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Way down in Raleigh, N. C., is a newspaper publisher with vision and a sense of fairness unique in the profession. He is Josephus Daniels, once a member of Woodrow Wilson's cabinet. This is what he says about the proposal to draft labor:

"There is a distinction between drafting men to work in Uncle Sam's shipyards and in drafting them to work in Sam Smith's shipyard, even if Smith is building ships for the Navy.

"The contractors are running their business for profit, and for the government to draft one man to work for another is entering into a field that savors of privilege and involuntary servitude.

"If, in the course of the war, it becomes necessary to draft workers, then Uncle Sam should expropriate the plant.

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## N. Jersey Typos Lead Move For ITU-AFL Unity

NEWARK.—Newark Typographical Union No. 103 has set in motion legal procedure to initiate a membership referendum on reaffiliation of International Typographical Union with the American Federation of Labor.

The resolution, which must be endorsed by 150 local unions, declares that "the question of adjusting differences between the ITU and AFL regarding observance of autonomous rights of the ITU have never been clearly presented for consideration by the membership, having been confused with partisan consideration which should have no place in deciding this issue."

More than 120 locals have already endorsed the demand for a vote on the issue.

## SPREAD YOUR VACATION IS NOW URGED

WASHINGTON.—Joseph B. Eastman, Director of the Office of Defense Transportation, has asked that all employee vacations begin and end on Tuesdays, Wednesday, or Thursdays, and that they be scheduled throughout the year.

The ODT Director said the transportation situation made it imperative to start vacation schedules now and extend them throughout the year in such a way as to avoid travel at holiday periods. He asserted that railroads and bus lines could not handle vacation travel this year if it were concentrated in July and August.

"We are strongly urging persons who can take vacations this year," he said, "to spend them at home or as near home as possible. We are urging them, if they go away from home, to limit their travel on public carriers to a single round-trip to the place where the vacation is spent. And we are urging them to do any vacation traveling only on days other than Fridays, Saturdays, or Sundays, so as to avoid the week-end travel peaks."

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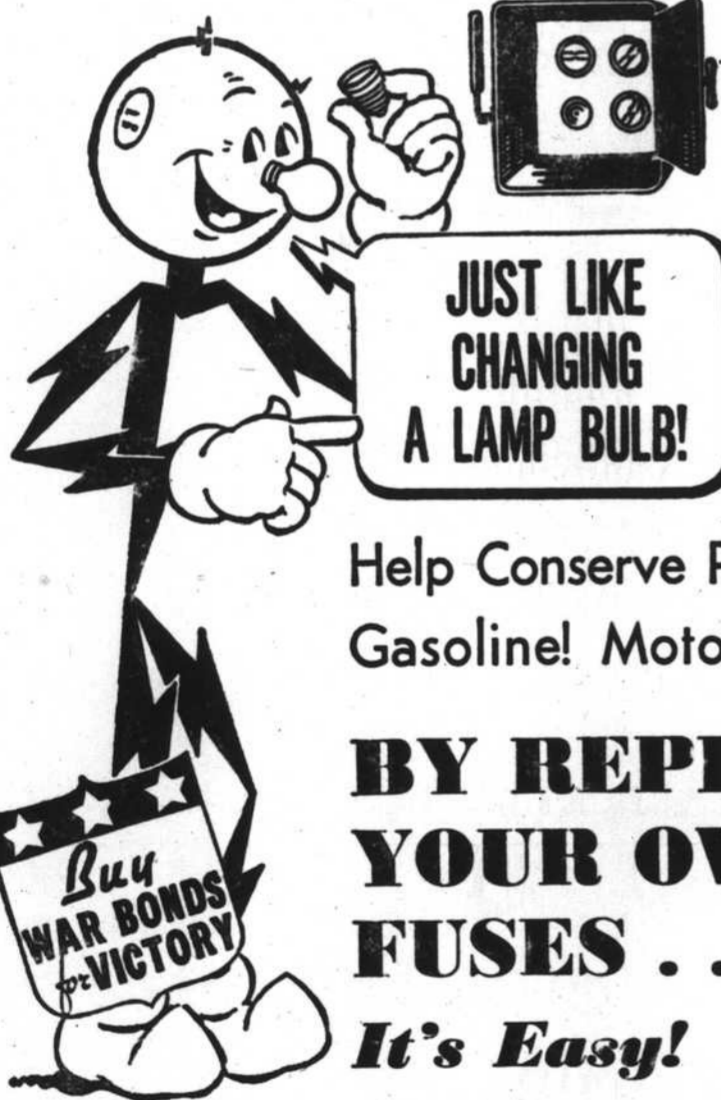
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