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Chronicle and Echo

L W Dickens - article on Gen strike a few weeks ago.

The articulated men at Wolverton did something that raised local eyebrows. Worked as plate layers to keep the line intact, fighting and shindigs over that.

Could be yesterdays- 1st May or else during the week.
Mostly concerned with the General Strike.

Wolverton - prosperous people contented - tended not to have contentious confrontations in the aftermath of bitterness. General Strike was therefore a big change.

When came back from war short time (20s) Hard to spend savings.

1926 General Strike.

Time of ending trains (buses used to chase customers along the road - some of the men who bought buses and ran them are still alive now. Humphries older people might know of survivors of this company).

1926 Confrontation

Caused a great deal of bitterness and ill feeling.

Blacklegs.

Conic? Band played to the blacklegs as they went to work.
Front of Wolverton Road full of men out on strike. Row going on.

Those who intimidated blacklegs - never got back into Works.

Unionism was strong.

Primitive Methodists at the far end of Aylesbury Street about 2 blocks beyond the boys school. Considerable buildings

Threat of unemployment - concentrates mind wonderfully.

Young days very little crime. Wore anything but suit (navy Blue) only on Sunday.
Wore hat (cap, trilby, bowler). Bowler uniform of foreman.

Has no songs, singing largely hymns. Used to have locally produced comedies but stuff sung was from outside pantomimes - originally in Church Institute. Local Jokes.

? Any people who used to make these pantos.
E.g. Brown (WI) between wars

Contact Pillar Church called J. on Sunday school. Mr Eels Stacy Ave. Musician
about Pantomimes church adjacent to Market House

Vet Institute Some history behind it? Used to be a laundry.
App. School used to be the old market. This is conclusion reached by Mrs.
Warren.

Mrs Warren Yardley Gobion

Lived all life in Wolverton. Took to research after having children. Spent regular
periods at Delapre Abbey, Northampton
Stickler for getting things right. May have published.
Jack Gould lent us an article written by her.