

THE Story of Labor

WHEN WAR came, LABOR went all out FOR PRODUCTION. THE UNIONS PLEDGED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO STRIKES FOR THE DURATION, DEMANDING ONLY THAT THE GOVERNMENT HOLD PRICES DOWN, AND GUARD AGAINST INFLATION.

SHOULDER TO SHOULDER... WHITE AND NEGRO, PROTESTANT, CATHOLIC AND JEW... THE AMERICAN WORKERS FOUGHT ON THE PRODUCTION LINE AGAINST THE FORCES OF FASCISM AND HATE.

IN MOST INDUSTRIES LABOR AND MANAGEMENT JOINED HANDS TO SPEED UP THE FLOW OF MATERIAL TO OUR BOYS OVERSEAS. AS A RESULT THE WAR WAS SHORTENED BY MANY MONTHS.

IF UNITY AMONG WORKERS COULD ACCOMPLISH SO MUCH DURING WAR TIME, WHY CAN'T SUCH UNITY ACCOMPLISH JUST AS MUCH IN TIMES OF PEACE?



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WITH THE VETERANS

From The Veterans Department Of The Labor League For Human Rights

Terminal Leave Pay: The House of Representatives recently approved and sent to the Senate a bill to give enlisted men and women terminal leave pay, on a basis similar to officers' terminal pay, except that it would be paid in a lump sum. It is expected that the Senate will send the bill to the White House for the President's signature before the proposed summer recess in mid-July.

Social Security: The Finance Committee of the United States Senate recommended that legislation be enacted which would give social security credit for World War II service. The credit, at a flat rate of \$160 a month, would be retroactive to the start of the war and would extend for three

WM. GREEN VIEWS HAT POSTER AT PA. FEDERATION MEETING



President William Green (left) and Ben Cohen of the Millinery Workers, look at a Union Label display at the meeting of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor, held in Philadelphia this month.

GREEN BLAMES CONGRESS FOR LABOR'S UNREST

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his "intelligent and helpful" statement and other members of the group, Republicans and Democrats, joined in expressions of appreciation for the clear-cut contribution to the inquiry.

Regret was expressed by the members that spokesmen for the NAM and U. S. Chamber failed to accept invitations to testify. They asked how Congress can be expected to judge the merits of complaints against labor and proposals for anti-labor legislation if they are not submitted to the inquiry and tested by the replies of labor.

Rep. Landis (R.) of Indiana described as ridiculous the proposal to force unions to incorporate, pointing out that corporations are not forced to incorporate. Other members of the subcommittee emphasized that incorporation would not increase union responsibility—that any union can be sued in the courts now, just as can any business partnership.

Answers to Page 1 Quiz

- 44.
- Cold and clammy.
- Come out of the water.
- Never go in swimming when you are alone.
- Observe all traffic rules.
- Stuff something around the door to keep out smoke and call for help from the window.
- Follow the manufacturer's directions.
- Put ice cold packs on it.
- During daytime.
- Where you will be, a neighbor and your doctor.

A. F. of L.'s Labor League Joins In Recommendations To Aid War Victims

New York—The displaced peoples of the world will remain one of the war's most tragic groups unless the United Nations act quickly.

This, in brief, sums up the report of a committee on displaced persons making a survey for the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service. The A. F. of L.'s Labor League for Human Rights is active in the work of the foreign service council.

The report of the Committee defines a displaced person or refugee as one who has been displaced from his country by reason of war, revolutions, their aftermath, or the political situations that give rise to war, or who has been persecuted by the enemy because of race, religion or giving aid to the United Nations.

Overall Agency Recommended

The Committee recommends that the United Nations be responsible for establishing an intergovernmental agency which will operate under a mandate broad enough to assist all displaced persons. A strong stand is taken against forced repatriation, holding that no one should be compelled to return to his former homeland with the exception of Quislings and traitors.

- The Committee also recommends that the new agency have these powers:
- 1—To maintain, resettle and transport displaced persons.
 - 2—To set up a world-wide tracing service for purposes of location and reunion of families.
 - 3—To negotiate with govern-

ments for settlement and resettlement of non-repatriable displaced persons.

- 4—To negotiate with governments for the legal protection of such persons.
- 5—To co-operate with governmental and intergovernmental and voluntary agencies.

The reports urges that the new agency be set up in relationship to the United Nations, which would provide essential financing for the work of such an agency.

Reviewing the work of American voluntary agencies, the Committee noted that these agencies, because of the inadequacy of governmental and intergovernmental programs, have been forced to provide basic maintenance for displaced persons, rather than perform their proper function of special service to rehabilitate displaced persons.

E REDEMPTIONS ARE 20 PER CENT LESS IN JUNE

Greensboro, N. C.—Redemptions of E Bonds in the nation in June were 20 per cent less than in March, the peak month for cash-ins in 1946, Allison James, State Director of the U. S. Savings Bonds Division for North Carolina was advised today by the Treasury Department.

This sharp drop in redemptions followed the opening of the June-July promotion campaign for Savings Bonds, Mr. James commented. It continued a national trend downward which began in April. E Bond cash-ins in June were \$111,000,000 less than in March, he was informed by the Treasury.

"We believe that this decline in redemptions is a significant result of the Savings Bond promotion campaign that opened D-Day, June 6," Mr. James declared. "The publicity and advertising now appearing not only helps sell Bonds but reminds people of a fact they already know: that U. S. Savings Bonds are such a valuable and safe investment that their owners cash them only in a real financial emergency. Buying and holding these bonds has become a part of the American life."

Nationally, the sales of all Savings Bonds, Series E, F, and G, reported to the Treasury in June totaled \$571,226,000 while redemptions totaled \$491,102,000, Mr. James was informed.

EXCERPTS OF WM. GREEN'S TESTIMONY BEFORE HOUSE

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ment of labor laws. The legislative remedy lies in the equity of laws enacted to safeguard the economic welfare of workers, farmers, and businessmen alike.

It is my hope that, before it is too late, measures essential to meet the human needs of postwar transition can still be enacted. I am confident that if this public duty is carried out, labor and management will co-operate to the limit in discharging a full measure of their private responsibility in the public interest of the people of the United States.

Strikes cannot be outlawed. The strike cannot be made illegal without subjecting workers to involuntary servitude. Experience in foreign countries and especially the wartime experience in England, shows that the laws prohibiting strikes fail in their purpose and only promote lawlessness.

I say flatly that compulsion will not work, unless this country is prepared to march down the road to totalitarian government. The right to strike, the right to quit work in concert as a protest against unfair working conditions is a vital part of our American liberties. Restriction of this right is impossible of enforcement. The only society which can enforce restrictions on the right to strike is totalitarianism. You have heard the question in connection with the recent coal strike, "Can government mine coal with bayonets?" Well, nations can mine coal with bayonets by forcing coal miners to stay at work upon penalty of death. Hitler's Germany did it by a rigid strait-jacket on all wages, hours and working conditions and by not permitting workers to leave their jobs. Restrictions on the right to strike will start this country along the same path. Even if these restrictions are relatively mild, they can only succeed by leading in turn to more stringent restrictions. They do not solve the problems of reduced pay, insecurity, and fear which underline manifestations of worker discontent in this country. Only a program which attacks these causes will succeed without endangering the entire democratic structure of society.

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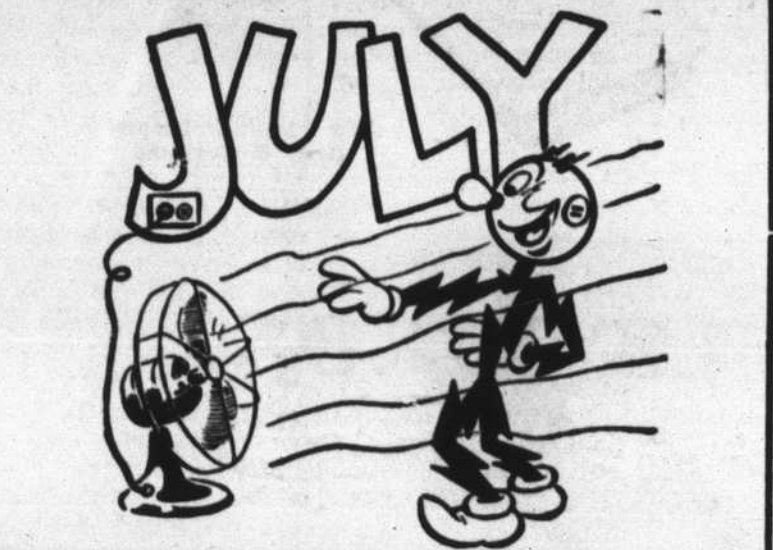
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Keep all parts wiped free of dust.

Be sure connecting cord and plug are in good condition.

Be sure a fan in use is always placed out of the way of passing feet, reaching hands, and fluttering garments.

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