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Local No. 1

After reviewing the last two issues of our Journal, without an article by your Local #1 Correspondent, I felt as great a sense of loss at not seeing our usual spot filled, as I hope you did.

When you get used to seeing our Local represented in our monthly magazine and then find it isn't there, not only once, but twice, you sure do miss it.

There was a slight mix-up, both in my last article and the delay in holiday mailing. Well, enough for the plea coping, it's a new year, so let's get to work.

I guess you all know our Local has been restored to its 2500 membership, with the acceptance of the 200 Probation men by the Brothers at our December general meeting. We wish the new brothers well and hope to see them strive for the betterment of their Local and their International. One sure way of doing it is 100% attendance at all meetings.

Our full support and wishes of good luck are with our International.

Because of the delay, I am just now getting around to informing you of a retirement dinner that was held November 10th 1966, for James C. (HANK) O'Day. The affair was held at Max Manor in Brooklyn, food and drinks were excellent.

It was attended by many members of the Maintenance and Repair Dept. Your Business Agent Bro. Tom McGoldrick as well as Management from Otis Long Island office, were there. Brother Hank started for Otis in 1926, worked in construction until 1930, and then joined the Brooklyn office maintenance department. For the past 36 years he has toiled at the same stand. Hank was one of the original pro-basketball players from way back. He starred on many pro teams and enjoyed playing on such teams as the Original Celtics. He was past President and Treasurer of the Professional Basketball Oldtimers Association. He will be greatly missed by the men with whom he has worked with, as he was one of the most respected and capable members of the Long Is-

land Office and Local #1 itself.

Here's a snapshot of a few of our Brothers enjoying a popular winter sport, with (Bro. Joe Cassello, it's an all year round sport). Brother Christian Askland of Houghton Elevator, holds down center spot while Bro. Joe Cassello formerly of Otis, now with Westinghouse holds down the right wing.

Bro. Askland's ski lodge is in the newest and largest ski area in New Jersey. If skiing brings on trophies like this, I'm sure there will be quite a rush for the slopes by more of our brother members. Horse racing may be the Sport of Kings but Skiing looks like the Sport of Queens.

It is with deep regret my article has to end on such an unhappy note. The passing of another Brother member, James Connolly. He was retired from the Executive Board less than a year. A Requiem Mass was said for him at Holy Family R.C.C. in the Bronx, after which he was laid to rest at Gates of Heaven Cemetery in Westchester. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his family and loved ones. Brother Connolly will be greatly missed by those who served with him on the Executive Board.

I would appreciate it if any of my brother members would get in touch with me, if they have any newsworthy items that they would like to have appear in the journal. See you next month.

Peter Ward