

**I QUESTION**

BY WM. S. GREENE

**PERSONAL?** My little boy had his appendix taken out this week. He was sorry he had to go to the hospital among other things, because it meant he could not catch for his baseball team this summer. He was glad in a way, because he wouldn't have to practice his violin every day. I don't altogether think he really meant either one, but was trying to cheer himself up to the ordeal of the operation. He is getting along at this writing, very well. His Dad is very sorry he had to go to the hospital for more reasons than one. Now that the operation is over, the cost of same has to be met and paid, somehow. We are thankful he is getting along well. The surgeon is skilled to mechanical perfection in this operation. His hands make no useless motions or gestures. The staffs of hospitals are well trained, in the operating technique. Everything is sterile that can be made so. Quite a difference from conditions at the front in France. It puzzles me to see one, after seeing the sights, and knowing the suffering of the wounded. It is a far call from present-day operating conditions in a modern hospital, to first aid for the wounded at the front.

**MILK-SOPS?** My weekly note on Americanism deals with the firemen on flagday in a Northern city, who refused to carry the flags in the parade, because they were made either in Germany or Japan. Better still, they didn't even buy them, for that reason. America is a peace-loving nation, and slow to concerted action. But

if I were Mr. Hitler, I would remember the experience of Kaiser Wilhelm in 1917. When Americans get going, they get going. It should therefore be best, not to get them stirred up. The firemen certainly deserve the award this week for Americanism.

**EXAMPLE?** The Charlotte Labor Journal carried a fine article last week about the settlement of the Teamsters strike in Wilmington. However, how many of the Journal's readers read the last paragraph and stopped to analyze what it meant? I can't help but repeat it: Mayor Thomas E. Cooper (Wilmington) commented: "Through the understanding reached tonight, Wilmington sets an example for the rest of the state in the peaceable adjustment of labor disputes." That may have been a peaceable adjustment to Wilmington's Mayor, but an eight months' strike, with all the notices we got about the strike, certainly doesn't sound peaceable to me. The NLRB is formed to do away with strikes, not have them. There is nothing peaceable, when an employer locks out his employees just because they join a union. Our mayor could very well point with pride to Charlotte, the Friendly City, where Labor, Management and Ownership seem to be getting along really in a peaceable manner.

**ERROR?** Bill Fowler came into the office the other day, and with a chuckle of glee, I showed him the article in the Journal about the IATSE meeting held in the Charlotte

Hotel. The catch was that Bill Fowler says he tries his very best to get the Journal to print the correct letters of his local, IATSE. The letters in the headline last week were IATSE. Bill Fowler says he never yet has had the letter appear right. I want to show him this article, so, dear editor and typographical worker, please be sure to print IATSE.

**H. N. Banks, of Richmond, Va., Journal Visitor**

The Journal had the pleasure of a visit Monday from Brother H. N. Banks, an old-time machinist, a former Charlotte boy, but whose card is now in Machinists' local No. 10, Richmond, Va., where he has been domiciled since 1915. Mr. Banks helped to organize the Hornets Nest Machinists local, No. 203, back in 1901. He is a Spanish-American war veteran, having gone into service with Co. M., of Charlotte, under Captain Chadwick, and a coincidence is that he left Charlotte with the outfit on April 22, 1898, and they returned on the same date in 1899.

Brother E. L. Barkley, also of the Charlotte local, steered Brother Banks into the Journal office. Mr. Barkley is also a veteran of the Spanish-American war, being in the same company, and also having assisted in the promotion of Hornets Nest Machinists local. They were both on their way to take in the moving pictures on the Fathers' Day proposition sponsored by the News and several local theatres, and were as happy as could be.

The Journal editor and Mr. Banks talked over the old days, and as Richmond is, or was this writer's home more than 50 years ago, this scribe got much information and much in common was found to talk about. Both Mr. Barkley and Mr. Banks were employees of the old Liddell shops, from whose employ they left to go to the front.



The regular weekly meeting of the Charlotte Central Labor Union was held Wednesday night of this week. The attendance was very good and the reports of locals were splendid, showing nearly every member em-

**STRIKES ARE DEFENDED BY PRES. GREEN**

BOSTON, June 21.—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, left with Kiwanis International last night a message that "it is well to bear in mind that strikes and democracy go hand in hand."

"It is better that the working men and women shall be free," he said, "free to give or withhold their labor at will, than it would be to abolish strikes and surrender freedom, liberty and democracy in exchange for autocratic control and the totalitarian state."

"We want democracy, but in wanting it we must be willing to accept the freedom of action that goes with it." He addressed United States and Canadian delegates to the service club's 23rd annual convention, which also heard Lieutenant Governor Horace T. Cahill of Massachusetts declare the loyalty of Americans of Canadian birth or parentage to their adopted land presented a contrast to the "minority rights" problem in Europe.

Favored by clear, warm weather, the delegates spent much of the day in excursion trips on Boston harbor. Gentlemen, we are happy that you called and it would not be amiss to add that such men mean much to the Union and to the community in which they reside.

The various committees had excellent reports, most of the special committees being continued. The committee on Labor Day was continued, to await reports of delegates from their various locals.

Chairman Stalls, of the legislative committee made an interesting report, along with a resolution, which was adopted regarding social security tax, and the same will appear next week.

W. E. White, of the Amalgamated Association of Street Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America, was a Central Labor Union visitor this week, and made an interesting talk on his organization and labor activities in general.

Russell L. Turner, an old Typo. member, but now with the Continental Casualty Company, working out of Atlanta, was also a visitor at Central Body and made a short talk that was appreciated.

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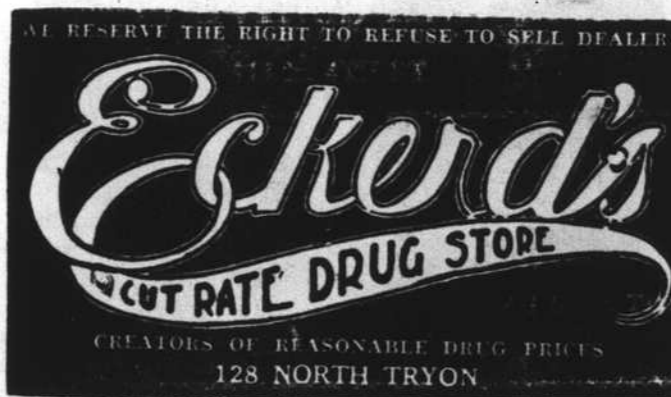
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State of North Carolina, County of Mecklenburg, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT  
George Emmett Walsh, Plaintiff, vs. Bessie Ford Walsh, Defendant.  
The defendant, above named, will take notice that an action entitled above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County for a nabsolute divorce. And the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of Superior Court on the 29th day of July, 1939, in the aforesaid County and State, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.  
This the 28th day of June, 1939.  
J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of the Superior Court.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**  
State of North Carolina, County of Mecklenburg, IN THE SUPERIOR COURT  
Ellis A. Lee, Plaintiff, vs. Annie Wallace Lee, Defendant.

The defendant, Annie Wallace Lee, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, to secure an absolute divorce, and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County in the Courthouse in Charlotte, North Carolina, on the 34th day of July, 1939, and answer or demur the complaint of said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief in the said complaint.  
This the 31st day of May, 1939.  
J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of the Superior Court.

June 8-15-22-29. June 1, 8, 15, 22.