Local bus lines offer special cross country rates

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Many people believe the early American settlers ripped off the Indians by buying Manhattan Island for \$24 and bunch of beads. But today you can have the country for only \$50, . . . or see it, at least.

In an effort to inject a much needed booster shot into offbùsiness, both Greyhound and Continental Trailways are offering their passengers a special \$50 oneway fare that will take a rider coast-to-coast.

Although both national bus companies originally planned to discontinue this promotion in March, the special fare has been extended through the spring. \$50 one-way passes for both bus lines will be sold until May 31 and can be used until June 15.

considerably since the \$50, maximum fare went into effect," said Gene Teeling, dog on the side of their buses director of public relations at and the other doesn't, but the Greyhound's anational rates and service of both lines headquarters in Phoenix.

taking advantage of this special rate," Teeling said. "Not only is it a great deal

from an economic view-point," said Sally Vargo, travel counselor at Continental Trailways, "but most people, especially men, love he convenience of not having to drive. It's quite relaxing to just sit back in a big cushioned seat and take in the

The Greyhound ticket is good for two months and the Trailways ticket is valid until the end of the promotion. Both plans allow for unlimited stopovers on a direct route after a rider is out-of-state.

Is there any difference between the two crosscountry buslines? "Not really," said Mike Warso, an employee at the State College bus terminal, which is a "Business has increased commission agency for Greyhound and Trailways.

"One company has a big are pretty much similar. Very "College-age kids and rarely will one company do



Students going out of state may find their trip offering reduced rate passes to spur winter a little easier on the wallet: both Continental Trailways and Greyhound Bus Company are

doing the same thing," Warso fare was instituted several

employee at the State College business season for the bus

business. something without the other bus terminal, said the special companies.

"It wasn't really a question of luring travelers away from months ago because winter Darius Mohsenin, another traditionally is a very slow taking planes or trains, but putting passengers on the

Other cut-rate promotions include Greyhound's Ameripass and Trailway's Eaglepass, both designed especially for sightseers who don't want to be hampered by

strict travel schedules. 'The greatest advantage to this deal," said Teeling, "is that passengers can freely go where they want, when they want, within the arranged ticket period."

The three travel plans that Greyhound and Trailways offer their sightseeing passengers are almost identical. The rates for both the Ameripass and the Eaglepass are: a 15-day ticket for \$165, a one-month pass for \$225, or for \$325, two months worth of cross-country traveling.

Extra days of travel time can be added onto either pass at the rate of \$11 a day, for up to two months.

A child under 12 can travel with an adult for free on both bus lines.

Greyhound has made its Ameripass deal even more

buses who normally don't attractive as the ticket can be automatically insure checked travel at all," said Mohsenin. at towards discounts at baggage for up to \$250, there many hotels, restaurants, and are many items which aren't sightseeing tours around the covered by this travel incountry.

> Both companies also run escorted tours to national parks, historic towns and other popular sightseeing places.

Teeling suggests that when traveling long distance via these buses, passengers should anticipate their needs. "Most experienced travelers go light," Teeling

He advises wearing loose clothing when taking long distance excursions.

"One should also carry a small piece of luggage on board," Teeling said, "so that some personal items would be readily accessible."

Bus passengers are allowed to check three pieces of worth, on the buses for no very rare to find anyone

surance. These items include cameras, typewriters, radios, hundreds of their own and other fragile, expensive equipment. Some passengers purchase their own insurance since the bus lines don't sell

any increased coverage. Warso urges that passengers buy tickets at least one day in advance.

"We order our buses according to reservations, Warso said. "In metropolitan areas, all it takes is a phone call to order an extra bus and it will arrive at the terminal in a few minutes. But it isn't all that simple to send an emergency back-up bus to a secluded, rural town such as State College.

Warso recommends that people who plan on traveling luggage, about 150 pounds cross-country take advantage of the \$50 one-way maximum charge. Warso said that it is bus ticket offer while it lasts — because the \$50 maximum traveling with more than the bus ticket fee, like a \$24 maximum amount allotted. island, will be but a memory Although the bus companies in a couple of months.

Official affirms saccharin risks

A top government health storm of controversy among official argued yesterday that animal tests are good predictors of human cancer and said it is "highly likely" saccharin can cause tumors

Environmental Health Sciences, recommended that the widely-used artificial sweetener be barred from soft vorried about its use by

available to the population, ne said. -

"That's what worries me." The Food and Drug Administration last month Rall said. "It's clearly carproposed a ban on saccharin cinogenic in animals.

dieters and others who use the sweetener regularly.

Rall, who also is assistant surgeon general 'and has a doctorate in pharmacology as well as medicine, said the Dr. David P. Rall, director Canadian rat tests that of the National Institute of prompted the FDA ban were, only the latest of a dozen studies linking saccharin with

He told an American Irinks but said he was not Cancer Society seminar for science writers that when all the test data is put together it "What I am concerned indicates that even two bottles about is that approximately 75 of saccharin-containing soft per cent of the saccharin drinks consumed daily for a nanufactured goes into soft long time could probably drinks which are freely cause cancer eventually in some persons.

"It's highly likely that saccharin is carcinogenic (cancer causing) in man,'

Typists helpful to busy student

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It's already Wednesday. You have an Economics exam tomorrow and a computer program due Friday. You've written your psychology paper which is also due Friday, but since two-finger typing is all you can handle, you know you'll never get everything done. You consider heading home while you still have your sanity . . .

There is another alternative, however.

If you've got some extra dollars, but don't have extra time, you might want to have your paper typed by someone selling typing services.

Many typists in the area said they usually could have a term paper ready the day after they received it. Theses would take about a week, they said, because they are longer and more complicated.

Marian Mills, owner of Mills Typing Service, said they have been doing work for students for four years. In addition to typing, they also handle printing and copying.

A number of State College typists however, are housewives who type papers as a part time job.

But at the end of the term, State College resident Jean Hoffman said, the typing job becomes very much full time. "I get up in the morning and type until night," she said.

All the typists said they would correct spelling and punctuation errors, but some said they would do more extensive editing.

One typist, who asked to have her name withheld, said she already edits papers, but has just decided to start advertising this service.

She said that if she charges for editing, she goes over the paper thoroughly and takes responsibility for the editing. Otherwise, she said she just straightens out what she can without spending too much extra time. Mills said she is thinking about editing for her typing service's next project.

However, Hoffman said she only corrects minor errors. "It's a question of who is getting the grade,"

Prices the typists said they charge for a term paper varied between 60 and 80 cents a double-spaced page. Some said they included the price of typing paper in their rates, but others said they charged a little extra

For theses, prices ran between 75 cents and \$1.30 per page

Thesis assistant Rob Rager said there usually aren't many complaints from grad students who are unhappy with the way a paper has been typed

Rager said the graduate school has a file of typists who are available and who already have typed two theses for the school.

Undergraduates also can use the file to find a typist, he said, but probably would not want to pay the higher prices for camera-perfect typing that some of these typists

"I would say that in most cases, the reputation of the typist gets him his work, for term papers and theses,' Rager said.



Marian Mills puts her 130-words-per-minute fingers to work on a student term paper at Mills Typing and Print-

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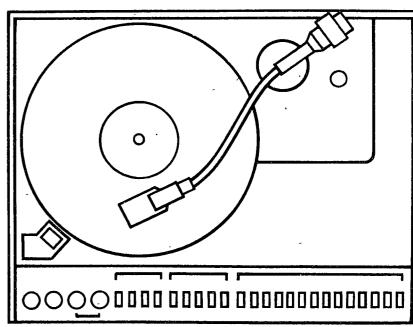
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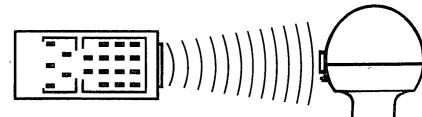
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