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What to do about Prices

- 1 Wire or write your Congressman and Senators Brooks and Lucas. Tell them to pass a resolution at once, extending OPA as is for another year. Tell them to act now, before prices and rents get out of hand.
- 2 Support the national buyers' strike against inflation. Buy only what are bare essentials—basic foods and medicines—until Congress renews price control. Refuse to pay any increase in rent.

Demand Congress act!

Nation fights to halt price disaster; Buyer strike on!

Death of the OPA may set off the biggest buyers' strike in history.

More than 2,000,000 Chicago consumers this week prepared for a bitter strike to stop zooming prices.

The blast at inflation came in answer of the wiping out of rent and price control by a Big Business-minded block of Congressmen despite overwhelming demands for the continuation of the OPA.

Mobilization for the buyers strike got under way here in cooperation with a nationwide wave of consum-

ers protests as civic, labor, women's and church organizations pledged to purchase only essential commodities.

Revolt against the lynching of OPA was touched off here for the Extension Committee for the Extension of Price and Rent Control, representatives of more than a million consumers, who called for a buyers' strike and stated:

"In this period, in which we are waiting the action of Congress, and in which the consumer is left unprotected from greedy business and real estate

interests, we are calling upon every individual to protect himself and his neighbor by joining a nationwide movement of consumers to refuse to pay over ceiling prices for goods and services."

ISSUED by Mrs. Manuel Rob in executive director of the Committee, the statement urged a barrage of telegrams to the White House "until even the present Congress will be forced to obey the peoples' will."

The American Veterans Committee with 3000 members in Chicago took a fighting stand against the OPA-killing as Sidney Ordower, executive secretary of the Chicago chapter, declared:

"We're playing for keeps, no holds barred, to get back OPA. We're going to institute buyers' strikes. We are going to investigate every eviction that takes place in the city—especially where a veteran is concerned—and we're urging our people to stay in their places and refuse to pay any additional rent hike.

We're selling apples on street corners called "The Taft Apples" he stated.

BETTY Dashew, head of the Chicago Action Council, representative of 3,000 business and professional groups, stated that her organization felt "the only thing left for consumers to do is to take action in a nationwide consumers' strike," and said the CAC was already working with other groups in mobilizing for the nationwide buyers' strike.

Others on early record supporting the nationwide buyers' strike included the National Negro Congress, The United Electrical Workers, the League of Women Voters, and the Chicago Federation of Consumers.

Mrs. Lillian Inke, chairman of the Independent Voters of Illinois, declared that her group had "tremendous sentiment" in favor (Continued on back page)

'Trampling out the vintage ...'



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