

Patriot Claims State Charities Department Demanded Platt's Release as Investigator with Threat of Withdrawal of State Aid

Excerpts from The Patriot's story follow:

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Weekly newspapers of Allegany County subscribing to the Allegany County Publishers' Association news service from the Concord Post, in the issues of Aug. 17, carried news articles from the County Treasurer's office showing county expenses for the month of July.

The report indicated expenses of \$1,178.65 to the Public Welfare Department and at least one campaigner is claiming this amount was spent by Commissioner Ivan G. Howe.

The statement is absolutely false. The total does include Dr. Howe's monthly salary of \$150.00 but the balance includes clerk hire (\$), expenses for an investigator, operating expenses of four automobiles, telephone rental and charges, office supplies and such as a dictating machine.

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1908 - Born at Saco, N. Y., on Sept. 1.
1911 - Was educated from Solo High School.
1914 - Was graduated from Veterinary College, Cornell University in June.
Entered general practice at Angelus in September.
1917 - Commissioned as Second Lieutenant in U. S. Army.
1918 - Promoted to First Lieutenant in January.
Served six months in Army, 16 months overseas as brigade veterinarian
and of his industry. His Division, Regular Army.
Awarded American Legion Drive, Meuse-Argonne front and Army of
Meritorious Service Medal.
Received honorable citation with silver star for devotion to duties in
France.
1919 - Accepted practice at Belmont in September; served here until
June 1920 was recalled.
Organized volunteer fire company during drive to protect
the citizens of Albany County.
1920 - Returned home to Belmont. Resigned April 1 and July 30.
1921 - Organized volunteer fire company.
1922 - Received Academy Commander, American Legion, after assisting various
units at Herbert DeLong Post of Belmont. Retained two years as
commander.

Other Activities

Referring to cases mentioned in The Patriot, we gave orders for \$32 per week for groceries for a family. We gave similar aid to residents of Cattaraugus County, Pennsylvania. Platt is quoted as stating "emphatically true and he will explain either publicly or privately, or referred to." Mr. Platt, The Patriot challenges you to this statement!

Training, and are composed of
all the non-Indians in the service
of the Indian Affairs Department.
The Department of Public Welfare,
which is the largest of the
departments, is the one of the largest
in the Government. It is the
largest of the departments in the
Government, and is the largest
of the departments in the total
of the Government.