

**The Charlotte Labor Journal
AND DIXIE FARM NEWS**

302 South College Street—(Second Floor)
PHONE 3-3094

Entered as second-class matter, September 11, 1931, at the Post Office at Charlotte, N. C. under the Act of March 3, 1879.



W. M. WITTER Editor and Publisher
CLAUDE L. ALBEA Associate Editor

CHARLOTTE, N. C., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1940

THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

"The American Federation of Labor has proven the nation's most powerful stabilizing influence, and has contributed more than any other organization of men to the advancement of America's men, women and children."—I. M. Ornbom, chief executive officer A. F. of L. Union Label Trades Department.

**"UNITED EFFORT TO HALT THE DRIFT
TOWARD NATIONAL INSOLVENCY"
IS APPEAL A. F. L. EXEC. COUNCIL**

MIAMI, Fla.—American Federation of Labor leaders on February 6th appealed for a "united effort to halt the drift toward national insolvency."

Their statement, embodying conclusions of a study of the seven years of the new deal, was released here, where the A. F. L.'s governing body, the executive council, was meeting. It was not an act of the council, but two council members, A. F. L. Vice-Presidents Matthew Woll, of New York, and William L. Hutcherson, of Indianapolis, were among the signers of the report.

The survey found the new deal "has been an experiment on the lives of 125,000,000 Americans."

"Innovation after innovation have followed upon each other so fast and furiously that only a trained few could keep abreast of the changes," it said.

If, after seven years, the situation of labor, industry and agriculture had materially improved, if happiness and progress, hope and confidence had resulted, we could conclude that the experiment has been worth while.

But, the report contended, "we find labor torn into warring camps. We find industry depressed and capital on strike. We find 10,000,000 of America's workers unemployed."

"We find youth discontented and aged discouraged. We find not only widespread material suffering, but in every walk of life we find fear for the great intangible of America; fear for the liberties that Americans have cherished for more than a century and a half.

"The hour has come for Americans to recognize the dangers that confront them and to join in an united effort to halt the drift toward national insolvency, industrial collapse and the extension of opportunity for the Americans of today and tomorrow.

Enjoy
FOREMOST MILK
It's Healthful

FOREMOST DAIRIES, INC.
Phones 7116-7117

WHEN YOU NEED MONEY

See Us
CITIZENS SAVINGS AND LOAN CO.
114 E. 4th St.

PITTSBURGH
CLEAN-UP AIDS
CLEANERS • WAXES • POLISHES
Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.
201 East Sixth St. Phone 3-6084

PATRONIZE JOURNAL ADVERTISERS

LOANS
To Be Repaid Weekly, Semi-Monthly or Monthly
SAVINGS
Xmas Clubs, Weekly Savings or Certificate of Deposit
INDUSTRIAL LOAN & INVESTMENT BANK
124 S. Church St.

**UNION WAGES ADVANCE BUSINESS
PROSPERITY SAYS MAX WEINMAN
N. Y. HANDBAG MANUFACTURER**

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Max Weinman, ladies' handbag manufacturer of New York City, is one of the growing number of employers who find that union wages scales and steady employment are an advantage rather than a deterrent to business prosperity.

According to E. K. Titus, World-Telegram financial writer, Mr. Weinman was not discouraged at the business outlook in the depths of the depression. To express his optimism, he established a factory to manufacture ladies' handbags in 1932, and to indicate his belief in the advantage of high wages he signed an agreement with an A. F. of L. union providing for the union pay scale, hours and work conditions.

Now, in his eighth year of operation, Mr. Weinman's plant turns out more than 2,000,000 ladies' handbags annually, each retailing for exactly one dollar. He has recently increased the space occupied by his plant and regards the future with optimism.

Interviewed by Mr. Titus as to his satisfactory relations with the A. F. of L. union, Mr. Weinman said they

were partly the result of his success in providing 52 weeks of work a year for a large number of workers. Employees of many of the other companies in the same business are subject to more frequent layoffs for seasonal and other causes.

According to Mr. Titus, the 52 weeks of operation in the Weinman plant "have been made possible by careful study of the market for different types of bags in various parts of the country at different seasons. It has been found that while certain distributors desire to have their merchandise delivered just before they expect to dispose of it, others, including many chain stores and mail order houses, want it considerably in advance of the season.

Production schedules are worked out with a view to adapting to peak demands from various sources in a way that will make 52 weeks of work and reduce layoffs of part of the working force to the minimum.

"The continuous operation serves also to reduce production costs through keeping down the overhead cost per bag."

**Trucking Company
Gets Decision By
Trial Examiner**

A report of a National Labor Relations Board trial examiner filed Friday rules with the Great Southern Trucking Co., in controversial strike issues, and recommends that reinstatement and back pay be denied the 40 drivers who left their jobs here and in High Point on Sept. 6.

A copy of the report was received here Feb. 11 by Whiteford S. Blakeney, attorney for the trucking company, who revealed its contents.

The local union of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Stabemen and Helpers, in their charges filed before the NLRB, alleged that the company had failed and refused to engage in collective bargaining with the union, and that this constituted an unfair legal practice, thus preventing the company from replacing the strikers with new workers.

Nevertheless, Mr. Powell reported that the officials and supervisory employees of the Great Southern Co. had, several months ago, made speeches and remarks antagonistic to the interests of the union and intended to coerce the employees. Because of these speeches, he recommended that the striking drivers be placed on a preferential list and that they be given employment as future vacancies occur.

The National Labor Relations Board has the authority to reverse its trial examiner.

Just when the matter will go before the NLRB for a final solution was not known here. Mr. Blakeney, however, said the company would object to the preferential list provision. Feb. 11.

**Founder Of A & P
Honored This Week
By All A & P Stores**

The founder of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., George Huntington Hartford, who created the modern retailing method of direct buying and straight-line, mass distribution, will be honored by all A&P stores during Founder's Week, Feb. 12-19, M. A. Hogewood announced here yesterday.

Retailing principles established by Mr. Hartford when he opened the first red-fronted A&P store in 1859, Mr. Hogewood pointed out, are used today by countless chain and independent merchants as the means of providing greater savings to consumers.

"A young man from Maine, Mr. Hartford entered the retailing field in New York City, where he was impressed by the prevailing high price of tea," he said. "He believed that by purchasing tea direct, eliminating the many handling charges and middlemen's profits and retailing through his own store, he could materially reduce the price from the prevailing scale of \$1 and more per pound.

"Mr. Hartford's first store, located on Vesey Street in lower New York, offered its customer savings on their tea purchases, and was an immediate success. Applying the same principles of direct buying and quick turnover of large volume at small profit, he opened additional units and added other groceries to his stock."

The union is expected to make a further fight for reinstatement and payment of back wages.—Charlotte News, Feb. 11.

CHARLOTTE THEATRE

Friday - Saturday
**MARX BROS
AT THE CIRCUS**
with
Groucho, Harpo
Chico
Kenny Baker
Florence Rice

Coming!
Monday - Tuesday
"Honeymoon in Bali"
FRED MacMURRAY
MADELEINE CARROLL
Wednesday - Thursday
"SOME LIKE IT HOT"
SHIRLEY ROSS
BOB HOPE

McEwen Mutual Burial Ass'n, Inc.

Nearly 50,000 paid up members. The oldest, largest and strongest in this section. Call or phone our office today for information.
Telephone 3-3870
507 East Trade Street

At DeWITT'S

'39 DeSOTO, 4 Door Trng. Sedan. Radio, heater. Low mileage. Like new \$945

'38 DeSOTO Sedan. Radio, heater, Trunk, Practically New Tires... \$575

34 Ford Panel\$165

36 CHEVROLET 2-door Trng. Sedan. Extra \$345

'38 PLYMOUTH 2 Door Trng. Sedan \$495

DeSoto-Plymouth
428 W. Trade Dial 5111
DeWITT MOTOR Co.

It Pays to Trade With
**Doggett
Lumber Co.**
111 E. Park Ave. Phone 8179

**ZORIC
Dry Cleaning**
DOMESTIC LAUNDRY
Phone 5178

PIANO SPECIALS
\$169.00 to \$225.00
Convenient Terms
Spartan-Coronet-Grands
**PARKER GARDNER
COMPANY**
Since 1898

**A. F. of L. Reaffirms
Non-Partisan Policy;
To Vote For Friends**

MIAMI, Fla.—The Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor, at its mid-winter session here, reaffirming the Federation's non-partisan political policy, declared that the A. F. of L. in 1940 will not give a blanket endorsement to any political party and urged that both major parties nominate candidates who are "friendly and sympathetic to the problems of the working men and women of the nation."

The Council said that no presidential candidate opposed to organized labor can win the election and warned that candidates for public office who seek and accept the support of the C. I. O. are doomed to certain defeat.

Eyes Examined Glasses Fitted
**F. C. ROBERTS
OPTOMETRIST**
114 1/2 S. Tryon St., Phone 2-3214
Charlotte, N. C.

**ANDREWS
MUSIC CO.**
"EVERYTHING MUSICAL"
201 N. Tryon St.

**VARIETY OF
FOODS**
Vegetables, meats, salads, soups, breads — you'll find not two or three, but many to choose from
**S & W
CAFETERIA**

Through surveys it has been found that more than 60 per cent of all passenger-car driving in the United States is for business purposes.

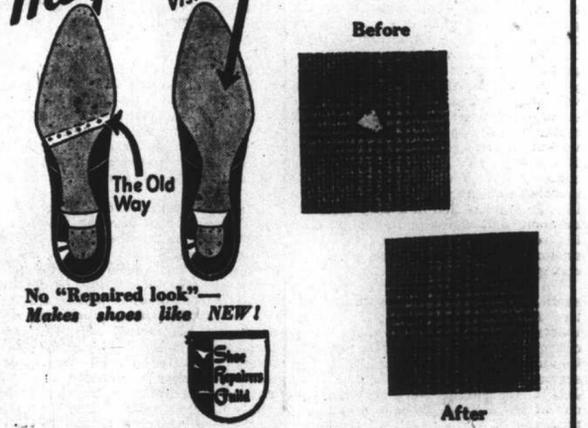
WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO SELL DEALERS
Eckerd's
CUT RATE DRUG STORE
REASONABLE DRUG PRICES
128 NORTH TRYON

**REX
RECREATION
AND BOWLING ALLEY**
Where Union Men Meet
125-127 S. TRYON ST.
Year Round Air Conditioned

For Constipation
Vigor and Pep!
CHEW
PEP-O-LAX
When Buying Aspirin Demand
C. B. ASPIRIN
PATRONIZE THOSE
WHO ADVERTISE IN
THE JOURNAL

TWO REAL SERVICES

We specialize in
**Invisible
Half-Soling**
No Seam Visible!
Jordan System of Garment
Mending Tears, Rips, Snags
and Cigarette Burns, Virtually
Invisible. Charges Reasonable.



CHARLOTTE LAUNDRY, INC.
"A Service To Fit Every Need"
CURB SERVICE AND DELIVERY BY TRUCK

Martin's Dept. Store
**RELIABLE MERCHANDISE ALWAYS
AT LOW PRICES**
OUR NEW STORE NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS WITH A COMPLETE STOCK OF SPRING AND SUMMER MERCHANDISE.