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A \$600,000,000 Budget For New York

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THE Board of Estimate has announced a budget for New York City for the coming fiscal year amounting to more than \$600,000,000.

The budget provides for increases of personnel and salaries in the courts, district attorneys' and sheriffs' offices. The workers and their families may starve, but Tammany increases the opportunity for graft. Tammany needs more police, courts and district attorneys to send more workers to jail. At the same time some 10,000 workers stormed the City Free Employment Bureau in search of a job. Many of the applicants had been out of work for six months to two years. Only 320 jobs of a temporary character were assigned.

The State Industrial Commissioner announced a drop of 4 per cent in employment during July. Work in New York State is at the lowest level in many years. What has Governor Roosevelt done about it? What has Jimmy Walker done about it? What has the republican party done about it?

Nothing! Nor do they intend to do anything.

The city budget contains no item for unemployment relief, although there are at least 800,000 unemployed in New York City and more than 1,000,000 in the state.

Walker's Antics.

Walker was ready to throw the unemployed delegation out of the meeting of the Board of Estimate, which was held just after the March 6th demonstration, because they demanded immediate unemployment relief. Tammany could do nothing for the army of unemployed—although it easily found funds to raise the salary of Walker and some other leading officials and later of some city employees. Walker's salary is now \$40,000 a year.

Mr. Baldwin, sole republican member of the Board of Aldermen, proposed nothing for the unemployed. The state legislature did nothing.