

AMALGAMATED BEATS CLOTHING BOSSSES' UNION

Strike Now Centers Against Independents

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NEW YORK, July 1.—Thirty-five percent of the 40,000 Amalgamated Clothing strikers will return to work tomorrow morning in settled shops, following the surrender of the New York Clothing Manufacturers' Exchange. Full union recognition was won on terms which will be used as a basis for future settlements.

The settlement followed a day of inspiring mass picketing. Thousands of workers turned out at five in the morning to picket the struck shops. Numerous arrests failed to discourage the strikers one whit. All the discouragement was in the ranks of the bosses. Most of the arrested pickets were promptly discharged.

Will Beat Rest in Line.

The struggle of the Amalgamated will now continue with increased energy against the bosses outside of the Exchange and the union is confident that one hundred percent union control will be won.

Settlement of the Exchange shops was authorized by strikers at numerous meetings where the basis for the agreement was read. Strikers accepted the basis for the new agreement, details of which will be worked out later. The terms include:

1. Full recognition of the union by members of the Exchange and their contractors;
2. Maintenance of present wage scale, a minimum wage scale to be worked out by joint agreement of union and employers 30 days after signing agreement.
3. The minimum scale to be worked out is to be commensurate with and dependent upon production with the understanding that production costs shall not be increased;
4. An unemployment fund for unemployment insurance is to be established after December 1st, to be made up of three per cent weekly payment on wages paid workers, half to be paid by employer and half by workers;
5. Steps are to be taken to immediately set up arbitration machinery;
6. Agreement is to last one year.

Will Finance Fight

Financial support from the 12 to 13 thousand strikers who will return to the workshop will be of great aid in financing the battle against the bosses who are still holding out.

Union members see more complete unionization of the city than the Amalgamated has ever had. Non-union plants which have been lurking in the city are expected to be forced into line.