
Manifesto of the Workers', Soldiers', Sailors' and Farmers' Council of Buffalo and Erie County

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TO THE PEOPLE OF BUFFALO:—

MANIFESTO

**BY THE
WORKERS', SOLDIERS', SAILORS' & FARMERS'
COUNCIL OF BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY
ORGANIZED IN BUFFALO, MARCH 4, 1919**

WE WANT BREAD

WE WANT WORK

Thirty-five thousand workers and soldiers are out of employment in Buffalo according to Government figures. Many are out of work beyond the knowledge of the Government. The patriotic promises of the Industrial Kings to the soldiers and sailors were empty promises. The jobs are not open to those that made the "World Safe for Democracy." The men and women who worked in the war and other industries as 100% Americans are now marching the streets of Buffalo hunting for work.

IMMEDIATE DEMANDS TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF THE UNEMPLOYED

1. Reduce the working hours in all industries, with the exception of railway crews, to four (4) hours a day, without reduction of wages.
2. No rent shall be collected from families or individuals out of employment.
3. No taxes or interest shall be collected from private families or individuals while out of employment.
4. That the City Council provide the Workers', Soldiers', Sailors' & Farmers' Council with office and necessary facilities required to do justice to problems of unemployment.

5. That the City Council advise the proper department to open the public halls (Broadway Auditorium and Elmwood Music Hall) to be used by the Council for public meetings on the industrial problems of unemployment.

**THE ULTIMATE AIM
FOR THE SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM OF THE UNEMPLOYED**

- A-1. The only solution to prevent a nationwide revolution is to make provision for plans to socialize all industries of America.
- A-2. A nationwide call to be issued to all workers to organize on the same plan as the Buffalo Soldiers' & Workmen's Council.

**CALL FOR A PUBLIC MEETING
Monday, March 10th, 10 A.M. at McKinley Monument
OF ALL MEN AND WOMEN OUT OF EMPLOYMENT**

From there to march to Broadway Auditorium where there will be speakers in English, Polish, Ukrainian, Russian, Jewish, Hungarian, Italian, Finnish, and other languages.

This call is issued by the above Council, organized by and for the unemployed, March 4th, 1919, at Buffalo, NY.

THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTEEN.

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