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CIO, AFL PLEDGE UNITY FOR WAR VICTORY AT RALLY IN PITTSBURGH

William Green and Philip Murray Speak Together for First Time Since 1936

Unity in all that will help to crush Axis powers and carry America's armed forces to final victory was pledged Tuesday night by organized labor's cohorts at an overflow rally in Syria Mosque, Pittsburgh.

Speaking from the same platform together for the first time since the split in labor's ranks in 1936, Philip Murray and William Green renewed a pledge to labor peace and promised their millions of men and women will stay on the job until the war is won. Simultaneously they exhortated various groups and individuals who, they charged, were attacking labor.

Echoing their words and deploring what he termed "libels against labor," Paul V. McNutt, social security administrator, the Federal government's representative at the rally, declared that labor "by voluntarily waiving the right to strike, has assured the Nation of uninterrupted production of war materials as far as labor is concerned."

Hours of applause from thousands of assembled CIO and AFL workers attested their full approval of their leaders' statements, stamped with the full rank and file approval which the speakers declared "add a single essential element of fulfillment. Parts of three speeches were carried to millions of listeners over a nationwide hookup.

Green declared "certain business interests and high pressure propagandists were claiming that America must abolish the 40-hour week, over-time pay, the union shop and right to strike. He quoted Roosevelt, and army and navy heads as agreeing 'unanimously' that abolition of the 40-hour week would not 'add a single element of labor to war production.'"

The American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations are working together to bring about a new Americanism," McNutt stated that "since labor has pledged its pledge not to go on strike, not one authorized strike has been called, and even unauthorized strikes have been so rare as to be negligible."

McNutt's remarks were greeted with a storm of applause. He said that "the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations are working together to bring about a new Americanism."

FIRST-AID MEET IS PLANNED BY MINERS

Provisionary plans for a large miners' first-aid meet to be held in Barnesboro on August 1st were drawn up at a meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Miners' Association last week in Shippensburg Court House.

Attending the session were representatives from the sixth, eighth, ninth, 20th, 24th and 25th Bituminous Districts. Three federal mine inspectors—Charles Spragg, Edward Thomas and David Brown, also attended.

COMPLETION OF FARM CONTOUR WORK

Work of completing contour work on Cambria county farms will be completed by A. S. Cooper, State College forestry specialist, on Friday, April 10th. The work was started last week at the home of H. C. McWilliams and will be completed by the executive committee of the organization.

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TRACK IS PLANNED AT BARNESBORO FIELD

Construction of a new cinder track in the Barnesboro High School Stadium is planned, officials report.

WPA workmen will be employed on the project which calls for construction of a track fifteen feet wide, surfaced by a three foot walk. Both track and walk will have a napped stone base, but the track will be covered with three inches of sifted cinders while the walk will be paved with macadam.

The project also calls for construction of drainage facilities for the adjoining football field and planting of grass on the gridiron. Work is scheduled to be completed in time for the 1942 football season.

TEACHERS TO MEET MONDAY EVENING

There will be a meeting of the American Federation of Teachers on Monday evening, April 13, at 8 p. m. in the Courthouse at Ebensburg.

This will be a joint meeting of the teachers organizations from the north and south of the county and all teachers are urged to be present.

Matters of vital importance will come before the body and the representatives from the Central Labor Union of Johnstown will report on the progress made since the last meeting in regards to pay for the teachers during the quarantine period during September.

Word has been received from the Teachers International, according to the secretary of Johnstown Central Labor Union, Clyde S. Slick, that a representative will be present at the meeting and placed in the territory for several weeks.

James Feeley, American Federation of Labor representative; Clyde S. Slick, secretary of the Central Labor Union; and Ray C. McNulty, president of Adams Township Federation of Teachers, will attend the meeting.

BICYCLES FROZEN ON

The war transportation board in Washington has frozen sales and deliveries of all new adult bicycles, effective at 11:59 o'clock last Thursday night.

The order applies to all bicycles except those in transit from factory to dealer and those with frozen at their destination unless consigned to the ultimate consumer.

Officials had no estimate of the number affected but said inventories are the lowest in history.

POSTPONE OPENING OF SALVAGE DRIVE

Because of the negligible representation from Cambria County Defense Councils at a meeting of the county salvage committee last week in Ebensburg, inaugural of the "Salvage for Victory" campaign has been postponed.

Salvage chairmen from only a few of the 32 councils in the county turned out for the session, which had been scheduled for the purpose of making plans and setting a date for the "Salvage for Victory" week which is to officially open the campaign.

County Chairman Howard V. Koepfer, said another meeting will be held Thursday, April 16th, at the Ebensburg court house. Salvage chairmen from all councils will be asked to participate.

Three sub-committee chairmen were appointed as follows: Mrs. F. D. Geer, Johnstown, school-coordinating division; Henry M. Gooderham, Patton, rural co-ordinating division; and Charles Caples, Johnstown, co-ordinating division for crop dealers.

A publicity committee is to be appointed shortly.

The county committee consists of Chairman Knipper, Johnstown; Martin Boughner, Barnesboro; A. Eugene Antes, Ebensburg; T. Leroy Burke, South Fork; Charles L. Davis, Nanty-Glo; James Ferguson, Portage; Catherine Noel, Cresson; H. M. Gooderham, Patton; Edward Jordan, J. C. Tully, Frank C. Jordan and Mrs. F. D. Geer, Johnstown.

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New Naval Station Commissioned



A blimp cruises overhead, while ceremonies take place on the ground in the commissioning of the new \$5,000,000 naval station at Elizabeth City, N. C. Among those who attended the ceremonies were Rear Adm. M. B. Simons, Governor Wroughton of North Carolina, and Capt. C. E. Rosendahl, pioneer blimp developer.

CRESSION DRAFT BOARD ISSUES CALL FOR LONG LIST OF BOYS IN AREA

Largest Quota of Selectees Named Hits Patton as Having Ratings Rather Hard.

Northern Cambria boys are being called to the colors in the Cresson Draft Board, will take effect on April 15th. The board, set up in Patton, Pa., will select 21 from Patton, and 21 from Hastings. These men will go directly to camp, having been previously examined in Altoona. Following is the list of selectees announced.

- John Andrew Maday, Gallitzin.
- John Peter Nestella, Lilly.
- Blaine Leroy Fulton, Cresson.
- Kenneth Francis Lawson, Gallitzin.
- James Theodore Sutton, Ansville.
- John Allen Capute, Patton.
- Bernard Leroy Duffy, Gallitzin.
- Leo Joseph Bucynski, Lilly.
- Samuel Paul Lees, Patton.
- Ludden J. Conrad, Coupon.
- Eugene Joseph Malcott, Coupon.
- Stanley John Kurtz, Gallitzin.
- Alvin Joseph Ivory, Ashville, R. D.
- Francis John Wahl, Gallitzin.
- Clarence Francis Guishman, Cresson.
- Clifford Alvin Lomire, Cresson.
- Francis Paul Sanker, Cresson.
- William Henry Lantry, Hastings.
- Francis Sylvester Schenk, Cresson.
- David Ivory Webb, Loretto, R. D.
- Clifton Earl McCartney, Flinton.
- Roy Paul Barneck, Lilly.
- Melvin Elmer Myers, Cassandra.
- Courtes Ray Oshell, Flinton, R. D.
- Sylvester Lingsfelt, Lilly, R. D.
- James Anthony Smithner, Cresson.

John Stephen Petyak, Gallitzin. John Andrew Kuzma, Gallitzin. Cyril Ivan McCloskey, Gallitzin. Harold Austin Noel, Cresson. Charles John Pavlovsky, Ashville. Emmett Joseph Bradley, Gallitzin. Leo John Zerbee, Gallitzin. Gerald Edward Farabaugh, Bradley Junction. Stanley Anthony Zoeky, Lilly R. D. James Lewis Passanita, Jr., Dymart. John Joseph Trunck, Cassandra. John Joseph O'Donohue, Patton. Jay Blair McClelland, Glasgow. Melvin Martin Laferty, Ashville. John Flaczek, Cassandra. Thomas Ellsworth Leahy, Lilly. (Continued on Page 5)

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TEACHERS INSTITUTE IN THE ALTOONA DIOCESE

A teachers' institute will be held at seven communities in the Altoona diocese between April 19th and May 24 to prepare teachers who will conduct the religious vacation schools of the diocese this summer. The institute, sponsored by the diocesan office of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, will offer a six lesson course, one lesson each Sunday afternoon for six weeks. Teachers for the summer schools will be named by pastors and C. C. D. units before the course begins. The instruction centers will be in the following communities: Altoona, Johnstown, Bellefonte, Cresson, Portage, Somerset and Spangler.

THIRTY-FIVE ENTER ESSAY COMPETITION

Thirty-five students from seven Cambria County High Schools have entered essays in the annual contest being conducted under the sponsorship of the Cambria County Council of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Mrs. Thomas A. Owens, Carrolltown, county president, last Thursday night, said 35 essays will be sent to Dr. Arthur M. Stull, county superintendent of schools, who will appoint a committee to judge them. Winners are expected to be announced in about two weeks.

Winner in the county will receive \$2.50 worth of defense stamps and the essay will be entered in the state contest. "The Characteristics of A Good American" is the subject of the essay.

Students from the following schools had essays entered on the closing day, April 1st: Dale, South Fork, Cresson, Gallitzin, Spangler, Barnesboro and Carrolltown.

KIWANIS CLUB PLANS CAMPAIGN FOR CAMP

During the week of April 13 the Kiwanis Club of Northern Cambria will put on a drive for \$5,000 for the Kiwanis camp. Both the club and the camp are maintained for the benefit of the community.

Kiwanis feels they can do much for the community—especially the children—with a well-equipped camp, offering its facilities to all.

The club is organized definitely on the thought of giving, rather than of getting, but must get to give.

With this aim the club is sponsoring the drive. The camp must have adequate facilities and must maintain a staff to care for the needs of those who attend it.

Every cent raised in the drive will be for the camp and none of it for administrative costs, which are paid in full by Kiwanis.

MEDICAL AID NOTICE

In case of disaster, where people are injured, in the area of the Miners Hospital—Northern Cambria County—call Barnesboro telephone exchange telephone No. 34.

Give full particulars and also number to call back.

Other areas in Cambria County needing more emergency assistance also are to follow above instructions. This notice is published under the authorization of B. F. Boswell, M. D., Local Medical Defense Director.

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BILL TO GUARD THE RIGHTS OF LABOR NOW INTRODUCED

Senator LaFollette Would Penalize Employers for "Anti-Union Practices"

Urging the extension of collective bargaining to all war industries Senator LaFollette (P-Wis.) last Friday introduced legislation at Washington to penalize employers for "anti-union" practices.

Only 39 to 40 per cent of war industry is unionized, LaFollette said, and "those who sincerely wish to promote the war effort through a maximum industrial production free from work stoppages caused by industrial disputes will favor a quick and vigorous extension of collective bargaining to all" the affected plants.

Noting the many pending proposals for the suspension of the 40-hour week, LaFollette said labor needed assurance that the war emergency will not be used to deprive it of its rights. And, he added, if there is time for the consideration of such legislation, his own bill should be "carefully weighed."

This would list "oppressive labor practices" among them the use of strike breakers, private armed guards, the possession or use of fire arms, or tear gas, during labor disturbances and interference with peaceful picketing. Violations would be punishable by a fine of \$10,000 or six months' imprisonment.

As chairman of a labor sub-committee which conducted a long investigation of alleged anti-union practices, LaFollette introduced a similar bill in 1940, which passed the Senate but died in the House.

Referring to an installment of the committee's last report, LaFollette said it would show "an astonishing interaction of various anti-union associations in California, conducting oppressive labor practices on a scale that staggers belief."

STRUGGLES IN

No Contests in County Assembly Place on Either Ticket, Geo. Hoppel to State Committee

Bitter Primary contests have developed in the state in both Republican and Democratic Parties as a prelude to the fight for political control of Pennsylvania for the next four years. President Roosevelt's name has already been injected into the Democratic factional dispute, while both of the commonwealth's U. S. Congressmen are directly involved in the May 19th primary.

Locally, the primary will have only the congressional candidates battling. Two seek the Republican nomination and three the Democratic nomination. Candidates on both parties in both Johnstown and the county for assembly have filed only in the number to be nominated, and no activity will be forthcoming. George C. Hoppel, of Patton will have no opposition for the Representative of the county on the Democratic State Committee.

Center of attention are contests for gubernatorial nominations. Democrats must choose one of five candidates to lead their attempt to wrest control of the state from Republicans who are embroiled in a finish fight between U. S. Senator James J. Davis and Maj. Gen. Edward Martin. Three Republicans, dropped out of the race on Saturday last, the 31st day for withdrawal.

The Democrats are split into three major factions with three gubernatorial candidates.

Common Pleas Court Judge Ralph H. Smith, of Pittsburgh, backed by U. S. Senator Guffy.

Auditor General F. Clair Ross supported by National Committeeman David L. Lawrence and endorsed by the state committee.

Dr. Luther A. Harr, former Philadelphia City Treasurer, who is bituminous coal consumers counsel, backed by State Chairman Meredith Myser.

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