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Who, In Fact, Is the Real Traitor?

HARRY BOATE

A recent issue of The Digest and Review of Reviews contained the following under title, "Misunderstood America." It deals with European ideas concerning America, and in the light of European war debts owing this country there may be a great deal of truth in the statements. Here they are as listed in the article: "That no American ever ate anything that did not come out of a tin

"That most Americans live on the hundredth floor of a skyscraper. "That Americans love work above everything else. That they would much rather work than loaf, read, fish or swim. That if they have no work

to do they become unhappy and restless. "That American automobiles are so cheap that it doesn't pay to have them repaired. One throws them away, as one throws away an old newspaper. The cost of a general overhaul is usually higher than the price of a new car.

"That, when they arrive in Venice, Americans really believe the town is flooded.

"That American men keep their hats on when entering a house and always put their feet on a desk.

'That when there is a stock exchange crash thousands of people jump from the top of skyscrapers.

"That Americans can drink anything. "That some Americans are very civilized and cultured, but they live in Europe.

That Americans get drunk because they have no art. "That an American wedding is always accompanied by the 'Wedding

March' from Lohengrin. "That street battles between cops and gangsters are so common that after a while, you are not even disturbed in your sleep by fuillade and musketry reports. Cops invariably chase gangsters' cars at top speed, pump-

ing bullets into passersby. Occasionally one sees a bullet-riddled corpse thrown out of a swiftly passing car.
"That the Americans love the English because they are cousins." In some of these statements there may be a large amount of truth

In others it reads like fiction to those who really know. Yes, we in America find much use for a can opener in preparing the daily meal, yet many a meal is served, especially at some of the farm homes, which would speedily change the idea about the tin can. Having partaken of many such meals, and watching preparation of same, know the statement is incorrect. And for the average city dweller to endeavor to eat bite for bite with the farm people is plain suicide.

As for most of us living on the top floor of a skyscraper, they should come to Charlotte and see our beautiful one-story homes and lovely flower gardens. About thinking Venice is flooded, well, we know a flood when we see it, and we have seen several in quite recent years. We know when a town is flooded. We also know what to do in such emergency.

Yes, sometimes we keep our hat on when in the house. Also occasionally in an elevator (or life as the English see).

ally in an elevator (or life, as the English say). Regarding our house manners here is one they failed to note. In former years when a person entered a strange house, he usually separated himself from his cigar before entering. Nowadays a cigaret appears to be part of the man and goes in side with him. This would appear to be bad manners, as many times the

occupant of the said house does not use the weed in any form.

About Americans drinking anything, it seems they are more nearly correct than appears on the surface. Some of them do. Why they get drunk may be explained by the fact that they consume more than they can well take care of. For all of which we are sorry, and so are they, after

sobering up. If all our civilized and cultured Americans live in Europe, we must be in a worse mess than we had supposed. But there is yet a chance that some person erred in this statement. All of us, and this includes Europeans and other nationalities, do strange and unusual things at times, but there are remaining in the United States some very courteous and refined people and never a passenger vessels crosses the Atlantic that some European is not on it, usually with a desire to collect a few American dollars and take them back as souvenirs. Well, we have no fault to find if they succeed.

As for loving the English because they are cousins, we might here say

we love all people because they are brothers and sisters.

Googe Opens A.F.L. Knoxville Office

American Federation of Labor leaders here this week anticipated the arrival next Tuesday of the Federation's Southern representative, George L. Googe, to make the necessary preparation for the establishment of an East Tennessee office of the American Federation of Labor at Knoxville from which all organizing activities

will be directed. that Knoxville Announcement would probably be selected as one of two or four regional offices of the T. F. L. in co-operation with the A. F. of L. for organizing purposes, came at the close of the meeting of the State Federation's Executive Board at Nashville Sunday, and was Board at Nashville Sunday, and was tentatively announced here later by Cecil Arthur, C. L. U. president.

While here Mr. Googe will visit Alcoa in the interest of Local 19104's membership campaign. — Knoxville Labor News, Aug. 5.

Dosh Doing Fla. From The East To The West Coast

L. H. Dosh who has been vacation ing down Florida way the past two or three weeks, keeps writing The Journal about his good time and surcease of sorrow, away from the trials and tribulations of a linotype, and while the writer does not envy him, it just can not be reasoned out why a man "bound down" should have to be tantalized thusly. The Madam is along with Brother Dosh, so we know he is living the straight and nar-row, and will return to the Carolina Linotyping company, of which he is one of the firm, in a "better humor" and invigorated and rejuvinated for another year of worry over "rotten copy" and bad collections.

QUICK SALE

The decrepit old car drove up to the toll-bridge.
"Fifty cents," cried the gateman.
"Sold," replied the driver.

CONVICTS REVEAL LATEST TERROR IN GRIM GALAPAGOS

Naked and Starving Men Revert to Primitive and Run Wild on Island.

Panama.-New tales of terror are beginning to come from the grim

Naked and starving men are run ning wild, and life has reverted to the primitive since Ecuador placed a prison camp on those lush Pacific islands, officials here have been informed by smuggled letters.

Begging for help lest they die of suffering, five political prisoners sent the harrowing story from San Cristobal, 670 miles off the South American coast, to the newspaper

Star Herald. "You cannot imagine the sufferings we have to endure," they

"We are entirely without clothes. "We are deprived of the most elementary articles of everyday life. "We are detained under conditions probably unparalleled in any

other country or part of the world.
"This island is under military guard, twenty men under command of two officers, who at the same time are the highest authority on the island.

"At our arrival they simply informed us that Ecuador does not assign as much as one cent for the purpose of feeding persons confined to this island and thus could not supply us any food.

Eke Out Own Living. "The officers informed us that from now on it was entirely up to us to see what to do or how to

make a living." The prisoners, whose spokesman signed himself F. S. Coloman of Hungary, said their "only crime was having entered the country of Ecuador without proper travel papers," yet "even criminals confined (An Editorial from the Houston, Texas Labor Journal, August 5th.)

William Green, forthright president of the American Federation of Labor, ruefully contemplating the damage that the John L. Lewis faction has already done to organized labor in general, and being fully cognizant of the damage that may yet be done by that irresponsible crew, calls on every loyal member of A. F. of L. to back him in the fight he is making in their behalf. "We cannot," says Mr. Green, "permit all organized labor to be penalized because of the stupid mistakes of C. I. O." And to that premonitory statement, Mr. Lewis cracks back: "Drooling from the pallid lips of a traitor."

But since events have moved to a point where a clear perspective is possible, while the past can be viewed in retrospect, it is no longer necessary merely to surmise just who it is that has betrayed the labor movement in America, for there is ample evidence to support a positive conclusion. And briefly we will review it. To begin with, consider election night of last November, when the returns proved so highly gratifying and exciting to Mr. Lewis that he hardly waited to "lick his thankful chops" before issuing a statement claiming major credit for the result, and pointedly intimating that special favors were expected of the re-elected president. Whether such favors have been bestowed is a subject that will not be elaborated upon here. Suffice it to say that at least Mr. Lewis was so confident of presidential aid, comfort, and protection that he soon thereafter launched an era of frightfulness such as this country had never seen before in times of peace, and was so wholly indifferent to the public that he was compelled to coin a new phrase of contempt in order to express his feelings. Said he: "If the public wants to approve of C. I. O., it can; if the public doesn't want to approve, it need not." In other words, "the public be damned," is the attitude of Mr. Lewis, with the result that all organized labor has reached a new low in public esteem, and may require years to regain what it has lost.

So with these facts in mind, it seems to come with poor grace from Mr. Lewis to apply the word "traitor" to anyone and particularly to one whose service to labor has been as outstanding as has that of William Green.

NOTICE TO TEXTILE WORKERS OF THE CAROLINAS

If you are interested in organization under the A. F. of L. you are requested to get in touch with the Charlotte office No. 302 South College Street, Phone 3-1905, and assistance will be given in every possible way ... New txtile locals are being formed along safe and sane lines, being directly affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

this remote island." They said their imprisonment wa

"by direct order of the government" of Ecuador, but said nothing to indicate whether or not they might be one of a party of prisoners sent to the Galapagos in January on charges of spreading Communistic propaganda in Ecuador.

The story they told was in keep-ing with bizarre accounts of life on other islands of the Galapago archipelago.

Baroness Vanishes. The tactics they attributed to their military guard were reminiscent of those of the Baroness Eloise de Wagner, a German, who until re-cently ruled Paradise island in silk panties and a silver pistol cord. At the end of the cord was a gun she used to threaten anyone who hap pened to be in her disfavor at the moment.

The baroness proclaimed herself 'empress' of Paradise and ruled supreme until she disappeared in 1934. She could not be found after the bodies of two of her men companions-Alfred Rudolph Lorenz, of Paris, and Trygve Nuggrud, a sailor -were discovered on the beach of Marchena island 100 miles away. Before she left, Dr. Friederich Ritter, a German dentist, who was on the island with Frau Dora Koervin before the empress arrived, died as a result of what Frau Koervin said was poison.

The five prisoners on San Cristobal came from five countries; Hungary, Prussia, Spain France and Honduras. They colled their treatment on the island "a disgrace to civilization."

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Swing Music Unnerves Setting Hen: Quits Nest

Gouverneur, N. Y. - Setting hens have musical discrimination, if the act of one at the R. J. Rayburn farm near Pope Mills can be relied on. A radio was installed in a barn so the milkers could hear radio broadcasts at work. The stolid cows paid no attention to the radio. Mrs. Rayburn encouraged a set-

ting hen in the barn and all went well until the radio was turned on. The hen listened with cocked head to speeches and news broadcasts, but when the swing music came on, uneasiness gave way to either disgust or extreme annoyance and Biddy left the eggs and would not return until the nuisance had sub-

Dog "Shoplifter" Is

Annoyance to Owner Seattle, Wash .- Boy, Mrs. William Dixon's 10-year-old Airedale dog, has her worried about his tendencies toward burglary.

His latest feat was bringing home an overcoat. His mistress, after a diligent search, couldn't find the place he got it, and Boy was reticent on the subject.

He has a particular fancy for axes, hatchets, hammers and other tools with handles, which he brings home whenever located. Usually Mrs. Dixon can find

GOOD EXAMPLE

An old Scots woman was wandering round the local museum with her grandson when they came to the usual statue of Venus de Milo, with half an arm missing on one side and If Union workers will prevail upon the whole arm cut away on the other. "There we are, my lad," pronounced the old lady, wagging her finger toward the youngster. "That's what comes o' bitin' your finger nails!"

When you buy foreign-made goods, you are cutting your own pay. Don't chisel on yourself.

The paid upon and reported membership of the 103 Ntaional and International Unions and Local Unions directly affiliated to the American Federation of Labor as of August 6, 1937, is 3,143,016. This is a gain of 702,940 members for the eleven months over the average membership of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1936.

This does not include the membership of the ten National and International Unions suspended September 5, 1936.

Pair Makes Film Bow In A New --**Motion Picture**

Two motion picture performers of whom great things are expected in the near future make their screen debuts in "John Meade's Woman," a powerful love drama which begins

on Friday at the Charlotte Theatre.
The first is Francine Larrimore, noted stage star, who comes to the screen already known to millions as a result of her stage work. The second is John Trent, erstwhile TWA transport plane flyer, who was "discovered" on a recent trip by B. P. Schulberg, producer, and given a 'bid" to enter films.

Miss Larrimore's first appearance s considered unusual in that she is given star billings, along with Edward Arnold, who carries the male romantic lead in the film. This is a rarity in Hollywood. She plays the role of a country girl, somewhat on the tough side, who comes to the big city to make good.

C. I. O. Leaders Are Ejected By Mississippi Mob and dear to his heart, and last but not least if he is your friend he is your friend in ecvery sense of the word.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 11.—
Yelverton Cowherd, regional director
of the Committee for Industrial Organization, said yesterday he and an associate, B. T. Garner, were ejected from Laurel, Miss., yesterday by a

Sixteen men escorted them to a train, Cowherd stated.

The C. I. O. leader said a crowd of men gathered in the hall outside his hotel room and attempted to gain entrance after warning that "the C.

I. O. is not wanted here and will not be tolerated." So threatening did the attitude of the assembled men become, Cowherd said, that he sounded a fraternity distress signal. Five men promptly responded. Two of them conferred with the group in the hall and the escort to the train was provided. Cowherd and Garner went to

Laurel Sunday, they stated, in ponse to numerous letters from industrial employes urging that they come quick because they were being forced into company unions. He said would return.

Only half the battle is won, when you bargain collectively. Don't forget to BUY collectively.

C. I. O. FACES DEFEAT AT THE SUNSHINE MINE OUT IN WALLACE, IDAHO

WALLACE, Idaho, Aug. 9.—Apparent defeat for the C. I. O. yesterday marked the end of a week-long strike at the Sunshine mine, reputedly the world's richest silver producer. Settlement followed the hanging in effigy of Thomas McGuire, C. I. O. organizer, by non-union miners and McGuire's announcement he was leaving the county under protest.

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The A. F. of L. Gains, NLRB CHARGED 702,940 Members WITH BEING A In Eleven Months C. I. O. AGENT

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 8.—Counsel for the National Electric Products company last night charged "the National Labor Relations board apparently is nothing more nor less than an agent for the C. I. O."

Attorney William B. Wilson, who withdrew from a labor board hearing today because of alleged "villifi-cation and injustice" in examination o fwitnesses, elaborated on his accu-sations tonight in a second statement. He said:

"The hearings which their examiner and attorney have been conducting here constitute an open persecution of the American Federation of Labor, as well as of the National Electric Products company and its employes.'

Some Of The Men You Know In Labor

[First of a Series of Sketches On Leaders In Labor In This Sec-

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The next victim of this department is H. L. Kiser, president of Charlotte Central Labor Union, first vice-presi-dent of the State Federation of Labor, an old wheel-horse in organized labor and a member of the Plumbers and Steamfitters local. He has his "peculiarities" (as we all have) but he is a union man tried and true, and a staunch A. F. of L. adherent. is a known fact among his fellow workers that he is 100 per cent a "home man," and accounts for every moment of his working have A good scout is "Hill" Kiser and he numbers his friends by all who know him. He will really serve on com-mittees and is an indefatigable worker in a cause which he holds near and dear to his heart, and last but not least if he is your friend he is

NEWS NOTES

There was no meeting of Central Labor Union last night, the regular meeting being held next Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

The Musicians Union reports a very well attended meeting Monday night, with much business being tran-

Labor Day this year will see more stores closed and more industrial plants taking the day as a holiday than ever before in this section, all of which is a good omen.

The Barrs "Frank and the Madam" are back in Columbia, S. C., after a six months' sojourn at Summerville, where Brother Barr has been doing a steamfitting job. They are now located at 1626 Taylor street, and want to hear from their Char-

H. G. Bissell, well known among many of the Labor boys in Charlotte, who is now a licensed roofing contractor, leaves this week with a crew tractor, leaves this week with a crew to do a contract job on the mill houses at Franklinville, N. C. While he has only been in business about six months he reports a steady gain each month, adding additional help from time to time. This business is located at 101 W. Boulevard.

Word comes to The Journal that Mrs. W. E. McKamey, who has been in a critical condition at a Newport News, Va., hospital, following a very serious operation, is convalescing. Mrs. McKamey is a former president of the Women's Union Label League, Charlotte, and well known in church and fraternal circles here. Mr. Mc-Kamey is with the Dupont company at Hopewell, Va., as a machanist. She is now at her home in Newport News Va., No. 4672 Washington, Ave.

(Brought out of the records and readopted December 9, 1936)

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS AND BUSINESS MEN

A resolution adopted last year as to The Labor Journal and solicitation of funds in the name of Central Labor Union was brought out of the minutes and republished as information. The resolution reads as follows:

"Resolved, That we publish in The Charlotte Labor Journal, that we do not condone any solicitation of advertising except for The Charlotte Labor Journal, purporting to represent labor, unless over the signature of the secretary of the Charlotte Central Labor Union.