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GOVERNMENT REVIEW OF THE SITUATION: There is nothing very serious in the way of disturbances to report said the Government spokesman today. The most exciting incidents appear to have been at Ipswich where feeling is strained. Special Constables were aalled in to the aid of the police, who were able to take command of the situation. The situation in nearly all the stations in London is satisfactory - five are not working quite normally but they are working still. There is no truth in the rumour circulated this morning of a bus having been overturned at Hammersmith and a Policeman killed.

STRIKE ITEMS: In Cardiff foodstuffs are being distributed freely. In Newport, Mon., efforts have been made to bring out the Power station men but so far without result. At Hale, Cornwall, a fordship was unloaded by volunteers under protection. At Southampton most of the printers are at work; trams and buses are giving better service St. Pancras dustmen who have been on an unauthorised strike for two days returned to work this morning.

Strike Picket gets two months' hard labour. Two months hard labour was the sentence passed at the Mansion House today on a meat ported for using violence to and intimidating a man with a view to compelling him to abstain from his lawful occupation; he was also charged with assult.

THE POSITION IN GLASGOW: Glasgow is peaceful and quiet today and more trams and buses are running. Sixty-six young men were remanded this morning in connection with a disturbance at a tram depot last evening. Employees of the BOROUGH OF FULHAM MUNICIPAL ELECTRICITY UNDERTAKING struck work this afternoon all BLAST FURNACE MEN at WELLINGBORO, HETTERING, WILBY, CRANFIELD and TWYFIELD, received instructions from the Union yesterday to cease work today, this was after the employers had met and decided to keep working as long as possible. Over 2,000 men are affected, but present information indicates an indisposition on the part of the men today to obey the Union's instructions. Mr. Ramsey MacDonald in a statement today said I am not allowing a moment to pass without some sttempt to de.? ..

ways of peace and accommodation. LEEDS OLSTRUCTOR GETS THREE MONTHS: Continual attempts to stop running of Leeds trams have been frustrated by baton charged at the Police. The sequel to it was the appearance of eleven persons in the Police Court, one of whom was given three months imprisonment for window smashing at CHESTERFIELD. Three men were sentenced to three months imprisonment with hard labour. A man said he wanted to be sent to prison until the strike was over. The Government point out that alarmist rumours suggesting that Saving Banks will cease payment etc., is a criminal offence We are instructed by His Majesty's Government to make the following announcement: All ranks of the Armed Forces of the Crown are hereby informed that any action which they may find it necessary in an honest endeavour to aid the civil power has the

full support of His Majesty's Government. We are further instructed by the Home Office to make the following announcement: Reports show that the situation remains unchanged and the Country is quiet generally.

In London concerted action by the strikers to prevent transport of food by road continues but the situation is being dealt with. In the provinces attempts are also being made to cut off the supply of electricity for essential services by calling out men from the power stations. The strikers are, however, being replaced successfully. More engine crews have returned to work on the G.W.R., and fuller service is being run today. At one place in Nottingham a ballot of bus drivers was in favour of returning to work. Lancashire reports increased services of trains, buses and trams. Birmingham district reports increased train services and many men are said to be anxious to return to work. No further volunteers are required for Mounted Police.

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