

TO ALL SINGLE UNEMPLOYED

FELLOW WORKERS:

For a long time we have patiently tolerated the hopeless and degrading conditions in the soup kitchen. We are compelled to exist on two alleged meals per day. We have to do without tobacco, or beg it, we receive no allowance for razor blades or other personal necessities. We were made social outcasts. We tolerated it patiently because many of us felt that somehow the government would implement some of the promises and put us to work at decent wages.

But the summer came and the government did nothing. When we attempted to get an interview with the cabinet to discuss work and wages they completely ignored our plight, by stating that our problems were not important enough to warrant an interview. Now, of late they have added insult to injury by publicly stating that they could not get enough unemployed men to work on the projects which had been started. The last absolute untrue statement was more than we could let go unchallenged. We moved into action. We occupied the Parliament Buildings, thereby gaining what we had been unable to gain for months, a special session of the cabinet to meet our delegation and discuss our problems.

Will our delegation get a hearing with the cabinet on Friday? That will depend on the support the delegation receive from us. The government have shown in the past their ability to manouver and evade us if they did nothing else.

This time we must have results, the delegation must have not only the moral, but the active support of all the unemployed. This time we mean business. Work and Wages is our slogan, but the government, contrary to their promises of the past have stated that they are unable to put us to work for at least another month.

Therefore; The soup kitchen must go and replaced by cash relief at a rate of not less than \$1.00 per day. We need this much to live decently. How can this be financed may be asked. During the election campaign of last summer we were told that Alberta is a Province of untold wealth and that if elected this government would put the bankers and bondholders in their place and make the welfare of the people their first consideration.

Fellow workers; If that was what the government really meant we are prepared to back them with struggle and all our organised might. We suggest, as a method of financing a works programme or cash relief, a steeply graduated tax on all individual incomes in excess of \$2500. This will solve the problem of financing.

SINGLE UNEMPLOYED? EXSERVICE-MEN, MEN LIVING IN THE IMMIGRATION HALL, WE MUST ALL STAND TOGETHER FOR CASH RELIEF. THE SOUP KITCHEN MUST GO.

Watch for further announcements. Issued by Single Unemployed Protective Association.