WE, the Cloakmakers' Union of New York, represented by the chairmen and shop committees of all shops in the industry, have carefully considered the recommendations of the Commission appointed by Governor Alfred E. Smith and declare:

1. We appreciate the thorough study the Commission has made of the difficult problems in the cloak and suit industry and particularly its clear and fair analysis of the evils of the jobber-submanufacturers' system, which is demoralizing our industry and destroying our labor standards.

2. We regret that we cannot accept the Commission's recommendations as a whole because we feel that they are inadequate to remedy our fundamental grievances. Unless the jobbers, who do the greater part of the business in the cloak and suit industry, are made to assume their just responsibility towards the employees who produce their merchandise, and unless the workers are assured reasonable employment and earnings and are protected against arbitrary treatment by employers, the 40,000 employees in the industry will inevitably sink back into the disgraceful system of sweating and semi-starvation. The recommendations of the Commission fall short of these requirements in several essential points.

3. We instruct the Joint Board of Cloak Makers Unions and request the General Officers of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union to confer with the associations of
jobbers, manufacturers and contractors, with a view of negotiating working agreements on the principles above set forth and we authorize them to take such action and measures as in their opinion will be necessary in the interests of our members to the end of securing for them a decent livelihood in return for their labor.