



LOCAL ROUNDUP

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Local No. 1

Greetings from the Big Apple, the place where everything happens:

Thank God the elections are over, because as most of you know, the campaigning is expensive and keeps you away from your families. At this election, almost 1,100 members voted for the men of their choice. The reason for the poor turnout, I would think, is due to the lack of employment and the fact that a large amount of those unemployed could not afford a paid-up card. There were only four (4) new faces to join the ranks of Union officers. Brothers Charlie Kovak and Harry Shields were elected to the Board of Trustees and yours truly, Frank Dolan, was elected to Correspondent. The most significant change in the Executive Board was the election of Brother Jim Kennedy to Business Agent. Jim has been an outspoken member of our Executive Board for the past six years and I know he is going to do a fine job. Good luck to all our elected officers and keep on fighting.

Part of the article that I wrote last month was deleted due to lack of space, so I would like to add it now. Three states in this great country of ours, pay unemployment to workers who are out on strike. One of these states is New York. The N.Y. Telephone Company has seen fit to sue N.Y. State because they do not want to pay unemployment benefits to strikers. Federal Court Judge Owen ruled in favor of Ma Bell and tried to stop N.Y. State from paying unemployment benefits. However, N.Y. State being a pro-labor state, has filed and received a court injunction to stop Judge Owen's judgment. Now it is up to us Brothers—Get the pens out of mothballs and write your legislators to put on the pressure to get this ruling reversed. Remember—Local No. 1 has been notorious for having very long strikes, and if we ever do decide to go out again, that extra \$11 could mean food on the table. Right now our Brothers in the International are fighting for their

new contract and we are all pulling for them so their contract can be resolved.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Bro. Forrest W. Russell retired in March and will be missed by all his Brothers in Burlington. Forrest — enjoy your retirement, it is well deserved. The Dirty Dozen of Brooklyn wipped the pants off the Downtown Derelicts and returned the cherished Five Foot Championship trophy to it's rightful home in Brooklyn. The M.V.P.



The Downtowners returning the trophy to the Dirty Dozen.



Frank Dolan collecting a bed from George Sweeta.

award went to Ronnie Madden of the Dirty Dozen. Ronnie moved from Covington, Kentucky, to make his home in Brooklyn . . . Bro. Bob Flanagan informs me that way up in New City, N.Y., Bro. Marty Brady (of the Brady Bunch) has opened a small pub and he would welcome all of the brothers to stop in for lunch and a little libation. Giving Marty a hand is Louie Maas, who recently retired from the business . . . Bro. John Walsh dropped me a line, informing me of another Tradesmen Fraternal Assn. Fishing Trip. The date set is October 1st and the bus will leave from E. 93d St. and 2d Ave., at 1:30 AM, heading north for Hyannis Port.

The charge is \$30 which includes

all the beer and soda, transportation and fishing tackle. To make reservations write to John, c/o the Tradesmen, P.O. Box 235, Grand Central Station, N.Y. 10017, N.Y. . . . On Memorial Day Weekend, Bros. George Danbury, Bill Gomo and myself took a little hiking trip up the Long Trail, starting from Adams, Mass. to Bennington, Vermont. It was a fantastic experience for ourselves and our kids just to get into nature and get away from the littered



George Danbury, Bill Gomo and Frank Dolan up on the Long Trail in Vermont.



Relaxing after a hearty dinner on the trail.

streets and smog filled air of the Big Apple and substitute it for the solitude and beauty of the Vermont Mountains. We are going to make the trip again in the latter part of August—so if anyone is interested in coming along, just drop a line—there's plenty of room for all of us in the mountains . . . Don't forget the Union Picnic, Saturday August 13.

Playing safe and working safe makes for a happier family.

Fraternally,
Frank Dolan

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