

Workers on Strike At Crawford's Get Christmas Gift

Employees of the Crawford Furniture Company who have been on strike since Nov. 9, have been given a Christmas gift of \$15 each by the company.

Letters and checks are being sent to all employes of Local 45, United Furniture Workers (CIO) today, according to Clyne Crawford, president of the company.

The letter, sent over Mr. Crawford's signature, said:

"It is just a week before Christmas. Since it appears unlikely you will be employed by us prior to Christmas, there will be no Christmas fund authorized for this year.

"We have just discussed sending you a Christmas basket including turkey and other holiday foods so that you and your family might better enjoy this day as you have in the past. However, we realize that some of you may be invited elsewhere and that a cash present might be more practical. We want you and your family to be able to enjoy this great holy day as much as possible, and we are therefore, enclosing a gift of fifteen dollars to help make this possible.

Jacob Johnson, works production manager, Robert Johnson, superintendent, your foremen and I all join in hoping you have a Merry Christmas in spite of the unfortunate ordeal we are going through."