## NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Greetings from the Big Apple:

Things are getting better in the mighty MacIntosh. We have come down from almost 600 brothers out of work to 130 and the prospects for the future look bright with steel rising up all over the city. Thank God—it couldn't come any sooner. An indication of full employment is that as I am writing this letter 53 temporary mechanics are taking the permanent mechanics test. Of the 53 there are 10 minorities taking the test, but all of the brothers have been temporary mechanics for over a year. Good luck to you brothers on the test.

At the last meeting, Brother Bill Fleming received a standing ovation from the members in attendance. Brother Fleming was celebrating his 80th birthday and almost 60 years in Local 1. Bill rarely misses a meeting. Congratulations, Bill, with hopes of many anniversaries to come.



Brother Bill Fleming on his 80th birthday and 60th anniver-

The heat is on in the Otis Jamaica Office. The brothers in that office are having a lot of problems with management in regards to night calls, company school, and the definition of repair work. Otis asked for a meeting of the brothers in that office and 99% showed up. Mr. Stan



The Otis Jamaica men having a meeting.

McDonald and Jerry Ottens showed up from management and Brother Stork, B.M.; Green, B.A., Kennedy, B.A.; Templeton, S.S., came as representatives of the union. The meeting lasted almost six (6) hours, but relatively little was accomplished. So it is back to the bargaining table after the brothers have another meeting.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: As promised in last month's Constructor, I have included some pictures of the Tradesmen Dance. The dance was a smashing success and the committee had to turn away approximately 60 people. The food was excellent, the band was fantastic, and the dance lasted for seven (7) hours. Thanks again to Brothers Jim Reilly and Ray Bender for putting together



Tradesmen Dance.



From left to right: Brother John McHugh, Tradesman of the Year, Jim Reilly, Chairman of Dance Committee, Ray Bender, President, Harry Carlyle and Larry Clark, Service



The exotic dancers trying to teach elevator men how to





Long Island men enjoying food and drink and alot of conversation.

another excellent affair. . . . The first annual barbeque for the Long Island men was held on the water in Far Rockaway and was organized by Brothers Freddie Coleman, Walter Burke, and Cliff Moscrop of Westinghouse, Rudy Schilling of Armor, Bill Keagan of Dover and yours truly, Frank Dolan of Otis. Being the first barbeque the planning was a little off and only 30 brothers showed up from six (6) different elevator companies. The food and beer was in abundance and Freddie did an excellent job on cooking his specialties of roasted chicken, wienies, fish chowder and chile a la Coleman. The food was in such abundance that we had to have another party the next day. Oh Shucks!

Well that's it for this month, brothers, with hopes that we all have a Holy Christmas, Happy Chanuka and a safe and Happy New Year. See you next year with a brand new show. Work safe and stay out of mischief.

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Fraternally yours in unionism.

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