

Hi, I am Samuel Gompers
and I am part of the A.F.L
union. We are protesting today
because our union members
are working too many hours.
We should get equal hours
for equal pay. We are at work
almost all day, and we bring
home little money. We need to
support ourselves and our families.
Working from 12 to 10 is way
too much hours. We get paid between
9¢ - 25¢ a day. My wife is sick
and I have no money to save for
~~a~~ hospital treatment. This is
a cruel government, we work
lots of hours with only a
15 minute break. We are humans
too, we need to pay house bills.
We get tired from constantly
working. Hopefully the government
and the public is listening to
us. If we don't get any
answers or improvements we
will go on a strike. A woman
got sick because she didn't have
enough money to support her family.

Even her children had to work to put food in their stomachs and clothes and their backs. There are other strikes going on in the United States. One example is the Haymarket affair. There was a riot and police opened fire, 4 workers were killed.