

Labor, Industry Leaders Confer, Outline Charter

Washington, March 28 (AP)—Three top labor and industry leaders today announced a proposed charter for a "practical partnership" of labor and management to insure industrial peace after the war.

A seven-point plan was made public at a joint press conference by Eric A. Johnson of Spokane, president of the U. S. chamber of commerce; CIO President Philip Murray; and AFL President William Green.

Under the proposed code of principles, the right of labor to organize and engage in collective bargaining would be recognized and preserved.

The code also would recognize and preserve the "inherent right and responsibility" of management to direct the operations for an enterprise.

Charter Outlined

The proposed charter: "We in management and labor firmly believe that the end of this war will bring the unfolding of a new era based upon a vastly expanding economy and unlimited opportunities for every American.

"This peacetime goal can only be attained through the united effort of all our people. Today, we are united in national defense. Tomorrow, we must be united equally in the national interest.

"Management-labor unity, so effective in lifting war production to unprecedented heights, must be continued in the postwar period. To this end, we dedicate our joint efforts for a practical partnership within the framework of this code of principles:

"1. Increased prosperity for all involves the highest degree of production and employment at wages assuring a steadily advancing standard of living. Improved productive efficiency and technological advancement must, therefore, be constantly encouraged.

"Property Rights Basic "2. The rights of private property and free choice of action, under a system of private competitive capitalism, must continue to be the foundation of our nation's peaceful and prosperous expanding economy. Free competition and free men are the strength of our free society.

"3. The inherent right and responsibility of management to direct the operations of an enterprise shall be recognized and preserved. So that enterprise may develop and expand and earn a reasonable profit, management must be free as well from unnecessary government interference or burdensome restrictions.

"Rights Asked "4. The fundamental rights of labor to organize and to engage in collective bargaining with management shall be recognized and preserved, free from legislative enactments which would interfere with or discourage these objectives. Through the acceptance of collective bargaining agreements,

Mustang Fighters Crash on Iwo Jima



Beyond a line of Seventh Fighter Command P-51s on Iwo Jima, smoke towers from flames of a Mustang which was struck by a plane landing on the treacherous Iwo strip. The P-52, making its landing, rolled over one parked plane, flipped over the top of the plane burning fiercely above. AAF photo.

that ache in the family sweet tooth. And, of course, if you've a place for it, you'll have a victory garden this year. Uncle Sam is counting on them to make a big contribution to the country's food supply.

A few extra red ration points come in very handy to every housewife. They might even enable you to get that beefsteak your mouth has been watering for but your ration stamp budget would not permit. The butcher will give you two red points—and 4 cents—for every pound of waste kitchen fat you turn in to him. Put all your used fats in a clean tin can. When it's full take it to your butcher. You'll not only get red points in return, but you'll be doing our fighting men overseas a service too. Waste fats are used in making munitions. Remember—two red points for every pound.

Next time you start to throw away a paper bag, stop and ask yourself if it can be used again. We're not going to have enough paper bags, but housewives can help stretch the limited supply by taking their own shopping bags or baskets to market.

Promotion Won By Bert Moore

Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Moore, 124 Congress, were recently informed of the promotion of their son, Bertram, to the rank of sergeant with the 10th mountain division somewhere in Italy. A 1943 graduate of the Bend high school, where he was vice-president of his class, Sgt. Moore entered the armed forces August 4, 1943, and left for overseas duty in January of this year.

2-Week Recess Taken by House

Washington, March 28 (AP)—The house began a two-week Easter recess today. Although perfunctory sessions were scheduled for today and at three-day intervals for the next two weeks, legislative business was suspended until April 10. Many of the members returned to their home districts.

Mrs. America Meets the War

With spring already in the air, and summer not far away, Mrs. America's thoughts are probably turning to her family's wardrobe. The government's new clothing program about which you've already heard, is designed to make available more lower-priced, essential garments. The total clothing supply will not be increased, but there will be more lower-priced "necessary" clothing and less higher-priced "luxury" clothing.

Another feature of the program is designed to stop the steady rise in clothing prices. Additional protection is afforded Mrs. America's pocketbook through the use of tags, carrying the ceiling price, which will be attached to most wearing apparel. Thus the housewife can tell at a glance the highest price that can legally be charged for the item she's purchasing and guard herself against overcharge.

Rising prices for house furnishings are also the target for attack in the fight against inflation. They have been creeping up steadily, but the office of price administration is putting a stop to such increases by changing the pricing rules on the scale of this merchandise. Plans are now being worked out designed to restore the production of furniture and house furnishings in the lower price ranges. So in a few months if you want to brighten up your living room with a new armchair, or purchase a new bedroom set, you may do so with less strain on the war-time budget.

If you think rationing will be only a memory after the European war is over, you've got the wrong idea. Supplies of all types of rationed commodities are tighter than ever, with no prospect of easing up right after V-E day. Take for example, tires for passenger cars. The number available for rationing to civilians during April is considerably less than March, due to a shortage of carbon black and heavy demands from the army. You'll be smart to have your tires checked right away—if you're lucky enough to still have an automobile. A recapping job may save a tire which can't be replaced, and enable you to keep driving instead of having to put the car in the garage for the duration.

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