## CHARLOTTE LABOR JOURNAL AND DIXIE FARM NEWS

## **ROOSEVELT SAYS ADMINISTRATION** HAS USED EFFORTS TO FOSTER AND PROMOTE INTERESTS OF LABOR

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 .- Presi- be witness to its good faith in the dent Roosevelt and Wendell L. Will- future."

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icies. The Democratic and Republican presidential candidates stated their views in the current issue of the American Federationist, official monthly magazine of the American Federation of Labor. President Roosevelt declared his administration was "willing to be judged—as to future policy—by past erformance." "The achievements of the adminis-tration since 1933," he said, "shall bor pontential abor movement's be-ing "completely dominated by gov-ernment" with the "old, discredited company union" being replaced by "government unions as in Nazi, Ger-many." "I pledge myself," the Republican nominee said, "to help the principle of free unions." In his statement, the President de-clared that examination of the labor record of the past seven years "will reveal that this administration has

kie took sharp issue in print yester- Willkie asserted that New Deal la day over the New Deals' labor pol-icies. Bor policies, if cont de,wouniuldtaoio bor policies, if continued, would result in the American labor movement's be-

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been unremitting in its efforts to fos-ter, promote and develop the interests of labor, to improve working condi-tions and to advance opportunities for profitable employment." "If anyone asks the question as to the future policy of the administra-tion toward labor," the President con-tinued, "the answer is that we shall hold steadfastly to every advance gained and not permit present safehold steadfastly to every advance gained and not permit present safe-guards to be whittled away by yield-ing to the spacious arguments of those whose lip service to labor is loud and eloquent before election, but whose ears are deaf to all appeals to justice the rest of the time." The Republican nominee declared that organizd labor has been "a prin-cipal factor in bringing improved working conditions, higher wages and shorter hours for all." He advo-cated a "continued rise in American wage levels." Willkie said he "sympathized" with the A. F. of L. in its "emphasis upon the necessity for better administra-tion" of the national labor relations act. He declared that "some changes" in the act were necessary.

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## LABOR DAY PEN WHICHP RES. USEI **GIVEN GOMPERS**

Congressman Amos J. Cummings of New York, joint author with Senator James H. Kyle, of South Dakota, of the bill making the first Monday in September a national holiday took the bill passed by both Houses of Congress to President Grover Cleve-land for approval on June 28, 1894. Mr. Cummings presented the pen and holder used by the President in sign-ing the bill to President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor.

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