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**“Stand faithfully by  
our friends and elect them.  
Oppose our enemies and defeat  
them; whether they be candidates  
for President, for Congress, or  
other offices. . . .”**

*From an Editorial by Samuel Gompers entitled, "Labor's Political Banner Unfurled" in the April, 1920 American Federationist.*

Labor has a great deal at stake in this fall's election. Anti-labor forces are out to take target practice at you, your wages, and your union. If they win, new laws aimed at restricting rights of workers and unions will be introduced and enacted in Congress in 1971. You and your union are on the firing line. Support and vote for labor-endorsed candidates this November.

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## Our Cover

This month's JOURNAL front cover certainly proves the claim of the well-known television song, which reads, "The bluest skies you'll ever see are in Seattle. . . ." Symbol of the city is the 600-foot high Space Needle. Seattle will be the host city for the IBEW's 29th Convention, September 28-October 3, 1970.



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# Editorial Comment

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By Charles H. Pillard, International President

**Future for electrical workers in North America offers growth and opportunity. We must eagerly take up the challenge.**



► At every progress meeting this year, many speeches and informal discussions were heard on how we could further improve our great Brotherhood and assure its future prominence in the industry. In most cases, the delegates agreed that, although the IBEW presently is strong, united, and growing, there remains room

for continued improvement in order to reach the aims and goals set forth in the preamble to the Brotherhood's Constitution.

In every branch of the IBEW, the need for organizing the unorganized and training new members still exists. This is necessary, not only because we need unity to protect the gains in wages and working conditions made down through the years, but also to ensure that progress will continue into the future.

At each progress meeting, we spoke of the tremendous potential growth of our industry. It is a fact that the use of electricity in the U.S. alone has been doubling nearly every eight years. With electric companies planning to spend nearly \$25 billion on new equipment in the next five years to help meet skyrocketing demands, it becomes evident that the electrical construction industry will have a continuing need for skilled craftsmen to build and maintain generation and transmission facilities. We antici-

pate all branches of the IBEW experiencing increased future manpower needs.

When our members fully realize the opportunities before them, and take advantage of the potential, only then will we be fulfilling our purpose. Regardless of all the uncertainty surrounding life these days, positive signs do exist of changes for the better and a more progressive world. Electricity has played a significant role in this progress.

Indeed, the future for electrical workers in the United States and Canada promises opportunity and growth. We must be ready to accept eagerly the challenge and hard work accompanying the opportunity. Specifically, because electrical work is constantly changing technologically, we must keep ourselves trained and ready to meet new challenges brought about by change.

We must be aggressive in protecting our jurisdictions and make certain no others invade fields rightly our own. Thousands of unorganized electrical workers are jeopardizing our security by doing our jobs in construction, utilities, manufacturing, telephone, radio and television, electrical sign shops, motor repair shops, and other important areas of the electrical industry. These non-union workers need the aggressive, united support that only a strong union can give them. Likewise, the IBEW needs their numbers to increase its strength.

In unity there is strength. We hope that all our members understand the truth in this maxim and join in the continuing effort to make our Brotherhood an even greater voice for electrical workers everywhere.

The entire electrical industry is on the move, and in many areas. So is the IBEW. The future is bright with opportunity, and we intend to accept the challenge and keep it lighted to our advantage.

*Charles H. Pillard*

# 29th

3,000 DELEGATE CREDENTIALS  
ALREADY RECEIVED—

## 29th Convention Plans In Final Stages

► The International Office is a busy place these days, with many of the I.O. staff and the office employees, led by President Pillard and Secretary Keenan, working towards finalizing plans for the IBEW's 29th International Convention, to be held in Seattle, Washington, from September 28th through October 3rd.

An excess of 3,000 credentials has been sent back by the elected delegates and alternates to the International Office for processing, with many more arriving as we go to press. Approximately 1,800 delegates and 1,200 alternates from 900 local unions have responded to the convention call.

Applications for hotel accommodations have been sent out to all who have returned their credentials. As a reminder, reservations must be made by September 1st. Return your official hotel applications to:

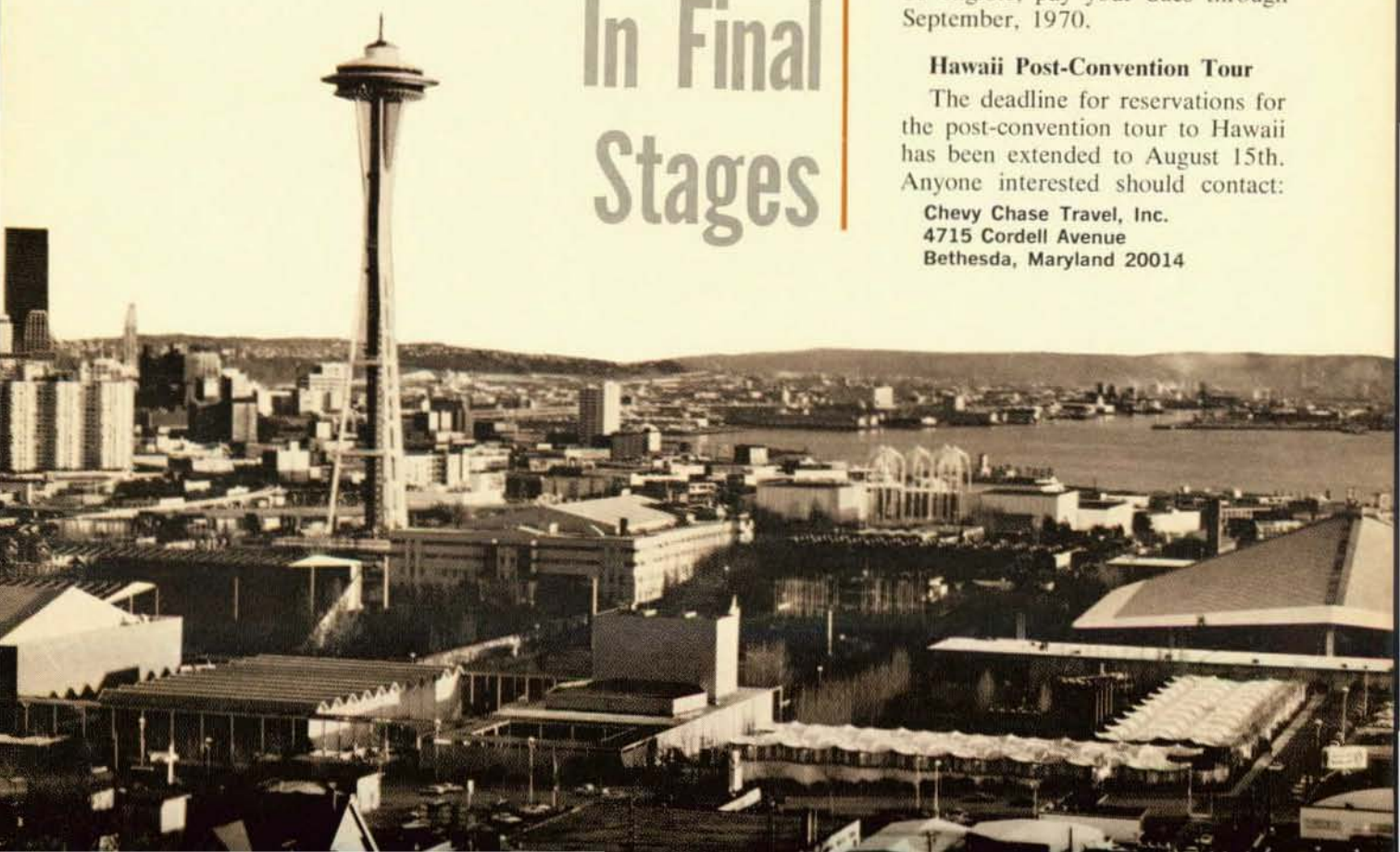
**IBEW Housing Bureau  
Seattle Convention and Visitors  
Bureau  
215 Columbia Street  
Seattle, Washington 98104**

Delegates are reminded that, under the Constitution, a delegate must have 24 months' continuous good standing in the local union that he represents, so in order to be eligible, pay your dues through September, 1970.

### **Hawaii Post-Convention Tour**

The deadline for reservations for the post-convention tour to Hawaii has been extended to August 15th. Anyone interested should contact:

**Chevy Chase Travel, Inc.  
4715 Cordell Avenue  
Bethesda, Maryland 20014**





## IN BALTIMORE, MD.:

### “Hard Hats” Support Flag March

► Every job in the Baltimore building trades jurisdiction closed down on Monday, June 15th, for a mass march in support of the American flag. The Support-the-Flag March through the streets of downtown Baltimore attracted more than 15,000 hard hat construction workers, which was a tremendous showing, considering that there are fewer than 16,000 members in the Baltimore building trades.

The only opposition to the march, when it was first mentioned by Ed Courtney, President of the Baltimore Building and Construction Trades Council and organizer of the parade, came in the form of concern that the press would turn the march into support for President Nixon and his policies. Brother Courtney made it clear that this was not a show of support for President Nixon or for the war in Vietnam; it was a demonstration for the United States and the American flag. Not one sign in the parade mentioned Nixon, Agnew, or Vietnam.

Press coverage was excellent. Some articles were

More than 1,000 members of Local 24 marched in the Baltimore, Md., Building Trades Council's "Hard Hat Parade." Business Manager Jack McCorkle led the Local 24 contingent. Arnold Elliott and George Woods were flag-bearers. Some 15,000 construction workers jammed into Lexington Plaza where they heard Baltimore Building Trades President Ed Courtney read a proclamation in support of our country and flag.

as long as seven columns, with front page photos.

There was no mention of the march in any other city except in Washington, D.C. This lack of national coverage was probably due to the fact that there was no violence (A few minor incidents were not worth writing about.) and that the march was non-political. Vice President Agnew cries about unfair press coverage, but he gets the best coverage in the world. Had there been Nixon-Agnew signs in the Baltimore march, there would probably have been newspaper coverage across the country.

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IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS  
**2nd District Progress Meeting**

# 2nd



Shown together at the banquet are Chairman of the IEC E. J. "Rex" Fransway and International President Charles H. Pillard.

► The Second District Progress Meeting was held at the Somerset Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts, on May 7, 8, 1970. International Vice President John Flynn called for the construction, utility, and manufacturing branches to have workshop conferences which included the service local unions.

At the construction branch meeting, residential wiring agreements and the need for organization of the work were stressed. Vice President Flynn congratulated the delegates on their successful negotiations with their employers on basic agreements but pointed out that a huge amount of work is being done by non-union contractors; he also stressed the importance of organizing qualified electrical workers.

International Representative Don Mahoney thanked the delegates and their local unions for their help in the organizing campaign for the New England telephone workers, and International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr. gave the delegates some fine advice, which resulted in a good question-and-answer period.

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Posing after dessert are Vice President John E. Flynn, International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan, International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., IEC member James Mulloney, and retired Vice President John Regan.







# 2nd



## 2nd District Progress Meeting



1

Secretary Keenan delivers his remarks in the main ballroom to the assembled delegates.

2

Manny Couté, International Representative, makes a report to the delegates on New England Telephone organizing campaign.

3

A view of the delegates in the rear of the hall.

4

George Marques, Business Manager of Local 2015, Danbury, Conn., making his report during the Manufacturing Branch workshop. Seated at the table are Bob Dillon and Richard Rogers, International Representatives.

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The Utility Workshop was conducted by IR John Keilty, Business Manager Richard Pray, Local 1837, Portsmouth, N. H.; IR Maurice B. Murphy, and Business Manager James Hermans, Local 326, Lawrence, Mass.

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The delegates had a swell time at the dinner-dance sponsored by host Local 103, Boston.



## Government Employees Council Metal Trades Department Joint Seminar

► The issuance of Executive Order 11491 (Labor-Management Relations in the Federal Service), which was signed by President Nixon on October 29, 1969, and which became effective on January 1, 1970, marked a new phase in the relationship between the federal government (the employer) and the unions which represent its employees.

The Government Employees Council (GEC) and the Metal Trades Department (MTD), in cooperation with the AFL-CIO Labor Studies Center, held a seminar at American University in Washington, D.C., on June 2, 3, 1970. The seminar provided an opportunity for officials and representatives of unions representing federal workers to meet with each other and to explore the challenges and obligations resulting from Executive Order 11491.

Sixty officials and/or representatives of 25 national and international AFL-CIO unions represented a cross section of all federal employees. IBEW Representatives in attendance were Carl F. Brown, Richard T. Barrus, Wade Gurley, Willard P. Morrill, and Robert Crum.

GEC Chairman George J. Knaly, Director of Government Operations (IBEW), opened the seminar on the morning of June 2, 1970, and also presided as chairman at several sessions of the conference.

In his opening remarks, Chairman Knaly welcomed all participants and set the tone for the conference. He noted that Executive Order 11491 is a step forward. "The system of labor-management relations is an improvement over that set up under Executive Order 10988, but it does not provide for true collective bargaining in the federal sector," he said. "Legislation will," he added, "eventually provide for true collective bargaining in this area."

The seminar covered the entire spectrum of Executive Order 11491, as well as of postal legislation and legislation for the federal-employee sector. Discussions generated by the speakers, chairman, and group-discussion leaders made the conference both productive and informative for all in attendance.



Representing their respective unions are, from left: Lwyn Weaver, Painters; George Knaly, IBEW; and Max Shine, AFTE.



IBEW Director of Government Operations George Knaly is shown with Paul Hutchings, Research Director, Metal Trades Department, AFL-CIO, and Otto Pragan, AFL-CIO Labor Studies Center.



Congressman Spark Matsunaga (D) of Honolulu, Hawaii, was a guest speaker. To his right is John Griner, President of the American Federation of Government Employees and member of the AFL-CIO Executive Council.



The IBEW was well represented by International Representatives, from left, Carl Brown, Bob Crum, Director of Government Operations George Knaly, and Bill Morill.

IN SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH  
8th District Progress Meeting

8th



► The Eighth District Progress Meeting was held on June 12, 13, 1970, at the Hotel Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The gracious hospitality of the IBEW local unions in Salt Lake City and the surrounding areas was once more enjoyed by the delegates to the progress meeting.

Temporary Chairman Jack Anderson, Business Manager, Local 354, Salt Lake City, called the meeting to order and welcomed the delegates. Ralph Hedquist, Business Manager, Local 57, Salt Lake City, delivered the invocation.

Dave Hatton, Business Manager, Local 1438, Magna, Utah, and Explorers Troop No. 7 of the Boy Scouts presided at the presentation of colors and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Honorable Calvin L. Ramp-ton, Governor of Utah, addressed the meeting. His address was very well received by the delegates.

While the delegates were at the meetings, the ladies of the Eighth

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In 1848, a flock of gulls was credited with eating a vast army of crickets around Salt Lake City and saving the crops of the Mormon pioneers. A statue to the gulls stands in the city today.

A delightful dinner was served in the spacious dining room of the Hotel Utah, and International President Charles H. Pillard made a few impromptu remarks.





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# 8th

DISTRICT  
PROGRESS  
MEETING

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Vice President Stanley E. Thompson reports on progress in the Eighth District. He received a standing ovation when he told the delegates he was a candidate for Vice President again.

2

An important visitor to the meeting was the Governor of Utah, Calvin Hampton, who is shown here with International Representative Vince Pearson and International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan.

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The "coffee break" sessions proved very popular for the delegates to get better acquainted.

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Not all the important business took place during the formal sessions. Left to right, are Charles Berrell, NECA President; International President Charles H. Pillard; Ernest Forsberg, Wasatch Electric & Line Construction Co.; and Jack Anderson, Business Manager of Local 354, Salt Lake City.

5

Pat Biggs, Financial Secretary of Local 2300, Denver, Colo., was crowned Queen of the Eighth District Progress Meeting by IEC Chairman E. J. "Rex" Fransway and International President Charles H. Pillard.

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Left to right, are Frank Petler, Don Shaputis, and John Meader, of Local 111, Denver, Colo., and International President Pillard in a discussion.

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This happy group, left to right, are Charles DeMoulin, Local 68, Denver, Colo., and also a state representative to the Colorado Legislature; IEC member Ralph Leigon; Lew Stone, Business Manager, Local 68; International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., and IEC member Jack Moore.



State Capitol of Utah

## Second District

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In the afternoon, the IBEW film, "Evolution of an Ideal," which tells the story of the Council on Industrial Relations, was shown by two members of the council, Business Managers Fred Wright, Local 501, White Plains, New York, and G. H. Chandler, Local 588, Lowell, Massachusetts.

The utility workers reported on the various problems encountered by locals in several areas. Vice President Flynn addressed the group on the future plans of the Second District and stressed organization and amalgamations of small locals to help improve wages and working conditions through the help of full-time business managers.

David Blutsworth and John Teel of the American Arbitration Association presented interesting and instructive addresses, after which the session was concluded with a question-and-answer period.

At the manufacturing meeting, Nate Paven of Boston presented valuable information on vital matters pertaining to compensation claims to the delegates from the government, marine, and maintenance branches which represent locals whose members work on products from the smallest micro-electronics device to large nuclear submarines.

International Representative Bob Dillon gave a summary of the meeting held in Washington, D.C., telling about the AFL-CIO fight against job losses caused by the import of foreign merchandise, as well as about President Charles H. Pillard's action in seeking relief for the IBEW members who have already lost their jobs.

Virginia Johnson, Local 1274, Warwick, Rhode Island, and Art Osborn, Local 1505, Waltham, Massachusetts, gave the delegates excellent advice on the publication of local union papers.

In the evening, Local 103, Boston, hosted a cocktail hour and dinner. Mrs. Charles Caffrey, on behalf of her husband, Charles Caffrey, recently-retired Executive Council member, accepted a citation

for his long and dedicated service to the IBEW, from President Pillard.

International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan presented a similar citation to retired International Vice President John J. Regan.

At the second day's conference, President Pillard spoke about "the necessity of adjustment to the times." Secretary Keenan pointed out the necessity of supporting COPE and of selecting labor-endorsed candidates. Other speakers were International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., IEC member James F. Mulloney, Franklin Murphy, Regional AFL-CIO, and John Callahan, Regional COPE.

The delegates of the Second District agree that the team of International officers is doing an excellent job, and they hope that the entire team will serve the IBEW for a long time to come.

## Eighth District

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District attended a coffee hour and get-together, sponsored by the very gracious Mrs. S. E. (Cleone) Thompson.

International Vice President S. E. Thompson spoke briefly on the crucial unemployment situation that exists in the Eighth District. He also told of the progress that was made in the Eighth District since the district's last progress meeting. Vice President Thompson also advised the delegates that he is a candidate for the office of Eighth District Vice President at the IBEW convention in Seattle.

International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan, in his talk, explained the workings of the various departments of the I.O. and reported on the various funds under the supervision of his office.

Other speeches were given by International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr.; Director Buck Baker, National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee; Vice President John N. Kerr, the Public Service Company of Colorado; Joseph I. Nichols, Public Affairs Representative, the Pacific Power and Light Company; President E. A. Hunter, the Utah Power and Light Com-

pany; Don S. Taft, Manager, Intermountain Chapter, NECA; and J. E. Peterson, Employee Relations Director, the Kennecott Copper Corporation, Utah Division.

Vice President S. E. Thompson called on "Chuck" deMoulin, Legislator from the State of Colorado, and member of Local 68, Denver, Colorado, who advised the delegates of the importance of the state legislature and the need for labor people to become active in their respective state legislatures.

IEC member Jack Moore explained the political aspects of the forthcoming elections.

In the evening, a cocktail hour preceded the annual banquet, with International Representative Vincent Pearson acting as master of ceremonies.

Business Manager Don Beals, Local 1081, Midvale, Utah, gave the invocation. During the evening, the group was shown an IBEW film on the Council on Industrial Relations.

On Saturday morning, the meeting was resumed with the presentation of a gavel (fashioned from native Montana cedar) to President Pillard, who expressed his appreciation for the gift and then launched into an informative and inspiring address. He announced that he is a candidate for the office of IBEW President at the coming IBEW convention and that he is capably fulfilling the duties of his office.

He also said that the IBEW convention will have the best facilities ever enjoyed by delegates to an IBEW convention, and that special entertainment is being planned for the ladies.

The IBEW President also called attention to the recent, successful organizing move on Western Electric properties in Denver and gave recognition to International Representative Larry Farnan for his outstanding efforts in promoting the campaign.

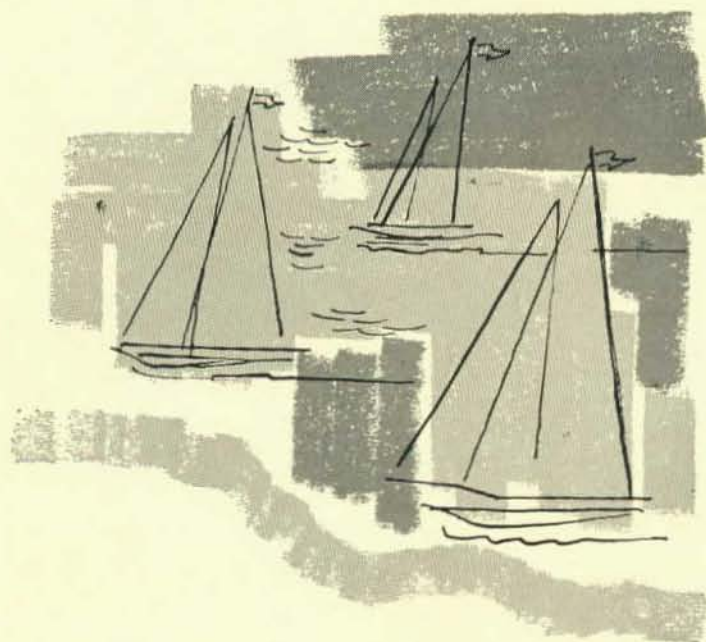
President Pillard reaffirmed the International officers' support of the Council on Industrial Relations, declaring it has been fulfilling the purpose for which it was formed; namely, the adjudication of un-

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IN SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA

## 9th District Progress Meeting

# 9th



► This year, the Ninth District Progress Meeting was held in the San Francisco Bay area down the Peninsula at San Mateo, California. Vice President W. L. Vinson held the meeting in the elegant and luxurious Villa Hotel, June 17-19, 1970. The delegates, staff members and guests who were in attendance were treated to a morning coffee after registering, sponsored by the ladies of the Ninth District in honor of International President Charles H. Pillard, International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan, International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., International Executive Council members Chairman E. J. "Rex" Fransway and Ralph Leigon. The delegates were welcomed to San Mateo by J. Muller, a city official of San Mateo.

Vice President Vinson reviewed the progress made by the Ninth District local unions in organizing, agreements, and other achievements and accomplishments that occurred during the year with the help of the Vice President's office and staff and congratulated the delegates, thanking them for their fine cooperation.

International President Pillard spoke to the delegates on the highlights of the events that took place

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International President Charles H. Pillard stressed the need for organizing, training, and education at the Ninth District Progress Meeting.



1

Vice President W. L. Vinson is shown as he gave his report to the delegates attending the meeting.

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International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan advised the delegates that the IBEW funds are in actuarially sound condition.

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Registering the delegates was done efficiently by Mrs. T. O. Roberts, nearest camera, and Mrs. John Lappin.

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In a serious discussion at the head table are, left to right, International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., IEC Chairman E. J. "Rex" Fransway, and IEC member Ralph Leigon.

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The ladies of the Ninth District treated the delegates and guests to a refreshing coffee "eye opener" the first morning.

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Down to serious business, the delegates were very attentive while listening to International President Charles H. Pillard.

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Another view of the delegates who were also paying strict attention to the order of business.



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# 9th

DISTRICT  
PROGRESS  
MEETING



# department of and Research Education

► Medical treatment is the business of doctors. But the health of Americans is everybody's business. The quality and the cost of health care are of major concern to all of us. We are interested in preventing unnecessary illness, in having available the best possible treatment when any of us are sick or injured, and in keeping medical care costs at a level which will not deny anyone needed care just because he cannot afford it.

As a nation, we are spending a lot of money on health care—more than \$60 billion a year. That is more money, and a larger percentage of our national resources, than is spent in any other country. But this does not mean that all Americans are receiving the kind of health care they deserve from this kind of expenditure. Too many of them are priced out of the health market by soaring costs.

Payments for hospital care increased 17 per cent in fiscal 1969; expenditures for physicians' services rose nine per cent. Congresswoman Martha W. Griffiths of Michigan has said that the cost of a major illness is so great that nine out of 10 Americans are medically indigent right now—unable to pay the high costs of care without severe economic sacrifice. Hospital room charges alone are averaging about \$100 a day.

Every American is entitled to comprehensive health care. And it should be provided on the basis of need, not money.

We have the technical knowledge to provide quality health care. New discoveries by medical researchers, the advanced state of the medical sciences, and the increasingly-rapid application of computer technology to medicine now make this possible. The problem is that the organizational arrangements by which

medical care is delivered to the American people are inadequate to the task. We have a sophisticated 20th Century medical technology shackled to an 18th Century delivery system. Only a complete restructuring of the delivery system can ease the crisis we now face in health care. That is why organized labor is calling for prompt enactment of a National Health Insurance Program. We strongly endorse H.R. 15779 introduced by Representative Martha W. Griffiths. It incorporates the fundamental principles for establishment of a comprehensive National Health Insurance Program.

Under the bill, benefits for health

services are far more comprehensive than those in any existing health plan under collective bargaining or under Medicare. It would cover every man, woman and child in the United States, except those aliens with less than one year's residence. It would provide virtually every kind of medical service for the diagnosis and treatment of disease, including unlimited hospitalization; physician services in the home, office, and hospital; specialist services, including surgery and psychotherapy; eye care, including glasses and frames; prescription drugs; rehabilitation and physical therapy; nursing home care, and ambulance services. Children under the age of

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## LIVING COST ESCALATES AT SLOWER PACE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—UNITED STATES AVERAGE

Source: U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics

REVISED INDEX SERIES<sup>1</sup>—Reference Base, U.S. Average, 1957-1959 = 100

INDEX DATE		ALL ITEMS COMBINED	FOOD	HOUSING (TOTAL)	APPAREL & UPKEEP	TRANS- PORTA- TION	HEALTH & RECRE- ATION
MONTH	YEAR						
May	1970	134.6	132.4	135.1	131.9	129.9	142.9
Apr.	1970	134.0	132.0	134.4	131.1	128.9	142.3
Mar.	1970	133.2	131.6	133.6	130.6	127.1	141.4
Feb.	1970	132.5	131.5	132.2	130.0	127.3	140.7
Jan.	1970	131.8	130.7	131.1	129.3	127.3	140.1
Dec.	1969	131.3	129.9	130.5	130.8	126.4	139.6
May	1969	126.8	123.7	125.8	126.6	124.0	135.7
May	1968	120.3	118.8	117.8	119.5	119.1	129.2
May	1967	115.6	113.9	113.9	113.8	115.5	128.8
May	1966	112.6	113.5	110.7	109.3	112.0	118.4
May	1965	109.6	107.9	108.2	106.8	111.4	115.6

<sup>1</sup> Starting with January 1964, Revised Index Series covers family units including individual workers living alone. Before that date the Index covers family units of two or more persons only.

NOTE: Consumer Price Index for ALL ITEMS increased 0.6 Index Points during the past MONTH, or 0.4%. This equalled an ANNUAL RATE OF INCREASE of 4.8%, (0.4% X 12). Increase during the past YEAR was 7.8 Index Points, or 6.2%.

Percentage increase between two dates is calculated by subtracting the index number for the earlier date from that for the later date, and by dividing the result by the index number for the earlier date. EXAMPLE, for the period May 1969 to May 1970:—134.6 — 126.8 = 7.8 Index Points; 7.8 ÷ 126.8 = 0.06152, or 6.2%.

IN ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—

## 3rd District Progress Meeting

# 3rd

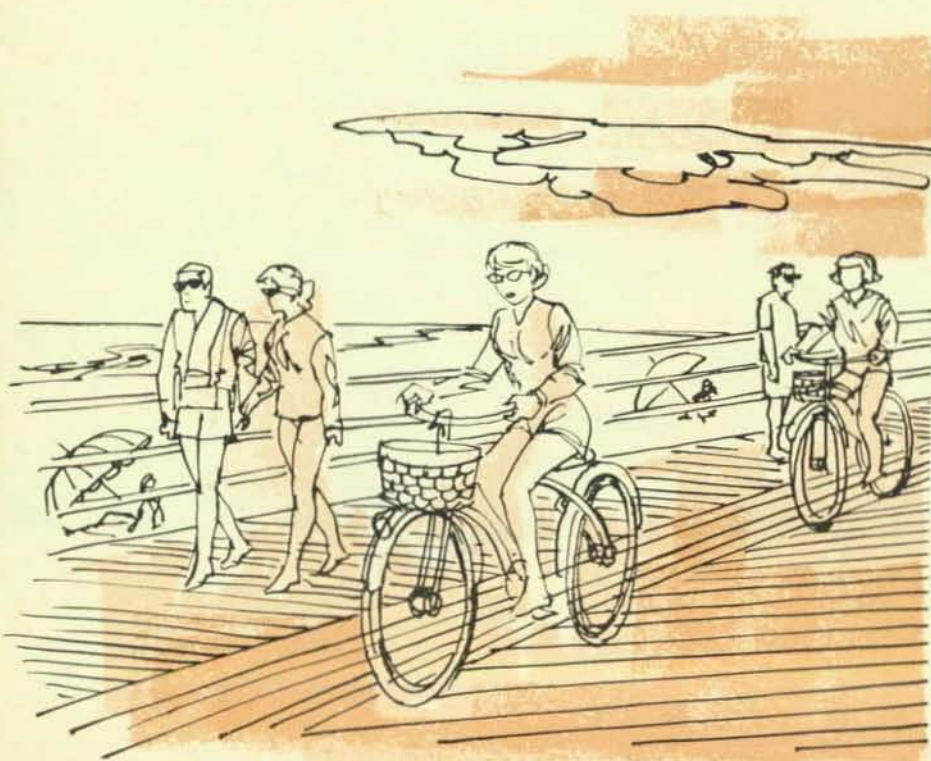
► The largest delegation in many, many years was in attendance at the Third District Progress Meeting, held at the Sheraton-Deauville Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, when International Vice President Andrew "Andy" Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. on June 19, 1970.

Frank Marchitto, Business Manager of Local 456, New Brunswick, New Jersey, and President of the New Jersey State Electrical Workers Association, led the delegates in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and President of the New Jersey State AFL-CIO Charles Marciante, member of Local 269, Trenton, New Jersey, welcomed the delegates to the State of New Jersey. President of the Pennsylvania State Electrical Workers Jim Flaig welcomed the delegates on behalf of the local unions of Pennsylvania, the host locals.

After a moment of silence was observed for the deceased IBEW members, Vice President Johnson gave a report on the activities of all branches of the Third District during the past year and congratulated the delegates and their local unions on the fine leadership which exemplifies the IBEW throughout the entire district. He also included summaries of the workshops which were held by the utility, manufacturing, telephone, and construction branches and the system councils, with the assistance of Third District International Representatives.

Vice President Johnson also announced that 500 members from various local unions in the district will receive diplomas for complet-

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Standing in front of a beautiful backdrop, International President Charles H. Pillard, speaks to the delegates.

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Vice President A. R. "Andy" Johnson is shown as he makes the Progress Report for the Third District in Atlantic City, N. J.

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COPE needs the support of every worker from organized labor, the delegates were told by International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan.

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International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr. said locals should encourage their young members to participate in union affairs. At right is Vice President Johnson.

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An IBEW member who is now leading his state in union activities is Brother Charles Marciante, President of the New Jersey State AFL-CIO, and a member of Local 269, Trenton, N.J.

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A view of the head table from the back of the ballroom as Vice President Johnson gives his report.

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Mike Johnson, Executive Vice President of the Pennsylvania State AFL-CIO, and head of COPE for Pennsylvania, spoke to the delegates in regard to their responsibility in supporting COPE.

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Henry Fornara, Business Manager of Local 98, Philadelphia, and a vice president of the Pennsylvania State Building Trades Council, is shown introducing one of the guest speakers.

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## Deaths Sadden International



► The entire Brotherhood was saddened recently by the sudden death of Russell H. Olson. Brother Olson, a native of Chicago, Illinois, joined the IBEW in 1945 as a member of Local Union 1359 and served as treasurer and business manager of the local prior to joining the Fourth District staff in 1952. After serving as an organizer in the Midwest, he came to the International staff in Washington in 1957 as an assistant to then-President Gordon Freeman and was serving in that capacity for President Pillard at the time of his death.

Known as "Russ" to his many, many friends, he will be missed sincerely by all those who knew him as a dedicated, loyal trade unionist, and his example will stand in high esteem to all who engage in the endeavors of unionism.



► We regret to report that Victor E. Whitehouse, Director of Safety for the IBEW, passed away on July 13, 1970. A native of Brewer, Maine, he came to the I.O. staff in 1959 after 17 years of full-time work in safety engineering. His background in organization and supervision of safety programs included steam, hydro, and diesel power plants, electrical transmission and distribution lines, construction, and other types of industrial engineering. A member of Local Union 1859, Brother Whitehouse served extensively as an instructor in safety methods and rescue techniques. He was primarily responsible for the IBEW's winning the highest award the National Safety Council can bestow on an organization—The Harry Read Memorial Award Honor—three times, in 1960, 1963, and 1969.

## Research and Education

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16 would receive comprehensive dental services.

The only out-of-pocket expense to the patient would be a \$2.00 charge for each visit to a doctor or dentist or for home health services. However, there would be no charge for the first visit to a doctor or dentist for diagnosis of illness, physical or dental examination, or cleaning of teeth.

The bill would finance the program by taxing employees one per cent of payroll under Social Security. Employers would pay three per cent, which is no more than many are paying now for less comprehensive health insurance programs. The federal government would match the employer contribution from general revenue. The self-employed would pay as they do now under Social Security. The unemployed would be exempt from payment but entitled to all services.

It is important to note that patients would have a free choice of physician. And they would choose their personal physician when they were well and not under the stress of illness. Physicians are guaranteed that the plan will not interfere with the clinical practice of medicine. They would be free to participate or not to participate in the National Health Insurance Program. Participation could be on either a full-time or part-time basis. Within the framework of a budget, they could establish their own methods of compensation. If they chose, they could eliminate all paperwork in connection with claims and concentrate on what they were trained to do—practice medicine.

Effective cost control is built into the bill. It is achieved by having the federal government contract for medical services with groups of physicians, with hospitals, and with groups of dentists. Services would be provided under an agreed-upon budget, rather than the customary fee for service in the case of doctors, or the cost-plus basis, in the case of hospitals. There are some private contract plans, operating under a negotiated budget, in existence. And they have shown that the

## Preparations for 1971 Contract Talks Begin With "Big Four" Copper Companies



The official designees of the international presidents of unions representing the majority of workers employed by the "Big Four" copper companies met at Pioneer International Hotel in Tucson, Ariz., on May 27. Paul Menger, Director, Manufacturing Operations, standing, third from right, and International Representative Michael D. Lucas, standing, third from left, represented the IBEW.

cost savings achievable under the contract system can be substantial.

In short, National Health Insurance would give all Americans the health care benefits which the wealthy have now. It would relieve state and local governments of health service tax burdens, now estimated at \$7 billion a year. In addition, the \$10 billion supporting Medicare and Medicaid would be available for the comprehensive national health program. And it would eliminate the current uneven distribution of modern medical technology and facilities, because each community, rich or poor, would have the money to attract doctors and equipment.

This nation needs National Health Insurance, and it needs it now. Urge your congressman and senators to endorse and support the bill that will provide it, H.R. 15779, introduced by Congresswoman Griffiths.

## Eighth District

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settled issues at the local level.

President Pillard also declared his opposition to the policy of the Nixon Administration, which, he said, is using the wrong approach to correct the economic situation. He cited high interest rates, high taxes, unemployment, and high profits as the administration's four-point program.

Charlie Berrell, President, NECA, spoke about the economic gloom which the electrical contracting industry is experiencing and pointed out the vital need for close cooperation between labor and management for their mutual benefit.

Vern Janisch, President of newly-chartered Local 2300, Denver, which represents Western Electric employees in Denver, gave an excellent report. He said that Local 2300 had attained a 90% union membership on the property of Western Electric and that a work force of between 5,000 and 6,000 employees is expected within a few years.

IEC Chairman Rex Fransway introduced an innovation to the proceedings, with the crowning of Patricia Biggs of Local 2300 as queen of the Eighth District Progress Meeting.

IEC member Ralph Leigon gave an informative report on the Pension Fund and declared it to be actuarially sound.

Other dignitaries who addressed the delegates were IEC members Joe Epperson and Harry Williams and Dan White, Chapter Manager and Line Apprenticeship Director.

Congratulations are in order for Vice President Stanley E. Thompson, who was appointed by Governor F. H. Anderson to the Montana Development Credit Corporation's Advisory Committee. The agency was created for the purpose of helping to bring new business or industry to Montana and to provide financial aid for existing businesses.

## Ninth District

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in some of the branches during the year. He encouraged the delegates to continue their efforts in the fields of organizing and training so that the IBEW can remain a strong leader in the trade labor movement. He also reminded the delegates that times have changed and we cannot live in the past. The Brotherhood has the greatest potential of any union in the world to make significant gains for the over-all membership. President Pillard received an ovation when he announced his candidacy for International President at the Seattle convention.

International Secretary Keenan reported on the activities of his office and gave the delegates a comprehensive report of the status of the IBEW funds. He remarked on the necessity of initiating a certain number of new members every year just to keep the current membership even. He told those present that the IBEW can just be as large an organization as the members desire, as the potential growth and estimated expansion of the electrical industry afford the Brotherhood the opportunity of becoming the largest union in the AFL-CIO. Brother Keenan reminded the delegates of the importance of the coming elections this year and spoke regarding the full support of COPE-endorsed candidates. He also spoke to the delegates about the dangers of the impact of the foreign trade imports that are costing workers in this

country many thousands of jobs. He stressed that all union people should buy articles with the AFL-CIO affiliate union label, especially in the electronics items where we are being hurt very badly by the cheap labor competition from Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, and Mexico.

Members of the IEC, Chairman "Rex" Fransway and Ralph Leigon, spoke briefly to the delegates, pointing out the procedure for hearings on a fair and impartial basis and advised all local unions to use the guide available upon written request to the International Office. International Treasurer Van Arsdale spoke about affiliation with state and city labor bodies and stressed the importance of participating in political activities.

The workshop sessions of the meeting were conducted by the International Representatives serving in the Ninth District and were well attended and participated in by the delegates representing manufacturing, utility, construction, telephone and government branches of our Brotherhood. The hospitality of the ladies and the host local unions, 617, San Mateo, and 1969, Redwood City, made for a most successful meeting enjoyed by all who attended.

## "Hard Hats"

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Every Baltimore building trades local has a lot to be proud of. Local 24 of the IBEW had the largest participation of all the locals involved.

The response from the public has been great. Every day, letters to the editor in both Baltimore papers praise the patriotic, orderly march.

The politicians must realize that the labor movement has continued to strengthen in Maryland. This demonstration probably did more good for the labor movement than any other endeavor. President Courtney and the business managers of all of the locals involved are to be commended for this well-organized affair.

*(Editor's note: Our thanks to Bernard R. Ebberts, Press Secretary, Local 24, Baltimore, for sending in this account of the march and for the accompanying photos.)*

# 1st



International President Charles H. Pillard spoke at all three of the First District meetings. Here in Edmonton, at his left, is Vice President Ladyman.



Two days after being re-elected a General Vice President of the Canadian Labour Congress, Vice President Ladyman is shown here addressing the delegates to the Western meeting. International Executive Council member George Patterson is on his left.



## First District Progress Meeting

IN EDMONTON, TORONTO, DARTMOUTH



► A record-breaking total of 272 delegates, guests, and officers registered at the three First District Progress Meetings this year.

For the local unions in Central Canada, the meeting was held at the Skyline Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, on May 9th and 10th.

For western locals, the locale was the MacDonald Hotel, Edmonton, Alberta, on May 23rd and 24th, while for eastern locals, the location was the Holiday Inn, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

The increased attendance reflected the rapid growth of the First District membership, the normal upsurge of interest that always accompanies the year of the quadrennial IBEW convention, and the additional economy of holding the western meeting in conjunction with the Canadian Labour Congress Convention at Edmonton. Nor was it overlooked that 1970 is an election year.

At the Central Progress Meeting, International Vice President William Ladyman opened the proceedings by introducing the special guests, International President Charles H. Pillard, International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan, International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., International Executive Council Chairman Rex Fransway, IEC Secretary George Patterson, and International Representative Robert McAlwee.

Vice President Ladyman began his report by attacking statements, published on the West Coast, suggesting that the IBEW, in the First District, was not the biggest or the best electrical union. The facts are that First District membership has doubled within five and one-half years, while IUE and UE membership has receded. Referring to IBEW losses, Ladyman mentioned the Clairtone Plant in Nova Scotia, where, through no fault of the IBEW, membership has dropped from 1,600 to 46. Two plants were lost in Vancouver, primarily through

lack of service by the people who are now complaining. Other British Columbia locals are not in agreement with Vancouver Local Union 213's charges.

The Vice President reported that the B. C. Hydro group completed the most successful negotiations ever. The manufacturing group, which had always wanted to be on its own because it was not being serviced, is doing an excellent job of servicing and has organized more plants.

Brother Ladyman referred to his work on the Economic Council of Canada and his representation, on behalf of the trade union movement, on major housing, health, and

poverty committees. He has had conversations with Prime Minister Trudeau on such subjects as price and income policy.

On negotiations between the Treasury Board and the IBEW technicians' group, Ladyman said that the Treasury Board officials are hard-nosed, biased negotiators. The government had given its civil servants the Staff Relations Act and then permitted rules and regulations to be developed to counteract it.

He warned of coming legislative changes which he expects will be more restrictive. Anti-labour legislation has already been introduced in the western provinces and more can be expected.

## EDMONTON



Delegates to the Western meeting of the First District are shown as they pay strict attention to the speaker.





Delegates from the Central Provinces met in Toronto, Ontario.



Delegates from the Western Provinces met in Edmonton, Alberta.



Delegates from the Eastern Provinces met in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.

In the construction industry, there might be accreditation for employers. The next step could mean multi-trade bargaining which would result, through majority rule, in labourers and carpenters' determining electricians' wages. Brother Ladyman expressed pleasure that the Electrical Contractors Association of Ontario agreed with the IBEW in its stand against multi-trade bargaining.

Stating that we live in an era of revolt and that the automatic reaction to revolt is to restrict and restrain by more legislation, he referred to the peculiar situation on the West Coast, where the Construction Labour Relations Association has been trying to represent

the employers and the entire construction industry has been locked out.

The Vice President's report noted that the First District has made progress in raising wages over the past four years. The average lineman's hourly rate has been raised from \$3.07 in 1966 to \$4.58 in 1970—an increase of 49 per cent. There has been improvement in construction wages in the Maritimes, but increases in other categories must be further improved. IBEW members in Nova Scotia Light and Power struck for this very reason. In manufacturing, good wage contracts have been won at Electrohome and Philips Electronics.

The IBEW is keeping its finger on the pulse of Bell-Canada. When the time is right, the IBEW will again attempt to organize Bell.

The Telephone Council for Canada has been formed by the IBEW, with the formation meeting being held in Regina and other meetings scheduled across the country.

Referring to the Corporations and Labour Unions Disclosure Act, Ladyman condemned the annual publication of biased statistics. Wide publicity has been given to claims that millions of dollars of union dues are exported into the United States. In the IBEW, the facts are very different.

The First District had been operating "in the red" for many

## TORONTO



Delegates who represent the IBEW on the Ontario Public Utilities, pose with the International officers.



Absorbed attention and serious concern are reflected in the faces of these delegates at the Toronto meeting.

## DARTMOUTH

At the meeting in Dartmouth, N.S., these lucky delegates don't seem to mind that they are surrounded by Sister delegates.



The Maritime delegates pay strict attention to the speaker at the Eastern Provinces meeting.



years, and The International Office had been making up the deficits. Temporarily, the First District is in the black.

Great strides forward have been made in the education of IBEW Canadian members. Seven-hundred eighty-one members have taken Leadership Training Courses in the past two years; more recently, 600 have taken the new Stewards' Training Course.

Mr. Ladyman concluded his report by referring to the demands of so-called Canadian nationalists within the union movement. Disturbing claims are being made, particularly at Vancouver and Edmonton, and management people support the nationalism movement

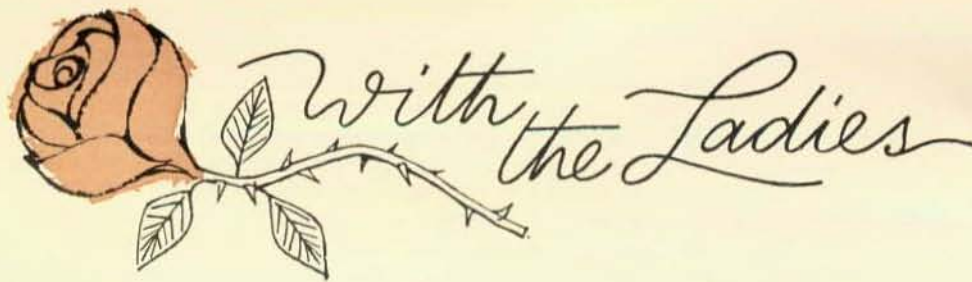
because they hope to divide trade union strength.

Decisions relative to the First District are made in the First District Office by Brother Ladyman. The International President expects the Vice Presidents to run their own districts according to Brotherhood policy and the IBEW Constitution. Local unions will now order their supplies from the First District office.

Bylaws and agreements are submitted, in the first instance, to the First District office. Corrections and suggestions for improvements come from that office. Detailed sugges-

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## Every Scent Counts—The Story of Perfume

► For months, ladies, we have been enjoying the beautiful summer flowers and their lovely fragrances, so it seems appropriate that we devote this month's "With the Ladies" to the subject of perfume, which has been described as the "talk of the flowers."

When you consider that as many as 9,600 jasmine, 1,750 orange blossoms, 480 roses, and 60 tuberose are sometimes used to make only a single bottle of perfume, you must admit that that's conversation in any language.

Perfume is a very mysterious product. It has a canny way of evoking memories of events—pleasant and unpleasant—which an individual may have thought completely forgotten. Also, a particular perfume, or scent, doesn't necessarily smell the same on the skin of two different people.

There is nothing new about perfume. Incense was burned on the Altar of Babel and on the Altar of Sumeria in Biblical times (the word *perfume* means through smoke). Cleopatra bathed her hands and feet in costly perfumed oils when she dressed to go out on royal dates, and Madame de Pompadour spent \$100,000 a year on perfume, which helped her hook King Louis XV of France. Madame Du Barry used the same technique to win the same king.

There is something very romantic about the perfume industry. At the very start, there are the fields of flowers which are hand picked and hauled by the wagon load to the perfume factories. Too, ingredients for perfume come from all over the world myrrh from Arabia; oil of cloves from Zanzibar; sandalwood from East India; benzoin from Thailand; balsam from Peru; citronella from Central America; labda-

num from Greece; lemon from Guatemala; patchouli from Indonesia; citrus from Italy and California; and many other items from many other countries.

Exactly what is perfume? Chemically speaking, perfume is a commodity consisting of three basic ingredients—essential oils, which are extracted from flowers, the bark of trees, herbs, and fruit; fixative agents (civet, castoreum, and ambergris), which bind ingredients without changing the scent and help

prevent evaporation; and various types of alcohol.

Too, the difference between perfume, toilet water, and cologne is often confusing to many people. Actually, the perfume compound (concentrated essential oils) and alcohol are used in the three products. Perfume contains the greatest amount of perfume compound and the least amount of alcohol of the three; toilet water contains less compound and more alcohol; and co-

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## This Month's Recipes

"With the Ladies" Section of the Electrical Workers' Journal

### FRESH PEACH ICE CREAM

3 tbsp. minute tapioca	1/3 cup sugar
2 cups milk, scalded	2 tbsp. sugar
1/4 tsp. salt	2 egg whites
6 tbsp. light corn syrup	1 cup cream, whipped
1 cup fresh, ripe peach pulp	

Add minute tapioca to milk and cook in double boiler 15 minutes, or until tapioca is clear and mixture thickened, stirring frequently. Strain hot mixture, stirring (not rubbing) through very fine sieve onto salt and corn syrup and mix thoroughly. Cool. Prepare fresh peach pulp, crushing with fork, and add 1/3 cup sugar. Add two tbsp. sugar to egg whites and beat until stiff. Fold into cold tapioca mixture. Fold in cream and peaches. Turn into freezing tray of refrigerator and freeze as rapidly as possible for three or four hours.

### SCALLOPED APPLES AND SWEET POTATOES

4 medium-sized sweet potatoes	4 tbsp. butter
3 medium-sized apples	1 tsp. mace
1/2 cup brown sugar	

Pare and cube potatoes and apples. Arrange alternate layers of potatoes and apples in casserole. Sprinkle with brown sugar, dot with butter, and season with mace. Cover and bake in moderate oven (350° F.) for two and one-half hours. (If desired, potatoes may be cooked until medium well done before putting them in casserole. Reduce baking time to one hour.) Serves eight.

## First District Progress Meeting

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tions for improvement are now being made to all agreements, and in all these matters, the First District receives nothing but co-operation from the International Office.

President Pillard, in his speech, said that, as the IBEW faces the '70s it will meet new challenges, but he is confident that the delegates to the 29th IBEW Convention will make the necessary changes.

In the First District, he noted that progress had been made in all branches of the Brotherhood.

Last year, Mr. Pillard had said that union education is the preventive maintenance of our membership. This year, he noted that the First District has successfully completed many Leadership Training and Stewards' Training Courses. He congratulated the IVP, the Representatives who instructed, and the officers and members who received the training. He said that those who took the courses should now be able to instruct others and that participation in this type of training leads to more efficient operation of local unions.

Referring to the financing of the First District, President Pillard stated that, for the past four years, expenditures had exceeded income

by \$452,356.78. He added that the IBEW never had any intention of coming into Canada to make money but that it had to be remembered that his first interest lies with all the members of the IBEW, whether they live in the United States or Canada.

Brother Pillard's main ambitions are to organize the unorganized, to police IBEW jurisdiction, and to train and retrain IBEW members.

At the conclusion of his speech, the President was given a standing ovation.

Chairman of the International Executive Council Rex Fransway spoke briefly and feelingly of the recent, sudden death of Research Director James Noe.

International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan referred to trade union difficulties in Canada and suggested that they are similar to "right-to-work" laws.

IEC Secretary George Patterson urged the delegates to remind their older "A" members who are nearing pension age to check their birth dates with I.O. records, if they have reason to suspect that they might have given a wrong date at the beginning of their careers. He also read a paper on the structure of the IBEW.

International Representative Ken Rose, who acted as discussion chairman, introduced International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr. Taking an interest in your union, said Brother Van Arsdale, is a most rewarding hobby.

He said that he is frequently asked why local unions do not function more efficiently; his answer, invariably, is that a union just doesn't have enough staff or enough money. Union fund figures, in the millions, sound impressive, but they are more easily understood when the dollars are divided by the membership. For instance, the IBEW General Fund amounts to only \$30 per member.

Brother Van Arsdale said that the trade union movement would be more effective, if its locals and members deliberately sought more education in the broadest sense. He urged the delegates to go to all conferences and meetings, to pay more visits to other locals and unions, and to take part in study trips to unions here and in other countries. Don't make the mistake, he said, of judging a union by its size. Judge it by its quality.

Vice President Ladyman concluded the remarks by saying that he believes that union officers are entitled to the support of their members. He feels that business managers are among the most insecure

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## Handyman's Corner

► There is probably no better way to loaf—without attracting unfavorable attention and criticism—than to go fishing. Besides that, it's educational . . . teaches patience. Wouldn't this be a great world if all men showed as much patience all the time as they do when waiting for a fish to bite?

Since a boat is essential for most fishing activities, here's an ideal all-purpose plywood dinghy. It's handy for yachtsmen who need a strong, seaworthy craft or for the sportsman who needs a lightweight car-top boat. This one is easy for youngsters to row, yet sturdy enough for a small outboard motor. Because of the light weight, only 79 pounds,

it's suitable for hunters as well as fishermen. The boat measures 7 feet 9 inches in length with a beam of 4 feet and a depth of 14 inches.

With all these features, this little dinghy is simple enough in design for even a beginner to tackle when he uses the easy-to-follow plan.



Along with simple directions, the plan has numerous photos and diagrams showing all stages of construction. Inexpensive, too, when you do it yourself.

To obtain the easy-to-follow plan Number 399 for building the plywood pram dinghy shown here, send \$1.00 by currency, check or money order to:

Electrical Workers' Journal Pattern Dept.  
P. O. Box 2383  
Van Nuys, California 91409

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# SAFETY TIPS

for You and



Your Family

## Safe Boating Is No Accident

*Editor's Note: IBEW Safety Director Victor E. Whitehouse died July 13. In memorial tribute to Brother Whitehouse's outstanding service to the Brotherhood, we print here the "Safety Tips" article, he completed just before his untimely death.*

► Every year, the number of boating accidents and fatalities increases, despite the efforts of many organizations teaching water safety. This is due to the increasing number of people buying their first boats and then, without any training or previous experience, launching the boats and embarking on what may turn out to be disastrous voyages.

It is highly desirable to have boat owners and operators take at least a basic course in seamanship before "going to sea." These courses are available most anywhere in the country and are sponsored by the Coast Guard Auxiliary, power squadrons, boating clubs, yacht clubs, and even sports stores.

Recently, while attending the President's Cup Races on the Potomac River, many of us were aghast to see a small homemade rowboat out in middle of the river with five very scared adults holding on for dear life everytime another boat went past. The boat was overloaded. There were no life jackets on board. One oar was lost, and only two of the five could swim. We took them aboard our boat and put them ashore. Another accident averted, but how soon will the same unsafe thing happen again?

There are some fatal mistakes that boat owners or skippers make that account for over 95% of the accidents. Study the following and learn from the mistakes of others. Then, join in with the hundreds of thousands who go back to the sea in

boats and enjoy every minute of it—safely.

1. **Overloading.** Too much weight spells death for many a small-boat occupant. Typical is this case. Four men set off on a fishing trip in a 14½-foot boat with a 25-horsepower engine. The men's weight alone was 800 pounds, not counting fishing gear. As the boat sped along, its bottom sat deep in water, so that only five inches of the boat's side protruded from the water. Not far out, a slight wind sent waves over the bow. Soon swamped, the boat sank, and two of the men drowned. Common sense should have dictated that only five inches of freeboard, as it is called, was dangerous. The men should have realized that any small wave five inches high would get in the boat.

The Coast Guard has a simple rule: "If the boat looks or feels overloaded, it probably is, so don't take it out."

2. **No Lifesaving Device.** This is the Number One deadly error for boaters. Law requires that all small boats have a Coast Guard-approved buoyant cushion, ring buoy, or buoyant vest for each person, but the difficulty is that the law can't force people to use them. Many a boater who has voiced complaint to the ownership and use of such lifesaving devices has gone to his death.



"It would be desirable for everyone to wear a life jacket at all times when on the water in a boat," says the Coast Guard. "And certainly, nonswimmers, young children, the aged and physically-handicapped in a small open boat should always wear one."

3. **Overconfidence.** Amazingly, it's not the cocky novice at the helm who accounts for the majority of boat accidents. The disturbing fact is that more than half the boat accidents last year involved operators 26 to 50 years old with more than 500 hours of operating experience! Partly to blame is overconfidence—a tendency to throw caution to the waves because they know "no matter what comes, I can handle the situation." The safe boater, no matter how expert he may be, enters every new situation cautiously and recognizes both his own and the boat's limitations.

4. **Violating "Rules of the Road."** Boats, like autos, are subject to traffic laws that govern yielding the right-of-way, speed, lights, etc. The fellow who disobeys these rules is asking for trouble.

One skipper, towing a water skier, failed to yield the right-of-way and crashed broadside into a motor boat, hurling a 12-year-old occupant to her death. Another boater, speeding at night without lights, ran down and killed a 16-year-old bather. One fellow, who "forgot" the meaning of a red light, rammied at full speed into a sea wall.

Rules of the road vary according to the body of water—lakes, rivers, or oceans. A skipper must know and obey laws applying to the area in which he is operating. It will keep him alive and out of a lawsuit.

## executive council meeting

minutes and report of the international  
executive council regular meeting  
beginning june 1, 1970

► The following members of the International Executive Council were present: Chairman Fransway and members Williams, Schmidt, Leigon, Moore, Epperson, Halloran, Mulloney, and Patterson.

### Retirement of International Vice President

International Vice President G. X. Barker requested retirement, effective May 31, 1970. The IEC approved this request.

### Appointment by International President

The International President, by the power vested in him by Article IV, Section 2 of the Constitution, appointed International Representative J. B. Pate to the office of International Vice President, Fifth District, to fill the unexpired term of Brother G. X. Barker, retired. The IEC approved this appointment.

### Local Union Under Supervision

The IEC approved the request of the IP to keep Local Union 1186 under supervision to allow for additional time to adjust the affairs of this local union.

### Pre-Retirement Widow's Benefit

The IEC approved one request for cancellation of election for pre-retirement widow's benefit.

### International President

The International President reported to the IEC and discussed matters concerning local unions under supervision, RCA negotiations, apprentice training programs, convention plans, and a number of other subjects concerning the operations of the Brotherhood.

### International Secretary

Secretary Keenan presented the financial reports covering the various funds of the IBEW and discussed investment programs and other matters. International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr. assisted the council on a number of reports.

### Actuarial Studies

President Pillard, Secretary Keenan, and Treasurer Van Arsdale, Jr. placed before the IEC a series of actuarial studies which had been completed. These studies were made to comply with the mandate of the St. Louis convention and presented up-to-date cost data on a number of pension fund proposals.

### Transfer of Funds

In accordance with the provisions of Article XIV, Section 11 of the IBEW Constitution, the sum of \$61,157.80 was transferred from the Military Service Fund to the IBEW Pension Benefit Fund, covering the months of February, March, and April, 1970.

Payments for legal defense, made from the Defense-Assistance Fund, were examined and approved by the IEC, in compliance with the requirements of Article XI, Section 2 of the Constitution.

Payments for strike assistance benefits, made from the Defense-Assistance Fund, were examined and approved.

The IEC authorized the transfer of \$204,925.90 from the Convention Fund to the General Fund, in accordance with the provisions of Article II, Section 9 of the Constitution.

### Request for Vested Rights

The IEC approved one request for vesting of pension rights, under Article III, Section 11(2) of the Constitution.

### Refunds Made

In accordance with the provisions of Article III, Section 11(5) of the Constitution, the following refunds were made:

Douglas E. Monson	\$1,376.72
Resigned 4/30/70	
Paul Jarboe	\$1,017.02
Resigned 4/1/70	

### Retirement of International Representatives

The IEC approved the requests for retirement of the following staff members:

W. E. Sayers, effective April 1, 1970 (approved between meetings)
John A. Caulley, effective July 20, 1970.

### Retirement of Employees

Miss Marie Greer, an office employee, requested retirement. The IEC approved her request, to be effective July 1, 1970.

Miss Mary M. Donlin also applied for retirement, effective September 5, 1970. Her requested retirement was approved.

### Financial Reports

The auditors' reports covering the various funds of the IBEW were examined and filed.

### Charges Filed with the IEC Against H. E. Peery

Brother Peery is receiving the IBEW Pension Benefit Fund pension. Charges were filed with the IEC, under the provisions of Article XII, Section 6 of the Constitution, alleging violations of the provisions of Article XII, Section 4(d). The IEC reviewed the charges and ordered a full investigation and report.

A formal hearing was held on April 14, 1970. The IEC has now reviewed the transcript, the testimony, and the evidence presented.

Article XII, Section 6 of the Constitution provides:

"Sec. 6. Any member violating any of the provisions of this article, or any member aiding or abetting a member to do so, after investigation by the IEC and being found guilty, may be per-

manently barred from ever participating in these benefits and may be suspended, expelled, or assessed, as the IEC may decide."

By this Section 6, the power to try a member who violates its provisions is reserved exclusively to the International Executive Council. In the instant case, the local union charged the member, held a trial before the Trial Board, took testimony and evidence, and handed down a decision. The Trial Board then made a recommendation to the IEC that Article XII, Section 6 be invoked and, further, that the membership of the member and his pension be suspended.

For the purposes of this action by the IEC, it must be understood that the action taken by the local union and by its Trial Board was not legal under the provisions of the Constitution and that any submissions, evidence, testimony, or action taken there will not be considered by the IEC as relevant to the case before it now.

The record before the council reveals that Brother Peery elected to receive his Brotherhood pension on January 31, 1966, and that he received his pension effective April 1, 1966. At the time of his retirement, he was shown as having previously worked for the "Peery Electric Co."

At the hearing authorized by the IEC, testimony by Brother Peery and others establishes without doubt that he is indeed president of the Peery Electric Company at this time. During his testimony, he tried to establish that he is without any authority except for the nominal title as president of the company. This, he failed to do to the satisfaction of the IEC.

There is considerable testimony from both sides concerning allegations that Brother Peery failed to observe his obligation as a member and to show due obedience to the IBEW laws and the bylaws of the local union. There appears to be some foundation to the allegations made, but convincing proof is lacking. It must be observed, from the testimony presented, that the local union did not appear to come to court with clean hands in this matter.

Article XII, Section 4(d) of the Constitution provides:

"(d) Prohibition of Work. It is a condition for admission to pension benefits, including vested pension rights and the continuation thereof, that the member shall not perform any work of any kind coming under the IBEW's jurisdiction, either for compensation or gratis for anyone. He shall be permitted to attend L.U. meetings without voice or vote. He shall observe his obligation of membership and show due obedience to IBEW laws and the bylaws of its L.U.s."

Due to the facts presented—that Brother Peery is president of the Peery Electric Company and has been shown to have some influence in the course of the labor relations and contractual relations of the company—judgment must be made that he has violated the "Prohibition of Work" clause under Article XII, Section 4(d) of our Constitution. Due to the contradictory nature of the testimony presented

dealing with related matters, the IEC will not penalize Brother Peery for that which has occurred. However, the IEC must now order that Brother Peery's pension benefits be cancelled until such time as he assures the International Executive Council that he has complied with the provisions of the Constitution concerning the prohibition of work.

#### Appeal of Gerald L. Reese

The International President rendered a decision on this case on March 25, 1970. Brother Reese appealed to the IEC by letter posted May 1, 1970, 37 days after the relevant decision was rendered.

Article XXVII, Section 16 of the Brotherhood Constitution provides:

"Sec. 16. Appeals to the IP and to the IEC and to the convention, to be considered, must be made within 30 days from the date of the decision appealed from. (Appeals to the IEC and to conventions must be filed with the IS.) If no appeal is made within 30 days from the date that any decision is rendered, such decision shall be considered final."

The appeal is, therefore, untimely.

#### Appeal of Kaessy G. Gelgut

Brother Gelgut was charged with "causing a stoppage of work because of an alleged grievance or dispute, without having the consent of the L.U. or its proper officers." The local union Trial Board found him guilty as charged.

The IEC has examined the record before it. The council is convinced that Brother Gelgut was afforded a fair and full hearing, according to the rules of natural justice.

Brother Gelgut freely admitted during the hearing that he was "an active participant" in the work stoppage in question. Later in his testimony, he stated, with reference to the same work stoppage, "I was not a spokesman, but I am guilty as anyone." He also admitted, with what appears to be complete candor, that he was told by the local union business manager to return to work but that he did no do so.

The actions of Brother Gelgut were very serious indeed. By his actions, he interfered with the performance of the legal and contractual obligations of the local union.

Therefore, the IEC upholds the decision of the Trial Board. The appeal is denied.

#### Appeal of Charles R. Dearing

On March 26, 1970, the IP handed down a decision on a matter of appeal filed by Brother Dearing. On May 1, 1970, Brother Dearing filed an appeal with the International Executive Council, protesting the International President's decision.

ARTICLE XXVII, Section 16 of our Constitution provides:

"Sec. 16. Appeals to the IP and to the IEC and to the convention, to be considered, must be



made within 30 days from the date of the decision appealed from. (Appeals to the IEC and to conventions must be filed with the IS.) If no appeal is made within 30 days from the date that any decision is rendered, such decision shall be considered final."

Brother Dearing's appeal clearly does not meet the requirement of this section of our Constitution.

The appeal is untimely.

#### **Appeal of Local Union No. 2**

This is an appeal from a decision of the IP, concerning a jurisdictional dispute between Local Unions 1 and 2 over work at the St. Peters Plant of the Monsanto Chemical Company, St. Louis, Missouri.

The IEC has examined the file before it on this matter. Both the IVP and the IP took reasonable steps to be sure of the facts in the case. They made their decisions based on the facts before them and upon established precedent. It has not been shown that the decision is arbitrary, malicious, or capricious. The Constitution makes ample provision for the IP to make a decision in a case of this nature.

The appeal is, therefore, denied.

#### **Appeal of Lorne L. Myers**

Brother Myers is appealing from a decision of the International President, dated April 2, 1970. His letter of appeal to the IEC is dated May 4, 1970, postmarked May 5, 1970.

ARTICLE XXVII, Section 16 of the IBEW Constitution provides:

"Sec. 16. Appeals to the IP and to the IEC and to the convention, to be considered, must be made within 30 days from the date of the decision appealed from. (Appeals to the IEC and to conventions must be filed with the IS.) If no appeal is made within 30 days from the date that any decision is rendered, such decision shall be considered final."

Brother Myers' appeal is clearly untimely. The IEC so rules.

#### **Appeal of Raymond K. Yeates**

The International President rendered a decision on this case on March 25, 1970. Brother Yeates posted an appeal to the International Executive Council on April 30, 1970.

ARTICLE XXVII, Section 16 of the IBEW Constitution provides:

"Sec. 16. Appeals to the IP and to the IEC and to the convention, to be considered, must be made within 30 days from the date of the decision appealed from. (Appeals to the IEC and to conventions must be filed with the IS.) If no

appeal is made within 30 days from the date that any decision is rendered, such decision shall be considered final."

Brother Yeates' appeal is obviously untimely.

#### **Appeal of Marshall R. Hinchman**

On March 5, 1970, the International President submitted a written decision on a matter of appeal forwarded by Brother Hinchman. On April 24th, an appeal to the International Executive Council was mailed.

ARTICLE XXVII, Section 16 of the IBEW Constitution provides:

"Sec. 16. Appeals to the IP and to the IEC and to the convention, to be considered, must be made within 30 days from the date of the decision appealed from. (Appeals to the IEC and to conventions must be filed with the IS.) If no appeal is made within 30 days from the date that any decision is rendered, such decision shall be considered final."

In this case, the appeal was filed 50 days after the decision appealed from. The appeal is, therefore, untimely.

#### **Appeal of Robert Allen Staat**

Brother Staat was charged with violating the provisions of Article XXVII, Section 1(20) of the IBEW Constitution. Specifically, he was charged with causing a stoppage of work without having the consent of the L.U. or its proper officer.

Review of the transcript shows that Brother Staat was furnished with the intention of the Trial Board to make a decision; he was sufficiently informed of the allegations against his interest to enable him to make an adequate reply; a genuine hearing was held at which he was made aware of the allegations made against him and was permitted to reply; and he was allowed the right to cross-examine the parties giving evidence against his interest. The Trial Board which made the decision was constituted as it was when the evidence and argument were heard. Brother Staat did not request any delay or postponement of the hearing. It is evident that Brother Staat was provided a full and fair hearing, according to the rules of natural justice.

Brother Staat admitted in his personal testimony before the Trial Board that he participated in an unauthorized work stoppage. There is also sufficient evidence to substantiate allegations that he refused to return to work when directed to do so. By his actions, he interfered with the performance of the legal and contractual obligations of the local union.

After reviewing the record, the appeal is denied.

#### **Banking Facilities—Convention City**

The International Executive Council approved arrangements to provide the necessary banking facilities in the 1970 convention city.











## St. Louis, Mo., Local 1 Elects Officers, Delegates

**L.U. 1, ST. LOUIS, MO.**—On Memorial Day, three members of Local 1 climbed to the top of the 700-foot smokestack of Union Electric's new generating facility at Labadie, to affix the stars and stripes as a testimonial to the fact that there are people who care and as a tribute to the men and women who have made the supreme sacrifice in defense of their country.

Local 1 members took it upon themselves to dramatize their feelings against the disrespect which certain groups have been showing against the American flag.

Ed Garcia, Bob Taylor, and Jim McNeely were the Brothers who unfurled Old Glory at the highest point in the State of Missouri. We thank Brother Don Hopkins, who piloted the plane which made it possible for this scribe to take pictures.

In the same vein of patriotism, Business Manager Roy Sachse made flag decals (they can be affixed to hard hats) available to the entire membership. One of the local newspapers ran the story, and since then, our local union office has been swamped with private citizens and members of other organizations requesting the decals. This shows how only one man can influence many.

On June 6, 1970, Local 1 held its election of officers to serve for the next two years, and also delegates to the IBEW convention. The officers are Business Manager Roy Sachse, President Andy Fahrenkrog, Vice President Roy Underwood, Recording Secretary Herschel Dixon, Financial Secretary Leo J. Hennessey, and Treasurer Ted Muffler.

Robert Muckler, Ray Underwood, and Don Bresnan were elected to the Executive Board, Class A, and Milton McSalby and Emmett Gibson, Class C; Elected to the Examining Board were Ben Clermont and Henry Schad, Class A, and Phil Pratt, Class C.

Delegates to the convention are Roy Sachse, Andy Fahrenkrog, Leo J. Hennessey, Don Grabke, Jim Hartman, Jim Quinn, William Finnegan, Claude Fitzgerald, Dick O'Shea, and Francis Schmitt.

We congratulate the new officers and wish them well.

JAMES GAMACHE, P.S.

## Senior Members Honored At Local 7 Dinner-Dance

**L.U. 7, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.**—Greetings to all *Journal* readers and our traveling Brothers of Local 7.

First, I must report on our recent dinner-dance honoring our senior members. The affair was held at the beautiful Chez Joseph and attended by approximately 300 members and their wives.

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# LOCAL LINES

## Attention Press Secretaries

► Because this is a convention year for the IBEW, the October issue of the *JOURNAL* will be devoted entirely to coverage of the 29th Convention in Seattle. No "Local Lines" will be printed in the October issue. For the remainder of 1970, the press secretaries should use the following deadlines for sending in "Local Lines" to the Journal Department:

Issue of the Journal	Date "Local Lines" Due From Press Secretaries
September, 1970	July 31, 1970
October, 1970	Special Convention Issue No Local Lines
November, 1970	September 30, 1970
December, 1970	October 30, 1970
January, 1971	November 30, 1970

## Display of Patriotism By Local 1 Brothers



On Memorial Day, members of Local 1, St. Louis, climbed the 700-foot smokestack of Union Electric's new generating facility at Labadie, and affixed the American flag to the top. Shown here are Brothers Bob Taylor (at top of stack), Ed Garcia (on ladder), and Jim McNulley, who is loading his camera to take pictures.

A 60-year pin was presented to Brother Edward Mullarkey, and 50-year pins were presented to Brothers Charles Melville, James Griffin, and Isadore Gordon.

Our honor roll of senior members, both retired and active, was read by International Representative Mike Broderick and Mayor Frank H. Freedman of Springfield.

One of the highlights of the evening was the presentation of a beautiful clock to Brother Charles E. Caffrey on the occasion of his retirement from the International Executive Council. The gift was graciously accepted by his wife, Jule, as Charlie was unable to attend because of health reasons. Congratulations, and thanks for a job well done, Charlie.

We extend our thanks to Tom Collins and his committee. Their hard work contributed greatly to the success of the affair.

Work in the area has been affected by a laborers' strike of six weeks' duration, as the strike shut down many of our jobs which were just coming out of the ground. However, the dispute is now settled, so we hope to get back on an even keel again.

We, of Local 7 (inside) are attempting to establish a residential agreement in our area to cover much of the work which has been going non-union. We have found it to be a difficult and time-consuming job, but we are hopeful of having the program working successfully in the near future.

## Local 7's Dinner-Dance

Local 7, Springfield, Mass., recently held a dinner-dance in honor of its senior members. Before dinner, a few officers and senior members gathered for the cameraman. Left to right, are Brothers Jack Macoulier, Henry T. O'Connor, and James Griffin; Thomas Collins, Chairman of the dinner-dance; President John Connors; Brothers Charles R. Melville and Frank A. Reccord; and Business Manager Philip E. Collins.



Our Annual COPE Drive is now in progress. If any of you members have not been contacted, make an effort to call our office and arrange to get your dollars in. It's a very small effort, but it means a lot in extending our influence in the political field.

We wish all our Brothers happy and safe vacations. Drive carefully.

JOHN J. CONNORS, P.S.

## Pueblo, Colo., Local 12 Has Its Own Building

**L.U. 12, PUEBLO, COLO.**—At our 70th Anniversary Dinner-Dance, International Representative Roland Gawf presented service pins to Charles Rains, John Blaher, Art Adams, George V. Hatton, and R. E. Ditmore, 20-year members; and G. R. Allenbach, 30-year member.

JATC Chairman Bob Warren and JATC Secretary Pete Montera presented completion certificates to graduating apprentices David Bent, Jack Dent, Ken Griffin, and Larry Brooks.

Brother Stan Johnson was the master of ceremonies, and Congressman Frank Evans of Colorado's Third District gave the main address.

Work in our area is very good, and it looks as if it will be good for a long time to come.

After 70 years of paying rent, buying stock in the Labor Temple Association, etc., and losing all we paid out, Local 12 finally bought a building of its own. In addition to filling our own needs, we are now renting offices and meeting halls to three other organizations.

Our inside negotiations are completed. In June, we received an increase of 55¢ an hour, and in November, 1970, we will get another 55¢. This brings our present scale to \$6.20 plus 22¢, and in November, it will be \$6.75 plus 22¢.

We recently held our county assembly to select candidates for the primary elections. You would be surprised at the number of members of organized labor who are not registered to vote. It is not too early for our local registrars to start getting our members registered, for this is an important election year.

R. D. GRINSTEAD, B.M.

## Los Angeles Local 18 Awards 182 Service Pins

**L.U. 18, LOS ANGELES CALIF.**—Before a capacity crowd, Local 18 honored its veteran members at the Ninth Annual IBEW Pin Presentation Ceremony on April 23, 1970. International Representative C. P. "Chuck" Hughes, ably assisted by President Eugene B. "Robby" Robinson and Business Manager Patrick J. Burns, presented service pins to the members.

Brother John A. Hoy, who was initiated in Local 169, San Francisco, on February 5, 1915, and Brother J. K. McLuckie, who was initiated in Local

## More from Local 7 Dinner-Dance



Mrs. Charles E. Caffrey accepts a clock for her husband on the occasion of his retirement from the International Executive Council. Others in the picture, left to right, are Business Manager Philip E. Collins, President John J. Connors, and International Representative Michael Broderick.



Seated at the dinner table is a group of senior members and their wives. Left to right, are Brother and Mrs. James Griffin, Brother and Mrs. James Frame, Brother and Mrs. Harold Carr, and Brother and Mrs. James McNaughton. Standing are Brother and Mrs. John Root.



Another group of senior members and their wives, left to right, are Brother Ray Collins and his daughter, Brother and Mrs. Oscar Couture, and Brother and Mrs. Ralph Paine.

83, Los Angeles, on December 3, 1915, topped the honorees with 55 years of service.

Brother F. E. Dlugosh, who was initiated in Local 66, Houston, Texas, on May 14, 1920, was presented with a 50-year pin.

Forty-five year pins were presented to L. R. Barnes and William M. Kelhart. Forty-year pins were presented to R. Balthasar, Andrew J. Beahm, Emmett Beman, C. F. Beardsley, Richard O. Brown, William E. Mathis, George C. Memsic, T. W. O'Connor, W. M. Parkes, Henry W. Peters, J. Fred Snyder, Ben R. Turner, E. E. Van Horn,

Gordon Anderson, and William J. Toohey.

Twenty-seven members received 35-year pins; 34 received 30-year pins; and 101 received 25-year pins.

It is interesting to note that among the honorees receiving pins, six were women—all in the 25-year group. They are Grace Woodring, Charlotte J. Bruce, Beulah C. Dickinson, Eulah D. Nevans, Clara Brown, and Betty Moody.

This annual event gives many of our retirees and active members an opportunity to get together and reminisce once a year.

PATRICK J. BURNS, B.M.



## Pueblo's 70th Anniversary Celebration



At the 70th Anniversary Dinner-Dance of Local 12, Pueblo, Colo., membership pins were presented to 20-year members and a 30-year member. Left to right, are President W. L. Miller; Charles Rains, John Blaher, Art Adams, and George Hatton, 20-year members; G. R. Allenbach, 30-year member; International Representative Roland Gawf; and Robert Ditmore, 20-year member.



Completion certificates were presented to, back row, left to right, Dave Bent, Jack Dent, Ken Griffin, and Larry Brooks. Front row: JATC Chairman Bob Warren and JATC Secretary Pete Montera who presented the certificates.



Left to right, Business Manager R. D. Grinstead and Congressman Frank Evans of Colorado's Third District relax after dinner.

## Los Angeles Presentation Ceremonies



Assemblyman L. E. "Larry" Townsend, who is seeking his third term in the California State Assembly, was recently honored at a testimonial dinner given by his friends. Shown seated, left to right, are John Schneider, Local 18 Executive Board member; Walter Risse, Local 18 Administrative Assistant; James H. Simmons, Los Angeles County Federation of Labor Business Representative; Assemblyman Townsend; "Chuck" Hughes, International Representative; and Bill Mundt, International Representative and Campaign Chairman for Assemblyman Townsend. Standing: Mrs. Frank Vollmer, Dinner Committee Chairman; Ray Shannon, Local 11 Business Representative; Chuck Barcaro, Local 18 Clerical Unit President; Patrick J. Burns, Local 18 Business Manager; Manny Couté, International Representative; and Fred D. Spotsville, Local Business Representative.

## Bull Roast, Graduation Held in Baltimore, Md.

**L.U. 24, BALTIMORE, MD.**—The Young Trade Unionists held their First Annual Bull Roast on May 17, 1970. Of the 500 people who attended, approximately 60% of them were from Local 24. Good music and exceptionally-good food helped to make everything run smoothly.

Many thanks should go to the locals and organizations that bought tickets and donated door prizes. The affair was a success because of their help.

Everyone I spoke to is looking forward to our next roast in February, which we will hold in the Steel Workers' Hall, as it is larger and has better parking facilities.

The response we received from the Live Better/Work Union article, published in the May issue of the *Journal*, has been tremendous. We received orders from five different states, last week alone. Both the bumper and envelope stickers are made of vinyl. I've had the same sticker on my car for at least eight months, and it still looks like new.

On Saturday, May 23rd, we held



Local 18 members receiving 25-year pins.

graduation exercises for 20 apprentices who are now journeyman wiremen. With an open bar and a choice of steak or lobster at dinner, the affair got off to a good start.

After dinner, Larry Miller, Training Director, made many introductions. Business Manager Jack McCorkle gave a short but excellent speech. He reminded the new journeymen that a good union man gives the contractor an honest day's work. This is the only way he can expect a good settlement at contract time, and it's the only way unions can survive.

I was sorry I had to leave before the music started—baby-sitting problems. The group really looked wild with long hair and dress. I know they all had a good time though.

Our graduates made exceptionally-high grades, and they are also active union men.

An apprentice graduation wouldn't be the same without "Pappy" Vail, as he hasn't lost an ounce of his old charm. "Pappy's" shoes were hard to fill, but Larry Miller has done an outstanding job as his successor.

Well, so long for now.

BERNARD R. EBBERTS, P.S.

## Celebrity Racer Is Long Island Member

**L.U. 25, LONG ISLAND, N.Y.**—Did you ever go to the races and wonder who some of the drivers are? Well, we'll tell you about one, our own Brother Bernie Schacker.

Last year, Bernie went out to the National Speedway in Center Moriches for the U.S. Fuel and Gas Championships—where he competed with top drivers like Cook and Goldstein—and came in second (only because someone crossed two plug wires) in his "Family Car," with 218.44 mph and 6.98 E. T. Bernie competes with drivers who have really super-duper cars, but even though he builds his own with pieces and parts he gets at junk yards—the way he's done in his 17 years of racing—he still comes in a winner.

This year, while working for Mason, Nixon, and Kennedy on the Hempsted Turnpike traffic signal job by day, he worked nights in his garage on his new "Family Car," which has a 215-inch wheel base and a 1956 Chrysler blown-injected, fuel-burning engine. (He calls his racer the "Family Car" because his wife and four children always accompany him to the tracks.) The third time out at National Speedway in May, he clocked 217 mph with the new car, which is the only rear-engine dragster on the East Coast, and took second place for a nice piece of change.

It was in 1953, after his discharge from the Navy, that Bernie teamed up with another Navy vet, Bob Pimm, and built a flathead-powered machine, using a Model A Ford roadster. It was a consistent winner in the early days of hot rodding.

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## More Scenes from Los Angeles Local 18



Local 18 members receiving 30- and 35-year pins.



At the Ninth Annual Pin Presentation Ceremony of Local 18, Los Angeles, Business Manager Patrick J. Burns, right, presents 40-year pins to Bill Toohey, extreme left, and George Memsic.

## Baltimore Bull Roast



The charcoal pit of beef at the Young Trade Unionists' bull roast of Local 24, Baltimore.

## Baltimore Local's Activities



Graduation ceremonies and a dinner were held in honor of 20 graduates of Local 24, Baltimore, Md. Seated, left to right, are graduates Harry Bestland, Frank Coles, James Correll, Karl Groves, Boyd Holt, Thomas Jones, and Eugene Leitner. Standing: Business Manager Jack W. McCorkle; graduates Dick Markland, Robert Montgomery, Richard Morsberger, Charles Painter, John Pardoe, David Salmi, Thomas Smith, and John Wainwright; and NECA Chapter Manager Andy Reed.



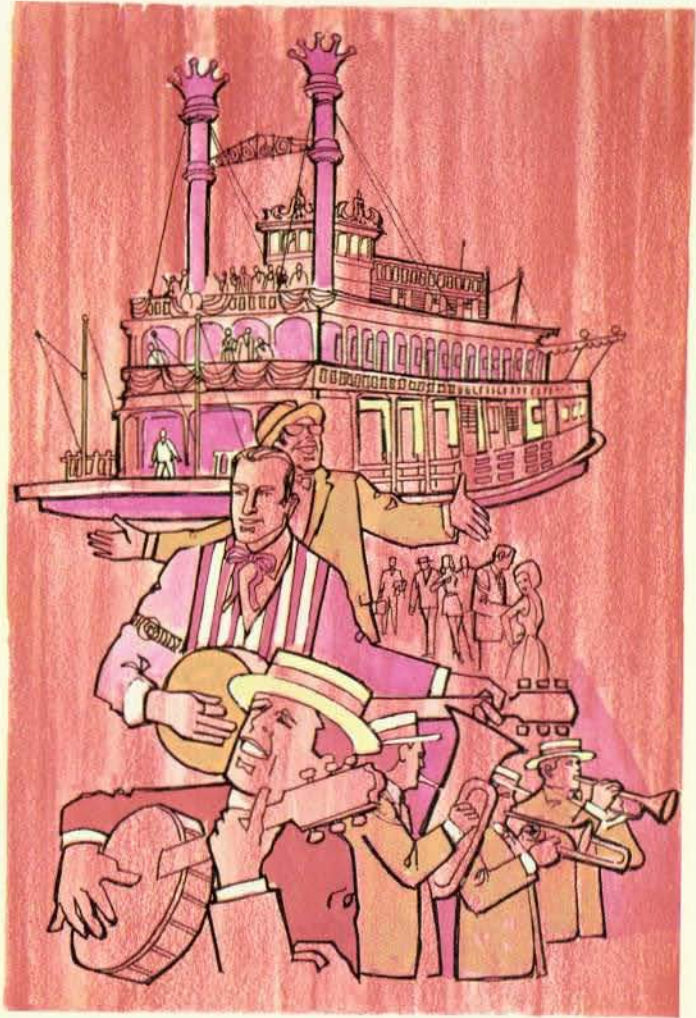
Wives and/or girl friends pose with Training Director Larry Miller.



Graduates and wives enjoying dinner at the graduation dinner-dance.

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UNION  
WORKERS  
SHOW



Visitors to the show gather around the IBEW exhibit for one of the popular daily drawings.



# UNION INDUSTRIES SHOW

The New Orleans WDSU-TV color camera was manned by IBEW members from Local 1139, who work at Channels 4, 6, and 12. They had a crew on duty during the show and made quite a hit with the visitors to the exhibits.



Lithonia Lighting Exhibit.



Fowler Manufacturing Co.



Maico Hearing Aids.



The Fisher Stereo Exhibit.



CBS musical instruments, manufactured by members of Local 2254, Fullerton, California, were on display under the management of John Carradine.



The awarding of these IBEW-made home appliances in the daily drawings was a high point of the entire Union Industries Show.

Visiting the exhibit was AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer Lane Kirkland. Left to right, are Joe Lewis, Director of the show; Mel Boyle, IBEW Representative; Secretary Kirkland; Doris Froman, IBEW Director of Purchasing; International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan; and Richard Walsh, President of the Union Label and Service Trades Department.



Thomas Industries Inc.



Hoover Home Appliances.



The NECA Exhibit.



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895	901	1139	2188
767	2165	2149	2213
995	446	194	572
1077	130	329	1390

IBEW local unions sponsoring the exhibit.



Beautiful Aztec heating panel.

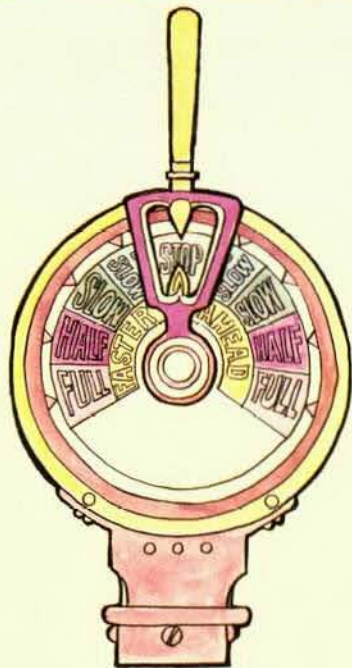
► The home of Dixie land jazz was the site of the 1970 AFL-CIO Union Industries Show. More than 220,000 people, young and old from New Orleans and surrounding areas, visited the beautiful Rivergate Exposition Center, located on the banks of the Mississippi River, to view the exhibits. The IBEW exhibit, as in previous shows, drew many compliments.

The general public was treated to a wide array of union-made goods and services. Visitors were shown first hand why they should always consider buying union-made articles and demand the services of organized workers, when in need of personal services. Exhibits were large and colorful, sponsored both by unions and employers. The entire show was dramatic proof that good faith and cooperation between labor and management produce more for both employee and employer. The end result is more benefits for the consumer when purchasing union-made articles.

Daily drawings were held by the IBEW for appliances shown in the color photographs on pages 40, 41, and 42 of this story. The names of winners of the major appliances will be furnished on request.



Prizes for the daily drawings of the IBEW exhibit, are shown in this photograph before the show was opened.



Promoting the slogan of the Maritime Trades during the show are, left to right, Bernadine Quinn, retired IBEW secretary who voluntarily worked all the day and evening shows; International Representative Jim Brizendine; Mel Boyle, Assistant to Secretary Joseph D. Keenan; and Director of Purchasing, Doris Froman.



Pictured is the winner of the Zenith color television, Lillian Barrett, from Mt. Clemens, Michigan. Also shown are International Representative Mel Boyle, a little lad who drew the winning ticket, and International Representative Bob McAlwee.



Holding one of the IBEW displays are Doris Froman, Director of Purchasing; and Mrs. Betty Richardson, daughter of Vice President W. B. Petty, who helped to man the IBEW booth during the show.



Some of the fine IBEW-made appliances given away in the daily drawings at the IBEW exhibit are pictured.



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About five cars and six years later, the flathead gave way to a more powerful car, whose engine was a stock-cubed, 283-cubic-inch Chevy with aluminum rods and 13½ to one piston. It was connected to a 47 Buick box and out to a 514 Chevy rear. Known as the Delta V, it came in second at the Westhampton track.

Bernie's wife, Mary Ann, keeps a scrapbook of newspaper clippings which tell Bernie's story. Here are a few: "The Delta V drag team unveiled its 'A' dragster for the '62 season. Look out for this one; it won top time for the day." And from a Baltimore newspaper: "On the conventional pump gas side were two super-charged honkers . . . their blown 426 Dodge Dragmaster Combo, really moving, was edged out by the New York-based Bernie Schacker in his puffer Chevy at 9.17 and 169.18 mph. Later in the day, Bernie set the low gas E. T. and top speed at 9.01 seconds and 170.71 mph."

In 1968, Bernie left the Delta V team and started out on his own, continuing to make headlines on the sports pages: "Final round matched the swashbuckling, colorful 'Freedom Machine' and the plainly dressed, though fearsome, 'Family Car' of Bernie Schacker."

Next time you're at the races watching cars with names like "Comanche," "Somerville Flash," "Freedom Machine," and "Galloping Ghost," keep your eye on the front, for that's where you'll see the dangerous "Family Car" with Brother Bernie Schacker behind the wheel!

ROBERT GORMAN, P.S.

### Active Local 26 Member



Grant O. Davidson, member of Local 26, Washington, D.C., and active participant in community affairs, right, presents a trophy to E. Mansfield, trainer-driver of Elwood Tatum, winning horse of the eighth race (sponsored by the Oxon Hill, Md., Kiwanis Club) at Rosecroft. Grant Davidson is president of the Kiwanis Club and has served in five different offices in the past seven years. He is also a member of Local 26's COPE Committee for Prince George's County in Maryland.

### Work Improving For Local 34 In Peoria

L.U. 34, PEORIA, ILL.—Work was very slow during the winter, but it is picking up now. A new addition of a third unit

### Family Car?



This is the "Family Car," the only rear-engine dragster on the East Coast. It was built by Brother Bernie Schacker, Local 25, Long Island, N.Y., who has been winning races in his self-built cars for years.



Brother Bernie Schacker, above, works for Mason, Nixon, and Kennedy Electric during the day and builds his racers at night.

### Local 34 Men



Members of Local 34, Peoria, Ill., are shown installing some of the 55,000 feet of transit duct for the new Commonwealth Edison Power Plant at Powerton, Ill. Left to right, are Jack Mansell, Max Lynch, and Jerry Cooney.



Local 34 members are also employed on the 860-foot smokestack being constructed at the site of the new Commonwealth Edison Powerhouse.

is getting started at Cilco's powerhouse, and Commonwealth Edison is building a new powerhouse. Our men are working on the 860-foot smokestack. Caterpillar is doing a lot of remodeling in East Peoria and is also building an addition to its Mossville plant. These projects are giving our men work and will continue to for some time. We all have our share of apartment buildings and small jobs going.

We congratulate Darrell Munton, who was selected as one of the 1970 winners of the Founders' Scholarships.

Our health and welfare program is doing very well, and we are pleased with it. New benefits and revisions went into effect on July 1, 1970. We hope we can add more benefits in the future.

A class of 14 graduated to journeyman wiremen. The members of the class will be honored at a banquet later in the year.

Our Annual Picnic will be held in September. Everyone is looking forward to having a good time then.

LARRY L. DAY, P.S.

### Local 41 Journeyman Training Graduates Honored In Buffalo

L.U. 41, BUFFALO, N.Y.—A few weeks ago, the fourth graduating class of the Cornell School of Industrial Labor Relations held its commencement exercises at the Executive Ramada Inn at Cheektowaga, New York. Almost 100 journeymen have completed the course so far.

Bob Biggane, master of ceremonies, extended congratulations to the graduates and gave a brief talk on the merits of the program. He pointed out the rewards of the course in making a job easier to run.

Gary Staerker, substituting for Business Manager Raymond Schlemmer, also offered congratulations. He stated that the reports of the program were excellent and that the attendance was the best of all the journeyman training courses. He then presented certificates to the graduates.

### Commencement Exercises



Here, Bob Biggane, Chapter Manager, addresses the graduates of Local 41, Buffalo, N.Y. Seated, left to right, are William Marinaccio, Executive Board member; Gary Staerker, Assistant Business Manager; and Gary Jones, contractor.

Our new officers elected on June 9, 1970, are Business Manager Ray Schlemmer, President Joe Cannizzaro, Vice President Val Malinowski, Financial Secretary William Drexler, and Recording Secretary Ted Banasik. The Executive Board members are Harry Brownson, Gene Emerson, Wilbur Hoffman, John Houlihan, William Marinaccio, Mel Rice, and Gary Staerker. Examining Board members are Ange Donahue, Joe Furiioso, Florian Pawelski, Al Rennie, and Frank Schafer. Congratulations and good luck!

In an effort to offer our journeymen the best opportunities for improving their training, the local has formed a new committee for that purpose. It is called the Journeyman Education Committee, and all members are presently working diligently to make it the most successful program of 41.

Several courses will be offered in the fall, and the committee is open for any suggestions. The members of the committee are Chairman William Marinaccio, Gene Emerson, Harry Brownson, Norm Gleason, Joe Furiioso, Gene Bachowski, Donald Banks, Ange Donahue, Joe Cannizzaro, and Florian Pawelski.

EUGENE "GATOR" BACHOWSKI, P.S.

## Work Scene Remains Good For Hartford Local 42

L.U. 42, HARTFORD, CONN.—Our Health and Welfare Program went into effect on May 1, 1970, and quite a few of our Brothers have benefited by it already, thanks to the efficiency of Business Manager Truman F. Schlehofer, Welfare Secretary Mrs. Elsie Esidore, and the Welfare Committee. Congratulations on a fine job well done.

Work in this area is still good, with no men on the bench at this time. Quite a bit of work will be breaking in the near future. Things look good for Local 42 at the present time.

Business Manager Truman F. Schlehofer and Assistant Business Manager James Fraser attended the Annual Progress Meeting of the Second District, held in Boston on May 6th and 7th. IBEW films on the electrical industry brought many interesting comments from many business managers.

Our election was held on June 4th. The last few weeks have been quite busy ones, so I didn't have much time to gather material for the *Journal*.

I thank our COPE chairman and all our members who contributed to COPE. Let's all watch for the union label.

JAMES FRASER, P.S.

## Local 46 Elects Officers; Broadcast Negotiations Under Way

L.U. 46, SEATTLE, WASH.—On June 5, 1970, Local 46 held its general election. Our newly-elected officers are President Leonard Thomas, Vice President Jim Petara, Recording Secretary Donald



Recently, Local 41, Buffalo, N.Y., held commencement exercises at the Executive Ramada Inn at Cheektowaga, N.Y., for its fourth graduating class of the Cornell School of Industrial Labor Relations. The graduates, left to right, are Dave Mahoney, Andy Wenk, Dave Dalton, Jim Nichter, Art Lang, and Frank Mahoney. Seated: Gerry Smits, Irv Thomann, Ed Wolniewicz, Bill Marinaccio, and Tony Spada.



Assistant Business Manager Gary Staerker and Chapter Manager Bob Biggane present diploma to graduate Dave Dalton.

## Hartford Members at Work



Brothers Bill McDermott and Harold Smulens, members of Local 42, Hartford, Conn., work on a reconductor job in Essex, Conn.



Brothers Frank Kelly, Larry Regan, Gib Elliott, Bill McDermott, Chuck Law, and Pat Lappin, also on the reconductor job in Essex.



Brothers Clif Dubiel, John Bush, and John Etheridge on the reconductor job in Essex.



Working on a conversion job in New London, Conn., left to right, are Frank Skut, Art Keuver, John Zemko, Dave Goss, Buster Lee, Craig Palakewitz, Don Cyr, and Bob Roys.



## Seattle's Newly-Elected Officers



Local 46, Seattle, Wash., recently elected officers. Left to right, are President Leonard Thomas, Recording Secretary Don Dorr, Vice President James Petara, and Treasurer F. N. Mallett.



Left to right, are Business Representatives Ed Olson, Andy Smith, and Jack Kain; Business Manager-Financial Secretary Gordon Puckett; and Business Representatives Bill Johnson, Dan Keller, and Henry Andes.



Newly-elected members of the Executive Board, left to right, are Harry Meyers, Bill Wilbur, Charley Adams, Bill English, Sr., Bob Vaughn, and Fred Hanson.



Chairman Clarence Kleppe, Wiremen's Unit, center, is shown with Business Manager Gordon Puckett, left, and President Leonard Thomas.

Dorr, Treasurer F. N. Mallett, and Business Manager-Financial Secretary Gordon Puckett.

Examining Board members are Andy Andresen, Walt Campbell, Bill English, Jr., Rod McDermott, and Chuck Shafer. Executive Board members are Charles Adams, William English, Sr., Fred Hanson, Harry Meyers, Bob Vaughn, and Bill Wilbur. Harry Hamasaki was elected to health and welfare.

Delegates to the IBEW convention are Charles Adams, Andy Andresen, Ray Baller, Don Dorr, Harry Hamasaki, Bob Keller, Cliff Olson, Leonard Thomas, and Bill Wilbur.

I thank the members who took time and effort to cast their votes.

TV broadcast negotiations with stations KOMO-TV, KING-TV, and KIRO-TV are currently in progress. At this writing, very little progress has been made in our efforts to overcome the wage disparity (approximately \$50 per week) that exists between this and other comparable market areas.

Negotiations are also open between the union and the Electronics Trade Association on behalf of the sound and communications members.

Recently, a two-year agreement was settled at Nye Systems, Inc., manufacturer of dictation systems equipment; it provides substantial wage increases and improved sick leave.

We regret the passing of Brothers

Charles E. Warner, Murel N. Kimery, Otto Lackie, Edward Peil, and Henry E. Mark. May we observe a moment of silence and offer our deepest sympathy to the families and many friends of the deceased.

Brothers Orville L. Bennett and William H. Ready applied for retirement.

C. J. KLEPPE, P.S.

### Old-Timers' Banquet Held in Portland

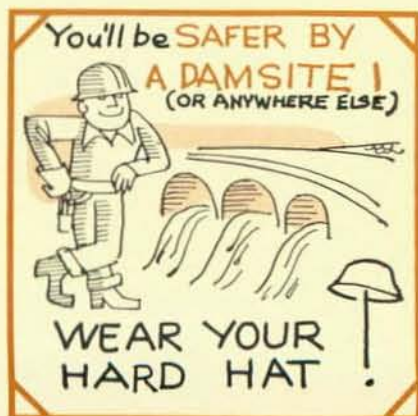
**L.U. 48, PORTLAND, ORE.**—The Annual Old-Timers' Dinner, honoring Local 48 members who are on pension, was held on June 8, 1970, at the Portland Labor Center.

Service pins were awarded to Arthur Dienstel, 50-year member; John Bitte and A. M. Fields, 45-year members; George Morse, F. W. Heberlein, Carl Newbill, and William Neilan, 40-year members; Percy Hindle and John McEachern, 35-year members; and Bernard Wilson, G. L. Murphy, Howard Grover, Della McIntyre, and Earl Yankee, 30-year members.

Oregon's economy is quite vulnerable to the administration's tight money policy. The construction industry is directly hurt by the high interest rates and hurt again indirectly when the state's huge timber industry is depressed as a result of the decline in construction.

Having spent a month on the bench, your press secretary can attest to the fact that this has been a poor year. The dispatcher reports that things are picking up a little but that work will probably continue to be slow until there are some changes in administration policy.

At the June meeting, Local 48 awarded \$600 scholarships to Michael Ballas, son of Brother and Mrs. Joseph Ballas, and Kathleen Fifield, daughter of Brother and Mrs. Merle Fifield. Michael plans to major in journalism at the University of Oregon, and Kathleen intends to major in secondary education at Southern Oregon College. The scholarship program,



administered by the Oregon State Scholarship Committee, marked its eighth year of scholarship awards.

The family of Brother and Mrs. Art Smith have been doing things in a big way. First, daughter Laura Rae, 18, was selected as Miss Oregon Universe for 1970 and represented Oregon in the USA Pageant in Miami Beach, where she was a semi-finalist. Following the Miami contest, Laura, as the guest of the Eastern Steamship Lines, vacationed in the Bahamas. During her year-long reign as Miss Oregon Universe, she will make personal appearances sponsored by the Wendell West Company, sponsor of the Oregon pageant. Laura is a student at Portland State University.

Meanwhile, eight-year-old Arthur Smith, Jr. has been doing all right, too. Earlier this year, his dad took him on his first salmon fishing trip—on the Columbia River—and he promptly hooked a whopper, a 32-pound, 42-inch-long Chinook.

WILLIAM E. ANDERSON, P.S.

## Scribe Urges All Members To Register, Vote This Fall

**L.U. 51, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.**—The economy of our country seems to leave much to be desired. We presently have less electric line construction going on than we've had in a long time. It does not appear that work will pick up in the near future. There is no question that there is lots of work the utilities should do to keep up with the continual increase in the use of electricity, but it's being postponed. We hope it won't be postponed too long.

Our telephone construction work is at an all-time high, as the General Telephone Company of Illinois is in a program to upgrade all of its rural lines. Most of this work involves installing underground, and it should continue through next year.

The ALBAT Program is doing a good job of training future journeyman linemen. In connection with the actual on-the-job training, the apprentices are also required to attend school regularly.

It will soon be time for national elections, and we urge everyone to be sure he is registered and then be sure to go to the polls and vote. These elections could be as important to the people as any elections have ever been. If the friends of labor do not win, it will be because they didn't get the support they deserve from union members.

Be sure you vote. See you at union meeting.

O. H. PERRY, P.S.

## Work in Local 70 Area Expected To Improve

**L.U. 70, WASHINGTON, D.C.**—Work in our jurisdiction has picked up somewhat since my last letter, but it still is nothing to shout about. Several of our

## Portland's Old-Timers



At the Annual Old-Timers' Dinner of Local 48, Portland, Ore., 50-year member Arthur Dienstel, left, receives a certificate from Business Manager Herman Teeple.



John Bitte, left, and A. M. Fields received 45-year pins and certificates.



Brother Arthur G. Smith and Arthur, Jr. pose proudly with young Arthur's catch, a 32-pound Chinook.



Forty-year members, left to right, are George Morse, Carl Newbill, F. W. Heberlein, and William Neitan.

## Winners



Local 48 awarded \$600 scholarships to Michael Ballas, son of Brother and Mrs. Joseph P. Ballas, and Kathleen Fifield, daughter of Brother and Mrs. Merte Fifield.

## Local 51 Members, Apprentices



ALBAT apprentices (Local 51 jurisdiction) at a training school session held in Pekin, Ill.

Brother James Smith and Ronald Hallam, Local 51, Springfield, Ill., are shown in the motorized cart used to travel from tower to tower on a job for the Contracting and Material Company.



Brothers are still working out of the area. We expect things to pick up somewhat in the near future.

At our recent meeting, we kicked off our official COPE Dollar Drive, and many of our Brothers are supporting this important program. We are hoping that we will achieve our goal for our first-time, 100% participation. Let's all do our part to help achieve this goal.

For the benefit of members who did not stay for the results of our recent election, re-elected were President W. H. Grover, Recording Secretary Bobby D. Smith, Treasurer Joseph S. Allport, Financial Secretary and Business Manager James A. Kidd, Jr., and Executive Board members Vernon D. Bladen and Raymond L. Beazley.

New officers are Vice President Garland H. Forrest and Executive Board members Leroy J. Huffstickler and Richard J. Wright.

New Examining Board members are Harold E. Bush, Jr., J. D. Tucker, Ashby P. Colvin, Thomas E. Tomlin, and Thomas W. Wilburn.

We congratulate the above-mentioned officers, and we hope all the members will give them full support in the years ahead.

We are sorry to report that Brother James W. Hale died on April 27, 1970, the result of an accident. We extend our sympathy to his family and friends.

B. E. SMITH, P.S.

## Northwest Area Hard Hit By Heavy Unemployment

L.U. 77, SEATTLE, WASH.—Our Northwest area has been harder hit by unemployment than most other areas. Boeing Aircraft Corporation, the prime employer here, has had tremendous layoffs, with prospects of even more.

We are a utility local, and these layoffs have not affected our regular power company members to any great extent, but they have made a large difference to those in the construction end of our industry.

Last winter, we had between eight and nine hundred members employed in construction on both underground and overhead distribution lines for new construction. This has dwindled down to almost nothing, as the new distribution construction that is still left is being done by the regular power company employees.

There is a cheery side to this picture, however. The Bonneville Power Administration has a great deal of steel tower work going on, and we have a summer total of about 1,150 men on these jobs.

The Tyee Construction Company has two steel tower jobs going, one over Stevens Pass from Monroe, Washington, to Chief Joseph Dam, which is located north of Wenatchee, Washington. They are building the section from the pass to the dam this year, and next year, they will build the west portion. They have about 200 men on this job, and it will run until October, 1970.

Tyee also has 75 men on a Seattle-to-Tacoma BPA line which is something special—the towers are triple-bundle, double-circuit ones. This job is expected to last three or four months.

The John King Company is building another BPA steel tower line from the Paul Raver substation, at Ravensdale in Maple Valley, to Longview, Washington, and is employing 120 men on the job.

They are using helicopters capable of lifting seven and one-half tons to set four 460-foot towers, which are high enough to get the conductors to span the Columbia River. The Wico Company has an additional 30 men on the job to string the wire.

The Commonwealth Company is working on a line from Shelton, Washington, to Olympia, Washington, and is employing 60 men on the job. It is also a BPA job.

Another line to be built by the Tyee Construction Company is slated to start in August. The line will be built between Dworshak Dam and Hot Springs, Montana, and our local will have jurisdiction over some 80 miles of the line.

The summer employment picture looks pretty good, except for groundmen. We don't need any men, as this appears to be one year in which our local will be able to man all its jobs.

STAN BOWEN, P.S.

## Tidewater Area Is Great Fishing Place

L.U. 80, NORFOLK, VA.—We congratulate the seven apprentices, Ronnie Bauswell, Kenneth Bunting, Don Gamiel, Mike Teets, William Jones, William T. Holland, and Thomas O'Grady, who were obligated into Local 80 at the last union meeting. The obligation consists of only a few words, but they have real meaning. Do you remember them?

To our many Brothers who are hospitalized or sick at home, we send wishes for speedy recoveries and hope you will be back on the job soon. Brothers Elwood Outin and Cecil Morris have been on the sick list for many weeks. Let's remember our sick Brothers with cards, or better yet, visit them. It's good medicine.

Business Manager Eugene Leach, in his latest report, stated that work in the Tidewater area looks good for another year. Thanks to Local 666, Richmond, Virginia, our Brothers have been employed at the Surry Power Station.

The Tidewater area is a great place to work in the spring and summer, especially if you like fishing. Many of our Brothers are great fishermen, and many tales of the sea are usually told after union meetings. Have you attended a meeting lately? Donuts and coffee are served after the meetings. By the way, I can't wait until the next union meeting to tell you that yours truly caught a six-pound, 13-ounce flounder recently and will receive a Virginia citation for the catch. My camera isn't big enough to take a picture of it.

A word to the wise: Live today as if it were your last!

J. D. HOLLOWAY, JR., P.S.

## Seattle Local 89 Meeting Attendance Improves

L.U. 89, SEATTLE, WASH.—Continental's Washington Telephone Company's negotiations have been completed with a top-wage of \$4,475 per hour—a 21-cent raise this year. Continental Telephone has established a steadfast policy, in that it will not pay above Bell Telephone's scales in any classification. Looks as though we have our work cut out for us in the future. Our wage is the equivalent of Bell's scale in the Seattle area, and it's substantially more than that of General Telephone of Northwest.

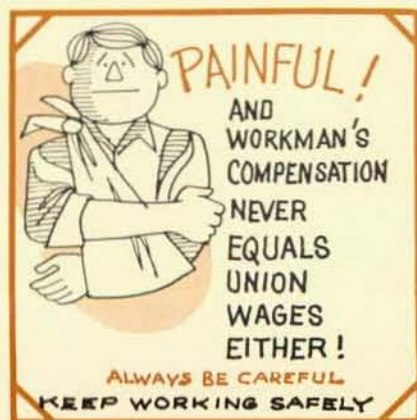
Business Manager Jay Williams reports that negotiations with the Linn County Tel Company in Oregon are progressing well. The company is newly-organized, and this will be its first agreement.

Business Representatives Jack McIntyre, Ruth Carpenter, and Bill Davis report that union interest is on the upswing, with increased attendance at unit meetings and many grievances. A high percentage of the grievances is being settled at the first and second steps.

Close cooperation between the traffic, the plant, and the rescue squad in Mount Vernon, Washington (Unit 116), resulted in saving a life. Operator Jonnie Morris picked up a call for help from a man suffering a heart attack, but the victim passed out before he could give his location. Quick work by Al Nypen and Keith Ash resulted in tracing the caller and dispatching a rescue squad. The squad arrived at the stricken man's home in time to give aid. Congratulations, men, on a good piece of teamwork.

We are looking forward to the IBEW Convention in September. We are pleased that we will have this opportunity to show the visiting delegates our great Pacific Northwest.

BILL HENDERSHOT, PRES.



## Employment Remains Good in Local 90

**L.U. 90, NEW HAVEN, CONN.**—Local 90 will hold its Annual Outing at Restland Farms on August 15, 1970. Come one, come all!

Work in this area is very good. Local 90 members are presently working on housing for the elderly and on a transformer pad of a new church in New Haven.

BOB GALLAGER, P.S.

## Completion Ceremonies Held in Providence

**L.U. 99, PROVIDENCE, R.I.**—Our local was saddened by the death of one of its young apprentices. Specialist 4th Class Valentino La Scola was killed in action in Vietnam on May 22, 1970.

Valentino La Scola was drafted into the Army on April 7, 1968. While in the United States, he served as an instructor in basic electricity at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He arrived in Vietnam in November, 1969, and was attached to the 864th Engineers Battalion. On May 22, 1970, while participating in a search-and-clear mission, he sustained a mortal wound from a hostile explosive device. We extend our sympathy to his family.

On June 18, 1970, more than 75 members and guests attended our apprentice completion ceremonies at the Chalet. The graduates receiving certificates were Allan Anderson, James Cannon, Robert Carroll, Frank Colucci, Robert Conforti, Sr., Thomas Creighton, Frank Dombkowski, Lance Dusablon, Richard Edwards, Constantine Gianetis, James Harrington, John Kelly, David Kirk, Louis Longo, John McGee, Jr., Robert McGrath, Raymond McMullen, George Micielli, William Murray, Kenneth Nannini, David Nordolillio, Terry Nolin, Thomas Pavlino, Anthony Parente, Richard Reynolds, Donald Simpson, David Terell, Albert Watters, and Keith Wesley.

The Outstanding Apprentice of the Year Award went to Brother James Cannon.

We congratulate Brother Eddie Fielding, who is going into business for himself. As a result, there will be an opening on the Executive Board.

At our last meeting, Brother Richard Irace was elected to the JATC, and Brother A. Spaziano was appointed vice president. Also, at the meeting, 50-year pins were presented to Brothers Sherman Dansereau, Paul Ward, William Grady, and Tony Irace.

We wish many happy years of retirement to recently-retired members Joseph Manning, Richard Phelan, Romeo Pette-ruti, Thomas Arciero, and Pat Renzi.

I recently received a letter from B. B. Wilkerson, of Local 779, who is collecting expired automobile plates. He needs one from Rhode Island and will pay for all mailing expenses. If anyone has one,

## New Haven Men On Construction Jobs



Members of Local 90, New Haven, Conn., are presently working in Meriden, Conn., on two 11-story buildings for the elderly. The two buildings will have 220 apartments when completed.



Left to right, are Bob Adams and Steve Fainer, working on the transformer-pad job at a new church in New Haven.

## Gives His Life



Specialist 4th Class Valentino La Scola, Local 99 apprentice, was killed in action in Vietnam recently.

please send it to B. B. Wilkerson, Route 88, New Eagle, Pennsylvania.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery go to Miss Ann Cleary; also a thank you to George Mollo.

See you next month.

MARK BRUNELLI, P.S.

## Scribe Seeks News Items For Local 103 Newsletter

**L.U. 103, BOSTON, MASS.**—Summer is here, elections are over, and most of our members will be taking vacations; however, the union meetings will still be there. Will you? Let's try to improve our attendance. See you at the next meeting.

As you know, we have a Local 103 newsletter. We need help! Any of you Brothers may submit articles about interesting jobs and news items. If you have any ideas for improving the newsletter, please feel free to call me at 484-1444.

The Joint Apprenticeship and Training

## Graduate, Officers, and Old-Timers



At the apprentice completion ceremonies of Local 99, Providence, R. I., President Richard Stromberg and the committee secretary-treasurer present a watch to James Cannon, Outstanding Apprentice of the Year.



Fifty-year members and officers, standing, left to right, are Business Manager James Poland, 50-year members Sherman Dansereau and Paul Ward, and President Richard Stromberg. Seated are 50-year members William Grady and Anthony Irace.



Brother Charlie Sharkey, past president, congratulates Al Spaziano, the new vice president.

Committee for the electrical construction industry in Boston presents an award to the outstanding apprentice each year. The award is presented to the graduating apprentice whose over-all record shows that he is "outstanding." A large plaque hangs in the Committee Office with the names of all award winners.

The winner of this year's award was Russell A. Young. The award was presented by Dana H. Malins, Boston Chapter Manager of NECA, at the graduation ceremony on April 30, 1970.

The new journeymen are William T. Jacobus, Thomas P. Kiley, Edward C. Graboski, Joseph W. Ford, Gerard T. Cavanaugh, James R. Calvino, Richard J. Baker, John F. Broderick, James M. Fahey, Paul F. Ferzoco, Philip A. Davis, James C. Daley, John R. Briggs, Donald L. Bennett, Chester O. Bennett, Jr., William J. Belanger, Donald J. Callan, Earl F. Albee, Edgar G. Dewey, Robert P. Conroy, John E. Franklin, Michael Franklin, Gerald T. Joy, Francis M. Hann, Gerald F. Long, Edward A. Lydon, Francis M. Lally, Mario G. Federico, Glenn D. Cypher, Thomas F. Leary, Robert A. Leonard, Richard A. Joyce.

Donald McKearney, Charles J. Monahan, James M. Logan, Carl P. Kullen, David B. Malmgren, John P. Krug, Edward A. Maurer, Joseph Maglio, Charles O'Connell, Waldo L. Murphy, Charles R. Mason, Robert A. MacDonald, Michael J. Mulligan, Daniel J. McIntyre, Paul M. McConville, Arthur F. O'Neil, William J. Williamson, Jr., Romualdas B. Paukstys, William E. O'Brien, Robert J. Myron, Leroy R. Nowicki, Walter J. O'Kane, Chester C. Pomeroy.

Frederick J. Peterson, Robert J. Tilly, Michael J. Sweeney, Norman D. Curley, Bernard N. Sharpe, Thomas B. O'Brien, Thomas L. Regan, Donald J. Rollins, Joseph F. Radley, Kevin Powers, Russell A. Young, Richard Trites, Robert S. Sheehan, Robert W. Stinson, Stephen L. Stuart, Michael T. Schunemann, Michael J. Riley, and John P. Sullivan.

EARL MCBRIDE, JR., P.S.

## Work Situation Is Good for Local 106

**L.U. 106, JAMESTOWN, N.Y.**—It is my sad duty to report the deaths of two long-time Brothers, Carl Pihl and Edward Jorgensen.

Brother Carl Pihl was initiated in Local 106 in July, 1936, and passed away on June 16, 1970, after a 10-year illness. Carl had worked in the Pittsburgh area for many years.

Brother Edward Jorgensen, a master electrician, met a tragic death on May 30, 1970, while he was working in the Mason Tower powerhouse, near the Virginia line. He was testing on a 4,160-volt circuit and was electrocuted. He would have been 65 years old on June 28, 1970, and the powerhouse job was to be his last before his retirement.

Brother Jorgensen had worked in the

## Boston Graduates



Pictured are the graduating apprentices of Local 103, Boston, Mass.



Left to right, are Jim Rawson, Jr., JATC; Business Manager Jack O'Brian, holding the Outstanding Apprentice Award; the award recipient, Russell A. Young; and Joe Nigro, Sr., JATC and Executive Board member.

Pittsburgh jurisdiction for a good many years. He was initiated in Local 177 in February, 1939, and deposited his card in Local 106 at the May, 1970, meeting.

President Neubauer and Business Manager Ahlstrom, along with a delegation of Brothers, attended the funeral of Brother Jorgensen in Pittsburgh.

Business Manager and Mrs. Don Ahlstrom attended the progress meeting in Atlantic City on June 18-20, 1970.

The Edward De Bartola Corporation of Youngstown, Ohio, is building a 73-store mall at Lakewood, which is in our jurisdiction. Two of the stores, Sears Roebuck and Penney's, are progressing at a rapid rate.

The work picture looks good for the summer, sharing full employment for all of our membership.

MURRAY F. HORN, P.S.

## Local 107 Negotiating Team Accomplishes Beautiful Job

### L.U. 107, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—

On Friday, June 19, 1970, 12 apprentices were obligated after serving a one-year probationary period. We congratulate them and wish them good luck in the three years ahead.

The results of our negotiations with NECA were just fair, but the fruits that came back from the council were very rewarding, especially since Local 107 is used to nickel-and-dime raises while our sister locals in the surrounding area were receiving larger amounts.

Well done, Negotiating Committee! Our package is 50¢ plus 15¢ for health and welfare (effective June 1, 1970); 25¢ on December 1, 1970; and 85¢ in June, 1971. Beautiful!

Delegates elected to attend the IBEW convention in Seattle, Washington, are Business Manager Paul Harvey, President Joe Chorman, and Executive Board Chairman Dick Briggs.

Agreements settled in Grand Rapids are Harlo Switchboard—a 24% increase over a three-year period (includes pension and fringe benefits); the Kirkhof Manufacturing Company—a 15% increase over two years (includes pension

## Grand Rapids, Mich., Apprentices



Twelve new apprentices of Local 107, Grand Rapids, Mich., were recently obligated. Back row, left to right, are Rod LaHuis, Ron Redner, Recording Secretary Harold Anderson, President J. Chorman, Terry Irvine, Ron Betser, Bruce Dorman, and Bob Belt. Front row: Assistant Director of Construction-Maintenance Operations Robert Coulter of the I.O., Business Manager Paul Harvey, Frank Nelson, Dan Bilski, Bill Tuinstra, John Mull, Bill Pearl, and John Watson.

and fringe benefits); and Motor Shop—an 8% increase over one year.

Our new softball team, the Sparkies, is playing in the city's Slow-Pitch League. Money was raised by selling tickets on a Texas fifth. All new equipment—hats, shirts, balls, and bats—had to be purchased; all, that is, except pants. Sure glad it was warm outdoors! Jim Burton is the team manager.

EARL LAMOS, P.S.

## Denver Local 111 Graduates 10 Apprentices

L.U. 111, DENVER, COLO.—On April 25, 1970, a banquet was held at the Builders Showcase Restaurant, Denver, Colorado, in honor of the graduating apprentices of the Mountain States Line Constructors' Apprenticeship Program.



Executive Board Secretary Gordon LaHuis, left, extends a welcoming hand to his son, apprentice Rodney LaHuis.

## Graduation Time in Denver



Recently, a banquet was held for 10 apprentices of Local 111, Denver, Colo., who graduated to journeyman linemen. Left to right, with their wives, are Brother and Mrs. Gerald Lepp, Brother and Mrs. Charles McDonald, Brother and Mrs. Gary Strode, Brother and Mrs. Noah Hobbs, Brother and Mrs. Daniel Gray, Brother and Mrs. Quincy Browning; and Brother and Mrs. Harry Kean. Graduates Riley Harlow, Harold Jacobs, and Billy Law were not present.



Guests of honor included representatives of the line contracting companies of Colorado, International Representatives, and local IBEW business representatives.

Business Manager Joe Duffey did his usual fine job as master of ceremonies. In presenting completion certificates and awards, he was assisted by Apprenticeship Director Daniel White, State Apprenticeship Director Ted Morris, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Union Power Construction Company Walt Soule, member of the Five State Apprenticeship Committee.

The 10 graduates did a very fine job during their four years in the apprenticeship program, and they are a very fine example of the capable young people in the program.

Daniel Gray, as the outstanding apprentice, was awarded the Lynn Robinson Award, and Quincy Browning was awarded a gold watch for attaining the highest scholastic record.

We congratulate these young men for achieving their ultimate goal of becoming journeyman linemen. We also congratulate the wives of these men for the endurance and understanding they had during the past four years. Again, congratulations to all!

JOHN C. MEADERS, ASST. B.M.

### Buildings Rise at Queen's University

**L.U. 115, KINGSTON, ONT.**—Queen's University has been expanding for the last few years. The latest buildings are those of the physical education complex on the west campus, along with new steam mains and power lines going to the west campus. The total value of the expansion is \$10 million. Bennett and Wright have the electrical and mechanical contracts.

The complex consists of an administration area, a 280-foot-by-85-foot skating rink, a rifle range, a dance studio, a karate room, squash courts, and three gymnasiums.

Next month I will give a complete listing of our new officers.

JAMES A. MCMAHON, ASST. P.S.

### Kansas City's 1969, 1970 Graduates Honored

**L.U. 124, KANSAS CITY, MO.**—On June 4, 1970, about 300 members, contractors, and guests attended an apprentice graduation banquet at the Plaza III Restaurant on the Country Club Plaza in Kansas City, Missouri, at which time completion certificates were presented to 1969 and 1970 graduates.

Business Manager Jack Joyce was the master of ceremonies, and the Reverend Stanley E. Kalamaja, S.J., Director, Immaculata Retreat House, gave the invocation.

Guest speakers were International Vice President Robert K. Garrity, 11th District; Director Frank G. Werden,

### More News from Local 111



Left to right, are Walt Soule, Secretary-Treasurer, the Union Power Construction Company, and member of the Five State Apprenticeship Committee; Quincy Browning, winner of the 1970 Scholastic Award; Daniel Gray, winner of the 1970 Lynn Robinson Award; and Joe S. Duffey, Business Manager, Local 111.

### Kingston, Ontario, Members



Members of Local 115, Kingston, Ont., pause for a picture. Front row, left to right, are Dan Causin, Lester Brant, Clark Briscoe (general foreman), Rudy Perz (foreman), Ray Badour (foreman), Billy Eddy, and Charlie McDermott (steward). Middle row: René laPorte, Lavern Perreault, Bob Hornbeck, Charlie Cashman, and Warren Whitbread. Standing: Bob Rawson, Howard McAllister, Glenn Chapman, Ted Kristic, Bud Saxton, Doug Hawkins, Dick Mitchell, and Ken Pappa.

### Kansas City's Graduation Banquet



Dignitaries and guest speakers, along with their wives, are shown at the head table at the apprenticeship banquet of Local 124, Kansas City, Mo. The banquet was held at the Plaza III Restaurant on the Country Club Plaza in Kansas City.

Midwest Region, NECA; and Robert Ashcroft, Vice President and Assistant to the President, the Ozark National Life Insurance Company.

Certificates of completion were presented to 1969 graduates, William A. Brinton II, Jerry L. Cooksey, David D. Freeman, Stephen J. Goethals, Rodger K. Harrington, Ralph D. Hartner, Jr., Raymond G. Hulsey, Ronald W. Jones, John M. Kiloh, Jr., Donald W. Landis, Richard F. Miller, David L. Morris, James K. Shireman, Richard D. Smith, Jack L. Steele, Carl L. Stevens, Jr., and Harold G. Wells.

The 1970 graduates receiving certificates were Craig T. Barry, John E. Clark, Francis M. Clatanoff, Jr., Ronald W. De Jarnette, Frank R. Eckert, David A. Evans, James S. Ferro, David K. Gray, Leonard T. Harper, Leroy C. Hawley III, John C. Hays, Jr., Jerry E. Hinton, Bernard Kaminski, John E. McAtee, Gary R. Malott, James W. Miller, Gerald A. Molder, Jr., Phillip M. Mook, Duane W. Morris, Henri F. Mos, Jr., John G. Phillips, Dennis M. Ragan, Richard P. Strong, Michael P. Sullivan, Richard W. Taylor, and Michael E. Trinastich.

Gift bonds were presented to Ralph D. Hartner, Jr., Harold G. Wells, and Duane W. Morris for their perfect attendance records throughout four years of apprenticeship.

Much of the credit for turning out these fine, young journeymen goes to the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee, comprised of IBEW members Chairman Jack Joyce, James Kice, and Gary Wright and NECA members Secretary-Treasurer George Trinastich, Efton A. Stanfield, and Edward O. Seeley.

Since a school is only as good as its instructors, we insert a note of thanks to Walter Cramer, Jasper Standley, and Lem Matteson.

BERNARD P. RYAN P.S.

## Young Local 142 Member Meets Tragic Death

**L.U. 142, PITTSBURGH, PA.**—It is our sad duty to report the death of John C. Airesman. John died on May 24th, the day after he was injured, while working at the Reed Power Station.

John, a coal and ash handler, was working alone on an operating coal-conveyor belt when the accident occurred. Somehow he caught his right arm between the conveyor belt and the drive roll. His arm was dismembered, and he died of shock a few hours later in St. John's Hospital.

John was only 22. He is survived by his wife and young daughter. The local is stunned by the sudden and untimely death of one whose working career had just begun. The local extends its deepest sympathy to his grieving family. We empathize with them in their loss.

The Executive Board recommended and the membership confirmed the appointment of Ed Wisniewski as financial

## Local 124 Graduates



Business Manager Jack Joyce presents gift bonds to graduates Harold G. Willis, left, and Duane W. Morris for achieving perfect attendance records throughout their four years of apprenticeship training.

secretary. Ed is filling the vacancy made by Matt Hudzinski, who transferred out of the local. A well done to Matt and all good wishes to Ed.

In the January issue of the *Journal*, we reported that nine members of our local were attending the Shippingport Atomic Power Station Operators' Training Class. The course is tough, and the number of men has dwindled to two. The class is now involved in phase II, which consists of learning the various systems. Phase I was the theory part of the course.

A second class is forming. Out of 26 candidates from our local who applied, only one passed the qualifying examination. At the present time, the company is "out on the street" hiring personnel for this class. More details will follow as they become available.

The hearing on the application for a construction permit to build the Beaver Valley Power Station was held by the Atomic Energy Commission's Safety and Licensing Board on May 25, 1970. The application was uncontested.

PAUL SHOOP, P.S.

## Larger Harrisburg Jobs Are Near Completion

**L.U. 143, HARRISBURG, PA.**—This is the time of the year when Pennsylvanians should be thinking about the individuals they want in office.

In Cumberland County, the GOP voters recalled that Mrs. George had not voted the way they thought she should have, so they did not name her as standard-bearer. This practice should hold good for us in labor, and we shouldn't send back to office the people who have been against us. Remember, it's hard for a leopard to change its spots.

Some of the larger jobs in the area are being completed, with the New General Osteopathic Hospital on the finished side. General Electric Service was the electric contractor on the job, and Brother Louis Krause was general foreman. The Three-Mile Island job is still going strong, and much progress has been made.

To the best of my knowledge, the United States Department of Labor has not handed down a decision on the wage rate for Franklin County; however, those attending the meeting say we had a good case and it was well presented.

Brother Ed Myers' house is brighter now, as some of the Brothers did some repair work on it. Ed is still laid up with multiple sclerosis, but we are pulling for him. If anyone can lick that demon, he is the boy to do it. Why don't you Brothers drop him a line or go out to see him?

CHARLES D. "PAPPY" NIXON, P.S.

## Waukegan Bowlers Attend Electricians' League Banquet

**L.U. 150, WAUKEGAN, ILL.**—On May 9, 1970, I had the pleasure of attending the Electricians' Bowling League banquet at the Black Angus in Gurnee, Illinois. After the dinner, trophies were presented to teams and individuals.

Right down to the last night of bowling, Ted's Log Cabin and IBEW Local 150 had a hot race for first place. Ted's won two out of three games to win 83½ points to IBEW's 81.

Final standings were as follows: Ted's Log Cabin, IBEW Local 150, Mumford Electric, Nu-Lite Signs, Interstate Supply, Hi-Way Electric, Benson Electric, Shoreline Electric, Cowgil Electric, and Cote Electric.

## Graduation in Waukegan



The Annual Apprenticeship Graduation Banquet, sponsored by the JATC, was recently held for 17 graduates of Local 150, Waukegan, Ill. The graduates are shown after the ceremonies.



## More Scenes from Local 150

The individual trophy winners were Bob Sweitz—high average 179; Wedo Sebben—high series 663, with games of 203, 226, and 234; Walter Benson—high game 255; and Bob Erwin—sweeper champ 129 pins over.

The high team game and series were won by Ted's Log Cabin with 974 and 2,728, respectively.

After the trophy presentations, the bowlers enjoyed liquid refreshment and entertainment.

To date, work still isn't what we expected, but we're still keeping most of our men working all the time. The truckers' strike is starting to take its toll on a number of our jobs. Things should return to normal when it's over.

On June 1, 1970, the Annual Apprenticeship Graduation Banquet, sponsored by the JATC, was held for our 17 new journeymen at the Parkway Restaurant in Waukegan, Illinois.

Diplomas were presented to graduates Charles Clark, Mike Lindstrom, Mike Garrity, Dennis Smith, Dennis Bousson, David Makela, Kenneth Reid, Tim Stanphill, Bob Bruckner, William Yukna, David Pulaski, Paul Taulu, Dan Runyard, Gene Dorsey, James Mulroney, Ron Bell, and Bob Cable. We congratulate these young men and wish them much success in the future.

The bowling team representing our local in Anaheim, California, recently returned and reported that the team didn't win any trophies but that the team members had a fine time.

Work in our jurisdiction is still going pretty well. The Lakehurst shopping center is just starting to have some work for us.

Activities coming up are our golf outing in August and our Annual Dinner-dance in September. I hope to see everybody turn out for these fine events. Our committees work very hard to make all of them a success.

BOB "CORKY" BRUCKNER, P.S.

## New Headquarters for Local 164 Dedicated

L.U. 164, JERSEY CITY, N.J.—On May 23, 1970, Local 164 dedicated its new headquarters at 202-206 Central Avenue, Jersey City. The building was purchased last year, and after extensive renovations, both the inside and outside have been put into service.

The dedication ceremonies took place beneath a large tent, which had been set up in the parking area, at the rear of the building. The Reverend Dennis Sullivan, TOR, who worked as a helper for Local 164 in 1942 and is now the honorary chaplain of Local 164, gave the invocation.

International Vice President Andrew A. Johnson of the Third District addressed the members and assembled guests.

Among the guests were U.S. Senator Harrison Williams, Jr. (D-N.J.); Business Managers Raymond Greeley, Local 52, Newark, New Jersey; Robert Cart-



Left to right are Robert Jasmon, NECA representative; Roger Ankely, President, Local 150; Joe Sullivan, State Director, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training; Charles Corcoran, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training; Norris Haug, International Representative of the Sixth District; William Snodgrass, Coordinator for the apprentice program; and Karl Hansen, Chairman, Lake County Electrical Contractors.



Members of the Hi-Way Electric team who represented Local 150 in the IBEW Tournament in California, standing, left to right, are Don Barger, Ron Benson, and Frank Elfering. Kneeling: Pat Serzynski and Bob Sweitz.



Members of Ted's Log Cabin, first-place team of the Electricians' Bowling League, left to right, are Dale Hadsell, John Holland, Walter Benson, Ray Shebesta, and Wedo Sebben.

## New Headquarters for Local 164



Shown here is the new headquarters building of Local 164, Jersey City, N. J., which was dedicated on May 23, 1970.



On the occasion of the dedication ceremonies of Local 164's new headquarters, International Representative Al Terry, seated, at left, and International Vice President Andrew Johnson, standing, meet in the new office of Business Manager Howard E. Schier, Jr., seated behind his desk.

wright, Local 262, Plainfield, New Jersey; John Boll, Local 358, Perth Amboy, New Jersey; Frank Marchitto, Local 456, New Brunswick, New Jersey; and John O'Connor, Local 675, Elizabeth, New Jersey; and International Representative Al Terry.

Business Manager Howard E. Schier, Jr. spoke on the progress that has been made and on the advances to come in the future.

President William P. B. Casey presented a short history of Local 164, from the year 1901 to the present, and extended the best wishes of Thomas Merrill to all. Brother Merrill, who is 96 years of age, was one of the local's charter members.

Brother Louis A. Miller, a past president who is 90 years of age, sent his best wishes for the occasion.

After the ceremonies, open house was held and refreshments were served to all.

WALTER HENCHENSKI, P.S.

## Money Problems Are Real

**L.U. 165, CHICAGO, ILL.**—Sometimes we are our own worst enemies. This was shown recently by the refusal of our members to pass a new dues structure, based on a percentage of weekly wage rates. This is really the fairest kind of dues structure; yet we aren't able to convince our members that it is. Sooner or later, they will come to realize that a percentage of dues is the only just way for each member to pay.

In the meantime, we need to increase our dues to meet the growing cost of representing the membership at all levels. The main thing is that all members should vote when they receive their ballots. In this way, the union knows exactly how every member feels. Our first vote on a dues increase was a serious disappointment because so many of the members didn't vote. We hope that, in the next vote, all will participate and vote to make the union stronger financially.

Interesting things are happening to Illinois Bell; other local unions are becoming convinced that some changes are needed in management thinking.

Recently, the locals representing the Accounting and Commercial Department workers refused to accept wage adjustments for starting rates and progression rates. Both stated, "Unless there is money in the package for the long-term worker (those at the top rate), we are not interested in your offer."

These so-called offers came about under a special clause insisted upon by the Bell System in our 1968 negotiations, and forced into most contracts around the nation. It is becoming a habit among unions on Bell properties to say *no* to Bell negotiators. Hopefully, we can make the *no* loud enough to be heard in the AT&T headquarters in New York. If we are able to accomplish this, AT&T and its subsidiaries might then understand how unhappy their workers are; maybe then they will adjust their decision-making to reflect the basic needs of the workers who build the profits in the system. We need more unions that will stand together and demand justice from the Bell System in terms of wages, pensions, and in all other aspects of work life. The question we in the IBEW have been asking is, "When was the last time the CWA said *no* to its favorite employer, AT&T?"

DON SERVATIUS, P.S.

## York Local Mourns 50-Year Member

**L.U. 229, YORK, PA.**—It is with sad hearts that we report the death of Brother Harvey D. "Joe" Fink, one of the finest members we've ever had. He was a good mechanic and a lot of fun.

Brother Joe, retired member with 50 years of service, passed away on April 1, 1970, after a long illness. Joe worked for I.B. Abel, Inc. of York for the best part of his 50 years in the IBEW.

We extend our sincere sympathy to his family. We will miss Joe, as he was a friend to all.

At our regular meeting in May, we held the nominations of officers. We had a fair turnout, but it could have been better. Where were you?

Regular meetings are still being held on the third Thursday of the month, you fellows who don't seem to know. They begin at 8:00 P.M. sharp, and Paul doesn't like to be kept waiting.

LES MELHORN, P.S.

## Work Prognosis For Salem Is Good

**L.U. 259, SALEM, MASS.**—On April 24, 1970, graduation ceremonies for seven new inside wiremen were held at the Gloucester House.

The gala evening began with a cocktail hour and was followed by dinner and a dance. Red Deering, Chairman of the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee, was also master of ceremonies.

Chairman Red Deering presented certificates to new journeymen John Wat-

## 50-Year Member Mourned



Members of Local 229, York, Pa., mourn the death of retired Brother Harvey "Joe" Fink, shown here receiving a 50-year award from International Representative Al Terry a few years ago.

## Old-Timers, Graduates Honored



Fifty-year member Richard Fisher, left, receives a 50-year pin and congratulations from International Vice President John Flynn.

son (he also received a \$50-Savings Bond for having the highest scholastic record), George Coolbroth, Richard Dennis, Paul Leszczynski, William McDonald, Ray Mulvanity, and Al St. Pierre. We congratulate these fine men and wish them every success in the future.

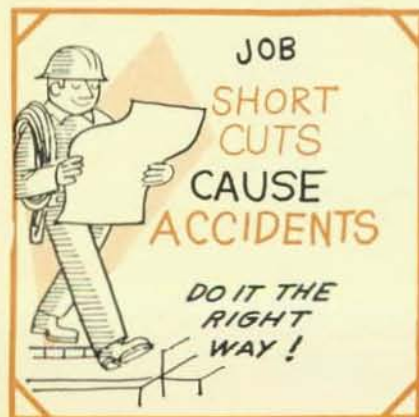
Wilbur Hyatt, who represented the Northeast Chapter, NECA, was the guest speaker.

On May 2, 1970, a dinner-dance was held for our 50-year members at the Vittori Rocci Hall in Beverly. We had a very good turnout of members and their wives. We also had the pleasure of having International Vice President John Flynn and his wife in attendance.

Our members with 50 and more years are Edward Sargent, 57 years; John Irving and John McCauley, 55 years; George Burkhart, Robert Chandler, Richard Fisher, and Albert Parthum, 50 years.

Sidney Bragdon, Foster Russell, Edward Locke, and Grafton Clark have 45 years; James Georges and Percy Goday have 40 years; and Leon Proctor and Horace Sargent have 35 years.

Our membership is very proud of our older members, and we wish them long and healthy retirements.



## More Scenes from Local 259

At the present time, a concrete truck drivers' strike has slowed down a few of our jobs, but all of our members are working. The powerhouse job is slowly coming out of the ground, and within a few weeks, it should pick up speed. The \$10-million Peabody High School and the \$14-million Danvers High School—both will be electrically heated—are just starting. These jobs will keep many of our Brothers working.

Also, Salem has a \$17-million high school coming, and Ipswich has an \$8-million school in the planning stage. The workload in our area will be good for the next two or three years.

Our members are planning and taking vacations now. We hope you enjoy yourselves and come back safely.

The success of our local depends upon the participation and attendance of our members at meetings. See you at the next meeting.

OSCAR ALLAIN, P.S.

## Oak Ridge Local 270 Member Loses Life In Vietnam

**L.U. 270, OAK RIDGE, TENN.**—Excitement is running high in our local. Quite a few Brothers are running for office, and this reflects the interest of our members.

Our Election Committee consists of judge—Sam Freshour and tellers—A. J. Pearson, Navy Beeler, Calvin Davis, and Tommy L. Williams. I'll report the names of the successful candidates in my next letter.

Our local was saddened by the death of Captain Samuel Earl Asher, son of Brother Earl Asher, an active member of our local. Brother Sammy, age 26, lost his life on April 26, 1970, while fighting for his country in Vietnam.

Those who knew Sammy well will long feel a deep sense of loss for this fine young man, whose high ideals will continue to inspire us when we think of him. He was completely devoted to his country, his family, and his friends. It was a joy to know him; his ready smile and quick wit never failed to brighten one's day.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family.

JAMES A. "BUGS" CUPP, P.S.

## Corpus Christi's 12 Graduates Honored

**L.U. 278, CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX.**—Completion ceremonies for this year's 12 apprentice graduates were held on June 13, 1970, in the Mustang Room of the Mustang Club in the Guaranty Bank Plaza.

Master of ceremonies for the evening was Business Manager Bill Tucker. Speakers were International Representative Henry Villarreal, who spoke on "Apprenticeship and Training in our Brotherhood," and Randy Coker, Jr., who spoke on the "Employer's View of Apprenticeship and Training." Dr. A. P.



Seven graduating apprentices were presented with completion certificates. Left to right, they are Al St. Pierre, Ray Mulvanity, Paul Leszczynski, Richard Dennis, Bill MacDonald, John Watson, and George Coolbroth.



At the dinner-dance of Local 259, Salem, Mass., service pins were presented to members with more than 20 years in the IBEW. Seated, left to right, are John Irving, 55 years; Eddie Sargent, 57 years; George Burkart and Richard Fisher, 50 years; and Leon Proctor, 40 years. Standing: Sidney Bragdon, 45 years; Edward O'Maley, Ed Wood, and Joseph O'Maley, 25 years; Albert Parthum and Robert Chandler, 50 years; Edward Locke and Grafton Clark, 45 years; Ralph Amero, 25 years; Foster Russell, 45 years; and John Clogston, 22 years.

## Local 270 Officers, Members



Shown here are the officers of Local 270, Oak Ridge, Tenn. Left to right, they are Business Manager Horace R. Williams, President Gaines E. Smith, Recording Secretary John A. Thomas, and Vice President Lloyd J. Buck.



This is a section of the big crowd that attended Local 270's recent meeting.

Seamster, Vice President of Del-Mar College, the place where our apprentice classes are held, also addressed the gathering.

President Bill Ochse, representing the JATC; James M. Green, field representative of the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, U.S. Department of Labor; and Melvin Mauer, Assistant Supervisor, T & I Department, Del-Mar College, presented certificates to the graduates.

Darrell McGonagill, Apprentice Training Director, presented a \$15-gift certificate to each graduate. Cecil R. "Bob" Loudon, "Outstanding Apprentice," received a \$25-gift certificate and a plaque. A plaque from the JATC was presented along with the plaque Brother Loudon won at the state contest in Houston, Texas.

After picture taking, there was dancing for the remainder of the evening.

RICHARD H. STEINHOMER, P.S.

## Graduation Ceremonies



Completion ceremonies for 12 graduates of Local 278, Corpus Christi, Tex., were held at the Mustang Club on June 13, 1970. Shown here are Local 278 officers; JATC members of NECA and Local 278; representatives of the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, U.S. Department of Labor; instructors; and guests.



The graduates are shown here with their wives. Standing, left to right, are Zenon V. Amaya, Jr., Erasmo Lopez, Curtis Cohn, Exiquio Barrera III, Cecil R. "Bob" Loudon, William W. Bodine, Jr., A. R. Williams, Jr., William E. Horne, Charles B. Cline, Jr., and Clifford W. Hawkins. Not pictured are graduates Dennie G. Beam and Gene W. Lynch.

## Cumberland Banquet



Local 307, Cumberland, Md., held its Second Annual Apprenticeship Banquet on May 9, 1970. Front row, left to right, are graduates Dan Webster, Gerald Ardinger, Dave Dellinger, and John Shoup. Back row: Apprenticeship Board member Bob Christ, NECA Representative Paul Auger, graduates Eddie Deremer, Tim McGreevy, and Fred DeMoss; and Brother Joseph Kelley, Training Director. Graduates George Rembold, Nelson Ring, and William Henry are not pictured.

everyone. Members go boating, fishing, and camping and participate in many other activities; others sit around and visit.

This year, "The Country Store," a TV and recording group, entertained us during the day.

Four generations of Sheldons were on hand to see Brother Ernest Sheldon receive his 40-year pin. Service pins were presented to other members also.

The day of fun was topped off with a ball game, and the picnickers went home, tired and happy.

Some of our Brothers are still out of town, as work in Little Rock is still slow.

VERNE K. VANCE, P.S.

## Little Rock Local Holds Annual Picnic

**L.U. 295, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.**—It was picnic time again for Local 295, and, as usual, we gathered in Burns Park in North Little Rock on Memorial Day. As in other years, we had a fish fry and a get-together for the members and their families.

Each year, more members attend the picnic, but we still do not get 100% attendance. At the picnics, there is fun for



Local 295, Little Rock, Ark., held its Annual Picnic in Burns Park on Memorial Day. Shown at the picnic is a group of members enjoying themselves in light conversation.

## On Memorial Day



Brother Ernest Sheldon was presented with a 40-year pin. Four generations of Sheldons witnessed the presentation.



"The Country Store," a TV and recording group, entertained the members and their families during the day of the picnic.

## Local 307 Holds Graduation Banquet

**L.U. 307, CUMBERLAND, MD.**—Geatz's Restaurant, Inc. was the scene of Local 307's Second Annual Apprenticeship Banquet. The affair was held on Saturday evening, May 9, 1970, and started with a cocktail hour. Following a dinner of steak and lobster, there were a short program, presentation of door prizes, and dancing until 1:00 A.M. A total of 86 persons, including contractor representatives, local union officers, NECA representatives, wives, and friends, attended.

An innovation this year was the introduction of awards for the student with the highest average in each of the classes. The winners were Jim Walters, first year; Roger Murphy, second year; Don Reid, third year; and Fred DeMoss, fourth year. We congratulate all of the graduates for completing four years of schooling.

Representing the contractors were Joseph A. "Peach" Blake, Queen City Electric; Les Stallings; A. G. Crunkleton, Keith Morris, and Walter N. Yoder. Local union officers in attendance were

## Cumberland's Second Annual Graduation Banquet



Business Manager Darrell Diehl, left, and Assistant Business Manager Kenneth Shepley, right, presented awards to members attaining the highest scholastic average in each year's class. Receiving awards were, left to right, Fred DeMoss, fourth year; Jim Walters, first year; and Don Reid, third year. Roger Murphy, second year winner, was unable to attend.

Business Manager Darrell Diehl, Assistant Business Manager Kenneth Shepley, Charles "Skip" Lehman, Donald Jewell, Jim Starr, and William Blake; also instructors Robert Christ, Jack Weltman, and Orville Nelson, and Training Director Joseph Kelley.

We were indeed honored to have in attendance Paul Auger of NECA, who gave a short talk.

Although this was only our second banquet, we hope there will be many more.

Remember to back your COPE Committee!

WILLIAM J. "BILL" BLAKE, P.S.

## Stewards' Training Classes Commence in Local 336

L.U. 336, CHICAGO, ILL.—After 26 years as president-business manager of Local 336, Brother William Bartelt retired on June 6, 1969. The Executive Board conferred the status of "President-Business Manager Emeritus" upon Bill for his many years of faithful service to Local 336.

The officers and Executive Board have been very busy with the normal operations of the local. We have found that since October, 1968, we have had an exceedingly-high turnover of stewards in the units composed of Illinois Bell Telephone Company employees. It is estimated that 75% of the present stewards in these units have either been elected or appointed since the end of the strike against Illinois Bell in 1968.

In recognition of this fact, the Executive Board has authorized an extensive stewards' training program. The officers and Executive Board members are attending an officers' training program conducted by the staff members of the Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations, the University of Illinois Circle Campus.

A Negotiating Policy Committee for members of the Automatic Electric Company recently met in Chicago. Our contract with the Central Telephone



A big crowd and a big dinner.

Company of Illinois expired on July 1, 1970. We will report the outcome in our next letter.

WILLIAM J. RYAN, V.P.

## Special Recognition



M. D. Murphy, Director of Telephone Operations, left, presents to William Bartelt, retired president-business manager, a card of special recognition from International President Charles H. Pillard and International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan.

## Texas Labor Suffers Chilling Political Blow

L.U. 346, ARLINGTON, TEX.—At our Annual Pin Ceremony in April, 1970, awards were presented to members with 20 and 35 years of service.

Outside line construction in this area has been rather slow; however, all of our members are working, and we also have a few travelers.

As everyone knows, we suffered a chilling, political blow in Texas, with the defeat of Senator Ralph Yarborough; however, in the past, we have always overcome setbacks in the labor movement, and we will do it again.

Our local union meets on the second

## Annual Pin Ceremony



At the Annual Pin Ceremony of Local 346, Arlington, Tex., Business Manager Frank Netherlain and International Representative J. M. "Slim" Beasley, at right, present awards to members. Standing at left, left to right, are Bill Caldwell, 35 years, and Tommy Shelton, 20 years. Twenty-year member May Baker is seated.

## Stewards' Training Class



The Executive Board of Local 336, Chicago, Ill., has authorized an extensive stewards' training program. These pictures show stewards from Units 2 and 5 in class.



Friday of each month at 303 South Collins Street, Arlington. If any of you old tramp linemen are in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, we hope you will drop in to see us.

THOMAS OLDHAM, R.S.

## Members Make World's Largest Scoreboards

**L.U. 347, DES MOINES, IA.**—The largest, fanciest, and flashiest scoreboard in the world is the product of members of Local 347. We're speaking about the "super board," installed in the huge Astrodome in Houston, Texas. Its statistics are beyond comprehension, with 50,000 light bulbs and a like number of wired electric sockets; tons of contactors and other switching devices; and 1,200 miles of wire, all of which carries a price tag of \$2 million. The board is one and one-half blocks long and four stories high, and has a surface area equal to more than one-half acre.

The board is the product of the Fair-Play Manufacturing Company of Des Moines, Iowa, and was fabricated and assembled in a plant addition specially constructed to handle its huge bulk. Fair-Play enjoys the reputation of being the world's largest manufacturer of athletic scoreboards and produces them at a rate of more than 3,000 a year.

Fair-Play's scoreboards are reportedly as attractive as the sports to sports fans, as many fans request seats which afford a good view of the scoreboards.

The Astrodome's board is, in effect, a giant screen on which animated figures appear. When a pitcher is removed from the ball game, a dejected player, tearfully headed for the showers, appears on the screen. When the home team hits a home run, the board goes into a display of neon ecstasy.

The Houston board is not Fair-Play's only spectacular. The company has built others for large stadiums in all areas of the nation. The major boards are the ultimate in circuitry. Each has a massive and fully-automated message board, a communications technique refined by Fair-Play's skilled engineers.

Messages may be programmed in advance and stored in the board's memory system, or else they can be teletyped directly by an operator in the press box. The Houston board has a seven-man crew, five at the controls and two working the projection equipment behind the scene.

Although Iowa is a so-called "right-to-work" state, the collective bargaining unit of employees at Fair-Play is 100% union, and the employees are proud to attach the IBEW union label to their products.

FRED H. POWERS, P.S.

## Miami, Fla., Bowlers Are Pride of Local 349

**L.U. 349, MIAMI, FLA.**—Local 349 held its election on June 13, 1970. Elect-

## Des Moines Members at Fair-Play, 100% IBEW



Members of Local 347, Des Moines, Ia., shown here, work on the various operations involved in making "super" scoreboards for stadiums. Their employer is the Fair-Play Manufacturing Company, and the IBEW union label goes on all its products.



These boards were made by Fair-Play.



Inside and outside views of the Fair-Play Manufacturing Plant.



Shown is Fair-Play's largest, fanciest, and flashiest scoreboard in the world. It's in the Astrodome in Houston, Tex.

ed were President William H. Langer, Vice President Kenneth Rogers, Recording Secretary Richard Ericson, Financial Secretary Albert Glynn, Treasurer Bob Townsend, and Business Manger P. K. Sizemore.

The Executive Board members are Don Poppenhager, Bill Nall, Dick Young, Bobby Elliott, and Reggie Callahan. Examining Board members are J. W. Swisher, Ed Kaplan, and Jack Garrett. Welfare Board members are Jim

Pettis, Bob Parker, Jack Anderson, Leo Flynt, and Marty Chew.

Now that the election is over, it behooves us all to support our elected officials and work toward becoming a stronger and better local.

Forty-two bowlers journeyed from Miami to Anaheim, California, for the Annual IBEW Bowling Tournament. It is with a certain amount of pride that I report they didn't come back empty-handed. Local 349's bowlers placed first in four out of five events. In the fifth event, we were third.

Harry DeBaby walked off with highest honors, placing first for single high game, and first in doubles, along with Bob Davison, and copped the coveted "All Events" trophy. Bill Langer III placed first for high set. Our bowlers finished third, just 10 pins down in team points.

All of us, here in Miami, take our hats off to our bowlers for the fine job they did.

These bowling tournaments promote the type of brotherhood the IBEW was

founded on. Next year, it will be our honor to host the bowling tournament, so we extend an early invitation to all locals to come to the "Land of Sunshine" for this tournament.

KENNETH ROGERS, P.S.

## Second Member Wins IBEW Founders' Scholarship

**L.U. 353, TORONTO, ONT.**—At our May meeting, we were honoured by the presence of two of our pension members, Brothers Eddie Barnes and George Campbell, Sr. Both looked healthy and quite capable of returning to the trade, if they so wished.

Brother Campbell was accompanied by his son, Brother George Campbell, Jr. They were on hand to see the initiation of Peter Campbell, son of George, Jr., into Local 353. Three generations of Campbells at one union meeting are quite an event.

We were all pleased to learn that Brother Glen Rennie has been awarded an IBEW Founders' Scholarship. The amount of \$2,500 per year, which the scholarship provides, will be a great help to Glen in completing his engineering course at the University of Saskatchewan. This is the second Founders' Scholarship awarded to a member of Local 353. The first one was won by Brother Tom Hart last year.

International Vice President William Ladyman's First District, which encompasses all of Canada, is so big, he must hold his Annual Progress Meeting in three different places. The Vice President's progress meeting for this part of the district was held in Toronto on May 9th and 10th, and more than 100 delegates were in attendance.

In June, Business Manager William Hardy and I had the honor of presenting 50-year pins to Brothers Joe Godden and Jack Noble. Brother Godden was quite active in local union affairs in his younger days, as he held the office of president for many years and was a member of the Executive Board.

We gave a brief outline of Brother Noble's activities in an earlier letter, but we forgot to mention that he pitched for the Baltimore Orioles in the '20s.

Both of these old-timers are in excellent shape, and two days after the presentations, Brother Godden took part in the local's Annual Golf Tournament and had low gross score in his foursome, which included Brothers Bill Farquhar, Bill Hardy, and Bill Reale. Brother Reale had low score, so it's not too hard to figure out who Brother Godden beat.

The tournament had more than 80 shooters, with half of that number taking home prizes. Elmer "Whitey" Youngberg was the champ with a low gross of 72. Brother Steve Weslak is chairman of the Golf Committee and did a noble job of running the affair. He was ably assisted by Brothers George Hunter, Joe Penney, Norm Gordon, Ron Parsons, and Ralph McCrudden.

BILL FARQUHAR, F.S.

## Toronto's Old-Timers, Golfers



Shown at the Local 353 Annual Golf Tournament, left to right, are Brothers Jim McCrudden, Ralph Clark, Elmer "Whitey" Youngberg (champ with low gross 72), Mike Bolan, John Borland, Ron Moeser, and Ralph McCrudden.



At the regular meeting of Local 353, Toronto, Ont., Business Manager Bill Hardy presented 50-year pins to Brothers Joe Godden, left, and Jack Noble, right.

## Pioneer Member of Local 375 Honored

**L.U. 375, ALLENTOWN, PA.**—It was a great honor and pleasure for me to present a 50-year service pin and scroll to Brother Samuel Marsden at our May membership meeting.

Brother Sammy was a fixture in Local 375 for many years. He served as vice president for 17 years and was active on many committees during his active membership; he never missed a meeting.

He served in the U.S. Navy, on the *USS North Dakota*, during World War I. He was an active athlete and won the Navy's one-half-mile championship at the Philadelphia Navy Yard in 1916. After his discharge in 1920, he joined Local 375 and continued in athletic activities as coach of the Allentown AA track team. During his five-year tenure as coach, the team won five consecutive Annual Championships.

We owe a great deal to our senior members for their efforts to establish and maintain the IBEW in very trying times. "During those days," Sam said in his talk, "we often did more picketing than work, with no remuneration except the knowledge and belief that some day it would pay off big." It sure has paid off, Sam.

Last year, at the age of 76, Sam made a cross-country trip and visited some of his former shipmates in California. He also stopped at all the Major League ball parks en route, including the Astrodome. Hope you will make



Brother Steve Weslak, Local 353 Golf Committee Chairman, trying out Brother Bud Buccino's water wedge.

## 50-Year Recipient



Business Manager W. G. Miller, Local 375, Allentown, Pa., congratulates Brother Sam Marsden on the presentation of his 50-year pin. Brother Marsden is 77 years of age.

many more enjoyable trips, Sam, and thanks from all IBEW members for pioneering this organization.

W. G. MILLER, B.M.

## Work Slow In Cedar Rapids; New Officers Elected

**L.U. 405, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA.**—Our newly-elected officers for the next two years are President Larry McDowell, Vice President Hammil Murphy, Busi-

## Re-Elected Officer



Brother Marvin Larimer, pictured in his office, was recently elected to his second term as business manager-financial secretary of Local 405, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

ness Manager-Financial Secretary Marvin Larimer, Treasurer Charles Swore, and Recording Secretary Don Henecke.

The Executive Board members are Clayton Foster, Clarence Murphy, Mike Powrie, Don Reed, Don Smith, and Al Soukup.

Although the trades' strikes are over, work in our jurisdiction is very slow. If things don't pick up soon, we can expect to have a bad winter. We thank our sister locals for helping our members to find jobs.

TOM PHILLIP OWEN, P.S.

## Retiring Vice President Honored by Local 410

### L.U. 410, NEW BEDFORD, MASS.—

Vice President Manuel Medeiros retired on April 1, 1970. He was initiated on March 10, 1953, and during the years since, he served as shop chairman, Executive Board member, and vice president.

Business Manager Mario P. Souza, officers, and the shop chairman gave a party at Thad's Restaurant in honor of Brother Medeiros. Brother Medeiros' wife was a guest at the party. Mary Rokicki, leader of the get-together, presented Brother Medeiros with a lovely plaque on which were inscribed his many union activities.

Utmost in our minds at the present time is the election of officers. Also, we will award scholarships to two lucky young people, as we do every year before school closes.

Our new contract, which went into effect on March 2, 1970, is believed to be a good one. We received an increase in wages, better hospital and sick benefits, increased vacation benefits, and the addition of a retirement plan.

Business Manager Souza and his Negotiating Committee deserve praise for their hard work in winning a good three-year contract.

Business Manager Souza did a wonderful job at the meeting at which the proposed contract was read. We have many non-English-speaking workers, so he read each article in English and then translated it into Portuguese. He also answered questions in both languages. To my knowledge, it was the first time it has ever been done. Our hats are off to Business Manager Souza for a job well done.

ADA KILBRIDE, P.S.

## West Virginia Work Is Back to Normal

L.U. 425, FAIRMONT, W.VA.—For five weeks in spring, electricians of West Virginia had been traveling to neighboring locals to get employment. We thank Locals 5, Pittsburgh; 10, Butler, Pennsylvania; 575, Portsmouth, Ohio; 712, Beaver, Pennsylvania, and other locals that helped our Brothers during the laborers' strike in this state.

I was fortunate to be able to work out of Local 712, and while in that ju-

## Local 425 Graduates



The new journeymen of Local 425, Fairmont, W. Va., who were honored at a dinner recently, are Joe Olexa, Jr., Gary Rush, Bob Wright, Claude Sisler, Dana Fox, Stephen Cullers, John Sisler, Anderson, John Rose, and Carl Strakel.

isdiction, I renewed old acquaintances and made new friends. Brother James Sapp and I worked for Meade Electric from Chicago while we were in 712, under the supervision of Herm Kinsler and Bob Snow, general foreman.

It is amazing that men from all over the USA can get together and do a job because they have all been trained in the basic principles of electricity. May we continue this wholehearted togetherness in an effort to wipe out unorganized workers.

While working in Local 712, the spring gobbler (turkey) season came in, and I'll be darned if everyone didn't try to imitate a turkey—even Herm gobbled one or two times. We heard some of the best imitations of the barnyard fowl.

In my last letter, I predicted that we may have to take our negotiating problems to the council. We did, and we were the recipients of a very irregular decision—our old agreement was extended for 30 days at the old rate. Effective July 1, 1970, we received 85¢ an hour, and on December 1, 1970, we will receive 60¢ an hour, which puts us in the \$7.45 bracket (including fringes).

I thank the Negotiating Committee for its untiring efforts. The members on the committee were C. Hale, J. W. Peters, H. Taylor, P. Gerkens, and this writer.

On May 22, 1970, at Four Corners Restaurant in Grafton, West Virginia, we held a gala affair in honor of our graduating apprentices, and we had plenty of chow.

I congratulate these young men, and welcome them into our organization. The apprentice program will be the backbone of the electrical construction industry for years to come, and these knowledgeable young men will be the leaders in the future.

The new journeymen were given lapel pins as a token of appreciation, and service pins were presented to other members.

Thanks to all the fine gentlemen who attended.

CHARLES T. MCGEE, P.S.

## Traveling Scenes



While working out of Local 712, Beaver, Pennsylvania, Charles T. McGee, Press Secretary of Local 425, took pictures of Brothers he worked with. They are Felix Manack, Local 700, Fort Smith, Ark.; John Luca, 33, New Castle, Pennsylvania; Cecil Vaughn, 447, El Centro, Calif.; Robert Isles, 553, Durham, N. C.; Andy Copeland, 760, Knoxville, Tenn.; John Baranchak and Robert Ferencic, 932, Coos Bay, Ore.; Jim Sapp, Local 425; Clair "Bus" Wise, 245, Toledo, Ohio; and Jim Jacobs, Florida.



Some of the others on the job are shown in this picture. They are Paul Pennell, foreman, Local 712; Gary White, 93, E. Liverpool, Ohio; Herman Kinsler, foreman, 712; Earl Long, steward, 712; Fred White, 93; Bob Snow, general foreman, 712; Frank Oswald, 712 (former 425 member); Jim Crow, 700; and Jack Wheeler, 712.

## Graduation-Apprentice Party Held in Bakersfield

### L.U. 428, BAKERSFIELD, CALIF.—

The Annual Kern County Electrical Apprenticeship Completion Ceremony and Apprentice Party was held on May 15, 1970. The party is also for all electrical apprentices.

The graduating apprentices, undergraduate apprentices, instructors, apprenticeship committee members, trustees, guests, and wives attended the affair. It included a hospitality hour, banquet, graduation ceremonies, and presentations, all of which were followed by a floor show. The party was hosted by the Joint Electrical Apprenticeship Committee and financed by the Apprenticeship and Training Fund.

Each of the graduates was presented with California State and national journeyman-wireman certificates (perma-plaques) and a \$25 voucher for tools.

Apprentices David L. Phillips and Roger E. Palmer each received an Honor Student Award trophy, and their



names were inscribed on the Honor Student Perpetual Plaque in the Apprentice Building.

We congratulate these new journeymen for completing a very intensive and sophisticated apprenticeship training course.

IVAN BEAVAN, B.M.

## Work Falls Off In Battle Creek, Mich.

**L.U. 445, BATTLE CREEK, MICH.**—We congratulate and thank our Negotiating Committee for hammering out a new contract for our local. We now have a two-year contract with a package of \$1.73.

The members of the committee were Gordon Moore, Jack VanBlarcum, and David Vandlen. Thanks again, fellows.

Our work situation has been standard, with a few members on the bench and a few working out of town.

Next month, we will have a full report on the election.

LARRY NEWMAN, P.S.

## Pocatello, Ida., Local 449 Wins Percentage Increase

**L.U. 449, POCATELLO, IDA.**—Our new agreement provides for an increase in wages of \$1.23 over a two-year period. We also achieved a more substantial vacation, which is based on a percentage of wages (7%) and starts at 44¢ per hour. Many thanks to our Negotiating Committee and especially to our business manager, who carried our cause to the council.

Local 449 carried on its usual energetic apprenticeship schooling program during the past school year. Our Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee maintains apprenticeship schools in Pocatello (Earl Featherston, instructor) and in Twin Falls (Ed Barker, instructor).

Monty Blackburn completed the four-year course in May, and Doug Sweat finished it in July. Terry Cobbley, Ron Echer, Ron Horner, Neddie Anderson,

## Kern County Completion Ceremony



Kern County apprentices and instructors.



Five apprentice graduates of Local 428, Bakersfield, Calif., were recently honored at the Annual Kern County Electrical Apprenticeship Completion Ceremony and Apprentice Party. Left to right, they are David L. Phillips, Phillip Wedeking, James Hill, Roger E. Palmer, and Larry "Mike" McMains.

Mike Stapleman, Richard Webb, and Bud Schrand finished their second-year wireman course.



Apprentice Committee Secretary Ivan Beavan presenting an Honor Student Award to Roger E. Palmer.



Apprentice Committee Chairman J. Larquhar presenting an Honor Student Award to David L. Phillips.

## Brothers in the 'Corn Flakes Capital of the World'



Members of Local 445, Battle Creek, Mich., working on a conveyor and unitizer system on the Kellogg job in Battle Creek, are John Hubbard, Leo Glotzback, Dave Kiessling, Jim VanHoose, Phil Sloan, and Dennis Beatty. The Brothers are employees of the Motor Shop Electrical Construction Company.



Douglas Bumforo, also employed by the Motor Shop Electrical Construction Company, checks a part of the meter panel on the Brown Brothers' Apartment Complex job in Battle Creek.



Left to right, are Cliff Harnish, Gordon Branch (foreman), and George Lee on the Davidson Fine Arts Building job.

Gary Jester, Victor Braegger, and Leonard Howell completed their first-year wireman course. Richard Henry is a second-year motor rewinder apprentice.

Work in the area has been somewhat slow, but it appears to be picking up as the weather improves.

Our Annual Picnic is slated for August at Tautphaus Park in Idaho Falls. Come on out, Brothers, and let me know what sort of items you'd like to see in this column.

ALTON REAY, V.P.

## Work Is Still Booming In Charleston, W.Va.

**L.U. 466, CHARLESTON, W.VA.**—The Heart O'Town Motor Hotel was the scene of the apprentice graduation dinner, which was preceded by a social hour.

Brother William Crews was the master of ceremonies, and Brother Andy Phillips of the NJATC was the main speaker.

Diplomas and tools were presented to graduates Richard L. Holder, James C. Allred, Russell W. Fogarty, Jr., David L. Hardman, D. Jack Hoyslett, Terry D. Hicks, James E. Meddings, Stephen E. Perry, Ronald K. Powers, Dell M. Scott, Robert D. Short, Tommy E. Thompson, James E. Toler, John B. Wiblin, Marion N. Carney, Frederick L. Burdette, and Jarrell L. Mains. Local 466 is very proud of these fine young men.

Work in this area is still very good, with several big jobs going on. Work had come to a temporary halt, as the laborers throughout the State of West Virginia were out on strike. At the present time, all the crafts have signed except the Iron Workers. They have a few pickets on the line, but they're expected to sign soon.

During the strike, many of our Brothers went on the road and were given work by locals in Ohio, Indiana, New York, Pennsylvania, and Washington, D.C. We are grateful to these locals for their help.

As of June 1st, we received a good wage increase. The Negotiating Committee did a very fine job.

Our local is very proud of our Brother Charlie Duff, who trains some of the finest shepherd dogs in the country. Whenever a person is lost or in danger of being harmed, the authorities call for Brother Charlie and his shepherds. On a number of occasions they aided in rescues. Brother Charlie spends countless hours training his dogs to perform courageous deeds. We take our hats off to you, Charlie.

Work is booming in our area, and we welcome any of you Brothers who happen to be in our area to Charleston.

We wish all the Brothers throughout the IBEW a safe and happy summer.

W. E. "BILL" MCCOREY, R.S.

## Memphis Graduates



Recently, the Memphis Electrical Apprenticeship and Training Committee honored graduates, members of Local 474, Memphis, Tenn.



Left to right, are James L. Gray, outstanding apprentice; James R. Tipler, President, NECA; and W. Frank Long, Local 474 President. Outstanding apprentice, Larry Gene Stinnett, was not present.

474, and James R. Tipler, President of the Memphis Chapter, NECA, presented certificates to the graduates.

CECIL DENNIS, P.S.

## Texas Local 479 Graduates 31 Apprentices

**L.U. 479, BEAUMONT, TEX.**—We congratulate our 31 apprentice graduates who have just completed four years of training. I'm sure the years seemed long, but they were years well spent. The only way we can turn out qualified journeymen is through the apprenticeship training program.

A big vote of thanks goes to Dale Miller, Apprentice Co-ordinator. Although Dale has served in this position for only a short time, he has done a fine job. Keep up the good work, Dale!

Our Apprenticeship Training Committee is responsible for our journeyman training program, and the members of the committee are now planning classes on motor control and instrumentation. Classes are the only way we can stay abreast of the times and keep ourselves qualified in all phases of the work. If you are interested in joining the classes, contact Dale Miller and get the ball rolling.

At the meeting on June 2, 1970, Business Manager Ernest Gones reported that work is slowly picking up; he also said that things look good for the future.

We indentured 26 apprentices into our program, and Dale reports that he will have them all working shortly. Let's all try to give these new fellows a helping hand.

We thank the Apprenticeship Committee members for the many hours they spent in screening candidates for the program. These men are unselfish and dedicated members. Too many Brothers don't realize how much work some members do without getting due recognition for it.

So, to all who serve on the Executive Board, the Examining Board, and in local union offices, I say thanks for the "too-silent majority."

JAMES SPARKS, P.S.

## Local 468 Elects New Officers; Congratulates Old

**L.U. 468, STAMFORD, CONN.**—Local 468 is proud to present the results of its biennial election, held on June 10, 1970. The newly-elected officers are President J. Ballo, Recording Secretary J. Walker, Treasurer J. Flannery, Vice President V. Giordano, Financial Secretary W. Robbott, and Business Manager G. Potter.

Elected to the Executive Board were F. Hurley, R. Jewell, A. Riccardelli, J. Klein, A. Spremullo, H. Sepanski, and R. Delvecchio.

Local 468 congratulates the old officers for the very, very good work they did for the union, and wishes the new officers the best of luck during the next two years.

MICHAEL J. BUCCIERI, P.S.

## Memphis JATC Honors Graduates at Banquet

**L.U. 474, MEMPHIS, TENN.**—On May 23, 1970, at 6:30 P.M., the Memphis Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee held a banquet in honor of the apprentices who completed their training.

Training Director Wilbur O. Davis gave a brief talk. International Vice President W. B. Petty, NECA Director Charles H. Dennis, Jr., and Chairman of the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee A. T. Byars addressed the group.

W. Frank Long, President of Local

## Jackson, Miss., Members Receive Safety Award

**L.U. 480, JACKSON, MISS.**—We congratulate our 13 new journeymen who graduated recently. They are Robert Bishop, Otis Comfort, Jimmy Cowden, J. L. Hobby, B. J. Johnson, Jeff Laird, Al Matthews, R. L. McCall, "Woody" Shivers, J. H. Thornton, C. F. Upton, Jr., Robert Waggener, and Tommy Watts.

"Woody" Shivers, with a 91.8% average, was the "outstanding apprentice" of the 1970 class. Otis Comfort was a close second, with an average of 91.4%.

We congratulate Brother L. E. Rushing, Sr., who was initiated 40 years ago this past April.

On April 17th, Local 480 was presented a safety award for work while on the International Paper Company project in Natchez. The award was for loyal and faithful adherence to safety practices and for operating one year without a disabling injury. The men on this project are to be congratulated for their efforts in working safely. Brother Bill Ainsworth was steward on the job.

LEWIS E. BROWDER, P.S.

## Old-Timers' Night Held in Tacoma, Wash.

**L.U. 483, TACOMA, WASH.**—Under the gavel of President Vernon Hogarth, assisted by Vice President Mark Peterson, we honored our retired members on May 26, 1970, at our Annual Old-Timers' Night. The speeches were short, and the chow was delicious.

Vice President Peterson presented service pins to retirees Harry Christoferson, John Kaelin (long-time sergeant-at-arms), and John Kuntz, 20-year members; Earl Hagen, Lucian Hoff, Irvin Jinsky, and Andy Munro, 25-year members; Karl Kaiser, 30 years; Carl Glodt, Harry Manning, Boots Miller, and Mark Ryan, 35 years; Grant Nylander, 40 years; and Bill Gaffney, N. J. Maddex, and J. K. McAllister, 45 years.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of a diamond pin to Brother Amos Wilson for his 50 years of membership in the IBEW. Brother Wilson resides with his wife at 3639 McKinley Avenue in Tacoma, and spends a lot of his time tending his lovely yard and visiting sick and ailing friends in Local 483 and the Masonic Lodge, Royal A. Gove 230, of which he is a past master. We wish you many more happy years of retirement, Brother Wilson.

The employment picture in the Northwest continues to be black, with nearly 8% of our people unemployed, and there's no relief in sight.

We have started a newsletter for Local 483 which we try to get out the latter part of the week preceding our regular union meeting (second Tuesday of the month). If you have any noteworthy news items, please send them in.

Business Manager Randy Green is back in the hospital, undergoing treat-

## Graduates, Safety Award in Mississippi



Business Manager John L. Erickson accepts a safety award for Local 480 from International Paper Company officials on whose project the members worked for a year without a disabling injury. Left to right, are John L. Erickson, Business Manager; W. M. Ainsworth, steward; Conley Ward, International Paper Company representative; and Jim Cash, IP superintendent.



The proud new journeymen of Local 480, Jackson, Miss., kneeling, left to right, are Robert Waggener and Tommy Watts. Standing, middle row: Jeff Laird and Al Matthews. Back row: Otis Comfort, Jimmy Cowden, and Robert Bishop.



"Woody" Shivers was named "outstanding apprentice of the year."

## Tacoma Retiree Honored



At the recent Old-Timers' Night, held by Local 483, Tacoma, Wash., Brother Amos Wilson, center, examines his 50-year pin, presented to him by Vice President Mark Peterson, left. Reading the presentation letter is Frank Meisenberg, former business manager and long-time member who is now labor liaison representative for the Northwest Line Constructors, Line Division of the National Electrical Contractors. Looking on, from behind the podium, is President Vernon Hogarth.

ment for pneumonia. We hope he will be feeling better soon.

Brothers, please do not forget to register and vote. From our viewpoint, the coming political races are going to be critical, and we will need every vote to protect our rights. Do not feel that your vote is worthless, but step to the polls and let your voice be heard.

Do you know where your Electrical Workers' Benefit Certificate is? Is it handy for your beneficiary, in case you

should suddenly cash in? Is your beneficiary's name listed correctly on the certificate? In case you lose it, or have lost it, contact the local immediately and get another one made out. You never know when it will be needed.

We hope to see you at the International convention. It's going to be held in our suburban area, you know.

E. G. MCKENNEY, P.S.

## Oldest Milwaukee Retiree



Brother Karl Vendt, retired member of Local 494, Milwaukee, Wisc., is, at 85 years of age, the oldest retired member in that local.

## Local 494 Salutes Brother Karl Vendt

**L.U. 494, MILWAUKEE, WISC.**—If you happen to walk into our local union office and hear a loud conversation going on, chances are that Brother Karl Vendt is among the group. Brother Karl is 85 years of age and has a right to be a little hard-of-hearing.

Brother Karl seldom misses a local union meeting, and on occasion, he stops in at the bowling alley on evenings when our teams are there.

Brother Karl tells us that he began to work in the electrical trade in 1907, when workers were paid 20¢ an hour for a 10-hour day (six days a week). Those were the days when threaded cast-iron fittings, one and one-half inches deep, were used on lighting work. They entered the lighting cabinets with feed-

ers on the top or the bottom. Branch circuits entered the sides through 90° bent conduits and were attached to a Number 4013 switch and fuse porcelain cutout.

Karl later worked for an electrical contractor—at that time, cleats, knob and tube, wooden moulding, one-inch-round tin pipes were installed by electricians for speaking tubes, and wet batteries were used for signals and door bells.

During World War I, work was very scarce and the scale was 50¢ an hour, so he went to work for the government and earned 59¢ an hour.

Brother Karl joined Local 494 on September 5, 1911, and retired on November 1, 1952. He is the oldest member of our local, and after checking with other locals, we believe Karl can lay claim to being the 10th oldest retiree in the building trades.

We thank Karl for the memories he shares with us, and we wish him many more happy years of retirement.

GEORGE B. POSANSKI, B.M.

## Union Members Get Prescription Discount

**L.U. 495, WILMINGTON, N.C.**—At the June 5th meeting, three important announcements were made to the membership. First, our new, one-year working contract, which became effective on June 1st, gives us a total hourly package of 45¢—20¢ now and 25¢ on December 1, 1970.

Secondly, through council submission, a few changes in our working agreement were made (to the delight and approval of all).

Thirdly, announcement of election results was made. Our new officers are President R. L. Rouse, Vice President G. S. Normandt, Financial Secretary-Business Manager W. H. Phillips, Recording Secretary J. O. Anderson, and Treasurer M. D. Anderson.

The Executive Board members are Paul Blackburn, L. E. Mathews, G. A. Oliver, J. B. Bryant, and R. A. Rogers. The Examining Board members are W. C. Chandler, W. V. Quinn, and H. E. Smith.

Convention delegates to the IBEW convention are W. H. Phillips and C. J. Floyd.

The grand climax of the evening was a surprise reception for the newly-elected officers, their wives, and a few old-timers, given by Brother W. H. "Red" Phillips.

Through the "Local Lines" in April, 1970, we announced that the North Carolina State AFL-CIO was negotiating a drug program for union members of the state. The program became effective June 15, 1970. Cards bearing the names of members are now being issued via mail. The cards enable a member and the members of his family to purchase prescription medicine at a cost-plus discount from Walgreen's Drug Store, 226 North Front Street in Wilmington,

North Carolina. The expiration date of the cards is April 15, 1971.

We are sorry to report that Brother N. R. Kreech died on May 3, 1970. We extend our sympathy to his family.

If any of you members have any items of interest you'd like to submit for "Local Lines," I will be happy to include them in our local's letters. Our membership is growing, and any news concerning membership participation would be of interest to our members. If you can submit pictures, it will make our column more interesting. (According to the *Journal* ruling, pictures must be black and white glossy prints. If you wish to have them returned after they are printed in the *Journal*, write *return* on the back of each one, and I will see that you will get them back intact.) So, if you wish to submit news and pictures, bring them, or mail them, to this press secretary, 5031 Market Street, Wilmington, North Carolina 28401.

FRANK A. RICKMAN, P.S.

## Westchester Electricians Hold Local Election

**L.U. 501, WHITE PLAINS, N.Y.**—Local 501 recently held its election of officers in the Eastview Junior High School.

The 1,200-member local, whose jurisdiction covers all of Westchester County and the lower half of Fairfield County in Connecticut, has its headquarters at 200 Bloomingdale Road, White Plains.

Donald Werle was re-elected president, and Russel Euler was re-elected vice president. Fred A. Wright, Jr. was re-elected business manager to his fifth term. Business Manager Wright has served in this office since 1956.

Henry Zuck, who has been treasurer for 23 years, and William Drinkwater, who has been financial secretary since 1967, were also re-elected. William Gregory was re-elected recording secretary, having served in that capacity since 1959.

The four successful candidates to the Executive Board were William Liebrock, Thomas Durkin, John Carlson, and William Kalkbrenner, Jr.

Elected to the Examining Board was Richard Eisner. Michael Stack, James Martin, Charles George were re-elected.

Thomas Meehan was re-elected to the Apprentice Training Committee as a trustee.

The terms of the above officers are for three years.

GRAEME W. DALZELL, P.S.

## Art and Music Center Rises in Meadville

**L.U. 504, MEADVILLE, PA.**—The George Street complex, now under construction, will be the largest art and music center in the Crawford County area. January, 1971, is the completion date of the project.

The auditorium will seat 1,800 people,

## Local 504 Brothers



Members of Local 504, Meadville, Pa., are presently working on the George Street Complex. Pictured left to right, are William Knickerbocker, Ben Kulczycki, Bob Leonard, Guy Johnston, and Howard Warner. The foreman on the job is President Terry Hanes, who took this picture.



This is a view of the George Street Complex which will house the largest arts and music center in the Crawford County area.

and it has ultra-modern lighting. The complex also sports a fully-electric kitchen and restaurant.

TERRY HANES, PRES.

## Construction Work Scene Changes Fast

**L.U. 505, MOBILE, ALA.**—Things in the construction industry can change very fast. In my last article, I wrote that we had travelers in our area, with members working overtime on the Scott Paper Company job. Now, Local 505 has 50 members on the book, and some are working out of town.

The reason is that the Barry Steam Plant job is still on the waiting list—the job started several weeks ago. It is ready, but the out-of-town contractor has not called for any men.

We have fewer than 10 travelers in our area. They don't seem to understand that work is slack when local area men are on the books.

I just received good news: the contractor on the Barry Steam Plant job will be moving in in a couple of days. As I said before, things change fast in the construction industry.

Our apprenticeship committee selected 10 new apprentices for the coming year. We are proud of our apprentice training. The time has now come for some journeyman training, which will begin very soon, with a class in instrumentation. NECA will be working with Local 505 in preparation for this course. We

## Local 540 Honors Graduates



Pictured at the head table, left to right, are Committee Chairman Forest Klotz, Canton Electric; committee member Wayne Wharton, Wharton Electric; Chester Tressell, charter member of Local 540 and chief electrical inspector, City of Canton; NECA Manager Bernard Zahn; Robert Rabatin, President, Local 540; Committee Secretary Ernest Scott, Business Manager of Local 540; and committee member Noel Gordon.



The Annual Apprenticeship Banquet was held in honor of 12 graduates of Local 540, Canton, Ohio. Pictured with their instructors, they are, left to right, Joseph Yanice, David Schaub, Donald Colaner (instructor), Ronald Hanna, Daniel Brown, Jody Bolitho, Stanley Anderson, Gary Babb, Jack Schneider, Charles Patterson, Paul Huth (instructor), Alan Nidy, John Young (instructor), and Carol Evans.

should have a fine attendance in this class, as it is very important that we prepare ourselves to do instrumentation work in our area.

Fellows, thanks for attending the code class. You made it a success, and the gain is yours.

ROBERT H. DAWSON, B.M.

### 12 Graduates Honored By Local 540 in Canton

**L.U. 540, CANTON, OHIO**—The Annual Apprentice Banquet was held at the Sachenhiein Club on June 3, 1970, honoring 12 graduates and the outstanding members of each of the four-year classes. We congratulated Daniel Brown, fourth year; Donald Steenrod, third year; Robert Bair, second year; and Arthur Price, first year, for attaining the top grades in their respective classes. Twelve of our 62 apprentices in the program achieved journeyman status in July.

We observed a moment of silent prayer in honor of Wesly Schaub, Sr., the senior member of the apprentice committee, who died. Wes was a long-time member of our local, the owner of the W. W. Schaub Electric Construction Company, and a member of the apprenticeship committee since its inception in 1945. He will be missed by all. We extend our deepest sympathy to his loved ones.

We believe our apprentice program to be the finest in the area and our instructors second to none. Paul Huth, esteemed elder instructor of our school, is already teaching second-generation pupils in the fourth-year class. Donald Colaner, an engineer and estimator, handles the third-year students with wisdom and wit. Jack McClain, the second-year teacher, has been overloaded—these past two years—with double classes, but he retains his humor and his excellence as a teacher. The first-year class is being taught by the junior member of the teaching staff—John Young, who is doing a very commendable job.

After a fine steak dinner, short talks were given by the vocational director, teachers, inspectors, and others. All who

attended the banquet had a fine time. We know that, under the apprenticeship system, future electrical construction in the area will be in qualified hands.

DONALD DRAHER, P.S.

### Local 563 Holds Election of Officers

**L.U. 563, MIDDLETOWN, PA.**—Our election was held on June 17, 1970. The results were President Carl F. McKinney, Vice President Neal S. Herneisey, Recording Secretary Charles N. Sweigert, Jr., Financial Secretary John Brubaker, and Treasurer Jack E. Kern. It was a very competitive election.

The Executive Board members are William Carson, Ronald L. Bowman, William G. Baldwin, and Neal S. Herneisey.

Delegates to the System Council, Central Labor Council, and the State Electrical Workers have only one holdover from the last term.

Our new president reports that all stewards will remain. Crawford Station is represented by six men, the Three Mile Island by three, and the line gang by two.

The oldest member of the new cabinet is 61 years of age, and the youngest is 23.

The electrical and mechanical gangs started their training program for the Three Mile Island in June. Their courses

include instructions in health, physics, basic nuclear theory, Three Mile Island plant theory, and Three Mile Island electrical and pipe systems. The instruction period will last 300 hours.

The instrument gang was increased by three members, and the electrical gang has gained six new apprentices—four will stay at Crawford Station, and two will go to Three Mile Island. When these new employees become Brothers, the local will have 151 members, the highest number ever in this local.

DAVE LANG, P.S.

### No Change in Work Is Expected Soon

**L.U. 569, SAN DIEGO, CALIF.**—By the time you read this, our Annual Picnic will be an event of the past. Our picnic is the largest event our local holds.

At our June meeting, 50-year pins were presented to retired members. We are enclosing pictures of members who were present to receive pins from our president, Brothers J. O. Britt and Harold Currey were not present to receive their 50-year pins.

I am sorry to report that one of our wiremen, Nick Borben, suffered serious burns as the result of an accident on the San Diego Gas and Electric property on June 15th. We hope you have a speedy recovery, Nick.

### 50-Year Honorees in San Diego



At the June meeting of Local 569, San Diego, Calif., 50-year members were presented with service pins. Left to right, they are B. H. Beasty, George P. Daigle, and F. O. Stoddard.

Work in our area is slow, and I don't expect any change before the fall or even spring. At least, the weather is beautiful, and the Brothers who are out of work will have some extra time to enjoy it.

News is scarce. I hope to have more news next time for our Brothers who are far from here.

MURRAY HOWELL, P.S.

## Fifty-Year Members Honored in New Jersey

**L.U. 581, MORRISTOWN, N.J.**—On May 9, 1970, Local 581 held its Annual Dinner-Dance at the Governor Morris Hotel in Morristown, New Jersey. The dinner was attended by 320 members, honored guests, and wives.

The local was pleased to honor five members who have attained 50 years in the IBEW. President Richard Liddy and Business Manager Frank Kelly presented a 50-year pin and certificate and a Bulova Accutron wrist watch to each of the honored members.

DOUGLAS E. HUBBARD, P.S.

## Local 601 Holds Annual Dinner-Dance

**L.U. 601, CHAMPAIGN AND URBANA, ILL.**—Local 601 had its Annual Dinner-Dance in the Viking Room at the Ramada Inn in Champaign. A very fine meal was served, and the music was enjoyed by all.

Approximately 115 couples attended, including retired members and their wives, Brother and Mrs. Doc Dodds, Brother and Mrs. Steve Ryden, and Brother and Mrs. George Bland.

Out-of-town guests included International Representative Don Crevier; Business Manager and Mrs. Larry Lawler, Local 146, Decatur, Illinois; Business Manager and Mrs. Leo McDaniel, Local 538, Danville, Illinois; Business Manager and Mrs. Charles Weeks, Local 963, Kankakee, Illinois; Business Manager and Mrs. Howard Moreland and Assistant Business Manager and Mrs. Mike Miller, Local 34, Peoria, Illinois; and Assistant Business Manager John Winterbottom, Local 145, Rock Island, Illinois.

The banquet was a tremendous success, and many letters of appreciation were received. On behalf of the local, I extend thanks to the committee members who did a fine job—Chairman and Mrs. Gene Lynch, Brother and Mrs. Dale Hubert, Brother and Mrs. Jack Hensler, Brother and Mrs. Bill Lavenhagen, Brother and Mrs. Fred Kelly, and Brother and Mrs. Dick Hays.

Brother Dick Young is back to work again after suffering injuries in a serious electrical explosion in a 1,200-amp panel. The explosion was so intense, a ring and wrist watch were melted and Dick's clothes were in flames. Brother Floyd Ellis gave Dick immediate aid until the ambulance arrived. After 11 days in the

## 50-Year Presentations



Fifty-year members of Local 581, Morristown, N.J., were honored at the local's Annual Dinner-Dance. Left to right, are Brother and Mrs. Michael Cartage, Brother and Mrs. Benjamin Reed, Business Manager Frank Kelly, President Richard Liddy, Brother and Mrs. Reginald Rogers, and Brother John Brown and his daughter, Mrs. John Palmer. Fifty-year Brother Kenneth Kingsbury was unable to attend.

## Scenes at Illinois Dinner-Dance



On the evening of the Annual Dinner-Dance, held by Local 601, Champaign and Urbana, Ill., Business Manager Jack Hensler, right, and Charlie Deremiah, past business manager, enjoy themselves during the cocktail hour.



Some of the guests enjoying the delicious dinner.



Retired members, 50-year Brother Hubert "Doc" Dodds and Brother Steve Ryden, relaxing after a fine meal.

prentices, Kendall A. Baumgardner, Jimmy W. Berry, and Jimmy G. Hill. Jimmy W. Berry was also honored as "outstanding apprentice."

The principal speaker was Charles Nelson, District Vice President of NECA, Lubbock, Texas. Other guests in attendance were International Representative M. E. Whitfield, Seventh District, and Frank Youngblood, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training.

Construction work has dropped to almost nothing, and we have about 40 members traveling. We have several good jobs coming up; however, we don't expect any relief for about three months.

Our utility members had been in Lubbock, Texas, to help repair the damage done by the tornado. The Southwestern Public Service Company moved about 25 crews in from other towns to get the customers back on the line. At this writing, most of the repair work has been completed.

RAY HILL, B.M.

## Amarillo, Graduates



Local 602, Amarillo, Tex., recently held a banquet in honor of its graduating apprentices. Left to right, they are Kendall A. Baumgardner, Jimmy W. Berry, and Jimmy G. Hill.

hospital and five weeks of recuperation, Dick is glad to be back at work.

Financial Secretary R. B. McNattin is again attending union meetings. "Mac," as we know him, underwent an operation for gallstones and spent a long time recovering. Glad to have you back, Mac.

Negotiations for a new contract are under way, but progress is slow. Because of strikes in the area, we now have men working out of town. We are fortunate to have our sister locals to help us, and we thank them. We will report more on this situation in our next letter.

RICHARD R. HUDACHEK, P.S.

## Construction Work Drops Severely in Amarillo

**L.U. 602, AMARILLO, TEX.**—On May 29, 1970, about 80 people attended a banquet in honor of our graduating ap-

## Contract Work Nil In Local 605 Area

**L.U. 605, JACKSON, MISS.**—Our members employed by the Mississippi Power and Light Company are getting ready for the upcoming negotiations, as the current agreement expires on October 15, 1970. Our agreement with NECA, which, of course, concerns our members employed by our line contractors, will expire on May 1, 1971.

Incidentally, our work in the contract field has been nil during a goodly portion of 1969 and all of 1970 to date. We are expecting quite a bit of work to begin in early 1971. During the meantime, our members employed in the contract field are finding work within the far-reaches of the Brotherhood.

We express our appreciation to the many locals and their business managers for assisting our members in obtaining employment.

Quite a large segment of our membership has been working in the jurisdiction of Local 676, Pensacola, Florida, on projects on which R. H. Bouligny, Inc. is the contractor. R. H. Bouligny, Inc., is quite a large electrical line and substation contractor, and this company is a party to our IBEW-NECA contracts in many of our local unions.

The following is a list of the company's officers and its management, including crew foremen: O. R. Rowe, President; H. M. Heal, Vice President; Charley Stroupe, Manager, labor relations; Z. McManus, Manager, Pensacola Division; and Grover Moon, general superintendent, Pensacola Division.

On the construction of the 230-KV aluminum tower line (Pensacola-Crestview), we have R. T. Clary, job superintendent; Jack Hunt, general foreman; and Eutaw Bodie, Gerald Smith, and Jimmie Rodgers, crew foremen.

The owner, the Gulf Power Company, is represented by Jim Hubbel, engineer, and Ford Wolfe, inspector. The IBEW is represented by B. J. Montford, shop steward.

The towers on the hi-line are of the guyed "Y" type, and the conductor is 1,351,000 CM aluminum, single conductor (single conductor per phase). The towers will be set with copters from Petroleum Helicopters, Inc. of Lafayette, Louisiana; however, we understand that the plan is to have at least 100 towers laced (assembled on the ground) before the setting operation starts.

Without having been briefed, it seems to us that the project is up to, or ahead, of schedule. It really consists of a lot of hard work, but it is ours and our trade and we enjoy every minute of it. Insofar as we know, things have been going along harmoniously, so we congratulate all levels of management and workmen.

J. W. RUSSELL, P.S.

## Mississippi Members on Florida Job



Quite a few members of Local 605, Jackson, Miss., are presently working in the jurisdiction of Local 676, Pensacola, Fla. Pictured at R. H. Bouligny's Milton headquarters are Local 605 members and other travelers, who are working on the 230-KV aluminum tower line, Pensacola-Crestview. At the extreme left, Local 605 member Clary, superintendent, is standing with 605 member Hunt, general foreman. Business Manager N. A. Andrews of Local 676 (in business suit and tie) is kneeling, center foreground.



Brother Eutaw Bodie's lacing crew. Brother Bodie is standing at extreme left.



Two Brothers put finishing touches on the aluminum tower.

## Atlanta Local 613 Dedicates Building

**L.U. 613, ATLANTA, GA.**—Local Union 613 dedicated its new office building on April 25, 1970. The impressive dedication ceremonies were held in the auditorium, a free-standing building near the office building.

Among the International officers present at the ceremonies were President Charles H. Pillard, Secretary Joseph D. Keenan, Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., International Executive Council Chairman "Rex" Fransway, and senior Representative of the Fifth District J. B. Pate. The officers were in Atlanta attending the Fifth District Progress meeting.

The local was honored to have a number of members from its Retired Club in attendance, as well as more than 25 business managers from locals of the Fifth District who were also attending the progress meeting.

Our new building has five floors and a total area of 65,000 square feet. It has a

## Blood Bank Program



Recently, Local 613 established a blood bank program. Shown at the blood bank, left to right, are Brother Arnold Holmstrom, Business Manager Harry Bexley, and Press Secretary Virgil F. Neal. An unidentified nurse checks Brother Neal's blood pressure.

## Dedication Ceremonies in Atlanta



International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan offers congratulations to Local 613 as President Pillard listens attentively.



At the dedication ceremonies for the new office building of Local 613, Atlanta, Ga., Business Manager Harry Bexley introduces distinguished guests. Seated, left to right, are International President Charles H. Pillard, Fifth District International Representative J. B. Pate, and International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr. (Brother J. B. Pate has since been appointed Vice President of the Fifth District, replacing Brother G. X. Barker, retired.)

## More Local 613 News



President Charles H. Pillard addresses the members and guests. Seated to his right is International Secretary Joseph Keenan and seated on his left is International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr.

concrete frame construction and a precast exterior. It is all-electric, naturally.

The auditorium is south of the office building, which is situated on the South freeway, directly west of the new Atlanta stadium, just across Richardson Street. It has matching, precast exterior panels and ample air-conditioning and electric heating. It contains 6,100 square feet and comfortably seats 600 members. The auditorium contains two sets of folding doors which allow it to be used for one, two, or three meetings.

After many unsuccessful efforts, Local 613 has finally instituted a blood bank program which presently covers all beneficial members. Credit for the progress of the program belongs to Brothers Arnold Holmstrom and Joseph Buchanan. Arnold Holmstrom is acting blood chairman. Any member who needs blood for himself or his family should contact Brother Holmstrom.

VIRGIL F. NEAL, P.S.

## Local 648 Scribe Reports On Jobs

**L.U. 648, HAMILTON, OHIO.**—We are still meeting with the contractors. We will let you know the outcome of the contract as soon as it's settled.

Right now, we have a few jobs going. Becker Electric has the new amusement park at Kings Mills. There should be a few electricians on it sometime in the near future. McGraw Construction has the new coating mill at Armco Steel, and Brother Berkley Lakes is the general foreman on the job. McGraw also has an addition at the soaking pits, as well as some work at the open hearth at Armco. Brothers Wilbur Ackman and Ray Hogan are running these jobs for McGraw. On McGraw's work on Project 600, Brother Bill Meehan is the bull steward.

Midland Electric is finishing up the cold mill job. Brother Charles Hardy is the superintendent for Midland, and Brother Joe Adams is general foreman. Earl Furginson is the steward for Midland.

Foothill Electric has the new, continuous casting job at Armco. Brother Bill Berry is general foreman, and Brother Tom Frebis is steward. This job will probably be going 'til the summer of 1971 before it's done.

Bonbright Electric, doing the new addition to the *Journal-News* Building in Hamilton, has just finished the new utilities building for the city of Hamilton.

Well, that's about it for this month. By the way, is this the month that YOU are going to start attending union meetings?

LOU WOLFRAM, P.S.

## Local 660 Signs Three-Year Agreement

**L.U. 660, WATERBURY, CONN.**—Our new agreement was ratified by our membership at a specially-called meeting. The total money package for three years is \$6.00, which will be received in the following increments: first year—50¢ and 40¢, plus 10¢ added to welfare; second year—25¢, 25¢, 25¢, and 25¢; third year—50¢, 50¢, \$1.00, and \$2.00. An improvement was also made in the apprentice wage.

Fringes include an added 25¢ per zone for transportation; 50¢ per hour above journeyman rate for work performed over 30 feet; and establishment of a joint safety committee consisting of six members—three from Local 660 and three from the contractors' group.

Negotiations started in February, 1970, and our Negotiating Committee met with management 17 times. We congratulate Negotiating Committee members Patrick Kennelly, Walter Padolweski, and Louis Poniati for doing a good job.

We asked for more changes in our agreement, but we didn't get them. But that's what negotiating is all about—win a few and lose a few. One, in particular, that we didn't get had to do with the pay of members who serve on the jury. We asked for the difference between juror's pay and the regular pay of the member serving on the jury. This proposal met with a singular lack of enthusiasm, and a little probing revealed that none of the contractors had ever served on the jury and that only a few of us had served.

It's time that those who make loud demands for law and order try to understand our civic obligations a little better. They might find that the two have something in common.

FRANK BERAN, P.S.

## Local 665 Completes Lengthy Negotiations

**L.U. 665, LANSING, MICH.**—After many hours of bargaining, the labor and management committee members emerged with a settlement they believed to be acceptable to both sides.

The two-year agreement calls for wage increases of 11½% the first year and 13% the second year, as well

as improvements in our local insurance program and other miscellaneous minor gains.

A move to increase the vacation deduction from 50¢ per hour to 10% of gross wages was not ratified by the local membership; however, the rest of the proposed terms were approved by both parties.

Several of the other building trades unions in the area are having difficulty coming to terms with their respective employers, and this situation is having an adverse effect on our local work scene. I know that, at times, we have had to bite our lips when discussing our "council clause." But is the impasse the others face a better solution? I can't see where we have suffered any economic losses because of the existence of compulsory arbitration.

Our election was held on June 22, 1970. As our local's membership has increased—the result of organizing activities in the area—the voting hours were extended. For the first time in the history of this local, the polls opened before the regular meeting hours. We will report the results of the election next month.

GORDON RAYMOND, P.S.

## Richmond Charter Member Honored

**L.U. 666, RICHMOND, VA.**—Several weeks ago, a small delegation of Local 666 members visited retired member A. M. "Gus" Miller at his home and presented him with a 60-year membership pin and card. Gus is a charter member of Local 666, which is also celebrating its 60th Anniversary.

Gus reminisced about his career in the industry and reminded us that two other locals were in operation in the Richmond area before Local 666—Local 48 (1900-1905) and Local 271 (1905-1906).

Gus started working in the trade with the old Winston Electric Company. In 1907, he worked on the Jamestown Exposition job. Before World War I, he worked on the Stuart Circle Hospital and on Murphy's Hotel. In 1919, when Local 666 went on strike, Gus and Lennie Warinner, who is a 64-year member

## 60-Year Awardee



Brother A. M. "Gus" Miller, Local 666, Richmond, Va., left, is shown accepting a 60-year service pin from Business Manager Grover W. Wiley. Gus is a charter member of Local 666.



of the IBEW, went into business for about five years.

In 1927, Gus became city inspector with the City Inspection Board and remained in that position until his retirement in 1958.

Gus is very alert and enjoys good vision. He really does not look his age. At the time of our visit, Gus said, "The Good Lord willing, I will be 82 years old on the first of July." We invite any of Gus' old friends to write to him. His address is 910 West 30th Street, Richmond, Virginia 23225.

We are very proud of the fine group of men we elected in June, to serve us for the next three years. They are President C. L. Bodsford, Jr., Vice President R. D. Donovan, Recording Secretary W. J. Nash, Financial Secretary H. F. Zahn, Treasurer H. C. Latham, and Business Manager G. W. Wiley.

The Executive Board members are J. L. Roberts, C. L. Henshaw, D. C. Hodges, and F. K. Bowles. Examining Board members are J. I. Jamerson, O. A. Raines, J. E. Keller, J. C. Bowles, and J. M. Jones, Jr.

The trustees of the Welfare Fund are G. W. Wiley, R. D. Donovan, and D. C. Hodges. R. D. Donovan was also elected delegate to the IBEW convention.

We also elected new officers for the 100 MIC Club, an investment club, which, while not affiliated with the local union, is composed primarily of local union members. The new officers are Raymon Roberts, presiding partner; Billy Zahn, assistant presiding partner; Dewey Hurley, financial partner; and Jimmy Jones, recording partner.

Work in this area is still booming, and we expect to have reasonably full employment during the next three or four years.

RAYMON M. ROBERTS, P.S.

## Local 697 Bowlers Attend Annual Banquet

**L.U. 697, GARY AND HAMMOND, IND.**—On May 2, 1970, the 26th Annual Bowling Banquet, sponsored by the Electricians' Bowling League, was held at Mamma Puntillo's Restaurant in Highland, Indiana. About 100 bowlers, sponsors, wives, and guests attended.

After dinner, trophies and prize money were awarded to the champions. The Fischbach and Moore team won the team championship with such star bowlers as Tommy Pearson, C. V. McArty, Harry Taylor, Ray Sullivan, Steve Stulac, and Harry Frick. The Sargent Electric team came in second, losing out for first place on the last night.

Harry Frick had high individual average of 193, as well as high series of 744. Teammate Tommy Pearson had the high individual game of the season, having bowled a 279 game.

Our doubles champs were Bill Walton and Clyde Hewlett, with Charles Yeager and Tom Pearson finishing a close sec-

## Bowling Champions of Local 697



Recently, the Electricians' Bowling League, consisting of members of Local 697, Gary and Hammond, Ind., held its Annual Bowling Banquet. The Fischbach and Moore team, shown here, was the year's champion team. Standing, left to right, are team members Harry Taylor, Ray Sullivan, and Steve Stulac. Seated: Harry Frick and C. V. McArty. Tom Pearson was not present when the picture was taken.



The Sargent Electric team came in second. Team members, standing, left to right, are John Winandy, Dennis Dancho, Pat Maloney (Manager, Sargent Electric), and Bill Walton. Seated: Wesley Ashley and Byron Waggoner, the old pro.

ond and Gym Neely and Ancil Schilling, the two sandbaggers, winding up in third place.

Our singles champ was Ed Hall, our young bridegroom, with Larry Zinkovich and John Hetra finishing in second and third places, respectively.

Our most-improved bowler award and the sportsmanship award went to John Hetra, who bowled lefthanded because of an arm injury.

Once again, we thank our sponsors for helping to make our league a success. We also thank our league officers who did a fine job, Joseph Branas, President; Dennis McDonald, Vice President; Larry Zinkovich, Treasurer; and Jerry Lindner, Secretary. Jerry Lindner has served as an officer of our league for many years. Many thanks, Jerry.

Next year, the league will again bowl at the Munster Lanes on Tuesday nights at 6:30. If any of you members wish to join the bowlers, contact one of the league officers.

Researchers have concluded that the average bowler (who bowls regularly with his team) gets only six minutes of exercise during a three-game match. Why is it, then, that some bowlers are so tired when they get home at two or three o'clock in the morning.

CHARLES O. WILSON, P.S.



Left to right are Bill Walton and Clyde Hewlett, who won the doubles championship, and Ed Hall, singles champ.

## Fort Smith Members On Job Sites



Members of Local 700, Fort Smith, Ark., are presently employed on three jobs which are almost finished. On the Diamond Alkali job, left to right, are Jim Hight, Gene Ray, John Baker, and John Bieker.



On the Baldor Motor job, kneeling, left to right, are Bernie Hyatt, Ray Cress, Amos Frasch, and Jim Maynard. Standing: Jim Nethererton, Jack Younger, Jack Crosland, Tom Haddock, Frankie Glidewell, and Charlie Paschl. Press Secretary Robert Carlisle is not pictured.

## Fort Smith Scribe Reports on Work

**L.U. 700, FORT SMITH, ARK.**—I made a tour of some jobs today and things are still slow here. The Rheem Manufacturing job is almost finished. Also, the Baldor Motor and the Diamond Alkali jobs are almost completed.

By the way—to the hands that haven't heard—Brother Jim Maynard, as of this writing, has worked five weeks in a row. I asked him how long it's been since he last saw five ringers. He said his memory is not that long.

Well, election time is almost here. We already have a new business manager, so

## More Local 700 News



Pictured on the Rheem job, left to right, are Paschl, Bill May, Bob Bieker, Sherman Young, Delbert Brassfield, Bill Dorsey, Roger Whittington, Lem Rust, Gary Newman, Walt Strain, Gordon McNabb, Floyd Finn, Gary Brammer, Lawrence Harvey, Tom McAllister, Jack Shermer, Tracy Blaine, and Gary Parker.

we should have a completely-new set of officers this time.

The Russellville area is just about ready to boom, and it will if we can get some money-spending government people back in power. The Fayetteville area will have some good work by winter, we hope. The Fort Smith area has quite a bit of work coming up, too.

I will be going to Russellville soon to see how the powerhouses are coming along. The nuclear job is still moving slowly, but another 180 million has been added to it.

Contract time is here again, and with the work we have coming up, I hope it turns out well.

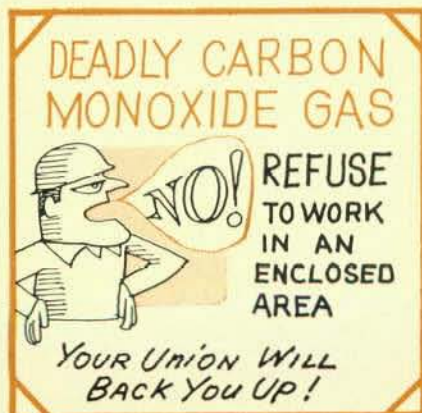
BOB CARLISLE, P.S.

## Fort Wayne Local 723 Elects New Officers

**L.U. 723, FORT WAYNE, IND.**—Local 723 held its biennial election of officers in June. The new officers are President Lyle VanAman, Vice President Daniel Morsches, Recording Secretary Janice Helmsing, Financial Secretary-Business Manager Gay H. Schmidt, and Treasurer Kenneth Shoppe.

The Executive Board members are Richard Daugherty, Harry Upton, and Don Vogel.

Jim Maloney and Richard Shovlin were elected as delegates to the IBEW convention.



## Fort Wayne Personalities



Local 723, Fort Wayne, Ind., recently elected officers for the next two years. Shown, left to right, are Guy Hall, past business manager-financial secretary; Harry Pickett, Sr., past president; Lyle VanAman, the new president; and Gay H. Schmidt, the new business manager-financial secretary.



If Local 723 ever goes on strike, it will have plenty of "Picketts," as five of its members are Picketts and they're all related. Standing, left to right, are Stan Pickett, Jim Pickett, Wayne Pickett, and Nile Pickett. Seated is Harry Pickett, Sr.

The business office expresses its gratitude to the election judge, Robert Zahn, and all the Brothers and Sisters who participated in the various functions of the election.

At Local 723's Annual Retirees' Banquet in May, Harry Pickett, Sr., presented a gavel, given to him 40 years ago, to President Lyle VanAman.

Brother Frank Chrzan, retired member, graciously accepted the duties of the local's historian. He asks that retired members assist him in his project.

Brother Ed Stuckey has reminded us that it's time to give a dollar to COPE. For more information about this, please contact your union steward or call your local business office.

STUART DURNELL, P.S.

## Local 728 Scribe Writes After Long Absence

**L.U. 728, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA.**—Since our last letter appeared in the *Journal*, Local 728 held an election of officers, two blood bank dinners, a state bowling tournament, the Seventh Annual Apprenticeship Graduation services, and other activities too numerous to mention.

Lately, we have been very lax in sending articles to the *Journal*, but there are reasons for everything.

At our last regular meeting, Local 728 elected new officers for the next two years. They are President Chick Perez, Vice President Carl Wuest, Financial Secretary Edd Harvey, and Recording Secretary-Treasurer Bob McCann.



Local 723 members and their guests enjoying the music of Brother Jack McCormick's "The Knight Five" at a recent dance.



Retirees of Local 723 attending the banquet held in their honor, left to right, are Ed "Pinky" Berghoff, Ray Leedy, Ken Bordner, Guy Hall, Leonard Eichanauer, Aaron Scharlach, George Frost, Donald Pyle, and Harry W. Pickett, Sr.

## Bowling Champs



Members of Local 728's bowling team pose with the trophies won at the Sixth Annual Central Labor Union Florida State Bowling Tournament. Left to right, are Captain Ronald Sampson, Chester Burke, Herbert Sampson, Bob Haynes, and Larry Reed.

There will be a runoff election for business manager between Mutt Henderson and Jim Weldon. We will have the winner's picture for next month's *Journal*.

The Executive Board members are Bill Boswell, Tony Coppola, Hugo Enigi, Maynard Hamilton, and Bill Self.

The Examining Board members are Al Ciasca, Remie Hammond, Dan Miller, Leon Parker, and Ray Winstead.

Each year, Local 728 sponsors several activities; in fact, it has won top awards as the outstanding labor union in Broward County each year since the program was inaugurated. It also sponsored a bowling team with the Central Labor Union Bowling League.

The CLU has also sponsored a Flori-

da State Bowling Tournament for the past six years. This year, your team won the state championship. The large trophy will remain with Local 728 for only one year, unless you bowlers win again next year.

SAM HIGGINS, P.S.

## Pascagoula Local 733 Holds Election of Officers

**L.U. 733, PASCAGOULA, MISS.**—Members of Local 733 elected Brother Clark Massey to the office of business manager. Serving with him will be President C. G. Grimes.

Our Executive Board members are W. E. Gunn, Rock O'Neil, George Miller, Henry Ezell, C. F. McCone, M. R. Shoemaker, and M. F. Williams.

As you may know, Litton Industries has just been awarded a big \$2-billion destroyer contract, and we are very elated with the news. This work will help the economy here in southern Mississippi.

The construction of the destroyers will begin soon, and actual production will be in early 1972. The first destroyer is scheduled for launching in 1974, and the second one, five months later. By the year 1977, destroyers will be launched on the average of one a month.

The Bechtel job is nearing its peak, and everything seems to be going well with Brother Howard Little as steward.

Our local mourns the deaths of Brothers M. E. Asher, G. J. Beaugez, R. J. Sturgis, W. O. Tardy, George Smith, and Louis Waggoner. We extend our sympathy to the families of these members.

That's all for now.

W. R. DRY, P.S.

## Seven Graduate to Journeyman in Local 735

**L.U. 735, BURLINGTON, IA.**—Our regular June meeting was the scene of our Annual Old-Timers' Get-together, and we had our largest turnout in years.

President Merlin Roasa awarded a 50-year pin and a golden membership card to Brother George Teiden. Brother Teiden, in turn, gave some enlightening comments about wages, working conditions, and safety hazards of the '20s.

Immediately after the meeting, Joseph Massey, former assistant business manager, was presented with a plaque on which was inscribed testimony of his meritorious service as an officer of Local 735.

Following the presentation, everyone headed for the kitchen for a buffet luncheon and bull session, which ran into the night.

On June 19, 1970, at 6:30 P.M., the 1970 Apprenticeship Graduation Dinner was held at the Oasis Club. Toastmaster John Parmeter, Chairman of the Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee, welcomed the guests of honor, the 1970 graduates.

## Fort Lauderdale's New Officers



Newly-elected President Chick Perez.



Vice President Carl Wuest.



Recording Secretary-Treasurer Bob McCann.



Financial Secretary Edd Harvey.

## Election Day



Left to right, E. C. Miller, Gene Watson, and A. B. Cobb check off the name of Ray Cox, standing, before he votes.



At the recent election of Local 733, Pascagoula, Miss., Clark Massey, shown here, was elected business manager.

## Iowan Old-Timers, Graduates



On the last night of school, the cameraman snapped this photo of the fourth-year apprentices who completed their four years of training. Back row, left to right, are Stan Thomas, John "Tony" Walz, Richard Lowery, and Tom North. Front row: Dave Edwards (apprentice of the year), Gary Richardson, and Rick Rehman.



In June, Local 735, Burlington, Ia., held its Annual Old-Timers' Get-Together. Back row, left to right, are Brothers Roy Uffleman, Ray Hueholt, George Aldrich, Walter Hatton, and Bill Hertel. Front row: Brothers Ross Jennings, Cline Cunningham, and Art Crabb.

President Merlin Roasa presented NJATC certificates to graduates Richard Rehman, Stan Thomas, Dave Edwards, Richard Lowery, Tom North, John "Tony" Waltz, and Gary Richardson. Assistant Business Manager Dennis Fry presented U.S. Department of Labor completion certificates to the graduates, and Business Manager Paul Hale gave an IBEW medallion to each of the new journeymen.

Apprenticeship Chairman John Parmeter presented a plaque to Dave Edwards, who was selected as Southeast Iowa's Outstanding Apprentice of 1970. Dave will represent Local 735 in the state competition. We hope he will capture the No. 1 award, the Joe Massey Award.

The new journeymen were very lavish in their praise of instructors Jerry Carroll and Tom Bachtel, as well as the officers, who helped them attain their goal.

We are sorry to report that Max Stone, one of ISU's stalwarts, suffered a heart attack on May 30, 1970. Although he is still in the hospital—at this writing—it is believed that he has no heart damage. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. Max. R. T. SCHNEIDER, P.S.

## Newly-Elected Local 763 Officers Installed

**L.U. 763, OMAHA, NEBR.**—At our regular meeting on June 3, 1970, Local 763 installed newly-elected officers for the next two years. They are President Oscar Johnson, Vice President Wayne Westfall, Recording Secretary Charles Howard, Financial Secretary James Lea, and Treasurer Robert Baber.

The Executive Board members are Harold Tessin, Bill Kost, and Robert Police.

Vice President Wayne Westfall presented a 30-year service award to Broth-

er Les Johnson and a 10-year award to Brother John Burke.

Our local began negotiations with the Omaha Public Power District on June 30, 1970. I hope to report on a favorable agreement in my next letter.

ROBERT POLICE, P.S.

## Local 779 Ladies' Auxiliary Helps in Political Work

**L.U. 779, COLUMBUS, GA.**—Our work is stable at the present time, with all local men working.

Contract time is growing closer, and we hope to get a wage hike to help offset the tremendous rise in the cost of living that has come about under President Nixon's Administration.

The big jobs are being completed, and we have men on all of them.

Our local has endorsed Carl Sanders for governor of Georgia. Just recently, the city and county voters decided in favor of consolidation—the first in Georgia and the third in the South—under the very capable and progressive leadership of Mayor J. L. Allen.

Our ladies' auxiliary is doing a good job of helping the men in their political work, such as getting out the vote, speaking up at commission meetings, and helping to elect people who are favorable to our policies.

We are hoping that some new industry will be announced soon; otherwise, we will have men out of work early in 1971, or even as soon as late 1970. Our officials are working hard to get a jet airport in this area. We hope the FAA will approve of a site soon.

So long for now.

JAMES BURNSIDE, P.S.

## Local 846 Mourns Hayden N. Bell

**L.U. 846, CHATTANOOGA, TENN.**—The members of Local 846 pay special tribute to the memory of Brother Hayden N. Bell, retired International Representative and member of our local, who passed away on April 28, 1970.

Brother Bell was a member of the IBEW since 1937. He had served as business manager for many years when, in 1951, he was appointed International Representative to the 12th District staff. He held that position until he retired in 1962.

Brother Bell also served as high sheriff of Polk County, Tennessee, and at one time, he was an officer with the Alcohol Tax Unit of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. He was a member of the Copperhill, Tennessee, Lodge No. 656, F & AM, Alhambra Shrine.

Brother Bell is survived by his wife, Winifred; a daughter, Mrs. Sam W. Todd; a granddaughter; and two brothers and two sisters. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family.

Brother Hayden N. Bell will long be remembered as an outstanding person and a fine worker of the IBEW.

FLOYD H. WILSON, P.S.

## Installation of Officers in Omaha



At a recent union meeting of Local 763, Omaha, Nebr., International Representative Russell Mundorf, extreme right, is shown swearing in the newly-elected officers. Left to right, they are Vice President Wayne Westfall, Executive Board member Harold Tessin, Recording Secretary Charles Howard, President Oscar Johnson, Treasurer Robert Baber, and Financial Secretary James Lea.



Executive Board members Bill Kost, left, and Bob Police.

## Tornado's Path



These pictures show the lights of the Texas Tech football stadium in Lubbock, Tex., after the tornado hit the area on May 11, 1970. Local 850 members of Lubbock re-lighted the stadium in time for the Coaches All Star Football Game on June 27th.

## 30-Year Presentation



Vice President Wayne Westfall, left, presents a 30-year award to Brother Les Johnson.

## Retired Officer Dies



Brother Hayden N. Bell, retired International Representative and member of Local 846, Chattanooga, Tenn., died on April 28, 1970.

## Wiremen Needed in Lubbock Disaster Area

**L.U. 850, LUBBOCK, TEX.**—We were all set to let our Brothers throughout the country know that we had completed the relighting of the football stadium, at Texas Tech, for the Coaches All-Star Football Game on June 27th, when suddenly a toronado struck Lubbock. It caught the lights in a glancing blow and left them in the shape you see them in the enclosed pictures. We, however, got them fixed in time for the big game.

The destruction to the area has passed the \$200-million mark, and this figure

does not include personal property and personal items which cannot be estimated as to money loss. Of course, the worst part of the toronado tragedy was the 26 dead and over 700 reported injured.

You cannot imagine the total devastation. Approximately one-sixth of the property in this town of 150,000 persons was damaged, and approximately one-twelfth of the tax base was destroyed. It is truly a disaster area.

The shops of five of our employers and the home of one of them were destroyed. The homes and cars of two of our members were destroyed; other members are kicking in an hour's pay for each of these two Brothers.

As usual, the first members of the Brotherhood on the job were the utility members employed by the Southwestern Public Service Company. They worked

on the edge of the destruction area, immediately behind a hospital, where they tied in a generator for temporary power to the hospital. These Brothers are members of Local 602, Amarillo, Texas.

Most of our members helped in any way they could. Their cooperation created a picture of brotherhood at work.

We have had numerous calls from all over the United States about work. We will have a tremendous rebuilding job. Most of the outside construction will be handled by the two utility companies, so our need for outside people will be limited. The inside construction work will be increasing in tempo shortly when the insurance companies begin to make settlements.

We will need additional wiremen in the very near future. Our scale is presently \$5.05, and it will increase to \$5.60 on September 1, 1970; to \$5.80 on December 1, 1970; and to \$6.35 on June 1, 1971. Housing, however, is at a premium, since many apartment houses and motels were destroyed.

If you are interested in working in our area, please have your business manager get in touch with us, and we will give him all available information.

JAMES C. SHARP, B.M.

## All of Local 855's Men Are Working

**L.U. 855, MUNCIE, IND.**—I am happy to report that work in our jurisdiction was good this past winter. It looks very favorable now, also. We have been able to keep all of our men working during the past year, and we have also been able to use a few travelers.

We are negotiating a new contract and hope we will again be able to boost the economy of the working man.

Some of our members are presently working on a power distribution job at the Chrysler Plant at New Castle, Indiana.

CHARLES BLACK, R.S.

## Work Picture Remains Unchanged in Local 861

**L.U. 861, LAKE CHARLES, LA.**—At our regular meeting on June 1, 1970, Brother Jimmie Fox stated that the work picture is similar to that of last month's report and that we are still able to have more than 100 travelers working in the jurisdiction. Brother Fox expressed his unhappiness at not being able to place any of the power company's men, who are out because of a contract dispute. We do not have a sufficient amount of work at this time.

Brothers Cecil Musgrove, Jimmie Fox, Robert Coe, Sherman Langley, Homer Winfree, and Chester Fontenot attended the 1970 Union Industries Show in New Orleans. While there, the group attended a dinner given by the International and met International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan and members of his staff, along

## Local 855 Members on Power Distribution Job



Members of Local 855, Muncie, Ind., working on a power distribution job at the Chrysler Plant at New Castle, Ind., kneeling, left to right, are D. Riddlebarger, L. May, W. Rodefer, R. Gilmore, F. Hilton, C. Rutledge, and J. Haynes. Standing: B. Black, D. Wright, C. Griffin, J. Estes, R. Mansfield, C. Hodgins, W. Wood, J. Wisehart, S. Dunmoyer, B. Wieser, and G. Raines.

with International Representative John Coleman, Jr. and International Vice President J. B. Pate. All the locals in the state were represented, and there was also a visitor from Galveston, Texas, Brother John Pursley.

Brother Ward Wagner has been improving rather slowly since his operation; Brother Jim Reeves has been off from work with a possible hernia; and Brother Wayne Bourque had an accident at home while working on his car. Brother Sammy Camalo has been in and out of the hospital during the last couple of months, and Brother Slick Israel has been under the weather lately. We hope these Brothers will soon be well and able to go back to work.

We are happy to know that Brother Buddy Lewis is back at work after suffering a bout with the ole ticker.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Brother Francis Lee, who passed away last month in a Fort Worth, Texas, hospital. We will miss him.

AUDRY A. PIZANIE, P.S.

## Washington Local 970 Graduates 14 Apprentices

**L.U. 970, KELSO-LONGVIEW, WASH.**

—On April 17, 1970, Local 970 honored 14 graduate apprentices at a banquet at the Monticello Hotel in Longview, Washington.

The main speaker of the evening was International Representative Henry M. Conover, who directed his very inspiring speech to the apprentices.

Certificates of completion were presented by Reno L. Switzer, U.S. Department of Labor, and International Representative Conover.

Melvin E. Pederson and Rollo W. Bell, apprenticeship instructors at Lower Columbia College, were given recognition by the Cowlitz County Electrical Workers JATC for turning out an outstanding class of new journeyman wiremen.

Business Manager Leroy Ward, Chairman of the Apprenticeship Committee, expressed his appreciation to the com-

## Local 970's Apprenticeship Banquet



Standing, left to right, are graduates Gary Booth, Louis Ulrich, Ron Pithan, and Rick Niederkorn; Reno Switzer, U.S. Department of Labor; Don Bornstedt, Cowlitz County PUD; Louis Scharf, Scharf Electric; and James Valentine, Cowlitz County PUD. Seated: graduates Cal Caines and Chuck Chadderton; International Representative Henry M. Conover; graduates Ron Phillips, Lewis Jones, and Mike Williamson; Fred Berg and Ivan Anderson, Reynolds Metal Company; and Leroy Ward, Business Manager. Kneeling: graduates Maurice Saxon, Jim Magoon, and Edward Rheaume.

mittee members, Fred Berg and Ivan Anderson, the Reynolds Metal Company; Louis L. Scharf, Scharf Electric; A. T. Renaud, Renaud Electric; D. E. Bornstedt and James Valentine, Cowlitz County PUD; C. M. Chadderton; and R. L. Switzer, U.S. Department of Labor.

President Dan D. Jacobs was the master of ceremonies and proved to be very capable.

We thank our retired member, Earl Wakefield, who willingly served as photographer, as he always does at banquets.

LERROY WARD, B.M.

## Ohio Local Celebrates 51st Anniversary

**L.U. 972, MARIETTA, OHIO**—On May 9, 1970, Local 972 celebrated its 51st Anniversary with a banquet and dance. Approximately 250 members, special guests, and wives were present for the occasion.

A cocktail hour preceded the dinner, after which President William Bedilion, on behalf of Local 972, presented engraved watches to retired members Charles S. Davis, Charles E. Hall, Floyd Jeffers, Armer Barr, and Vernon Harter. Retired members Francis Conrath, Earl Knick, James L. Wilkin, and Ralph Syx, who were unable to attend, will receive their watches at a later date.

A very entertaining floor show was presented by the Julia Kelly Enterprises, with quite a lot of help from some of the guests. Dancing until 1:00 A.M. concluded the celebration.

Guests in attendance were I.O. Director of Construction-Maintenance Operations and Mrs. J. M. "Kim" Parker, International Representative and Mrs. B. G. Williamson, International Representative and Mrs. Roy Nolte, Apprenticeship Director and Mrs. Bill Crews, West Virginia Building Trades Secretary-Treasurer and Mrs. Harry Janney, Business Manager and Mrs. Bill Mees (Local 968, Parkersburg, West Virginia), Business Manager and Mrs. Joe Vallina (Local 872, Beckley, West Virginia), Assistant Business Manager and Mrs. Frank Garnes (Local 317, Huntington, West Virginia), and Business Manager and Mrs. Joe Brannon (Local 981, Newark, Ohio).

Business Manager Neal Boyce recently presented retired member Fred Lynn with a 50-year service pin and scroll. Brother Lynn was initiated on March 3, 1920, and retired in 1962. We congratulate him and wish him many more happy years of retirement.

JACK W. CLINE, P.S.

## Label Show Creates Good Image For Labor

**L.U. 995, BATON ROUGE, LA.**—When the 1970 Union Industries Show was held in New Orleans, children were

## More News From Local 970



Standing, left to right, are Melvin E. Pederson and Rollo W. Bell, apprentice instructors, and Dan D. Jacobs, President. Seated: Mrs. Pederson, Mrs. Bell, and International Representative Henry M. Conover.



International Representative Henry M. Conover addresses members, graduates, and guests at the apprenticeship banquet, hosted by Local 970, Kelso-Longview, Wash.

## 50-Year Presentation



Retired member Fred Lynn, Local 972, Marietta, Ohio, center, recently was presented his 50-year pin by Business Manager Neal Boyce, left. Assistant Business Manager Jack Cline, right, was present for the presentation.

## At 1970 Industries Show



René Munch, Press Secretary, Local 995, Baton Rouge, La., submitted these pictures taken at the 1970 Industries Show in New Orleans, La.

seen carrying bags filled with large posters, kites, and other interesting articles. Many of the children were seen eating cotton candy. The candy, as well as the items they carried, was also given to them.

Many of the trades represented at the show gave gifts to visitors. Lucky ticket holders won electrical appliances at the IBEW daily.

We hope the show made a good impression on the visitors and the people of this locale, as they are generally not too receptive to the practices of organized labor and what it represents.

René J. Munch, P.S.

## Work Picture Becomes Brighter in Local 996

**L.U. 996, BRADFORD, PA.**—The officers and members were saddened to learn of the death of Brother Pearl L. "Pete" Moore. He died in New Jersey on May 20, 1970.

Prior to his death, Brother Moore worked in the government arsenal, for about five years. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife and family in their time of sorrow. Peter will be missed by us all.

Brother Harold S. Tibbitts will be taking his retirement as soon as the paper work is completed on his application. After 34 years of continuous membership, many of which were spent in holding down one office or another, and after maintaining a better-than average attendance at the local union meetings (some of which he was on time for—but then who else could have counted on cow-calling on meeting nights), the officers and members wish you, Harold, a long and happy retirement. And this writer thanks you, Harold, for many pleasant memories and for your help over the years.

The work picture is somewhat brighter, but because of the induced repression by the Nixon Administration, not all is as good as we hoped it would be. We thank our friends in other locals for holding back the big, bad wolf during the last few months.

In our next letter, we will report on our new officers. To those who didn't win, better luck next time. To those who didn't bother to vote, get on the band wagon and help the new officers to make ours a stronger and better local union, one of which we can be proud. Cooperation is the keynote for the coming years.

Summertime is now here, and the Annual Picnic Committee will soon an-

nounce its plans for the picnic which will be held either here or there and will be attended by all or some, depending on the feelings of many in some cases and on the weather in other cases.

If any of you members have ideas on how to make *Journal* articles more interesting, please step forth; also, we'd like to hear from your wives—they may have some good ideas. Remember, this is your local and their local, and it's a very important part of your lives. Your security and welfare depend upon it. Be a part of it and contribute to it.

PINE STREET BARNEY, P.S.

## Chicago Local Mourns Brother Albert DeVito

**L.U. 1031, CHICAGO, ILL.**—The members and staff of Local 1031 have been saddened by the untimely death of Business Representative Albert DeVito on May 29, 1970. He was 48 years of age.

Brother DeVito had been a business representative and a member of Local 1031 for the past 11 years. Prior to his affiliation with Local 1031, he had been active in the labor movement for the greater part of his adult life. He was always untiring in his efforts and completely dedicated to the betterment of the conditions of the working man. Despite the many hours he spent in his work, he always found time to listen to the problems of any of our members and helped them with solutions. As a result, he was esteemed as a dear friend by hundreds of our members.

At the time of his death, he was serving as a manufacturing member on the Executive Board of the Illinois State Conference of the IBEW. He had also been a delegate to the Chicago Federation of Labor and to the Illinois State AFL-CIO.

His passing leaves a void in our hearts and in our organization. It will be difficult to fill.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Brother DeVito's wife, Catherine, and their two sons, Michael and Dennis.

MAURICE PERLIN, PRES.-B.M.

## Employment Picks Up Considerably in Ambridge

**L.U. 1073, AMBRIDGE, PA.**—For the first time in the last couple of months, we are happy to be able to announce that employment here at the Ambridge plant has picked up considerably—to such an extent, in fact, that everyone who has been on laid-off status has been called back; furthermore, the Personnel Department is contemplating hiring some college students for the summer months.

The new Western Electric Department has been partly responsible for this resurgence of employment; also, the Rocket Department, which had almost become non-existent, has received some orders and has recalled many of its em-

## Untimely Death



Members of Local 1031, Chicago, Ill., mourn the death of their business representative, Albert DeVito. Brother DeVito was active in the labor movement most of his adult life.

## 50-Year Member



President Dale Millinger, Local 1047, Toledo, Ohio, presents a 50-year pin and citation to Brother Milt Pommeranz. Brother Pommeranz, a former president of the local, was very active in union affairs.

## Retires



"Friggy" Marmack, member of Local 1073, Ambridge, Pa., retired after 40 years of service. He worked in the Rigid Conduit Department.

ployees. And so, the summer looks bright indeed.

"Friggy" Marmack has retired from the Rigid Conduit Department after more than 40 years of service. Good Luck, Friggy.

The H. K. Porter Bowling League recently held its Annual Banquet at the Rochester SOI, and everyone had a most enjoyable time.

We congratulate Richard "Dick" Hall on his promotion to foreman.

We extend our sympathy to Brother Andrew Spolarich, assistant engineer in the power plant, who recently lost his father.

TED POURNARAS, P.S.

## Work Remains Good In Local 1141

**L.U. 1141, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**—Work continues to be good. Effective June 11th, we received a pay raise of 75¢ per hour, bringing our journeyman-wireman scale to \$6.05 per hour.

On May 23rd, 13 apprentices took the apprentice completion test and passed it with flying colors. They are Joe Bruno,

Terry Elston, John Fowler, J. O. Gorden, Gary Harris, Jim Harrison, Brad McHenry, Mickey Pendleton, Tom Pinion, Charles Prentice, Roger Ray, Tom Swanson, and Gary West. Now all they need to finish their apprenticeship is the completion of 8,000 hours. We congratulate each of you young men.

In June, the JATC indentured 24 apprentices. The committee interviewed a record number of 54 qualified applicants.

We hope that you are enjoying the outdoors during this summer season. Please be careful and remember that safety rules apply everywhere, not only on the job. At this writing, yours truly is nursing a twisted-knee back to health, after injuring it while water-skiing. Maybe I need to "practice what I'm preaching'."

DALE A. COX, P.S.

## Local 1212 Awards Two Scholarships

**L.U. 1212, NEW YORK, N.Y.**—For the third year, our local awarded two \$400 scholarships. This year's winners were Ian Cohen and Ellen M. Jacobs. The fathers of the winners are members of Local 1212.

The scholarship recipients were selected by the Scholarship Committee members, who judged the entries according to the requirements which were outlined in the February issue of our publication *1212 NEWS*.

GEORGE H. ELLIS, CHRMN.  
SCHOLARSHIP COMM.

## President Sonnenblum Makes Local 1255 History

**L.U. 1255, W. NYACK, N.Y.**—The highest tribute ever paid a candidate of Local 1255 was paid our re-elected President Herman Sonnenblum, who became the first presidential candidate in the history of 1255 to run unopposed. This is a tremendous tribute to Brother Herman's earnest efforts and sincerity, and I am sure he will cherish the honor for the rest of his life. He certainly de-

## Election Day in W. Nyack



Having inspected the polls and made certain everything was in order, President-Business Manager Herman Sonnenblum, Local 1255, West Nyack, N.Y., pauses for a moment outside the local's headquarters on election day.

## More Local 1255 News



One of the many small groups voting during the day.



C. Hodge, election judge, with tellers R. Epps and P. Spears.

serves the honor, having devoted an endless number of unselfish hours to the duties of his office.

This incident of running unopposed signifies a strong indication that our local is united 100% for the first time. It could mean that our position at the bargaining table will be considerably strengthened at our next contract negotiations.

The results of our June 9th election, in addition to re-electing President-Business Manager Herman Sonnenblum, were Vice President Bill Merritt, Recording Secretary Walt Coffey, Treasurer Bob Pavignano, and Financial Secretary Nick DeZago.

Elected to the Executive Board were Carlton DeLoatch, Tony Gooler, Bill Heath, Rev. N James, R. Johnson, E. King, and J. Stanko.

Herman Sonnenblum was elected delegate to the International convention, and Bill Merritt was elected as alternate.

Contributing to the record balloting was the adoption of the absentee ballot (now included in the bylaws) for the first time. This adoption is just one of the things our energetic president-business manager crusaded for.

Now that we supported President Sonnenblum in his re-election, our next step is to give him the encouragement he needs to continue his fine work. You can do this by attending union meetings regularly. Once you form the habit of going, you will find it quite painless, and you may even enjoy it. Also, please participate in the 50/50 Club each month. Besides having the opportunity of being a winner, also remember the good the proceeds do for us.

When a Brother dies, a beautiful memorial Bible is given to his family—Bibles don't die like flowers; also, a \$100-cash donation is given to the deceased member's family for the Brother's burial. Money doesn't grow on trees, Brothers, and a 50¢ piece once a month certainly doesn't impose a hardship on the pocketbook. This fund also makes it possible to have refreshments at our meetings, and our Annual Dinner-Dance is partly supported by it, too. So, get with it, man, and see your shop steward for a ticket.

See you all next month.

PAUL F. X. GARRISON

(At the request of President Herman Sonnenblum, Brother Garrison was guest press secretary this month.)

## Honolulu Local Signs Two-Year Contract

**L.U. 1260, HONOLULU, HAWAII**—Local 1260, representative of approximately 4,000 telephone workers, successfully concluded negotiations with the General Telephone Company. Under a two-year contract (May 1, 1970-April 30, 1972), our gains in wages and fringes are 22%.

Under wages, we received a 9% per year, across-the-board increase for all employees, giving top craftsmen 85¢ an hour increase and the lowest classified employee (janitor) 44¢.

Shift differentials were increased by 5¢ per hour for each shift, resulting in 20¢ per hour for the evening shift; 25¢ per hour for the night shift; and 35¢ per hour for the split shift. Shift differentials apply to an entire tour of duty (eight hours) even though only a part (any fraction of an hour) of the hour falls within the shift-differential period.

Meals furnished by the company for overtime work performed shall be—breakfast, \$1.25 (no change); lunch, \$1.50; and supper and midnight meals, \$3.00.

Call outs for Sunday work shall be paid at the double-time rate.

Per diem payment (formerly \$7.00) is \$8.00 for meals and incidentals. The company presently furnishes all lodging, first-class transportation, and travel time.

The State's Temporary Disability Insurance, which guarantees a worker 26 weeks of income (based on 55% of his average weekly earnings, not to exceed a maximum of \$72 a week), now supplements our present Sick Leave Benefits Schedule, thereby guaranteeing our members a coverage of 26 weeks of income through a combination of full pay (half pay and the State's Temporary Disability Insurance benefits).

Improvements on the Medical Plan—a change from Plan 9 to Plan 4 results in the following monthly cost to the company: single person, \$9.40; two-person family, \$21.48; and three-or-more person family, \$28.30.

A fully-paid Dental Plan for employees and their spouses was negotiated for

the first time. Effective June 1, 1970, rates are single, \$6.12 per month, and two-person family, \$10.51 per month. Effective May 1, 1971, a fully-paid dental plan for employees and their dependents, costing the company \$14.74 per month, will go into effect. Under this plan, 70% of the cost of dental service is paid, and the member pays the remaining 30% directly to the dentist.

Our current Pension Plan is a joint contribution plan. Its formula is 1.65% × the employee's average-year gross earnings (based on the best five years of the last 10) × his years of service. The average payment per member (currently on a monthly basis) is 4½% of the monthly gross earnings. Effective May 1, 1971, employees' contributions will be decreased by 30%.

JULY SIMEONA, ASST. B.M.

## Observe Dos and Don'ts, Says Scribe

**L.U. 1359, CHICAGO, ILL.**—With the death of Walter Reuther, organized labor has lost a leader who fought for a better way of life for all working people. At the time of his death, Walter Reuther was fighting for free hospitalization for all Americans. Let's hope his ideals and dedication to the people of the working class will be fulfilled.

The '70s are bringing demands to solve the air and water pollution problem; however, no industrial plant could possibly belch into the air and streams the kind of pollution that is seeping into our children's minds. We should, of course, concern ourselves with the problems of foul air and water, but it is more important that we find and destroy the source that is polluting and desecrating our most precious possessions—our children. We must raise our children with love, faith, hope, and charity—and we must teach them right from wrong—for they are the leaders of tomorrow.

When celebrating a patriotic day display your flag as a proud American in our free country should. We Americans should love our flag, as our most beautiful of all national banners stands for freedom in the finest nation on earth.





Vacation time is here again. This is the time for dos and don'ts on the road. *Do* give the other fellow a break. *Don't* tailgate. *Do* slow down when it's necessary. *Don't* drive when tired. *Do* fasten your safety belts—they are your life-lines.

We must plant the seed of safety in our minds; then, in the coming days, months, and years, our harvest will be tenfold.

HILLARD J. WONS, P.S.

## Construction Work Good At Baltimore Naval Yard

**L.U. 1383, BALTIMORE, MD.**—The word from Baltimore is still progress, but we are somewhat retarded, as new regulations and cutbacks are affecting us and will continue to affect us more in the weeks and months ahead.

The yard staff has been hit by the retirement of many skilled workers, and this situation will cause new problems after the start of the fiscal year (July 1).

The construction field is going strong at the present time. Some of you Civil Service retirees who have good standing in the I.O. may be qualified for construction work. If you are interested, see your business manager or shop steward.

The regular order of business prevailed at the business meeting, with Vice President Albert Gaspich in the chair. Nominations for local union officers and for a delegate to the IBEW convention were held.

By the time you read this letter, we will have celebrated Flag Day by marching with our Brothers of Local 24, Baltimore.

Remember to practice your safety rules.

REUBEN SEARS, P.S.

## Chicago Local 1427 Members Await Decision

**L.U. 1427, CHICAGO, ILL.**—I knew that the "Local Lines" section of the *Journal* is one of the most widely-read parts of the *Journal*, but I had often wondered just how much the readers retained and whether they ever questioned the contents of letters.

Well, I will wonder no more, for in the June issue of the *Journal*, I reported that the company's final offer averaged 7.92%, and many people assumed that it had been accepted by System Council U-25, while, in fact, it had been rejected by better than 600 votes.

We have a binding arbitration clause in our contract, so this wage dispute was submitted to the Arbitration Board. The hearings were held at the LaSalle Hotel in Chicago and completed on June 16, 1970.

By the time you read this, the union and company attorneys will have submitted their written post-hearing briefs to the arbitrator, G. Allen Dash, of Philadelphia.

## Chicago's 25th Anniversary Party



Members of the older generation do their thing.



The younger members and their guests enjoy one of the two bands.



Local 1427, Chicago, Ill., recently held its 25th Anniversary Dinner-Dance. At dinner, left to right, are Robert Orr, Miss Colleen Brady, Mrs. Bonnie Liedel, Mrs. Fran Boyd, Miss "Peg" Hill, President George Boyd, Edward Liedel, and International Representative Norman Elliott.



Left to right, are Vice President and Mrs. Edward McDonald and Business Manager and Mrs. George Boyd enjoying a brief break during the dancing.

When the executive session is held, we should learn of the approximate date the arbitrator will render his decision.

More news next month.

R. W. MOLDENHAUER, P.S.

## Chicopee Local 1500 Goes Before U.S. Commission

**L.U. 1500, CHICOPEE, MASS.**—Two of our members, President Ethel Greigore and Arthur Lavoie, Chairman of Local 1500's Legislative Action Committee, along with International Representatives Robert Dillon and Anthony Bellissimo, attended a hearing before the Tariff Commission in Washington, D.C., on June 23, 1970, on behalf of the local's petition for adjustment assistance through the Trade Expansion Act.

International Representative Bellissimo presented the case to the commission.

## Infield Job Poses Problem for Local 1501

**L.U. 1501, BALTIMORE, MD.**—I attended the meeting of the Fourth District Manufacturing Council, held at the Downtowner Motor Inn, in Canton, Ohio, April 16-18, 1970. All Local 1501 members should obtain a copy of my minutes of the meeting, as the minutes contain detailed information.

On the night of April 17th, I met with International Representative Buck Williamson to discuss the crisis facing Local 1501, concerning our infield man at the racetracks. In some areas, the American Totalisator Company has put a local electrician in the infield—without the supervision of Local 1501—and has removed the Local 1501 member.

## International and Local Officers



Pictured in the office of Local 1501, Baltimore, left to right, are Vice President Bud Tegtmeier and President Dion F. Guthrie of Local 1501 and International Representative Buck Williamson.

A meeting on April 28th was arranged with John A. B. Fisher, President of the American Totalisator Company; International Representative Buck Williamson, Vice President Bud Tegtmeier, Local 1501; and me.

At that meeting, Mr. Fisher explained that he could not see, nor could he understand, the carrying of two men in the infield. The union agrees, as there is not enough work in the infield for two men during the racing. But, which electrician should go? The company says Local 1501's man must go, for, according to the master agreement, the company is stuck with the local electrician, so it's easier to get rid of the 1501 electrician.

The company is stuck with the electrician because of the company's agreement with the I.O., not because of any agreement Local 1501 has anything to do with. We refer to the clause in the master agreement—that the company

would have to change in order to be able to do anything about the situation. By mutual agreement, the company could open the agreement right now and negotiate that clause, but it refuses to do so.

Our only other course of action is to force the company to put a 1501 man in these areas. We have been told to wait until negotiating time and then enforce our jurisdictional rights. This line of action gives the company time to prepare itself and do what it can about the clause in the master agreement. In other words, the company will have to give the I.O. proper notice to terminate the master agreement, and then it can negotiate that clause.

We of 1501 will assist the company in this matter, as we will ask the I.O. for termination of the master agreement 90 days prior to February 28, 1971.

DION F. GUTHRIE, PRES.

## Scribe Enjoys Working On Nuclear Plant Job

**L.U. 1579, AUGUSTA, GA.**—It's nice to travel to other locals around the country, doing a good day's work for our sister locals. Such was the case when I traveled up to Hartsville, South Carolina, to the H. B. Robinson Nuclear Power Plant. It is being worked out of Local 382, Columbia, South Carolina, whose business manager is Sinway Young. The prime contractor on the job is Ebasco of New York.

Buck Davis and Murry Bell are the general foremen, and Stanford Roberts, Jack Jordan, Larry Campagna, Bob Ferral, Jimmy Morris, Roy Caulder, Jimmy Richardson, and Wage Johnson are foremen.

It was great to talk to Buck Davis and Murry Bell about the Savannah River plant we helped build 20 years ago. I started out in the wire-pulling gang. It was a pleasure to work for Larry Campagna—all the men like him. Larry likes to fish, and when fishermen get together, you better watch out.

Every evening, Roy Caulder and Jean Reynolds go over to Lake Robinson and fish with the purple worm. Jean caught an eight-and-one-half pound one which, he said, he was going to have mounted.

There is pleasure in working with fellows like Richard Dixon, Maxie Herring, Johnny Grigsey, J. B. Clontz, Leo Hunter, Ken Eyers, Jr., Bob Copeland, Cecil Morris, and others whose names I don't remember.

There are also fine fellows like Dick Stephens, Joe Graham, Frank Jonis, Dick Toewes, and Louie Gonzales. And who could ever forget Bob Wells and Raymond Copeland? (Without the checkout, it never would have flown!)

Rex McCaskill is the steward on that rough job, but he keeps it running smoothly.

It's hard to write of death, but I must report that Brother Nathan Huff passed away in March. Nathan was pushing a crew on the Georgia Medical Center,

and Tom Dunbar, Bennie, Buster, Lake, Shorty Brantley, and I were with his crew. Now Tom and Nate are gone. I can think of nothing but the good times we had, with Tom saying, "Hold it, Lake, hold it."

"Let the astrologers, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up and save thee from these things that shall come upon thee." Isaiah 47:13.

GOLDEN D. CASTO, P.S.

## Local 1651 Officer Brings Members Up to Date

**L.U. 1651, HALIFAX, N.S.**—Local 1651 is located in Dartmouth, across the harbour from Halifax in beautiful Nova Scotia, where we were originally chartered with COSSOR in 1951. Over the years, the name of the employer has changed and is now HERMES Electronics Limited.

This is the first time we have been employed by an all-Canadian employer since the first Canadian-built COSSOR scope came off the line 20 years ago.

Production had been sliding, and it's expected to slide even further, but it is hoped that, under new management, things will pick up before the end of the year.

In November of last year, we concluded a new, three-year agreement with a two-year wage re-opener clause, and this local had to apply for re-certification under the new management. This was successful, as was the signing by HERMES of the existing agreement.

Our June election saw the return of our president, Jerry Ryan, to another two-year term. Jerry was instrumental in obtaining an additional 5¢ per hour for our Sisters during the trying negotiations.

The able assistance of International Representative George Gray was responsible for obtaining what we consider to be the best contract we've had to date.

Recently, two of our Brothers were promoted to staff jobs with our new employer. Dick Brazier is now Shipping and Traffic supervisor. (Dick is also president of the Dartmouth Community Credit Union.) John Heath is now personnel supervisor. We hope these promotions will help in matters concerning L&M.

I discovered that our labor-management has been operating since our first agreement was signed in 1951, and we have found that, through L&M consultations over the years, most non-negotiable matters can be effectively worked out.

International Vice President W. Ladyman recently stated that the primary intent of the *Journal* is to promote inter-local communications and the transfer of information. After several years of reading the *Journal*, I am convinced that our Canadian Locals are not taking full advantage of this opportunity—and Local 1651 leads the delinquents. But, with the appointment of Myrtle Todd as press secretary, I'm sure this situation will soon be corrected. If any

of you members have suggestions or comments regarding future letters, Myrtle will be happy to listen.

As the Maritimes have a relatively-lower standard of living and lower wages (with a higher cost of living) than most of the affluent in this "land of Trudeau," I would like to read "Local Lines" letters from our sister locals in respect to wage rates in manufacturing.

JAMES D. MCGOWAN, R.S.

## Local 1898 Re-Elects President Pasquale Gino

**L.U. 1898, LAURELDALE, PA.**—President Pasquale Gino was re-elected on June 14, 1970. Also re-elected were Vice President Arlean V. Palka, Treasurer Louis S. Cavallucci, Financial Secretary Kathryn E. Troop, and Recording Secretary Joseph M. Gyomber.

Elizabeth M. Tolson was re-elected to the Executive Board. New members of the Executive Board are Richard M. Wernicki, Gerard J. Bosch, Gary F. Goodman, Paul D. Gehringer, and George A. Crosby.

Pasquale Gino, Louis S. Cavallucci, Arlean V. Palka, Peter H. Farrier, Kathryn E. Troop, Joseph F. Yaklowich, and Shirley A. Williams were elected as delegates to the IBEW convention.

Reading Councilman Anthony J. Caraballo served as judge of the election, with Barbara A. Fick and Raymond J. Pasker as tellers. Fifteen members of the local served as counters.

The following members received certificates for completing courses conducted by various labor organizations: Shirley A. Williams, Pearl E. Larish, Jennie A. Crosby, and John R. Kilakis—United Labor Council Labor Leadership Academy; Pasquale Gino, Elizabeth M. Borzellino, and Shirley A. Williams—Labor Communication, Meeting Techniques and Public Speaking; and Pasquale Gino, Arlean V. Palka, and James L. Margrave—Union Leadership Academy.

ELIZABETH M. BORZELLINO, P.S.

## Local 1969 Legal Assistance Plan Is in Effect

**L.U. 1969, REDWOOD CITY, CALIF.**—Local 1969's Legal Assistance Plan went into effect on April 15, 1970. The

### Redwood City Members



Mary Watson and Shigeko Okine, members of Local 1969, Redwood City, Calif., pose in front of one of the three buses which took 106 members and guests on a "Reno or Bust" excursion.

## More Local 1969 News



Helen McKenna, one of Local 1969's recent bingo winners.



Walt Barger, Al Childers, and Al's two sons show proof of their successful duck-shooting excursion to Tule Lake, California.

plan, in accordance with the rules of the Bar Association, will provide legal assistance—other than actual litigation and court appearances—for all members of Local 1969.

At the April meeting, our attorneys explained the plan. Among the many legal services it will provide are those in connection with wills, joint tenancies, leases, adoption papers, divorce papers, letter writing, letter content explanations, contracts, mortgages, etc. If any of you members wish further information on this plan, please write to me and I will send additional information.

The big event in April was our "Reno or Bust" excursion. Three buses transported 106 of our members and their guests to the "Biggest Little City in the World." Everyone had a wonderful time on the weekend jaunt and returned home with bags and bags of money. (At least, that's what they told us.)

June 30th was a sad day for our local, for on that day, the Lynch Communications Company Plant in South San Francisco closed its doors and completed its move to Reno, Nevada. Many of our employees had been with Lynch since it first opened in San Francisco, 20 years ago. We hope to place the Lynch employees within our jurisdiction eventually.

On May 1st, we presented another case to the Lenkurt Electric Company involving overtime for a supervisor. On May 6th, we received a favorable decision—a settlement of \$850 in back pay.

## New Local's Officers at Progress Meeting



Officers of newly-chartered Local 2300, Denver, Colo., recently attended their first progress meeting when the Eighth District met in Salt Lake City recently. They are shown here with International officers. Left to right, are International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan, Vice President John Jones, Financial Secretary Pat Biggs, Executive Board member Steve Dewey, International President Charles H. Pillard, Executive Board member Cal Morse, and President Vern Janisch.



President Vern Janisch addressing the Eighth District Progress Meeting.

Recently, President John Knezevich, Linda Thomas, and Julia Arias were delegates to the convention of the Association of California Consumers.

JOHN KNEZEVICH, PRES.

## Newly-Chartered Local Submits First Letter

**L.U. 2300, DENVER, COLO.**—On June 12, 13, 1970, five of our newly-elected officers received the opportunity to attend the Eighth District Progress Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah. They were President Vern Janisch, Vice President John Jones, Financial Secretary Pat Biggs, and Executive Board members Steve Dewey and Cal Morse.

At the progress meeting, we met International President Charles H. Pillard, International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan, International Vice President Stanley E. Thompson, and many other International officers. We also learned about the problems that some of our sister locals have, and this gave us a better understanding of the problems we may have to face in the future.

We are presently in negotiations with the Western Electric Company (our first

contract). We believe we will have a settlement shortly.

We give special thanks to our sister locals for their support and aid during our organizing campaign.

CAL E. MORSE, P.S.

## With the Ladies

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logne contains even less compound and more alcohol. Also, some perfume compound is used in all scented products.

In all, there are about 500 natural oils and approximately 2,000 synthetic oils available to the perfume industry, and surprisingly synthetic scents are often added to natural oils to bring out the true scent of natural oils.

The real artist of the perfume industry is the perfumer, or "nose," as he is often called, and he can, by smell, correctly identify more than a thousand ingredients that go into perfume. He may use as few as 12 ingredients or as many as 200 in a single perfume. He may also create hundreds of different perfumes, using only 12 ingredients.

Every perfumer dreams of creating a unique scent for a new perfume which will sweep the perfume market and remain a great seller like Coty's *L'Origan*, which was placed on the market in 1905; Chanel's *No. 5* in 1924; and Lanvin's *Arpege*, in 1927. The perfumer

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people in the world. They receive much criticism and very little reward. Perhaps the time will come, he said, when there will be a different system of appointing and paying business managers.

Brother Ladyman urged the delegates to discuss the proposed strike fund resolution that will be presented at the Seattle convention and to instruct the convention delegates accordingly.

Votes of thanks were voiced at all three locations for hospitality rooms operated by area local unions, for the Central Progress Meeting luncheon provided by Local Union 353, Toronto, Ontario, and the banquet and dance at Halifax, Nova Scotia. Special thanks were also extended to delegates and local members who assisted with registration.

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ing IBEW leadership courses. He congratulated local unions that have merged within the past year and told of the cooperation between merged locals and how they had been strengthened through mergers.

Brother Charles Marciante reported on the political activities in the state and said that a registration drive had been started. He remarked on the various aims and goals of the New Jersey locals and stated that Senator Harrison "Pete" Williams, Jr. and other members of Congress who favored organized labor are being supported by COPE and the AFL-CIO.

Brother Harry Dove, Business Manager of System Council U-2, introduced a long-time friend, Robert Baker, Vice President of the Public Service Electric and Gas Company of New Jersey. Mr. Baker, after citing the many years of good relations with the IBEW locals, spoke on the changes in the utility industry and reminded the delegates that the changes mean that both labor and management must develop a capable work force and find a better way of handling disputes without the loss of productive time, as well as a way to overcome the disastrous work stoppages which are so costly to both the employer and the employee.

Ralph "Dutch" Halloran, Business Manager of Local 139, Elmira, New York, and member of the International Executive Council, spoke briefly to the delegates, reminding them that now is the time when organized labor should review, renew, and reanimate their strength and efforts to protect the gains that have been fought for throughout the years.

International President Charles H. Pillard, who represented the Third District as a member of the International Executive Council for many years, was given a standing ovation upon his introduction by Vice President Johnson. He was given another standing ovation when he announced that he would be a candidate for the office of International President at the IBEW convention in Seattle in September, 1970.

President Pillard, in his remarks, told of the various victories of the IBEW in all branches of the industry last year, and he called for more

vigorous campaigns in organizing, educating, and training, if the IBEW is to remain a top leader in organized labor, for the benefit of its membership. Warning against apathy, he pointed out that we cannot live off the benefits of past glories, for times have changed and, therefore, ways of doing things must change in the IBEW in order to combat and overcome those persons who would wreck our very livelihoods as union workers.

A luncheon was served at noon, with the Pennsylvania locals as hosts.

On Saturday morning, speeches were given by Tom Kenney, Director of the Northeast Line JATC; E. J. "Rex" Fransway, Chairman of the International Executive Council; Mike Johnson, Executive Secretary of the Pennsylvania AFL-CIO; and International Treasurer Harry Van Arsdale, Jr.

International Secretary Joseph D. Keenan presented a report on the status of the IBEW funds and a report on the membership, pointing out the potential growth and strength of the Brotherhood. "As great as we want to make it" was the message of Secretary Keenan.

Secretary Keenan also spoke to the members on the important elections that will take place this year and on the importance of backing COPE-endorsed candidates. He said it is most important that the membership of organized labor register and vote, for this year, the enemies of labor are working diligently to gain control of Congress.

Vice President Johnson thanked the delegates for attending the meeting, which was adjourned at 1:25 P.M. on June 20, 1970.

### International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers—Pension and Death Benefit Payment Report

	IBEW PENSION BENEFIT FUND	ELECTRICAL WORKERS' BENEFIT ASSOCIATION	NATIONAL ELECTRICAL BENEFIT FUND
NUMBER ADMITTED TO PENSION LAST MONTH	473		147
TOTAL NUMBER ON PENSION	36,426		10,960
TOTAL PENSION PAYMENTS LAST MONTH	\$ 1,919,229.00		\$ 640,511.96
TOTAL PENSION PAYMENTS LAST 12 MONTHS	\$21,758,550.49		\$7,132,269.00
DEATH BENEFITS PAID LAST MONTH	\$ 204,838.32	\$ 475,260.41	
DEATH BENEFITS PAID LAST 12 MONTHS	\$ 2,519,206.53	\$4,683,517.12	

## EWBA Death Claims Paid in May, 1970

Local	Surname	Amount	Local	Surname	Amount	Local	Surname	Amount
1	Bradford, E. B.	833.34	428	Reed, M. F.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Moxham, F. J.	1,250.00
3	Carr, J. H.	1,250.00	441	Allen, A. P.	166.67	Pens. (3)	Rickerby, W. J.	1,250.00
3	Dick, T. M.	1,250.00	441	Runyan, R. D.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Rogers, T. G.	1,250.00
3	Lewis, C. T.	1,250.00	474	Da Costa, F. M.	1,000.00	Pens. (3)	Rubin, L.	1,250.00
3	McDonough, P. J.	1,250.00	474	Stovall, W. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Shapiro, L.	1,000.00
3	O'Connor, A.	1,250.00	482	Fitzherbert, J.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Warner, H.	1,250.00
3	Simon, A.	1,250.00	483	Bogh, G.	416.66	Pens. (3)	Weil, P. H.	1,250.00
3	Sotirhos, A. G.	1,250.00	490	Redden, M. P.	1,250.00	Pens. (4)	Hannon, J. P.	1,000.00
6	Frankum, A. R.	1,250.00	495	Mann, Jr., A. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (5)	McClusky, S.	1,000.00
6	Hammersland, E.	1,250.00	501	Domizio, D. J.	1,000.00	Pens. (6)	Davis, J. W.	1,250.00
6	Jaeger, W. P.	1,250.00	518	Harmon, W. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (6)	Eisen, H.	1,250.00
6	Nelson, C. G.	1,250.00	564	Perry, L. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (6)	Ortley, P. B.	1,250.00
9	Galloway, W. C.	1,000.00	570	Adkins, H. D.	1,250.00	Pens. (6)	Soult, R. L.	1,250.00
11	Cromer, A. T.	1,250.00	583	Aldridge, R. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (6)	Staniels, W. H.	1,000.00
11	Fouceck, E. E.	1,000.00	595	Bennis, J. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (9)	Gabriel, G. T.	300.00
11	Goodale, W. J.	333.33	601	Stirewalt, L. D.	1,250.00	Pens. (9)	Olson, L. M.	1,250.00
11	Johnson, J. E.	1,250.00	605	Axton, P.	1,250.00	Pens. (11)	Jansen, F.	1,250.00
11	Jones, J. L.	1,250.00	611	Ross, H. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (11)	Landt, L. W.	1,250.00
16	Hirsch, D. R.	1,250.00	613	Mann, R. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (11)	McGraham, D. J.	1,250.00
18	Gilpin, W. H.	1,250.00	647	Carson, J.	1,250.00	Pens. (11)	Neuman, E. H.	1,250.00
18	Gove, H. H.	1,250.00	659	Dyer, D. I.	1,250.00	Pens. (11)	Schrank, M. L.	1,250.00
24	Davis, Jr., W. A.	1,250.00	675	Mickelson, E.	1,250.00	Pens. (18)	Gove, E. E.	1,250.00
24	King, M. C.	1,250.00	682	Chandler, J. O.	1,250.00	Pens. (23)	Johnson, O. W.	1,250.00
26	Donaldson, P. T.	1,250.00	682	Lange, G. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (26)	Foley, C. K.	1,250.00
26	Mallory, C. C.	1,250.00	692	Gottleber, E. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (34)	Rehwaldt, B. J.	1,250.00
27	Parham, J. B.	500.00	695	Jones, H. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (38)	McKee, W. D.	1,250.00
40	Colangelo, T. D.	1,000.00	702	Schaefer, K. R.	1,000.00	Pens. (38)	Mooney, J. P.	1,250.00
46	Kimrey, M. N.	1,250.00	733	Smith, G. M.	1,250.00	Pens. (38)	Wacker, C.	1,250.00
48	Janssen, H. H.	1,250.00	735	Polson, C.	1,250.00	Pens. (39)	Sammon, R. J.	1,250.00
51	Morris, L. R.	1,250.00	738	Landrum, H. D.	1,250.00	Pens. (40)	Mahony, W.	1,250.00
51	Savage, G. L.	1,250.00	743	Abel, R. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (41)	Merz, W.	1,250.00
52	Bottino, N. A.	1,250.00	776	Price, J. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (41)	Walter, A. R.	1,250.00
52	Madden, J.	1,250.00	776	Shur, E. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (46)	Cole, E. L.	1,250.00
57	Carter, E. J.	1,250.00	780	Young, E. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (46)	Warner, C. E.	1,250.00
58	Fischer, E. R.	1,250.00	791	Burt, H. E.	1,000.00	Pens. (48)	Anderson, L.	150.00
68	Gray, H. N.	1,250.00	791	Mission, D. R.	1,250.00	Pens. (51)	Fleischli, W. F.	1,000.00
70	Hale, J. W.	1,250.00	816	Bryant, M. R.	1,250.00	Pens. (51)	Foster, C. E.	1,250.00
73	Blough, S. A.	1,250.00	816	Flowers, E. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (52)	Coffey, T.	1,250.00
76	Addington, J. V.	1,250.00	816	Gilliam, J. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (58)	Mahoney, J. S.	1,250.00
77	Sigurdson, J. B.	1,250.00	828	Potter, W. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (59)	Harper, O. O.	150.00
77	Stroud, D. C.	1,250.00	846	Matchem, N.	1,250.00	Pens. (66)	Butler, P. D.	1,250.00
79	Bengston, C. E.	1,250.00	902	Faiss, J. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (66)	Cook, A. B.	1,250.00
82	Paxson, F. T.	1,250.00	902	Ryan, Sr., F. M.	1,250.00	Pens. (68)	Boyce, L. R.	1,250.00
84	Ross, W. H.	1,250.00	915	Sell, A. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (76)	Baughn, J. B.	1,250.00
86	Long, R. E.	1,250.00	963	Farrar, W. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (76)	Wagner, F. A.	1,250.00
95	Dixon, T.	1,250.00	964	Bordenkircher, L.	1,250.00	Pens. (77)	Comer, L. O.	1,250.00
98	Smith, W. J.	1,250.00	990	Kreutz, P. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (77)	Shelton, R. M.	1,250.00
103	Lowe, H. J.	1,000.00	995	Graffeo, P.	1,250.00	Pens. (77)	Tallman, J. H.	1,250.00
107	Postmus, A.	1,250.00	1009	Mitchell, W. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (79)	Burns, N. R.	1,250.00
111	Clark, E. L.	1,250.00	1068	Yockavitch, L.	1,250.00	Pens. (79)	Monroe, G. H.	1,250.00
111	Miller, F. E.	1,250.00	1095	Greenwood, A.	1,250.00	Pens. (86)	Clarke, L. E.	1,250.00
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120	Thompson, G. L.	1,250.00	1271	Bubness, J. P.	1,250.00	Pens. (99)	Damario, L.	1,250.00
125	Bennett, Jr., W. F.	1,250.00	1377	Fisher, H. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (103)	Craig, S. T.	1,250.00
125	Potter, A. W.	1,250.00	1377	Kosenski, C. P.	1,250.00	Pens. (108)	Dawson, W. G.	1,250.00
134	Boardman, R. E.	1,250.00	1377	Petehik, C.	1,250.00	Pens. (108)	Sellers, P. W.	1,250.00
134	Cullerton, Jr., E.	1,250.00	1393	Haase, W. R.	1,250.00	Pens. (116)	Floyd, F. H.	1,250.00
134	Holl, R. W.	1,250.00	1393	Watson, M. F.	250.00	Pens. (122)	Stone, W. C.	1,250.00
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134	Schiopour, A.	1,250.00	1579	Harbin, W. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (125)	Hoisington, G.	1,250.00
134	Schwartz, G. J.	1,250.00	1788	Marlatt, L. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (125)	Simpson, L. D.	1,250.00
134	Zisterer, E. F.	1,250.00	1815	Mills, H. K.	1,250.00	Pens. (125)	Vigus, A. K.	1,250.00
145	Simmons, H. P.	1,250.00	1924	Dotson, W. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (126)	Dickson, C. F.	1,250.00
164	Boss, E. W.	1,250.00	2227	Salvador, I. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (130)	Baltazor, A.	1,250.00
183	Waters, E. F.	1,250.00	I. O. (16)	Temple, R. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (131)	Davis, B. G.	150.00
191	Riehl, K. N.	1,250.00	I. O. (51)	Laughery, O. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (131)	Markus, R. B.	1,250.00
191	Wold, M. P.	1,250.00	I. O. (160)	Haack, H. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (131)	Putnam, L. F.	1,250.00
200	Taus, A.	1,250.00	I. O. (344)	Belsham, F.	1,000.00	Pens. (134)	Goddard, H. R.	1,250.00
211	Gruen, M. H.	1,250.00	I. O. (416)	Spiehl, W. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Heiber, E.	1,250.00
212	Glenn, W. R.	1,250.00	I. O. (596)	Carez, H. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Himan, C.	1,250.00
213	Prentice, D. L.	1,250.00	I. O. (723)	Baker, J.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Hoellen, M. J.	1,250.00
234	Nee, W. A.	1,250.00	I. O. (753)	Beaubien, A.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Koepke, J. C.	1,250.00
236	Montgomery, A.	1,250.00	I. O. (949)	Thompson, N. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Matson, E. L.	1,250.00
246	Hubbard, G. D.	1,250.00	I. O. (1022)	Sizemore, W. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	McCurrie, J. R.	1,250.00
258	Bindley, J.	1,250.00	I. O. (1306)	Heller, H.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Modjeski, S.	1,250.00
271	Anderson, K. F.	1,250.00	I. O. (1393)	Morey, O. V.	1,000.00	Pens. (134)	Peard, W. W.	1,250.00
278	Cline, F. V.	1,250.00	I. O. (1412)	Sturges, C. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Poshepny, F. G.	1,000.00
278	McCartor, C. E.	1,250.00	I. O. (1441)	Lukens, F. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Rea, J.	1,250.00
307	Miller, A. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (1)	Best, W. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Sinkule, C.	1,250.00
309	Maly, S.	1,250.00	Pens. (1)	Elkins, P. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Thompson, H. M.	1,250.00
313	Janes, D. P.	1,250.00	Pens. (2)	Huffman, J.	1,250.00	Pens. (134)	Tinsley, F. T.	1,250.00
314	Leary, D. B.	1,000.00	Pens. (3)	Bodnar, A. A.	333.34	Pens. (136)	Tolbert, T. R.	1,250.00
317	Kearney, C. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Boyle, J. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (159)	Brueske, R. H.	1,000.00
349	Sullivan, J. P.	1,000.00	Pens. (3)	Corin, J.	1,250.00	Pens. (160)	Agnesty, F. H.	1,250.00
357	Kubat, S. F.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Dado, J.	1,250.00	Pens. (160)	Synstebly, O.	1,250.00
369	Noe, J. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Fanelli, A.	1,250.00	Pens. (166)	Stevens, J. F.	1,250.00
369	Porter, C. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Mallard, J. L.	200.00	Pens. (180)	Jensen, H. E.	1,250.00
390	Sheffield, H. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Melcher, W.	1,250.00	Pens. (212)	Cullen, Sr., R. J.	1,250.00
424	Ashman, H.	1,250.00	Pens. (3)	Mittauer, R. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (212)	Wagner, J. E.	1,250.00

Local	Surname	Amount	Local	Surname	Amount	Local	Surname	Amount
Pens. (213)	Nicholl, H.	1,250.00	Pens. (428)	Cottrell, D. R.	1,250.00	Pens. (734)	Ferrell, J. I.	1,250.00
Pens. (213)	Preston, W. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (430)	Sommers, J. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (734)	Hight, V. H.	1,250.00
Pens. (213)	Small, J. S.	1,000.00	Pens. (441)	Grikscheid, G.	1,250.00	Pens. (734)	Pond, J. L.	1,250.00
Pens. (214)	Frie, G. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (452)	Bier, E. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (750)	Thomas, E. J.	1,250.00
Pens. (214)	Holle, W. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (466)	Rouse, A. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (755)	Markland, C. G.	1,250.00
Pens. (215)	Beverland, R. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (474)	Green, W. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (760)	Jordan, J. S.	1,250.00
Pens. (229)	Fink, H. D.	1,250.00	Pens. (474)	Pratt, R. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (761)	Houston, P. H.	1,250.00
Pens. (230)	English, R. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (481)	Brennan, W. E.	1,000.00	Pens. (783)	Schmoller, J.	1,250.00
Pens. (244)	Ryland, T. B.	1,250.00	Pens. (483)	Derousse, A. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (812)	Gordner, C. A.	1,250.00
Pens. (245)	Henninger, C. O.	1,250.00	Pens. (494)	Barlett, L. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (817)	Noonan, J. F.	1,250.00
Pens. (247)	Buehler, F. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (494)	Kissing, C. P.	1,250.00	Pens. (844)	Standard, J. W.	1,250.00
Pens. (247)	Franken, H. W.	1,000.00	Pens. (494)	Madecky, R. R.	1,250.00	Pens. (855)	Pike, E. W.	1,250.00
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Pens. (265)	Peterson, L. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (501)	Wilmot, F. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (856)	Townsend, R. E.	1,250.00
Pens. (266)	Lutes, C. M.	1,250.00	Pens. (502)	Lunnin, C. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (859)	Cook, J. W.	1,250.00
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Pens. (273)	White, E. G.	1,250.00	Pens. (508)	Beaupre, A. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (865)	Moler, H. R.	1,250.00
Pens. (278)	Ochse, A. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (508)	Riggs, J. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (889)	Klisura, J. J.	1,250.00
Pens. (288)	Caswell, C. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (512)	Hillier, Sr., R. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (909)	Baird, W.	1,250.00
Pens. (292)	Green, J. C.	1,000.00	Pens. (517)	Chandler, W. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (918)	Spohn, H. E.	1,250.00
Pens. (292)	Johnson, C. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (538)	Shelato, W. F.	1,250.00	Pens. (947)	Duda, M. E.	1,250.00
Pens. (292)	Magnuson, C. J.	1,000.00	Pens. (564)	Marshall, J. D.	1,000.00	Pens. (953)	Running, H. I.	1,250.00
Pens. (295)	Samford, R. H.	1,000.00	Pens. (567)	McCafferty, F.	1,250.00	Pens. (995)	Pearson, C. E.	1,250.00
Pens. (304)	Carlson, A. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (567)	Shute, A. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (1037)	Sutherland, G.	1,250.00
Pens. (304)	Morriss, W. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (569)	Aschmeyer, C. F.	1,250.00	Pens. (1077)	Morris, J. E.	1,250.00
Pens. (304)	Nipples, L. W.	1,000.00	Pens. (589)	Cunningham, D.	1,250.00	Pens. (1141)	Hoffman, L. I.	1,250.00
Pens. (306)	Goins, S. J.	1,250.00	Pens. (583)	Anderson, W. H.	1,250.00	Pens. (1141)	Huffman, L. R.	1,250.00
Pens. (309)	Moore, E.	1,250.00	Pens. (584)	Reese, R. E.	1,250.00	Pens. (1141)	Russ, G. H.	1,250.00
Pens. (321)	Renkosik, F.	1,250.00	Pens. (584)	Walton, G. O.	1,250.00	Pens. (1249)	Lahah, L. G.	1,250.00
Pens. (324)	Booth, W. O.	1,250.00	Pens. (588)	Patterson, E. L.	1,250.00	Pens. (1261)	Fuhrman, J. E.	1,250.00
Pens. (326)	Bordeleau, D.	1,250.00	Pens. (597)	Reed, C. R.	1,250.00	Pens. (1288)	Nuss, W. L.	1,250.00
Pens. (329)	Phelps, W. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (605)	Hilton, C. D.	1,250.00	Pens. (1302)	Belt, M. E.	1,250.00
Pens. (330)	Magnus, O. O.	1,250.00	Pens. (615)	Faulconer, E.	1,250.00	Pens. (1305)	Quillen, C. W.	1,250.00
Pens. (332)	Hoskins, W.	1,250.00	Pens. (617)	Nowickaitys, F.	1,250.00	Pens. (1305)	Theisen, C. R.	1,250.00
Pens. (333)	Day, N.	1,250.00	Pens. (621)	Peterson, E. O.	1,250.00	Pens. (1316)	Benford, L. F.	1,250.00
Pens. (349)	Parrish, S. W.	1,250.00	Pens. (639)	Fitzsimmons, C.	150.00	Pens. (1340)	Calhoun, T. W.	1,250.00
Pens. (351)	Voorhees, R. W.	1,000.00	Pens. (640)	Wright, D. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (1377)	Tench, W. L.	1,250.00
Pens. (353)	Lambert, H. R.	1,250.00	Pens. (648)	Tewart, B. D.	1,250.00	Pens. (1393)	Benes, F.	1,250.00
Pens. (353)	Pike, H.	1,000.00	Pens. (659)	Pilcher, E. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (1426)	Grier, B. B.	1,250.00
Pens. (373)	Vartabedian, J.	1,250.00	Pens. (661)	Meador, V. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (1439)	Dodson, H. A.	1,250.00
Pens. (380)	Sawyer, L. E.	150.00	Pens. (674)	Thompson, W. F.	1,250.00	Pens. (1826)	Riggins, P. A.	1,250.00
Pens. (382)	Greene, F. B.	1,250.00	Pens. (677)	Newhard, F. A.	1,250.00	Pens. (1959)	Trocinsky, L. A.	1,250.00
Pens. (386)	Copeland, W. C.	1,250.00	Pens. (685)	Splawn, L.	1,250.00			
Pens. (386)	Priestley, M.	1,250.00	Pens. (716)	Greene, J. E.	1,250.00			
Pens. (387)	Cogdill, J. O.	1,250.00	Pens. (721)	McMahan, J. A.	1,250.00			

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## With the Ladies

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may experiment for years to try to create a scent, something he has remembered from childhood, for example. Sometimes he succeeds, and sometimes he fails.

Experts place scents in seven basic types—the *single floral*, the scent of a single flower; *floral bouquet*, a blend of floral scents; *modern blends*, a woody scent accented by a dominate one; *oriental*, an intensely floral, spicy, or woody scent; *forest blends* or *woody-mossy-leafy*—a non-floral type with a strong odor of herbs, gums and balsam; *fruity blends*, a clear citrus note; *spicy blends*, a strong scent of spice, nutmeg, and ginger.

Americans have the highest standard of living in the world and spend a great deal of money on perfume and scented products, yet people of other large nations spend a considerably larger amount on these products. Of course, statistics could change in the near future, for

more and more, American men are beginning to use an array of scented products. Men's using perfume is nothing new. In ancient Egypt, the men were ordered to bathe in perfume at least once a week. In old Rome, gentlemen went regularly to public bathhouses for perfumed baths. And Napoleon

used 54 bottles of Spanish jasmine and violet perfume a month.

So, ladies, if any of you think your perfume and toilet water are evaporating faster than usual, better check with your husband. He may be using your scents because he's too bashful to buy his own!

Have a good month, ladies.

## ADDRESS CHANGED?

Brothers, we want you to have your JOURNAL! When you have a change of address, please let us know. Be sure to include your old address and please don't forget to fill in L. U. and Card No. This information will be helpful in checking and keeping our records straight.

NAME.....

NEW ADDRESS.....

City..... State..... Zip Code.....

PRESENT LOCAL UNION NO.....

CARD NO..... (If unknown - check with Local Union)

OLD ADDRESS.....

City..... State..... Zip Code.....

FORMER LOCAL UNION NUMBER.....

IF YOU HAVE CHANGED LOCAL UNIONS WE MUST HAVE NUMBERS OF BOTH

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International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers  
1200 15th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20

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## SPRINGTIME IN TENNESSEE

Tennessee, I love you with your rocks  
and rills;  
There's magic in the springtime in your  
rolling hills.  
Nature blessed you with such splendor,  
a special touch  
Of the beauty in the springtime that I  
love so much.

Lakes and streams glisten with a touch  
of mystery  
In the grandeur of the Southland, here  
in Tennessee.  
Dogwoods blooming add to the beauty  
of the hills,  
And the blue sky above my heart with  
rapture fills.

Country music seems to whisper a  
melody of love,  
All the beauty of the robin, the cooing  
of a dove,  
Roses with fragrance that lingers when  
evening shadows fall;  
How I love the gentle breezes, as I  
hear the nightbird's call.

Though I've traveled many places and  
seen beauty abound,  
Seen the trees, lakes, and mountains;  
none like Tennessee I've found.  
I feel very lucky and I know God is  
good to me,  
When I see the springtime beauty of  
my beloved Tennessee.

*Martha A. Mintz  
Wife of James W. Mintz, Sr.  
Local 760  
Knoxville, Tennessee*

## CALL OF LIFE

A pessimist rattles his cage in the  
dark;  
An optimist grins through the bars,  
"It's a lark!"  
A rioter claws at the doors that he  
mocks;  
A realist searches for keys to the  
locks.

*Maddy Massa  
Wife of Joe Massa  
Local 3  
New York City*

## FIFTY-FIFTY

(To my wife on our 50th Anniversary)

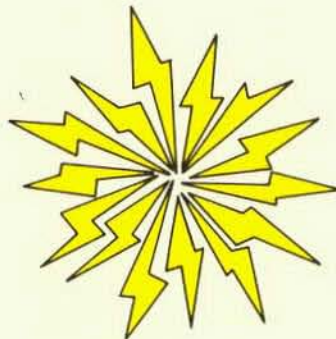
You were always there with a helping  
hand,  
Assisting me to ease the burdens of  
life  
When my luck sank to the lowest  
depths,  
You patiently shared my sorrow and  
strife.

At times, when ferocious storms dis-  
played their force  
And your formidable temper was set  
aflake,  
I took it in my stride, and then I  
learned  
Why a hurricane bears a feminine  
name!

I did my part as a helping mate  
And kept my obligations as head of  
the house.\*  
At times, I broke my pledge and mis-  
behaved  
Like a tiny insect that rhymes with  
spouse.

In the half-century of our team, both of  
us  
Have gone through trials and tribula-  
tions untold;  
As a reward for enduring one another's  
faults,  
We deserve 50-pound medals of gold!

\*When you weren't there.  
*Abe "A Bit o' Luck" Glick  
Local 3  
New York City*



## SOW THE SEED

How well we tend our gardens  
this time of the year!  
For all nature is God's work;  
that is very clear.  
But, how much more a mortal man  
who is God's plan!  
So, pull the weeds of prejudice;  
fertilize with love;  
Till the soil of helpfulness;  
God's sun will shine from above.  
How much more this work will bring  
than just a lovely garden for the  
spring.

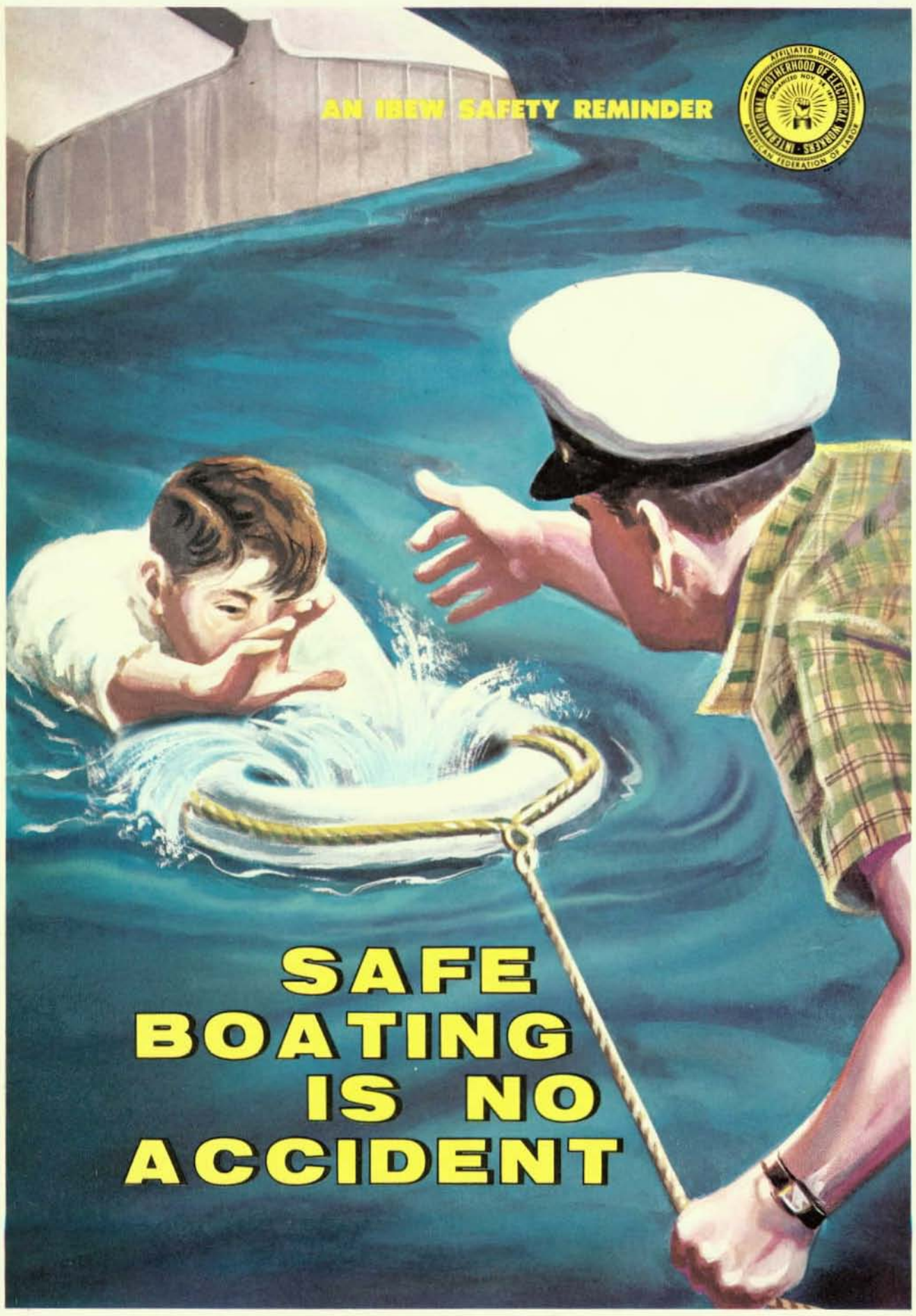
*Betty Safranek  
Wife of John Safranek  
Local 24  
Baltimore, Maryland*

## TO GIVE THANKS

Thanks—an unused word in our vocab-  
ulary,  
Rarely heard in our present society,  
A word that is lost in the English  
language.  
We do not give thanks for our daily  
sandwich;  
We do not seem to have a grateful  
heart,  
And God gave this to us at our very  
start.  
We take our food and shelter just for  
granted,  
Forget that in us God's grace is  
planted.  
We accept our raiment and all that's  
good,  
But we do not give thanks as we  
should.  
Now, God made everything that was  
ever made,  
And we do not give thanks for all His  
aid.  
You know, our very breath is given to  
us;  
We take it calmly, constantly, without  
fuss;  
All these things are given from afar,  
For in God, "We live and move and  
are."  
Let's look at this in the proper way  
And give thanks every time we pray.  
Our very life in love be increasing,  
For we are to pray to God "without  
ceasing."

And for our meager room and board,  
Thank you, thank you, thank you, Lord.  
*Benjamin G. Roeber  
Retired member  
Local 323  
West Palm Beach, Florida*

**AN IBEW SAFETY REMINDER**



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BOATING  
IS NO  
ACCIDENT**