

Striking Waiters Idle Restaurants

NEW YORK (UPI)—The majority of Manhattan's most fashionable restaurants remained closed today in a contract dispute with their waiters.

Nearly 150 restaurants were shut down, including Lindy's, Sardi's, "21," the Colony, Delmonico's, Le Pavillon and Chateaubriand. About 1,100 waiters and 6,000 other employees were affected in addition to 20,000 to 30,000 daily patrons. Settlement talks were stalled.

The waiters are members of Dining Room Employees Union Local 1. The union sought pay raises totaling \$12 weekly for a three-year period in addition to fringe benefits. The old contract expired Oct. 31.

The union and the Restaurant League of New York, which represents the dining spots, continued contract talks under the guidance of the state mediation board until 4 a.m. today. There was no agreement reached and no plans were announced for future bargaining sessions.

Women Have Edge In Teaching Parakeets

ROCHESTER, N. Y. (UPI)—Women and children have a slight advantage over men when it comes to teaching a parakeet to talk, report packers of bird food here.

The little feathered friends respond quicker to the higher-pitched sounds of women and children, says the R. T. French Co.

Rep. Green Blasts Hatfield's Appeal for Full Support of Civil Rights Legislation

By YVONNE FRANKLIN
Mail Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Gov. Mark Hatfield last week sent telegrams to all Oregon House members urging them to support civil rights legislation. The men took the Governor's advice with calm, but he collected an almost uncivil right to the chin from the lady lawmaker from Portland.

Hatfield wired the Congressmen:

"Trust you will give full support to overriding any blocks to pending civil rights legislation. Recall my meeting at the request of President Kennedy last summer at the White House in which several governors were given details of his desire in this field. I pledged my support to him at that time on behalf of the people of Oregon and I reiterate it now when maneuvering appears at this distance to dim chances of passage."

Rep. Edith Green showed her wrath side by replying:

"The wisest way to House passage is by means of a discharge petition. A Democrat, Rep. (Richard) Bolling, filed required notice to the House that a discharge petition will be employed. A Democrat, Rep. (Emanuel) Celler, plans to actually file the discharge petition on Monday, Dec. 9."

"An impressive number of Democrats, more than 100, have indicated they would sign the petition. An unimpressive number of Republicans, perhaps six to 10, said they will sign. An

impressive number of Republicans indicate they will not sign. "The Republican House leadership has said it will not support discharge petition procedure. Rep. (Charles) Halleck, the Republican Minority Leader in the House, reiterated this position today after a meeting with President Johnson.

"I suggest that your lobbying is desperately needed—not among Democrats, but among your fellow Republicans. If we

can have the full support of even 60 Republicans, the bill can and will be passed."

She did close with regards. Rep. Walter Norblad, Oregon's only Republican in Congress, said he did not like discharge petitions and would not sign at present. But he pledged that if Rep. Howard Smith, Rules Committee chairman, stalls the civil rights bill, "then I will take another look at it." The Democrats are expected to sign.

Norblad believes bills should follow the regular legislative process. He said he would vote for the civil rights bill, although he said he may agree to modifying amendments. The House Democrats support the legislation.

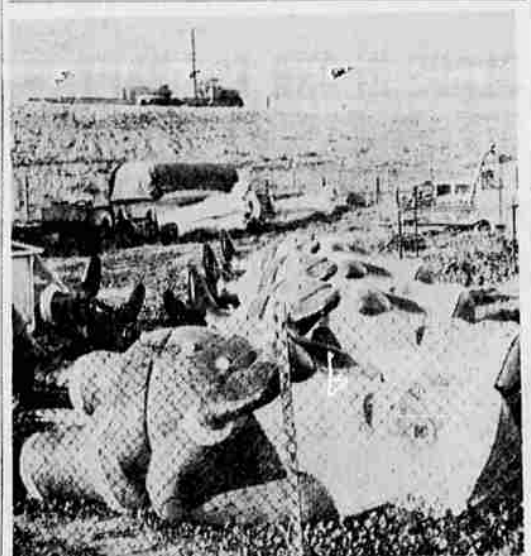
Rep. Robert Duncan (D-Medford) placidly refused to be disturbed into making a partisan reply to the Governor. "I am in

frequent communication with the Governor," he said. "I know how he feels and I assume he knows how I feel."

Rep. Al Ullman (D-Baker) telegraphed: "Appreciate your telegram indicating your support of civil rights bill. Have

always joined other members of the Oregon Democratic delegation in full backing of civil rights. Present need is signa-

ture on discharge petition. In light of position taken by Republican leadership, suggest you do what you can to get support."



REPOSE IN WEEDS — Fibreglass figures of Santa Claus, each about 12 feet tall, repose in the weeds in a yard in Lawndale, Calif., plainly visible to motorists on the San Diego Freeway. Figures were made at a nearby display shop and were apparently abandoned when the owner sold out. (UPI)

Famed Attorney May Defend Ruby

DALLAS (UPI)—Famed San Francisco attorney Melvin Belli, who has made a specialty of winning high-priced injury suits, visited Jack Ruby in his cell Tuesday and indicated he might help defend the slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Attorneys Sam S. Brody of Los Angeles and J. H. Tonahill of Jasper, Tex. Defense attorney Tom Howard, who went to Ruby's defense within hours after he shot the accused assassin, went to the county jail with them.

Afterward, the attorneys conferred with Judge Joe B. Brown of criminal district court who has set Feb. 3 as the trial date for Ruby. Dist. Atty. Henry Wade has said he will seek the death penalty.

"We are thinking about entering the case," Belli said. He added: "I am inclined to think we will."

Brody was believed to be an associate of Belli. Tonahill was a director of the State Bar of Texas from 1959 to 1961.

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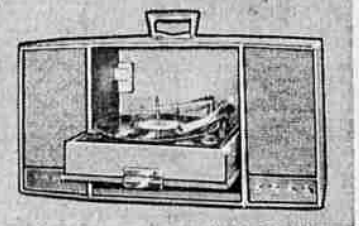
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Tourist Has Hard Time Finding Club With Show in USSR

By JAY AEXLBANK
United Press International

MOSCOW (UPI)—An American tourist recently asked a Soviet Intourist guide where he could find the nearest night club with a floor show.

"In Helsinki," she replied, laughing. Only it was true.

Night life as it is known in the West can't be found in Moscow—no bars, no night clubs and only a dozen or so restaurants that would be considered top quality in the West.

And yet Moscow with a population listed at 7 million is bigger than Chicago, Philadelphia or Paris.

If you want to have a drink of vodka with a friend you must go to a restaurant such as the National (just across the street from Red Square) or to the Metropole or Sovietskaya hotels. Besides vodka you can order wine, beer or cognac. Whiskey and gin are not available publicly in Moscow. If you want to take your wife

or girl friend dancing you must also go to a restaurant, some of which feature small dance bands. But all the restaurants—and a handful of cafes—close their doors at approximately 11:30 p.m.

So around midnight if you're looking for a nightclub its either back to your hotel, apartment or the "Amerkansk" Club.

The latter is located in a dilapidated building a mile from the U. S. Embassy on the banks of the Moscow River. The building belongs to the American Embassy and houses 22 Embassy personnel, mainly bachelors but with a few married men without dependents. The club is operated on a self-supporting basis by the "Amerkansk Dom" (American House).

The American Club is open four nights a week, most nights until 1 a.m. and on Saturday until 3. It has a dance floor, juke box (only one in Moscow) tables and a bar where drinks are 50 kopecks (about 30 cents). You must pay in rubles.

The club is open to all Western diplomats and correspondents but not to Russians—even on a guest basis. It is the only place in Moscow, except for the smaller British Embassy Club (open 3 times a week until midnight) where you can order a scotch, gin or bourbon.

One of the most popular pastimes at the American Club is twisting, something you won't see anywhere else in Moscow because this country frowns on the dance as "vulgar."

In a few years, taking a look at the Kremlin may become as standard for touring Americans and other Westerners as say, gazing at Big Ben in London. With this year's tourist season ending, the American Embassy reports that up to Sept. 1, 2,300 American tourists registered with the Embassy in Moscow. U.S. officials estimate the actual total as 4,500—about the same as last year—since not all tourists register. One of the most popular attractions is Lenin's tomb.

Last summer favored tourists as well as natives. It was the warmest and sunniest in about 20 years. The sun shone almost daily from the middle of June. Now the nip is coming into the air and the first fur hats are beginning to be seen.

Johnsons To Mark Holiday in Capital

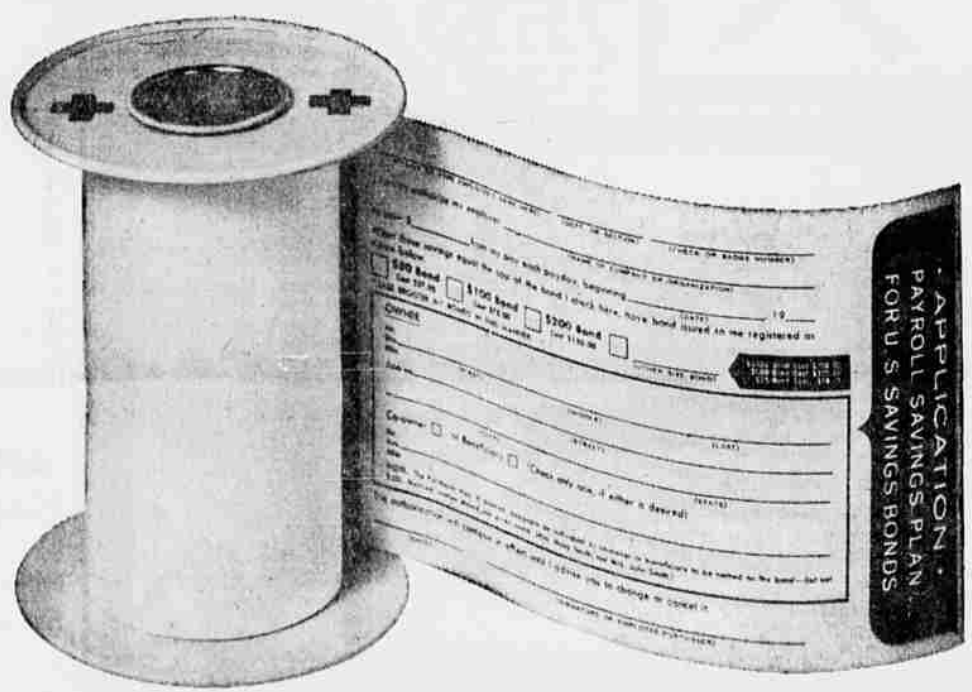
WASHINGTON (UPI)—President Johnson probably will spend Christmas at the White House.

Normally, Johnson would go to his Texas ranch, but it was learned that since the first family still is getting settled in the White House it will hold its celebration here.

Mrs. Johnson, meanwhile was to visit the children's wards at D.C. General Hospital today. She will present Mrs. John F. Kennedy acquired for the young patients. It is customary for the First Lady to visit an area hospital or children's home at Christmas time.

After the mourning period for the late President Kennedy ends Dec. 22, the White House will be decorated for Christmas.

It will be the first time since the Eisenhower era that a first family has spent Christmas in the White House.



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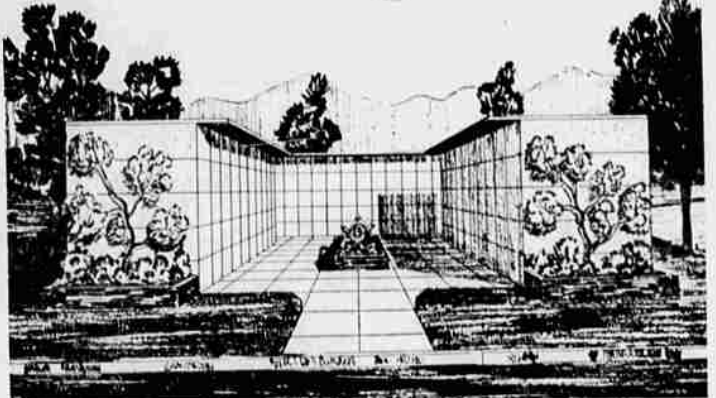
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