

The Ulster Workers' Council was informed that full shifts of Tanker Drivers and Terminal Staff had reported for duty at Sydenham this morning.

THEY WERE REFUSED ENTRY BY THE ARMY

Had they BEEN ALLOWED TO WORK they would have supplied 141 Petrol Stations in N.I.

ALL DELIVERIES WOULD HAVE BEEN EFFECTED BY MIDDAY ON

A NON SECTARIAN BASIS

This does not take into account the No 1 priorities of Hospitals and Farmers which were being served directly.

MR REES

The men intend going to see Mr Rees at Stormont to inform him that they have been LOCKED OUT.

As a direct result of this all trade unions have been asked for their support.

It was stated that tankers earmarked for THE GASWORKS AT LONDON-DERRY WERE FILLED AND READY FOR DELIVERY.

ALDERGROVE

Aircraft refuellers at Aldergrove have come out in sympathy because the Army has been used to LOCKOUT the OIL WORKERS. The U W C having considered the statement from the OIL WORKERS have decided to give them FULL SUPPORT in their opposition to the use of the Army as a means of breaking the Constitutional Stoppage.

ALL WORKERS IN INDUSTRY

Accordingly all workers in ALL INDUSTRIES are asked to withdraw their support and in no way give any assistance to the Army in maintaining essential services.

REMAIN CALM

THE ULSTER WORKERS' COUNCIL APPEAL TO ALL PEOPLE TO REMAIN CALM AVOID ANY INCITEMENT TO VIOLENCE and ensure that their protests are entirely peaceful.

GRAVEDIGGERS

Gravediggers asked for guidance as to whether they should withdraw their labour and were advised to bury the dead today but to let the Army bury the dead tomorrow.

MEAT PACKERS

The MEAT PACKERS ASSOCIATION reported that they were 100% behind the U W C.

END OF STATEMENT

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