

TEXTILE STRIKE OUTGROWTH OF MACHINE ERA

'\$1,000,000 - A - Day' Walk
Out Directly Traceable
to Overproduction.

By United Press
NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Behind decision of the United Textile Workers of America to call a "million-dollar-a-day" strike, involving 400,000 to 640,000 workers in from 1,150 to 2,300 mills from Maine to Alabama, lies the story of a super-mechanized industry, hindered by overproduction and the competition of cheap labor.

The strike cost in wages is estimated roughly at \$1,000,000 a day, if effective.

The trouble is older than the 1929 debacle that brought its difficulties to a head, or the NRA which sought to correct them. It parallels the growth of the machine age.

Direct cause of the strike is a deadlock over the powerful union's demand that employers raise wages, lower hours, cure the evils of the "stretch-out," and adhere faithfully to the letter of controversial section 7 of the NRA, which provides for labor the right to bargain collectively.

Violations Are Charged
This section, the unionists charge, is being violated by mill owners country-wide.

Employers, on the other hand, say they have observed the NRA. The cotton textile industry was the first to codify under NRA. Wages were raised to \$13 a week minimum for the north; \$12 for the south. Work hours of fifty-four to seventy were reduced to forty. Child labor was abolished.

Union's claim that the \$12-\$13 minimum has been reduced to \$9-\$9.75 is answered by the 25 per cent production curtailment ordered twice within a year by the code authority.

While employers point to the fact that the textile industry never before enjoyed a forty-hour week, workers charge the machine load had been increased to the point where the average man is doing more work an hour than ever before. Labor demanded a thirty-hour week to provide more employment.

Production Is Curtailed
Production, under NRA, first increased, then was ordered curtailed for several months. Continued apathy in the market brought the second curtailment order last June 4. Younger union members demanded a nation-wide strike. Older heads of the union, which claims to represent 200,000 workers in the cotton textile branch alone, refused. The wisdom of their counsel was borne out when mill owners indicated that business conditions would make the enforced shutdown most welcome.

Subsequently, the now famous report of Leon Henderson, of the Russell Sage Foundation, on the cotton textile industry was released. It contended that "under existing conditions there is no factual or statistical basis for any general increase in cotton textile code wage rates." The report claimed textile workers enjoyed a 12 per cent increase in purchasing power over 1929. It was denounced as "misleading" by union officials, who declared the statement was predicated upon higher wages than the industry received.

'Employment Up 40 Per Cent'
Chairman George A. Sloan of the Cotton Textile Authority, in an address, claimed:

A 40 per cent increase in employment between August, 1933, and May, 1934, as compared with the similar pre-code period.

The claims left union leaders and the rank and file in anything but a pacific frame of mind.

The union, announcing it was bolstered by 500 new locals and 100,000 or more new members, convened in New York early in August to decide upon a strike. Southern delegations, led by the group from Alabama, where a cotton textile strike was a month old, demanded sympathetic action.

'Now Is Time for Action'
Leaders, prophesying that 600,000 workers would answer the call, declared that "now is the time for action." Delegates answered by issuing a mandate to their executive council to call out cotton workers before Sept. 1. The other divisions subsequently were ordered out in sympathy.

A five-man board of strategy was appointed, headed by Vice-President Francis J. Gorman. Strike headquarters were established at Washington, and in various regions where the industry is strong. Leaders confidently hoped for mediation in the threatened strike, but this week that hope faded and the strike was set for Sept. 1, or sooner.

Mill owners frankly are apprehensive. A strike on Sept. 1 will find at least 1,100 cotton textile mills, ready to begin heavy winter production, closed down. Should the other branches walk out in sympathy, the nation-wide strike would involve almost 700 woolen and worsted establishments and more than 1,400 silk, rayon and throwing mills.

COOKING INSTRUCTOR



Miss Mildred Batz

Classes in meat cookery at the girls' school to be held at the Indiana state fairground, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 30, 31, and Sept. 1, will be conducted by Miss Mildred Batz.

She is a member of the home economics department of the national live stock and meat board.

OIL ATTENDANTS AWAIT ANSWER

Demands Served on Their
Employers Discussed
by Union.

Following a meeting last night, members of Filling Station Employees Union No. 18990 today were waiting to hear the answer of employers to demands presented them last Saturday.

A proposed agreement asking for the meter system of checking, increased pay and better working conditions was presented to the Shell Petroleum Corporation, the Lubrite Oil Corporation, the Sinclair Refining Company, the co-operative Service Corporation, the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, the Purcell Company, the Phillips Petroleum Company and the Perine Oil Company.

The employers have until Saturday to answer the requests. Adolph Fritz, Indiana State Federation of Labor president, addressed the filling station employees at the meeting last night thereby giving official sanction of the state group to the new union.

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6 SUPERVISORS ARE GIVEN SCHOOL POSTS

Appointments Announced by
McNutt Aid.

The appointment of six state supervisors of emergency educational projects was announced today by Winston Riley Jr., emergency educational director for the Governor's commission on unemployment relief.

Supervisors and their projects are Dr. Ernest L. Bowman, Indianapolis, parent education; William Bacon, Indianapolis, literacy; Dr. Pleasant Hightower, Indianapolis, general adult education; Frank Taylor, Indianapolis, emergency vocational rehabilitation; Florence Bender, Goshen, emergency nursery schools, and John Dillon, Bloomington, vocational and workers' education.

The supervisors will act as liaison officers between the local and emergency school programs.

PARKED CARS LOOTED: CLOTHING IS REMOVED

Loss of \$100 in Apparel Reported by
Chicago Woman.

Mrs. Lillian Almquist, Chicago, Ill., reported to police last night that articles and clothing valued at \$100 had been stolen from her automobile parked at 15 South Pennsylvania street.

Other larcenies from parked cars reported to police are articles valued at \$86 from the parked car of Hugh Hiffman, Dayton, O., and articles valued at \$22 from the parked car of Ernest Sigell, 430 North Meridian street.

'LIBERTY' MEN TO MEET

Session to Be Held in Office of Al
Smith.

By United Press
NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Plans for extending the American Liberty League, founded by prominent Democrats and Republicans dissatisfied with certain features of the New Deal, will be considered today at a meeting of organizers.

The meeting will be held in the office of former Governor Alfred E. Smith. A campaign to establish the League in every state will be discussed.

The "BUY WAY" OF INDIANAPOLIS AYRES DOWNSTAIRS STORE

(REGISTERED)

Ladies! Meet Our
Brand New ...
**"Bonnie"
FROCK**
... A Sensational
New Style—In
Gay, Colorful Plaids

\$1.19

Here's a fresh new style for you. A style that will pep up your tired summer wardrobe, like a facial or a new wave does to you. The "Bonnie" dress comes in a nice percale plaid with a darling white pique collar trim. Sizes from 14 to 40 in bright, gay plaids of

- Greens
- Blues
- Browns
- Reds

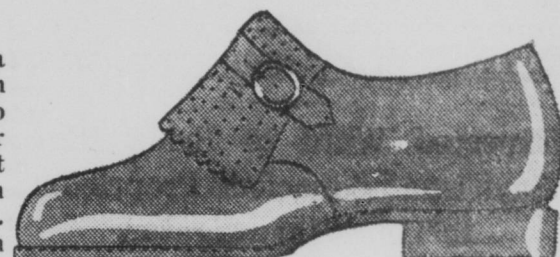
—Downstairs at Ayres.

A Smashing Sale!

Children's Shoes

Good Sturdy Quality
at a Saving Price!

\$1.39
PAIR



Here's a sale of children's shoes at a real saving just before they return to school. What an opportunity to save money. Choose from high or low shoes with solid leather soles that are flexible. Built with combination last, leather linings and calf uppers. High shoes have leather facings. In brown and black calf and patent leather. Oxfords and high shoes have rubber heels. Sizes 9 to 3.

"Famous Make" Boys' Shoes

SALE
PRICED! **\$2.95**

Black or brown oxfords in full grain elk or calfskin ... many with genuine sharkskin tips—solid leather soles. Made to sell for much more than this price. Sizes 11 to 6—broken size range. —Downstairs at Ayres.

Boys' Need Sturdy Togs

... and Ayres Downstairs
Boys' Shop Is the Place
to Buy Them—for Very,
Very Little Money!

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"Latham" Shirts
Made According to U. S.
Government Standards

79c Each

These fine boys' shirts are "committee bought"—assuring you of the very finest in quality and value at this low price. They embody U. S. Government standards of size, fit, quality of fabric and color fastness, plus Ayres Downstairs Store's rigid specifications. In white, plain colors and smart fancy patterns. Collar attached, sizes 6-14½.

Part-Wool Knickers
These sturdy knickers will wear and wear. They are fully lined and have knit grip bottoms. In browns, tans, grays and tweeds. Sizes 6 to 15.

All-Wool Sweaters
Long sleeve slipover sweaters of the very finest quality. Warm and heavy weight. In all the new popular colors for the fall back-to-schoolers. Sizes 28 to 36.

—Downstairs at Ayres.

Start Your Girls
Back to School
With Lots of
**"Cinderella"
Dresses**
\$1.19

The quality of "Cinderella" wash dresses for children and girls, needs no introduction in Indianapolis. Hundreds of children wear no other kind! Always smart in style, our new fall line is even more charming. Sizes 2 to 6 and 7 to 14.

"Patty Prim" Coats
\$8.95

"Patty Prim" coats are made especially for Ayres Downstairs Store. They're smart, they're fashionable and they're warm and serviceable. In all-wool chinchillas and novelty weaves. Sizes 7 to 14.



For the Kitchen—Bedroom—Dining Room—Sun Parlor!

9x12 Enamel Surface RUGS

For long service, for low price, housewives choose a 9x12 heavy felt base rug. It will "go with" your other furnishings in color and design. Choice of 5 patterns in tile or floral effect in green, blue, tan and red colors. These rugs are classed as imperfections ... but you've a better eye than we have if you can find the imperfection.

\$5.95

Sale of Odd-Size

"Crescent" Enamel Surface Rugs

Size 9x15 **\$7.95** | Size 9x10.6 **\$5.95** | Size 9x9 **\$4.95**

These splendid long wearing felt rugs come in a variety of excellent colors and patterns that will blend-in perfectly with your other furniture. An outstanding value because they usually sell for more money. All perfect quality.

Congoleum Remnants

Discontinued patterns of Gold Seal Congoleum in a wide selection of patterns and colors in red, green, tan and black. Perfect quality. Sizes up to 20 square yards.

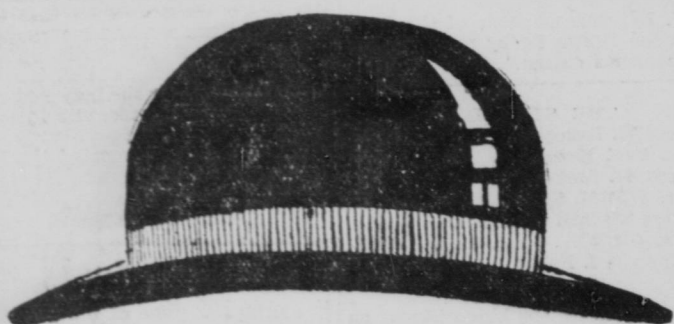
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Linoleum Remnants

These good quality, long wearing remnants come from 2 yards up to 4 sq. yards. In red, green, blue and black colors.

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—Downstairs at Ayres.



Whose Brown Derby?

AUGUST 28

What Indianapolis man will be crowned with the BROWN DERBY at the Indiana State Fair on Sept. 6?

What man will win the plaque that goes with the derby?

Clip this coupon and mail or bring to The Indianapolis Times. Just write your choice on the dotted line. Vote early and often.

BROWN DERBY BALLOT

To the Editor of The Times:

Please crown

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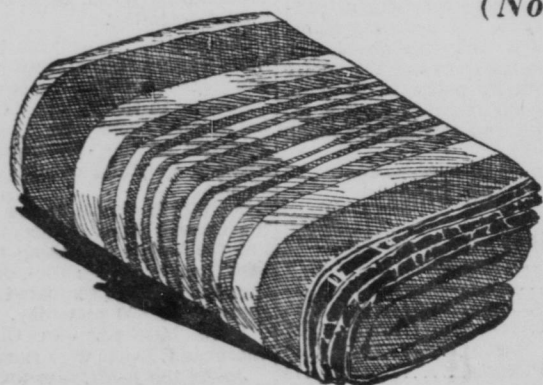
the Brown Derby as Indianapolis' most distinguished citizen.

Now Is the Time to Stock Up on

Part-Wool Blankets

(Not Less Than 5% Wool)

\$2.98
PAIR



Big generous size double blankets that weigh 4 pounds to the pair. Beautiful plaid designs in blue, rose, green or orchid. A real bargain at this August Sale price. Sateen bound ends.

Feather-Proof Bed Pillows

Generous 19x26 inch size. Filled with soft, downy feathers in a guaranteed feather-proof tick. In blue and white stripe only. Bargain priced. Suitable for gifts for the new bride.

79c
EA.

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