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GENERAL ELECTRIC PAYS $108,598 TO ITS IDLE

Schenectady, March 2 -

Every employe of the General Electric Co. in this city who has been out of work this Winter or even on part time employment, has been cared for financially by the company's unemployment pension plan, it was announced here today by Carl W. Snyder, Chairman Mayor’s Committee on Unemployment in this city.

"Just what such assistance means to a community is evidenced from the fact that the Mayor's Committee, which is now caring for 900 families at an expense of $7,000 per week, would have its relief work more than trebled but for the help from General Electric in caring for about 2,200 of its own employes," Mr. Snyder pointed out.

In announcing that the unemployment plan mutually adopted by General Electric employes and the company last Summer has cared for all its own employes here, the board of administrators of the plan stated that 682 employes, who have been entirely laid off, have received a total of $69,987 in payments or loans thus far and that 1,509 employes on part time employment have received $38,610 under the plan.