Exclusive Interview

Federal Mediator Enters Negotiations

New developments in the negotiations between Local 321 of the College, University and School Employees Union and the administrators of IIT, IITRI, and IGT indicate that an employees' strike is less likely than it was one week ago.

By the time this newspaper has been released to the public, the contract that Local 321 made with administration officials two years ago will have expired.

Yesterday, however, a federal mediator was introduced into the negotiations, and progress on the new contract was probably made. In the meantime, Technology News has tried to find out exactly how the situation stood between labor and management before entering that very important meeting yesterday afternoon.

The following interview was conducted late Tuesday afternoon; present at the discussion were David C. Sullivan, the Secretary-Treasurer and Business Manager of Local 321, and another member of the union. Both are involved in the negotiations with the administration. They were interviewed by Rich Milezarek, E. Michael Blake, and Dan Jaster. After the Sept. 23 meeting the newspaper approached Vice-President and Treasurer of IIT, Dr. Melvin Tracht, for a balancing viewpoint and received no statement since "nothing definite was accomplished at the meeting." Technology News regrets this one-sided treatment of the situation but can do nothing better in view of the circumstances.

Most of the following questions and answers were condensed and transcribed to conform with space limitations; hopefully, they will help labor, management, and especially the students, to get a better view of the present situation. Transcription was done by Rich Milezarek.

Exactly what happened at the meeting that was held last Thursday, September 23, between the negotiators from Local 321 and the administration?

Management is always taking the stand that they are hard up for funds and that they must be conservative in their bargaining. It's hard to believe they're bargaining in good faith when you look across the table and see no black officials on the administration's side and yet two-thirds of their non-academic employees are black.

What are the basic areas of bargaining then labor and management right now?

Every area has been an area of complete disagreement as far as I'm concerned. Wages are one such area, but we have quite a few other non-monetary issues as well, such as absenteeism: they dock a person who has been sick if the worker does not spend good money to go to a doctor and take time off.

There seems to be some question about whether or not the union can go on strike since a wage-price freeze is in effect; can you elaborate on this?

We can strike, but not on money matters. On any other issue we can strike, if we feel the administration is being stubborn and using the freeze as a catch-all.

Is there any agreement at all on either monetary or non-monetary issues?

None at all; the only thing they have done is return our proposals and on some of them said "Modify" but nothing that we, the union, can negotiate on. They are taking away some safeguards for the employee while we are trying to introduce new ones, improve on the old contract.

If no in-roads are made in the new contract by 5 pm Thursday, September 30, when the last meeting before the contract expires is held, will you request an extension of the meeting?

We expect to accomplish a great deal more than we have in previous meetings since there will be a federal mediator present for the first time. Mr. (Continued on page 3)
EDITORIAL — Bad Faith Is IIT Faith

The students of IIT aren't the only "niggers" on this southside plantation. The non-academic employees are right along side of us, picking cotton. When union negotiators say that IIT is not bargaining in good faith they are making an understatement. Bad faith is the only bargaining position IIT knows.

Point one is the attitude carried into negotiations by Vice-President and Treasurer Melvin Tracht. His submission of twelve counter-proposals to issues already agreed upon shows his total disregard for and ignorance of the situation. Tracht is avoiding the basic issues of the negotiations and appears to be stalling for time.

This stalling could be calculated to provide the institute with more leverage in final negotiations. The entrance of a federal mediator may not be as much in the union's favor as is hoped. The federal position on union and management arbitration leans towards management's side. The unions may find themselves in a very tight situation.

Secondly, the Institute's treatment of rank and file leaves much to be desired. The firing of employees, the hiring of students other than those from IIT, stocking of supplies, padding of the workforce with students; all seem to add up to the conclusion that IIT means business. Perhaps IIT wants a strike.

Lastly, IIT has represented the students in bad faith. The students do not want a strike the magnitude of the one two years ago. But, if it does come, the students should support the strikers; we're all niggers in this place together.

DCD

LETTERS — Required Course Not Given

Dear EIC:

In last week's TN there were at least four or five references to the fact that there was only one assemblyman in ATS at the time, but the individual's name or circumstances where not mentioned. He is just another nameless, faceless, student, just like several thousand others at IIT. However, if the dormitory residents, graduate students, and commuters would have been informed that their student government representative is a fraternity member, it might provoke a primitive defensive reaction based upon all the prejudices and ill feelings that exist between these groups and group pride. A reaction is the first step from apathy. If the Quad knew that he was from Theta Xi it would also provoke a reaction; "If they can do it why can't we?" which would be a continuation of inter-house rivalries.

Appeals to the students to end their apathy turn us off — make us more apathetic. Instead we should appeal to more basic needs of identity and pride or fears of non-recognition and non-belonging. Usually the end doesn't justify the means but in this case the invocation of these base fears and feelings might justify the ends: a beginning of interest. If we have to resort to this tactic it really shows how "sick" this "institution" of "higher learning" is.

Pius V. "Pete" Stoncius
Your Assemblyman
(like it or not)

Dear Sir:

Disorganization is running rampant at Tech.

All CHEM majors are required to take German 206, Scientific German, in order to graduate. The course has not been offered, however, for four semesters.

The German department says that they don't have enough teachers to make the course available (at least one teacher was not re-hired this semester).

The CHEM department says that they will not change the requirement.

The students say that they are getting screwed.

Joe Olechno

Dear Sir:

Re: Jane Konareski's comment of last week: who cares about this school? I know that no matter what I do, it will do nothing for me. IIT students will never get what they are entitled to. They will always be pushed around and suffer from inadequate facilities. As a design student, I know this. Crown Hall is overpopulated and underequipped, and will always be so. Why? Because U.T.R. cares only that his black Cadillacs be polished and his private "john" be supplied with enough paper.

So what good does it do to care? Quite frankly, I'd die laughing if this campus burned down. I'd just go somewhere else to "learn."

Phil Leah

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Union Position Stated

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Tracht has contacted him and he will be present at this meeting on Thursday.

Will you call a general meeting of all the union members and call for a strike vote, if, by 5 pm of that day negotiations have broken off?

We probably would not do that since we have gotten a continuance of the contract. This means that if meaningful talks are still going at the deadline we will continue bargaining and the old contract stays in effect. A new contract, however, would be retroactive to October 1. Either side may break off talks if they believe that an impasse has been reached and nothing further can be accomplished. But if there is progress made it would be foolish to go out on strike since that means loss of a day’s work. If I have to strike to show force because the administration has absolutely taken a stand-off position, then there would be no problem in starting one. We were pretty effective in our last boycott two years ago, and we received a good deal of help from the students.

Is there any truth to the rumor that the administration is preparing for a strike by hiring substitutes, stockpiling, etc.?

There has been some talk that they are indeed building up an extra supply of food and other things so that they’ll be set for a few days. In a way, they have been preparing for a strike for two years: there’s been more students being hired for jobs on campus, they now control the grocery store which they didn’t during the last strike. It may be a reason why they’re taking a hard line in bargaining.

A technical question: are the employees in a union or a council?

Local Union 321 has seven councils which it has jurisdiction over, and IIT non-academic employees are in one of those councils as well as being voting members of the union.

Do you believe that the Campus Police would go out on a sympathy strike if a union strike occurred?

There would be some individuals who would not, but by and large the police would probably go out on strike along with us. There’s also a misconception going around that the union does not want student workers. This is not true.

We recognize the student workers for what they are: employees just like our members who should be paid the same wages that our members receive. In effect the administration is breaking the contract: what we ask is that students who work on these jobs be paid the same pay that has been settled for in the contract. What we found in the last strike was that they were employing students who were not even from IIT; we found out that they were from the University of Chicago.

Since Technology News goes to print before the meeting on Thursday, could you offer some ideas as to how negotiations at that meeting will go?

It is my feeling that we will finally get down to business and a great deal will be accomplished at this meeting, since the federal mediator will insist that something must be done. In addition, an international union mediator will be present at this next meeting.

Any further statement that might clear things up or help to define the union’s position better?

The investigation of the irregularities in the grocery store on campus indicated what we are up against. For example, coffee breaks are supposedly agreed to by both sides but supervisors reprimand employees who do take them; the administration does not want to put a provision on breaks in the contract, so it becomes a matter of interpretation and we are always forced into arbitration, which usually costs about $2,500.

Can a general statement be made as to the mood or attitude of the employees at this time?

They are definitely hoping that things can be settled satisfactorily and that there will be peace. The workers are worked up over grievances that have built up over the past two years, such as the firing of employees who have used up their sick leave and find it necessary to take off more time; the people in authority do not seem to want to take a reasonable, sympathetic attitude toward them. We want peace, we want to help the students, and everyone hopes that we can avoid another strike like the last one.
MOVIES

by Charlie Baud

Ingmar Bergman's new film has just been released downtown. It's a pity because running an art film like "The Touch" at a loop theater attracts a particular kind of audience. Dumping Bergman at a commercial house on Saturday night is like serving up petits-fours at the Cook County Association of Race-track Employees annual Picnic and Apple Bobbing Festival.

Last week I saw Bergman's new film with a bunch of mostly "College Kids" (you know the type) who seemed to be expecting a kind of pseudo-intellectual "Love Story."

Bergman's work, (as those who've seen his earlier films know) just isn't like that. Bergman deals with philosophical questions like man's relationship with God; try to tell that to the guy sitting next to you in the theater, particularly if he's primarily concerned with how much nookie he can get off his date when he gets her home. ("C'mon Barb, nobody's watching."

The last bastions of Cinema in Chicago are crumbling. When I was a child I remember seeing "The Wonderful World of the Brothers Grimm" and "How the West Was Won" among others at the McVickers. This week they're running some skin flick: "Abbott and Costello meet..." well, never mind who they meet; its a skin flick anyhow. The Three Penny Cinema used to make a living out of Jean Luc Godard and Renoir. As of last Friday they shifted to a 16mm Stag policy and started making a living out of some lady with a vibrator.

Some of you may recall seeing "2001, A Space Odyssey" at the Cinestage. This week they're running some skin flick about a lady with a vibrator. Then there's the Bijou. Located in Old Town, they opened up with a satirical flick mysteriously titled "Tricia's Wedding." That was about one month ago — now they're running 16mm features about (are you ready?) some guy with a vibrator. Oh Well.

It's not difficult to see that the movie industry is getting what might be facetiously referred to as the shaft, or at least the vibrator.

The Chicago Film Festival is trying to make money again. It has been trying with a moderate amount of success for the past six years; of course the difference between the Film Festival trying to make money and any other theater in this town trying to get your bread is the fact that the Film Festival is consistently worth it. The best part is the fact that you don't have to put up with some guy next to you trying to put the make on his date. The audience knows what it's there for. Anyhow it opens Nov. 5 and Technology News is going to give it some space for a change.

Speaking of Festivals there is a neat little theater hidden somewhere in the basement of Marina City which will be running a series of old films, including the original uncut print of King Kong. Uncut or not, Kong on a movie screen is quite a different experience from Kong on the tube at twelve o'clock. There's something about watching the eight wonder of the world between your toes...

- Sports - IM Report

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ness which has afflicted Techhawk sporting squads since time immemorial: a lack of depth. The Hawks opened the season at Aurora, September 22, and lost to the Spartans 23-36. IIT had the second and third place finishers in the meet, but Aurora copped places four through eight to hand the Techhawks the loss.

The IIT veterans proved that they are still in the elite of runners in the area. Gerry Wilks ran the four-mile Valley Green course in North Aurora in 22:51, just five seconds off of Spartan Bob Thornburg's winning time of 22:46. Bob Ivarson came in close behind, with a time of 22:56. But the best any other Hawk could do was Rob Bernstein's 25:18 — a big gap from the top IIT runners.

Things weren't too much better two days later, when the Techhawks ran in the Ray Schellong Invitational at Northeastern Illinois University. A sunny day saw 11 runners break the course record of 21:32, including both Hawk veterans, but IIT finished well down in the pack of 10 teams. IIT amassed 170 points for an eighth place finish, a far cry from victorious North Park's 53 points.

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SAM Meeting
The Society for Advancement of Management will hold an organizational meeting on Oct. 6 in HUB Dining Rooms B and C at 12 noon. The meeting is open to all students and faculty interested in management.

What's Happening?
Everybody who wants to know anything about what's happening in the Senior Class come to the Senior Class Meeting, Thursday at noon in HUB room 303.

Vonna Sez
Those interested in cheerleading should meet Tuesday at noon in the Schommer Room of the Gym.

Ralph Nader AND Mike Royko!
Ralph Nader and Mike Royko will speak next Monday evening at 8 in the Arie Crown Theatre. Tickets are on sale at 20 stores in Chicago and suburban communities or by mail to Citizens for a Better Environment, 2561 N. Clark, Suite 320, Chicago, Ill. 60614. Proceeds will go to Nader and the Chicago area C.B.E.

YPSL Discussion
The Young Peoples Socialist League presents "American Foreign Policy in the Light of Vietnam," a discussion by Tom Ireland of the World Without War Council — Midwest, Thursday, Oct. 7, at 1 pm in Room 304 of the HUB Mezzanine.

Graduate Fellowships
The National Science Foundation will accept applications for Graduate Fellowships no later than November 29. Application materials may be obtained from The Fellowship Office, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20418. If you have any questions see the Dean of Students' office.

Women's Rap Group
Dr. Margaret Huyck will speak on "Sex and Liberation: Toward New Life Styles" Sunday, Oct. 3, at 8 pm in the IIT Chapel. All women students, faculty, and members of the staff are cordially invited to come and discuss this and other topics pertaining to women at IIT.

Checkers Needed
Any student who has a USCF rating and who wants to play on the IIT Chess Team should call Anthony Jasaitis at 927-4522 after 5 pm.

Feisty Pecutures!
Tonight Union Board will present for the first time in this area that infamous movie, Bob and Carol and Ted and Alice. A description of this renowned flick is useless since everybody has heard about it. For all interested parties this flick has an "R" rating. Showtime is 8 pm. Admission is 75 cents or ticket.

The Adventures of ATS Cont.
Elections Commissioner is needed: contact Chuck Hans at ext. 1371.

Mary, Mary Quite Contrary...
The WITT Conspiracy couldn't conspire without the spiritual insanity of Mary on the "Guess Who" show, and Erica, the debutante of a thousand voices. Fridays 2-6 pm 640am 88.9fm

APO Mailboxes
Would all (and we mean all) clubs and fraternities please check the status of their APO mailboxes located in Room 137 HUB? Many mailboxes are filled to overflowing (such as Integral, Classes of 1971, 1972, 1973, AIAA, etc.) Contact Norm Hall or Dave Duckworth if you have any questions.

A short and a Goal!
Anyone who is interested in joining the Hockey Club, experience helps but is not absolutely necessary, should attend a meeting in the HUB at 1 pm, next Tuesday or contact John Carter at 763-8669.

A Representative from the DePaul University Graduate School of Business will be on campus October 5 to discuss MBA program and MS taxation program. For further information contact the IIT Placement office.

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New Ways to Squander Change

by Guts Graburkiewicz

Walking into the bowling alley (or as the elite of IIT call it: the Recreation Room), is one of my favorite pastimes. It even beats going to class. Each week that nice man who runs the place, Mr. Bilek, has new machines for the students to play with.

I think I can classify the machines into two categories: those an individual can participate in, and those on which you watch other people make fools of themselves. Foosball is one of the ones that I classify “watch.” It’s great to watch a bunch of the boys smash and curse their time away.

The new machines are definitely “participate.” No one can resist having a machine make a fool out of him. I decided that I hadn’t made a public fool of myself since last week’s issue of Technology News, so I went to play the machines.

The first one I tried was the Computer Quiz; it cost the most (25¢), but is worth it because of all the useful knowledge you receive. My friend Garth said that he learned a lot just by watching me play. The next one I tried was the Helicopter Trainer, the object of which is to touch some metal wires on the ground with some metal wires on the helicopter. The score counter doesn’t work, but it was fun flying anyway.

I next tried my hand at bumper pool, dazzling my opponent with my trick shots. Unfortunately, Carl wasn’t easily dizzled and he beat me. I went back to the helicopter game with disgust. The bright lights of the Apollo Moon Shot Rifle caught my attention. I rammed in my dime and fired away. Moon monsters and rockets fell before the withering fire I laid out. Moving along I went next to the good all-American game of baseball; I won, seeing as I was the only one who played.

There’s another game way in the back that’s a mechanical bowling machine, but I didn’t play that. I used to play it when I went with my father to his Friday Night bowling league, but it was easy to cheat at and I didn’t want that nice Mr. Bilek to think wrong of me.

Rosenthal’s Book

Professor Bernard G. Rosenthal’s recently published book “Images of Man” is receiving critical acclaim nationwide. Aside from his job as professor in IIT’s Sociology Dept., he is acting head of the HUMAN CONTEXT and on the editorial board of EXISTENTIAL PSYCHIATRY.

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The Techawks were only able to get in four games with other schools, finishing 1-2-1. On September 18, Lewis hosted the Hawks and handed them a 6-2 beating in the opener of the doubleheader. The second game ended in a 2-2 tie. The defense and hurling looked good, but the hitting wasn’t up to par.

The Techhawks showed a lot in that twin-bill. Last spring, IIT was ignominiously blasted twice by Lewis, 14-0 and 15-1, so it’s apparent that the Hawks have made a big improvement. If the hitting comes around, and it has shown signs of life lately, IIT will be very tough come next season. Lewis was supposed to make a return visit to IIT last Saturday, Sept. 25, but the games were washed out. The last practice of the fall will be held today at 3 pm.

IIT’s cross-country team began competition last week, and showed a sore- (Continued on page 4)

**Chief Sez:**

by Chief Pin-Setter

Last Wednesday the pocket and carom billiard tables in the HUB recreation room took on a new look. New bed and rail cloth, of an Autumn Gold hue, has enhanced the participation appeal, and the action is fast.

On Friday, Sept. 24 three new amusement machines made their appearance in the rec. room, and the skill required while furnishing entertainment has proven to be a considerable magnet.

The Midwest Intercollegiate Bowling Conference will have its meeting of delegates to draft up the schedule and take up any matters pertinent to the conference on Sunday, October 3 at 2 pm in room 306 of the HUB.