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H. L. Kiser, Charlotte, Is Named On State 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 a 1939 law.

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.

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.

Finds Horse Coming Back to Popularity

Army Remount Service Head Records the Trend.

KANSAS CITY.—There is a definite trend throughout the country to a return to the horse and buggy days—without the buggy.

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 bridge paths and race tracks.

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Brooks Opposed By Labor of Carolinas For Attorney Post

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 wages and hours administration, a southern regional director of public relations for the American Federation of Labor, said here yesterday.

Postal Employees 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 Labor Union Wednesday night this week.

Production Limit Hits Workers In Textile Industry

GREENVILLE, S. C.—J. E. Sirrine of Greenville, chairman of a committee on voluntary production control in the Southern print-cloth field, announced that operators of more than 95 per cent of the looms on an agreement to operate their plants not to exceed 75 per cent of their normal capacity during July, August and September.

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.

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 Saturday by Harold J. Dillehay, executive director.

THOMASTON CLERKS FORM ORGANIZATION 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.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION NOMINATES OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR; ALL CRAFTS MAKE GOOD REPORTS

The Central Body held its regular 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.

For Sergeant-at-Arms, C. E. McGinnis, unopposed. For Board of Trustees, three to be elected, F. G. Campbell, T. L. Connor, S. P. Blackwelder, J. A. Scogins, Ernest Morgan, J. A. Moore.

Union Label Catalogue-Directory For 1939 Ready For Distribution

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The 1939 Union Label Catalogue-Directory, published by the Union Label Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor, is now off the press.

In announcing the publication of the 1939 Union Label Catalogue-Directory, I. M. Ornburn, secretary-treasurer of the Union Label Trades Department, said:

THE STATE AND THE LIVING STANDARDS OF THE MASSES

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 the interest of more adequate wages decreed by statute law.

This irrespressible development is mentioned by J. G. Winant, Director of the International Labor Office, in his report for 1939.

"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."

The National Labor Relations Act—recognizing "the inequality of bargaining power between employees 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 ownership 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 employees.

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 things that haven't been done before, Are the things worth while today; Are you one of the flock that follows, or 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 or fail, Strike out for a goal that's new?" —Exchange.

Delay In Wage-Hour Law Is Asked By 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."

A. M. Hughes Passes 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.

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.

Pres. C. M. Fox, Textile Workers 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. affiliate, with headquarters in the A. F. of L. building, Washington, D. C.

An Explanation Of Labor's Aims Are 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 newspapers.

State Bldg. Trades 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.

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 employees for collective bargaining purposes in cases where the unions had not petitioned the board for such certification.

SURPLUS FOOD PRODUCTS FOR NON-RELIEF WORKERS

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Milo Perkins, president of the Federal Surplus Commodity Corporation, declared in an interview with a representative of the New York Times here that the so-called stamp plan of distributing surplus food products 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.

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