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HOUSE COMMITTEE ATTEMPTS TO DENY LABOR FAIR HEARING

Not satisfied with what was perpetrated in Washington at the expense of the labor movement, congressional committees are out beating the bushes in an attempt to uncover additional ammunition to be fired at labor unions when Congress convenes.

Maybe the lure of the Golden West induced the excursion of a second House subcommittee to California, where it bids fair to rival the scandalous conduct of the subcommittee investigating labor disputes in the movie industry. This committee is led by Representative Wint Smith, a Republican from Kansas. Like the Kearns committee in Hollywood, it set out to get something on labor.

To accomplish this purpose, Representative Smith decided to ignore labor entirely, presumably because testimony by labor representatives might not fit in with the kind of evidence he wanted to obtain. Resorting to "star chamber" procedure he refused to invite a single labor representative to appear before the committee's scheduled hearings. At the same time, he courted employer and farmer groups urging them to testify and to bring their friends to testify in one grand inquisition. To cap this audacious behavior, Mr. Smith had his committee set up their headquarters in the California State Chamber of Commerce building, thus holding court in the very temple of an antilabor faction.

After two days of hearings run in this fashion, state and local labor officials lodged a strong protest against the manner in which the hearings were being conducted and complained that they had received no invitations to testify. As a result of this action the committee finally condescended to the scheduling of another hearing. That its action was taken grudgingly may be deduced from the comment of W. Manley Shepperd, committee clerk, who said:

"We were heckled into calling another session. Our group was set up to investigate labor. After all, labor isn't going to file complaints against labor."

Protest registered by the California labor officials should serve notice upon any future Mr. Sheppards that free trade unionists are not going to submit to the one-sided probes by any congressional subcommittee.

LESS FORCE, MORE SKILL IN BARGAINING PROCESS URGED

Collective bargaining is the best formula America has developed for working together in a modern industrial society.

This view was expressed by Dr. Edwin G. Nourse, chairman of President Truman's Council of Economic Advisors, in an address before a labor-management conference sponsored by the New York state school of industrial and labor relations at Cornell University.

Dr. Nourse criticized the "strongarm stuff" used by some in the collective bargaining process and called for more technical guidance leading to the "skillful adjustment of the related parts of a complex business machine."

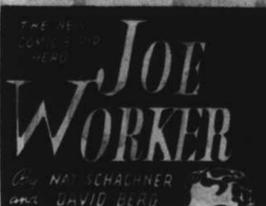
He compared the objectives of the Full Employment Act of 1946, the statutory basis for the advisory council, with the theme of the conference, which is "Working Together in a Democratic Society."

Cooperation was the keynote of each, he said, adding that "the grand objective of this flexible and voluntary working together is to keep opportunities for wage work or self-employment at the maximum or, stated differently, to use our country's resources, human and material, steadily and not by fits and starts."

Dr. Nourse stressed that maximum employment and maximum buying power, which are two important objectives of the employment act and of labor and management as well, could never be attained without maximum production, then added:

"If this it attained over the years the others will have to accompany or follow. The greatest threat to the attainment of this goal lies in the willingness and ability of both employers and employes to practice restrictionism over wide areas. This means the strike as an implement of union policy on the one side or the lockout or production cut-back as the implement of managerial policy on the other.

"We cannot say that we have learned to work together in a democratic industrial society until we have learned to make bilateral economic adjustments instead of resorting to the unilateral use of restrictive—that is, destructive—devices whenever we cannot agree."



HERE'S DYNAMITE IN GALESBURG! INDIGNANT UNIONISTS, EGGED ON BY GATES'S MEN, ARE READY TO BUST UP THE CONGRESS MEETING. IN A BACK ALLEY, GATES'S THUGS ARE SET TO JUMP THEM. WHILE JOE WORKER AND DAVE EPSTEIN ARE RACING TO STOP THEIR FELLOW WORKERS!



THEY'RE SPARRING ACTUAL! THE DUDES ARE RUSHING THE HALL!



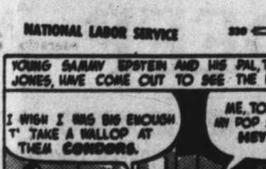
WONDERFUL! JUST WANT TELL BUTCH AND HIS BOYS GET GONE!



BUTCH IS READY! TAKE IT EASY, LIMPY. DE BOSS SAID YOU GIVE 'EM A CANNON TUN SHACK A FEW GUY POST. DAT MAKES US SORTA GOOD AN' WELFARE GAMES. HEH! HEH!



JOE WORKER AND DAVE EPSTEIN ARE STILL A BLOCK AWAY... THEY DON'T HEAR YOU! (GROAN) THERE THEY GO!



NATIONAL LABOR SERVICE KING SARAH EPSTEIN AND HIS PAL TOMMY JONES, HAVE COME OUT TO SEE THE FUN. I WISH I WAS BIG ENOUGH TO TAKE A WALLOP AT THEIR CONDOORS.



WHAT'S THE MATTER, SARAH? I JUST HEARD MR. WORKER HOLLERS STOP SOMEBODIES LET'S... (SHEWLAGERS! THERE'S OUR FELLERS! CRACK, TOMMY!)



STOP! (PANT) MR. WORKER (PUFF) HE'S CALLING YOU! GET OUTA OUR WAY, YOU LITTLE JEW, AFORE I—



WHY, YOU DIRTY SCOUNDREL! I'M BEGINNING TO SMELL SOMETHING— EXACTLY, BOYS. HOLD ON UNTIL YOU HEAR ME.



BECAUSE OF SARAH'S QUICK WIT, JOE WORKER MANAGED TO CATCH UP WITH HIS UNSUSPECTING FRIENDS. BUT WILL THEY LISTEN TO HIM?

BLS REPORT SHOWS DROP IN JULY WORK STOPPAGES

Washington, D. C.—Fewer work stoppages occurred in July than in any month since February, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported.

The number of workers involved in the 300 stoppages was 500,000, which exceeded the recorded figures for any months this year except April when the nation-wide telephone strike took place. This was attributed to the brief idleness of 335,000 bituminous coal miners early in the month. State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT Josephine Elizabeth Elder, Plaintiff vs. Glenn Alvin, Elder, Defendant.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION The Defendant Above Named Take Notice:

That an action as above entitled has been started in North Carolina for an absolute divorce on the grounds of two consecutive years separation as is now provided for by law as is laid down in the General Statutes of the State of North Carolina; and that said defendant will further take Notice that he is required to appear at my office in the Court House, Charlotte, N. C., and call for his copy of complaint and answer in this cause of action, and answer same prior to the 23rd day of October, A. D. 1947, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief asked for in said complaint.

This the 8th day of September, A. D. 1947. J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of Superior Court. (9-11, 18, 25, 10-2-c)

State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT Ruth King Sizemore, Plaintiff, vs. Homer Reid Sizemore, Defendant.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION The Defendant Above Named Take Notice:

That an action as above entitled has been started in Mecklenburg County for an absolute divorce on the grounds of two successive years of separation, as is now provided by law in the General Statutes of North Carolina, and the defendant will further take Notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of Superior Court prior to the 23rd day of October, at his Office in the Court House, in Charlotte, North Carolina, and answer or demur to the complaint in the said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This the 8th day of September, A. D. 1947. J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of Superior Court. (9-11, 18, 25, 10-2-c)

North Carolina, Mecklenburg County.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT Julius Claude Little, Plaintiff, vs. Henrietta W. Little, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The above named defendant, Henrietta W. Little, 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 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 at the Court House in Charlotte, North Carolina, within twenty (20) days after the 9th day of October, 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 5th day of September, 1947. J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of Superior Court. (9-11, 18, 25; 10-2-c)

AFFILIATES WITH THE AFL

Elizabeth, N. J.—Sal B. Hoffman, president of the AFL's Upholsters International Union, announced the affiliation with his organization of 1,600 members of the independent union representing employees of the Simmons Mattress & Bedding Co. here.

At the same time, Robert C. Green, president of the Simmons local, who signed the agreement uniting the two labor groups, said, "the union votes to affiliate with UIU to protect its 1,600 workers from dangers of the Taft-Hartley Bill and to add our strength to organized labor." Opr 1sohO-UNIONgZZ

North Carolina, Mecklenburg County.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT Geneva Jones, Plaintiff, vs. Johnnie H. Jones, Defendant.

NOTICE

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, for the purpose of obtaining an absolute divorce from the defendant, and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court at the Court House in Charlotte, North Carolina, on or before the 20th day of September, 1947, and within twenty days thereafter 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 20th day of August, 1947. J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of Superior Court. (8-21-28; 9-4, 11-c)

State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County.

IN SUPERIOR COURT Walter A. Hatley, Plaintiff, vs. Anna Belle Hatley, Defendant.

NOTICE

The defendant, Anna Belle Hatley, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, for an absolute divorce on 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 said county and state in the Courthouse in Charlotte, North Carolina, within twenty days after the 9th day of October, 1947, which is, at least, seven days after the last publication of said notice, and answer or demur to the complaint, or plaintiff will apply for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This the 9th day of September, 1947. J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of Superior Court. (9-11, 18, 25; 10-2-c)

North Carolina, Mecklenburg County.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT Bessie Richard Wade, Plaintiff, vs. Herbert F. Wade, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The above named defendant, Herbert F. Wade, 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 the grounds of two years separation, and the defendant will further take notice that he 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 9th day of October, 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 5th day of September, 1947. J. LESTER WOLFE, Clerk of Superior Court. (9-11, 18, 25; 10-2-c)

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