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Testimony Provided by Agents Paid by Outside Interest; Astounding Condition Is Scored

Senatorial investigating committees are using a corps of privately employed detectives—over 40 in number—to “check up against men in public life” and especially to pry into all of the executive departments of the government.

These detectives are employed by a bureau headed by Frank A. Vanderlip, who recently admitted on the witness stand he slandered the good name and memory of the late President, and is now a defendant in a libel suit because of his utterances.

The bureau is financed by him, and according to his own statement is “spending money like a drunken sailor” which will run into seven figures. It has a suite of offices of nine rooms in the city of Washington.

Busy Offices
This bureau is furnishing nearly all the witnesses before the Wheeler committee and worked up nearly all the statements made by those witnesses. The bureau proposes to keep actively at work after Congress adjourns spying upon the various executive departments and men in public life.

Such are the astounding statements set forth in the editor and Publisher, a newspaper trade magazine printed in New York. The statements are contained in an authorized interview with Mr. Vanderlip by a representative of that publication, and the interview constitutes the lead article of the publication. There has been no denial upon the part of any senatorial committee or member thereof of the statement of Mr. Vanderlip.

Mr. Vanderlip states that he is responsible for the bringing of Mr. Heney east, and that he has employed a number of other attorneys who will work up the cases against public men from the data collected by the detectives employed by Mr. Vanderlip.

Astounding Statement
The astounding statement that congressional investigating committees are getting their facts from detectives and others paid out of Mr. Vanderlip's pocket for spying on public officials and bringing in all manner of charges, dovetails in a very significant way with the admitted fact that Mr. Heney was employed out of the private purse of a United States senator who was a member of a committee.

It was the disclosure of this fact which led President Coolidge to send to the Senate his message of April 11, in which he denounced in terse language the manner in which senatorial investigations were being conducted, which he said amounted to a substitution of a government of lawlessness for a government of law, and that the state of the Union demanded abandonment of such unlawful and undemocratic practices. That portion of the remarkable interview which the Editor and Publisher's representative obtained from Mr. Vanderlip which contains the above mentioned statements is as follows:

“At present, Vanderlip admitted, the bureau is acting as a sort of private detective agency for the congressional committees. When these committees are no longer functioning, he said, the bureau will check up against men in public life, search out graft in government, and broadcast findings to 1,000 leading newspapers of the country. He believes the newspapers will be “forced to print” the findings, because they will constitute news, protected by competent legal talent from libel.

“In the further future, Vanderlip sees his Citizens' Federal Research bureau not confined to investigation of the honesty of the federal government, but with branches carried to state capitals performing ‘housecleaning campaigns’ all over the country.”

PUBLIC UTILITIES BOOST POPULATION

Growth of Larger Cities Aided By Facilities that Make Life Happier

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The growth of city population has been greatly influenced because of the public utilities and the ease in procuring their services. Before the utility services people lived in crowded streets with houses built as closely together as possible.

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NOTICE TO RECEIVE BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highwood, Illinois, will receive proposals or bids until the hour of opening the same, as hereinafter set forth, for the construction of the proposed improvement.

For the grading, draining, paving with Portland Cement concrete and otherwise improving a system of streets as follows: Michigan Avenue, from the east corporation line of the City of Highwood, Illinois, westerly 137.4 feet to east end of concrete pavement already constructed; Elm Avenue from the north line of pavement on Michigan Avenue northerly to the southerly line of Burtis Avenue; Burtis Avenue from the westerly line of Elm Avenue extended north, easterly to the east corporation

line of the City of Highwood, Illinois, together with returns to the property line all street and alley intersections connected thereto, all in the City of Highwood, County of Lake and State of Illinois.

The plans and specifications for said improvement are now on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City. Said bids or proposals shall be delivered to the President of the Board of Local Improvements and will not be considered unless accompanied by a check, certified to by some one reliable bank, payable to the order of the President of said Board of Local Improvements in his official capacity, for not less than 10 per centum of the aggregate of said proposal or bid.

Payment for said improvement shall be made in bonds, and shall draw interest at the rate of six per

cent per annum. Said proposal or bid shall be opened, examined and publicly declared by said Board at a meeting thereof to be held in the City Council Chamber of the City Hall in said City of Highwood, Illinois, at the hour of eight o'clock P. M. on the 5th day of May A. D. 1924.

JOSEPH SEVERSON
F. N. WILLIAMS
EMIL CARLSON
Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highwood, Illinois.
Dated at Highwood, this 23rd day of April A. D. 1924.

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