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# Charlotte Labor Journal

**A Newspaper Dedicated To The Interests of Charlotte Central Labor Union and Affiliated Crafts—Endorsed By North Carolina Federation of Labor and Approved By The American Federation of Labor.**



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## SPOKESMEN FOR AFL OPPOSE INDISCRIMINATE SLASHING OF BUDGET

Washington, D. C.—Vigorous opposition to proposals to slash the budget by \$6,000,000,000 and stern warning that such a cut would jeopardize the safety of the United States was expressed by two AFL spokesmen in a spirited debate with farm and business leaders which was broadcast over a weekly program known as "America United."

William C. Doherty, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers and a vice president of the AFL, speaking for Government workers, declared this group "certainly believes in a balanced budget, but we cannot agree that the President's recommendation should be reduced by a figure in excess of \$6,000,000,000 or anywhere near that amount."

"I have a firm conviction that such cuts as have been proposed would impair our national defense to an extent where it would seriously affect our nation's security," Mr. Doherty declared. "I believe that Congress should provide for an adequate national defense."

"Responsible military authorities have advised us that a \$6,000,000,000 cut would affect national security by reducing us to a second-rate air force, largely equipped with obsolete planes, within three to five years; by crippling the Atlantic and Pacific fleets; and by reduction of overall Army strength by from 200,000 to 300,000 men, much below occupational requirements."

"And I can say to you very candidly that there is great need for continuing our occupational forces, especially in Germany. I have just recently returned from Germany and I believe that our troops should remain there for some time to come, at least pending the development of a peace treaty."

Alvin Burger of the National Association of State Chambers of Commerce, took sharp issue with Mr. Doherty on the question of reduction in the Army and Navy expenditures.

"I am convinced, for one, and I know many others who know this picture are very well convinced, that Army and Navy spending today is inordinately high," Mr. Burger said. "The amount set aside in this budget of President Truman's for Army and Navy of 11 2-10th billions is equal to the total amount spent by state, county and local governments, including school systems throughout the country."

Mr. Doherty replied: "The time to prevent a third global conflict is not 20 years hence, but right now. It is costing us a half million dollars a day to maintain our occupational forces in Germany alone, and I think every penny spent now in Germany and Japan and the other places where we have our troops is money well spent. And under no circumstances should we follow a penny-wise, pound-foolish philosophy."

Walter Mason, legislative representative of the AFL, was asked if taxes are reduced, wouldn't that mean the equivalent of a raise in wages for American workers.

"Yes, it would," Mr. Mason replied. "We are in favor of the tax reduction, but we feel that such reduction should be adjusted on a basis of ability to pay. We also are mindful of the fact that our Federal economy cannot be reduced to the extent that it jeopardize the welfare of our citizens and the safety of our nation."

Mr. Mason charged Mr. Burger with substituting his judgment for that of General Eisenhower and of Admiral Nimitz

## 2 Registration Periods For Voting In Special School And Primary Election

### YOUNG MR. THRIFTY



Louis Jarrett, Tulsa, Oklahoma, Tribune newspaper boy, member of a Treasury newspaper boy thrift club, has a great time contemplating the future which the \$450 in U. S. Savings Bonds holds for him. Young Jarrett is one of thousands of carrier boys who are investing their earnings in savings stamps and bonds.

### AFL SCORES NEW VICTORY

Sheffield, Ala.—Workers at the Reynolds Metal Alloy Co. administered a three-to-one rebuke to VIO Steelworkers late in February when the CIO attempted to take control of workers' activities. The vote was 2,260 for the AFL, 771 for the CIO and 21 for no union.

**Basic requirements for registering:**  
1 year's residence in the state.  
4 month's residence in the precinct.  
No poll tax requirement.

### CITY SCHOOL TAX SUPPLEMENT ELECTION

A Special Election, with Special Registration, only those who register for this particular election can vote April 15th.  
March 22—First Registration Day. Registrars on duty at Polling places from 9 A. M. to sunset, 6:36 P. M.  
March 29—Second Registration Day, 9 A. M. to 6:42 P. M.

April 5—Last Registration Day, 9 A. M. to 6:47 P. M.  
April 12—Challenge Day. Registrars on duty at Polling places from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. No registering permitted, but information available.

April 15—Election Day. Polls open at 6:30 A. M., close 6:30 P. M. (Tuesday).  
**NO ABSENTEE VOTING**—A majority of the registered voters is required to carry this election.

### CITY PRIMARY AND EXTENSION OF CITY LIMITS

Vote in City and in extended limits beyond City.  
April 5—First Registration Day. Registrars on duty at Polling places from 9 A. M. to sunset, 6:47 P. M.  
April 12—Second Registration Day, 9 A. M. to 6:53 P. M.  
April 19—Last Registration Day, 9 A. M. to 6:59 P. M.  
April 26—Challenge Day. Registrars on duty at Polling places from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. No registering permitted, but information available.

April 28—Primary (Monday) Polls open at 6:30 A. M. Close 6:30 P. M.  
May 6—Election (Tuesday) Polls open at 6:30 A. M. Close 6:30 P. M.

**No Absentee Voting**  
Below is given a list of Registrars who will be on duty at the places indicated on the dates given above. The telephone number of the polling places is given so you may call and find out if you are properly registered. If you have moved and are not sure of your voting place call the Registrar in the Precinct in which you now live for correct information in regard to transfer.

### PLACES OF REGISTRATION AND VOTING

Ward 1—Box 1—428 N. College St. Registrar, Mrs. J. B. Spillman, 116 E. 8th St. Phone 3-8174.  
Ward 1—Box 2—122 N. Myers St. Registrar, Mrs. Olivia Tyson, 122 N. Myers St. Phone 3-0534.  
Ward 1—Box 3—First Ward School, 401 E. 9th St. Registrar, Mrs. C. C. Richards, 420 E. 11th St. Phone 7079.

Ward 2—Box 1—City Hall. Registrar, B. H. Bayne, 707 S. Tryon St. Phone 3-6131.  
Ward 2—Box 2—Court House. Registrar, Mrs. Anne Edwards, 120 S. Myers St. Phones 3-7121 or 3-7547.  
Ward 3—Box 1—Stonewall Hotel, 535 W. Trade St. Registrar, Mrs. F. Dorsett, Stonewall Hotel. Phone 6131.  
Ward 3—Box 2—Zeb Vance School, 825 Westbrook Dr. Registrar, Mrs. L. F. Brown, 811 W. Third St. Phone 2-1511.

Ward 4—Box 1—126 W. 7th St. Registrar, Mrs. N. L. Nabors, 126 W. 7th St. Phone 2-1284.

The Charlotte Labor Journal is herewith printing a list of the registration precincts for the City of Charlotte for the benefit of its readers. This compilation gives the names and addresses of the Registrars, and their phone numbers. It is generally understood that citizens may register only on the days and dates specified in this compilation but The Journal understands that anyone desiring to register on any day of the week except Sunday may do so by making arrangements with the registrar in his or her precinct to register in the evenings after 6 o'clock. This will greatly aid those who work late on Saturdays and do not find it convenient to register then.

Only two more Saturdays remain for registering for the Special School election to be held on April 15th. The remaining registration days are Saturday, March 29th and Saturday April 5th. If you register for the school tax election and do not vote on April 15th it will be counted as a vote against this special supplemental tax of 25c on the hundred dollar property valuation, therefore, all those who register should be sure to cast their ballots on April 15th if they favor the special supplemental school tax.

The first registration date for the city primary election and the Extension of the City Limits election will begin on Saturday, April 5th and the books will remain open for registration each Saturday up through April 19th, which will be the last day you will be allowed to register for the primary. Those who are already registered will not be required to register again to vote in the primary, but it will be necessary for you to register for the Special School Tax election to be held on April 15th. As stated above, this should be done not later than Saturday, April 5th.

April 26 will be Challenge Day. No registering will be permitted, but information will be available. The Registrars will be on duty at the respective Polling Places from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. If there should be anything that you do not understand regarding the Primary and Extension of City Limits Election please confer with your precinct Registrar on April 26th.

### ELECTION CALENDAR

Ward 4—Box 2—Bethune School, 601 N. Graham St. Registrar, J. C. Booker, 211 N. Sycamore St. Phone 3-4976.  
Ward 4—Box 3—312 W. 9th St. Registrar, Mrs. L. S. Boyd, 312 W. 9th St. Phone 6857.

Ward 5—Box 1—Villa Heights School, 2000 N. Allen St. Registrar, Mrs. R. W. Strickland, 1905 Pegram St. Phone 2-4719.

Ward 5—Box 2—N. Charlotte Motor, 511 E. 36th St. Registrar, B. F. Yandell, 904 E. 36th St. Phone 3-1075.  
Ward 6—Box 1—Charlotte Tech. High, 1400 Louise Ave. Registrar, Mrs. W. G. Bell, 1114 E. 17th St. Phone 2-2881.

Ward 6—Box 2—Piedmont Junior High, 1241 E. 10th St. Registrar, Mrs. E. E. Peele, 819 Central Ave. Phone 3-5228.

Ward 6—Box 3—Midwood School, Central Ave. Registrar, Mrs. P. B. Moss, 2001 Winter St. Phone 6428.  
Ward 6—Box 4—537 Lamar Ave. Registrar, Mrs. Howard Wolfe, 537 Lamar Ave. Phone 8419.

Ward 6—Box 5—2539 Westmoreland Ave. Registrar, Mrs. W. T. Hodge, 2539 Westmoreland Ave. Phone 2-1952.  
Ward 7—Box 1—Elizabeth School, 1601 Park Drive. Registrar, Mrs. M. S. Ward, 1208 E. 5th St. Phone 2-1468.

Ward 7—Box 2—2108 Vail Ave. Registrar, Mrs. L. L. Clontz, 2108 Vail Ave. Phone 3-1024.  
Ward 7—Box 3—Eastover School, 500 Cherokee Road. Registrar, Mrs. W. J. Smith, Jr., 229 Chase St. Phone 2-3662.

Ward 7—Box 4—Myers Park School, 2132 Radcliffe Ave. Registrar, Mrs. M. R. Kimbrell, 2517 Sherwood Ave. Phone 2-5719.

Ward 8—Box 1—Dilworth School, 405 E. Park Ave. Registrar, Mrs. E. O. Gammon, 1330 Carlton Ave. Phone 3-5491.

Ward 8—Box 2—512 E. Kingston Ave. Registrar, Mrs. T. P. Moore, Jr., 512 E. Kingston Ave. Phone 4-2394.  
Ward 8—Box 3—1612 Kenilworth Ave. Registrar, Mrs. C. W. Alexander, 1612 Kenilworth Ave. Phone 3-3281.

Ward 8—Box 4—1927 Dilworth Road, West. Registrar, Mrs. Ina P. Bullock, 1927 Dilworth Road, West. Phone 2-2891.

Ward 9—Box 1—1101 Winnifred Pl. Registrar, J. W. Latane, 1101 Winnifred Pl. Phone 4-2416.  
Ward 9—Box 2—Wilmore School, 428 W. Boulevard. Registrar, Mrs. J. A. Daly, 1722 S. Tryon St. Phone 2-2230.

Ward 10—Box 1—Seversville School, 1701 Sumter Ave. Registrar, Mrs. R. B. Graham, 1607 Sumter Ave. Phone 3-5207.

Ward 10—Box 2—Glenwood School, Clay Ave. Registrar, Mrs. W. F. Wilson, 3025 Rush Ave. Phone 3-4730.  
Ward 10—Box 3—Wesley Heights School, 128 S. Summit Ave. Registrar, Mrs. R. O. Forten, 633 Grandin Road. Phone 2-2515.

Ward 11—Box 1—Hutchison School, Hutchison Ave. Registrar, Mrs. T. W. Smith, 509 Plymouth Ave. Phone 3-2015.  
Ward 11—Box 2—Assembly Room or Library Fairview Homes, 1026 Oaklawn Ave. Registrar, N. Edwards, 2309 Davis St. Phone 3-2625.

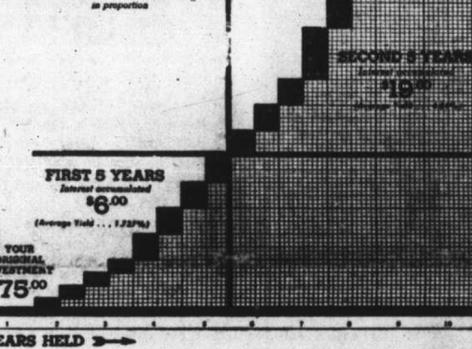
\*No telephone at voting place—Registrar's home or business phone.

## It'll Pay You to Study This Chart

**Here's How the  
Second Five Years Reaps  
The Biggest Harvest for  
Your U. S. Savings Bonds**

Millions of Americans who bought Savings Bonds in 1941 are now in a position to enjoy yield of 4.01% interest annually on their investment. Hang on to your bonds. Don't cash in an investment that is worth more... pays more... year after year.

**HOW A '100 E' BOND  
GROWS, other denominations  
in proportion**



## 80,000 DRESSMAKERS SIGN DEAL FOR PAY HIKE IN NEW YORK

New York City.—Representatives of 80,000 unionized dressmakers and three employer associations reached an agreement here on the contract calling for a 7 per cent wage increase and an employer-financed retirement fund. By this plan both parties averted a strike which would have broken a 14-year record of labor peace in one of the city's largest industries.

The accord was announced at City Hall on the eve of a strike that had been threatened by the Dress Joint Board of International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union (AFL). Mayor O'Dwyer praised both sides and voiced the city's pride in their ability to settle their differences through orderly collective bargaining without interruptions of production.

On the basis of the current volume of production, the new contract will add about \$14,000,000 a year to the earnings of 65,000 workers paid on a piece-rate basis and 15,000 paid on a weekly basis. In addition, the employer will contribute about \$2,000,000 a year to the retirement fund through a 1 per cent levy on their payrolls.

The union also won increases of \$6 a week in the minimum wage scales for cutters and pressers and \$5 a week in the minimums for operators, finishers, sample makers, examiners and all other crafts. Although virtually all workers in the industry now receive wages above the minimums, the union insisted on increases, which range from 11 to 25 per cent above the old standards, to protect its members against drastic wage cuts in the event of a sharp slump in dress manufacture.

As a concession to the employers, the union waived any claim to retroactive application of the wage increases, even though the old contract expired January 31 (Continued On Page 4)

## 4-POINT PLAN ADOPTED BY AFL GROUP TO MEET TEACHERS' PROBLEMS

Washington, D. C.—The Committee on Education of the American Federation of Labor, meeting here, adopted a four-point program to meet the nation-wide teacher crisis.

The committee, headed by AFL Vice-President Matthew Woll, urged:

1. Local and State campaigns for obtaining long-overdue salary increases for teachers.
2. Appropriation by Congress of considerably increased funds for Federal aid to education, especially for those States not in a financial position to handle this problem themselves.
3. Greater security for teachers through the adoption of wider State legislation providing adequate retirement plans and job-tenure protection.
4. Defeat of proposals to base teachers' pay on a so-called merit system.

The committee praised the action of AFL President William Green in calling upon all State Federations of Labor and City Central Unions to initiate State and community drives for higher pay for teachers.

"The deep distress and general unrest now prevalent in the teaching profession," the committee statement declared, "result from the disgraceful neglect with which local and State governments have treated public employes over a long period of years."

"The American people are now becoming aroused against this false economy at the expense of the public servants who are entrusted with the job of teaching their children."

"Organized labor will be rendering a distinct public service by crystallizing public sentiment for elimination of the neglect and abuses from which the nation's teachers have been suffering."

"This committee condemns the proposal made by local and State Chambers of Commerce and other groups that teachers be rated under a so-called merit system and paid according to the score made on the rating scale. No objective rating scale has ever been devised or ever will be devised with sufficient accuracy to be used fairly as a basis for determining salaries."

"Under any system of basing salaries on rating, the schools will be opened wide to political favoritism. Teachers will be compelled to resort to political scheming to secure salary increases."

"The only fair system for teachers' salaries is to base both salaries and increases on training and experience. These are the only objective data on which differentiations in salaries can be made."

"We also condemn the action of State and local Chambers of Commerce in attempting to abolish teacher tenure laws where such laws exist. Elimination of the security of teachers will only result in aggravating the present crisis. Not only should tenure laws be retained, but adequate retirement provision should be made for teachers as a further inducement to keep them in the profession."

## RUSH FOOD TO STARVING

Washington, D. C.—Food from the United States Army sufficient to provide 1,000 calories a day for 16 days to 500,000 residents of Moldavia, reported to be starving, is being rushed into Constanta, according to an announcement from President Truman. Approximately 4,500 tons of ten-one rations and 2,500 tons of beans is being diverted on the high seas in order to reach a Rumanian port in 10 days.