WPA BEGINNING INVESTIGATION OF NEED OF ITS 3,000,000 EMPLOYEES

Investigation of the need of every individual on the rolls of the Works Progress Administration--approximately 3,000,000 persons--will begin immediately, in accordance with provisions of the resolution recently adopted by Congress, Colonel F. C. Harrington, Works Progress Administrator, announced today.

Forms calling for a complete analysis of the family resources of each worker were issued to all State WPA Administrators today by Fred R. Rauch, Assistant Federal Administrator in charge of the Division of Employment. Detailed instructions covering the nationwide investigation also are being prepared and are expected to reach the State offices in a few days.

An intensive effort will be made to complete the investigation by the first week of April, when the reports are to be compiled in the Washington office. A trained field force is ready to direct the operations, Mr. Rauch explained, and the result is expected to give a detailed and factual statement showing the actual need of those currently employed by WPA from relief rolls.

The reports will show not only the family resources and earnings of its members during the last 30 days, but also will cover other members of the household, such as boarders or lodgers, and any payments or contributions from these during the same period.