



LOCAL ROUNDUP

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Local No. 1

Greetings from the Big Apple:

I was honored to receive an invitation to the School Committee Dinner closing out the year 1976-77. Unfortunately when I went to the dinner I didn't see too many smiling faces. The reason for the frowns was the non-participation of the membership in the school that is co-sponsored and pushed by union and management. Both the committee and the teachers have only one objective; to educate the members of Local 1 so they can become the finest elevator mechanics in the world. It is very disheartening for Local 1, the largest Local in the country to have a lesser turn out than one of the smallest Locals in the country. This school is for your own betterment, it is one night a week and I'm sure that there is not one elevator mechanic in Local 1 jurisdiction that knows everything. At this dinner a p'acque of appreciation was presented to Al (Jr.) Kraus of Otis, as Chairman of the School Committee for his outstanding participation during the school year.

I am very long winded when it comes to writing the article and, unfortunately, last month half of my article was deleted due to lack of space so Brothers I will try to condense things in the future.

Last month I promised to fill you in on the Island that the state is building off the coast of New York. **ENERGY ISLAND**, fourteen (14) miles south of Long Island, will be built with the land fill that is dredged out of the Erie Canal which is supposed to be widened and deepened into a modern waterway. It will create approximately 50,000 permanent jobs and as many as 100,000 temporary jobs during its construction. This off shore Island will contain sites for oil refineries, L.N.G. storage areas, a tanker port for off shore oil drilling and possibly maybe used as a recycling center for sewer sludge.

The Officers of this Local and myself send our condolences to Leonard Mancusi, Jr. of Staley on the passing of his parents. Brother Mancusi, Sr., who also worked for Staley Elevator Company and his wife Helen both died within a week. Lenny is also survived by Angelo Casseta, a cousin who up until recently was working for Otis out of the Bronx.

Also, our condolences are sent to Brothers Ben and Jim Fazio for the passing of their brother Nick who suffered a fatal heart attack while visiting from Florida. On the sick list we have Jack Stack in the hospital with a heart attack, Ray Masterella with a very serious illness and just last week Brother Bob Graff caught his arm in a sheave while working for Curtis. If anybody knows the above Brothers, please call the union and find out what hospital they are in.

The Union Picnic is off and running. It will be held on the second Saturday in August at Kruckers, Pomona, New York. Make your reservations early because it's going to be mobbed. The day of Infamy is com-

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Keep articles to about 600 words.

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ing, i.e., the day the Dirty Dozen of Brooklyn will seek revenge from the Downtown Derelicts and the return of the Championship Trophy in soft ball. The date set is June 11th and the place is Valley Stream State Park on Long Island. Lookout Downtowners—We're gonna getcha . . . And a happy note, Paul Russell who is on the recovery trail from a long illness made a surprise visit to the Union ovation. God Bless you Paul and keep fighting.

In closing, I would like to add Stay Alert and Stay Alive.

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Faternally,
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