

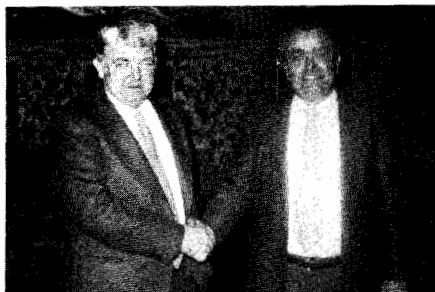
## NEW YORK, N.Y.

### Local No. 1

Brothers:

Greetings from the Big Apple:

First and foremost, I would like to congratulate Brother Karl Stork. As all of us know in Local 1, Vinnie Watson resigned as President and Business Manager of Local 1 and after nominations and election, Bro. Stork was elected by an overwhelming majority. Now Brothers it is the time for all of us to pull together and get this Local out of the hole. Brother Stork has shown that he is trying to pull us out—so let's show him what good unionism is all about and give our new president a good start.



John Green congratulating our new President Karl Stork.

At this time I would like to give our Emergency Relief Fund Committee a boost in the arm. As most of our brothers DON'T know, they are the unsung heroes of Local 1. Chaired by Bro. John Green, Co-Chaired by Bro. Charlie Novak, and Committee men Bros. Bob Kelly, Jim Reilly and Don Ricchia, these fellers manage those extra bucks you are assessed. At this time the EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND COMMITTEE, has given to Brothers in need, well over \$100,000. \*\*\* And all we had to do was give \$10 once in a while. The Brothers mentioned above have given their own time, once a month, to take care of the monies of the Emergency Relief Fund and to screen applicants for availability of the fund. I have used this Fund once, and know how helpful it can be when you are out of work without a paycheck coming in.

God Bless and keep up the good work.

Now, again, I stress to all mechanics and helpers in the business, look and count your N.E.I. hours. Otis Elevator Co. has been very lax!!! When you work overtime or Night Calls be sure that your worked hours and your N.E.I. hours are the same. For some reason this multi-billion dollar conglomerate has not been able to straighten out a little computer problem, such as our retirement benefits. Brothers these hours are so important to you and yet Otis and I'm not sure how many other manufacturers have messed up, not only on your pay check but to the bank where our retirement is managed. I'm sure if Otis was losing money, they would correct it in no time—but since they have everything to gain and nothing to lose—why ruin a good thing—this has been going on in the Local 1 area for the past two years—WHY? ... Let me explain the N.E.I. Hours. When you are of retirement age—it is not how many years you have been in the business—it is how many hours you have accumulated. Every 1700 hours means one year. If you were fortunate enough to work a lot of overtime and made 3400 hours in one year—when you retire—that year will count as two years. But if you were laid off and only made 1600 hours, you would need another 100 hours to make up that one year. When you retire, the Retirement Fund Managers take all the hours you worked and divide them by 1700 which to Management is one year. So brothers those extra couple of hours we are missing on our checks each week could mean another year for our retirement. Make sure your N.E.I. hours are the same hours you worked (excluding holiday hours). It could mean an extra \$15 or \$30 per month when you retire.

**On the lighter side:** Again the Tradesmen's Dance is coming up—this time in July. They have booked Koenigs in Floral Park and if it's any-

thing like the last ones you will get MORE than you've paid for. Check with either Jim Reilly or Ray Bender for more details. ... I cut out a little joke from *Readers Digest* a little while ago and I'll pass it on. ... And then there was the man who was forever missing success by just that much. Like the time he worked for the Ad agency and invented the slogan, "good to the last drop!" A good slogan? Sure! But for the Otis Elevator Company?

Work safe and keep out of mischief

Faternally,

Frank Dolan