Negotiators Still At it in Omaha

With non-union operators in Omaha now representing about one third of the workforce, it is likely that some form of contract will be signed before the Monday between the Area Negotiating Committee and the Public Service Workers Union Local 977.

The contract negotiations, which were interrupted last week by the strike, are expected to continue in the coming days.

Famed Orator

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New Contract Approved by 977 Members

On Monday night the membership of the Filling Station Attendee Union Local 977 approved the new contract which will be effective from February 1st until December 31st, 1980.

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Buzza Group To Discuss 'Association' Agendas

An important meeting of the Buzza Group is scheduled for February 15th at 2 p.m. in the Union Station Auditorium.

FCL Council Surveys St. Cloud Case

About a year ago the St. Cloud Milk Producers Association signed a contract with the Dairy Farmers Union Local 977. Since then, the union has been working to improve the contract terms.

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Auto Union Split—2 Conventions Set

Despite the United Automobile Workers Union's postponing the last few days have fanned growing pressure that the moment of truth may come on the John L. Lewis's deadline several months ago in reality, the situation promises to be far more sectional struggle between the John L. Lewis faction and the "disobedient" group took a head on the 100th anniversary of the Labor Day holiday.

Stalemate Reached

Both sides, however, are rigid and unyielding, so far none remain in the dark on the precise nature of the labor dispute.

"We have no reason to do anything that President Ford proposes," said the John L. Lewis faction, and it has not moved. On the other hand, the "disobedient" faction has not moved, but it has threatened, the "disobedient" faction to strike its workers too. The extension deadline is 48 hours away.

In the face of the strike threat, the labor dispute has moved to a new phase. There is a strong feeling that the two sides will soon face off and that the issue will be settled by a strike.

Taxi Tolos

In Castro and Havana

Just long enough to get to your appointment, the strike is here again. The strike is affecting the lives of taxi drivers and their passengers.

The strike began on Monday, January 17, and has not yet ended. Some drivers have been replaced by non-striking drivers, but the strike continues to cause problems.

During the strike, drivers and passengers have had to take different routes to avoid the strike zones.

With the Dairy Workers Local 471

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FWS Youth Quaint Takes 2nd Game

Last Wednesday night in the St. Louis Park gym, Local 1449 PFA Youth Basketball team thrashed the district's own Citizens Club 24-16. The victory was a hard-fought one, with the team battling back after falling behind. At the half, the union team led by a score of 11-9. The final score was 24-16.

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Beer Drivers Join IBT in Michigan

On Wednesday leaders of the beer drivers' movement in Detroit and Pontiac, Michigan, met in Detroit, and it is reported that all beer drivers in Michigan have agreed to set up a branch of the Brotherhood of Teamsters.

Mayor Marion Berry, the police, the courts and the chairman of the State Liquor Control Commission, supported Local 59 of the Brotherhood of Teamsters.

"There is no question," said Mayor Berry, "that the beer drivers have the right to organize and bargain for themselves."

The motive, according to Reuben Anderson, the chairman of the Commission, was to hold their organization together.

"We are threatened with a general strike," he said, "and we want to prevent it."

Tom Rolf, the union president, said that the beer drivers would not be used for delivery by the new organization.

"We are not interested in the beer business," he said, "but we will help our friends."
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Which Road for the Farmer-Labor Movement?

This Friday the annual convention of the Farmer-Labor Association starts in the St. Paul Auditorium. The FLP in the state is going to be a Farmer-Labor movement in this state, if it is to depend upon the two groups who have so far made the most noise—the Johnstown-Lehman-Halloween group and the Crosby-Steele group. It seems to me that “what a law should admit right off the bat that the Farmer-Labor movement is destined to be a vehicle of both groups, and that they are practically alike in policy, despite their squabbling, is a guarantee to carry the FLP to oblivion.

The issues of the Minnesota Legislature that have appeared since the elections reflect the crisscross mood in which the Farmer-Labor movement finds itself. Nowhere in the columns have the bylaws been mentioned.

Consider the four discussion articles on “The Chief Truth Behind Our State’s Free-Blood Beef Program” before the front page of the state convention issue of the Minnesota Farmer-Labor, May 18, 1939. They just sound as just as impertinent as the welfare of one group against the other.

It’s a bad admission that the Farmer-Labor election platform for 1939 was so willy-nilly that even the farmers who signed the petition don’t see the point.

Peterson admits the same thing: “Thousands of people voted for candidates other than ours, feeling that our primary was not worth their while.” Opponents Peterson doesn’t see the point either.

Principled people are content to debate the Farmer-Labor Association into the Democratic Party, content to be page by page, so long as it has the same program as the Communist Party whose name it bears.

“It is a great deal,” says Yeager, “the difference between our free blood beef on the one hand and the other on the other.”

To a great extent, this is true. Both groups want to pull the switch to the Farmer-Labor Association. Both groups hope to prevent the farmers from getting no legislation to prevent the trade unions from having their rightful voice.

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But this is just what the politicians who are raising such a racket don’t want. They don’t want the people to realize that there is another party, where the people’s program is written into the platform.

Who dares to doubt that what Bicker says is true? As a state party, the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Association can’t hope to make any significant program. The right-wing groups think this is their opportunity to pull the switch to the Farmer-Labor Association. This is exactly what the Communist Party wants too.

We say the FLP must turn its back to the New Deal and face toward the growing movement for independent workers organizations on a national scale. Work with the Communist Party in pulling the switch to the Farmer-Labor Association. That is the only way to turn it around.

In the Northwest Organizer’s analysis of the 1938 elections, the League of Revolutionary Political Workers states that the FLP can reform its farm program to the (Farmer-Labor Association) for the same reason it can do in other fields. Only by becoming a part of the national political party can a state party serve the national cause. Only by receiving recognition from its sister organizations can the FLP in the state receive recognition from the FLP in other states.

Events since 1936 make it obvious that the elections of 1939 will have to be fought on a program that is not just the program of one state but the program of one nation.

Sioux Falls

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The contract negotiations, which have been going on for several weeks, are expected to be completed within the next few days.

The contractors bureau is considering a number of coal suppliers, including the Teamosign Coal Company, which has been actively seeking a contract with the Union Pacific Line in recent months.

The Teamosign Coal Company is a local firm, located in the Sioux Falls area. The company has been in operation for several years and is known for its high-quality coal.

The Teamosign Coal Company has submitted a proposal to the Union Pacific Line, offering to supply coal at a reasonable price. The company has also offered to provide the necessary transportation and support services.

The contractors bureau is expected to make a decision on the contract within the next few days. The company is expected to sign the contract if terms are favorable.

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