

## Editorial

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**STULTUM FACIT FORTUNA QUEM VULT PERDERE**  
Translated from the Latin: "When Fortune wishes to ruin a man she makes him a fool." This proverb could apply to any individual, or it could apply to any number of individuals, or it could apply to a nation, or going even farther it could apply to Nations. Perhaps it applied to Germany, Japan, Italy, and to their satellites. Most Americans are able to fit the shoe to Dictators Hitler and Mussolini, Tojo, and others. But have most Americans taken time out to analyze some of the conditions prevalent in America today? Quite a large bite, to-be-sure, but it appears that the time is fast approaching when we Americans must take the time out to study the results of some of our actions since the closing of the war period.

Perhaps there are many things in our way of life that could be untangled for the betterment of our countrymen as a whole if we were to begin an immediate analysis of our conditions. But let us take one or two of the current problems and look at them for a moment. Runaway prices on the necessities of life, for instance, seems to be quite a problem with us, but the fact is we have high prices and sooner or later we will be compelled to do something about them in one way or another. What caused high prices? Was it greed for gold, or shortages, or just a desire to raise the economic level for doing business in America? Not so long ago songs were being sung to the tune of "Do Away With Price Controls and All Will Be Well Before Long." So price controls were destroyed. The President had no other alternative. The lobbyists in Washington had the heat on Congress to the extent that they were going to do away with price controls, come what may. Immediately prices soared to new highs. Greed grabbed everything both in and out of its grasp. Even old fat back (God bless it) got up in society overnight when it demanded a 75c per pound fare for lugging it away from the fly counter in the butcher shop, flour soared to new highs, meal and lard kept pace, and on up and down the list of the necessary commodities the record shows that nothing remained anywhere near the same as before. Clothes, which had been withheld from the market for months and months, came back at new highs, minus much of their former quality at that.

By now Mr. and Mrs. America had real dislocated economic problems on their hands. They thought and thought. They wrestled with this new trend in American economy from week to week. They finally came to the conclusion that perhaps something was wrong with the amount of take home pay they had been receiving and that maybe the "risen" prices would be all right if they could get a little more in the weekly pay envelope. A huge cry went up from all over the land. They had joined the higher-ups (the greedy speculators and profiteers, the "hangovers" from the war days, if you please) in one mad scramble to meet the greatly increased cost of living. They demanded higher wages. But this was brought about to help them to survive, to live as they had been accustomed to living, to enjoying the best standards of living of any nation on earth, barring none.

For their actions Mr. and Mrs. American Worker are experiencing the wrath of a greedy hell turned loose on them. They are being chastised beyond any sense of human reasoning; they are being exploited far beyond the imagination of any pre-war day; they are having the controls socked to their ankles by Legislatures in many of the States, via anti-union legislation; and they are about to have some concoction cooked up for them in the National Congress that will set them back for 100 years in their forward march from days of sweat shops, in the form of pernicious restrictive legislation that will break up their organizations through which they have worked to improve their living conditions in our America throughout the past century.

The unfairness of restrictive legislation to curb the workers of the land in their demands for sufficient wages to meet the high costs of living, while no curbs on high prices are given any attention by the legislative bodies of Congress and the States today stands out as a carbuncle to retard the progress that America should have begun experiencing soon after the cessation of hostilities abroad.

Let us not under the pretext of providing every man with a job become fools and enact laws that will throw our American workers to the mercy of the greedy barons who care naught for the lives of their servants, but for the material things that satisfy their own selfish desires.

## THE MARCH OF LABOR



TWO-THIRDS OF BERLIN WORKERS ARE WOMEN. THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO WORK HARD ON THE LOW RATIONS THAN MEN.



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## Members Of Organized Labor In CHARLOTTE Have YOU

# Registered?

If not, you are urged to do so at once. It will cost you nothing to Register. Every Citizen of North Carolina is allowed to vote, provided they have first Registered.

We have reprinted an Election Calendar which has been compiled by the Elections Department showing the Ward Number, the Precinct Number and the location of the Voting Precinct where the Registrar will be, between Sunrise and Sunset on Saturday, April 5th, Saturday, April 12th, and Saturday, April 19th, to Register you and others.

This list also gives the name and home address of the Registrar. If you find it impossible to get to the Polling Precinct home and Register.

The Democratic Primary election will be held at Charlotte, N. C., on Tuesday, April 28th, to select a Mayor and your City Councilmen.

These men will control your City Government for the next two years. We should all Register, if you are not already Registered, and go to the Polls on April 28th and VOTE for your friends who will at least give the working people some consideration.

Your Central Labor Union does not have the right and would not try to force you to vote for any person or persons who are aspiring for Public Office, but we will advise you as to the records and intentions of those who are running for office.

We feel that all working people, their wives, children and friends, should exercise their rights as Citizens and vote at this and all other elections, which will guarantee that men or women are elected to all Public Offices who are beyond reproach and who will consider the working people, as well as others, when making decisions affecting our Federal, State, County and City welfare.

Pass this information on to your family and friends in your neighborhood. Insist that they Register and Vote.

We want a tremendous Vote on the Primary Election on April 28th and again on the Regular Election on May 6th, 1947.

Basic requirements for registering:

- One year's residence in the State.
- Four month's residence in the precinct.
- No poll requirement.

CHARLOTTE CENTRAL LABOR UNION, A. F. L.

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.

Registrar, Mrs. E. E. Pelle, 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 Avenue. Registrar, Mrs. M. R. Kimbrell, 2517 Sherwood Avenue. 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 Place. Registrar, J. W. Latane, 1101 Winnifred Place. 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—Seymourville School, 1701 Synter 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 Street. Phone 3-2625.

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

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