

REPORTER

Health threat uncovered

By Juliann Sum, Local 1245 Industrial Hygienist

A serious formaldehyde hazard has been revealed in IBEW Local 1245-administered laboratory analysis of a silicone compound used by employees in PG&E's Electric Transmission and Distribution Department to coat insulators for prevention of conductive paths.

Contrary to product information that the manufacturer provided PG&E, 1.4 micrograms of formaldehyde per gram of the compound were found by the laboratory, a high enough concentration to allow formaldehyde gas exposures which may be causing severe eye and upper respiratory irritation.

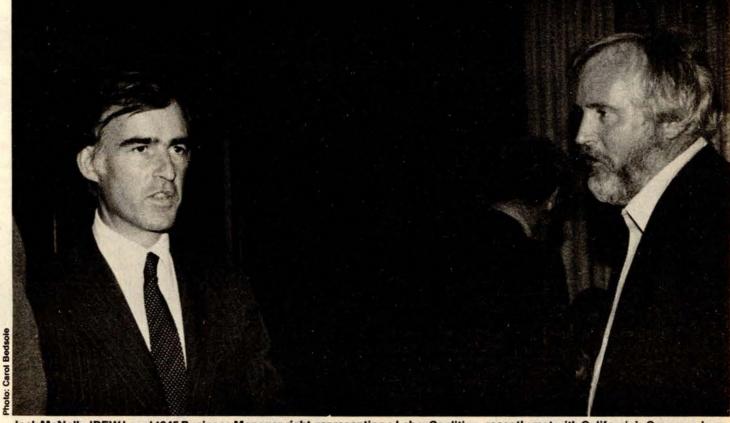
Cancer effects in laboratory animals from formaldehyde exposure have prompted the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health to recommend that occupational exposures be reduced to the lowest feasible limit.

Because of these cancer findings, the Environmental Protection Agency is considering possible regulation of formaldehyde. The industry-based Formaldehyde Institute has demanded that EPA postpone regulation until human cancers are observed.

A resolution urging the Consumer Product Safety Commission to ban the use of urea-formaldehyde foam insulation, which has generated formaldehyde gas in buildings, was adopted by the National Association of Attorneys General, based on use bans already issued by Canada, Massachusetts,



Formaldehyde hazard found in silicone compound used by members.



Jack McNally, IBEW Local 1245 Business Manager, right, representing a Labor Coalition, recently met with California's Governor Jerry Brown, left, to inform the Governor of interference by the state's Public Utilities Commission in collective bargaining issues.

Meets with Brown

Local 1245 heads up Coalition to tackle P.U.C. interference

A coalition of labor leaders representing 150,000 utility workers from throughout the State has called for the California Public Utilities Commission to stop interfering with their collective bargaining efforts with California utilities.

Fifteen labor leaders, headed by IBEW Local 1245's Business Manager Jack McNally, recently met with Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. in San Francisco to inform him of the issues surrounding the coalition's differences with the

"For the last five or six years,"

McNally explained, "the P.U.C. has increasingly interjected itself in collective bargaining between California's utilities and their employees." Citing numerous instances in which the Commission questioned contract provisions on employee discounts, work rules, transfer policies, sub-contracting articles, and other fringe benefits and wage issues, McNally argued that the P.U.C.has been chipping away at hard-fought-for worker benefits gained during the last 15 years in contract bargaining.

"Everything that is in any one of

our contracts is there because we gave something else up to get that benefit," McNally stated.

Coalition member William C. Demers, Vice President of the Communications Workers of America, AFL-CIO, District 11, added that it was the coalition's position that "management should manage, labor should negotiate for its members, and the Commission should regulate." What the coalition of utility workers objects to, Demers explained, was the P.U.C.'s increasing tendency to "get involved in the

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Brown tells McNally 'law to be upheld'

of the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant Business Manager Jack McNally pinned down Governor Jerry Brown asking how he planned to proceed if a projected protest proves successful in blocking access to the plant in the San Luis Obispo area.

Brown assured McNally that he planned to be firm and to enforce

He also stated that although he opposes nuclear power that he be-

Prior to the anticipated start-up lieves in the rights of the workers to get to and from work.

> McNally in this meeting with the Governor sought guarantees for the safety of IBEW Local 1245's members working at the plant.

Following the meeting the Governor later went public with his statements, again reaffirming his commitment to upholding the law.

The Local has been working for months to prepare for the safety of members and has developed a

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PCB public hearing

Bulletin: Upon labor requests initiated by IBEW Local 1245, the California Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board has agreed to hold an additional public hearing on the proposed PCB standard in the evening so that workers can more easily attend and provide comments. The evening hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m., Oct. 29 in San Francisco at 350 McAllister St., Room 1149.



YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS

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Insurance: leverage on disputed claims

Tort: Wrongful acts for which a civil action will lie, excluding breach of contract.

Ever had problems in collecting claims from your own insurance company?

This article discusses what kinds of pressures can be brought to bear against your own insurance companies when problems go unresolved; as well, many of the principles involved might apply when you're dealing with someone else's insurance company.

For decades, according to the view of lots of California judges and certainly citizens of California, insurance companies had been horsing around with claimants, people who felt that they were entitled to payments from their own company for disability, for certain types of medical payment, to cover an auto accident where someone else other than the named insured was driving a car.

It was felt that, in many cases, insurance companies simply refused to pay claims, or held on to the money until the last possible moment, getting to utilize the interest income from it while the insured/claimant who had bought the policy went without. The most the insurance companies could lose, it was felt, was the amount of money they were supposed to pay under the policy, in the first place.

To deal with the situation, enterprising personal injury attorneys, some representing actual insureds (the persons holding the policy), and some representing a claimant making a claim against the policy of an insured, argued to the courts that the insurance companies had an obligation to act in "good faith" toward their insured, under the policy.

They argued that any refusal to pay under a policy, or to settle a case within the policy limits, was bad faith to the policy holder (insured), and possibly to claimants as well. They then argued to the courts that the breach of the duty to act in "good faith," was a tort, and that the deliberate non-payment of a reasonable claim was the commission of an *intentional* tort.

The crucial point to the argument was that it converted a contract dispute to a personal injury dispute. In contract lawsuits, in the vast majority of cases, the only damages that one is entitled to is compensatory damages—the cash value between what you are owed under the contract and what you actually got. Thus, all a claimant could get from their insurance company for a refusal to pay a doctor's bill was the amount of the bill that the insured had to pay, but which the company had re-

fused to pay. Until damages were paid, the insurance company got to play with the money.

However, when innovative lawyers converted the cause of action from a contract one, to a tort, and an intentional tort at that, a different sort of damages became possible. Where one party commits an intentional tort, the judicial system can award punitive damages to punish that party, and teach it and similar parties a lesson, over and above mere compensatory damages.

Well, the judicial system, and hundreds of jurors around the country, bought that argument, and punitive damage awards against insurance companies started pouring in. Punitive damage awards for millions of dollars were not uncommon, and awards for hundreds of thousands of dollars became common-place. Juries were allowed to consider, when awarding punitive damages, the amount of assets of the large insurance companies, and could award damages large enough to "teach the defendant a lesson." Just this month we have seen a punitive damage award in the sum of \$500,000 against an insurance company, brought by an insured, because the insurance company had wrongfully refused to settle a suit against the insured.

The happy ending to this little tale has very practical ramifications for you: That is, in the proper situation the use of the legal doctrine of an insurance company having a legal obligation to act in "good faith," can be evoked to "get the insurance company's attention," and either to speed up payment and/or to correct an improper decision.

First of all, the California courts have also bent over backwards to read insurance policies very much in the favor of the insured, and against the companies who, after all, wrote that incredibly obtuse language themselves. In the proper factual situation, an insured/ claimant can point out to an insurance company (1) that California law favors reading the text of a policy in favor of insureds; (2) that the facts justify the payment; and (3) that a refusal to pay under the terms of the policy constitutes action in "bad faith," constitutes an intentional tort, and therefore can lead to a successful action for compensatory and punitive damages.

Thus, for example, if a medical plan calls for the payment of nursing fees under certain situations, but the insurance company refused to pay, or delays payment, or demands unreasonable verification of the need for the services (e.g., more than the recommendation of the treating physician), a letter pointing out the wrongfulness of the refusal, the potential "bad faith" claim involved, and so on, will get the attention of the Claims Adjuster with whom you are dealing, and his or her superiors, often very rapidly.

It probably is true that the most efficient way to turn around a wrongful denial of a claim, or to hasten payment, is through a communication from an attorney, but in the last several years just the mention of "bad faith" lawsuits even without the involvement of an attorney has proven helpful.

Like any bit of legal leverage, the one described in this article should not be overused, or used upon the first instance of a claims adjuster making an inquiry about a claim, but it certainly can prove very effective if the facts justify its use.

Legal Update

Some confusion has come to our attention regarding the recent article on pregnancy and your job. We apologize for any misunderstanding and hope the following clarifies matters.

1) State law requires that private disability plans at least equal the benefits payable under the State plan. The maximum period for payment of disability benefits for any reason is thirty-nine weeks. Under the law, then, private plans must

also pay benefits to disabled employees for at least thirty-nine weeks.

2) Nursing itself is not a disability. Under State law, nursing mothers may collect disability insurance until their thirty-nine weeks of eligibility are exhausted only if they can certify that for the period they are nursing, they have a job-related, medical disability to their breasts which interferes with their ability to nurse.



L-R, Governor Jerry Brown; Leonard Grimes, Public Utilities Commissioner, and IBEW Local 1245's Staff Counsel Tom Dalzell at recent Coalition meeting.

1245 heads up Coalition

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bargaining and take away a whole round of benefits from the employees once agreement has been reached with the employer."

Other coalition members include the Communication Workers of America, AFL-CIO, District 9 (Burlingame) and 11 (Los Angeles); International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO, Locals 47 (Los Angeles), 465 (San Diego), 543 (Victorville), and 1245 (Walnut Creek); International Chemical Workers Union, AFL-CIO, Locals 47, 58, 78, 350, and 995 (Southern California); and Utility Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, Locals 132, 160, 160 C, 160 D, 170, 205, 259, 283, 484, 508, 511, 522 (all Southern California), and 246 (San Jose)

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81-2	Marketing Clerk classification established	5/8/8

LETTERS TO 1245

Editor:

I would like to thank Business Manager Jack McNally and the Negotiating Committee including G. Abrahamson, J. Cepernich, B. Dremel, A. Fahrner, M. Mederos, D. R. McKinley, S. E. Neblett, C. Saunders and E. Seekamp for all of the personal time spent away from their families in an effort to obtain a better contract.

As an active union member, let me take this time to express my appreciation for the effort that was put forth.

Sincerely,

Bernard E. Tanksley, Berkeley

Next Advisory Council

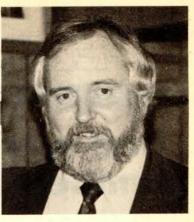
The next Advisory Council will be held on Saturday, November 14 and Sunday, November 15, beginning at 9 a.m. in Sacramento at the Marina Inn.

The Marina Inn is officially located in Broderick, on the west bank of the Sacramento River across from Old Town, Old Sacramento. To get there heading north on I-5, take the Q street exit, and heading south on I-5, take the J street exit.

POINT OF VIEW

By Jack McNally

IBEW 1245 Business Manager



Coalition Unites to Protect Labor's hard-won rights

Last June Local 1245 was instrumental in getting together several California Unions to discuss common problems each were having with the California Public Utilities Commission. At this meeting the Coalition of California Utility Workers was formed.

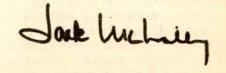
This Coalition is composed of the Communications Workers of America (CWA); Engineers and Scientists of California (ESC-MEBA); International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Locals 47, 465, 543, 1245; International Chemical Workers Union (ICWU), five Local Unions; and the Utility Workers Union of America (UWUA), 13 Local Unions. These Unions represent members employed by most all utilities in California, including Pacific Telephone, General Telephone, Continental Telephone, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison, San Diego Gas and Electric, Southern California Gas Company, and several other smaller telephone and water companies.

A number of years ago, Local 145 first experienced a threat by the California Public Utilities Commission when attempts were made to eliminate the employee discount. In the last year or so the Commission has raised other subjects which are matters of collective bargaining and claim the right to interfere in such matters. In one case with General Telephone, the staff of the Commission went so far as to instruct the Company and the Union to insert certain provisions in the collective bargaining agreement. The Commission, in their frustration to hold down increases in utility rates, are beginning to review collective bargaining agreement provisions and other benefits. We also find similar problems in Nevada. The Nevada Public Service Commission has attacked the employee discount in an effort to show the public they are trying to do something about higher rates.

Local 1245, in its bargaining history, has made concessions in the interest of efficiency and changing work methods and, in return, has won good conditions and benefits. Other Unions have done the same. This is free collective bargaining, which is the policy of the United States as declared in the National Labor Relations Act. We now find the California Public Utilities Commission intruding in this process. This is the basic concern of this Coalition.

The Coalition will file in every rate case application as an interested party to fight the actions of the Commission wherever they intrude in collective bargaining. In addition, we intend to seek support of other organizations and be active at the State legislative level.

We are at a point in time where labor is being attacked on all fronts. If we, as working people, are to protect our hardwon working conditions, we must stand united.



Local works to protect members in Medfly area

IBEW Local 1245 is calling for local PG&E supervisors in the Medfly control areas to follow MALATHION and DIAZINON safety procedures spelled out by Cal-OSHA and the California Department of Food and Agriculture and agreed to by PG&E Headquarters.

Worker safety requirements from the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) and the California Department of Food and Agriculture were officially accepted by PG&E, according to a spokesperson from PG&E's Department of Safety, Health and Claims.

However, up until August 7, 1981, employees and IBEW Local 1245 were in strong disagreement with local management practices that did not adhere to the safety policies agreed to by PG&E headquarters.

On that date, IBEW 1245 negotiated with PG&E's Industrial Relations Department which agreed to comply with corporate pesticide safety policies requiring supervisors to adhere to the safety requirements in the field.

MALATHION

A commonly used, quickly degrading insecticide, sticky droplets of malathion are being applied aerially to kill Mediterranean fruit flies.

According to Department of Food and Agriculture literature on acute toxicity, the probable oral lethal dose for humans of pure malathion is over one ounce to one pint or one pound.

PG&E had officially agreed to Cal/OSHA requirements that during aerial application and for the first half hour immediately following aerial application employees are to stay inside vehicles or under cover and that, except for emergency outages, employees keep away from sprayed areas during the two hours following application.

Cal/OSHA requires that employees wear protective clothing during the 24 hours following application (coveralls, boots, gloves, and/or face shields) to protect the parts of the body potentially exposed and that employees change clothes and shower at the end of the work day if in contact with sprayed foliage during this 24-hour period.

PG&E had agreed that employees working on emergency outages would be instructed to wear protective clothing while doing work immediately following the half hour in which they remained under cover.

PG&E had also agreed that during the 24-hour time period, daytime employees would be instructed to avoid entering contaminated areas.

DIAZINON

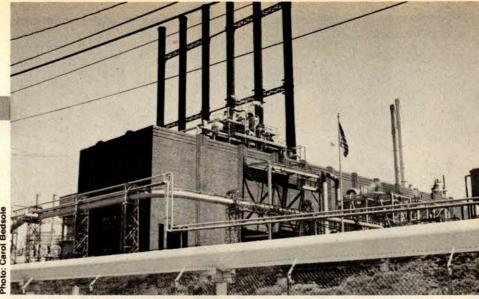
In conjunction with the malathion program, much less publicized applications of diazinon, an insecticide and nematicide, are being conducted to kill Medfly larvae crawling beneath the ground surface. A diazinon formulation is first sprayed onto soil areas under tree canopies and then drenched into the soil with gallons of water.

According to Department of Food and Agriculture literature on acute toxicity, the probable oral lethal dose for humans of pure diazinon is over one teaspoonful to one ounce.

PG&E had officially agreed to follow Cal/OSHA and DFA requirements that employees be instructed to keep away from soil drenched areas during the 24-hour period following application. Cal/OSHA and DFA requirements also prohibit entry during a five-day period following application into areas where foliage has been sprayed with diazinon.

Your employer should be actively seeking pesticide application schedules and following these requirements. The Medfly head-quarters telephone number is 408-866-1294.

If you suspect or know that you are being assigned to work in contaminated areas, ask your supervisor for information or evidence of non-contamination or for a proper postponement of that assignment. If you need further information or assistance, contact your Shop Steward, Business Representative, or the Local Union headquarters.



Oleum Power Plant, Rodeo, California where Union efforts resulted in increased lighting in work areas

Grievance results in improved lighting

Following a grievance by employees at Oleum Power Plant in Rodeo, California, the Local was successful in securing improved lighting conditions for its members. Here Shop Steward Stanley Clark reports on the events surrounding the Union's work.

by Stanley Clark, Shop Steward

There has been a great amount of problems with noise, lights and heat at the power plants. With the help of Juliann Sum, IBEW Local 1245's Industrial Hygienist, we have made great headway with the lighting around the plant. We still need more, but there has been a 100 percent improvement on the turbine deck.

The Company had said for the longest time that there was ample lighting, but after dark you needed a flashlight to take the reading on the boiler feed pumps inside the building. Also outside the lab was a real problem at night.

It was very dark. A person could have hurt themselves after dark from the lack of light. Around the boiler fans and transformers was another bad spot.

The company had changed the lights at different times, but there still was no real improvement. Before Juliann Sum came out, some improvements were made, but the company found out that after a period of time the bulbs lost their strength and needed to be replaced, which they never did.

Outside the lab the company put in a new light which made a great improvement. The lights outside around the boiler fans and transformers has been an improvement, but most workers believe this area still needs more attention from the company.

The improvements all came about with the help of our Industrial Hygienist who visited the plant after dark. The company had their representatives on site while they checked on the areas listed above.

It was an uphill battle because these areas have had the same poor lighting since the plant was built back around 1939 to 1941.

The new lights that the company put in after the walk-around is a very big improvement over what we had and the employees here at Oleum Power Plant are glad to have them.

PCB dumping results in first jail terms

Two businessmen have been sentenced to prison terms for dumping toxic PCB-laced oil along North Carolina roads, the first time jail sentences have been ordered for PCB violations.

U.S. District Judge W. Earl Britt, recently sentenced Robert E. "Buck" Ward of Raleigh to 2½ years in prison and fined him \$200,000 for the dumping of PCB-laced oil along North Carolina roads in 1978. Robert J. Burns of Jamestown, N.Y., was sentenced to 1½ years in prison. Both were given five years probation.

"This is the first criminal conviction involving jail time since PCB regulations were first implemented in 1978," said John Ulfelder, head of the Environmental Protection Agency's legal section for pesticide and toxic substances.

Ulfelder said an Idaho firm was fined \$3,500 last fall for dumping a small amount of PCB in a rural section of that state.

Another EPA criminal enforcement officer, who declined to be identified, said he recalled only four or five environmental cases of any type in which active prison sentences were imposed.

Sentencing in the case had been delayed until all criminal proceedings had been completed, the result of a 1979 plea-bargaining arrangement with Burns, who agreed to testify against Ward.

During the sentencing hearing U.S. Attorney James Blackburn said Burns in particular showed a "carelessness, perhaps laced with arrogance" regarding the statutes.

Roger Smith, an attorney for Ward, argued that until the early 1970s, PCB-laced oil used to be tossed onto dirt roads to keep down the dust.

"For years, millions and millions of gallons of this stuff was dumped along the highways of North Carolina and this nation," he said. "These people have added to that environmental load 7,500 gallons.... We're not saying what they did was right. But we are saying it was an environmental drop in the bucket."

New Pole Hazard?

Business Manager Jack McNally last month issued this special bulletin to all Shop Stewards:

Recently a number of Western Pine Poles have been breaking for no apparent reason in the San Luis Obispo and San Joaquin areas.

The climbing restriction on Carney Pine Poles is still in effect. Extra precautions should be taken before working on all other pine poles. If the poles do not pass the visual and *ALL* other pre-climbing tests, they should be worked from bucket trucks.

Please report any unexplained pole breakage to your Business Representative.



Pole ban on

Since it's anybody's guess, and some of the guesses are pretty far out (literally STAGGERING the imagination) why poles are breaking for no apparent reason, IBEW has called a complete ban on pine pole climbing throughout the system to insure safety of members.



Pete Guidry, standing, from the Center for Labor Research and Education meets with Shop Stewards from the San Jose area.

Arbitrations highlight meeting in San Jose

by Bob Thomson & Wayne Greer Business Representations

In early June some 17 PG&E San Jose Division Shop Stewards met at the Villa Chartier in San Mateo for the second of four scheduled training conferences in 1981.

As we are now into the mid year, new constraints facing the labor movement are straining the fabric of the collective bargaining agreement, demanding creative responses and greater skills from those who are the backbone of our organization—the Local Union Shop Steward.

In meeting new challenges and

in order to help the Shop Steward better understand how important their role is in the initial filing of a grievance as it relates to investigation and formulating the facts, this recent training session was devoted to the last step of the grievance procedure: arbitration.

Pete Guidry from the Center for Labor Research and Education at Berkeley conducted the majority of the training conference, ending with the Shop Stewards themselves participating in a mock arbitration hearing with Pete acting as the arbitrator.

Thanks goes out to the following Stewards for their attendance at this conference: Bruce Hughes, Arthur McAllister, Kevin Fitzgerald, John Moro, James Morgan, Dan Melanephy, Steve Cramer, William Theisen, Jr., Erik Larsen, Percy Rome, Ron Field, Tom Hutchinson, Ron Thomasen, Glenn Newton, Rick Bidinost, and from East Bay Division Tod Souza.

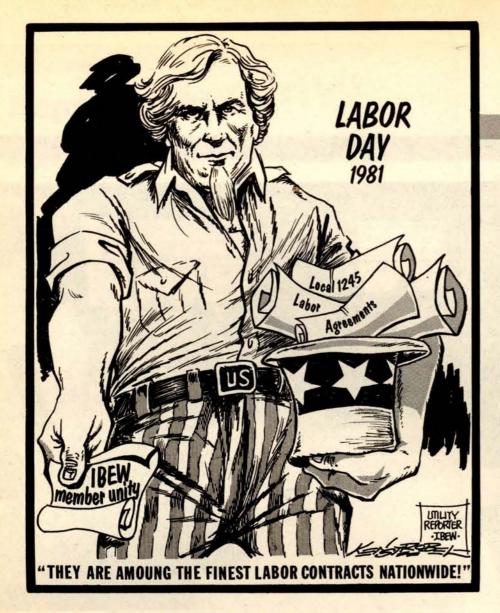
The next Shop Stewards meetings for 1981 are scheduled for September 26 and December 5.

Stockton Stewards



SHOP STEWARDS at a recent Stockton area meeting included I-r, front Bob Morante, Bill Hosford, middle row, I-r, Litha Saunders,

Irene Peters, Jim Kosta, back row, I-r, Dennis Hammer, Davie Armstrong, Doug Lang, and Rothal Williams.



APPOINTMENTS

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Clerical Job Evaluation Committee
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Political action crucial Local delegates told

By Barbara Symons

"Because of the aggressive attacks on worker protective laws and on programs which benefit workers, it is more important than ever that labor is at the forefront in political action," said keynote speaker Kenneth Young, at a conference on political education sponsored by the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, held this summer. Local 1245 delegates included Jack McNally, Jay Burton and Barbara Symons.

The theme of the one-day conference was focussing on the National AFL-CIO's new approaches to political action, including active labor involvement early in the primary election process and in the National Committees of both major parties.

The importance of the rank and file taking an active part in the political process, was stressed in opening remarks by Albin J. Gruhn, President, and John Henning, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, both of the Federation. They also noted that labor cannot match corporate donations.

They stated that in the last national election, corporate donations were 70 percent of the total amount donated to campaigns, compared to labor's 9 percent. Since labor has a greater number of people, they stressed that workers can politically offset the imbalance caused by corporate access to funds. They further called for rank and file members to become active in the political process and to encourage donations to the Committee on Political Education (COPE).

An effective example to show labor's potential, was presented by Young at the conference. In Mis-



Symons

sissippi, a labor backed candidate won election to the House of Representatives against a well-financed campaign from the opposition. This seat in the House had been held by a Republican for approximately 22 years and all predictions were that the Republican candidate would win by a large majority. Active campaign activities by Union members in getting out the vote helped the underdog Democratic candidate to win the election.

The speakers called for workers to begin to take part in formulating issues, instead of just reacting to them.

"By getting involved early in the primary activities, we can have a say in the selection of candidates. Union members must speak up and participate by writing letters to representatives, attending political rallies, and getting involved," keynoter Young said.

"Educate! Agitate! Organize!," was the parting challenge to all present at the conference by Young.

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- .. In September, see member John Callejas' daughter who recently won a beauty pageant. John is featured this month in 'On the job' page 14.
- . See Update on Letters of Agreement to keep you current.
- ... See highlights of around-the-clock emergency medical facilities at the Geysers resulting from Union's efforts.
- ... Names and addresses of Nevada's legislators for your reference.
- ... Two Santa Rosa Shop Stewards take action on Coor's Boycott.
- ... Health and Safety Committee member Bob Daniels writes on stress.

Wide political action encouraged by Board

The Executive Board's Political Education Committee has put out a call to all IBEW 1245 Units to begin forming Local Unit Political Action Committees.

Barbara Symons, Southern Area Executive Board Member, encouraged Units to get involved in a recent letter to all Unit Chairmen.

"It is hoped that these committees will form a network to notify members about the necessity to contact legislators sharing labor's viewpoints by letters or by personally contacting legislators," said Symons.

Other members of the Executive Board Political Education Committee include Jay Burton, Central Area Executive Board Member, and Kathy Tindall, Recording Secretary.

The committee is seeking to coordinate labor views so legislators will recognize some clout behind Union supported opinions.

C.O.P.E. counts on you

In the 1968 presidential election, a mere 500,000 votes separated the winning and the losing candidates. This small margin is one of the reasons that the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education is relying on you, as a Union member, to support Union-selected candidates.

To contribute to the legislative process, COPE collects voluntary contributions through the sale by shop stewards and Union officials of COPE tickets. This money is used to support the candidates endorsed by the IBEW.

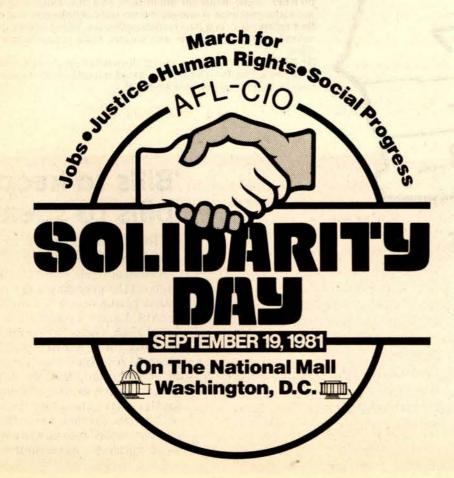
AFL-CIO COPE is the non-partisan political arm of the AFL-CIO. It has the task of encouraging workers to register to vote, to exercise their rightful part in the political life of the city, state and national communities.

COPE also has a state, congressional district and local union division. Each of the areas are responsible for the over-all operations in their districts.

One of the major responsibilities of COPE is to report facts about issues and candidates. It follows the voting records of elected officials and helps to educate AFL-CIO members so they can make informed decisions when voting.

This is where your dollar can support the IBEW-sponsored candidates. COPE workers undertake registration drives and try to get the vote out on Election Day so that the result will be a decision of the true majority of the people.

To contribute to COPE, contact your Business Representative.



Why write?

LEGISLATORS WILL LISTEN TO YOU

When was the last time you wrote to tell a legislator how you felt about an issue?

Never?!

Well. You Aren't Alone! Surveys show that 90% of American adults have never written a letter to a Congressional representative.

But letter writing is one of the most effective and persuasive forms of lobbying because YOU, the voter, are taking the time to express your viewpoint,

Congressman Morris Udall (D-AZ), a member of Congress since 1961 says:

"...I read every letter written me by a constituent. On several occasions I can testify that a single, thoughtful, factual, persuasive letter did change my mind or cause me to initiate a review of a previous judgment."

And don't forget that letter writing can also be used to congratulate a legislator for a vote with which you agree, or as a means to politely express disapproval.

So let your legislators in Congress, the state legislature or at City Hall hear from YOU.

This month the Utility Reporter recaps information surrounding political activity. Members are encouraged to share their opinions on current issues with elected representatives.

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If you feel strongly, let your legislators know. On this and the following six pages are current legislative issues of concern to Union members.

Addresses of California's legislators and Congressional representatives are listed. Nevada's legislators will be listed next month for your reference.

AFL-CIO assails attack on Davis-Bacon

The AFL-CIO has let it be known that it will not support any of the Administration's proposed changes that might weaken the Davis-Bacon Act.

In a letter to Labor Secretary Raymond J. Donovan, AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland said that he is "gravely concerned" over reports that the Administration plans to scrap the pending rules in favor of its own proposals that might weaken the law.

President Reagan's final set of recommendations for changes in both the Davis-Bacon Act and the Service Contract Act (Davis-Bacon's counterpart in the service industry) were due to be released at press time.

Principal concerns over pending changes in these laws is the Administration's contention that relaxation of the laws might allow greater use of helpers and trainees at lower wages. Such a change, AFL-CIO leaders have pointed out, would damage apprenticeship programs, restrict one of the "major avenues to middle class living standards

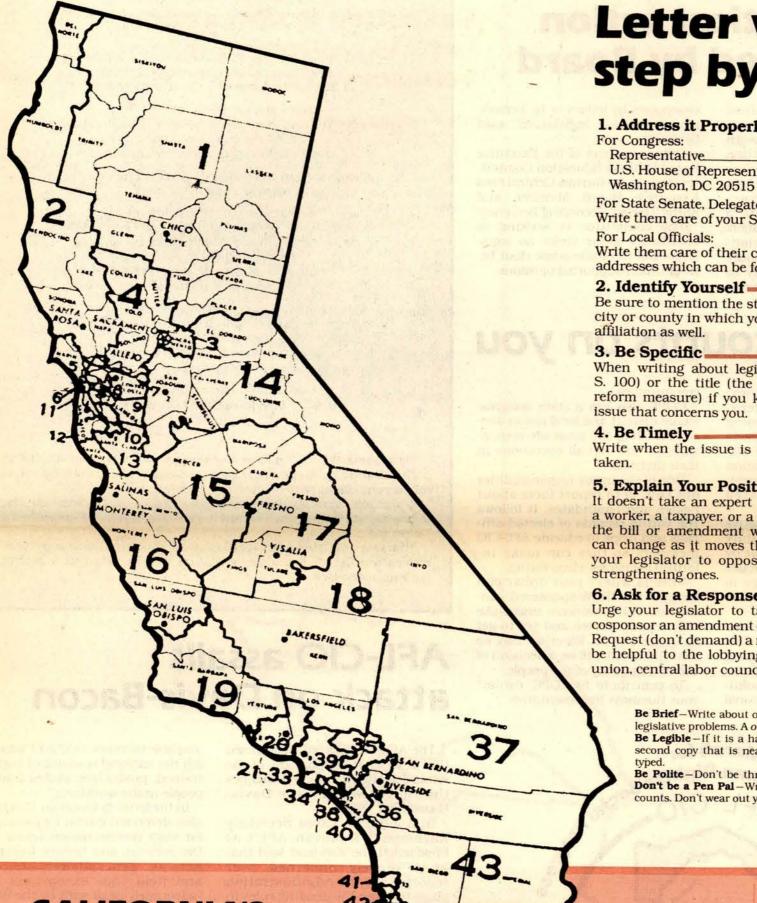
available to minorities," and "diminish the national resource of highly-trained, productive, skilled tradespeople in the workforce."

In the letter to Donovan, Kirkland also defended current provisions for wage determination under the Davis-Bacon and Service Contract Acts as "generally reasonable" and held that exceptions are "adequately dealt with by the Wage Appeals Board for Davis-Bacon determinations and the internal appeals process for the Service Contract Act."

Refuting complaints of excessive paperwork burden under the Davis-Bacon Act as "an euphemism to avoid compliance with the standards," Kirkland added that "Without these reports, enforcement will be next to nonexistent."

Since your voice counts, now is certainly the time to write your representatives urging opposition to any changes that might weaken the 50-year-old act which still provides stability for the construction industry.

Legislative References: Getting your message across



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As a taxpayer, I get upset by the many loopholes in the federal tax system which allow big business to escape paying its fair share of taxes. Because of that, working taxpayers like me are forced to pay higher taxes. The White bill will close many of these inequitable loopholes, if it is passed without crippling amendments, particularly the damaging one proposed by Rep. Blight.

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Sincerely,

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Executive Board action: Letters to the President, Senators Cranston, Hayakawa

Dear President Reagan,

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As a labor organization we are most sensitive to seeing that not only our members, but also the unrepresented, receive justice and compensation for their services, especially those who were called upon to render unselfish and heroic actions that were necessary during the Vietnam war.

Kathy Tindall Recording Secratary I.B.E.W., Local Union 1245

Kathy Tindall

Dear Senator:

Local Union 1245 would like to go on record opposing the Laxalt Family Protection Bill (S-1378) per our Unit request and Executive Board action.

. We urge you to implement this opinion into action by not supporting the legislation.

Thank you for your cooperation and attention to this matter.

Kathy Tindall Kathy Tindall Recording Secretary



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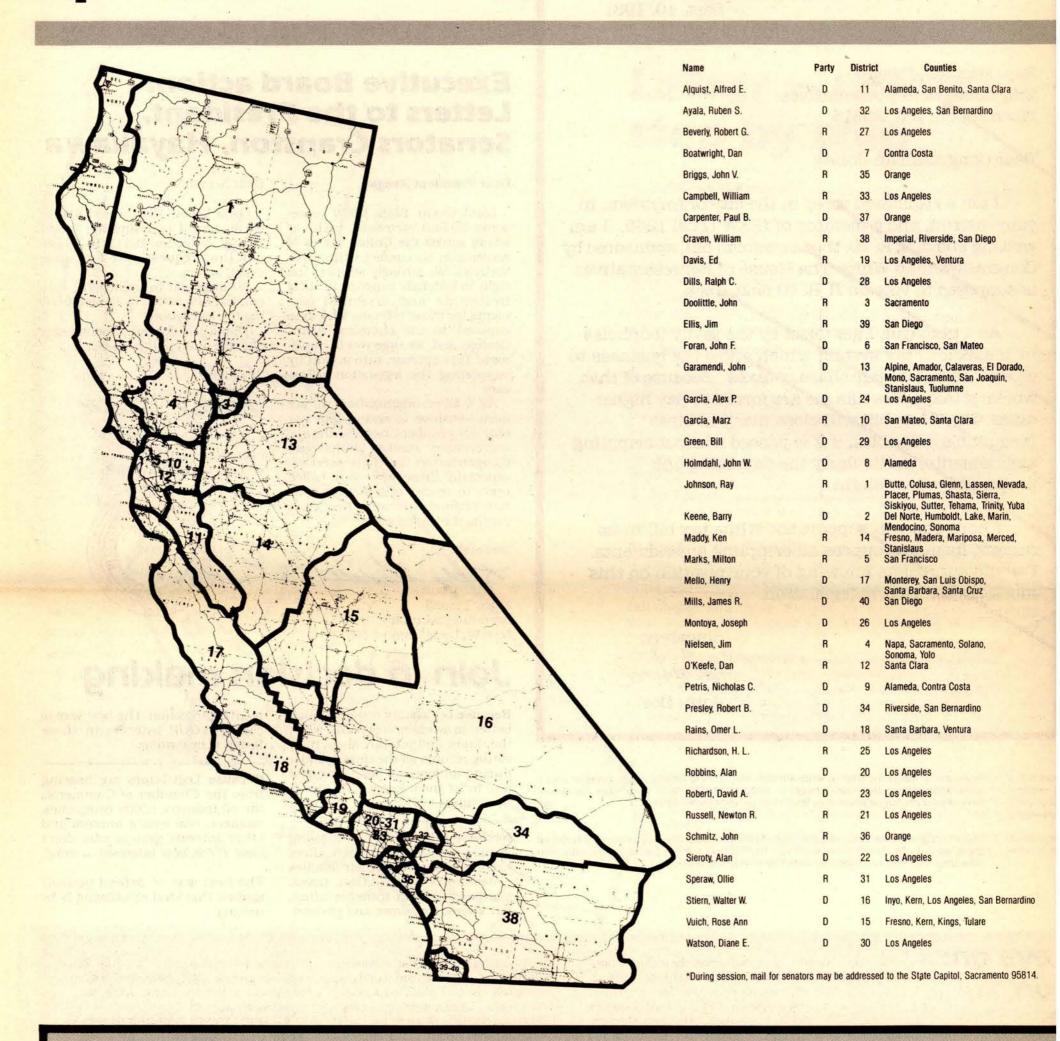
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AB 999 (Wray's Building Standards Bill): Assemblyman Chet Wray's AB 999, which was passed by the Assembly by the slim margin of 41 to 34 on July 6, would empower the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board to enact stronger State Building Standards. Local 1245 Representative Ron Fitzsimmons has been in contact with various groups supporting the bill, and will be testifying in the bill's favor when it is heard in Committee in the Senate. Wray is a democrat from Orange County.

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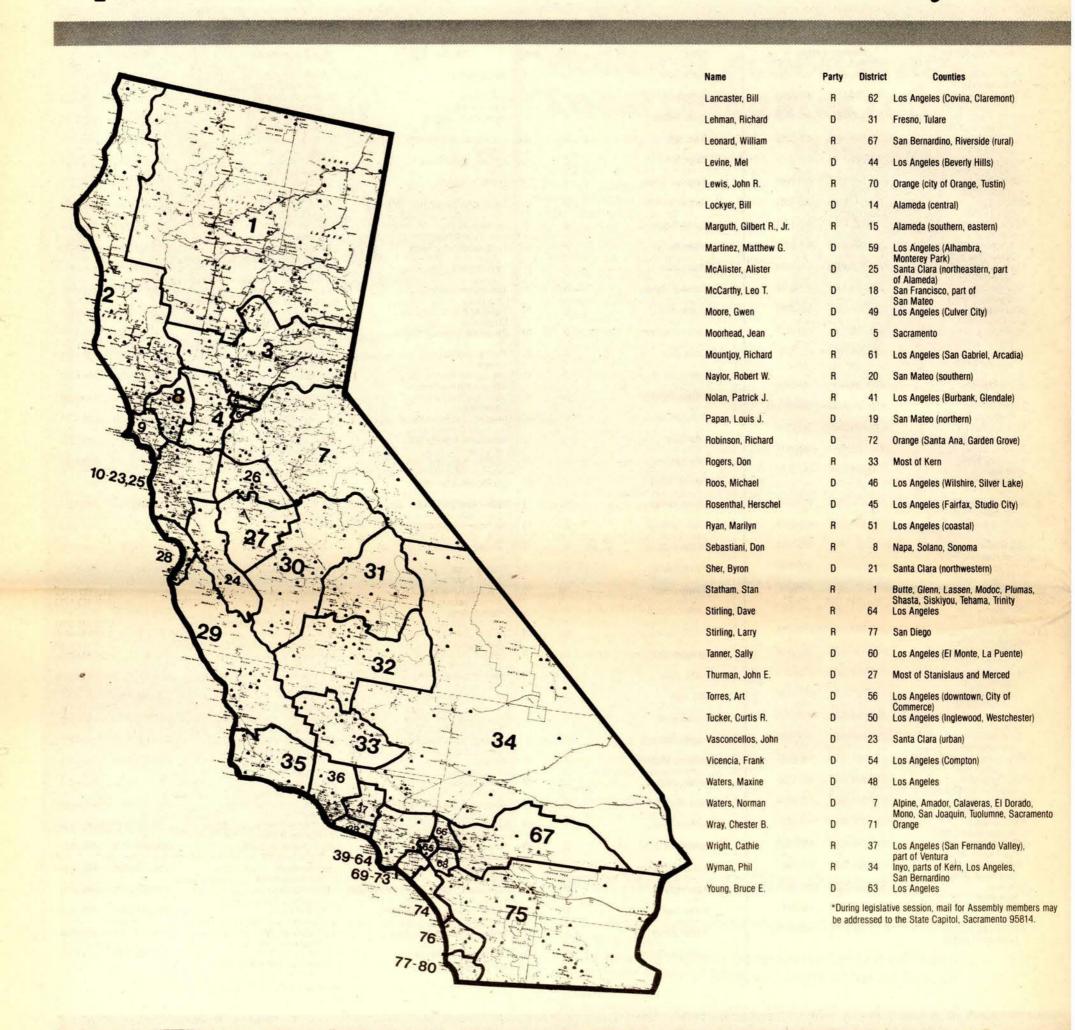
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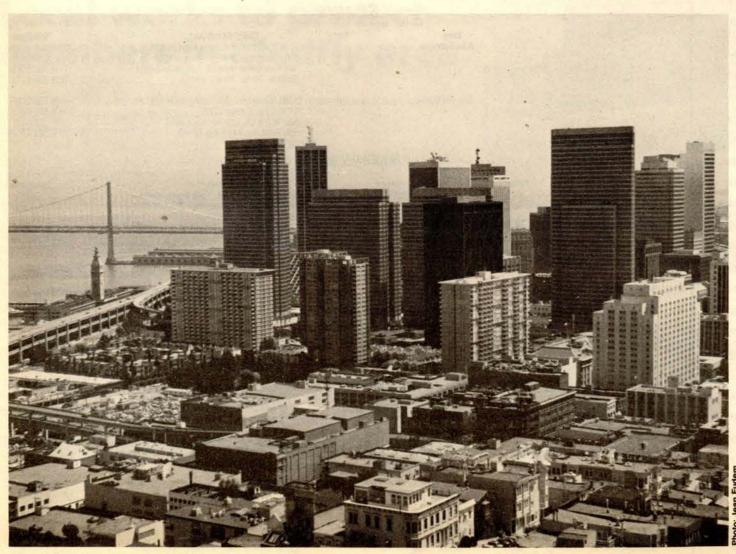
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ON THE JOB San Francisco General Office



View of the Bay Bridge from downtown San Francisco.

IBEW Local 1245 at work

What does it take to be a good Shop Steward? San Francisco's General Office Shop Stewards came up with some good insights for this "On the Job" feature.

"It takes a lot of patience and understand-ing...you have to be a kind of psychiatrist ...you need to evaluate things, to look at several sides before making a decision.

"You've got to get along with all the peo-ple, keep your eyes open and know what's going on.

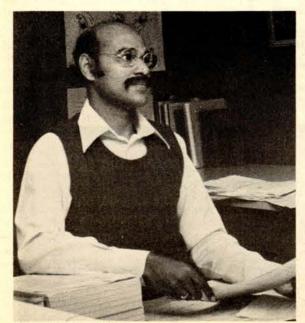
"I believe in sharing information with our

Unit members—they can't all go to the meetings—I let them know what's happening.

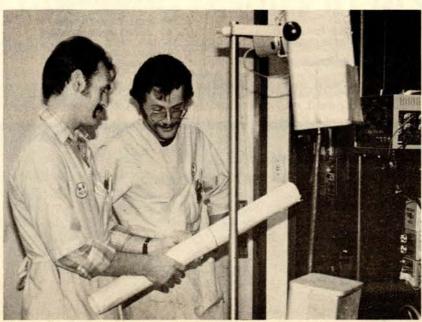
"You need to get along with people and understand their problems—and be able to communicate with them.

'You need to have a lot of patience and be able to listen a lot.

"Listening is the most essential quality.
"I try to answer questions and settle minor problems before they become a grievance."



Nagaraja "Dada" Roa,



George Oryall, left, with co-worker James Crenna



John Callejas



Bill Attinger



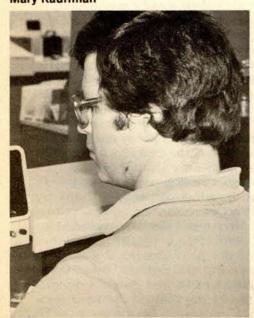
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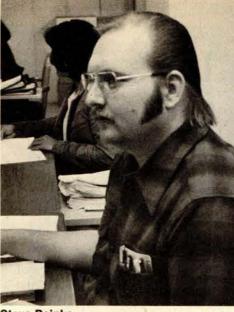
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Ray Harper



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Steve Reinke



Mary Grace Coyle



Donna Fletcher



Dorothy Fortier, Business Representative, left, with Joseph "Mike" Hinds



Cindy Vallejo



L.G. "Lucky" Eldred



Frances Weston

SHOP STEWARDS

Bill Attinger, Senior Accounting Clerk II, Plant Accounting Department John Callejas,, Reprographics Mary Grace Coyle, Data Entry Operator, Computer Operations Department L. G. "Lucky" Eldred, Senior Accounting Clerk II, Corporate Accounting Department Donna Fletcher, Accounting Clerk, Payroll Section, Disbursement Accounting Department Ray Harper, Computer Operator, Computer Operations Department Joseph "Mike" Hinds, Computer **Operations Department** Mary Kauffman, Clerk D, Design Drafting Department George Oryall, Commercial Photographer, Reprographics Nagaraja "Dada" Roa, Clerk D, Reprographics Steve Reinke, Accounting Clerk, Plant **Accounting Department** Jim Stadler, Utility Machine Operator, Payment Processing Center Juan Tello, Computer Console Operator, Computer Operations Department Cindy Vallejo, Accounting Clerk, Accounts Payable Section, Disbursement

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Section, Disbursement Accounting Department

Gwen Wynn, Clerk D. Processing Control, Corporate Accounting Department

Other Shop Stewards not pictured include:

Gail Alston, Disbursement Accounting Department, Accounts Payable, 2nd Shift Bernice Aston, Customer Accounting Department Peggy Barmore, Plant Accounting

Department Ed Belcher, Reprographics

June Brainard, Corporate Accounting Department

Clyde Broussard, Mail Processing Department

Dan Duffy, Payment Processing Center Rene Giger, Computer Operations Department

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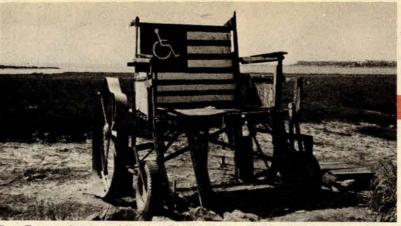
Don Watts, Payment Processing Center

Board votes to back **Disabled Vets**

In this the International Year of the Disabled, IBEW Local 1245's Executive Board authorized a \$1,000 contribution from the Local Union Charitable Donation Account for the Disabled American Freedom Rally held in Washington D.C. September 7, 8, and 9.

The Board noted that this is a grass roots coordination for the independence of disabled veterans.

The Local Union also recently



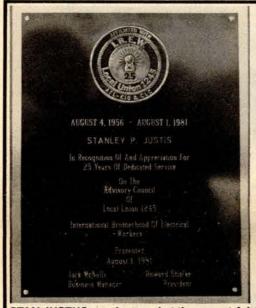
East Bay sculpture publicizing Disabled Vets Rally.

drafted a letter to President Ronald Reagan, and the Director of the Veterans Administration to support the veterans' demands on Agent Orange and for better veterans benefits due to them. This action was in response to a San Francisco Unit motion.

As well, the Local moved to donate \$1,000 to the Vietnam Veterrans Memorial to support the fund raising efforts, encouraged by AFL-

CIO President Lane Kirkland, in appreciation for the sacrifices of those Americans who served in Vietnam.

Any member who wishes to join in the support of this unsung group can make a personal contribution to the Vietnam Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 37240, Washington, D.C. 20013.





STAN JUSTUS was honored at the recent Advisory Council for 25 he's been proud to serve the members who kept electing him over years of service on IBEW Local 1245's Advisory Council. A Trou- the years and said he may not always have been right—but that bleman in the Drum Division, Auburn, Justus was surprised by the he'd done it his way—with the member's best interest at heart. unexpected honor and addressed the assembled group stating

Photo: Carol Bedsole

Site of Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant just outside San Luis Obispo.

Health threat uncovered

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Carbonless copy paper may also be releasing formaldehyde, causing hazards to office workers.

Alerted by members employed in San Francisco and San Jose Divisions to strong odor, severe eye irritation, and visual disturbance problems, and using scientific literature indicating the production of formaldehyde in certain airexposed silicone compounds, Local 1245 informed PG&E in May of discrepancies between these reports and the manufacturer's Material Safety Data Sheet, which states that the product is odorless and non-hazardous except by direct eye contact.

Because PG&E responded to Local 1245's warnings with a memo, provided at the June 2 meeting of the Joint Union-Company Health and Safety Committee, stating that this product does not contain hazardous ingredients, that trace amounts of formaldehyde are generated only at temperatures of 400°F to 500°F, and that the MSDS is satisfactory. Local 1245 immediately sought laboratory analysis.

The hazard was set to be discussed at the Joint Union-Company Health and Safety Committee meeting, scheduled the end of

Law to be upheld

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string of contingency plans with PG&E to forestall problems for

Training sessions to brief members on possible problem areas have been held and flyers outlining plans were sent to all of Local

PG&E's Don Kennedy, Los Padres District manager, said that workers and families were encouraged to request additional briefings as they desired, to make sure they were clear on impending plans, and that one group had responded to the follow-up offer.

Extensive security plans were coordinated following on-site meetings at Diablo with IBEW Local 1245 representatives including McNally, Manny Mederos, Assistant Business Manager, Dave Reese, Coast Valleys Business Representative, Howard Stiefer, IBEW Local 1245 President, and a team of shop stewards from all departments at the plant, with PG&E representatives.