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Apprenticeship Coun.

RALEIGH, June 30.—Forrest H. Shuford, labor commissioner, announced appointment today of a six-member State Apprenticeship council to serve in an advisory capacity under 1939 law.

Representing employe organizations he named, H. L. Kiser of Charlotte, a journeyman plumber; J. K. White of Greensboro, a journeyman brick-ma-son; and G. D. Sexton of Winston-Salem, a journeyman machinist.

For employer organizations he ap-pointed, L. P. Kennedy of Raleigh, general superintendent of the Norfolk Southern railroad; George W. Kane of Durham, a general contractor; and Robert M. Kermon of Raleigh, executive secretary of the State Association of Plumbing and Heating Contractors.

3,515 Jobs Found By N. C. Emp. Serv. In Past 6 Months

Phillip R. Bunn, district director of the North Carolina Employment service, yesterday reported that the Charlotte office placed 3,515 persons in jobs in the first six months of 1939.

This compared with 2,097 in the same period last year. The current active file contains 4,778 as compared with 8,433 at the same time last year. During June, there were 498 private placements and 70 public placements.

—Observer.

WOOL BILL NOW BEFORE BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Both the Senate and House Interstate Commerce Committees have favorably reported out the Schwartz-Martin Wool Labelling Bill, the enactment of which will require the labelling of garments so as to disclose the use of reclaimed wool and other substitutes for new wool and other substitutes for new wool. The bill, which has the support of labor as well as many other national institutions, is designed for the protection of the consumer.

Finds Horse Coming **Back** to Popularity

Army Remount Service Head Records the Trend.

nite trend throughout the country to a return to the horse and buggy days

-without the buggy.
Col. Thomas J. Johnson, chief of the army remount service, who was in Kansas City on his annual inspection tour of the seven army remount area headquarters, said he has noticed indications everywhere that the horse is galloping back into popularity.

There are more polo clubs, hunt clubs, riding academies and racing stables. Not only that, but horses are returning to the farms as well as to the bridle paths and race tracks. Colonel Johnson admits he is prejudiced in favor of the horse, but he has observed more and more farmers are using horses, particu-larly those who farm less than

an this is interesting, Colonel Johnson points it out with incidental pride. His real interest, in fact his job, is the preservation of cavalry as an indispensable war tool and the army-sponsored breeding of

horses to form an adequate reserve. In the World war the army discovered there were not enough horses available to meet the emergency. Not desiring this to happen again, the army has purchased stallions which are farmed out to qualifled persons who, in return for their care, charge a nominal \$10 stud fee to farmers in the vicinity.

The colonel deplores the mechanization trend that is heard so much in military circles today. The colonel is no enemy of progress but he would like for tacticians not to forget the value of the horse to the army. According to Colonel Johnson, the Japanese found it out in China when their tanks mired down; Mussolini had to increase his horse strength to push to victory through the mud and sand of Ethiopia. Horses have played a big part in the war in Spain.

IF YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IS IN ARREARS SEND IN A CHECK

H. L. Kiser, Charlotte, Brooks Opposed By Is Named On State Labor of Carolinas

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 6.— Organized labor officials in North Carolina and South Carolina are bitterly protesting appointment of E. C. Brooks, Durham attorney, by Elmer F. Andrews, administrator, as attorney for the Charlotte regional office of the wages and hours administration, a southern regional director of public relations for the American Federation of Labor, said here vesterday.

Carolinas labor officials have heard that the name of Mr. Brooks is being considered for appointment to

that position.
C. A. Fink, president of the North
Carolina Federation of Labor, and
Al Flynn, president of the South
Carolina Federation, have joined
forces in opposing Mr. Brooks.

Postal Employes Report Fine Meet Over Raleigh Way

William H. Gunther, a representative of the National Federation of Postoffice Clerks, and president of Baltimore local No. 181 delivered a real worthwhile talk at Central La-bor Union Wednesday night this week. He has been in attendance on the N. C. P. O. Clerks and the N. C. A. of L. C. at Raleigh, coming this way with the Charlotte delegates on their return. The Charlotte contingent report a fine and successful convention, a report of which will appear in The Journal next week.

Production Limit Hits Workers In **Textile Industry**

GREENVILLE, S. C.—J. E. Sir-rine of Greenville, chairman of a committee on voluntary production con-mittee on voluntary production con-trol in the Southern print-cloth field, announced that operators of more than 95 per cent of the looms on these fabrics had entered into an agreement to operate their plants not to exceed 75 per cent of their normal capacity during July, August and

He explained that the suffering of the mill workers because of short time would be alleviated by the fact that living costs are at a low minimum during the summer months.

KANSAS CITY.—There is a defi- Mrs. M. Houston Of **Texas Named Head** Of I. T. U. Auxiliary

DULUTH, Minn., July 1.—Mrs. W. E. Merritt of Houston, Texas, was named president of the International Typographical Union auxiliary in a mail ballot of members compiled here

yesterday.
Vice presidents chosen included
Mrs. William W. Taft of Nashville,

Names for Housing **Projects Selected** For First 2 Units

Names for the two communities to be built here by the Charlotte Housing Authority were announced Sat-urday by Harold J. Dillehay, executive director.

The white community, which is to be located in Seigle avenue between W. Tenth street and the Seaboard railway, is to be known as "Piedmont

"Fairview Homes" has been selected as the name for the Negro community, which is to be located on Oaklawn avenue about one block west of Statesville avenue on the old Twin

Oaks farm property.

Mr. Dillahey, while announcing the name of the two communities, affirmed earlier indefinite statements that the authority wil ladvertise for bids on both the projects the latter part of this month, probably by July 25.

Bids will be received from contractors in August, and as soon as possible the contract will be let and construction will begin. Actual con-struction is expected to be under way

THOMASTON CLERKS FORM ORGANIZATION

before September 1.-News.

THOMASTON, Ga., June 26.—Organization of a local union of the Retail Clerks Protective association was completed here last week, with Erskine Mabee, organizer for the clerks, assisting in the formation of the new local the new local.

SEND IN NEWS

Every union in the city should have a press correspondent. You want news of your unions to appear in your paper.

Then get busy and see that some one is especially appointed to send

And see that it reaches the office on time, for every paper has a closing time. All news must be in the office not later than 5 o'clock Tuesday evening. if it is to appear in our next issue.

lar Wednesday meeting, and was very well attended, considering the time of year and the rain. The delegates from the new City Employees local were obligated and received with the usual round of applause. One local reported a tremendous growth in the last three weeks, with negotiations going on favorably for vari-

in the last three weeks, with negotiations going on favorably for various contracts. Brother Twitty of the Carpenters, who has been ill in the Veterans hospital in Johnson City, Tenn., is reported back home, and your much improved The region of Labor convention, H. L. Sykes. very much improved. The various beginning to really show up at last in the construction trades. The various committees reported as usual. The following delegates were nominated for officers of the Central Rodu. reports were quite favorable as nated for officers of the Central Body fects of an automobile accident, and take place the next regular meeting, which is the third Wednesday in

The Central Body held its regu-

July.
For President, H. L. Kiser and H. H. Stalls. For Vice-President, unopposed, W.

M. Witter. For Secretary-Treasurer, Wm. S. Greene, unopposed.

lar Wednesday meeting, and was Ginnis, unopposed

For Sergeant-at-Arms, C. E. Mc-

Those delegates running for office for the coming year, the election to had been buried in Arlington Cemetake place the next regular meeting, tery in Washington, D. C. The resolutions committee was instructed to draw up a suitable resolution for the Central Body's approval covering

After a fine speech by the visiting vice-president of the National Federation of Postal Clerks, Wm. H Gunther, the meeting adjourned.

Union Label Catalogue-Directory For 1939 Ready For Distribution

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The In announcing the publication of 1939 Union Label Catalogue-Directory, published by the Union Label rectory, I. M. Ornburn, secretary-Trades Department of the American treasurer of the Union Label Trades Federation of Labor, is now off the press. It is the second edition of this Union Label buyers' guide, issued for the purpose of listing manufacturers who have collective bargaining agreements with American Federation of Labor. We have Unions.

Department, same.

"The demand for the right to display the union label on products is growing by leaps and bounds. We are proud of the unusual progress made by our department of the American Federation of Labor. We find it necessary, from time to

tory is issued also with the view of serving all members of labor unions, union label leagues, women's auxiliaries, their families and friends in order that they may inform local merchants and business firms which products bear the union label and those services which are union. The Catalogue-Directory contains

the insignia of national and inter-national unions affiliated with the Union Label Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor that designate their products and services by a union label, shop card, or service button. The Union Label

treasurer of the Union Label Trades

may find it necessary, from time to time, to issue supplemental lists of unionized industries. The splendid results we are obtaining is chiefly due to the loyal and enthusiastic sup-port of the millions of union label buyers and boosters throughout tmerica."

2,500,000 GIVEN WORK BY CCC IN LAST 6 YEARS

WASHINGTON, July 3. - The Civilian Conservation corps said in a progress report today that in six years of operation it had given employment Pres. C. M. Fox, Catalogue-Directory is 25 cents per single copy and in lots of 100 or to 2,500,0000 young men, war veterans, Indians, and territorials on more Textile Workers than 150 types of work.

THE STATE AND THE LIVING STANDARDS OF THE

In the United States, as in other countries, the inability of millions of people in the lower income groups to purchase decent living standards with their earnings has led to a large degree of intervention by the Government in th interest of more adequate wages dcreed by statute law.

This irrespressible development is mentioned by J. G. Winant, Director of the International Labor Office, in his report for

"Of recent years," he said, "the State has been called upon to an ever-increasing extent to assume responsibility for the basic wellbeing of the people.

The increasing productivity of industry has made possible a great advance in material well-being. But if this advance is to be fully realized, a corresponding development in social organization is essential.

"The maintenance and improvement of the standard of life is a problem which the citizen and the State have henceforward to work out in partnership,"

In the United States the Federal Government has taken practical steps in the partnership with its citizens, mentioned by Mr. Winant, toward improving the living standards of the masses in the enactment of the National Labor Relations Act and the Fair Labor Standards Act.

The National Labor Relations Act-recognizing "the inequality of bargaining power between employes who do not possess full freedom of association or actual liberty of contract, and employers who are organized in the corporate or other forms of own-ership association," the result of which inequality is depressed wage rates and lowered purchasing power of wage earners—establishes by statute the policy of protecting the right of the workers to organize in unions of their own choosing and of encouraging the practice and procedure of collective bargaining.

The Fair Labor Standards Act established by Federal statute minimum wage rates below which employers cannot force wages and maximum hours above which employers cannot work their

employes. By means of these two measures the wages, work conditions, and consequently the living standards, of large numbers of the masses of the American people have been raised and will continue to be raised.

LABOR BOARD YIELDS

ON PROCEDURE RULES

WASHINGTON, D. C .- The National Labor Relations Board announces that it had amended its rules so that the period of notice of hearing in unfair labor practice cases should be not less than ten days instead of five days as at present. The board also stated it had decided to write into its formal rules a retirement that bona fide unions which are parties to a collective bargaining contract aleged to have been made in violation of the National Labor Relations Act must be made parties to any board proceeding affecting the con-

"The things that haven't been done before, Are the things worth while today; Are you one of the flock that Are you one that shall lead the way? Are you one of the timid souls that quail At the jeers of a doubting doubting crew,

Or dare you, whether you win

Strike out for a goal that's new?" -Exchange.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION NOMINATES Delay In Wage-Hour An Explanation Of OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR; Law Is Asked By Labor's Aims Are For Attorney Post ALL CRAFTS MAKE GOOD REPORTS A Group of Sixteen

WASHINGTON, July 5 .- Members of Congress were urged yesterday to prevent any legislative action this session on the wage-hour law in letters sent them by the new "emergency committee for preserving the Fair Labor Standards act."

The committee, representing labor groups, church groups, and consumer organizations, is composed of 16 persons. They included James Mc-Namera of the A. F. of L.'s Hotel and Restaurant Employes Interna-tional Alliance; W. D. Johnson of the Railway Labor Executives' Asso-ciation; and Rev. F. A. McGowan of the National Catholic Welfare connounced the formation of the com-

A. M. Hughes Passes State Bldg. Trades At Wilmington; V.-P. State A. F. of L.

News of the death of A. M. Hughes at Wilmington, Tuesday of this week will bring sadness to his many friends in the State. Mr. Hughes was in the prime of his manhood and was an ardent toiler in the ranks of the A. F. of L., being one of the vice presidents of the State Federation of Labor. Death came as a result of an automobile accident, a short while back when he and his wife were both included. injured, Mrs. Hughes being released from the hospital only a week or two

ago.
The interment took place in Ar-lington cemetery, Washington, D. C.

Miners' Hours Are **Shelved By The** Geneva Board

GENEVA, Switzerland.—Proposals to reduce the hours of work in coal mines were temporarily shelved by the International Labor Conference in session here. The question was referred back to the Government Body of the International Labor Organization wit hthe suggestion that it be placed on the agenda of a future conference as soon as the international situation warrants such action.

of America, A **Charlotte Visitor**

The Journal was honored with a visit Wednesday from C. M. Fox, newly elected head of the Textile Workers of America, an A. F. of L. affilate, with headquarters in the A. F. of L. building, Washington, D. C. He is in this section making a survey and is optimistic as to the outlook of his organization regarding new locals and agreements. Much headway has already been made and kins, president of the Federal Survival the organizational set-up being plus Commodity Corporation, deplaced upon a firm basis rapid growth s certain to be the ultimate out-

them to listen in on all Union Label radio broadcasts.

Urged for Schools

MILWAUKEE, Wis .- The Milwaukee Federated Trades Council, A. F. of L. affiliate, senses the fact that the youth of today are subject to being saturated with prejudices against organized labor inculcated by motion pictures of racketeer melodramas and articles in some reactionary news-

papers.
To nullify this impression the council proposes that leaders of legitimate unions be given the opportunity at least once a year to expound labor's principles and problems in the schools of the state. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the council. the National Catholic Welfare conference. Labor's non-Partisan league, a C. I. O.-sponsored organization, announced the formation of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor which opens at Wausau on August 15.

Council Met In **Charlotte Sunday**

The North Carolina Building Trades Council (A. F. of L.) met at the County Courthouse in Charlotte Sunday afternoon, and was well attended. President H. L. Kiser, presided, and reports of delegates from every section of the State showed that for the first time in ten years all members were employed, with a all members were employed, with a call for more skilled men that could call for more skilled men that could be furnished in some crafts. The next meeting will be held in Raleigh, August 15, prior to the meeting of the State Federation of Labor in that city on the 14th, 15th and 16th. Election of officers for the Build-ing Trades Council will take place

ing Trades Council will take place at the Raleigh meeting. **Employers May Ask For Collective Bargaining Election**

WASHINGTON, D. C .- The National Labor Relations Board informed the House Labor Committee that it had amended its rules to permit employers to petition the board for an election to determine which of two rival labor organizations should be certified as representing a majority of employes for collective bargaining purposes in cases where the unions had not petitioned the board for such certification.

"Chalk it up as one victory for the A. F. of L.," commented Joseph A. Padway, counsel of the American Federation of Labor, who was testifying in favor of the amendments to the National Labor Relations Act

proposed by the Federation.

He insisted, however, that another step should be taken and that the changed rule should be written into the law because some subsequent board might unmake the rule.

SURPLUS FOOD PRODUCTS
FOR NON-RELIEF WORKERS

clared in an interview with a representative of the New York Times here that the so-called stamp plan of distributing surplus food products Call up your neighbors and ask to relief workers might well be expanded to include persons in private industry employed at low wages.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Labor Journal is the only Labor paper published in this section, and it circulates in Charlotte and Mecklenburg county. For eight years it has fought the battles of the A. F. of L. and labor in general. No other labor paper published in North Carolina has any circulation to speak of in this section. It is endorsed by Charlotte Central Labor Union and by the greter number of union locals in Charoltte, many of them subscribing in groups. This statement is made in order to counteract false claims as to circulation in this vicinity by unscrupulous solicitors.

