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### OUR NEW CITY ADMINISTRATION STARTS OFF WELL

Without much ballyhoo Charlotte's new political line-up got off to a good start. The usual formalities were gone through with, and Mayor Victor Shaw and the councilmanic body proceeded, not too hastily, with the work cut out for them. They reappointed Frank N. Littlejohn Chief of Police, Donald S. Charles Chief of the Fire Department, L. L. Ledbetter City Treasurer and George B. Livingston City Accountant. There are a few committee appointments yet to be made.

The only change at the City Hall of any consequence was the appointment of James W. Armstrong as Collector of Revenue, he replacing Campbell W. Ansley. Mr. Armstrong has previously served five years as city tax collector, and fifteen months as City Manager in the period between 1935 and 1941, and in both positions "Jim" Armstrong left a clean and highly commendable record for efficiency. His friends in Charlotte are legion and are highly pleased by his appointment.

The new city administration will face many problems of vital importance to the future of Charlotte, and there will be criticism of the way some of them are handled, but that is always to be looked for, yet The Journal believes that the affairs of Charlotte are in safe and capable hands, and that, considering it carries no financial emoluments to speak of, our "brand new Mayor" and "worked over City Council, are going to make history, for at present we are at the crossroads.(?)

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### Communism's Ten Commandments

By T. A. STEELE, Local 782,  
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I.  
I am thy God and Master too,  
Obey my will in all ye do;  
Enshrine my name within thy heart,  
And bid all other gods depart.

II.  
Where'er my image thou doth see,  
Show thy respect with bended knee,  
Lest thee and loved ones feel the sting  
My jealousy will surely bring.

III.  
If thou doth take my name in vain  
Thy guilt will cause thee grievous pain;  
So speak of me in humble tone,  
At market place and when alone.

IV.  
Forget the Sabbath, do not rest,  
But labor on and give thy best,  
And see that all within thy gate  
Shirk not unless they feel my hate.

V.  
Respect thy parents 'till the hour  
Hath come when they refute my power;  
Then break their aged hearts and flee,  
Forgetting all they did for thee.

VI.  
Thou shalt not shirk or stop to take  
The life of one if for my sake;  
Let not compassion stay thy hand,  
And in my favor thou shalt stand.

VII.  
If thou hast children at thy door  
Remember I have need for more;  
So propagate, obey my laws!  
Thy flesh and blood must fight my cause.

VIII.  
For me take from the rich and poor  
At point of gun, and seek for more;  
Heed not their pleas, no succor give—  
What if they die? Must I not live?

IX.  
If thou art called to make a choice  
'Twixt me and others let thy voice  
Defend my cause though thou must lie;  
Heed not the other's honest cry.

X.  
If thou doth covet in thy mind  
The things thy neighbor hath, go find  
A way to seize his goods, and then  
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