

GREECESUBJECT: STRIKES AND DISORDERS.

The first transport of Greek workers for Germany leaves Athens May 16, 1942. Eight trains with twenty-six thousand workers left Macedonia.

(Source: State Dept. Cable No. 2053, Bern, Switzerland, May 13, 1942).

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"During the period between September 8-15 there were numerous strikes in Athens and Piraeus. These involved banks, printing establishments, power stations, railways, factories, one brewery and one hospital. On September 11th some students joined the movement. Demonstrations on September 11th were accompanied by sabotage of tramways. Axis soldiers intervened with a three hour ultimatum.

"Following this disturbance three persons were executed, and eight hundred were arrested. Three hundred eighty persons were evicted from their homes and eleven thousand persons were dismissed from their employment."

(Source: Office of Strategic Services No. 11825, Oct. 22, 1942).

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