Module 04: The End of Optimism? The Great Depression in Europe

Evidence 15: Photograph of French Women Workers



Introduction

The photograph below depicts French textile operatives marching through Roubaix during a demonstration.

Questions to Consider

- What does the photograph indicate about those involved in protests and demontrations on behalf of the poor and unemployed?
- What kinds of people are involved in the protests? Note the presence of women as well as men of all ages. What does such diversity indicate about the nature of the protests?
- How visible are the police and other authorities? What does their presence in pictures such as this indicate about the potential for conflict during the demonstrations?

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H. Tiltman, *Slump! A Study of Stricken Europe Today* (1932: Jarrolds Publisher London Limited).