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Sterling Labor Dispute Widens

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Work Stoppage Threatened If Settlement Is Not Made

A four-point proposal including plans for a general area-wide work stoppage if the Jamestown Sterling Corp. strike is not settled was outlined this morning by Vaughn Rudy, Jamestown Area AFL-CIO Labor Council president.

Mr. Rudy outlined the four-point plan for a Post-Journal reporter shortly before 1 p.m. today.

The four points call for:

Intensified financial, physical and moral support of Jamestown Sterling Corp. strikers;

Seeking the aid of all influential area individuals from all walks

of life in formation of a citizens committee to seek settlement of the strike;

Approaching Governor Rockefeller again to take official steps in the wake of rejection by the company of his previous intervention and the recommendations of his mediation panel.

Instructing the steering committee to proceed immediately with plans for a general area-wide work stoppage if a settlement is not reached.

About 300 persons representing all major area labor unions attended the meeting, which started at 10:30 and was still continuing at 1 p.m.

The meeting, held in Nordic Temple, was called by Mr. Rudy, who urged all officers, executive board members and shop stewards of all local unions in the area, regardless of affiliation, to attend the session.

The strike of about 180 members of Sterling Local, United Furniture Workers of America, against the Allen Street Extension plant is now in its fifth month.