RESULTS OF 1245's ELECTION

OFFICERS

President: James E. Gibbs, Jr.
Vice President: Marvin C. Brooks
Recording Secretary: M. Scott Shaw
Treasurer: Orville Owen
Business Manager-Financial Secretary: Ronald T. Weakley

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Southern Area: Leland Thomas, Jr.
Central Area: Juventino Garcia
Northern Area: Gerald F. Watson
At-Large: John W. Michael

ADVISORY COUNCIL

San Joaquin Division: Albert E. Callahan
Coast Valleys Division: Merle H. Bramson
Department of Pipe Line Operations: Walter G. Kuerns
San Jose Division & City of Santa Clara: Lee Ray Thomas
Standard Pacific Gas Line Inc.: Walter M. Treat
Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District: John Hinkel
East Bay and Stores Division: James M. Lydon
San Francisco Division and General Office Department: Sylvester S. Cruz, Sr.
Stockton Division & City of Lodi: Robert E. Newberry
Transit Authority of the City of Sacramento: Charles E. Hasty
Humboldt Division: George E. Tully
Shasta Division: Jim M. Branstetter
Sierra Pacific Power Company: Robert E. Newberry
De Sahla Division: Charles E. Hasty
Drum Division: Stanford P. Justin
Colgate Division: Vernon L. Franklin
North Bay Division: Fred W. Jagger
Sacramento Division: James E. Smith
Sacramento Municipal Utility District: Trudy Lenno Bilton
Citizens Utilities Company of California: Frank E. Stephens
General Construction Department: Thomas O. Williams
Clerical-at-Large: Joan Elizabeth Byrum
San Francisco E.D.P. Center: Brenda J. Stronge
Treasure Trimmers: Jack B. Mahoney

DELEGATES TO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION (12)

Ronald T. Weakley
James E. Gibbs, Jr.
L. L. Mitchell
Marvin C. Brooks
Frank D. Gillen
M. Scott Shaw

1245 Election Committee Gives Report of Its Work

At 10:00 A.M. on the morning of Saturday, July 16th the Election Committee of Local 1245 entered the Oakland Post Office. They emerged with three large mail sacks—filled with envelopes containing ballots.

All that day and into the night, and the next day, and night—the Committee counted the secret ballots. They returned Monday and Tuesday to complete their work. Here is the full text of the Election Committee's Report:

TO THE MEMBERS OF LOCAL UNION 1245, I.B.E.W.

Your Election Committee herewith presents the following

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GIBBS, WEAKLEY AGAIN LEAD 1245; THOMAS, GARCIA PICKED FOR E-BD.
The first would, of course, give the President the ability to meet these changes, although our control over the causes for change may be limited by law and by insufficient participation in terms of planning, designing, and production techniques. More time and effort by unions in the growth of the concern is indicated and that is why we've been so interested in the creation of job security since 1957.

at BEST, the settlement of our current negotiations will be in the details. The results of our recent Local 1943, died in June, 1962. Brother Wagner was honored at a dinner on June 30, 1956, when he was presented with a 50-year-service pin. All who knew Brother Wagner, remember the pride he had in his Union and the Union movement. His integrity and idealism should be an inspiration to those about us.

Prior to the amalgamation, he had served as Financial Secre- tary of Local No. 19, I.B.F. He is survived by his son, Robert J. Wagner, USA Retired.

Elmer Bushby, former Business Representative of Local 1245 and former editor of this publication, died last week. For those who knew Elmer as a de- voted member of the labor movement this will come as a great shock.

He was a pioneer member in the Marysville area and the Criminal Union established there is a continuing tribute to his impact upon the minds of his colleagues. We mourn the passing of our Brother.

Elmer Bushby served notice of intention to make such tests.

Autistic members will carefully listen to the reasonings of those by which make such tests and then make personal dete- rminations as to whether the mo- tivation behind the test is constructi- ve or destructive.

Having explored the area of major problems, I respectfully suggest that we get on with the development of solutions in an atmosphere of the maximum unity it is possible to achieve in a democratic organization.
By DR. BENJAMIN SPOCK
As a pediatrician, it is my job to help parents give their children the best possible care. This is one of the reasons why I strongly support President Ken- nedy's health insurance plan for the aged through Social Security.

You may wonder what the connection is between health care and the children of this country. Actually there is a very close one.

It is a strange fact that the homes of young parents and some of the oldest in the United States. Additionally, the sender can telephone his message to Western Union or send it to them over a direct connection to the telegraph office if one is available to them.

By INSURANCE
HOSPITAL BILL PAID

HOSPITALIZATION COSTS AND OLDER PERSONS

WASHINGTON—The NLRI has speeded processing of election cases by cutting the filing time for employee representatives down from 30 to 10 days before expiration of contract, from 60 to 60 days.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees has named Governor Luis Muñoz Marin of Puerto Rico as "Public Employee of the Year."

You are never so near to victory as when defeated in a good cause."—Henry Ward Beecher
In London, England, 200 ‘grand-and-great artists’ members of the Writers’ Alliance who perform on television, decided to join the Variety Artists Federation in order to receive social security. "These men are competitive sports- men," said one promoter, "not entertainers. If necessary, we'll refuse to employ members." But the wrestlers were just as determined. After all, David- stone said Shakespeare was a wrestler Eddie Saxon. "People enjoying us get thrown around. Entertainment is not just a little man with a red nose cracking punch we went home."

President would wave to all the fans when he went into another room to give hands with the Kennedys. It was a record of consistently outwitting the lowly clerk and stenographer. The President's personal opponents against automation and automated diplomacy."..."
When Vice President Charles J. Focha banged down his gavel to open the 1962 Ninth District I.B.E.W. Progress Meeting he did so after two days of workshop meetings of delegates from the various branches of our Brotherhood who work and reside in California, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Alaska and Hawaii. The sessions held between Monday and Thursday, May 14-17, were highlighted with speeches by International President Gordon M. Freeman, International Secretary Joseph Keenan, Vice President Charles Focha, International Secretary Jeremiah Sullivan, International Executive Council Chairman Rex Franson, and International Executive Council Member Ralph Leigon. Other speakers included representatives from the electrical construction, manufacturing, and utility industries, along with Colonel Alexander Grendon, Coordinator of Atomic Energy Development and Radiation Protection for the State of California.

Mr. William Johns, Associate Counsel for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, delivered an important address to the delegates which set forth the tremendous power needs between now and 1960. Mr. Johns reported that some 100 billions of dollars will be required to meet these needs and that the investor-owned utilities are prepared to finance said needs if given the green light. He pointed out the fact that America's defense budget must be maintained and that 100 billions of dollars is not easily obtainable from the public treasury in view of defense requirements.

He also discussed and graphically portrayed the proposed private interstate plans between California and the Northwest which are of great interest to utility members of the I.B.E.W.

Mr. Johns can be complimented on a fine presentation which was received by the delegates with great interest.

Conservatism Is Over The Hill in U.S. And Declining, Says Polster Geo. Gallup

WASHINGTON — Senator Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.) won't like it but George Gallup, nonpartisan public opinion pollster, declares that conservatism in the United States has been declining and declining. Gallup said his polls show that the majority of the American people support medical care for the aged through social security; Federal aid to public schools is favored 5 to 2 and President Kennedy's program for lower tariffs has the support of the great majority of the American people.

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles Times, non-union for 80 years, must now negotiate with President's Union Local 18, which won an NLRB election for 204 to 189.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Katherine Shultz, financial secretary of UAW Local 438, is the first woman to be appointed to the board of trustees which set forth the treasurer's report.

EASY TO TALK

"I've taken three lessons in French." "Could you carry on a conversation with a Frenchman?" "Oh, no. I don't think I could talk to anybody else who'd have three lessons in French."

JUST WAIT

During a recent heat wave, a church in a small Midwest community featured this comment on its bulletin board: "You think it's hot here?"

"What shall I do with this idea?" "I have this idea that high-priced American labor cannot compete with low-priced foreign labor. It is not wages per hour, but labor costs per unit of output that determine our ability to compete."

"Walter W. Hickey, chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, in an address at New York University."
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**Health & Welfare**

**PRICE AND COST OF HOSPITAL SERVICES**

When we talk about the "price" of hospital services and the "cost" of hospital services, we are talking about two completely different items. The "price" of hospital services is actually charged by the hospital for various drugs, laboratory services, etc. The "cost" of hospital services is the total amount of the payment by the individual or insurance company. With an increase in the number of items that are being purchased by the hospital, the number of drugs available, it is quite obvious that the "cost" of hospitalization has gone up. However, even if the individual items remain the same, the "price" of hospitalization has increased. The "price" of individual hospital items have increased very little. The use of X-ray has increased over 50%, while the "price" of the individual items have increased less than 10%. Your drug "costs" have nearly doubled, the number of drugs available, but the "price" of the individual drugs have increased a small amount. This is accurately shown in the fact that the hospital price index is at approximately 2.5% a year, which is very little more than the consumer price index.

In 1951 there were approximately 79 laboratory procedures that were on a rate schedule. Today there are over 200 that are listed in one form or another.

Ten years ago there were less than 600 drugs manufactured for intermediate administration. At this time there are over 1,500 different drugs available.

About 50% of the orders written by doctors today could not have been filled by a hospital ten years ago. It is quite obvious from the above that additional services are available materialily increasing the "cost" of your hospitalization.

In addition to the above, there are many reasons for hospitalization that for a patient to be treated that were not available ten years ago. The field of heart and neurosurgeries are good example of this.

It is also possible through modern medicine to save the lives of people who would not have survived either if they were to go to the hospital or remain there for any extended period. This in itself materially increases the "cost" of hospitalization.

**CONTROL OF COSTS**

The answer to the control of these costs lies largely with your own government. He is the one who decides the various drugs, laboratory procedures, and other items used in a hospital. Through his careful use of only necessary facilities, drugs, etc., he can materially control your "cost" of hospitalization. We should all remind him that you actually pay for your own hospitalization and doctor care out of the dollar that is paid into your particular health insurance company. These companies attempt to pay out less dollars than are paid in to them premiums. To cut your costs, everyone should do to the insurance companies to come back to us for more money as the "cost" of hospitalization increases.

**COOK'S TOUR**

By JAYE GODSELL

A wine-flavored, hors-d'oeuvre, what a delight! Some predicate how-to-succeed books, Others love tales of the sea; Some read encomiums Of past indiscretions, And some read articles of Congressional sessions, And some relish history.

Some dole on books of adventure, Others biographies; Some do in sport, The Kinsey reports And some, it is often told, spend their time reading tests, But me, I read recipes.

I love to curl up with a cookbook And read about Scouse Palegus; Breast of Chicken Cordon Bleu; And Potatoes Nollette; Strawberry shortcake; Lamb on Brochette; And Raisins de Boudaelsea.

For moments of true reading pleasure I brose through Trout Belle Meuniere, While blare Scape Mud pie; And Bananas Flambe.

Pleasant Titanic and Oeufs en Gelee, Keep me right on the edge of my chair. Crepes Suzette simply enthrall me. And Vichysoise's pure poetry, It's in just perfectly keen. It's so very true what you know I mean, And the hater the better for me.

Afterawallowing several hours way Out in the Cordon Blue, Comes the four o'clock tea, What's for dinner tonight? No, plain old American stew!
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report, which is a true and accurate account of the results of the Local Union's 1962 Election of Local Union Officers and Local in Area Council Members, and Delegates to the International Convention.

/s/ Roland T. Perreault
/s/ Robert A. Steck
/s/ John J. Avedoa
/s/ Hazel F. Cafonawdy
/s/ Donald H. Nelson
/s/ John F. Darlow
/s/ James Conch
/s/ Trang D. T. Le
/s/ M. L. Lowe
/s/ Teller

Total ballots received in the Post Office Box at 10:00 a.m., in June 1962

Challenged Ballots
Void Ballots, Return envelope, no identification
Valid Ballots, Inside envelope marked

Vote Ballots:

Line Officers
Executive Board—Southern Area
Executive Board—Central Area
Executive Board—Northern Area
Executive Board—At Large
Advisory Council
San Joaquin Division
Central Valley Division
Department of Pipe Line Operations
San Jose Division and City of Santa Clara
Standard Pacific Gas Line, Inc.
Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District and City
East Bay Municipalities
San Francisco Division and General Office Dept.
Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Citizens Utilities Company of California
General Construction Department
Tree Trimmers
Clerical-at-Large
San Francisco E.D.C. Center
Delegates to International Convention

Number of Votes Received—LINE OFFICERS

President
James J. Gibbs, Jr. 3317
V. President
Marvin C. Brooks 1177
Secretary
Henry W. Meffan 298
Treasurer
Milton J. Robbins 588
Financial Secretary
Henry D. Seavers 290

Recording Secretary
James H. Fountain 913

Number of Votes Received—EXECUTIVE BOARD

Southern Area
Bob G. Robbins 213
Robert M. Stabler 322
Leland Thomas, Jr. 217
Central Area
Josef Garcia 360
Gerald F. Humphrey 307
Patrick P. McIntyre 250
John William Pickens 283
Northern Area
Frank A. Anderson 298
John A. Jelley 287
Francis G. Powers 144
C. E. Watson 363
Steward L. Fountno 123
John W. Michael 139

Los Angeles was the scene of the San Francisco and Area Convention of the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education for the 1962 election tour. COPF Director James L. McDevitt welcomed delegates from California, Arizona, and Hawaii for workshops in the two-day meeting held on June 12 and 13.

These delegates assessed the political scene in 1962 and concluded that a better fight for a battle against the anti-labor forces in America could be fought in 1963.

A call for voluntary donations is being made in order to provide the resources and organization for a victory in November.

Hollywood—The Screen Guild is negotiating existing deals in Hawaii.

SACRAMENTO M.U.D.
Glen Larson
Jack A. Underwood

WRITE-VOTES—DELEGATES TO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

John Wilder
Don Cheese
Don J. Gonzell
John R. Anderson
Paul Murphy
Jack Jennings

 outline the results of the 1962 exchange, the 16th and final Area Conference.
Bureau Wkrs: Ballot for 1245; Pay Talks Open

As of June 1, I.B.E.W. members employed by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation on the Central Valley Projects were transferred from Local Union 630 to Local Union 1245. Business Manager Ronald Weakley, in welcoming these new members into Local Union 1245, invited their active participation and assured them that the best interests of himself and his staff would be extended upon their behalf.

George R. Thompson, Electrical at Parmom Dairy.


A major order of business is the forthcoming negotiations with the Bureau of Reclamation, which are scheduled to begin on June 25th.

Municipalities Roundup

Mid-year is the time when most municipalities adopt budgets and employees salaries for the coming fiscal year. Local Union 1245 is no wengaged in serious salary negotiations with some of these municipalities.

Committee on Employee Salaries, of which M. A. Walters was a member, is now working on the presentation of the City Manager's salary recommendations to the City Council, which are due in the very near future. These will be reviewed in order to form the unified numerical recommendations for the City Council's presentation.

ELECTRIC DIVISION, CITY OF PALO ALTO

Culumminating its organizational efforts in the Electric Division employees, Local Union 1245 has set up a new and complete bargaining unit to represent a majority of the employees. Convention rights under law relating to employment conditions and employment relations have been designated as its representatives.

On June 5, 1962, Assistant Business Manager M. A. Walters and Business Representative Mark Cook met with Personnel Director Wilbur W. Wagar and outlined Union's proposals for the implementation of representative agreements. These included: (1) that wages, hours and other terms be set down, so that every employee could know what they were entitled to; and, (2) that procedures be established whereby employees could all participate in the determination of those wages, hours and other terms of employment. (3) That a procedure be established for the settlement of grievances, (4) that payroll deduction of Union dues be instituted, (5) that the use of bulletin boards be clarified.

In addition to the above, Unions is currently engaged in efforts to obtain a substantial salary increase for its new members.

Negotiating Committee

Studies Package Offer

As a result of seven sessions and a round of meetings with each subcommittee, Past, Pat Gas and Electric has, at press time, submitted a package proposal. This will be the object of much study and further bargaining by Union's Negotiating Committee.

Watch your bulletin board for further negotiating developments.

The Union's Committee is now engaged in further bargaining sessions as a result of the Company's submission on June 20th of this modified package proposal.

Retired Employees

JUNE 1, 1962.

Clyde L. Cooper, Drum Division; George A. Cooper, Drum Division; William R. Gipe, Coast Valleys Division; G. M. Mellen, San Jose Division. JUNE 1, 1962.

Alex Duncan, Humboldt Division; Harry W. Hafford, San Jose Division; Fred Namit, De Sable Division; Jesse E. Rapel, San Jose Division; Aldert W. Schoo, Colgate Division.

H. M. Scott, City of Oakland; Manuel E. Silva, Central Stores; George W. Sheeler, San Bruno Division; Paul J. Soundert, North Bay Division; Ernest W. Stanton, Shasta Division.

Gene Hastings

Is Elected to Demo Committee

Business Representative Gene Hastings, President of the local Democratic Club, was elected to the Democratic Central Committee in the Third Supervisorial District. Contra Costa County in the June 5th primary. He reports that all the COPE-endorsed candidates in that county were successful.

CHUCK W. Fowder, well-known health and welfare consultant, is the Democratic candidate for Congressman in the 14th District. He will run against incumbent Republican Baldwin in the November election.

WASHINGTON — National Farmers Union President James G. Stoddard addressed a group of farmers to fight off the same people "wearing different hats" who are backing "right-to-work" drives and fighting farm cooperatives.

Members OK Amendment

To By-Laws

In very light bargaining, the Laborollipop's Organizing Drive is in full swing

Organizing Committee headed by John Bynum started an all-month Clerical Newsletters are now mailed; Union's executive- Bear, Issuer Benedetti, Joan Bynum, Kathryn Cole, Melouin Colvin, Gladys Dyer, Carlota La Franca, Marie La Franca, Terence McGovern, Roy Palermo, and Lee Sletten to inspire new membership by discussion of union activity in a more relaxed atmosphere.

Meanwhile, in San Francisco plans are being made by Stewards Organizing Committee to present S.M.U.D. Proposals

In preparation for this year's conditions and benefits, as Association, Local Union 1245 submitted its proposals on the issues before the parties.

In view of the considerable number of issues affecting basic principles and the total labor cost involved, the Union and a Company committees are faced with coming to a tentative agreement which is difficult to achieve.

The time element is also becoming a pressure for both parties in view of the fact that the anniversary dates of the Agreements are only a matter of days.

It is hoped that a tentative agreement may be reached shortly in order that a ratification vote may be taken at special Union Meetings throughout the PG&E System. Further information on the status of Negotiations, members are urged to check their bulletin boards and attend their Unit meetings.

PG&E CLERICAL

ORGANIZING DRIVE

In an appearance before the Com-pany, the members of the Com-}

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Pictured after returning from a bargaining session with the Company are the members of the Negotiating Committee. Seated left to right, they are: Juventino Zapian, Mel Robins and Bruce Lockey.

In an appearance before the Com-