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CHARLOTTE PREPARES FOR WAR PLANT UPSURGE

Plans practically completed for the establishing of the new loading plant, Charlotte is going to work to prepare for the influx of workers and technicians and generally meet the coming upsurge with little or no confusion.

Most of the facts concerning the plant come under the heading of military information, but of one thing we are certain and that is that the people coming there whether men and women to work in the plant or officials from the various Government and company agencies involved, they will all like Charlotte—for the wholehearted co-operation they will encounter and for the general welcome that awaits them. We can only hope that VICTORY and complete victory will come soon and that the industrial plant will then turn its facilities and technicians to the great economic up-building that will come after we have won.

Advertisers Reassured By Morgenthau; Expenditures Will Be Deducted For Purposes Of Taxes, Sec.-Treas. Says

CHICAGO, June 8.—The statement of Henry Morgenthau, Jr., secretary of the treasury, to the joint congressional committee on internal revenue taxation last week was described Saturday by Advertising Age as the most reassuring news regarding advertising which has come out of Washington in recent months.

"There have been many rumors and much speculation regarding possible governmental restrictions on advertising during the war period," Advertising Age will say editorially in its next issue. "Most of these reports were based on unofficial or unauthorized comments, but they had some effect in unsettling the situation for advertisers."

"Now the secretary of the treasury, the most authoritative figure in the government, as far as taxation is concerned, makes the flat statement that reasonable advertising activities, including institutional or good-will advertising, will continue to be permitted as normal business expense for taxation purposes."

"This maintains the traditional policy of the treasury, established over a long period, during which advertisers have been permitted to make any expenditures within reason for short-term and long-term promotional purposes. That this policy will be continued is a definite reassurance to advertising and media, and will undoubtedly result in more aggressive advertising programs on the part of most successful companies."

Advertising Age points out that even under war contracts negotiated by the army and navy, some provision for advertising has been made, and that there is little legislation by congress definitely limiting the amounts which may be spent for advertising purposes.

What You Can Expect of Your Grocer or Merchant

1. Everything he sells, with the exception of a few goods like fresh fruits and vegetables, fresh fish, eggs, poultry, butter and cheese, should be sold at ceiling prices or less.

2. In each store, there should be posted in a conspicuous place a list or lists of ceiling prices for about 100 "cost-of-living" commodities, designated by the Office of Price Administration. The merchant does not have to have it on one sheet or in one place, but he must have these ceiling prices posted conspicuously near the goods affected.

3. He must explain to you how he arrived at these ceilings in case there is some disagreement over prices. Remember, however, that he has the right to sell at the maximum price charged for that goods or commodity in the month of March, even though you may have bought at sales or gotten it for less at some other store during the month.

4. Beginning July 1, should you desire it, he must show you a prepared record of ceiling prices of everything he sells that is covered by the over-all ceiling price order.

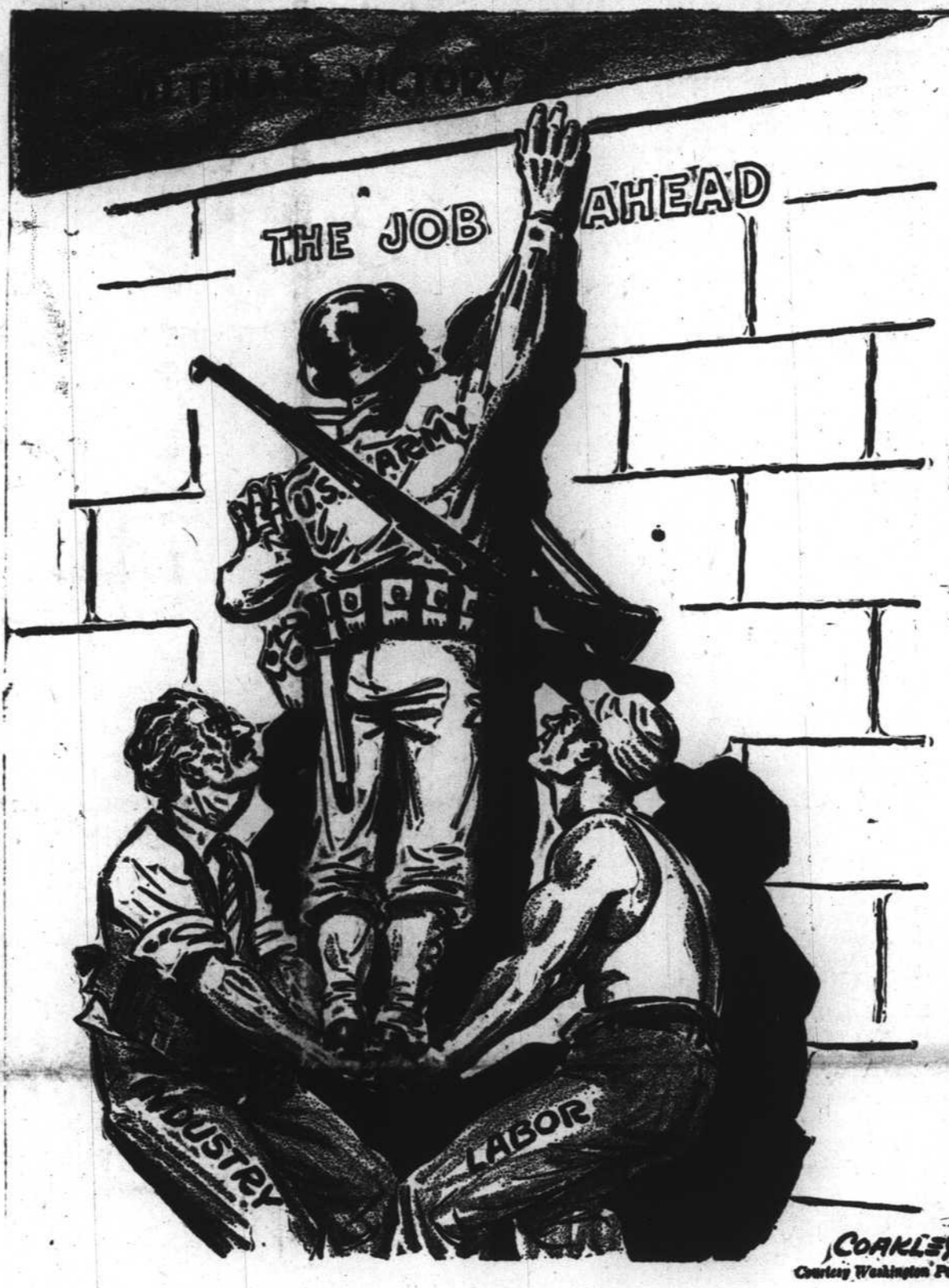
PRISONERS OF WAR HAVE NO RIGHTS

By Allied Labor News. Prisoners of war farmed out as workers in Germany have no rights, the German newspaper, Hamburger Fremdenblatt announces. It said, "The German authorities decided there will be no contracts between war prisoners used as laborers and their employers. Legal relations will exist only between the prison camp and the employer."

FACTS ABOUT PRICE ORDER

By War Production Board Service.

1. Price for the same goods can vary from store to store.
2. The ceiling price is the maximum price charged by each store for that goods or service during the month of March.
3. Ceilings for service, like laundry or cleaning and dyeing, don't go into effect until July 1.
4. Merchants can charge you less than the ceiling.



TOGETHER

By RUTH TAYLOR

Today we speak often of national unity, of the United States, of the United Nations. But how often do we bring this much-to-be-desired unity down out of the blue sky of generalities into our everyday life?

National unity means just one thing. You and I and the man next door, the grocer down the street, the newsboy on the corner, the man who drives the bus we take to work or market—all of us must work and fight together for our common ideal of good for all the people, regardless of class, race, creed or color.

This is a war of Survival. The old barriers have broken down. Men are fighting side by side regardless of their backgrounds. Americans all, they are fighting for the preservation of the right to work and live as free men.

The boys who fell at Bataan, who met death on the sea or in the high air over our myriad battle fronts, were fighting for us, and together with us. Can we let down their heroism by divisiveness at home?

"Now the frontiers are all closed. There is no other country we can run away to; At last we must turn and live with one another."

So speaks one of the poets of this new war. There is no dodging the issue. We must learn how to cooperate, how to get along with our neighbors, how to live together.

Wherever our duty—our opportunity for service—lies, we must work together, in shop and on the farm, at the battle front and in the home.

We must sacrifice together. We must prove our faith by putting into actual practice our belief in the democratic way of working together without asking other than that our fellow workers abide by the principles set down in our Bill of Rights.

Therein lies the great difference between the democracies and the totalitarian states. They fight under orders for the State—we fight together for the good of all people. This is the cohesive quality of democracy. This is why we work together now. This is why we will work together for the future and for a permanent peace in a world in which all men will be free.

WISDOM

Each week a quotation from the pen of some famous person whose genius contributed to the progress of our civilization.

"TELL ME NOT IN MOURNFUL NUMBERS
"LIFE IS BUT AN EMPTY DREAM, and
"THE SOUL IS DEAD THAT SLUMBERS
"AND THINGS ARE WHAT THEY SEEM.

"LIFE IS EARNEST, LIFE IS REAL,
"AND THE GRAVE IS NOT THE GOAL
"DUST THOU ART—TO DUST RETURNEST
"WAS NOT SPOKEN OF THE SOUL..."
HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION SHOWS WAY

The meeting of the CENTRAL LABOR UNION last Wednesday sounded a note that should make every member and every North Carolinian very proud.

Mr. C. A. Fink, the President of the State Federation of Labor and Mr. J. A. Scoggins, the president of the Central Body at Charlotte—opened a discussion in which there was no dissenting opinion.

The vote was unanimous that the members will forget all discussion, organization, and everything else in favor of pitching in to WIN THE WAR.

That is all there is to it—no fancy talk—no worry about labor losing any of its hard earned rights—no discussion of any nature—only one thought pervades the mind of every member during the 24 hours of every day—and that is to co-operate in every way to WIN. Regardless of the sacrifices involved the laboring man will do his share—to work harder, give more thought to his work and BUY BONDS out of every pay envelope.

The further business of the Central Labor meeting was in furtherance of the A. F. of L. campaign to BUY WAR BONDS. Every employed man must see to it that at least 10% of his wages is used for investment in our war. There can be no other way, and with bodies like the CHARLOTTE CENTRAL LABOR UNION and like the others throughout the state and with men in charge such as MR. C. A. FINK, MR. J. A. SCOGGINS, MR. H. G. FISHER and their associates, there can only be one result—and that is that LABOR WILL EMERGE FROM THE WAR WHICH IT WILL HAVE FOUGHT FROM THE ASSEMBLY LINES IN AMERICA TO INDIA AND BACK TO NORTHERN IRELAND—with the PRESTIGE AND THE CONSIDERATION IT DESERVES.

The C.I.O. Moves To Put Mine Workers Out

WASHINGTON, June 5.—The Congress of Industrial Organizations, taking the first step toward expulsion of the United Mine Workers, today declared the UMW to be delinquent in its per capita tax payments to the CIO.

Officials said further action would have to be decided by the CIO national convention in October. UMW, if it continues delinquent, will not be entitled to representation at that convention.

The board rejected UMW President John Lewis' claim that the CIO owes the Mine Workers \$1,665,000, as well as his proposal that per capita taxes amounting to \$30,000 a month be applied toward that "debt."

Where is your nearest air-raid shelter; and do you know how to adjust your gas mask, if you had one?

Charlotte Central Body Meets

On Wednesday night the Charlotte Central Labor Union held its weekly meeting at the Labor Temple on South McDowell Street. The outstanding feature of the meeting was the announcement by Mr. Lon Conder, representing the Carpenters Union that they are buying an average of \$1,000 worth of United States War Bonds every two weeks. Other delegates also gave reports of Bond buying by the members of their unions and it is gratifying to hear of the splendid effort being put forth by these men. Reports of men working was very good and all unions are hopeful of a prosperous season with new members coming in each week.

Typo. Union No. 338 Meets

Matters of a routine nature and installation of officers occupied the attention of the members of Charlotte Typographical Union No. 338 at the regular monthly meeting held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. C. J. Pridden of The Charlotte News Chapel, was installed as president, he having been re-elected to that office for another year at the recent election in May. Claude L. Albea was re-elected and installed as vice-president, as was also O. N. Burgess as secretary-treasurer. The only contest in the local election was for the office of recording secretary and the incumbent, Howard L. Beatty, was installed in that office for the twentieth consecutive time. J. C. Metcalf was re-elected and installed as sergeant-at-arms for the new term. Delegates to the Allied Printing Trades Council consisting of Claude L. Aybea, Howard L. Beatty, O. N. Burgess, Ray Nixon and H. A. Stalls, will be obligated later, as will the auditing committee.

President C. J. Pridden and Secretary-Treasurer O. N. Burgess represented Charlotte Typographical Union at the annual meeting of the Virginia-Carolina Typographical Conference in Charleston, S. C., last month, and reported a pleasant and profitable meeting. Howard L. Beatty and Ray C. Nixon also attended the Conference meeting from the Charlotte local, they going by reason of the fact that they hold important assignments in the Conference set-up. Mr. Beatty is vice-president and Mr. Nixon is chairman of the Conference Label Committee, they being re-elected to these respective offices. The next meeting of the Conference will be held in Columbia, S. C.

The committee appointed at a recent meeting to have in hand the matter of enlisting the members of No. 338 100 per cent in the purchase of war stamps and bonds reported real progress in the drive. The Charlotte News reported over the top, as was also The Observer Chapel. However, the committee was continued with instructions to watch out for a possible few who might still be outside the fold.

President Pridden announced that the Victory Publishing Co., the newest commercial shop for Charlotte, had signed a job scale contract.

Green Extends Peace Bid To CIO; Unity Will Help Win War

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President William Green publicly renewed the American Federation of Labor's standing offer to make peace with the CIO and merge the two organizations into a united labor movement.

The announcement came as the dramatic conclusion of the Spring meeting of the AFL Executive Council, which instructed President Green to invite CIO President Philip Murray to resume peace negotiations immediately.

Mr. Green emphasized that the bid was motivated by two outstanding considerations:

1.—That a united American labor movement could act more effectively to help America win the war.

2.—That instead of labor's wasting its strength in organizational rivalry and jurisdictional strife, a united labor movement could concentrate its energies on improving the economic, social and political interests of the working men and women of this country.

Because of the war, Mr. Green stressed, it is most important that unity and solidarity be established in the labor movement without delay. The benefits to the nation, as well as to the workers, would be incalculable, he said.

In reply to questions at his press conference, Mr. Green declared the peace move should be welcomed by the Administration.

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U. S. Treasury Department