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Jan. 30th men of Department M-14 met in Metal Trade Hall for the purpose of trying to rectify grievances that existed in this Department, and at this meeting the men elected a Department Committee to act in conjunction with members of General Works Committee of that Division.

Feb. 1st the men of this department decided to make a demand for a general 15% increase in wages.

Feb. 2d Department met again in Metal Trade Hall and Committee reported a flat refusal of a 15% increase from Division Superintendent, but would raise men under-paid.

Feb. 5th Committee reports to Division Superintendent that men are willing to wait until Department adjustments are made.

Feb. 6th Department Committee secured passes and came to the members of the General Works Committee reporting that prevailing conditions were unsatisfactory and if a more satisfactory answer was not forthcoming the Department would shut down at 10 o'clock.

Members of General Works Committee took matter up with Division Superintendent and receiving nothing new, the Department shut down.

Moore and Murray reported that the Manufacturing Superintendent gave men the option of leaving plant or going to work. Both Moore and Murray advised the men to go to work, which the men did.

The men met that evening in Metal Trade Hall and decided, if things were made normal, to wait until February 12th for a final answer.

Feb. 12th, Division Superintendent reported to Murray that the increase of this Department had gone in for 55% of the day workers and that was the limit which was very unsatisfactory to the men. Murray tried to have Manufacturing Superintendent meet Department Committee which the Superintendent refused to do. He agreed, however, to meet any individual with understanding that they were not to be a Committee. This intensified the feeling of the men in the Department when reported.

Feb. 14th the men met again and it was decided that all men who received no increases make a demand for 10 cents an hour on their rate, also recognition of Department Committee.

The men were so dissatisfied in the department that they