

STRUGGLES FOR RELIEF AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE INCREASE

Families Cut Down On Food As Rising Costs Slice Wages

Workers Buy Less Butter, Sugar, Officials Report; Only United Fight of Workers, Farmers, Can Defeat Monopolies

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—Further startling evidence of the starvation effect of the Roosevelt program came to light yesterday in the official report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture which revealed that "a reduction of 4 per cent in domestic consumption of butter was reported for the first eight months this year." Since butter is a staple of everyday diet and always the last type of food to be dropped from the food list, experts have always considered the consumption of butter, sugar, etc., to be accurate indicators of the trend in the standard of living.

Recently, it was reported by the Sugar Institute, consumption of sugar has dropped this year below last year. At the same time that it reports shrinking consumption of butter, the Agriculture Department reports a steady increase in production of butter, so that today there is a record surplus of 174,857,000 lbs. of butter.

Recent official statistics indicate that the real wages of the American workers have been slashed since the beginning of the Roosevelt administration. The reported 6 per cent increase in wages has been eaten up by the 8 to 20 per cent rise in the cost of food. The net result has been an actual wage cut of from 2 to 15 per cent for the entire working class.

This information from the Department of Agriculture comes after the recent release of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration showing that the price of foods paid in the cities has risen sharply while the price received by the farmer has dropped, giving added profits to the monopoly middlemen.

The A.A.A. report indicated that the farmers now get \$6.62 for food that the city workers must pay \$17.95.

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Friday, November 10th:
Michael Gold will lecture on "Modern American Revolution: Literature" at 1373 43rd Street, Brooklyn. Auspices of Branch 21 I.W.O.
City-Grand Youth Club, 389 Grand Street, N.Y.C., will have a movie showing of "Land of Lenin" and the "Struggle for Bread."
Concert and Dance given by the Harry Simms Br. L.D., at the Co-operative Auditorium, 270 E. 12th St., at 8:30 p.m. W.I.B. Band, Prolet. Singers from the Music League, will be on the program. Admission 10c.

Saturday, Nov. 11th:
Mt. Eden Workers Center, 288 E. 174th St., will hold a Concert and Dance. Freehold Mandolin Orchestra will entertain.
Porto Rico Anti-Imperialist League will hold a Dance and Movie showing at 240 Columbia St., Brooklyn.
House Party and Entertainment at the home of Conrad Sanderoff, 151 E. 18th St., Apt. 45, Bronx. Auspices Sacco-Vanzetti Br. L.D.
Spaghetti Party, Dancing and Entertainment at the studio at 28 East 14th St., Apt. 12, Adm. 10c. Rosaly Simons will dance.
Jerome Workers Club will hold a house party at home of Wyner, 1785 Weeks Ave., Apt. 8-9, Bronx.
House Party given by Unit 22 at 1923 Vise Ave., Apt. 1-K, Bronx.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Soviet Talk Barred
PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 9.—Students of the Central High School were forbidden the use of the school auditorium by Dr. John L. Haney, their principal, when they requested the audience to hear an address on Soviet recognition by W. Curtis Bok.

Women Win Vote
MANILA, Nov. 9.—A bill passed today by the Insular Legislature gave women the right to vote in the Philippines after January 1, 1935. Filipino women are the first to be enfranchised in the Far East.

City Charged With Death of 11 Negroes
Mass Meeting Protests Tenement Fire Deaths

NEW YORK.—Responsibility for the roasting to death of 11 Negro children, women and men in the fire which destroyed the tinder-box tenement at 361 Bristol St., Brooklyn, was placed directly at the door of the city and state governments by a mass meeting of white and Negro workers Monday night at 361 Amboy St.

A resolution adopted by the assembled workers vigorously denounced the pestilential housing conditions forced on the Negro masses by the ruling class policy of residential segregation of Negroes. It demands the abolition of slum conditions and segregation. Copies of the resolution were ordered sent to Mayor O'Brien, Mayor-elect LaGuardia and Gov. Lehman.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Workers' Self-Educational Club.

N. J. Laundry Union Drives Out AFL, Votes to Join Indus. Union

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 9.—Rank and file laundry workers here successfully defeated an attempt to organize a union of laundry workers under the A. F. of L., when they expelled the racketeer officials and elected their own leadership last week.

The new union, known as the Laundry Workers' and Drivers' Union has a membership of over 500. At its meeting last Friday, the workers voted to apply for membership in the Laundry Workers' Industrial Union in N. Y. A committee of 20 Negro and white workers were elected to protest to Governor Moore against the proposed state laundry code by means of which the laundry bosses intend to legalize starvation wages in the industry.

Longshoremen Near St. Louis Quit; Demand Committee Recognition

CAIRO, Mo.—Longshoremen members of the Marine Workers Industrial Union walked off the job in this city, which is near St. Louis, when the boss, Mooney, refused to rehire a member of the dock committee. Mooney stated that the dock committee didn't mean a damn thing to him.

As a result of this action the men voted for a complete stoppage until assurances of full committee recognition were granted and the men re-hired. The men in St. Louis are ready to support the action of the Cairo marine workers to the limit.

Home Relief's Rawest Deal Given to Negro Unemployed

Monday's installment of Elizabeth Potamkin's first-hand account of Home Relief Bureau cruelties revealed the severe torment under which not only the pauperized workers, but also the relief employees, are forced to work. The third installment of this first-hand exposure follows:

By ELIZABETH POTAMKIN

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When I visited Mrs. O'Malley the Salvation Army in its "kindness" has given her a slice loaf of bread. She cut the bread in two when I was there and said, "My neighbor hasn't had a thing to eat for days. I'd better give her some of this."

When I first came to Home Relief, there were dreary days, rounds of marching in the snow and rain, hunger, angry, oppressed. Not a happy relationship — nothing funny ever happened. What can be funny about hunger, misery and slow starvation? It was stark and grim.

But to the Home Relief Bureaus came the Unemployed Councils and they cut through all the bunkum of Home Relief. They came with direct, immediate demands for relief of the jobless. These groups beaten, threatened, thrown into prison, but they came again and again. They are still coming.

Not the Tammany Way
When the Unemployed Councils first came to the bureaus, the feeling among the workers in the bureaus was one of terror. None of us were used to honest direct means. Supervisors grew alarmed. They did not know how to cope with such an approach — so simple and direct. The telephone buzzed. The almighty ones were trying to think up ways of meeting with these people. Will they take money? Let's give them everything they ask for! This is just what we want to avoid. Militancy from people asking for what belongs to them. To some of us workers it was the first breath of something heroic, sincere and hopeful. When the Unemployed Council came to the Bureau on East Broadway I walked to the window. I wanted to hear what they had to say. My supervisor shouted

Steel and Mine Workers Launching Hunger March; Tacoma Compelled to Endorse Social Insurance Bill

Unemployed March on Pittsburgh, for Relief, on Nov. 28th

City Withholds Permit; United Front Action Committee Formed

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 9.—A United County Hunger March will be held Tuesday, Nov. 28, two days before Thanksgiving, at the call of the Joint Action Committee, which has 386 delegates from the steel workers and miners of Allegheny County.

The permit for West Park has already been endorsed at mass meetings embracing over 3,500 workers, while trade unions numbering 3,200 have similarly endorsed the March and the demands for which the March is taking place—increased relief and unemployment insurance.

Steel Union Active
Fifty thousand leaflets are being printed in addition to the 10,000 stickers. Union leaflets, leaflets in different languages, are likewise being issued. The Steel & Metal Workers' Industrial Union has made arrangements for calling a series of mass meetings prior to the march in order to involve the unemployed and part-time employed steel workers.

Mass delegations, and several demonstrations in preparation for the March have been organized. Committees of 100, of 75, etc., have been increased. Eviction fights and struggles against sheriff and constable sales are growing.

The Women's Sections of the Councils held a Conference on Nov. 1 and decided to organize many women's delegations to demand a turkey for Thanksgiving for all unemployed. On Wednesday, Nov. 15, all of the local committees and delegations will unite on a county scale, and many hundreds of women are expected to go to the office of the Relief Board demanding turkeys.

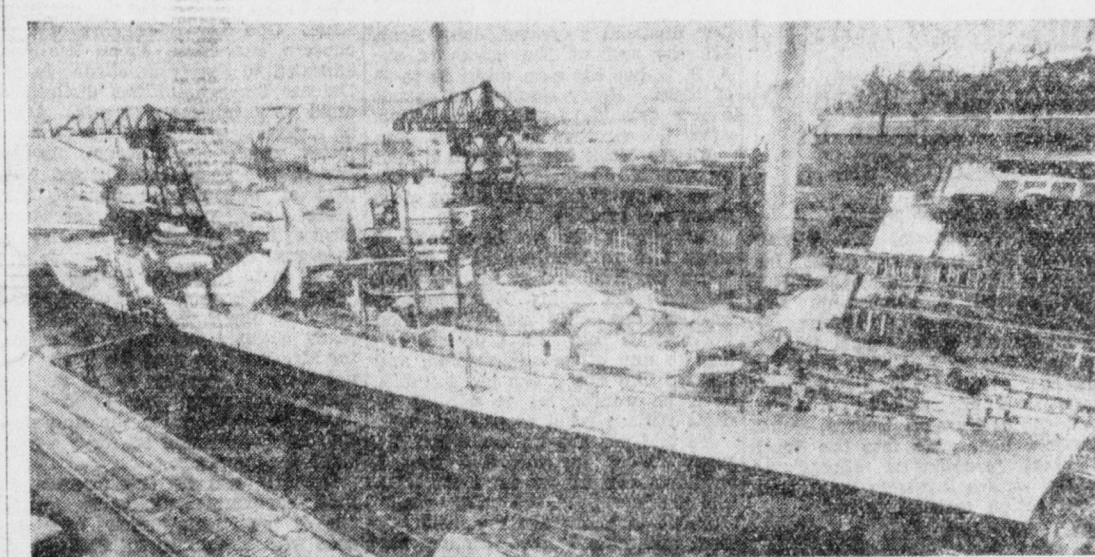
Activities all down the line are being increased, and the Councils are making a determined effort to build and strengthen the Councils and block committees. Considerable success is already being made.

Citizens League Indorses
Thus far, four locals of the Unemployed Citizens League have indorsed the County Hunger March and decided to officially participate in it. A whole broad section of the League leadership and rank and file is fighting the sabotaging efforts of the Lieberman-Socialist clique which controls the U. C. L. County Central Committee and the rank and file is working on the united front basis.

Thousands of steel workers, miners, building trades workers, etc., are expected to attend the County Hunger March and to make it a powerful demonstration against the Roosevelt hunger program.

In connection with the County Hunger March the Unemployed Councils of Allegheny County has organized a day in order to raise finances to carry through the Hunger March. The dance will take place Saturday, Nov. 18, at 8 p.m. at the Superior Hall (formerly Labor Lyceum), located at 35 Miller St., Pittsburgh, Pa. Tickets can be obtained at U. C. headquarters, 1924 Fifth Ave.

\$9,046,055 for Warships—Relief Cuts for Jobless



This new cruiser, the Astoria, is now under construction in Puget Sound Navy Yard, Washington state, at a cost of more than nine million dollars. It will be launched Dec. 15. At the same time the present unemployed relief grants of the Roosevelt government total only \$3,935,483, much of which will never reach

the unemployed after the "overhead" for high salaried officials, etc., is deducted. This relief goes only to three states, Michigan, Arizona and Illinois. Roosevelt gives a billion dollars for war funds. He ignores the demand of the unemployed for adequate relief and unemployment insurance.

Fight for Unemployment Insurance, Relief!

Fight against cuts in relief!
Demand adequate unemployment relief from the city, county and state governments!
Fight against evictions!
Demand free light, gas, heat, rent, clothes and shoes for all unemployed!
Demand no discrimination against Negro workers in the giving out of relief!
Food for the children of the unemployed!
Demand Unemployment and Social Insurance from the federal government!

Build Unemployed Neighborhood Committees to fight for the demands of the unemployed workers!
Build Unemployed Committees in all A. F. of L. local unions!
Form Unemployed Committees in all workers' organizations!
Build the Unemployed Councils!
For the united front of all unemployed and part-time workers, regardless of affiliation, in the fight for Unemployment Relief and Insurance!
Pass resolutions in all workers' organizations for the passage of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill!
Send delegates to the National Unemployed Convention in Washington, January 13!

Big Rise in Profits For Weirton Steel; NRA Breaks Strike

NEW YORK.—After defeating the strike of 14,000 of its workers with the help of the N. R. A. and A. F. of L. officials: the National Steel Corporation have just reported a profit of \$753,565 for the quarter ending Sept. 30.

The workers were driven back without wage increases and without union recognition. But Ernest T. Weir, chairman of the board, reported that 2,156,832 shares, held mainly by a few stockholders, will draw 35 cents each.

For the first nine months of 1933, the net profit was \$2,598,876, or \$1.19 a share, as against \$1,662,839, or 77 cents a share in the corresponding period of 1932, before the N. R. A. was passed.

Mexicans Tricked Into Scab Work

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 9.—After luring 4,000 Mexican workers and their families, which total about 20,000 persons, into believing that they would not be used in strikebreaking roles, Earl E. Jensen, Los Angeles County Superintendent of Charities, is preparing to transport them to the northern cotton fields as pickers.

The promise of adequate wages and board for the northbound Mexicans is revealed to be false by Jensen's statement that if they become destitute, the northern county officials will care for them.

Although by this maneuver he declares that he will cut relief costs by \$250,000, Jensen, since his reappointment has said and done nothing about cutting his own high salary, and has made no real move to investigate or stop a stop to the graft and racketeering in his department.

ROCKFORD UNIT ACTIVE
NEW YORK.—Unit No. 4, Rockford Illinois, Section, raised \$20 for the Daily Worker by holding an affair. The Unit writes: "We feel that the quota of \$75 for our Section could be very easily raised if the real value of the Daily Worker was appreciated. The Unit pledges to do everything in its power to bring the Daily Worker to the masses of workers."

Detroit Relief Cut 40 P. C.; 15 P. C. of City on Lists

Jobless Councils Preparing Forced Laborers for Relief Strike

DETROIT, Mich.—With 15 per cent of the city's population officially on the relief lists, and 200 to 300 families daily being added to the rolls, a new scheme has been introduced which cuts welfare wages 40 per cent.

Bitter resentment is spreading, as a result, among the welfare forced laborers who recently marched down in three groups to the Welfare and Commerce buildings.

The Unemployed Councils of Detroit have uncovered the following facts in regard to how the new plan affects a typical family of three:

Old Plan. Wage worker works 12 hours a week, received checks covering \$42.00 for groceries, \$25.00 for rent, coal averaging \$14.00 a week, clothing averaging wholesale \$2 a week. Total \$10.

New Plan. Wage worker works 13 hours at 50 cents an hour each, totaling \$6.50 a week. The worker cannot spend this money as he pleases, but must show receipts to the Welfare that it has been spent as follows: \$4 for groceries, \$2.30 for rent, \$1.40 for coal, 70 cents for back payments on utilities, 60 cents for clothing.

At the same time working hours of the forced laborers have been increased 33 per cent. Other workers have been given a straight 40 per cent cut in relief, with no increase in hours. In addition, while the old welfare checks were exempt from the sales tax, under the new scheme the workers must pay the tax.

The Unemployed Councils are now organizing the wage workers into the Welfare Wage Workers Council. Sixty thousand leaflets are being issued, calling on the men to set up committees on the job and prepare to strike for the following demands: 65 cents an hour, 24 hours work a week, rent, fuel and clothing in addition, right of Negroes to work on all public works and welfare jobs without discrimination. Further information can be secured at the Unemployed Councils, 4853 Woodward Ave.

Police Stop Meet in Pa. Steel Town

FARREL, Pa.—Attempting to smash the workers' rights to unemployment as a wage, police Tuesday broke up a Soviet Anniversary meeting in this important steel town and jailed six workers, one of whom was given a 10-day sentence, and two released. Joe Dallet, District Organizer of the Steel and Metal Workers' Industrial Union, and Frank Thompson, active working class leaders, were held for the Federal authorities.

Force City Council to Ask Congress for Jobless Bill

Tacoma Demonstration Led by Jobless Council Wins Victory

TACOMA, Wash.—Mass pressure through a demonstration of Tacoma workers has forced the City Council to memorialize Congress for the passage of the Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill.

"Whereas, the Pierce County Committee of Unemployed Councils," the resolution states, "has presented to the City Council of the City of Tacoma a resolution calling attention to the mass unemployment and absolute destitution of millions of our people. . . . Be it resolved by the City of Tacoma:

"That it does hereby memorialize the Congress of the United States of America, and request the said Congress forthwith enact the 'Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill' now pending before it, or a bill of like character and substance, granting to the unemployed of our country the full measure of relief sought to be obtained in this pending bill."

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Port Chester, N. Y.
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Banquet—Chinese Restaurant. Dancing at affairs arranged by Russian Mutual Aid at North Main Street.

Cleveland
Big Daily Worker Rally and Banquet with entertainment at Carpenter Hall, 15109 Kinsman Road. Auspices Section 3, C. P.
Dance and Entertainment at Small House Owners Hall, 4233 Lorain Ave. Adm. 15c. Auspices Units 13 and 102.

West Allis, Wis.
November 12th:
Concert and Dance given by the Finnish Workers Club, South Star Educational Club and the Communist Party at Labor Hall, 6337 W. National Avenue.

Canton, Ohio
November 15th:
Workers Press Dance being arranged by organizations in Canton at International Workers Order, 1732 8th St. E. Admission only 15c.

Gary, Ind.
November 11th:
Veterinarians is being arranged by Unit 11 at 224 W. 15th St. at 8 p.m. Excellent music, good eats. Adm. 10c.

Newark, N. J.
November 12th:
House Party at home of Conrad Sanderoff, 119 Ridgewood Ave. Auspices Unit 4.

Worcester, Mass.
November 12th:
Dinner and music given at Benedict Hall at 4:30 p.m.

Connecticut District
The great Soviet film "1905" adapted from M. Gorki's famous novel "Mother" will be shown in the following places on the days listed below:
Nov. 11—Emmett Hall, 68 Pearl St., Thomastonville, Conn.
Nov. 13—Russian Hall, 675 Dwight St., Springfield, Mass., at 4 and 8 p.m.
Nov. 13—Tivoli Hall, Grove, corner Main St., Chicopee Falls, Mass.

Philadelphia
November 11th:
Dance and Entertainment given by Unit 101 Sec. 1 at 1305 Tasker St. at 8 p.m.

Detroit
November 12th:
Concert and Dance in celebration of the 15th Anniversary of the Communist Party at Martin Hall, 4000 Martin St., given by the West Side Section. Adm. 15c.