

SAYS LOBBY HITS U.S. JOB SERVICE

Nathan A. Smyth Charges Private Agencies Plot to Cripple Work

BURTS FEE SYSTEM

Evidence of Widespread Organized Attacks Discovered, He Alleges in Letter

An effort is being made to cripple the United States employment service by private fee-charging employment agencies lobbying in Congress, according to Nathan A. Smyth, assistant director general of the United States employment service.

The charges are made in a letter to Alexander D. Chiquoine, Jr., director of information of the employment service, in this city. Mr. Chiquoine was formerly secretary of the Philadelphia Board.

Mr. Smyth's statement follows:

"We have discovered evidence of widespread organized attacks upon the United States employment service. Apparently, these attacks are being made from two different sources. One is from groups of private employment offices; the other is from certain associations whose history is one of vehement antipathy to labor and the maintenance of private 'blacklist' employment agencies. The private interests of both these groups are fostered by a large amount of unemployment and the consequent possibility on the one hand of increased fees for private employment agencies and on the other for an attack on labor and for reductions of wages.

Attack Appropriations, Charge

"The line of attack is to prevent the United States employment service from getting sufficient appropriations to continue the work which it is doing for discharged soldiers and sailors and war workers, who are being transferred from war to peace industries. It is manifested through a constant stream of letters to members of Congress. Many of these come from men who are well known and entirely sincere, but who are misled by the propaganda which is being conducted.

"The United States employment service has set up a nation-wide system, which is placing an average of nearly 300,000 persons a week. It has established in addition to its regular offices some 1350 branch offices in many cities and is connected with the co-operation of all great welfare agencies and the State Councils of Defense. These agencies are connected with representatives of the employment service in every demobilization camp. The Knights of Columbus, for example, are furnishing its canvassers for jobs in many cities. The war-camp community service is doing the same, and also the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., Jewish Welfare Board and similar organizations. Some of the great church organizations are giving through their pastors and by communications through their branches every possible assistance to the service. It is undertaking to secure positions for discharged soldiers and to bring about readjustment to peace conditions without unnecessary unemployment.

Offer N Alternative

"In the face of an approaching crisis in the employment situation, with unemployment growing daily, these private interests would bring to an end about the 1st of April, they had their way, all of the work that is being done by the nation to find employment for its returning soldier and war workers. They have no alternative to offer and seem to be ready to bring the country into any kind of disorder and to do the utmost of injustice to those who have fought for the country in order to foster their own private interests.

The most frequent charge made against the employment service is that it is using powers of attempt to unionize the labor of the country. This charge is absolutely false. The service is flatly committed to a policy of strict neutrality."

RISKED LIFE FOR DOG

Fireman Bared Severely Trying to Rescue Animal From Flames

A fireman attached to Engine Company No. 49, Fifteenth street and Snyder avenue, was burned badly when he risked his life in an attempt to save a little dog from a fire at 1241 South Broad street.

Agreed Hospital suffering from burns about the face and body.

The fire at the South Broad street house, which is the home of William Miller, started when hot coals, falling from the furnace, ignited a pile of inflammable material. The flames spread to the lower floors and gained considerable headway before the fireman arrived.

A sideboard being moved from one room to another had been left wedged in a passageway and cut off the dog's escape. The animal's frantic barks attracted the attention of Garbrick, who climbed over the sideboard and attempted to carry the dog to safety. Because he could complete his work because he tripped over a flaming mattress and was burned. Garbrick carried the dog to the street but the animal died shortly afterward.

The loss is estimated at \$2000.

SUFFRAGIST RAP MILITANTS

Pennsylvania Woman's Association Disclaims Affiliation

"Misguided militants" is the phrase applied to the woman suffragists who are being arrested from time to time in Washington for burning speeches. The president of the executive board of the Pennsylvania Woman's Suffrage Association.

The association has sent a circular letter to State Senators and Representatives disclaiming any relation or sympathy with the militants. The circular is signed by Lucy Kennedy Mill, general secretary, and Cornelia Stryker, president.

The circular points out that the militant activities are inspired by the National Woman's Party, an outgrowth of the Congressional Union, distinguished by a small group of women led by Miss Alice Paul.

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COST OF HIS ATTENTIONS PUT ON EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Woman Finds Tender Business Agent Was Careful to Itemize the Outlay and Charges That Her \$11,308 Now Is Missing

New York, Feb. 2.—Mrs. Anne Eliza Miller, who came here from Columbus, O., with \$11,308 to invest, had an enjoyable time while her money lasted. It is gone, and Mrs. Miller is trying to make Daniel E. Wolfe account for it. Mr. Wolfe is an insurance broker. He met Mrs. Miller in February, 1917, and became her business agent, with power of attorney to act for her.

Mrs. Miller says she turned her money over to Mr. Wolfe. The report of the referee appointed by the Supreme Court, where Mrs. Miller is suing her agent, says: "They became close friends and soon developed a relationship of mutual confidence and affection."

Mr. Wolfe proved to be a most generous business agent, always solicitous for the welfare of his principal. They lunched together almost daily, the plaintiff asserts, and he instructed a fashionable tailor to send him the bill for a suit for Mrs. Miller, she alleges. When Mrs. Miller accompanied a friend from Columbus, Mrs. Chittenden, to Central Park, Mr. Wolfe, it is alleged, slipped

a \$100 bill into her pocket and sent aboard her steamer half a dozen bottles of champagne, several bottles of cognac and some bottled cocktails.

When Mrs. Miller asked her business agent to account she found all these "favors" itemized and charged against her, she declares. Mr. Wolfe even charged against her account candy, fruit, theatre tickets and social attentions he paid Mrs. Miller over the long distance telephone when she was out of the city. The usual purport of these talks, said Mrs. Miller, was: "Hello, dearie; how 'are you? When are you coming home?" She asserts Mr. Wolfe also charged her for these inquiries.

Julian T. Wright, referee appointed to pass on the Wolfe account, condemns some of the stock transactions Mr. Wolfe made for Mrs. Miller. The referee declared "entirely fraudulent" the investment of \$2250 in the Dealers Security Corporation, in which Mr. Wolfe was the chief figure. Mr. Wright also disapproved an investment of \$5,000 in the American Stock Raising Corporation.

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Having come to the conclusion that the two systems should no longer continue to operate separately, and that there is no justification for maintaining the double benefits, the commission proposed to frame a bill providing for the gradual merger of the two systems into one sound system.

Provisions of Proposed Bill

Membership in the proposed system will be compulsory for all new appointees and optional with teachers now in the service. Retirement will be optional at fifty-two years of age, or in case of disability any time before that age, provided the disabled teacher has served ten years in the State.

The allowance is calculated at the rate of one-seventieth of salary for each year of service, including teaching service rendered in other States up to ten years and is fixed at a minimum of \$100 in case of superannuation, and \$500 or 30 per cent of salary, in case of disability. In case of resignation, dismissal or death the contributions paid in by the member will be refunded to him or to his estate just as in a savings bank, together with compound interest at 3 per cent.

At the time of retirement the member may exercise an option. He may convert the total reserve created by his and the State's contributions on his account into a smaller retirement allowance, provided that in case of death the balance shall be paid to his estate in the form of an annuity or a lump sum.

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Demand Legislature Straighten Out Tangle of Two Systems

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DIES IN DUGOUT ACCIDENT

Philadelphian Had Escaped German Bullets and Shells

After escaping the fire of German machine guns through which he carried communication lines from regimental headquarters to advanced fighting units, Private David C. Murray, of the 103d Field Signal Battalion, was killed in an accident that occurred while he was in a dugout.

News of his death and the military honors with which his comrades buried him came to his mother, Mrs. H. H. Cochran, 5444 Hazel avenue, in a letter from Captain Howard J. Crow, commanding officer of Company C.

"Your son," writes Captain Crow, "was a lineman with the second section of C Company and assisted in laying lines and maintaining telephone service between the regimental headquarters of the infantry and their advanced fighting units. Repairing breaks in lines under shell and machine-gun fire was a common experience for our linemen. Courage of the highest order was required of the men performing this perilous work. David was always ready to undertake his share of the work and he rendered valuable service to his country."

Reception for Lieutenant Sander

Lieutenant Erich H. Sander, just returned from service in France with the 125th Field Artillery, was given a reception last night in the Hotel Walton. His home is at 1222 North Alder street.

Lieutenant Sander is a former department manager in the Wanamaker store. He went to France in May with the 320th Field Artillery. He attended a French artillery training camp and was assigned to the 125th Field Artillery. He gained his first military experience in the ranks of the old Second Regiment, N. G. P.

EFFICIENCY EXPERTS WRONG

Clergyman Says Wilson and Foch Refute Old Age Theory

"President Wilson's diplomatic triumphs at the age of sixty-two are an emphatic refutation of the assertions made by many so-called efficiency experts that a man's best years are over at his thirty-fifth birthday."

This statement was made yesterday by the Rev. W. John Murray at the meeting of the Divine Science Association at the Bellevue-Stratford. Professor Murray also mentioned General Foch as a similar example, and declared that neither the President of the United States nor the French generalissimo could have attained their respective eminence at the age of thirty-five.

Success, he said, was decidedly more mental than physical and that, therefore, the man who had reached the thirty mark was more probable to see the fulfillment of his ambitions than a young man. This contingency, he said, depended upon the older man having led a sober and sane life and devoid of all excesses.

Memorial Military Mass for Hero

A memorial military mass will be held Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Boniface Church, Hancock and Diamond streets, for Private Benjamin Dietz, who was killed in action in France, November 5. Private Dietz was in the 315th Infantry. He was a member of St. Boniface's Branch, No. 7, C. K. of A. He was the son of Margaret C. and the late Harry G. Dietz.

Named Head of Red Cross in Paris

Washington, Feb. 2.—Dr. Livingston Farrand, of the University of Colorado, has been appointed chairman of the central committee of the American Red Cross by President Wilson at Paris.

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Advertisement for Hardwick & Magee Co. 1220 Market St. Features a table of rug prices and descriptions. Text: "Particularly featuring the nationally celebrated Wilton Floor Coverings From Our Own Looms. DURABLE AS IRON. RUGS FROM OUR OWN LOOMS. Hardwick Wilton RUGS PERFECTION IN WEAVING. Axminster Rugs. Oriental Rugs Values Extraordinary. Reductions of 20% to 33 1/3%. From our superb assortment of Oriental Rugs—conceded to be the largest and most interesting collection in Philadelphia—we have selected and marked at substantial reductions a large variety of desirable weaves in a wide range of sizes and prices. All of them chosen because of their incomparable charm of beauty and ability to confer life-time satisfaction."

WANAMAKER'S DOWN STAIRS STORE at Wanamaker's February 2, 1919.

The New Spring Hat Need Not Be Expensive to Be Smart. Here, in the Down Stairs Millinery Salons, there are literally hundreds of smart, becoming Spring hats of undoubted style at \$3, \$3.75, \$5. There are hats for all types of women, from young girls to their mothers. There are delightful little close-fitting hats with tips of ostrich or with quills thrust at unusual angles, and there are conservative hats destined for white hair. Surely every woman can find a hat that is becoming. Note—Wise women know that by buying their Spring hats early they get the longest wear and the greatest amount of pleasure from them.

A Bit of Summer Transplanted into the beginning of February is what you see if you glance at the lovely summery skirts that have just arrived. Handsome skirts are of Georgette crepe, baronet satin, crepe meteor and crepe de chine in some of the loveliest colorings. Serge Frocks Come Forth in Spring-like Modes. Navy blue or black serge makes a frock that has loose, fringed panels on the skirt. Special at \$12. A frock with a collarless bodice has embroidered designs at the neck to harmonize with the embroidered skirt that is topped with a satin girdle. \$16.75. Another model with a yoke skirt is embroidered in gray and black silk. \$16.75. Bone buttons trim a collarless serge frock and braid adorns the belt. \$13.50.

Taffeta Rustles In models for women and young women. Most of these frocks boast the new overskirts and some have tucked Georgette vestees. \$16.75 and \$18. Beautiful Frocks of satin and crepe meteor are in many colors and models. Beading ornaments a number of them while embroidery serves on the others. Prices are \$23.75, \$25, \$29.75, \$32.50 to \$37.50. Men's Working Shirts 90c. Comfortable, durable working shirts of blue chambray and tan cotton material are made with attached collars and breast pockets. All sizes—and the price is special.

Women's Doe-Finish Gloves \$1.15 a Pair. Best of all, these white gloves are washable. The soft finish of the doekin is very attractive. The gloves are outsewn sewn and are stitched in white on the backs. These are worth fully a third more. Children's Stockings Special at 25c. They are of black ribbed cotton and have re-enforced feet. Slight imperfections class them as "seconds," but will not hurt their wear. Sizes 6 to 9. Cape Coats and Dolmans—Becoming to All Women. Some especially good models of bolivia cloth in henna, mole, hay and Pekin blue are beautifully lined. \$55. Other luxurious coats, cape coats and dolmans of bolivia are \$55 to \$89.75. Of Serge or Tricotine. Capes and cape coats that are mostly in navy blue (and in some instances combined with satin) are made of serge and tricotine. Most all of them are lined throughout with figured silks, and the others are partly lined. \$29.75 to \$89.75. A Number of Models of cape coats and dolmans in suede and cassimere velour and in duvetone are \$25 to \$135. Winter Coats of downright good value are reduced to \$15 to \$67.50, which includes many excellent coats.

Scrim 20c a Yard. It is 36 inches wide with tape-edged borders and is in white, cream and Arabian color (dark ecru). An Apple-Blossom Snow of Dainty Underthings. February brings to the Down Stairs Store—not a blizzard—but a delightful Springtime flutter of pretty white and flesh-pink dainties. Envelope Chemises at \$1 are surprisingly soft and pretty. The flesh batiste is adorned with blue hemstitching with rather a French effect that is quite charming. At \$1.50—you may choose a white or a flesh-pink envelope chemise of soft, lustrous batiste. The white one is trimmed with imitation filet insertion and lace. The pink chemise shows an entire top of soft shadow lace. Tub Silk Bloomers are a lovely shade of pink and well made. The ruffles have three rows of hemstitching. The bloomers are well re-enforced. \$2.50. Delicate Pink Crepe forms one of the most attractive nightgowns that we have ever had. They are so nicely shirred and are embroidered in colorful French knots. \$2.50.

New Voiles—Fresh and Fine. The new patterns are delightful and you will be glad to know that there are plenty of dark grounds. Most of the designs are fine and close with a liberal use of circles of all sizes. Particularly pretty are the soft grays, greens, tans and blues. 36 and 38 inches wide at 46c a yard. Any Member of the Family can get shoes, and good shoes, at small prices in the Down Stairs Store. For Women There Are Gray leather shoes in a soft kid finish with high, covered heels. \$5.75. Brown kidskin shoes with fawn cloth tops and high, curved heels. \$4.90. For Men Dark tan or dull black leather shoes made over English lasts. \$5.40. For Children Girls' black dull leather lace shoes made over wide toe shapes with low heels. Sizes 2 1/2 to 5. \$2.85, special.

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