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Ireland is experiencing its worst economic crisis to date. You see the effects daily. They stare you in the face in the form of idle factories and longer dole queues. Yet nobody — least of all the Government — seems to know what **caused** this crisis. But you don't have to be a genius to know who's **paying** for it. The working-class, North and South is paying — just they they did in the Thirties and again in the Fifties. The price they are paying is massive unemployment, rocketing prices and shrinking wage-packets.

Look around you and its not all doom and gloom however. At least not for the Irish profiteers or their American and British masters. Look at the top two Irish banks. Together they made a profit of £40 millions last year.

Look at the Rockefellers. Down in Kinsale, Co. Cork they're busy selling us **our** gas for £700 millions. They bought the right to look for it for £500.

Look at the ranchers. Having played their part in driving small farmers off the land, they're now joining the Rockefellers in the oil and gas robbery.

Look at Navan Co. Meath. North American mining barons are looting the richest lead/zinc mine in Europe. It's worth £1,300 millions. When the looting stops we'll be left with an empty hole in the ground. Just like the one in Gortdrum, Co. Tipperary.

'Recession' or not, the **profiteers** and ranchers continue to live off the fat of the land. The working-class continues to live with the daily burden of wage robbery.

In the North, workers live with the added burden of British, Loyalist and Provisional terror. Sectarianism robs Northern workers of the right to live; private enterprise robs them of the right to work.

At present there is 11.1 per cent of all insured workers in the North unemployed. In some areas such as Strabane and Newry there is a shattering 30 per cent on the dole. Parts of Belfast like Ballymurphy have 48 per cent unemployed. We really do profit from the British connection, don't we?

What is Sinn Féin doing?

The North: Sinn Fein has worked tirelessly for peace. Sinn Fein wants a peace that removes the British jackboot, the Hibernian gunman and the Orange bomber so that all our people can join in the struggle for the re-conquest of Ireland from the Bankers, the profiteers and the oil and gas robbers.

Resources: Sinn Fein sees the robbery of Irish resources as the robbery of thousands of manufacturing jobs. Ireland's oil, gas and mines provide the basis of an industrial revolution. Under private ownership they will provide only short-term menial jobs. Sinn Fein is therefore committed to State control of Irish resources.

The Banks: If you are an industrial worker, small farmer or public servant the value of your work is stolen and lodged in a bank. Industry, agriculture and the Public Service are all in hock to the Banks. The money market is too important to be left in private hands. Sinn Fein wants it placed under **social** control — i.e. Sinn Fein wants the State to take over the Banks.

What are you doing?

As you can see Sinn Fein has the answers to the major problems facing Ireland today. Sinn Fein's policies are designed to free the working class from the horrors of sectarianism and from the anarchy of private enterprise. They meet the need of the working class and small farmer class for the ownership and control of the wealth of Ireland. Sinn Fein leads the way to a new age of industrialisation, peace and progress. Join us. Not to die for Ireland — but to create an Ireland worth living in.

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