

PROVINCIAL CITIES DISCUSS PROBLEMS OF UNEMPLOYMENT

Representatives to Send Deputation to Ottawa Asking for Public Works

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CALGARY, Jan. 16.—The four cities' convention on the subject of the unemployed problem held yesterday at the city hall with the mayor and delegates from Calgary, Edmonton, Lethbridge and Medicine Hat in attendance, voted to send a deputation to Ottawa to make a strong demand for proceeding with a large number of public works, including the following: The post office, armory, federal building and receiver-general's office at Calgary, involving a total estimated expenditure of \$2,015,000.

The irrigation project west of Lethbridge in the triangle formed by the confluence of the Old Man and Bow rivers at an estimated cost of \$2,000,000. Lethbridge is simply asking that the government guarantee the bonds for this amount and that the farmers benefitted repay the money in twenty years at \$18 per acre. Some 100,000 acres are involved.

Medicine Hat asks the government to carry out the long-discussed diversion of the river which would save the lower levels of the city from floods, also construction of the immigration hall, assistance to the southern Alberta irrigation project and assistance to the C.N.R. in building lines in the district.