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REPORT SCORES
CREEL FOR HIS
EXTRAVAGANCE

Discloses Fact U. S. Bulletin
Being Run Privately—Com-
pels Abandonment of 111
Publications.

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING
Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire
Washington, April 12.—George
Creel, former head of the wartime
committee on public information, is
excused in a report to congress
of the joint committee on printing,
which exposes the reckless extrava-
gance of the administration on
propaganda periodicals and press-
agentic activities.

The committee has compelled the
administration to abandon publica-
tion of 111 out of 226 periodicals
at a saving of \$1,200,000 annually,
has curtailed the allowances for
printing plants \$898,100 and reduced
the output of the government print-
ing office to such an extent that
\$908,184 was saved on print paper
alone this year.

Stop Publication.
The committee caused Creel to
cease publication of the official
United States Bulletin April 1,
1919, but soon found that it was
being continued as a private enter-
prise under the name of the United States
Bulletin, chief editor, Robert W. Babson,
of the information and education
service of the Department of Labor.
"The prime mover in the secret
negotiations by which the Bulletin
was turned over to Babson without a
cent of compensation to the govern-
ment appears to have been Ed-
ward S. Rochester, who was given
the position of editor of the Bulletin
in 1917. Babson, who was paid a
salary of \$5,000 a year and who was
in that capacity by Babson for some
time at what is said to have been
an even larger salary," says the
committee report.

"Thus it was that, through the
manipulation of Rochester and with
the evident assent of Creel, Babson
came into possession of the Bulletin,
its name, good will, prestige and value
as a going concern, staff and office,
and was even permitted to copy its
mailing lists and subscription ac-
counts without paying the govern-
ment for any of these valuable as-
sets."

Effort to Loot Publication.
"When it became evident to Creel
and Rochester that the Bulletin was
not to be continued as a govern-
mental organ, there seems to have
been a deliberate effort to loot this
\$600,000 a year publication. A gang
of safe-blowers could hardly have
created greater havoc in a country
bank than did these government em-
ployees in the office of the Official
Bulletin when the final word was
given that Uncle Sam had refused
to continue as their benevolent pay-
master."

"The ordinary business man or
publisher it would seem that a pub-
lication having a circulation of 100-
000 copies daily and costing more
than \$600,000 a year, must have con-
siderable files and records at the
disposal of its business and that it
would be in some order at least for
determining the affairs of such a
pretentious establishment."

The fact is, however, the records
of the Bulletin, as well as those of
the entire office, were left in a
chaotic condition that congress has
had to make a large appropriation
to another branch of the govern-
ment service to audit and close the
accounts and affairs of the defunct
Creel organization.

Babson Officer.
"The liquidating officer in charge
of this work has already reported
that literally thousands of dollars
in checks sent in as subscriptions to
the Official Bulletin were found
strewn about in the final word of
Creel and his associates and that
it will take months to bring some sort
of order out of this miserable mess."

The committee scores Babson for
"the deception that was practiced to
make the Babson Official Bulletin
appear to be a government publica-
tion and charges Creel for ig-
noring others than the final word
of Creel to purchase the Bulletin."
Another Creel publication, ordered
discontinued was the National
School Service, costing \$135,000 a
year, the object of which was to
teach the country to "convert the
league of nations and to urge
the school children to do their
part."

The committee finds that money
was wasted recklessly on the scores
of publications at army and navy
camps for the purpose of fostering
morale during the war.

Phones Will Connect
All Delegates at Big
Chicago Convention

Chicago, April 12.—Delegates at
the republican national convention,
opening here June 8, will be able to
confer with representatives of other
states without leaving their seats.
To eliminate a large part of the
confusion incident to conferences
of delegates on the floor, C. R. Hall,
superintendent of the Coliseum,
has arranged for the installation
of telephones connecting all
state, district and territorial delegations.

It is said that this will be the
first time that such a system has
been installed at any national con-
vention.

There will be 53 telephones in
service, reaching the 48 state groups
and the representatives of the Dis-
trict of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii,
the Philippines and Porto Rico.
The convention organizers have
completed plans for a balcony that
includes an extra balcony that
adds approximately 1,100 to the
seating capacity. Work on the bal-
cony and the convention offices, in
the Coliseum annex, will start May
3. The Chicago convention com-
mittee is spending \$47,000 on
changes to the building to accom-
modate the delegates and more than
10,000 spectators.



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THE DIARY.

NEW YEARS NIGHT—
THIS WAS A LONG DAY—
I CREEPT UNDER THE COVER
OF DARKNESS—I PEEPED
INTO YOUR PALACE—ON KING
ISA W YOU SITTING
WITH A TOWEL WRAPPED
AROUND YOUR HEAD—
HOW PALE YOU LOOKED
YOU FRIGHTENED ME—
ARE YOU SICK
MY ROMEO?

JAN 3RD—
ON MY DIARY—
I SAW MY ROMEO AGAIN
TO NIGHT—I HEARD HIM LAUGH
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FARM LANDS.

Colorado Lands.
150 ACRES unimproved in Burlington district, 19 cents each, 100 per cent. 1920. 100 acres at \$1.00 per acre. 100 acres at \$1.00 per acre. 100 acres at \$1.00 per acre.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

FOWLER & McDONALD
1129 City Nat'l Bank Bldg. Doug. 1426

REAL ESTATE IMPROVED.

West.
FOR SALE—Four-room bungalow with 3 acres at 7074 Pratt St. Phone Harney 3448. Owner will accept \$10,000.00. Call for more particulars.

REAL ESTATE UNIMPROVED.

5 ACRES IMMEDIATE POSSESSION
Here is a dandy five acres with 3-room cottage, chicken house, barn, well, etc. All fenced. 1/2 acre in alfalfa, balance plow land. This is a good place to raise chickens and garden truck. Call us for full information.

REBUILT HUDSON SUPER-SIXES.

We have several rebuilt and refinished Hudsons in closed and touring models; exceptional value and touring models.

YOU CANNOT AFFORD

To overlook this bargain, Buick Light Six used only 10,000 miles. For \$2000.00. Call for more particulars.

A REAL BARGAIN

In 1918 Ford touring car, used only 10,000 miles, in storage nearly a year. Priced for quick sale.

GOOD HARDWOOD LAND ON CREDIT.

In Michigan's best counties; raises fine crops; 100 acres; 100 per cent. 1920. 100 acres at \$1.00 per acre.

FOR KEITH AND PERKINS COUNTY LAND

Write us for list before looking elsewhere.

REPAIRING AND PAINTING.

Manufactured in Omaha, 24-hour service for auto, truck, and motor. Radiator and fender repairing; body dents removed; new fenders made.

NEW TIRES STRICTLY FIRSTS.

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