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**A MERRY CHRISTMAS**

THE JOURNAL WISHES ITS READERS AND ADVERTISERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR, and thanks those who have co-operated with it and made its publication possible. Nineteen hundred and thirty-eight has seen a greater labor movement grow up in Charlotte; it has seen the ranks of organized workers in the A. F. of L. treble in membership; it has seen new locals formed, and the "Old Guard," with the aid of new recruits can look back on the past 12 months with a sense of duty well performed, and a feeling of fellowship and co-operation existing that has seldom been our lot in years gone by. The New Year holds out to the labor movement a promising field for conservative organization activities. Little petty jealousies and hatreds have never gotten those indulging in them anywhere; nor has the "I don't want to play in your back yard" theory advanced any movement; those seeking power for themselves, and downfall for those whom they dislike, will also never tend to the uplift of any movement, church, fraternal, professional, union, etc.

The Journal has followed for eight straight Christmas' the custom of thanking those who have forgotten its faults, overlooked its shortcomings, and gone down the line with it. It has endeavored to befriend its friends at all times, but has never relegated the cause it espouses to that end. It has preached the doctrine of the A. F. of L. when the days were dark, and dreary seemed the way, but it has been rewarded by seeing the good old labor ship weather the gales and with a new day breaking sees it coming safely into port under its own steam. Let's get this old, staunch A. F. of L. craft repaired; a new plank put in here and there; a new screw and bolt where needed, and other little alterations which will make it a stronger and better ship upon which to make the journey through the churning sea. We can not go back, we must go forward. Let's profit by the mistakes we have made; they have not been a liability, but if properly handled will prove an asset, with a dividend.

Again, until Thursday, January 5th, THE JOURNAL WISHES YOU ONE AND ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR. AND "30" FOR 1938.

**THANKS FOR THE CARDS**

The Christmas cards coming into the Journal office rapid fire remind us of our friends, scattered here and there, and making us realize that we are not forgotten. From California to Maine they come, many from the old home town, and more than many from throughout the Carolinas. All of which gives us a feeling of confidence and renewed strength for the 1939 adventure.

**Individuals, Civic,  
Groups, Churches  
To Look After  
2,000 Families**

Five hundred and thirty-seven families, or more than 2,000 persons, will enjoy Christmas dinners and Christmas cheer through the generosity of individuals and organizations working through the Community Chest's Clearance Bureau. Provision has already been made for the 537 families, and there will be many more listed during this week, Tom Carroll, executive secretary, said last week. Many of the families which will benefit are not among the down-and-outers, but are among those families on "marginal incomes"—enough to live on meagerly, but not enough for the little extra required for Christmas and children's playthings. About \$3.50 each will be spent on each family.

**Brewery Workers  
Gain Three New  
Pacts for Union**

CINCINNATI, Ohio.—Officials of the International Union of the United Brewery, Flour, Cereal and Soft Drink Workers of America, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, announced the negotiation of three new agreements. In Detroit, Mich., Local Union No. 51 negotiated an agreement with the Genesee Ale and Distributing Company, which had been on the unfair list of the Detroit and Wayne County Federation of Labor since June 2, 1938. The Joint Local Executive Board finalized a contract with the West Masontown Brewing Company, of Masontown, Pa. In Los Angeles, Calif., officials of Branch No. 4 of Local Union No. 7, signed a new contract with the New Miller Malting Company, calling for improved wages and working conditions.

**Typo Auxiliary  
Christmas Tree  
Party A Success**

The last meeting of the year of the Typographical Women's Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. Hugh M. Sykes, on East Boulevard, Monday night. Gifts were exchanged among the members; the children were there for the Christmas tree and each and every one found their names remembered when the presents were presented. The meeting was, as usual, opened with prayer by Mrs. Carriker, and with Mrs. Hearn at the piano, "Silent Night" was sung. The two little daughters of Mr. and

**Hartsville, S. C.  
Gets A Textile  
Workers Org.**

HARTSVILLE, S. C., Dec. 19.—Textile Workers Local Union No. 21848 was officially instituted here Saturday when a large number of charter members assumed the obligation of membership. Officers were elected and installed, and the new organization started off with great promise of becoming one of the outstanding textile unions of the South. Mrs. James Honeycutt sang beautifully two songs, accompanied on the piano by their mother.

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