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Labor Sunday Messages from National Churches of Christ, U.S.A.

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a union card.

Management, in turn, is reminded of its responsibility to be honest in appraising its own financial situation. Too often in collective bargaining negotiations the language of management, would Have Definite seem to indicate proximate financial collapse, even though their Spiritual Implications official records reveal that they are earning fair profits after generous provision has been made for depreciation and future expansion. Such misleading statements, made for the purpose of bargaining, naturally tend to develop a spirit of National Conference of Christians distrust among employees and union leaders.

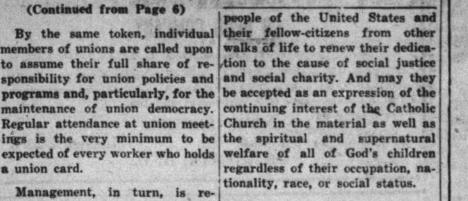
have a joint responsibility to fore- day set aside for special tribute stall the harmful effects of infla- to those who toil with hand and tion. In negotiating collective mind. agreements, they may not legitimately use their economic strength to advance their own interests at the expense of less-favored groups who are dependent on a fixed income and lack the necessary bargaining power to keep up with the rising cost of living.

Christian Meaning of Labor Day

In concluding this annual statement, in which we have counseled with the Vicar of Christ, His Holiing of Labor Day:

"Who better than the true Chrisfound significance! For him it is shall ascend into the mountain of ready to make such a bargain, and rifice have attained. But these are tian can give to Labor Day a proadores all the more intensely the Man-God, Our Lord Jesus Christ,

Who, that He might be our model, our consolation and sanctification of hands and heart also continue able to remove the chief bar to passed the greater part of His life, to characterize your struggle substantial progress. Our union passed the greater part of His life, in the exercise of a manual trade, as a humble worker (Cfr. Matt. 13, Mark b. 3); it is the day of thanksgiving to God on the part of all those who provide assurance, through their labor, of a tranquil and peaceful life for themselves and their families; it is the day on which is affirmed the will to overcome class warfare and hatred with the strength deriving from the strength deriving



Goals of Unions

By DR. MAURICE N. EISENDRATH President, Union of American Hebrew Congregations Co-Chairman, Commission on **Religious** Organizations and Jews

It is a privilege to salute the Finally, labor and management forces of organized labor on this

> The Hebrew word for labor is Avodah. Interestingly, the same sive laws repealed and progressive word means, in the Sacred Tongue, measures enacted. "religious service." I believe that the twin meanings of this word are magnificently demonstrated in the growing awareness on the part of unions that their goals have definite spiritual implications.

holiday. To do one's allotted work with conscientiousness, and to espouse an attitude of guarded and real- the cause of social advance, con- America stands ready to ratify the has many tasks for the year ahead istic optimism, we ask you to join stitute genuine religious functions. no-raiding agreement submitted by -most conditions for its members, I pray that all laborers, at desks the unity committee of the Ameri- safeguarding their rights, fighting ness Pope Pius XII, in reflecting and in the ranks, will ever be can Federation of Labor and the bitter anti-labor campaigns in prayerfully on the spiritual mean- mindful of the fact that they are Congress of Industrial Organiza- state legislatures, resisting a engaged in enterprises tinged with tions. The 1952 convention of our weakening of social security and a spirituality. And let us remember union authorized this stand, which hacking away of other bene-

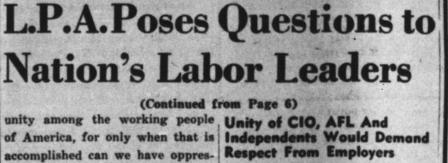
a day on which he venerates and the Lord and who shall stand in if our word is given it will be all subordinate to Labor's No. 1 His holy place? He that hath clean scrupulously honored. hands and a pure heart."

The present situation is bad not

only for unionism but for the coun-

try. Now it is possible for the

geographical fears and hates.



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There must be unity all the way down the line-among those new "What do you regard as the most outside. While the present situation pressing task for the Labor Movemembers of unions and those still ment in the year ahead ?" prevails the anti-union forces make

That is a most serious and

The United Textile Workers of thought-provoking question. Labor the words of the Psalms: "Who is our historic position. We are fits that years of effort and sac-If unity among organized work- unity.

We of organized labor are never going to realize our full strength

Electrical Workers are going to try

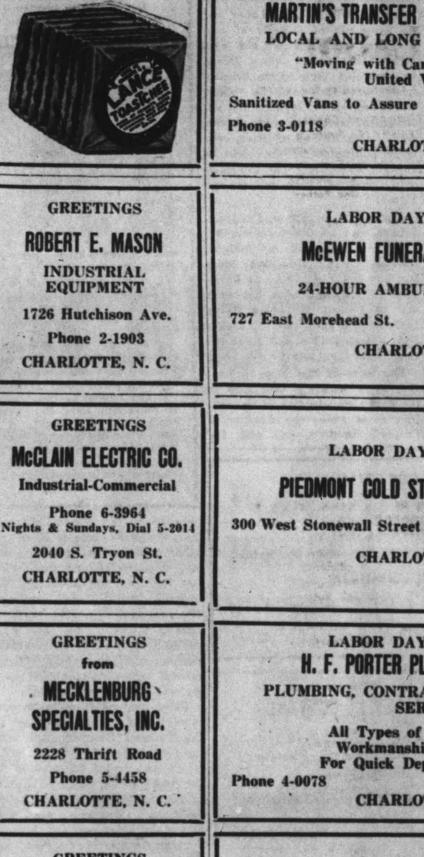
with all our strength to cooperate

in this enterprise toward peace,

and we hope that our rival groups

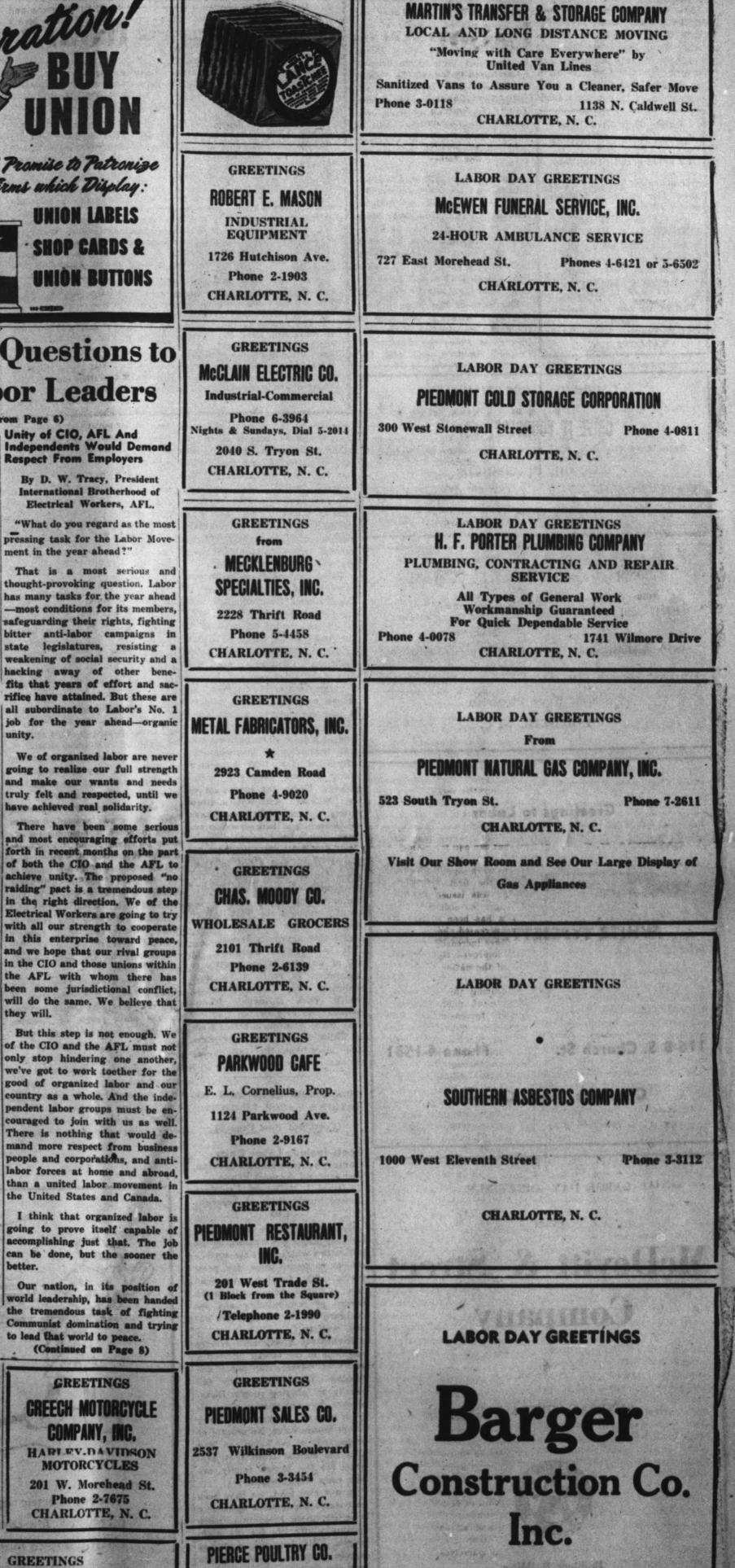
been some jurisdictional conflict,

will do the same. We believe that



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with the strength deriving from blessed with peace. the realization of social justice, We of the Jewish faith now ap-

from mutual respect and fraternal proach our High Holy Day season. charity for the love of Christ; it Perhaps a prayer from our Rosh is the day, in fine, on which be- Hashanah liturgy is the most fit- greedy to keep standards down by lieving humanity solemnly prom- ting greeting of all for Labor Day: playing section against section in the CIO and those unions within ises to create by the labor of men's "Our Father, our King, keep far minds and hands a culture that from our country pestilence, war gives glory to God, a culture that, and famine. gives glory to God, a culture that, far from alienating man from God, "Our Father, our King, cause all is substantially completed that we

brings man ever closer to Him."

(His Holiness Pope Pius XII. Address, May 1, 1953.)

Charlotte Asheville

May these beautiful words of the "Our Father, our King, grant anti-labor measures. We know that good of organized labor and our

Holy Father inspire the working unto us a year of happiness. Amen."

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hate and oppression to vanish from can move forward. As of now, it is But this step is not enough. We often safe for Northern reaction- of the CIO and the AFL must not

aries to join with their Southern only stop hindering one another,

the great bulk of the unorganized country as a whole. And the indein our industry want to join hands pendent labor groups must be enwith us, and once they are able to couraged to join with us as well. speak and to act as free American There is nothing that would deworkers, they will so make their mand more respect from business power felt that the corrupt alli-ance of Northern and Southern labor forces at home and abroad,

anti-unionists will be smashed. than a united labor movement in the United States and Canada. In summary, the United Textile Workers of America see as the task I think that organized labor is before them the completion of the organization of our industry. When accomplishing just that. The job going to prove itself capable of

through the fostering of racial and the AFL with whom there has

that is brought about it will be possible to repeal the repressive features of the Taft-Hartley Act. Given an organized textile indus-

Our nation, in its position of try, we shall prevail in our fight world leadership, has been handed for the National Textile Bill and the tremendous task of fighting end the ruinous throat-cutting Communist domination and trying which menaces the security and the to lead that world to peace. advancement of our people. (Continued on Page 8)

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