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STATE OF EMERGENCY

THE DOCKERS MARCH

Crisis Report. Four thousand strikers leave their homes and march from the docks to a Sunday protest rally in the rain. To the banners proclaiming past victories are added placards stating the dockers' determination to hold out at all costs. In Trafalgar Square, their leaders speak. First is Harry Venable, Docks Committee Member and Labour Councillor, who says he is not a Communist. From the two so-called "black" ships Beaverbrae and Argonaut, are Canadian seamen. Chairman of the unofficial Lock-out Committee, Albert Timothy, is next. For the Canadians speaks Bud Doucette another self-stated non-Communist. Finally the expelled Labour M.P. Platts-Mills takes the platform.

SPEECH

As a disturbance breaks out, Rally Chairman Sam Mott takes over.

All this talk while ships lie idle in the docks. Something more than words is needed to save the nation's food supplies.