

# Better Congress Is Possible If Workers Vote, Says Green

Akron, Ohio.—Keynoting the American workers' observance of Labor Day, AFL President William Green declared that it lies within the power of the working men and women of this nation "to elect a new Congress with a new and more progressive outlook."

Warning against a repetition of what happened in 1946, when "only one-third of the qualified voters in America" elected the reactionary 80th Congress, the AFL leader adopted for his Labor Day theme the slogan, "Use Your Vote!"

Mr. Green spoke to a crowd of over 30,000 people gathered in Summit Beach Park here to celebrate labor's own national holiday. A portion of his address was carried over the nation-wide network of the National Broadcasting Company to additional millions of listeners.

The AFL leader lashed out vigorously at the forces which have sought to crucify working men and women on the cross of inflation, and castigated the 80th Congress for its enactment of the vicious Taft-Hartley law and its failure to act on such vital issues as high prices housing, minimum wages and social security improvements.

Mr. Green asserted that the nation is gripped by the "economic curse of inflation" because of a "lack of restraint and foresight on the part of leaders of big business who set prices, and because of the lack of statesmanship and responsibility on the part of the leaders of Congress."

He riddled the old argument advanced by business leaders that high prices have been caused by rising wages and declared that for every wage increase, "prices are boosted far out of proportion to the additional labor cost."

"It might be easy for us to feel sorry for the poor, unfortunate corporations," Mr. Green said, "except for the fact that official records tell an entirely different story. Corporate profits, after taxes, are now 272 per cent above the 1939 level."

Calling upon the government to sponsor joint conferences of labor, business and agriculture representatives to devise ways to protect the economic security of our country, Mr. Green charged that the primary responsibility of business is "to halt all price increases and to start a gradual reduction in prices."

Turning to a discussion of the Taft-Hartley law, Mr. Green said that a year's experience under the measure "fully confirmed" labor's fears that the law was in fact "a Slave Labor Bill."

The injunction provisions of the law, he said, have saddled upon labor the alternative of "work or jail," which does not square with the principles of American freedom, and constitutes "involuntary servitude."

As a glaring example of the injustice of the injunction procedure, Mr. Green cited the pending case before an Indiana U. S. District Court in which the federal government, through the National Labor Relations Board, is seeking "to forbid a union to pay strike benefits to thousands of men who quit their jobs in Chicago."

"That means," he said, "an attempt by our government to break a strike by starving out the wives and children of the strikers."

Proclaiming that American workers will resist such tactics and rush to the assistance of their brother workers, Mr. Green declared that such piecemeal defense against the Taft-Hartley law are, however, insufficient to free workers from the shackles of the obnoxious legislation.

"There is only one certain and complete remedy for that oppressive law and that is its outright repeal," Mr. Green asserted.

The AFL leader said that labor's program for higher minimum wages, improvements in the social security system, and the enactment of a national health insurance plan constitutes "social security not only for the American people, but for the free enterprise system as well." He added:

"From an immediate as well as a long-range standpoint, the peace of the world depends upon the power of America to guarantee peace. To prevent war, America must remain strong. I charge that the policies instituted by the 80th Congress and sapping the strength of America and the American people. These policies must be reversed."

## "VOICE OF AMERICA" AUDIENCE IN RUSSIA IS SET AT 24,000,000

"Jamming" Efforts Boomerang Washington.—Russia's reported all-out effort to smother "Voice of America" radio broadcasts may be boomeranging.

American listening posts have picked up a total of 18 Soviet stations, mostly centered around Moscow and Vladivostok, which State Department officials say are used to "jam" the voice programs.

These officials add, however, that they have reason to believe the jamming never succeeds entirely and that the reaction of Russian listeners therefore is one of intensified interest; they want to find out what information it is their government seeks to deny

them. The United States is not trying to retaliate by jamming Soviet broadcasts to this country, the authorities say, but is making a special effort in its broadcast to Russia to tell Russian people all the news their government may not be giving to them.

There is evidence that this news is getting through, officials say, citing the Kasenkina case as an example.

When Mrs. Oksana Kansenkina jumped out of the window of the Soviet consulate in New York several weeks ago, the "Voice" picked up news reports of the incident and began broadcasting them to the Soviet Union within a matter of minutes.

Observers in Moscow reported later that within three hours,

news of what the refugee Russian school teacher had done was widely known over the Soviet capital.

Assistant Secretary of State George Allen said in a domestic radio broadcast earlier this week that Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith's early estimate of 8,000,000 "Voice" listeners in the Soviet Union has been revised upward three or four times. Other officials said this means Smith now thinks the number of listeners exceeds 24,000,000.

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Only for Voters in Steele Creek Township

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MARK WITHIN THIS CIRCLE

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- JOHN WEST

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For County Treasurer

For Chairman Board of County Commissioners

For Members Board of County Commissioners

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- HENRY P. WALKER

For County Surveyor

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For Constable Charlotte Township

Only for Voters in Charlotte Township

For Constable Crab Orchard Township

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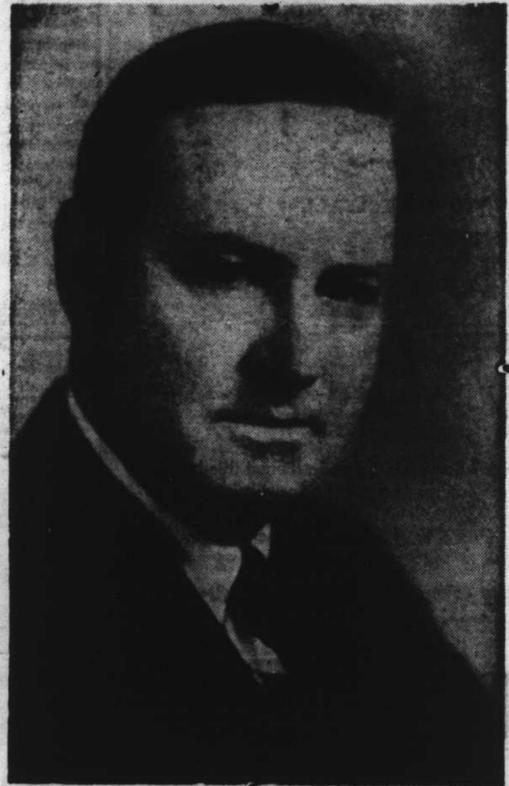
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