

'PATRIOTS' PLAN SAVING OF U. S. —AT A PROFIT

'Red Menace' to Be Slogan in Keeping Government Out of Business.

By United Press
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—Paul Y. Anderson, special correspondent of the Post-Dispatch today describes in a story from Chicago "grandiose plans for the launching of a huge propaganda agency" aimed at "government in business."

The promoter, according to Anderson, is W. J. Sylvester, who says he already has enlisted the support of wealthy men and corporations throughout the country. His literature lists an "advisory board" of fifty-four prominent men, according to Anderson.

"The advertised purpose is the 'patriotic' one of 'saving the United States from bolshevism' by waging a campaign of 'education' against government in business. The other purpose, which is not advertised, but is none the less obvious, is that of turning up a handsome profit for the promoter."

The propaganda campaign outlined by Sylvester is astounding in scope and the methods by which he proposes to make it effective are extremely daring. These methods include many already emp'yeed by the power trust—and recently exposed by the federal trade commission—such as subsidizing or coercing newspapers and teachers, introducing propaganda into the public schools and universities, and employment of a troupe of public speakers."

Use of the radio and publication of a magazine and "clipsheet" for editors also are contemplated.

Sylvester proposes that each concern supporting the agency shall contribute a "quota" of one mill for each \$100 of net income of the concern. He says \$40,000 already has been spent in laying plans, of which \$20,000 was from business men as advances on their quotas.

An outline of Sylvester's plan makes reference to a conference held in Washington in 1925 to combat government competition with business and says his organization purposes "to put into effect the programs outlined by the Washington conference."

HANGING BANDITS ALONG HIGHWAYS PROTESTED

Annoys Tourists, Mexican Paper Objects.

By United Press
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—Protests against the practice of hanging bandits along the roadsides were published today in the newspaper Excelsior.

Readers of the paper said that the sight of the suspended bodies was disgusting to tourists.

Bodies of three road agents, captured Christmas, are now hanging from trees along the Mexico City-Puebla highway.

3,450,000 APPLE CROP

Northwest's Yield This Year Would Make 40,000 Carloads.

SEATTLE, Dec. 27.—Some savant of statistics has electrified the populace of this city with the following: If all the apples grown in the northwest this season were laid side by side, they would make six rows between Seattle and New York, and there would be enough left over for a good sized stomach ache for a large percentage of the world's population.

In other words crop estimates place the northwest apple crop at 3,450,000 apples or 40,000 carloads.

BUILDS DESERT 'LINER'

Motor-Driven Vehicle May Take Place of Camels.

By United Press
BERLIN, Dec. 27.—An invention of Dr. Bischoff, German engineer, if proven practical, will eventually supplant the camel as a means of conveyance across the Sahara desert.

The new method of locomotion is a gigantic "desert liner," 130 feet long, 42 feet high and 26 feet wide, propelled on four wheels driven by two Diesel motors of 450 horsepower. There are four decks to the ship, and 12,000 miles can be covered without taking on fresh stores.

ESCAPES JAIL: RETURNS

Prisoner Returns to Be Locked Up on Advice of Mother.

By United Press
UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 27.—William Hale, charged with robbery, is back in jail here although he made good his escape from the prison several weeks ago.

When Hale reached his home in Alton, Ill., his mother ordered him to return and take his medicine like a man.

REWARDED FOR HONESTY

Tailor Receives \$200 for Finding \$1,400 in Man's Pants.

By United Press
ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 27.—There are honest men in this world and Joseph T. Bucci, a tailor, is one of them. Lee Schif of Kansas City sent his suit to Bucci to be pressed with \$1,400 in one of the pockets. Bucci found the money and returned it to Schif. He received a reward of \$200.

Last Civil War Veteran Dies
By Times Special
SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Dec. 27.—John J. White, 82, last Civil war veteran of Washington township, Shelby county, is dead. He had lived in the county fifty years.

Grid Players Get Jobs



The Indiana Bell Telephone Company selected athletes from Butler, Indiana, Purdue, Notre Dame and De Pauw universities and Wabash college, and the six Indianapolis high schools to push the carts from which the directories are distributed, giving the students a few welcome dollars for vacation time.

The picture shows Jack Walsh, 1723 North Pennsylvania street, Butler tackle, on the job.

NEW CALENDAR IS OPPOSED AS CHURCH PERIL

13-Month Year Would Destroy Holy Days, Says Congressman.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Charges that calendar simplification as proposed by George Eastman, Kodak magnate of Rochester, would create "wandering Sabbath" and injure religion, were made today by Representative Sol Bloom (Dem., N. Y.).

Bloom told the United Press the plan to create a thirteen-month calendar of 364 days was tried in 1600 but created such chaos that it was abandoned.

No Fears for Bible

"Time is figured by the sun and moon. There are 365 days and six hours to a year, but under the proposed simplification the extra day would be thrown into the discard, an unnamed day. In seven years by having a blank day the entire week would be discarded and in twenty-three years the calendar would be one month behind."

"This would seriously disturb the Sabbath and Sunday and Easter day and when these holy days are destroyed it means the Bible virtually will be destroyed."

Bloom criticised the thirteen-month calendar as "a modern and economic" schedule, but said if business men needed such a calculating sheet they could arrange their own periods to suit conditions.

Favors Conference

He announced the Seventh Day Adventists, the Seventh Day Baptists and the Orthodox Jews were supporting his campaign against scientific regulated Sabbaths. The Catholic church, he said, already is on record against the change, as the Holy See objected to the League of Nations to calendar simplifications several years ago.

Bloom said he would not object to the house foreign affairs committee reporting out a bill for the United States to participate in a conference whereat some other type of calendar reform might be developed.

Whalen's final step in reorganization of the police department was taken yesterday, when he announced the squad which formerly terrorized the underworld. This squad, made up of the most "hard-boiled" men on the force, will concentrate on driving gangs from the city.

In addition, the 125 policewomen on the force will become more active, Whalen said, devoting their time to keeping a close watch on dance halls and cabarets.

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ELABORATE BALL HELD

Brings Flowers From California for Chicago Affair.

By United Press
CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Edith Rockefeller McCormick, who owns the only solid gold luncheon set in Chicago, thrilled society again Wednesday night by bringing masses of laurel from Tennessee and carnations from California which she gave to the musical and ball which she gave at the Drake hotel for Florence Crane, her god-child.

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HOOSIERS MET SUSPECT

Negro Held in Murder Former Partner at Washington.

By Times Special

WASHINGTON, Ind., Dec. 27.—Hoyt McMurray, Negro, held at Carmi, Ill., charged with the murder of Miss Anna Preher, a school teacher, was employed as a barber shop porter here less than a year ago.

While here McMurray was taken into custody as a suspect in a restaurant robbery, but was released after establishing an alibi.

Green beans were down to 20 cents a pound on city market today, and green peas were 25 cents. Oranges sold at from 25 to 70 cents a dozen. Apples remained 6 pounds for a quarter, and bananas were from 20 to 30 cents a dozen. Grapes were from 3 for a quarter to 10 cents each.

Head lettuce was selling for 10 and 15 cents each and leaf lettuce was 15 cents a pound. Celery was 5 cents a stalk and celery hearts were 3 to 4 bunches for a quarter.

Greens were 2 pounds for 15 cents to 15 cents a pound. Broccoli was 50 cents a bunch. Radishes, the long white ones, were two bunches for 15 cents. New cabbage remained at 10 cents a pound and old cabbage at 6 cents a pound. Cauliflower was from 25 to 40 cents each, and alligator pears were 50 cents each. Cranberries were 25 cents a pound.

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DEAD MAN DRIVES AUTOMOBILE: CRASHES

Officer's Motorcycle: Girl Companion Unaware.

By United Press
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—A dead man drove an automobile for a short distance along Front street Wednesday night until the car struck the parked motorcycle of a patrolman.

The man was Nathan Frye, 43, of Utica, who just had left the Pennsylvania railroad station after meeting Miss Virginia Morris of Staunton, Va.

Apparently while driving, Frye had a heart attack and died so quickly his companion did not realize what had happened.

After the automobile struck the motorcycle, the policeman jumped on the running board and touched Frye. The body slumped forward.

SEEK PURCHASE RIGHT

Rail Executives Ask Permit to Buy American Express Company.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Authority to acquire the properties of the American Railway Express Company at a cost of \$35,000,000 was sought from the interstate commerce commission today by a committee of railroad executives.

The property will be taken over on March 1, 1929, and operated thereafter by a new corporation, the Railway Express Agency, Inc., jointly owned by the interested railroads.

SYRUP BALSAMEA quick relief for stubborn coughs. — Advertisment.

Many astronomers have contended that the shepherds saw an unusually brilliant Venus. Their argument has some grounds, for Nanking abolished fortune-telling some time ago, and now the order is extended to the entire country.

Each city has from a hundred to several thousand who earn a livelihood by foretelling the future.

"But on the other hand," he continued, "the ancients knew astronomy.

May Have Been Venus

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