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John -

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it possibly means new  
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Dear Mr. Edwards,

an event is being organised in North Wales for Saturday, 1st February which we think may well be of national interest and may warrant newsreel coverage in view of its topical nature. There has been much talk of a threatened trade recession and the possible end of full employment on a country wide basis after the style of the American recession of the 1930's. Whilst we all hope that this kind of situation will never obtain here the unemployment figures in certain areas of North Wales are so high that great concern is being felt and a march of unemployed men and their families has been organised to cover the Nantlle Valley and Penygroes area. The march will leave Penygroes and, being joined by various contingents on the way, will proceed over the 7 miles to Caernarvon where they will assemble in the castle walls on the Quayside. Amongst others we understand that there will be present Mr. Coronwy Roberts M.P., and Mr. Tom Jones North Wales TUC Secretary, and the organisers are hoping to be able to arrange speeches by well known national figures.

This event has received considerable publicity in the North Wales provincial newspapers and further information can be had from the editor of the Caernarvon and Denbigh Herald, Caernarvon, N. Wales, or from organisers "The Nantlle Valley and District Unemployed Workers Committee" at Bod Biddan, High Street, Penygroes, Caerns. Whilst your newsreel editor may not consider that coverage in excess of 1 minute would be justified in the newsreels for national circulation, we would be most anxious to show a print of the entire footage which your camera man may shoot should you decide to cover this event, and would be pleased to discuss special terms to that end.

Yours faithfully,  
PARAMOUNT PICTURE THEATRES CIRCUIT,

G.S. Baker.

Caernarvon 24th

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From: J.O.Griffith, Editorial Dept, Herald Office, Caernarvon, North Wales.

Four hundred unemployed persons fr the Nantlle Valley in Caernarvonshire who are arranging a seven mile march fr Penygroes to Caernarvon on Saturday, February 1, in order to draw attention to their plight, are to be joined by hundreds of other protest marchers fr various centres in the County, where unemployment is high.

Latest figures reveal that there are 3, 013 men and women in Caernarvonshire on the dole. The percentage o insured persons out o work is ~~the~~ t largest in Great Britain.

Heading the procession will be three brass bands, and marching with the unemployed ~~with~~ and their families will be local Councillors, ministers of religion, school teachers, tradesmen and even school children.

At Caernarvon a demonstration meeting will be held. There the

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the Borough Council are allowing them to use the Town Pavilion wh holds  
abt 8,000 people.

At Penygroes members of the Nantlle Valley Unemployed Cttee and their  
friends are busy these days making banners and slogans ~~the~~.

Last week Mr D V P Lewis, the newly appointed Minister of State for  
Wales, visited Penygroes ~~taxx~~ at the invitation o t Unemployed Cttee to see  
conditions at first hand.

Mr Lewis was told o t decline in t slate quarrying industry in t Valley  
since 1920. Btn 1920 and 1924 there were abt a dozen quarries employing 1300  
men. By 1957 there were only three quarries. wh employed btn them 350 men. This was  
an overall reduction o 300 per cent now employed in t industry as compared with  
1920. The slate industry ~~xxxxxxx~~ t basic industry and efforts are bg made to  
get new industry into t area.

The Minister, however, had one piece of hopeful news for them for he announced that tenders had been invited for a new factory, a Manchester firm propose to build in Penygroes, <sup>and out, this week</sup> and ~~it~~ will employ 160—mostly men.

The Bishop of Bangor, Dr G O Williams, has accepted an invitation along with ~~other~~ Members of Parliament and others, to speak at the rally which will be held at Caernarvon at the end of the unemployed's march.

Unemployed men from South Caernarvonshire are also to join in the March.

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Many disabled unemployed have intimated their intention to join in the march and those who are unable to walk will be conveyed in buses.

Traders in Penygroes are to be asked to close their premises for two hours on that day so that they can join in the proceedings.

Mr J Llewelyn Roberts, secty o t Unemployed Cttee, organisers o t march, sd "The arrangements have now been completed, and, whether it rains or snows we will march the seven miles to Caernarvon to draw attention to our plight."

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Plaza.	Bangor.	-----
City.	Bangor.	-----
Majestic.	Caernarvon.	3 days old.
Empire.	Caernarvon.	<del>3</del> -----
Regent.	Newtown.	-----
Coliseum.	Port Madoc.	9 days old.
Palladium.	Pwllheli.	6 days old.
Pola.	Welshpool.	-----
Victoria.	Bala.	14 days old.
Regal.	Beaumaris.	14 days old.
Glyndwr.	Corwen.	-----
Memorial Hall.	Criccieth.	-----
Plaza.	Dolgelly.	-----
Crescent.	Penmaenmawr.	9 days old.
Merion.	Pearhyndendraeth.	14 days old.
Plaza.	Ponygroes.	14 days old.