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Local No. 1

Brothers:

In last month's article, I was very optimistic as to the outcome of the contract, but after talking to some of the Negotiating Committee, I have become very pessimistic. Does it seem feasible that the manufacturers are actually offering ONLY a 5% increase for three years when the cost of living has gone up over twice that? How can the manufacturers try to keep on TAKING without GIVING in return? Negotiation, according to Webster's Dictionary, is the conferring, discussing and bargaining to reach agreement—not the taking away of one's livelihood. If we accepted this 5% increase, as management wants, a common laborer without any skilled talents, would overcome our wages and leave us behind. The manufacturers have not been bargaining in good faith and we have been working without a contract for two months. I think we have shown our good faith but management just treats us as a number without any concern for us, as skilled tradesmen or our families who would like to live in the same manner they are accustomed.

Two more good Union Men have left the ranks of Local No. 1. Bro. Mike Killeen No. 2540 has quit Westinghouse and is traveling towards greener pastures in Denver with hopes of picking up work with Local No. 25—our loss is your gain. Freddie Collman and Walter Burke threw Mike a going away party which was attended by Brothers from Otis, Westinghouse and Armor. Bro. Cliff Moscroff was Chef and from the looks of those smiling faces in the pictures, he did a fantastic job . . .



L to R—Cliff Moscroff, Fred Collman, our Denver Boy Mike Killeen, Walter Burke and Pete VanDerdrift.



L to R—Ed Connolly, B.A. John Green, B.A. Karl Stork, Tom Creedon, B.A. Jim Kennedy, John Riordon and Don Ricchia.

Ronnie Maddon No. 1940 has received a transfer to Local No. 20, the Gateway of the South in Louisville, Kentucky. He is originally from the Louisville area so he is looking forward to renewing old friendships. The Otis men of Brooklyn along with the Westinghouse Guys gave Ronnie a rousing sendoff. Good Luck to both Ronnie and Mike with hopes that all your shutdowns are R.O.A.'s.

Bro. Tom Creedon was born at a very young age on Aug. 6, 1913. During the passing years Tom found his vocation in the elevator business with Armor. Tom joined the Armor Army after the war on June 1, 1945 and has continued to work for the same company for 53% of his life. Considering his schooling and service time, Tom has given Armor 34 years, 4 months and 22 days. Because of his dedicated service, Bros. Ed Connolly, Don Ricchia and John Riordon saw fit to give him a rousing sendoff to his future life of leisure. So at the Amber Lantern, a retirement party was held in Tom's honor with about 50 brothers in attendance along with our B.A.s' Karl Stork, John Green and Jim Kennedy and Al Lopez and George Jacobs of Armor. Many expensive gifts were bestowed on Tom who incidently arrived at the dinner in shorty P.J.'s with a tool bag that the Incredible Hulk would have a hard time lifting. Back to the gifts — a beautiful Tinker Toy Tug Boat and a Play Skol Stop Watch were given



Tom Creedon with his shorty P.J.'s:



The Boys of summer enjoying Mike Killeen's going away party.

as monuments of Tom's past endeavors and a Gold engraved watch to remember the Brothers at Armor who cared enough to send the very best. Good Luck Tom—ENJOY!

I guess the Dirty Dozen figured it was time the Down Town Derilicts got the Trophy back because at the seventh annual picnic, the Downtowners slid by in a close soft ball game (18-11). However, things weren't hardly that close on the Potato sack races and the Tug-of-war where the Dirty Dozen sucked in their beer bellies and gave the Downtowners a licking—Wait till next year!



The Downtowners after their victory, gather around the coveted Trophy.

Bro. Ed (Apple) McAllister is certainly a proud Pa pa and not because his wife had another baby. Ed's son Edward Jr. just received an appointment to the Air Force Academy and he is off to Colorado. Good Luck Junior—Learn a lot in the Academy and maybe you can come back and be an Elevator Mechanic.

Our congratulations go out to Bro. Al Caracciola for his election as Day Secretary. Al was top man out of four Brothers running for the position. Good luck in your new job Al—you have a large pair of shoes to fill.

Work and and play safe Brothers and until next month,

Frank Dolan