New Rules to End Bias in Jobs

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 30-The Civil Service Commis-sion has issued strong regulations for carrying out the new responsibilities given it by President Johnson to end racial and other forms of discrimination in government promotions and appointments.

The new regulations provide that:

1. Heads of agencies are personally responsible for exercising leadership in establishing and carrying out a positive, continuing program designed to promote equal opportunity in every aspect of agency employment policy and practice.

2. Agencies must conduct a continuing campaign to pradicate every form of prejudice or discrimination based upon race, creed, color or national origin from personnel policies, prac-tices and working conditions.

3. Positive and special re-cruitment, training, job de-sign and other measures must be adopted as needed to insure genuine equality of opportunity for minority group members.

4 Each agency's equal employment opportunity policy and its program and employment needs must be communicated to sources of qualified minority group applicants.

5. Managerial and supervisory performance must be reviewed and controlled to insure a positive applica-tion and vigorous enforcement of the policy of equal employment opportunity.

6. Provision must be made for a just review and expeditious disposition of complaints involving discrimination on grounds of race, creed, color or national origin.

The CSC is responsible for reviewing agency equal employment opportunity programs and for entertaining appeals from per sons dissatisfied with agen: action on their complaints of discrimination.

O. Glenn Stahl, the CSC's director of the Bureau of Programs and Standards. pointed out at a meeting with agency personnel offi cials the following differ ences between the new pro gram under the CSC's jurunder the President's Com by their top bosses and sumittee on Equal Employment Opportunity:

1. Commission regulations provide for a positive action program. PCEEO regulations were principally concerned with handling complaints.

2. Commission regula; jobs, the employes felt.

tions require that the inestigation of a complaint nclude a thorough review of the treatment of members of the complainant's group identified hy his complaint as compared with the treatment of other employes in the organization segment in which the alleged discrimination oc curred. PCEEO regulations provide for such a review only in certain instances.

3. Commission regulations require that a com-plainant use his agency's appeal process before appealing to the CSC. PCEEO regulations gave the complainant the option of ap-pealing either through the gency system or directly to the committee.

4. The commission regulations provide that the agency shall furnish the complainant with a written summary of the investiga tion or that he shall be giv. en an opportunity to re-view the investigative records. There was no such re-quirement under PCEEO regulations.

5. The commission's regulations also require that each agency submit a detailed monthly report on the status of complaints on hand. PCEEO practice had been to require filing with it a copy of every com-plaint when it was received.

HATCH ACT POLL -The large majority of Government employes is opposed to any move to give them greater freedom for political activities, according to a poll taken by the Federal Times.

The weekly publication said 64 per cent of Govern ment workers responding to its poll as to whether they want the Hatch Act liberalized replied in the negative.

Thirty-six per cent of the employes said they believe the Hatch Act should be liberalized.

The Sente this year ap proved a bill, which is now pending in the House, to create a bipartisan commission to study and make recommendations for easing Hatch Act restrictions Federal and postal ón workers.

The general sentiment of employes who want the law left unchanged is that they fear a return to the spoils system.

The fear was expressed that employes would be isdiction and the old one subject to intense pressure pervisors to contribute to the political party which happened to be in power, as well as to campaign for it. This would backfire on employes when a different political party came into power and jeopardize their

of the people to petition. She does, however, she insists, question wholeheartedly the identity of the initiators of the petition, and even more, their motivation. Curious Alice wants some answers, and she has asked the VOICE newspaper to explore every facet of this situation, and to expose, once and

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members serving on the Clark County Board of Economic Opportunity", Alice queries further, "aren't the ruthlessly inaccurate statements in

the petition also challenging the standards set by the National Office of Economic Opportunity"?

Because, certainly, she elaborates, the perpetrators of the noxious petition know that every, local board must meet those standards.

does not question the right of the petition to be

circulated; she believes too strongly in the right

ALICE WOULD HAVE, US KNOW that she

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for all, the obvious conspiracy to obviate all the good that is being done in the community, by the simple means of confusing us so much on the Westside that, if we don't curtail it now, we will again find ourselves in the untenable position of again being an exploited people. AND FOR UP TO WHOM, and even more pertinent, FOR WHAT! **Red Goose & Yanigans** FRIENDLY LIQUOR SPECIAL 899 Blue Line Gin \$7⁹³ pint 616 W. BONANZA



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