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Every Day Is FLAG DAY



**"WHEN IN THE COURSE OF HUMAN
EVENTS"**

BY CHARLES STELZLE

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Fourth of July speeches ring with the proud declaration that while we are a "young" nation, we are the greatest nation on earth. But in the enthusiasm of the orators to emphasize our youth, they usually overlook the fact that next to England, we are the oldest government on earth.

We have maintained our form of government throughout our history in spite of the fact that we have it within our power to change it any time we may wish to do so. There is no firing squad, no concentration camp, no police force of any kind which may prevent us from doing so if we follow the orderly procedure which our Constitution has laid down. There is absolutely no need for the use of violence. All we need to do is to have the citizens of the United States declare their wishes through the ballot box. But—instead of trying to find some other form of government we are today more firmly resolved than we ever were to maintain its present form.

Meanwhile these changes in the form of government in countries overseas have been kaleidoscopic. In nearly every case they have taken place as the result of wars or revolutions. Since the United States was born 150 years ago, practically every nation in the world has gone through one or more changes. The world is today in the midst of a "total war" which will bring other changes, the nature of which no man can prophesy.

Those who are agitating for Communism, Facism, Nazism, and other forms of government, should borrow instead from our philosophy of government which, in the face of modern problems in a modern world, has stood the test of a century and a half. Then the world would see arising out of the present turmoil in Europe the miracle of a "United States of Europe," comparable to our own country in its form of government.

To achieve this world Democracy it would be necessary to adopt the profound and far-reaching principle that "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." Implied in this revolutionary but natural form of government is the abolition of all distinctions due to race, creed, color, or economic condition. These principles date back to the very beginning of time. No power on earth can abrogate them, and peace on earth will not prevail until they are universally accepted, for they are plainly the will of the Creator of all mankind.

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BY WILKIE'S WORKS YE SHALL KNOW HIM

Not by his words but by his works we must judge the Presidential aspirations of Wendell Wilkie, Wall Street's candidate for the Republican ticket for President.

Now that Wilkie is the Republican nominee, let us take a peep at this man who looms so large upon the political horizon.

He is the head of the Commonwealth and Southern Utilities Corporation. This is a Morgan concern. It has holdings from North Carolina to the Middle Western States. This Corporation has been the most bitter and outspoken of all the enemies of the New Deal, and Wendell Wilkie has been the brawn and brains of the outfit.

Mr. Wilkie is an attractive and beguiling personality. In the past few months he has written a great deal, particularly for liberal publications, on Civil Liberties and democracy. No one has in recent years written and spoken on these paramount issues with more clarity and vigor than Wendell Wilkie. From his printed and spoken words we gather he is a firm believer in upholding Civil Liberties and our democratic way of life. But—But—

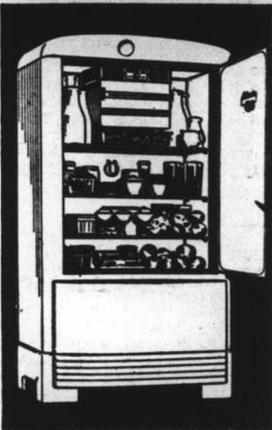
Let us see what his works have been. The Corporation which he heads has been among the worst in the country in denying Civil Liberties to others. It was responsible for the death of a daily Chattanooga newspaper (by setting up an opposition paper and by getting practically all advertising for its new subservient paper) which had publicly fought for TVA and against Wilkie's Commonwealth and Southern. This Corporation in its treatment of its employees has been a close second to the Republic Steel Company.

And we laboring people are not so foolish as to think for one second that J. P. Morgan and Company would have selected Mr. Wilkie to head or would have kept him at the head of Commonwealth and Southern if Mr. Wilkie's views of our economic and political life, of our democracy and Civil Liberties were not the same as the reactionary men who compose this Morgan firm.

And labor wants none of them or of their satellites. And labor does not intend to be fooled either by an engaging smile or a "wordy" defense of democracy.

We measure Wendell Wilkie by the yardstick of his works, and his works have been bad.—Norfolk (Va.) Labor Journal.

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IT HAPPENS EVERYWHERE

The other day we were reading some of the Labor publications that come to the editorial desk. As our eyes glanced through these pages this or that item attracted our attention and they finally became focused upon the following all too often true bit of information in the "New Jersey Labor World," which read:

"UNION CARD!"

"Among men I am a symbol of unity, the diploma of skill; all Workers of the world, whether within or without the ranks of Organized Labor, have received the benefits I have bestowed on mankind. I have made free men of serfs and converts of doubters. Being of a retiring nature, I keep most of my business to myself. I hear, I see and I feel, but sometimes I wish I could talk. For in the past I have lain in the pockets of suits fashioned by the fingers that have signed yellow-dog contracts; next to cigarettes produced by Labor that sells itself for 10 cents per hour; adjacent to haberdashery bought in stores whose proprietors rebuke Organized Labor and its press; close to combs intimately acquainted with barber college haircuts.

"Yet I have heard the very men in whose pockets I am carried condemn low wages and blame the depression on politics."

Yes, Brother, we have similar "Card Toters" right here in Charlotte, so geographically location seems to make little difference in the inclination for some Unionists to blow "hot" on the card subject and in almost the same breath blow "cold" on the "Union Made" or "Union Label" question.

The Fifth Column Worker

By H. I. PHILLIPS

HE TAKES all America has to offer with a smile and awaits a chance to return the favor with a machine gun.

HE COILS in the flag, hides in the quartet singing the national anthem and crouches behind the Bill of Rights.

HE ACCEPTS your invitation to dinner and makes a mental blueprint of your home so he can return and snatch the silver.

HE LETS you help him on with his coat while he plans to steal your shirt.

HE LETS you pay his golf fee while he figures out how much powder it would take to blow up the clubhouse.

HE BECOMES your week-end house guest and spends most of the time estimating how good a target for bombers the children's bedroom would make.

HE APPLAUDS America First programs and laughs himself to sleep over the fact his face didn't betray him.

HE STANDS when "The Star-Spangled Banner" is played, but eases his conscience by assuring himself that he was tired of sitting, anyhow.

HE LOOKS like a man, but performs like a rattlesnake.

HE SHAKES your hand while his wandering eye measures you for a knife in the back.

HE IS THE SKUNK that walks like a man; the hyena that waltzes like a patriot and the rat that masquerades as a human being.

HE EXPRESSES astonishment at the genius of American industry, but puts in plenty of time reporting back to the enemy on weak spots for attack.

HE NOT ONLY BITES the hand that feeds him, but eats the other hand for dessert.

HE SAYS, "It can't happen here," while planning to help the enemy do it.

HE IS THE KIND of rodent who would accept help from the good Samaritan, ask the Samaritan to wait for him in the corner drug store and then bomb the drug store.

HE RENDERS evil for good, thinks the doublecross is the noblest work of man and eats with his knife because he never wants to have to depend on a fork when the time comes to stab his host.

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The Children's Party!



It does not take a great deal of time to prepare for a successful children's party. The cost is small when compared to that expended on festivities for adults.

But it is necessary to choose the foods wisely. If the party is held in the afternoon, the children will probably eat a hearty dinner at home. If it is an early evening party, the hearty dinner has been eaten already. In either case the foods served should be light, easily digested, and in fairly moderate portions. Then the party will be an enjoyable affair, without any lamentable after effects.

Serve simple, light sandwiches, fruit juice or milk, a small portion of birthday cake and a light dessert with ornamental cookies. Devote the rest of your party appropriation to table decorations, games and attractively wrapped, inexpensive "mystery" prizes. Children react to attractive visible things and mysterious hidden things. Bear this in mind as you plan.

Let the light dessert dish be the main dish. Something like a healthful rennet-custard is ideal. It's easy to prepare in advance, healthful, easily digested and liked by all. The following recipe will furnish you with just what the children want. No eggs are needed. No baking or boiling are necessary. In attractive orange baskets, and served with small animal or "design" cookies bearing the names of the guests, these desserts are a sure party "hit."

Chocolate Rennet-Custard in Orange Baskets

3 large oranges
1 pint milk (not canned or soft curd)

1 package chocolate rennet powder
Cut oranges carefully into halves in the usual way, squeeze the juice out, and remove membranes from shells. To make handles, cut a strip around the top of each half-shell about 1/4 inch wide, leaving it attached for about 1/4 inch on opposite sides. Lift up the strips and tie together with a ribbon.

Warm milk slowly, stirring constantly. Test a drop on inside of wrist frequently. When COMFORTABLY WARM, (120° F.) not hot, remove at once from stove. Stir rennet powder into milk briskly until dissolved — not over one minute. Pour at once, while still liquid, into the orange baskets. Do not move until firm — about 10 minutes. Chill in refrigerator. Yield: 6 desserts.

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