The foregoing information was gathered from four separate sources, as follows:

1. Santa Clara County Welfare Department
2. Civil Works' Administration
3. State Emergency Relief Administration
4. Works' Progress Administration

The monthly average number of cases is the combined total of the different agencies divided into direct relief and work-relief.

The cases reported by the County Welfare Department includes Aid to the Blind, Aid to Orphan Children, Indigent Aid and Old Age Pensions.

1932 - The average monthly case load of 2466 was supported entirely by the county.

1933 - The direct relief was carried for the full year by the county. The 2650 cases shown as work relief was carried by the C. W. A. for the month of December only.

1934 - The county carried the direct relief load for the full year. The work relief is an average of cases under C. W. A. which terminated on March 31, 1934 and S.E.R.A. which began to take over in July, 1934.

1935 - The county carried the direct relief load for the full year. The work relief is an average of cases carried by the S.E.R.A. termination in July and the W.P.A. which began operation in October. The S.E.R.A. case load reached a peak of 5800 cases in April of this year. The month of April, 1935 shows the largest average load—4702 cases direct relief and 5359 cases work relief for a total case load of 10,061.

1936 - The direct relief was carried by the County and the S.E.R.A. The county average was 3738 cases. The S.E.R.A. averaged 1005 cases on direct relief. The work relief was handled by the W.P.A. throughout the year.

1937 - The direct relief is being handled by the County and the S.E.R.A. The first eight months the County average was 4798 cases and the S.E.R.A. 1041 cases. The work relief is being handled by the W.P.A. up to the present date.

A comparison of the first eight months of 1936 and the first eight months of 1937 indicates that the relief load has averaged approximately 10% higher during the current year. As an explanation of this, it is stated that this has been largely caused by the influx of distressed families from the mid-western dust bowl.