

Arbitration Bid Rejected By Ford Firm

Strike Issue Improperly Stated By Union, Claim Of Company Executive

DETROIT, May 25 — (AP) — The Ford Motor Company Tuesday rejected terms of a union proposal for arbitration of key issues in the 20-day-old Ford strike. But the company asked the union for further meetings to work out a satisfactory plan for arbitration.

Ford Vice President John S. Bugas said company officials were "particularly gratified" that the union had agreed to arbitration.

However, he added: "We are not in agreement that you have properly stated the question to be submitted to a competent third party, and therefore suggest that you meet with us later to discuss your letter and its implications."

Bugas' reply was sent to President Walter Reuther of the CIO United Auto Workers, who made the proposal Monday.

Company-union agreement on arbitration procedure would be a big step toward settling the May 5 strike which has idled 106,000 Ford workers and thousands employed by supplier firms.

Under Reuther's peace feeler, only the issue of allocation of manpower on disputed assembly lines would be given to the arbitrator. Other so-called minor issues would be settled by negotiation and a back-to-work movement would follow.

Reuther had described his five-page letter to Bugas as a "gentle arbitration proposal."

He made no immediate comment on the Ford reply.

Since prior to the start of the strike May 5, the company has insisted that the dispute was a problem for arbitration.

The UAW's proposal dwelt on the matter of "100 per cent of production standards, per cent of the dispute bears on the speed of Ford assembly lines and relates to "work standards" and proper manpower.

Boy And Officer Save Child From Drowning

GRANTS PASS, May 25. — (AP) — An 11-year-old boy home from school because of a cold and a city police officer jointly saved the life of a two-year-old child after it had floated a block in an irrigation ditch Monday afternoon.

The child, Mary Sue Holms, is recovering at a hospital after after the boy, Roy Sharp, rescued her, and assistant police Chief Pete Smith administered artificial respiration.

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EFFECTIVE NIGHT DISPLAY—Here's how Roseburg's new swimming pool looks at night. Besides the floodlights which light up the surface of the water and the grounds surrounding the pool, 15 underwater lights will be used, adding to the effective display. With this lighting, the pool will be especially good for night water carnivals. (Picture by Paul Jenkins.)

New City Swimming Pool, Modern, Efficient In Type, Constructed At Low Cost

After years of striving by local civic groups, Roseburg at long last has its swimming pool. The goal has been achieved in little more than a year's time, from the first breaking of ground on the site below Rose School.

The \$67,000 project, started in May, 1948, was accomplished mainly through the efforts of City Manager M. W. Slankard, who devoted his personal supervision to construction of the pool.

Friday there will be a dedication program at the pool's edge, to be arranged by a committee of Roseburg civic clubs, headed by Arlo Jacklin. Starting with a public open house from 5 to 7 p. m., it will continue with music, speech-making, and demonstrations of water safety by the Red Cross.

Although the pool will be opened after the program Friday evening to swimming, actually general use of the pool will not start until Tuesday, June 1.

At that time, said Slankard, management of the pool during the summer season will be assumed by Ray Brown, physical education instructor at Roseburg High School. Brown, serving as life guard, will be assisted by relief guards and attendants in the dressing rooms.

The pool will be used in the morning daily for swimming instruction. In the afternoon it will be open for general use.

Then it will assume the atmosphere of a beach resort, as bathers joll in the sunshine on the green-tinted concrete walk around the pool, or cling to the pale green tile scum gutter, as they take dips in the water.

Manager Saves Money
Many sites were considered for Roseburg's swimming pool before the Park Board finally selected the location directly south of Rose School last year. During the months preceding the start of construction, the board first had recommended the pool be located at Umpqua Park, near the Fairgrounds; then a site near the Senior High School, in Laurelwood, was considered.

Other sites through the years also had been talked of, and campaigns to raise money had been started.

City Manager M. W. Slankard "took the bull by the horns" during his first year in office. He agreed to construct the pool for \$53,000, the amount then on hand in the sinking fund, and the pool was definitely located on the Rose School playground.

The city manager took personal supervision of the work. Through his efforts, he saved the city many times the amount of his own salary, comparing the cost of Roseburg's swimming pool with similar projects elsewhere.

Slankard moved his office from the city to a shack beside the

Elks Lodge. It has already received a lot of use this season.

One feature of the dedication will be the award of a free season pass to the person who most accurately guesses the number of pints of water contained in the pool.

If this is any hint—the city's water bill to fill the pool for the season will be about \$125.

Indians Protest Site Of Village Built For Them

CELILLO, Ore., May 24. — (AP) — The Celilo Indians, who are getting a brand-new village built for them by the government, still don't like the idea.

A statement posted by Chief Tommy Thompson again objected to the site, and threatened legal action. The site, the chief said, is on the "wrong side" of the highway.

"We do not want our permanent residences and dry sheds to the south side of the highway as the air currents for drying the fish are all wrong," said the statement. "But on the north side of the highway air currents are right. Fish dry good. The women who do all the cutting and drying of fish are much opposed and much unhappy."

"We will not consent to being moved until all this matter has been reviewed by legal counsel procedure."

The government, which chose the site only after long consultation with the Indian leaders, went on building the village. It will provide plumbing and sewer systems for the Indians for the first time.

2796 Languages
The French Academy estimates the number of spoken and written languages in the world to be 2796.

Baseball Covering
A Gloucester, Massachusetts chemist is experimenting with fish skins to substitute for the horsehide on baseballs.

Most Westerly Point
The most westerly point in the continental United States is Cape Alva, Wash.

Japan's No. 1 Red



Kyuichi Tokuda, founder and chairman of Japan's Communist Party, smiles broadly as he views a recent workers' rally turnout in Tokyo. Last year Tokuda was hit by a homemade hand grenade while addressing a similar meeting. (Photo by NEA-Acme staff correspondent Richard C. Ferguson.)

Oswego Upset By Report Of 'Phantom' Prowler

PORTLAND, May 24. — (AP) — The sheriff's office reports it has stationed deputies near a south-western county where residents have armed themselves against a "phantom" prowler.

Sheriff Inspector Ben Bailey said authorities were called to the neighborhood Sunday after Oswego Hunt Club riders were halted by two men with drawn guns and ordered out of the area.

He said the residents of the scattered camp-like community, most of them young men and women, were almost all carrying arms. He said talk of a prowler robed in black and terrorizing the community with peeping-tom tactics had prompted the arming.

Bailey said whether there actually is a prowler was uncertain, but he said the situation is out of hand. He said he hoped strangers would shy away from the neighborhood until the tension eases.

The situation erupted in Oswego Friday night. County officers rushed to the area that night and learned one of the residents had fired at what was believed the prowler. A search disclosed no one injured.

Firemen Rescue Boy From Mother's Laundry Chute

PITTSBURGH, May 24. — (AP) — Saur and it'll be a cold day in Donegal before Danny Donahue takes another ride in his mother's laundry chute.

Nine-year-old Danny has been sick the past few days—nothing serious mind you. Just enough to make him "sort of restless" staying in bed, his mother reports.

Sunday, Mrs. Donahue looked in at Danny's room. Danny wasn't there. A search uncovered the youngster—all 78 pounds of him—in the laundry chute, stuck halfway between the first and second floors.

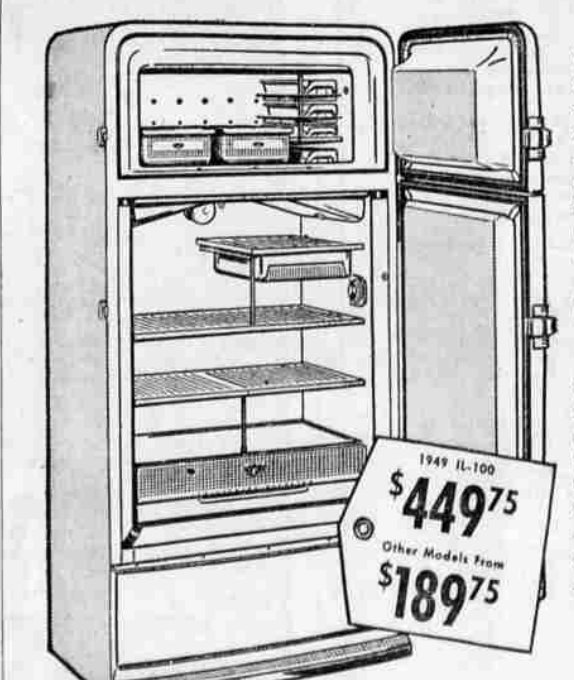
Mrs. Donahue called firemen. They tried ropes and poles but Danny was stuck for shur. So the firemen brought out their axes and tore out enough wall to let Danny slide the rest of the way to the cellar.

Back in bed again, Danny explained he just wanted to see if he could fit in that chute. He knows now.

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Oregon Democrats, Unable To Purge DeCicco, Engage Man To Perform His Duties

PORTLAND, May 25 — (AP) — Oregon Democrats are going to unite and have a paid secretary to direct them.

That is the plan approved Monday by the Oregon State Central Committee, the Multnomah County Central Committee and National Committee members.

Multnomah Chairman Nick Granet said the secretary would handle a unified bank account would have an office and would be paid \$5200 a year.

Granet said the job was already committed to Jim Goodsell, an Air Force veteran and former Astoria-Seaside newspaperman. He said Goodsell would direct publicity fund raising campaigns and handle party expenditures.

The plan would leave Mike DeCicco, Portland tire merchant and recently elected state treasurer, the state finance officer in name only. DeCicco, who was involved in a recent ouster move, raised his hand in opposition to the plan at the meeting. He did not participate in the discussion, nor did speakers mention the DeCicco controversy directly.

The party's county treasurer job also would be virtually eliminated.

State Central Committee Chairman W. L. Josslin said the coalition supporting the plan would help party harmony. "If we are going to win in this state in 1950, we've got to have one party and

not a bunch of factions," he said. DeCicco, with few duties under the merger plan, will continue in office. His attorney, Thomas R. Mahoney, said he had received an opinion from Attorney General Neuner which said there was no way the officers of the party could oust DeCicco.

A mail vote of the executive committee, seeking to remove him, is now in progress. Mahoney said the attorney general's opinion said he found no provision of law under which the elected treasurer could be removed other than by "death, resignation or removal from the state."

Missing Logger Feared Drowned On Fishing Trip

TILLAMOOK, May 25. — (AP) — William Brooks, 32-year-old logger, is missing and feared drowned in the Wilson River while fishing.

Brooks left his home 13 miles east of here Monday afternoon and when he failed to return at 10:30 p. m. Sheriff Allen Birch and state police were notified.

His car was found at a fishing spot on the Wilson River Highway Tuesday, after dragging the river most of the night, officers recovered Brooks' fishing pole. Search is continuing. Brooks was married and the father of two children.

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Billy Mohr (the wrecker, you know) has invented a REALLY low cost fence for his yard. Sixty cents for fifty feet, he insists. For details call 464.

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