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**Every Day Is FLAG DAY**



LABOR DAY—1940

Another Labor Day greets the American people on next Monday. Another epoch in the history of the American Federation of Labor; another crown placed on the head of Samuel Gompers, and upon the heads of the other stalwart leaders of an underprivileged group, at that time; another link in the chain of Americanism that is holding us bound together as a common unit, at this perilous period, despite the inroads of Communism, or the other "isms" which would tend to tear down the structure built upon the foundation of our forefathers.

Organized Labor may not be hailed as a Messiah, but organized labor as exemplified by the American Federation of Labor has done more to hold together the masses of labor in a common unit, fighting for those in the lower brackets of pay; fighting for educational advantages at all times; fighting against the sweat shop, and the employer who would wax fat on the health, blood, and even life of the orphan and the widow; fighting for shorter hours of labor, to keep the employed in a healthier state, and to give more men work; fighting for the underprivileged, whether organized or not; following their mission of mercy, and adding at all times through its doctrines to the cause of Christianity.

Any man with an A. F. of L. union card may look upon it proudly; it is something never to be ashamed of. Members of unions in the years gone by, suffered; yes, all Crusaders in a cause for the right have suffered; they have married; they have raised their children, educated them, many of them in the colleges; they have gone out into all walks of life, not particularly identified with the labor movement, but they remember well the source from which came the opportunity for their getting the better things of life.

No sermon, but just plain fact; and Charlotte, on this Labor Day, its citizens, in every walk of life, should take a thought:

The "FRIENDLY CITY" (apologizes to Mayor Douglas), with its more than 100,000 population, should be proud of the fact that in organization we lead the Carolinas, yet, wise leaders have kept Charlotte free of strikes; free from friction to great degree, by following one of the A. F. of L.'s laid-down principles of ARBITRATION, MEDIATION and CONCILIATION.

So, to William Green, our president, to George Meany, our Secretary; old timers and old liners in the A. F. of L.; to every official of every international; to every Member carrying a Card, our greetings goes out on this Labor Day, as on all other days, and may those who wear smoked glasses, and can thus see in organized labor only a menace to Society and our Government, it is our sincere hope that their vision may become clearer, that their minds may be opened to a broader view, and that they may see in organized labor, with its millions upon millions of adherents, something that is good for America, good for the Church of God, good for our State, our County, and City; good for us all.

So let Capital and Labor work together, for does not Capital get back all that Labor gets from Capital, and if one cannot earn, one cannot spend; it is co-operative all down the line:

The worker is a spender, the less he receives the less he spends, the less goes back into the tills of the merchant; the less the merchant buys from the manufacturer, the less men the manufacturer employs; and thus the eternal triangle.

**Sec.Treas. Meany's Labor Day Message**

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Despite our growth, I believe there can be no more appropriate message to the workers of the nation on this Labor Day of 1940 than the Labor Day message of the revered Samuel Gompers almost two decades ago.

"Organize! Organize! Organize!" was the Labor Day message of the late president of the American Federation of Labor in 1922.

We have come a long distance on the organizational road since Samuel Gompers voiced this exhortation, but I believe that our job is only begun. There are still millions of men and women workers in this land of ours who are toiling for pittance, under miserable working conditions, with no security and little hope.

Trade unionism, which has brought good wages, short hours, vacations with pay, job tenure and many other benefits to millions, can bring these same good things to these other millions who are still being ground into the dirt.

As I see it, it is our solemn duty to carry the gospel of trade unionism to these workers, so that they may benefit, so that the American labor movement may become an even more potent force than it is today and so that this nation may become better and greater through the increased well-being and prosperity of its people.

On this Labor Day, as on each Labor Day for the last ten years, the problem of unemployment hangs over us like a shadow. This problem still calls most urgently for solution.

It is clear that the way to end unemployment situation would be by putting the unemployed back to work in private industry, where the workers now jobless may again have the opportunity to toil and earn and become consumers of the products of industry.

The American Federation of Labor has proposed a constructive program for the solution of this pressing problem through co-operation between management, labor and government. The A. F. of L. is continuing to push for the adoption of this program as a means of putting millions of unemployed back to work.

For sixty years the American Federation of Labor has served as an instrumentality through which the workers have given expressions to their economic hopes and aspirations. Rival organizations came on the scene, functioned temporarily, then fell apart and passed away.

The American Federation of Labor has endured because it has embraced a sound economic philosophy and because it is an American institution built upon a solid foundation of devotion and loyalty to our democratic form of government and its Constitution.

Now our nation finds itself in a critical situation as a result of the onward march of totalitarian aggressors. The wage-earners of the land, as represented by the American Federation of Labor, are wholeheartedly in

favor of national defense. Much is expected of us and, as patriotic Americans, we shall do our part, as we have always done in the past. However, we cannot permit selfish interests to use the false pretext of labor shortages or any other equally specious claims to break down the standards which it has taken labor many years to build up.

The American Federation of Labor will continue its efforts to promote human betterment by following a course in harmony with the best traditions of our American life, and I am confident that when Labor Day rolls around again in 1941 we shall once more be able to point to the substantial results which come from carrying on such efforts.

In conclusion, I would again stress the vital importance of taking to heart and acting upon the advice of Samuel Gompers:

"Organize! Organize! Organize!"

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Oretha Miller, Plaintiff,  
Vs.  
Gordon Miller, Defendant.

The above defendant will take notice that an action has been commenced against him by the above plaintiff for a divorce absolute on the grounds of two years separation.

The defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the undersigned clerk of this court and answer or demur to the complaint filed therein within thirty days from the last notice appearing in this paper, or the said plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the said complaint.

This the 19th day of August, 1940.  
J. LESTER WOLFE,  
Clerk of the Superior Court.  
August 22, 1940-4t.

**NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION**

Having qualified as administratrix, C. T. A. of the estate of Sarah B. Howie, deceased, late of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them, duly verified, to the undersigned at 229 Piedmont Building, on or before the 23rd day of August, 1941, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement with the undersigned.

This the 15th day of August, 1940.  
MRS. MARGARET HOWIE McCORLE,  
Administratrix, C. T. A., of the estate of Sarah B. Howie, Deceased,  
Aug. 22, 1940-4t.

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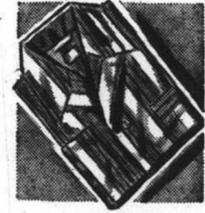
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