

GENERAL STRIKE OF RAILWAY WORKERS IN BRITAIN PARALYZES INDUSTRY

"England's Black Saturday"—Public Opinion Solid in Its Condemnation of the Haste With Which Negotiations Were Called Off.

A despatch from London says:—Despatches from the provinces arriving in London since midnight on Saturday indicate that the call for the railway strike has been generally responded to, although in some centres with reluctance.

Public opinion, while not very well informed on the merits of the dispute between the National Union of Railwaysmen and the Government, is at present solid in its condemnation of the precipitancy with which the crisis has been carried to a head.

"England's Black Saturday," is the squalid head in one morning newspaper; and in many respects the line summarizes the preponderant feeling of the moment.

During the last few weeks optimistic views had begun to prevail regarding post-war conditions in this country. Production generally had increased; the output of coal, particularly, had gone up. Though much unrest and dissatisfaction still endured, signs had been noted of a general tendency to settle down, and, in fact, to buckle down to hard work, which was required to start the nation afresh on the road to prosperity.

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mercial renaissance. Now comes a war which threatens to bring the trade of the country to a complete standstill.

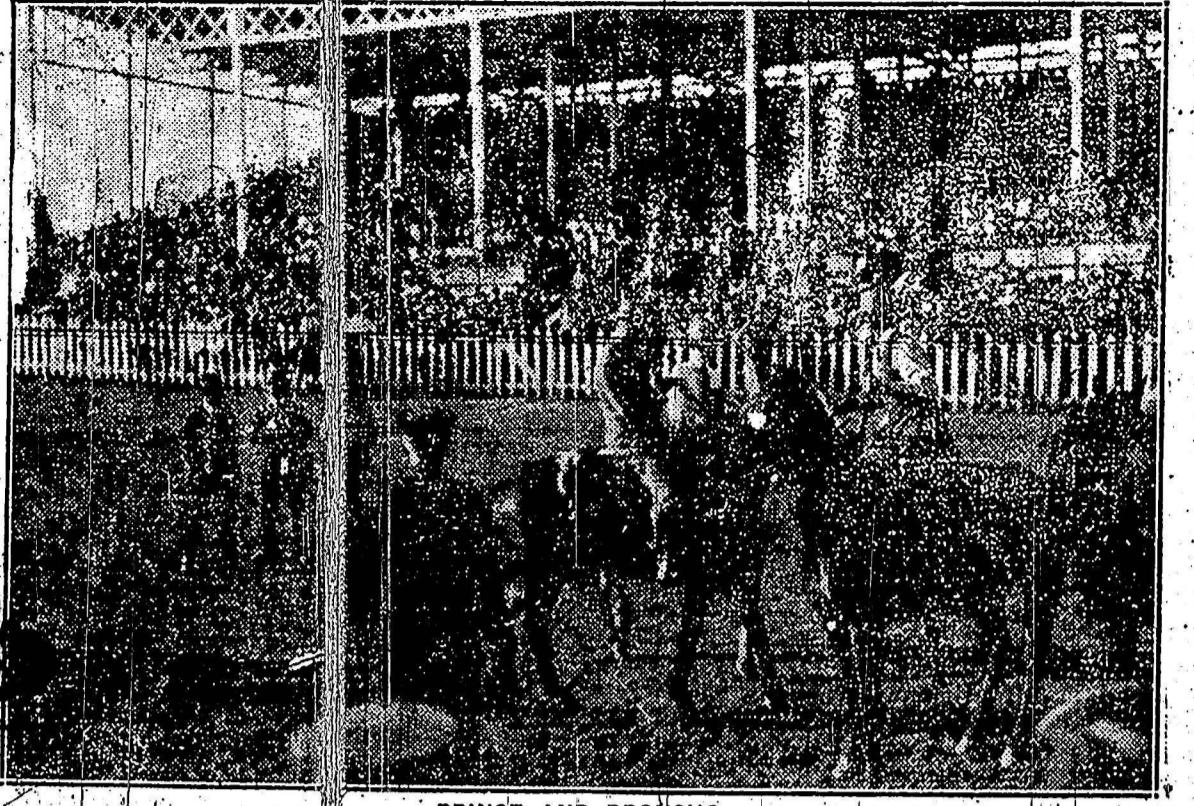
London, Sept. 28.—With over half a million men on strike, British railway services were to-day paralyzed from Land's End to John o'Groats. In Ireland there is neither stoppage nor even interruption. Lloyd George addressed to Carnarvon, where he was to have spoken to-day, a message in which he ascribes the light and unjustified way in which the strike was entered upon to an anarchist conspiracy.

"The Government has reason to believe," he wrote, "that the strike has been engineered for some time by a small but active body of men who through tirelessly and insidiously to exploit the labor organizations of this country for surreptitious ends. I am convinced that the vast majority of trade unionists of the land are opposed to this anarchist conspiracy."

For months past there have been sporadic strikes in every industry. When one strike ended another was called. It is contended that revolutionary elements had planned a deliberate campaign to ruin the country, and that this was their strategy.

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H.R.H. the Prince of Wales at the Saskatoon Fair after tackling a bucking broncho.

Weekly Market Report

Breadstuffs.

Toronto, Sept. 30.—Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$2.30; No. 2 Northern, \$2.27; No. 3 Northern, \$2.23; in store, Fort William.

Manitoba oats—No. 2 CW, 87½c; No. 3 CW, 87½c; extra No. 1 feed, 97½c; No. 1 feed, 80½c; No. 2 feed, 86½c, in store, Fort William.

Manitoba barley—No. 3 CW, \$1.15; No. 4 CW, \$1.14%; rejected, \$1.15; in store, Fort William.

American corn—No. 3 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow, nominal.

Ontario oats—No. 2 white, 87½c, according to freight outside.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 Winter, car lot, \$2 to \$2.05; No. 2 d. \$1.95; No. 3 d. \$1.93 to \$1.95; in shipping points, according to freight.

Ontario wheat—No. 1 Spring, \$2 to \$2.05; No. 2 Spring, \$1.95 to \$2.05; No. 3 Spring, \$1.95 to \$2.05; imported hand-picked Burma, \$4.00.

Linen, 15 to 16c.

Live poultry—Spring chickens, 22 to 25c; roosters, 20c; fowl, 18 to 25c; ducklings, 22c; turkeys, 30c.

Dressed poultry—29½c; triplets, 29 to 32c; Stilton, 3½ to 32c.

Butter—Fresh dairy, choice, 47½c; creamery, prints, 67 to 85c.

Margarine—\$6 to 38c.

Eggs—No. 1, 57 to 88c; selects, 61 to 62c.

Dressed poultry—Spring chickens, 20 to 25c; roosters, 23 to 25c; fowl, 20 to 34c; turkeys, 40 to 45c; ducklings, 34 to 35c; squabs, per dozen, 57 to 62c.

Live poultry—Spring chickens, 22 to 25c; fowl, 23 to 25c; ducks, 22 to 26c.

Beans—Canadian hand-picked, bus. to \$5.25 to \$7.50; prime, \$4.25 to \$5.25; dried, \$65 to \$75; sprouts, \$90 to \$150; fresh, 75 to \$75; beans, per cwt., \$9 to \$12.50; dressed, \$8.50 to \$12.50; yearlings, \$12.50 to \$18.50; calves, good to choice, \$17.50 to \$20.50; hogs, fed and watered, \$17.75; do, weighed off cars, \$18; do, f.o.b., \$16.75; do, do, to farmers, \$16.50.

Montreal, Sept. 30.—Choice steers, \$12.60 to \$13; good steers, \$10.50 to \$11.50; medium, \$8.50 to \$10; common, \$7 to \$8; butcher cattle, choice, \$11.50 to \$12.50; good, \$8 to \$10; spring lambs, per cwt., \$12.50 to \$13; calves, good to choice, \$17.50 to \$20.50; hogs, fed and watered, \$17.75; do, weighed off cars, \$18; do, f.o.b., \$16.75; do, do, to farmers, \$16.50.

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Provisions—Wholesale.

Smoked meats—Hams, med., 44 to 46c; do, heavy, 35 to 40c; cooked, 58 to 60c; rolls, 35 to 37c; breakfast bacon, 49 to 55c; backs, plain, 51 to 53c; boneless, 54 to 57c; clear bellies, 32 to 34c.

Cured meats—Loins, clear bacon, 23 to 34c; clear bellies, 32 to 33c.

Lard—Pure tapers, 33 to 33½c; tubs, 33½ to 34c; pails, 33½ to 34½c; prints, 35 to 36c. Compound tapers, 20 to 20½c; tubs, 29½ to 30c; pails, 29½ to 30½c; prints, 30½ to 31c.

Montreal, Sept. 30.—Oats, extra No. 1 feed, 98c; flour, new standard grade, \$1.10 to \$1.15; rolled oats, bags, 90 lbs., \$4.00 to \$5; bran, 45¢; shorts, 95¢; hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$22.50; cheese, finest, 25c; butter,

choicest creamery, 54 to 54½c; eggs, fresh, 68c; selected, 64c; No. 1 stock, 57c; No. 2 stock, 52 to 54c; potatoes, per bag, car lots, \$1.65 to \$1.75; dressed hogs, abattoir killed, \$26.50 to \$27; lard, pure wood pails, 20 lbs. net, 33½c.

Live Stock Markets.

Toronto, Sept. 30.—Good heavy steers, \$12.50 to \$12.75; butchers' cattle, choice, \$12 to \$12.50; do, good, \$11.25 to \$11.50; do, med., \$10 to \$10.75; do, com., \$7 to \$7.50; bulls, choice, \$10 to \$10.50; do, med., \$9.50 to \$9.75; do, rough, \$7.50 to \$8; butchers' cows, choice, \$10.25 to \$10.75; do, good, \$9 to \$9.25; do, med., \$8.50 to \$8.75; do, rough, \$7.50 to \$8; stockers, \$7.50 to \$10; feeders, \$7.50 to \$11.25; calfs and cutters, \$4.75 to \$6.25; milkers, good to choice, \$11 to \$14; do, med., \$6.50 to \$7.50; spring lambs, \$90 to \$150; fresh ewes, \$75 to \$85; yearlings, \$8 to \$10; spring lambs, per cwt., \$12.50 to \$13.50; calves, good to choice, \$17.50 to \$20.50; hogs, fed and watered, \$17.75; do, weighed off cars, \$18; do, f.o.b., \$16.75; do, do, to farmers, \$16.50.

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Fish—Salmon, \$1.50 to \$2.

Seafood—Clams, \$1.50 to \$2.

Crabs, \$1.50 to \$2.

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