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"ORGANIZED LABOR FOR VICTORY RALLY," CALLED FOR SUNDAY, 3 P.M. AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

All organized labor—the AFL, CIO, and Railroad Brother-hoods—and the public throughout North Carolina have been invited to an "Organized Labor for Victory Rally" Sunday afternoon, May 9, at 3 P.M. at the Mecklenburg County Courthouse, said an announcement today by the Charlotte district agency, Office of Price Administration.

High officials of the Federal Government, including Robert R. Brooks, national director of OPA's labor division in Washington, will address the meeting. Other speakers will include regional representatives of the War Production Board and the War Labor

Plans for th rally ,which will be sponsored by OPA's newly-organized Labor Advisory Committee here, were completed at a meeting Monday at OPA headquarters in the Law Building.

"The purpose of the rally," the committee stated, "is to promote a better understanding among labor, Government and the public of the mechanics of oprating a nation at war, and to form a better mutual comprehension of the problems of both labor and management."

The gathering will be open to the public, and it will be known "Organized Labor for Victory Rally."

The district advisory committee of the OPA comprises H. G. Fisher, Salisbury; J. A. Moore, Charlotte; Cy Chisholm, Winston-Salem, American Federation of Labor; H. L. Beatty, Charlotte; O. L. Trigg, Greensboro, and H. A. Stalls, Charlotte, International Tpographical Union; J. H. Fullerton, Horace A. Bean and L. B. Holden, Charlotte, Congress of Industrial Organization; T. V. Griswold, Charlotte, Railway Trainmen; W. H. Holmes, Gastonia, Order of Railroad Telegraphers.

LOCAL LEADERSHIP

By RUTH TAYLOR

Organized Labor is justifiably disturbed at the growing antilabor sentiment so vocally expressed in many quarters today.

Labor, however, has not itself been local union leadership of the highest entirely guiltless. Any advertising order is essential.

The workers must select as leaders man, whether his media be newspaper, only those men whose ideals are their magazine or radio-or the local paper ideals, who will be swayed by pride of -can testify that unheralded mer- power, by favoritism, by prejudices, chandise seldom gets repeat orders. and who will not put personal loyalties The public must be continually re- ahead of the common interest.

It is the power of public opinion, not immediate problem but at the ultimate the legislators, that determines the goal. vote on any measure.

democracy without the support of pub- to forge stronger the bulwarks of our lic opinion. Remember, fortunately democracy, or a crisis in which we or unfortunately, as the case may be, face the weakening of our system of the kind of a member of Organized Labor you are, will determine what sion to prove the worth of Organized your neighbors in your community Labor or an ambush threatening the will think of Organized Labor. There-whole Labor movement. fore, in order to maintain the right attitude toward Organized Labor in decision as to the path we will take. the community, the development of Let us look well to our leaders.

sold on the product.

Organized Labor has neglected its re-selling job. The country was originally sold on Organized Labor has neglected its who dare to act as the occasion demands for the good of the community in as a whole; whose eyes are on the though a national campaign. But road straight ahead—not on their the re-selling has to be done locally. In present a substitute who have court the re-selling has to be done locally, personal ambitions; who have courtions of democracy that tin-horn age to do a job without fear or favor; who once elected to office remember anti-labor legislation when the people who elected them are sold on labor. The road straight anead—not on their to be one of the manifestations of democracy that tin-horn statesmen of the caliber of Rankin, Dies, O'Daniel, Reynolds, Hoffman and Fish will worm their way into members; who look not just on the

goal. This is an hour fraught with oppor-You can't win consistently in a tunity-whether it be an opportunity

"Mary had a little watch; she swal-

This WEEK, This World by Ted Friend-

NEVER LET IT BE SAID that the great State of Mississippi does not run true to form! Highest in Lynching and lowest in literacy, Mississippi manages to further highlight its unsavory civic picture by sending the redoubtable John E. Rankin to Wash-

ington as one of its representatives. Congress has brought forth a few political throw-backs for its more sagacious members to ponder over. But it is doubtful if the roll call of mountebanks, numbskulls, ward-heel-nors and plain secondary. But the Japs . . . July may be the "Zero Month" in Europe . . . The Balkan ers and plain screwballs, has ever betrayed so nauseating an example of
legislative puerility as Rep. Rankin.
Rankin has made a political jackass
out of himself on numerous consists

out of himself on numerous occasions but his most recent effusion, in sub-port of his newly acquired colleague, Col. Comrade Joseph Stalin of the Soviet State of Georgia, makes him out to be an even greater fool than most people had hitherto judged hin to be

ecuted both of them. I see a certain element of Communistic press now ringing with denunciation of Russia's action in the matter!"

Of course, it wasn't the Communisic press which denounced Communist Stalin at all! The Communistic press had neither the courage nor sense to do so. It was the anti-Communistic press which denounced Stalin's act terror against labor leaders Ehrnot to forget forthright American such as Mayor LaGuardia of New York, who rung out with denunciations against the Soviet deed.

Regrettably, it will continue for a long time to be one of the manifestapublic life. Fortunately for the American people, however, these sad examples of electoral irresponsibility will always manage, if given the opportunity, to talk themselves into oblivion. Or failing that, into in-

effectuality.

In spite of the backward Rep. John
E. Rankin, of the backward State of
Mississippi, America need not despair!

THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO

The history of the United States | COME: . . . Foreign Minister Gun-Congress records some choice examples | ther of Sweden will be replaced short-of crackpots. Every session of the | ly by a pro-United Nations diplomat

around is sometimes the shortest way home is evidenced by the report that

to be.

Rising with all the fury of a Mississippi Mudcat about to swallow a sissippi Mudcat about to swallow a mouthful of debris, Rep. Rankin remouthful of debris, Rep. Rankin recently said: "A short time ago Stalin cently said: "A short time ago Stalin despair of the Axis! Belgian of the Axis! Belgia eryone to alight, including the loco-motive driver and stoker, the train was restarted to crash into another train ahead. From Prague come re-ports which reveal an explosion, followed by a devastating fire, causing much damage to an armament fac-tory in the Brno suburb of Durych. In France the mayor of Commune in Var is arrested with his staff for anti-Italian propaganda! In the Netherlands unknown patriots, dresslich and Alter, who, incidentally, were not Russian but Polish citizens. Further it was the American labor press, as well as high ranking officials of the American Federation of Labor, not to forget forthright American and labor press, are blown up railways molished and tion Register Building, overpower the police and citizen guards, and set the building afire! In oland bridges are blown up, railways molished and station installations described

Subjugated territory? Hitler wishes

A wire received from New York Wednesday informs The Journal that Mrs. W. M. Witter will undergo another operation Thursday (today). As yet no details have reached Charlotte as to the nature of the case. She was reported as able to be up on Tues-

CITIZENS' TICKET (IRON DUKES) **ELECTS 7 COUNCILMEN—PEOPLE'S** TICKET (BLOCKS OF GRANITE) GETS FOUR ON COUNCIL AND MAYOR

In one of the hardest fought local political battles in recent years the Citizens' ticket (Iron Dukes) won a majority of Councilmen over the People's ticket (Blocks of Granite)-7 to 4-with the mayor a member of the minority ticket. The vote in Tuesday's primary (unofficial) follows:

Z. Price, 6,895. Charles H. Daughtry, 6,844. J. A. Baker, 6,670. L. H. Painter, 6,593. J. Murrey Atkins, 6,563. Lester W. Slye, 6,490. Joe Cope, 6,214.

The above seven were Citizens' candidates. Claude L. Albea, 6,179. John Ward, 6,000.

W. Irving Bullard, 6,036, W. N. (Bub) Hovis, 5,776. The above four were People's candidates.

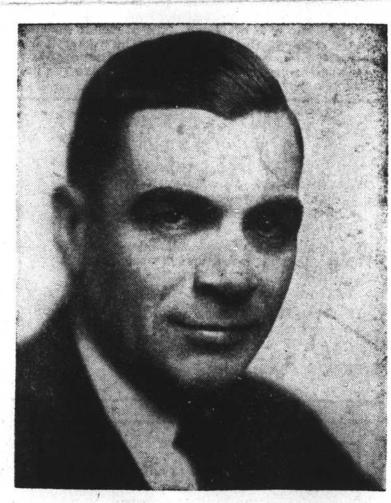
The votes of the eight candidates eliminated were: Ralph Hood, People's 5,734; M. Luther Harkey, People's 5,520; J. I. (Jimmie) Campbell, People's 5,349; Joe S. Robinson, 1,018; J. B. Thomas, 751; William (Ed) Norton, 723; C. D. Brady, 621; and Abraham Homsy, 388, Independents.

In the school board contest the four incumbents won. E. Lowell Mason, former Central high school and Duke university star football player, was eliminated. The vote was: Rev. Herbert Spaugh, 8,138; Marshall E. Lake, 5,880; J. E. Burnside, 5,790; Roy L. Smart, 5,568; and Mason 4,619.

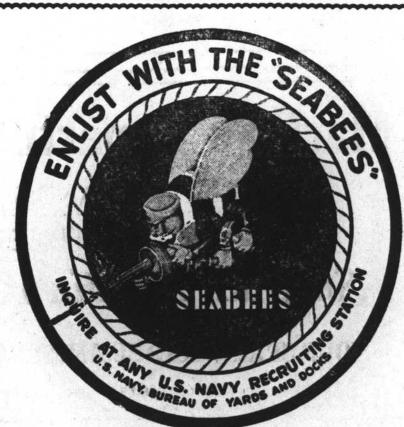
Mayor Baxter received 5,850 votes to elect him to head the city government for the next two years. He had eliminated Mayor Ernst McA. Currie in the primary by a lead of 325 votes. MAYOR BAXTER MÅKES ŠTÅTEMENT:

Now that the people have spoken, all members of the council will consider the progress of Charlotte the one important thing. A united effort for harmony and good government will be the motto at the city hall. I am sure that the new city council will function with this single purpose in mind—the best interests of the city first, last and always—with each department striving to co-operate toward that end."

CHARLOTTE'S NEXT MAYOR



HERBERT H. BAXTER Elected on the People's Ticket



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THE MARGIN BETWEEN FREEDOM AND SLAVERY FOR LABOR MAY BE TEN PERCENT

Officers Nominated A. Stalls, Claude L. Albea, A. B. Furr, Howard L. Beatty, H. A. Lawing. At I. T. U. Meeting Sunday Afternoon

Charlotte Typo. Union No. 338 Sunday afternoon the following officers were nominated for the ensuing year: President-C. J. Pridgen.

Sec.-Treas.—O. N. Burgess. Rec. Sec.—Howard L. Beatty. Sgt.-at-Arms-J. C. Metcalf.

At the regular monthly meeting of

Auditing Committee—C. R. Austin, R. L. Luna, L. H. Pickens.

Vice-President—Claude L. Albea.

Delegate to I. T. U. Convention—
Claude L. Albea, J. B. Felmet.

Delegate to Virginia-Carolinas
Typographical Conference—L. H.
Pickens, H. A. Stalls, J. T. Primm, O. N. Burgess. Election to be held May 19th.

lowed it—it's gone. Now, everywhere that Mary walks—time marches on."

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—Unknown.

