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THE LATEST THING IN GOVERNMENT IS GOVERNMENT BY GUNMEN

*Big Employers Now Recruit Their Own Private Army in
the City Slums and Use It to Keep American
Workingmen in Slavery.*

BY N. D. COCHRAN

DO YOU know that we now have government by gunmen in this land of the free and home of the brave?

As the United States government will have to investigate this rival government some day, it might be interesting to know just what it is.

I had a chance to see something of it a few days ago when I visited Calumet, Michigan, to study the copper miners' strike. And I had a chance to study government by gunmen right here in Chicago last year, when the gunmen were governing for the newspapers.

There are in this country numerous strikebreaking agencies, or so-called detective agencies, who make it their business to supply thugs, slugs and gunmen to employers who resort to force to break strikes.

In Houghton County, Michigan, where the copper miners are on strike, the sheriff hired imported gunmen from the Waddell-Mahon Agency of New York and swore them in as deputy sheriffs, arming them with guns and official stars.

Sheriff Cruse told me he had 1,200 of them on duty, and that 400 of them were "company" men—that is, gunmen sworn in as deputy sheriffs, but on the pay-roll and working under the direction of the mining companies.

James A. Waddell told Walter B. Palmer, government statistician, that