

# WORKERS OF PORTLAND DEMONSTRATION

FIRST AND PINE SAT, FEB 13 2 P.M.

THE FIGHT IS ON!

The officials of the different slop houses have come out openly and have proven to the workers what they really are, a pack of wolves, insolent and brutal, living off the misery and starvation of the unfortunate workers. These officials of the Community Chest -- Reed, McClarren, Smith, etc., have vented their rage and hatred upon a militant worker who had the courage to speak the facts about the miserable conditions at Portland Commons.

They have refused him the right to live; they have refused, like a pack of rats, to come out in the light and discuss with committees from the Unemployed Council the reason this colored comrade was kicked out.

Workers! The Unemployed Council sees in this action the beginning of a reign of terror against all workers who dare to talk organization, in order to stop the workers from forming Unemployed Council Branches in these slop houses to fight for better conditions.

Lackeys of the bosses, ex-hangmen, ex-chaplains, ex-convicts and stoolpigeons believe they are safe in the saddle and can ride rough-shod over these workers.

The fight is on! We must answer these arrogant flunkeys by coming to the protest demonstration at 1st and Pine Streets., February 13th, at 2 p. m., also by organizing in the Unemployed Council Branches in the various flop houses.

Come to the Unemployed Council meetings every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. 191½ Third Street.

# WORKERS

**DEMONSTRATE and ORGANIZE!**

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**TUESDAY, FEB. 10th, at NOON**  
**In the Plaza, Portland**

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**Support the Unemployment Insurance Bill!**

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A mass meeting representing millions of American workers will present the Unemployment Insurance Bill to Congress on the tenth. Thousands of workers thruout the country will demonstrate in support of the bill and demanding its passage. The bill provides for the using of the war funds and taxing large incomes for the relief of workers thrown out of employment by the speed-up and lay-offs of the bosses. Only the organized struggle of the workers can make the bosses give to stop the mass misery of the working class.

**DEMONSTRATE IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL!**

**JOIN THE UNEMPLOYED COUNCIL!**

**Smash the boss attacks against the working class!**

**Demand that all relief funds be turned over to the workers!**

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I wish to learn more about the U. C.

Name.....

Address.....

U. C., 110½ SECOND STREET

# ATTENTION

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## DESTITUTE WORKERS

How long are we going to put up with these horrible conditions of semi-starvation? The food that is being doled out to us at the present time is sickening. Out of \$750,000 taken from the workers wages for the Community Chest only \$200,000 was set aside for so-called "relief". The balance goes for graft and maintaining anti-working-class organizations, the Y.M.C.A. the Y.W.C.A. etc.. Due to this fact we are faced with even less "relief" than we are now getting!

### "American Independence"

WORKERS; We are told that we have TOO much "independence" to fight for better conditions, that to ask for more would not be "patriotic", that the true American starves in silence! WORKERS; are we going to starve as they want us to without a protest? We must organize into Unemployed Councils to fight for more and better relief! Are we going to let the Capitalists keep us in silence and in a state of semi-starvation, while they continue to wax fat on our misery? They refuse to give unemployment insurance to the unemployed, while at the same time they squander billions in preparation for another bloody slaughter in which we will be called upon to give our lives, in order that Capitalism can continue to enslave us to these miserable conditions! This war is now in the making in Manchuria, where the Imperialist powers are actually a "war-base" against the Soviet Union.

WORKERS DEMAND ALL WAR FUNDS BE TURNED OVER TO THE UNEMPLOYED FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF!!

The rich are living in ease and luxury, while the workers are forced to accept SOUP LINES, FILTHY FLOP\*HOUSES, in fact the worst kind of miserable charity and degradation! They attempt to solve this crisis at our expence. Semi-starvation for 12,000,000 unemployed! Wage cuts throughout the whole country in all industries, forcing the workers to accept part-time work which is another means of cutting wages.

JOIN THE UNEMPLOYED COUNCIL AND FIGHT FOR THE FOLLOWING DEMANDS

1. WORKERS CONTROL OF ALL SOUP-LINES!
2. Plenty wholesome food (meat, whole milk, sugar, fresh food)
3. No listening to sermons for hours before eating.
4. No forced labor (wood saw-ing etc. for meals and bed.)
5. Cash payment (50¢ per hr.) on forced labor while it exists.
6. No discrimination, same food for all. (3 meals a day.)

## UNEMPLOYED COUNCIL MEETS

Here Every Thur. Night at 8 P.M.

AT

## WORKER'S HALL

191½ - 3RD. ST. BET. YAMMILL & TAYLOR

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432  
8.44  
4.32  
12.92  
Edwards  
Shaw

# UNEMPLOYED RALLY

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Come and hear the reports of these victories by the WORKERS THEMSELVES in addition to ATTORNEY HARRY GROSS and W.C.WEBBER of the UNEMPLOYED COUNCIL.

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# WORKERS' OF S.W. PORTLAND

Hundreds of us are having our relief work taken away from us, and the rest cut down to the lowest level since the beginning of the crisis; our welfare orders are being treated in the same manner in addition to uncalled for insults from the welfare agents; evictions are taking place; water, lights and gas are being shut off, adding more misery to the unemployed and their families. All this is being done through the bally-hoo that the Nat'l Industrial Recovery Act will immediately bring back that long lost prosperity; all this is being done because the workers have been propagandized into a stage of passivity believing that they will surely get a job in a few days, therefore failing to see the necessity of organizing and struggling, not only to keep the relief they had, but to get more. The Recovery Act according to the statements of President Roosevelt himself will only put back to work 6,000,000 unemployed by the first of September. What will the other 11,000,000 unemployed do? And by that time a great part of those 6,000,000 will be coming back from the berry and harvest fields. Fellow workers, we must take advantage of every opportunity the Recovery Act gives us, but let's not be FOOLED. There will always be unemployment. Let's begin right now and lay the basis for a united struggle of the workers in S.W. Portland by setting up an Unemployed Council and see if we can't put an end to most of this uncalled for misery we are facing.

Come to a mass meeting at our newly established neighborhood headquarters where speakers will explain the program and questions of the workers will be answered. Everybody is welcome regardless of affiliations.

AT: 2519 - S.W. 1<sup>ST</sup> AVE. 8:15 PM.  
Wed. Aug. 2<sup>ND</sup> - Near Sheridan ST.  
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# WATER MEETING

TUE. SEPT. 6 - 8 P.M.

ERROL HEIGHTS  
COMMUNITY HALL

This meeting is called to further carry on the fight for lower water rates to those working, and free water to all unemployed and part time workers. Hundreds of signatures have been gathered on petitions in this vicinity. Every worker should come to this meeting as it is the beginning of a struggle, that will spread over Portland for free water, lights, gas and rent for all unemployed workers.

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EVERYBODY WELCOME

Sunday night - Jan - 10 - 31 -

# BUILDING TRADES' WORKERS

ARE YOU GOING TO ACCEPT THE 25% CUT THE BUILDERS ASS'N IS FORCING.

ARE YOU GOING TO ACCEPT THE 10% "COMPROMISE" CUT OF THE A.F.ofL. LEADERS.

Wage cuts are becoming a greater weapon of the bosses to unload on the backs of the workers the entire burden of the present crisis, to maintain the already swollen profits of the rich. Every such cut is a blow to the entire working class, one only leading to more. If either of the above cuts take place through "arbitration" where will they fall next and how long before the knife again reaches YOU. THE TIME TO STOP WAGE CUTS IS NOW!!

In many parts of the country, rank and file workers (Carpenters in Boston) have gone over the heads of their officials, who tried to give them a sugar-coated cut through "arbitration" and went on STRIKE! Many of them have won their struggles, they would not be sold out!

The Unemployed Council of Portland has voted unanimously to give its full support to any and all workers who determine to fight against wagecuts, officials or no officials.

We warn the Building Trades Workers that if the boss succeeds in this cut it will be a blow not only to themselves but to all other workers. With confidence the bosses will continue cutting to the bone.

Will you be creating "strained relations" by resisting this cut. NO! The boss has already done this, the rest is up to you.

BUILDING TRADES WORKERS! If you want to fight this cut, elect rank and file committees to represent you and present your demands to the boss. NO WAGE CUT! 6hr. day, 5 day week, with no reduction in pay! NO ARBITRATION! DON'T PUT YOUR FATE IN THE HANDS OF THE BOSS!

PREPARE TO FIGHT AGAINST ANY CUT! STAND TOGETHER AND FIGHT!

### STRIKE AGAINST WAGE CUTS!

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While wage cuts are increasing, the other side of the picture, unemployment, grows darker. Millions are without the barest necessities, hundreds right here in Portland. While fighting against wage cuts, hand in hand must go the fight for unemployment relief. Not to force the employed to support the unemployed but to force the rich to part with some of the ill gotten wealth.

February 4th. is a national day of struggle for unemployment insurance, to force Congress to pass the unemployment insurance bill presented by the National Hunger March. All workers organizations are urged to send delegates to a United Front Conference, to prepare for February 4th., to be held at Workers Hall, 191 1/2 3rd. St. Elect delegates and attend the United Front Conference.

UNEMPLOYED COUNCIL OF PORTLAND  
191 1/2 3rd. St.

## PROGRAM FOR IMMEDIATE UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

### UNEMPLOYED COUNCIL OF PORTLAND

Appropriation from the city budget of a fund of \$ 1,500,000 for immediate relief, of the unemployed workers' fund to be raised by the following means.

- (1) Reduction of salaries of city officials to a maximum of \$2,500 per year.
- (2) Reduction of city police force by one half, cancellation of funds for new equipment, enlargement of force, to be reverted to relief funds.
- (3) Censor board funds to be reverted to relief funds.
- (4) Special tax levy on property with valuation in excess of \$25,000
- (5) Interest, redemption, and sinking funds on city bonds to be reverted to this purpose.
- (6) All community funds to be turned over for this purpose.

### ADMINISTRATION OF RELIEF

Relief shall be administered by a city board of workers' elected from factory councils, rank and file members of trade unions, and unemployed councils.

Relief shall be provided for all unemployed workers in Portland regardless of race, color, creed, nationality, occupation, age, sex, or residential qualifications.

The city board of workers' shall constitute a free city employment bureau, all other private and government agencies shall be abolished

### IMMEDIATE DEMANDS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

- (1) No evictions of unemployed workers for non-payment of rent.
- (2) No Gas, light, or water, to be turned off in homes of unemployed workers
- (3) Free food and clothing to be furnished to children of unemployed workers by schools.
- (4) Free transportation on street cars and busses for unemployed workers and their dependents.
- (5) Vacant buildings and houses to be put at disposal of unemployed workers in such shape as to provide decent accommodations.
- (6) Free medical, dental, and hospital service for unemployed workers and their dependents.
- (7) Immediate abolition of all vagrancy, and other anti-labor laws.
- (8) Immediate abolition of the vicious criminal syndicalist laws.
- (9) Public hall and auditoriums to be free to workers for meeting purposes
- (10) No police interference of workers, or unemployed meetings.
- (11) Union wages to be paid on city and public works.
- (12) Immediate institution of the 7hr. day and the 5 day week.
- (13) Community funds to be turned over and put at disposal of city board of workers for unemployment relief.
- (14) All unemployed workers to be exempt from taxation beginning 1930

All unemployed workers are asked to join the unemployed council to fight for the above demands, and support the National Unemployment Insurance Bill.