

Daily Coal Report - Wednesday 13 February 1985

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	<u>Number</u>
(i) Working normally	53
(ii) Turning some coal	27
(iii) Some men present	75
(iv) On strike/picketed out	19

We know
this -

Bolsover, Shirebrook and Coventry pits are now working normally.

By 4.30 pm 258 new faces had reported.

Area attendances were as follows:-

			<u>Change on</u> <u>last Wednesday</u>
Scotland	(24 hr attendance)	4,882	+ 374
North East	(24 hr attendance)	8,142	+ 868
Yorkshire	(24 hr attendance)	6,951	+ 551
North Derbyshire	(24 hr attendance)	6,809	+ 95
Western	(24 hr attendance)	11,868	+ 34
South Wales	(morning shift)	402	+ 22
Kent	(morning shift)	167	+ 7

Coal Movements

Weather again affected movements. 150,000 tonnes were moved yesterday.

44 coal trains ran.

Law and Order

Generally quiet. However, following disturbances outside the

Scottish NCB headquarters, fifteen arrests were made. The disturbances occurred when a petition was handed in alleging mismanagement of the Scottish coal industry.

NUM

600 delegates representing nearly 20,000 South Wales miners today called for a national delegate conference to discuss all aspects of the strike - though they also declared they were standing firmly behind their national leaders in seeking "an honourable negotiated settlement".

NACODS

The Secretary of State for Energy will report to Cabinet tomorrow on the outcome of his meeting with NACODS later today.

High Court

Yorkshire NUM area president Jack Taylor said today that the area had decided to call off mass picketing in compliance with yesterday's court order.

However the South Wales NUM today announced that it intended to appeal against the Court's ban on mass picketing at five Welsh pits.

Welsh Pit at Risk

A major coal face at Oakdale pit in South Wales is at serious risk because of flooding. The NUM have refused to provide the necessary safety cover for remedial steps to be taken. The Coal Board has warned that up to 2,000 jobs could be at risk if the pit - which is linked to two neighbouring pits - is lost.

SECRET AND PERSONAL

Line to Take

No change.

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SECRET AND PERSONAL

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MR
CW
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Mr Priddle.

Ms Beaton.

Mr Brown.

Mr Seoney.

Mr Gannatt.

AREA ATTENDANCES WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 1985

			Change on Last Wednesday.	New faces morn. shift
SCOTLAND.	(24 hr attendance)	4,882.	+ 374.	61.
NORTH EAST.	(24 hr attendance)	8,142	+ 868.	95.
YORKSHIRE.	(24 hr attendance)	6,951.	+ 551.	54.
NORTH DERBYSHIRE.	(24 hr attendance)	6,809	+ 95.	21.
WESTERN	(24 hr attendance)	11,868	+ 34	7.
SOUTH WALES	(morning shift)	402	+ 22.	2.
KENT.	(morning shift)	167	+ 7.	0

+ Notts 1
SMids 1
Products 1

243

15

New Faces : afternoon shift
(7. North East, 4. Yorks, 4 N. Derbys)

New faces today so far

258.

New faces this week so far

1,840.

this time last week :
new faces : 339
total so far : 3339

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