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## Every Day Is FLAG DAY



#### A. F. OF L. WILL NEVER SURRENDER PRINCIPLE OF DEMOCRATIC CONTROL

"The American Federation of Labor will never surrender the principle of democratic control or yield to minority force and domination. It will ever cling to Democratic ideals and will most jealously guard and protect the principles of Democracy and Democratic procedure. It will never accept a dictator or submit to autocratic control. It is upon that sound and solid American basis it has taken its stand and there it will ever remain."-WILLIAM GREEN, President American Federation of Labor.

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A real man, inside, feels cold and dead When forced to beg his portion of bread. But that day a scoffer stood on the side, Fill'd with his own importance and pride; And scorn'd with loud-spoken jest and jeer The man who patiently waited here. He may have dined on steak so rare— While the man had lunch'd on corn-meal fare.

He may smoke cigars of foreign make He may scorn the man with words that burn'd Because of the money he never had earn'd He feels himself good, and great, and slick-He measures himself with his own yardstick; He tells how the government should be run— He'd shiver and shake at the sight of a gun.

While the man in line would cheerfully take A gun and fight for his country's sake. The scoffer in his own quite foolish way Made the man's cup more bitter that day: But we measure a man by what we find In his heart, and not how his pockets are lined. 'Til some one finds a way to cure it all Relief is better than nothing at all.

And a greater relief we'd feel and keep

AT HENRIETTA, N. C.

HENRIETTA, N. C., Aug. 10.-In an election held here last week by the textile workers in selecting a bargaintextile workers in selecting a bargaining agency, the United Textile Workers of America, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, won by a vote of 171 to 152. Gordon L. Chastain, president of the Southern Cotton Textile Federation, assisted the workers in the campaign and election, and will now aid the local committee in negotiating an agreement with employers.

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ment with employers.



## POETRY - RIGHT OR WRONG?

A Labor Paper, some of our readers seem to think, should not deal in poetry, but stick to hard tacks and brass nails. After over half a century in the Labor movement the editor is going to disagree and give reasons for so doing. The Labor Paper goes into the homes, where education is rampant, many members of these families walking in other spheres of life, yet Labor at heart, having been raised and educated under the banner of the A. F. of L. The housewife when the duties of the day are over has time to read the peaper, and she has a little of the sentimental in her makeup; the children clip the poems which appeal to them and paste them in their scrapbooks, and the hard-hearted "sonofagun" that "brings home the bacon" also has a leaning for variety; poetry awakens a spirit of love, fellowship, brotherhood, sympathy, hope-be it old or new-and one must admit that the poems, songs and hymns of other days are the sweetest; bringing back memories of the past; of learning at the mother's knee; days of when a "young man's fancy lightly turned to things of love." So each week The Labor Journal will, if possible, carry a little of the sentimental with the realistic-for instance this one is from Mrs. Charles English, Frackville, Pa., which we take from an

#### "RELIEF"

While the man skipp'd a meal for his children's sake.

If the scoffer'd go way and fall-asleep.

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of his International Union in 1907 and a biographical sketch of George Berry must include a history of the International Union.

Mr. Berry is the founder of Pressmen's Home, which is the International office of the Union. In connection with the pressmen's home is a sanitarium, home for the aged and technical trade school. The establishment of this home is of the outstanding schievements of Mr. Berry's career.

Having been a Major in the first World War and also a member of the Senate of the United States, George Berry has distinguished himself both in military and public life as well as in the American Labor movement. He has held various positions on Government commissions, including member of the Advisory Board and Divisional Administrator of the National Recovery Act, member of the first National Labor Board, the Cotton Textile Industry Board, the Bituminous Coal Commission and the Allotment Board. He also served his Government as Coordinator for Industrial Cooperation. He is one of the founders of the American Legion and is a former National Vice Commander of this veterans' organization.

His address is: Major George L.

His address is: Major George L. Berry, President, International Printing Pressmen's and Assist-ants' Union of North America, Pressmen's Home, Tennesse



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