

Sun 24 January 1951

STALEMATE IN STRIKE OF N.T. NATIVES

DARWIN, Tuesday.—The Darwin aboriginal strike—the third in two months—has reached stalemate.

Today is the second day of this strike, and Native Affairs officials, native strike leaders and officials of North Australian Workers' Union have no idea when it might end.

Native Affairs officials won't

take any action until after the hearing of a charge against the aboriginal strike leader, Lawrence, tomorrow, of interfering, by threats, with the right of the aboriginals to continue in his employment.

Last Wednesday, when Lawrence was arrested, police refused to allow union officials to bail him out. He remained in the lock-up until the court hearing on Thursday morning.