

**FORTHRIGHTNESS WAS HIS**

(The following is an editorial from the Charlotte News, which, we think is a true sum-up of Roy Hudson, and while it does not mention the fact that he was a staunch union man, it goes with saying in labor circles.—Ed.)

Roy Hudson, who was killed Thursday in an unusual railway accident, was a whole-souled man, strong of body and rugged in his convictions. Despite his three terms as City Councilman — a place to which access lies only by politics — he was unlike a politician in both appearance and manner.

In him was no guile but rather a hearty forthrightness that marked him for a ready and a loyal friend. Sheer popularity accounted for much of the support which elected and re-elected him despite the fact that to a great many people of the city he was wholly unknown.

It so happened on more than one occasion that his votes on measures before the Council came in for critical comment in these columns. He conceded the newspaper's right to its opinion of his decisions as fully as he retained the right to reach them independently, and it was characteristic of him that he never allowed this difference of views to affect personal relations.

The range of his activities — railroad fireman, grocer, City Councilman — will cause him to be widely missed, just as the cheerfulness and fellowship he brought into all of his contacts assures the genuineness of the sorrow that will be felt at his passing.

**YOUR GOVERNMENT AND MINE**

BY DR. CHARLES STELZLE

The Declaration of Independence gives to all Americans the right to "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." These are regarded as our natural rights. But in the course of events some things which were regarded by many as "rights" have been restricted or limited. This was natural, as our civilization became more complex.

We long ago decided that there is no absolute individual right to do any particular thing, or to conduct one's business, or to use one's property, as one pleases, if such license were in conflict with the law of public necessity. Furthermore, we decided that we may exercise our personal liberty only insofar as the exercise of that right does not interfere with the liberty, safety or comfort of others. As the number of people in the community increased, as a matter of necessity each man's personal liberty decreased. The question of personal liberty was a comparatively simple matter when all men lived in sparsely settled areas, but as others arrived, personal liberty was decreased.

However, each new arrival made an added contribution to the common good, so that life and happiness for all were enlarged and enriched. All of which means that there is no such thing as a "simple Democracy." The simplest form of government is that of an Autocracy, which gives one man the absolute right to rule the lives of all the people. Against this form of government Americans have persistently rebelled. Complex as our American Democracy may be, and limiting as it may the rights of all of us, nevertheless, in actual practice, we place all of our rights into a common pool, from which each of us draws as occasion may require, and by the common consent of all the people. This is the American Ideal, the value of which has been demonstrated by 150 years of national experience, as against the revolution and turmoil of Autocracies in other lands, which are controlled by dictators.

Under the American form of government no man is superior to any other man excepting as he may be placed in a position of authority by the consent of the governed. And, under the Constitution, Americans may amend their government any time that they wish to do so. Furthermore, they do not need to engage in a Revolution to bring this about. All they need to do is to persuade the required number of their neighbors that the kind of government they want is the best kind of government for all the people.

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2 cups self-rising flour. Beat 1 egg with 3 tablespoons sugar, and add to ¼ cup milk. Add liquid to flour mixture, and spread batter in greased pan (layer should be ½ inch thick). Cover with top mixture and bake in hot oven (400 degrees F.) about 15 minutes.

Top Mixture for Coffee Cake. Rub 4 tablespoons butter into 1 tablespoon self-rising flour, ¼ cup sugar (confectioner's or granulated), and 1 teaspoon cinnamon. Press 2 dozen raisins into batter at regular intervals, and sprinkle sugar mixture over top.

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