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**SUNDAY SPORTS WITHOUT COST(?)**

Sunday sports went merrily on, as a no-charge day was the magnet, and it appears from the attendance at the ball game and on the golf links that a majority of our citizens favor an "Open Sunday!" The management of the Charlotte Baseball Club, we understand, were given to understand there would be no "lid closing," and accordingly put thousands of dollars into the venture to keep professional baseball in our city, and with the sudden "moral wave" that has hit us, will lose much money, as the Sunday games was what made it possible.

The Journal is not making a plea for an open Sunday, but it does believe that clean, wholesome recreation should not be denied those who desire it, as long as it does not interfere with religious services. Baseball is a clean sport, as is tennis and golf. Sometimes we think our City Fathers are straining a gnat and swallowing a camel, as the old saying goes. Charlotte is no longer a village but a city, and our blue laws are not in keeping with the times. If we are to have a closed Sunday let's close up the whole works—lock, stock and barrel!

**ANENT THE "ELEPHANT EARS"**

The writer does not know where they got the acid, or secret formula, but at his home on Crescent avenue he had two or three to "bloom" the same year, and has seen many such cases that have occurred without "acid" application. This statement is made with all respect to Miss Mamie Bays, and its front page publicity.

So all cases against Blue Law violators have been dropped, as the law is declared to be invalid and it is now up to our City Council to do a little revising. Baseball is still legal, along with other sports and business activities. Now there is something else for our City Fathers to worry about!

(LATER: On Wednesday our City Wathers "Worried," and now paid sports are again illegal, but shoe shine parlors and filling stations are free to go.)

Our Honorable Mayor is going to appoint a committee to "study the Airport situation!" The old-time sport of unloading the Airport is again on, after repeated efforts have failed to sell the city an unprofitable investment.

**Western Textile Council To Meet  
At Bethune School  
Saturday, 2:30 P. M.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Western Textile Council will be held at the Bethune school, Ninth and Graham streets, Saturday afternoon at 2:30, and a large attendance is expected, as matters of importance are to come before the body. The meeting this month is with Sixth Street Textile Local, No. 2293. At 8:00 o'clock the same night an entertainment will be given in the form of a playlet, entitled "The Trail of a Traitor," and we are told that this will be a good moral lesson in Unionism. Every worker in Charlotte is invited and a packed house is expected.

**DENY ALL MACHINES  
AT PELZER MILLS ARE  
BEING OPERATED**

PELZER, S. C., July 23.—A denial of the mill management's claim that all machines at the Pelzer mills here were running despite a strike in its second week was issued today by union spokesmen.

Paul H. Ross, president of the United Textile Workers Union which went on strike here July 15, said he had "definite information that they were not all operating."

**HOUSE COMMITTEE FAVORS  
THIRTY-HOUR WEEK BILL**

Washington, D. C.—The Labor Committee of the House of Representatives approved the bill sponsored by Representative Connery to establish a 30-hour week and ban child labor. These limitations would be made effective by barring from the channels of interstate commerce products in whose manufacture children under 16 years are employed or adult workers in excess of 30 hours in any one week.

**Bookbinders  
Paid \$24,000  
In Benefits**

Cambridge, Mass.—With 100 per cent support from the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders and the International Printing Pressmen's and Assistants' Union of North America, the strike of the union pressmen and bookbinders against Ginn & Co., text book publishers, continues with undiminished vigor. The Bookbinders' Brotherhood alone has paid its striking members \$24,000 in benefits since the walkout took place over three months ago.

**SECRETARY SANDEFUR  
VISITS THE JOURNAL**

Another Journal visitor on Monday was E. L. Sandefur, a printer, and secretary-treasurer of the State Federation of Labor, and an efficient one, too. He is a Winston-Salem boy that has risen swiftly in the Labor movement, by his square-shooting, efficiency and geniality. The Journal editor is always glad to have him visit us.

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**Huey Long Stands  
For Union Label**

Nashville, Tenn.—The eagle eye of Robert M. Morgan, secretary of the Allied Printing Trades Council of Nashville, discovered that "Gumbo," a publication of the Louisiana State University, printed by a Nashville union shop, did not carry the allied printing trades union label.

He brought the matter to the attention of Senator Huey P. Long, who exercises considerable control over educational institutions in Louisiana. In a letter to Mr. Morgan, Senator Long said he had never noticed that "Gumbo" did not carry the union label, and added that he was "communicating with the State University officials with the request that the label appear in the future on their publication."

Senator Long said it was his policy to have all printed material issued by him carry the union label.

**TENN. BUILDING TRADES  
SEEK MINIMUM WAGE LAW**

Nashville, Tenn.—The enactment of a State minimum wage law for the building trades was discussed in a conference here participated in by craftsmen and subcontractors from all sections of the State. The object of the meeting was to give both journeymen and employers an opportunity to study their problems from a mutual viewpoint. It was said the proposed rate would be 75 cents an hour as the minimum pay.

**Kentucky Deputy  
Sheriff Blocks  
Enforcement Of  
the Wagner Bill**

Harlan, Ky.—Maynard Globbs, a member of the United Mine Workers of America, formally charged a deputy sheriff of Harlan County with having confiscated copies of the Wagner-Connelly Labor Disputes Act which he was distributing at a coal camp at Chevrolet, Ky. The complaint was made to Captain Noel S. Jones. He reported it to Adjt. Gen. Henry H. Denhardt, who recently assigned Capt. Jones and 14 other State police to this community as "observers following complaints by the mine workers union of intimidation by deputy sheriffs."

Shortly after the State police arrived Sheriff Theodore R. Middleton, whose removal was recommended recently by a special commission appointed by Governor Ruby Laffoon to investigate conditions in Harlan County, persuaded Circuit Judge J. M. Gilbert to issue a temporary injunction restraining the Governor from using State police or troops in Harlan County coal fields.

Officials of the United Mine Workers charge the sheriff with employing deputy sheriffs for the purpose of intimidating union organizers. The alleged action of the deputy in confiscating copies of the Wagner Act was cited as proof of the accuracy of the charge.

**CHARLOTTE DROPPING  
PEOPLE FROM RELIEF  
ROLLS AT RAPID RATE**

Charlotte dropped more people from relief rolls in June than any other city or town in the State in proportion to the number being fed and clothed, according to information received here yesterday. Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, state relief administrator, said in her report for June that, when the month closed, it was found that Charlotte had 2,793 on the rolls as compared to 3,235 in May, the decrease being 442 or 14 per cent, more than for any other place in the State. The amount paid out in the city in June was \$39,651 as against \$56,242 in May, a decrease of 29 per cent in expenditures. It was explained that the drop in relief in Charlotte was due to the absorption of employable persons by industries.—Observer.

**BOULDER DAM PROJECT  
HALTED BY STRIKE OF  
CARPENTERS-STEELWORKERS**

Boulder City, Nev.—July 1.—All work on the gigantic Boulder Dam project came to a halt yesterday as truck and transport drivers joined the strike of carpenters and steel workers for restoration of the seven and one-half hour work day. The shutdown involved about 4,000 men. The Central Labor council, to which the dispute between workers and the Six Companies, Inc., general contractors on the dam and power plant projects, was submitted, characterized the situation as one that has been "smoldering for more than a year because of the refusal of the contractors to consider wage increases."

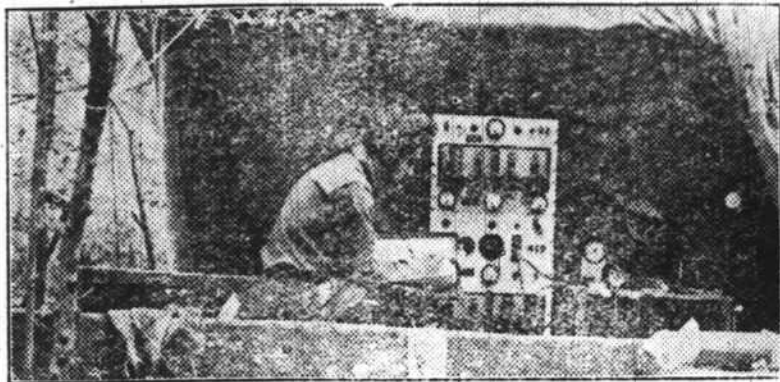
**Scientists Record The  
Songs Of Rare Birds**

**Expedition in the Southwest Preserves Voices of Unusual Species Before Their Extinction**

BACKED by Albert R. Brand, Associate in Ornithology at the American Museum, the American Museum of Natural History-Cornell University Ornithological Expedition, a caravan of mud-spattered scientists and two truck-loads of delicate apparatus, are somewhere in one of the southern or southwestern States picturing rare and common birds and recording the voices of unusual species.

Catching the song of a rare bird, says *The Literary Digest*, is a gamble. At four o'clock in the morning the scientists are up, have

song of a bird at a distance of 1000 feet can be caught; at 400 to 500 feet sounds are faithfully reproduced. The bird's song is recorded in straight lines, like a spectrum, at right angles to the long way of the film. The thickness of the lines



Photographed by A. A. Allen, Cornell University Apparatus recording bird's song.

their apparatus in place and, if their position is favorable, they may be able to record the song of a rare species which may be extinct in the future. The collapsible platform on the top of the truck, will permit photographers to have camera microphones and blind twenty feet above the ground. The recording "mike" has its back to the source of the sound. Like a telescopic mirror, its sensitive side, located at the focus of a three-foot parabolic reflector, represents the volume of sound; the number of lines to the inch, the pitch; and the film travels through the camera at the constant rate of eighteen feet per second. The "mike" disclosed the fact that, though the bird's song may be of short duration, it contains many notes. The winter wren's song, lasting a little more than seven seconds, contains 113 notes; but an experienced ornithologist, by ear, could only detect the distant sounds to a point.



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