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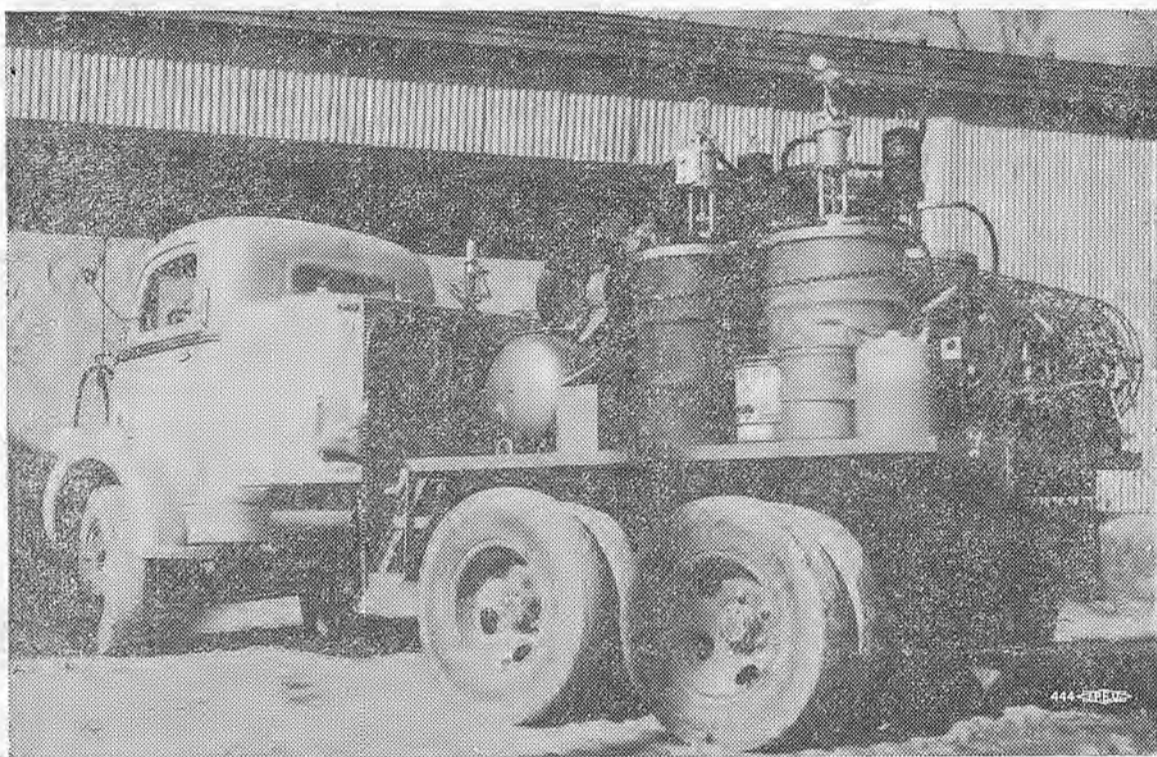
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DUES PROPOSAL WINS OVERWHELMING VOTE



CLEANEST RIG ON EARTH—That's the proud claim made for this grease truck by the Brothers on the job at the Henry J. Kaiser Rock, Sand & Gravel Radum plant at Pleasanton. This rig is manned by Otis McNutt of Local 3, and it looks as spic and span as this all the time, the Brothers say, not just when it's having its picture taken.

Approved by Series of Meetings; Effective Jan. 1

By VICTOR S. SWANSON, Local Union Manager

During the month of October your officers conducted nine meetings in various cities for the purpose of acquainting the membership with the financial standing of Local 3, and the reasons why it was advisable at this time to increase the dues \$1 per month in the construction industry in Northern California and certain other places.

May I first say that as the meetings continued it soon became evident that the members were in sympathy with the proposition to buy, or build, suitable quarters to give proper service to our membership in localities where we do not now have proper facilities.

It was extremely gratifying to your officers and business representatives to know that the membership in each locality where the meetings were held wholeheartedly approved the proposal.

It may be interesting to you to know just what the votes were in each locality.

This is the order in which the meetings were held, the number of brothers in attendance, and the way the voting went:

- Napa, Oct. 3—60 present, 11 "no" votes.
- Sacramento, Oct. 11—321 present, 33 "no" votes.
- Stockton, Oct. 13—197 present, 5 "no" votes.
- Eureka, Oct. 17—55 present, 1 "no" vote.
- Redding, Oct. 18—60 present, 1 "no" vote.
- Marysville, Oct. 19—86 present, unanimous "yes" vote.
- Fresno, Oct. 22—147 present, unanimous "yes" vote.
- San Jose, Oct. 24—197 present, unanimous "yes" vote.
- Oakland, Oct. 25—247 present, 1 "no" vote.

The vote speaks for itself, and since the membership has spoken there is nothing more to be said except that in a democracy the will of the majority is final.

Thus, the resolution that was voted upon raises the monthly dues \$1 on all members employed on construction jobs covered by the Associated General Contractors Agreements, and all other agreements where like wages are being paid, whether construction or not.

New membership cards are now being printed to be used by all members to whom the \$1-per month increase applies. The effective date was set and approved by the membership at the last regular meeting held in San Francisco on Saturday, Nov. 1. The dues increase is effective as of Jan. 1, 1953.

It is hoped that at least one building can be started right after the New Year. Buildings shall be erected in the places where they are most needed—the first to be built in Redding.

In behalf of myself, the officers, executive board and business representatives, we wish to thank those of you who attended these meetings for the fine manner in which we were received. To those of you who could not attend, we know that you will cooperate with the wishes of the members who did attend.

Public Relations Department Set Up to Serve Members

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS AND BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Owing to our large membership and the enormous amount of extra work in the Main Office, it has become necessary to add another department. This department will be known as a "Public Relations Department" and will give information and service to all members, concerning working conditions in connection with all our working agreements.

This office will interpret all agreements as well as help to negotiate all agreements, and will be held strictly responsible for the wording of all such agreements.

In addition to rendering service to the membership and representatives, the department will also handle all National Labor Relations Board cases, as well as filing cases with the Wage Stabilization Board (Business Representatives please note!).

They will also advise, and answer any questions pertaining to the Welfare Plan and will contact our employers, and be available to them, to answer any questions pertaining to the union.

Although this department will give advice to the Business Representatives when requested, it is not intended that they perform the duties of the Business Representatives, nor act in a business agent capacity, but only that they be available to advise and assist the Business Representatives when called upon.

Business Representatives in each district are held responsible for seeing that their jurisdiction is properly covered and that proper service is accorded all members in their district.

Because of their years of experience and training I have appointed two of our outstanding Business Representatives and officers, Bros. P. E. Vandewark and Harry Metz, to be in charge of this department.

The Public Relations Department will be in Room 2, Main (Continued on Page Three)

California to Get \$30 Million U.S. Highway Funds

California's share of 1953 federal highway funds will amount to \$30,165,758 out of the total of \$575,000,000 available for distribution to the states by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce in the fiscal year 1953.

As in the past, the money will be spent under supervision of the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, but the State Highway Dept. actually proposes the projects, prepares the plans, awards the contracts and supervises construction, all subject to federal approval.

Breakdown of the amount to be spent in California is as follows:

- \$11,273,990 for federal-aid primary highways, based on general area and population and federal road mileage.
- \$5,808,764 for feeder roads, proportioned on the basis of rural population only.
- \$11,929,002 for urban highways, proportioned to population in centers with 5,000 or more residents.
- \$963,234 for the inter-state road system.



Kenneth Ede	Sept. 19, 1952
Frank Gandolfo	Oct. 23, 1952
Herbert E. Dreyer	Oct. 26, 1952
T. E. Irving	Oct. 28, 1952
Virgil H. Smith	Nov. 3, 1952
George L. Lowe	Nov. 12, 1952

Anti-Labor Drive Launched by Denham

Washington (LPA)—Two days after the Eisenhower landslide Robert N. Denham, former counsel for the National Labor Relations Board, announced a drive to "tighten up" the Taft-Hartley act, "plug loopholes too favorable to labor," abolish the present NLRB, replace it by one representing "Republican sentiment." Denham was so violently anti-labor that President Truman forced his resignation in 1950.

Gen. Pres. Maloney A Visitor in S.F.

General President William E. Maloney of our International Union was a visitor in San Francisco for several days early this month. President Maloney stopped off in San Francisco on the return swing of a trip to Los Angeles on union business. While here he met with the Executive Board of Local 3, and there was a mutual discussion of union problems and of the outlook for the coming year.

Milestones—Behind and Ahead

AN EDITORIAL

By this time, the November 4 election has been second-guessed by whole armies of experts, and we have no intention of adding another lengthy and deep analysis to the list.

Nevertheless, an election as important as this one, whose outcome can have so great an effect upon our country and our union, cannot be passed over without some comment.

Our union, Operating Engineers Local 3, took its place in the ranks of the American Federation of Labor and did everything it could to promote the victory of the Democratic Party candidate, Governor Adlai Stevenson.

The AFL took the unusual step of directly endorsing Governor Stevenson because it felt that everything Labor has gained in the past 20 years was at stake in this election.

We put our chips on the candidate and the party which pledged to maintain the Fair Deal labor program, and to repeal the vicious Taft-Hartley Law and similar anti-labor laws.

We opposed the candidate who publicly made his peace with Senator Robert Taft, dark angel of the Taft-Hartley Law; who had the backing of the monied interests whom we know are not our friends; who ran in comfortable team harness with Richard Nixon, a man who had voted right down the line in the U. S. Senate against the people's interests.

This was the only position the AFL and our union could have taken under the circumstances, and we have no apologies and no regrets.

There are those who say that Union Labor did not vote for the Democratic candidate, as it had in recent elections. We think that by and large the union members understood the issues and voted for their friends. Governor Stevenson got more votes than any Presidential candidate in our previous history, with one exception.

But the white collar vote, the farm vote, the housewives' vote was also cast in record numbers, and that vote was lopsidedly for the man who is now our President-Elect, Dwight Eisenhower.

It is our American tradition that no matter how hard-fought an election may be, when the votes are counted the winner is entitled to the cooperation of all of the citizenry. He starts his term of office with a clean ledger sheet, and he has the right to expect us to judge him by the deeds that are inscribed in that ledger as the days go by.

In that spirit, we accept the verdict of the majority, and we pledge to the incoming President of the United States our full support as patriotic Americans in all of his endeavors for the strengthening and betterment of our country.

During the campaign, General Eisenhower promised that there would be no wholesale assault against Labor under his administration, that the social security structure would not be weakened, that he would do something soon about ending the war in Korea. We hope these promises will be redeemed.

At the same time, we can draw no comfort from the knowledge that when the next Congress assembles it will be solidly controlled by the Republicans. Senator Taft will head the Senate Labor Committee, and already the word is out that he plans sweeping new anti-labor legislation.

In the uncertain months ahead we must keep our eyes and ears open, and our powder dry.

We must tighten up our own organization, mindful that what we have won in the first instance through our own determination and economic strength, and that in any kind of political weather we can always go forward if we have enough unity and determination.

November 4 already stands behind us as an historical milestone whose meaning and importance will become clearer with the passage of time.

The milestones we're concerned with now are those which lie ahead. We go forward, with caution but with determination, to meet them.

AIR LINE JOBS SET NEW HIGH

Aircraft employment in the U. S. reached a new post-World-War-II high of 718,222 in August, the U. S. Labor Dept.'s Bureau of Employment Security has announced.

The Bureau said a survey of 205 aircraft and parts establishments showed that employment increased 5 per cent between June and August. An additional employment increase of at least 7½ per cent is expected in the industry by February.

The gains were made despite shortages of certain skilled and technical personnel. Most lacking are skilled machine operators, especially lathe and milling machine men.

Biggest increases in employment are expected in plants making engines and aircraft parts.

Factory Employment Is Best in Years

Washington.—Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin declares one of the most favorable employment situations among workers in manufacturing industries since World War II was indicated by labor turnover statistics for September, released recently by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The number of workers laid off during the month, 7 out of every 1,000 employees, was down to the postwar low for September recorded in 1950, and was only half the rate of a year ago, Tobin reported. Hiring was at a rate of 57 per 1,000 employees, one-third greater than in September 1951.

Two University of California engineers are assisting Los Angeles police in a study of the causes of traffic accidents.

69c of Consumer Dollar Goes for Distribution Cost

Boston (LPA)—Of every dollar the consumer spends, 31c is manufacturing cost and 69c is distribution cost, an official of Sears, Roebuck & Co. told the Boston Conference on Distribution.

T. V. Houser declared that production is efficient but "improvements in the field of distribution are just as important to the public in stretching the consumer's purchasing power."

Houser assailed the McGuire "Fair Trade Act" as one of the blocks to lower distribution cost.

Charles F. Phillips of Bates College, Lewiston, Me., declared "fair trade" laws are backed by groups which "believe in competition for others but not for themselves." He called such laws "inconsistent with the type of free market economic system which some still believe is the only kind of system under which America can be both strong and free."

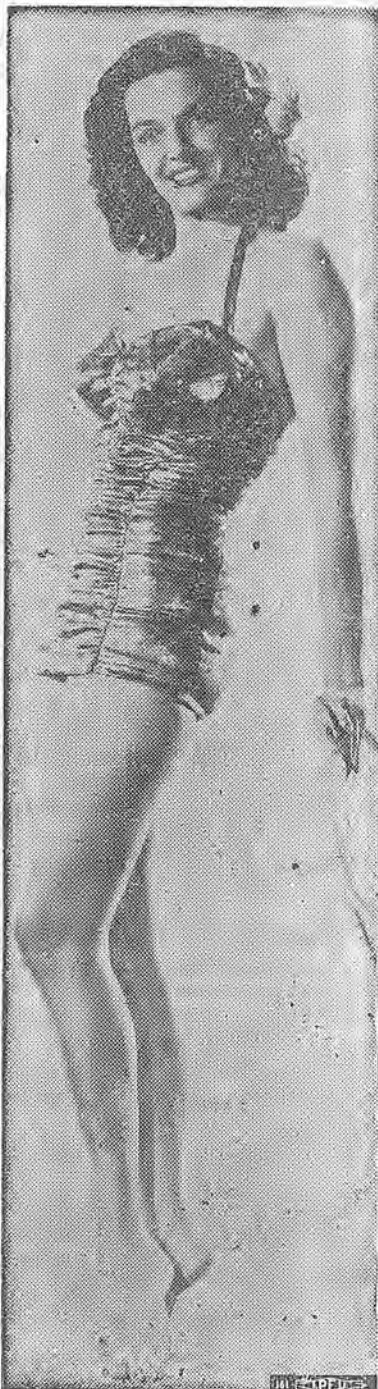
Most of the time the fellow who hollers loudest for justice is really after revenge.

Government is a lot like your digestive system—if it's working right, you hardly know you have it.

Reckon suspenders are about the best source of social security.

The politician who can be bought sooner or later gives himself away.

'Pears to be getting harder and harder to reconcile our net income with our gross habits.



SHE'S A BELLE—Jane Russell is shown here as she appears in "Montana Belle," but she could be the Belle of any of the other 47 states, and the various territories, too.—(LPA)

Report of Last Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., President Clancy presiding. Roll call showed Manager Swanson absent by reason of being away on business of the Union.

Synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 4 read and by motion approved as read.

Synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of October 15 and of October 29 read and acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

The Minutes of the Special Meetings held in Napa, Sacramento, Stockton, Eureka, Redding, Marysville, Fresno, San Jose, Oakland were read, and adopted as read.

A letter was received from the Union Labor Party regarding the need for help in a mass distribution of campaign material. Received and filed.

The following Brothers were reported ill: Pat Sant Agata, Donald Albrecht, Max L. Bradley, Wm. Barstow, Otto Bartfeld, Wesley R. Cuckler, Jack Curry, O. A. Cooper, Tom Draper, E. G. Davis Steve Demoff, Jack Edwards, Ora Ray Gibson, Robert D. Huebner, Lester E. Hunt, Wm. B. Jester, Ed L. Kammeyer, Frank Kratz, Herman Keil, Henry C. Luth, Eugene Lake, Geo. LaVier, G. D. McDonald, Earl McQueary, Victor V. Miley, Glenn H. Moore, Fred I. Newcomb, E. B. Owens, C. E. O'Dell, Perry L. Peers, A. W. Riley, Manuel Rodrigues, Chas. Richmond, Leo L. Self, Milam Swilor, Geo. W. Stevens, Elmer Sudmeier, Jack D. Southard, Leslie Schleigh, J. C. Stone, B. W. Thacker, Henry Thompson, David G. Vaneken, John Watson, Al J. Wykoff, Wm. P. Walsh, Royal Winfred, Ralph J. Wing, R. L. Williams, Gene Waggoner, Roger P. Williams, Charles S. Webb, W. A. Yoch.

The following Brothers were reported deceased: Max L. Bradley, Glen R. Smith, Chas. J. Reposo, Geo. H. LaViolette, Nick Nelson, Herbert E. Dreyer, T. E. Irving. The membership stood one minute in silence in respect to our deceased Brothers.

The Business Agents gave their usual reports which were accepted as given.

Brother Frank Lawrence, Industrial Accident Commissioner, gave a short talk. His remarks were well received.

No further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
C. F. MATHEWS, Recording Secretary.

T-H CLIPS UNIONS FOR \$55,231,000

New York (LPA).—A partial list of major fines, court settlements and pending lawsuits against American workers under the union-busting Taft-Hartley law totals \$55,231,000, The Nation for Oct. 18 points out.

The magazine lists \$18,535,000 in penalties already paid and \$36,696,000 in pending suits, in its article "What You Lose if Eisenhower Wins."

"Under the law," it says, "fines and damage suits have cost the United Mine Workers \$5,470,000, the AFL Building Trades Dept. \$2,000,000, the AFL Intl. Typographical Union \$11,000,000. Thirty damage suits totaling \$30,000,000 have been brought against the CIO Oil Workers, and 25 injunctions and 2,000 contempt charges have been piled on members of the union.

"The CIO United Packinghouse Workers face a \$2,756,000 damage suit brought by Armour & Co. The Intl. Longshoremen & Warehousemen's Union was fined \$750,000 for picketing the Juneau Spruce Co. of Alaska in a dispute with the Intl. Woodworkers in 1950. The National Assn. of Marine Cooks and Stewards has paid \$65,000 worth of penalties in employers' suits since the Taft-Hartley Law was passed. The CIO United Auto Workers in Indiana is being sued for \$190,000 in damages, the New York Teamsters for \$3,000,000."

The list, given for purposes of illustration, is far from complete.

"The obvious intent of these actions is to deplete union treasuries, weaken organization, and reduce benefits to union members," The Nation says. It notes also that the National Assn. of Manufacturers spent \$3,600,000 trying to sell T-H to the American people.

"Taft-Hartley is an attempt to hobble free labor unions," it says. "It gives the employer the power to prevent mass picketing, the

power to enforce the open shop, the power to destroy union treasuries by damage claims. It imposes on union leaders the infamous loyalty oath, which no enemy of America would refuse to take and no loyal American needs to take. It has prevented hundreds of thousands of workers from improving their lot through unionization.

"In the five years before the Taft-Hartley Act was passed, the labor force was increased by 900,000 persons and union membership by 5,000,000. Since 1947 the labor force has increased by 4,500,000 persons, but unions have gained only 800,000 new members."

It concluded with the final warning, "If Ike and his crew win, Robert A. Taft, principal author of the Taft-Hartley Act, would become chairman of the Senate's Labor Committee, in control of all labor legislation."

One of Labor's Unfinished Fights

The first sustained legislative campaign ever conducted by any labor organization was waged in the 1830s—about 120 years ago. It was in New York State, spearheaded by the New York Trades Union, an approximate early equivalent to a present-day central labor council. The fight was against the competition in the market of prison-made goods against products of free labor.

That struggle was eventually won in New York State, and it has continued in one form or another elsewhere ever since. But even now, 120 years after that drive was started to eliminate the competition of prison-made goods, the fight has not been completely won! It's an example of the long and hard struggle organized labor has made to achieve both justice and progress.

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THE RAINS COME, BUT WORK HOLDS UP IN SAN FRANCISCO

By PAT CLANCY and RUSS SWANSON, Business Representatives

The first heavy drops of rain in the San Francisco Bay Area have descended upon us but we are happy to report that very few jobs have been shut down due to the weather.

So far most all of the engineers in San Francisco are working and the "out of work" list is holding its own. This, compared with last year at the same time, is very favorable, for in 1951 we had an early rain which seemed to come at such inconvenient intervals that there was very little opportunity for the engineer to work during the short dry spells.

Piombo Const. seems to have the majority of the work in this area. The Turk St. job has been going along very well but the end is just about in sight. Art Bressnan is foreman on the job, with Mel Piombo on the Cat, Ray Piombo on the loader, Bro. Anderson on the blade, Lawrence Straight on the shovel, and C. Washabaugh doing the oiling.

The following brothers are at work on the Stanley Drive extension job and should be there for a couple of months: Bros. Gingery, Davis, Premac, Mayfield on jeeps; Roberts, Freylock, and Young on cats; R. Lamplough, Hoe, and Tony Callarudo as oilers; Al John on the grease truck, and last but not least, Phil Dunn as foreman.

The job at 38th Ave. and Ortega (sand leveling) has Jim Hawkins as foreman, and also on the job as foreman is Denny Bagley. Ted Thurston, "Whity" Campbell, Joe Roth, Nick Chronis and Harold Holz are on the cats. This job should go very well through any kind of weather.

Bakers Beach Builders are doing all right now after a little difficulty with "one" fork lift on the job. Larry Riordan is now on the lift and, from all reports, things are quiet.

Callahan Const. has a loader on the Michael Murphy ditch job, with Bert Caladero doing the operating.

Fredrickson & Watson's freeway job excavation should be finished by Jan. 1. J. Phillip Murphy Co. is erecting steel for the overheads on this project.

The Bethlehem Steel Co. is about through on the freeway. Zelinsky & Sons, painting contractors, have been painting the steel, with Engineers on the sand blasting.

Raymond Concrete Pile, on the Meyers & Sons job, will finish their pile driving by the time this report goes to press. Meyers' housing project at Army St. and Hunters Point is proceeding about as usual.

M&K Corp.'s sewer tunnel job at Hunters Point was expected to get under way before the rains. I don't think he quite made it. The M&K sewer job in Butchertown is finished.

Duncanson-Harrelson Co.'s sewer job should be completed about Feb. 1.

Chas. L. Harney is going along

as usual on the freeway. Guy F. Atkinson, on the freeway, has been slowed down due to shortage of steel on the pile driving.

The scrap yards have been very busy.

Work has been sort of slow in the repair shops.

Eaton & Smith going right along with the work for Smith Bros. subdivision at 7th Ave. and Lawton. Bro. Jim Drury is foreman, with Cyril Evans, B. I. Smith, George Sanford, Wes Barnes, "Red" Schall and George Demick on the cats. Bro. MacIntosh has been doing the mechanic work. This job should last another month, if the weather holds up.

Clinton Const. is working on the U. C. Hospital and from all indications they'll be there for some time. Bros. Fred Wright, Con Allen, Dan Todd, Arnold Simonsen and Cliff McCormick are running the hoists.

Fay Improvement finally has passed the office on Valencia St., but were worried for awhile about whether they could get the material for the hot stuff due to the farmers taking most of the freight cars for sugar beets.

All seems to be well and good, for they have been laying the hot stuff fairly rapidly. Anton Gupp has been running the Barber Green with Oscar Bacci as the screed man. Frank Haley and "Pop" Brown are on the rollers, Sam Hayes on the blade, Henry Murphy on the compressor and, finally, Dan Harney has been pushing the job.

Chas. Harney is going right along on Van Ness Ave., and for the last month we can find no mention of troubles with the Police Dept. so maybe things along that line are straightened out. Jim Lewis is foreman, with Ernie Reed on the shovel and Verne Dickinson oiling. Mason Hoburg is on the cat, M. Edgecombe on the "much disputed" cherry-picker, Bill Betencourt on the blade, and F. Atkinson and Dick Foudrey on the compressors.

M&K Corp. is moving very fast on the 30-inch water line project at present on Parnassus St. Al Gaspari is foreman, George Freeland runs the hoe with Jack O'Neil oiling, Bro. Ochinerio is on the boom cat, and Lee Wright on the loader.

M&K is about finished with Lincoln High, with Al Pitto on the

Rails, Trucks Get \$3½ Billion in Tax Write-Offs

Washington (LPA)—First place among industries granted huge amounts of government aid by speeding up of depreciation allowances for the purpose of slashing income tax payments has been taken over by the transportation and storage industry.

An accounting of certificates of necessity handed out by the Defense Production Administration showed railroads, trucking firms and warehouse operators getting quick tax writeoffs on \$3,777,323,000 of new or expanded facilities from the program's start late in 1950 to Sept. 5 of this year.

Iron and steel firms were only slightly behind in the tabulation released Oct. 27, with grants covering \$3,771,131,000 of plants. The electric light and power corporations, leading classification up to June 30, were in third place with \$3,596,760,000, followed by chemical industry firms, \$2,808,576,000. Fifth place was held by petroleum at \$1,585,655,000, with the five classifications accounting for a little more than two-thirds of the dollar value of DPA favors up to Sept. 5.

DPA also reported that, during August and September, fast write-off approvals fell below the \$100 million a week rate for the first time. The peak was reached in February, March and April with a weekly rate of \$540 million. A big drop in applications for certificates also was recorded, totaling only \$58 million in the week ending Sept. 5. Top figure during February and March, 1951, was \$1 billion a week.

Certificates which granted corporations the right to charge off heavy proportions of their investments out of their taxes during five years, instead of the 20 to 25 ordinarily permitted for amortization, reached a value of \$22,982,285,000 Oct. 15.

compressors, "Red" Barton on the clam, and D. C. Crawley doing the oiling.

Robert McKee, doing the work on Marine Hospital, has only one engineer still at work—Sam Penner on the hoists.

Wynn Const. is making good progress on the Sherwood Heights subdivision at the end of Landsdale Ave. Bro. Bill Dempsey is foreman, with Eugene Anzar, A. Maderios, A. Britz and Mac Lee on the cats.

Purpleheart, which is another name for amaranth, is an imported wood that is of interest to both professional finishers and accomplished amateur craftsmen. It has a purple color, open pores and a plain figure. Requiring no filler, it may be given a natural finish or one that simulated mahogany.

SERVICE WITHDRAWAL CARDS

Henry Quon Chong Ching
Marshall Conner, Jr.
George Croft
Darrel Dippold
Raymond P. Henderson
Andrew Hernandez
Charles L. Murphy
John E. Nolan
Lloyd Rice
Chas. I. Thompson
Lawrence Wm. White

A Notice From the International Union



INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS
— Affiliated With the American Federation of Labor —

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OFFICE OF THE GENERAL PRESIDENT

October 3, 1952.

TO ALL AFFILIATED LOCAL UNIONS

Greetings:

The following Resolution was adopted by the General Executive Board on September 24, 1952:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Many affiliated Local Unions of the International Union of Operating Engineers have, or are negotiating Health and Welfare Plans; and

WHEREAS, Numerous disputes have arisen between the Local Unions and the Employers over the placement of the insurance with responsible carriers; and

WHEREAS, Attention has been brought to the General Office of the possibility of refunds of some portion of the premiums being responsible for such disputes; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That where Health and Welfare Plans are being negotiated with insurance companies it shall be a violation of duty for any member to personally accept, directly or indirectly, any refund of premium from insurance company; be it further

RESOLVED, That any and all refunds of premiums on Health and Welfare Plans, service fees, bonuses, and etc. shall, if allowed, be paid to and accepted by the Fund itself and used for the purpose of purchasing additional benefits for the members of the fund; be it further

Resolved, That any member violating the spirit and intent of the foregoing Resolution shall be subject to trial and the imposition of such penalties as shall be imposed by the General Executive Board of the International Union of Operating Engineers in the circumstances; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to all affiliated Local Unions. Carried.

The above is for your information and guidance and you will please take notice and be governed accordingly.

With kindest regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

WM. E. MALONEY,
General President.

Public Relations Department Set Up to Serve Members

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Office Building, at 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, and will be open every week day from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., as well as on the first Saturday of each month from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, and every Wednesday night between the hours of 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

To reach them by phone call HEMlock 1-1568 and ask for either one, as only one may be in the office at the time, but either will be prepared to answer questions.

As their duties are varied and many, please do not call unless their assistance is necessary.

I am asking that 100 per cent cooperation be accorded to these brothers so that the Public Relations Department will be successful and can fill the need of the membership.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,

VICTOR S. SWANSON,
Union Manager.

Retail Food Prices Drop a Little

Washington (LPA)—Retail food prices dropped 0.1 per cent in the last two weeks of October, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has announced. But the index, at 232.2, was still 14.3 per cent above pre-Korea. The 232.2 index figure means that it takes \$2.32 today to buy what \$1 bought in 1935-39.

Meats, poultry and fish dropped 1.2 per cent, pork prices were down 3.1 per cent, and chicken 1 per cent. Fruits and vegetables went up 1.4 per cent, and fats, oils, eggs, and beverages also rose slightly.

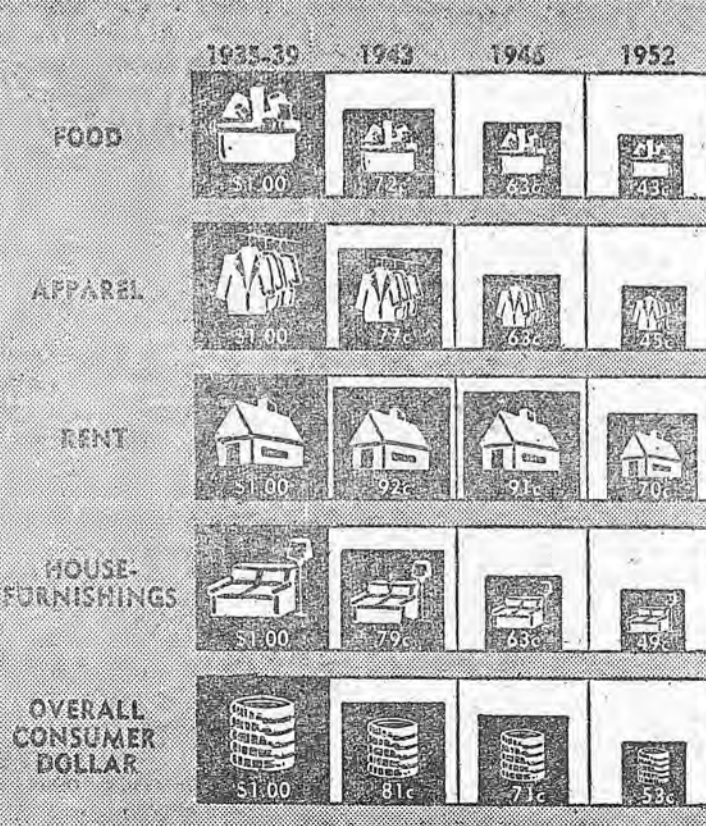
Banks Hike Holdings In U.S. Securities

The 4927 national banks had \$35 billion invested in U. S. government securities on Sept. 5, the Comptroller of the Currency reported. That represents an increase of \$1 billion over the figure for October 1951.

The banks had \$102 billion in assets in September, or \$5 billion more than they had in October 1951.

Safest way to double your money is to fold it over and put it back in your pocket.

THE SHRINKING DOLLAR — 1935-1952



Chart, based on Bureau of Labor Statistics figures, shows how purchasing power of dollar has declined since 1935-39 base period.

What's Doing in the Oakland Area

Job Orders Slowing Down, More on Out-of-Work List

By AL CLEM, T. D. BRYSON, L. L. LAUX, L. SOLARI and J. RILEY, Business Representatives

The last two weeks of the month just past has brought about a gradual decrease in the number of orders placed for men, and a corresponding increase in the number of operators and oilers on the out-of-work list. During the month of October 425 men were cleared to various jobs throughout the area. At the present writing there are 75 operators, and 35 oilers on the out-of-work list.

GETTING AROUND THE JOBS

Some of the largest jobs in the area which have provided work for many of the brothers during the entire summer are now nearing completion. Numbered among these are the John Delphia reservoir job, the M. Miller Co. pipeline job, the Coast Pipeline Co. job, Stolte's pipeline job, Bechtel's job for Continental Can, and last but certainly not least, the Peter Kiewit Antioch freeway job.

It is of interest to note that Fredrickson & Watson were able to complete the work on the Dublin Freeway 40 working days ahead of schedule. Credit for this cut in time is given to the 10 new DW 20's which were used on this job, instead of DW 10's as originally planned.

Approximately one-half of the concrete paving has been completed on the Hayward section of the freeway. There are about 35 engineers on this project at the present time, which should take until June 1953 to finish. Bro. Grant Brown is employed by Fredrickson & Watson as concrete foreman on this project, and Bro. Les Christianson is their grade foreman.

BIG NEW JOB

After reporting the completion of so many jobs, it is good to be able to tell about a new project, just getting under way, which is of considerable magnitude. This is a subdivision, located just north of Concord, to be called "Holbrook Heights."

The firms of Ganiats, Herraty, and Rousseau will develop this subdivision, which will ultimately involve the construction of 5,000 homes. At the present writing contracts have been let for the first 1,032 units. J. K. Nisson & Sons, who have the subcontract for the sanitary sewer and storm system, have approximately 20 miles of pipe to lay. E. G. Jesberg Co. has the contract for the water system, and will have between 8 and 10 miles of pipe to lay.

The subcontracts for the excavating, grading and paving were awarded to Gallagher & Burke, who have 1,589,000 square feet of grading and paving work. A new batch plant has been set up on the job site by the Danville Warehouse and Lumber Co., who will furnish approximately 50,000 yards of concrete for the project.

A number of Local 3 men are already working for these various contractors on this project, which will take from two to three years to complete.

The number of units to be built at the Shore Acres subdivision at Port Chicago has been increased from 1,032, as originally planned, to 1,532, and without doubt Orinda Excavators and C. J. & C. Co. will be busy at this location for some time to come. C. J. & C. have added one of the new "Bantam" backhoes to their collection, and Bro. Curt Collette is captain on this new rig. Also working on this project are Bros. Rex Phillips, W. B. Mondell and S. P. Carrigan.

Most of the things we have to tell you about are concerned with either the excavation or construction of buildings. However, Bro. Wesley Warner, and his oiler, Jerry Ling, who have been working for McDowell & Co. for the past several months, have been doing work of a somewhat different nature. Bros. Warner and Ling have been assembling floating cranes.

Six 60-ton, and two 100-ton cranes have been assembled, with the testing of these cranes to be

started in the very near future. The 60-ton crane is tested with weight up to 84 tons; the 100-ton crane with 125 tons. Bro. Harvey Knauer, who has been doing this type of work since early in World War II, will do the testing.

Rose & Mantoza Excavating Co. of Castro Valley have contracts to do the excavating, grading and paving work for six new school buildings to be built in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. At the present time there are 15 members of Local 3 on these various school jobs, and they will probably have work on these projects until the first of the year. Bro. Warren "Spence" Roberts is general foreman for Rose & Mantoza, and we hear he is doing a fine job.

The Niles Sand & Gravel Co., Inc., is experiencing its usual seasonal shortage of all types of materials at their quarry. Two shifts are in operation at this time, with Bro. Clarence Lavender as day shift foreman and Bro. Larry Gronley, foreman on the swing shift.

Eight members of Local 3 are dismantling several kilns for the D. M. Sandling Co., at the Standard Oil plant in Richmond. There will be three or four more weeks work on this job, and we understand that they have several similar contracts in the offing. Bro. Bud Parker, their master mechanic, had the misfortune to be run over by a truck while on the job, but we are glad to be able to report that he came out of it with no more than a badly broken thumb.

A job which quite a number of the brothers have been on for some time, and one which promises to last about two months longer, is the Payne Construction Co. job on the State Health Building to be built in Berkeley. At the present writing there are 24 more holes, 40 to 50 feet deep, to drill.

Healy-Tibbetts used two of Smith & Rice's 100-ton floating cranes to move Pabco's big warehouse. The moving of this warehouse, which was handled in two sections, was necessary for the development of the Eastshore Freeway. This company has their No. 8, six-yard clam, working 24 hours a day, 5 days a week, pre-dredging the south side of the job. The mud removed is being hauled out to sea in dump barges. At the present time Healy-Tibbetts have about 18 men employed on this phase of the work.

Sam Saunders has three pieces of equipment, namely a scraper, a dozer, and a new Lima drag-line, on flood control work for Contra Costa County. Bro. Cliff Dilley is operating the drag-line, with Jim Shore as his oiler, and Al Gomez is on the scraper. About a month's more work will see the completion of this flood control project.

School children in Geneva Canton, Switzerland, have Thursdays and Sundays off. This system was devised to give parents who have Saturdays off a vacation from children as well as from work.

DREDGE NEWS

Dredging work continues to be good. We are still finding it difficult to provide levee-men and deckhands who are willing to go to jobs away from their home locality.

Olympian Dredging Co. has the Golden Gate loading barges at Bethlehem Shipyard in San Francisco. The Palmer is now on the Stockton Channel job, where they are progressing satisfactorily.

Hydraulic Dredging Co. has started laying the pipeline and is getting ready to bring the Papoose down to start the pumping on the Eastshore freeway job, off Emeryville. Pumping will probably not be started till about Nov. 20, as there is considerable preliminary work which must be done, including the placing of several hundred feet of submerged line.

San Francisco Bridge Co. has now finished their job at Sacramento, and has moved their dredge, the Hinds, to the PG&E job at Pittsburg, where pumping has already been started.

Associated Dredging Co. has been experiencing some difficulty with the Sucker due to rough water on the Noyo River at Fort Bragg, but they are able to make pretty good progress when the water calms down.

The Leslie Salt Co. keeps their two clamshells working around the clock in the South Bay building levees for their salt ponds.

Boss Tells Workers How to Vote, Then Soaks Them for It

Chicago (LPA)—Because of a "captive audience" lecture by the boss, the National Labor Relations Board on Oct. 28 set aside an election held May 13 at the John Irving Stores (Mary Jane Shoe Stores), lost 14-3 by the Wholesale & Department Store Union.

The balloting had been set for 7 to 9:30 p.m., with the stores closing at 6, but the boss told the help to stay on that night to change window displays. They worked until 6:30, when the manager herded them together for his speech. A union representative asked permission to attend, but it was refused. At 6:45, the damage done, the boss put the employees back to work until the balloting began—after, of course, docking them for the 15 minutes they had spent listening to his line.

The NLRB regional director recommended that the election be set aside. The boss appealed to the Board, arguing that (1) attendance at his speech was "voluntary," (2) there wasn't a no-solicitation rule, (3) the union didn't ask permission to address the workers, and (4) the timing of the speech didn't prevent the union adherents from presenting their side of the case.

With remarkable restraint, the NLRB said: "We are satisfied that the atmosphere in which the election was conducted casts serious doubt on whether the results of the election reflect the uninhibited desires of the employees." It ordered a new election.

Durham, N. C. (LPA).—Henry C. Sawyer, business agent of Local 553, AFL Electrical Workers, has been named to the State Apprentice Council. Sawyer is secretary-treasurer of the state Building and Construction Trades Council, and a trustee of the Durham Central Labor Union.

In 1951, the Danish, Norwegian, and Swedish Trade Union Federations approved an agreement that makes it possible for a worker to transfer trade union memberships from one country to another without restrictions. Rights to comparable social benefits, such as those for sickness or death, can be transferred fully.

Attend union meetings. Support your labor paper.

News About the Brothers—

Our Experts Report on Saudi Arabia, Morocco and Brown Bear

Bro. Joe Blackwell passed some useful information on to us when we talked with him in the hall recently, after his return from 18 months spent working for Bechtel in Saudi-Arabia.

Bro. Blackwell tells us that while work clothes are obtainable in Arabia, at slightly higher prices than in the States, it is almost impossible to buy business suits.

The hot weather in Arabia must have agreed with Joe, as he gained 25 pounds while there. His work for Bechtel was as an asphalt plant operator at Jeddah, Saudi-Arabia, located near the Red Sea. Bro. Blackwell was able to bring back some very fine articles made of ivory and silver, for gifts to friends and relatives, and he tells us that Persian rugs are also available at very reasonable prices.

Finally heard from a couple of members who had some success with their deer-hunting this season, namely Bro. Johnnie Cain, who works for Gallagher & Burke, and Bro. Bill Crain, who works for Buran Equipment. The Crain boys got a deer apiece, just 45 minutes after they started out, but they modestly tell us that the country around Fresno, where they had their good luck, is their home terror, and very familiar to them.

And while we are on the subject of hunting, we would just like to mention that we left out the most important part of the story about Bro. George Parker's hunting trip. While Bro. Parker was not fortunate enough to bring home a deer, he did get a limit of Brown Bears. He got the bears at Long Valley, just out of Quincy, a spot he recommends to other hunters, as the country is not too rough, and the bear, which come out to feed on the dumps are quite plentiful.

Bro. Bill Evans stopped by the other day to do a little bragging about his now son, Wayne Edwards Evans, born September 24th, and from all we hear, he must be quite a boy.

We would like to call the attention of the members to a new repair shop just opened by Bro. A. Koivisto, which is located at the corner of Lewelling and E. 14th Street, Oakland.

Bro. Carrol-T. Barber, who has been one of the prize blade men of Local 3 since 1945, has just returned from French Morocco, where he has spent the past 17 months. Bro. Barber set up the quarry and crusher plant, which manufactured rock for the airstrip under construction, and then became welder foreman.

While holding this position he was responsible for the training of nine Arabs, who had had no former mechanical experience, and who could speak no English. By the time they were trained the Arabs could understand his "Pidgin English," and Bro. Barber could speak enough Arab to get by.

During this period he had under his supervision, the nine Arabs, three Frenchmen, one Spaniard, and one American. The French, who were contract welders from Paris, had a considerable amount of training, although their methods were different from ours. Bro. Barber tells us that he is very glad to be home, and thinks he will stick around for awhile.

Bro. J. B. De Jarnatt dropped in at the hall the other day to tell us about the very fine vacation trip recently enjoyed by him and his wife. The De Jarnatts drove across the country to New York, where they hit all the high spots of the big city, and then made the return trip through Canada. They tell us that in most instances they found the roads to be fairly good, and that motels were always available, ranging in price from \$3 to \$18 per night. One of the highlights of their trip was a two-day stop-over at beautiful Lake Louise.

MILLIONS IN DEBT TO RICH DOCTORS

(From "Labor")

Efforts of the organized doctors to pooh-pooh the problem of meeting the costs of medical care by crying "socialized medicine" are being challenged in unexpected quarters.

For example, the conservative weekly magazine, "U. S. News and World Report," published a significant article warning that whichever candidate won the Presidency would have to do something about our rising medical costs.

A note at the top of the page said that the article "represents the result of an extensive research

ple who go without needed medical treatment because they know they can't pay for it; nor, as the article points out, of savings spent, money borrowed from banks or other lenders to meet hospital costs, "which usually must be paid in advance," or of funds provided by various insurance plans.

FOUGHT BY 'DOCTORS' LOBBY
Aid for medical education also is cited as a major problem to be faced by the next President. This has been fought by the "Doctors' Lobby" as an "opening wedge" to "socialized medicine."

The article points out that, although more than half of the population is covered by health or hospital insurance plans of some sort, they meet only a small percentage of the cost of health care.

Billy returned from school one afternoon and his mother surprised him with a big dish of ice cream. "Oh, Mommy," he exclaimed, "I wish you had told me this morning we were going to have ice cream." "Why, what difference would it have made?" asked the mother. "Oh, lots," replied Billy. "I'd have been able to expect it all day."

Prosperous

Patients may have difficulty paying their bills, but doctors are prospering. The magazine "Medical Economics" reports that "general practitioners"—that is, family doctors—had an average net income last year of \$14,098, an increase of 50 per cent over 1947. Specialists averaged \$17,112.

on a problem of outstanding importance." That problem is the unpaid medical bills facing "nearly one family in five."

BILLION IN MEDICAL DEBTS
A table showed that 10.2 million families have such bills; that 1.2 million owe \$200 or more and that 200,000 owe more than \$1000 for needed health care. The total of such debts, the magazine declares, exceeds \$1 billion.

This takes no account of the peo-

Sacramento Prepares for The Influx of Job Seekers

By ED PARK and H. S. CLARK, Business Representatives

At this writing it appears as though our work load will remain fairly constant through the winter months and most unemployment will be the result of weather rather than lack of work. This prediction is made upon the basis of the Engineers in the area now and does not take into account the usual winter influx that takes place each year during the rainy months. This influx has been occurring for years and has made Sacramento the largest labor market west of the Mississippi.

This city becomes a center for the lumber worker and the miner who are driven out of the mountains by the snow; for the agricultural worker who cannot work in the fields which become soggy after the first heavy rains; and, of more consequence to us, for the unemployed construction worker who comes here from Washington, Oregon and Idaho, from Nevada and Utah and from the northern sections of our own state and the mountains to the east of us.

The influx has increased the past few winters due to the great amount of national publicity given the Folsom Dam. All these factors present problems, but with the coming of spring, exodus from the city and by early summer men and jobs available are back on a somewhat equal basis.

In answer to the many inquiries, the labor force at the Folsom Dam will not be increased during the winter but to the contrary will decrease somewhat as the wet weather slows down certain phases of its construction. Notably, some of the dirt work will be down. An overflow of the coffer dam could be responsible for a great deal of the work being suspended.

Some of the reasons for our predicting a fair amount of work this winter: A. Teichert picking up an aircraft parking apron at McClellan Field, \$456,260.50; Erickson & Campbell, a \$1,398,683 building job at the same field; Early & Stolte, a \$3,597,500 sewage treatment plant; Stockton Const. Co., a \$712,000 pipeline job on the same project; G. L. Tarlton Const. Co. from St. Louis, awarded Camp Creek tunnel and access roads for \$412,655; and H. Earl Parker, a nice levee job in our back yard. Just enough work to take up the slack as other jobs in the area shut down.

Things at the dam are just about status quo. Atkinson buttoned up on their channel job and are going pell mell to throw a coffer dam around their power house job. Savin is under way with the concrete pour but are still trying to beat the weather out at the river bottom. Winston-Johnson are under way with the concrete at Nimbus and M & K are still keeping their crews going at Salmon Falls.

In the western area of this district, A. Teichert keeps the brothers busy at all times. This firm has about completed their lower road job which eliminates several accident hazards on the Sacramento-Woodland road. Their rock and hot plant at Woodland, on Cache Creek, has kept the members busy all summer.

W. C. Railing has about completed his road shoulder job between Woodland and Esparto. Al Erickson Co. of Napa joint ventured this project with Railing on the bridges. Al has about completed his end of it also.

Jay Bailey Const. Co. and their crew kept busy all summer with paving, subdivisions, excavating, etc. This company is just finishing a subdivision at Winters with Pete Frediani and Cecil Clark on the job. Harms Bros. have moved in here with a blade and a roller to help them finish before the rain. This company also just received a new Inasley truck crane.

Madison Sand & Gravel plant, located on Cache Creek at Madison, keeps the crew busy all the time. They have had a good summer here with plenty of hours and good working conditions. Brother Willard Walker is doing the bossing.

Fredrickson Bros. plant at Winters, with Bob Noble in charge,

have had a good run this summer. They supplied all material for the Vacaville job.

The subdivision work in Sacramento has slowed down considerably since our last report. They are all practically completed at this time with more work in the spring. That's the outlook at this writing: A. Teichert, McGillivray, J. R. Reeves, Lentz and all the other contractors have timed the finish of this type of work to correspond to the rainy season which is upon us.

The Downer Const. Co. have finished their sewer job on Fruitridge Road and have moved out. Underground Const. has a sewer job in North Sacramento and are on the way to completion. A Teichert is also on the way to finish on a sewer line on El Camino Blvd. in North Sacramento. This line was 24 feet deep in places with McElroy sweating it out on the trencher.

Royce & DeVriend Trenching Co. have contracts at the soap plant and State College with Roy Edington and Bill Rafferty operating and Douglas Butler and Robert Minkley oiling. Brother Gus Ahlstrom is ramrodding. Brother Elmer Davis has been dividing his time between operating the truck crane and taking care of the rigs.

In the Grass Valley-Nevada City area, F. T. Bastian, Bob Winkle and Ted Schwarz are keeping the members who are working for them busy on small jobs in that vicinity.

The Heron Engineering Co. have completed their ski-lift job at Soda Springs to the satisfaction of the owners. E. W. Simpson, Gus Bergquist and Joe Chevreux, contractors in the Auburn area, keep busy with various small jobs, paving, excavating, grading, etc. Ted Lindblad has his dragline working with Brother Ben Parker operating and also the hauling contract on the state highway sub-base job near Coloma. Brother Ralph Castro has his cat on this job.

HERE AND THERE WITH THE BROTHERS

Mickey Cavana, contemplating; Bill Waite, ram-rodding; Melvin Wissler, curious; A. C. Mankins, roller; Lee J. Roeder, rolling hot stuff; George Wood, giving blood again; Ralph Owens, greasing cats; Gordon Lloyd, bossing; Norman Wissler, in the Navy; Bill Landrum, fishing; T. E. Newel, likewise; Ray Austin Jr., running a roller.

Chuck Keithley, ordering a mechanic; Art Nevers, waiting; Chas. McGuire, running a fordsen; Bill Walker, in charge; Ernie Flint, in electricity; Percy B. Laws, taking five; Ray Copeland, almost off to Arabia; Al Bobo, back in the States again; Dick Koivisto, on the road for Peterson Engineering; Don Johnson, blading; Joe Canto, off to Oregon; Paul Muck, paving; Clay Cook, welding; John Blair, hale and hearty.

Our wishes for better health and better luck go to: A. R. Allan, who had a severe eye injury on the job and two months confinement in the hospital; Brother George Helms, laid up with a heart condition; Amos Smith, who is home after two trips to the hospital; Stanley Coach, who is now in the Veterans' Hospital in Oakland; Danny Furrer, who is in the hospital as a result of a job accident; and Ray Cochran, who has just been released from the Mercy Hospital.

Congratulations to Brother and Mrs. Smokey Boehm on the birth of a baby girl on November 3. Also, our sympathy to Smokey, who is now laid up with the mumps. Congratulations and best wishes

WINDUP OF JOBS FELT AT MARYSVILLE

By WM. C. WAACK and LES COLLETT Business Representatives

Work has started to slow down in the Marysville area due to some jobs topping out at the same time. Today, November 12, is the first rain of the season, and we hope it will not last.

M. & K. Co., Inc., have laid off the swing shift on the W.P. Tunnel at Pulga, Calif., and will be completely out of there in about one more week. This company is driving the tunnel at Stirling City and are in about 1200 feet now.

The Lefevre & Bing Co. are making pretty good progress on their test bore above Oroville. The Utah Construction Co. have a tunnel lining and repair job for the W.P. Railroad above Greenville on the high line. We have had a little mixup on this job, but we now feel all will go well there.

Richter Bros. of Oroville have just about all the dirt moved on the Oroville Wye job of Highway 99E and are putting in culverts trying to beat the rain. Their job on the Davis Curve above Browns Valley is about over, too.

P. J. Moore & Sons have moved off the job at Elk Creek, Calif., to a job down around Madera, Calif.

Lefevre & Bing have completed their job at East Nicolaus and have moved to Los Angeles with Bros. Kelso, Zander & Swenson going along with them.

Clements Const. Co. are just about through on their job west of Gridley, Calif. San Leandro Const. Co. are making good progress on their sewer line job at Live Oak, Calif. Bishop, Younger & Bradley have had to put draglines on their ditch from Live Oak out to the Sewerage Disposal Plant due to cave-ins. Maguire & Hester are ahead of time on their Sewer line in Arbuckle.

H. Earl Parker Co. has crews scattered all over the district and keeps a pretty good crew working all the time.

Archie Till has a couple of rigs around Hammonton and is going to do some repair work this winter. J. Harold Shaver has his rigs working in Sutter Basin.

Rice Bros. will not be able to finish their Highway 20 job in Yuba City before the rains come. Their gravel and sand plants keep pretty busy all the time. M. & K. Co., Inc., have finished the trailer court at Beale Air Force Base. The Stolte-M. & K. joint venture jobs keep coming in. They are not able to use too many of our members, but every little bit helps.

Butte Creek Rock Co. of Chico have had a good year. Kaiser Sand & Gravel of Oroville has been the same way.

There isn't much news this month, but we hope for better things in our next report.

to Brother Al Denny, who took unto himself a bride on October 19. Thanks to Brother B. F. Wilson for his card asking to be removed from the out-of-work list.

BLOOD BANK

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to Brother Jack H. Foss and Mrs. Barbara Shinn for their donations at our Blood Bank this past month.

We are holding mail (many of them checks) for the following Brothers and we'd appreciate your contacting us or sending us your address: A. R. Allen, John A. Andrews, E. C. Beckwith, Ernie E. Clark, Donald L. Davis, Edward Domrose, C. J. Freeman, Edward Harris, Wm. J. Herbert, J. C. Hourigan, James C. Hyde Jr., Troy Jarman, N. L. Mace, V. Overholtzer, E. Ramey, Ed Rankin, John W. Richards, C. R. Seymour, C. R. Walker, Daniel Walker.

Boston (LPA)—The local branch of the Jewish Labor Committee has presented to the Boston Public Library five record albums of labor songs.

NEVADA IS DIGGING IN FOR THE WINTER

By H. L. ("CURLEY") SPENCE and J. W. ("BILL") BARR Business Representatives

Old Man Winter has finally caught up with the Peter Kiewit & Sons job at the Fallon Air Base. Bro. "Sailor" Hamby has quite a crew doing repair work. Bro. Clarke B. Tope and part of his paving crew are doing some of the repair work, too. Bro. Vero Hunsaker and his oiler are doing a lot of running around with the truck crane.

Drumm and Dodge have just about completed their sub-contract work for Kiewit. Part of Dodge's crew has moved down south into the Fish Lake Valley near Dryer, Nevada, and some of Drumm's outfit will be moving to Denio Nevada, to complete Highway 8A on up to the Oregon line, about 14 miles.

Bro. Charles "Red" Melendy is taking one of Drumm's rigs out to the ranch for a while.

J. A. McNeil Co. at Yerington, Nevada, has finished most of the excavation. However, they have some of the brothers cleaning up and doing odd jobs.

Isbell has been putting the finishing touches on the four-lane highway job from Sparks to Vista, Nevada.

Some of the George Miller crew will be going down to Los Vegas, Nevada, soon.

Clarence Dieterich has quite a job putting in the sewer on the Wiechmann and Probasco Housing Project in Sparks, Nevada.

PREPARATIONS AT ELY

All of the brother members at the Ely, Nevada, copper pits are making preparations for a cold, hard winter. Bro. Dick Terry is nursing some badly crushed fingers, and we hope that Dick soon has them in working shape. Bro. "Buck" Buckmaster "pulled the pin," and we understand that "Buck" is swinging a dragline up north. Good luck, "Buck."

Our thanks to Jim Sturgeon and all the boys for their efforts in fighting Question No. 1.

Foley Brothers job at Deep Ruth and Kellinske are going in fine shape. Ken Holthus is steward and he is doing a fine job with the able assistance of his "boy," Bro. George Tryon.

Basic Refractories at Gabbs, Nevada, is getting ready to do big things after a long shutdown. Our brother mechanics under guidance of Bro. Ray Hall have all the equipment in top shape and ready to go.

The brothers at Standard Slag will be short of meat this winter. Bro. Bruce Gould's hunting trip wasn't too good. Better luck next trip, Bruce.

Bros. Randy Booth, Clarence Wibel, and Jim Blair are pushing two shifts on Isbell's road job to the Sulphur Mine in Alpine County. These boys have a mighty "rough go" but they have a crew of mechanics and operators that really stick and they like it rough. These good brothers have the benefit of the best cook in the state. What meals those guys get!!!!

MOVING THE MOUNTAIN

Stripping operations at the Sulphur Mine are working three shifts with two 80's and the 120-B, and the brothers are moving the mountain.

We have some 50 members on the job. Bro. Frank Jakowatz will soon have his new shop in shape for winter work, and, we hope, a fast recovery for the injured hand. Bro. Bert Charley is on one of the 80's. We're glad to see Bert back again. Bro. "Johnnie" Arvin is pushing one shift; the boys are moving yardage for him.

Frank Zelinsky is the new super at the mine and is getting the layout whipped into shape with a new trailer court, roll-away houses, and a new roll-away office yet to come.

We have a few brothers at the Sierra Ordnance Depot, Herlong. Schader has finished laying track inside the base. Bro. Don Bruner has charge of ballasting for George Miller with Frank Gerhard on the blade. Sauer-Margrace are moving their gravel plant out. Frazzini will finish his surfacing job on the access road this week.

The Iron Miles at Lovelock are still shipping ore, with H. Earl

Parker doing some development work for the American Ore Co.

Frank Dunn is keeping three shovels busy at the Dodge Mine. Bros. Ed Barrington, George Eckman and Jim Sigler up. We are happy to know that Bro. "Gabe" Harrison is using that injured arm again—cold weather is coming, "Gabe," you can take the fans off.

MASTER MONKEY WRENCHER

Bro. Joe Better is master monkey wrencher for Mineral Material's. Joe and his shop crew are kept busy keeping trucks under Bro. Ike Spears' shovel. Bro. Duane Kearnis is the steward and dozer skinner and has been doing a swell job in both capacities.

Bro. Virgel ("Jiggs") Williams took a hunting trip over in the Pioche area and landed in the hospital. Accidental gunshot resulting in a bad leg wound. Sure hope you'll soon be up and in the office to see us, Jiggs.

It is with much sorrow that we report the death of Bro. Frank "Joe" Gandolfo out at the Eagle Picher Mine. "Joe" was a fine operator and a good fellow. We'll all miss him.

1,000 HOME PROGRAM FOR HAWAII

By J. K. WAIWAIOLÉ Business Representative

City planners gave approval to a 1,000-lot subdivision off Aliamanu crater, Moanalua, lands owned by the S. M. Damon estate. Cost of the subdivision, to be developed by Likins-Foster & Associates, of Oklahoma, is unofficially set at more than \$12,000,000.

The project will go up on 400 acres of land mauka of Camp Catlin access road, above the military golf course.

It is planned under the critical defense housing act, 50 lots zoned for hotel-apartment usage and 943 of 5,000 square feet each for homes. Many of the homes will be available for lease rather than purchase.

Bro. Thomas Chang reports that the Kamuela Airport job by Hawaiian Dredging Co., Ltd., will not be completed this month as contracted but rather in February, 1953, because of bad weather.

Nearly 350,000 cubic yards of dirt and gravel are being moved by heavy duty equipment belonging to J. M. Tanaka, contractor for the Mauka Arterial Highway project from a hill at the site of Robert Louis Stevenson School's new athletic field to make a small mountain in the path of Hawaii's first express highway. The dirt and gravel will become part of an overpass.

Pacific Construction Co. will build a new Archives building to cost \$223,800 which is expected to be under way before the end of the year.

Bro. Samuel Kekaha was elected president of the Honolulu Building & Construction Trades Council at the last council meeting.

The negotiating committee of the Hawaiian Branch is meeting with Contractors Mid-Pac. They are Bros. Larry Shigeura, Samuel Kekaha, Edward Kobata and J. K. Waiwaiolé.

Levermen on dredge W. F. Dillingham now make \$3.05 per hour. The engine room operators get \$2.60 per hour.

The first church in the world to be lighted by electricity was St. Edward's Catholic Church of Shermokin, Pa.

News Roundup From Utah

By MERLIN BOWMAN, C. R. VAN WINKLE, DON ELLIOTT, CHARLEY COCKAYNE and GEORGE FARRELL, Business Representatives

Jobs Near Completion, Companies Lay Off Men

Many of the jobs in Utah are near completion and the companies are starting to lay off several of our operators, although we are still sending a few men out on short jobs.

Utah Construction has one shift on their back filling job for the Chemical Plant, hauling cinders from the Garfield slag dump. This job should last for a while yet, although it is getting close to the time when weather may stop production.

W. W. Clyde is still trying to beat Old Man Winter with his plant mix road jobs at Dugway. The men on this job are getting in some very good time. This company also has six of our operators on their igloo job at Tooele. This is not going to be as good a job this fall as we had anticipated. They are only going to try to get the footings and the excavating done this fall. The big portion of this job will go when the weather warms up in the spring.

Morrison-Knudsen has completed their job at Tooele Ordnance and have moved most of their men on the Union Pacific Railroad job at Eureka.

Cox and Colthorp are hiring a few additional operators so that they may get their street work and crushing done in the next two or three weeks.

Other work at Dugway is still holding out fair, with another \$3 billion appropriated for additional construction, which we hope will break soon.

Gibbons & Reed are still hanging on at the Salt Lake Airport with two shifts. They have done a little shifting with some of our engineers, to try to keep them on the payroll.

Bechtel's job at the Jordan Steam Plant is very near completion. All that is left is a few minor repairs and adjustments.

The job at Standard Oil is getting plenty well under way, but this job was bid so tight that it will only work 40 hours a week, and will only employ two or three operators for quite some time.

Pleve Construction Co. has the basement and footings all completed on their new job on the County Hospital with Bro. Byron Ewell doing the excavating for them.

Young & Smith have started their small tunnel in Little Cottonwood Canyon but will need only two operators on this job. They are going to use a slusher and one small portable compressor.

Parsons & Fife have completed their job on Foothill Drive. This road has relieved our city of great traffic problems. Grant Collett, a patrol operator who has worked for Parsons & Fife on this job, met with an unfortunate accident while operating his patrol. One of Utah Sand & Gravel ready-mix trucks hit the patrol and very near demolished it, but Bro. Collett was very fortunate and came out with only minor injuries.

Enoch Smith Construction Co. has started their sewer job on 13th South. They have rented a model 6 Northwest Shovel from Morrison-Knudsen to handle the pipe and to do most of the excavating. This job should keep a few of our operators on the payroll for at least a few months. This company also has several small jobs within the city for the Bell Telephone Co. and small water lines on our housing project.

NORTHERN AREA

In this area work is still going good. Everyone is taking advantage of the exceptionally good fall weather. Several of the jobs will be completed this fall rather than in the spring as had been expected. At this time, our out-of-work list is still small but a number of members expect to be laid off when the first storm hits. Everyone feels fortunate in having had such good fall weather.

Germer, Abbott & Waldron have nearly completed the excavating on the Howell job. This has been a good job for our members in

as they will travel sometimes five miles in a day and the roads out in that country are few and far between. The job is 100 per cent union, with Bro. E. Hask Carl as superintendent.

W. W. Clyde Co., who had a major part of the work in the south, are winding up fast. They are through at Levan, about through at Holden and Helper, and also at Monticello. They did, however, get a bridge job on the San Juan River below Mexican Hat.

L. T. Johnson is moving in on his job at Mexican Hat. Also, Whiting & Haymond got 80 miles of secondary road down in this same country from Blanding to Hiate.

It has been for some time now the intention of your business representatives in Utah to try and get the State Road Commission to let work in the south in the winter months, and it seems they are doing a little about it.

There has, however, been no more mention of the road job at St. George or the bridge job at Moab. These jobs should go in the fall, as they are well into the south and are supposed to cost nearly a million apiece.

this area. This company has been awarded another contract in Park Valley. They expect to keep some of their Cats busy on this job and use both crushers this fall.

LeGrand Johnson has moved his shovel on the Rattlesnake Pass job and made good progress on this 60 ft. cut.

Parsons & Fife have started work on the Richmond-to-Smithfield road project. The old road will be left as is until spring and only the shoulders and realigning done this fall. They have a large quantity of crushed material to make for this job.

Olof Nelson has part of his crew and machinery working in the Logan area, now doing some small jobs. They are using their hot plant at Richmond again after being idle for a year.

The road in Box Elder Canyon is open for traffic again after being closed most of the summer. Gibbons & Reed have moved the machinery from this job to their Provo River work. The gravel and tack coat is on and the balance of the work is to be completed next year.

With the exception of a few ties and some cleanup, the two pipe line jobs in this area should be completed by the time this article reaches you.

The railroad work has kept a few of our members busy the past while.

Utah Construction Co. has a crew working on a stretch of grade between Emory and Wasatch. They expect to complete this work by the first of December.

Morrison-Knudsen have about a month's work between Devil's Slide and Henefer on the Union Pacific tracks.

The Fluor Co. is busy on their repair work at the old Phillips Refinery. The new unit is nearly completed and in operation. Most of Fluor's equipment has been shipped to other jobs, so they are using local equipment to complete their work.

Bro. Irving has transferred from this job to Daran for Middle East Inc., a subsidiary of Fulor Co.

SOUTHERN UTAH

Gibbons & Reed have started full swing on their job at Jordanella to Heber on the Provo River. This job should go well into the winter and will afford work for about a dozen or more operators. The Bureau of Reclamation has finally given up and let this type of work out on contract. They have fought the upper Provo River for years and will probably fight for years to come.

Ross Construction Co. has a pipe line job at Upper Falls for the power company. This is the second job this company has done for the power company in that many years and we find Bill Ross a fine fellow to get along with. He has Bros. Roy Barney and Dale Barney on the rig and it's a long way to the bottom of that ditch. "Ron" Anderson is super on this job. Some of you will remember Ron as foreman for McGrow Co., when they were in Geneva. He is a very cooperative fellow.

Morrison-Knudsen Co. has a couple of jobs going on the railroad. One is removing the old line that used to go to the Clay Mines, west of Lehi, to five miles past. The natives called this "The Old Sage Hen Route." The other is cleaning right-of-way and oiling slopes from Boulder, south of Desert Chemical Plant, to the Nevada line.

This job is hard to keep up with

Schedule of Meetings for Construction, Lang Co., Sand and Gravel, Iron Ore Mines, Vitro Chemical Co., and Kennecott Copper Corp.

Iron Ore Mine Members—Cedar City—No meetings in November. Kennecott Copper Corp. Members—All called meetings in November and December.

Vitro Chemical Co.—All called meetings in November and December. Monday, Dec. 8, 1952, 5:30 p.m.—Lang Company Members, Engineers' Hall, 1969 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Thursday, Dec. 11, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—Sand, Gravel and Construction Members, Engineers' Hall, 1969 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Friday, Dec. 12, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—Sand, Gravel and Construction Members, Labor Temple, 161 West First North St., Provo, Utah.

Friday, Dec. 19, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—Sand, Gravel and Construction Members, Labor Temple, Ogden Utah.

Friday, Dec. 19, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—Iron Ore Mine Members, El Escalante Hotel, Cedar City, Utah.—(Note Change in Date.)

Schedule of State Road Meetings

Cedar City, Utah—No scheduled meetings in November.

Tuesday, Nov. 25, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—Engineers' Hall, 1969 South Main St., Salt Lake City, Utah.

Thursday, Dec. 4, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—Commercial Club, Roosevelt, Utah.

Thursday, Dec. 11, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—City Hall, Price, Utah.

Thursday Dec. 18, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—El Escalante Hotel, Cedar City, Utah.—(Note Change in Date.)

Friday, Dec. 19, 1952, 8:00 p.m.—Court House, Brigham City, Utah.

NEWS FROM THE MINES AND MILLS— GOOD SETTLEMENT REACHED AT CEDAR CITY ORE MINES

With the assistance of Bro. P. E. Vandewark, Assistant Business Manager, a favorable settlement has been reached with the Utah Construction Co., covering that company's iron ore mining and stripping operation near Cedar City, Utah.

This settlement provides for a 20c to 25½c an hour increase in wages retroactive to June 1, 1952, and seven paid holidays retroactive to the same date—all subject to Wage Stabilization Board approval, of course.

It was ratified at a membership meeting, held Friday, October 24, and the petition to the Board is being prepared as this is written.

This settlement was not an easy one. It took all the pressure of our San Francisco office—thanks to Brother Victor Swanson, our Business manager, and the able assistance of Brother Vandewark to work it out.

It gives our membership employed by Utah Construction Co. in the iron mines near Cedar City the best wage rates and working conditions enjoyed by anyone working in the iron ore mining industry.

KENNECOTT COPPER

We are afraid we were a little premature in announcing that a settlement had been reached in our last issue. We truthfully thought it had been but because two small units represented by another union rejected the settlement, the company withdrew the offer and we had to start all over. The best part is, that we came out of the affair with a better settlement, in our own opinion, and one more to our liking.

The new settlement provides for the same 13 job grades starting at \$12.48 for Job No. 1, instead of \$12.02 and an increase of 42c a day instead of 40c a day. This with some minor job changes, will give us an average increase of about 8¼c instead of about 7¼c. The balance of the offer remains about the same with these differences.

Travel time will be 25 minutes for the whole hill, commencing Nov. 16, instead of two zones of 30 and 20 minutes. Eligibility rules for paid holidays have been liberalized and local issues must be satisfactorily settled before the new contract is signed. Those items that require Wage Stabilization Board approval must be submitted, of course.

Assisting in this settlement was a Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service Panel consisting of Arthur Viat, of San Francisco, chairman, Earl Ruddy of Los Angeles, member, and Lyle Johnson, of Salt Lake City, member.

This panel did a nice job of bringing the parties together. Their patience, under the most trying of conditions, was only exceeded

by their ability to stay awake. In other words, it took some long sessions, and they certainly deserve our thanks for their splendid efforts.

VITRO CHEMICAL

Notice has been served on the company of our desire to open the agreement and plans are being laid for immediate negotiating meetings with the company. Changes asked for among others include clarification of seniority rules, clarification and strengthening of the Health & Welfare sections, the inclusion of a sick leave in the agreement, the establishment of a trust, the funds to be provided by the company, to provide health and accident insurance for the members and their families and a substantial increase in wages.

LANG COMPANY

Written notification of approval by the Wage Stabilization Board of the wage rates agreed between the company and your union has been received. The company has placed them into effect and the retroactive pay should have been paid before this sees the light of day.

SAND AND GRAVEL AND CONTRACTOR'S SHOPS

All remains quiet and on an even keel, we hope, in this phase of our activities. This does not mean, of course, that there aren't any beefs and that there aren't any rough spots. Of course, there are and now that the election is over, with the so-called up-set, it is quite probable that some employers may attempt to take advantage of what they believe is a mandate of the people and make things a little rougher. So watch it, brothers, and let us know if this occurs, perhaps we can discourage this kind of thinking before it gets too good a start.

STATE ROAD

Results of the election indicate you fellows can quit chewing your fingernails, take a deep breath, and settle back down to your jobs. We are inclined to expect you are very much relieved.

During the past month or so, it's been very difficult to do much business at the Capitol because

most of the people with whom we do business there, in your behalf, have been out working to get Brack re-elected and it's been impossible to corner anyone long enough to do anything with your problems, but we feel sure that the main job, as far as you are concerned, was getting the election taken care of.

We do expect now, immediately, to meet with the members of the Commission and get a number of your problems straightened out.

The overtime matter stands as we have indicated to you before, and we expect to get this matter cleared up immediately. In some districts, the supervision seems to want to put their private interpretation on the matter, and numerous stories are being circulated. One is that there will be more overtime.

The Commissioners have told us very straight that overtime will be worked when needed, the employees will be paid according to the new rules and regulations, and will not be required to lay-off to compensate for having worked any overtime.

We expect to get this matter and others cleared up probably before you receive this article. Bear with us and we'll get it taken care of.

We've heard several reasons why you haven't started to receive refund of your contribution to the Retirement Fund. However, this a.m. we talked to Reese M. Reese, State Auditor and member of the board, who informed us that somewhat in excess of 1200 checks are ready to be mailed and they have just received the cash from a half-million dollars' worth of bonds, and he feels that the major part of the checks should be on their way by the end of November or shortly thereafter.

EASTERN UTAH

Jobs in the Uintah Basin are still going strong. R. M. Jensen is setting up his crusher at Ioka and expects to start crushing about the 16th of November if the weather permits. He is keeping about 12 brother Engineers busy.

Ralph Prout has started his bridge job north of Duchesne. His crew is small. However, three operators. He is renting local equipment to move dirt.

Milton Wilson has had more than his share of trials and tribulations in connection with his land-leveling job at Ft. Duchesne.

Rush & Stone Co. of Parker, Ariz., who were on the venture originally with him have been finally moved off the project by the Indian Service, but they sure dealt Milt plenty of misery during the time they were on the job. We hope his most recent trouble can be straightened out right away and he can get his job rolling as it should be. He has work to keep (Continued on Page Nine)

'Like Cat on Tin Roof'—Good Year for San Rafael Members

By H. O. FOSS and FRANK LAWRENCE, Business Representatives

J. D. O'Connor, owner of Norcal Co., is taking a much needed rest. This company is finishing 200 first class homes in Santa Venetia—keeps a good sized crew of Local 3 members busy. Bro. Leroy Deardorff is super on the spread.

Bro. Chas. Fowler, one of our top operators from Napa, has been taken on as operator for the city of Napa. We know they made a good investment.

Bro. "Slim" Collins is out of the "back shop" and taking on as little as possible for R. Penno.

In distributing Welfare Plan on Rock, Sand & Gravel, we find 17 members on payroll at Hutchinson Quarry, Greenbrae. Some of the oldtimers—O. L. Asher, No. 114051, has been working for them for 30 years. . . . Harry Waggoner, No. 175421, 25 years, and Otto Lindberg, No. 222591, 25 years also. From those indications seems like R.S.&G. provides pretty steady jobs. This company has barge orders for three months, so it sounds good for the brothers this winter.

According to the rumors, our next large jobs will be Carson Dam for the Marin Municipal Water District, and San Rafael-Richmond Bridge. The Monticello Dam is getting to be another warming-up deal.

Ferguson Bros. are making good progress on the discharge sewer pipe line at Mare Island. The job will cost \$126,326. They have struck some bad ground. They have a digger and small back-filler on the job at the present time and will be laying the pipe soon.

Parish Bros. at Benicia have been awarded a contract amounting to \$27,499.50 at the Travis Air-base for construction of a parking area. They have several pieces of equipment, consisting of jeeps, dozers, cans and blades moving the muck.

A. G. Raisch Co. was low bidder and has been awarded a contract at the Napa State Hospital for paving and construction of streets at a cost of \$24,500.

If the weather holds out for another week the Del Webb job at T.A.B. will have all the foundations poured for the three-story concrete barracks. Streets and roads will be rocked so that work can be carried on in spite of the rains.

Frank Hickey Co. has the contracts for grading and compaction on the building sites and also the streets. Lee Stevenson moved the dirt with his DW 20's. Van Valkenberg had the sub-contract for the installation of the utilities, which are about completed.

Del Webb Co. picked off another

large contract last month for \$264,-117.50 . . . air freight terminal at T.A.B. Mr. Fleming, general super on the base, said it looks like the company is here to stay for awhile.

Engineers Limited have completed their contract for the PG&E at Benicia. Installed 12,000 feet of 6-inch gas line.

Williams & Burroughs job at Sonoma State Hospital has been making fair progress. Weber & McCann . . . sub on the dirt . . . making the dust fly.

Ghilotti Bros. has started the paving on the H Street job and should be cleaned up there as this comes off the press. Just finished paving M.M.W.D. yard and winding up pipeline job in San Anselmo. Then, they say, "Let it rain."

The Brown Ely underpass job on 101 North is putting down final rock base as this goes to press and should have highway traffic back to normal shortly. If all goes well and rains hold off the underpass should be ready for use by the middle of December. They have been awarded another small paving job at Hamilton Field. This company has enough work to keep busy the rest of this season, plus.

Bro. Tom Hughes and his wife are to be congratulated on the birth of another son, born Oct. 17 . . . now it's Pat and Mike.

Glad to report Bro. O. Cooper is now at home and reported doing o.k. One of our oldtimers, Bro. L. Oldaker, dropped in to pay us a visit last month . . . has deserted this area for Fresno. Still not looking for any work though.

This has been a good year for Local 3 members in this area. Local contractors have been like "the cat on tin roof," all busy, and from all indications will have some left over to start on in the spring.

We are holding checks in this office for the following . . . if you will contact this office, or forward us your current address, they will be sent to you:

- Phillip Freed.
- David Hogan.
- William Kendall.
- Leland Cline.
- Mike Cermak.

May we wish you and yours the best Thanksgiving ever, and please drop in and make an appointment for the Blood Bank. . . . You may save a member's life.

OPTIMISTS WATCH SKY IN STOCKTON

By ED DORAN and W. W. GRIFFING Business Representatives

This area has been enjoying beautiful fall weather, up to Nov. 4—election day. However, we have hopes of a bright future, so we will wait and see.

The Engineers deserve a medal or two for efforts extended in getting out the tremendous vote. What is more, they worked unceasingly with good will to all citizens and are to be congratulated and thanked for their splendid cooperation.

As for present employment, the various contractors have about cleaned up their jobs for the season. In short, they are expecting stormy weather from now on.

Johnson, Drake & Piper are busily engaged in rushing gravel and rock on the streets in the immediate vicinity of the Caudele School at Tracy, and with the breaks they should be ready for surfacing in a few weeks.

Trewitt, Shields & Fisher are busy with a small job of leveling and some foundations for additional warehouses at the Sharpe General Depot, at Lathrop.

Louis Biasotti & Son, with Bro. Moody as foreman, are surfacing Tracy Annex Addition with black-top. They should be rolling in a big way by publication date. They will be pushing the job as winter rains will be coming soon and they hope to avoid delays.

Karl C. Harmeling had the honor of putting the first piece of equipment—a T-D18 with Bro. John Spurlock at the controls—on the job for excavation on the new \$2,000,000 Malt Plant at the head of the Deep Water Channel adjacent to the Port of Stockton.

Pomeroy-Sinnock will drive 2,500 piles in the plant site and at this time are doing the preliminary false work.

After several important meetings and lengthy discussions, the new agreement with Kaiser Magnesium Corp., Manteca, has been completed and now is awaiting approval by the Wage Stabilization Board.

McCammon-Wunderlich Co., on a Highway 50 job west of Tracy, is getting under way on the Alameda County side of the project. Bro. Tommy Hewitson is supervising, with Casey Jones as master mechanic. This one at present is being manned from our office in Oakland.

McGuire & Hester are busy in Swain Oaks Tract on their sanitary sewer job. They're finding it a rather difficult one to whip, as the ditch is located in a narrow, soggy alley filled with numerous septic tanks and PG&E poles that don't help the situation.

The papers say we lost Virginia. And we've lost OUR OWN VIRGINIA (Mrs Virginia Alberg), who retired from this local office to take it easy. We all wish her well and hope her blessings and good wishes will be numerous. Many a brother and visitor will always remember her cheery and good natured smile at the window, and her cordial greeting. Good luck, Virginia, and come and see us once in a while.

In October we lost one of our most respected and friendly contractors, S. M. McGaw, who died unexpectedly of a heart attack while weekending at his cabin in Murphys, Calif.

Mr. McGaw was on the Builders Exchange labor committee and through him we were always able

Authority. We wish you the best of luck, Carl! . . . Technical Engineers, Local 11, put on a fine banquet and entertainment . . . thanks for the invite! . . . Howard Adams is doing the inspecting-for Wilsey & Company on a big street job in Milbrae.

The San Francisco Water Dept. is down to one party in Milbrae . . . For the first time, we have a surplus of men on the out-of-work list . . . Hutchenson has five parties on the Diamond Heights job in San Francisco.

Old Bridge, Steam Line Hold Up Santa Rosa Area Projects

By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Business Representative

Eaton & Smith of San Francisco have completed half of the dirt fill across Rattlesnake Creek and may have to lay up a few rigs until the old bridge can be removed, which may take several weeks to accomplish. Then if the weather permits they will complete the last half of the dirt fill.

At present 13 Engineers are working on this job.

Ben C. Gerwick & Co. of San Francisco have again been delayed with their job dredging the Noyo Harbor channel. The first of the week a five-foot wave struck the harbor and 16 pilings were detached from the dock.

U. S. Army Engineers are surveying on the 483-acre site 10 miles northwest of Santa Rosa for the foreign broadcast monitoring station. Radio experts claim that this is the finest site for this work west of the Rockies.

The site is almost completely en-

circled by running streams. The Russian River curves around it on the north and west and the Laguna de Santa Rosa and Windsor Creek almost completes the circle on the south and east.

This project most likely will provide work for several of our members as did the Radar Station out of Middletown during the winter months of this last year.

Ted Schwartz of Grass Valley has completed work on the concrete dam north of Healdsburg on the Russian River. All equipment will be shipped out this coming week.

It has been a great pleasure working with this company and we wish them lots of luck with the new projects they have in mind.

Nomelini Construction Co. of Stockton, who have the contract at the Talmage Hospital, have had very good luck and are way ahead of their schedule. This is over a million dollar contract.

Four Engineers have been working steadily digging footings and pouring concrete.

All the old buildings have been torn down except for part of the main building which is being held up because of the main steam line. Damage to this line would cut off steam to all parts of the hospital. It cannot be tampered with until the new line is on hand and ready to install because the line itself has had to be special made. Then they can proceed with the tearing-down operations.

Six years ago Harold Windmill transferred into Local 3 from Local 9.

He went to work as superintendent for Lloyd Watson at Dos Palos.

With Bro. Windmill's help at this time we were able to get a signed contract with this company.

Since that time this brother has branched out for himself. He has a contract with Hammond Ranch Inc. to level most of their 23,000 acres in the Covelo Valley.

Due to the severe winters in the Covelo Valley they decided to move the entire spread to San Joaquin Valley until next spring.

This is one landleveling company that runs 100 per cent union at all times.

At this writing we still have Bro. Orle Gibson confined to the Willits Hospital. If any of you brothers are in the vicinity Bro. Gibson will be happy to see you as time is dragging heavily for him now after seven weeks in the hospital.

Bro. Bud Boyce suffered a nerve injury several weeks ago in the woods. He was stepping off his cat when his foot slipped, hitting the back of his head on the tracks. It will be some time before he will be able to return to work. We are wishing him a speedy recovery.

And Bro. Eugene Burger is suffering from a bronchial disorder. He is convalescing at home. A speedy recovery for you, too, Eugene.

Tennessee Mill Must Reinstate 40 —With Back Pay

Spring City, Tenn. (LPA)—The air-conditioning machinery had broken down and employees of the Southern Silk Mills were having to work in temperatures of 90 to 97 degrees. When they could bear it no longer they walked out for short periods to cool off. Next day their spokesman was told that if the workers couldn't bear it they could get out.

The spokesman was then fired and 39 other workers suspended. Some of them visited the offices of the AFL Textile Workers in Knoxville and on their return began organizing. On May 5, all those who had been laid off were discharged.

On Dec. 27, 1951, an NLRB trial examiner found the firm guilty of unfair labor practices, declaring that although at the time the 40 walked out for a short time to cool off they were not members of any union, they were acting in a group and thus their concerted activity was protected by the provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act. (One of the rare instances in which the T-H law worked to benefit workers.) He ordered the firm to rehire the 40, make up the pay they lost, and stop interfering with the union. The Board, on Oct. 25, 1952, agreed.

to negotiate our union agreement without undue haggling and quarreling.

He never failed to realize his responsibility to his employees. Work in the winter months was always divided evenly among them. When you had worked for McGaw for any length of time, you could consider yourself steadily employed and could plan for the future.

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USING MORE

Large bituminous coal users in the New York area are buying for use in coming months about 25 per cent more coal than they used in the same period last year.

Our use of fluid milk has been decreasing, at least so far as a survey in metropolitan New York is concerned. A 10 per cent decrease since 1945 is shown.

Field Surveying Report

By AL BOARDMAN and W. V. MINAHAN, Business Representatives

Official notification has been received from the Twelfth Regional Wage Stabilization Board of the unanimous approval of wage increases negotiated with the Bay Counties Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors Association.

These wage increases are retroactive to Aug. 7, 1952, and are an increase of 15c per hour for all classifications. This is in line with rate increases established with the Associated General Contractors and is well above the percentage rates in the non-construction field.

Increases have also been approved for the San Francisco Housing Authority Inspection Department by the Federal Housing Administration. Those in the inspection rates received \$1 per day increase. These increases are long overdue and are the result of long negotiations carried on between Local 3 and the different agencies.

We want to thank the members in the department for their patience during this extended period.

The Associated Civil Engineers of Santa Clara County have been notified that Local 3 desires to reopen the contract for discussion of the wage rates based on the new rates approved by the Wage Stabilization Board. This contract should be brought up to the pre-

vailing rates in the land surveying industry.

A new contract has been signed with Sidney Huguenin of Gonzales, and negotiations are underway with the Monterey County Surveyors, Inc., of Salinas. Formation is underway in the Vallejo area of a new Chapter of the Bay Counties Civil Engineers' Land Surveyors' Association. The first meeting with the Northwestern California Civil Engineers and Surveyors' Association was to be held in Eureka, California, Friday, Nov. 14th. This is a recently formed group in the fast-growing Eureka area, and we hope to do business with them.

PERSONAL NOTES:

Carl Hedlund, one of our most respected and trusted members, has retired from his post as estimator with the San Francisco Housing

statement required by the Act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the Acts of March 3, 1933, and July 2, 1946 (Title 39, United States Code, Section 223) showing the

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Victor S. Swanson (Signature of editor, publisher, business manager, or owner) Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of September, 1952. C. E. Matthews. (SEAL) (My commission expires November 16, 1952.)

SAN JOSE WORK SLACKENING; LEXINGTON DAM JOB NEAR END

By M. G. MURPHY and A. J. HOPE, Business Representatives

Well, brothers, we dislike these headlines as much as you do, but we must give you the facts regardless of the pain. There has been a slight slowdown in activity in this section and we do have a few brothers on the books. This we attribute to the reduction of forces on the Lexington Dam, and the completion of one or two of our major pipe and sewer line jobs. Lexington, we are sure, will be completed within 30 days.

UNDERGROUND

Parrish, Inc., of Stockton have also made a reduction in their forces on the Los Gatos Sewer-line; then we have Ronsendahl of the Bay Area, who are soon to be completed on their P.G.&E. gas line to Milpitas. They, too, have released five or six of the worthy brothers who are now on the books.

Next is Bebek & Brkich, who have been fully occupied on their sewer line and storm drainage system for the last six months are now reducing their crews temporarily. However, we understand that this firm were the lucky bidders on another project of about the same size, but will not start operations until after completion of their present project.

McCammon & Wunderlich, who have a major sewer trunk line on Laurence Rd. and the Bayshore, have encountered difficulties, and compounded with the fear of approaching rains have seen it necessary to enlarge their crews by engaging two other firms on this project, namely McGuire & Hester, with two digger machines, Don Wheeler's shovel, two loaders, a blade and a Mighty midget; also Coast Pipeline, with one digger, a boom truck, small cat and a pavement breaker.

Next on underground work is Hunt Construction who have a nice job in Willow Glen. They, too, are working under forced draft to effect an early completion date. A. J. Peters, one of our popular underground contractors, in this section have most all of their diggers and other equipment out of the yard, and are keeping about 35 Engineers busy most of the time.

STREETS

J. C. Bateman, local paving contractor, is using about 25 of the brothers on his many paving jobs on the many subdivisions and streets around San Jose and the County. A. J. Raisch, Leo Piazzaz, Ed Keeble, Bill Vierra, Sondgroth Bros., J. McFadden, Joe Douglas, L. C. Smith, Los Gatos Construction, O. V. Freeman and all the other pavers, who have subdivision paving jobs are making great effort to accomplish as much as possible before inclement weather.

HIGHWAY

Granite Construction Co. of Watsonville, who were the lucky bidders on the 8.1 mile Freeway job, have gone on a double-shift basis recently to accomplish as much as possible before winter sets in; at present they have about 40 Engineers on their payroll. Fredrickson & Watson, who have the first link of this project are making very good progress on their structure item; however, this job is a long way from completion. L. C. Smith of San Mateo is making good progress on his Saratoga Highway job and expects to get going soon on his Stevens Creek job from Cupertino to Permanente.

MOFFETT

We have heard rumors of much more activity for this base in the near future. This will be a runway extension to the extent of about 900 feet on the south end, which will entail a subway construction job on the Bayshore, placing the highway under the extension of the runway. This runway to be approximately 500 feet in width for the south end and at the same time extend the north end nearly 1000 feet out into the bay. We hope for more authentic information in regards to this project in the near future.

Eichleay Steel, Chicago Bridge & Iron, Carl Swenson, E. T. Haas and M-K Corporation are still fully occupied on their projects, on this base and making very good progress at this writing, especially

Eichleay Steel and Chicago Bridge & Iron, since it appears that they are receiving a good supply of steel for the tunnels.

SANTA CRUZ AREA

Granite Construction has completed their Boulder Creek job, but their Hot Plant in Felton will be operating for another week on their plant mix. The men at the Felton Quarry were glad when this job was finished, so that they could get a much needed rest.

P.C.A., Kaiser, Santa Cruz Aggregate and Graham Brothers are working at top speed in order to complete their jobs before the rains start. A. J. Peters have approximately two weeks left on their sewer job in Santa Cruz, but were the low bidders on the extension of the sewer that will soon be under construction.

Granite Construction is progressing nicely on their bridge job in Santa Cruz. They also have several small jobs in this area. Leo Cardwell has plenty of work to keep his Engineers busy until the first of the year.

WATSONVILLE

Granite Construction have many of the brother's busy in this vicinity on several small jobs. They have three drag-lines in operation clearing the ditches for the farmers before it rains. Members working in the shop for Granite are assured of work most of the winter, due to the fact that all of their equipment has been in constant use all summer.

MOSS LANDING

We are sorry to say that C. C. Moore have nearly completed their work at the P.G.&E. plant here and the present have only two Engineers on the job. Stone & Webster are also nearing completion. Granite Construction are doing the paving and grading around the plant.

MONTEREY

Granite Construction have several jobs in this area for the cities of Monterey, Pacific Grove and Seaside. Phil Calabrese has purchased a new D-8 Dozer and Carryall, we might add that Brother Calabrese has a couple of Seabees working for him, which may be the secret of his success.

Monterey Sand have started a new plant in Carmel Valley. P.C.A. are also busy in this locality.

FORT ORD

Green Construction is making better progress now on their underground project. This job will keep about eight Engineers busy all winter.

Granite Construction has started putting in the curbs and gutters on the Normac job. The work will take about six months to complete.

Hickey and Webb are progressing nicely on their projects and will keep their men busy most of the winter.

SALINAS

Ed Keeble Construction Co. is working six days a week on the freeway job; also has several small jobs in this locality. Dan Cuputo is doing the structural work on the freeway.

We understand Bro. Donahue has purchased a truck crane and has plenty of work in this area.

Rice Construction of Chular has one more week of paving on their highway job. The brothers on this project have been getting in plenty of overtime.

Bill Richardson is the main contractor on the low-rent housing project in Salinas; Bill Stecker of Burbank will do the grading. Ed Keeble has the sewer contract on this subdivision.

The low-rent housing project at Soledad has not yet begun operations. Granite Construction has

completed their job in King City and there is very little activity in this area. The men working at Met's Quarry are getting quite a bit of OT, though.

GILROY-HOLLISTER

Pisano Bros. are working on both of their sewer jobs in this area. However, they are encountering trouble on one of them due to deep ditches and soft ground. George Renz and Ratke still have plenty of work in this vicinity.

PERSONALS

Bro. Joe Doolin, one of our popular blade operators, has been confined to his bed for the last couple of weeks with a serious back injury. He expects to resume his duties soon.

Bro. Sallow, another of our old-timers from Aromas Quarry, has been on the idle list for the last three weeks after receiving serious hand injuries while performing his duties as an engineer. He expects to be incapacitated for some time to come.

Bro. E. Davis, one of our digger operators, met with a serious accident recently and emerged from the mess with a broken leg.

Bro. Frank Gaumer, who has been very ill for the past month, is recuperating as well as can be expected. He hopes to be well enough to go back to work after the first of the year.

Brothers, for your protection, please don't mail currency to the office when paying your dues. If possible mail a check or money-order. If your letter becomes lost in the mail, we have no way of tracing your payment.

Brothers, please wear your quarterly button in plain sight, and not in your wallet. Also, be sure to obtain a work clearance before you go on a job.

In closing, this office wishes to thank all the brothers for their attendance at the October 24 meeting in San Jose, and for the vote of confidence you have shown in your officers of Local 3 and your manager, Bro. V. S. Swanson, by giving a unanimous decision on the resolution presented so ably by Bro. Swanson.

Our special thanks to the four brothers who journeyed all the way from King City, approximately 116 miles, to attend this meeting.

Before we close, we wish you all a very happy Thanksgiving.

Union Wage Scales In Bldg. Trades Up 1.3%

Washington (LPA)—Wage scales of union workers in the building construction industry advanced 1.3 per cent between July 1 and Oct. 1, the Bureau of Labor Statistics figures reveal. The rise in the same period of 1951 was 0.7 per cent.

BLS estimated current average hourly wage scale at \$2.60, or 31c above July 3, 1950 and 39c above Jan. 3, 1950. Plasterers got an advance of 4.8c in the third quarter of 1952; building laborers, 3.7c.

AFL Textile Workers Win Air Chute Plant

Lexington, Ky. (LPA)—The AFL Textile Workers Union has won an NLRB election at the Irving Air Chute plant here, 216 to 114. The union also announced that a revised tally on the NLRB election at the Bear Brand hosiery plant in Henderson, Ky., showed 114 for the AFL union, 112 for the CIO Textile Workers.

Attend union meetings. Support your labor paper.

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Winter Warning: Watch Gas Heater!

With the coming of the winter season, the California State Dept. of Industrial Relations has issued a warning to all state residents regarding use of unvented gas heaters.

Also, a necessary precaution before placing heating equipment in use is to have it checked and adjusted.

A few other simple rules should be observed. Before retiring, turn off the heater. Leave windows open to admit a sufficient amount of air. Do not use the oven for room heating.

Each winter many people die unnecessarily from carbon monoxide poisoning or burns received from open-flame unvented heaters. Such equipment also creates a heavy humid condition within a room.

These factors contributed heavily to the consideration given by the State Legislature in adopting amendments to the State Housing Act in 1951, prohibiting use of unvented non-approved gas appliances.

SELL DRINKS AT HOME!

If you cannot refrain from leaving half of your pay check in taverns, why not start a saloon in your own home. If you are the only customer, you will not have to buy a license. Give your wife \$55 to buy a case of whisky. There are roughly 240 snorts in a case. Buy all of your drinks from your wife at 60 cents a snort and in 12 days, when the case is gone, your wife will have \$89 to put in the bank, and you will have \$55 to start up in business again. If you live 10 years and continue to buy all your booze from your wife, your widow will have \$27,085.47 on deposit—enough to bury you respectably, bring up your children, pay off the mortgage on the house, marry a decent man and forget she ever knew you.

—Carpenters' Journal.

More Utah News

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six or eight members busy all winter, weather permitting — has given the brothers lots of hours and is a good fellow himself. He is a member of Operating Engineers' Local No. 428, as is also Supt. Al Simmons.

Olof Nelson has cleaned up his job at Duchesne and has left the job site, bag and baggage.

Red Stewart keeps busy in the Vernal area as do several small outfits from that area. There are small scattered jobs for the oil drilling outfits, access roads and well sites. These jobs are in an area about a hundred miles square from the Colorado border, east and south.

The way the oil well drilling is developing in that area there should be considerable work for Operating Engineers in the next few years. We have some members working there now, and we are endeavoring to contact all non-member operators and induce them to become members.

About Our Members

These past few weeks two of our members have been laid by from illness. Bro. Henry Thompson has been in the hospital with a bad heart and is now resting at home. Brother William D. Coombe injured his back while working on pitalhis caterpillar and had to go to the hospital to have a disc removed. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery and hope to see you on the job soon!

Congratulations to Loren Mitchell and wife of the Duchesne Shed on the birth of a fine son a short time ago. No doubt most of the credit must go to Loren.

We would appreciate receiving any bits of personal news from your fellows from time to time, and we will publish it.

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Daily report of awards for construction

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OCTOBER 10, 1952

IMOLA, contract awarded to A. G. Raisch Paving Co., P.O. Box 458, San Rafael, \$24,500 for misc. road const. and repairs at Napa State Hospital.

AGNEW, contract awarded to Ted Schwartz, Glenbrook Park, Grass Valley, \$59,800 for grade, pave & flood control, at Agnew State Hospital.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Bos Const. Co., 1935 Grayson St., Berkeley, \$21,594 for repair 2 steel bridges acr. Eel & Russian Rivers in SONOMA & HUMBOLDT COUNTIES.

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to E. A. Forde Co., P.O. Box 306, San Anselmo, \$12,055 for const. reinf. conc. cattlepass on Co. Rd. No. 509, Sta. 720 (Gross, Ranch), MARIN COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contracts awarded as follows:

(1) **Alley V & W, 21st & 22nd Sts.:** To E. F. Hilliard, 1355-43rd St., Sacramento, \$3612.

(2) **Alley, Brand Way & B St., Coloma Way & 51st:** To A. Teichert & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 1113, Sacramento, \$7781.

EUREKA, contract awarded to Judson-Pacific-Murphy Corp., 4300 Eastshore Hwy., Emeryville, \$59,285 for reconst. suspension span of Ft. Seward Bridge, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

VISALIA, contract awarded to E. H. Peterson & Son, 5691 Dam Road, Richmond, \$73,997 for const. R. C. gird. bridge acr. St. Johns River, located 4 miles N. of Exeter, TULARE COUNTY.

REDDING, contract awarded to M. W. Brown, P.O. Box 222, Redding, \$15,497 for 0.05 mi. const. Co. Hwy. betw. SH No. 20 at Enterprise, and Co. Hwy. 10-D, SHASTA COUNTY.

VISALIA, contract awarded to Kaweah Const. Co., P.O. Box 1021, Visalia, \$8215 for const. bridge No. 319 (Cameron Creek), loc 3 mi. So. of Visalia, TULARE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 84451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$16,320 for repairing downstream face of Upper Narrows Dam, on Yuba River.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, Inc., 344 High St., Oakland, \$62,359—0.5 mi. grade and pltmx. surf. on cr. run base, on Eastshore Freeway, at Hegenberger Road, ALAMEDA CO.

SALINAS, contract awarded to Hull's Plumbing Co., P.O. Box 20, Freedom, Calif., \$2059 for const. vitr. sewers in the Dist. MONTEREY COUNTY.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Underground Const. Co., 807-75th Ave., Oakland, \$19,995 (Sch. 2), for install. water mains in 92nd Ave.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Chas. S. Moore, 2054 Redbush Terrace, San Jose, \$9155 for reconst. RC box culvs. on Sunshine Drive, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Paul E. McCollum & C. L. Cypher, 522-23rd St., Richmond, \$335,435 for 3.8 mi. grade & plantmix surf. on untreated rock base, betw. Moccasin Creek Road and Priest, TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Stephen L. Vistica, 70 N. El Camino Real, San Mateo, \$38,458 for const. water sys., stabilize cut slopes & apply bit. pene. treat. on Eastshore Freeway, betw. High St. & 38th Ave., ALAMEDA COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Casey & Case Foundation Co., 1337-2nd St., Berkeley, \$12,000 for emergency slide removal on Ingerson Avenue.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Eaton & Smith, 1215 Michigan Ave., San Francisco, \$8333 for improvement of Felton St., including grade, drain, pave, etc., betw. Gambier & Harcard Sts.

SAUSALITO, contract awarded to Brown-Ely Contractors, Corte Madera, \$7401 for grade, drain, surf., etc., on Sausalito Blvd.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to Peletz Co., 1948 Belmont Court, Santa Rosa, \$25,670 for const. steel sewer pressure line.

STOCKTON, contract awarded to Olympian Dredging Co., 525 Market St., San Francisco, \$17,900 for 29,000 cy. dredging in por. of slip No. 1 for Stockton Port Dist.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Healy-Tibbitts Const. Co., 411 Brannan St., San Francisco, \$15,457 for redredging of slips along west side of Market St. Pier & East side of Howard Co. Pier No. 2, etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., Box 95, Belmont, \$7535 for const. of pressure control valves for 36-in. Alameda pipeline at Burlingame.

OCTOBER 16, 1952

CARSON CITY, Nev., contract awarded as follows:

(1) **Mineral Co. (S-662-1):** 9.501 mi. grade grav. surf. betw. Jctn. US No. 6 and 9.5 mi. N.E., near Basalt: To Wells Cargo, Inc., 1775 E. 4th, Reno, Nev., \$182,034.

(2) **Lincoln Co. (F-007-3(3)):** 8.349 mi. portion of PSH, betw. 8.5 mi. S. of Pony Springs & Pony Springs: To Dodge Const., Inc., Fallon, \$287,421.

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to Mario Bottini, 802 "C" St., San Rafael, \$3211 for const. emergency discharge line under Cash Contract.

RENO, Nev., contract awarded to Young & Smith Const. Co., Beason Bldg., Salt Lake City, Utah, \$44,000 for const. sewage treat. plnt. at Stead AFB, Reno.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Kenworthy & Patterson, 1505 W. Walnut St., Stockton, \$529,716 for 4.294 mi. clear, grade, drain, etc., Klamath River, Six Rivers National Forest, from Weitchpec N.E. to Adorni Flat, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

FRESNO, contract awarded to Petroleum Sales, Inc., P.O. Box 431, Fresno, \$13,011 for resurf. Orange Ave., Woodward Ave. and South H Street, et al.

FRESNO, contract awarded to Gene Richards, Inc., P.O. Box 1349, Fresno, \$105,076 for impvt. Palm Avenue.

MADERA, contract awarded to Paul E. Woof, 2203 North Fruit Avenue, Fresno, \$5889 for resurf. roads & parking areas at 774th AC & W Site.

CAMBRIA, contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2657-9th St., Berkeley, \$20,778 for resurf. roads & parking areas at 775th AC and W Site, Cambria.

MT. TAMALPAIS, contract awarded to I. J. Ely Co., 665 Butterfield Road, San Anselmo, \$7795 for construction of double bituminous surfacing of roads & parking areas at the 666th AC & W Site, located at Mount Tamalpais.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1755 Evans Ave., San Francisco, \$4143 for const. Skyline-Sunset Outlet Sewer, intersect. of Sloat-Skyline connection and Lake Merced Ave.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S.F., \$6490 for const. sewer & stairway on Naglee Ave., betw. Alemany Blvd. & Cayuga St.

EUREKA, contract awarded to Allyn L. Burr Co., 2255-14th St., No. Sacramento, \$3200 for surf. high school tennis courts with Laykold wearing surf.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Smith-Rice Co., Derrick Barges, Inc., Berth 31, Long Beach, \$1895 for removal and disposal of sunken barge, "Albert O. Pegg Jr., in San Francisco Bay.

SAUSALITO, contract awarded to Brown-Ely Co., P.O. Box 474, Corte Madera, \$12,224 for improv. of Atwood & San Carlos Avenues.

SAN BRUNO, Contract awarded to John Furrer, 204 El Camino Real, Millbrae, \$5,300 for widening Scott St., betw. Herman & San Mateo Drive, San Bruno.

OCTOBER 20, 1952

SACRAMENTO, Contr. awarded to Mercer-Fraser & Mercer-Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$32,155 for 1.26 mi. widen rd. bed & pltmx. surf. betw. E. limits of Eureka & 1.26 mi. S. E., HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cont. awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2657-9th St., Berkeley, \$11,718 for 0.4 mi. place plantmix. surf. on existing pavement & install metal guard rail on Tunnel Rd., from Alvarado Rd. to East City Limits of Berkeley, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, Contract awarded to Wells Cargo, Inc., 1775 E. 4th, Reno, Nev., \$182,034 for 9.501 mi. grade, grav. surf.,

etc., betw. Jctn. US No. 6 and 9.5 mi. northeast, near Basalt, MINERAL COUNTY.

OCTOBER 21, 1952

HEBER, UTAH, Contract awarded to Gibbons & Reed, 259 W. 3rd South St., Salt Lake City, Utah, \$168,332 for const. earthwork and strucs., Provo River banks, Jordanelle to Deer Creek Rervr., Provo River Proj., loc. near Heber.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cont. awarded to C. V. Kenworthy, 2037 E. Harding Way, Stockton, \$563,206 for 2.553 m. grade, drain, surf., etc., Trinty River Six Rivers National Forest, from near Berry Summit to 2.6 miles E., HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

TRAVIS, AFB, Contract awarded to Parish Bros., P. O. Box 1019, Benicia, \$4,091 for const. access road connecting N. E. runway with apron.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose, \$6,780 for ground improvement work.

SACRAMENTO Contract awarded to Rice Bros., Inc., P. O. Box 1489, Marysville, \$254,879 for 5.3 mi. grade & plantmix surfacing on cement treated base, between Farmersville & SR No. 10 at Mitchell's Cornr & betw. Farmersville and Exeter, TULARE CO.

EL CERRITO, Contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 3030 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$42,270 for resurf. streets under Cash Contract.

EL CERRITO Contract awarded to John H. McCosker, 1501 Eastshore Hwy., Berkeley, \$11,413 for const. storm sewer on Blake St., betw. Novell & Santa Fe R/way.

SAN FRANCISCO, contr. awarded to H. T. Treacy, 48 Sotelo St., San Francisco, \$3,690 for lay. water mains in Burnham St., betw. 24th and 25th Sts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cont. awarded to H. T. Treacy, 48 Sotelo St., San Francisco, \$54,227 for laying transite & cast iron water mains in Lakeshore Country Club Acres, Gellert Drive, & Midtown Terrace No. 2.

SAN FRANCISCO, cont. awarded to M. & K. Corp., Financial Center Bldg., San Francisco, \$23,945 for const. Mt. Davidson Pumping Station and conc. tank at S.E. cor. of Auga & LaBica Ways.

SAN FRANCISCO, cont. awarded to Callahan Const. Co., Rt. 1, Box 416-A, Colma, \$150,206 for lay. 12" C. I. water mains from 17th St. & Eureka St. to Congo & Joost Avenue.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to Raisch Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose, \$2,525 for grounds impvts. at Technical High School, located at 1991 Kingman Ave.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., P. O. Box 113, Stockton, \$20,256 for resurf. Center St., betw. Harding Way & Miner Avenue.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to Home Builders, Inc., 4225 North El Dorado St., Stockton, \$11,497 for const. storm sewer in Mayfair Unit No. 2.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$10,409 for impvt. of 18th St., betw. Empire & Jackson Sts.

SAN JOSE Contract awarded to Leo F. Piazza Paving Co., Rt. 1, Box 800, San Jose, \$2,713 for improvement of Charleston Way, betw. Prevost St. & E. Terminus of Charleston Way.

OCTOBER 22, 1952

SUSANVILLE, Contract awarded to Leland Eckley, 800 Lyman Ave., Reno, Nev., \$29,825 for const. 28 reservoirs in vicin. of Mud Flat, Horse Lake & Eagle Lake, near Susanville.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cont. awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1755 Evans Ave., San Francisco, \$25,899 for resurf. Alhambra St. betw. Scott St. & Carvantes Blvd. and other streets in Marina District.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cont. awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., San Francisco, \$133,719 for replacing sewers in 14th St., betw. Folsom & Harrison.

REDWOOD CITY, Cont. awarded to L. C. Smith, 225-19th Ave., San Mateo, \$18,802 for paving at the Port.

MILLBRAE, Contract awarded to Harvey E. Conner, P. O. Box

1012, Redwood City, \$2,145 for const. sanit. sewer along north line of Millbrae Highlands Subdiv.

OCTOBER 23, 1952

SACRAMENTO, Contr. awarded to M. A. Jenkins, 4521-15th Ave., Sacramento, \$54,451 for repair bridge across Miner Slough, 12 mi. N. of Rio Vista, in SOLANO COUNTY.

OAKDALE, Contract awarded to J. H. Brizendine, Rt. 7, Box 1751, Modesto, \$2,187 for const. pipeline in Dist. No. 36 (Hawkins-Gonzalo Dist.)

SAN BRUNO, Contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1755 Evans Ave., San Francisco, \$5,644* for resurf. portions of 7th Ave. and Oak Ave.

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to J. R. Armstrong, Box 216, El Cerrito, \$148,563 for impvt. of Pacheco Blvd., Brown St., Beach St. & Elm St., et al.

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to The Duncanson-Harrelson Co., 530 West Cutting Blvd., Richmond, \$31570 for const. approach struc. & repair Benicia Slip of the Martinez-Benicia Ferry.

MILL VALLEY, Contr. awarded to Blown-Ely Co., P. O. Box 474, Corte Madera, \$99,000 for improvement of Molino Park, involving extension of exist. paving to cover entire area of 7800 sq. ft.

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to Eugene G. Alves, P.O. Box 720, Pittsburg, \$12,566 for place fill to build up & widen road, for 1,200 ft., place crusher run base and armor coat on approach road to Municipal Pier.

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to Martin Bros., Inc., P.O. Box 5, Concord, \$5,855 for const. hangar approach & runway to Martinez Municipal Airport.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cont. awarded to Kenworthy & Patterson, 1505 W. Walnut St., Stockton, \$529,716 for 4.294 mi. clear, grade, drain, etc., Klamath River, Six Rivers, National Forest, from Weitchpec, N. E. to Adorni Flat, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, Inc., 344 High St., Oakland \$3,061 for const. protective guard rail, & install curb, pave & parking area, etc., at Santa Cruz Island Village Defense Housing Proj. for U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland.

OCTOBER 27, 1952

SACRAMENTO, Contr. awarded to Fredrickson & Watson Const. Co. & M. & K. Corp., 873-81st Ave., Oakland, \$62,809 for const. of steel girder bridge & 0.15 mi. grade & plantmix surf. on crusher run base of approaches on Hesperian Blvd., at San Lorenzo Creek, in ALAMEDA COUNTY.

ALAMEDA, Contract awarded to San Francisco Bridge Co., 503 Market St., San Francisco, \$839,300 for const. sea wall & dredging, extension of Runway 13-31 at U. S. Naval Air Station.

RICHMOND, Contract awarded to G. Ferrabee Co., 2507 Woolsey St., Berkeley, \$8,569 for site work, asph. pave & drain trench for girls' play area on Richmond High School Grounds at 23rd St., near Tulare Avenue.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Independent Const. Co., 741-50th, Oakland, \$3,450 for const. pipe conduit (drain-sewer) in Courtland Ave. and adjac. right-of-way.

CARSON CITY, NEV., Contract awarded to Dodge Const., Inc., Fallon, Nev., \$287,421 for 8.349 mi. const. portion of PSH, betw. 8.5 mi. south of Pony Springs & Pony Springs, LINCOLN COUNTY.

REDDING, Contract awarded to Fredrickson & Watson Const. Co., 873-81st Ave., Oakland, \$13,870 for grade, drain & pave & playground improvements at the school.

HAMILTON AFB, Contr. awarded to E. A. Forde Co. P.O. Box 306, San Anselmo, \$2,984 for grade & pave hospital parking lot, adjac. to Bdg. T-537, at the base.

RICHMOND, Contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2657-9th Ave., Berkeley, \$17,909 for const. conc. storm sewer on Carlos Ave., betw. South 50th St. & East City Limits of Richmond.

RICHMOND, Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796-66th Ave. Oakland, \$51,791 for const. storm drains on 16th St., betw.

Sunset St. & Santa Fe R.F. and along south side of Santa Fe right-of-way, betw. 16th & 10th.

EMERYVILLE, Contract awarded to Ransome Co., 4030 Hollis St., Emeryville, \$57,845 for grade, surf., etc., on 66th St., betw. Southern Pac. R.R. and east city limits.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796-66th Ave., Oakland, \$9,744 for const. storm drains on Glen Una Drive in SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to S. M. McGaw Co., 307 Elks Bldg., Stockton, \$7,609 for paving portion of terminal area.

PALO ALTO, Contract awarded to Huettig, Schromm & Bennett, P.O. Box 798, Palo Alto, \$30,133 for landscaping at the City Hall.

OCTOBER 29, 1952

SACRAMENTO, Contr. awarded to J. R. Armstrong, 400 Central, El Cerrito, \$217,413 for 1.9 mi. grade, place import. base matl. & apply seal coat, on Valley Ford Cutoff, betw. 1.7 mi. & 3.6 mi. W. Valley Ford, SONOMA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contr. awarded to Wheeler Const. Co., 875 Cleveland, Oakland, \$15,790 for const. RC box culv. & plantmix. surf. at Pine Creek, 1.1 mi. S.W. of Concord, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

SAN RAFAEL, Contract awarded to Russ Lauterwasser Const. Co., 150 Magnolia, Larspur, \$5,500 for reconst. storm drain on Mission Ave., from High to Union Sts. & extending S. along Union St.

OCTOBER 30, 1952

CARSON CITY, NEV., Contract awarded to Silber State Const. Co., Fallon, Nev., \$237,769 for 14.004 mi. const. portion of second hwy. sys., betw. 14 mi. S. of Denio and Denio, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

OGDEN, Utah, contract awarded to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., 1950 Colorado Blvd., Denver, Colo., \$178,279 for 6.426 mi. grade, surf., etc., Vernal-Manila, Ashley National Forest, in Uintah & Daggett Cos.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Bernal Const. Co., 2124 Anza St., San Francisco, \$9830 for improvements to West Portal Playground, at Ulloa St. & Lenox Way.

OCTOBER 31, 1952

PIEDMONT, contract awarded to Chas. H. Gorham, 770 Fairmont Ave., Fresno, \$18,893 for const. reinf., conc. bridge over Dry Creek Canal on N. Boradway.

GONZALES, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$3299 for const. sanit. sewer in 5th Street.

NOVEMBER 3, 1952

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to F. Bidwell, Castle, \$1784 for 7137 cy. earth material for const. reservoir-dams in SHASTA COUNTY.

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to Jensen & Pitts, 931-2nd St., San Rafael, \$5697 for reconst. storm drain on Mission Ave. from High to Union Streets and extending south along Union St.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Charles S. Moore, 2045 Redbush Terrace, San Jose, \$3274 for const. reinf. conc. wing wall on Bollinger Road Bridge at Calabazas Creek, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Chas. S. Moore, 2045 Redbush Terrace, San Jose, \$5408 for const. arch culvert No. 4 over Barron Creek on Donna Ave. & Los Robles Road.

DAVIS, contract awarded to Underground Const. Co., 807-75th Ave., Oakland, \$29,970 for const. 12-in. water line at Davis U.C. Campus.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contracts awarded as follows:

(1) **San Juan Co. (FAP AA-4):** 80 mi. const. graded roadway, SR No. 95, betw. Blanding & Hite: To Whiting & Haymond, Springville, Utah, \$195,218.

(2) **Box Elder Co. (FASP S-152):** 8.814 mi. const. 2-in. rdmx. bit. surf. road, SR No. 70 betw. Park Valley & Rosette: To Germer, Abbott & Waldron, Tremonton, Utah, \$187,567.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to W. W. Clyde & Co., Springville, Utah, \$162,332 for const. conc. & steel bridge on SR No. 47 over San Juan River at Mexican Hat, SAN JUAN CO. (FAP AA-5, Hoat).

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Eureka Reports All Firms Busy, No Out-of-Work List

By A. R. McCAFFREY, Business Representative

It's about the same story as last month regarding the work situation in this area. All contractors are busy, and we have no out-of-work list.

John Burman & Sons are progressing on the highway repair job at Patrick Creek. This job will probably be completed within the next month if the wet weather holds off.

All of the contractors at Crescent City are still busy. Pelican Bay Construction Co. and Dave Scott are still installing sewers there, but the job will be completed in the near future.

Bros. Clarence Page and Fred Korhase are busy on work for various mills.

ALL OVER THE PLACE

Mercer Fraser Co.—well, about the only place you don't see some of their equipment or a crew of theirs is about five miles west of us, out in the Pacific Ocean.

They are busy on the Burns Freeway at Gannon Slough. They are surfacing the county road at Ryan Slough. At the county airport, they are grading and surfacing everything except the runway. Their PG&E breakwater job still is going strong. They have a pile driving crew busy, and other work too numerous to mention.

Fred J. Maurer & Son are also as busy as beavers. The Shively Bluffs job is near completion. Maurer also has a crew working at Arcata on the Burns Freeway, and several private jobs. In addition, they have a pile driver working at Buhne Point.

THE WRONG KENWORTHY

In our last news column, we reported that Kenworthy & Patterson of Stockton were awarded the contract on the Weitchpec highway. The amount of their bid was \$529,716.

We now find out that C. V. Kenworthy of Stockton was awarded the contract to realign portions of Highway 299 between Berry's Summit and Willow Creek. His bid was \$568,200.75. C. V. Kenworthy is not to be confused with Mr. Kenworthy of Kenworthy & Patterson—no relation. Clearing on both the Berry's Summit job and the Weitchpec job has started, but construction will not get under way until spring.

At Weitchpec, clearing is being done by R. W. Byers, while Mickey O'Callahan of Oakland is doing the clearing on the Berry's Summit job.

Bro. J. L. Conner was low bidder on grading 2.2 miles of county road at Kneeland. His bid was \$51,909, which was considerably above the estimate. However, the County Board of Supervisors and the local office of the Division of Highways have recommended that the contract be awarded to Conner.

The Texas Co. has brought in another gas well in the Tompkins Hill area. John Peterson does the clearing and road work for them, and Bro. Louie Conner also has two or three rigs there.

Frederickson Bros. are busy surfacing the freeway at Scotia. They probably will start work on the underpasses on this project in a week or so.

HIGHWAY WORK AHEAD

The 1953-54 state highway budget includes several good jobs in this territory. There is an additional \$600,000 appropriated for more grading and surfacing on the same portion of the Burns Freeway that is now being done by Mercer Fraser Co.

The budget also includes \$150,000 for surfacing portions of Highway 101 between Stephens Grove and Weott; \$80,000 for drainage and surfacing portions of State Route 36 between Alton and Bridgeville; \$142,000 for surfacing 1.8 miles of State Route 46 east of Klamath; \$345,000 for new subgrade and surfacing of U.S. 299 from the Humboldt County line to Prairie Creek.

Barrett & Hilp are progressing very rapidly on their \$1,418,000 hospital job in Eureka. They are using the lay-down system for the walls, pouring the wall sections flat on the ground and then setting them in place with a crane. This will make more work the brothers of Local 3.

We regret that Bro. John Pasco

has been very ill with flu for the past week. He is now on the road to recovery and Mrs. Pasco states that she will probably have to hogtie him to keep him in until he has fully recovered.

The outlook for work this winter and next spring is very good—limited mostly by weather conditions.

Things Are Humming in Peninsula Area

By CHET ELLIOTT
Business Representative

Due to the large number of highway projects, real estate developments, pipelines, rock quarries, building material yards and street-paving operations, a great many of Local 3 members are now working in the San Francisco Peninsula area.

The Pacific Coast Aggregates rock quarry at Brisbane is operating at full capacity on a two-shift basis. This firm is also keeping Bros. Colombo, Eisenberg and Blaine busy on full-time operation of their ready-mixed concrete plant at South San Francisco.

At many points in this district the E. T. Haas Co. of Belmont, under the able supervision of Superintendent Bro. McCreath, is employing a large crew of operating Engineers on pipeline installations.

Foreman Bros. Ken Williams and Tommy Craig with operators and heavy-duty mechanics Bros. Flater, Campagna, Klein, Al Naas and Elmer Stevenson are making progress with the Williams & Burrows Co. on their large hospital job and many other projects throughout this area.

The Millbrae Materials Co. have opened up a new ready-mixed concrete plant in the city of Millbrae. While visiting the scene of operations your representative contacted plant-engineers Bros. Doc Pitto, Ozard and Pizzens who were industriously engaged in their work.

On the Bayshore Freeway job at Third Ave. in San Mateo, the Pionbo Construction Co. of San Francisco is working with a full crew of engineers. Superintendent Bro. Barney Bell is endeavoring to finish the grading and paving before the heavy rains set in. This new link in the Bayshore Highway will eliminate the bottleneck at Peninsula Avenue caused by the narrowing of the highway from six to four lanes of traffic.

The Sterling Building Co. of San Francisco is now in the process of converting the former Belmont Airport into a home community. This area will accommodate 500 homes which are now under construction. Frank W. Smith is the contractor on the street work, and Joseph Brady has contracted the installation of the utilities.

J. O. Archibald of Redwood City has a large group of operating engineers on his payroll working in all points in this district.

All the local contractors in this area, too numerous to mention, are operating at full capacity, and the future looks bright for our worthy brothers if the winter does not become too severe.

Miami, Fla. (LPA)—The Florida Federation of Labor has written to all AFL unions in the U. S. and Canada urging them to use more Florida processed fruits, juices and concentrates.

ROAD JOBS TAPERING OFF AT REDDING

By E. A. HESTER
Business Representative

Work in the Redding District is still holding up very well at this writing, as the weather has been good.

L. C. Kenworthy and C. L. Patterson, of Stockton, have been awarded one of the road jobs on the Klamath River, at \$529,716. C. V. Kenworthy of Sacramento got the adjoining project at \$568,200.75. The two Kenworthys are not related.

Ray Byers of Redding has begun the clearing, and any of you brothers seeking employment on these projects will please get your clearances at the Eureka office.

Up river a ways, on the Huettig, Schromm & Bennett project where we had a little trouble getting the situation straightened out, we believe everything is now going along according to the rules.

Still further up the river, the Natt McDougall project is nearing completion. The Pacific, Judson & Murphy bridge job is also making good headway.

Over on the big freeway at Dunsuir, everything is rolling along in very good shape. This project will close for the rainy season, but will be a good place to come back to next spring. There will be enough work to last all summer. And, too, there will be another freeway coming up early next year connecting up with this one.

Harms Bros. of Sacramento have finished their road job at Big Bend and are moving their equipment to Montague, where they have six miles of resurfacing and a bridge to be built.

W. B. Jones has the contract to surface the road between the Portals and after that we think Walsh Construction Co. will open up another heading in their tunnel job. They now have three shifts going in the South Portal.

This is the time of year when work slacks off in this district. Erickson, Phillip, & Weisberg have about three weeks of work left on their bridge jobs at Los Molinas.

The road job at Ravendale is about finished. There is still some work going on at the Manton Fish Hatchery, but it is mostly houses and so forth.

R. P. Shea will wind up his crushing job at Willow Creek in another couple of weeks.

Johnny Owens of the Patterson Construction Co., at the Harrison Gulch job, said he believed they could finish up this project within a month or so.

M. W. Brown also is well along on his job in the same vicinity.

Bro. Bob Kurtz and his gang of Engineers are still going strong. Bob seems to keep plenty of work ahead for the boys. However, he has been sick in bed now for over a week but is coming along very nicely. Bro. Joe Mancébo is overseeing the work while Bob is laid up.

Bro. Tom Wilbur got hit on the head by the rear end of a N. W. 80 and has been under the doctor's care for about two months. He is still walking around, though! Tom said he believed his neck was broken.

Church Observes Organized Labor Day

Memphis (LPA).—Organized Labor Day was observed at the First Assembly of God Church here Oct. 26 during the Sunday school hour. Leaders and members of locals throughout the city attended. In charge of arrangements were two members who long have been staunch boosters for organized labor. The church seeks first place in a national Sunday school contest; last year it finished fourth.

Cleveland (LPA).—The Cleveland News suppressed two Drew Pearson columns because they were unfavorable to Sen. Richard "Our Boy Dick" Nixon. The Cleveland Union Leader ran the columns as a public service.

Attend union meetings.

FTC Stops Claims T-X Is Sure Cure For Athletes Foot

Akron, O. (LPA).—T-X Pharmaceutical Co. here has promised the Federal Trade Commission to stop advertising that its product, T-X, is better than any other remedy for athletes foot or that it will work where all other remedies have failed. Also out are claims that T-X penetrates the tissues and kills the core of infection and is effective for all fungus infections.

The local union is the most important part of "Labor."

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Army Doing Trade Work Draws Fire, Promise to Stop It

Vigorous protest by organized labor has resulted in an order from the Secretary of the Army that "lack of funds by army posts or commands would be no excuse for the utilizing of army personnel for new construction work and that such work if already commenced should cease immediately."

Protest was filed by AFL building trades in Washington following disclosure of extensive new construction work being done at Camp Cooke, near Lompoc, and at other California army stations. Building trades union officers at Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, and Monterey presented evidence, and the battle was taken up by the State Building Trades Council.

It was revealed that "B" company of the 412th Engineers Construction Battalion, a unit of the Sixth Army, was doing such work at Camp Cooke and that it intended to do all such work in the Sixth Army area. The unit did much work in Arizona, did spray painting and extended a runway 1000 feet at Cooke, poured 5000 cubic feet of concrete and planned to build a hangar.

William Dean, Santa Barbara building trades leader, surveyed

the work, and the Army then felt it good judgment to let a paint job out. The Engineering officer had protested it was only a small job, but was in the neighborhood of \$500,000.

In its Washington protest, labor let the Army know that if this practice continued, the armed services might as well plan to do all of their construction work in the future. The Army acted quickly, issued its cease work order, and sent a colonel out to inspect the situation.

The State Building Trades urges all unions to report any such moves by the military services in the future.

In addition to Bro. Dean, Lee Galli, secretary of Santa Maria Laborers 1222, and Harry Foster, secretary of Monterey Building Trades Council, were commended for their efforts in this situation.

FRESNO AREA: PINE FLAT DOWN TO TWO SHIFTS

By H. T. PETERSEN and G. LYNN MOORE, Business Representatives

The Pine Flat Contractors announced this week that they are cutting down their pouring operations from three to two shifts and consequently the first major layoff of the job will take place soon. This shutdown will affect approximately 20 Operating Engineers. The company intends to operate only one of the highlines and there will be a similar reduction throughout the project.

Sharp & Fellows Co. are busy on their two Kings River Bridge jobs trying to get foundations in this winter so that construction can continue during the high water runoff period. Ted Page Co. is making good progress on its section of the highway job, as is Sharp & Fellows on theirs. However, grading operations will continue until late next spring.

Schutt Construction Co. is completing clearing operations in the lake bottom and will have this portion of the job cleaned up well before spring. They still have a lot of work to do on the south bank of the reservoir.

Selby Drilling Co. is busy drilling and gunniting the bottom and sides of Pine Flat Dam, so far have not run into any large fissures. This job will continue well into next fall.

Gordon Ball has completed concrete pouring operations on their Pixley job and the company is now awaiting arrival of a new hot plant before resuming work on the shoulders and also resurfacing the west lane of 99.

Fred Oliphant is working on a secondary highway job on the Springville-Porterville road and keeps several of the brothers busy there.

Frederickson & Watson are still busy on their section of 99 Highway in Merced County and should complete paving operations this month.

Moseman Co., with Macco Construction as a subcontractor driving piles, have about completed foundation work and will start building superstructures.

At Castle Field Air Base, Fred J. Early Co. is still busy finishing up the underground work on the runways and taxiways extensions. Van Valkenburgh has moved in on an approximately 8 months sewer and storm drain job.

At Castle Gardens, Barrett & Hilp and Concrete Supply Co. both are still busy on the addition. River Rock and Merced Rock & Gravel

Co.'s pits both are busy with backlog orders.

Karl Hermeling Co. has a job on Santa Fe Avenue running south from Buhach Road. Grading has been completed and surfacing will start soon.

Volpa Bros. have about finished their highway contract on Highway 152 and will be in the market for more work.

Gene Richards Paving Co. has completed Blackstone Ave. and has started work resurfacing Palm Ave. between H St. and Olive Ave. This same company has an aggregate of \$600,000 of work ahead of them, at the State College and other street jobs.

Stewart & Nuss, Inc., will be busy all winter, weather permitting, on paving and grading operations.

Pacific Coast Aggregates anticipates a fairly busy winter at their three plants.

H. Earl Parker, operating about 20 rigs on a two shift basis in Madera County, will be busy until next summer. Kovick Brothers have a subcontract with Parker for the laying of pipe and structures.

United Concrete Pipe, Colton Concrete Conduit and American Pipe & Construction Co. are all busy on current jobs with more Bureau of Reclamation pipe jobs to be let in the near future.

We have also been notified by the Bureau of Reclamation that Section 2 of the Madera Irrigation District project should be bid in December.

Eaton & Smith Co., who submitted low bid to the Division of Highways on a \$800,000 job on Highway 180, are moving in. Bob Trask will rod the job.

Hess Construction Co. at Shaver Lake will continue to work until the snow flies.

There are many other small jobs in progress, and at the present time most of the brothers are busy. However, this office is beginning to notice already the influx of members from the north.

Brothers, we have had a heavy

Easy on the Ladle, Mabel

According to some employers-it just doesn't pay for a worker to be generous.

A drug store chain fired one of its employees for "misconduct." The "misconduct," at the Unemployment Compensation hearing, turned out to be that the poor girl had "put chicken in the chicken soup." The girl was a cook, and "chicken in the chicken soup" was a heinous crime for which she had to be discharged. Fortunately, the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation didn't agree with the employer.

This weird case is almost topped by another recent one in which the manager fired a waitress because she "puts too much ice cream in the scoop, and she puts too much syrup on the sundaes."

Again the Bureau of Unemployment Compensation held that this was not a just cause for discharge. Things get fantastic sometimes, don't they?

Cigarette Smoking May Contribute To Heart Disease

Chicago (LPA)—Smoking of cigarettes may have something to do with heart and blood-vessel disease, according to an editorial in the latest issue of the Journal of American Medical Association.

"The present state of medical knowledge," said the editorial, "clearly points up the need for intensive investigation of the relation of cigarette smoking to cardiovascular disease. Since the smoking habit is so widespread, physicians should pay more attention medically and pharmacologically to a nicotine-containing agent that is used by the public in amounts equal to, if not greater than, any other drug."

EXHAUST FUMES ARE LETHAL

Although most motorists are aware of the lethal effects of carbon monoxide gas in auto exhaust fumes, there is a great temptation on chilly autumn mornings to let the engine warm up while the car is standing in the garage.

Even though the garage doors are left open, there is still danger since dangerous quantities of the odorless gas can collect inside the building. It's best to warm up the motor outside and never with the garage doors closed.

It is best to check your car for loose pistons and rings, rusty exhaust pipes, open seams or holes in the muffler, gaskets in the exhaust manifold, faulty exhaust pipe connections or a heater which is connected to a leaky manifold.

Any one of these defects can let the colorless gas seep into a closed car. For complete safety, it's best to keep a window partially open while driving because a perfectly tuned motor still has about 2 per cent carbon monoxide gas in the exhaust fumes.

Even if the gas is not present in sufficient quantity to be fatal, there may be a sufficient amount to affect the driver and impair his judgment.

drain on our blood bank this past month.

Needless to say the recipients of this blood are thankful that we have the bank. However, you cannot draw out without putting it in. We have had a good reaction from the members in the Fresno area—not too much interest or participation from others.

To these brothers I should like to make this appeal: Please donate as soon as possible. Who knows, it may be your child or your wife or yourself whose life may be saved through the Engineers Blood bank. Please, Please, Please!

There will not be a meeting in November due to the fourth Thursday falling on Thanksgiving Day. Hope you all enjoy a good turkey feed.

Construction Awards

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RICHMOND, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520-4th St., Berkeley, \$29,800 for grade, pave, drain, at U.C. Engrg. Field Station.

MT. SHASTA, contract awarded to Dana R. Tyson, 2400 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento, \$7397 for grounds improvements at Calif. National Guard Armory.

VACAVILLE, contract awarded to S.A.E. Co., 9292 Shasta St., Redwood City, \$10,450 for reservoir site grading at Calif. Medical Facility near Vacaville.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Eaton & Smith, 1215 Michigan St., S.F., \$732,384 for 6.0 mi. grade, plantmix surf, on cement treat. base & const. reinf. conc. slab & girder bridge across Mill Creek, betw. 4 mi. east of Cove Road & White Creek Road, FRESNO CO.

HAMILTON AFB, contract awarded to I. J. Ely, 665 Butterfield Rd., San Anselmo, \$3913 for const. asphalt conc. garbage collection road in Meadow Park, Hamilton AFB.

HAMILTON AFB, contract awarded to E. A. Forde, P.O. Box 306, San Anselmo, \$19,894 for asphalt conc. repair & resurf. to various streets at the Base.

MILLBRAE, contract awarded to Peter Sorensen, P.O. Box 790, Redwood City, \$14,722 for grade, drain, surf., etc., in Lomita Park Subdiv. No. 4.

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MATHER AFB, contract awarded to Claude E. Zanders, 3633-56th St., Sacramento, \$1359 for prime & seal parking area.

CONCORD, contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 3030 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$38,040 for improvement of Market St., Salvio St. and Willow Pass Road.

EL CERRITO, contract awarded to John H. McCosker, 1501 Eastshore Hwy., Berkeley, \$20,528 for grade, surf., etc., on Potrero Ave., betw. Richmond St. & Navellier St.

EL CERRITO, contract awarded to Reichhold & Jurkovich, 5491 Barrett Ave., El Cerrito, \$7132 for impvt. of Richmond St. from Fink Lane to Moesser Lane.

MARYSVILLE, contract awarded to Browne & Krull, 1057 Cotter Way, Hayward, \$34,430 for bank protection at two sites along the Yuba River near Marysville.

SUNNYVALE, contract awarded to L. C. Smith, 225-19th Ave., San Mateo, \$22,425 for const. sanit. sewer in Fair Oaks Ave. & Arques Road.

FOLSOM, contract awarded to G. L. Tarlton Contracting Corp., 5505 Dale Ave., St. Louis, Mo., \$412,655 (Sched. 2) for const. 2900 ft. of 6 or 7 ft. dia. concrete, lined horseshoe Camp Creek Tunnel, betw. Camp Creek Diversion Dam & Sly Park Resvr. Central Valley Project.

CARSON CITY, Nev., contract awarded to Silver State Const. Co., Fallon, Nev., \$237,769 for 14.004 mi. const. portion of Second Hwy. sys., betw. 14 mi. S. of Denio & Denio, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

NOVEMBER 6, 1952

FRESNO, contract awarded to Nomellini Const. Co., P.O. Box 1177, Stockton, \$36,459 for const. industrial tract sewer on Maple Ave., betw. North & Jensen Avenues.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S.F., \$2759 for reconst. crossing of Cambridge and Felton Sts.

HAMILTON AFB, contract awarded to Baldwin Const. Co., 26 Francisco Blvd., San Rafael, \$13,450 for const. conc. curbs and gutters, Zone 11.

SAUSALITO, contract awarded to Russ Lauterwasser & I. J. Ely Co., 665 Butterfield Road, San Anselmo, \$7123 for const. storm drains on Easterly St. Ray Lane & Marinslip property.

MILL VALLEY, contract awarded to I. J. Ely Co., 665 Butterfield Rd., San Anselmo, \$5053 for resurfacing work.

FRESNO, contract awarded to Nomellini Const. Co., P.O. Box 1177, Stockton, \$65,405 for const. indust. Tract Sewer on Jensen Ave. betw. Maple & Orange.

MONTEREY, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$3143 for const. storm drains, struts, & grading at Monterey Airport.

NOVEMBER 7, 1952

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Stollie, Inc., & Fred J. Early, Jr. Co., Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$3,597,500 (treatment plant) and to Stockton Const. Co., P.O. Box 1177, Stockton, \$712,000 (influent & effluent lines) for const. 54 million gal. per day capacity sewage treatment plant and 72 in. influent and 78 in. effluent lines for the city of Sacramento.

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SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Baun Const. Co., 324 Princeton Ave., Fresno, \$174,807 for 5.1 mi. grade & plantmix surf. on imp. base matl. on Dickenson Ave. betw. McMullin Grade & Whitesbridge Road, FRESNO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, 922 J St., Modesto, \$221,362 for 5 mi. widen & plantmix surf. on untr. rock base, betw. 3.3 mi. E. of San Joaquin Co. line & 1.5 mi. W. of Valley Springs, CALAVERAS CO.

FREEMONT, contract awarded to H. Earl Parker, Inc., 12th & F Sts., Marysville, \$318,771 for levee const., bank protection & road surf. along left bank of Sacramento River near Freemont.

HAMILTON AFB, contract awarded to Brown-Ely Co., P.O. Box 474, Corte Madera, \$2100 for asphalt conc. surfacing on exist. parking areas.

HAMILTON AFB, contract awarded to Malott & Peterson-Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., S.F., \$5556 for resurf. tennis courts, IFB-04-602-53-64.

NOVEMBER 12, 1952

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Pacific Pavements Co., Ltd., 85 Barstow St., San Francisco, \$36,117 for channelization of Alemany Blvd., betw. San Jose & Junipero Serra Blvd.

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to Baldwin Const. Co., 26 Francisco Blvd., San Rafael, \$8790 for const. Irwin Street Sewer Extension.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to Peletz Co., 1948 Belmont Court, Santa Rosa, \$7102 for const. water main extension in Montgomery Village Subdivisions 8 & 9.

MENLO PARK, contract awarded to Bahr & Ledoyen, 3291-3rd St., Palo Alto, \$5258 for paving at Belle Haven Elem. School, Almaron Ave., Hetch Hetchy Way, and Chilco St.

TRAVIS AFB, contract awarded to Parish Bros., P.O. Box 6, Benicia, \$2725 for resurf. access road to refueling truck parking area, at Travis Air Force Base.

CAPITOLA, contract awarded to Leo Cardwell Const. Co., P.O. Box 294, Santa Cruz, \$8770 for const. sewer mains, risers, wyes, house lats., & manholes, etc., for the District.

NEVADA CITY, contract awarded to Dana R. Tyson, 2400 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento, \$7700 for ground improvements, incl. grade, pave, walks, etc., at Calif. National Guard Armory, Nevada City.

One woman's verdict: "Yes, we are beautiful and dumb—beautiful so the men will love us, and dumb so we will love the men."

Junior: "Daddy, how did you come to marry mama?"

Father: "I didn't 'come to marry mama.' I came to collect the gas bill."

Girls at college
Are of two strata:
Those with dates,
And those with data.



"You can't tune me out, mister! I'm the repairman."