



LOCAL ROUNDUP

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Local No. 1

Greetings from the Big Apple:

This past week's pay check was a little bit heavier than normal. Fortunately when I opened it up it wasn't a pink slip as I suspected but a letter from the regional Vice President to all Otis field employees. The contents of the letter was congratulations to the field men for coming in second in the nation on safety. Personally, I not only contribute this record to the men working safely but also to our Union Safety Committee for its efforts in demanding safer working conditions on job sites. The committee consisting of Bro. Ed Smith, Larry Fitzgerald, Al Carricola, Tom Nolan and Pete McEntee are doing a fine job. They visit construction jobs periodically, making sure that the General contractors live up to O.S.H.A. standards and the men themselves are properly equipped with the latest safety equipment and using them. Hats off to the committee for doing a fine job. Remember Shop Stewards that you should be holding safety meetings—a man's life might depend on them.

With all the unemployment in the city, The Annuity Fund Trustees have been meeting to try to help out our unemployed brothers. From the grape vine I can say that there are some changes in the works but as it stands now, the prerequisite for taking all of your money out is a withdrawal card and six months without working anytime at all. The changes forthcoming are more lenient but before they go into effect, they have to be approved by the I.R.S. who has the last say in the Fund.

A Special meeting in May will be a very important meeting for some of our Brothers. At this meeting we will hold nominations of officers for all positions in our union. So be on hand and give your Brothers a boost but most of all be there to find out what is going around town. . . . On the international scene. The Big Apple is joining the Negotiating Committee for an International Agreement. The committee is meeting at the Summit

Hotel on Lexington Ave. . . . Good Luck Brothers, I hope you get everything you want.

I join the officers of this local in sending our condolences to the Family of Bro. Mike McLaughlin. Mike died of a heart attack in February while working for Curtis Elevator Co.

On the lighter side: The Westinghouse men are really partying it up. Bro. Slominski is packing in the Big Apple and taking his family west to New Mexico. Bro. Kevin McNamara threw a going away party held up at Beefsteak Charlies on East 68th Street, and as you can see from the photos, a good time was had by all.



L-R Bros. Mike Doppler—Ed Donovan—B.A. John Green.



Bros. Ed Dempsey—Ed Slominski—Kevin McNamara.



L-R Bros. Bill Cockings, Jerry Kacer, Rudy Matula, Ed Slominski, Kevin Burice.



Ed Slominski receiving gift (watch) from host Kevin McNamara.

. . . At another branch of Beefsteak Charlies down on 12th St. & 5th Avenue, Bro. Ed Dempsey threw a going away party for Bro. Roger Melrose. Roger and family are moving to Texas with hopes of staying in the business. Due to short notice, I didn't bring the camera and I wish I did. During the course of the dinner, the guys started banging the glasses as at a wedding. Since Lenny Larson was closest to Roger he turned putkered up and planted one on Roger. Closing the evening out were short but timely speeches by John Gutowski and Harry Corcoran. . . . Karl and Linda Magni went out to the coast on vacation. They took in the Super Bowl and then went up to San Francisco to do a little sightseeing. While in Frisco, Karl stopped into Local #8 to say hello. Karl asked me to thank all the people in the Union hall but especially Bro. Harry Weisenberger for his hospitality. It seems Harry took Karl and Linda in hand and gave them the Grand Tour of the Golden Gate City, thanks again Harry. . . . The Downtowners are still buzzing over the weekend massacre on the East Side by the Little Mussolini.

In closing let us all offer a little prayer to God that every one will enjoy employment before the end of 1977.

Faternally,
Frank Dolan