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Minnesota

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RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

February 4, 1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Minnesota, today made available $354,936 to meet current emergency relief needs in three political subdivisions of that State during the month of February.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Minnesota to make every effort to develop their resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Supporting data state that "Governor Olsen wishes to assure the members of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation that he is doing everything within his power to expedite the passage of local finance relief bills so that the larger urban centers in the State of Minnesota will be in a better position to finance their own needs."

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available $1,351,843 to meet current emergency relief needs in various political subdivisions of the State of Minnesota.

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January 31, 1933.

Hon. Alf. M. Landon,
Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Landon:

I am enclosing herewith copies of Bulletins Nos. P-365, P-366, P-367, P-368, P-369, P-370, P-372, P-373, P-374, P-375, P-376, P-377, P-378 and P-379 issued by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Georgia
(Immediate Release)

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RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 18, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Georgia, today made available $195,375 to meet current emergency relief needs in six political subdivisions of that State for varying periods from January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Georgia to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of the Governor's application it was stated that State and local funds now available or which can be made available are inadequate to meet the relief needs of these political subdivisions.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $486,084.22 to meet current emergency relief needs in political subdivisions of the State of Georgia.

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South Carolina
(Immediate Release)

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(P-366)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION
WASHINGTON, D C

January 18, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of South Carolina, today made available $135,000 to meet current emergency relief needs in four counties of that State during the months of January and February, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Georgia to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Under date of January 7 the Corporation made available $1,247,600 to meet current emergency relief needs in other South Carolina counties during January and February.

In support of his application the Governor stated that funds now available or which can be made available are inadequate to meet the relief needs in the four counties.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available a total of $1,382,800 to meet current emergency relief needs in various political subdivisions of the State of South Carolina.

Montana
(Immediate Release)

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(P-367)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 18, 1933.

Upon application of the Governor of Montana, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation today made available $30,420 to meet current emergency relief needs in Yellowstone County during the months of January and February, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivision and the State of Montana to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of the Governor's application it was stated that local funds available for relief purposes have been exhausted and that the bonded indebtedness of the county cannot be increased without the approval of the people at an election.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available a total of $1,090,556 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Montana.

Tennessee

COPY

(Immediate Release)

(P-368)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 18, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Tennessee, today made available $176,098 to meet current emergency relief needs in thirty counties of that State during the month of January.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivision and the State of Tennessee to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available a total of $843,536 to meet current emergency relief needs in various political subdivisions of the State of Tennessee.

END

Alabama COPY

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RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 19,1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Alabama, today made available $121,146 to meet current emergency relief needs in eight counties of that State for the period January 15 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Alabama to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor stated that funds now available or which can be made available are inadequate to meet the relief needs in these political subdivisions.

Under date of January 6 the Corporation made available $950,103 to the State of Alabama to meet current emergency relief needs in twenty-four other counties during the months of January and February. The total heretofore made available for relief purposes in that State is $1,478,807.

END

Washington

(Immediate Release)

COPY

(P-370)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 20, 1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Washington, today made available $800,000 to meet current emergency relief needs in the County of King (Seattle) for the months of January and February 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivision and the State of Washington to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Supporting data indicate that the County Commissioners of King County had planned to carry the major part of the emergency relief load for January, February, March and April out of the sale of relief bonds authorized at the November election. However, doubt raised as to the validity of these bonds because of the passage at the same time of the so-called Forty Mill Tax Law has caused all efforts to sell such bonds to fail, it is claimed.

In making supplemental funds availabe, it is understood that adequate state relief control will be developed.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available $1,821,700 to meet current emergency relief needs in various political subdivisions of the State of Washington.

END

Idaho

COPY

(Immediate Release)

(P-372)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 21, 1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Idaho, today made available $18,000 to meet current emergency relief needs in three counties of that State during the months of January and February, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Idaho to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor stated counties and local communities through their official organizations as well as other agencies are contributing heavily and doing all within their power, but that resources now available or which can be made available are inadequate to meet the relief needs.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available $631,095 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Idaho.

END

Virginia

(Immediate Release)

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(P-373)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 21, 1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Virginia, today made available $351,654 to meet current emergency relief needs in twelve counties and four cities during the months of January and February.

These funds are made available under Title 1, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Virginia to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor pointed out that the Virginia State Highway Department has converted its entire program into one of work relief. In addition to providing funds for material and supervision for the program of work relief carried out with funds made available by the Corporation, the Highway Department is itself providing work relief in a large number of cases.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available $2,113,206 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Virginia.

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New Mexico
(Immediate Release)

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(P-374)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 26, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of New Mexico, today made available $81,200 to meet emergency relief needs in thirty-one counties of that State during the months of January and February.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of New Mexico to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Supporting data submitted by the Governor state that the thirty-one counties of New Mexico have made every effort to help themselves. Every effort will be made to keep up private contributions, it is asserted. County indigent funds have in almost every instance been maintained at the same level or increased over the past year, while all other county budgets have been cut.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available $90,800 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of New Mexico.

END

Iowa
(Immediate Release)

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(P-375)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 27, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Iowa, today made available $87,800 to meet emergency relief needs in five counties.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Iowa to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

This action of the Corporation makes no additional funds available for emergency relief in these Iowa political subdivisions. Heretofore the Corporation made funds available under subsection (e) to the extent of $87,800. Because of difficulty experienced by the several counties in executing agreements for repayment, the Governor requested that the Corporation transfer these respective authorizations from subsection (e) to subsection (c).

END

Michigan
(Immediate Release)

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(P-376)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 27, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Michigan, today made available $573,254 to meet current emergency relief needs for varying periods within January 1 and February 28, 1933, in forty-one political subdivisions of that State.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Michigan to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of this application the Governor's representative pointed out that various bills are now before the Michigan Legislature which are intended to assist in meeting the relief needs of the State. In support of an earlier application for funds Governor Comstock gave the Corporation this assurance:

"I shall advise the incoming Legislature that it make the question of State aid to its political subdivisions for relief of destitution of primary concern. You will appreciate that it requires some time for a new Legislature to define its policies and to perfect legislation satisfactory to the many sectional interests of the State, but this will be done as rapidly as possible."

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available a total of $11,501,220 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Michigan.

END

California
(Immediate Release)

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(P-377)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 27, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of California, today made available $1,974,083 to meet current emergency relief needs in six counties of that State for varying periods from January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932.

Since it is clearly the intent of the Act that federal funds made available should not be in lieu of but merely supplemental to local and State funds and private contributions, the Corporation considers it imperative that definite and immediate action be taken by the Legislature and people of California to develop resources which can be used for the relief of destitution.

The Governor has informed the Corporation that he has designated the Department of Social Welfare to administer any federal relief funds made available to the State. Under this arrangement applications from political subdivisions must be approved by the Department of Social Welfare. That department likewise will have the responsibility of designating the agency or agencies within the respective political subdivisions which shall be responsible to the department for local administration. The Department of Social Welfare will supervise the work of administration in the political subdivisions.

This is the first formal request of the Governor of California for federal relief funds for political subdivisions of the State. On January 13 the Corporation made available $281,372 to aid the State in meeting the cost of operating State Labor Camps for non-resident unemployed men during the months of January and February.

END

Alabama
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-378)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 28, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Alabama, today made available $56,915 to meet current emergency relief needs in four counties for the period January 16 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Alabama to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

The condition of distress in the four counties, according to the supporting data, is due primarily to the effects of the depression upon agriculture and farm prices, and State and local resources now available or which can be made available for the period covered by the application are inadequate to meet the relief needs.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available $1,478,807 to meet current emergency relief needs in various political subdivisions of the State of Alabama.

END

Ohio
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-379)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 28, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Ohio, today made available $151,575 to meet current emergency relief needs in four political subdivisions for varying periods from January 16 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Ohio to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor stated that relief needs have steadily increased and that State and local resources now available or which can be made available during the period covered are inadequate to meet them.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available $9,983,730 to meet current emergency relief needs in political subdivisions of the State of Ohio.

END

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January 20, 1933.

Hon. Alf. M. Landon,
Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Woodring:

I am enclosing herewith copies of Bulletins Nos. P-352, P-353, P-354, P-362, P-363 and P-364 issued by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Montana
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-352)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 11, 1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Montana, today made available $53,118 to meet current emergency relief needs in five counties of that State for the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Montana to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Supporting data state that the Governor is recommending to the Montana Legislature the enactment of legislation that may make available a larger amount of local funds and that he will also request the Legislature to make "such appropriations as it may desire to meet the situation."

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $1,037,438 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Montana.

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Tennessee
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-353)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 12, 1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Tennessee, today made available $2,000 to meet current emergency relief needs in Moore County during the month of January.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivision and the State of Tennessee to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor stated that State and local resources now available or which can be made available are inadequate to meet the relief needs in Moore County.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $841,536 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Tennessee.

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California
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-354)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION
WASHINGTON

January 13, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of California, today made available $281,372 to aid that State in meeting the cost of operating State Labor Camps for non-resident unemployed men for the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932.

In support of the Governor's application it was stated by his representative that "California has probably suffered more than any other State in the Union from an overwhelming influx of non-resident jobless men," adding:

"California adopted the plan of 'no work, no eat.' Since the State and County laws do not permit the use of public funds for the relief of non-residents, the State estabslished a large number of work camps into which non-resident men were sent, provided they were willing to work six hours a day in return for their food and shelter. The camps were located at snow-line and the work consisted of building roads, cutting fire trails and cracking rocks for future road use.

"Men who refuse to work in return for their keep are forced to shift for themselves and take their chances with the other 150,000 non-resident men who have mistakenly gone to California in the hope of spending a comfortable winter on the people of California."

It is further reported that the number of transient jobless entering the State decreased rapidly after word of California's Labor Camp project spread East.

The Governor of California has not heretofore requested the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to make supplementary federal funds available for relief purposes in that State.

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Arkansas
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-362)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 14, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Arkansas, today made available $125,811 to meet current emergency relief needs during the months of January and February in certain political subdivisions of that State.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Arkansas to make every effort to develop their own relief resources is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor states that the funds requested together with funds previously made available for the months of January and February will meet the relief needs in all counties of the State for that period.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $2,743,708 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Arkansas.

END

Missouri
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-363)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 14, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Missouri, today made available $1,277,413 to meet current emergency relief needs in fifty political subdivisions of that State during the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These figures are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Missouri to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of the Governor's application it is estimated that the total cost of relief in forty-nine of these political subdivisions will be $677,859, of which approximately $297,000 are available.

Supporting data for the City of St. Louis estimate the total need for the two months at $1,089,808. Of this total, $193,254 are reported as available from local sources. With reference to the availability of further local resources for relief in the City of St. Louis, it is stated that the United Relief Drive failed by a very considerable margin to attain the announced goal. It was further expected that at this time the proceeds of a bond issue of $4,600,000 authorized for relief purposes at the election of November 8 would be available. The expectation now is that this money will not become available before the middle or latter part of March. The Corporation approved the request of the Governor that $896,554 be made available for relief and work relief in the City of St. Louis for the two-month period.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $1,158,118 to meet current emergency relief needs in Missouri.

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New Hampshire
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-364)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 16, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of New Hampshire, today made available $277,270 to meet current emergency relief needs in ten political subdivisions of that State for the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, sub-section (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of New Hampshire to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor stated that he plans "to ask the incoming Legislature to appropriate monies to meet the emergency requirements of the subdivisions for the fiscal year of 1933, which, with a few minor exceptions, starts February 1."

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $667,420 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of New Hampshire.

END

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Topeka, Kansas
January 10, 1933.

Hon. Alf. M. Landon,
Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Landon:

I am enclosing herewith copies of Bulletins Nos. P-335, P-336, P-337, P-338, P-339. P-340, P-341, P-342, P-343, P-344, P-345, P-346, P-347, P-348, P-349, P-350 and P-351 issued by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Virginia
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-335)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 5, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Virginia, today made available $622,319 to meet current emergency relief needs in fifteen counties and one city for the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Virginia to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Supporting data state that quite a number of the counties and cities for which funds have heretofore been made available will probably not need to seek additional funds during the January-February period.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $1,490,887 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Virginia.

END

Pennsylvania
(Immediate Release)

COPY
(P-336)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 5, 1933.

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Pennsylvania, today made available $13,869,908 to meet current emergency relief needs in 66 counties of that State for the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Pennsylvania to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

In support of his application the Governor stated that the special session of the Legislature held in the summer of 1932 appropriated $12,000,000 to be available for the months of September 1932, to March 1933, and that $5,500,000 of this money will be available for the months of January, February and March, inclusive.

The Governor added: "I propose to recommend to the Legislature which convenes January 3, 1933 that an additional $20,000,000 be provided for relief. If this recommendation be adopted this State will have provided an aggregate of $42,000,000 for relief."

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation heretofore has made available a total of $12,835,538 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Pennsylvania.

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Michigan
(Immediate Release)

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(P337)

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION
WASHINGTON

January 5, 1933.

Upon application of the Governor of Michigan, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation today made available $5,021,937 to meet current emergency relief needs in 74 political subdivisions of that State including Detroit during the months of January and February.

The funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Michigan to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Supporting data show that, based on the first six months of 1932, it has been estimated that $30,000,000 were spent during the calendar year 1932 for relief purposes in the various political subdivisions of the State, an increase of $3,500,000 over relief expenditures in 1931. Of the 1932 expenditures, it is claimed that $24,000,000 were raised within the State by the political subdivisions themselves. It is further estimated that for the year 1933 the State of Michigan will require $35,000,000 to meet minimum relief needs.

A communication filed with the Corporation by Governor Comstock, who has just been inaugurated, says:

> "I shall advise the incoming Legislature that it make the question of State aid to its political subdivisions for relief of destitution of primary concern. You will appreciate that it requires some time for a new Legislature to define its policies and to perfect legislation satisfactory to the many sectional interests of the State, but this will be done as rapidly as possible.
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> "The State of Michigan will do its part in relieving its own financial problems as soon as necessary legislation can be enacted."

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $6,479,283 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Michigan.

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RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

JANUARY 5, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Mississippi, today made available $1,847,125 to meet current emergency relief needs in seventy-eight counties and twelve cities of that State for the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Mississippi to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

The total relief need for January and February is estimated at $2,153,505.33, toward meeting which $306,380.33 is reported on hand, including a balance of $143,970.93 from funds heretofore made available by the Corporation.

Administration of relief funds in Mississippi is supervised by the State Board of Public Welfare appointed by the Governor. The State Board has a director and assistant director and a field staff of nine. In nineteen counties and cities relief funds are handled locally by the Red Cross at the request of the authorities of those political subdivisions.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $892,300 to meet current emergency relief needs in the State of Mississippi.

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Texas
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RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 5, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Texas, today made available $2,565,833 to meet current emergency relief needs in 229 political subdivisions of that State for the period January 1 to February 28, 1933.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Texas to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

For purposes of relief administration the Governor of Texas has divided the State into three general divisions, consisting of West Texas Counties, East Texas Counties and South Texas Counties. The State Relief Commission appointed by the Governor is composed of three members, each of whom is responsible for relief administration in his respective area.

Supporting data state that requests for supplementary federal funds have been arrived at after considering local resources available and any balances on hand from funds heretofore made available by the Corporation or received from any other source.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $1,569,301 to meet current emergency relief needs in various political subdivisions of the State of Texas.

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Ohio
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RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

WASHINGTON

January 5, 1933

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, upon application of the Governor of Ohio, today made available $1,400,077 to meet current emergency relief needs in five counties and one city of that State during the months of January and February.

These funds are made available under Title I, Section 1, subsection (c) of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act of 1932 with the understanding that the responsibility of the political subdivisions and the State of Ohio to make every effort to develop their own resources to provide relief is not in any way diminished.

Supporting data state that the application for $1,400,077 was based upon reports submitted by all political subdivisions for which Federal funds were requested in 1932. This includes eight counties and two cities whose combined population is 3,680,000 or 55 per cent of the entire population of that State. Experience indicates that 80 to 85 per cent of the relief need of the state is found in these subdivisions.

The total estimated need of these ten subdivisions, four of which seek no funds from the Corporation at this time, for the months of January and February is $6,034,769. Total available resources are estimated by local subdivisions at $3,659,939, which includes balances of federal funds made available in 1932 aggregating $715,621 and funds already granted for 1933 under subsection (c) totaling $961,148.

The Ohio Legislature is now in session and the Governor has informed the Corporation that legislation is expected to be passed to provide further aid to the political subdivisions of the State in meeting relief needs.

Since the passage of the Emergency Relief and Construction Act, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation has made available $8,248,753 to meet current emergency relief needs in various political subdivisions of the State of Ohio.

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