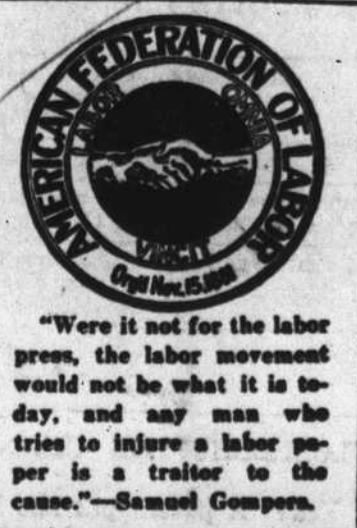


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Anti-Closed Shop Bill Passed

Political Trend Indicates Lively 1947 Campaigning

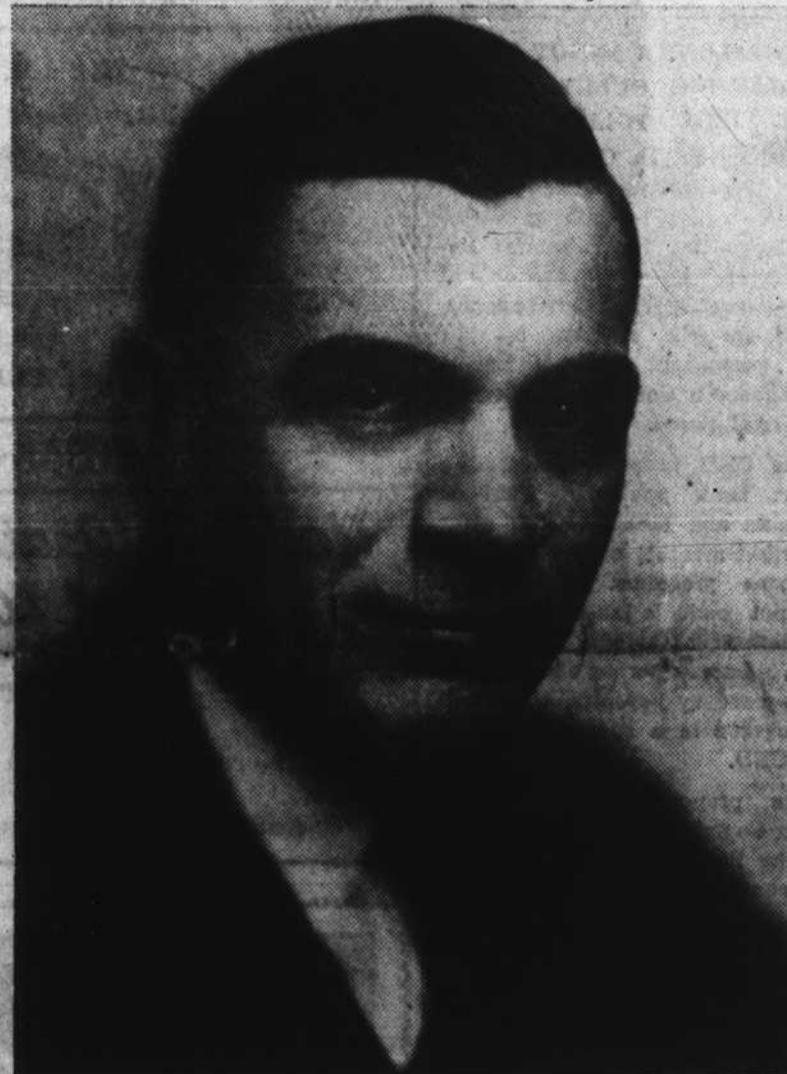
Closed Shop Banned By Legislature

Five Senators Speak Against Passage of Anti-Closed Shop Law, While No One Spoke For Its Passage, Strange As It May Seem.

In a North Carolina Capitol building packed and jammed with spectators the North Carolina Senate joined the House in passing by voice vote an anti-closed bill for North Carolina. North Carolina Labor had five stalwart supporters who expressed themselves in debate against the drastic measure which had its origin in the House two weeks previously and which was labeled House Bill No. 229. Not one of the Senators spoke in behalf of the measure when it came to the floor for action.

The bill had been introduced in the House by three ex-servicemen, Representatives Hathaway of Gates county, Scott of Beaufort, and Martin of Martin, who claimed that they were do-

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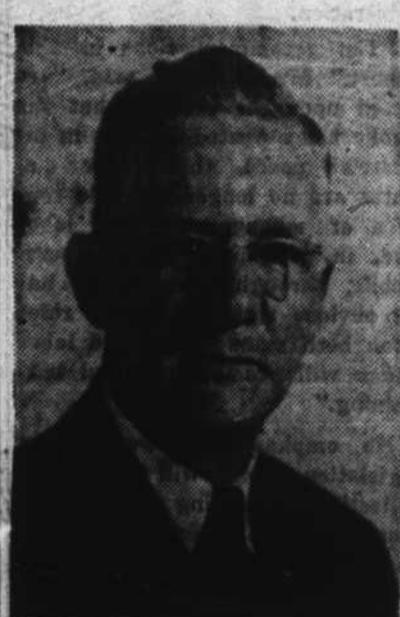
HERBERT H. BAXTER

Present Mayor of Charlotte, seeks re-election on the basis of his past record as both a city councilman and as Mayor during the war days. He has led a fight for veterans' housing ever since the boys have been coming back home and the Morris Field units are the result of much of his work.



JOHN S. WARD

Mr. Ward served several terms as a member of the City Council, and is widely known throughout Charlotte. He is a member of the staff of Radio Station WSOC, and is a veteran campaigner in local political circles.



MANLEY R. DUNAWAY
Charlotte Real Estate man, who several weeks ago announced his candidacy for the position of Mayor of Charlotte subject to the primary of April 28.



JOHN P. WHITE

Present member of Charlotte City Council, who has announced his candidacy for re-election on the servicemen's ticket. Mr. White is a member of Charlotte Typographical Union and is general superintendent of The Charlotte Observer. He has taken an active part in the city's affairs since being named to the council several years ago. He fought in the Spanish-American War and in World War II had three sons fighting for Uncle Sam's cause.

DAVID BEHNCKE ELECTED
Chicago, Ill. — At the ninth annual convention of the Air Line Pilots Association (AFL) here David L. Behncke was reelected for his ninth consecutive term as president of the union. Jerry Wood of New York was elected vice president, succeeding Orvis Nelson of Burbank, Calif. Warren Malvick of this city was reelected treasurer and Ray B. Andrews was elected secretary, succeeding Larry Harris of Wichita, Kans. Sixteen regional vice presidents also were elected. The convention was attended by 10 delegates, representing 7,000 members.

Whereas, the appeals of Labor and its friends fell upon deaf ears, resulting in the hasty enactment of an anti-closed shop bill for North Carolina which is practically a copy of the Virginia anti-closed shop law, and not of

North Carolina origin, and Whereas, both the members of the House and the Senate failed to put themselves on record in their vote on the bill by either roll call or standing vote, but chose instead to storm through a voice vote in both houses which was recorded for passage of the anti-closed shop measure in each instance, and

Whereas, this action on the part of both Houses should not be passed up by Labor without severe criticism;

Therefore, be it resolved, That Charlotte Central Labor Union deeply deplores the actions of both Houses of the North Carolina General Assembly for the passage of an anti-closed shop bill for North Carolina and condemns the measure as being a reflection upon the considered judgment of the people of this State and a dark spot in the traditional history of our great State which has always endeavored to send representatives to the Legislature who were free of bias and who would work for the better interests of all of its citizens instead of special or selfish interests, and

Be It Further Resolved, That Charlotte Central Labor Union



CLAUDE L. ALREA

Veteran former city councilman for many years and Mayor pro tem for one or more terms, is running for a seat at the city council table this year. Mr. Alrea has for many years been an active member of Charlotte Typographical Union and a past vice-president of the North Carolina Federation of Labor.

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CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR

Three Announce For Mayor Of Charlotte

SERVICEMEN PRESENT SLATE OF SEVEN IN BID FOR SUPPORT OF VOTERS—INDEPENDENTS ANNOUNCE, WITH MORE EXPECTED TO FOLLOW.

Post-war politics have gotten off to a good start during the past couple of weeks in Charlotte. Three candidates thus far have announced for the No. 1 position, Mayor of Charlotte, a slate of seven servicemen have announced as candidates for councilmen and three independent candidates have thrown their hats into the councilmanic arena, with several more prospective council candidates to announce shortly. The primary this year will more than likely be one of the liveliest campaigns witnessed here since long before war days.

The three candidates who have announced their desire for the mayor's chair at the head of the council table have been in campaigns before, and each is well-known to the voters of the Queen City. Herbert Baxter, incumbent, has served two terms as Mayor. Before taking the Mayor's seat he was a member of the city council for a number of years. Mr. Baxter has expressed a desire to again serve as Mayor of Charlotte for another term.

John S. Ward, a former city councilman, and who has participated in many city campaigns, also seeks the Mayor's position and has not aligned himself with any political faction. Mr. Ward is a seasoned campaigner. He chalked up a nice record for himself while a member of the council several terms a number of years ago. He is a member of the staff of Radio Station WSOC

with which station he has been identified for a long time and is also well known locally.

Manley R. Dunaway, local real estate man, announced for Mayor several weeks ago. Mr. Dunaway has been a resident of Charlotte for many years, coming here from Alabama, where he attended the University of Alabama as a young man. He was a candidate for the Democratic nomination to Congress from the Tenth Congressional district in the last election, but was defeated by Hamilton C. Jones, Charlotte attorney, who is now representing the Tenth district in Washington in the position formerly held by the late Joe Ervin. Mr. Dunaway is well-known.

Word is being passed around that another candidate will announce for the mayor's race within the next few days, making the

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