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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

To His Excellency, Oliver H. Shoup, Governor; Hon. Carl S. Milliken, Secretary of State and Labor Commissioner Ex-Officio, and Members of the Twenty-Fourth General Assembly:

In accordance with law we herewith submit the Biennial Report of the State Labor Department, officially known as the Bureau of Labor Statistics, for the 1921-1922 term, comprising, as it does, the Eighteenth report since the organization of the Labor Bureau.

It is a brief resume of the important work of the Bureau embracing Factory Inspection, Free Employment Agencies, Wage Claim branch, Private Employment offices, wages, cost of living, and so on. Also a recital of the various activities in the way of labor law enforcement.

It has been our constant aim to make the Department of actual service to those in whose behalf and for whose benefit the office was created. To this end we have been ever watchful in the enforcement of the statutes now on the books which seek to protect the workers. Many of these laws are found to be "dangling' laws—that is to say, they are laws which no particular State official is distinctly instructed to enforce. This is a fault altogether too common in Colorado. It would greatly help the administration of affairs if the Labor Commissioner could by law be instructed definitely to enforce all the Colorado labor laws, stating at the same time what laws are actually to be known as such.

It is our hope that the forthcoming session of the legislature will broaden the scope and strengthen the humanitarian laws now on our books. The Woman's Eight Hour law, the statute making it a criminal offense to swindle the laborer out of his wages, the child labor law, and others coming within the purview of this Department, should certainly be amended in such manner as to make them of more benefit to the men, women and children of Colorado.

We desire at this time and in this manner to extend our thanks and appreciation to Secretary of State Milliken for his valuable advice and assistance in the discharge of our duties. In fact, we appreciate fully the friendly help received from all departments of the State government. Our relations with them have been of the most harmonious nature, and it has been a pleasure indeed to co-operate with them in every way possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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