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PAGE PEGLER! UNIONS OF A. F. L. PAID OVER \$21,000,000 BENEFITS DURING THE PAST YEAR

NEW ORLEANS .- In the calendar year 1938, \$21,695,-204 was paid by American Federation of Labor national and international unions members in out of work disability, pension, death and sick benefits, the A. F. of L. Executive Council reported to the 60th annual convention here.

The council explained that this great sum did not, however, cover the total amount paid by all national and international organizations and local unions during the year.

'It represents," the council said, "the amount paid by national and international organizations and other organized units which reported to the A. F. of L. Many local unions chartered by organizations affiliated with the rederation and Federal labor unions, chartered directly by the A. F. of L., have established funds out of which benefits are paid locally. in addition strike benefits were paid by local organizations which do not appear in this report.

Therefore, it is apparent that the total amount set forth in this report of benefits does not represent the grand total and that several millions of dollars paid by organizations not reporting should be added hereto."

The council said that the report also revealed 1,264,428 members working a five-day week and 760,545 enjoying vacations with pay.

THE LABOR PRESS

The labor press is a sentinel on guard for the cause of mankind. Every possible effort should be given in order that your publication may be strengthened for still greater work which lies ahead.

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Green Suggests Courts To Avoid

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 25.—A. F. of L. President William Green today said that under the defense program a half for overtime. "Further extension of the working labor wishes to prevent interruption of production "for any reason" and suggested tribunals could be set up the situation demands, but we have to adjust differences. not yet reached that point in Amer

Asked at a press conference dur-ing the American Federation of Labor convention what sacrifice labor was prepared to make for the defense pro-

eram, Green said: "We wish to render service of the highest order and prevent interrup-tion in production for any reasons. Tribunals could be set up if necessary to adjust differences. That calls perity and reduced, or retired in defor representatives of labor on gov- pression times.

ernment boards having to do with production. "Adjustments could be made Labor Strikes whatever changes there might be necessary to stimulate production at the moment, such as overtime in key defense industries and the rapid ab-

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He told his press conference after-wards that the main thing was to keep factories with government contracts open and undamaged but that there was nothing to report on the confer-ence except that they had a very good chat.

The President had been in close touch with the Vultee Aircraft strike situation in California and was advised of the settlement before it was publicly announced.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 .- The roblem of strikes in vital defense industries was studied by the President and his advisers yesterday and by ongressional committees.

To Halt Strike

On Defense Work

Laws Adequate

Members of both Senate and House advocated vigorous action, but the mpression prevailed that officials considered the existing administrative machinery adequate to deal with the matter and President Roosevelt in-dicated that no new legislation would

Mr. Roosevelt conferred with Sec-retaries Stimson and Knox, Attorney General Jackson and Sidney Hillman, labor member of the Defense commisworkers.

Company officials said there could be no "mass re-employment." One commented:

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AWAY By James Whitcomb Riley

cannot say, and I will not say That he is dead, he is just away. With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand, He has wandered into an unknow

land, And left us dreaming how very fair, It needs must be, since he lingers there.

And you, O you, who the wildest yearn For the old-time step, and the glad

return Think of him faring on, as dear In the love of there as the love

Think of him still as the same, I say He is not dead-he, is jusy-away.





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DOWNEY, Calif., Nov. 27.—A 12-day strike at Vultee Aircraft corpora-tion—which tied up work on military contracts totaling \$84,000,000—ended yesterday with ratification by strik-ing C. I. O. workers of a new con-tract which will increase wages of 5,200 employes by \$1,400,000 an-nually. nually. Employes began returning to work at 7 A. M. today—under the watch-ful eyes of Federal Bureau of Inves-

Vultee Aircraft

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tigation agents determined to see that no spies obtain entrance in the guise

