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# Linn Co. Offers Strikers Five-Cent Raise

## 7 Other Benefits Proposed

Binghamton Press Bureau

Oneonta—Striking members of a machinists' union are considering a series of company proposals today to end the 19-day walkout at the Linn Coach & Truck Division in Oneonta's West End.

The proposals, topped by a 5 cents an hour general wage increase, were advanced by Linn officials during a daylong mediation session which ended at 4:30 p. m. yesterday.

William Buck, general manager of the division, told newsmen after the meeting that "we offered the union eight important improvements in the new contract."

He described five of the improvements as being "non-economic" in nature, and the remaining three as "economic," but declined to go into additional detail.

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

The general manager pointed out, however, that the economic benefits consisted of the general wage increase, a hike of 7 cents an hour in the night differential, and "a modification in vacations."

In return, he said, the company "requested two non-economic changes be granted by the union in the contract."

There was no elaboration.

Amand Heck, Jr., of Oneonta, business agent for the International Association of Machinists' Local 932 at the plant, had no immediate comment on the company's proposal.

He said he would confer with IAM grand lodge representatives, Ernest Burton of Otego, president of the Linn local, and the membership before issuing a statement on the union's position.

THIRD SESSION

The company's proposals came during the third mediation session held since some 100 employees walked off their jobs Aug. 24.

State Mediator Ernest W. Lanpon presided at all three meetings. The first was held Aug. 2, the second Wednesday, and the final one yesterday.

The state mediator returned to Albany last evening, but insisted that he will "keep in touch" with the situation in Oneonta.

Local 932's existing contract with Linn, a division of Great American Industries, Inc., of Marsden, Conn., is set due to expire until Nov. 17.

In negotiations begun last May under provisions of a wage reopener clause in the contract, union officials sought increases averaging 25 cents an hour.

REJECTED DEMAND

Linn officials reportedly rejected the union demand during several subsequent meetings, which ended when employes took a strike vote and left their jobs some three weeks ago.

Sitting in for Linn during this week's mediation sessions was Robert Sutch of Meridan, Conn. executive vice-president of Great American Industries, Inc.

He was assisted by Mr. Buck, James Yracy, comptroller at Linn, and John Christiansen, plant superintendent.

The IAM forces were headed by Harry Kane of Hartford, Conn., a grand lodge representative, and included Mr. Heck, Mr. Burton, and members of the local's Negotiating Committee.

## Nichols

Nichols — A party of young folks gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Taylor Friday evening for a farewell party for James Taylor and Welton Brown, Jr. James left Nichols Tuesday for Riverside Military Academy, Gainesville, Ga.; and Welton will enter Syracuse University this fall.

Square dancing followed by refreshments was enjoyed. Those attending were: James Taylor, Welton Brown, Jr.; Merle Berry, Ann Hanford, Lynn Ricky Dawn Waterman, Lynda Tobin, Mary Ann Taylor, Wayne Horton, Joyce Laughere, Peggy Terrell, Ronald Bixler, John Weaver and Robert Goble.

Mrs. Ralph Gribneau and sons, Allen and Michael of Syracuse spent Labor Day with Mrs. H. E. Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mackman and children, Johnny and Gail, enjoyed a weekend at their camp at Mexico Point on Lake Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Holmstock and son of Absecon, N. J., are visiting Mrs. Bruce Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. William Baker of Philadelphia, Pa., spent the weekend with Mrs. Z. F. Cass.

Mrs. H. C. Goodwin, Mrs G. H. Horton, Mrs. Lewis Goodwin and Mrs. E. A. Leasure spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. John Fletcher at Vestal.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Register and son Freddy of Endicott were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Taylor.

Miss Joanne Chaffee is teaching at Endicott this year.

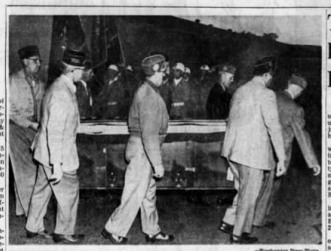
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warner and children spent the weekend in Greene.

Mrs. J. F. DeGroat and Mrs. Sarah Cochrane of Hines visited Mrs. J. F. Forman over the week-end.

Mrs. Frances S. Bennett and children of North Towanda, Pa., were weekend guests at the home of Mrs. Hattie Hendricks.

Harry Bixby of Kenmore visited Mr. and Mrs. Leon Reynolds over Labor Day.

Denmark is seeking a United States market for handmade artificial flowers.



HOMECOMING—Legionnaires of Oneonta Post 259 and members of the VFW remove a coffin containing the body of Pvt. George A. Wade, 20, of Maryland, from a D&H train in Oneonta last night. Funeral services for Private Wade, who died in Korea June 19 from battle wounds, will be held in Oneonta at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

## Pvt. George Wade Rites Will Be Held Tomorrow

Binghamton Press Bureau

Oneonta—Funeral services for Pvt. George A Wade, 20, of Maryland, who was fatally wounded in action in Korea, will be held in Oneonta at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

The Rev. August F. Ballbach, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church, will officiate during rites at the Bookhout Funeral Home, 237 Main Street.

Burial will be in Oneonta Plains Cemetery.

Full military honors will be accorded the fallen hero by Oneonta Post 259, American Legion, and Sgt. Elbert N. Patten Post 1206, VFW, in Oneonta.

Private Wade died June 19 from injuries received in combat against the Communists during one of the last big battles of the Korean war.

His body arrived in Oneonta aboard a Delaware & Hudson Railroad train at 7:07 o'clock last evening. On hand were the combined color guards of the American Legion and the VFW, as well as several relatives and friends.

Sgt. Willard J. Lord of Platsburgh escorted the body to Oneonta from the New York Port of Embarkation, where it had arrived briefly after having been transported half way around the world from Korea.

A native of Colesville, Private Wade was born April 16, 1933, the son of Alfred A. and Lena (Reeve) Wade. He was a member of the 4-H Club at Milford before entering service.

Surviving are his father, who resides at RD 3, Cooperstown; his mother, Mrs. Lena Reeve Bruce, RD 1, Maryland; a brother, Charles Wade, RD 1, Maryland; a half-brother, Robert Bruce, Cortland; a niece, Mrs. Mable Squires, Oneonta, two uncles and three aunts.

## Passenger Hurt in Crash Near Oneonta

Binghamton Press Bureau

Oneonta—An Oneonta woman is in good condition at Fox Memorial Hospital today, with a concussion suffered in an early-morning accident in Route 23, about one-half mile west of the city.

Frances Tarbox, 22, of 55 Hudson Street, suffered the injury at 2:30 a.m. Monday, according to an accident report filed with State Police at the Oneonta substation yesterday.

According to the report, the Tarbox car was driven by Patrick F. Mahoney, 24, of 140-44 210th Street, Rosedale, L. I.

The report said the vehicle's lights failed to function after Mr. Mahoney had used the dimmer, causing the driver to lose sight of the road and collide with a series of guardrails.

## Alice Constable, Ralph Taylor Engaged to Wed

Binghamton Press Bureau

Walton—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Constable, Sr., of Walton announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice Kathryn, to Ralph W. Taylor, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor, also of Walton.

A graduate of the 1953 class of Walton Central School, Miss Constable will attend the Central City Business Institute of Syracuse this fall.

Mr. Taylor is employed on his fathers farm at Third Brook in Walton.

No date has been set for the wedding.

## Walton

Walton — Patients admitted to the Delaware Valley Hospital in Walton for the period Sept. 3 to Sept. 9 are as follows: Stuart Williams, Roscoe; Sheldon Jones, Walton; Mrs. George Strait, Walton; Miss Eleanor Rines, Walton; Willis Fingary, Walton; Kenneth Van Trout, Creek; Miss Mary Ann Allison, Walton; Harold Neale, Walton; Mrs. Robert Neff, Shinhopple; Miss Rosalia Brundage, Granton; Mrs. Augustus Barnhart, Walton; Mrs. William Gregory, Walton; Mrs. Robert Church, Walton; Harry Gardner, Downsville; Mrs. David Morton, Walton; Mrs. Daniel LaRoe, Downsville; Mrs. Walter Richard Tompkins; Mrs. Cecil Miller, Hamden; Mrs. Frank Scofield, Walton; Mrs. George Bowker, Walton; Ward Stein, Chisago Ill.

The following were discharged: Donald Neale, Walton; Mrs. Coral Wayman and infant daughter, Downsville; Mrs. Richard Weir and infant daughter, Downsville; Mrs. Jessie Fyfe, Walton; Reginald Rock, Davenville; Miss Jeanette Yale, Walton; Kenneth Yale, Trout Creek; Donald Terry, Walton; Miss May Ann Allison, Walton; Wilbur Rogers, Walton; Miss Eleanor Sines, Walton; Miss Rosalia Brundage, Granton; Mrs. Harold Neale, Walton; Mrs. Daniel LaRoe, Downsville; Mrs. Walter Richard Tompkins, Jason Smith, Downsville; Mrs. Georgia Strait, Walton; Mrs. Gladys Cortland, Livingston Manor; Mrs. Grace Gould, Walton; Harold Titus, Deposit; Mrs. Robert Snyder, Walton.

On September 6 a daughter, Patricia Ann was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Church of Walton, and Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Barnhart of Walton had a son, Thomas Lowell, born on Sept. 3.

Excise taxes on coffee are being sharply cut in West Germany, Bonn reports.

## Tioga Jury Brings 20 Indictments

Binghamton Press Bureau

Owego — Seven open and 13 sealed indictments were handed up by the Tioga County grand jury yesterday on one of the busiest sessions in many years.

One no bill was also returned when the grand jury failed to indict Carl Letson of Binghamton, arrested by the Tioga County Sheriff's Department last month, charged with second degree burglary during an alleged altercation in the Silver Rhicle Restaurant.

Two indictments, each carrying two counts, were returned against Gerald E. Mosher, 32, of Elmira, and Erwin F. Blackmer, 27, of Horseheads.

Both were indicted on charges of third degree burglary and second degree grand larceny in an alleged break into Metro's Restaurant and Grill in Route 96, north of Owego on Aug. 24.

In the second indictments, returned against Mr. Blackmer, he was charged with third degree burglary and first degree grand larceny in a break into the American Legion Home in Waverly, also allegedly taking place on Aug. 24.

Arrests were made by the State Police of the Waverly substation.

James E. O'Brien, 24, of North Washington, D. C., was indicted on a charge of first degree grand larceny, involving the theft of a car owned by Howard Cornwell Spencer from a Park Street parking lot on Aug. 25.

O'Brien was picked up by White Plains police, still in possession of the car, and returned to Owego on request of Owego police.

William Harris, 38, of Owego, was indicted on a charge of second degree sodomy involving a 13-year-old boy.

Also indicted was Thomas R. Ernold, Jr., 24, of Owego on two counts, charging attempted rape in the second degree, second degree assault and carnal abuse of a child, all involving a 12-year-old girl.

The grand jury convened Tuesday morning and completed its deliberation yesterday shortly before noon.

Herbert Patch of Berkshire served as foreman and Leon Whitcomb of Nichols as assistant foreman. Others serving on the grand jury were:

Annie Babcock of Nichols RD 1; Frank Barber, Waverly RD 1; Leonard Bennett, Owego; Mrs. Mildred M. Cook, Spencer; Mrs. Mabel Close, 426 Broad Street, Waverly; Mrs. Ruth Cole, Spencer; Mrs. Robert Cope, Apalachin; Austin R. Howard, Candor; Mrs. Ruth Hunt, 19 Delphine Street, Owego; John D. Murphy, Apalachin; Rose Negus, Richford; William H. Stewart, 322 Park Avenue, Waverly; Nina M. Smith, Newark Valley RD 2; Mrs. Ethel Strong, Candor; Homer Tucker, Candor; Louis Walters, Richford.

## Ritchie Calls Colleges 'Major Asset'

Binghamton Press Bureau

Oneonta—Colleges are "a major asset" to any alert American community, according to Ritchie A. F. Ritchie, the new president of Hartwick College in Oneonta.

Speaking at yesterday's meeting of the Oneonta Rotary Club at the Elks Club, Mr. Ritchie pointed out that colleges are always studying and developing techniques to meet community needs in higher education.

"Colleges should not be an escape from everyday life, but should be closely related to the pattern of living in the community and nation," he declared.

Only in this way, Mr. Ritchie continued, can learning be creative in the lives of students as they assume the duties of citizenship.

At the same time, he paid special tribute to Dr. Henry J. Arnold and others who were instrumental in developing Hartwick College, and to those state and local leaders who established Oneonta State Teachers College in the community.

"The two colleges represent the complementary relationship in American education of the state supported and the privately supported college," Mr. Ritchie declared.

He was introduced by Dr. H. Claude Hardy, director of public relations at Hartwick College.

## Phyllis Cameron, Wayne L. Owens Exchange Vows

Marathon—Miss Phyllis Jean Cameron became the bride of Wayne Leonard Owens Saturday in a double ring ceremony at the Marathon Baptist Church. The Rev. Keith Krauss of Killawog, assisted by the Rev. James Eldridge of Cortland and the Rev. Floyd Drake of Marathon, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Cameron of Marathon RD 1 and Mr. Owens is the son of Mrs. Ethel M. Owens of Morrisville.

Miss Sally Beal of Rochester was maid of honor and Miss Linda Rose Cameron, sister of the bride, was junior bridesmaid.

Harley Allen of Cortland was best man and ushers were David Cameron of Marathon and Royce Owens of Morrisville, brothers of the bride and bridegroom.

## Deposit

Deposit—Mrs. Marie Proffit and son, Frank Proffit, of Hancock and Alfred Proffit of Binghamton spent Labor Day with Mrs. Margaret Proffit and Mrs. Clara Katen.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Knapp of Binghamton spent Labor Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Knapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Simmons of Buffalo were recent overnight guests of Mrs. Simmons' mother, Mrs. Josephine Carnahan, and sister, Mrs. Fred Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cole and family were Sunday guests of Mrs. Cole's mother, Mrs. Margaret Pope.

Mr. and Mrs. George Granelis and children of Philadelphia, Pa., were guests over the week-end a few days with Mrs. Granelis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Coddibe.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Powell and two children spent the Labor Day weekend with relatives in Hudson Falls.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thomas were Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Baker and family of Allentown, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. William Fields and family of Muncie, Ind. and Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas and family of Elizabeth, N. J.

## Susquehanna

Susquehanna — Dr. Duane Green of Palisades spent his Labor Day weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Green in Church Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Wagner and the latter's mother, Mrs. Richard Gardner, have returned from Scottsville, Pa., where they were called by the death of a relative.

Mrs. Thomas McMahon of Wilkes-Barre is visiting relatives in Meadville.

Mr. and Mrs. Frances Powers of Newton, N. J., announce the birth of a son on Sept. 8. Both Mr. and Mrs. Powers are former residents of Susquehanna. He is the former Miss Mary Beaver Knapp. Miss Nancy Powers of Avenue is spending some time with her niece.

Richard Lehner has resumed his law studies at Fordham University after spending the summer at his home in Columbus Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Schuster and daughter of Kent, Ohio, have been visiting Mrs. Schuster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Leslie in Broad Avenue.

## Grangers Elect Robert Wilcox

Sherburne—Robert Wilcox has been elected master of the Sherburne Grange and will be installed with the other officers on Sept. 17.

The complete slate of officers follows: Overseer, Eugene Lathrop; lecturer, Charles Webb; steward, John W. Schoenman; assistant steward, John Blair; chaplain, Rev. John Baker; treasurer, Bessie Bryan; secretary, Jean Dewey; gatekeeper, Francis Crandall; Ceres, Mary Brennan; Pomona, Mary Wilcox; Flora, Mary Hansel; lady assistant steward, Charlotte Winsor; executive committee, Van Scoter; service and hospitality committee, Elsie Barley.

## Greene

Greene — The Past Noble Grands will have a clambake on the Athletic Field at 3 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Tietsel have received word that their son, Sgt. Kenneth Tietsel, has been sent to Tripoli.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shaw and daughter, Sherrie Lee, of Baldwinsville were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McLean.

Monday guests of Mrs. C. C. Vrooman were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith and son of Endwell, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Brand and Mrs. Pearl Dinsmore of Afton and the Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Hilbert of Binghamton.

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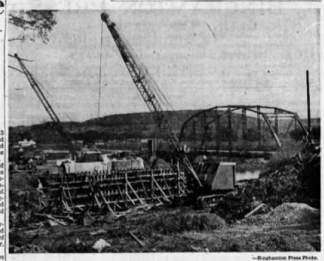

BRIDGE WORK—Work is well started on the new state highway bridge over the Chenango River at Sherburne, one of five State Highway Department projects in Chenango County this year.

## Evangelism Campaign Planned

Binghamton Press Bureau

Norwich—Plans for a visitation evangelism campaign were made at a Norwich sub-district meeting of the Methodist Church here Wednesday.

The visitation will be during the period of Oct. 18 to Oct. 25, it is announced by the Rev. Thomas G. Swales, pastor of the Broad Street Methodist Church, here.

The Rev. Roy T. Henwood of Oneonta, district superintendent, presided at the meeting.

During the meeting plans were made for the year, with special emphasis on youth work.

Others attending the meeting were the Rev. Theodore Edmonds, Bainbridge; the Rev. Clifford Crouse of Sherburne; the Rev. John Wolf of New Berlin, the Rev. Albert Kuder of the Plymouth Church, the Rev. Clifford Bound of Oxford, and the Rev. Joseph Fiske of Greene.

## Miss Janet Wells, Arthur Bettrol Wed in Morris

Morris—Miss Janet Elizabeth Wells became the bride of Arthur LeRoy Bettrol Sunday at the Zion Episcopal Church here. The Rev. Carl Truesdale officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Jay Wells of South New Berlin and Mr. Bettrol is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Bettrol of New Berlin.

Mrs. Eugene Bettrol of Morris was matron of honor and bridesmaids were Miss Audrey Palmer, Miss Joyce Tromath and Mrs. Joan Eccleston, all of Morris. Susan Ray of Norwich was flower girl.

Eugene Bettrol of Morris served his brother as best man and Walter Bettrol, Carl Eccleston and Dick Olds served as ushers.

## Horse Relief

Rich Point, N. C. — Gov. Marion E. Johnson, 17, and his 14-year-old companion, seized on a charge of stealing two horses in Leesburg, Va., overheard an officer ask another Virginia sheriff lists horse thefts as "hanging a man." He will wait until the officer breathe again after another officer said "no."

## Contractor Starts Work On Bridge at Sherburne

Binghamton Press Bureau

Norwich—Work is well started on a new highway bridge over the Chenango River at Sherburne, one of five State Highway Department projects in Chenango County this year.

The five projects are expected to cost about $1,022,987, and include, in addition to the bridge, about 13.8 miles of widening and resurfacing of state highways.

The Sherburne bridge project includes the building of a girder bridge two culvert-like spans each about 13 feet across and the rebuilding of about .81 miles of the Sherburne-Smyrna Road.

The work is being done by the Talarico Contracting Corp. and the Barnes Construction Co., Inc., both of Herkimer.

Other state highway jobs in Chenango County are, the widening and resurfacing of 2.36 miles of Route 12 near Sherburne; 3.08 miles of Route 41 Main Street, resulted in a call near Afton; 2.69 miles of Route 7 for Oneonta firemen at 12:03 yesnear Bainbridge, and 2.24 miles today. No damage was reported.

of Route 7 between Bainbridge and Unadilla.

On the drawing boards and probably to be reached next year is an $800,000 rebuilding job of Route 12 B. between Sherburne and Earlville.

Chenango motorists are also looking for an early rebuilding of Route 12 between Oxford and Greene, where serious traffic accidents are frequent.

## Firemen Answer Call

Binghamton Press Bureau

Oneonta—A smoke scare at the Puritan Clothing Store, 172 Main Street, resulted in a call to Oneonta firemen at 12:03 yesterday morning.

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