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AFL PRESIDENT GREEN URGES PASSAGE OF BASIC WAGE, RECONVERSION LEGISLATION

State Insurance Fund

By PAUL SCHARRENBERG

Director, State Department of Industrial Relations and Chairman, Industrial Accident Commission.

When the idea of a compulsory workmen's compensation law was advanced in 1912 and 1913, one of the strongest arguments raised against the proposed legislation was that its enactment would leave employers, particularly the small employer and all employers engaged in the so-called hazardous industries, at the mercy of the casualty insurance companies.

It was the contention of employers that insurance would be essential if they were obliged to assume responsibility for every

employee injured in the course of his work, regardless of fault. On the other hand, it was feared that premium rates for such insurance would be so high as to seriously endanger business. Particularly would this be true in competing with employers from other states engaged in manufacturing the same or similar articles.

The Small Employer

As for the small employer, it was admitted that he would face serious difficulties in obtaining workmen's compensation insurance; in fact, insurance carriers writing employers liability insurance had already adopted the practice of refusing to issue policies when only a small payroll or premium was in-

To meet these objections, a stateoperated, self - supporting, non profit insurance company, the State riers and provide insurance protection at fair insurance rates for employers and, by its practice and example, fair treatment for the injured employee. Accordingly, by an act of the Legislature of 1913, the California State Compensation Insurance Fund became effective on January 1, 1914. The Fund offers insurance protection under the State Workmen's Compensation Law and is also authorized to write insurance under United States Longshoremen and Harbor Workers Compensation Law. The objectives of the Fund are:

protection at the lowest possible cost.

for injured employees.

a warm-blooded institution rather law provides, however, that the than a cold-blooded one and to be Fund shall be merely self-supportinfluenced by the moralities in- ing and that the rates shall be volved in each situation rather than only sufficient to carry out the speby the legalities alone.

and to protect human lives through | collected by the Fund are returned safety education designed to guard to policyholders. These profits, reagainst the hazards of industrial turned as dividends, are paid in full



PAUL SCHARRENBERG

At present the Fund operates Compensation Insurance Fund, was under the jurisdiction of the Indusproposed. This Fund was to operate trial Accident Commission as the in competition with all other car- board of directors or governing Roy L.D.S. chapel in Ogden, with body. The commission determines the general policy of the Fund and leaves to the manager the administration and general supervision. After September 15, when the reorganization of the Department of Industrial Relations becomes effective, the State Compensation Insurance Fund will become a separate Division in the Department with a Board of Directors of five members consisting of the Department's Director and four others to be appointed by the Governor for overlapping four-year terms.

1. To offer employers insurance Fund is Self-Supporting

The Fund is required to use the same rates and classifications es-2. To operate in free and fair tablished by the State Insurance competition with other insurance Commissioner for insurers genercarriers acting as a yardstick for ally. Under the system used by the the securing of fair premium rates Insurance Commissioner in the calfor employers and fair treatment culation of these rates, a loading of 40.6 per cent is included for op-3. To pursue the policy of being erating expenses or overhead. The cific purposes stated in the law. 4. To relieve human hardship Consequently, all excess premiums (Continued on page 8)

Local supports center to help local veterans

A new Veterans' Information and Service Center, supported by the San Francisco War Chest, has been Walter Haas, War Chest president, herewith.) announces.

The center is operated by the recently incorporated San Francisco Coordinating Council for Veterans' Services, representing 56 civic, veterans', welfare and labor organiza-

San Francisco Labor Council, is a the duration of the war. Until member of the board directing the center's operations.

The center is planned to guide World War II veterans to the specialized services they need in their adjutment to civilian life, including at this time, or at any time during veteran's benefits, employment, education, or help with personal or members. In proof of that statefamily problems.

The War Chest has appropriated \$18,000 to operate the center for the remainder of this year and of the time lost by strikes last year promises continued support for

Engineer in Army Air Corps taken by death

Funeral services for 2nd Lieut. Howard Lee Nicholaisen, 27, army air corps, were held last July in the Bishop Leslie Stoker officiating. Nicholaisen was a member of Engineers No. 3.

Pilots acted as pallbearers. The Ogden arsenal had charge of the graveside military honors in the Ogden city cemetery.

The Passing Show

In these meat-shortage days you often have to hear baloney and eat it, too.

We used to walk to reduce-now we are reduced to walking.

The fellow who thinks he picked out his wife is a soft touch for any good salesman.

HONOR ROLL **Operating Engineers** Local 3



MEMBERS IN ARMED SERVICES

Operating Engineers No. 3 have 2095 members in the armed services to date. The known Gold Star members to date number 12.

Adheres to labor pledge on strikes, but declares worker getting restless

(AFL President William Green presented a three-point program to reduce strikes to a minimum in a recent radio talk on the A. F. of L.'s LABOR, USA program over a nation-wide American opened at the City Hall, first floor, Broadcasting Company network. The text of his talk is printed

Recently the newspapers again have blossomed with stories about strikes. Headlines last week told us with a great deal of emphasis that fifty thousand workers had quit their jobs. But strangely enough, not a word was said about the fifty million workers who remained faithfully at their tasks. That, apparently, was not news.

I want to assure the American people that the American Fed-George J. Johns, representing the eration of Labor is completely sincere in its no-strike pledge for

Japan surrenders we will not excuse or condone or sanction any strike for any cause. We are proud of the fact that only a small percentage of those engaged in strikes the war, have been A. F. of L. ment, let me cite the official figures of the Department of Labor which show that only 28 per cent was attributable to workers who belong to American Federation of Labor unions. That figure is especially significant when you consider that the seven million members of the American Federation of Labor constitute more than half of the organized workers in the nation,

Signs of Unrest

But it would be a mistake for us to ignore the fact that current strikes are symptomatic of a growing unrest among American workers. This unrest results from con crete and painful causes.

First, take-home wages have been sharply cut by reduced overtime. Second, many workers have lost their relatively well-paid jobs in war industries because of cutbacks and the only new jobs available to them offer much lower wages. Third, the failure of the Government to act promptly in providing Board Approval Not adequate unemployment compensa tion insurance has filled war workers with fear that they will be left stranded when the war ends.

To correct this situation, the American Federation of Labor proposes that free collective bargaining be restored so that hourly wage rates may be lifted wherever no price increases will result. This will permit workers to meet high living costs without causing inflation.

Ask 72c Minimum

As a further step, we recommend wage levels to be raised to 72 cents an hour in industry. This would provide a minimum wage of \$28 a week before taxes. Certainly, no American family can get along on less at present day prices.



WILLIAM GREEN President, American Federation of Labor.

to enact without delay the unemployment compensation proposal urged by President Truman, under which the Federal Government will supplement State funds so that workers with families could receive as much as \$25 a week in unemployment insurance for 26 weeks.

I am confident that such action will reduce strikes to a minimum.

Needed for Acrued Payment on Vacation

San Francisco, Calif. Approval of the War Labor Board is not necessary in order to pay accrued vacation payments and nonproduction bonuses on a pro rata basis to employees who are discharged without cause, the National War Labor Board said in a statement received by Chairman Thomas Fair Neblett of the Tenth Regional War Labor Board.

Employers who desire to adopt a that Congress permit minimum different plan, however, are required to obtain WLB approval.

Howard Brubaker offers a good suggestion for discriminating between good Germans and bad: "Our motto undoubtedly ought to be that no German can be trusted Finally, we call upon Congress unless he has a good jail record."

EDITORIALS



Problems of the peace

Shortly before this issue of the News went to press, the announcement came that the Soviet Union had formally declared war on Japan, thus becoming an ally in the East as well as in the West. Russia's entrance into the war against Japan, plus the tremendous destructive power of the "atomic bomb," means an early collapse of the Japanese war potential. We are faced with the fact that the war will end with dramatic suddenness-with the United States Congress still dawdling with pressing problems of reconversion and massive cutbacks throwing millions out of work.

Organized Labor everywhere must energetically back up the program of the American Federation of Labor for removing crippling labor controls, for adopting reconversion legislation to cushion the coming shocks of war dislocation, to maintain adequate price control to prevent post-war inflation, and to liberalize social security legislation. Perhaps before this reaches you, President Truman will have called Congress back into session to deal with these critical problems.

As we go to press, the entire nation is on "pins and needles" concerning the stalling of the Japanese on acceptance of the final surrender terms. The news of Nippon's surrender may come within a few minutes after these papers roll of the press. But, regardless of how long it takes to "finish the job," the big problem of providing security and jobs for all remains. Let us see that this problem is solved!

Lesson of the 'bomb'

The entire world was electrified when President Harry S. Truman made the sensational announcement about realizing the century-old dream of philosophers-the "splitting" of the atom, thus releasing the tremendous forces locked up in the ultimate constituents of matter. The "atomic bomb" is proof that science can make this world one of security and abundance for all. The United States, by taking the lead in financing and developing this revolutionary idea, has shown that it "has what it takes" to lighten the toil of the workers and to harness the elements to produce the luxurious life for everybody.

Our war effort in general has demonstrated that, with our social organism properly organized, we can have a national annual income of hundreds of billions of dollars. If we can do this in wartime, for purposes of destruction, we can do it in peace time to advance the security and happiness of our citi-

Labor must take the lead in insisting that this potential heritage of abundance be realized for the American people, and the trade union movement, always the progressive spearhead in our social and economic life, must remain in the vanguard.

Good news for Geneva

Of interest to all members of Local 3 and especially to those in Utah is the news that the U.S. Steel Corporation, according to its president, B. F. Fairless, will make no further effort to acquire the \$200 million mill at Geneva. Previously Bethlehem Steel had withdrawn from the competition. This, it was thought, leaves Henry J. Kaiser an open field. Kaiser recently announced that he would bid for the Geneva plant and operate it in the post-war period in connection with his California plant in Fon-

The new development seems to indicate that the Geneva mills will be retained to help expand the badly needed steel industry for the West, and thus provide thousands of jobs for members of Local 3 and other crafts.

Reports have been going around that the United States Steel Corporation is planning for considerable expansion of its facilities and productive capacity at the Pittsburg plant. However, this, says Henry Kaiser, will not interfere with his own

Developments indicate that the Western States are going to have their own iron and steel base before many decades have passed. The need for this has long been known, but competing firms have tried to keep it bottled up in the East. Consumers can profit from this western development, too, for the elimination of transcontinental freight costs would bring down prices on finished articles.

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Before the war Britain had completed extensive plans for the development of her West African Colonies, and in 1940 money was made available for that purpose This work is now being accelerated. Several hundred thousand West Africans joined the British armed forces where they received valuable training, learned many new skills and trades, and developed a new and broadened outlook through service abroad. The women have had to learn to manage money (allotments) in the absence of their husbands. The growth of air communications has increased the strategic importance of West Africa and the British Treasury is Rush were reported ill. now making grants for the improvement of roads, education and health services, water supply power, etc.

The price of survival of the British Commonwealth and Empire in the 5% years of war up to May 31, 1945, has just been revealed as 1,427,643 killed, wounded, missing and prisoner of war. The toll included 532,233 dead or missing and presumed as dead, and 559,372 wounded. Of the 336,772 killed (excluding those presumed killed) in the British armed forces, 233,042 were from the United Kingdom alone. The total casualties of the British Merchant Marine came to 45,315. Of the Home Guard casualties, 1206 were killed and 557 wounded; and of the civilian casualties, 60,585 were killed and 86, 175 wounded.

During the European war, 75,000 merchant ships, involving some 2200 convoys, were escorted across the Atlantic by the British, Dominion and European navies working under British control. More than 200,000,000 miles were sailed by these vessels, and only 574-one ship in 131-were lost. Additional protection was afforded by planes of the RAF and RCAF, which flew 43,800 sorties in escort duties. In addition, nearly 1500 merchant aircraft carriers of the Home Fleet to and from Northern Russia; and 173,000 merchant ships were escorted in some 7700 British coastal

forces have used many methods to the old Uncle Sam Gold and Coplocate supplies dropped by air. The per Mine in Shasta County, and low or red. For nocturnal opera- other mines in Trinity County. tions and in dense jungle country a low power light with dry battery and bulb is attached to the base of the container. Another device sometimes used is the ringing of a bell, operated by clockwork mechanism and audible 100 yards

Bombing during the war damthe provinces.

The President's appeal for a permanent Fair Employment Practices men, commission is not getting warm support from Congressmen of either party. Some statesmen feel that it is had taste to advocate racial equality except in a campaign year.-Howard Brubaker in NEW

Report of last meeting

The meeting of August 4 was called to order at the usual time, President Clancy presiding. There were sixty-five members

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 7, Executive Board meeting of July 21 and August 4 were read and the acts and recommendations were approved as read.

Communications from the Governor's Office, Central Labor Council of Alameda County and Father Flanigan's Boys Home were received and filed.

Communication filing charges for violation of the Constitution was read and the date of the trial set for August 25, 1945, at 8:00 p.m. at Eureka, California. Motion to this effect carried unanimously.

In the case of the trial set for this meeting, it was moved and seconded and carried that this matter be laid over one month, since neither of the principals were present.

Brothers Clyde Stonecipher, Robert McCreery and Robert

Brothers Charles Bromley, Arthur Coyle, Julius Villalobus and C. T. Thompson were reported deceased.

Brother A. B. Wadman was reported injured and in Mary's Help Hospital.

The following Business Agents rendered their reports which were accepted as rendered: Foss, Never, Walther, Murphy, Clem, Bryson, Metz, Spence, Vandewark, Riley, Clancy and Swanson.

There was a general discussion in regard to the validity of the By-Laws and Constitution.

The Treasurer's report was read by Brother Vandewark and accepted as read.

Under unfinished business, Brother Clancy made a report on boom trucks.

The door prize was won by Brother Floyd Hansbrough. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted,

C. F. MATHEWS, Recording Secretary.

Gold mining peps up in Redding area as 'Uncle' releases the go signal

By E. A. HESTER **Business Representative**

Redding-Activity in the Gold Mine Industry has begun to pick up. The Nevada Mining Company is now building and repairing roads and bridges into the Tangle Blue Mine in Trinity County. They expect to be producing the precious metal ships were escorted by ships and soon. Brother Andy Dobbis is operating the cat.

A crew of five heavy duty repair men are now getting the big Thurman bucket dredge in shape for operation and expect to be producing soon.

Old Mine Opened Up

The High Divide Mining Com-The British Army's airborne pany of Nevada is now opening up basic method is to use parachutes also expect to be producing soon. with brilliant canopies of blue, yel- There is test work going on at

> Brother R. H. Cochran is all set to go with the Blue Gravel Mine when he can obtain priority enough to buy some balls for his ball mill. When this mill is operating Brother Cochran works about sixteen men.

Highway Repair Job

aged 11.50 London schools. Of these, California, was recently awarded several major engagements against 290 were demolished or seriously twenty-three miles of highway re- the enemy. It will make you have damaged, 310 less seriously dam- pair and seal coat work near Red nightmares to listen to him tell aged and 550 slightly damaged. Bluff, California. Also another what he did, saw and heard. After Damage to school equipment in fourteen mile job of the same kind his thirty-day furlough he will be London is estimated at \$800,000, of work on Highway 99 north of on his way to the Pacific field, and and at an additional \$1,000,000 in Redding, between Project City and said it wouldn't take him long to the mighty Pitt River Bridge. The polish off that Jap! firm is now moving in.

> ing along with their logging road Pacific and he said he was doing at Little Valley and are in need all right. His wife and two babies of some men, particularly blade live in Burney.

ished in about thirty days.

mechanic for Andy Gladney at A tree fell on him.

Montague, reports that he is doing well.

Brother Joe Scholl steward on the Ruddy & Sons road job near Nubieber, reports that everything is going as smooth as glass.

Brother Jack Tucker has gone back with the Forest Service De-

Brother Jack White recently blew in from Colorado and is looking for a job. Jack is an all around shovel and dragline operator and is first class on any rig.

Graves Back from War Brother D. C. Graves recently

returned to Redding from Ger-J. Henry Harris of Berkeley, many where he participated in

I had a letter from Brother W. Baker Brothers of Chico are go- W. "Bill" Ross somewhere in the

I regret to report that I just The Phoenix Construction Com- received word from Mrs. Reynolds pany of Bakersfield, California that her husband Brother Woodwill have the logging road fin- row Reynolds was killed Monday, July 30, 1945 while working for Brother Joe Manzebo, master Ruddy & Sons near San Andreas.

Construction jobs begin really to hum around the Sacramento area, report

By FRANK A. LAWRENCE **Business Representative**

Sacramento-Lots of con- erators on the job at present and struction work going on in this expect more to go on soon. entire area, and we, too, are beginning to feel the manpower shortage, still in need of oper- here and at Knights Landing. gtors, oilers, and mechanics.

The contract on the new Signal Depot here in Sacramento has been awarded to McDonald & Kahn, A Teichert & Gist. Work has begun on the new project, and we have about sixty-five members on the job at the present time, with Harry Rotruck as superintendent in charge of equipment for the project. This is quite a large job, and we expect to have a large number of members employed jobs at Bear River, Knights Landthere when it gets well under way. Expect to have a more detailed ing jobs in the vicinity. Their shop Reynolds from really cleaning report on the job by our next

Finish Highway Job

A. Teichert & Company have finished their state highway job between Sacramento and the Davis in the entire district are busy, and now at the Signal Depot. Teichert also continues to use several mem- etc. bers at McClellan Field and on around Sacramento County.

Belyea Trucking Company con tinues in full swing at Camp Kohler and the West Sacramento the field gate. Any grievances or fifty of our members, with Brothers Don Johnson and E. W. (Nig) Mylar doing a fine job as stewards.

Leo Lentz still manages to keep his equipment busy around Sacramento, using several Local 3 men

J. R. Reeves continues on various jobs in our vicinity. Brother Jack Hughes is in charge of their new plant now going at Haggen Gravel. Also have work at McClellan Field, Lincoln, Oroville and other small jobs in this area,

PIT KEEPS BOYS BUSY

The McGillivray Construction Company is keeping our boys busy at their 14th Avenue Pit, the shop at 65th Street, and on the Broadcasting Station job at Dixon. Also camp on the base, with board and have a few of our boys on the Mc-Clellan Field job.

The N. M. Ball job at Woodland Preston is now the shifter there. and on Wednesday evenings until We are still in need of operators and oilers on this job.

R. A. Westbrook has just completed his state highway jobs at Colusa, Lincoln and Roseville.

McDonald & Kahn are still working at Isleton on the new the office. warehouse job.

tinues to use quite a number of sonnel on the job is as follows: our members at their N. 16th Street plant.

According to the last report received, preliminary work on the Manager; J. R. Fortune, Employ-Folsom Dam Site is to be started ment Manager. soon. No doubt we will have a further report on this project by the Personnel:-H. L. Leventon, Gentime our next issue comes out.

Rio Vista Active

busy at this writing-Sheldon Oil Agent; J. B. Doland, Chief Accoun-Company plant at Rio Vista is now tant; Geo. A. Miller, Paymaster; working, with Brother Cal Barnett George Lewis, Master Mechanic; in charge. Brother B. Murray is F. H. James, Purchasing Agent, still superintendent of all their oil well work.

at the Rio Vista State Bridge, us- Steve Miller, General Superintening several of our members on this dent; George Waters, General Su-

still working in the Rio Vista Dis- ing Agent; R. A. Adamson, Pay-

The C. C. Steele & Heringer Company, working in this district, job include the following members is now the Heringer & Easton of Local Union No. 3:

were low bidders on the Scott's mechanic foremen working under Dam job, which is just out of Ne- him: Mark Smith, Ray Blanchard, vada City. We have about ten op- (Continued on Page 5)

Jack Breen continues to maintain several members on work

Hemstreet & Bell have just about finished their two state jobs harbor frontage from the City between Wheatland and Marys-

Stanfield is still using several members on land leveling work in this district.

The Yolo Development Company are still doing land leveling work out of Williams.

H. Earl Parker Company has ing, and several other land levelis also going full blast, with Brother Slack as Master Mechanic, and still in need of mechanics.

Gravel Plants Active

Y and most of their equipment is we are still trying to get a decision on the mechanics wage rates, Bill Reed, Ray Anderson, and Bud

The Fairfield-Suisun Army Air several small private jobs in and Base job is well under way, and Brother Harry Metz is now the road job near Patrick's Point. business representative on the job, with his office located just outside yard. They are still using about inquiries pertaining to this job should be taken up with Brother

Clear for Fairfield

At this writing we have cleared approximately 520 members to the Fairfield job, which has been to Morrison - Knudsen awarded Company, Inc. and Stolte, Inc. Work on this project will be supervised by the Sacramento District Office of the Corps of Engineers. There are between twenty and twenty-five shifters on the job, members of Local No. 3. This is a large project, and we wish to state again that members desiring to go to work there may stay in room at \$1.50 per day.

Our office in Fairfield is open each day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., is still going, and Brother Kenneth Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 9 p.m. Members may transact their Union business at this office during these hours. Remember, you may also obtain your gasoline and Bridge Co. Starts tire applications and have them properly filled out and certified at starting up again and will add

The G. I. Dumond Company con- pany, Inc. and Stolte, Inc., per-

James M. Wells, Project Manager: Merle F. Smith, Project En-

Morrison-Knudsen Company, Inc. eral Superintendent; Ed Campbell, Assistant General Superintendent; Magnus Hjalmarson, Chief Engi-The Rio Vista district is still neer; F. H. James, Purchasing

Stolte. Inc. Personnel - George Loorz, General Manager; Elas Gus-Lord & Bishop are still working tafson, General Superintendent; perintendent; Fred Weiss, Engi-Macco Construction Company is neer; Millard Hendricks, Purchasmaster.

The Mechanic Foremen on the

The Master Mechanic is Brother The Guy Atkinson Company George Lewis, with the following Traveling Repair

Plenty of news from Humboldt, and plenty good

By OTTO E. NEVER **Business Representative**

Eureka-The Redwood Empire has lots of news, most of it good, and some of it on the amusing side.

Up in Del Norte County, Sause Bros. of Albany, Oregon, are trying to get 3,000 feet of Council of Crescent City.

Brother Jim Reynolds called me Sunday morning, July 22nd. It seems a member of the Brotherhood of Electricians tried to push Jim around and he didn't push, so the electrician fired a shot at Jim and missed. In fact, he was so wide he hit another electrician, wounding him in the left shoulder. Some gunman! After that, it took the local police to keep Brother house.

Rigs Moving Dirt

Baker Bros. have three rigs moving dirt for Mercer Fraser at All gravel plants and hot plants Klamath on the Ah Pah Creek access job. Brother Andy Kucan is superintendent with Brothers Bastian doing a swell job. This job should run through the summer.

Mercer Fraser is pushing the Brother Bill Murphy is pushing on this job. Finish work on the shoulders is being done by Brother George King.

The bridge at Little River is nearly completed and is already being used by traffic.

Meyer on Bishop Job

Art Meyer is superintendent for the E. B. Bishop job at Essex cutoff and has done a swell job and treated the brothers right. We would like to see this superintendent a member of Local 3. Brothers Frank Roberts and F. A. Folse are doing the cat and carryall work and Brother George Hardwick is on the Blade. Brother Delbert Armer finished up on this job July 20th and returned to Brother Mickey Murphy's territory. This job should be finished by August

Had a visit from Brother Ira Bolareau in Brother Al Clem's territory. Just doing a little fishing, etc. Also, Brother Tom Haney from Brother Vandewark's territory was just up here for a few days to see his relatives.

Chicago Bridge and Iron Co. is about 15 of our members a month The Morrison-Knudsen Com- for the next five months; mostly repairmen, ventilator men, cat skinners, and welding machine operators at \$1.20; also, a few oilers at \$1.08. No crane operators will gineer; J. B. Kirkpatrick, Office be needed. The big need is for welders and burners and other allied shipbuilding crafts. C. B. & I. Co. have steady work for at least another year. It is possible that the dredge, Oscar McGee, will be put back to work now as two more drydocks have been awarded.

We have been notified that the Navy has finally approved the operators scale of \$1.58 and will reimburse the Company. Also, the five cent increase for dredgermen has been approved by the Department of Labor and is before the Bureau of Yards and Docks for final O.K.

Old-timer, Ed DeYoung, leverman, is operating the Associated Dredge, Jupiter, in South Bay, He would like to hear from Brother Charles Smith, leverman, formerly with the American Dredging Co. Brother DeYoung is doing a fine job and has Brother Hans Jorgenson for deck hand.

Through Brother Swanson's ased in getting jurisdiction in the here and get the latest dope.

Jobs in Nevada picking up fast; Army, highway work steps up turnover

By JOHN DeLAGRANGE **Business Representative**

Reno-The Vegas Rock & Sand Company is now constructing the Airport extension at Battle Mountain, Nevada. On my recent trip to this job they had two of the new type Wooldridge pull type scrapers and are expecting the delivery of a third one in the very near future. After having a conversation with some of the operators they informed me that the Wooldridge is a good piece of dirt moving equipment, however, the only objection they had was that they are blind to the operator while loading. I was told by a factory represen-

tative that at the present time there are only thirteen of this new type of equipment off the assembly line. They are a fourteen yard rig level full, and eighteen yards heaping. The operator receives members employed. \$1.75 per hour on this piece of equipment. They also have two jeeps, seven cats and four motor on his vacation and has appointed patrols. They contemplate ten more cats on this job. Brother "Ed" Duncan is the Steward.

Johnson Drake & Pipe, were the low bidders on the Naval extension at Sutcliffe Naval Station on Pyramid Lake. This will consist of bers employed at Kennecott Copwharf, docks, jetties, railroad sid- per Co. ing and buildings. There will be Nice Work at Tahoe quite a number of our Engineers employed on this job. I was informed that Miller and Stoutenburg had the "sub" on driving the piling and building the jetties.

Olson Gets Award

Russell Olson Construction Company received the award from the Nevada State Highway Department for repairing a portion of highway from Wadsworth to Sutcliffe. This work is now in prog-

I have received information that the Army Engineers contemplate more work for Sierra Ordnance Depot. I do not know the contents of this work, nor the price, I no doubt will have more news regarding this article in the next Engineers News.

I. Christiansen Construction Co. was low bidder and the City Council awarded the contract for curbs and alleys in the city of Reno. Christiansen's bid was submitted at \$134,926.00. This job will start in the very near future.

Repair on Airport

a bridge near Palisade, Nev. They job will be re-advertised.

John Powers Construction Co. has a crew of six men working at to read the list. Winnemucca, Nevada, on utility contract. He also has a crew working at Fallon, Nevada.

Harms Brothers have completed their resurfacing job at Madeline Calif., and are now setting up their equipment two miles west of the Nevada-California State Line on Highway 40. They have a contract to resurface a portion of Highway 40 from the Nevada-California State line to Truckee, California.

travelling repair work in this area. We now have eight members working at Loleta. This is a good job and steady, with plenty of conbers by the Golden State Co. John Moore of the Stockton Stationary State maintenance,

Colletti Bros. are finishing up their bridge jobs at Scotia. Bro-

Any of the brothers in other territories intending to hunt or

Since my last report I have paid a visit to the Ely district and find everything there satisfactory with all our members. Isbell Construction Company's job continues progress with seventy-one of our

Brother Harry Alexander, our Steward on the Isbell job, is now Brother Frank Jakowatz to fill in as Steward until his return. I also visited our Brothers at Ruth, Nevada, employed by Kennecott Copper Corporation. Brother Virgil Blackham is Steward for our mem-

We have four of our cat operators working around Lake Tahoe. These Brothers are receiving pay for their vacation in a nice cool climate!

A site at Lake Tahoe was purchased for an airport by a company from Sacramento on the Nevada side approximately two miles north of the State Line Club on the Wm. Rabe property. This is the only site the C.A.A. engineers approved of. They will have one runway 5000 feet long. As soon as this airport is constructed our worthy President Pat Clancy can p-p-p-pput his nose in the air and just f-f-f-fly to the high Sierras for his weekends.

There has been no progress in the mining development since our last issue. We have several mines talking about opening up, however, with the manpower shortage and the low priorities it is impossible to do so at this time.

I attended the meeting held on August 2 of the Business Agents from the Building and Trades Council and the Central Trades We also have a repair job on and Labor Council regarding orthe Minden Airport by the C.A.A ganizing of all establishments in on runways and taxi ways. This Reno and vicinity. I will publish in job will run approximately \$150,- my next report all firms who have been placed on the unfair list, and The State Highway Department after proper notification to the called on bids for construction of members that the places mentioned are unfair to Organized Labor; any received no bidders, I presume this member or his family caught patronizing these firms will be subject to fine. So please remember

Nevada Labor Meet

Brother Swanson, Brother Mathews, Brother Davenport and myself attended the third Annual Convention of the Nevada State Federation of Labor, July 27-28 and 29, held in Reno, Nevada. This was a very successful convention, Harry A. Depaoli, Business Agent for the Building and Trades Council for Reno was elected President without opposition. For the past three and a half years I have had the pleasure of working with Brother Depaoli and have found him to be very cooperative in all matsideration being shown our mem- ters pertaining to Labor. Brother "Hy" Forgeron, Secretary and Treasurer was retained. Local is in charge of all Golden elected were five new Vice-Presidents. Brother Art Nicholson of the painters from McGill was the only Vice-President held over from ther Jack Griner is running cat our last election in Ely, Nevada.

At this time I wish to take the privilege of thanking all our members for their cooperation and assistance, we have finally succeed- fish here are welcome to drop in sistance in putting over the top the 7th War Loan Drive.

Stockton area has record month; big jobs finished, more getting under way

By ED DORAN

Business Representative

Stockton—The Stockton area has had an exceptional month with everyone working with but a few shovel runners. The prospects for them don't look so good at the present time.

Pomeroy-Sinnock has a little job with his derrick barge furnishing steam while the boilers of ships are being repaired.

The Pacific Pipeline Company of Los Angeles has a job from Tracy to Byron. The work consists of taking up the old line to repair it, then it is replaced.

The Pacific Pipeline Co. of Los Angeles has a job from Tracy to Josephs hospital with compound Byron. The work consists of tak- fractures of his left leg. He also ing up the old line to repair it, will be laid up for an undeterthen it is replaced.

The P & S Construction Co. of San Jose have completed their the hardest thing ever assigned to sewer job in Stockton and are moving the equipment to another

Finish Airport Job

A. Teichert & Company have completed the Airport job at Stockton Field, and have moved most of the men and equipment to Rough and Ready Island where they are paving the streets and parking areas. They expect to complete the work this month.

Raymond Concrete Pile Co. is less than half finished with the piledriving on Rough and Ready Island. This Company has about 6 months to go before completion.

MacDonald-Kahn Co. has started to pave the docks on Rough and Ready Island, Pat Azavedo is operating the gantry crane used to place the concrete.

Geo. Patterson has moved his "cats" from Buckhorn Lodge where he has completed a road job to

Ruddy Highway Done

M. J. Ruddy has completed the highway job out of Modesto, and the railroad job at Pickering is going full blast. Jim Simpson, after trying for a week, finally arrived on the job.

Standard Materials Co. of Modesto is doing a little street work at the Crows Landing and Vernalis Naval Air Stations.

Brother Art Greener is operating the clam shell at a housing project in Modesto, Brother Greener has just returned from 18 months overseas with the Navy.

Tracy Job Progresses

W. A. Bechtel job at Tracy is going along fine. Pete Farish has a couple of "cats" on the job. N & M. Ball have a roller. Bethlehem Steel is placing the iron, but due to the lack of steel they are going slowly. Brother Lloyd Herring has just come back from the wars, and has gone to work for Lasish.

Fredrickson Bros, have started to operate the Hot Plant and Crusher set up in the Periera Bros. gravel pit at Tracy. Brother Mc-Nutt is plant foreman, and it is sure a relief to have a rock plant which the business agent doesn't have to live with.

Any brothers passing through Livermore needing gasoline or oil, stop at Brother Wallace McLean's place, it is located on South L Street. The place is called Delvell's Service Station.

Brother Oscar McMullin is in the hospital being treated for an old injury received while working for Twaits-Morrison-Knudsen, Brother "Mac" should be up and around

Brother Jim Barnech has returned to the hospital, this time for broken bones in his feet. He was run down by a carryall on the Fairfield job.

Brother Del Farris is laid up in the St. Joseph hospital with a couple of broken legs. Brother Del was injured when a pile of cases fell on him while working for Da- cal 12's District, come into your ley Eros. Del will be laid up for Union office and get a clearance Saturday of every month. Remem-

Brother Joe Souza is still in St. mined period.

Writing stuff for this column is me, so if any of you Worthy Brothers have anything you would like to have in this paper, bring it to me, and I will do my best to get it in the next issue.

For the information of our members who desire to transfer to Local No. 12 with contractors equipment, the following is a copy of agreement which is now in effect between Local No. 3 and Local

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCALS 3 AND 12-AGREEMENT

Definite Policy Under Which the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3, and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 12, will accept transfers of certain members coming within the jurisdiction of either Local Union No. 3 or Local Union No. 12 with contractors equipment.

1 (one) Foreman having supervision over the operation of equip-

1 (one) Foreman having supervision over the Heavy Duty Re-

1 (one) Heavy Duty Repairman. 1 (one) Operating Engineer with each specific piece of equipment. Provided:

Member must be in good standing in the International Union of Operating Engineers for a period No. 4 is still upon near Eureka. of at least sixty (60) days at time of transfer.

Member is recognized by the Union as being an employee of the Contractor immediately previous to transfer.

Member shall have a clearance from the Business Representative in the District from which he comes, certifying he was employed on the specific piece of equipment or within the classifications enumerated above immediately previous to coming into the jurisdiction of either Local Union.

Transfer is to be deposited with the proper representative in the District before he be permitted to go to work.

Transfers are subject to acceptance only at the first meeting of each month, and said member shall has been accepted.

In no case under the terms of be permitted to bring into the jurisdiction of either Local Union under the terms of this agreement more than ten (10) men except by agreement with the Local Union the job more attractive. involved.

THIS AGREEMENT shall be applicable only when the Contractor shall notify the Union fifteen (15) days previous to moving into the jurisdiction of either Local Union.

> VICTOR S. SWANSON, Manager, Local No. 3. J. C. FITZGERALD,

International Representative. If you are going to move to Loand you will automatically be eli- ber the date.

Dredge operator pact approved. waits on board

By T. D. BRYSON Business Representative

San Francisco - The new Dredge Agreement has been approved by the Dredge Own- be very brief, as there is noth- Dick also says he will be glad to is now in effect except that part this territory. Our biggest trou- "Cat" where you don't have to War Labor Board and the Of-Any part of the agreement that other territory, and we must letter from W. A. "Handsome Bill" or adds in any way to the cost of gency whether it be employer or far he was unassigned but expectthe job must be approved by the employee. During the past week ed to start pulling levers any time a short time until we can print tives" tell me to go to the well- Alaska. John says the nights are the entire Agreement and furnish known destination of all habitual plenty short up there just now. You all the members with a copy in sinners. pamphlet form.

dredges since last month. The Moss Landing and Los Altos, also still smoldering when the break-Papoose and Monarch are still at at Watsonville, Santa Crub, San fast bell rang the next morning. Hunter's Point where I understand Jose and Moffett Field and so it they will soon finish up. The Rich- goes on down the line. I believe (son of T. M. Bynon, Financial mond and San Pedro are at Cali- Brother Metz of Fairfield and Brofornia Point, the Pearl Harbor is ther Lawrence of Sacramento have again after doing a stretch with ready to go to the same job. The nopoly on our No. 3 operators and Okinawa and is now recuperating Olympia and the Pronto are on I do believe those brothers are the in Oak Knoll. the Alameda Naval Air Base job. The Trojan is still at Bay Farm for the manpower shortage within Island. The Golden Gate is still in a radius of one hundred and fifty drydock at the General Engineer- miles of the aforementioned cening yard in Alameda. The Alamitos is still at Rough and Ready Island. The William H. Palmer has moved do the best we can under the cirto Sacramento where they are getting started on a job for the U.S. Engineers. The Duwamish has finished the job at the Oakland Army Transport Docks and moved to the Richmond yard where she is undergoing some repairs. The Roberts Island "Clam Shell" is on the Grantline Canal in the vicinity of Tracy. Dutra's two clamshells are busy, the Mallard is on the California Point job and the Edwards is working on the salt beds at Redwood City. The Associated Dredging Co. has two of their clamshells in the yard at Pittsburg undergoing some repairs. The No. 2 is at Collinsville and the

Deaths Reported

It is with sincere regret that I must announce the deaths of two of our old time members. Brother Clarence A. Crow, known as Golden Gate. Brother Arthur Coyle died of a heart attack while working on the Alamitos at Rough and dredgemen who join me in an expression of sympathy to their bereaved families.

Deckhands Very Scarce

The deckhand situation has not improved any, if any change it is worse than at the last report. deckhands. We also need several mates and a few suction dredge this agreement will a Contractor levermen. We are hoping that effective we will be able to supply these men more readily as there are some features that will make

> clearance into any branch office of Local No. 12.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

until 6:30 p.m. every Friday, ex- from Brother R. R. "Dicky" Cal-

Manpower shortage still biggest headache in San Jose; demand all classes

By M. G. MURPHY

Business Representative

ers Negotiating Committee and ing new on which to report in be back in the States skinning which requires approval by the ble at the present time is a keep one eye open for a "Nip" bemanpower shortage, but this hind a rock ready to take a pot fice of Price Administration. situation exists in almost every shot at you. . . . Had a V Mail provides for an increase in wages suffer alike in this national emer- Crosson from Luzon. Bill said so governmental agencies before be- I've phoned nearly every office in as there was lots of stuff to be coming effective. We have asked Local 3 asking for operators for bailed. . . . Received an interesting for a speedy approval of these fea- certain types of equipment and letter from Brother John Sharp tures and hope that it will only be those "Dear Brother Representa-

We are short of oilers and oper-There have been some changes ators at all three of the Perin the location of some of the manente Metals plants, Natividad, in the yard at Oakland getting either a No. 1 priority or a motwo culprits who are responsible miles of the aforementioned centers. I guess there is nothing much we can do about it so will have to cumstances.

"Help!" IS the Word

Aside from that brothers, I can't say a whole lot but I do hope Local 3 will always have a demand for operators and oilers alike (not that I want to see any of our jobs held up through a shortage of manpower nor do I wish to see any of our friendly contractors being compelled to pay a penalty by running over his time limit) in its jurisdiction, so when a brother reports for work, he won't be waiting day in and day out for a job and a clearance.

News of Our Brothers

Brother Ray Bishop was in the office to pay us a visit after about thirty-day leave is over he reports rig here, Chambers the Master back to San Diego where he an- Mechanic, E. Von Raesfield, for-"Pete," was killed in an accident ticipates a long stay. . . . Brother merly with McPhail, supplying agat the General Engineering and L. W. Kashka who has been sta- gregates with modern plant known Drydock Yard in Alameda where tioned in the Aleutians is now as Petaluma Building Material's he was skipper on the Dredge home on a thirty-day furlough and Coo. This is the most up-to-date Ready Island. Those two brothers just returned from the South Pa- this venture with Basalt Rock were well known by most of the cific and is on a furlough. Fran supplying. looks swell and wished to be re- Ammunition Dump membered to all of his friends. It's good to have the brothers coming taken out a Withdrawal Card. He job. Brother McCaffey pusher on has gone into the garage business job. Brother Ray Poor recently lit pay permit dues until his transfer Most of the dredges are short of and is doing business under the here after a nice vacation in Orename of San Jose Truck Service. gon, says he can now bust nuts in Good luck to you, Oswald. . . . An- one wallop! other of our brothers has taken when the new agreement becomes out a Withdrawal Card and gone Teed pushing and Hanson nut is going to run a small saw mill. gible to work upon depositing this er Lonnie Lanning who is some- for loading docks, over \$3,000,000 says he enjoys his work. He wish- to fly through! The Engineer's office will be ed to be remembered to all of his moved to the first floor, room No. friends at Permanente and partic-3 in our Labor Temple this month. ularly Ed Caton and J. W. Matus. The office will also be kept open Received an interesting letter with small crew.

(Okinawa, I gather). Says he has operating. been through some tough fighting

San Jose-This report will but so far has been very fortunate. who is with the M. K. Company in no sooner get to bed than it's time to get up. Says he laid a cigarette in the ash tray before he went to sleep the other night and it was . . . Understand Pvt. M. D. Bynon Secretary) is back on this side the Marines. He was wounded at

Work holds up area, reported

By H. O. "HEINIE" FOSS **Business Representative**

San Rafael — Frederickson Bros. have finished their \$100,-000 project Tiburon way and have gone back to Port Chicago. Piombo Bros. are now busy on second contract of \$400,000 plus, railroad installation, ammunition dump, California City. American, San Francisco, and Dutra Dredging working on substantial contracts same place. Macco-Knudson & Gerwick making cement piles for this project at Petaluma, 21/2 million involved.

Three gantrys, one derrick, other miscellaneous equipment working two and a half years in the South two shifts. Brother Ted Hicks is Pacific. Ray believes his overseas the steward on the job. We find duties to be finished and when his Brother Oscar Plum on the steam was in the office to pay us a visit. plant in this district, and our . . Brother Fran Bell also paid members are in complete charge. us a visit a week or so ago. He has We know Raesfield can't miss on

Peter Kiewit & Haas on joint venture at Ignacio ammunition back after such a long absence. dump working large crew, more to Brother Oswald M. Johnson has be added, approximately \$750,000

R. A. McEwen has a big sub job. into business. Brother Floyd Mor- screwer, have big crew and more gan has gone to Oregon where he coming. Macco have overpass here \$250,000 worth and just stringing . . Received a nice letter, also out. Duncanson - Harrelson and some Japanese money from Broth- Healy Tibbetts working on piers where in the Philippines. Brother this job. Pile drivers are so thick Lanning is with the Seabees and the gulls break their necks trying

> Ed Forde got finished at Mare Island and with Brother Wechl and crew started on State job here

Johnson & Nelson keep several cept the Friday before our regular ciano M.M. 1/c, also some VERY of No. 3 members busy, have lots meeting it will be open until 8 p.m. interesting pictures. Dick is on of work. Brother Nelson of this Our regular meeting is the first Island X of the Ryukyu Group firm rustles work and does a little

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Work goes ahead rapidly at Merced base; jobs at Pine Flat awaits surveys

By H. L. SPENCE

Business Representative

of the dear Brothers working up there. Brother Charlie Haver has two Northwest draglines on the job. Frank Marks and Sons from Tracy, California, is crushing the rock for the job.

Louis Biasotti's road job is going along okeh with Tom Cowen, superintendent, and he has a good union crew.

Frank Marks & Sons is crushing the rock for that job too.

Jay Underwood is superintendent for Mac and Mac's land leveling job. Jay is a real land leveler, believe me.

of C. Dudley DeVilbiss, gave up Red Salley is the head engineer on the land leveling game and moved out. I understand he went to California City so Henry Foss can deal with him now, which isn't too crew is a tough and hard working much of a job. J. E. Haddock has quite a number of jobs around the Fresno area. Jess Weaver is the they are all good fellows. Think superintendent for them here. I get along with him okeh—used to Friant Kern County Canal before culty supplying operators. Hope to work for him when he was super- long. Kiewit was low bidder on the get them supplied as they are good intendent for J. P. Holland. The Industrial Engineering Co. has quite a pipe covering or repairing job on the Shell Oil Company line Surveying Pine Flat that runs from Coalinga to Tracy, California. However, the job will be in dear Brother Doran's ter- it will be built, hope so. ritory soon.

Land Leveling Job

Miles and Bailey from Madera have a land leveling job near Murray, California.

Moody Construction Co. is still leveling lots of land down around Reedley. Al Win, superintendent none of the fellows seem to want territory. for Ken Royce up at Merced, tells to sit in a hot hall for a meeting me they are almost finished with but we do have some good meet- men, mechanics, welders, cat opertheir job up there and that Ray

Fresno-N. M. Ball & Sons Harris and he may take over the is really going at the Merced rigs and move in to Fresno to Air Base, with quite a number level land. Lots of luck, Al. Kritzer Equipment Co. is still going strong with their land leveling around Fresno. The C. F. Braun Co. job is almost finished as far as the engineers are concerned.

doing lots of work down in the oil well earned vacation. Brother field. The Phoenix Construction Harry Waggoner seems to be do-Co. are resurfacing the road into the Navy seaplane landing base on Tulare Lake.

Trewhitt, Shields & Fisher are putting up the building. Not much work for the engineers after they got the piles driven. They have the hangar to put up on the Merced Air Base with the Consol-C. F. Hart, who was in charge idated Steel Co. raising the steel, ser with good crew going very well. the truck crane. The Valley Paving Co. is still putting down hot ators, the same as the rest of the stuff near Goshen. The hot plant bunch of men. I see them around the service station quite often and job. I imagine he will be anxious to get started.

The Pine Flat Dam is still in the surveying stage. Maybe some day

open on each Thursday night from Healdsburg and Napa, Union Pav-7 p.m. to 9 p.m. We try to have our ing at Cotati with Brother E. meeting the 4th Thursday of each Gressot, superintendent, and E. J. month. August 23, 1945, will be the Clay pushing, grab off about all date this month. However, the last the operators that pass that way. couple of months it has been so hot All local contractors busy in that

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Work holds up for North Bay

(Continued from Page 4) Road Work Plentiful

Brown-Ely going after road work and they seem to be doing O.K. Brother Oscar Lewis with Hutchinson Co. recently returned from looking over the Salt Lake district. Oscar says he had a nice vacation but the sea was rough when he got back, Brother Howard Rowley had to call in his Dad G. E. Brewster is branching out to spell him off while he takes a ing more repairing than digging lately. Old timer Asher with Brother Lindberg, recently out of U.S. Service, keeps clams busy. Brother Otto Bortfeld says the job is near home and that's enough.

> E. E. Lowell getting his contract going, road around Conn Valley Dam, Superintendent Brother Pay-

> Connelly doing O.K. on the dam, although he has been short of oper-

Operators Set Pace

Walsh Equipment with Park Henry have sub with bunch of the work will start up on the pulls on the job. Have had diffi-Joes and these are good jobs for operators. Basalt at McNeirs going fair on getting rock to Alameda Naval Air Base, understand the delay is on the dredging end. Brother Bill Corchin on 120B and Neil Ported on 80 dig out material. The Fresno office still remains Quite a crew at this quarry. Also

> Still screaming for oilers, fireators, pull men!

Construction jobs begin really to hum around the Sacramento area, report

(Continued from Page 3) Elzie McIntosh, Bill Hunt and Cur- Belyea Trucking Company. tis C. Clark.

Brother Roger Reed is Master Mechanic for Stolte, Inc.

Brother Darkenwald is in charge of all cats and blades for M-K and Brother Harry Leighton is superintendent of equipment for Stolte.

Crushing Plant On

Morrison-Knudsen are also constructing a large crushing plant at Marysville to furnish material for the Fairfield job. Brother Norman Kelley is in charge and the question on wage rates is expected to be settled very soon.

We are very sorry to report a death in this month's report and such a large sick, list. However, we hope that next month all of our sick boys will be back on the

Brother Art Coyle, member of Local 3-C, died of a heart attack at Stockton, on August 1st.

Brother Otto Van Gorder broke his ankle while fishing. He is back on the job, and from all reports he's doing okay. More power to you, Otto.

Brother Leon Ermatinger has been in the hospital, but we hope to see him up and around again

Brother George Abbot was in an automobile accident on July 18. We are happy to report he is getting along very well,

Brother Alfred E. Smith is just out of the hospital after suffering from a broken ankle which he secured while drilling a well on his

Brother O. B. McMullen, member of Local No. 3, is also on our sick list, and we hope he's up and around again real soon.

Brother C. H. (Slim) Covey is out of the hospital, and we are happy to report, is able to be back 26 to 14.

on the job at Camp Kohler for

To all of our boys on the sick list we extend every best wish for a most speedy and complete recovery. Hope our sick list is nil by the time the next issue comes out.

REMINDER: Our SACRAMEN-TO OFFICE continues to remain open each Tuesday and Friday. Evenings from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. All Union business can be transacted on these evenings, which facilitates matters for our members who work late. Remember, you can obtain your gasoline, tires, and any other information, so you fellows who can't get in during the day, take advantage of these two evenings.

MINERS VOTE 2 TO 1 FOR AFL GROUPS

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Morenzi, Arizona With the AFL winning 6 units and the CIO 3, workers of the Phelps Dodge Corp.'s copper mine here chose their collective bargaining representatives in a NLRB election certified by the board.

The Intl. Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers (CIO) was certified 40 to 17 over the Intl. Bro. of Teamsters (AFL); 159 to 119 over the Intl. Union of Operating Engineers (AFL) and 255 to 33 over the Intl. Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers (AFL).

The Intl. Assn. of Machinists (AFL) won over the CIO affliate 104 to 66; the United Bro. of Carpenters won over the CIO 28 to 13; Intl. Bro. of Blacksmiths (AFL) won over the CIO 10 to 3; the Bricklayers (AFL) defeated the CIO 4 to 0; the Intl. Bro. of Electrical Workers was certified over the CIO 47 to 9 and the Intl. Bro. of Boilermakers won over the CIO

News from the San Francisco office

By P. E. Vandewark and Pat. Clancy, Business Representatives

shovels. Very few orders for last issue of the News. shovel operators are received in this area recently, including Harbor Commission. most all types of work. The U.S. Navy was supposed to have let the piles and repairing docks for the keeping a large number of the contract for a new drydock at State Harbor Commission along heavy duty repairmen busy. Hunters Point but an unforeseen the waterfront. delay has been experienced so the contract letting date has been post-

At Hunter's Point

Gerwick, Morrison & Twaits are moving along with their job, still employing a large number of our brothers both on single and two shift basis.

Eaton & Smith are working four shovels two shifts on their excavation job at the Point along with three cats and one blade. They have about 50 per cent of the job completed. On their housing job on Ridge Point they have about finished all of the grading. The Guerrero Street sewer job is progressing smoothly with two small Northwests working one shift. The Market Street track removal and repaying job is still in progress, being a job of rather a slow nature due to traffic conditions and street cars making it necessary for a lot of this work to be done at night after heavy traffic has slowed down.

Two Rigs on Sewer

Healy-Tibbetts are operating two Shipyard.

W. Cathay Co, are also driving

Pacific Bridge Co. are still working on the steel caisson work at Bethlehem Shipyard. The rigs are for the Marine Corps on Third working one shift but the welders Street. and repairmen are working tide shifts which involves a considerable amount of overtime for the brothers on that job.

American Bridge Co. are still moving in steel in preparation for their job which should start about October 1.

Presidio Job Done

McCarthy has about completed his job at the Presidio, J. Henry Harris having completed all of the excavation on that job.

Moore & Roberts have two large housing projects under way at the present time. One is near Evans Avenue and the other near the S. F. Junior College, most of the excavation has already been completed upon both of these jobs but Bay area. the utility and street paving work Ship Repair Booming yet remains to be done.

tion work for this area has the foot of Lincoln Way at the work on their building near Sec- hour shifts. taken a decided upward trend. beach. They are also working on ond and Townsend. They are also At the present time we are short the pier job at Bethlehem ship- keeping several brothers busy on contrary to all rumors. They have of all types of men except for yard which was reported in the repair work in the shop. Charles a few tankers yet to build and Hall, who formerly had his repair have also received a new contract J. Proctor Co. are working on shop in Burlingame, has moved to build barges for the Army. We through this office. A varied their contract repairing piers back to San Francisco and has are short of both operators and amount of contracts have been let along the waterfront for the State bought out Edward Hale Co. shop oilers at Marinship at present. on Bayshore Boulevard. He is now repairing shovels and cats,

Lowrie Paving Co. has several small jobs in progress around San Francisco including a paving job

Fay Imp. Co. also is keeping their old crews busy with several small jobs including some street paving jobs.

Casserretto, P.C.A., Bode and Readymix plants are all still busy. running wet mix and aggregates to several jobs about town.

The stevedoring companies -Jones, American, Pacific, Mitchell, Northern California Terminals, California—are keeping a large number of our brothers busy handling all types of war freight along the waterfront.

On the U.S. Army Barges several of the old time brothers have established themselves homes and are doing work over the entire is proceeding faster than we be-

Bigge Drayage has a contract to terfront is going at full capacity

San Francisco-Construc- | rigs on their sewer outfall job at | MacDonald & Kahn are still at | Bethlehem all working two 10- | Brisbane Quarry, owned by Macco

Marinship is still in existence

News About the Brothers

Brother Wadman met with an unfortunate accident on Friday, July 13th. He lost his left arm below the elbow while working on a Northwest at San Francisco Gravel Company.

Brother Primo Roy is home on furlough after serving some 20 months with the Navy in the Southern Pacific.

Brother "Dugan" Lewis is back home after finishing his contract with Calahan Co. over in England, where he attempted to teach the "limies" how to run a Monigan.

Brother Jimmie Mahan is also discharged out of the service and is now foreman for Eaton & Smith at Hunters Point.

Brother Fred Schlonesky lost a finger recently - he wasn't sure that a belt was running until he placed his finger in and found out.

San Mateo and Vicinity

Work on Mills Field for M & K lieve was intended. After a few meetings with U.S. Army Engi-Ship repair work along the wa- neers regarding inspectors, this job is going very well. The paving dismantle and re-erect some of the at the present time with General should be done in a matter of two job. electric whirleys in Bethlehem Engineering Co., Matson Naviga- weeks and then slurry base in the tion Co., United Engineering and runways will be installed. The still short of men.

Company, received a ruling from the purchase by Macco. We have a number of members employed there and they are getting out rock for the Mills Field job at the present time. The California Paving Co. has been doing considerable work around Bay Meadows Race Track and over at the Horse Barns. We understand things have been working out very well at the Port of Redwood after a meeting with the Navy Commanding Officer.

Work at Bartholomew & Johnson Machine Shop is rather slack now due to cancellation of some government orders. Atkinson Yard, Guerin Bros., Macnson's, and the various shops in the territory are proceeding about as usual. There is no big work in the county outside of Mills Field but there are a lot of small jobs by L. C. Smith and other contractors. Union Paving Co. have a small housing project at San Mateo. Western Pipe & Steel have gone into repair work with the exception of the outfitting docks which are still on new ship contracts - after that, the Yard will be all repair.

Ken Royce Quarry at Rockaway Beach, which is also under signed agreement for this splant, is proceeding O.K., with a number of our members employed. McGuire & Hester have started the water pumping plant and pipe line at San Bruno which is a fair sized

Conditions are good and we are

Round-up of the news from Utah

By C. L. Casebolt, Salt Lake; T. L. Clark, Salt Lake; Scott Ledingham, Ogden; C. R. Van Winkle, Provo-Bus. Representatives

From Salt Lake:

Much of my time during the first half of July was taken up in negotiations with the Utah Copper Company. The Agree- start, they have 240 basements to ment with the Company has dig and a lot of ground clearing now been signed and we are negotiating travel time for the employees as directed by the National War Labor Board, This is quite a controversial issue and undoubtedly will require a good deal of attention.

Work in the oil fields is progressing along as well as can be expected and all jobs within our jurisdiction are running union.

Engineers in Wyoming

We have a great many engineers working in Wyoming for different contractors under a wage scale which is not entirely satisfactory to us. I attended a meeting with the Wyoming State Highway Commission in Cheyenne on July 26th, which was very satisfactory. The Commissioners were very agreeable in arranging a joint meeting them for that as they have done between their committee and a la- a very good job elsewhere. bor committee to set up a proper wage scale covering the State Highway work, this will be very beneficial to the engineers. We are also taking this matter up with the various contractors and they are also agreeable so perhaps in the future we will be able to have these matters corrected. Wyoming is a very large state and to swing around it back to Salt Lake requires several days driving and a great deal of gasoline.

The work in general for the engineers is good. We have only one shovel crew out of employment and a great shortage of cat skinners and mechanics at this time. Our crete plant in operation. The job jobs are small and a long way should last for the next 60 days. apart hat apparently nearly everyone is happy.

We are making some progress in the Stationary field as our brothers are gradually being placed on these various positions. This stationary field has been neglected for so many years that it will require a long period of time to organize it as it should be,

Brother Emery Bissel was injured on the Enoch Smith job yesterday and is in the Dee Hospital at Ogden with a broken leg. We are very sorry to hear of Brother on that job. Bissel's misfortune and the brother engineers are requested to visit him while he is laid up.

The highlight of the month was a visit paid us by Brother V. S. Swanson and Brother Harry Metz. We were very happy to have them in Utah, if only for a few days and will look forward to having them visit us again.

So, until next month I will bid you good by.

-C. L. CASEBOLT.

We have been having some very hard rains the last few days, but they have not stopped any work.

The Toele job is about completed.

W. W. Clyde Construction Co. and Mendenhall, Whiting & Haymond Construction Co. has been there for some time. Gibbons & Reed Construction Co. has finished their part of the iob and has moved off. They are moving on their new job at Idaho Falls, Idaho. We have cleared four engineers to them.

Lee Young Construction Company is doing quite a bit of street work in Salt Lake.

We have two large housing jobs

starting.

Floyd Whiting Construction Company has some work at Dugway. Leland Tuft has several land leveling jobs in this district.

Boys Go Contracting

Two of our members, Brother Wood and Brother Ewell, have gone in the contracting business. We want to wish them success. They are getting off to a good and street work to do. They have a Shovel and two Cats and are really using them.

Hebe Glenn Construction Company is doing quite a lot of work in Utah and Wyoming.

We could use a few more cat men in this territory. The Utah Construction Company is doing a stripping job at Bingham Canyon. The Dike job is all done, we have a few men there cleaning up.

The Anderson Brothers Pipe Line is finished on this end.

We have been sending a lot of men to Morrison-Knudson Construction Company but have not been able to keep them supplied. Quite a few men come through here but only a few stop. Our service men do not seem to get settled, but I guess we cannot blame

-T. L. CLARK.

From Ogden:

North half of the State of Utah is very quiet, with only a few jobs working, prospects for any work is not very promising.

Reynolds Construction Co. on Snow Basin job are making good progress.

Wheelwright Construction Company has started a new water line for the Ogden City.

The Utah Construction Company at the AFS Depot has their con-

Vic Newman Company at the Ogden Arsenal with their underpass job are making good progress.

Drive Pile on Cutoff

Morrison-Knudson Company has been driving pile on the Lucin Cutoff for the Southern Pacific Railroad for the past two seasons and are now storing materials for the next year. I was out there Thursday, arriving in time for breakfast. Their food is extra good and plenty of it, I now understand why we have no kicks from the boys

The Ogden office hopes to have more news to report in their next news letter.

-SCOTT LEDINGHAM.

From Provo:

The calmness of our existence was shattered here in Provo last month by a spontaneous walkout of the employees of the Central Maintenance and Rolling Mill Departments at the

Geneva Steel Company. I had been making my usual monthly tour of the jobs in Southern Utah and had returned late Saturday, June 21. The next afternoon at 3 p.m. our very efficient Steward in the Steam Crane Department, Brother Verl Van Leuven, informed me that the men had started walking out Saturday evening and were still continuing to leave the job. Naturally concerned, I immediately began contacting the officials of the various unions and helped arrange for a meeting of the people involved for Monday noon in the ball park. I also met with the Grievance Committeemen and Stewards Sunday evening and Monday morning in order to determine and compile

the issues involved. Charge Bad Faith

bership at Geneva was a charge of is being finished up and, at the in other parts of the country. surance plan.

the Company's officials in putting into effect the agreement between the American Federation of Labor and the Geneva Steel Company. The membership charged that they had shown this: (1) By the dilatory manner in which they handle grievances. (2) By their general refusal to abide by the spirit of the agreement in regard to seniority. (3) By the attitude of the Company's officials toward the Union representatives. (4) By the failure of the Company's officials to abide by the agreements between the Union and the Company. (5) By the failure of the Company to grant vacations to eligible employees, although in many cases it would not affect production. (6) By its failure to pursue a uniform program throughout the plant. (7) By appointing foremen who are neither competent, know how to handle men, nor to conduct work in a safe manner. (8) By requiring employees to perform work outside of their respective jobs. (9) By failing to define these jobs as directed by the War Labor Board. (10) By suspending employees without adequate reasons or hearings. (11) By abolishing the position of gang leader.

I also insisted that an immediate attempt be made to have the Company's officials agree to meet with the Union representatives to iron out the difficulties. This they agreed to do if the men and women involved would return to work. At the mass meeting in the ball park, over which I presided, and at which approximately 800 Geneva employees were present, this Company proposal was presented. The members present agreed to return to work provided an immediate settlement, satisfactory to them, could be had.

Discuss Issues

For the rest of the week we met with the Company's officials and discussed with them the issues involved and on Friday received a written answer from the Company that satisfactorily answered the grievances outlined above and which gave assurances that the reasons leading to them would be eliminated. This was presented to the people involved in meetings held on Friday evening and Saturday noon and the members Company proposals a trial.

I believe that the incident has done a world of good and if the lessons learned are properly used by both the Company and the membership, cannot but help lead to better relations.

Geneva Plant Problem

The question of the disposal of the Geneva Plant is still agitating the population hereabouts. According to Congressman J. W. Robinson, with whom I have talked lately, the Defense Plant Corporation does not intend to sell the plant outright because of the difficulties involved in an outright sale, but will lease the plant for five years to some company that can give adequate assurances that it will operate the plant. After the five year period, as I understand it, the plant then would be sold, According to the Congressman, no company made a bid on the plant last month but the United States Steel intends to bid as this Company asked for additional time to present a bid. Present plans call for, according to the Congressman, a reconversion job that will run between thirty-seven and thirty-eight million dollars.

Construction work remained, during the last month, on about the same level as reported in my The main complaint of our mem- last report. Some work, however,

lack of good faith on the part of present time, there are no signs of Pipe Work Winds Up any new work starting.

Discuss Road Program

In my conversations with Congressman Robinson I took up the question of the road program in this State. This program, by the way, is not to start until the President declares the emergency over, or Congress passes a concurrent resolution along the same lines. Present plans call for about twenty-one million dollars worth of road work during the three years following the ending of the emergency, Sixteen million dollars of this money is to be provided by the United States Government. of Utah. Rumors that the State's road fund is badly balled-up, that it may interfere with this program are unfounded, the Congressman

Reporting for the Jobs

The Carl B. Warren Co. has added a few men to its crew and has moved part of its crew back to Provo Canyon. The present contract for the making of pipe is about completed. However, there is another contract coming up but there may be some delay before it gets started because it calls for a different type of pipe. The work on the line should last to about March next year

The J. B. and R. E. Walker Co. still has the same crew. Conditions have been better there during the past month and there has been fewer complaints. This Company is still working at the mouth of Provo Canyon and is also working on its Dry Creek part of the job.

The Bureau of Reclamation on its force account work is still working the same crew. It reports that work may be held up because of rights-of-way but that its work will increase this fall when the water goes down,

Work Slacks Off

The F. H. McGraw Co. work at the Geneva plant has somewhat slacked off. However, this company has been switching its men back and forth between jobs and there has only been a couple of lay-offs. Its job at the Pacific States Pipe Company at Ironton is off to a good start. We have eight members on the job at the present time. The present job will run about a quarter of a million dolagreed to accept and give the lars and there is a possibility of it being increased later. The superintendent on the job is our good friend and member, Brother John Curlee. Brother Curlee was superintendent of equipment for the U.P.M. Co. for over two years during the construction at Geneva and did a fine job. He transferred from the U.P.M. Co. to the McGraw Co. and was superintendent of equipment for that company until he was promoted and made General Construction Superintendent at Ironton, Our relations with Brother Curlee have always been of the finest and we can look forward to a job that, as far as the engineers are concerned, will be run with a minimum of difficulties.

The Victor Newman Co. on the Orem sewer job is finishing up and the bulk of the crew has been shifted to his Ogden job.

Enoch Smith and Sons street job is going along fine. There are seven members on this job. Their new contract with the City for about fifty thousand dollars additional street work was thrown out, due to the City's claim that they did not have money available for the job.

The Morrison-Knudsen and the Utah Construction Company's railroad work at Delta and Milford, respectively, is finishing up. The crews, I understand, will be for

The Utah Concrete Pipe Company's work at Richfield is nearing completion. The crews will be sent to either Fillmore, where the company has additional work, or to Idaho, I am advised.

The Utah Construction Company's work at Cedar City at the Iron Springs and Iron Mountain Mines is employing about the same number of members (20). Some difficulty was had in the ore content at Iron Springs which practically closed that mine down, most of the crew at Iron Springs being shifted to Iron Mountain. I take it for granted that the difficulty Five million dollars by the State has been straightened out or I would have been informed.

Our relations with the W. W. Clyde Co, continue to be good. This company has finished up its land leveling job at Enterprise. The other work there, by the way, may be delayed. Its Keetley job for the State Road Commission was going along fine on my last visit, although they had some trouble and had to install a new crusher. The Scofield Dam job is progressing nicely. Most of the Enterprise crew having been shifted there. A little additional work has been started at the Dam in the form of a dike that is being built across one end of the lake to prevent the water backing up.

Announcement:

In our last issue it was stated that the office would open until 1 p.m. Saturdays. For the information of our membership the office will close at noon Saturdays. This has been done so that the office help will only work 40 hours per week which is in accordance with our agreement with the office workers and not 41 as the previous hours made it. I can be reached at my home as announced in the last issue at most times after office hours. The office will continue to open for the convenience of our membership each Friday evening between 6 and 8 p.m. MEETING SCHEDULES

The meetings of the Local Union are still being held on the second and fourth Wednesdays, The next three meetings will be held on Wednesday, August 22, September 12th and 26th at 8 p.m. Your attendance is requested as there are many important matters that should be discussed by the membership and the meetings are the only place where these can be properly discussed.

-C. R. VAN WINKLE. * * *

Work goes ahead at Merced base

(Continued from Page 5) ings around the office for a while.

We have good news from our Captain "Pete" Petersen, who is now stationed at Manila. He has received that well earned promotion and is now being addressed as Major Petersen. Good luck, Pete, that's the best news yet and hope you'll be with us soon.

HEALTH GROUP TO MAINTAIN SYSTEM OF NURSE SERVICE

New York City Group Health Cooperative has announced the addition of visiting nurse service to the benefits under its plan for prepaid medical and surgical care at no increase in premium. This is the first time that visiting nurse service has been inthe most part sent on other work cluded in a voluntary health in-

the Oakland office What's doing

By Al Clem, Joe Riley and Joe Walther, Business Representatives

Local No. 3 Chosen

At an election conducted by the N. L. R. B., on August 6, in the three plants operated by the Peterson Tractor & Equipment Co., your Union was chosen as the appropriate bargaining agent by the employees of this company.

The balloting began at 10:00 a.m. in the San Francisco plant and ran through the day with the polling place operating at Brentwood at 12 | Big Growth Planned noon, and at Hayward at 4:30 p.m.

It was a bitterly contested election with four choices appearing on the ballot. The Peterson Tractor Employees' Association, the Operating Engineers, and of course our old friends, the Machinists. They were there with all their 'bull' and numerous phoney promises, ranging all the way from assurance, if the employees would be nice house, is designed to provide emenough to give them the right, to ployment for returning servicemen conduct their collective bargaining. and former war workers and thus They would receive all the good prevent unemployment during inthings in this world and a few in dustrial reconversion.

the next ranging all the way from free initiation fees and cheap dues to "pie in the sky when they die."

But the employees in the various plants, being a group of intelligent men, refused to be misled by all this malarky and cast a substantial majority of their votes in favor of a legitimate Union. Therefore, your officers join with the membership in welcoming this group of men to membership in Local 3.

The Metropolitan Oakland area continues to plan for huge industrial growth at the end of the war. It has been announced by the Board of Supervisors that more than \$3,-300,000 will be spent for the construction of Alameda County build-

The building program, all postwar with the exception of a storetries have announced plans to meet largest in the State. Compared the anticipated development at the

The Judson Pacific Company and J. Philip Murphy, who have merged their interests are preparing for a greatly expanded manufacturing program.

Harry Ferguson, Inc., nationally known tractor and farm equipment manufacturer, has established headquarters in Oakland to serve the 11 Western states.

Westinghouse Electric Company has purchased over three acres in East Oakland as a sales distributing and service center for farm and industrial equipment.

Alameda County Future

records and ration book registhat Alameda County has had gressive districts in the country toa population gain of 43 per cent, day!

At the same time many indus- since 190 and now ranks third Big Stone Producer amazing strides we have made.

> For you fellows who have been away, this growth is bound to be very noticeable when you get back. Those vacant lots, with the tall weeds and the tin can piles-many of them are now covered by trim little homes. In many instances where you remember seeing plowed fields you will see that housing units have sprung up, some with their own shopping centers and schools-complete little communities in themselves.

For those of us who have been here the change has been so gradual that perhaps we have failed to In an estimate based on realize what a complete metamorschool enrollment, employment phosis has overtaken our community. It might be a good idea to trations the California Taxpay- take a look around. You happen to ers' Association has announced be living in one of the most pro-

Did you know that Alameda to a 28 per cent gain for the County led the state in the value of rest of California this gives a miscellaneous stone produced in pretty complete picture of the 1944? There was a total of 35,370,-143 net tons of this miscellaneous stone, including sand, gravel. crushed rock, rubble and riprap produced in California during the year. Of this amount the Oakland area produced 3,231,372 tons of sand and gravel valued at \$2,224,850 and 4,695,743 tons of crushed rock valued at \$3,887,215, which made a total of \$6,112,065. Los Angeles county was in second place with an output of \$4,596,097, according to the Research and Statistical Department of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce.

Elect Clem Prexy

Brother Al Clem has been elected to a three-year term as President of the Contra Costa Building and Construction Trades Council by unanimous vote of the 35 delegates present. This is Brother Clem's 4th term as President of the Council.

Getting around the jobs

ler and one cat on the job at the Brother Ed Blood is Engineer. present time.

Manuel Smith is using two ditchers, a loader and dozer on his 30mile sewer job at 150th Avenue and East Fourteenth Street.

maintenance work for the Associated Oil Company at Avon.

Grading at Antioch

Roberts Island Dredging Company is doing the grading work at the new manufacturing plant in tel yard on 105th Avenue. Brother blast for approximately six weeks. Antioch: Brother Julian Cantaini, who is operating for them, is busy helping Brother Jess Muller, mechanic, with overhaul work at the present time. Jess, incidentally, is Company at Oleum. Brother D. E. building a new low-bed trailer for Hunt is job steward.

Close Construction Company has himself in his spare moments. Raytwo miles of road and sidewalks to mond Concrete Pile Company has WAAC Barracks in Berkeley. We been announced by T. A. Bedford, put in at the housing project job in moved a driver in and is placing San Leandro. There is a blade, rol- 1,000 concrete piles on this job.

> Frederickson Brothers are employing four engineers on their highway job out of Brentwood.

Charles Harney who was the successful bidder on the paving job at There are seven members doing the Fleet Supply Base, Oakland, is five of our members, signed an setting up a hot plant and getting agreement with this Union. ready to start work.

> There are approximately fifteen members employed as crane operators and oilers at the W. A. Bech-Jack Greenwood acting as foreman.

The Fred J. Early Company is doing repair work at the Union Oil the present time.

Emeryville has three of our men on the payroll.

During the past month the Pacific Pipe Company, which employs

Concord. With about 50 Engineers out there the job will be going full to work at the present time. at which time it will begin to taper

which has been awarded to the and it is expected that work will Henry J. Kaiser Company, will re- be increased accordingly.

Arris Knapp has a job at the quire the work of thousands, it has have three members on this job at Richmond Shipyards Assistant General Manager. The entire steel, fabrication and erection capacity of The George Forni Company of both Yards One and Two will be needed to do the job.

At the same time Prefab is working on production of ATC all-welded barges for the Army. This job is expected to last well into the winter. Brother L. E. Troxler is foreman and has approximately 28 Fredrickson & Watson are busy members working for him now. Prefab-are all putting men back

Yard Three reports that 71 ships have been repaired in three basins since April 15th of this year. The The contracts for steel barges fourth basin is now in operation

Yard Four is still doing some repair work. This yard, incidentally, has just received recognition of its outstanding achievement in reducing the frequency of disabling injuries. Nice record!

Last Victory Ship

The last of the Victory ships, the S. S. Burbank, has been launched from Yard Two in Richmond. Since the Vanguard slid down the ways a short time after Pearl Harbor, 775 ships have been built in the local Kaiser yards. This last ship was sponsored by Mrs. Henry J. Kaiser. on the Inland Storage Depot job at These three yards-One, Two and Mr. Kaiser, acting as trigger man, remarked in part, "we are not registering a finality, but beginning the second phase in the achievements of our industrial family."

> A. J. McCosker has two shovels operating at the Lincoln Avenue Quarry, loading fill for the job in Alameda.

News about the brothers:

now living in Brookings, Oregon, who is hoping to get into the Navy. and at the present time is planning on raising Easter lilies. He says that he will plant about two acres has been appointed traveling Suof them this fall.

Brother J. E. Aber is leaving the Bay Area to make his home in received this promotion. Santa Barbara. He has been employed by Bethlehem in Alameda for some time and we feel that there is a great deal of credit due to both him and Brother Rex Stanberry for keeping things running so smoothly and for the fact that our craft is nearly 100 per cent organized in that yard. Brother Aber is going into the Police Department and so if any of you fellows should collect a ticket while traveling through the fair city of Santa Barbara-you know who to

The "Diamond Garage" accredited AAA establishment, 3475 Champion Street, Oakland, has been taken over by Brother Ray Butterfield who recently took out a withdrawal card. There is a gas station in connection and Butterfield announces that they will be open for 24-hour service.

In the hospital for an eye operation the first part of July, Brother George Harrison is up and about again.

Brother Walter "Dutch" Block, perintendent for the Heafey Moore Company. An old timer in this area.

Expecting to be back on the job in the near future, Brother S. W. dle of July, reports that he is feeling very much better now.

Another of our members, H. F. Burnett is on the sick list too. At the present time he is in St. Joseph's Hospital at San Francisco and it will be about six weeks before he can go back to work.

Brother J. C. Titus, who has been operating crane for the Cain Steel Company, has taken out his Service withdrawal card. He says he has requested service in the Navy.

Another Local 3 man who took out his Service withdrawal in July is Brother Robert Killip. He expects to be called in the immediate

A Big Reunion

Douglas Cooley not long ago. He is issued to Brother Lloyd A. Walker Brother Fred Conrad home at the Seventeenth Street, Oakland. same time. Harry, a Chief Motor Machinists Mate, came in from the Pacific and Fred, Pfc. got a furlough on his return from Europe. The other three-Eddie R 3/c atwe are glad to hear that Dutch has tached to a destroyer, Dick MM 1/c on a Repair Ship, and Jack, Pfc., in the Army are all somewhere in the Pacific. Brother Conrad, veteran of Gale was captured by Rommel on McReynolds, who was in Merritt both the Merchant Marine and the Hospital for an operation the mid- Navy himself, has been employed in Richmond No. 2 as a member of the trial crew for nearly two years; but says he is seriously considering going back to sea in the near future. Some family!

> Brother Bob Creery, who operated compressor for the Ransome Company for the past 18 months, is confined to the hospital.

> Brother Charles Corbin, who received a Medical Discharge from the Navy after 28 months in the South Pacific, is planning on going to work as an Engineer soon. Prior operator in Kaiser's Yard One for 23 months.

Taking a withdrawal card during furlough. the last month, Brother Harrison Bedell tells us that he is going into It was a happy coincidence that the Automobile and Fire Insurance, Lawrence Wixson MM 1/c, dropped Labor Board.

Brother L. O. Johnson also took near Colusa.

Received a letter from Brother. A Service withdrawal has been brought two of the five sons of business. He will be located at 359 a withdrawal card during the month of July. He plans on devoting most of his time to his ranch

Our boys in service

A Real War Drama

building roads with the Army Engineers in Africa, Brother John B. February 17, 1943. Flown to a prison camp at Furstenburg on Oder, he says he spent the next 26 months doing nothing much but concentrating on how to keep from starving. Often it was nip and tuck, with as many as eight or nine men trying to make a meal on one loaf of bread and a pot of thin soup. Later, however, when the Red Cross supplies got through, things eased up somewhat. For him the great day came on April 22, 1945, when the Russians broke through and released many thousands of them. When asked what he thought of his rescuers he said, "Those Russians! Now there is a hardy bunch of boys!" Brother Gale, who wears to his induction he was relief crane ribbons for two African campaigns, also has the good conduct award and the Purple Heart. At the present time he is enjoying a 60-day

One of our Sea Bee Brothers,

into the office the other day. Sta-Engaged in laying mines and tioned at Camp Parks at the present time he has been in the service for nearly three years, and spent ten months in the South Pacific. At the present time he is laid up for repairs, but things he might be back in circulation as a civilian in the near future.

> Now stationed at the Receiving Ship on Treasure Island, Brother C. E. Clark F 1/c, paid us a visit not long ago. On duty in Mississippi for some time, Clark says it is nice to be back on the coast and wants to say "Hello" to all his friends.

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Garment Workers Get Minimums, Vacations

Washington, D.C. The men and women who make union-label overalls

other work clothing have been granted a minimum rate of 50c an hour and a more liberal vacation plan in a voluntary agreement between the manufacturers and the United Garment Workers (AFL) approved by the National War

Daily report of awards for construction jobs

awarded to Chas. L. Harney, \$376,- 163,340 for construction earthwork 935 for regrading and paving of and structures at Friant-Kern Castreets at Naval Supply Depot, nal Project, Calif. Oakland.

SHOEMAKER, Calif., contract awarded to Haas Const. Co., \$185,- homoja buildings at A.A.S., Fal-980 for const. homoja housing at lon, Nevada. Camp Parks, Shoemaker.

awarded to MacDonald & Kahn, Co., for dredging and coffer dam \$6,214,000 for construction of new work at Yard III, Richmond, Calif. Sacramento Signal Depot.

tract awarded to Wm. E. Thomas struction Co., \$38,467 for construc-Const. Co., \$8906 for construction tion dispensary for U.S.N. WAVES of culvert and trash rack along barracks, Balboa Park. Ward Creek at Hayward, Alameda

awarded to Guy F. Atkinson Com- Drive, Alameda. pany, \$118,475 for const. of foundation for construction of foundation for Scotts Flat Dam located 41/2 miles east of Nevada City, Nevada.

July 16, 1945

CARSON CITY, Nevada, contract awarded to Russell Olson, \$7,974 for 11.72 miles surfacing at Wadsworth to Sutcliffe at Pyramid Lake, Washoe County, Nevada.

VALLEJO, Cal., contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., \$16,949 for con- Calif. struction of sewer on Sonoma St., Vallejo.

to \$3520 for pile dolphins at Stockton Lake, Washoe County, Nevada. Ordnance Depot.

\$2,249,176 for construction of 126 backfilling. family dwelling units in Berkeley.

July 17, 1945

awarded to L. C. Smith, \$7764 for main in Virginia and Standard Army Base, Oakland. grading and paving work in San Avenues, Richmond. Mateo County.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., contract awarded to S. F. Water Department, \$3804, for laying mains in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., contract awarded to W. J. Tobin, \$21,-Embarcadero, between Taylor and \$617,200 for steel work for ship system, North Ashland Drainage Bay Street, S. F.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, \$20. 590 for 23.6 mi. repair with seal coat in Tehama County, Calif.

awarded to Raymond Concrete Pile Napa and Sonoma Counties, Calif. Company, \$5400 for removing 300 piles Calif. Maritime Academy, Carquinez Straits.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, Placer and Nevada Counties. \$22,549 for constructing 0.711 mi. access road to Alameda Naval Air Station, Alameda County, Calif.

EUREKA, Cal., contract awarded to C. C. Gildersleeve, \$8740 for repairs to existing bridge across Squaw Rock Slide about 8 miles County, Calif.

OGDEN, Utah, contract awarded Station, Alameda, Calif. to Reynolds Construction Company, \$4371 for relocating railroad house at Ogden Arsenal, Ogden, 915 for about 5.3 mi. repair in Yolo and 6, Avalon Heights, Fresno.

TRACY, Calif., contract awarded Tracy, Calif.

FRIANT, Calif., contract award-OAKLAND, Calif., contract ed to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., \$1,-

> FALLON, Nevada, contract awarded to Dinwiddie Const. Co., \$141,435 for construction of 36

RICHMOND, Calif., contract SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract awarded to LeBoeuf-Dougherty &

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., con-SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., con- tract awarded to Dinwiddie Con-

ALAMEDA, Calif., contract awarded to Heafey-Moore Co., GRASS VALLEY, Cal., contract \$10,475 for resurfacing of Gibbons A.S.F. Depot, Utah.

July 18, 1945

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., contract awarded to McGuire & 869 for about 8.7 miles resurfacing Hester, \$112,000 for construction work between San Ardo and King sewer, pumping plant and force City in Monterey County. main, South S. F.

July 19, 1945

awarded to P. & S. Const. Co., \$60,- repair work between Base Hill and 885 for surface strips for tent 325 for construction of water transmission line in Sharp Park,

CARSON CITY, Nevada, con-STOCKTON, Calif., contract \$7974 for 11.72 miles surfacing on County. Pomeroy-Sinnock, portions of highway at Pyramid

walk and curb from carline to Fleishhacker Cafe, Great Highway, S. F.

HUNTERS POINT, Calif., confitters and boiler makers building, project. Naval Dry Dock, Hunters Point.

July 20, 1945

\$42,658 for about 7.5 mile length California Point. SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract repair between Napa and Oakville,

> 926 for about 7.8 mi. length repair Schoo, Vallejo. between Gold Run and Kingvale,

tona and Genevra, Yolo and Co-Lake Counties, Utah. lusa Counties.

north of Cloverdale in Mendocino tract awarded to J. Henry Harris, paying job on El Patio Street, Val- Piper, \$79,800 for const. landing \$22,549, for const. 0.711 miles ac- lejo. cess road to Alameda Naval Air

County.

MARE ISLAND, Calif., contract| SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., conto Steve P. Rados, \$269,356 for con- awarded to Lee J. Immel, \$312,- tract awarded to Clinton Const. struction of the first unit of a san- 424, for repaying and paying re- Co., \$13,100 for repair and recon- ed to I. Christensen, \$134,920 for itary sewer and water extension in pairs at U. S. Navy Yard, Mare struction of fender lines at Pier Island.

Naval Hospital, San Leandro.

HUNTERS POINT, Calif., contract awarded to DeLuca & Son, \$244,700 for const. of 110 tempo-Hunters Point Project, Calif.

BENICIA, Cal., contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., \$20,700 for construction of utilities for building at Benicia Arsenal.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., contract awarded to E. A. Forde, \$10,-116 for 0.5 miles grade and surface work between San Rafael and San

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to Utah Const. Co., \$19,995 for construction of additional railroad trackage at Utah

July 24, 1945

SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract awarded to A. Teichert & Co., \$99,

SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, \$15,-SHARP PARK, Calif., contract 789 for portions only about 14 mi Cresto's in Shasta County, Calif.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., \$26,088 for about 2.4 miles surfactract awarded to Russell Olsen, ing between Gilroy in Santa Clara struction of commercial Bldg.,

MARYSVILLE, Calif., contract awarded to E. B. Bishop, \$13,300 awarded to Johnson Drake & Piper PARADISE, Calif., contract for 1.3 miles repair with plant mix \$57,929 for construction of for-BERKELEY, Calif., contract awarded to Pacific Pipeline, \$18,- surface between Oak Streets in ward firing rocket facilities, Naval awarded to Newsom & Bechtel, 939 for ditching laying of pipe and Willows and Orland, in Glenn Air Station, Vernalis. County, Calif.

awarded to Freethy-Fogelberg, awarded to J. Henry Harris, \$36,- ed to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., \$1,-SAN MATEO, Calif., contract \$12,116 for installing 20" water 440 for const. tent camp, Oakland 163,340 for const. earthwork struc-

> WINNEMUCCA, Nevada, con-SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., con-tract awarded to John B. Powers, ed to Tom Hull, \$7647, for const. tract awarded to DeLuca & Son, for construction of sewerage sys- 5 wing dams on Mad River, Hum-\$3540 for construction of fence, tem in the Harmony Housing Ad- boldt County, Calif. dition, Winnemucca, Nevada.

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awarded to Sam Hunter, \$64,379 District No. 5 Humboldt County. 320 for laying cast iron mains in tract awarded to Columbia Steel, for construction of storm drainage

> contract awarded to Macco Con-SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract struction Co., \$249,653 for conawarded to A. A. Tieslau & Son, struction of highway overpass at tract awarded to Moore Dry Dock

> VALLEJO, Cal., contract award- co, Calif. ed to E. E. Lowell, \$1770 for ap-SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract proximately 12,895 sq. ft. surfacing awarded to Clements & Co., \$48,- of playground area at Curry tract awarded to Mercer, Fraser

> SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to J. M. Sumsion, MARYSVILLE, Calif., contract \$25,100 for construction of gravel awarded to K. R. C. Const. Co. awarded to N. M. Ball & Son, \$11,- stockpiles involving 30,000 T. \$43,600 for repair and restoration 130 for 1.7 mi. repair between Bre-crushed rock in Summit and Salt of Jenner Jetty at mouth of Rus-

VALLEJO, Cal., contract award-SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., con-ed to C. M. Syar, \$1401 for asphalt awarded to Johnson, Drake &

FRESNO, Calif., contract awarded to Wm. E. Kovich, \$15,362 for SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract construction of sewers in Washspur adjacent to freight ware- awarded to A. Teichert & Co., \$32,- ington Heights and Blocks No. 5

No. 40, S. F.

SAN LEANDRO, Calif., contract PORT CHICAGO, Calif., contract SAN MATEO, Calif., contract awarded to Monson Bros., \$70,527, awarded to Freethy-Kimball, \$70,- awarded to San Mateo Feed and for drainage and repairs at U. S. 701 for construction of tug basin and dispatchers office, Naval Magazine, Port Chicago.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., con tract awarded to W. G. Ebright, rary family dwelling units at \$16,990 for grading San Andreas outlet No. 3, San Mateo.

> CAMP BEALE, Calif., contract awarded to Lawrence Const. Co., \$45,634 for alterations at Camp Beale, Marysville.

> BRIGHAM, Utah, contract awarded to R. J. Daum, \$87,326 for additional work on buildings at Bushnell General Hospital, Brigham, Utah.

> contract MODESTO, Calif., awarded to Harris Const. Co., \$3210 for const. lavatory facilities at Hammond General Hospital, Modesto.

July 31, 1945

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to Horman Const Co., \$31,478 for construction Naval Officers Quarters, Dugway Proving Grounds, Utah.

OAKLAND, Calif., contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, \$24,houses at Oakland Army Base, Oakland.

VALLEJO, Cal., contract awarded to J. A. Bryant, \$61,844 for con-

VERNALIS, Calif.,

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RICHMOND, Calif., contract OAKLAND, Calif., contract FRIANT, Calif., contract awardtures, Friant-Kern canal.

EUREKA, Cal., contract award-

EUREKA, Cal., contract awarded to Reed & Tuttle, \$8550 for HAYWARD, Calif., contract const. two pile trestle bridges, in

awarded to Daniel G. Longtin Co., \$5000 for diamond drill work at CALIFORNIA POINT, Calif., Yard III and Yard IV, Richmond.

> SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., con-Co., \$28,950 for construction of three landing floats, San Francis-

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., con-Co., \$33,000 for repairs to car ferry slip at Pier 43, S.F.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract sian River, Sonoma County.

SUTCLIFFE, Nevada, contract and shore facilities at N.A.F., Pyramid Lake, Suttcliffe, Nevada.

August 2, 1945

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., contract awarded to Edward Keeble, \$65,390 for construction of curbs, pavement and installing sewers in Fairhills Sub-division, San Rafael.

RENO, Nevada, contract awardand paving alleys in City of Reno. and active.

Fuel, \$1,880 for resurfacing play area at Burlingame and San Mateo High Schools.

August 3, 1945

COTATI, Calif., contract awarded to J. C. Spaletta, \$28,577 for patching runways at Naval Outlying Field, Cotati, Calif.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., contract awarded to A. Teichert & Co., \$11,-764 for improvements of San Luis Court, Muir Way and south half of Sutter Way, Sacramento.

STOCKTON, Calif., contract awarded to M. J. B. Const. Co., \$17,019 for const. of additional open storage area at Stockton Ordnance Depot, Stockton.

August 6, 1945

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., contract awarded to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., \$173,303 for construction of new hard standing, Islais Creek,

VALLEJO, Cal., contract awarded to J. A. Bryant, \$81,150 for construction of commercial bldg. in Vallejo.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to Gibbons & Reed, \$5261 for construction roads to S.E. open storage area, Utah A.S.F. Depot.

MARE ISLAND, Calif., contract awarded to Freethy-Kimball, \$43,-811 for construction submarine attack teachers bldg., Mare Island.

August 7, 1945

OAKLAND, Calif., contract awarded to Geo. A. Renner, \$15,-623 for repairs to 7th St., Unit Wharves, Oakland Outer Harbor,

BRIGHAM, Utah, contract awarded to Geo. Whitmeyer, \$2089 for construction of plumbing facilities at Bushnell General Hospital, Brigham, Utah.

FALLON, Nevada, contract awarded to Dodge Const. Co., \$168,570 for repairs to runway and stabilization of shoulders at N.A. A.S., Fallon, Nevada. * * *

RICHMOND, Calif., contract Insurance, by Scharrenberg

(Continued from Page I) nine months after policy expiration.

The overhead, or administration expenses of the Fund, including taxes and every other expense, averages less than 15 per cent of the premiums. With a loading of 40.6 per cent for overhead expenses, the collection of the rates approved by the Insurance Commissioner simply means that an extra 25.6 per cent (assuming that 59.4 per cent will be required for benefits) is collected by the Fund and then returned to policyholders, plus approximately 3 per cent derived from interest earned on invested assets. Reinsurance is carried to cover all losses which exceed \$45,000.00.

Accident Prevention Pays Accident prevention is the most

important service which can be rendered. The elimination of accidents not only preserves lives and bodies of workers, it also results in lower rates for the employer. The Fund's safety engineering department makes a careful study of each individual risk and assists its 40,000 policyholders in forming permanent safety organizations among employees and aids in keeping the construction of P. C. C. grading interest in such organizations alive