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News Bulletin

London taxis join the strike. London taxi-cab drivers, through their union, the Motor Cab Protection Trade Protection Society, decided last night to join the strike. This decision was reached at a meeting of the Headquarters of the Society in conjunction with the Taxi drivers' branch of the Transport and General Workers Union.

Cross channel services cancelled. With the exception of those vessels to Greenock and Glasgow, the cross-channel services from Belfast were cancelled yesterday. It is expected, however, that other boats will resume this evening.

Newspapers appearing this morning. The "British Gazette" issued by H.M. Stationery Office, published two editions this morning. "The Times" also appeared but was restricted to four pages showing a leading article, a service of home and foreign news, and the usual Parliamentary news. "The British Worker", the organ of the General Council of the T.U.C. appeared for the first time with 8 page edition.

Londoners' trek to work. For the third time Londoners walked to work this morning, and displayed their accustomed cheerfulness. Motor cars of all shapes and descriptions from the most decrepit and the ultra-modern appeared on the streets.

Polar Flight. The airship Norge arrived at Gatchina at 4.30 this morning.

Soviet Officials executed. Three officials of the economic administration of the Soviet Commissariat operating in Moscow were shot yesterday by order of the Cheka. The charge against them was that they were at the head of a group of financiers engaged in currency speculation. A number of profiteers have been confined for various terms on charges of speculation.

Norway forbids coal export. The Norwegian Government has forbidden the export of coal and coke. Services to Great Britain have been suspended owing to the strike.

The peace spirit. The Bishop of Oxford will preside at a religious meeting all the churches in Oxford on Thursday night at which the following resolution will be moved: That for the future peace and unity of the country this meeting earnestly hopes that nothing may be allowed to stand in the way of an attempt to re-open negotiations.

Buses to Liverpool Street. Independent omnibus proprietors are running buses to Liverpool street this morning. The minimum fare is 3d. a policeman is on the front of each bus.



Naval cadets. The Naval cadet train left Paddington for Dartmouth and Plymouth at the appointed time this morning, and the departure of the cadets and other passengers was witnessed by a large crowd of people.

We are instructed by the Chief Civil Commissioner to make the following announcements with regard to train services this day:

G.W.R. Two milk trains arrived at Paddington this morning bringing normal supplies. A fish train from Milford Haven arrived last night. Certain trains have been arranged and will be added to during the day.

S.R. reports that 334 trains were run yesterday. There was also a service to and from the Continent. Trains for Dover and the Continent will leave Victoria at 11.0 a.m. In view of the improved conditions the public are requested to call at the Southern R. suburban stations, as in some instances a fairly frequent service is being maintained.

L.N.E.R. announces a considerable improvement in their train services for to-day. It is hoped to run 33% more trains in the North Eastern area of the L.N.E.R. to-day, covering main lines, particularly between York and Newcastle, and also on important branch lines. It is hoped also to run an improved service in Scotland to-day.

L.M.S. announces that increased quantities of milk traffic arrived at + r London stations this morning, and were taken delivery of without hitch. Suburban train services are being carried out, and an excellent start was made this morning.