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Were it not for the labor press the labor movement would not be what it is today, and any man who tries to injure a labor paper is a traitor to the cause.
—Pres. Gompers.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1941

WEEKLY BIBLE QUOTATION

"In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."—St. John 14: 2, 4.

"NEVER SATISFIED"

BY DR. CHARLES STELZLE

Patience, power of concentration, method, accuracy, courage, self-control, self-denial — these are the qualities that are needed to do life's work. And where do we cultivate them more readily than in the drudgery of our daily lives? The humdrum duties of life develop character. It is because we have certain duties to perform every day, in spite of headache and weariness, that we lay the foundation of character.

This does not mean that we are to be completely satisfied with bent backs and bowed hearts. However, we should learn to be "content." There is a great difference between being "content" and being "satisfied." Paul the Apostle said that he had learned in whatsoever state he was, "therewith to be content." But he also said: "Not as though I had already attained. * * * This one thing I do: forgetting those things which are behind (the success and the failure) I press on." He was content, but not satisfied.

Satisfaction is derived from the Latin words "satis" and "facio" — which mean, making and having enough. Contentment is from the Latin "contineo" — which means to contain, or to hold oneself. Satisfaction is derived from external objects. Contentment means the enjoyment of what one has, but it does not imply that one has reached the goal.

And so — while a man should learn to be "content" — to contain within himself those elements which bring poise and happiness — he should never be "satisfied," but should press on toward his highest ideals in the things outside himself. And this principle justifies the struggle that constantly men are making in order to produce complete satisfaction.

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Brought Down 'Somewhere' in England



A crashed Italian bombing plane being examined and guarded by civilians and a British soldier after it had been brought down during an Axis air raid "somewhere in England." (Inset) The first Italian prisoner to be taken in England since the war started, shown under British guard. This fellow was taken when 13 Italian planes, the first, were shot down over England in one day's air raids.

METAL TRADES, A. F. OF L. DIVISION, GIVE GOVERNMENT ASSURANCE OF "NO STRIKES" IN DEFENSE INDUSTRY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—A pledge of "no strikes" in defense industries has been offered by the metal trades division of the American Federation of Labor.

The offer was interpreted in some quarters as a response to President Roosevelt's assertion a week ago that the nation expected workers and management alike to keep defense production rolling without industrial friction.

John Frey, president of the metal trades division, said at a press conference yesterday the pledge was conditioned on employers agreeing to arbitrate all labor disputes without stopping work.

Frey said his division contained thirteen unions which embrace general laborers, machinists, engineers and draftsmen numbering more than 850,000. He did not estimate how many had defense jobs but shipbuilding is one important defense industry which

employs such craftsmen in large numbers.

Frey said that under its program the division would seek a single agreement blanketing all of a particular industry in a given area. Thus, negotiations would be begun for agreements covering ship-building in each of four major regions—Pacific Coast, Great Lakes, Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Coast. That, Frey said, would be the division's first order of business.

He added that the unions would agree to overtime payment for work in excess of the eight-hour day and 40-hour week and during the "present emergency" would not attempt to limit working hours.

President Roosevelt remarked during his address to the nation last Sunday that the people expect "our defense industries to continue operation without interruption by strikes or lockouts, with management and worker adjusting any difference by voluntary or legal means."

Stuart Cramer, Jr., Demands Mills To "Put Defense Before Profits;" "We Are Going To Make Sacrifices"

"We are going to put the defense of the country ahead of our private business whether we want to or not," Stuart W. Cramer, Jr., said, speaking before the Southern Combed Yarn Spinners' association, meeting yesterday in Gastonia. He is president of the association.

"We are going to make sacrifices of personal preference, convenience, or profit whether we like it or not," he declared.

Mr. Cramer spoke on "National Defense." President Roosevelt, Mr. Cramer said, has at last concluded that defense production can no longer be superimposed upon "business as usual." He explained that he is in complete accord with the position taken by the President.

He struck at anything like profiteering in the future, and urged voluntary co-operation with the government. "If by any form of voluntary co-operation we can do our part toward national defense much will have been achieved. If we cannot, I see only one alternative, and that is to tell Uncle Sam to get out the big stick and take what he needs."—Observer, Tuesday.

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\$43,000,000 Paid Jobless In Penn.; \$680,072 to Jobless

HARRISBURG, Pa.—The important benefits which jobless workers receive from unemployment compensation laws are strikingly revealed in the report of the Bureau of Employment and Unemployment Compensation, Department of Labor and Industry, which shows that unemployment compensation checks amounting to \$630,072 were issued to qualified jobless workers in Pennsylvania during the week ending December 6th, raising this year's benefit disbursements to approximately \$43,000,000. The average payment in the reporting week was \$10.74.

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