

MISS CONDER ELECTED SECRETARY ARE YOU GROWING OLD WITH OF CENTRAL LABOR UNION; BODY TO WORK THROUGH LOCAL WAR CHEST; THE LABOR JOURNAL IS ENDORSED

By J. A. MOORE

The Charlotte Central Labor Union is first again. This time it is first in the State to have a Lady Secretary. That is a place that I have always thought should be filled by a lady and have said so on several occasions.

I am not claiming any credit for the recent action of our C.L.U. in electing Miss Chloie Conder to fill the unexpired term of her father, Mr. T. L. Conder, who had so much to do that it was necessary for him to un-load on someone, so naturally it fell to her lot. No one doubts but what

(Labor is trying to raise twenty mil-lion dollars) but to join in the Char-this very important work and to lotte War and Community Chest pro- many it will seem that I am over- ered by this law have reached the age to work with the local War Chest over Radio Station WAYS Septemand it is my intention to put the very ber 10th on this subject and will best that I have in this effort.

ever. We have so many more to think of when we give and our dol-lars will be used in many more ways than ever before. Therefore I, like

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set that I have in this effort. The need today is greater than Friday night at 7:45. I hope that I

President Green, urge that we, every last one of our members, give at least one hours pay per month. This and we are PROUD of it.

have established an enviable record

NO SOCIAL SECURITY? CONTRAST DRAWN BETWEEN TWO BROTHERS

[In compliance with duties imposed by the Social Security Act, Government officials have made various studies pertaining to provisions of the Act. These studies have developed the belief that certain changes should be made in the Social Security Act in order to meet the needs of American people. Because the editor of the Charlotte Labor Journal feels that residents of this section wish to know what changes are contemplated and because he thinks that his readers are entitled to such information, this paper in co-operation with the Charlotte office of the Social Security Board is presenting a series of articles explaining the proposed revisions. Given below is the second installment of this series .- Editor.]

WANTED: SOCIAL SECURITY FOR ALL WORKERS

Jacob works on a farm. Every year since he was a boy, he has planted crops in the spring and helped with the harvesting in the fall. Between seasons he clears new ground, builds fences, and does odd jobs for the farmers who employ him. Now Jacob is growing old, and he is wondering what will she had been doing the work for him your dollars are spent, and what for, and was perfectly familiar with it. then make up your minds and when work.

Anyway 1 think it was one of the most progressive moves that we have made recently. She can do more work as a secretary than her father and myself and a half dozen such as we can. WE ARE PROUD OF YOU MILSS CHLOIE. His brother, John, has a job in a ing, but during the time that they UISS CHLOIE. Several weeks ago the Central will fight for the oppressed and im-prisoned people of the occupied coun-is kept for him by the Social Security insurance benefits. The same applies Labor Union, by unanimous action, tries through the relief agencies of decided to abandon the idea of put-france, Poland, Greece, Belgium, when he is too old to work and month-ting to domestic service. A girl who serves are the service of the s ting on a separate campaign for The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Cze-funds for our United Nations Relief choslovakia, and Yugoslavia. his wife and children if he should die. Thousands of men and women in the Social Security Act. If she changes to a similar job in a hotel, the United States who held jobs covrestaurant, boarding house, or other covered employment, she then comes under the old-age and survivors insurance system.

When the janitor of a church, widows, children, or other dependents in a public library, an employee of who receive monthly payments of surany non-profit institution, or a person who is self-employed reaches the Jacob does not have this protection because farm workers are not covered age of 65 and wishes to retire, he or by insurance provisions of the Social she is faced with the fact that, under the present law, no social insurance

ecurity Act. Under the present law, workers cov-ered by old-age and survivors insurbenefits can be expected. If one of them should die, leaving little children

SEABEES AGAIN! done and when it needs to be done. During the recent invasion of Sicily, a battalion of the Seabees is credited work or to jobs in war production work or to jobs in war production der old-age and survivors insurance

vivors benefits.

WHAT IS THE LABOR LEAGUE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS?-LABOR LEADER THROWS LIGHT UPON IT

By JAMES F. BARRETT

It is human nature for people to want to know the origin, the purpose, the functions and something of the founders of a movement that is new. The Labor League for Human Rights is a comparatively new organization. Its founders are the executive heads of the American Federation of Labor and affiliated National and **International Unions.**

Movement.

Its functions are best described in read:

"I think that saving a little child, And brnging him back to his own, Is a darn sight better business Than loafing around the throne."

When Mussolini was mounting the heights of his hateful ambitious cam-paign in the early Thirties, and then Hitler started building his empire of hate for the purpose of destroying freedom, the American Federation of including Community Chests and the Labor declared war on both Germany and Italy, in the foreknowledge that the campaign started by these men in 1933 would end in war-torn world of human agony and suffering.

To meet these deplorable conditions of suffering, the Labor League for Human Rights was established. Its first outstanding performance was the nurse in a charity hospital, the clerk aid given distressed working people of Great Britain through the American Labor Committee to Aid British the great amount of good done for those people who were then fighting our battles for continued freedom, for at that time America had not entered

Its purpose is to serve as the Agency of Mercy for the Trade Union Mercy for the Trade Union

With final organization of the Na-State War Fund and the several the closing verse of that famous poem by James Hay which he affectionate-ly called "Little Britches." This verse highly important working group. And was given its proper place in this highly important working group. And now, for the first time in the history of this country, Organized Labor is a recognized and highly appreciated part of a national movement under the directon of which all aid for sufferers at home and abroad will be gathered and distributed.

Through the untiring efforts of the Labor League for Human Rights our Local Unions and our members will be given full credit for all contribuincluding Community Chests and the **Red Cros**

And that is why the leaders of the American Federation of Labor and its affiliated organizations are so anxious that A. F. of L. Unions appoint committees to work with the Regional Director of the Labor League for Human Rights in each state. That is why George L. Googe, Southern Representative of the A. F. of L., and the officers of all of the State Federations of Labor in each South-Labor. There is no way of estimating ern State are so anxious for all A. F. of L. Local Unions, Central Bodies, Trade Councils and Auxiliaries to name committees and work with might

and main with the Regional Director in these states of the South. ance are, in the main, those who have jobs in business or industry—that is, infactories, shops, mines, mills, stores, offices, banks, cafes, hotels, restaurants, laundries, filling stations, and similar establishments.
Since the war began, many farm workers have found jobs in factories, while others have devoted part time to construction farming and part time to construction.
The main should die, leaving little children or other dependents, there will be no insurance payments from Uncle Sam for the survivors.
In all, there are 20 million workers of the United States who are now excluded from coverage — and they are knocking at the door. The Social Security Board believes that every worker—regardless of his occupation—should have financial protection un-

with saving the lives of 90 men on plants. This means that such work-provisions of the Social Security Act

WASHINGTON - Anything can- a bombed ship and minutes later they ers have old-age and survivors insurand does-happen in the course of a had landed and "persuaded" a conday's work with the Seabees-those tingent of Italian defenders to surday's work with the beauces those they render their arms and flag. These from the ranks of organized labor, things were done in addition to their Originally enlisted as members of assigned task of getting war matericonstruction battalions, the Seabees al ashore.

UNPREDICTABLE have established an enviable record for doing anything that needs to be

THE ATTAC. BONDS WITH WAR

Free Labor Will Out-Produce Nazi Slaves

ance during the time they are employed in construction or manufactur-

NEXT: "Disability Insurance For Wage Earners.

-should have financial protection un-

THE A. F. OF L. DEFERS OUSTER AGAINST INT. ASSOC. MACHINISTS

Since the I. A. of M. officially withdrew from the A. F. of L., effective at the close of May 31, 1943, negotiations have been going on between the interested parties, looking to an amicable adjustment of the dispute. Outstanding representatives of Labor, who may be said to be in the "neutral corner," have exerted their best powers of persuasion to conciliate and mollify the contending parties, with a view to settle the dispute or at least to keep it from spreading into uncontrollable proportions.

Other International Unions appear to have attempted to take advantage of the withdrawal of the I. A. of M. from the A. F. of L. to raid its membership which, in turn, has brought on retaliatory measures by the Machinists. The Executive Council of the A. F. of L. went into session in Chicago

on August 9, for the purpose of attempting to iron out a number of pressing questions, and to pass upon its report and recommendations to the forthcom-

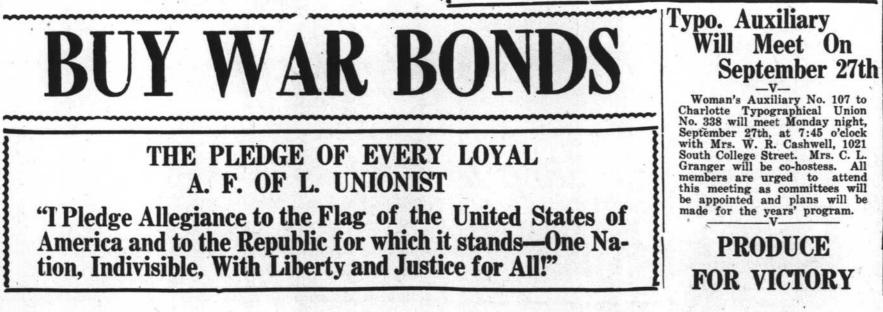
ing A. F. of L. Convention, which convenes in Boston on October 4, 1943. It was an open secret that a number of the members of the Executive Council intended at this Chicago meeting to force the Machinists out of the several affiliations of the A. F. of L., such as the Metal Trades and Railroad Departments, the Central Labor Unions and State Federations of Labor. During the same week the A. F. of L. Executive Council met in Chicago, the Executive Council of the I. A. of M. was in session at headquarters

in Washington prepared, doubtless among other business to be transacted

to take action upon any move made by the Executive Council in Chicago with reference to the affiliatio nof the I. A. of M. with the A. F. of L. In view of the possibility that an amicable understanding could be reached with the Machinists before the A. F. of L. Convention convenes in October, the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. refrained from taking the pupitive action example the Machinists which had been contemplated by some punitive action against the Machinists which had been contemplated by some the members of the Council.

"Hope springs eternal in the human breast," and it is hoped by all concerned that the "hatchet will be burried" wth due ceremony and with justice accorded the I. A. of M .- The Federal Machinist.

So long as we have held fast to voluntary principles and have been actuated and inspired by the spirit of service, we have sustained our forward progress and we have made our Labor Movement something to be respected and accorded a place in the councils of our Republic. . . . No lasting gain has ever come from compulsion. If we seek to force, we but tear apart that which otherwise, is invin-cible.—Samuel Gompers.

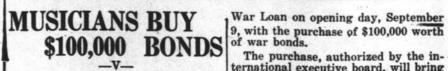


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ternational executive board, will bring WASHINGTON — The American Federation of Musicians (AFL) began its active participation in the Third