

Labor Pact May Answer Problems In Strikes, Union Work Regulations

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A history-making labor pact signed here recently could point to a much broader field—how to handle future national emergency strikes and how to deal with the hot labor-management issue of work rules.

The pact involved the railroad industry, five rail unions, and the federal government. It called for the creation of a 15-man presidential commission to investigate the carriers' long and bitter dispute with the unions over work rules and pay practices.

Had it not been for the agreement, there probably would be crippling rail strikes all over the nation. But these have been averted, at least until 1962, and not then if the commission achieves its objective.

The commission — five members named by management, five by

the unions, and five by President Eisenhower — takes over where traditional collective bargaining has failed.

Has Free Agent

To give the government five completely free agents, neither union nor management was asked for advice on who the federal members should be, or what pay they should receive from the U. S. Treasury.

The commission has asked: —To check thoroughly into all work rules and pay practices in dispute; —To produce recommendations on how these should be changed; and —To mediate differences if union and management fail to agree on the recommendations.

The recommendations will not be binding. In other words, there won't be any compulsory arbitration which union and management alike detest.

Carry Great Weight

But there is no question that the commission's recommendations will carry great weight. Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, who had a hand in the pact, expects them to. The side that rejects them must be prepared for public censure.

The railroad agreement, in effect, abandons the machinery of the railway labor law in favor of the presidential commission, device many in and out of labor feel this is the best way to avert emergency strikes.

Experts Say Front Yard On Way Out

NEW YORK (UPI) — A sweeping expansion of velvet green lawn may be fine for the man with extensive property and a full time gardener but for the average homeowner the traditional front yard is on its way out.

Many authorities on community planning believe the front yard yields the homeowner too little in terms of usable space or privacy for the expense and work involved.

Victor Gruen, the well-known planner and architect, feels land planning is as important to the homeowner as it is to a city planning commission which is redesigning a downtown section. And he feels one of the most challenging problems facing the homeowner is the task of making the most of the front yard.

Gruen urges homeowners to work for repeal of outmoded regulations which, he says, may make it a pleasure to walk down a residential street, but at the same time "conspire to deprive the homeowner of maximum utilization of his property and increase his costs."

Mandatory setback regulations which require that a house be built a minimum distance from the street; prohibitions against fences of more than a prescribed height — usually three to four feet — and regulations specifying a larger-than-necessary lot size make minimum utilization of property difficult and make homeowning more expensive than need be, Gruen says.

Imaginative land planning, he says, can treat a small lot so effectively that it is the equal of a lot twice its size. "A well planned 5,000 square foot lot can give greater satisfaction than a badly planned 8,000 square foot lot, and it will cut land costs 30 to 40 per cent," he said. "Size is no substitute for imagination and planning."

Raid On Gamblers Held Coast Wide

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Gamblers from coast to coast were nabbed today in a series of raids by Treasury agents and local police. More than 100 persons have been arrested so far.

The gamblers were hauled in on suspicion of failing to pay federal gambling taxes.

In a precision sweep, agents of the Internal Revenue Service's intelligence division and local police hit gambling houses across the country beginning at 3:15 p.m. Friday. The raids continued through the night and into today.

At last count, the agents had seized \$65,000 from gambling houses during raids in 54 cities in 25 states.

The nationwide roundup was the third such mass raid in less than a year.

Agents were seeking gamblers suspected of failing to pay one or more of these taxes: a \$50 occupational tax on all gamblers; a \$250 levy on coin-operated gambling devices, such as slot machines, and a 10 per cent tax on gross gambling revenue.

Persons convicted of failing to pay the \$50 occupational tax can be sentenced to one year in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Evasion of the 10 per cent receipts tax carries a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

For failing to buy a \$250 tax stamp for gambling devices, persons can be fined up to \$5,000.

One of the persons arrested in a New York City raid successfully ignited flash paper on which he had written policy slips, the internal revenue service said.

Housing Units Have Been Home To 440 Families in Eight Years

We heard some interesting information concerning residents of Greenway Village and Weldon Homes this week when Manager Woodrow Wood made the annual report of the Housing Authority to the City Council.

With the Housing Authority much in the news these days because of the proposed construction of 50 new low-rent housing units for GladeWater and the conversion of the present Greenway Village units from white to non-white occupancy, we found Mr. Wood's report most informative.

There are both proponents and opponents of federal housing projects in GladeWater. There are still others who have no conception of the purpose, management or need of low-rent housing units. For all categories we would like to pass along portions of Mr. Wood's report.

The staff of the Housing Authority of the City of GladeWater consists of a full time Executive Director-Secretary, a full time Maintenance Mechanic and part

time Manager. All routine maintenance is done by the Maintenance Mechanic including all electrical and plumbing repairs. Ground care is done by contract labor as it is needed and the Authority charges tenants a small monthly fee which pays for the costs of this service.

The budget for the period of July 1, 1960 to June 30, 1961 is based upon total operating receipts of \$23,950 and routine expenditures of \$21,320 producing a surplus of \$2,630. The financial report for the period ended June 30, 1960 shows a surplus in the operating reserve of \$10,406 which is invested in time deposits with the First State Bank and U. S. Government bonds.

Electricity for lighting, gas for heating, cooking, water heating and refrigeration, and water furnished by the authority is included in the contract rent (the rent being based on the family's annual income). Electricity and gas is measured to each individual unit and an excess utility charge is made to the tenants on all gas and electricity used over the minimum set out in each tenant lease. Water is purchased from the City and furnished by the Authority without cost to the tenants.

There are at this time 249 persons living in Greenway Village and Weldon Homes. This includes six dependent children over school age, 36 children of pre-school age; 75 children attending public schools; 22 children attending church schools; and 110 adults.

Total annual income of all families living in Greenway Village and Weldon Homes amounts to \$121,500; an average income of \$1620 for each family. After payment of \$23,950 for shelter, the amount of \$97,550 is left for food, clothing, medical care and the usual necessities of life. (The report stated that all of the \$97,550 is spent in GladeWater.)

Since the two units opened in May of 1952, decent, safe and sanitary housing has been provided for 440 families—comprised of 1330 men, women and children. Many have had to leave when their income climbed to a point where they were no longer eligible to live in a low-rent project.

This week the City received \$1,581.22 from the Authority in lieu of taxes, making a total of \$13,238.02 which has been paid since the project opened. The amount paid to the City for water and a n d sewer services has amounted to \$18,788.76, plus an amount of \$25,000 contributed from the Authority for street paving. This makes a grand total of \$57,026.78 paid for services rendered by the City.

In dealing with the question, "Do we need public housing for the elderly?", the report had this to say:

"We have 40 senior citizens living in Greenway Village and Weldon Homes. We cite a few of the actual cases to show the financial problems facing these fine people.

"—The man is 83 years of age and his wife 65. The husband receives a small social security check in the amount of \$45.00 each month. The State Welfare contributes to this income with contributions to the husband of \$45.00 per month and the wife receives \$46.10. They are in ill health and \$28.25 of the above amount goes each month for medicine. After paying rent and medical expenses they have a total of \$85.85 to purchase food, clothing and the necessary things of life. If they were having to pay normal rent the amount for the essentials would be cut to \$49.00.

"—This is the case of a husband and wife where the husband is 84 years of age and the wife only 64 and not eligible for assistance. Their only income for the past two years has been \$67.00 per month. They pay the minimum rent of \$29.00 and have \$45.00 left for the purchase of food, clothing and other essentials.

"—Another case is that of a single person 66 years of age with Old Age Assistance in the amount of \$67.00 each month. She pays the minimum rent of \$20.00 with \$47.00 left for essentials.

"—One couple lost a son in World War II, both over 65 years of age and living on an annual income of \$1,128.60 from insurance and contributions made by the Federal government on the loss of the son.

"Some of the 40 senior citizens have ample social security payments, but are in great need of public housing where they can have something left after payment of rent. All of the 40 came from sub-standard housing or were forced by a low income to live with relatives."

Included in the annual report was the following information pertaining to the present residents of the two housing units:

Family Composition

	Greenway Village	Weldon Homes	Total
Widows over 65 (retired)	11	2	13
Widows under 65 with children	16	13	29
Widowers over 65 (retired)	1	0	1
Widowers under 65 with children	1	0	1
Husband & wife over 65 (retired)	13	0	13
Husband & wife under 65 with children	11	5	16
Source of Income			
Old Age Assistance	12	2	14
Aid to Dependent Children	1	5	6
Church or private relief	8	2	10
Social Security	17	1	18
Veterans Pensions & Insurance	8	1	9
Job Income (exclusives)	11	5	16

Pro or con on federal housing, most citizens will agree with the following statement contained in Wood's report:

"The elderly citizens of our country are, naturally, those who have already made their contribution to our way of life. They have labored in business, government, the arts, science, and in every facet of our economy, for half a century. In that time, they have given of themselves to the com-

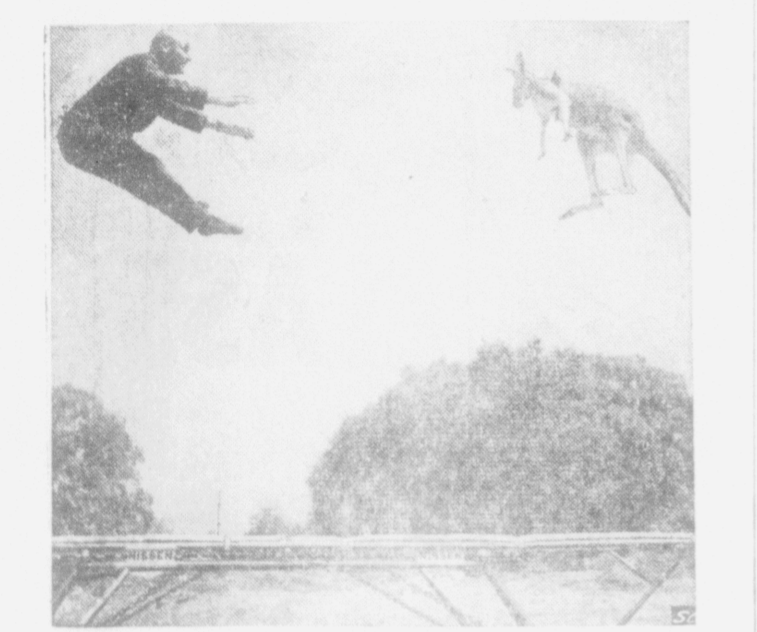
School Menus for Coming Week

The following menus for GladeWater Public Schools during the coming week are published by the Mirror for a two-fold purpose: To show the nutritional value of meals served in the school cafeterias and as an aid to mothers in planning their home meals so meat and vegetable dishes won't be duplicated.

- Monday, Nov. 21**
- Italian Spaghetti
 - Green Beans
 - Pickled Beets
 - Garden Salad
 - French Toast
 - Devils Food Cake
 - Milk
- Tuesday**
- Vegetable-Beef Soup
 - Pimento-Cheese Sandwiches
 - Potato Chips
 - Minced-meat pie
 - Milk
- Wednesday**
- Turkey & Dressing
 - Peas & Carrots
 - Waldorf Salad
 - Pumpkin Pie
 - Bread
 - Milk

POLIO FIGURES

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The waning 1960 polio season produced 75 new cases last week, 13 less than in the previous week and 112 less than in the same



ALL ACROSS THE U.S. boys and girls and their parents are jumping up and down at outdoor rebound tumbling centers and backyards. It's the nation's newest and fastest growing recreation. It's so popular, in fact, even kangaroos are getting that extra bounce from the sport. Here is "Trippy" matching jumps in Cedar Rapids, Iowa with George Nissen, former U.S. gym and diving champ and developer a quarter century ago of rebound tumbling equipment. The big question is "Who's teaching whom?"

Easy way to do your new-car sampling—

Drive Chevy once around the block at your Chevrolet dealer's one-stop shopping center!

Just drop in and take a drive in one of the 30 spanking new '61 models your Chevy dealer now offers under the same roof. With every drive, your dealer is giving away free Dinah Shore Christmas records while they last. So hurry! And you'll find that here's the easy, one-stop way to shop for the car you want. There's a model to suit almost any taste or need—at a price to suit almost any budget. There's a whole crew of new Chevy Corvairs, including four family-lovin' wagons. New Biscaynes—the lowest priced full-size Chevrolets. Popular Bel Airs. Sumptuous Impalas. And America's only true sports car—the Corvette. Come on in and pick your new car the easy way—on a one-stop shopping tour!



New '61 Chevrolet IMPALA SPORT SEDAN

You'll see five models in the '61 Impala series—the most elegant Chevies of all. They're sensationally sensible from their more parkable out size to their remarkably roomy in size. And note that trim new roof line.

New '61 Chevrolet 2-DOOR BEL AIR SEDAN

These beautiful Bel Airs, priced just above the thirtieth full-size Chevies, bring you newness you can use. Roomier dimensions reach right back to the easier loading trunk that lets you pile baggage 15% higher.

New lower priced '61 CORVAIR 500 CLUB COUPE

See what Corvair's got in store for you in '61! Thriftier sedans and coupes with nearly 12% more room up front for luggage. That rear engine's spunkier, too, with a gas-saving new axle ratio to go with it.

New '61 Corvair 700 LAKEWOOD STATION WAGON

There's room for almost everything but antifreeze in these new one-and-only 6-passenger Lakewoods. And they're the only wagons with lockable trunk under the hood. Be sure to see the new Greenbriers, too.

New '61 Chevrolet 2-DOOR BISCAYNE 6

NOW—Big-Car Comfort at Small-Car Prices

These new Biscayne 6's—the lowest priced full-size Chevrolets—let you save money in a big way, yet give you a full measure of Chevy's new roominess—such things as higher easy chair seats, larger door openings, more leg room in front, more foot room in the rear.

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Religion In America

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The commercialization of Christmas is often deplored, and rightly so.

But there is another religious holiday that has been degraded even worse than Christmas.

It is the holiday that Americans will celebrate with turkey dinners and football games next Thursday.

By force of habit, we still call it "Thanksgiving Day."

The name stirs dim memories of a bygone era when Americans thought that God had something to do with the incredible material blessings that have been bestowed upon this land and its people.

That belief, led our ancestors to set aside a special day, at the end of the harvest season each fall, for everyone to join in lifting thankful hearts to God.

Enshrouded in Law

The tradition has been enshrouded in law, so the President of the United States continues to issue each year a proclamation declaring a national holiday on the fourth Thursday in November.

The churches also try to maintain the national pretense that Thanksgiving is a day of worship. They will conduct special services next Thursday, as they do every year. But they know in advance that those services will be very poorly attended. People just can't bother to go to church, when there's so much cooking, eating and football-watching to be done.

A purely rational creature transported here from another planet, might find it very difficult to understand why Americans of 1960 are less cognizant of their blessings—or at least less grateful for them—than their Puritan forefathers were.

Had It Tough

The visitor would discover from our history books that the Puritans actually had it pretty tough. They had to scratch their livelihood from an untamed wilderness, and sometimes it was nip-and-tuck whether they survived.

Today, the visitor would observe Americans are enjoying the most luxurious standard of living that any nation has ever known. With 6 per cent of the world's population, they are consuming 50 per cent of its wealth.

What has happened to America's sense of gratitude?

Abraham Lincoln put his finger on the answer 97 Thanksgivings ago. He said:

"We have forgotten the Gracious Hand which has preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us."

"We have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own."

"Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of reverencing and revering grace; too proud to pray to the God that made us."

If that diagnosis was true in 1863, it is still more starkly appropriate today.

It is something to think about next Thursday, between the turkey dinner and the football game.

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