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## Unions ask iob shuffle shipyards

Coast put 'up an unusual proposal to the National War Labor Board.

They asked the board to approve a plan of job reclassification and pay increases for 33,000 shipbuilding workers, which will save Uncle Sam eight times as much as the wage outlay.

A joint committee of the unions and the employers appeared at a WLB hearing on behalf of the pay revisions. As a demonstration of their unity on the question, both sides agreed upon Harry F. Morton, attorney for the Kaiser shipbuilding interests, as their spokesman.

reclassifications are essential because of new techniques and probe affected.

The changes would yield pay boosts ranging up to 33 cents an hour, but the average for all 33,-000 would be 10 cents, Morton said. On an annual basis, that would be approximately \$8,500,000 added to the payrolls.

Morton pointed out, however, that as a result of the reclassifications, large numbers of workers, mainly in the Boilermakers' craft, who had heretofore been confined to specialized work, will be free to perform any work they are capable of doing, and it will be possible to shift them about where most needed.

That will result in an estimated saving of over 50,000,000 manhours of labor annually in the coast shipyards, equivalent to almost \$70,000,000, or more than eight times the amount of the added payroll, Morton explained.

draft was gathering momentum. "Under-Secretary of the Navy Ralph Bard is preparing to certify to the board, if it wishes, that the tional issues of particular interest

## Local 3 manager leaves for Boston AFL meeting

Victor Swanson, general manager of Local 3, left immedi-ately after the local convention of the Union Labor Party for the annual national meeting of the American Federation of Labor being held this year in Boston.

Swanson is the only delegate from Local 3 at the big meet-AFL unions and shipyard ing. Prior to the AFL session he was to confer with General managements on the West Coast put up an unusual pro-jurisdictional matters. He is expected to return to San Francisco on October 15.

Harry Metz is acting manager during Swanson's absence. Metz just completed an assignment in the Westwood-Suisunville sector where Local No. 3 have won several N. L. R. B. elections governing jurisdiction in the woods.

Before he left for the East Swanson urged all members living in San Francisco to vote in the municipal elections to be held November 2.

## War, peace issues debated in AFL's annual convention

Boston-With the double objective of doing everything possible to win the war and to win the peace, more than 500 Morton pointed out that the job delegates converged on this city for the 63rd annual convention of the American Federation. of Labor.

As the representatives of six million American workers cesses in West Coast shipbuilding. gathered in the lobby of the Statler Hotel awaiting the con-Twenty-four classifications would vention opening the consensus of opinion was that the American Federation of Labor and its affiliated unions are now at peak strength.

Reports from delegates coming in from every section of the country indicate that war produc-

which can be put into operation tion is proceeding at a rapidly inas soon as the fighting ends. creasing pace in the nation's ship-

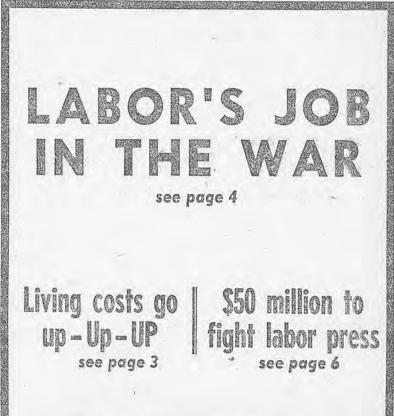
Most of the delegates arrived yards, munitions factories and airearly in Boston to attend the departmental conventions which The chief issues disturbing the serve as a prelude for the AFL's labor leaders were the failure of annual conclave. Unusually large the Government to keep the cost attendance was reported at the of living down to the levels at meetings of the AFL Metal Tredes, which wages have been stabilized Building Trades and Union Label

Trades annual meetings. \* \* \*

### San Francisco action by the Government to bring reports drop in iobs in area

P. E. Vandewark, Treasurer and Business Representative working out of the San Francisco Office, reports:

rancisco Area has been good until this last week. Since that time to elect a friend of the work- has not one bad labor vote on his there has been a considerable drop noticed. Several of the large jobs are on the finishing end. Pacific Bridge at Hunters Point is nearly finished-only about two weeks left. Barrett and Hilp about the same. Eaton and Smith are working on the housing project at the Hunters Point, with several of our members still employed. Metropolitan Housing project is still under construction with the public utilities and streets to be put in. A large fill job for the Army, for warehouses, is to start this week at Sixth and Channel Streets. All imported dirt for this job, so some of the shovel operators will be kent busy.



#### And your representatives report:

Dredges	3	Reno	2
Eureka	2	Sacramento	3
Fin. Secretary	Z	Salt Lake City	3
Fresno	2	San Francisco	
Dakland	5	San Jose	7
Ogden	6	San Mateo	6
Provo	2	San Rafael	7.
Minutes of October 2	meet		

## George Reilly labor's choice as San Francisco' Mayor

George R. Reilly will be the aptly termed it "a bill to enslave next mayor of San Francisco the American worker," yet, this if organized labor has any- measure was fostered by candidate thing to say about it.

Local Unions of the A. F. of L., the Railroad Brotherhoods, bor record. As a member of the San Francisco-Work in the San as well as the C. I. O. are Board of Supervisors he spon-

Lapham.

George Reilly has a perfect la-

adjustment will mean a substan- to labor will be presented to the tial saving to the government in convention, debated, and voted the cost of building ships," Morton said.

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### AFL president asks support for anti-poll tax bill

Washington, D. C .- AFL President William Green asked officers of national and international untions, state federations of labor, pressed of the effects of anticity central bodies and central labor laws adopted in several labor unions to urge members of States, which are now being chalthe United States Senate to support H. R. 7 providing for the abolition of the poll tax, passed began, as much interest was being by the House of Representatives displayed by the delegates in postand now under consideration by war plans as in pushing the victhe Senate Judiciary Committee.

reason, the minority who oppose dustrial activity. this legislation will, according to From their conversations, it can 3rd, and I am sure a swell time

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upon. The policies decided upon by the convention will guide the American Federation of Labor during the coming year.

and the alarming effects of var-

ious manpower controls put into

A growing demand was openly

expressed for prompt and decisive

prices of the necessities of life

back into equitable relationship

with the wage income of workers.

At the same time, opposition to

any form of compulsory labor

These and many other vital na-

effect by the Government.

craft plants.

The fact that the Connally-Smith Act has been thoroughly discredited during its brief beriod of existence provided cheering news for the convention, which will unquestionably demand that Congress repeal this vicious anti-labor law at once. Strong disapproval was exlenged in the courts.

For the first time since the war tory drive. Reflecting the assur-"No doubt a majority in the ance that eventual victory for the Senate will vote in favor of this United Nations is now certain, the legislation in the event a vote is delegates voiced deepening concern taken," Mr. Green said. "For that over the effects of peace upon in-

reports which are widely circu- be said that the union representalated, conduct a filibuster. They tives believe the only way to avert will attempt to defeat this legis- a major depression with serious lation through resort to this form unemployment after the was is to yard coming out winner. Surprisof parliamentary procedure. This prepare now for a large-scale ing how well those boys can see in peacetime production program

Several other small jobs are in progress about the city, but no prospects for very many new ones being let.

The operators at Marinship held

a picnic at San Anselmo October Lapham is well known to every worker in the San Francisco bay was had by all. A baseball game area for his anti-labor tactics, and was played between the day and for his sponsorship of the vicious graveyard shifts, with the graveanti-labor bill known as Proposition No. 1. The measure was vigorously opposed by the California (Continued on Page 2) State Federation of Eabor which

united in their determination sored many labor measures and ing man to the highest local office.

Climax of the union - backed campaign to put a progressive man in the City Hall, came recently when the Union Labor Party gave Reilly an overwhelming vote. This party, the traditional political branch of the Central Labor Council, the Building and Construction Trades Council, and the independent Railroad Brotherhoods plumped itself squarely behind Reilly, giving him 116 votes out of a possible 194 on the first ballot.

Chester MacPhee, who has been regarded by some as a strong contender, ran a poor second with 57 votes. The incumbent, Mayor Rossi could garner no more than 14 votes and Roger Lapham, laborbaiting shipowner, just managed to stay on the ballot with four votes.

record. As an employer his record toward those who work for, wages is equally good.

As an official of the State Board of Equalization his keen knowledge of tax matters has often been used to further the lot of the common man. Because of this he has earned the animosity of certain large financial interests, which are now "getting even" through a program of vilification in the employed-owned daily papers.

Other endorsements made by the A. F. of L. controlled Union Labor (Continued on Page 6)

#### ENGINEERS' NEWS

## Reno reports no new work contemplated

John DeLagrange and Les Collett, Business Representatives working out of the Reno Office report:

Reno-There is no new work contemplated for Nevada as far as I can learn from information received. The airport job at Lovelock, Nevada, being constructed by Hunt and Frandsen, is going along nicely. We have 33 men on this job.

We also have a new housing project just let at Carlin, Nevada, and two projects let at Sparks, Nevada. Both projects are underway.

The Yancey Construction Company has about three more weeks on their bridge job north of Elko.

Morrison Knudsen Company has completed its work at Elko and has moved 12 miles south of Carlin.

Isbell Construction Company received an extension on the airport at Ely, Nevada, which consists of one new runway and one taxi-way. We have furnished Andy Drum of the Silver State Construction Company with several men in the past three weeks. He is going along very nicely.

Associated General Contractors of Nevada had a meeting September 25, but failed to sign a statewide agreement.

Harms and Larsen have finished the job at Minden and have moved off.

We have had several calls for men from contractors at Sacramento and San Francisco for the Tonopah, Nevada job, which is scheduled to be completed within 45 days. This job is in the jurisdiction of Local No. 12, but as far as I know, Local No. 3 has the majority of men on this job.

The Fallon Pre-Flight Naval Training Station has been postponed until October 15.

Isbell Construction Company is making fine progress on their should finish that job in about 30 stripping and mining job for the Consolidated Copper Mines Corporation at Kimberly, Nevada. We are still working in the metal mining industry in the State of lines and six cats on the job all Nevada, but hope to have more news pertaining to this industry in our next Monthly Bulletin.

Robert E. McKee has about onehalf his foundation in for his new round-house which is also at Sparks, Nevada.

the bridge job for Western Pacific our members working there. Railroad at Doyle, California, with

## Pay dues when due, Financial Secretary asks

T. M. Bynon, Financial Secretary, working out of the San Francisco office, reports:

Looking over our report to the General Office for the last month I was very much surprised to see such a large number of members suspended for non-payment of dues.

It seems strange that the members now steadily employed, would allow themselves to become suspended and then put up the cry that they were not notified by the office. We all know when our pay is due, and we all know when our bills come due. Therefore, we should make arrangements to meet our obligations on time, instead of having to pay a penalty.

Article 20, Section 5, of the International Constitution, reads as follows:

"Any member who is suspended or expelled from a Local Union or by the General Executive Board, for any reason whatsoever, and later becomes reinstated must be a member in good standing for one year after his reinstatement before his beneficiaries shall be entitled to death benefits, and then his beneficiaries shall be entitled to the amount only in his class, according to the length of time that he is a member in good standing after such reinstatements."

That means that if the suspended member has been a member of the International for ten years, or more, his beneficiaries would have been entitled to two hundred and fifty dollars as death benefits, but because of the suspensions the members' standing in the death benefit fund is the same as the newly initiated members.

PAY DUES PROMPTLY-Do not allow yourself to be suspended!

## Fresno office reports not much new in district

#### Thomas D. Bryson, Business Representative working out of the Fresno Office reports:

Fresno-There is very little of interest to report from the Central Valley district this month, there are no new jobs starting up in this idle as some of the small jobs are finishing up.

The Phoenix Construction Company has just about completed their job at Coalinga and have moved part of their equipment on their Highway job near Merced. At the rate they are going they days.

Larsen and Harms are going right along on the Friant Madera Canal, they are using two dragmanned with Local No. 3 memcrete work on structures to L. H. Hansen & Sons and they are going along okay with our members.

Piazzi & Huntley are going right along on their Highway job at F. C. Stolte is progressing with Lemoore with about eighteen of office work and get out on the

The Brown Materials Company have moved one of their draglines to Corcoran to set up the dredge that has just been brought in to work on the Tulare Lake, strengthening the levees.

I spent a couple of days in the \$46.00 per employee. Kettlemen Hills-Avenal-Coalinga district rounding up some of the men working in the Oil-fields, they are sure hard to find as they are scattered over an area of about but I think I located most of them. The Rock Sand and Gravel pits are working just about the same as usual, they are an eyesore in bers. They have sub-let the con- this district, and I don't seem to be able to get anywhere with them.

The office girl has been on vacation the past two weeks and it has jobs at the same time.

## Eureka says they can use more engineers in lumber industry, representative says

Otto Never, Business Representative, working out of the Eureka office, reports: rille 100

Eureka:-The news from Eureka is full of progress and what we need now is more Local 3 men for the Lumber industry.

To begin with, Marshall Hanrahan is now working at Red Hen and also at Fort Dick, near the Oregon line. Part of this work will be finished before the rain sets in, but the Fort Dick job will carry over into next Spring. It rains up there about an average of a hundred and ten inches.

The chrome mine at Orick will start up any day now, and will put about two dragline operators and two heavy-duty mechanics to work, eight hours and seven days a week.

The town of Eureka has the local shipyards which keep about a hundred and fifty brothers busy all the time. The local housing job has started here. This is about a \$500,000 job. In addition to this, the Carlin Construction Co. has the dirt moving job for Teichert on the Airport at Fort Bragg. This will take 32 cat skinners, six oilers, six mechanics and one dragline operator.

### Stockton sets record in war bond purchases

"Bill" Waack, Business Repsentative working out of the Stockton Office reports:

top in bond purchases.

Labor came thru magnificently Truett Shields and Fisher has and labor has given the community vicinity and we have several men four cats and one dragline working at least something to shout about. on the Kings river flood control At Pollock's the average purchase work near Lemoore; they are per employee, including of course going along 100% with the union. the purchase of management was

Other groups topped the engineers purchases, but our, gang average \$65.00 per man. That's a fine record. O. K. Wilson did a \$230,000.

Once more and we will call it a

kept your business agent pretty M. J. B. and Ed Thorpe are keep- special meeting. busy trying to take care of the ing their gang infact. McGaw operates with the same tempo.

standing interest to all engineers.

Brother Foss, at San Rafael, wills have the placing of men on this job as soon as the equipment leaves Eureka, which will be October 15th. The job should last untill the middle of May. Bill Bartlett and Roy Dudal, formerly of the Machinists, and now, by your business agent's sales talk, members of Local No. 3, are going with Carlin as heavy-duty mechanics.

We are badly in need of riggers at \$1.17, choker men at \$1.021/2, loader men at \$1.271/2 and \$1.07½ for the redwoods. This work is something new in the Engineers here, but we are taking them in here and showing them what Local 3 can do for its members. If any brother knows of a lumber jack who can come up here, let's hear about it.

We can't build up this field without every member helping. We also have logging engineers and firemen, slacker and donkey engi-Stockton-Stockton is proud of neers, saw filers, stationery fireits record-to be the first major men, and mill mechanics, cat city in California to go over the skinners and blade and shovel men. Although the scale at this time is lower than construction work, it is steady and working conditions are ideal.

One of our outstanding Stewards in the redwoods is Brother Marvin Neal, who is with the Northern Redwood Lumber Co. at Korbel as cat doctor. Another new brother, H. R. Cannon, is steward at Brown Brothers mill at Bridgeville, and is a donkey puncher. It good job on swing as did Brother is a pleasure to meet and sign up 20 by 45 miles; did not find all of Bob Warnick on days. This yard these new brothers in the redthe men working in the oilfields, of about 5,000 employees produced woods as they are a credit to Local 3.

> On September 26,th we had year. The combined War Chest- Brothers Pat Clancy, Secretary Red Cross drive. Let us put this Mathews, Financial Secretary Tom important contribution to the War Bynon, Business Manager Vic (the effort over in the same manner. Swede) Swanson, and Treasurer Our progress on construction is Vanderwark as guests and speakroutine. Biassotti, Teichert, French, ers at the Engineers shindig and

Some of the brothers came a hundred miles to attend and every The logging industry is of out- member enjoyed himself.

Our next meeting will be an-

two rigs and a dozer and all Union crew on the job.

Winston Brothers Construction Company is still at work on the railroad project for Red River Lumber Company. The shovel is on two shifts with the cats working single shift.

E. B. Bishop Company is still doing work at Honey Lake for the Sierra Ordnance Depot.

Radich and Brown Company is going ahead with the airport at the equipment on a double shift and are waiting on water.

Sierra Construction Company diminishing. has two shovels going on a single shift.

is now pouring concrete on the and Charlie Pruce, Koppers Co. flume job at Westwood, California. have all been very cooperative in

on the Western Pacific and will neers. check on this.

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#### **AFL President**

(Continued from Page 1) rule of cloture must be applied if available. the Senate is accorded the privilege of voting upon this measure. It will require a two-thirds vote of the Senate to pass the cloture measure."

Overhead cranes going into action at new Geneva plant

> H. L. "Curly" Spence, Busiout of the Provo Office reports:

Provo, Utah-Pomeroy-Morrison Company at the Geneva Plant is putting some overhead cranes into operation setting machinery and pouring concrete and our members Honey Lake with about one-half are manning these jobs as fast as they are available and our supply of unemployed members is rapidly

Curlee of U. P. M., Art Withrow, Midwest Pipe and Supply, David A. Richardson Company Jerry Foote, F. H. McGraw Co. Have received report of a round- correcting all matters of dispute house job at Portola, California, concerning the Operating Engi-

I have been informed that warming up operations at the No. 2 supervised by the Corps of Engi-Battery at the coke ovens will begin approximately Nov. 1st. The ing the fiscal year ended June 30, reason for the delay thus far has 1943, amounted to one 2/100 of one means then that the parliamentary been the lack of enough gas being

> The American Bridge Co. is rapidly progressing with the erection of steel at the Geneva Plant.

The Blast Furnaces at the Plant are also nearing completion.

olds Constr. Co., who has a job

at Ironton and Eureka.

Calvin Teague who was electrocuted while working as an oiler at

Ryberg Strong and Grant Constr. Co. at the Gravel Pit at American Fork.

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#### Army construction jobs. have few stoppages

Washington, D. C .- Work stoppages from all causes, including strikes, on its \$6,000,000,000 construction program, initiated and neers, Army Service Forces, durper cent of the total man hours encompassed by the program, the War Department announced.

The record, covering what is believed to be the greatest construction program of all time, embraces 14,469 projects.

Here as on all the other jobs our nounced in the next issue of The men are in key positions. Brother News Letter,

Al Herbert is logging engineer for In closing, let all brothers keep Calaveras Land and Timber. B. J. in mind the fact that we must We are glad to at least be Hodges is operating a 21/2 yard build our organization so that it called upon to supply Union men N.W. at Cooks Station in the High covers all industries employing to W. W. Clyde Cont., who has a Sierras. McDonald Lumber Com- Engineers, and that after the war job at Schofield Dam and to Reyn- pany has 25 years of operations in no brother need go without work. this area. \* \* \*

The Aluminum Company at It is with deepest regrets that Riverbank went unanimous for we report the death of Brother A. F. of L. at their recent election.

Hydraulic Dredge "Papoose" wound up the Stockton job. It is tough going on dredge crews these days. Short handed rigs are the order. The men are just not to be had.

we are to retain our standing as Gus Castell was caught in the bite Trades Unions, if we are to keep of the line on a false start and intact our status in this great was dragged the length of the field democracy, if we are to return to on his back-much to his sorrow! our brothers now fighting on the battle fronts of the globe our organizations as they left them will lor's diligent work. Let us in on be with the assistance of our ballot. A patriotic engineer will not shirk his duty to vote.

Elections vital to your everyday life where food, clothing, prices, rents, schools are coming up. But to vote you must first register. In laid off.

Stockton its at 227 East Weber Avenue. In other areas, ask your business agent.

San Francisco reports on jobs

(Continued from Page 1) the daylight after working graves yard for a year!

Also, a tug-of-war-and again One more thought in closing. If graveyard was winner. Brother Much of the success of the outing was due to Brother Jack Taythe secret of the steaks, Jack, with all the meat rationing it sure would be welcome!

Work at Matson Navigation Company has slowed up considerable with the entire night shift

At Bethlehem Shipyard conditions are about the same as usual.

## **Prospects for engineers** in Utahbright with new jobs due in near future

Brothers C. L. Caseboldt, T. L. Clark and B. M. Stewart, Business Representative, working out of the Salt Lake office, reports:

Salt Lake City-The future of Operating Engineers in Utah is very bright. New construction is due in the immediate future. Country Club Villa is a \$5,500,000 apartment house project

and has been definitely okeyed and will start immediately. Work soon to be resumed on the Deer Creek Aqueduct to bring water to Salt Lake City and surrounding community

shortly. Several million dollars will be spent on this job. Gibbons and Reed, 21st South job is almost finished. This company is still working at Tooele and St. Johns and going along nicely. They are calling for men to go to Nevada.

Kellogg job, Utah Oil, going okey. Thirty-five Brothers on this Housing Units and going along job.

okey. Mark B. Garff, Power House, Utah Oil plant, 100 per cent union.

Chicago Bridge Company, Utah Oil job nearing completion. Saint Marks Hospital job progressing okey.

J. R. Daum Housing Project just commenced. Engineers are being cleared to the project. Salt Lake Airport No. 1, Floyd J. Whiting has a contract and expects to employ a large number of Cat Skin- building of this project in person ners.

Deal Mendenhall has excavating and paving work at Tooele Prison Camp. Going along okey. J. R. Barnes and Company at Tooele Housing finishing up. Moss and Murdock still working at St. Johns. Skull Valley Road job, O. A. Housing project will soon be under Thorne, going along 100 per cent way. union.

The Reynold Construction job at

Ironton required some adjustment but are now going along allright. Their Eureka job has three Brothers working, everything is satisfactory.

W. W. Clyde was successful bidder for the Schofield Dam. Eleven of our Brothers on the job at present and more being put to work daily. Mr. Clyde is directing the and we wish to thank him for the splendid cooperation he has given the Operating Engineers on his recent construction work.

At Helper, Utah, they let a large Government Trailor Court. It is being established and 125 Unit

At Price, Utah, The Building Ford J. Twaits, run-way paving Construction Trades Council mainjob, Dugway, about finished. This tain an office which our Brothers

SPECIAL NOTICE

The next Meetings of Local No. 3, in Utah, will be as follows:

Salt Lake City SATURDAY, November 11, 1943, 8:00 P. M. - Labor Temple. Provo, Utah

SUNDAY, November 14, 1943, 10 A. M .-- 35 North 3rd West. Oaden, Utah

FRIDAY, November 19, 1943, 8:00 P. M. - 261-25th Street. Visiting Brothers cordially invited.

contracts for this place. Vic New- information and clearences man is the sub-contractor on this various jobs in Carbon County. job.

R. R. Ballast job at Stockton. They homes that they have just comstill have ditching and shouldering pleted at Gregerton, Utah. The job at Tooele. Their Railroad job Link Belt Company have comin Salt Lake City is just started pleted tenplet at Sunnyside. Utah, and ordering men to the job in and have laid off the crew. Paris, Idaho, to which we sent men recently. This company still has working at Sunnyside, Utah. The some men working in Wyoming, Henry J. Kaiser have almost finfilled from Salt Lake office. Alsa ished up their work at Sunnyside. their Wells, Nevada job is prog- Grading at Haiwatha is about comressing satisfactorily. All of their plete and Enoch Smith & Sons are

company has secured additional in that part of the state can secure to

Ryberg-Strong and Grant are Morrison-Knudson have finished building a 350 addition to the 400

The Utah Fuel Company are still work is going along union as far moving over to Wattis on another

#### ENGINEERS' NEWS

### Living costs up 23% since war began-that's official

This is just for the record, in case your boss tries to give you a song and dance about how the cost of living hasn't risen as much as some people say it has. The figures are from the U. S. Office of War Information and show the comparative rise in the cost of essential items in large cities throughout the nation:

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		All			1.5	Elec. f	urnish	- Miscel-
Date		Items	Food	Clothing	Rent	& Ice	ings	Ianeous
1939: Aug.	15	98.6	93.5	100.3	104.3	97.5	100.6	100.4
1941: Jan.	15	100.8	97.8	100.7	105.0	100.8	100.1	101.9
1942: May	15	116.0	121.6	126.2	109.9	104.9	122.2	110.9
Aug.	15	117.5	126.1	125.2	108.0	106.2	123.0	111.1
1943: July	15	123.8	139.0	128.6	108.0	107.7	125.4	115.9
Aug.	15	123.2	137.2	128.9	108.0	107.8	125.5	116.2

### Work slowing but plentiful in Sacramento-Marysville area

Frank Lawrence, Business Representative working out of the Sacramento office reports: Sacramento-After a couple of very busy months things have slowed down somewhat although there is still much work going on in this area.

At Rio Vista most of the "cats" have been laid off. Three million yards of dirt moved in 7 weeks, which is fast moving. The job is still going, however, with a 30-day extension for the draglines.

The McGillivray Construction Company has practically finished its work on the Winters-Davis Airport. A few machines are still working there, doing finishing. The Hot Plant is still going as their road job from Vacaville to Winters is expected to last another two weeks.

Larson & Harms have a few more weeks of work on their levee job near Woodland with the possibility of another mile to do at another location.

Frederickson & Watson and Cas son & Ball are still trying to finish the Fairfield-Suisun Airport.

Chittenden & Chittenden are doing some railroad work from Cisco to Emigrant Gap.

Hemstreet & Bell are working on a small railroad widening job at Marysville which furnishes employment for some of our members

McClellan Field is somewhat quieter now in so much as construction is concerned as most of the companies have finished their work and have moved out. J. R. Reeves is still doing some street work which keeps a few engineers on the job and Moore & Roberts are still working there.

Carpenter Company is doing a small job at the Sacramento Junior College.

Parker and Hanrahan each have a few rigs working at Camp Beale. The Rice Mill at Woodland which is being constructed by the company is now getting ready to do the road work with Brother C. W. Stevens in charge.

At the Hemstreet & Bell Shop some trouble was adjusted by organizing all mechanics. Form No. 10 has been prepared to try to obtain an increase in rates for these mechanics.

#### \* \* \* Wallace warns farmers against anti-labor talk

Washington, D. C .- Vice President Henry A. Wallace warns farmers against incessant and unjustified criticism of labor in an interview published by "Spade," national farm publication. He said:

"I have noticed that in the last 20 years farm income and labor income go up and down together. I have noticed that anything that cuts labor's income cuts the income of all farmers, except those on the export market. I have also noticed that all agricultural legislation has been dependent upon the votes of congressmen representing labor constituencies.

"The point I am making is that if agriculture, by incessant criticism of labor, finally succeeds in turning labor into an enemy there may be a very difficult situation for agriculture several years hence when markets are not as good as they are now.

"I have never heard an important labor leader criticize agriculture. I have heard many farm leaders criticize labor.

"Farmers, if only from the standpcint of their own helf interest, must be concerned about labor. Labor makes the farmer's market. Farm legislation depends upon labor as well as farm votes.

"The important thing is that and in so doing they will serve the ting up of overseas bases. welfare of the whole nation.'

## Army tells labor leaders output plans

Washington, D. C .- As America's armed forces were crashing through to new victories in Italy and the Pacific, representatives, of the nation's soldiers of production were given a first-hand picture of the military situation by Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson.

At a two-day conference in the Pentagon Building, Secretary Patterson, General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff, and other high-ranking Army leaders conveyed to labor and industry leaders a confidential report on the progress of the war and the major equipment needs that face the armed forces.

The Army leaders emphasized that labor and industry are "the Army's partners on the production front."

AFL President William Green and the heads of many AFL international unions participated in the conference along with CIO representatives and business spokesmen.

"As our troops begin large-scale operations on the continent of Europe, we are calling together the representatives of those on whom we depend for the instruments of war so that they may know precisely the military job that lies ahead," Mr. Patterson said.

"A conference of this type, in which our military General Staff reports to-a cross-section of our industrial General Staff on the war situation, the strategy we are counting on for victory and the probable cost in men and material, is part of the way democracy fights a war. We are confident that the results will be of the utmost benefit to the effective prosecution of the war."

After Patterson stated the conference's aims, General Marshall outlined the status of military operations in all combat zones. Major General George V. Strong, Chief of the Military Intelligence Service, gave a confidential appraisal of the military and economic strength of the Axis.

From Lieut. Gen. Joseph T. Mc-Narney, Deputy Chief of Staff, the conference heard an explanation of United Nations strategy, the time and equipment required to prepare an operation and the relative part which air and ground forces have to play. Eye-witness accounts were presented of bombboth of these great groups work ing raids over Germany, amphibtogether for their mutual welfare ious landings in Sicily and the set-

> Army Service Forces and Air Forces generals highlighted the degree to which military plans must be limited by production schedules and the manner in which battle experience forces alterations in design and requirements for specific weapons. Lieut. Gen. William S. Knudsen, Army Director of Production, reported on what our equipment is doing in the field, based on his observations during his recent 30,000mile trip to the South Pacific with Under Secretary Patterson. The job still to be done on the home front was discussed by C. E. Wilson, executive vice-chairman of the War Production Board.

as the engineers is concerned.

The Utah Construction have finished at Juab Junction and moved their equipment in; they have also moved their equipment from Duchesne Tunnel to the shops at Garfield, where they are having large crews overhaul and repair their equipment, preparatory to going on to a large job which will start in the near future.

Conners and Mendhall have an \$80,000 job in Wendover, which is starting to work. Ford J. Twaits also has a paving job just starting at Wendover.

Curruth has a gravel plant set up at Wendover and is starting to get out aggrate for road and foundation work. This firm has just jobs. moved into our territory from Wyoming and has been using Local No. 3, Engineers exclusively for a long period of time.

Mullins and Wheeler Company are working at Tooele and Orem, Utah. All Union Engineers.

jobs are on the unfair list and all the influence of the Utah-Pomeroy of our Brothers are warned to stay and Morrison Company, who were away from their work. Their main the first to sign with the Unions. job at this time is paving Provo We also greatly appreciate the Canyon road.

most of the excavating of Provo

housing project.

The much talked about Marysvale Aluminum Plant has failed to develop so far. Utah Construction work for the Colorado Fuel and Iron at Cedar City, progressing nicely. Fourteen Brothers are working this open pit iron mine.

The Millford Housing project is going along allright for the Engineers. Moss and Murdock doing the excavating and pouring of the concrete.

Also in Southern Utah, Cliff Prince has three small Bridge jobs. This firm is also on the unfair list and all Brother Engineers are warned to stay away from these

The Geneva Steel Plant being built at Geneva, is progressing splendidly as far as Operating Engineers are concerned. We have enjoyed good cooperation from the various contractors and their superintendents and equipment dis-Hebe Glenn and Jim Sumptions patchers. This is largely due to splendid cooperation extended to Atherley Brothers are doing Operating Engineers by Dispatcher

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Dinwiddle Construction Company is virtually completed.

Two shifts will soon be put on Dredges still in need the Jones and Hettlestetter job at Knights Landing. This is the construction of a Rice Mill also.

Work is still going on on Teichert's Levee job at Colusa.

Lord & Bishop are also still working at Colusa unloading cars. The Rock, Sand and Graval Plants continue about the same.

Teichert has finished at both Mather Field and Municipal Airport and nearly all of the members who were working on those jobs have to Tonopah, Nevada.

Lord & Bishop have two rigs working driving piles. One at Dixon on a bridge job and the other at Courtland where they are making a weir.

The Clements Company have a few rigs working on a road job at Arbuckle. Work on the Chico Airport is practically completed. The Nicholaus Bridge job is still going with A. Soda & Son back on the job. George French's work on the Vina Airport keeps a few of our members busy.

On the Lawrence Construction Company Housing Project at Vallejo some trouble regarding the whisky polishes the copper, and trencher was adjusted and that is the saving of him.

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## of men. Foster says

Jack Foster, Business Representative working out of the San Francisco Office reports: The dredging conditions are about the same . . . the companies are short handed, and could use a number of Deckhands and Leveemen in the Bay and River areas. The pay is good, the work is not too hard . . . anyone willing to try can make good . . . and there is always an opportunity to advance to the Top job.

The companies and the Union will appreciate your calling at any of the Union offices to obtain complete information concerning this type of work. If you are interested, or know any friends who might be interested, please pass the word along.

Jobs are open at Corcoran, California, Sacramento, Hunters Point, Tulare Lake and other parts of the Bay Region.

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Mark Twain declared that an Irishman's stomach is lined with copper and beer corrodes it, but \* \* \*

#### Warning on tax

When you change an employer, or if your family status is changed, notify the employer at once of your exemptions under the new Withholding Tax program.

This warning last week pointed out that all employers are required by law to hold back a full 20 per cent of all wages, unless the exemeptions are claimed.

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Every man takes the limits of his own field of vision for the limits. of the world .- SCHOPENHAUER.

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#### The Function of Labor in the War By ANDREW J. BIEMILLER

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(For the American Labor Press Association)

has labor done in this war?" he deserves to get a quick, a clear and a concise answer: labor's contribution has been probably the most significant ganized labor has come a step and the most constructive made by any group in this country. War gave the workers of America one all-encompassing job to do -the job of production-and they have done that job remarkably well. They have operated the machines that changed raw materials into the tools of war, and they have made the machines that transport those tools of war, and the men to use them ,to the fighting fronts. American labor, working with its hands, has been using and everincreasing need for proits head, too. So far in this war, duction-for more and more pronearly 750.000 ideas and suggestions for improving and speeding up production have come from the It seems only fair to add that the workers themselves, expressed labor press has long been doing a through their labor organizations fine job in that direction. and through labor-management committees; and if the labor-management movement continues to must be even more zealous in order spread, the workers may come that our country may be able to through with 750,000 more.

#### ORGANIZED LABOR DESERVES THE CREDIT

Almost as impressive as the production records that have been made since the war's outbreak are the learnwork, the cooperation, which has been developed between production is great, but not as labor, management and the gov- great as we could make it; our

When anyone asks, "What American Federation of Labor, the Congress of Industrial Organizations, the United States Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers, orcloser to the place which labor believes it can and must fill in the affairs of war-time America.

#### INFLUENCE OF LABOR PAPERS IS NEEDED

Among the contributions which labor can make in these days of struggle, the stimulating voice and high. Union papers, published by and for union men and women, ers' awareness of the unremitting the Axis' unconditional surrender.

But the labor press and the organizations for which it speaks meet the increasing demands for the expanding scope of the fight against our enemies make more vital every day.

These demands are not being met as fully as they could be. Our in this country where efficiency we have been working hard, but



## The President Speaks

#### By FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT President of the United States of America

Note: Labor Day is past but the President's Message seemed important enough to print even though late.

Fifty-six years ago Labor Day was observed for the first influence of the labor press stand time in the United States. Since then we have fought one World. War to victory and now are engaged in another and even greater conflict upon the result of which depends the future of can arouse and maintain the work- freedom-loving people the world over.

With that priceless heritage at stake we are determined that this World War, too, shall result in victory so that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness shall me the lot of man when he duction until the final great day of wills it and that he be not the downtrodden serf of brutal Axis masters. That determination is shared by all Americans: by management and by farmers.

It is altogether fitting that these groups of free Americans are working today, many laboring on round-the-clock shifts, that our fighting men on land, on sea and in the air may have the weapons with which to bring about a victory as speedily as possible.

To make time and thus save lives and suffering, our American workers, employers and farmers will need not only to which the quickening tempo and maintain their production pace but to increase it. Their record to date has been magnificent and in keeping with the true American spirit of all-out effort for those fighting so valiantly and so successfully in all parts of the world.

That increased production effort will be forthcoming. It will be given gladly for love of country and for liberty, as it has been given since Pearl Harbor, to set up a record that never has been equaled. We well may be proud of that achievement ernment, and which has resulted output is high, but not as high as for it has done much to make possible the successes of the in a speed and efficiency of out- our engineering plants, equipment armed forces of the United Nations. Its continuation will spell put never before dreamed of, even and genius should make possible; the defeat of our enemies-the preservation of our way of lite.

#### New Know-Nothingism

#### By J. C. RICH

Editor, The Hat Worker (For the ALPA)

Greasers, Sheenies, Dagoes, Wops,-just a bunch of foreigners and how can any forthright superman like Westbrook Pegler, a member of the Herrenvolk, who had the foresight to be whelped on the pure and unsullied soil of a Chicago gutter consider these people as real Americans?

They may have run away from intolerance and oppression, they may have risked their lives to uphold freedom and democracy, their sons and their daughters may right now be facing death on the high seas and on the battle fronts for the preservation of American ideals of liberty and hu-man dignity, but in the eyes of Professor Pegler they are  $\alpha$ lesser caste of men.

He does not approve of their forebears, he noes not approve of naturalized Americans' themselves and he does not approve even of their children, born in America, but holding to strange belief that all menare born free and equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among them the right to associate with their fellow men in labor organizations and to vote for men and policies of their own liking.

The guttersnipe from Chicago does not approve.

For the record, therefore, we hereby present two exhibits. They are writings which appeared a hundred years apart in these free and tolerant United States:

Exhibit A reads as follows: "Now this so-called party is not American but European. That must be emphasized, Much of its membership is European by birth and subject to the European huddling or herd political instinct (it's different in the Solid South), and many of its bosses are European who bring to their unions and their political careers in this country the philosophies and methods of the Old World . . .

You guessed it. Exhibit A is straight from the ulcerated typewriter of Westbrook Pegler.

Take another dose of it. Here is more of Exhibit A: "They bring to American union affairs and policies also cundeviousness which ning never been more shockingly expressed than in this proposal of Hillman (about the American Labor Party), a man who nevertheless has enjoyed the favor of the New Deal . . . And here is Exhibit B: "The foreigner is inured to monarchical governments. Worn by oppression and toil, he brought along all his foreign habits, prejudices and predilections. There is a rapid and extraordinary increase of the foreign population which ere long will expose the institutions of the country to serious danger. Led by artful demagogues, foreigners might eventually be used as the instruments of the overthrow of this now happy and envied republic."

and speed have long been glorified. not as hard as we can.

Organized labor deserves major THIS WAR IS STILL credit for the accomplishments achieved by American workers in the war production program. The records show that contractual relawar workers. In other words, most ployed in plants where the union guns, where do we stand? and management have established agreements controlling wages, hours and conditions of work.

plants. But it lies in labor's power to reach this goal, still more comment cooperation will be necessary. For a long time, labor has been than can American soldiers. asking for a greater opportunity by industrial leaders.

including the presidents the

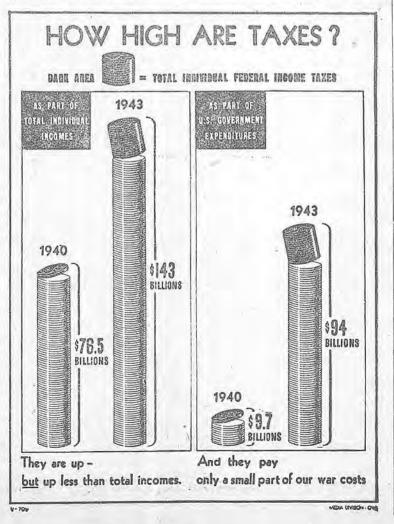
## TO BE WON

If all it takes to beat Hitler and the Japs is cockiness, we've got tionships between labor and man- them whipped today. But if it agement exist in plants employing takes work and sweat and nearabout 85% of the total number of exhaustion, day after day and month after month, behind the war production workers are em- machines as well as behind the

American labor has always insisted that free men could outproduce slave workers. Our record So much for the work in the up to now proves that American production can-and will-defeat to achieve still greater results, and the Axis. Our record in the future can-and must-be even greater. plete labor - management - govern- American workers can no more afford to relax their efforts now.

Organized labor has helped treto participate in the policy making mendously to make the record as and in the administration of the good as it is. It must now help war program. Labor has believed even more; it must cope with and that the practical experience of defeat the many problems that labor leaders fitted them to fill face it-bad living conditions, inplaces of as much responsibility adequate facilities, poor transporin the war program as those held tation; it must join with management in finding ways to short-cut

Today, with the establishment the production road to victory; it by Donald M. Nelson of the War must join with government in sur-Production Board, of a Manage- mounting home-front problems. ment-Labor Council of eight men, Labor, the nation believes, is equal to its task.



This bit of prophecy and diatribe was presented to Congress in the year 1838, more than a hundred years ago, by a party known as the Native. Americans which later became the Know-Nothings.

The immigrants against whom the Know-Nothings directed their venom were the Irish Catholics. In time, the (Continued on Page 6)

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better.

## Oakland reports on members, jobs, Xmas

Brothers Al Clem, Ed Doran, and Joe Walthers, working out of Oakland office, report:

Brother Justin F. Schattgen, member of Local 3 has received his Selective Service invitation to join the other boys.

Funeral services were held in the East for Brother John Orlando Solem, Local 3 member who passed away September 18. Brother Solem was employed by Donahue Steel Company in East Oakland.

Several of our members have gone to Tonopah, Nevada during the past month.

Engineers over the top again! The Operating Engineers in Yard III, Richmond, purchased the grand total of \$6,770.75 in their recent War Bond drive. This figure does not include their regular payroll deductions.

The Engineers in Yard II, Richpurchase of \$34,000 in War Bonds toward building a Liberty ship.

New stewards on the various jobs: The following brothers were elected stewards in the Richmond yards: Brother Jack Lloyd, Yard I, day shift; Brother Doug. Alman, Yard III, day shift, and Brother Jack Wollf, Yard III, swing shift.

Brother Les Wyant was elected steward in Moore Dry Dock Company West Yard, graveyard shift; Brother Pete Vierra was recently appointed steward at Pacific Coast Engineering.

News from the jobs: Charley Harney Company is finishing their highway job at Orinda this week.

Union Paving Company have finished their surfacing job on the Walnut Creek Road. They now have a small job in Danville.

busy on their fill jobs around like it, Elmer!

## IN THE GOOD OLD DAYS

We have heard considerable discussion among our members, who are employed in the shipyards, about the scale of wages they are now receiving, and It is our opinion that they have a just complaint, but owing to various Government directives and Proclamations that at this time there seems to be a very remote possibility of changing same, we would like to take them back to the turn of the Century and try and give them a picture of what the Engineers have worked for through the years.

At the time the Moore Dry Dock Company built a Shipyard on the Estuary in Oakland, located at the foot of Adeline Street, in 1908 there were approximately four engineers employed in the yard. The only equipment used at that time was Stiff Leg Derricks and the operators of the cranes received the magnificent sum of 55c per hour for their labor. Our understanding is that the Yard continued along at this rate until World War Number One.

There was quite a boom in the yard situated on the banks of the Estuary in Oakland. There were several Brown Hoists erected and there were apmond went over the top with a proximately 150 operators employed throughout this boom. A great portion of them did not enjoy the benefits of being members of the International Union of Operating Engineers, and the majority of them received 65c per hour.

> In the years following the boom of World War Number One the business of the company fell off to a great extent, consequently a number of the operators migrated to other work. Still there was considerable repair work done in the Yard, but the working conditions and wages were still greatly unfavorable to the operators.

> Around 1932 part of the yard was converted to a Structural Shop. Structural Steel was fabricaged for buildings and bridges. The men who operated the cranes were organized by the Structural Seen Union, however, the agreement they had was not

Richmond. There are five shovels on the job at the present time and they anticipate moving another shovel in.

Brother Elmer (Tiny) Carlton, master mechanic for McQuire and

Brother Art Davisdon, plant engineer on the A. J. Raisch Company job in Richmond, is doing a good job, although he says he'd rather be on a crane!

Austin' Company are still busy Hester, reports they are moving on their job at Albers Mill. We have six engineers employed on the job at the present time.

Brother Leo Spiva is now pushing for Macco Construction Company job at the Army Port. Quite a number of the old timers are on the job with Leo.

Brother Loren Little is now foreman for Barrett and Hilp on take approximately six weeks to their job at Camp Parks in Pleasheal. anton.

#### Union member sees action-and plenty in Navy

San Bernardino - Jack Green, former member of Local 364, United Association of Plumbers and Steam Fitters of the United of the California State Federation States and Canada (AFL), has been in the Navy a little more than six months, but in that short space of time he's been places and done things.

Green, 19, a fireman, first class, ecently visited his local here and

Piazza and Huntley are finishing their paving job between Martinez and Pinole. Brother Jack is still on the Hot Plant in Concord.

Five

H. C. Rutherford Company are busy on their excavating job for the Housing Project in Rodeo. Approximately 12 members are on the job at the present time.

We are glad to report that Brother Fred Tuttle is now home from the hospital and is making a speedy recovery.

Brother H. E. Bryant, member employed in Yard IV, who was recently confined in the hospital is now able to be home and is recuperating nicely.

Brother George Anderson, member employed in Yard IV, Richmond, is reported on the sick list.

We offer our sympathy to: Brother George Marler, shovel operator on the Stolte job, who has had some more tough luck. He just lost a thumb and now he has lost the sight of one eye. Brother Marler was removing a collar off the shaft when a piece of steel flew into his eye. The doctors expect to be able to operate in a couple of months and restore sight.

Brother Pete Freisen, while employed at Duncanson and Harrelson, foot of 5th Avenue in Oakland, had the misfortune to fall and break his collar bone. We are glad to report that when he was last in our office the cast had been removed.

Brother Frank Erhart, member of Local 3, was operating a shovel for J. L. Martin and had the misfortune to cut the tendon of his finger. His doctor reports it will

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## Services held for Vandeleur

Funeral services for Edward D. Vandeleur, veteran West Coast labor figure and secretary-treasurer of Labor who died October 6, at his home, were held last Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the N. Gray & Co. chapel at Divisadero and Post Streets.

Mr. Vandeleur, who was 57, was born in Napa County. He came to San Francisco in 1915 and went to work for the Market Street Railway as a platform man and later transferred to the Municipal line. He was active in organizing the Municipal Street Carmen's Union, Division 518, and served seven yearly terms as president up to 1936.

J. L. Martin Company are quite into their new shop. We hope you Green assails labor baiters as fascists in strong speech to American Legion

Omaha, Neb .- In a spirited ad-1 lynching all of labor's rights. Such | Green urged close co-operation dress before the American Legion an attitude is un-American. It is, between the American Legion and as Fascists and warned the legion

selfish economic interests." Green charged that representatives by 99 and nine-tenths of the mem- the millions of war workers.

convention, AFL President Wil- in fact, typically Fascist. There is the American Federation of Labor liam Green assailed labor baiters no place for it in our free country. for the attainment of two major "Organized labor in America has postwar objectives. These, he to beware advances from powerful voluntarily surrendered the exer- stated, are the establishment of groups who wish to use the veter- cise of its right to strike for the permanent world peace and the ans' organization for "special and duration in order to help win the initiation of a peacetime producwar. Our 'no-strike' pledge to the tion program which will provide Without pulling his punches, president has been religiously kept jobs for demobilized soldiers and

very good. The rate of pay was 621/2c per hour. The

men were required to work on the cranes and when

there was no work to be done on the cranes they

were to work on the floor. A great difference in

ternational Union of Operating Engineers, and some

of the old timers in our organization, the Interna-

tional Union of Operating Engineers were success-

ful in getting an agreement with Moore Dry Dock

Company and raised the wages to 72c per hour.

Working conditions were now also considerably

Your Union was again successful in getting a

Then came World War Number Two and your

raise for the Brothers employed by Moore Dry Dock

Union and the Bay City Metal Trades Council was

successful in negotiating an agreement with the

owners of the Shipbuilding Company and the various

Government agencies. The scale was again raised

and the working conditions greatly improved, where-

by we have the present scale as established, the

in the yard that they used to be called to work.

would work an hour or two then be sent home. In

many cases barely returning home before being

seen fit to change these conditions and now we have

the day and half day established in all the yards.

We are happy to see that the management has

There are now approximately 500 crane opera-

tors working in the East and West Yards at Moores.

The ten different types of cranes in these yards

range from small air hoists on the boats to the 60

ton Clyde and Washington Whirleys. These men are

all members of the Operating Engineers and are get-

ting the above mentioned rates according to the

I have been informed by some of the old timers

minimum of \$1.20 and the maximum of \$1.48.

called back to the job.

capacity of the crane.

Company, this time to \$1.00 per hour.

In 1935, through the untiring efforts of the In-

what we have at this time, we would say!

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times "been guilty of rash and un- of Labor. reascnable statements" concerning labor.

good a job as our soldiers," Green declared, "yet instead of praise and a pat on the back, they have been taking a terrible beating in the press, on the radio and in the public forums of our country.

"Speaking for more than six million hard-working and thoroughly patriotic members of the American possible means. Federation of Labor, I can truthfully say that they bitterly reseat who ought to know better. Even

"It is quite understandable for they are disguised. people to become incensed over ation, but it is wholly reprehen- influence for all that is best in the They are inspired by a sincere pursible to denounce on that account ing workers and labor organizations that have contributed tremendously to the success of our war effort.

occurs, a hue and cry develops for ahead."

of the American Legion have at bers of the American Federation

"Our workers have done just as right to strike against injustice grasped an understanding of the for all time, we must keep on potential benefits of unity and coworking without interruption until operation between the American final victory is won. Ever since the Federation of Labor and American war started the efforts of the na- Legion. This is evidenced by the tional and local officers of Ameri- fact that 82 Union Labor Ameri-

"I have spoken to you thus frankly because I feel there is misunderstood if I suggest that the slurs and denunciations that some danger of organizations like additional Union Labor Legion have been heaped upon the organ- the American Legion being used Posts be chartered whenever and ized workers of America by people by powerful groups to advance special and selfish economic interspokesmen for the American Le- ests. I trust that the American American Federation of Labor who gion have at times been guilty of Legion will reject any such ad- become members of these Union rash and unreasonable statements. vances no matter how attractively Labor Legion Posts are inspired

"More than anything else, if it some individual incident or situ- is to retain and extend its effective They seek no personal advantage. American way of life, the Amerthe entire labor movement, includ- ican Legion must preserve its independence of thought and action. democratic fashion at conventions Only by so doing can it success- of the American Legion. They will fully take full advantage of the opportunities for growth and ex- promotion of a better understand-"Every time an isolated strike pansion and service that loom ing between organized labor and

He added:

"American workers who are eli-"We know that in order to keep gible to membership in the Ameri-America free and to preserve the can Legion have shown and can Federation of Labor unions can Legion Posts have been formed. have been concentrated on pre- All the members of these 82 posts venting strikes by any and all are also members of the American Federation of Labor.

"I am sure I will in no way be wherever such posts can be formed. Those members of the

by the highest and most commend-

able patriotic and civic motives. pose and determination to carry out policies which are formed in devote their efforts toward the the American Legion."

related some of his experiences since joining the Navy. During that time he said he had travelled 49,000 nautical miles and had participated in three major battles. Fireman Green was wounded during the invasion of Sicily. He said he was stationed aboard a destroyer when the invasion was launched and at the "zero hour" they climbed into landing barges and headed for the shore. Their objective was the docks and beaches and they were met with a hail of machine gun bullets when they reached the shore.

"The job took us a little time, but when we were through we had wiped out most of the machine gun nests and the remainder of the enemy were our prisoners," Green said.

It was during this battle that he was wounded.

The former union man also saw action in Tunisia.

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The deadening effect of repression on the thought and life of those living in dictatorships should warn us to make sure that our civil liberties are neither whittled away in the time of peace nor submerged under the supposed necessities of MAN.

In 1933 he was chosen president of the San Francisco Labor Council and served for years.

As president of the State Federation of Labor he served during 1935 and 1936. When Paul Scharrenburg, federation secretary, resigned in April, 1937, Mr. Vandeleur was made executive secretary and held the position to the time of his death.

He is survived by his widow, Gladys; a daughter, Mrs. Martha Hart; a son, Edward E. Vandeleur: three sisters, Mrs. Mayme Fisher, Mrs. Anthony Payan, and Miss Martha Vandeleur, all of Napa, and two stepdaughters, Patricia Sullivan of San Francisco, and Sister Peggy Sullivan, of the Providence Novitiates, in Seattle.

\* \* \* Life is the art of drawing sufwar .- PROF. ROBERT E. CUSH- ficient conclusions from insufficient\_n s.-SAMUEL BUTLER.

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## San Jose reports plans to start steward system at Permanente meeting

Wm. A. Speers, Business Representative, working out of San Jose office, reports:

San Jose—Our last monthly meeting, held on Friday, Septer 24th, proved to be of real interest to those attending. What really contributed to the success of the meeting is the fact that first, it was well attended by our members, especially from the Parmanente plant. Second, because of the presence of some of our officers, including Pat Clancy, President; Clarence Mathews, Secretary, and our Business Manager, Vic Swanson

ings are accepted focal points for a better understanding of the problems arising in given areas. It allows the opportunity for freer expression of the individual member, very often resulting in a clearer understanding of the problem, and manner of adjustment. Responding to many questions concerning the advantages of organization. Brother Swanson, recognizing that many of us are not as well informed on labor matters as the more experienced members, devoted about twenty minutes to a very inspiring talk on the subject, emphasizing that a Union is as strong, or as weak, as its memers choose to make it.

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The nature of complaints are many, and varied. What has proven to be the source of much unrest among the members generally at Permanente, is the fact that their policy seems to follow the "bearing down" process. This procedure, when accompanied by its running mate "disregard complaints" certainly is not included in the curriculum of Labor Relations, intended to promote the best interest of either the Company or the Union.

Complaints are submitted for adjustments; repeated requests bring no results: days and weeks go bynothing done; retroactive wage pay is asked, subject to adjustment of complaint; still nothing done. Members become unrestful -more complaints, then bad feelings.

Finally, a meeting between Union and Company representatives is held, and some of the complaints discussed. Then the whole matter is again discussed between the Management, Superintendent, Foreman, etc. Then a report of the whole subject is compiled and submitted to a higher Company Authority dealing with labor relations.

To put it in a few words, this delayed procedure on the part of the Company is most unfortunate. We know our rights, within the law, and would freely accept a re fusal of any demands, contrary thereto. Our complaints deal with they have here and help them to before. conditions of employment in classifications already embraced in an agreement, and it is practiced distortion of these conditions that we so urgently want adjusted. . Up until now, however, there has been little relief. Oh! Yes! Several adjustments of wages and conditions have been made, at our request, but our unfinished complaints are pyramiding beyond hoping for anything like satisfactory adjustment. The Company's local Public and Labor Relations Staff with consultation is fully competent to handle the problems of employment, and it is to be hoped that the wisdom of this will be recogmized.

These Divisional monthly meet- ents, Foremen, and in some cases, leadmen, then it becomes imperative that something must be done to challenge impositions of employment contrary to the agreement.

This calls for the policing of all classifications, from the unloading operator in the stripping area, to the shovel operator in the quarries. A systematic steward system is what we want, and to start the hall rolling, we are calling a meeting of all members employed in condenser operation in the Magnesium Plant on Friday, October 15, 1943, 8:00 p. m. at the Engi-

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## Ogden members 'back the attack' with War Bonds

Joseph Riley, Business, Representative working out of the Ogden Office, reports:

Ogden-Brother Hobert Sneed was the purchaser of the first War Bond, sold at the dedication of the Victory House, built by the Ogden Building & Construction Trades Council.

The amount of the Bond was one-thousand dollars (\$1000.00) and Carty. Fred Meyer, and Alfred we're mighty proud of Brother Sneed for his Patriotic action. All of our other members are to be commended for their purchases of War Bonds also.

We all know that the members over here are buying Bonds and doing their part to help the Boys over there so that the twelvehundred (1200) enlisted members of Local 3 may soon return home.

We have been receiving very close co-operation from Local 285 in Idaho, Local 326 in Wyoming and Local 370 in Washington, which has made it possible to place many of our members on out of state jobs. It is due to the efforts of Brothers Fred Rodonske, Andrew Olson and Brother Merry, that these conditions have come

abcut. We feel sure that our members mployed in their areas, will live up to their working rules just as are being published now than ever preserve the working conditions they have worked so hard to establish. There is about three million dollars to be spent in this area on two new hospitals. We have considerable amount of new housing under construction. We contemplate a two-hundred-thousand dollar pipe-line job in the near future. Just about all of the Army-Navy construction is nearing completion and our operations are confined mostly to housing projects. We have plenty of work to keep us busy. Everyone is employed at the opportunity to show the commupresent.

## Labor's candidate for Mayor San Mateo



## George R. Reilly Reilly labor's candidate as San Francisco's Mayor

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Party include Daniel C. Murphy for Sheriff; Mathew Brady for District Attorney, and the following for the Board of Supervisors: Dewey Mead (President of the San Francisco Building Trades Council), John J. Sullivan, Francis Mc-Roncovieri, and Edward M. Man-

cusco. It is the opinion of most bonafide labor leaders in San Francisco four years to come."

that if the above slate, headed by Reilly, is elected to office on November 2nd, the war program will be stepped up, and the lot of the men and women in the post-war world will be materially bettered.

It's up to the individual members now, whether they want a friend of labor in the City Hall or one of the most anti-union men to appear on the political scene in recent years. "If everyone votes, we will get a square deal in the

## **Corporations spend \$50 million** year to counteract labor press

newspapers since the war began has focussed the attention of corporation publicists on the house organ field.

At present, there are some 3,000 company newspapers and magazines with a combined circulation of around 40,000,000, published weekly and monthly at a cost of \$50,000,000. They range from mimeographed sheets to magazines which rival the most elaborate

New York - Success of union of these company publications are trying to bridge the gap between labor and management through an honest story of the companies' aims and problems."

One of the problems, it appears, is to fool the worker into thinking that the paper is published in the mutual interest of employer and employe. "The workers know," the account goes on, "that it is the company which pays the editors' salary, so the burden is on the editors to prove that they are not merely company spokesmen. "As yet no publications are issued on a mutual basis, with labor and management sharing the expense, but that may come. This is indicated by the method of publishing the Copper Commando of the Anaconda Copper company at Butte, Mont. The company engaged an outside expert to publish the magazine. While he has final say on copy to be used, he is advised by a committee composed of three AFL members, three CIO and three from management."

## says work on upgrade

Pat Clancy, President and Business Representative, working out of the San Francisco office, reports:

San Mateo-Work has been improving in San Mateo County.

Piombo Bros. at Mills Field, is going ahead rapidly, with a number of our members employed there. Three piledrivers are working on hangers at Mills Field—two of McGowans and one of Raymond Concrete Pile Driving Corporation and also a Northwest erecting steel for the Bethlehem Steel Corporation. Barrett & Hilp have one machine of their own and one rented machine there.

Piombo Bros. have a number of cat skinners working on the Field. This has amounted to a pretty good job so far.

Pacific Bridge at Redwood City is winding up. L. C. Smith has a fill job at Mills Field and small jobs at various locations in San Mateo County.

California Paving Company has been doing a little work along the Coast. Harms Bros. job below Half Moon Bay is completed. The men employed there are now up in the Sacramento Valley on a levy job.

The Ebright Company has a job resurfacing the roads in the Belair Shipyard, three members of Local No. 3 being employed. Also two machines working for the City of South San Francisco cleaning the ditches adjacent to Mills Field which is done every year.

Western Pipe and Steel have a few small arguments that are being cleaned up.

McDonald and Kahn is building warehouses for the Western Pipe and Steel with one pile driver and three R.D. 8's, one shovel and a well-boring machine.

In other words, San Mateo County has been booming with orders for large work.

I am sorry at this time to report that Brother Robert Rone was accidentally killed when the Industrial Brownhoist of Barrett and Hilp's turned over pinning him underneath. Brother Rone has been operating this machine for quite some time, was a very good operator, and a very good member of this organization. The passing of Brother Rone is a great loss to this organization.

Outside of numerous small jobs scattered around in San Mateo and San Francisco, that is about all I

A survey of Parmanente employment operations, particularly under such adverse conditions as now exist, and have for some time, definitely call for Union organization of the "Steward" system.

This plan has been thoroughly discussed, and as long as it is to be the Company policy to "bear down" on our members, through ing toward making proposed Post licity and education. their organizations of Sug

of new highway construction and tors are frank to admit that they highway repairing. In the event have missed many opportunities the present amount of this work to improve relations between slackens off, there are possibilities workers and employers, and their of a large amount of this work being released.

According to a survey, there is

nition on this work and are workand- War projects a reality.

found on the newsstands. More

A survey conducted by The Wall Street Journal recently by Staff Reporter F. B. Dezendorf, indicated that the main purpose of these company-financed "employe" publications is to overcome the rising prestige of the labor press.

"Industrial management is convinced," he reports, "that the \$50 million it spends on these 'house publications' will be repaid many times over in improved employe morale and a sustained high tempo of war production.

"They also give management an nity of interest in labor, company There is a need for vast amount executives and stockholders. Edipublications too often have read like 'puff' sheets for management."

As a matter of fact, the reporter about one-hundred-fifty million hints, it wasn't until managedollars to be spent in this area cu ment got worried about mounting Post War Construction work. We reader interest in union organs are making every effort to see and other labor papers that the that our Union gets proper recog- idea took hold of using the house organs to counteract union pub-

"Now," he . continued, "editors

The big shot corporations want to get their money's worth for that 50 million bucks.

#### \* \* Hotel union purchases \$2,200,000 War Bonds

Washington, D. C .- Hugo Ernst, general secretary-treasurer of the Hotel and Restaurant Employes' International Alliance and Bartenders' International League of America, in formed AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany that the international union has purchased \$200,000 worth of war bonds in the Third War Loan drive bringing the total amount of bonds bought by the international treasury to \$2,200,000.

have to report at this time. \* \* \*

### Moreon **Know-Nothingism**

(Continued from Page 4) Know-Nothings became infinitely more powerful than the Ku Klux Klan. They were so powerful that they controlled an entire bloc in Congress. And out of Congress they were so powerful and so ruthless that they were able to incite riots compared with which the recent race outbursts were Sunday School picnics.

They vilified priests, nuns and laymen. They ravaged and plundered Irish homes and stores. They burned churches and Catholic schools. They violently prevented Irish Catholics from holding public office.

These were the doings of the Know-Nothings of a hundred years ago. Is the outstanding Know-Nothing of the present day trying to stage a revival? \* \* \*

Pacific coast war production is not up to its quota, but nobody knows whether it's the coast's fault or the quota's.

#### October 15, 1943

#### ENGINEERS' NEWS

## Foss reports jobs moving along quietly

H. O. Foss, business representative working out of the San Rafael office, reports:

San Rafael-A. G. Raish Co. very busy on various projects in this district. Seems we now have signed agreements with this company and past mis-understandings are behind us. We hope for the sincere co-operation of all parties concerned and are pleased to report that the company is making good progress on all of its projects.

Fredrickson and Watson are using a skeleton crew to finishing their local contracts and are taking many members to Tonopah to assist them on some jobs of short duration.

Granfield, Farrah and Carlin will start their Mendocino job about the 15th. They have been operating for the past few years in the Redding Eureka territory and so no difficulty is expected in advancing the kages of some of the brothers upon entering a higher scale vicinity.

H. D. Rutherford of Vallejo has added two shovels, one truck crane and eight R.D. 8's to his outfit by recent purchase. Also the smaller contractors in Vallejo are using many members in the Vallejo-Benicia area.

I hope the misunderstanding with Casson and Ball, the Highway Commission and this union is behind us at this date. This company has the balance of a contract on the Vallejo-Napa highway, which should be finished by Spring.

The McDonald and Westbrook job on the Napa Airport is tapering off. Superintendent Walsh with the help of our members has made a good showing on the eight-hour shifts. The "Flying Circus" Western States Construction Company who had a sub-contract on this job left September 6 for Imperial Valley.

Brother Del Smith of this company sets well with Local 3 men so entire crew is taking the southern tour with his. Welcome back Western States, you're the tops. Brother Bill sey was steward, but without much work to do in that line,

The Napa shipyards with Brother Samulson (now recovered from his back shop overhaul) is on the day shift and Wes Herrmannon, the swing, drop 'em in the creek faster than they ca ntake 'em away. This yard say little: do much. Same as

## AFL Secretary Meany says labor must win peace when victory's won

New York City-American labor insists that this war, after victory must "stay won," George Meany, secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, told a nationwide radio audience.

Organized labor calls for international cooperation when peace comes as the only way to "make sure that this war will not be followed by another war 25 years from now," Mr. Meany said.

"An enduring peace cannot be achieved and maintained except through international cooperation," he declared. "We approve such cooperation and we call upon our government to join with other nations of goodwill so that, if any future Hitler should raise his head after peace comes, there will be for the soldiers and sailors upon machinery at hand to make it impossible for him to plunge the world into war."

Mr. Meany, who spoke on the eran will want and need is a job-AFL's "Labor For Victory" pro- a real job which will enable him gram, said the laboring people to earn a living and to maintain have a right to speak up on this the dignity of a useful member of "working people from the cities and working people from the from the fighting fronts all over farms." He pointed out that 2,000,- the world, will not seek jobs in 000 American trade union members are already in uniform.

The first item on the AFL's the American Federation of Labor's domestic economic program for postwar program calls for jobs not more jobs, and that is what labor



their return from the fighting ing full employment. fronts," Mr. Meany said.

"The main thing that every vetour boys, when they come back vain."

Mr. Meany added, however, that postwar America is "a fair deal only for the demobilized fighting will want."

## **Redding signs contractor on** power line right-of-way job

E. A. (Red) Hester, Business Representative working out of the Redding office, reports:

Redding-E. W. Clark signed Shasta County Building and Construction Trades Agreement.

He has a contract for clearing a large portion of the right-of-way for the power line leading from the Shasta Dam to Oroville, the distance of about 90 miles. This 3. Thanks to Joe, and we wish him work is getting underway and will require a lot of operators, such

men. George French's Airport job at Vina is coming right along. This job should last about three to four months.

Andy Gladney has taken over Jones & King's and Joe Lema's equipment and has a large job for the Southern Pacific railroad, between Mt. Shasta and Montague.

We hope that Andy makes good

hide-and-go-seek with the Unions. He and his small gang are some of thees who wish to stay on the outside and benefit from something (For the ALPA) they do not help to sustain.

J. P. Brennan is doing a lot of work between Delta and Red Bluff. He too is working for the Southern Pacific. Joe sees to it that all of his equipment is manned by members of Local No. a lot of good luck.

Haven't been able to gather any as tractor operators and crane late news on the Alturus Aeronautic Training base. We were in hopes that the job would be undernothing doing.

digging ditches for farm land.

Macco Construction Co. have

men but also for the millions of men and women who are now working in war plants and will require new jobs when peace comes.

"We of the American Federation of Labor refuse to accept the theory that a depression is inevitable after the war," he said. "We do not have to have a depression and, as a matter of fact, we MUST NOT have a depression. The American people cannot be expected to accept the misery of unemployment that was experienced in the years following 1929."

He proposed that in each industry which is now producing for war labor representatives and employer representatives should start peacetime production and achiev-

Mr. Meany said private industry must supply the bulk of the jobs after the war ends, but he emphasized that government will also have an important part to play.

"The government, in the first subject because the brunt of the society," he declared. "We of the place, has the responsibility of enfighting in this war, as in all pre- American Federation of Labor couraging industrial, expansion," he vious wars, is being borne by pledge our efforts to the end that said. "The American Federation of Labor holds that the government should not only permit but stimulate opportunities to make a reasonable and fair profit. An enterprise which makes a profit is willing to expand. Expansion spells

#### Educator tells organized labor study for peace By DR. HENRY S. BLOCH University of Chicago

The people's war, on the home front, must not be lost, the century of the common man must not retreat, if the war itself-and the

peace-is to be wco. Prices and taxes, buying power, social insurance legislation may seem to be dry and limited matters when we think of war and peace. They don't make stirring communiques and they don't fit into headway by this time. So far there is lines, but they are weapons of war and they are implements of post-R. A. Farris has two draglines war peace and security. We must working in the vicinity of Alturus study these weapons, and use them right.

By "we" I mean the little people their Tulelake job just about of America, the working people; wound up, but there is still a not only the millions in the fold large housing project underway. of unions today, but the so-called

## Santa Clara valley quiet. San Jose says

Seven.

M. G. "Micky" Murphy, business representative working out of the San Jose office, reports:

San Jose-Working conditions in our Santa Clara Valley have been rather quiet. Several small jobs around this area have kept a good number of the members busy but some have found it necessary to move into other localities.

Moffett Field: Still have many of our Engineers employed. Pomeroy Pittsburg, De moines are still sitting down together to try to find on the job. Stolte has taken some ways and means of increasing of the boys to jobs in other localities.

> Nothing definite on Hendy Iron Works as yet. Hope to have some news shortly. Be patient boys. We are doing all we can.

> Alviso yard has closed temporarily. Lack of material. To open soon, so I hear.

Southern territory: All is well south of San Jose. Have just completed my trip but am unable to give you any encouraging news about any expansion or new construction work on the different camps. As I stated in my previous letter, really don't look for any now. M. J. Rudy at Monterey is progressing nicely with his highway job. Granite Construction have a job at the Presidio, also in the east garrison of Camp Ord. Both jobs are going along according to schedule.

War Manpower Clearances: We are now allowed to issue War Manpower Clearances through the San Jose office so it is no longer necessary for you to secure one from the United States Employment Service. It will be necessary, however, for you to have with you a clearance from your last job.

Service Withdrawal Cards: Again wish to advise any of the brothers entering the armed services to first obtain their Service Withdrawal Cards in order that they may be in good standing and ready to go back to work when the war is won.

Mail is being held in the San Jose office for the following members: Martin Azparren, Allen L. Cherry, E. T. Davis, Guy Wayne Knowles, George C. Marler and Jack McGuire. Please contact this office and we will forward your mail to you.

Our last regular meeting which is held every fourth Friday of the month, had it's best attendance yet. Not only did the members of 3, 3A and 3D attend, but also a few of the 3E were present, Happy to see the members take such an interest in these meetings. As you know, they are for you . . . so let's see if we can't make this next meeting which will be held Friday evening, October 22, at 8 p.m. the best one yet. Here's to seeing you. Letters: One from Iven Bolton who is with Swinerton-McClure-Vinnell, Apartado No. 26, Managua, D.N. Nic. who sends a big Hello to the gang, and wishes them to write. Drop him a line fellows. He is lonesome to hear from the gang. Also one from M/Sgt. Lewis Redden Hq. Co. 821, Eng. Avn. Btn. A.P.O. 913 c/o Postmaster, San Francisco. Drop him a line, too. He is on some island. God knows where and a letter from you would sure cheer him. Let's not let them think we have forgotten them. Drop just a line. That's about all except-Brother Charles Steel is on the way to recovery after his automobile accident which occured on his way home from the job a few days ago. 六六六 You can say anything about the average man because no average abused. Special interest groups, man ever thinks of himself as an average man,

Indians. The companies quarries could do more if our members had four legs and arms.

Radish and Brown should be fininshing the Santa Rosa job as this goes to press. Its been a good job and clicked smoothly. Superintendent Burgland and crew will rest up a while for Mexico venture this winter.

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#### San Jose to start stewdard system

(Continued from Page 6) neers Hall, 40 N. Morrison, at The Alameda.

Following this meeting, the next will be a meeting of all employed in the retort area, including panel operators, assistant operators, helpers, and all of those employed on the retort tops.

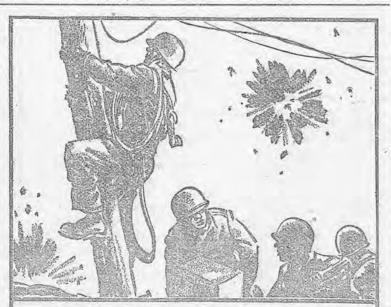
All are requested to give a lot of thought to who you want to represent you as Steward. They will be chosen by your vote.

Meeting of all other classifications will follow, but don't forget the monthly meeting on the fourth Friday of each month. This monthly meeting is also intended for all of our members employed in any of the five counties comprising the San Jose Division,

and makes a lot of money for himself.

Monty Brown also has a couple had many calls from the various sumers. They must go out into the of tractors working for the South- different jobs for engineers that field of social legislation. Action

ern Pacific. Monty is still playing we have not been able to fill.



Heavy Jap Naval bombardment of our forces on a Pacific island destroyed our communications. Then Marine Corporal George J Conlon went out to help lay a telephone trunk line between headquarters, the base radio and other strategic points. Caught in the open, he kept on working throughout five bombing attacks, and vital communications were restored. He won the Silver Star. Will you keep on investing everything you can in Payroll Savings?

U. S. Treasury Department

Work seems to be holding up white collar workers, the clerks. very well in this district. We have the "middleclass" people, all conmust be political; effort must be political. The immediate task of labor union people is the development of education along these lines.

> On the trade unichists rests the responsibility of forming the task force for the war at home but I do not think they are as yet educated for it. Labor people are the most receptive groups in the world. They must be mobilized-nowby adult education in economics and social legislation, in politics and in the plain horse sense that their own economic self-interest demands.

> On the home front, there are two main problems which must be solved; first, maximum production; second, equitable distributtion. The pressure of the war has led us, so far, to concentrate on the first, and to tend to ignore the second.

> But what of the people who do this producing? Their interests have been shamefully overlooked, when they have not been actually (Continued on Page 8)

## Utah office says things look bright

(Continued from Page 3)

Brother John M. Curlee of this Company.

During the past month, seven construction firms have signed agreements in the Southern portion of the state.

In the Northern, Ogden district, there are no non-union contractors. They have all signed a Building Construction Trades Agreement and are operating Union. You know this is Brother Joseph Riley's territory and these conditions are largely due to the effort he has put forth.

Organizing Bingham Canyon open pit mine of The Utah Copper Company is progressing according to schedule. This mine comes under the jurisdiction of Local 353. President Oustler and Secretary Hibbard of Local 353, are on their toes all of the time, and Local 3 extends to the official members of Local 353 greetings and all best wishes for their success in the coming election.

We wish to close this edition of the News in memory of Brother Bill Schope who passed away during the month and Brother Calvin L. Teague, who died from injury while working on the job.

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## Educator tells organized labor study for peace

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with enormous imfluence in Congress and in the press, have strived without ceasing, and have far too often succeeded, in foisting on the American people laws, rules and regulations which react to the benefit of their own district groups, and to the detriment of the public as a whole.

Review the record of the last few months with me. Just a little while ago, an action that drastically harmed every consumer in the country was taken, when all possibility of enforcement of grading or labeling of different qualities of goods was abolished. From now on, it will be impossible for buyers to know the true quality of the goods they are spending their money for, until the transcation of buying has actually taken place, and the money has been spent.

TImm milaa acentriala Resolution from Bay City Metal

Director of Northern California.

Regularly moved and seconded this

From U. S. Naval Hospital, Oak-

From Oakland Fire Department

thanks for purchase of tickets to

Second reading of resolution re-

garding publishing of Monthly

News Letter. Regularly moved and

seconded resolution be adopted.

From Mrs. Allie M. Polson and

daughter Lois, card of thanks and

letter expressing appreciation. Re-

From American War Mothers

Card of thanks from Mrs. Eliz-

Report from the General Secre-

abeth Theodore and children.

thanking Union for contribution.

Carried unanimously.

ceived and filed.

Received and filed.

land, California, letter of thanks

resolution be adopted. Carried.

## Minutes of October 2 meeting

The regular meeting of Local abuse of power by the Tenth Re- who requested that the bond be President Clancy presiding. Roll that were retroactive. Regularly named co-owner. call showed Vice-President Foss, Conductor Riley, Guard O'Brien, this resolution. Carried. Manager Swanson and Secretary Mathews absent. Brothers Swan-Trades Council denouncing and son and Mathews were excused to condemning the high-handed arbi-Convention. trary acts of the State Manpower

#### MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of September 4 were by motion adopted as printed in the Monthly News Letter.

for 25 service kits donated. Re-The minutes of the Executive ceived and filed. Board meeting of September 18 were read and the acts and recom-Relief Fund Association letter of mendations of the Board were by motion approved. Ball.

A synopsis of the minutes of the Executive Board meeting of October 2 was read and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

From Building and Construction Trades Council of San Francisco, letter from Cameron King regarding resolution. Received and filed.

From Captain H. T. Petersen, former Vice-President of Local Union No. 3 stating that he would appreciate hearing from any member of Local No. 3. Received.

From National War Labor Board regarding resolution sent by Operating Engineers. Received and filed.

From Building and Construction Trades Council requesting support E. Pant to answer charges prefor Supervisor Dewey Mead in the ferred against him by Representacoming election. Concurred in.

Union No. 3 was called to order gional War Labor Board in regard drawn in favor of Brother Douglas at 8 p.m., October 2, at the Build- to substituting dates of agreements; Cline, 233 Winding Way, San Franing Trades Temple, San Francisco, between employers and unions cisco, and that C. R. Hale be At 9:15 p.m. Brother Pant acmoved and seconded to endorse

knowledged his willingness to proceed with the trial, Brother Doran Jack O'Brien to testify and called on Brother Pant for questioning. Questioning was completed and Brother Pant was permitted to question Brothers O'Brien, Hayward and Noce, after which Brother Doran called on Brothers Noce and Clem.

Brother Pant questioned Brother Peter Williams. Brother Hayward reports. talked from the floor. Brother Doran raised point of order, Brother Vandewark called for questioning. The trial was completed at 9:45 p.m.

Tellers were appointed. Brother Pant appointed Brother Huff, Brother Doran appointed Brother John DeLagrange and President Clancy appointed Brother Lee Patters, resulting in the following tally: Guilty 44; not guilty 39; disqualified 3; blank 7. It was regularly moved and seconded that Brother Pant be reprimanded. Motion amended that Brother Pant be fined \$50; fine suspended. Amendment carried.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned.

> Respectively submitted, Wm. C. Waack, Secretary pro tem. \* \* \*

#### Kaiser yard workers get production honors

Washington, D. C .- Twenty-six workers whose ideas have contributed to the amazing production records established by the Henry J. Kaiser shipyards made a clean During the recess the drawing sweep of national production

## **AMG** frees labor unions in Sicily

Washington, D. C .- The Allied Military Government has proclaimed a free labor movement in called upon Steward Hayward and Sicily and has abolished all Fascist labor and corporative organizations in the recently conquered island. Italian workers will have as much freedom as American or British labor, subject temporarily to military restrictions. All of the rights taken away from the workers more than 20 years ago will be restored, the War Department

> Worked out by Captain David Morse, the AMG labor program was put into effect September 4, following the abolition of the Fascist labor organizations. The program provides for a civilian director of labor for each province. The director's office will establish employment offices, vocational training and make wage and cost-ofliving studies.

Workers will choose their own delegates to represent them in an office of conciliation, mediation and arbitration. In the event that this office is unable to come to agreement, the provincial director will appoint impartial arbiters.

During the military occupations, it was said, no strikes or lockouts would be permitted.

Until the provincial labor offices are able to complete investigation of the existing contracts between employers and employes, the provisions covering wages, hours and working conditions will be continued in the interest of stability.

AMG is now studying the labor picture in each province to adjust pitifully low wages the workers, received. Agricultural workers, i was said, received from one to three lire a day (one to three cents) plus enough food to keep alive.

The new plan, it was reported, was set up after consultation with the old labor leaders in Sicily, including representatives of all of the liberal political groups. It makes possible the resumption of the syndical movemen,t basis of the Italian labor movement before Mussolini's Fascists abolished the trade unions.

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#### Oakland suggests gifts for soldiers

(Continued from Page 5) Let's all help make our Service Men's Xmas a merry one by send-

t. \* \* \* de Green Asks Secretary Hull's Aid To Protect Jews in Hitler's Europe

Washington, D. C .- At a con- other available means of communi- cial process of criminal law. We Cordell Hull, AFL President William Green urged the Government to warn Hitler that his Nazi stooges will be punished for their wholesale execution and persecution of the Jews of Europe.

At the same time, Mr. Green appealed for the relief of Jewish has destroyed millions of Poles, Nazi criminals. refugees by any and all means Russians, Serbs, Czechs, French- "Only thus will German honor

ference with Secretary of State cation-all those guilty of aiding appeal to our Government to warn the Nazi leaders in their inhuman the German people to refuse opencampaign of exterminating the de- ly to be identified with the cruelfenseless Jewish population of ties perpertrated by their leaders Europe, that they will be held ac- and members of their armed forces, countable as war criminals, and against the Jews, and to expose all will be punished for every inno- those guilty of these crimes, lest cent life they have taken.

tary-Treasurer read by President Clancy. TRIAL President Clancy called Brother tive Ed Doran for violation of the

From Building and Construction working rules. Charges were read Trades Council regarding Seabees and clarified by Brother Waack, after October 31, 1943; stating no secretary pro tem. Brother Pant more ratings will be given upon pleaded not guilty and requested enlistment in the Seabees, that en- a recess of 15 minutes which was granted.

Resolution from Bay City Metal was held for the door prize and honors announced by War Produc-Trades Council condemning the won by ticket held by C. R. Hale, tion Drive headquarters.

> thethe German people themselves "In the years of his rule, Hitler be regarded as partners of the

listed men must earn their ratings after enlistment.

How can price controls be en- forced when all indications of the quality of goods have been taken away? Nor is that all. The Office of Price Administration is so piti- fully understaffed that black mar- kets are flourishing all over the country, and violations of ceiling prices have come to be almost the accepted thing. The American people must be brought to realize that maximum production and equitable distribu- tion are interdependent. They must learn that the housing shortages from which they suffer are col- lated with housing programs, that housing programs are collated with rent control, that price controls are collated with wage controls, wage controls with taxes, taxes with social insurance and the pos- sibility of forced savings. The pub- lic, as a whole, today is blind to the implications of these things, but it can be taught. Det it be the function of or- ganized labor to teach its own members and the whole working people of the country that lesson. Only by so doing can organized labor fulfill its rele as the articu-	possible. He was accompanied in his visit to the State Department by President David Dubinsky, of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union; Adolph Held, Chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee and J. Raymond Walsh, representing the CIO. A joint statement presented to Secretary Hull said: "Adolph Hitler has solemnly warned the civilized world that should the Nazi hordes face de- feat, they will not leave a single Jew alive in their retreat. The same dictum of terror has been made by Dr. Joseph Goebbels, the voice of Hitler, and by Robert Ley, his henchman in the destruction o fthe free German labor move- ment. "Today Hitler stands on the brink of defeat. Italy has sur- rendered unconditionally; on the Eastern Front the Nazis are crumbling; the German legions are in retreat everywhere. "Free American labor, which feels a kinship with the victims of Nazi terror, has been horror- stricken by the slaughter being carried on against the Jews.	"Time and again the desperate cry of the Jews languishing in the ghettos, death-chambers, and con- centration camps has reached us here. Time and again the President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and Americans of all walks of life, of all creeds and colors, have declared their revul- sion at the abominable crimes per- petrated by the Nazis upon a de- fenseless people. But to nø avail. "The United States, therefore, must warn the German people that the United Nations have decided to establish the identity of those Germans who are responsible for the acts of "savagery against the Jews and other peoples; that as each of these criminals deeds is committed, it is being investigated, and evidence is relentlessly being piled up for the purposes of jus- tice. w "American labor seeks no mass reprisals against the enslaved peo- ple of Germany. But the marder-	be saved. "At the same time, we appeal to the Government of the United States to do all that is humanly possible, and consistent with our successful prosecution of the war, to bring immediate aid and succor to the Jews in the Nazi-occupied countires. The Jews in the ghettos can no longer be regarded as civil- ians. They are prisoners of war, and should be legally regarded as such. Ways and means must be found to feed the hungry men, women, and children who are doomed to a death of starvation. We also ap- peal to our Government and to the governments of the United Nations to admit to all territories under their control Jewish refugees who may succeed in escaping from the Nazi hell. Now is the time to sal- vage those Jewish people who are still alive and who can still be saved	world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are
Only by so doing can organized labor fulfill its role as the articu- late and effective implement of the people's war for economic freedom	carried on against the Jews. "We, therefore, take this occa- sion to urge the Government of the United States to warm—	ple of Germany. But the marder- ers of our fellow human beings, the ring-leaders and their aides, must be named, apprehended, and	in the past, for the complete de- struction of the enemies of democ- racy and its legions of death. we	moving.—OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES. History is a race between edu- cation and catastrophe.—H. G.