

pay their way or else be raised by reducing the services to indigent patients. Why should struggling non-profit charitable and benevolent institutions and their patients be required to pay for unemployment in commercial and industrial fields?

4. This additional tax upon the wages of the hospital employees would be an unfair burden.

Hospital employees are none too well paid as a group; they have never drawn the wages and salaries paid in many other fields. As they have little prospect of drawing benefits from this fund, this extra tax, coming as it would on top of the special defence tax, would be a severe burden indeed.

5. Canadian Hospital Council requested exclusion in 1935.

On a previous occasion, the hospitals gave serious study to the question of their inclusion in the proposed unemployment enactment of 1935. After careful consideration it was unanimously agreed at a general session of the Canadian Hospital Council that exclusion of the hospitals be requested. A copy of the resolution then passed is appended.

6. Hospitals strongly favour exclusion from the provisions of this Act.

Immediately upon the announcement of the Bill, the Canadian Hospital Council undertook to obtain the views of the hospital field. Most of