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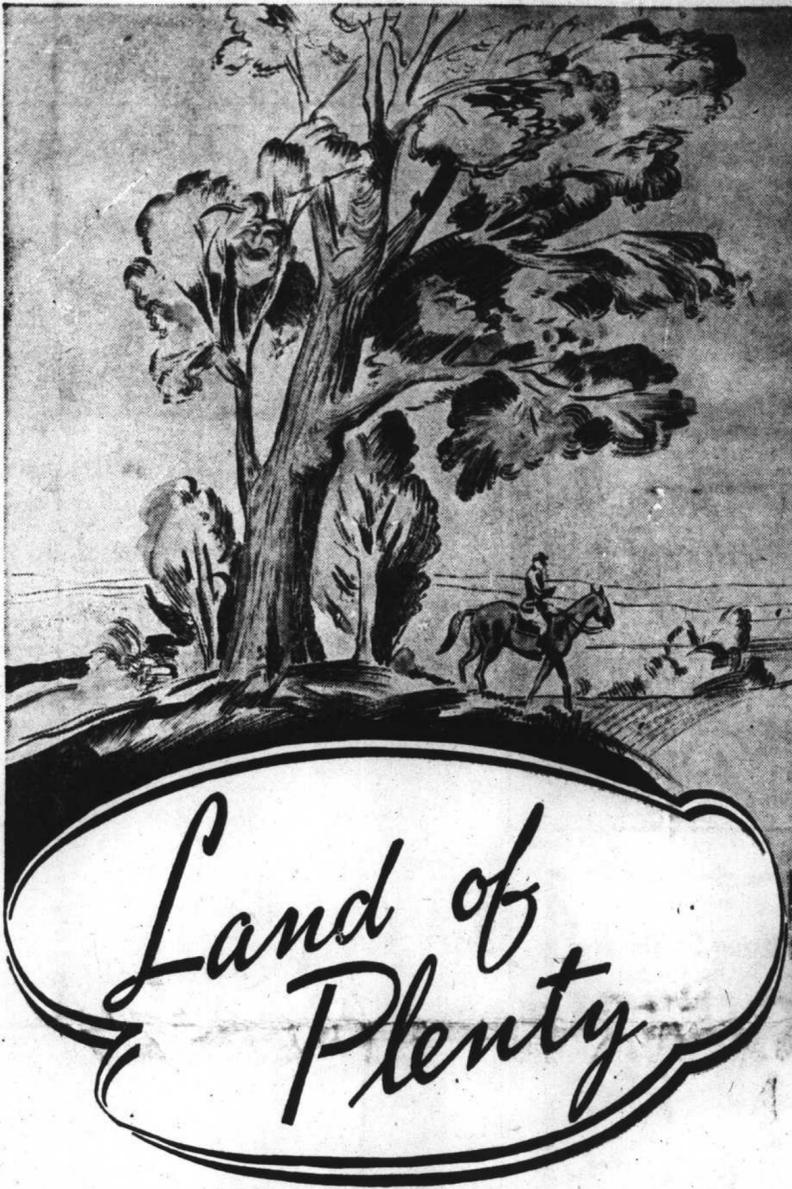
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In your bosom, you have stored for our welfare all the minerals which American genius gratefully receives and transforms into peaceful instruments by which we live the most abundant life known in the history of mankind.

You have given seed to and nurtured our priceless heritage of freedom of religious worship, free speech, free assembly and a free, enlightened press. With your beneficence, we have learned tolerance from the intolerant.

Such soil, such land, we are thankful to be born on, eternally grateful to live on, and unyieldingly defiant to die on, if need be, to save our beloved land from the brutal rape which threatens to plunge the whole world towards a barbarism and slavery that staggers the imagination of civilized man. We are proud to be part of the first line of defense of American liberties . . . to always stand militantly at the side of every true American against the inroads of doctrines seeking to destroy America's priceless heritage.

MANY CITIES ARE TAKING STEPS TO SAVE JOBS OF THEIR EMPLOYEES WILL BE REPLACED ON RETURN

CHICAGO.—New York City, Milwaukee, Portland, Ore., San Francisco and Galesburg, Ill., are among the cities taking steps, either through civil service commission rulings, to protect the jobs of city employees called into military or national defense service, the American Municipal Association reports.

The New York City action was taken by the Municipal Civil Service Commission while policies of the other cities were established by ordinance or are under consideration, New York City's civil service policy is as follows:

"Every employee of the city government who is a member of the Na-

tional Guard, Naval Militia, Reserve Corps, or Federal military, naval or marine services, is entitled to absent himself while engaged in the performance of ordered duty.

"For the first 30 days of such ordered duty he will receive his city salary and for periods of over 30 days he will receive . . . the difference between his military compensation and his regular city salary.

"Vacation and sick leave accrued prior to the date of service are preserved for the employee called to active duty."

Promotion rights are preserved for persons on military duty, according to New York City civil service policy.

W. W. SMITH ELECTED HEAD OF TOBACCO WORKERS

Louisville, Ky.—W. Warren Smith was elected President of the Tobacco Workers International Union, Robert Petree, Secretary-Treasurer and Elmer Keen, senior Vice-President, at the union's convention here.

Mr. Smith is President of Local 185 in Louisville, Petree hails from Winston-Salem, N. C., and Keen comes from St. Louis.

TYPO AUXILIARY MEETS ON MONDAY OCTOBER 7TH WITH MRS. A. B. FURR

The Woman's Auxiliary of Charlotte Typographical Union will meet Monday, October 7, at 7:30 P. M. with Mrs. A. B. Furr, 2516 Westmoreland avenue. Mrs. Charles Barger will be co-hostess. Business of importance is to be transacted, along with the social period, which is always a feature of the meeting of the auxiliary.

Explorers of Babylonian ruins revealed inscriptions of a boat by King Nebuchadnezzar, that he had paved the streets of the city with asphalt.

JEROME JONES

A martyr has passed away. A man whose life has been a benefaction; a man whom Labor in the South owes much; a man who for more than half a century has been a sacrifice for his fellow man. He was never of an antagonistic mood; but hewed to the line letting the chips fall where they may, as far as the rights of the worker were concerned, being a staunch believer in the principles of the A. F. of L. His church life was exemplary, being always steadfast and a worker in the vineyard. Slim in stature, but a giant in thought and direction, Samuel Gompers saw in Jerome Jones a leader of men, and his vision was not wrong, for he worked unremittantly for organization, and wielded a pen that carried weight. He served Labor in every office that the Georgia State Federation could give him, being president emeritus, at the time of his death of the State A. F. of L.

Last March this writer sat with Jerome Jones at a banquet given by him to the Southern Labor Press, Frank Morrison, former secretary-treasurer of the A. F. of L. was there, he being an I. T. U. man, too, and it was a feast of reason and food for thought throughout. Each guest of the Labor Press was called upon for a talk.

Frank Morrison introduced Jerome Jones in as touching a talk as we have ever heard, and Jerome Jones, with the years of labor upon his shoulders responded with a talk that must have sapped his strength, but the fire was in his eye; enthusiasm was in his every gesture, for he was living over again the years he had spent in a battle, not for Jerome Jones, but for his fellowman.

Labor has lost a friend; the A. F. of L. has lost a staunch adherent; Atlanta has lost a noble citizen, and humanity has lost one of its sweetest characters.

A. F. L. ALARMED AT WORK TRAINING FEARS FIELD WILL BE FLOODED BY "HALF-TRAINED" WORKERS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—Robert J. Watt, international representative of the A. F. L., said Monday that labor was concerned about "the possible flooding of the employment market with half-trained, low-priced youths while there are still thousands of well-equipped mechanics looking for employment" under the national defense program.

In an article written for the American Federationist, publication of the American Federation of Labor, Watts said:

"There is continued and increasing confusion in the minds of workers throughout the country about what that National Advisory Defense commission is trying to do about training workers for defense jobs. Workers are finding it difficult to understand the relationship to defense and the relationship to each other of the training programs of the Works Progress administration, National Youth Administration, Civilian Conservation corps, United States Office of Education, and the apprenticeship section of the United States Department of Labor."

Watts urged "wider participation by organized labor" in the formulation of national defense policies of "vital concern to workers."

J. A. WOLL APPOINTED U. S. ATTORNEY IN CHICAGO

WASHINGTON, D. C.—J. Albert Woll, son of Vice-President Matthew Woll, of the American Federation of Labor, was nominated by President Roosevelt as United States attorney at Chicago to succeed William J. Campbell, whose nomination to the Federal District court in Chicago was sent to the senate at the same time.

Woll, who is thirty-six, was appointed a special assistant to the U. S. Attorney General in 1934 and has served in Washington since February,

1934, as head of the Commercial Frauds Unit of the Department of Justice.

AFL WHEEL WORKERS WIN BY 894 TO 42 VOTE

TOLEDO, O.—W. H. Whetro, American Federation of Labor organizer, announced that members of Federal Local 18528 won an overwhelming victory in a Labor Board election among employees of the American National Metal Wheel Company. The vote was 894 for the AFL local to 42 for an independent union.