

Bus Strikers Report Progress, To Expand Activities Until Fight Won

NEW YORK (ANP) — Five thousand Negroes, hell bent for jobs with the major bus companies serving Harlem, crowded into the Golden Gate casino Tuesday night and heard their United Bus Strike committee report that \$3,000 in daily losses of revenue have brought the operators to the negotiation table, but that the strikers "intend to picket on this side until hell freezes, Rev. A. Clayton Powell, pastor of Abyssinian Baptist church, and one of the three chairmen of the committee told the eager audience that the following events had transpired and demands made during the past 14 days of the struggle:

1. That John A. Ritchie, president of both the Fifth Avenue Coach company and the New York Omnibus Corp. after a steadfast refusal to acknowledge the repeated requests of the committee for a conference, called in the representatives and admitted the mounting losses. Because of this fact, he is willing to employ 211 Negro busmen and mechanics if the Transport Workers union can be appealed.
2. That conferences with the

TWU officials succeeded in paring a seniority list of 400 chauffeurs awaiting jobs to 94 men who have had part time work in the past two or three years; and that as soon as these men are placed, the next 100 men would have to be Negroes.

3. That inasmuch as there is no seniority or waiting list for shop mechanics, 70 Negroes be given immediate employment in this category; and that 100 others be immediately selected and placed into training as bus drivers, a process that requires from four to six weeks.
4. That the agreement embodying these several terms shall be contained in a contract signed by properly authorized representatives of the bus companies, the union and the committee, having the full weight of law behind it.
5. That the word "permanent" shall preface the present name of the United Bus Strike committee indicating thereby that the group shall not be abandoned with the signing of the document but shall remain in existence, as required by law, to set in court should at some time in the future the contract is violated.

Recitation of these developments by Rev. Powell brought wild and enthusiastic cheering following each item. It was topped off by a general outburst when, in slow, deliberate and driving phrasing, he served notice that "if by the middle of next week we do not get this agreement, we shall start picketing 42nd, 34th, 23rd and 14th streets downtown, areas in which there is a definite labor consciousness owing to the presence of huge clothing and other other manufacturers. Not only that, he said, picketing will be extended to the many in between streets, neglected heretofore for the sake of concentration upon the main thoroughfares.

A. and T. Singers Coming To Durham

Durham, April 19.—The famous Capella Choir of A. and T. College, Greensboro, is scheduled to appear here in the B. N. Duke auditorium on the campus of the North Carolina College, Monday evening, May 5, at 8 o'clock. The program is sponsored by the Durham A. and T. Alumni Chapter, for the benefit of the student loan fund. The choir is under the direction of Prof. W. B. Lawson.

Policeman

(Continued from page one) The many bystanders, Cannady testified that he was trying to handle the affair by himself. The soldier denied cursing the officer or threatening him with the knife. He stated that he had drawn his knife only after one of the taxi drivers had drawn one on him, and that after he saw the officer approaching he put it in his pocket.

From testimony of several witnesses at the hearing it appears that the taxi drivers were in reality the instigators of the trouble which started when Daniels together with another soldier, Edward Hall and a girl friend got into a Strop Taxi and requested that they be taken to Morgans Tea Room.

Being On The Job

(Continued from page two) course, but always, whether he works or plays, whether he reads or writes, whether he talks or thinks, or thinks BEFORE he talks—that's the man who will make his way to the front, while others step aside.

There's no rule which prohibits a worker from getting ahead in this fashion, so long as he's on the level with his fellow workers. And if he is made of the right kind of stuff, he will be an asset to them instead of a hindrance.

The driver of the taxi, who its decision is as follows: 1. Fire every year takes a toll of 10,000 lives in the United States. 2. Fire annually causes a property damage of \$300,000,000 in the United States. 3. One out of every 60 homes in the United States is attacked by fire every year. 4. Combustible roofs are a major cause of fire in the home. This spring, according to home insurance statistics, start the clean up campaign from the outside of the house. Start with the roof. The first point to check on the roof-in line with the warning statistics of the NFRA—is whether it is fire resistant. If the roof is not fire resistant, cover it with asphalt shingles, which are colorful and economical, as well as fire resistant.

Mrs. Jean Legarde, white woman of Cary, who was at the scene, testified that she professed the brutal beating of the instant case the greater weight of evidence indicates that the soldier to the policeman, and went with "righteous indignation" to the police station to make further protest, but apparently no one there cared. Mrs. Legarde is the mother of two sons in the army. She stated she saw no knife in the hands of Private Daniels, Irving Cheek, Managing Editor of the Raleigh Times, stated that he was at the scene of the beating, but saw no knife. He stated he asked Cannady at the time, "Did you have to hit him?" and was told by the officer "I did."

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