

# The Charlotte Labor Journal

## 1947 CONVENTION CALL

### TO ALL AFFILIATED UNIONS, GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that, in pursuance of the Constitution of the American Federation of Labor, the Sixty-sixth Convention of the American Federation of Labor will be held in the Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, Calif., beginning at 10:00 o'clock Monday morning, October 6, 1947, and will continue in session from day to day until the business of the Convention shall have been completed.

For almost two years, since the close of World War II, the workers of our own country as well as of those throughout the world, have waited patiently for the conclusion of world peace negotiations. They crave world peace and security. Unfortunately the conferences of the Big Four representatives which have been held since V-J Day have failed to conclude an agreement providing for world peace. How long shall the disagreement between representatives of the Big Four continue? That is the question the workers are asking now. We insist and demand that bickering shall cease, that selfishness shall be eliminated, that a basis of accommodation shall be found and a world peace agreement concluded without further delay.

During the past year a concentrated drive for the enactment of anti-labor legislation in a number of states as well as in the Congress of the United States, was launched by the united enemies of our organized labor movement. As a result highly objectionable anti-labor legislation was enacted in more than a dozen states and by the Congress of the United States. We were able to behold, as the picture unfolded, that the scattered enemies of Labor became united, centering their efforts to secure the enactment of anti-labor legislation. Much of this legislation enacted in the different states is of the same pattern. Most of it was directed against union shop agreements and the exercise of the right on the part of employers and employees to engage in free collective bargaining and to enter into wage agreements mutually acceptable. We can not and will not become reconciled to the acceptance of this vicious anti-

We are still seriously affected by the economic and industrial changes which followed the close of World War II. Rising prices continue, and black market conditions prevail to some extent at least. We are constantly faced with a housing shortage and a demand for higher rents.

These, together with other economic, social and industrial problems must and will be considered by the delegates in attendance at the convention. In characteristic and traditional fashion, the delegates present will grapple and deal with all these problems and will express themselves regarding them in a constructive, brave and courageous way.

WILLIAM GREEN, President.  
GEORGE MEANY, Secretary-Treasurer.

## Legal Notices

### TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that certain deed of trust executed and delivered by Grace Presley and her husband, M. T. Presley, dated December 10th, 1946, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg County, N. C., in Book 1225, page 286 and because of default of payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and failure to carry out and perform the stipulations and agreements therein contained, and pursuant to demand of the owner and holder of the indebtedness secured by the said deed of trust, the undersigned Trustee will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the County Court House of Mecklenburg County, N. C., at 12:00 o'clock noon on Monday the 1st day of September, 1947, all that certain lot or parcel of land, situated, lying and being in Charlotte Township, Mecklenburg County, N. C., and more particularly described as follows:

Being all of lots 26 and 27 in Block 38 (with buildings thereon), as shown on the map of Lincoln Heights, recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Mecklenburg County, N. C., in Book of Maps 3, page 491, said lots having a frontage of 88.5 feet and 108.5 on the back. Being the same lots conveyed to Grace Presley by Frank Grigg and wife Grace Grigg.

The successful bidder will be required to deposit ten (10%) per cent of his bid in cash or certified check with Trustee, said deposit will be refunded in case of a resale.

This sale will be held open ten (10) days for upset bid as by law required.

This the 7th day of August, 1947.  
(s) R. M. SANDERS, Trustee.  
(8-7-14-21-28-c)

### State of North Carolina, County of Mecklenburg.

#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

Amzie E. Steele, Plaintiff vs. Rosie E. Steele, Defendant.

Notice of Summons by Publication. The above named defendant will take notice that an action as entitled above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, by the plaintiff to obtain an absolute divorce upon the grounds of two years separation; and the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Mecklenburg County in Charlotte, North Carolina within twenty (20) days after the 4th day of September, 1947, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This the 7th day of August, 1947.

MARY S. POYTHRESS, Asst. Clerk of the Superior Court.  
(8-7-14-21-28-c)

### North Carolina, Mecklenburg County

#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

Thomas Guy Robinson, Plaintiff, vs. Evelyn Beal Robinson, Defendant.—Notice of Service by Publication.

The above named defendant, Evelyn Beal Robinson, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, by the plaintiff to obtain an absolute divorce upon statutory grounds, and the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Mecklenburg County at the Court House in Charlotte, North Carolina, within twenty (20) days after the 21st day of August, 1947, which date is at least seven days after the last publication of this notice, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 22nd day of July, 1947.  
J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of Superior Court.  
(7-24-31;8-7-14-c)

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## Convention Program

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Tuesday—7:00 P. M.  
WHITE DELEGATES

Banquet Famous Club, Carolina Beach Road  
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Banquet Del Morocco Club, 1407 Dawson Street  
Dance  
Wednesday Morning—9:30 o'Clock

Invocation ..... A. E. Brown  
Chaplain, North Carolina Federation of Labor

Report of Resolution Committee.

Reports of Other Committees.

Unfinished Business.

1:00 P. M.

Recess for Lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon—2:00 o'Clock

Committee Final Reports.

Election of Officers.

Selection of Convention City.

Installation of Officers.

Adjournment Sine Die.

### U. S. Citizens To Receive

#### British Scholarships

New York City.—Five scholarships of approximately \$800 each, covering tuition, board and room at Ruskin College, Oxford University, England, from October, 1947 to June, 1948, are available to Americans, both men and women, with high-school education and either some college work or considerable maturity and experience in the American labor movement or in workers' education.

Scholarship winners will be expected to pay transportation expenses to and from England and incidental expenses during their stay.

Applications must be in the hands of the Committee in New York by July 25. Further details, application blanks, etc., may be secured by writing to the Workers' Education Bureau, 1440 Broadway, New York 18, N. Y.

### FEDERATION MEET OPENS

#### IN WILMINGTON MONDAY

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Southern organization campaign. Forrest H. Shuford, State Labor Commissioner, is to deliver a speech at the opening session Monday morning, and T. A. Wilson, chairman of the industrial commission is scheduled to address the convention Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Wilson is a former president of the North Carolina Federation of Labor. He is a member of the International Typographical Union.

### FLORIDA SUGAR WORKERS

#### GET MINIMUM PAY BOOST

Washington, D. C.—The United States Department of Agriculture increased minimum wage rates paid for sugarcane work by producers in Florida who apply for payments under the Sugar Act of 1937, as amended.

Basic minimum rates have been increased 12 per cent over those effective during 1946-47. Minimum hourly rates by wage classes for July, 1947-June 30, 1948, follow:

Adult males (unskilled), 45c; adult females (unskilled), 38c; tractor drivers and operators of mechanical harvesting equipment, 55c; workers 14 to 16 years of age, 38c.

### SENATE FOR BOND CASHING

Washington, D. C.—The Senate Armed Services Committee approved a bill to permit veterans to cash their terminal leave pay bonds after September 1, and Chairman Chan Gurney said he would press for Senate passage before the July 26 adjournment. The House passed the act by a vote of 386 to 0.

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### TIME LOST FROM STRIKES

#### DROPS BELOW 1946 FIGURE

Washington, D. C.—According to the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, working time lost as the result of labor-management disputes during the first six months of 1947 was about one-fourth the time lost in the comparable period of 1946.

Stoppages counted by the bureau in the half-year ran about 2,200, involved some 1,560,000 workers, and accounted for a time loss of 20,000,000 to 21,000,000 man-days. The January-June loss in 1946 was almost 89,000,000 man-days.

This year there were 13 stoppages involving 10,000 or more workers each. In the same period of 1946 there were 18 such stoppages.

### RAILWAY MAIL OFFICERS

Buffalo, N. Y.—George Cutler of New York City is the new president of the AFL Railway Mail Association's Second Division. Mr. Cutler was elected at the 36th biennial convention, along with Timothy J. Tierney of Long Island City as vice president.

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