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## Daily Coal Report - Friday 26 October 1984

	<u>Number</u>	<u>plus on holiday</u>
(i) Working normally	45	-
(ii) Turning some coal	10	-
(iii) Some men present	24	-
(iv) On strike/picketed out	95	-

Little change since yesterday. There were again good attendances in the main working areas, with NACODS working normally in these areas.

Coal Movements

It is likely that this will prove another excellent week for coal movements. 180,000 tonnes were moved yesterday.

38 coal trains ran.

Law and Order

9 men were arrested at Shuttlewood, near Bolsover, following fire damage to Coal Board property.

Pickets threw ball bearings at a bus taking working miners to Shirebrook pit (North Derbyshire).

In Scotland a working miner was seriously assaulted as he waited for a bus to Monkton Hall.

Sequestration of NUM Assets

Seizure of the union's assets has started. Funds sequestered will be placed on deposit or moved to the account of the

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commissioners of sequestration.

NUM/NCB Negotiations

Yesterday's talks at ACAS proved fruitless. The two sides are to meet again t an early date to be decided by ACAS - probably Monday. Scargill seemed determined to continue the conflict, so the chance of progress on Monday seems slight.

Line to Take

The NACODS settlement is a triumph for commonsense. It proves that unions and the Coal Board can negotiate sensibly.

Miners who care about their industry have only one enemy - the NUM national executive, whose intransigence is causing increasing suffering and hardship in mining communities.

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