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Americanism is an unflinching love of country, loyalty to its institutions and ideals, eagerness to defend it against all enemies, undivided allegiance to the flag, and a desire to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and posterity.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1940

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

Starting 1940 under auspicious circumstances, with a bright outlook for the twelve months ahead of us, with improved conditions in every line of trade and, as yet, untouched by war entanglement, we all have much to look forward to and hope for. Let's make it a better year for ourselves and dwell in harmony and peace, one with the other. Labor in our vicinity has been blessed, friction of only a minor nature may have arisen through misunderstanding or unwillingness to be fair and square one with the other. Let's make 1940 a year of progress, peace and good will.

To our friends and patrons, and to every labor local in Charlotte The Journal wishes a Happy New Year, and during 1940 will endeavor to serve faithfully, as it has the past nine years.

JOE GARIBALDI PASSES

Charlotte's most valued citizen with the passing of Joe Garibaldi. He was sincere and emphatic in his beliefs, honesty and sincerity being characteristic of his life. He was not an extremist, but just a good, solid citizen working ever for the uplift of his fellow man and the advancement of his community.

GAINS BY ARBITRATION

As the labor press has frequently pointed out, union progress through the processes of arbitration, conciliation, and negotiation—sitting down and talking things over—are not always recognized as they should be. Emphasis, especially in hostile quarters, is placed on strike action. As a matter of fact, substantial progress is constantly being made without recourse to the strike.

A good example was recently given in Washington, D. C., where a board of arbitration awarded employees of the Capital Transit Co., members of Division No. 689, Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America, increases in wages and improvement in working conditions which will net them upwards of \$250,000 a year.

Under the award, the work day was shortened and wages boosted 2 to 6 cents an hour. The new rate for one-man bus operators is 70 cents an hour. Pay increases were retroactive to July 1, 1939, the back pay alone amounting to \$200,000.

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Musicians Union Tabooed Lewis In Stage Shows

CHICAGO.—John L. Lewis and the CIO are tabooed subjects on the Chicago stage now because a rival union chieftain doesn't like either.

Two current stage productions carried references to the CIO chief when they opened but last week there was no mention of him.

James C. Petrillo, president of the AFL Chicago Musicians' Union, imposed the ban on the theory that even uncomplimentary references to the rival unionist served as CIO "propaganda."

The productions affected by his edict were George White's "Scandals" at the Erlanger and "The Man Who Came to Dinner" at the Harris. A reference to Lewis in "Hellzapoppin'" will be deleted before the show opens at the Grand Opera House.

The theatres faced the risk of losing their orchestras—all organized under the AFL—if they defied Petrillo.

Sam Gerson, manager of the Harris, first reported that deletion of Lewis' name from "The Man Who Came to Dinner" would depend on the attitude of Co-Authors Moss Hart and George Kaufman.

To which Petrillo replied yesterday: "It comes out or the curtain doesn't go up tonight."

It "came out."

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William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor, is the outstanding Labor leader of the world and one of the most able figures in American life today. He joined the United Mine Workers when that organization was formed in 1890. He rose to the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the United Mine Workers in 1912. The next year he was elected Vice President and a member of the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor succeeding the late John Mitchell in that office. In 1924 he was elected by the Executive Council as President of the American Federation of Labor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of its founder, Samuel Gompers. He has been re-elected at each succeeding convention.

Mr. Green served two terms in the Ohio State Senate. He introduced and secured the enactment of the Ohio Workmen's Compensation Law, which has been accepted by organized Labor as the model for other states to adopt.

In 1919 the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor appointed Mr. Green a member of the committee of five to represent American Labor in the international labor conference to be held in connection with the World Peace Treaty.

Mr. Green served on the Advisory Council of the President's Committee on Economic Security in 1934. He was a member of the Labor Advisory Council of the National Recovery Administration.

His address is: Mr. William Green, President, American Federation of Labor, A. F. of L. Building, Washington, D. C.



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John L. Jones, 77, of 1714 Jefferson street, died in a local hospital at 1:15 o'clock Friday morning following injuries received in a fall several days ago while visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. S. Miller, in Portsmouth, Va. Surviving also are the following children, A. M. Jones, employe of The Charlotte Observer, composing room, with whom he made his home; T. E. Jones, of Winston-Salem; C. F. Jones, of East Flat Rock, and Frank Jones, of this city. Funeral services will be in East Flat Rock, probably Saturday.—Observer.

A NEW YEAR THOUGHT—"THE SHUT DOOR"

I've shut the door on yesterday,
Its sorrows and mistakes,
I've looked within its gloomy walls
Past failures and heartaches.
And now I throw the key away
To seek another room;
And furnish it with hope and smiles
And every Spring-time bloom.
No thought shall enter this abode
That has a hint of pain;
And envy, malice distrust,
Shall never entrance gain.
I've shut the door on yesterday
And thrown the key away;
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Since I have found today.
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