

Union to Reject Transit Firm Offer

Pittsburgh — (AP) — Union negotiators in the longest mass transit strike in Pittsburgh history, said today they will "recommend rejection" of a company offer for a 26-cent hourly wage increase in a three year contract.

The strikers, now in the 46th day of their walkout, vote on the offer Friday.

Gilbert Tietel, business agent for the 2,200 striking employees of the Pittsburgh Railway company, said the contract proposal offered too little over too long a period of time.

"The proposal made by management would give us less for three years than is adequate for two years," he said.

C. D. Palmer, president of the street car and bus company, said the new rate would put Pittsburgh "ahead of every transit operation in the United States."

The base rate of the employees, prior to the strike, was \$2.14 per hour, including a 4-cent cost of living increase.

The transit union has asked for a 36-cent per hour increase and additional fringe benefits.

Under Palmer's proposal, the strikers would get an immediate 12-cent per hour increase and subsequent increases that would bring the average in the third year to \$2.40.

The strike began Nov. 14 when the union rejected a company offer for a two-year contract containing 16-cent per hour wage boost.

McDonald To Attend Chicago Meeting

Ashland — Jim McDonald, Southern Oregon college junior, president of the Student National Education association will attend the national conference of chairmen of state committees for federal relations scheduled in Chicago, Ill., Dec. 14 and 15.

The conference is sponsored by the NEA Legislative commission and has requested that representatives of the Student NEA attend.

Before assuming the national post McDonald held the state presidency and the national vice president positions. He is the editor of the campus newspaper at SOC and is director of audio visual aids and public relations for the superintendent's office of the Jackson county schools.



ENTERING CAR AT AIRPORT, President Eisenhower escorts King Mohamed V, of Morocco, and Prince Moulay Abdallah to White House for conferences. (International)

Criminal Identification Bureau Of State Police Being Overhauled

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Salem — The State Police Criminal Identification Bureau should be faster and more efficient when a major overhaul now being undertaken goes into effect next July 1.

Expansion of the identification bureau to make it the first true central crime reporting agency in the state is being undertaken despite failure of the recent special legislative session to pass House bill 470 of the regular session over the governor's veto. It passed the Senate but was killed in the House.

Gov. Robert D. Holmes favors expansion of the bureau, but vetoed the bill on grounds its mandatory provisions might bring about the indiscriminate fingerprinting of juveniles and persons accused of crimes which involve not too high a degree of negligence.

However, Sen. Carl Francis, Dayton, got the bill re-passed in the Senate during the special session on the strength of an opinion by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton that police now have the authority to fingerprint anyone involved in a crime, including juveniles.

Francis said the bill would make no change in the statutes governing fingerprinting as the governor had suggested in his veto message.

24-Hour Day Set
However that may be, the current expansion is proceeding on a voluntary basis.

George A. Kanz, who has headed the bureau since 1941, said this is what will happen July 1:

The bureau will go on a 24-hour, seven-day-a-week basis.

Local police agencies will volunteer daily crime reports from their areas of felonies and misdemeanors involving sex.

The crime reports, including fingerprints, will be key punched for rapid processing through business machines.

An important feature of the crime reports will be information as to the modus operandi or method of operation of criminals who tend to get into ruts. Here

the "M.O." file is of great aid in tracing crime to individuals.

Kanz noted that getting such information onto file cards is quite a job. For instance there are 172 different ways listed that robbers operate and the same problem is faced in describing burglars and other types of criminals.

530,000 Prints On Hand

But when standard crime reporting forms are developed for use throughout the state and the material put on punch cards, police hope they can do a better job of solving crime and even prevent some of it.

Also police will be able to detect crime trends in different areas of the state and improve crime statistics.

The bureau already has some 530,000 fingerprints and about 230,000 pictures. They include not only persons arrested in Oregon, but in other western states as well.

Kanz said that the support of local sheriffs and police departments has been excellent and that he has heard no objections to expansion of the bureau.

Some citizens are touchy about being fingerprinted and photographed and there have been cases in which individuals sued to get their fingerprints back.

There doubtless are some genuine legal questions involved, but several judges have held that fingerprinting is not too great an invasion of privacy but merely a routine identification method.

The courts seem to have taken the line that the honest man has nothing to fear.

Newspaper Toured By Howard Pupils

Howard school seventh grade pupils recently toured the Mail Tribune.

They visited the advertising, news, circulation departments in addition to the back shop. The class is currently studying newspapers as part of their schoolwork.

Visiting the Mail Tribune were Danny McKey, Steve Fowler, Ron Austin, Fred Britt, Jerry Garmen, Donna Lamp, Irene Howard, Nikkie Stovall, Patty Mitchell, Jim Baily, Rosemary Jones, Judy Dickerson, Roberta Garrison, Harold Borer, Howard school principal and Mrs. Richard Kaye, teacher.

A courting woodcock puts on a show for his mate at sunset. He twitters and squeaks as he spirals up to 50 or 60 feet and then folds his wings and dives straight for the earth, pulling out just in time to make a perfect landing.

Jackson Asks That NW Get Submarine Contracts

Seattle — (AP) — Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) Wednesday asked the Navy to assign Pacific Northwest shipyards atomic submarine construction contracts resulting from a step-up in the nation's defense program.

Last week, Jackson called for the immediate construction of "at least 100" atomic submarines capable of launching 1,500-mile ballistic missiles.

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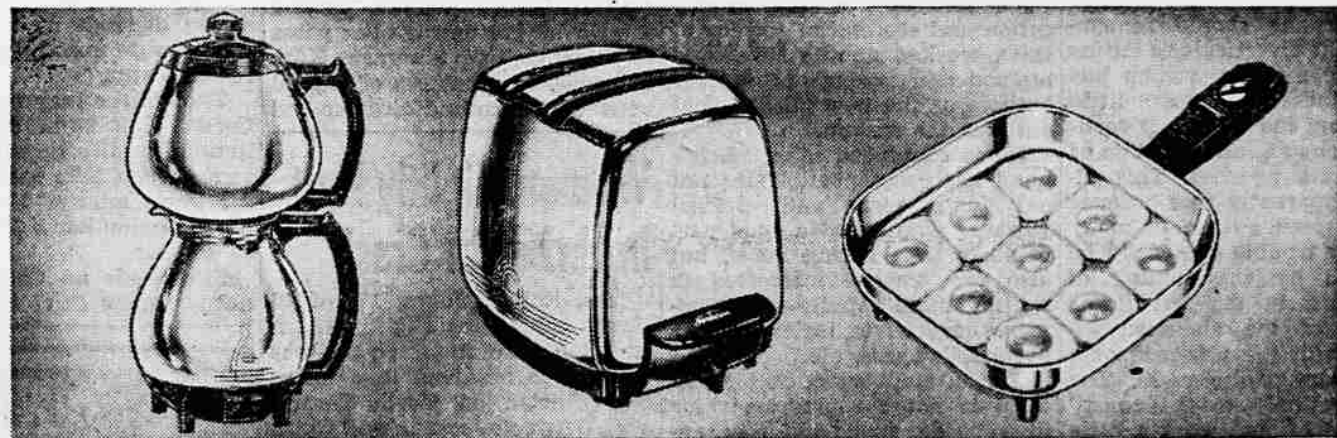
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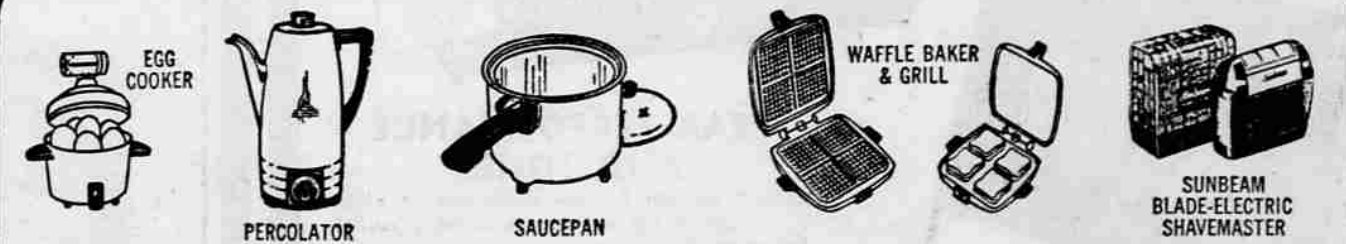
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