

On To Washington!

Demand Winter Relief and Unemployment Insurance at Expense of the Government and Employers!

Forward to Mighty, United Struggles Against Hunger In Every Town and Neighborhood!

HELP ELECT AND SEND THOUSANDS OF WORKERS' DELEGATES IN A

NATIONAL HUNGER MARCH

To Opening of Congress December 5th 1932

Fellow Workingmen and Women of the U. S.:

The fourth consecutive Winter of mass misery and hunger is approaching!

The lives of millions of workers and of their families are in danger!

Only the united mass struggle of all who suffer from and are threatened by mass unemployment and the deliberate hunger policy of the multi-billionaires and their government, can save the destitute masses from indescribable suffering and actual death.

More than sixteen millions of us are already totally jobless. Less than 15 per cent of the employable population has full time work. Merciless, repeated wage-slashes have reduced by nearly one-half the earnings of even those who still have jobs. The jobless army grows at the rate of 600,000 per month. The spectre of hunger and destitution hovers over every working class family in the United States. Never has there been greater need for united action by all sections of the toiling population.

There Is But One Choice—Fight for Relief or Starve!

The Wall St. government at Washington arrogantly refuses to provide the necessary funds for the relief of those who have been impoverished by the prolonged crisis. Instead, every institution of capitalist society is employed in the effort to impose new, intolerable burdens upon the masses, so that the powerful ruling class may not be disturbed in its complete monopoly of the nation's enormous wealth. Only the pressure of the united toiling masses, can force them to release their

greedy hold upon the vast storehouses of food and clothing for want of which, we, our wives and children die.

In the effort to force us into silent submission to their hunger program, the bosses and their government have unleashed all their forces of violence and terror. They are conducting a ruthless, murderous war against the hungry masses. Within the last twelve months, a score of workers have been murdered on the streets of Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, and the National Capitol—Washington. Many more have been maimed and wounded, gassed and trampled by their hired police and military. Hoover, the Chief Executive of the Wall St. government personally directed the armed forces that drove the hungry veterans, their wives and children, at the point of sabres and bayonets from their miserable hovels on the mud flats of Anacostia.

But fire and sword, savage terror, brutal attacks, cannot and will not cow the masses into submission. The men and women of the working class, who are threatened with death by slow starvation, must and will fight for the right to live. Our united forces can defeat the bosses' hunger program and the terror which supports this program.

Militant Struggle Can Win Food, Clothing and Shelter!

The heroic struggles of the masses led by their own Unemployed Councils and Committees of Action, have forced many concessions from the reluctant bosses and their government agents.

Even the meager relief which has thus far been afforded has been secured only through militant, stubborn struggle. It was through such struggle

that the workers of St. Louis forced the officials of that city to reinstate to the relief rolls the 13,000 families who had been stricken off these rolls. The courageous battles of the workers led by the Unemployed Councils of Chicago, halted the wholesale evictions and saved thousands of workers from being left without shelter. Similar struggles in other cities, won food and clothing for the school children; effectively defeated attempts to introduce forced labor; compelled increases in in-

to the greater battles which must be waged as the only means of assuring our existence through the fourth year of crisis which we are now entering.

The National Committee of the Unemployed Councils of the U. S., calls upon all workers, all victims of the capitalist crisis everywhere, to get together with their neighbors and fellow workers in their own neighborhoods, bread lines, flop-houses, employment offices, unions, fraternal societies and to elect committees of action to lead

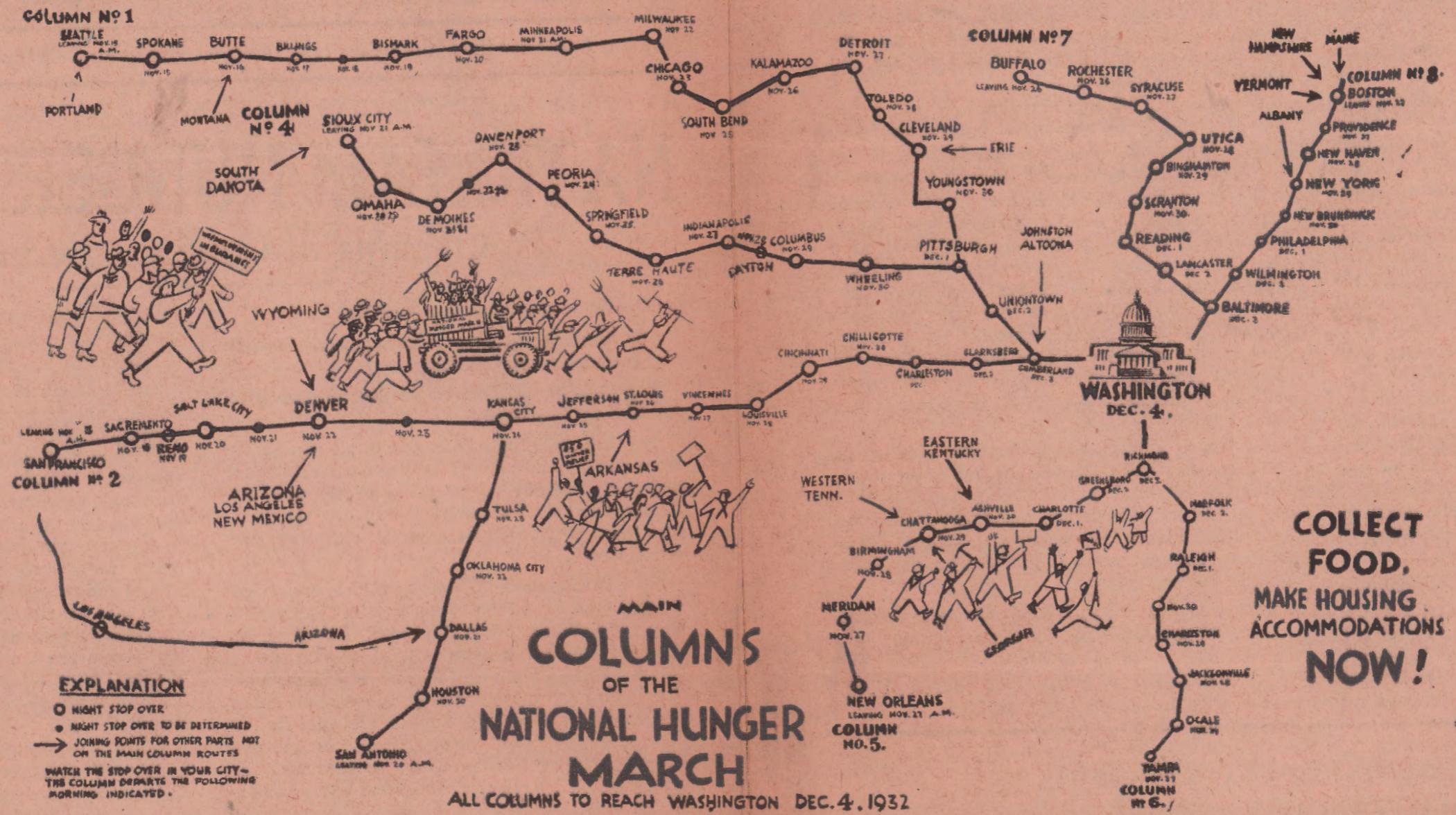
tols and at the homes and offices of individual government officials. Force these to provide adequate relief for every worker. Conduct special struggle in defense of the Negro masses who suffer the greatest abuse, discrimination and misery. Insistently demand relief for the young and single workers and for the foreign born who are denied relief.

Let neither political, religious, racial or national differences stand in the way of the necessary unity

Demand Immediate Unemployment Insurance at the Expense of the Bosses and Government!

The Federal Government has remained deaf to the demands of the starving masses whose toil created the immense wealth which abounds in this country. Instead of relief, Congress has imposed new burdens of taxation upon the masses. Sales taxes on articles of mass consumption have been

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adequate relief; prevented the shutting off of gas, light and water; defended the interests of Negro and foreign-born workers who are victims of special abuse and discrimination.

Forward to Renewed, Multiplied, Intensified Mass Struggles

The victories achieved through the mass struggles that have been waged up to now, point the way to the greater victories that must be won in our further fight for the right to live. The experience gained in these bitter struggles must serve as guide

their struggles around their most urgent immediate needs and demands.

Not Promises But Immediate Relief for the Starving Unemployed! Not One Unemployed or His Family Without Decent Housing, Food and Clothing!

Develop united action and struggle around this demand at every relief office, within the bread-lines and flop houses, around the employment offices, at city halls, county court houses, state capi-

for the daily struggle in defense of the lives and interests of those threatened by starvation.

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This plus \$10 for each dependent to be provided by the Federal Government as a supplement to local relief.

instituted and have served to further reduce the purchasing power of the workers and their living standards. The additional billions of government revenue are being turned over to the bankers and trusts. Funds, urgently needed to provide means of existence for the masses, are being squandered on further preparations for new imperialist world wars.

We call upon the toiling masses of the United States to join in a mighty struggle and demand to:

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**COLLECT
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Stop the billion dollar subsidies to the banks and trusts! Not a cent for war! All funds for immediate Federal Unemployment Insurance at the expense of the government and employers!

In order to relieve themselves of the obligation to provide relief for those whom they have condemned to starvation, the bosses are urging "self-help" upon the masses. Through their Community Fund campaigns, and block-aid schemes, they force the employed workers whose wages they have repeatedly cut, to contribute to the support of the unemployed.

Under the high-sounding "Job-sharing" campaign they are further slashing the meager incomes of the employed workers and the standard of living of the working class.

These schemes cannot solve the problems of unemployment. The unemployed refuse to resort to cannibalism as the way of keeping alive. We cannot and will not live by feeding off the bare bones of the few workers who still have jobs. On the contrary, we must support the employed workers in our common fight. We must declare:—

Not one penny off the wages, not one penny of new taxes on articles of mass consumption!

In order to press the demands of the millions who face starvation and to force the Federal government to grant these demands, the National Committee of the Unemployed Councils of the U. S., calls upon all workers to select from their own ranks and struggles, elected representatives. These workers' representatives, constituting a Workers' Congress, shall participate in a

Militant National Hunger March to Washington!

The Congress of the Workers will arrive in the National Capitol to confront the Congress of the bosses and bankers when it opens on December 5. The representatives of the workers will present and press our demands before the representatives

of the multi-billionaires who have willed that we shall starve.

The National Hunger March and the Workers' Congress into which it will culminate, will serve as a means for stimulating and manifesting the will of the masses to fight against hunger. It will support the veterans in the demand for:—

Immediate Full Payment of the Veterans' Bonus!

It will present to millions of workers in the towns and cities through which it will pass, the workers' program for the way to fight for and establish the right to live.

We call upon all workers, employed and unemployed, Negro and white, native and foreign born, men, women and young workers, to rally in the National Hunger March and Workers Congress.

Develop your struggles in every locality. Elect the best leaders of your struggles as your representatives in the Hunger March! Mobilize to force your local and county officials to provide food and shelter for the Hunger Marchers as they pass through your cities and towns! Organize mass demonstrations to greet the workers' representatives when they arrive in your city to endorse the workers' program and defend the workers' representatives against the attacks of police and fascist bands.

Let our bitter resentment, our determination to fight, our insistent demands, the power we generate in the thousands of local struggles, flow into one mighty national action, that will advance our program and force Congress to grant the demands of the toiling population, of the workers, the farmers and the veterans.

Forward to a Mighty, United Struggle Against Hunger! On With the Fight for the Right to Live!

National Committee Unemployed Councils, U. S., R. 436—799 Broadway, New York City.

HELP WIN UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE!

Support the Fight Against Hunger!

Thousands of dollars are needed for the struggle against hunger.

Millions of leaflets must be issued.

Organizers must be sent into every nook and corner of the country.

The fight against hunger is the fight of every toiler, of every professional, of all who suffer from and are threatened by the effects of mass unemployment.

Send your contribution to:

JOINT COMMITTEE FOR SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL HUNGER MARCH
of the Workers International Relief
142 FIFTH AVENUE — NEW YORK CITY