

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

December 1st to 31st Inclusive

The period of this report, December 1st to 31st, has included one field trip, - New York City, December 3rd through 6th.

Emphasis has been on the deeper economic problems of Negroes - difficulty in securing reemployment in private industry; disproportionately large number of Negro families with women heads and a concurrent scarcity of living wage jobs for Negro women; morale of Negro relief persons; and the like.

As was expected, there were a great many protests from individuals and organizations against proposed and actual WPA reductions. These came for the most part from the Northeast and Mid-West.

Correspondence remained extremely heavy.

I. Major Activities - Miscellaneous

December 3rd through 6th, I was in New York City to adjust a Federal Music Project matter at the instance of officials of that project, and to aid New York City Works Progress Administration officials in adjusting a dismissal Labor-Policy Board matter, and general problems arising from reductions. (Note - See Field Trip Report.)

Early in the month I conferred with Miss Betty Reasoner, Chief of the Correspondence Division, and as a result of that conference I,