

THIS WEEK IN LABOR HISTORY

January 25

Sojourner Truth addresses 1st Black Women's Rights convention - 1851

The Sheet Metal Workers International Association (SMWIA) is founded as the Tin, Sheet Iron and Cornice Workers' International Association - 1888

United Mine Workers of America founded - 1890

The Supreme Court upholds "yellow dog" contracts, which forbid membership in labor unions - 1915

16,000 textile workers strike in Passaic, N.J. - 1926

January 27

Samuel Gompers, first AFL president, born - 1850

Kansas miners strike against compulsory arbitration - 1920

January 28

American Miners' Association formed - 1861

January 29

United Rubber Workers conduct major sit-down strike in Akron, Ohio - 1936

American Train Dispatchers Department granted a charter by the AFL-CIO - 1957

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