

Module 06: "Which Side Are You On?" The Flint Sit-Down Strike, 1936-37

Evidence 20: Herblock on the American Automobile Industry, January 7, 1937



Introduction

In 1929, Herbert Lawrence Block began publishing editorial cartoons in the *Chicago Daily News* under the pen name Herblock. Over the next seventy years, he established a reputation as one of America's preeminent cartoonists. His images were syndicated in more than 300 newspapers, and he won three Pulitzer Prizes. The following cartoon was published a little more than a week after the Flint sit-down strike began, and it was undoubtedly inspired by the incident.

Question to Consider

- What is Herblock's message about the automobile industry?

Document

[See animation on website.]

Source:

Herbert Lawrence Block, "The Trailer Era," 1937. Copyright the Herb Block Foundation.