Henry Kaiser scores steel company's attempt to scuttle Westerly plants at Fontana, Geneva

Geneva purchase proposed for development in West

(EDITORS' NOTE: Because the development of iron, coal and steel bases for the Western states is of great interest to the membership of Engineers, Local 3, we are publishing in its entirety a public statement on the issue released by the President, John A. Kaiser, Kaiser Shipbuilding Company, Inc., February 7 from his Oakland office.)

By HENRY J. KASER

The constant pressure from the press for our opinion with reference to Mr. Fairless' offer to the Defense Plant Corporation of the United States some assets of his company, which he was considering to purchase the Fontana Plant, now owned by the Kaiser Company, compels me to make the following announcement regarding the entire situation. I believe the public should know. So much misleading information is constantly being released from unknown sources that it is not known and unknown, that the public is being misled as to the facts, which are:

The Kaiser Company has now elected to the Government on the basis of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. In so doing, it is acquiring a sufficient asset which it believes will do more than double its size to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The Western States are sources independent of any steel plant of the Kaiser Company and Future will not be at the disposal of the new enterprise. This is the reason for the removal of the executive offices to Oakland. The Kaiser Company now owns the executive offices of this new plant and is not and will not be for sale.

PROPOSED FINANCE

The Kaiser Company is existing all of the Fontana today were built for war purposes only and will require some $37-$00,000 additional investment to meet the market demands and the financing question of a war-time plant. On or before V-Days, the Kaiser Company proposes to finance the needed capital from sources and in such manner as any corporation, including the United States Steel Corporation, requires its financial strength will, and it will continue to be able to continue to the Kaiser Company, exactly as the United States Steel Corporation does.

ONE SOURCE

The Kaiser Company has various sources of ore. Also the Kaiser Company owns approximately 100,000,000 tons of Nipple Mountains ore in California, with 100 miles of the plant, restricted by a well known lease contract.

It is now furnishing coal from its own mines in the heart of the country, formerly known as the West, and being the point of the Government, in the direction of the Government, it is the point of interest of the Government, to the Government. The Government wants the Kaiser Company to mine coal. That Kaiser Company is being subsidized by the Federal Government, is that it was necessary for the West. It is important that Kaiser Company be subsidized. The Kaiser Company is free to sell its product to the public and to the Government. This is the reason for the Kaiser Company's offer to sell the Fontana Plant.

Notice to Members-Locals 3-3A-3B-3C in the Stockton area

On Saturday night, February 17, 1945, at 7:00 P.M., your executive board will meet in the Labor Temple for the continuance of the conference with the Steelworkers of America and to pass upon the information.

Any one who cannot be present at this time should come to the Executive office to obtain a printed form which we have for this purpose, it will then be presented to the executive board for action.

This executive board meeting is being held especially for you. Please take advantage of it.

Conclusions

The members and officers of Local No. 3 extend their appreciation to Frank Lawrence, Kaiser Executive Representative, in the Sacramento area, in the case of Mrs. Jules L. Lawrence, who died on January 26, 1945, Mrs. Lawrence's mother, Mrs. Della Errewein, arrived in Sacramento to take care of her daughter, and was struck with a heart attack and died before her daughter was passed away.

Funeral services for both mother and daughter were held on Monday, January 29.

Resignation of Paul Porter - Good surprise to us

It is with sincere regret that Victor E. Swanson, Local 3 of the Operating Engineers, received the following communication from Mr. Paul E. Porter, Chairman of the Shipbuilding Stabilization Committee, offering his resignation as Chairman of the Committee:

"Mr. Victor Swan son, Chairman Shipbuilding Stabilization Committee:

I have been requested to tender an irrevocable assignment, which I feel not to accept. I have therefore submitted my resignation as Chairman of the Shipbuilding Stabilization Committee.

Before leaving I wish to express my personal satisfaction I have had in our association and the opportunity it has granted me to work in a valued Fellowship.

Sincerely yours,

PAUL E. PORTER,
Chairman Shipbuilding Stabilization Committee."
Stockton to benefit from many improvements

By ED DORAN
Business Representative

Stockton—Al Capp's sayings about being on the farm are not making the man downtown look bad.

Capp's sayings about being in the trades are even further from the mark.

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Bright post-war prospect for San Jose, area looms

By M. G. MURPHY

San Jose—The future of San Jose, is the title of a new report on the city's growth and development. The report, prepared by the San Jose Chamber of Commerce, is a comprehensive study of the city's economic potential and future prospects. The report predicts that San Jose will continue to grow and develop, with new job opportunities arising in the area.

The report notes that San Jose has a strong industrial base, with businesses in a variety of industries, including manufacturing, technology, and finance. The report also highlights the city's growing population, with a projected increase in the next decade. This growth will create new job opportunities, with the report predicting a need for thousands of new jobs in the coming years.

The report also notes that San Jose is well-positioned to become a major hub for the region, with its location near major interstate highways and airports. This will attract businesses and industries to the area, creating new job opportunities for residents.

Overall, the report is a positive outlook for San Jose's future, with new job opportunities arising in the area and the city poised to become a major hub for the region.
The Report of last meeting

The practice of printing the minutes of our Regular Meeting in our News Letter has been discontinued.

The following resolutions (1) The Minutes of our meetings are private and should not be published in this News Letter. (2) The date of the next meeting is September 9, at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting of February 3 was well attended, all present being present. All of the Reserective Officers were present. The minutes of the meeting of January 30 and February 3 were submitted.

OFFICER ELECTION

Under communications the December 5-6th meeting was called to order by the incoming president. There was a declaration of non-contest for President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer. The following were returned, one for President, one for Secretary-Treasurer: (1) Mr. O'Connell, Civil Trust, and Guy W. Woods.

The following Reserective Officers were re-elected, as follows: Chairman, J. C. O'Connell, Civil Trust, and Guy W. Woods.

The Reserective Officers made their report of the year's activities and found otherwise in the paper:

PAYROLL HEALTH INSURANCE

Under New Business, a motion was made to go on record as being in favor of the establishment of a payroll health insurance. There was quite a lengthy discussion on this matter, as it was voted to go on record of being in favor of such.

The following was voted, as read by Brother George Simons, 172 Fairmont Street, San Francisco:

A letter was read from the San Francisco Labor Board, stating that the Bureau of the Labor Appellant, for blood donors. Those who wish to donate blood should call at the San Francisco Labor Tem­porary, 2548 - 19th Street, or tele­phone Mark 111111, 22000.

Heber: Frankie Fitzgerald, Mrs. Mary McDonald, wife of a member, is the daughter of the late Henry Simons, 1607 Fair­mont Street, San Francisco Labor Council, 1630 California Street, San Francisco.

The election was made necessary by the merger of Postal with Western Union. Previously, the AFL had represented Western Union workers in most areas, while the CIO had gained a foothold in the Postal.

The election was the most extensive in NLL history, although the number of workers participating did not set a new record.

** Note: is throughout the United States and in all other cities where the CIO is not yet represented. **

The Report of the members

by V. G. O. SWANSON

Local Union No. 6

It is now two months since I wrote you our Union News, so I am going to try to give you some report on our Union News.

First, may I say work is keeping up very well, considering the deep oil in new construction, and the cold weather that has set in. We have been having bad weather in recent weeks in the area of the San Francisco Bay Bridge in the North Bay area, which has caused many delays in the construction.

In spite of all of this "out of work" time, it is small, and the Workers are not discouraged in the least, and show no signs of except jobs away from their homes. Of course, this cannot do in many cases because of the difficulty of traveling, and the Bay area which includes approximately 70 per cent of our entire membership. The Grievance Committee is composed of Executive Officers and Executive Board members, which meet each Wed­nesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at 1301 Market Street, San Francisco, to hear all grievances, both real and imagined, and they try, if possible, to arrive at a satisfactory understand­ ing or adjustment. If this cannot be accomplished, the member is asked to bring his grievance be­ fore the Board, where the membership will arrive at the cor­ rect answer.

This office has been very much in the Bay Area. However, all­ members of our jurisdiction are asked to turn in their grievances in as much as our membership cannot come to the office and see us. However, if it is impossible for this office to see the member, write to me personally, and I will try to meet with the Committee in his locality and perhaps a suitable conference and amicable solution for the problem. I have been fortunate to have seen many of our members and good feeling and strong feeling towards the membership.

Constructive Criticism Builds Local Union

I am reporting to our members who can only find fault with everybody, particularly your af­ fociates. If the Bay office is too busy and is not giving you the service you should receive, please let me know.

If you like a job it is just some one else's fault? They never get enough work or they get too little work. Criticism: may be talking too much; may be too long; may be too short; may be too much about his business but his job, or possibly all three. They should realize that their opportunity of being candidates for office they must show that they have shown that one person in office, promising every­ thing is 0k. - and if that one person is elected, he will not be any good, because the new man will only see the opportunity of bettering his own position. As a result the members will drift away to other offices, promising everybody steady jobs if elected; yet they cannot keep their jobs themselves. That's why! And what a union if he can do nothing which, of course, he never happens.

These men spend much time and effort trying to create dissatisfaction and trouble among our members. They do not want to do their job if they can help it. All three of them are so busy trying to run the business that they cannot work Compatible.

We can do much to help our membership by being able to apply for the job, and the new officers have their mistakes, and they make mistakes, but they are trying to improve. You yourselves must do the job or the office will not be able to function. If union office can only take care of grievances when they arise. This office covers all
Construction work in this area dropped considerably under the cloud of war. Conditions have been quite a deciding factor, but more than this has been due to the fact that many projects are not being let for more new work. The company is进展ing work on several projects including Hanley's Point, but at present no new contracts are under discussion.

HUNTER'S POINT

As probably has been noted in the daily press, the total $5,000,000 has been appropriated for another new large drydock, cuttting into the old pier between the southern edge of the project. This work will not start for at least two months.

The following jobs at Hanley's Point, under tender of W. R. Sims, Morris and Twilla's job is rather dearer at present due to the high price of labor material, excluding the coffee dam work. A number of our Brothers are busy on the job.

Pacific Bridge Company is busy on their steel erection job; two crews are working.

A. S. Glidden Company is still putting up buildings for the Navy.

Joe Crayke's crane is driving piles for Pacific Bridge Company.

OAKLAND

These companies have started their track removal and street prow job on Market Street. They are purchasing all new WAVE Barracks on Ocean Avenue near Brighton. They have started their contracts and are busy on this job.

Bay City Company.

Contract for construction of their Housing Project at Third and Army Streets, is moving along rapidly, having several members employed.

Pacific Bridge Company is now working two shifts on the pier job at Bethlehem Shipyard. Several

Brothers are busy on the job, including mechanics and welders.

CONTRACT

RICHMOND

for construction of a $5,000,000 contract, for drainage and improvement at Richmond, under Projects, A. W. Williams, Inc. for extension of Admiralty, Hilp, 9th.

EMERYVILLE, Calif.—Contract for Portland $3,000 for replacement of sidewalks and drainage work at Gompers Park.

SAN FRANCISCO

by Award. 1945 Daily construction work is evident along the waterfront, both on the ship repair yards and the shipbuilding companies, Messrs. United and General, and Bethlehem, are receiving all the ship repair work they can handle at present.

The Pacific Bridge Company job at Richmond, is also under way on Shasta Romaine on Hygeia Pier.

Donohue Construction Company is busy on the construction of WAVE Barracks on Ocean Avenue.

Carlina Harney is applying the finishing touches to the Navy Project off Carroll Avenue, grade.

T. J. Ellis & Son, are laying red rock over parking areas.

Tom Harney is busy in construction of aircraft swing area, at Pacifica, for real estate development.

A cat and shovel are working on:

SAN SLOAN WORK IN

N. MATTHEW

Fred J. Twilla's job at Tam- fison have finished their project. Engineer has about another week of clashing to do. I understand there is about $10,000,000 more to be spent, there immediately.

The Upson Parking Job is on hand at Tamonform and the Highway is about half finished. It is just a small shoulder job anyway.

Ray Brown Gravel Plant at Rockefeller Beach has been going ahead full blast, building roads into the plant site, so they should start erecting the gravel plant in the near future. The contract for this private, storage facilities, Naval Overseas Freight Terminal.

SAN FRANCISCO

HUNTER'S POINT—Contract awarded to O. W. Williams, Inc. for extension of Admiralty, Hilp, 9th.

RED BLUFF, Calif.—Contract awarded to W. W. Valentine, Jr. for extending and improving landscaping of Admiralty, Hilp, 9th.

EMERYVILLE, Calif.—Contract awarded to W. F. Lynn, for construction of railroad sidings for Stockton, for construction of terminals, Naval Ammunition Depot, Val-encia, Calif. for extension of.temporary warehouses, for construction of storage facilities, Naval Overseas Freight Terminal.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—Contract awarded to John Pestana, $12,892, for const. of 30 man barracks.

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Big Post-War Program Scheduled for County

In a recent report to the Oak-
land Chamber of Commerce, Mr. R. H. Biggs, Chairman of the City of Oakland Work Files Committee, made the following announcement.

Oakland’s work pile tabulation
and its post-war program stand
among the livelihood in the
Nation, with scores of busi-
ness and industrial firms of all
classifications coveting Gov-
ernment word to launch the
remodeling, expansion and con-
struction program.

The post-war program is sched-
uled to include expansion of pri-
vate business for approximately
$10,000,000; City and Alameda
County public improvement proj-
ects, exclusive of Federal and State
appropriations, $75,000,000; con-
struction of 100 apartment build-
ings, $15,000,000; 65 new industrial
plant buildings to cost $31,645,000;
50 new retail store buildings,
in 16 theaters, 33 sour churches
and construction of a major hotel,
$77,190,000; transportation,
communication and public utility improve-
ments, $26,000,000; remodeling,
$6,500,000; remodeling,
$4,500,000; industrial.

Concerns expect to build
235 new industrial and com-
mercial buildings in Oakland at
the work’s end. The Oakland department stores ex-
pect to spend $3,000,000 in minu-
erion; motor car dealers,
$3,500,000, and finance and bun-
tum companies, $750,000.

"This huge volume of post-war
work that is ready to go on in
Oakland looks like the 6,073 men for one year, there-
fore, it is expected that preparations for the
construction work will begin immedi-
ately and the transition completed gradually
over the period of the next five
months as new ship construction
ends."

Meanwhile Year Three has
enough C-4 commitments to keep
them busy. Year Three, the post-
and in addition is prep-
ning for navy repair work. Year
Three is ready to turn over to its
first C-1 contract to complete.

"The careful scheduling of the
lay-off contemplated here is empha-
sized by this statement because
many of our men are already
planning to stay on the job. They need
their home towns and are keen
in finding employment for them-
self. Thousands of used ships and other
work is that to be turned over to the
yards. It will take one single day
of the men we have on the payrolls
by.

Claude Ellis was killed early in
the week. While not a member of the
Engineers Mr. Ellis was well
known and liked by all. He was
equipment operator for the whistle
Company, and at the time of his
death he was working on the Alumna
Bridge.

Another of our members who has
been on the sick list is his Brother
Irwin Willey. He was in Merrill. He
resides in San Francisco.

Brother Mary Miley has been in
Providence Hospital where he was
operated on for an old eye injury.
Mary is still in the hospital feeling
quite well, but he thinks it will be
about one month before he is
recovered.

Consulting from a recent
operation performed in the
Penascoa Field Hospital is Brother
Tom Ayward, Crane Operator at
Richmond Shipyards No. 2. It will
be approximately 3 more weeks
before he will be back on the job.

Brother John T. Broderick is
covered with an unfortunate accident while
crossing the street near his home. He
was knocked down by a car and
suffered a fractured arm. His Brother
Roy Boroff is the
Brother. This is still in the
Brother's hospital at
Brother L. E. Roy

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Brother Curt has been operating for Biggs and
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Brother Private John Brooks, who
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Baltic.

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Brother Martin Cassino, who
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has just returned from a trip to
Cuba.

Brother Private Jimbo Win, who
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Another of our members leaving
for the Navy is Brother Jack
Klein who has taken his Service
Withdrawal.

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Gettmg around the jobs

Brother Sam M. Melzer, Crane
Operator in Richmond Shipyard No. 2, who is among the oldest in the
yard, was back on the job
when we are up to date. We have

Brother H. O. O’Connor, who
has been working in this area for some
time, will beeuillez to join us in
the early part of this month.

We regret to report the passing of
the wife of Brother G. F. Sam-
men. Mrs. O’Connor from
occurred on the 26th of January.

The members of the Engineers
Unions lost a good friend.

Old books can be secured by
Oak members.

As we have had num-
countless reports from members
who Quo their old books
(prior to July, 1941), we
rately to remind you that they can be
obtained by contacting our
branch office in Oak-
land, at 1301 Webster Street,
Phone 53-628, where they
are being stored. The books
can be mailed out to you, or
you can drop in to pick them up.

It would be a good thing
for all of us to check our
disc cards (or book if you have
discs) to see what books, if any,
are due paid up. Be-
remembered that we
mail list on the first day of each
month. Many members check our
disc cards each time which eliminates many
trips to the office, and which
helps to ensure your card
being paid in a current
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By Wm. C. WACK
Business Representative

Fresno—The South San Joaquin
Valley has received more than its share of
past ten days as much as a per-
sent from the Bay Area enjoys see-
ing large bodies of water. I must
profess feeling at them in their more or less natural borders
with large, deep and crystal clear
bathing holes and kept interesting
at their usual work, and when you see a house on a pleasant
scene it usually is a frightfully
banal, the bath holes, as well as
trees are not ordinarily shadowing
marks. So the Valley, in many se-
tions is at the present temporarily
opened to navigation. Please feel
of water on the main drag of
the Avenal District, called a meet ­
ting on Post-war Housing.

Brother Tyrus Lowe of Brown
Brook Pegler, Mrs. Selvin's
wholesale Cc, c, p.

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With everybody constantly in
improving classes in which to live.

To create 100,000 new jobs in
engineering and production as well as the
building of buildings.

Advancing the CIO

Steam Shovel, Thomsen of the United Auto
Workers and chairman of the CIO Jeppi-
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in housing would harness new
and ever increasing productivity of
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