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14901

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FILE NO. 14901

Remonstrance
Organization in interest of
conduct is established by
business of Burdell
F Russell

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By *A. H. Grant*

Address *W. H. PAGE, CITY COMPTROLLER*
By *Malory Ell* Deputy

DISPOSITION

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Mr. President,
Your *Labor* Committee

to whom was referred the within *remonstrance*

would respectfully report that we have considered the same and respectfully recommend that *find*
that the charges made are in the
main true. We recommend that a
new and more stringent ordinance
governing the conduct of employment
agencies be enacted

D. H. Patrick
CHAIRMAN
F. Mullen
A. Kistler

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Seattle, Wash., June 9, 1902.

To the Honorable, the City Council
of the City of Seattle.

Gentlemen:--

We, the undersigned, desire to submit for your consideration the following statement of facts, requesting that you take such action in the premises as will protect the laboring people from corrupt practices on the part of licensed employment agents.

On or about June 2nd, 1902, we applied at the Employment Office of Russell & Russell, whose place of business is #123 Main Street, for employment as laborers on gravel train, in the employ of Mr. Nelson, a contractor doing work for the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. We were told by the agent that the work would last until the 4th of July, and on this representation, took the job, paying therefor one dollar each. We were told that transportation would be furnished free to the work, and that, when the work was finished, we would be returned to Seattle without expense.

Instead of being transported to the work, we were obliged to walk ten miles after leaving the cars. The work lasted, for some of us, a week, and while we were there, men arrived daily from the employment office until the work ceased. Besides the payment of the fee, we have been obliged to pay return fare and other expenses, which amount to more than the wages received.

We desire to protest against the manner in which these agents and others misrepresent facts relating to positions furnished through their various offices, and respectfully petition your honorable body to pass such laws as will properly restrain these licensed agents and prevent the recurrence of conditions similar to the above.

Yours respectfully,

W. L. Thompson Central Hotel
W. H. Maynard Oregon Lodge
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Joseph Gass

St. Charles Hotel

J. G. Middleton

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M. Stebbins

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Ermine Oregon House

Harry Mungraver Oregon House

Louis Goldsmith Cape Nome

Elmer Jones Cape Nome

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