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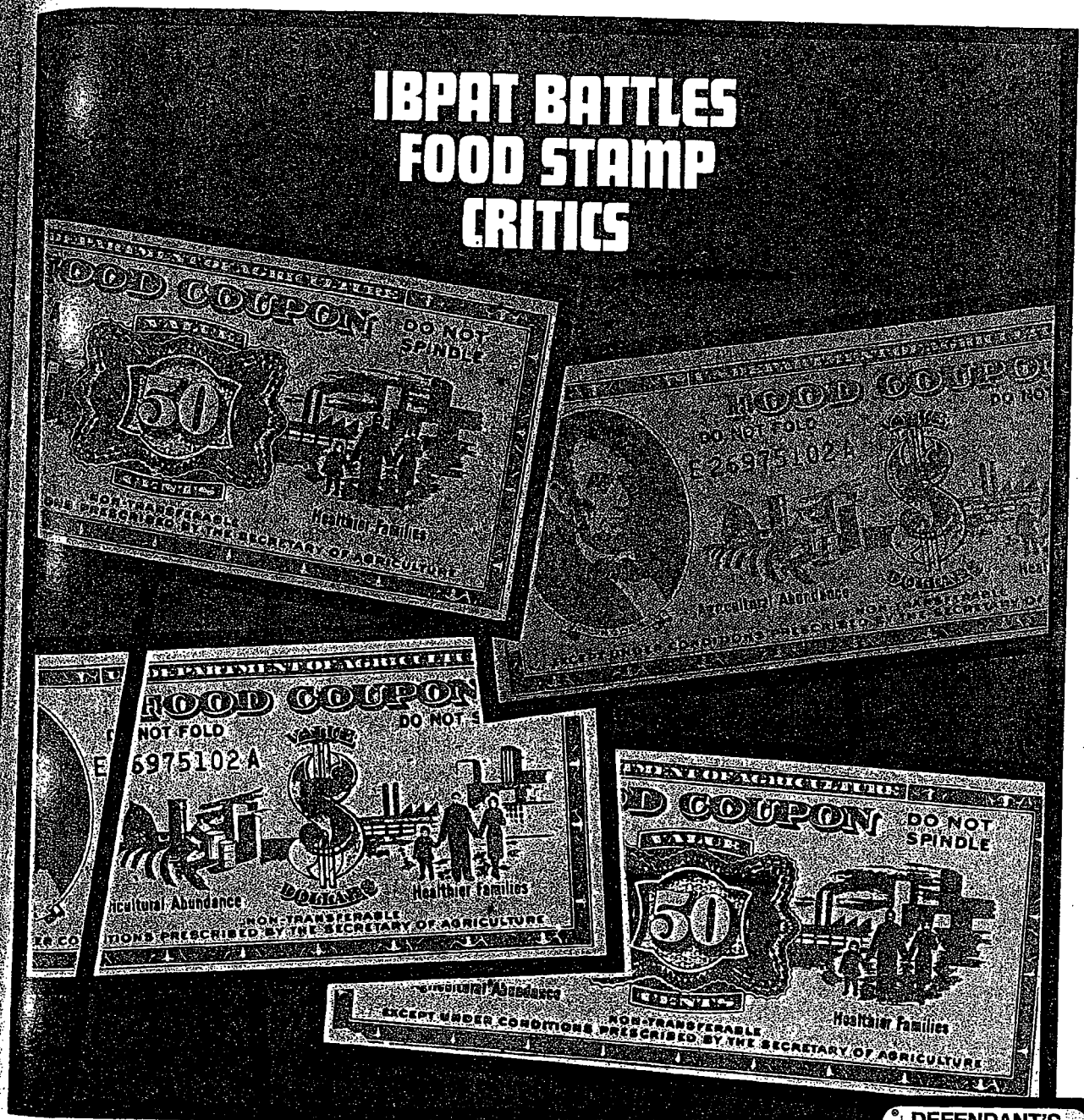
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Decade of Job Safety

Health Tests Come to Kansas City

A weekend of football in the area, didn't deter members of Kansas City Local 1179 from turning out in force for physical examinations administered by specialists from the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine as part of IBPAT's health testing program.

More than 50 Local 1179 members each with more than 15 years in the trade underwent special pulmonary, cardiovascular and other examinations. And although testing covered a wide range of physical functions, Mt. Sinai medical specialists placed special emphasis on examinations to determine the effects of inhaling sanding dust. Local 1179 members specialize in flooring installation, and frequently sand vinyl-asbestos and asphalt flooring materials.

The examinations were part of our Brotherhood's testing program which is a cooperative effort of IBPAT and the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), which has contracted with the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine's Environmental Medicine department to perform the tests. Director of the Mt. Sinai environmental health group is Dr. Irving Selikoff.

Two physicians and five health technicians administered the tests to Local 1179 members during a weekend late last year. According to Local Business Representative Richard Meyers, "the members took the examinations very well, and turned out in force. A full weekend of football—including a (Kansas City) Chiefs home game—didn't keep them away."



Above, a Mt. Sinai health technician administers pulmonary test to Local 1179. Below, left, physician checks heart rate of Local 1179 president Larry Hutton. In picture at bottom right, two Mt. Sinai laboratory specialists check IBPAT test results in New York laboratory.



