FROM YOUR BUSINESS MANAGER

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have seen a few more calls trickle into the hall. We are hopeful that calls will continue to increase, and we can bring our traveling brothers and sisters home to good jobs soon.

Our thoughts are now turning to colder weather and the upcoming holiday season. At the October meeting we will be voting on the Christmas Party and the Retiree's Luncheon. We hope to have a good turnout.

I'm hoping to see a change in a trend that I have noticed for quite a while. It seems that many of our members have no interest in participating in the meetings, or even in the Union, until something happens that they don't agree with. I believe the Union would work better if we gathered to discuss issues and made decisions as a group instead of waiting until you're unhappy about something and emotions are running high. If you fail to participate, it is difficult to complain about the results.

Please never hesitate to call, stop in, or attend a meeting if you have something you want to ask about, or an opinion to give. We are all in this together.

Fraternally,

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