

LOCAL ROUNDUP

NEW YORK, NEW YORK Local No. 1

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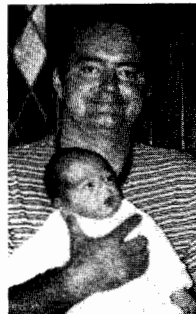
Greetings from the Mighty MacIntosh:

Although it is not written in the Local No. 1 agreement, isn't it possible for the manufacturers to pay a qualified and/or experienced helper over scale as they do with a qualified mechanic, i.e. trouble shooters, adjusters and foremen. In this day and age where experience is hard to come by, it would behoove the manufacturers to pay an experienced helper over scale. It's about time that we did something about the loss of experienced and qualified mechanics.

The Safety Committee of this local has been on the move. Brothers Charlie Novak, Business Manager Stork and Business Agent Kennedy hit several jobs around the Mid-Town area. Unfortunately, on two (2) of the jobs it was a little too late. Brother Bill Belski fell down three (3) floors and is in stable condition in the hospital. Also, Brother Vern Stratton went down seven (7) floors and is also in the hospital. Vern was on a false car when the car let go. For this reason the union and the Safety Committee are stressing that the brothers check the safeties daily prior to using false cars, even if another mechanic has used that car that day. The new mechanic is required to check the safeties and take it apart on a weekly basis for lubrication and maintenance. If there are any conditions on jobs that you feel are unsafe, do not hesitate to contact the union and the Safety Committee. All calls will be held in strict confidence and the Safety Committee will be dispatched to that particular job to check out your grievance.

The World Trade Center used to be the tallest buildings in the world before Chicago got into the act. Maintaining the 250 units in the two (2) towers is a hard job; but being the

shop steward of this job is even harder. Richie Loud is not only a good shop steward but he also cares for his fellow men. Richie was working on the top floors of one of the towers when he came across a man who had no authority being in that area. The man ignored Richie and went to the roof where he tried to end his life by jumping from the top of the trade center. Richie was able to subdue the man before he ended his life and held him until the Port Authority Police came to his assistance. The Port Authority wrote a letter of commendation to Otis Elevator and Richie Loud for his quick reactions and unselfishness and jeopardizing his own life to save another.



Jack Holden
proud papa

Several blessed events were brought to my attention this month. Brother Jack Holden and his beautiful wife Mary were blessed with Joshua Matthew on August 16. Mary should

have been an elevator man because she has a lot of pazazz. Not only did she go through natural child birth but this is her first child in fifteen (15) years. Perhaps there is a method to her madness because she will get plenty of help from her children, Debbie 20, John 19, and Maria 15. Congratulations on your new addition. Also, in the stork department, Hank and Pat Stark had a visit from the stork this past month and they were blessed with a bouncing baby girl. Both parents and child are doing fine but the gang isn't because Hank hasn't passed out the cigars yet.

On the Lighter Side: The Tradesmen Fraternal Association had their annual dinner dance and the service men of Brooklyn threw the first annual stag barbecue. Due to the length of this article I will have

pictures and information next month.

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Faternally yours in unionism,

Frank Dolan