



# correspondence

## Correspondents to the Journal NOTICE

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### NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Local No. 1

It's hard to believe spring training is just about over, and another exciting season of baseball is here.

All twenty teams are awaiting the cry of "Play-Ball." The rest of our brother locals in our International know, of course, which two teams, our local is going to root in.

Spring also brought together two other Big Leagues, the I.U.E.C. and N.E.M.I. Local #1 was happy to see the big two get together on an approved contract.

It was like following the score card, reading our past journals along with the bulletins our International has sent to its brother locals.

Congratulations are in order to all brother locals and our negotiations committee for the fortitude and strength displayed during the strike.

All brother members shall receive in the near future an employees individual Annuity Record. It is based on monthly assets that each employee has received from July 1966 until June of this year. This way all brothers will be able to determine their standing at a glance. It will list month, Employer code, days, rate and amount contributed and, of course, the total. Our office staff will be in high gear, with this added but necessary work ahead of them.

Our Business Agents have been giving their shoes quite a workout lately. Along with their normal days coverage, they have been busy down at City Hall, giving their views on the construction of the World Trades Center. From what I have heard, their are some bird watchers groups that are concerned about the location of this building.

It seems the yellow—bellied sap suckers and some other birds might not be able to see the twin towers and smash into them on their annual flight south and then home again. Its hard to believe this specific location will be directly in their path. Keep plugging brothers! The added work it will bring will sure be appreciated.

Just when things seemed to be pick-

ing up, with most brothers going back on weekly wages, we have slowed down again. President Koch and Secretary-Treasurer Clifford, along with our office staff, have been burning the telephone wires with calls, procuring work with other trades locals for our brother members. They have had some degree of success so far, but here's hoping things start looking up in our own local and all our brothers will be back where they desire to be, in our own trade.

Congratulations are in order to Bro. Joe Mongelli of Westinghouse and his better half for their newest addition, Barbara Ann. Brother Mongelli is now the proud father of five children. What say, Joe, give the poor woman a rest. I should talk.

We were most sorry to hear that Brother Jerry Regan, our most dedicated and diligent accountant, has been hospitalized at St. Clair's, with a broken hip, he received in a fall. Get well soon, Jerry, you are missed in more ways than one.

Brother Ernie Meyers is convalescing at Poly-Clinic Hospital. Any brother knowing him, drop down and pass a few moments with him. I know it will be most appreciated.

Brother Eddie O'Brian of Herk Elevator Co. is nursing a bad hand, received on the job. I understand Brother O'Brian is fortunate in having his hand at all. Eddie will be laid up quite a while trying to get the hand back to normal. We hope Mrs. O'Brian will be able to get back to normal after his long home convalescence.

Brother Otto Lemmon's wife, Ann is in Physician's Hospital in Jackson Heights for an operation. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Here's hoping to see you all at our June general meeting, our last one before the summer recess. Your Union is only as strong as their memberships participation and loyalty to their local.

P.S. If there is anything of interest any of the brothers would like to have inserted in future articles, please get in touch with me.

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