

First Meeting In 21 Days

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Sterling, Union Officials Resuming Contract Talks

Company-union talks in efforts to restore labor peace at strike-bound Jamestown Sterling Corp., Allen St. Ext., are scheduled to resume at 2 p.m., Thursday, in Hotel Jamestown.

The negotiation meeting was called by Martin Wersing, N.Y.S. Mediation Board member, and will be first meeting between opposing factions in 21 days. The last previous meeting Dec. 14 lasted but a few minutes and concluded when the company rejected a union proposal that future negotiating sessions be made public.

About 180 production workers, represented by United Furniture Workers of America, have been on

strike against the company since Oct. 3 when efforts of the union to obtain its initial contract with the furniture firm stalemated. Several bargaining sessions since that time have failed to settle differences.

The company will be represented at tomorrow's meeting by James Tillotson III, president; Leland C. Peterson, vice president; Walter J. Cornwell, superintendent; James Skoog and Walter A. James J. Howard Proudman, U.F.W. international representative, has directed union bargaining efforts.

Fifty-one workers entered the plant today as 25 police on foot.

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