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SACRIFICE ?



From "FLAME" (The Spirit of the People)

VOTE LABOUR

1884: Most working men get the vote

1900: Foundation of the Labour Party

1918: All men, and women over thirty, get the vote.

Some reforms by the Liberal Government (1905-15)

1906 : first free school meals

1908 : first old age pensions (5 shillings a week)

1909 : first Labour Exchanges

1911 : National health insurance act



The campaign for women's suffrage 1860-1914

Direct action phase 1904-14

Country needs you (Kitschener)



1914 Outbreak of the
First World War

1916 Introduction of
Conscription





A British cemetery in France

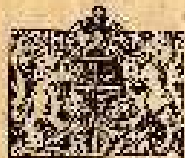
1924 : First Labour government

1926 : General strike

1929 : Second Labour government

1931: « National Government »

1936: Cable Street



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ONE PENNY.

FIRST DAY OF GREAT STRIKE

Not So Complete as Hoped by its Promoters

PREMIER'S AUDIENCE OF THE KING

Minors and the General Council Meet at House of Commons

The general strike which was expected to have been complete from midnight last night has not been so complete as was hoped by its promoters. The strike has been complete in many parts of the country, but in other parts it has been only partial. The railwaymen, for example, have not struck, and the postal workers have only partially struck. The result is that the country is still able to function, though with some inconvenience.

The King has received the Premier, Mr. Lloyd George, at 11 o'clock this morning. The Premier has been accompanied by Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. Birkenhead. The King has listened to the Premier's account of the strike and has expressed his sympathy for the workers. The Premier has also assured the King that the Government will do its utmost to maintain the peace and order of the country.

The House of Commons has met at 11 o'clock this morning. The House has discussed the strike and has passed a resolution expressing its sympathy for the workers. The resolution also states that the Government will do its utmost to maintain the peace and order of the country. The House has also discussed the Premier's audience of the King and has expressed its confidence in the Premier's handling of the situation.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress has met at 11 o'clock this morning. The Council has discussed the strike and has passed a resolution expressing its sympathy for the workers. The resolution also states that the Council will do its utmost to maintain the peace and order of the country. The Council has also discussed the Premier's audience of the King and has expressed its confidence in the Premier's handling of the situation.

FOOD SUPPLIES

No Hoarding in Food Stores for Economy

The Government has issued a warning to the public not to hoard food supplies. It has stated that such hoarding is unnecessary and that it is essential that the public should continue to buy food as usual. The Government has also stated that it will do its utmost to ensure that the public has access to sufficient food supplies.

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MILK DISTRIBUTION

Quantity of Supplies to be Reduced

The Government has announced that the quantity of milk supplies will be reduced. This is due to the fact that the strike has affected the production of milk. The Government has stated that it will do its utmost to ensure that the public has access to sufficient milk supplies.

HOLLIDAY OF THE COMMUNIST LEADER ARRESTED

Government and the Challenge

NO CLANKING

The Administration of a State

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THE "BRITISH GAZETTE" AND ITS OBJECTS

Reply to Strike Makers' Plan to Paralyse Public Opinion

REAL MEANING OF THE STRIKE

Conflict Between Trade Union Leaders and Parliament

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1926 General Strike : the government newspaper

THE BRITISH WORKER

OFFICIAL STRIKE NEWS BULLETIN

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THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1926

PRICE ONE PENNY

GREAT STRIKE TERMINATED

Trades Union Congress General Council Satisfied That Miners Will
Now Get a Fair Deal

HOW PEACE CAME

Telegrams Already Sent to All Unions Concerned to Instruct
Their Branches at Once: Miners Call Delegate Conference

The General Strike is over.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress proclaimed this yesterday, having reached the conclusion, as a result of a number of conversations with Sir Herbert Samuel, that a satisfactory basis of settlement in the mining industry can now be formulated. The official announcement was issued by Mr. Arthur Pugh, after the General Council had been received by Mr. Baldwin and a number of his Cabinet colleagues.

The Miners' Federation Executive will report fully to a conference to be convened to-morrow.

The negotiations which led to the termination of the general strike were facilitated by the intervention of Sir Herbert Samuel, the Chairman of the Coal Commission.

Sir Herbert returned specially from Italy, where he was

T.U.C. ORDERS

The following orders were passed by the T.U.C. last night at its ordinary meeting.

May 12.—The general strike is being terminated to-day. Members in strike areas, however, should be given instructions from their own local offices. The T.U.C. is telegraphing to all local offices asking them to give the necessary instructions to their members. We must stand by the termination of the general strike and not be held in view of the varying circumstances of the different areas concerned, but local offices will instruct in this point. (Signed) A. PUGH, Chairman.

W. M. SUTHER, Acting General Secretary.

taking a short holiday, to intervene whenever his services could be applied towards settling the differences between the parties.

A number of informal conversations took place between him and representatives of the General Council, as a result of which the General Council reached the conclusion that a satisfactory basis of settlement could be formulated.

The Miners' Federation and the correspondence which is published in this issue indicates in the view of the General Council, the steps which were taken which appeared to effect a settle-

ment of the strike problems which the situation in the Coal Mining Industry has given rise to.

The proposals, if accepted and accepted in a spirit of whole-hearted co-operation between all parties concerned, should result in a more equitable and amicable relationship than has hitherto existed in the Coal Mining Industry.

The Miners' Federation will be asked to accept the deal for the Miners. They are satisfied that this can now be achieved.

THE SUGGESTED SETTLEMENT

Sir Herbert Samuel's Memorandum suggests that real negotiations should be resumed, and the earliest convenient for a reasonable period as may be required for their purpose.

To decide wages and other conditions hereafter, a National Wages Board should be set up, in which there should be equal representation of the two parties, with a neutral chairman and an independent chairman.

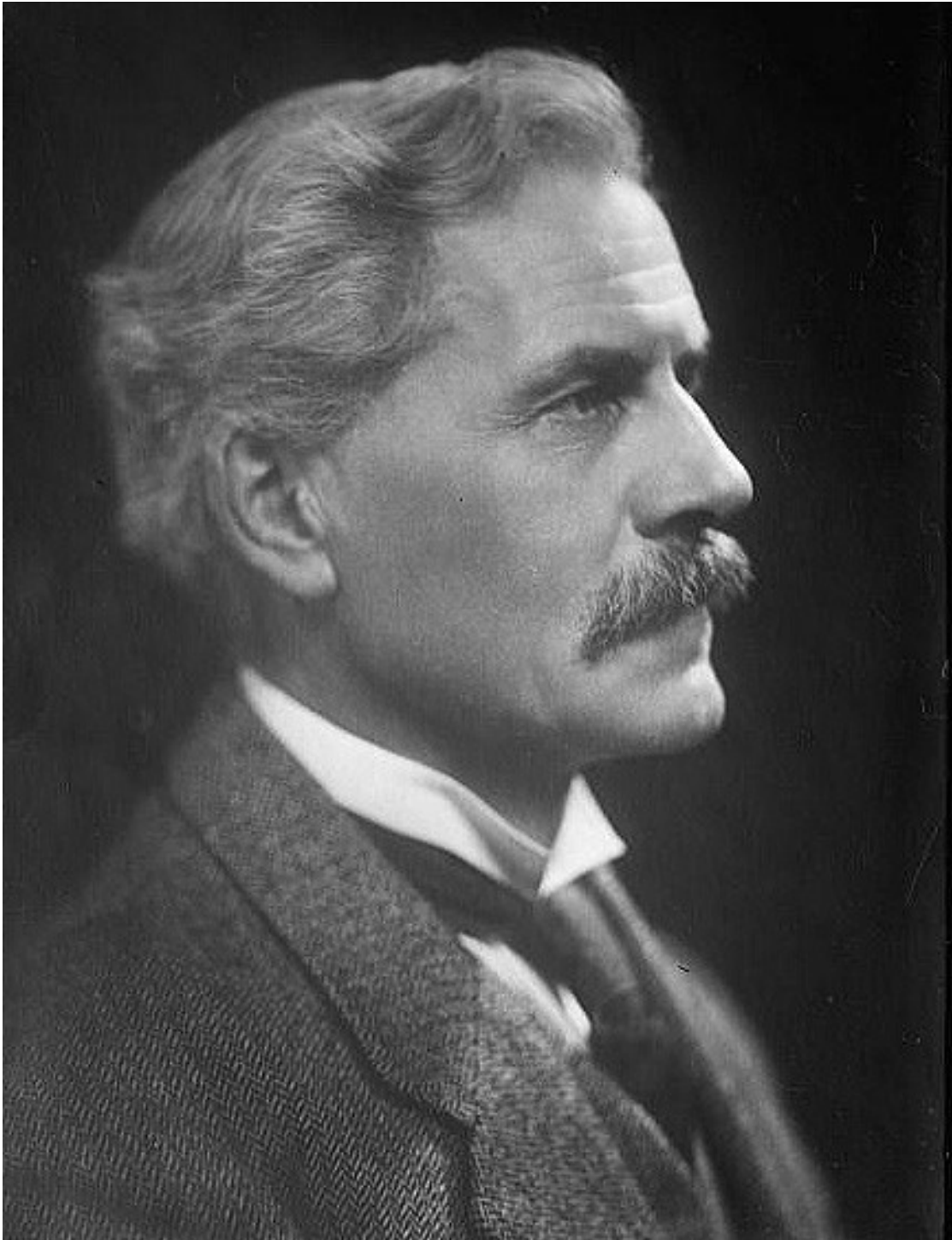
There is to be no review of previous wage rates until it is clear that reorganisation of the industry, as proposed by the Coal Commission, will be effectively adopted.

A joint committee, or the National Wages Board, is to co-operate with the Government in preparing the legislative and administrative measures required.

After these points have been agreed and the Three National Wages Board has considered every practical means of settling such immediate financial difficulties as may, if that course is found to be absolutely necessary, present in the preparation of a wage agreement.

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Ramsay Macdonald :
the first Prime Minister
from the Labour Party

1924: minority Labour
government

1929: Majority Labour
government

1931: « National
government ».
Macdonald is expelled
from the Labour party



Oswald Mosley, the British fascist leader

Tower Hamlets Environment Trust

THE BATTLE OF CABLE STREET

The people of East London
rallied to Cable Street on the
4th October 1936 and forced back
the march of the fascist
Oswald Mosley and his Blackshirts
through the streets of
the East End.

“THEY SHALL NOT PASS”



1936 — 1996

CABLE STREET

THEY SHALL NOT PASS



DOWN WITH FASCISM

NO TO RACISM



Winston Churchill,
Prime Minister from 1940
to 1945 and from 1951 to
1955



The Blitz



MANCHESTER LIBRARIES

The effects of the Blitz in Manchester





Dresden