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If you're vacationing on a lake or seashore this summer, don't forget that your automobile is equipped with a handy, effective life preserver.

According to the Institute for Safer Living of the American Mutual Liability Insurance Company, the spare auto wheel and tire fully inflated can be used as a satisfactory life saving ring preserver. It can be used as a life raft for several persons from an upset boat, for tests show it will readily support three or four persons. It can be quickly rolled from car to water and pushed out to reach a swimmer in trouble.

A person untrained in rescue methods can help save a drowning person in this manner: simply by grasping the wheel firmly and propelling it by kicking with legs and feet until the victim is reached. Remember, however, to keep calm and keep the wheel between rescue and rescued. If the victim cannot assist you to return to shore, both persons should remain quiet and support themselves on the tire until help arrives.

The Institute suggests that waterside vacationers be sure that the spare tire is kept inflated to proper level, lug loosened and ready to be removed from the car and kept near the water if possible.

It makes good life-saving sense to have this emergency rescue aid always handy. Widely endorsed by police departments and water safety authorities, the Institute never use this device as a floating toy—it's heavy and rough and may cause injury.

If you can't swim it's safer to move the tire to the drowning person by a stick, pole or oar. Never throw the tire to or at the person—he might be hit by the heavy object or it might land out of his reach.

Never consider this device as a substitute for knowing how to swim or knowing water rescue work. Surest way to avoid drowning is to have every member of the family be a competent swimmer and Red Cross trained in life-saving.

Real Estate Deals Recorded

Real Estate deals involving the sale of several Blair residential properties have been recorded this week.

Marius Hansen, Blair contractor, has sold a house in the Stokes addition in north Blair to Howard Campbell for \$11,600.

The Richard Daniels home on north Walker Avenue has been sold to O. L. Newman for \$8,750.

The Clyde Sappenfield house on east South street which was traded to Arthur Hanheim on a recent deal, has been sold by Hanheim to Clifton Robinson, Jr. for \$7,500.

Mrs. Emma Nelson has sold her house at 306 west South street to Calle Hansen for \$6,500.

Union Racketeering Revealing

By James W. Douthat
 Sordid stories of union labor racketeering and hoodlumism have convinced some members of Congress that a nationwide campaign of education and drastic legislation to curb union labor monopoly are necessary.

The hearings of the Senate committee headed by Sen. McClellan (D-Ark.) not only disclose hoodlumism and racketeering in localities as widely separated as New York and Portland, Ore., but they also have revealed nationwide monopoly programs.

Sen. McClellan, who is making an inquiry into racketeering in New York, said present federal law is inadequate to curb abuses.

This appeared to many observers to be an understatement. The disclosures include:

1. Unions hire gangsters, and gangsters set up their own unions—enjoying protection of federal law or ignoring it, as they please.

2. In spite of Sen. McClellan's charges that James Hoffa got control of the Teamsters Union movement in New York with the aid of gangsters, he appears to be unopposed as a candidate for the international president of the organization which claims to represent a million employees.

3. Sen. McClellan said Hoffa's

From labor's point of view, automation should not be considered a threat but a great opportunity. Automatic machinery requiring fewer man hours of labor on a product ought to bring about higher wages and drastically reduced working hours, eventually. But there is some danger of widespread displacement of workers in the transition period and we believe that labor, management and the government should begin undertaking a program now to prevent needless unemployment and suffering.

All in all, despite these problems, the outlook for labor is promising. If we can preserve world peace and strengthen forces of freedom, we should be able to cope with any economic troubles that may arise.

The American trade union movement will be in a much stronger position to carry on the good fight for human justice as a result of unity. The merger process, initiated when the AFL-CIO was formed, is now cementing the forces of labor at the State and local level. Already we have demonstrated the sincerity of our pledge to keep the labor movement clean of communism and corruption. With invigorated spirit and the support of the general public as well as our own members, we propose to go forward during the coming year with the job of building for a better America.

program included a Teamster-Longshoremen's control plan which, if successful, would give him control of the Eastern Seaboard and the new St. Lawrence Waterway.

4. Hoffa, himself, announced that his first objective, if elected president of the Teamsters, would be a giant union organization controlling transportation employees in the entire country. This, he said, would permit a nationwide strike which, of course could paralyze the country.

5. The Senate committee officially disclosed that Teamsters Union dues money paid the hotel bill of Joe Louis, former heavyweight champion, when he came to Washington and displayed himself in the courtroom where Teamsters' boss Hoffa was on trial for allegedly planting a spy in the Senate committee.

An intimation came from a Senatorial inquirer that the presence of Louis in the courtroom may have made the predominantly Negro jury more sympathetic to the defendant. It also was revealed that the Teamsters Union placed advertising in a Negro newspaper at the time of the trial, the ads praising Hoffa's virtues.

6. A former union president, Lester Washburn, of the United Auto Workers, testified that the International Ladies Garment Workers Union hired a gangster to "crack" a nonunion plant at Roanoke, Virginia.

7. Testimony was given that "paper" unions were set up in New York by gangsters, who intimidated or conspired with employers to defraud employees. Testimony centered around Johnny Dio, described as a New York gangster.

Senators are being asked by constituents: What will Congress do to stop gangsterism and union monopoly?

Thus far no clear answer has been given. Sen. McClellan and some other members of his investigating committee say that legislation must be enacted to stop racketeering.

But, meanwhile, the Labor Department announces it is studying plans to modify the Taft-Hartley Act for presentation to Congress next year. Such a modification as has previous been proposed would give union monopoly a stronger grip.

Union leaders, and Senators and Representatives elected as "union labor candidates" continue to urge legislation virtually destroying any protective federal legislation.

There is widespread belief, however, that public indignation may force Congress into action to protect the public, industry and union labor workers from monopoly and gangsterism.

STATEMENT BY THE AFL-CIO EXEC. COUNCIL

The record of the AFL-CIO on civil rights speaks for itself. We have fought in this session of Congress, as the labor movement has traditionally fought, for a meaningful civil rights bill.

In keeping with that tradition, we supported H.R. 6127 as it passed the House, and we urged the Senate to adopt it without crippling amendments.

We are disappointed in the Senate amendments which obviously make the measure less effective than the House version. But the trade union movement has never taken an "all or nothing" position in the legislative field. We are always prepared to accept progress even when we expected the progress would be greater.

In this instance, the Senate-approved measure provides for a Civil Rights Commission, operating with subpoena powers, which can do much to focus public and Congressional attention on the problems which cry out for justice. The precious right to vote is given Congressional recognition and the Department of Justice is given new powers to protect that right.

We urge the Congress to adopt this year the bill as passed by Senate. We will not join with those who would delay or defeat the present weakened measure in an effort to obtain political advantage.

We pledge that the AFL-CIO will continue, in the years ahead, to press for continued improvements until we reach the day when full civil rights are guaranteed for all our citizens.

Resolution Adopted by the AFL-CIO Executive Council
 WHEREAS, President George Meany of the AFL-CIO has been appointed by the President of the

United States to serve as a member of the United States delegation to the forthcoming session of the United Nations General Assembly;

WHEREAS, this is the first time that a leader of the American labor movement has been so singularly honored; and

WHEREAS, the appointment of President Meany is recognition of the forward-looking and constructive role played by the AFL-CIO in seeking to build a world of peace, prosperity and freedom;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the AFL-CIO congratulates President Eisenhower upon making this appointment to this position of outstanding importance and congratulates President Meany upon being appointed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the AFL-CIO pledges its full cooperation and support to President Meany in his capacity as a member of the United States delegation to the General Assembly of the United Nations.



NAT "KING" COLE ON NBC TV REGULAR FALL SCHEDULE

The half hour summer presentation of the Nat "King" Cole NBC-TV show, Tuesdays, 10-10:30 p.m., NYT, has been selected for the network's 1957-58 regular fall programming beginning September 24—but at a new time, 7:30 to 8 p.m., NYT. The popular pianist-singer, still sponsorless, though showing increased audience ratings since his expansion to a half-hour format, is shown above with Harry Belafonte, another popular singer-actor, who was Nat's guest recently. —(ANP)

Edward Bennett

Edward Bennett, age 84 years, of Douglas County Annex, expired Saturday August 17, 1957 at a local hospital.

A native of Tyler, Texas, Mr. Bennett was a long time resident of Omaha and was a member of Zion Baptist Church. There are no known survivors.

Funeral services were held Friday August 23, 1957 at 2:00 p.m. from the Myers Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. F. C. Williams officiating. Interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Georgia Brown

Mrs. Georgia Ann Brown, age 75 years, 2219 Grace Street, passed away Wednesday August 14th at a local hospital. Mrs. Brown had been a resident of Omaha ten years.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Elvira Chambers, Camden, Arkansas; two brothers, Mr. Clem Brown, Omaha, Mr. Melvin Brown, Mt. Rose, Ark.; five granddaughters, Mrs. Jose Mae Strong, Misses Annie and Vera Chambers, Omaha, Mrs. Veira Beasley, Waldo Arkansas, Mrs. Ruby Nell Walker, Los Angeles,

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Julia Washington

Mrs. Julia Arene Washington, 67 years, 1925 North 30th Avenue, passed away Thursday August 22nd at a local hospital. Mrs. Washington had been a resident of Omaha forty years.

Mrs. Washington was a long time member of Sharon Seventh Day Adventist Church. She was a top money raiser in the campaign for funds for their new church edifice, John Creighton Blvd. and Bedford Avenue. Mrs. Washington was also active in the Dorcas Federation.

Mrs. Washington is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Emmalyn Collins, Phoenix, Arizona; four sons, Mr. Henry Washington,



Dean of American Letters

Dr. Wm. E. Burghardt DuBois has just published his latest literary work, a novel "The Ordeal of Mansart". This is the first volume of a trilogy, "The Black Flame", in which Dr. DuBois presents a monumental study of what it has meant to be a Negro in the United States from 1870 to the present.—(Associated Negro Press Photo)

Grand Island, Nebraska, Messrs Robert, Booker and Charles Washington, Omaha; three sisters, Mrs. Annie Cunningham, Beatrice, Alabama, Mrs. Mary Lee Cunningham, New York City, Mrs. Sally Walker, Detroit, Michigan; two brothers, Mr. Cleveland Cunningham, Beatrice, Alabama, and Mr. Rufus Cunningham, Pensacola, Florida, three grand children.

Funeral services were held ten o'clock Tuesday morning August 27th from the Sharon Seventh Day Adventist Church with the Elder G. H. Taylor officiating, assisted by Rev. E. T. Streeter, Rev. McCoy Ransom, Rev. Charles Tyler. Flower bearers were members of the Dorcas Federation, the pallbearers Messrs John Butler, N. Mosley, G. Parridge, Sr., N. Scarborough, George Scarborough, R. Greene. Interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery with arrangements by the Thomas Funeral Home.

Lena Price

Mrs. Lena Price, age 72 years, August 18th at a local hospital, passed away Sunday morning August 18th at a local hospital. She was a member of Christ Temple Church.

Mrs. Price is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Alma Alice Jackson, Omaha; two grandsons, Mr. Waymon Fleming, Mr. Melvin Winston; two great grandchildren, Rita May Fleming, Louis Ann Fleming, Omaha and other relatives.

Funeral services were held two o'clock Thursday morning August 22nd from Christ Temple Church with the Rev. L. Willis officiating, assisted by Rev. J. W. Goodwin, Rev. J. W. Rodgers, Rev. A. Ralph Davis. Pallbearers Messrs DeWitt Smith, William Woodall, H. H. Smith, Sr., E. Butler, A. L. Johnson. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery with arrangements by the Thomas Funeral Home.

Geo. L. Johnson

George L. Johnson, age 54 years, of 2445 Spaulding St., expired Thursday August 22, 1957 at his home.

A native of Lexington, Mo., Mr. Johnson came to Omaha in 1930, and for the past 7 years, had been employed at Wagner Electric Co.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Agnes Johnson of Omaha; mother, Mrs. Mary A. Johnson of Lexington, Mo.; 2 step-sons, Earl and Fred Wayne of Omaha; aunt, Mrs. Angie Cobey of Kirksville, Mo., and other relatives.

Funeral services were held the Bethel A.M.E. Church with August 27, 1957 at 2:00 p.m. from Rev. W. A. Fowler officiating. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers Messrs Henry McCarrill, Joe Riggers, LeRoy Curry, Dale Salin, Ora Marshall and Chalmers Williams.

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1957 Labor Day Message

By George Meany, President, AFL-CIO

There is a good reason for widespread celebration of Labor Day this year, because more men and women are employed at higher wages and under better working conditions than ever before in the history of the country.

That simple but all-important fact is not an accident of fate. It is a direct result of putting into practice the American concept of an expanding economy—of constantly increasing production with everyone sharing the rewards.

Political parties never hesitate to claim credit for bringing about national prosperity. Public officials also have been known to make sweeping claims of that sort. Some of our major industries vie with each other in advertising campaigns to convince the public that their own particular activities are the key to the nation's economic welfare. Yet seldom, if ever, do the contributions of the trade union movement get proper recognition.

There are two principal ways in which the trade unions, as such, have helped to build and maintain high-level prosperity. I am not speaking of the actual work performed by the members of trade unions, nor of the increased skills and efficiency promoted and achieved by union programs. Let us consider here simply the higher wages and shorter hours of which unions have attained not only for their members, but for all workers.

The record is so clear that I don't believe it necessary for me to cite any detailed proof. At the turn of the century before unions were very strong, a worker who earned \$15 a week for sixty hours of work, was considered well paid. Today the average factory wage for a forty-hour week is over \$80. Millions of skilled workers make as much as \$120 a week. The rise in the number of men and women employed is tremendous—from about 27 million to over 65 million.

Now let's do a little arithmetic. This increase in the number of those employed means that an extra four billion dollars a week is being pumped into the pockets of working families of this country, as against worker income 50-odd years ago. On an annual basis, it amounts to over 200 billion dollars a year.

That jump in mass purchasing power is the real secret of America's economic success.

It is not only a secret but a mystery to people in other lands. Frequently, in my travels in Europe and South America I have been asked to account for America's economic strength. My answer is this:

"In America, the man who helps to build a house can afford to buy one; the man who puts together an automobile earns enough to buy one; the factory worker who makes radio and television sets and refrigerators and washing machines can buy them."

Before there can be mass production, there must be the power of mass consumption, made possible by high union wage standards and working conditions. In countries where workers lack the purchasing power to buy what they need and what they would like, mass production does not exist.

Yet some employers in this country still complain about having to pay high wages, forgetting that those very high wages are helping to keep him in business and making it possible for him to earn increased profits.

Every American businessman and every American farmer should realize by now they must sell in order to keep on producing and that they would not be able to sell unless the great majority of American workers were earning high income.

The purpose of this message is not merely to give the trade union movement a pat on the back for its contributions to national prosperity, but to explore how that prosperity can be maintained for the benefit of all elements in our population.

The main threats ahead to continued economic well-being stem from two directions. The first is inflation; the second, a return of mass unemployment due to automation.

Inflation, simply defined, makes your dollar worth less and less and less. In terms of pre-war days, today's dollar is worth only about fifty cents. Obviously we have had considerable inflation in the last sixteen years. If inflation continues unchecked, the dollar may shrink even further.

While a great deal has been said in recent months about the danger of inflation, there has been no serious attempt to track down its cause and to halt its spread.

One of the symptoms of inflation is higher prices. Some industrialists and their friends in Congress have tried to put the blame on labor price increases. Higher wages, they say, force the employer to charge higher prices and thus an inflationary spiral begins.

This argument sounds plausible, but it is full of holes. In many cases, higher wage rates do not mean higher wage costs, because of labor-saving, production improvements. In other cases, employers have raised prices far beyond their increased labor costs. Big business in recent years has taken more than its share of profits and has insisted on charging the consuming public all the traffic would bear.

There used to be a time when business expansion was financed by new investment—that was called risk capital. Nowadays, big business either gets Uncle Sam to pay for new factories through the fast tax write-off system or gets its customers to pay by means of higher prices that bring in surplus profits.

We of the AFL-CIO believe very strongly that there should be a full-scale, impartial Congressional investigation of the whole price-profit-wage relationship as it affects the cost of living, so that some effective and intelligent program can be launched to combat inflation.

So far as wages are concerned, the facts are crystal clear. If wages go down, purchasing power shrinks, factories are forced to close down and the nation is afflicted with disastrous deflation. If wages stand still, our country and its economy cannot go forward. When the economy is frozen, there is no incentive for increasing production and creating new jobs for the young people who enter the labor market each year. Thus, standing still actually means drifting backward in terms of the national economy.

At the same time, the trade union movement realizes that workers cannot get more out of a business enterprise than they put in. The function of unions is to obtain for workers a fair share of the wealth they help to produce. Our movement in America recognizes the right of private capital and private management, likewise to receive a fair share of the rewards of production. It is only when profits soar away out of line that we become critical of the profits system.

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