

NEW ISSUE RISES IN TEXTILE STRIKE

Question of Workers' Right To Strike Without Losing Job Before Board

Washington, Jan. 15.—The naked question of whether Section 7A of the National Industrial Recovery Act gives to cotton mill workers the right to strike without losing their jobs or being evicted from their homes came before the Textile Labor Relations Board today in the discrimination case involving the Ninety-Six cotton mill, at Ninety-Six, S. C.

Spokesmen for the management of the mill, which is headed by J. C. Self, of Greenwood, very frankly told the board that strike breakers were hired to take the place of those who went on strike, and the mill did not shut down; and they did not propose to discharge workers who kept the wheels of commerce turning in order to rehire employees who left their jobs voluntarily.

Union's Case

John Peel, vice-president of the United Textile Workers union, which filed the petition against the South Carolina mill, summed up his case by stating that 142 men out of 158 who came out on a strike have not been rehired, that President Roosevelt's executive order when the strike was settled has been flaunted, and the textile code of fair competition and Section 7A of the Recovery Act violated.

Judge Walter P. Stacy, chairman of the board, clearly stated the point at issue when he interrupted the hearing and said:

"Does not this case come right down to one point? Approximately 142 men went out on strike. Their places were filled and they have not been taken back because there is no place for them. They say they have been discriminated against. You (the employers) say they have not."

M.G. McDonald, Greenwood attorney who represented the Self mill at the hearing, agreed absolutely with the statement made by Judge Stacy.

Simple Question

A number of witnesses were put on the stand by both sides, but they offered no important testimony. The mill management admitted the men had not been put back to work and the whole question placed before the board for decision was whether or not Section 7A and the textile code give to employees a right to strike and retain their jobs.

Judge Stacy asked McDonald this question: "If employees lost their positions when they strike, would not this restrain them in their right to engage in concerted action for their own mutual benefit?"

McDonald argued that this provision had no connection with the question of the right to strike. He went further and said that the code and Section 7A did not apply to the 142 employees because when they quit their jobs, they ceased to be employees and the provisions of the code did not apply to them.

"I take it," Judge Stacy said, "that you contend an unsuccessful strike at Ninety-Six is not to be construed as a successful strike." "Exactly," McDonald replied. "There is a vast difference."

The attorney said if there is such a thing as an equity in a job that those now employed have a higher equity than the 142 who went out on strike. He said the evil done in discharging those now at work

would be far greater than the good to be gained by rehiring the strikers.

The argument made by McDonald was unlike any yet heard by the textile board. Entirely new questions have been raised and the board's decision, which is expected within the next two weeks is awaited here with interest.

Francis Gorman, first vice-president of the United Textile Workers, was present at the hearing, but left the presentation of the case entirely to Peel. Sitting within a few feet of Gorman was Self and other officials of the mill.

During the noon recess Gorman said he had never seen such a flagrant violation of the law, and declared the defense put up by the mill management was so weak that it "made him sick."—(News & Observer).

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Scotland Neck, N. C.
January 16, 1935

The Roanoke Rapids Herald
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"WHEREAS, the three per cent sales tax, enacted by the 1933 State Legislature, was enacted as an emergency measure only for the two year period, and whereas conditions have greatly improved in North Carolina during the past biennium, therefore;

"BE IT RESOLVED; First — That we petition the 1935 Legislature not to re-enact this obnoxious sales tax which is a direct tax on poverty in favor of the more prosperous corporations and landlords of the State. We feel that a tax imposed on the people of the State should be in proportion to their ability to pay, and we further realize that when we tax the poor and ignorant class of people we are imposing an unjust burden wholly unworthy of the State of North Carolina.

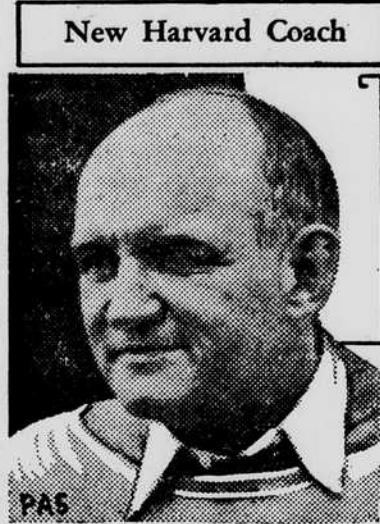
"Second—That our Senator and Representatives be instructed to use their influence and ability to have this tax eliminated at this session of the Legislature, realizing that there are ample sources that can be tapped to obtain the necessary revenue to run the schools and defray the general expenses of the Government.

"Third—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to each of our members of the 1935 Legislature, a copy to the Scotland Neck Commonwealth and other papers of the County, and a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Association."

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