

Southern Railway Unable To Reach Agreement With Unions

WASHINGTON, DC - Southern Railway Company has announced that inability to reach agreement with several railroad unions on future operation of rail lines proposed to be acquired from Penn Central on the Delmarva Peninsula prevented it from meeting the February 11 deadline set by Congress for purchasing the property.

However, the company has taken the initial steps prescribed by law to consummate purchase of an unused 22-mile line of Penn Central in Indiana, together with trackage rights over a connecting 6-mile line between Mt. Carmel, Ill., and Skelton, Ind., for the initial purpose of serving a Public Service of Indiana generating plant at Skelton. The purchase price of this line, as determined by the U. S. Railway Association, is \$100,954.

transfer unassigned personnel on Delmarva to bona fide vacancies elsewhere on Southern's system, or to separate with pay those employees electing not to transfer.

Without the right to operate the property efficiently and as sound railroad operating policy dictates, Claytor said Southern could not justify the large investment needed to acquire the Delmarva lines, including the car floats, and upgrade them to Southern's standards. And without this upgrading, the cost of which he estimated at \$25-30 million, in addition to the \$6 million purchase price, he said there is no way of providing the quality rail service which the shippers and people of Delmarva are entitled to expect and which is vital to attainment of the Delmarva's potential for industrial development.

While expressing "deep disappointment" at the

outcome, Claytor extended his warm thanks and appreciation to many individuals and organizations who, he said, "made every effort to assist in bringing about a successful result."

He singled out for particular praise the new Secretary of Labor, W. J. Usery, Jr., who entered the negotiations between Southern and the rail unions on Monday, in the unsuccessful effort to break the deadlock.

He also expressed warm thanks and appreciation to the governors of Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, and their departments of transportation, as well as to many individuals and organizations, including the Delmarva Advisory Council and the U. S. Railway Association, for their strong interest and support in the ill-fated endeavor.

Meany Comments Ford's Veto of Public Works Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C. - AFL-CIO President George Meany recently made the following comment on President Ford's veto of the Accelerated Public Works Bill: This measure would contribute substantially to putting America back to work. It would provide badly-needed jobs and essential assistance to the hard-pressed states and

cities. It would be a sound investment in long overdue public facilities.

The President's short-sighted and politically-inspired veto must be overridden. We expect both the House and Senate, which passed the measure with resounding majorities, will give the nation the help it needs and deserves.

WSSU Faculty Members To Present Research Papers

WINSTON-SALEM - Winston-Salem State University faculty members Thomas E. Shepherd, instructor of Sociology, and Dr. Ralph von T. Napp, Professor of Sociology, will both present research papers at the Sixth Sociological Research Symposium to be held at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia, February 19-21. Shepherd's papers, "A Need

for Greater Black Awareness," is based on his research for his master's thesis. Napp's paper titled, "Sex and Some Contradictions in Marriage" (A Marital Psychotherapeutic Approach to Sex). Napp will also chair a panel on "Changing Sex Roles". Both papers will be published later this year in the SIXTH SOCIOLOGICAL SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS.

WSSU Chancellor Names Seven Administrators to Chair Task Forces

WINSTON-SALEM - the University of North Carolina system are receiving technical assistance from Jeffrey Orleans of Winston-Salem State and Richard Robinson, University has named seven Administrators to chair task forces assigned to prepare a report is due February 25. A self-study examining final draft is to be completed by Winston-Salem State University's April 15.

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TWO YEAR OLD CARLOS MCKIBBINS enjoys himself in the long jump pit at NCCU's track field.

(Photo by Jenkins) advisory capacity to the Compliance Officer.

The members of the Task Forces are as follows, with the first person acting as chairperson and as a member of the Title IX Advisory Committee:

Clarence Gaines, Director of Athletics, Chairman of Health and Physical Education, Mrs. Marcelene Scales, Faculty and Coach, Henry Taylor, Faculty, William Eagles, Director of Research, Miss Karen Stokes, Student.

Dr. Haywood Wilson, Director of Student Affairs, Donald Benson, Dean of Men, Mrs. Ruth Greene, Dean of Women, Mrs. Mitzi Shewmake, Faculty, Michael Mason, president of Student Government Assn., Miss Priscilla Jeffers, student.

Willard Jordan, Financial Aid Officer, Mrs. Harriet Tobe, Assistant Financial Aid Officer, Mrs. Shirley Hyman, Staff and Student.

Mrs. Fannie Williams, Director of Admissions, Albert Roseboro, Faculty and Coach, Joe Daniels, Recruitment Officer, Dr. Howard Barnes, Faculty, Miss Caroline Page, Faculty, Miss Cheryl Evans, Student.

Mrs. Gloria Goore, Assistant to the Academic Dean, Dr. Samuel O. Jones, Director of Teacher Education, Dr. William Rice, Head of Division of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Mrs. Lucy Bradshaw, Librarian, Miss Pamela Ellerbe, student.

Dr. Constance Johnson, Director of Counseling Center, Nathaniel T. Parkman,

Coordinator of Urban-Rural Project, Mrs. Sandra P. Amos, Counselor, Charles Williams, Clerk, Joseph White, Data Intern Counselor, Judge Korngay, Counselor, Miss Brenda Richardson, student.

Mrs. Mary Smalls, Personnel Officer, Michael Fulton, Payroll Officer, Fred Burke, Assistant Business Manager, Miss Darlene Randleman, student.

While agreements had been signed with most of the Delmarva unions involved, almost continuous negotiations right up to the Wednesday midnight deadline failed to resolve key issues blocking final agreements, with the principal difficulty being presented by the Brotherhood of Railway and Airline Clerks. W. Graham Claytor, Jr., Southern's president, said there were two basic problems.

One, he described as "the refusal of BRAC to accept for the employees they represent on Delmarva, agreements like those already in effect for the more than 17,000 other union represented employees on Southern."

The other: "The insistence that Southern give up rights permitted both it and ConRail by law to offset through increased efficiency of operation costs of employee protection imposed by the same law. Among these is the right to

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(Continued From Page 1) of an effort by extreme racist forces to stop further progress of the Black freedom struggle. If this reactionary movement succeeds in Boston, it will grow in strength and confidence all over the country. And if their onslaught against Black rights succeeds in blocking school desegregation, they will branch out - as they have already begun to do. They will incite new attacks on the struggles to end discrimination, in employment, in housing, and in every other aspect of life.

The racist strongholds in Boston have become fertile ground for Ku Klux Klan, the Nazis, and right-wing demagogues of all kinds. These forces are virulent opponents of Chicano and Puerto Rican rights, women's rights, and the rights of undocumented workers. The leaders of the antibusing drive masquerade as defenders of 'white workers' interests.' But behind the antibusing mobs, as Paul Jennings, president of the International Union of Electrical Workers, pointed out last fall, stand persons who generally oppose everything that labor stands for and who have as their objective the total destruction of trade unions. They are the sworn enemies of the entire working class - white and Black.

"The racist leaders in Boston hide their true aims behind code words like 'neighborhood schools.' But the gangs hurling rocks at Black students and driving Black families from their homes in previously all-white neighborhoods tell the true story.

The truth about this assault has been hidden by most of the news media. The presidential candidates of the two capitalist parties are joining in this cover-up. Vying with each other for the racist vote, the liberals and conservatives alike fall all over themselves expressing 'sympathy and understanding' for the antibusing movement. Many have echoed President Ford in his denunciations of 'forced busing.' Leaders of both parties call for a constitutional amendment to outlaw busing for desegregation. The few candidates who have not openly capitulated to the racists stand silent on the question.

The racist mobilization must be met by a countermobilization of the Black community and its allies in the fight for justice and equal rights. A campaign of action is urgently needed to arouse supporters of desegregation in Boston and around the country. We need rallies, meetings, and demonstrations to cut through the news blackout and get out the truth.

More actions are needed, like the demonstration of 15,000 last May 17 that was organized by the NAACP and the National Student Coalition Against Racism, to show the world once again that the racists don't own the streets - or the schools - of Boston."

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