

# SAYS MAN WHO WORKS FOR EMPLOYERS CANNOT SEND ANY MONEY HOME

### Agents and Contractors Collude to Deprive Laboring Man of Profit.

## PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AGENCY IS SOLUTION

### Organized Labor Favors This Plan—Others Are for More Careful Supervision of Private Agencies—North Bank Project Makes Need Pressing

"A man with a family who goes out to work on railroad construction cannot hope to send anything home," said a well-informed laboring man today. "Wages are ostensibly good, and upon the surface it would appear that a fair profit could be made, but there are so many deals between employment agents and contractors that the workingman is never able to do more than support himself."

This statement prompted investigation. It suggested the establishment of a public employment office, or broader powers for some labor commissioner, whose duty it should be to ferret out frauds upon unskilled labor in the heavy work to be pressed around Portland for the next decade. More railway men will be hired from this point next year than from any city of the west. Heavy work advertised will no doubt draw large numbers of workmen from distant places. Unless there is some power with authority to issue authentic statements about the needs of big contractors, as warning to the country at large, it is regarded possible that there may be a greater influx of unskilled labor than can be accommodated.

### The Only Remedy.

Friends of laboring men have renewed the demand for a public employment office, as the most probable remedy for the evil that is said to deprive the average railroad construction hand of a profit on his work. The success attained at Seattle is cited as an instance of what such an office can accomplish. It is recalled that there was a movement here last year for such an office, which found general support for a period, but did not take tangible form. Organized labor endorsed this solution and frequently has urged authentic statements about the needs of big contractors, as warning to the country at large, it is regarded possible that there may be a greater influx of unskilled labor than can be accommodated.

At present there is no means by which an employment agency may be punished for defrauding workmen, says that, provided in the general franchise law. City agencies are required by city ordinance to refund the fee charged and transportation expenses if they send men or women for work which does not exist, or where there was no probability of the applicant receiving it.

### Revenue Limited.

In addition, the license committee has power to revoke the license of an agency where it has been found guilty of such abuses. But there is no other remedial measure, save recourse to the fraud penalties. Further, city officials cannot have jurisdiction beyond the city boundaries, and are seriously handicapped.

The fact is generally conceded that construction contractors often collude with employment agencies, the agreement being that the latter shall have the exclusive privilege of furnishing men, and the former shall keep the workmen but a short time before discharging them. Each new applicant is compelled to pay the employment fee and perhaps a sum for clothing or preliminary equipment. Shortly after this amount has been earned, he is discharged and opportunity is created for repeating the profit of hiring another man. No doubt exists that this profit is divided between the contractor and the employment agency.

### How the System Works.

It is because of such conditions that men frequently find they can make nothing in construction work, as they are never permitted to keep their places long enough to much more than break even with the contractor and employment agency.

More glaring frauds often have been perpetrated upon the laboring classes. In some instances men are sent to distant places where there is no work to be had, and being broke, are mostly unable to return to their city to prosecute the fraudulent agent. Such cases of this character are brought to the attention of the local license officials, are taken up by threatening to forfeit the agent's license if the fee and transportation costs are not refunded. It is safe to estimate that a multitudes of cases never are reported, as the victims have not the means to return to make complaint, and are more eager to get work than to punish a wrongdoer.

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# MISS HILL FOUND IN PRISON

### Starving Woman Occupied a Cell in Bridewell on Charge of Shoplifting.

## SURE OF SQUARE MEALS DURING IMPRISONMENT

### Is Arrested and Fined Under an Assumed Name—Declared by Friends to Be Innocent of Crime, but Attracted by Comforts of Jail.

(Journal Special Service.)

Chicago, Nov. 3.—Mary Louise P. Hill, the young woman whose disappearance from a boarding-house at 244 Ohio street on October 3 caused a sensation in police circles for more than a week, and was supposed to have starved to death, has been found in a Bridewell cell. Miss Hill, who for some time was a member of the choir of Moody's church, has been a prisoner in the house of correction since October 10 under the name of Mrs. Anna Harrod. She was committed to the institution by Justice Caverly to serve a fine of \$20 for disorderly conduct, having been arrested on the charge of shoplifting.

Late this afternoon she was released from custody, when her fine was paid by her friends. The woman made her true identity known to Superintendent Lynch of the house of correction after the prisoners just brought to the institution told her of the excitement caused by the disappearance of Miss Hill.

Superintendent Lynch communicated to the police of the Chicago avenue station and Detective Rohrer and Gorman, accompanied by a singer in Moody's church, were sent to identify her. While they were on the way it is declared that the fine had been paid by a church friend with whom she communicated and she had been released from custody.

Miss Hill was a prominent church worker, a medical student and sociologist. She was well known in social settlement work and associated with Miss Helen Gould, Jane Addams and other philanthropists. Her diary, which was found in her room after her disappearance, showed a long record of privation and suffering, the girl having been for months on the verge of starvation and sustaining life by the most precarious methods. Her friends state that while innocent of the crime attributed to her, she refused to make a fight against being sent to the house of correction because of the certain prospect of comfortable apartments and sufficient food. Under an assumed name she thought that she was safe from discovery. Her pride prevented her from asking aid or telling her predicament to friends.

### World Eliminate Graft.

Organized labor in the city has been quite pronounced in support of a public agency. In championing this plan it is said that the public agency quickly would drive all of the private institutions out of business, or if any remained, they would be unprofitable. If the big cost of doing a job is done by a public agency which was operated on a clean basis, graft naturally would be eliminated.

Removal of a charge, or reducing it to a nominal sum, would make the public institution popular. The friendly influence of organized labor also would contribute heavily to the success of the institution, and enlist a multitude of potent advocates and champions. A public agency, making reports of what it needed and was doing, also would inform the public at large thoroughly of the labor situation, which is not the case under present conditions.

### Many of the unskilled labor class and their friends will urge establishment of a public agency.

Others will endeavor to have the same evils reached in another way.

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## MAE WOOD WANTS \$150,000 DAMAGES FROM PLATT

### Aged Senator's Nemesis Brings Another Suit—Loeb, Wynne and Miller Accused.

(Journal Special Service.)

Omaha, Nov. 3.—Mae Catherine Wood has filed another suit against Senator Platt and others for \$150,000 damages. The defendants in the suit are Thomas C. Platt and F. H. Platt, an officers of the United States Express company; former Postmaster-General Wynne, William Loeb, secretary to the president, and J. Martin Miller, late consul at Aix la Chapelle.

The suit follows the lines of former suits, alleging that the defendants conspired to decoy her to New York for the purpose of committing a felony on her. The petition alleges that she was caught in New York, an effort made to drug her, and that she was deprived of her liberty for two days. Immediately afterward she was released, and together with the Columbia Navigation company, which she had sued Platt for breach of promise, which was false.

Miss Wood declares that she believes that all these machinations against her were for the purpose of attracting public attention from the marriage of Senator Platt to Carrie Thompson, alias Lillian Janeway, in Washington.

## FIRST TRIP OF NEW STEAMER A SUCCESS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Wenatchee, Wash., Nov. 3.—The new steamer Columbia has successfully completed her first trip up the river. The Columbia is the first of a new fleet of steamers that is being built by the Columbia Navigation company.

The new boat has been designed for the passenger trade, although freight to a small amount will be carried. A sister ship, the Okanogan, will be built immediately, and together with the Columbia will make daily trips between this port and Brewster. The Columbia's speed is eight miles an hour against a six-mile current. She carries a crew of 20 men and is licensed to carry 20 passengers. Captain I. B. Gray of E. that, a pilot of many years experience on the Columbia river, is in command. The cost of the new boat is \$23,000.

## FUNERAL OF JOHN KIRTS IS HELD AT WILKES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Forest Grove, Or., Nov. 3.—The funeral of John Kirts, a pioneer of 1852, who died a few days ago at Lafayette, Oregon, was held at Wilkes' cemetery Sunday afternoon. Seven miles from here at 10 o'clock this morning. Mr. Kirts was born in Indiana in 1830. He came to Oregon with an ox team when but 21 years of age and located in Washington county near where Greenfield now is, and where he lived up to 18 years ago, when he removed to Lafayette. In 1859 he married Miss Eunice Marsh. They had 12 children. Mr. Kirts was buried by the Masons.

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123 Men's Worsted Suits, fancy satin-lined	\$20.00	Men's lisle sock	11¢
205 Men's Blue Serge Suits, med. weight	\$18.00	Men's fancy sock	12½¢
63 Men's fancy worsted Suits, heavy weight	\$25.00	Men's ribbed underwear	29¢
22 Men's unfinished worsted Suits, winter weight	\$27.50	Men's heavy ribbed cotton underwear	37¢
846 Men's worsted Suits in all colors	\$32.50	Men's sanitary fleece underwear	39¢
888 Blue kersey Overcoats	\$12.00	Men's wool underwear	48¢
35 Black Melton Overcoats	\$13.50	Men's heavy wool underwear	84¢
723 Dress Overcoats	\$18.00	Dr. Wright's Health underwear	98¢
98 Cravenettes, English make	\$22.00	368 Dozen 25c suspenders	6¢
42 Short Coats, odd sizes, worth up to	\$30.00	87 Dozen 50c suspenders	19¢
38 Pair of cotton Pants	49¢	3 Dozen President suspenders	21¢
Boys' Overalls, as long as they last	12¢	85 Dozen silk dress suspenders	34¢
Men's dress Pants	\$1.49	1843 Silk bosom shirts	\$2.00
Men's fine all wool Pants, for Sunday	\$2.25	361 Golf shirts	\$1.00
Men's \$5, \$6, \$7 Pants, as long as they last	\$3.27	229 Dozen Sweet Orr union-made shirts	78¢

### Shoe Department

Men's fine vici kid Shoes	\$2.50	\$1.29
Men's fine box calf Shoes	\$3.00	\$1.48
Men's fine calf Skin Shoes	\$3.50	\$1.98
All of the \$5 and \$6 Shoes go at		\$2.95
All of the ladies' high-price Shoes go at		\$1.96

### Hat Department

59 Dozen Men's crush felt hats	\$2.50	34¢
Men's wool hats, large shape	\$1.50	29¢
Men's fur dress hats, all shapes		87¢
Men's felt hats for dress		93¢
Dunlap shape hats, worth up to \$5.00		\$1.98
Men's Stetson shape hats		\$1.49
Men's caps, latest styles	50c	29¢
Men's Knox shape hats		\$1.69
All \$6.00 Wilber hats		\$2.15
Boys' caps, worth 50c		9¢

### Blanket Department

633 Blankets of all kinds	49¢
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Heavy quilts	83¢
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