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**Rabbit Supper Held
Here Last Evening**

A "full house" attended the rabbit supper held at the local K. of C. hall Thursday evening.

The Wayne Bows, a barbershop quartet from Fort Wayne, were the main entertainers for the evening and Ed Heimann served as master of ceremonies for the program.

Leonardo Gavilli, exchange student from Italy, was the featured speaker for the evening.

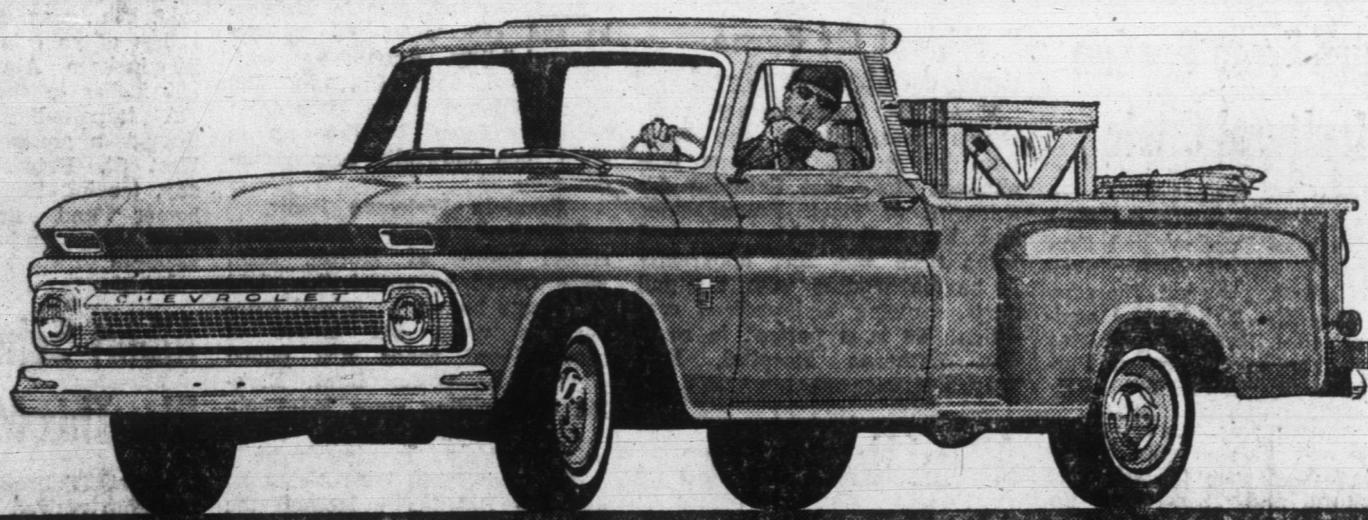
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Auto Workers Meet To Shape Demands

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (UPI) — The United Auto Workers, armed with a \$65 million strike fund, met today to shape a jumbo bundle of wage-benefit demands for this summer's negotiations with the auto industry.

UAW President Walter P. Reuther aimed at a contract package that would raise payroll costs at least 4.9 per cent a year—roughly 15 to 18 cents an hour for nearly 600,000 production workers.

That target, about twice as big as the typical 1963 contract settlement, may invite criticism from President Johnson when he addresses the 2,000 delegates Monday. Johnson has appealed for moderation in bargaining this year.

Seek Earlier Retirement

Reuther said in his report to the union's 19th convention that UAW negotiators would drive for earlier retirement and a new escalator clause to increase pensions when wages of living costs go up.

The labor leader earlier said his union would drive for longer vacations with extra bonus pay, plantwide work breaks and restrictions on overtime to provide more jobs.

"The prospects are excellent that we shall be able to make substantial progress in this year's negotiations," Reuther told the delegates in a two-volume report.

Car sales have been "phenomenally good" and profits are "fantastically high," and the corporations have not shared the prosperity with consumers by cutting auto prices, he said.

\$65 Million Strike Fund

Reuther disclosed that the union's strike defense fund

should total about \$65 million by the time that contracts with General Motors, Ford and Chrysler expire Aug. 31.

"We have built these sizable strike defense funds as the best insurance against the possibility of a strike," he said. "We go to the bargaining table in 1964 stronger and better prepared than at any time in the history of our union."

Reuther renewed his pledge that the union would not seek gains that would force price increases. This is true even though the union demands far exceed general White House wage guideline recommendations, he said.

**Plan Contest For
Buddy Poppy Queen**

The Decatur V. F. W. post 6236 announced today that it will hold a contest to select a "Buddy Poppy" queen to reign over the annual poppy sales in Decatur and Adams county in May.

Any young lady residing in Adams county may enter the contest, provided that she does not reach her eighth birthday before June 20 of this year. Parents of the contestants do not need to be members of the V. F. W.

Parents who wish to enter their child in the contest are asked to mail a card to "Buddy Poppy" queen contest, V. F. W. post 6236, 127 N. Third St., Decatur. The card should include the name of the entrant, the parents' name, the entrant's date of birth and the home phone number. The contest closes Saturday, March 28.

All contestants will be notified as to the place and time the judging will be held. The winning entry will receive a \$25 savings bond and two runner-ups will receive \$5 gift certificates each. The queen will represent the local V. F. W. post at the state "Buddy Poppy" queen contest to be held in Columbus, Saturday, April 4. The trip expenses will be covered by the Decatur post for the queen and her escort.

The state winner will receive an all-expense paid trip to the V. F. W. convention to be held in June at South Bend.

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To increase all-around spaciousness, use the same light, cool shade on all four walls, woodwork, and ceiling.

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YES, IT'S TRUE, the Pennsylvania railroad crossing on Monroe street is being repaired! A crew of workmen are pictured above making the repairs, which have necessitated a detour of traffic through the city. The repairs, however, have been long-awaited by local residents.—(Photo by Cole)

**Racial Truce
Ends Thursday
In Birmingham**

By United Press International

Integration leaders in Birmingham said Thursday night that Dr. Martin Luther King stands ready to move into Birmingham "at the flick of a switch" to lead a new wave of demonstrations in the Southern steel city.

A six-month racial truce ended in Birmingham Thursday when 12 Negroes picketed in the downtown area on a claim that city officials and merchants had reneged on integration promises. Leaders said more demonstrations would be staged today.

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**Two Local Youths
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Herman Lynn Dellingen, 20-year-old resident of 1209 Master Drive, and Marvin D. Alverson, 20, of route 3, Decatur, were arraigned in the Adams circuit on charges in the Adams circuit on

three charges each.

Both are charged with contributing to the delinquency of minors, furnishing alcoholic beverages to minors and illegal possession of alcoholic beverages.

They were arrested along with two 17-year-old local boys early Thursday morning near the Catholic cemetery. Dellingen and Alverson were placed under \$1,000 bond each, while the two juveniles were referred to juvenile authorities and released to the custody of their parents.

Judge Myles F. Parrish read constitutional rights to Dellingen and Alverson Thursday afternoon and gave each further time in which to enter a plea. Alverson is represented by Richard J. Sullivan and Dellingen by Robert G. Smith, both local attorneys.

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UCLA, unbeaten in 28 regular season games and named the national champion by the UPI Board of Coaches, scored a 78-75 victory over Kansas State 22-25 and Michigan 22-24 breezed to an 83-75 triumph over Duke 25-4 in December.

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