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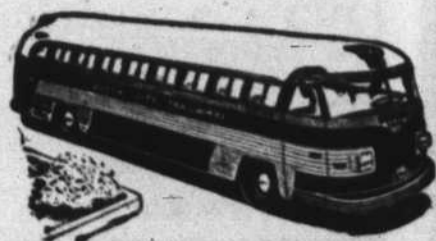
Then adventuresome engineers began to turn power wasting at falls and shoals into electricity they transmitted it to sites located a safe distance from the rivers. These sites rapidly grew into towns. Factory loss by flood ended.



Such river sites as could be reached and profitably developed were "used up" too. It was found that, in time of drought, streams proved inadequate to power needs in the awakened Piedmont.

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Working for Those Million New Members



Washington.—Harry O'Reilly (left), AFL director of organizing, whose main interest these days is urging AFL members and officials everywhere to get 1,000,000 new members in 1950, gets a chance to tell his views to President Martin P. Durkin (center) of the Plumbers Union and James A. Brownlow (right), secretary-treasurer of the AFL Metal Trades Department.

Never Saw So Many Vice-Presidents



Washington.—Vice-President Alben W. Barkley gets a hearty laugh from AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany and Secretary of State Dean Acheson at Campers Memorial Dinner with his remark that he had never seen so many vice-presidents in one place. Nine of the AFL's 13 vice-presidents were seated at the head table with Mr. Barkley.

Vets Checks Ready

Washington.—The first of 16,000,444 checks for the \$2,800,000,000 National Service Life Insurance special dividend will be mailed January 16, Veterans Administration announces.

The mailing operation will be done by the disbursing office of the U. S. Treasury. The goal is to mail 200,000 checks daily each week, or a total of 1,000,000 checks weekly.

A BUSY MAN O'CONNOR.

Washington.—Here's what happened to Frank O'Connor starting the New Year: He was elected president of Stone and Marble Masons Union No. 2 of the AFL; re-elected secretary-treasurer of the Washington, D. C., Building Trades Council, and re-appointed by the District Commissioners as labor member of the minimum wage and industrial safety board for a full 3-year term.

UNION GUESTS.

Washington.—Rep. Jack Shelley of California and Rep. Leonard Irving of Missouri, both AFL union officials serving in Congress, were listed as guests of honor for the Washington, D. C., Building Trades Council luncheon on Jan. 25.

Don't Be Fooled!

Washington.—Don't be fooled by claims of Sen. Robert A. Taft that he will be re-elected in Ohio.

That's the advice of AFL Labor's League for Political Education.

"The same 'experts' who grandly dismissed President Truman last year didn't learn a thing," says the League Reporter. "It is they who now are whispering that labor's going to lose Ohio. Or, how can it expect to win in Pennsylvania?"

"What working people need to do to win at the polls this year is simple. They must stand on their program for better health, better housing, better working conditions, better education, more security for workers, the aged and the unemployed, stable prices for the farmer, fair profits for the businessman.

"And, of course, they must vote."

Chicago Change

Chicago.—WGN, Mutual Broadcasting outlet, now carries the AFL Frank Edwards news commentary at 11 p. m. Chicago time instead of 11:10 p. m. The program is heard also at 9 p. m. over WCFL, owned by the Chicago Federation of Labor.

'AFL' Founder



Washington.—Born Jan. 27, 1850, in London, he was 31 years old when first elected president of the American Federation of Labor which he served through all the vigorous productive years of his life until his death in 1924. The AFL is celebrating this year the centennial anniversary of his birth with a year-long organizing campaign.

Texas Federation Marks 50th Year

Austin, Tex.—The Texas State Federation of Labor observed its 50th anniversary on Jan. 15.

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HONOR NORMAN THOMAS.
New York.—AFL President William Green is among the almost one dozen AFL vice chairmen for the testimonial luncheon to Norman Thomas here Feb. 4. AFL Vice Presidents Daniel J. Tobin, president of the Teamsters Union, and David Dubinsky, president of the Ladies Garment Workers Union, are others.

PREDICTS SHOW SUCCESS.
Washington.—The Union Label Trades Department predicts that the fifth AFL Union Industries Show in Philadelphia May 6-13 "will again be a gorgeous spectacle and a sensational success." The prediction was made on the basis of plans and arrangements for exhibits and entertainment features now being completed.

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