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WEEKLY BIBLE THOUGHT

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord; and he delighteth in his way. Though he shall not be utterly cast down; for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand."—Psalms.

IF YOU WORK FOR A LIVING, ACT NOW!

The hearings on the administration's proposal to repeal the Taft-Hartley law and to re-enact the Wagner Act with certain amendments are over.

The bills to accomplish this purpose have been reported out by congressional committees for final action on the floor of the Senate and House.

Labor leaders, government experts, industrial relations specialists and anti-labor foes have had their say. But the real battle is about to begin!

The House will begin debate on this issue on April 26.

Now is the time for all individual workers to express themselves on how they feel about the Thomas bill, which the Senate will consider, and the Lesinski bill, up for debate in the House. Both bills have the complete backing of the American Federation of Labor.

To have your say, write your Senators and Congressmen NOW and tell them what you think. Your opinion meant a lot last November. They still do. So take a minute and write a post card or a letter.

Let Congress know how you feel about Labor Legislation!

BOND ISSUES BECOME AN "ISSUE."

It looks like Charlotte and Mecklenburg are becoming BOND ISSUE CRAZY. Of course all of them are good and fine, MANY OF THEM A NECESSITY. The Labor Journal for 19 years has held fast to the belief of advancement of our schools, our city, and necessary improvements in the forward march Charlotte is making toward becoming one of the greatest cities in the South. The Journal notes the replies of some of the candidates in answer to the question of how they stand on the million and a half bond issue for a new auditorium, and regardless of their stand we think first things should come first in our civic improvement needs, and that the Auditorium can wait, or, if it will pay such handsome dividends, that private capital can be found to build it.

Our citizens are taxed at present about all they can stand, with necessary bond issues adding to it, and any new venture, involving nearly two million dollars, can well be postponed until our streets are in better condition and other absolute necessities are provided for.

YES; "THE POTS A-BILIN"

It's all politics these days—locally—and as the primary date draws closer the "heat" is becoming more discernible, even with the cooling showers we have been having. A heavy vote is expected under a new registration, and the taking in of new territory, throwing a possible 15,000 new voters into the picture. The issues are many, and the "blobs" and "independents" are all ready to do "battle royal" in an effort to be elected and to give the "dear people" just what they need. The Negro vote promises to be the largest in our history, so, in a runoff, the old cat can jump most any way.

And then, to add to the gaiety of it all, the Shaw ticket has "drafted" Claude Albea from the Greater Charlotte Council forces for the Victor Shaw full slate of candidates. Mayor Herbert Baxter is fighting back at his opponents as an unendorsed candidate, and is doing a good job of it.

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FOR

City Council



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Primary Monday, April 25—Election Tuesday, May 3

—Paid Political Adv.

Fling's Finish

A newspaper named Fling Could make "copy" from any old thing. But the copy he wrote Of a five-dollar note Was so good he is now in Sing Sing.

Not So High

Mrs. Henpeck: "Everything is going up."
Mr. Henpeck: "Oh, I wouldn't say that. For instance, there's your opinion of me, my opinion of you, and the neighbors' opinion of us both."

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FAISON S. KUESTER

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I have covered about every section of the city and I notice that numerous streets are greatly in need of repairs. Many others which have never been hard surfaced should be paved. Conditions along these lines are deplorable.

We should provide more recreation facilities for our youngsters. The present conditions are utterly inadequately organized or supervised and supervised recreation should prevail. Improvements along this line may well be accompanied by a gratifying decrease in juvenile delinquency.

I am strong in favor of repeal of the sewerage charge which is levied against municipal water users. This situation should be very promptly corrected. We should provide public comfort stations in the center of Charlotte.

Also I am in favor of provision of fire protection, police protection, sewerage facilities, water and lighting facilities for the people who live in the newly annexed areas of Charlotte.

In 1940 I was a member of the Laborer's Union of Fitchburg, Mass., Local, and I have three brothers members of the Machinists' Union in Boston, Mass., so therefore I understand Labor's problems and if elected I will serve labor and the people of Charlotte honorably and well.

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MY PLATFORM

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2. To hold taxes on your home and other real estate at a minimum.
3. To further develop and expand our industrial life, thereby providing more jobs for all citizens.
4. To expedite the solution of traffic congestion.
5. To further expand our recreational program.
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7. To develop our health service program.
8. To continue to negotiate with the Southern Railway Company for a new station and for the elimination of grade crossings.

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PRIMARY; Monday, April 25, 1949

ELECTION: Tuesday, May 3, 1949

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