| June 1968: | |
|---|-----------------|
| U.S. Borax | 2 |
| PCA | $\overline{54}$ |
| Duval | 24 |
| Total | 80 |
| In 1967 we had 228 members working in the potash mines. Today we have | e 80 |

If I can be of any other help, please call on me. Sincerely,

> W. R. EADS, Business Manager, Local No. 703, I.B. of E.W.

CAVERN CITY LOCAL 1124, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS AND AEROSPACE WORKERS, Carlsbad, N. Mex.

HOLLAN CORNETT:

DEAR SIR: Active membership from 1965, 300 members; 1966, 295 members; 1967, 291 members; 1968, 13 members.

These members were working till Nov. 10 1967 when Company shut down operations at refinery, The U.S. Borax & Chemical Co. Potash Division.

> REX KEEN, Financial Secretary.

> > JUNE 19, 1968.

#1912 I.A.M.

1965, 110 Members 1966, 108 Members 1967, 105 Members 1968, 1 Member

To whom it may concern:

Listed above is the active membership of International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers Permian Basin Lodge #1912, located at Carlsbad, New Mexico, on the given dates.

The above information is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. A. GREEN, President.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION. NEW MEXICO EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, Carlsbad, N. Mex.

To Whom It May Concern:

Due to the installation of highly mechanized and larger equipment in an effort to become more competitive in the potash market, there were reductions in labor forces for several years by the potash industries in the Carlsbad, New Mexico, area. More recently, the potash companies have stated that they have been having difficulty in competing with the foreign markets which resulted in the closing of one of the major firms.

The area eventually became one of substantial unemployment and on September 21, 1967, it was classified as a "Redevelopment Area" under Section 401(a) (4) of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965. Criteria for a designated area is clearly specified in this Act. Statements used in determining the designation of Carlsbad as a Redevelopment Area should be on file with the Federal Government prior to the date of designation. Such documents describe the conditions in this area at that time, which was prior to the closing of one of the major potash industries in November of 1967.

> HAROLD R. CONWAY. Manager, Carlsbad Local Office.