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SOUTHERN LABOR NOTES

GOVERNOR CONE VETOES SCHOOL TEACHERS BILL

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., June 19.—Governor Fred P. Cone played politics during the last week with the school teachers in Duval County, when he joined hands with the four members of the School Board, who actively and strongly opposed the passage of the Teachers' Tenure Law, which was approved by the Florida Legislature.

INCREASED PAY AND SHORTER HOURS FOR WHITNEY CO. DRIVERS

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 19.—Taxi and Truck Drivers' Local Union No. 327 report that the Whitney Transfer Company is now 100 per cent Union in Tennessee and wherever its trucks operate in St. Louis, Cincinnati and throughout Kentucky. On Thursday, June 8th, F. L. Medlin, President and Business Representative, and C. H. Anderson, Vice-President and Chairman of the Organizing Committee of Taxi and Truck Drivers' Local Union No. 327, went into conference with officials of the Whitney Transfer Company at Bowling Green, Ky., and secured a satisfactory agreement at 6:30 p.m. This agreement provides all drivers for the company with raises graduated from five to nine dollars per week, while working hours are reduced from approximately twelve hours to nine hours per week. All time in excess of nine hours per day to be paid for at the rate of time and one half.

REACH HIGHEST PEAK IN PAY FOR BAKERY WORKERS

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., June 19.—A renewal agreement between the Bakery Association of Chattanooga and the Bakery and Confectionery Workers Union has been signed here for a three-year period. The contract calls for a 10 per cent increase in wages and reduction of two hours time each week for the first year; a 10 per cent increase in pay and another reduction in the work-week of two hours for the second year, and wage increases and hours are to be negotiated for the third year of the contract. This agreement brings to the workers the highest wage ever paid bakery employees in the South. Curtis Sims, International representative of the Bakery and Confectionery Workers Union, is being congratulated upon this splendid achievement.

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KNOXVILLE BUILDING TRADES OBTAIN CLOSED SHOP JOBS

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., June 19.—Knoxville is receiving congratulations from all sections of the country because of the agreement obtained by the Knoxville Building Trades Council with two contractors who have the contracts for the Housing authority. It is the first general Building Trades closed shop agreement ever obtained locally. The B. T. Council was organized early in the years, and since its perfection all building trades unions have been experiencing rapid growth in membership.

COLORED RAILROAD WORKERS ORGANIZE LOCAL UNION

SPARTANBURG, S. C., June 19.—Charter was applied for last week by a newly organized local union of colored store house employees of the Southern Railway company at the Hange shops. F. D. Grimes, of the A. F. of L. organizing staff assigned to this work, organized the local union and will install the charter upon its receipt. Mr. Grimes also handed a grievance in Atlanta last week for the colored mail and baggage local union, and succeeded in having men re-instated to their jobs who had been discharged.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE PLACED 125 LAST WEEK

Total placements for the State Employment Service for the week ending June 17 were 125, according to District Manager Phillip R. Bunn. These included 106 private placements and 19 placements on public projects, all local, he said. Of total placements, 41 were among white persons and 84 among negroes. This compared with a total placement of 80 for the corresponding week last year.—Observer.

Postal Meet Plans Are Announced

GREENSBORO, June 21.—Plans for a joint session of postoffice clerks, carriers, supervisors and auxiliaries which will be held in Raleigh July 3-4 were announced here yesterday by Oscar Lam Whitsett of Greensboro, national state representative of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks. The meeting will bring together the State branch of Ladies auxiliary of National Association of Letter Carriers in fifth annual meeting; sixth annual bi-state convention of Carolinas branch of National Association of Postal Supervisors; third annual bi-state meeting of Carolinas branch of National Auxiliary of Postal Supervisors; 19th annual convention of State branch of National Federation of Post Office Clerks; and the sixth annual meeting of the woman's auxiliary of the State branch of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks.

Facing the Facts

With PHILIP PEARL

The Roman poet had a word for it when he expressed fear of the Greeks—bearing gifts. Modern mothers have a word for it when they warn their young daughters against accepting automobile rides from strangers. Experience has given all of us a word for it in the common proverb—always look a gift horse in the mouth. Well, organized labor now has a word for it—a phrase borrowed from the 1938 election campaign. It is simply this—BEWARE THE KISS OF DEATH OF THE C. I. O.

and the Communist press are publishing scareheads all over the lot trying to make the public and Congress believe the A. F. of L. rank and file is not loyal to its leaders and is not supporting the A. F. of L. amendments to the Wagner Act. The Longer View We do not mean to lecture. But every local and national union within the A. F. of L. should always weigh in the balances any possible temporary advantage to be gained from trading with the C. I. O. as against the disastrous effects of such conduct on the future of the particular organization and the entire labor movement.

For today the C. I. O. leaders, having failed in their frontal attack on the American Federation of Labor, have adopted a new strategy. They come to us bearing gifts. They hold out what looks like an olive branch. They talk peace and unity and co-operation. They offer to help some of our unions in time of strike. They put on friendly smiles, use honeyed and beguiling words.

What Are They After? Just stop and think. Is it possible the C. I. O. is out to promote the interests of the A. F. of L.? Or are they trying to save themselves? Is the C. I. O. flirting with our unions in a sincere effort to help them, or to destroy them? Are they offering us a kiss of love or the kiss of death?

For it should be apparent to working men and women everywhere by this time that the way of the C. I. O. leads to eventual destruction of organized labor. As long as democracy and justice prevail in this country, just so long will the C. I. O. be doomed to failure. For those letters spell abolition of democracy and voluntarism in organized labor, the principles upon which the whole movement is founded and upon which American freedom rests. Those letters stand for dictatorship and autocracy, principles which thrive in totalitarian states but which will always be hateful to the liberty-loving American worker.

So we say—no matter how tempting the blandishments of the C. I. O. may sound, no matter how alluring their promises may seem, beware the kiss of death.

The answer is obvious. Their strategy is so crude that one doesn't have to have more sense than little Red Riding Hood to see the wolf's teeth protruding from the face under grandmother's nightcap. The wolf's growl will be subdued to a gentle purr in sections of the country where the name of the C. I. O. is anathema to the public. They will come to our unions and say: "Let's work together on this or that." Naturally. Because they know they can't get anywhere on their own and they are anxious to gain shelter from public wrath behind the established reputation of the A. F. of L.

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The facade of the A. F. of L. building was all dressed up in American and British flags last week during the visit of the British King and Queen in Washington. President Green met the royal couple at a White House tea and they showed great interest in unemployment conditions and the progress of organized labor in this country. James W. Lacey, who has operated one of the next things you know, the C. I. O. press elevators in the A. F. of L. building since it was built, received a pleasant surprise the other day in the form of a giant birthday card signed by everyone in the building from President Green to the office boy. Delegates to the 30th annual Special Libraries

Or they will go to one of our locals which hasn't been troubled much by C. I. O. competition and hasn't suffered from Labor Board headaches and say: "Look here, we can do a little business together. You're in a strike jam. We can help you out. All we ask is a little co-operation. You've got no beefs against the Labor Board. Why not pass a resolution opposing any amendments to the Wagner Act? It's no skin off your nose. You should worry about the leaders in Washington. They can't hurt you." And the

Hershey Work'rs In Fold A. F. L.; 44-Hour Week, 2-Wk. Vac'ti'n and Pay

We are most gratified to announce receipt of a very encouraging and record making report from local 464 of Hershey, Pa., to the effect that after two months of negotiations with management, the representatives of the local union have signed a union agreement with the Hershey Chocolate Corporation, states A. A. Mysup, Int. Sec. treasurer Bakery and Confectionery Workers. The agreement provides that Local 464 is the sole, exclusive collective bargaining agency for the employees. The minimum wage rates of 60 cents per hour for males and 45 cents per hour for females (claimed to be one of the highest in the country for the industry), is secured. A permanent conference committee, composed of representatives from the union and management, is provided to deal with future wage scale adjustments, as well as grievances.

Failure on the part of Conference Committee to reach a satisfactory adjustment, agreement provides for the International Union being called in, and upon later's failure question in dispute goes to arbitration. The forty-four hour work week is established, including two weeks' annual vacation with pay, and time and one-half for overtime and holidays. In the conferences the company was represented by its own negotiating committee; participated in also by the International field representative of that territory, under supervision of the writer, latter occasionally participating in conferences and giving counsel and advice. Thus is brought to a conclusion for future progress an important page in the history of our International Union.

More Detailed Account Settlement of Wilmington Truck Drivers' Strike

WILMINGTON, N. C., June 13.—A closed shop agreement was signed here late tonight (Tuesday) between R. L. Brinson, head of the Southern Oil Transportation company and the Atlantic States Motor Lines, and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and Chauffeurs, covering all drivers and warehousemen employed by the two companies. Signing of the agreement ended a strike begun on the 30th day of October, last year, by 52 truck drivers employed by the Southern Oil Transportation company. These strikers are members of Local Union No. 391, Wilmington. Signing of the agreement also brought to an abrupt end a Labor Board hearing which started here Monday morning, and recessed at 1 o'clock upon request of both parties, and negotiations for a peaceable settlement were immediately begun. The agreement calls for a closed shop, with re-instatement of all strikers and protection of their seniority rights, and provides that wage scales shall be adopted through arbitration within 90 days. The happy ending of the long drawn-out controversy is most pleasing to all concerned. The 52 truck drivers involved have stood firmly throughout the more than seven months, and have gained the admiration of the public here by their splen-

did deportment. The wives of the striking truck drivers have been most helpful throughout the trying period. Some time ago charges were filed against the company before the National Labor Relations Board. Regional Director Aicher, of the Baltimore office, has given his personal attention to the case, and has been assisted by Field Examiner Counsel Bloom, of the Baltimore office, was in charge of preparation of the case for the board against the company. Consistent suggestions of the Labor Board officials that the case be settled peaceably has been influential in bringing about the happy ending of the case, it is said. Commissioner Department of Labor, also contributed largely to the settlement. The striking truck drivers have had the loyal support of The State Federation of Labor and all affiliates in North Carolina; the International Union, with its powerful local unions from Atlanta to Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and on into the East, and City Central bodies and local unions throughout the country, contributions having come even from the Pacific Coast. Now that the controversy is happily ended and the men return to work under closed shop agreement, these same forces will throw their vast influence to Mr. Brinson's enterprises.



Helen Lewis
Strange Aspiration

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LISTEN TO THIS

By TOM FIZDALE

Canadian guffaws! With Fibber McGee's shows slated to start on twenty-seven Canadian stations on April 4, the comedian's laughter applause takes on international proportions. Incidentally, the McGee hilarities are signed for another year on seventy-two NBC-Red network stations in the U. S. A. So far at least another twelve months, hysteria is just around the corner for Tuesday night dial visitors to Wistful Vista.

Add childhood ambitions! Comely Helen Lewis, recent addition to the Big Sister cast, aspired to only one career when she was a kid—she wanted to be an engineer.

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Convention in Baltimore came to Washington and stopped by to inspect the highly-regarded A. F. of L. labor library. They were entertained by Librarian Edith K. McMahon and Assistant Eloise Giles.

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