OFFICIAL CIRCULAR
United Mine Workers of America

OFFICERS & MEMBERS,
ALL LOCAL UNIONS, U.M.W.A.,
DISTRICT # 14.

GREETINGS: -

As you are no doubt aware the Retail Clerks Union of Pittsburg has been out on strike since April 2nd.

We find upon investigation that this strike was brought about by a pre-arranged program of the Retailers Association, to break the Clerks' Union, and is being forced at this time by Deruy Hardware Company; Manager of the Penny Store; the Ten Cent Stores, both Kress & Woolworth; and, Ramsay, Newman, and Seymour Dry Goods Stores. These stores are refusing at this time to sign a contract that requires them to return their old employees to their jobs. At least two of these stores are managed by Scab Herders from the infamous town of Joplin.

The Grocery and Clothing Stores have practically all signed up, and all of the Hardware Stores with the exception of Deruy.

Following is a list of the stores who are scabbing:

Deruy Hardware Company,       Bradley's,
S.H. Kress & Company,          A.V. Mummey Dry Goods Company,
F.W. Woolworth,                Fashion Shoe Store
J.C. Penny                    Coop-Dillingham Shoe Store
Ramsay Dry Goods Company,      Foraster's Credit Store,
Newman Dry Goods Company,      Gatley's Credit Store,

We will keep you fully advised of the situation, and as to who is actively leading in this fight against Unionism. In the meantime, we ask that you do everything possible to keep any and all purchases from being made in the above stores. Be sure that the store is UNION before trading with them.

Fraternally yours,

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BOARD.

M.L. WALTERS, President
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Pittsburg, Kansas
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