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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Roger Askew

STATE CONVENTION

From May 26th through May 28th, 2000 the California State Association of Letter Carriers held its bi-annual convention in Monterey, California. Nine hundred thirteen delegates from around the state met at this session. Our branch had 10 delegates who were able to attend. Once again some form of an area wage increase appeared in the resolution booklet. (This time we are referring to it as locality pay) I'm not sure whether or not you are aware of this but carriers who work in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, The Virgin Islands and Guam all receive an area cost of living because they live in an area that qualifies. This specific resolution would grant an area cost of living for our C.O.L.A increases. My own personal opinion is that those of us who live in California deserve this. In addition to this resolution the delegates discussed proposed changes in the State by-laws and contract resolutions that will be sent to the national association for consideration at the national convention to be held next month. In addition to the business of the convention we were able to hear from Senator Barbara Boxer, Congressmen Neil Ambercombe from Hawaii and Congressmen Sam Farr from California. All of these speeches were very informative on the issues that face us in the legislative branches of our government. A special note of congratulations to a member of our branch who received a committee assignment. Velma McClinton was chosen as Chairperson of the Credentials Committee in addition to her responsibilities as Chairperson of the Carl Saxenmeyer Scholarship Fund.

DISTRICT 6

Velma McClinton has served on the California State Association of Letter Carriers Executive Board as District 6 representative since 1994. District 6 covers the area from Pasadena on the east, Lancaster to the north-east and as far north as Santa Barbara. Velma has done a great job representing us in the State Association. She chose not to run again and we all owe her a great deal of thanks for the six years of service she gave. It takes countless hours and many miles of driving to serve the area. Her efforts in the last elections have helped the union win important elections and she has done a wonderful job. Thank you very much Velma for all those hours and dedication you gave for letter carriers.

FOOD DRIVE

Another year has gone by and another food drive is behind us. As of Tuesday evening (June 6th) the branch collected over 70,000 pounds of food for the local food pantries.

Thanks to Janette Dolabson for the tremendous job she did in coordinating this effort. In addition, each office had an individual food drive coordinator and they deserve a special thanks for their effort. They are, Janette Dolabson - Tarzana, Tia Wilson - Sun Valley, Tracy Mullinax - Encino, Velma McClinton - Main Office, Calvin Brookins - Civic Center, Jeff Jackson - Panorama City, and Irwin Schnyder and Dan Rathbone - Sherman Oaks). I must say that it is quite a sight to see a Postmaster in street clothes helping out in this project. Each year Tony Plante shows up to help carriers in Tarzana sort and get the food to MEND. He deserves a thanks you.

The food that is given to these organization is greatly needed. The food will last MEND and the other organizations well into the summer months. Thanks to all of you who picked the food up. I realize that in some cases this requires additional effort but if you could see all the good it does for those less fortunate people who need the food you would realize that the effort is well worth it. As Letter Carriers we have received national recognition for our annual Food Drive and it is a tremendous task to visit each household in the country and collect food. Each of us had a part in this effort and we should all feel proud of our efforts.

PICNIC

By the time you read this the picnic will have come and gone. Each year we try to have some sort of annual event like this. Over the last couple of years I have noticed that the active and retired members who participate in either the picnic or the Magic Mountain event seems to be around 125 to 140 (out of a possible 600). If you have an idea for an event that you would like to see take place so that more of our members can participate please let either Calvin Brookins or me know. You can also relay the information to your Shop Steward and they can tell us. This year will have made a slight change and the event will take place at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center in Burbank. Hopefully we will have seen you there and you will have had a great time!!

RAY KREYER AWARD

I announced at the last branch meeting that the selection for the Ray Kreyer Award will be done at the Executive Board meeting on Thursday September 28th. Each year the branch selects a member that has contributed to the union above and beyond the call of duty. If you have

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Vice President Report:

By

Calvin D. Brookins

Industrial Accidents

We have experienced a lot of industrial accidents in Van Nuys as of late. What management is doing is trying to show that you the letter carrier were working in an unsafe manner when you were injured on the job. Whenever you get injured on the job you must report such accident immediately to your supervisor. I want to offer you a word of caution, when management began to question you about the accident they may attempt to use what you say against you in the form of discipline. Therefore as soon as management start to ask you questions about the accident, you should ask them if these questions can lead to discipline, regardless of what their answer is you should request to have a shop steward present. Do not write any statements until you have discussed it with the union. I emphasize this, in order to protect your rights against discipline. Remember management has to prove that you were working in an unsafe manner, so lets not help them prove their case against you. Management assumes that because a carrier was injured on the job they were working in an unsafe manner. I write about this because management at one of our stations issued a carrier a letter of warning for working in an unsafe manner. Management makes a statement in the letter of warning about what the carrier was doing, but this never came up in the fact finding nor is it in the carrier written statement. Management obtained this information by questioning this carrier prior to the day the fact finding was held. Again please request a shop steward anytime prior to answering questions put to you by management.

Discussions

In the July 1999 issue of the MailCall I wrote a brief statement about what to do when you are call into the office for an official discussion. I am going to write about this again because I have notice that most carriers are not doing what I am suggesting even though it is for your on good.

Remember discussions are between the supervisor and the employee there should not be anyone else present and it should be done in private. If the supervisor or manager does not tell you this is an official discussion do not be afraid to ask I would highly suggest that you ask, so there is no confusion about whether it is an official discussion or not.

You should always make a note about what the discussion was about with the date and time written on it and what supervisor had the discussion with you. This will help you remember when you were given a discussion and what was said during this discussion. Article 16 section 2 of the national agreement states that after the discussion there is no prohibition against the supervisor and/or the employee making a personal notation of the date and subject matter for their own personal records. It is up to you to protect yourself as far as a discussion is concern.

Violent Behavior and Inappropriate Comments

All carriers must remember to not let their frustrations get them into trouble be careful about the comments you make to your fellow employee including your

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ATTENDANCE CHART BRANCH MEETINGS

MONTH	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N
MAIN OFFICE	7	8	8	13	5	7					
ENCINO	8	8	8	5	8	6					
CIVIC CENTER	1	1	1	1	2	1					
PANORAMA CITY	1	2	2	2	2	2					
SHERMAN OAKS	7	6	5	4	5	5					
SUN VALLEY	2	2	1	2	0	2					
TARZANA	1	1	1	1	1	1					
RETIREE'S	5	7	5	7	7	7					
TOTAL	32	35	31	35	30	31					

**MEETING PLACE OF BRANCH 2462, NALC
6910 HAYVENHURST AVE., SUITE 101
VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA**

**NEXT MEETING
6:00 PM**

**July
11th
"2000"**

**DEADLINE DATE FOR THE NEXT
ISSUE OF "THE MAIL CALL" IS**

July 11, 2000

BRANCH OFFICE.....818-786-8505

"RETIREE CORNER"

Our next 2 (4th Saturday) Breakfast Meetings will be on and July 22, 2000 and August 26, 2000 It will be held at Cocos Restaurant , 15701 Roscoe Blvd. (Just west of the 405 Freeway, across from Anheuser-Busch). It will begin at 09:00 AM. Please mark your calendar.....We hope to see you there.

Thank
Frank Rimkus

You

PROPOSED BY LAW CHANGES
TO BE ACTED ON AT THE JULY MEETING
(CHANGES ARE UNDERLINED)

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE III (MEETINGS) Sec 1
NOW READS:

Section 1. The Regular Meeting of Branch 2462, shall be held on the First Tuesday of each month, at 5:30 PM at 6910 Hayvenhurst Ave., Van Nuys, California, or at such date, place and time as the Executive Board or the Branch may designate.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 1. The Regular Meeting of Branch 2462, shall be held on the First Tuesday of each month, at 6:00 PM at 6910 Hayvenhurst Ave., Van Nuys, California, or at such date, place and time as the Executive Board or the Branch may designate.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE IV, (NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BRANCH OFFICERS) Sec 1

NOW READS:

Section 1. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member at their last known address of the time, place and manner of nomination and election no less than forty-five (45) days before said election.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 1. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member at their last known address of the time, place and manner of nomination and election no less than forty-five (45) days before said election. The Editor shall publish the nomination and election notice no later than the month of March.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE IV, (NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF BRANCH OFFICERS) Sec 12 (A)

NOW READS:

Section 12. (A.) If an elective officer, or representative of the Branch is absent three (3) Meetings without having been excused by the Branch, or if a person resigns his office, his office shall then be declared vacated in accordance with Article X of the National Constitution, Government of Subordinate and Federal Branches and an election held to fill the office in accordance with Article V of the National Constitution of the NALC.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 12. (A.) If an elective officer, or representative of the Branch is absent three (3) Meetings without having been excused by the Branch, or if a person resigns his office, his office shall then be declared vacated in accordance with Article X of the National Constitution, Government of Subordinate and Federal Branches and an election held to fill the office in accordance with Article V of the National Constitution of the NALC. Any Branch Officer who is assigned or appointed to any Branch, State or National Assignment or appointment, shall be considered excused from any and all Branch Meetings during the assignment or appointment. However, the Branch Officer must request such excuse to the Branch within thirty (30) days from the last months meeting of such assignment or appointment.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE XII, (FUNDS) Sec 6 (B)

NOW READS:

Section 6. (B) There shall be set aside, in a Contingency Fund, Twenty five cents (\$.25) per retired member every two (2) weeks.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 6. (B) There shall be set aside, in a Contingency Fund, Fifty cents (\$.50) per retired member every two (2) weeks.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE V, (NOMINATION & ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL & STATE CONVENTIONS) Sec 6.

NOW READS:

Section 6. It shall be the duty of each member to sign an attendance book at all Regular Meetings, as proof of their attendance. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall close the sign-in book no later than thirty (30) minutes after the Meeting starts. In the event that there should not be a Regular Business Meeting in the month of December any given year, all members attending the previous November Regular Business Meeting shall receive credit toward their attendance for both the November and December Meetings.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 6. It shall be the duty of each member to sign an attendance book at all Regular Meetings, as proof of their attendance. and remain physically in the meeting until adjournment. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall close the sign-in book no later than thirty (30) minutes after the Meeting starts. In the event that there should not be a Regular Business Meeting in the month of December any given year, all members attending the previous November Regular Business Meeting shall receive credit toward their attendance for both the November and December Meetings.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Teenamarie Gallegos, Jim Tukesbrey

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE VIII, (DUTIES OF OFFICERS) Sec 4

NOW READS:

Section 4. The President of the Branch shall be the Chairman of the Delegates to the National and State Conventions and by virtue of the election to the office of President of this Branch, he/she shall be an elected and paid delegate to these Conventions.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 4: Any Branch member in good standing may be an observer to any Executive Board Meeting, however they shall have no voice or vote during the meeting.

Section 5: The President of the Branch shall be the Chairman of the Delegates to the National and State Conventions and by virtue of the election to the office of President of this Branch, he/she shall be an elected and paid delegate to these Conventions.

Current Sec 5 to become 6 and 6 to become 7

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE XII, (FUNDS) Sec 6 (A)

NOW READS:

Section 6. (A) There shall be set aside, in a Contingency Fund, One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) per active member per pay period.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 6. (A) There shall be set aside, in a Contingency Fund, Two Dollars (\$2.00) per active member per pay period.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE V, (NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL & STATE CONVENTIONS), Sec 4.

NOW READS:

Section 4. All members of the Executive Board, by virtue of their office, shall be delegates to all National and State Conventions. This Branch shall elect a full delegation to all National and State Conventions.

PROPOSED TO READ

Section 4. All members of the Executive Board, by virtue of their office, shall be delegates to all National and State Conventions. This Branch shall elect a full delegation to all National and State Conventions.

Each elected delegate must commit themselves, either yes or no, as to transportation and housing no later than the month of February.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Teenamarie Gallegos, Jim Tukesbrey

Under Time, What's That?

by
JASON D. COLELLO

Upon reading Brother Calvin Brookins vice president's report in the June 2000 issue of *The Mail Call*, I was quite literally floored—and I was not the only one—with his *Understanding Under Time* piece. It was my understanding that our union had never excepted or bought into what management calls “under time.” There are some points that Brother Brookins states in his article that I do agree with, but on the whole I feel there are serious flaws in this blanket “under time” issue that may be detrimental to our union as a whole. And I'm not playing games!

With the implementation of DPS and the ensuing route inspections, assignments were lost and existing routes grew or were re-proportioned. No routes were adjusted to less than 8 hours; all were adjusted to more than 8 hours. Furthermore, the mail volume “was” lighter during our route inspections, though mail volume may have been within the 13% variance allowed by the contract; volumes during inspection “were” lower! And let us not forget that during route inspections everything ran like clockwork, not how it actually runs on a normal day-to-day basis.

Now, concerning true “emergency” situations such as the aftermath of an earthquake (such as the '94 Northridge temblor), many deliveries can be temporarily lost in such an event. In such a drastic scenario, the workload for a carrier with a devastated assignment would be obviously affected, though, dealing with an increased workload in the office with greatly heightened COAs and vacation holds—eventually it all comes down to the amount of devastation.

I speak from experience because my assignment after the Northridge temblor experienced anywhere between 33% to 40% vacancies, with over one hundred extended vacation holds. There were days (non-coverage) on my all condo assignment that I did not have enough duties to fill an 8-hour day, so I would inform management of what time I was available for. This was a true emergency situation in which had adversely affected my assignment. No games, I worked my 8-plus hours a day which sometimes included working on other assignments. An honest day's work for an honest day's pay, and in this drastic post-earthquake situation I found no problems in keeping myself working—it was only fair.

Well, the Northridge temblor's damage has been repaired and we have no true emergency situations facing us with loss of deliveries. We do have DPS and gross under staffing which fills our days with work. We have our ‘hot-cards’ which need constant maintenance, not to mention all of those special notice cards management has told us to create for both DPS errors and all of your ‘dog’ deliveries. I just cannot see any so-called “under time” existing in our current environment. Although, there might be a very rare day when all the pieces fit and your not gonna fill an 8 hour day—after you've performed “all” of your duties correctly and safely (I've had one since the inspections).

There are serious problems attached to this so-called “under time” trapping, which if brought to light can only foster greater ill feelings between not only carriers and management, but also between carriers and their local union representation. First: if you are non-max OTDL carrier who somehow runs out of duties and are instructed to work on another assignment, an illegal pivot may, and probably will, occur. Say you perform 30

minutes of duties on another assignment because you ran out of things to do on your own assignment, then you get more mail and discover you need 30 minutes auxiliary assistance.

Two problematic scenarios arise from this situation: one; management may tell you to work the 30 minutes OT citing the contract states that for a non-OTDL carrier can be made to work up to 30 minutes of OT on their own assignment due to the cost associated with pulling that swing off (this provision “does” exist). However, management had just made the non-OTDL carrier work 30 minutes of OT off of their assignment, this is a no-no. Especially since we all know that some of the max-OTDL carriers are ‘never’ worked the contract specified 12-hour day let alone 10 hours. And management's 5:00 P.M. rule does **not** count; the contract makes no reference to 5:00 P.M., that's strictly a management thing.

Secondly: if management takes a 30 minute swing off of the non-OTDL carrier who performed 30 minutes of assistance on another assignment, that is classified as an illegal pivot. And it's the same scenario if you are a WAL carrier, because a WAL carrier can only work OT on their own assignment. Even a max OTDL carrier who works off of their assignment for more than 2-hours, and is instructed to pull a swing off of their assignment to make it back in 10-hours has been subjected to an illegal pivot.

Management may then play the ‘semantics’ game by stating the affected carriers performed duties off their assignment within the first 8-hours of duty, therefore no violations occurred. **WRONG**, it was the additional non-assignment duties that placed the carrier in a grievable situation to begin with!

Is the union setting itself up to generate more grievances by buying into management's so-called “under time” trappings? I hope not. And why is our union accepting management's so-called “under time” hogwash when there is no special circumstance true emergency such as an earthquake, when in the past our union had so vehemently denied the term “under time” and what it implied? I don't know, but it's disturbing to say the least.

Yes, I do believe in an honest day's work for an honest day's pay. And yes, we need to be fair and honest, however, with increased route size and increasing mail volume (yes, it is increasing), I just don't see how any so-called “under time” can exist in our current environment, save for those drastic emergency situations. We are tasked with more and more duties every day, with scanners and dog bite prevention to overall safety. If we, as carriers, are following all of management's whims safely and professionally, coupled with our increased route size and growing mail volume and duties, so-called “under time” just doesn't exist. And I'm not playing games! Be safe and professional, and perform all of your duties tasked to you and your assignment. Be fair and honest, even though management will discourage you from this.

Just be Professional

.PROPOSED BY LAW CHANGES
TO BE ACTED ON AT JULY MEETING
(CHANGES ARE UNDERLINED)

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE XII, (FUNDS) SECTION'S 4 & 10
NOW READS:

Section 4. No money shall be paid out by the Treasurer except on a warrant ordered by the Branch and signed by the President and the Recording Secretary.

Section 10. No appropriation shall be made except when ordered by a majority vote of the members present and voting at a Regular Meeting

PROPOSED TO READ:

Section 4. No appropriation shall be made except when ordered by a majority vote of the members present and voting at a Regular Meeting

Section 5. No money shall be paid out by the Treasurer except on a warrant ordered by the Branch and signed by the President and the Recording Secretary, except as provided in Section 6 of Article XII.

Section 6. The following moneys shall be paid out by the Treasurer immediately on receipt on a warrant ordered & signed by the President & the Recording Secretary. They are: Branch Officers Salary, including MBA, Mailcall (including Printer & Preparation), Mail Permit(including postage), Branch telephones, including cell phone, Bond for Officers, Lost Time, Insurance, Office rental, all utilities, Death Benefits and Janitorial service.

Current Section 5, becomes 7, Current Section 6 becomes 8, Current Section 7 becomes 9, Current Section 8 becomes 10, Current Section 9 becomes 11.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PROPOSED TO AMEND ARTICLE VI, (SHOP STEWARDS AND EDITOR) Sec 6, (B)

NOW READS:

(B) Administer all aspects of advertising in such publication, such as approving, billing, and collecting moneys from all advertisers.

PROPOSED TO READ:

Delete current section B, Current Sec C, becomes B and Sec D, becomes C.

Signed by
Lee Fenstermacher, Steve Seyfried, Roger Askew

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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BRANCH 2462	
2000	
CONVENTION DELEGATES	
Roger Askew -Encino	Jeff Auslander S Oaks
Art Bocek Encino	Frank Brash Ret
Calvin Brookins Civic	Ed Carlin -S Oaks
Colello -Encino	Janette Dolabson -Tarz
Dolabson -Encino	Kevin Donohue -Encino
Robert Enz -Encino	Lee Fenstermacher -Ret
TeenaMarie Gallegos -Main	Michelle Hall -Main
Hall -Main	Gloria Henry -S Oaks
Jackson -Pan City	Robert Johnson -Main
Randall Kent -Encino	Velma McClinton -Main
Tracy Mullinax -Encino	Jess Pasillas -Main
Rathbone -Ret	Rich Reimer -S Oaks
Schnyder -S Oaks	Steve Seyfried -S Oaks
Jim Tukesbrey -Ret	Tia Wilson -Sun Valley

someone in mind that you would like to see receive this award please submit her or his name as soon as possible. The executive board will vote on this and the award will be presented at the annual Retiree's Nite in October.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

By the time you read this, there will be less than a month to go before the national convention is held in Chicago, Illinois. Our branch will be sending 28 delegates to this convention. (27 qualify for branch funds) You should let your delegates know about how you feel on upcoming issues. How you personally feel about the area cost of living. Each convention this comes up. I have asked the Editor to place the names of the delegates in this edition of the mail call. They are attending this convention to vote for you, the membership. I can imagine that some of the other topics to be discussed will range from DPS to the Health Benefit Plan. In addition each delegate will be addressing those areas that effect our working conditions. So talk to them and let them know how you feel.

BRANCH OFFICE

Every two years the branch sends a number of delegates to the national convention. This year is no different. I'm asked all the time whether or not someone will be available to answer questions while we are gone. This year most of us will be in Chicago during the week of July 31st. I'm making arrangements for someone to answer calls off the answering machine at the union office. If something comes up please contact us at the branch office and someone will answer your calls. In the event they are unable to answer your questions, they will have our number in Chicago where we can be reached in case of an emergency. Please keep this in mind during this time. We will be returning on Friday August 4th late in the evening and Calvin Brookins or I will contact you on Saturday or Monday.

Enough for now. Enjoy your 4th of July holiday.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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supervisor. The Joint Statement on Violence and Behavior in the Workplace states that all employees are to be treated with dignity and respect.

Keep in mind that your inappropriate comments could provoke another employee into a reaction that could become violent. If you as an employee approach another employee in a hostile manner you could be facing disciplinary action under the Joint Statement on Violence and Behavior in the Workplace.

So be careful about what you say to and about your fellow employees and how you approach them, if you find yourself angry at someone wait until you have calm down before approaching them or better yet just let it go it is not going to make or break you

In Unionism

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Branch Meeting

Minutes

June 6, 2000

By

Steve Seyfried, Secretary

The Meeting was held at the Branch 2462 Union Hall 6910 Hayvenhurst Ave, Van Nuys California. It was called to order by PRESIDENT ROGER ASKEW at 6:05p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by TINAMARIE GALLEGOS.

MOMENT OF SILENCE--In memory of those who gave their lives on this day in 1944, D-Day invasion

SPECIAL GUEST--GINA MIRABELLA Director of MEND

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

PRESENT--ASKEW, BROOKINS, SEYFRIED, McCLINTON, JOHNSON, BRASH, RATHBONE, TUKESBREY, GALLEGOS,

T. HALL

ABSENT--BOCEK

ACCEPT MINUTES AS PRINTED IN MAILCALL

CORRESPONDENCE READ

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP--NONE

BILLS READ & MOTION TO PAY M/S/C

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COLCPE \$ 956 in fund

RETIREEES--RIMKUS 8 retirees present.

TRUSTEES Books are fine Some

budget items are close to going over, such as the Gas bill. We will be watching closely to monitor

EDITOR SEYFRIED Still having some delivery problems with the Post office, otherwise the new deadline seems to be helping get the MailCall out in a more timely manner.

DISTRICT 6--McCLINTON None

SAFETY & HEALTH None

MBA--T. HALL None

HBR--TUKESBREY None

FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT--JOHNSON

TREASURERS REPORT--McCLINTON

FOOD DRIVE--DOLABSON Thanks to all for a great success. We collected more food this year than last. Thanks to all who helped. Article will appear in July MailCall.

VICE-PRESIDENT--BROOKINS All is ready for the Picnic. We hope to see every member there.

PRESIDENT ASKEW Hotel reservations have been sent and received by the housing committee in Chicago. The Delegation is staying at the Hyatt Regency at McCormick Place. This is adjacent to the convention center. We have receive confirmation numbers for all the rooms. The delegate

meeting will take place immediately after the regular branch meeting on Tuesday July 11, 2000. The meeting should last 25 -30 minutes. All delegates should plan on attending this important meeting. If you need to know your confirmation number call the office. The State Convention was held over the Memorial Day Weekend Local negotiations will take place from October 2, 2000 through the next 30 days. We are restricted to the items listed in Article 30 of the National Agreement. If an agreement is reached, booklets will be printed up and supplied to each union member. The branch collected a total in excess of 70,000 pounds of food during the annual food drive. This is about a 7 - 10 percent increase. The Uncle Matty presentation made during last months meeting should be released in the next 3-6 weeks. Thanks again to Linda and Calvin Brookins for setting this up. Congratulations and a special thanks to Velma McClinton, for her dedication and service as our District 6 officer. She will be hard to replace, as she has done an outstanding job.

OLD BUSINESS--BY LAW CHANGES WERE READ AS POSTED IN JUNE MAILCALL. THEY WILL BE REPRINTED IN THE JULY MAILCALL AND VOTED ON AT THE REGULAR JULY MEETING ON THE 11TH.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES READ

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION--Branch send the President and HBR TUKESBREY to the Health Benefits Seminar in Las Vegas, in October. Cost not to exceed \$ 1800 M/S/C
DIVISION CALLED YES--21 NO--5 MOTION

PASSES

MOTION--Branch renew the Certificate of Deposit which comes due on June 14, 2000 for \$ 15,000 at the Van Nuys Credit Union. M/S/C

MOTION--Branch provide refreshments at the July meeting. Cost not to exceed \$ 600 M/S/F
DIVISION CALLED YES--13, NO--10 MOTION
PASSES

UNDERLINED DENOTES UNANIMOUS VOTE

STATE CONVENTION Those delegates who attended the State Convention in Monterey gave a brief report on the proceedings and their impressions of the Convention and Training sessions.

COLCPE DRAWING

\$ 3 FRANK BRASH--RETIREE
\$ 3 JAMES TUKESBREY--RETIREE--DONATED
\$ 3 KEITH MOWER--RETIREE
\$ 3 TIA WILSON--SUN VALLEY

MEETING ADJOURNED---8:15 PM