting of the leaders of the French mine workers, the railroad men and the dock workers has been called on to decide measures to defeat any attempt to ship coal to England. BRUSSELS—The Belgian miners will meet Thursday to decide upon action. BELFAST—There is no crisis in Northern Ireland, the only Ulster colliery being still in operation. DUBLIN—Everything is normal in Southern Ireland except that shipping has been affected. ROME—The newspapers are inclined to be ironical, in that Italy, under "Fascism," is making progress in smoothing the relations between capital and labor, while "free" England faces the worst time in its history. In Hull the strike was complete, affecting all the trains and docks. The authorities cancelled a rehearsal scheduled for this morning in connection with the projected visit there of the Prince of Wales. In South Wales the stoppage of work was general, with none of the vital services functioning.

News of the general strike was received with enthusiasm in Aberystwyth, in the heart of the Welsh mining district, where hundreds of miners marched through the streets singing the "Red Flag." In Glasgow and the Clyde-side, the workers came out en masse as soon as the strike was announced. No newspapers are being issued there, but the shipyards are continuing work. The government's first news bulletin,

Cook Predicts Workers' Victory; Mond Says Govt. Will Win

Incidents of The Strike

PARIS, May 4—The Prince of Wales, who has been at Biarritz recovering from his recent operation, arrived in Paris this morning and went to Le Bourget flying field, where a special aeroplane was waiting to take him to London.

LONDON, May 4—Shapurji Saklatvala, the only Communist member of Parliament, was arrested today on a charge of making a seditious speech in Hyde Park on Sunday. He will be arraigned in the Bow Street Police Court.

LONDON, May 4—Scores of thousands of idlers lined the streets today watching traffic jams or gathered in groups to discuss the strike situation. Any sort of activity provided a show for them. One sight of special interest was soldiers parading at Wellington Barracks near Buckingham Palace. Long lines of people stood with their noses between the iron railings of the fence watching the manoeuvres. Strike pickets began to operate in various sections of London during the morning.

LONDON, May 4—As Big Ben boomed out 12 last night, the crowd clinging to the railings of the House of Parliament yelled hoarse-ly: "Comrades, the hour has struck." Then the great mass of people began to surge and eddy into a procession which started toward the West End.

BRUSSELS, May 4—(United Press)—The Belgian government today again authorized the exportation of German coal, due to the British coal mine strike.

BELFAST, May 4—Life in Ireland is proceeding normally despite the general strike called in London.

LONDON, May 4—Strike breakers are being hired by the Southern and Great Western Railways in order to maintain their service. The Southern Railway, which operates an extensive suburban service, expects to open a half hour service on some of its lines this evening.

Other railways announced that they are making every effort to increase their emergency service which is being operated by the few employees who refused to obey the general strike order.

LONDON, May 4—Tourists in England fled before the general strike today. Every available aeroplane was filled with passengers for Paris, and a number left in flotillas for the Channel ports, carrying tourists who were unable to leave England because of the inability of the railroads to provide trains.

Ex-Food Chief Says Cabinet Must Be Firm TORONTO, Ont., May 4—"The government must not yield. If it does the country will be driven to bankruptcy." This was the opinion of the present strike situation in England expressed here by Right Hon. George H. Roberts, food controller of Great Britain during the big transportation strike in 1919, who is in Toronto on private business. "What the miners are demanding," he said, "is the right permanently to have wages maintained out of the public exchequer. That means that every section of the working class is being taxed for the benefit of another section. Follow that up to its logical conclusion and the country will be driven to bankruptcy."

NICARAGUA IN STATE OF WAR; REBELS ACTIVE

Congress Takes Action To Quell Liberal Insurgents

2 TOWNS SEIZED Washington Sends Destroyer To Protect United States Interests

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, May 4—The Nicaraguan congress today declared the country in a state of war. The President was authorized to levy assessments against the citizens for \$500,000 to cover the war expense.

FATHER, 6 KIDDIES BURNED TO DEATH Mother and Two Other Children Escape in Illinois Blaze

BELLEVILLE, Ills., May 4—John Haas, 46, and six of his children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home here early today. Mrs. Haas, another son, and a three months' old baby were burned in escaping from the building.

STRIKE THREATENS BIG TOURIST MOVE Seamen and Stewards to Walk Out on Arrival of Ships in Britain

NEW YORK, May 4—Disruption of what promises to be a record trans-Atlantic tourist service may result if the general strike in England extends during the month of May, shipping line officials and representatives of British seamen said here today. Estimates of the number of tourists going to Europe this summer, based on general bookings in England for a half million persons. At a late hour today there had been no cancellation of bookings on the Canadian Aquitania, due to sail for England tonight.

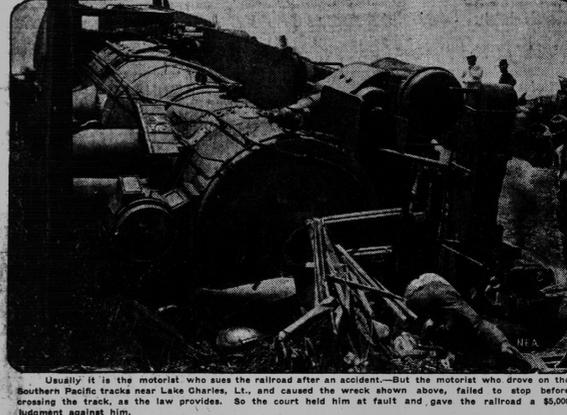
PAINFULLY BURNED Woman Places Hair Curler in Mouth—Adheres to Tongue and Upper Gum

PORT COLBORNE, Ont., May 4—Thoughtlessly placing the tongue of a hair curling iron in her mouth to see if the iron was hot, Miss Stella Rigby, of Toronto, who is visiting relatives here, was painfully burned today. The iron adhered to her tongue and upper gum and a physician had to cut away part of her tongue to release the iron.

British War Vessels Seek Spanish Flier HONG KONG, May 4—The British mine sweeper Marston and the submarine L-3 are cruising along the coast today searching for Capt. Loriga, one of the Spanish aviators flying from Madrid to Manila, who has been missing since he started from Hanoi to Macao.

DEADLOCK REMAINS VANCOUVER, B. C., May 4—The deadlock reached between the Vancouver Trades Unions and the General Contractors' Association over the five-day week issue remains unbroken, and the last report received from both sides in the dispute was to the effect that the fight would be to a finish.

Auto Wrecks Train; Driver To Pay \$5,000



Usually it is the motorist who runs the railroad after an accident—but the motorist who drove on the Southern Pacific tracks near Lake Charles, La., and caused the wreck shown above, failed to stop before crossing the track, as the law provides. So the court held him at fault and gave the railroad a \$5,000 judgment against him.

London Traffic In Hopeless Jam As Motors Make Effort To Replace Trains and Trams

LONDON, May 4—Twelve hours after the great British general strike had gone into effect, traffic in London streets was in a hopeless jam. The narrow thoroughfares of the capital were incapable of accommodating the unexpectedly heavy motor traffic caused by the cessation of service on the tram-lines, railways, underground and regular bus lines, and many streets in the business centers were solidly packed.

AMERICAN RELEASED FROM ROME PRISON Rome, May 4—An investigating magistrate today ordered the immediate release of John James Abbott, member of a prominent Boston family, who has been held in jail here for the last week. The charge that he had insulted Premier Mussolini was shown to be unfounded.

CANADIAN BISLEY TEAM IS SELECTED No Maritime Province Marksmen Picked For The Trip This Year

OTTAWA, May 4—The composition of the Bisley team for 1926 is announced by the Dominion of Canada Rifle Association as follows: Commandant, Major C. R. Crowe, Guichy adjutant, Major R. O. Wheatley, M. C. Ottawa, and the following shooting members: G. M. Emalie, sergeant, 48th Highlanders, Toronto; J. T. Steele, lieutenant, First W. R. Guelph; H. W. Burdon, corporal, R. C. R. Victoria; L. I. Johnson, major, G. F. G. Ottawa; E. Regan, gunner, Fifth B. C. Coast B. C. A.; Edmonton; J. Borland, sergeant, 48th Highlanders, Mount Dennis, Ont.; A. Farrell, company G. W. Burdon, R. M. R., Verdun; J. Houlditch, P. L. (A. and S. H. Hamilton); F. Richardson, major, 8th C. G. A. Victoria; K. R. McGregor, sergeant, the G. G. F. G. Ottawa; E. J. Reid, sergeant major, C. M. S. C., Esquimaux, B. C.; D. Fyvie, sergeant, Canadian Scottish, Victoria; H. Russell, sergeant major, R. C. E., London; H. M. Blair, major, Seaforth Highlanders, Vancouver; J. Pugh, lieutenant, R. O. Ottawa; D. T. Burke, lieutenant, G. G. F. G. Ottawa; F. Goodhouse, lieutenant, C. A. S. C. Ottawa; H. Collins, machine gunner, Esquimaux, B. C.

WATER RISING IN SAINT JOHN RIVER Climbed Six Inches Last Night; Stream Driving Conditions Continue Good

Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, May 4—The Saint John River here rose about six inches since last night and is still rising slowly. The cool weather is preventing very rapid melting of the snow and no heavy rain has fallen lately to cause a rapid rise. Rains are expected however. Reports from stream-driving operations are encouraging, the pitch of water remaining good, except where it is somewhat too high.

NEW YORK PAPERS OPTIMISTIC OVER BRITISH STRIKE CRISIS The Herald Tribune says: British temperance should be kept in mind whenever anyone attempts to forecast the result of an apparently critical situation in which the British people are involved. Revolution in Great Britain seems as absurd as an Arctic weather in Cuba or Iraq.

NATIONALIZED MINES IS HOPE OF WORKERS

Secretary of Union Looks For Decisive Victory Soon

LABOR IS BLAMED Sir Alfred Declares Strikers' Finances Cannot Hold Out Long

LONDON, May 4—The British government and the mine owners have united in this country to reduce miners' wages and to lengthen their hours. Thus they have forced the greatest conflict in British history, for the miners will accept neither. The consequence of this combination must inevitably be nationalization of the mines. The organization of the entire Trades Union Congress movement is at key pitch and there is not the slightest possibility of any division in the ranks of British workers. We are hoping for a short strike and a decisive victory.

COURT DECIDES There's Limit To Brotherly Abuse Recites Long List of Epithets Hurled At Relation and Quashes Verdict

NEW YORK, May 4—The Appellate division has decided there are limits to which a man may go in abusing his brother without incurring danger of being discharged from his position with the company of which the abused brother is in control. It set aside a verdict for \$24,000 obtained by Marlon Spelden against the chemical firm of Innes, Spelden & Co., Inc., of which Clement C. Spelden was president, for alleged breach of contract.

CANE IS WON BY MANCHESTER CAPT. Capt. J. R. Foale With "Manchester Regiment," Reached Montreal Last Night

MONTREAL, May 4—Captain J. R. Foale, of the Manchester Regiment, is the winner this year of the gold-headed cane presented annually by the Montreal Harbor Commission to the master of the vessel which makes the trans-Atlantic season. The Manchester Regiment arrived last evening.

MASS. FOREST FIRES DO HEAVY DAMAGE WORCESTER, Mass., May 4—Forest fires which destroyed one home, threatened scores of others and burned hundreds of cords of cut wood and many acres of timberland in many parts of Worcester County were still burning today.

THE WEATHER SYNOPSIS—The high pressure area now covers the great lakes, while low pressure prevails over the Gulf of St. Lawrence and over Alberta. The weather is fine and quite cool in Ontario. Cloudy, with a few scattered showers in eastern provinces, and fair and warm throughout the west. Scattered Showers. MARITIME—Fresh southeast shifting to west winds; cloudy, with much fog, today and Wednesday; scattered showers. NEW ENGLAND—Fair tonight; slightly colder on the east coast, with light frost on the coast and heavy in the interior. Wednesday, fair; rising temperatures in the interior; moderate northwest winds. Temperatures TORONTO, May 4—Lowest Highest during 8 a. m. yesterday night