

Memorial Day Massacre, Chicago, 1937

This excerpt from a larger documentary includes the unedited Paramount newsreel footage of the 1937 Memorial Day march by steel unionists and their supporters to the Republic Steel plant. At the time, workers at Republic Steel, as well as other steel plants, were on strike demanding higher wages, shorter hours, and safer working conditions. The events captured in the newsreel are explained by one of the workers who participated in the march.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Q3RUGLfv0>