

14c-a-Plate Dinner for The Poor

Sacramento

The California Welfare Rights Organization said yesterday it will conduct 14-cent-a-plate "Salute to the Poor" dinners on November 9 at the same time Republican fund-raisers are holding \$500-a-person dinners for President Nixon.

The organization said it will stage its events in cooperation with labor unions, peace groups and tenants' associations in all three cities in California where the Nixon dinners are to be held — San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego.

In addition, the Welfare Rights Organization said it will have dinners in Sacramento and some other cities.

"Our menu will consist of rice and tea, to point up the Southeast Asia war," said Catherine Jermany, head of the California Welfare Rights Organization.

"The 14-cent price was selected because that is the amount President Nixon is allowing welfare recipients for meals under his so-called Family Assistance Plan."

Mrs. Jermany said her organization's Los Angeles dinner would be held in the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, the same hotel where Governor Ronald Reagan is to address one of the Nixon fund-raising dinners.

A spokesman for the Beverly Wilshire said the hotel had made arrangements for the \$500-per-person dinner but had no plans to serve a 14-cent meal to the Welfare Rights Organization or anyone else. *Our Correspondent*