

Capitol Demonstration For More Jobs



Union Members Call For Complete System

In an impressive show of grass-roots support, construction workers from throughout northern California marched on the state capitol in Sacramento, demanding the completion of the state highway program.

Numbering over 500, the demonstrators started their parade from the Cal Expo parking lot and proceeded through Sacramento, up Capitol Mall and onto the capitol steps. The parade, consisting of over 25 pieces of construction equipment, mostly dump trucks, cement trucks and pump trucks, made a formidable sight. The trucks paraded around the Capitol Park, while the marchers, led by San Jose City Councilman Joe Colla, walked up Capitol Mall to the steps.

The main purpose of the rally was to draw attention to the gasoline tax increase bill that is in the Assembly Ways and Means Committee. Business Manager Marr said that "passage of SB 100 should be the number one item before the Assembly. We will continue to fight for its passage until the legislators realize that it is necessary to put California back to work. The people of California deserve safe freeways, and that goal won't be realized until this bill is passed and on the governor's desk."

Once they arrived at the Capitol Building, the demonstrators heard speeches from a variety of political and construction leaders. Included in the program were Assembly Speaker Leo McCarthy, Senators James Mills and Alfred Alquist, Councilman Joe Colla, San Bernardino contractor Jeff Kasler and State Building Trades President Jimmie Lee. Keynoting the march was Local

3 business manager Dale Marr. The purpose of the demonstration was to draw attention to the need to complete the state highway program. With a decline in revenues, the state highway program is in danger of not having enough money to maintain its present roads, much less to build new highways. Such necessary and long planned projects as the completion of Interstate 5 between Sacramento and Stockton, Interstate 380 in Pacifica, "Blood Alley" or Highway 101 in southern Santa Clara County, will probably never be built unless additional revenue is found. Key to the completion of these projects, is passage of SB 100, the gasoline tax increase.

Kasler told the marchers that "our industry has been forced to its knees. We've reduced our operations and we've had to fire at least half of our employees. We've had to move out of the state or we've had to go bankrupt. California needs competent construction companies to continue the quality of construction that we deserve. . . . Immediate solutions to the highway funding problems are necessary to reduce the high unemployment problems. . . . I urge you to try and get support for a full highway program of gap closures and badly needed city and county road programs, even if it requires a four

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Why Vote No On Proposition 15?

Passage of Proposition 15, the Nuclear Shutdown Initiative will cost Californians plenty — about \$40 billion over the next 20 years.

In addition, passage of the controversial measure could lead to environmental problems, rising unemployment, financial hardship for the poor and increased dependence on foreign oil.

That's the warning sounded by the U.S. Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) in testimony before the California Senate Committee on Public Utilities, Transit and Energy.

ERDA's Donald E. Reardon said, "the total cost to the citizens of California over the next 20 years would be about \$40 billion."

"The average California family

of four can look forward to paying a total bill of \$7,500 above what they would have to pay if nuclear energy were kept available."

Reardon said that these extra costs would come "directly in higher electricity bills" and indirectly "in higher costs for goods and services passed on to us by commerce, industry and agriculture."

"The full impact of the electricity price rise would be shouldered by the consumer," he stated.

Reardon also warned that if Proposition 15 shuts down nuclear power in California, electric utilities will very likely have to turn to foreign oil to generate electricity.

"With nuclear power," he testified, "California's electric utility

annual oil consumption will still rise from its present 75 million barrels to 200 million barrels in 1995.

"Without nuclear power, the 1995 figure could rise to a very disturbing 400 million barrels per year."

Viewing Proposition 15 as a whole, Reardon told the lawmakers that passage would invite these consequences:

- Environmental injury from greater coal and oil use.
- Higher California unemployment from industry relocation.
- Restrictions on economic growth.
- Financial hardship for low and fixed income citizens.
- Increased dependence on uncertain foreign oil suppliers.
- Faster depletion of domestic petroleum resources.
- Cutbacks on construction of mass transit and water pollution control facilities.

Recording Corresponding Secretary James R. Ivy has announced that the next semi-annual meeting of the membership will be held on Saturday, July 10, 1976 at 1:00 p.m., at the Masonic Auditorium, 1111 California Street near Taylor, in San Francisco.

Effective April 5, 1976 our San Mateo Office will be relocated to 1730 South Amphlett Blvd., Room 110, San Mateo, CA 94402. The telephone number will remain the same, 415/345-8237.

Effective April 5, 1976, the Oakland Dispatch office, the Tech Engineers Division office, the Northern California-Nevada Surveyor's Joint Apprenticeship Committee's office, and the Oakland Public Employees office will be moved to:

675 Hegenberger Road
Oakland, California 94621.

The new phone numbers will be:

Oakland Dispatch office: 415/638-7273

Tech Engineers Division: 415/638-9353

Nor. Cal.-Nev. Surveyor's JAC: 415/638-7225

Oakland Public Employees: 415/638-7710.

The new location is about one block from the Coliseum BART station and on the same side of the freeway as the Oakland Coliseum Complex. Hegenberger Road is well marked from both directions off of Highway 17, the Nimitz Freeway.



LOOKING AT LABOR

By DALE MARR, Business Manager

There is a strange wind blowing across the corridors of power in Sacramento. A wind that is beginning to take on a slight odor of anti-unionism. There is even the faint smell of anti-Americanism mingled in this zephyr of "new spiritism" that has yet to establish any identifiable goals. Let's examine the record.

LABOR—Except for the tip bill that allows culinary workers to keep their gratuities where they were previously required to report tips as part of wages, and a number of labor-identified appointments, the Brown Administration has taken an anti-labor stance on almost every issue that affects the construction worker in California. He has surrounded himself with staff people who seem to view the Labor Movement as some kind of hydra-headed dragon that snorts the fire of Jerry Brown liberalism when properly stroked, while other heads suffer quietly the dismantlement of their own beliefs and traditions.

In the so-called landmark Farm Labor Bill, he refused until the eleventh hour any amendment that would protect the traditional craft structure and only gave way when political pressure locked the bill in committee. Even then he mandated a stacked-deck for farm workers by loading the Farm Labor Relations Board with devoted liberals. Craft representation was sadly lacking.

Governor Brown has all but dismantled the State Highway program and even in those instances where pressure has been brought to bear from local legislators he has procrastinated and waffled until the final hour. In several speeches he has mentioned his support of the Dumbarton Bridge, but to the best of our knowledge neither the Governor nor his cabinet has made any real effort to expedite approval by the Federal authorities.

The Brown Administration back-doored the building trades and local community efforts in the dialogue over the San Bruno Mountain development. Interference that precipitated a fight between local legislators and left badly needed housing and an improved tax base hanging in the balance.

Although Governor Brown has appointed a number of liberal labor academicians to high state offices, their primary focus has been to "re-make" the Labor Movement and mandate their own program to open up craft trades to women and minorities at a time when unemployment is rampant in the construction and sub-trades. This, even though at present we lack the necessary job opportunities for those already trained minority apprentices on the out-of-work lists.

Now comes a new effort on the part of Governor Brown through the so-called Job Opportunity Act of 1976 to put non-union workmen, most of whom would be untrained, on public works projects and further undermine the whole craft structure of the building and construction trades. Even in the best of times this would be destructive of the apprenticeship-journeyman concept which has always been a basic tenet of the trades. We would hope our fellow unionists in the non-construction trades would see this move as deliberate undermining of the entire American Labor Movement.

In real substance Governor Brown is underwriting with tax dollars an open shop policy which directs that twenty-five per cent union supervisory employees be hired to train an unskilled seventy-five per cent recruited from the bank.

Labor cannot tolerate this type of anti-unionism. State and national labor leadership should react quickly and with vigorous protest. We in Local 3 may have reached that point where we must oppose Governor Brown, not simply on single issues, but on his whole philosophy of government.

We have tried, through numerous personal meetings with both the Governor and his staff, to overcome what we thought were simply gross misunderstandings of the Labor Movement and we have always been candid and forceful in our efforts to assist him in all his endeavors. However, I have never left him in any doubt that my first loyalty was to the members of this union and the entire Labor Movement.

The time for rhetoric and dialogue leading nowhere is over. The time for action and choice is now. We will begin to count our friends and confound our enemies. We can do no less. For the wind blowing across the corridor of power may begin to stink long before the presidential primary. So be it.

Successful March On State Capitol

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cents a gallon tax increase on gasoline." (SB 100 as it is presently written, provides for a two-cents-a-gallon increase).

Assembly Speaker Leo McCarthy answered Kasler's request with a report of what the Assembly is doing to end the highway crisis. "We've got legislation moving . . . it's going to add about \$120 million to the new highway budget this year. The governor put in an additional sum of money to connect with federal funds to provide another \$100 million."

Senator Mills maintained that the "two cents that is proposed in the present form of the bill is less than the oil companies will fluctuate their price of gasoline in the course of a month . . . Of all the increases in the price of gasoline that the people of California have had to pay, if this one is imposed this one will be the only one where people of California get anything back."

The speech, however, that raised the most eyebrows and drew the loudest response was that of Local 3 business manager Dale Marr.

Marr told the crowd that "we in the labor movement have legitimate concerns about the unemployment of over a million Californians and ten million across the land and in some places, as much as fifty per cent of building trades unions."

"We have deep concerns about the high cost of medical care for our membership—up 200 per cent in five years."

"We have compassionate concerns about the erosion of our retirees' pensions caused by inflation which has reduced their purchases of the bare necessities to sub-standard levels."

"We have indignant concern that the media and certain politicians have made the union worker the whipping boy for inflation and the high cost of government when every economic study shows that the cost of goods and services and multiplicity of the bureaucracy doing legitimate union work are the real culprits."

"We shudder at the efforts of the neo-religious radical environmentalists who would preserve America for the privileged few who can afford the 'expensive kicks' of wilderness trips, white water junkets and long evenings on the beach."

"But most of all, we are saddened by the lack of innovative and progressive programs coming out of our state house and our na-

tion's capitol. We fear that the amount of emotional rhetoric has replaced common sense and thus the belief in the greatness of an America and the confidence and ingenuity of her people—who once were the hope and promise of all the world's tomorrows—has been eroded and faces national decay. We must demand from our politicians and public officials programs, not polemics, positive policy, not promises."

In closing, Marr said that "we in labor still believe that reasonable men can sit down and arrive at mutual solutions that best serve the purpose of the majority on both side of the negotiating table, however, the solution to total impasse has been the withdrawal of

those skills necessary to make life profitable for the intractable. Such economic action in our union has always been an act of last resort because it is non-productive and sometimes harsh. We are here today as reasonable men seeking understanding answers. We are also here as reasonable men seeking action for our economic cause. We hope our politicians and bureaucrats can begin to chart a course around the sand bars of 'lowered expectations,' follow the deep channel of common sense and drop anchor in the harbor of honest concern that will allow them to unload their legislative cargo on the lighter of positive accomplishment. If not we will be back."



THE SQUEAKY WHEEL gets the grease, and Operating Engineers got the wheels of the construction industry squeaking during the march on the state capitol. In the top picture, Business Manager Dale Marr addresses the crowd. In the bottom picture, Assembly Speaker Leo McCarthy tells the marchers what the Assembly is doing to help solve the highway crisis.

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By HAROLD HUSTON
President

Senator Marks' Senate Bill No. 1632 will be heard in the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare on April 21, 1976. This is an important bill for the engineers and is quite similar to a bill Senator Marks successfully carried for us in the area of waste water treatment plant operators. SB 1632 would add a member of an organized labor union who represents water treatment plant operators, to the now present five-member advisory committee, who approve standards for education and training of existing and prospective water treatment plant operators.



RIGGING LINES

By BOB MAYFIELD
Vice-President

I am delighted to report that I have had the very good fortune to be selected by our International Union to serve on the very important Resolutions Committee. This would precede the International Convention in Miami, Florida. All resolutions that will be presented at the convention itself will be discussed thoroughly and then presented with strong recommendations to the entire delegation that has been seated.

In this manner every Operating Engineer local in the United States and Canada should go down the same roads singing a similar tune regarding ways to overcome the same serious problems which every local union faces today. Most of these resolutions would parallel opinions of the A. F. of L. - C. I. O. and would concern themselves with jobs by supporting legislation regarding energy, nuclear projects, highways, mining, coal stripping, upcoming pro-labor legislation and politics, as we all well know this is a big Presidential election year.

We certainly must gear ourselves toward electing someone besides another Republican such as Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, or even a Ronald Reagan. I would hope our memory serves us of the decline of jobs in our type and kind of work, which has steadily declined these last 8 years or so, and also of the jobs and public works bills which have been passed by Congress that would have aided our work situation greatly, only to be vetoed by these men. I would hope the Democratic party would finally have a Hubert Humphrey or Henry Jackson (both very pro-labor) as their candidate, as some of the Southern state contenders (Carter and Wallace) are from right-to-work states and not nearly as friendly toward labor or the common working man. If you don't think so, just try to hustle a construction job in Alabama or Georgia and find out what wages and fringe benefits are. The wages are going to be real small and the fringes, in many cases, they haven't even heard about yet.

Negotiations in Phoenix, Arizona, regarding the Underground Shaft Mining Agreements, I am happy to report, were successfully concluded. This joint agreement with the Laborers International Union and the Western States of Operating Engineers was concluded much ahead of its termination (7-22-76), and had a \$3 per hour increase scattered over the next 3-year period. Seven of the biggest contractors in this business will sign this agreement as soon as the finished copies are printed. Since this agreement was born some 2 years ago, every shaft job let within the jurisdiction of Local No. 3 has gone to a union contractor (all in the state of Utah.) Much more of this type and kind of work can be expected to be bid and let within the life of this 3-year agreement.

To the many Brothers who are friends and well wishers of Brother Fran Walker, I'm very happy to report that Fran has successfully come through his open heart surgery with absolute flying colors. I have talked to him several times by phone and seen him at the hospital on one occasion, and his spirits, body coloring, and breathing are quite good and a full recovery is expected. I for one have become quite accustomed to Fran looking after the Delinquent Employer accounts (your fringe benefits) and his expertise in handling and looking after this most thankless of jobs is certainly missed. This responsibility is now back in my lap alone and it seems a though there just isn't enough time for all things. Hurry and come back to work soon, Francis!

Before closing I would like to extend to everyone eligible to attend the Rancho Murieta Training Center, the opportunity to do so. This facility reopened on March 1 and will continue to be open until near mid-December of this year. Many important opportunities to retrain or learn will be afforded this year as a dam is scheduled for completion, as well as the dam spillway, a levee, and part of a golf course, and many other projects that most certainly would include most any classification any member might be interested in learning or improving upon. I am sure Project Director Logan Stewart and his able staff of instructors and support people would be most happy to have anyone come up whether it be for a few days or for the 6-week per year limit. It has been my understanding for this opening month that the facility has been filled to near capacity at all times and it is my hope that it stays this way all year. This training center like any job or most any other project offers a great deal but each individual will only benefit to the extent of what effort he is willing to put in it in his attempt to better and broaden his skills as an Operating Engineer.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

On the dates and at the meetings indicated, the following brothers were elected to serve on Grievance Committees for the ensuing year:

March 12, 1976:	District No. 12:	James Lewis Earl Jolley Lynn Barlow
March 13, 1976:	District No. 11:	C. H. McIntosh Anthony Madeiros Robert Baldwin
March 18, 1976:	District No. 9:	Tony Medinas Armand Herrera Jim Waldron

Buying Calendar: What To Buy

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS
Consumer Expert for
Engineers News

You have a chance this spring to find better values on major appliances as manufacturers and retailers trim prices to clear inventories. April and May are the months to watch especially for price cuts on washers and dryers. You should have no trouble finding even large multi-cycle washers for under \$300.

Washers have gotten bigger. Unfortunately, there is no uniform standard for measuring claims of capacity as there is for refrigerator volume. Each manufacturer can make his own estimate.

In any case, we found most models now claim 18- or 20-pound capacity. Salesmen often are vague about specific capacity and use such meaningless terms as "large capacity" or "heavy duty." If the salesman is unsure of capacity or you want to check his claims, look at the name plate on the machine or ask him to look up the data in his specifications catalog. Visual inspection of the tubs also can give you some idea of comparative size.

How much capacity do you need? If you have a large family and many bulky garments to wash such as work clothes and jeans, an 18- or 20-pound capacity is desirable. Loading a washer too heavily slows down washing action. Besides the strain on the motor your laundry won't come out as clean. One manufacturer (General Electric), says most washers perform best when at least two-thirds full. Another (Maytag), says not to try to wash up to claimed capacity in any washer.

On the other hand, small loads waste hot water and detergent. Until recently, some studies

showed that most homemakers used only half loads. This past year, however, as costs of both detergents and heating hot water rose, more homemakers have been accumulating laundry, washing full loads and measuring amount of detergents more carefully. In fact, because of this effort at more economical use, detergent sales recently have dropped, trade sources report.

A "suds saver" feature helps have hot water and detergent if you wash lightly-soiled laundry first, and then use the suds for the more-heavily soiled garments.

If you tend to do many small loads, as for lingerie, you may want to look for a machine with a removable wash basket or mini-tub, and a variable or metered fill. Of course, you can manually control fill level, temperature, etc., on any machine. But you have to remain nearby to adjust the controls during the wash cycle.

Another useful feature now found on many medium-priced washers is a presoak cycle. You can, of course, "presoak" with any washer but must stay around to start the full cycle.

Nowadays everybody tells you to wash knits, permanent press, etc. separately. But one definitely useful hot-water saver is to separate out lightly-soiled garments and wash them in a quick cycle.

With both middle-price and deluxe models now offering relatively large capacity, three temperature settings, and two-speed motors, the main difference is the way the cycles are programmed. In the middle-price washers you turn a dial for the wanted cycle. The deluxe models are fully automatic. You usually just have to push a button and the washer will run through a desired sequence. With the dial models, you have to

do a moderate amount of your own thinking.

Also compare warranties, specifically for how long a washer or dryer is warranted, and whether the warranty includes labor as well as parts.

CANNING LIDS: The rush to buy canning lids is already on, with families in the northern part of the country already worried because lids seem hard to find. But supplies are shipped to southern states first. As the growing season moves north, so do lid shipments. Thus, more lids will be available in the border and northern states this summer. In any case, don't overpay. Fair prices should be in the neighborhood of 35-40 cents a dozen.

Lids are the main concern. While bands can be used for as many as five years before rust develops, lids need to be replaced each time to be sure of an exact seal.

Home canners may want to be more selective this season. Some commercially-canned vegetables are cheaper this year, especially canned green beans, peas and corn. Thus, it may not pay to can some products at home unless you grow them yourself.

FOOD BUYING CALENDAR: Because of a high level of cattle slaughter, beef is unusually cheap this spring. This is a good time to put some extra roasts in the freezer compartment when local stores have unusually good sales. Some sales of chuck have been available for as little as 69 cents a pound. Prices will be higher this summer.

Pork prices also have gone down a little, but most pork cuts are still 10 cents or more higher than equivalent beef cuts.

This is the flush season for eggs and prices have dropped sharply.

Marysville Work Picking Up

By A. A. CELLINI,
District Representative
JOHN E. SMITH and
GEORGE HALSTED,
Business Representatives

When this article is out, the new addition of Mervyn's department store in the North Valley Plaza shopping center will be well under way. The store will have 60,000 square feet of floor space. An elevated parking area will be erected at the east side of the new structure, to give it 66,000 square feet of parking. Plans for the project were prepared by James W. Fong and Associates, architects from Palo Alto. The contractor is Ernest Hahn of Los Angeles. This addition to the North Valley Plaza will cost \$1,700,000. The store will be completed around Oct. 1st of this year and will be located on the east end of the shopping center.

Work started last month on construction of the controversial midway overpass between Chico and Durham. The road has been closed to through traffic. The overpass will be over the Southern Pacific railroad tracks, replacing a hazardous "S" curve. The roadway will remain closed through September, according to the Butte County Public Works Department. The \$812,000-project got a final go-ahead in January when the Board of Supervisors by a split vote agreed to award a contract to Butte Creek Rock Co.,

the lowest bidder in a field of eight, with a bid of \$554,701. Ninety per cent of the funding is being provided by a special state fund for Railroad Crossing Improvements.

Ball, Ball and Brosamer has started calling their hands back to work. The equipment they have had working back east has returned and should keep them going steady.

Butte County put out to bid the Clark Road job in Paradise and the Lassen Avenue job in Chico. The Clark Road project is from Pearson Road north to Elliott Road and Billie Road and Clark intersection 500' north and 500' south. This project is marked at approximately \$500,000. The Lassen Avenue project in Chico is marked for approximately \$700,000.

Claude C. Wood has set up a screening plant in Willows to furnish materials for Ball, Ball & Brosamer and expect to be there four to six months.

I would like to thank all the Brothers who helped on the March on the Capitol, your attendance was appreciated and we hope that we accomplished our goal.

Work on the east side of the Marysville area has picked up somewhat with R & D Watson cranking back up at Chester; Robinson Construction getting started with some of their work; Burdick Construction has been working

fairly steady all winter; Pylon, Inc. has been working on the water treatment facility at Oroville; Mathews Ready Mix has been working a minimum crew almost all winter; Ladd has not started back at Indian Valley, as of this time, but should start back before too long.

Baldwin Contracting has started most of their work and has been awarded the contract on the River Bottom Park at Marysville, approximately \$250,000 worth of work.

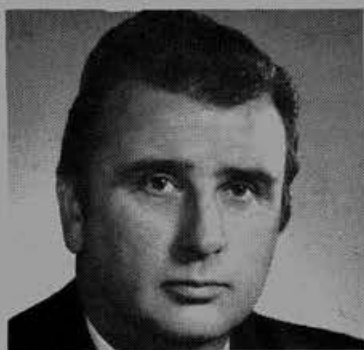
Triangle Engineering was awarded the contract on the River Bottom Park dirt work.

At Oroville, Butte County awarded to Robinson Construction Company of Oroville a contract of \$236,651 for improvement of the Oroville Quincy Road northeast of Oroville. This project will involve realignment and widening of the road from Hartz Mill to north of the Berry Creek School, a distance of 1.55 miles. It will connect with previously improved sections of the road.

Tenco Tractor at the Tech Center has hired several new fellows due to their increased workload. Contract negotiations will be coming up here shortly. Work in general will continue to increase and, hopefully, we will have a good year.

BLOOD BANK

Thank you Kenneth Bettis for
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Negotiator's Notebook

By DON KINCHLOE,
Treasurer

My articles for the next few months will concern negotiations in progress and contracts coming up for negotiation.

We have two negotiations coming up in the near future: 1) Building Material Agreement (Batch Plants). This contract expires on July 1, 1976 and we will be contacting the Brother Engineers at meetings for their suggestions very soon. 2) The Rock Sand and Gravel Agreement will expire on July 15, 1976.

I would like at this time to go to the Rock Sand and Gravel contract. The Rock Sand and Gravel Agreement is opened in its entirety. I have made many meetings along with the business representatives at the plants talking to the Brother Engineers for their ideas and suggestions.

I am very pleased with the response and ideas and suggestions that have been expressed by the members.

Because of our work load, I have missed some of the plants, so any Brother Engineers who want to have a meeting, morning, noon or night should get in touch with their business representative and he can call me to set up the meeting.

For those that I have had meetings with, I may not have asked at the time, but will do so now. If at any of our meetings, something was not asked for or mentioned and you thought of something later, just write it down and give it to the representative or mail it to me so that we can consider it during the negotiation process.

I would like to thank all the Brother Engineers who have given me their ideas and views and ask that you continue to do so.

I-5 May Be A Reality

By CLEM HOOVER,
District Representative,
TOM ECK, Assistant
District Representative, and
AL SWAN, BILL MARSHALL,
BILL BEST, and AL DALTON,
Business Representatives.

We are keeping our fingers crossed that Interstate 5 between Sacramento and Stockton will finally become a reality by the end of this year. In a resolution adopted by the State Highway Commission they expressed their intent that a call for bids on the 14.5 mile stretch be made this year. The resolution directed the Department of Transportation "to take whatever action it deems necessary" to carry out that goal. We are hoping to see some early action on this very important project.

Bids were called for on the \$158-million sewage treatment plant, which will be located south of Sacramento. These bids will be opened around July 1st. This plant is part of the \$370-million sewer bond issue passed by the voters of Sacramento County a couple of years ago, and which Local 3 played an important part in promoting and making the voters aware of the importance of its passage.

Final clearance for construction of a bicycle bridge across the American River in Sacramento moved a step closer when it was approved by the State Reclamation Board. The Board's approval was the last major action needed to get construction underway this year. The bridge will be located between the upstream end of Arden Bar, the present site of Arden Sand & Gravel, on the north and Goethe Park on the south. The Board of Supervisors will be asked by the Chief of Highways and Bridges for Sacramento County for approval of plans and authorization to advertise for bids on the project.

We would like to extend our thanks to Brother William Prawl for his faithful years of service on the Sacramento Grievance Committee. Bill has always been a

good conscientious Union member and he displayed that while serving on the Grievance Committee.

Ralph Willis "Super Mechanic." Ralph won an honor for himself and Morgan Equipment that few can claim. As a member of the Detroit Diesel Technicians Guild, Ralph qualified for national competition last year by earning a 100 per cent score on three examinations. We just learned that in the national contest he won the top award—in other words, Ralph is the best Detroit Diesel Technician in the U.S.A. Considering he was up against literally thousands of mechanics... that's not a bad score card. What can we say Ralph... congratulations, we're sincerely proud of your performance.



CONGRATULATIONS TO
SUPER MECHANIC Ralph
Willis, who won a national
contest of Detroit Diesel
Technicians.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO SAN JOSE DISTRICT MEMBERS

The next district meeting for District 90 members will be held in Watsonville, on Thursday, May 20, 1976 at 8:00 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building, 215 E. Beach Street, Watsonville.

Bill To Block Melones Killed

A State Senate committee has virtually killed the chances for a controversial measure to add the Stanislaus River to the State's Wild and Scenic Rivers system, a bill that would have threatened completion of the New Melones Dam.

The vote on the bill, authored by long time foe of the dam, Senator Peter Behr, was 44, which for all practical purposes, defeats the bill.

The key provisions of the bill were to allow construction of the dam, but would not allow the reservoir to be filled more than 40 per cent of capacity.

Opponents of the bill, including Local 3, said that it threatened federal financing of New Melones. "Why would the federal government agree to pay for construction of a dam that wouldn't be used?" Business Manager Marr asked. "This legislation is just another attempt at blocking construction of a project that was approved by the voters of California in 1974 by a majority of over 53 per cent. Senator Behr refuses to listen to the voters of California on this subject."

Marr also asked why Behr should make further attempts at blocking the dam. "With water rationing in Marin County, Senator Behr's home district, I can't understand why the Senator shouldn't be concerned with serving his own constituents, rather than trying to deprive water to people of other parts of the state."

Even though opponents to the dam have lost their case after dozens of attempts, there is no reason to believe that they will give up now. Senator Behr has insisted that the measure has not lost yet and he has promised to bring the matter up again in the future.

IN OUR LEAGUE

By JAMES "Red" IVY
Recording-Corresponding
Secretary



One of the items we will be voting on this June is Proposition 15, the Nuclear Shutdown Initiative. Passage of this measure can have serious consequences for operating engineers and their families.

To begin with Proposition 15 will cause the eventual shutdown of California's existing nuclear energy plants and prohibit the construction of any new plants. This prohibition on construction will obviously have a direct effect on the jobs available to us.

However, there are other, less obvious results that could occur if this initiative passes. If California is barred from using nuclear energy it will have to replace it with more expensive imported oil. This State already imports 75 million barrels of oil annually and the U.S. Energy Research and Development Administration has estimated that oil imports could grow to a staggering 400 million barrels of oil yearly by 1995 if Proposition 15 passes.

Increased dependence on imported oil means a California family of four would be paying a total of \$7,500 more over the next twenty years for electricity and normal goods and services. That is an average increase of \$375 per year for each family in addition to the cost of inflation.

Our experience during the 1974 Arab oil embargo demonstrated that our economy is directly tied to energy production. Approximately 500,000 people were added to the unemployment roles as a result of that embargo. If we become more dependent on imported oil, a politically inspired embargo in the future can have a disastrous effect on our economy.

California does not have sufficient fossil fuel reserves to provide electricity to meet current demand. Natural gas supplies are rapidly being depleted and we do not, at present, burn coal in this State. Because natural gas supplies are being exhausted, more and more new homes in California are becoming all electric. The only way to meet that increasing demand for electricity, in the long run, is to sacrifice our concerns for the environment and turn to mining and burning coal—either that or defeat Proposition 15!

Nuclear energy is cheap, clean and safe. No member of the public has ever been killed or injured due to a reactor accident in a commercial plant.

While we must all learn to conserve energy, there is a limit beyond which conservation begins to work against us economically. One person's conservation can be another person's job.

Finally, Proposition 15 allocates \$800,000 of our tax money to pay for a Citizens Advisory Board of non-experts to study the matter of nuclear energy. We already have a State Energy Commission in California which has almost exactly the same function. This is just more bureaucratic waste and duplication.

Our future economic well-being is dependent on developing all the sources of energy that we have in this country. Proposition 15 would eliminate one vital source just when we need more, not less energy. Remember the gas lines of '74. Vote no on Proposition 15!

Modified San Bruno Project

By DICK BELL, Assistant
District Representative and
HARVEY PAHEL, Business
Representative

The San Mateo Board of Supervisors voted for a modified plan on the San Bruno Mountain project, which would not allow building in the saddle area, which will send developer Visitation & Associates back to the Planning Commission and the drawing board.

Cahill Construction has started a job at the San Francisco Airport on an expansion to the Hilton Inn. This job will be a \$4,000,000 project; Chet Smith will do excavation and Lowrie Paving the rock and paving work.

More on the Airport expansion: Stockton Steel has finished hanging the red iron on the North Terminal and have left; F. P. Lathrop Construction has the contract to complete the terminal for a bid of \$19,412,491.00. Another bid will be coming up in April for \$25,000,000.00 for more excavation and pile driving. Homer J. Olsen has set up the deck rig and will be doing the piles on the old garage; Cleveland Wrecking will be doing the demolition.

Assembly California Legislature

JOHN GARAMENDI
ASSEMBLYMAN, SEVENTH DISTRICT

March 9, 1976

Mr. Dale Marr
Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3
474 Valencia
San Francisco, California

Dear Dale,

It looks like we have pulled the grade on the fight to complete I-5 and close the gap.

The passage of my legislation, AB 2603, in Assembly Transportation with a 8-0 vote evidently caused CalTrans and the Highway Commission to scratch up the extra cash and promise to award the job this summer or fall. I'll keep my legislation on the shelf just in case the cash disappears.

There is no doubt that all this sudden change in the funding picture of I-5 could not have taken place without the very effective help of Local 3. You did a great job of "educating" legislators and bureaucrats alike.

It has been a pleasure working with you and your people on this project. With help like yours, I look forward to the next fight in the completion of our needed public works programs.

Thank you very much for your most effective help.

Sincerely,

John Garamendi
JOHN GARAMENDI

JG/py

Nominating Rules Are Announced Election Committee—Officers Election

OFFICIAL NOMINATING RULES ANNOUNCED NOMINATION OF OFFICERS AND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Recording-Corresponding Secretary James "Red" Ivy has announced that in accordance with the Local Union By-Laws, Article XII, Elections, nominations of Officers and District Executive Board Members shall be made in the month of June 1976 at the following Regularly Scheduled Meetings as a Special Order of Business or at Specially Called Meetings as indicated.

SCHEDULE OF NOMINATING MEETINGS — JUNE 1976

District No.	Location	Day & Month	June	Meeting Place and Address
1—SAN FRANCISCO	Specially Called	Wednesday	2nd	Engineers Bldg., 474 Valencia St.
2—OAKLAND	Specially Called	Wednesday	2nd	Labor Temple, 23rd & Valdez
9—SAN JOSE	Specially Called	Wednesday	2nd	Montgomery Theater, W. San Carlos & S. Market Sts.
4—EUREKA	Specially Called	Thursday	3rd	Engineers Bldg., 2806 Broadway
8—SACRAMENTO	Specially Called	Thursday	3rd	Labor Temple, 2525 Stockton Blvd.
10—UKIAH	Regular	Thursday	3rd	Grange Hall, State Street
5—FRESNO	Specially Called	Friday	4th	Engineers Bldg., 3121 East Olive
7—REDDING	Specially Called	Friday	4th	Engineers Bldg., 100 Lake Blvd.
12—PROVO	Regular	Friday	4th	Carpenters Hall, 600 South, 600 East
3—STOCKTON	Specially Called	Saturday	5th	Engineers Bldg., 2626 N. California
6—OROVILLE	Specially Called	Saturday	5th	Prospectors Village, Oroville Dam Blvd.
11—RENO	Regular	Saturday	5th	Musicians Hall, 124 W. Taylor St.
17—HILO	Specially Called	Friday	11th	Kapiolani Elementary School, 966 Kilauea Ave.
17—HONOLULU	Specially Called	Saturday	12th	Washington Intermed. School, 1633 S. King
06—GUAM	Specially Called	Monday	14th	Santa Teresita Church (social hall), Mangilao, Guam

I NOTICE OF RIGHT TO NOMINATE

Eligibility of Members to Nominate: Every Member of the Parent Local Union and its Sub-divisions (except the Registered Apprentice Sub-division), who is not suspended for non-payment of dues preceding the first nominating meeting shall have the right to nominate.

II ELIGIBILITY TO BE A CANDIDATE

(a) **Officers other than the Business Manager:** No Member shall be eligible for election, be elected or hold any office, unless he shall have been continuously in good standing in the Local Union for one (1) year and continuously a Member of the Local Union for not less than three (3) years, all next preceding the first day of the dues period in which the election is held, and nominated by at least 1/10th of 1% of the Members of the Local Union and its Sub-divisions (except the Registered Apprentice Sub-division), who are not suspended for non-payment of dues as of the first nominating meeting, in the manner and form set out in Section III — Nominations. The 1/10th of 1% shall be 1/10th of 1% of the Members shown on the records of the Union as of the last day of February preceding the election (subject to [d] below).

(b) **Business Manager:** No Member shall be eligible for election, be elected or hold the position of Business Manager unless he shall have been continuously in good standing in the Local Union for a period of three (3) years, all next preceding the first day of the dues period in which the election is held, and nominated by at least 1/10th of 1% of the Members of the Local Union and its Sub-divisions (except the Registered Apprentice Sub-division), who are not suspended for non-payment of dues as of the first nominating

meeting, in the manner and form set out in Section III—Nominations. The 1/10th of 1% shall be 1/10th of 1% of the Members shown on the records of the Union as of the last day of February preceding the election (subject to [d] below).

NUMBER OF NOMINATORS REQUIRED FOR OFFICERS

Membership of the Local Union on February 29, 1976 was 36,297 members. One-tenth of 1% of the membership on February 29, 1976 was 36 which is the number of nominators required for each Candidate other than District Member of the Executive Board.

(c) **District Member of the Executive Board:** No Member shall be eligible for election, be elected or hold the position of District Member unless he shall have been continuously in good standing in the Local Union for one (1) year and continuously a Member of the Local Union for not less than three (3) years and has maintained a residence in the District he represents or seeks to represent for not less than one (1) year, all next preceding the first day of the dues period in which the election is held (subject to [d] below).

No Member who is on the full-time payroll of the Local Union may accept a nomination for or be elected to the position of District Member. No District Member shall continue to hold the position of District Member if he accepts employment on the full-time payroll of the Local Union.

(d) Members of the Registered Apprentice Sub-Division and Members who do not meet the age requirements of the International Constitution shall not be eligible for nomination or election to any Office or Position set forth in (a) through (c) above.

Note: 1st day of dues period:

- (a) For quarterly dues—July 1, 1976, and
- (b) For monthly dues—August 1, 1976.

No Member whose dues have been withheld by his Employer for payment to the Local Union pursuant to his voluntary authorization provided for in a collective bargaining agreement shall be declared ineligible to nominate, to vote or be a candidate for office in the Local Union solely by reason of alleged delay or default in the payment of dues.

Note: However, such eligibility may be lost by failing to file as required by III(c) hereof, or by not attending his regularly scheduled District Meeting and Semi-Annual Meeting held after nomination and before election unless excused from attending for good cause such as physical incapacity, death in family, but not including work assignment.

Semi-Annual Meeting: July 10, 1976—1:00 p.m.—San Francisco.

REGULAR MEETINGS

July
13—Eureka, Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.
14—Redding, Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.
15—Oroville, Thursday, 8:00 p.m.
21—Honolulu, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
22—Hilo, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
28—San Francisco, Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.
August
5—Oakland, Thursday, 8:00 p.m.
10—Stockton, Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.

III FORMS ON WHICH NOMINATIONS WILL BE MADE

(a) Nominations shall be in writing and signed by one or more Nominators giving each Nominator's Social Security Number and Register Number in the form following:

If by a single Nominator:

NOMINATION

I hereby nominate _____ For _____
Register No. _____
Signature _____
Social Security No. _____

Register No. _____

If by more than one Nominator:

NOMINATION

We hereby nominate _____ For _____
Register No. _____
Social Security No. _____
Signature _____

(b) When nominations are called for by the Presiding Officer for a particular office or position, if a single nominator, he shall address the Presiding Officer reciting his name and register number and the name of the member and the office or position for which he is nominating the member and deliver his written nomination to the Nomination Committee. If there is more than one nominator, one of the nominators shall address the Presiding Officer reciting his name and register number and the names and register numbers of the other nominators and the name of the member and the office and position for which he is nominating the member and deliver the written nomination to the Nomination Committee.

(c) All Members nominated, otherwise eligible, in order to continue to be eligible shall have filed with the Recording-Corresponding Secretary of the Local Union within ten (10) days after having been

James R. Ivy, Recording-Corresponding Secretary of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, announces that in conformity with Article XII Section 3 Elections (b) of the Local Union By-Laws, elections will be held at the first regular district meeting in each district beginning in March for Members of the Election Committee which will conduct the election of Officers and District Executive Board Members of the Local Union in the month of August, 1976.

Article XII, Section 3, Elections:

"(a) The election of Officers and District Members of the Local Union Executive Board shall be held during the month of August by mail referendum vote of the Membership of this Local Union under the supervision of the Election Committee and a nationally known firm of Certified Public Accountants, selected by the Executive Board, with such other technical and legal assistance as may be provided.

"(b) The election shall be conducted by a committee known as the Election Committee, composed of one (1) Member from each District in which nominations will be made. The Member shall be nominated and elected by secret ballot at the Regular Quarterly, or specially called District meetings by vote of those Members present whose last known address, as shown on the records of the Local Union ten (10) days prior to the first such District Meeting in March preceding the election, was within the area covered by the District. Each Nominee shall be a registered voter in the District in which he is nominated, shall have been a Member of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 for one (1) year next preceding his nomination and election, and shall not be a candidate, or Nominator of a candidate for any office or position.

"The Nominee for Committee Member in each District receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected, and, in the event he is unable, or unwilling to serve, shall be replaced by the Nominee with the next highest number of votes, and he, under the same circumstances, by the next highest, and so on, until the list of nominees is exhausted."

notified in writing by the Recording-Corresponding Secretary of his nomination to Local Union Office, Section 504 of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959 Affidavit, and a written acceptance of his nomination to office and, in addition, shall have been in regular attendance at all regularly scheduled Local Union Membership meetings and home district membership meetings held after nominations and before election, subject, however, to a reasonable excuse based upon good cause such as physical incapacity, and death in family. Within five (5) days after the nominations have been concluded, the Recording-Corresponding Secretary shall mail to each Member nominated, at his last known home address, notice of his nomination and the office to which he has been nominated.

(d) No Member may accept nomination for more than one office or position.

DECLINATION OF NOMINEE

The Undersigned states that he declines all nominations:

(Name) _____ (Signature) _____
(Register No.) _____ (Social Security Number) _____
(Date) _____

ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINEE

The Undersigned states that he will accept nomination for _____

(Office or Position)

I desire my name and (if not the incumbent) one occupational classification as set forth in collective bargaining agreement entered into by the Local Union to appear on the ballot as follows:

(Name) _____ (Collective Bargaining Agreement Classification) _____
(Signature) _____
(Register No.) _____ (Social Security Number) _____
(Date) _____ (PRINT Name) _____

In the event no statement is re-

ceived by the Recording-Corresponding Secretary on or before twenty (20) days from the date of mailing of the notice provided for in III(c) above, the nominee shall be deemed for all purposes to have declined all nominations for the offices or positions for which he has been nominated.

(e) All Members nominated who are more than one hundred (100) miles from San Francisco on the day prior to and the day of the Semi-Annual Meeting in San Francisco are excused from attending for good cause, as are all who are more than one hundred (100) miles from their Regular District Meetings the day before and the day of the meeting. However, a Member nominated who claims to be excused for this reason shall notify the Recording-Corresponding Secretary in writing, by letter or telegram, not later than 5 p.m., Local San Francisco Time, within five (5) days after such meeting.

(f) No Member shall be eligible for election, be elected, or hold any office or position, and no person shall be employed who has been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, offensive to trade union morality, or who has been found after trial by the Union or by Civil Court to have been false to his trust or misappropriated Union funds or property or who is commonly known to be a crook or racketeer preying on the labor movement and its good name for corrupt purposes, whether or not previously convicted for such nefarious activities.

(g) No Member shall be in good standing unless he has paid all current dues to the Local Union within thirty (30) days after they shall have become due and payable. No Member whose dues have been withheld by his Employer pursuant to his voluntary authorization provided for in a collective bargaining agreement shall be declared ineligible to nominate, to vote or be a candidate for office in the Local Union solely by reason of alleged delay or default in the payment of dues.

10 REASONS FOR A "NO" VOTE ON 15

The nuclear initiative is:

BAD LAW

BAD ECONOMICS

BAD ENERGY POLICY

Its passage would have serious results. Here are 10 negative consequences the nuclear initiative would produce:

1. Existing nuclear plants and those under construction would be shut down. No new nuclear plants could be built.

PG&E's Humboldt Bay nuclear unit which has operated safely and successfully for more than a dozen years would be shut down along with two large new PG&E units now nearing completion at Diablo Canyon.

The Sacramento Municipal Utility District's new Rancho Seco Nuclear Plant would be closed. And so would the San Onofre plant in Southern California, which has operated safely for seven years.

In addition, \$535 million already invested in two Southern California nuclear units now under construction would be down the drain.

The price tag for all this? More than \$2 BILLION!

2. California's energy policy would fall into the hands of a minority of our elected state representatives.

The initiative would give a one-third minority in either house of our legislature control over the state's energy future.

3. Chronic electricity shortages would become a very real possibility.

The initial 40 percent cut in existing capacity forced by the initiative within one year after passage would wipe out 1,400,000 kilowatts of electric capacity in Northern California alone—enough to provide for the electric needs of all of Alameda County.

Unless this deficit was quickly made up, and it would be very difficult to do, power

shortages during periods of heavy electric use would begin in a few years.

4. Utility bills would rise sharply. Nuclear power costs about 40 percent less than electricity from an oil-fired plant.

For example, the initiative could cost Northern California agriculture, industry, commerce and residential customers about \$1 billion in higher electric bills in the first five years alone.

5. California's electric economy would become dependent on imported coal.

The long-term result of the initiative would be reliance on coal to fill the role long planned for nuclear power.

Since California has no commercial deposits of coal, the fuel would have to be imported from other western states.

Twenty years from now, more than 1,400 carloads of coal would be delivered and burned just in Northern California each day.

6. Reliance on unproven or limited energy alternatives would be inadequate.

Solar, wind, geothermal and other exotic energy alternatives cannot produce major amounts of electricity before the year 2000, even with monumental effort to develop these sources. Uranium and coal are available and proven and are major elements of federal energy policy. We need both.

7. California would isolate itself from the rest of the nation on energy matters.

California already imports most of its natural gas and the low sulphur oil required to generate electricity. This leaves us in no position to form our own independent energy

policy. To do so would be unrealistic, dangerous and costly.

8. The initiative would add politics to safety regulation and impose a new and unnecessary layer of bureaucracy.

Nuclear power is now comprehensively regulated by the federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission, an organization of full time, highly trained experts.

In addition, the new California Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission has authority for power plant siting and related matters.

The initiative would add to the regulatory process political judgments arrived at on the advice of an underfunded, non-expert, part-time volunteer group.

9. There is strong legal opinion that the initiative is unconstitutional.

Because Prop. 15 seeks to usurp the authority of the federal government to regulate nuclear power as part of a comprehensive national energy policy, passage would result in long and costly litigation. The energy industry would be paralyzed until significant legal problems were resolved by the courts.

10. Nuclear technology, with a proven record of safety, would be outlawed without providing for any alternative energy source of equal or greater safety or less hazard to the environment.

Dr. Ian A. Forbes, Chairman, nuclear energy dept., Lowell Technological Institute, has written: "Rigorous examination of the present risks, costs and impact of all electric power sources leads to the conclusion that nuclear power is more than acceptable; it is preferable. A call for a nuclear moratorium is without merit."

What Leaders Are Saying

Early last year, 32 eminent scientists, 11 of them Nobel Laureates, made a public statement urging increased use of nuclear power.

"Today's energy crisis," they said, "is not a matter of just a few years but of decades."

"We can see no reasonable alternative to an increased use of nuclear power to satisfy our energy needs."

Leaders of government who have the responsibility to assure adequate energy for this and coming generations are also speaking out in support of continued nuclear development.

President Gerald R. Ford

"The central defect of America's energy system is that it relies most on our least plentiful domestic resources—oil and natural gas—and relies least on our most abundant energy resources—coal and nuclear power."

U. S. Senator John V. Tunney

Senator Tunney, a leading congressional critic of the atomic power industry, says he will oppose a controversial nuclear initiative on June's ballot in California because it goes too far and would "strait-jacket" atomic development.

"My problem with the initiative is that its effect would be to eliminate nuclear power," Tunney said in an interview. "While I think we have to strengthen current safeguards, I also happen to think we need atomic power."

Congressman Mike McCormack (D - Washington)

—Chairman of the Sub-committee on Energy of the House Science Committee.

"Nuclear energy is the cleanest, cheapest and most reliable source of energy available with the least environmental impact of any significant option. If we did not have nuclear energy available to us for the coming decades, the future of this country would indeed be dark—in more ways than one."

Richard E. Tuttle, State Energy Commission

"The nuclear initiative, subjecting one possible energy source to special curtailment without the opportunity for balanced judgment and continuous flexible review of changing circumstances, would impair the state's capacity to respond reasonably to energy problems."

Dr. Robert C. Seamans, Jr., Administrator—Energy Research and Development Administration

"According to every analysis ERDA has done, or independent organizations have done, nuclear power must play a major role in this nation's energy future or our national future will be very bleak indeed."

"We see no other potential source of energy in the near or mid-term that can fill the energy requirement..."

*I want to help
defeat Proposition 15!
Please let me know what
I can do to help.*

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Phone (office) _____ (home) _____

Please Return to:
No on 15 Committee/Californians Against the Nuclear Shutdown
c/o John McMahon, Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3
474 Valencia, San Francisco, Cal. 94103

Vote NO on the Nuclear Shutdown Initiative

NO on 15 Committee Co-Chairpersons: Katherine Dunlap, Past President, Los Angeles League of Women Voters; Hon. Edmund G. Brown, Sr.; William Robertson, Executive Secretary/Treasurer, Los Angeles County Federation of Labor; Herman Gallegos, President, Human Resources Corporation; Norman O. Houston, Chairman, Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Co.; Robert Phillips, General Manager (retired), Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; Kermit Smith, Environmentalist; Nancy Swadesh, Director, San Francisco Community College Skill Center.

*Descriptions are listed for identification purposes only.

OPERATING ENGINEERS TRUST FUNDS: OUTLOOK

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

April, 1976

Revised Pension Statement To Provide Easily Read Record Of Pension Credits

The Trust Fund Administration Office announced that pension statements for the members of Operating Engineers Local No. 3 will be mailed this month. The pension statement has been completely revised to provide a more comprehensive and easily read record of the hours reported by contributing employers on behalf of Local No. 3's members to the Operating Engineers Pension Trust Fund. The pension statement will also indicate accumulated pension credits.

The new pension statement, as shown on page nine, now contains the name of the contributing employer rather than an employer number. This is to facilitate identification of an employer for those members who worked for more than one contributing employer in a calendar year. All the hours reported by an individual contributing employer will appear on a single line according to the month in which the hours were reported as having been worked. The total hours that a contributing employer reported for the calendar year will appear as a subtotal in the Total column. The last figure shown in this column will represent the total number of hours that all contributing employers reported for a member during the calendar year.

The portion of the pension statement entitled Future Service Credits and Benefits will contain the calculations of pension credit and the dollar benefit earned during the calendar year and accu-

mulated since a member's contribution date. Only future service credit and the dollar benefit it represents will be indicated as past service credit is verified only at the time a member files an application for pension. All calculations will be subject to the rules and regulations of the Pension Trust Fund for Operating Engineers.

One of the most unique features of the new pension statement is the section Based on Trust Fund Records. This section will provide a member with vital information concerning such matters as vesting, break in employment, and such. Members should pay particular attention to this section and contact the Trust Fund Office or the Fringe Benefit Service Center if they have any questions.

If corrections are necessary or a discrepancy exists between the hours that a member actually worked and the hours reported by a contributing employer, the reverse side of the new pension statement provides a section for this purpose. To utilize this section a member should detach it from his pension statement, maintaining the lower half for his records. All corrections or discrepancies should then be indicated in the appropriate spaces. It is important when making corrections to provide all the information that is requested, as this greatly simplifies the process of correcting a member's pension statement. The correction stub should be sent directly to the Trust Fund Office, 50 Francisco Street, San Francisco, California 94133.

Help Yourself Beat Cancer

Almost 100,000 American cancer deaths, 30 to 40 per cent of the annual toll, could be prevented by changes in smoking, drinking and eating habits according to scientists from the National Cancer Institute.

Dr. Marvin Schneiderman, head of field studies and statistics at NCI explained that if Americans would stop smoking 70,000 of the 80,000 people who die of lung cancer each year would remain alive. Instead, smoking is increasing among women and teen-agers. As a result, he said, the lung cancer death rate for women has tripled in the past 14 years and is rapidly approaching that of men.

Schneiderman said 5,000 breast cancer deaths, one out of every six, could be prevented if American women would eat less animal fats. Women in countries with low fat diets are not as prone to breast cancer as American women are. And when the diets change, the incidence of breast cancer increases.

Colon cancer, on the increase in the United States, is believed to be related to the widespread use in this country of refined sugar and flour. Increased consumption of roughage could cut the annual death toll by one-third, from 30,000 deaths a year to 20,000 deaths.

Expanding the use of the Papanicolaou (Pap) smear to detect uterine and cervical cancers to all women would result in saving 3,000 lives a year, Dr. Schneiderman said.

Health Care Cost Continues To Rise

A government study has concluded that more than one dollar of every nine earned by the average American family goes for health care and the share is rising rapidly.

The American Medical News, a weekly issued by the American Medical Association, said the breakdown of cost came from a new unpublished report on health care cost by the Council on Wage and Price Stability, detailing the way in which health care costs have risen faster than the rest of the economy.

The average operating engineer like the general public is generally unaware of the increase because federal programs and insurance programs such as the Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan are paying a proportionately larger part of the bills.

In fiscal 1975—the 12 months ended June 30—health care spending totaled \$118.5 billion, up 13.9 per cent from the previous fiscal year; three times the 1965 total of \$39 billion; and nearly 10 times the \$12 billion spent in 1950.

Medical care costs in 1975, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, rose 9.9 per cent; items excepting medical care rose 6.8 per cent and all services except medical care, 8.1 per cent.

Largest single factor in the medical care increase was hospital care cost, which amounted to 39.3 per cent of all health care spending and rose 13 per cent last

year.

Payments by third parties—Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance plans—accounted for 67.4 per cent of total expenditures for health care on a national basis.

"The result of health care cost inflation," the report says, "has been that 8.3 per cent of the nation's entire gross national product last year went for health care, an increase of \$14.5 billion in just one year."

Fringe Benefits Forum

More Questions Answered

By ART GAROFALO, Director of Fringe Benefits

Q: About two years ago I was forced to retire on a disability pension. At the time I was in very poor health and my doctor would not allow me to continue working. I qualified for disability benefits from the Social Security Administration and the Operating Engineers. Well, recently my health has improved tremendously and my doctor has said that if the improvement continues that I will be able to go back to work. What should I do about my pension with the Operating Engineers? Does my returning to work have any effect on the dollar benefit that I would be entitled to receive?



Art Garofalo

A: If a retired operating engineer on a disability pension loses entitlement to his Social Security disability benefit or returns to work on a trial basis prior to reaching age 65 due to recovery from disability or any other reason, such fact should be reported in writing to the Trust Fund Office within 15 days of the date that notice is received from the Social Security Administration. If the Trust Fund Office is not notified in accordance with the rules and regulations, an operating engineer, upon his subsequent retirement, will not be eligible for benefits for 12 months following the date of his retirement in addition to the number of months which may have elapsed since he received notice of the termination of the Social Security disability benefit or he returned to work on a trial basis and he continued to receive disability benefits from the Operating Engineers Trust Fund.

Accordingly, if you are allowed to return to work by your doctor, you should notify your Social Security Administration Office of your intentions. If Social Security terminates your disability benefits or you return to work on a trial basis, you must notify the Trust Fund Office within 15 days. However, an operating engineer on a disability pension who is no longer entitled to a Social Security disability benefit may again become a covered employee and resume the accrual of pension credit. Upon his subsequent retirement, retirement benefits will be recalculated taking into consideration any pension credits earned after returning to work.

Q: Are ambulance expenses covered by the Pensioned Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan?

A: Yes, charges for local ambulance expenses to and from the hospital or other facility for medical care will be considered for payment by the retiree plan.

Q: Is there a different claim form for the Out of Hospital Prescription Drug Program once you retire? I know that the claim form for medical benefits is different.

A: If you are eligible to receive benefits from the Pensioned Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan, you are correct that the retirees use a different claim form than the active members when applying for medical benefits. The reason for the difference is that there are different insurance carriers involved in providing benefits for active and retired operating engineers. As a retired engineer you should use a "white" claim form when filing for medical benefits. However, when filing for benefits from the Prescription Drug Program you may continue to use the same claim cards that you used as a participant in the Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan.

It is helpful to the Trust Fund Office that you indicate that you have "retired" in the space provided for the "Member's Employer."

Q: Recently our son required eye surgery as a result of an accident in our home. Should we submit this claim to Vision Service Plan or as a medical claim?

A: Vision care benefits available through Vision Service Plans are limited generally to examinations, lenses, and frames. Medical and surgical treatment of the eyes by a physician or surgeon will be considered for payment under the comprehensive benefits of the health and welfare plan. It would appear that you should submit this claim as a medical claim.

ASK YOUR TRUSTEES:

Name _____
SS # _____
Address _____

Mail to:
FRINGE BENEFITS SERVICE CENTER
476 Valencia Street
San Francisco, Ca. 94103

Revised Pension Trust Fund Statement

11. Correction Stub. Located on the reverse side of the pension statement and to be utilized if corrections are necessary. Stub to be detached from the lower portion of the pension statement and mailed to the Trust Fund Office.

6. Total number of hours reported by a Contributing Employer during the calendar period being reported.

7. Total number of hours reported by all Contributing Employers during the calendar period being reported.

9. Total Future Service Credits and Benefits earned since a member's contribution date. Note: Future Service Credit and Benefits earned during the calendar period being reported are included in the total.

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IF CORRECTIONS ARE NECESSARY
SEND TO: **PENSION TRUST FUND**
50 Francisco Street
San Francisco, Calif. 94133

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FIRST NAME: **JOE**
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STATE: **CA** ZIP CODE: **94440**
BIRTH DATE: **7/4** YEAR: **30**
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: **000123456**

LAST NAME: **ENGINEER**

List any differences between your work record and the hours reported by your employers:

EMPLOYER'S NAME	DATE FROM CHECK STUB	HOURS WORKED
SCAB CONST CO	6/13/75	40

PLEASE NOTE
The Data on this statement is based on employer reports and is subject to changes based upon subsequent information, revisions in the Pension Plan and evidence submitted with your application for benefits.
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EMPLOYER	YR	1/75 thru 12/75												TOTAL
		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	
ACME CONST CO	75	125	125	125	125	125			125					750
XYX CONTR INC	75						125	125		125				375
ZZZ CRANE SERVICE	75										125	125	125	375
TOTAL														1500

FOR YEAR ENDING 12/75		ACCUMULATED	
Future Service Credit = 1	Benefits = 48.90	Future Service Credit = 18	Benefits = 380.00

8 YOUR PAST SERVICE CREDIT WILL BE VERIFIED AT TIME OF RETIREMENT **9**

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ADVISE THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF ANY DISCREPANCIES.

Agreement Near For Geyser Construction

By RUSS SWANSON,
District Representative,
BILL PARKER and
STAN McNULTY,
Business Representatives

Project Agreement negotiations for Units 12 through 15 in The Geysers area are getting closer to agreement with every meeting. The majority of hard issues for both sides have been settled with subsistence, shift differentials and whose wording to utilize in various paragraphs separating the parties. Many late and weekend hours have been spent by the Committee working out this agreement as the P. G. & E. would like to bid Unit 12 as soon as possible. The Sonoma County Board of Supervisors recently approved Unit 12's use permit with the condition that Units 3 through 6 be extensively modified to abate hydrogen sulphide emissions. A 5 to 0 vote by the Board climaxed a six-hour hearing with the Sierra Club and Sonoma County protesting over half of the time. P. G. & E. experts were very well prepared to answer all allegations and with their verbal assurance of existing plant modifications the Board of Supervisors quickly relaxed any opposition they had shown to the project. We feel the modifications will also expedite the use permits for Units 13, 14 and 15.

The first of several nearly one million dollar jobs scheduled for Mendocino County was recently bid in Westport. Successful bidders for the sewage treatment and water treatment facilities were Lin Ford of Ukiah for Schedule A and K. G. Walters of San Jose for Schedule B. George Tusio was reportedly placing numerous "No Trespassing" signs in the middle of Potter Valley Road in recent weeks. Survey crews have started staking for a \$1.3 million federally assisted realignment of the section that runs in front of guess who's house.

Just over the hill, in the Lake Pillsbury area, Lou Cobbi was seen estimating the size of the snow pack as Piombo plans to finish their forest service road for Louisiana Pacific as soon as weather permits. C. R. Fedrick has begun again on the Willits sewer plant, upgrading with a small crew. Foundation Constructors assisting on this one, placing the sheet piling, with Paul Tepsa on the pile driver. Packard Paving also spotted heading north for their overlay near Benbow on District 10's northern line. Just south of there the Mercer-Fraser crews were busy seven days a week, cleaning up the massive slide blocking Hwy 101 at Piercy.

The fish stories told at the Wednesday morning meetings on Kuki Road in Ukiah have been getting better and better. Don Smith gets first prize for his hooking another angler's pole in forty feet of water, reeling in the line and finding a twelve-pound striped bass still hooked. Who got the fish, Don?

The Grange Hall in Ukiah will be the site of the next District No. 10 meeting on June 3rd at 8:00 p.m. In addition to regular business, nominations for Officers and Executive Board members will be made. Please plan to attend.

Speaking of elections, we would like to congratulate Les Crane, Howard Seacord and Dean Harlan on their re-election to the Grievance Committee. They have done

a fine job and their efforts on the members' behalf are appreciated by all. Congratulations are also due Hank Pacheco on his election to the Election Committee. Hank is a 38-year member of Local Union No. 3 and will serve the members well. A sincere "Thank you" for a job well done is due Floyd Webb. Floyd recently completed three years as an Election Committeeman and did a superb job of reporting election procedures.

In Lake County Paul V. Wright, Inc., of Santa Rosa, is underway with a \$618,000.00 job, converting the old Army radio station out of Middletown into a Coast Guard tracking station. The contract is mainly for remodeling the existing buildings. Ghilotti Bros., of San Rafael, are the sub on this, doing the excavation and paving of the roads and parking lots, at about \$115,000.00. They have already started some of the excavation and if the weather holds they will be starting the paving very soon. The Coast Guard will be erecting the two new towers, which will be round towers with a base diameter of approximately 1,700 feet.

Talking to some of the contractors in the Napa Valley, they seem to think there will be enough work to give them a fairly good year. Let's hope they are right, as we certainly need a good one after last year.

Berglund, Inc., the cat dealer in the Napa Valley, is very busy. In the last two years we have never seen the shop so busy. There has been at least two rigs in each bay, with more waiting their turn. By the way, if any of you good Heavy Duty Mechanics want to go to work for an equipment dealer, you'd better stop by Berglund's service shop. They are still looking for business to get even better and are looking for more mechanics.

Here in Sonoma County the start of a new job has been a very bad experience for W. M. Lyles Co. The job is one of the inter-tie lines from Cotati to the Russian River for the Sonoma County Water Department, which was started on a Monday. They were digging the ditch for the 48" pipe in the Cotati area. And by Thursday morning they had about 700 feet of ditch dug and about 600 feet of pipe in the ditch and about half of it back filled. There were two men from the County Water Dept. inside of the line, checking the joints; another joint of pipe had just been lowered into place, two pipe fitters were in the ditch and one laborer who was taking the cover off the end of the pipe.

The backhoe was digging for the next piece of pipe when there was an explosion inside the pipe. One of the men from the Water Department was killed and the other very seriously injured. The laborer at the end of the pipe also was killed by the explosion and flying debris blown out of the pipe. The two pipe fitters were also injured by the debris. The operator of the backhoe was knocked off the seat of his rig and fell out on the ground and, fortunately, was not hurt. A study is still being made to determine the cause of the explosion, but it is known there were two gas lines, about 3/4 inch in size, that were broken during the digging of the ditch. Both lines had been capped

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Business Representatives

The Regulatory Blues—Regulatory agencies have become the fourth—and in some ways the most powerful—branch of the government, with each agency combining legislative, executive, enforcement and judicial functions within its domain.

Former President Nixon's Advisory Council on Executive Organization concluded from its study three years ago that independent regulatory agencies are insufficiently flexible in dealing with continuing changes in the industries they regulate.

By insulating these agencies from the political system, the council pointed out, Congress has constructed a major impediment to adaptability. Worse yet, since the agencies are independent of each other, their policies are uncoordinated, despite the obvious interrelationships among many of the regulated industries. "A principal failure of regulation is that it preserves or creates economic inefficiency," the council concluded.

"For the businessman burdened with each agency's idiosyncrasies, the council's findings brought little comfort and even less action to rectify the situation."

The above is quoted from Pacific Business News—I included this in today's report to bring home the fact that we have to get into politics. With 35 to 40 percent out of work it now literally becomes a matter of life and death.

There are three major projects hanging right now because the politicians don't know which way to go. They are the Baldwin Ship

by a P. G. & E. workman, and the O.K. had been given to go ahead and dig more ditch. The whole job had been shut down for more than a week prior to the O.K. given to proceed.

We certainly hope nothing like this ever occurs again.

On June 8th you will have the opportunity to vote on Proposition No. 15, the California Nuclear Initiative. Passage of this proposition will mean the end to California's use of nuclear energy to produce electricity.

The measure expressly provides that after one year no new nuclear power plants could be built in California. Plants now in use or under construction would be cut back to 60 percent of full power, and after five years would be cut another 10 percent per year until they were shut down completely.

The passage of the measure would cost you, the public, billions of dollars. It would threaten an electric shortage, it would cost you many jobs, it would force utilities to turn to more costly and environmentally less desirable oil and coal burning power plants.

In view of these facts, we strongly urge you to vote NO! on Proposition 15 on June 8th and that you tell your friends and neighbors to do the same.

Channel, Dow Chemical's 800 million project in Solano County, and the Dumbarton Bridge 100 million project, plus 15 to 30 million worth of maintenance dredging on the Bay and tributaries.

"Dredging Services May Be Reduced For Some U. S. Waterways—

Over 100 U. S. commercial harbors and waterways may receive little or no maintenance dredging in the coming fiscal year," warned Major General John W. Morris, director of civil works, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The New York Journal of Commerce reported Morris' warning at the closing session of the American Association of Port Authorities convention in San Juan Thursday.

Morris said dredging activities are receiving a smaller share of federal funds, and that the engineers are preparing an "austerity budget."

The above is quoted from the Daily Commercial News.

We need constant pressure from labor and that means every one of us, if we are going to turn this around. Those who are not registered must get registered so they can vote. It is the opinion of some politicians that labor has not voiced an opinion for several years and we labor are guilty of not voting with enough strength to be considered a labor vote. We must write to Congressmen, Senators, and Assemblymen and let them know how we feel and that we are hungry, literally starving. Remember the squeaky wheel gets the grease.

One of the reasons the E.P.A. has gathered such strength is that they are all doctors,, lawyers or students and they have been writing their legislators.

Are we going to admit to being too dumb to write a letter? If you don't know who to write, check with your District Office. They have complete lists available. A good example is the recent effort to march on Sacramento. We enjoyed some success with between 500 and 1,000 people showing up, but it should have been better. I personally called 27 people, all who were out of work and I got 4 people to go and 23 excuses.

We can, we must do better if we are to get this work back and more importantly have a voice in what is to happen with our government.

The work has started to break in Eastern Contra Costa County. Oliver DeSilva has 4 different jobs started, 2 in Antioch and 2 in Pittsburg. Total yards in all four jobs is approximately 1,160,000 yards. It sure is great seeing the iron roll and the hands a smiling as they make that money.

The Antioch Bridge bids April 14, 1976 at a tune of around 40 million.

We have a big job prepared to start around May in Clayton with 3 million yards to move. This job has not been let yet. It is going to be a large shopping center and housing tracts.

Turtle Creek in Concord is going to start soon with a million yard job on tract work. All of this makes all kinds of work, underground, black top landscape, etc.

Ralph Goldenberg is the General on a shopping center in Concord at a tune of 5 million plus. Goldenberg is going to use all sub contractors on the job, but there

is also a lot of underground, plus all the other work. Oliver DeSilva did the dirt work last summer on this job.

After a long dry winter with very little work going on, things are starting to go in Western Contra Costa. Vickerey Enterprises are putting their portable concrete batch plant together in preparation for the repaving of Highway 80 between El Portal, Richmond and Appian Way, Pinole. This rebuilding and repaving of the rough truck lanes and center median of Highway 80 in that area should last about three months and keep ten engineers going through July.

Jerry White picked up the underground at Singer Housing in Rodeo and together with Dick Delzer's big trenching machines they are chewing up the rock and making some beautiful ditches. This job will also last through July and keep 9-10 engineers busy.

SHOPS—Work in the shops is a mixed picture at this writing.

Peterson Tractor's workload has fallen off significantly and many of these brothers are on short weeks.

Williams and Lane has completed their Muni Bus job and has slacked off some.

Western Traction has everybody back to work for the moment, but no one is sure what the future holds.

The brothers at R. H. Gorman Company have their own used equipment in the shop.

All in all, it's not a very bright picture, so let's hope that the coming of good weather generates some work, and when the Business Agent calls to ask you to attend a meeting to take on the radical environmentalists remember the days you sat home this winter.

STEEL MILL—FORGE—Since the last writing of news, the work has gotten progressively slower. The Open Hearths were running a one furnace operation, also with a large backlog of Ingots. The 30" mill is running at about 60 percent of capacity, and the 12-16 mill on bar sizes as the orders come in to the customer's needs. The Morgan Mill that makes reinforcing bars has ran somewhat better than the other mills, however, the production was far from steady employment.

The American Forge Company has been down to 25 to 30 percent of capacity. Most of the product in this operation is for the mining industry and the mining industry is down to a near complete shut-down. In the last month the crews have been cut to about 25 percent of normal.

The Sand and Gravel plants are still running parttime and repairing parttime just enough to beat unemployment and trying to keep the crews together. When the stockpiles are up, then the repair crews undertake some larger repair jobs that are in great need.

Let's hope for an early spring and some big jobs for the Rock & Sand Industry.

During the first quarter of the 1976 fiscal year, 15,322 older Americans took part in the senior community service employment program (SCEP) which is administered by the U.S. Labor Department's Employment and Training Administration for unemployed, disadvantaged persons aged 55 and above.

By A Vote of 62-1

Utah Members Ratify Rio Algom Contract

By TOM BILLS, District Representative, WAYNE LASSITER, WILLIAM MARKUS, DENNIS WRIGHT, DONALD STRATE and REX DOUGHERTY, Business Representatives

Members at Rio Algom ratified a new three-year agreement between Local No. 3 and Rio Algom Corporation. The agreement was ratified by a 62 to 1 vote.

Vice President Bob Mayfield, District Representative Tom Bills, Business Agent Bill Markus and Job Stewards Manuel Barela, Frank Wilkinson and Al Sagrillo negotiated for the Union and Ed McLean of Rio Algom's Toronto office and Calvin Wyatt from their Utah operation negotiated for the Company.

Rio Algom Corporation, a Canadian Mining firm operating the Lisbon Uranium Mine at LaSal, Utah, was first organized in August, 1973.

The new agreement, effective February 29, 1976, includes upgrading in such provisions as holiday pay, vacations, seniority, grievance procedure, safety and health, protective clothing and dues check-off. Also included in the new agreement is a Credit Union check-off and payroll savings plan. The Health and Welfare insurance has been upgraded and will include a new dental plan. The employees will no longer have to pay part of the Health & Welfare premium and can pocket the \$5.50 per month previously paid.

Leadman classifications were increased by 5 cents per hour the first year and an additional 5 cents the second year of the agreement. Shift premiums were also increased. The new contract also calls for guaranteed callout and overtime pay in addition to upgrading six top journeyman classifications by 10 cents per hour above the negotiated wage increase.

The negotiated wage increase will be 70 cents per hour the first year, 20 cents per hour the second year and 20 cents the third year. By the third year of the agreement, the annual increase will total \$5,616 which does not include the cost-of-living allowance effective the second year of the agreement.

Improved wages, fringe benefits and working conditions can only be obtained for the working men of America, who are the backbone of the nation, when they unite and work together. Membership in a union that provides strong, sensible leadership is the democratic and American way for workers to upgrade the living standards for themselves and their families.

The Stewards at Rio Algom are to be commended for the time and effort they put forth on behalf of their fellow workers. We want to express our appreciation to all the Stewards at Rio Algom for a job well done. We also want to welcome aboard David Cummins, newly appointed Job Steward.

The Bureau of Reclamation has announced bid openings in the very near future for projects in the Central part of Utah, which should help the work opportunities for members living in that

area. Some of the projects up for bid will be four miles of earthwork and gravel surfacing on the Currant Creek Recreation Road; earthwork, structures and gravel surfacing of 4.2 miles on the North Fork Duchesne River Road; earthwork, culverts and gravel surfacing of 23 miles on the Rock Creek Road. Bid opening on this last project has been set for March 23rd. The Bureau has also announced they will open for bids in April for construction of the Stillwater Tunnel on the Strawberry Aqueduct, located about 49 miles northwest of Duchesne. The tunnel will be about eight miles long and eight feet in diameter. Drill and blast methods with structural-steel support and cast-in-place concrete lining may be necessary for at least part of the tunnel. Time allowed for completion, 1,825 days.

The Stateline Dam, located approximately 22 miles south of Mountain View, Wyoming, is also expected to be let in April. The Stateline Dam will be a zoned earthfill embankment approximately 128 feet above the bed of East Fork Smith's Fork and will have a crest length of approximately 2,800 feet; constructing an outlet works consisting of an intake structure, a 5-foot, 6-inch diameter steel-lined conduit, a 7-foot, 6-inch diameter horseshoe conduit with a 42-inch diameter pipe, a control structure, and a stilling basin. Also to be included in the bid is improving approximately two miles of road, constructing approximately one mile of road and gravel surfacing approximately four miles of road.

Preparation of the final environmental Impact Statement for the Southeast Quadrant of I-215 (belt route around Salt Lake City) has been given the "go ahead" by the Utah Department of Transportation. The latest proposal follows essentially the same alignment as the original I-215 route. It does however, modify the location of some interchanges and decreases the size of the 20th East interchange. This final Impact Statement will examine all of the environmental, social, and economic impacts of the alternate proposal. The completed statement should be released sometime this spring.

After reviewing the more detailed information in the final statement, it will then be submitted to the various federal agencies for approval, which should take about six months. Following federal approval, probably in early 1977, the remaining right-of-way could be purchased and the contract let. Even with the most optimistic forecast, though, the entire project would not be finished before 1985.

Thyssen Drilling Company is still working three shifts, employing approximately 20 Engineers, sinking an air shaft approximately 50 feet in diameter and 3,100 feet deep, for Anaconda Copper Company. The project "kicked off" about one year ago and at the present time the shaft is at 700 feet. Anaconda will mine underground for copper instead of using the open-pit method. The shaft is located next to Kennecott Copper in the Oquirrh Mountains. Anaconda has indicated the

copper will be shipped to Montana for smelting.

Peter Kiewit & Sons Company is sinking two more shafts on the opposite side of the Oquirrh Mountains, near Tooele.

The work in Southern Utah is beginning to show some signs of picking up.

W. W. Clyde Construction has started the excavation work on the coal-handling plant for the Emery Power Plant. The project started with just one shift but a second shift has been added.

W. W. Clyde's job at Fremont Junction is still moving slowly due to weather conditions. They still have the crusher working and are doing some channel changes along with the rip rap. As soon as the weather allows, they will get a full crew back as well as a second shift.

L. A. Young Sons Company has two shifts back to work at Crescent Junction. They have the structures about finished as well as a good percentage of the south-bound lane. Construction on this job will probably continue most of the year. Their canal job at St. George is finished and the structure over the Virgin River is also close to completion.

Peter Kiewit Sons Company has finished crushing on the Pintura job and are waiting for the State to give the go ahead on the asphalt, which they expect to happen in the very near future.

James Reed Company has started their crushing job for Millard County. They have the gravel crushed for the asphalt job south of Delta and will be ready as soon as the weather breaks.

W. W. Clyde Company's shop in Springville is going full blast with about 32 mechanics working.

Jelco's jobs at the Huntington and Emery Power Plants are making good progress. Approximately 80 operators have been working all winter on the two projects.

Pump Runs Dry At Larkspur Terminal

By W. A. "LUCKY" SPRINKLE

With its reservoirs only half full, the Marin Municipal Water District is shutting off the water supply to the still unfinished Larkspur Ferry Terminal. The water cut-off at the \$13.7 million terminal site will disrupt construction, but it is predicted that the facility will open on schedule June 6th.

The bridge district is going to dig a well on its property. They also want to hire a dowser with a divining rod to help them find a source of fresh water.

The water district sent letters to about 15 contractors working in central and southern Marin County, advising them to stop using fresh water in view of the short-

Project Agreement For Reno Hotel Job

By DALE BEACH, District Representative, and DAVE YOUNG, PAUL WISE and ED BARRINGTON, Business Representatives

The Nevada Building & Trades has just signed an 80 million dollar project agreement with Taylor International of Las Vegas who will be the prime contractors on the new M.G.M. Grand Hotel and Casino to be located in Reno near Highway 395 south and Glendale Avenue. Rodoni Construction has already begun site preparation, working sixteen operators to move and compact over two million yards of material.

Nevada Paving has been awarded 14½ miles of secondary highway near Frenchmans on Route 615. The low bid was \$789,490.00, beating out Valley Ready Mix by more than \$60,000.00.

Robert L. Helms Construction has begun site preparations for the \$1,843,516.00 backfill on Highway 395 south, between Glendale and Mill, and may work two shifts hauling material from the Short Ranch located near Rattlesnake Mountain.

Harker-Harker, Inc. has been awarded the University of Nevada, Reno Campus, improvements at \$276,560.00.

Corrao Construction was low bidder on the Western Nevada Community College, Phase II, at \$450,667.00.

Earl Games Construction has a good job working several Brothers at the New-Holiday Hotels Monte Carlo Casino site.

Tannenbaum Construction is the sub-contractor for R. N. Bertelson at Lovelock, excavating for the expansion of Rye Patch Dam.

Max Riggs will soon have a full crew working at the Carlin bypass moving dirt and placing concrete. They will be working approximately 10 operators.

Brunzell Construction has started construction of the Kit Carson Hotel located at Virginia Street, between 1st and 2nd,

which will have two floors below ground level and sixteen floors above street level.

Harker-Harker are ready to move on their 90 mile transmission line job, reaching from Idaho to the site location of the new 350 million dollar coal powered electric plant near Valmy, Nevada.

In and about the Carson area, Savage Construction's rillite pit is operating full guns despite the fact that construction in the Carson area has been slow. Robert L. Helms should soon be paving at the site of the newly awarded Highway 50 overlay.

At Lake Tahoe, Carrao Construction is ahead of schedule at Harvey's. Huber, Hunt and Nichols have started work on the massive Tahoe Palace.

Contracts are now open for re-negotiations with Incline Village General Improvement District, Japan Golf, Ski Inc. at Incline Village.

R.H.C. Associates was awarded the Incline filter plant for \$230,000.00 and should begin work soon.

Boecon, Lummis Inc., Kincaid Construction, Porter Engineering and Sierra Engineering have had work all winter at Hawthorne.

Anaconda Mining Corporation in Yerington are considering a possible merger with Teneco Corporation and have recalled several employees who were recently laid off.

The Victoria properties have gone underground and have a shaft 14' x 16' down approximately 250'.

Carlin Gold production is still up. They are presently working two shifts in the mine and three shifts in the mill.

The world market for copper is on the rise so there has not been any cut-backs by Duval Corporation at Battle Mountain, but there is a moratorium on hiring.

Local 3 will open contract negotiations with N. L. Industries in June.

bottom of the now unused Hutchinson Quarry. If all else fails, the terminal may try to buy water from the quarry.

As most of the Brothers know, we have had a water moratorium in southern Marin. And now, water rationing.

Without new water hookups, there isn't that much work going on. By the way, we have a Grand Jury investigation going on at the present time, with the Marin Water Board.

The work as a whole in Marin is not by any means going full blast. The weather has been holding up good, but not the work. Many jobs were completed due to the good weather, therefore no backlog of work.

Bresnan & Dalecio are working on Bridgeway Blvd. in Sausalito with a good crew.

Williams & Burrows still working at the Larkspur Ferry Terminal. Also Dutra Dredging has resumed their dredging operations on this site, with a crew of dredgers around the clock.

Maggiore-Ghilotti was recently awarded a contract for sewer construction in the Bel Aire area near Tiburon.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO UTAH RESIDENTS

The Department of Transportation for the State of Utah has asked us to print the following reminder to residents of Utah.

March 31st is the last day that Utah motorists will be allowed to use studded snowtires this spring. Motorists may, of course, continue to use snowtires without metal studs.

According to state law, studded snowtires may only be used from October 15 through March 31st. There is no provision within state statutes to extend this deadline. Motorists who drive with studded tires on their car after the March 31st deadline are subject to citation for a misdemeanor violation.



TEACHING TECHS

By ART PENNEBAKER
Administrator, Surveyors' JAC

The N.C.S.J.A.C. Administrative Office has been moved. The new address is: 675 Hegenberger Road, Oakland, California 94621. The new telephone number is: (415) 638-7225.

The new location is about one block from the Coliseum BART Station and on the same side of the Nimitz Freeway as the Oakland Coliseum Complex. Hegenberger Road is well marked.

From MacArthur Boulevard, take the Edwards off ramp and continue down the hill toward the Bay. The street winds around a bit, becomes 73rd Avenue and then Hegenberger Road. As you cross the BART tracks on the overpass, look to the right. The three story office building is 675 Hegenberger.

A few Apprentices are receiving Veterans Benefits during their training. In order to receive the benefits, the V.A. system is designed so that the N.C.S.J.A.C. must sign off for the work training hours and related training class hours.

The N.C.S.J.A.C. system for retrieving Apprenticeship hours utilizes the Trust Fund Contribution Reports. This causes a time lag. For instance, January hours worked are reported to the Trust Fund by the Employer in February. The Trust Fund processes the reports and sends the information to the J.A.C. Administrative Office in March. A time lag is inevitable and it does cause procedural problems.

For instance, when, in March, the veteran sends in a certification card indicating hours for January and February, the Administrative Office can only sign off for January because the February hours report has not yet reached the office. This, of course, causes confusion at the V.A. and their computer blows its cool. We are sending along a written explanation to the V.A. when this happens and explaining by telephone when the V.A. calls. Sometimes it works, and sometimes it doesn't.

If you are having V.A. problems, give us a call. We have no Houdinis on the payroll, so we cannot pull rabbits out of a hat, but will do the best we can with the V.A. confusion. Ask for Beverly, she has been doing battle with the V.A. for several years and can usually find some way through the red tape. There is not always an answer, but we do try and we do care.

We have just made a mailing to all currently Registered Apprentices. The copy of your master record as it appears in the Administrative Office contains many important pieces of information. Examine it carefully to be certain all of the information is correct through the Month of January, 1976. If any portion of the master record appears to be incorrect, then let the Administrative Office know immediately. Take particular note of your address and phone number.

The construction season for 1975 was sort of catch as catch can. Nineteen seventy-six, at least, appears to be starting off with the sun shining, but our best estimate is that 1976 will continue to provide a competitive job market.

The N.C.S.J.A.C. OFFERS the opportunity to expand, sharpen up old skills and be more competitive. Each individual Local Union No. 3 Tech Engineer member will make his own decision concerning his personal involvement and investment toward his future well being.

We know that you must get a little p.o.'d at our DINGING at you about being competitive and go to school and all that, but we have no intention of stopping the DINGING! In fact, about the time we get embarrassed by it all, we get another request from somewhere in the U.S. for copies of our material and information about our Training Program. This month it was New York and Seattle, Washington.

Recently, the membership of Local Union No. 3 participated in an election of Delegates to a convention of Operating Engineers from all over the United States and Canada.

Both new Apprentices and old line Journeymen rounding out their skills through the Apprenticeship Program will have a knowledgeable Tech Engineer Delegate at that series of meetings.

Mike Womack, Director of the Tech Engineer Department, will be there representing all Operating Engineers, but will be carrying the particular expertise of Tech Engineers.

Mike is the Co-Chairman of the Trust Fund, Co-Chairman of the J.A.C. and a member of every Sub J.A.C. The Surveyor Training Program will have not only its own knowledgeable advocate, but also a person attuned to any new ideas or concepts that other programs might have evolved.

Mike will be in the position to encourage other jurisdictions in America to insist on the excellence of production that the individual Tech Engineer member of Local Union No. 3 has insisted on over the years.

At its meeting March 21, 1976, the Executive Board granted Honorary Memberships to the following:

Name	Reg. No.	Initiated	by Local No.
Vincent Croon	286179	6/ 8/40	3A
Roland Davies	297579	2/ 1/41	3C
Wally Gibeson	293340	11/16/40	3
Walter Lake	297559	2/ 1/41	3
Earl R. McWilliams	253919	11/ 1/37	65
Raymond Meyers	299406	3/ 1/41	3
Charles V. Shipley	294587	12/ 7/40	3
George Tarleton	292607	11/ /40	3
Troy Taylor	295947	1/ /41	3B

Green Leads Fight On '15'

By KEN GREEN,
District Representative and
BOB HAVENHILL,
Business Representative

I have been appointed to a Committee which is in opposition to Proposition 15, which will be on the ballot this year. If you have not been made aware of this dangerous piece of legislation, contact your local office and we will give you the information on this environmental instituted legislation. The main points on Proposition 15 are:

Environmental injury from greater coal and oil use.

Higher California unemployment from industry relocation.

Restrictions on economic growth.

Financial hardship for low- and fixed-income citizens.

Increased dependence on uncertain foreign oil suppliers.

Faster depletion of domestic petroleum resources.

Cutbacks on construction of mass transit and water pollution control facilities.

Slowdown in substituting electricity for oil and natural gas.

The added cost to the consumer over the next 20 years could be an additional \$40 billion dollars or \$7,500.00 per family in related services over and above what you are paying now.

Give your local office a call and we will try to give you all the pertinent information on Proposition 15: Don't let the scare tactics sway your vote until you read the facts.

Bertelsen Company of Marysville was awarded \$251,209 contract by the Redding City Council Monday to construct a storm drainage system in the Free-bridge neighborhood of Redding.

The bid was lowest of nine and was well under the engineer's estimate of \$323,693.

Work can begin on the project very soon, depending on the weather. It will be funded in large part by money from the Community Development Program.

John M. Frank who has been working on the boat ramp at Shasta Dam has been plagued with environmental problems. Along with this — he has his money shut off also. It is really a shame when a project is let and construction has started — an environmentalist can shut a job down even though the impact reports are all oked by the different agencies.

Luckily, Trinity Logging who was moving the dirt on the project had completed their phase of the project before the environmentalist shut the job down.

Glenn Shook is still stringing pipe on their \$4½ million Central Valley project. The huge project will bring sewers for the first time to the greater Central Valley area. At the present time there are 19 Engineers working for Shook.

As of this writing Piombo has resumed work on their Highway 97 job near Deer Mountain Lodge. Brother Jack Standard is the shifter and expects things to pretty well fall together this Spring and Summer. Piombo is not expecting to be hiring any new hands, but, will be calling back most of the men they had

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TALKING TO TECHS

MIKE WOMACK, Dir.
PAUL SCHISSLER
GENE MACHADO

The Technical Engineers Master Agreement allows the Individual Employer to request by name any employee registered on the A or B List for the classification requested. If an Individual Employer contacts you for a job, make sure you are on the out of work list for that specific classification so that the Tech Engineer Dispatcher will be able to dispatch you when the Employer Job Order is received. Your name must be on the out of work list in order for you to be dispatched.



Mike Womack

Most of our activity the past few weeks has been confined to the Reno, Nevada area, in an attempt to negotiate a contract with the S.E.A. Engineering Planners and Architects. However, I am sorry to say that the work has been neither pleasant nor peaceful, as the following newspaper articles will show.

Unsuccessful Negotiations Prompt Strike

(From the Nevada State Journal, March 10, 1976)

Survey crewmen and laboratory workers in the S.E.A. Engineers-Planners and Architects firm in Sparks began picketing Tuesday at the office and all construction sites on which the firm is employed.

Mike Womack, of San Francisco, director of the technical engineers division of Operating Engineers Local No. 3, announced the strike action Monday evening.

He said eight men out of a labor force of 50 are involved in this first-ever union negotiation with an engineering firm in this part of Nevada.

All such firms in California are unionized, he said, and there have been contracts in the Lake Tahoe area, "but this is the first union effort in this area ever to involve an engineering firm."

Womack said the union won its organizational election last summer and has been negotiating unsuccessfully ever since for its first contract.

What management has offered so far, he said, "is less than what was offered under the prevailing non-union conditions . . . (and) it's been a slap in the face to us."

He said the men, employed as rod men, chief's of surveying parties, and laboratory men, voted unanimously for the strike action. The firm's main office is at 950 Industrial Way.

Ron Byrd, executive vice president of S.E.A. Engineers, denied Tuesday union employees are being offered less than they were before.

Sparks Engineering Firm Crewmen Picket

(From the Reno Evening Gazette, March 10, 1976)

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Picket Walker Injured

(From the Nevada State Journal, March 13, 1976)

A union representative was injured slightly by a car going through a picket line on Industrial Way Friday morning, Sparks police said.

A spokesman for Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 identified the victim as Paul Schissler, business representative from San Francisco.

His arm was treated at Washoe Medical Center, the spokesman said.

Capt. Ken Hill said he understood an outside mirror on a car driven by Joe Howard, vice president of S.E.A. Engineers-Planners and Architects, struck Schissler's arm.

Survey crewmen and laboratory workers began picketing Tuesday.

We didn't receive an answer to the identity of last month's photo contest, so we are going to give the lollipop to the Easter Bunny!! The survey crew shown in the picture was the Deadwood Central Railroad Engineer Corp., in the Dakota Territory in 1888.



WALKING THE PICKET LINE at S.E.A. Engineers-Planners and Architects firm in Sparks, Nevada, is not always peaceful. Just ask Tech Engineer Rep. Paul Schissler who was injured during the strike. Pictured above are Brother Engineers walking the picket line, from left to right are Lee Smithson, Ed Hays, Neil Duncan and Ron Ashbaugh.

Obituaries

Business Manager Dale Marr and the Officers of Local Union No. 3 offer their sympathy and condolence to the families and friends of the following deceased:

Ayres, Frank C. (Helen, Wife)	2-21-76
1636 Merkle St., Honolulu, Hawaii	
Bennage, Fred (Vera Foreman, Friend)	3-15-76
Star Rt., Box 221A, Rio Vista, Calif.	
Clawson, Floyd (Elma, Wife)	2-25-76
Box 404, Thorne Bay, Ark.	
Farris, Hop L. (Lena, Wife)	3-15-76
428 Henderson St. Grass Valley, Calif.	
Gaines, Frank (Seppie, Wife)	3-02-76
880 S. 13th St., Mountain Home, Idaho	
Galanza, A. J. (Felicisima, Wife)	3-19-76
32508 Lake Chabot, Fremont, Calif.	
Garcia, John, (Dolores, Wife)	2-25-76
774 Cassidy Road, Watsonville, Calif.	
Ivey, James (Marie, Wife)	3-18-76
174 Haas Avenue, San Leandro, Calif.	
Jones, Frank (Kathryn, Wife)	2-23-76
2546 Capitola Road, Santa Cruz, Calif.	
Jones, Walter (Florence, Wife)	3-08-76
P. O. Box 404, Bethel Island, Calif.	
Kirby, Tilmor (Gladys, Wife)	3-11-76
3970 Joan Avenue, Concord, Calif.	
Lawrence, Henry A. (Virginia, Wife)	3-17-76
3211 Roland Drive, Santa Cruz, Calif.	
Meyer, Arthur W. (Erma, Wife)	3-02-76
222 W. Del Norte, Eureka, Calif.	
Miller, Raymond (Lottie, Wife)	3-03-76
524 Glenmyra, Sun Valley, Nevada	
Pacheaco, Stan (Phyllis, Wife)	3-03-76
351 Westchester St., Hayward, Calif.	
Phillips, Frank (Bobbie, Wife)	1-23-76
33 Holm Road, Watsonville, Calif.	
Riley, William (Maria, Wife)	3-06-76
130 Dorer Drive No. B, Auburn, Calif.	
Schroff, Charles (Emma, Wife)	3-11-76
4660 Daywalt Rd., Sebastopol, Calif.	
Shallenberger, Charles (Gary, Son)	3-14-76
5337-A Clark Road, Paradise, Calif.	
Walter, Trevor G. (Helen, Wife)	3-13-76
480 Pinewood Drive, San Rafael, Calif.	
Wong, Louis K. (Priscilla, Wife)	2-26-76
45-841 Luana Place, Kaneohe, Hawaii	
Woolley, Gordon (Sheba, Wife)	3-03-76
1712 N. Peters Street, Carson City, Nevada	

DECEASED DEPENDENTS

Andersen, Marie—Deceased March 4, 1976
Deceased wife of Martin Andersen
Avellar, Virginia—Deceased February 18, 1976
Deceased daughter of Randall Avellar
Curry, Frances H.—Deceased February 9, 1976
Deceased wife of Glen W. Curry
Demoff, Ercolina—Deceased March 15, 1976
Deceased wife of Steve Demoff
Hass, Ruby—Deceased January 4, 1976
Deceased wife of Jesse M. Hass
Swaney, Maxine—Deceased January 22, 1976
Deceased wife of Nathaniel Swaney

Long-Time Member Roy Kemmitt Retires

Brother Roy R. Kemmitt announced that he is officially retiring as of March 31, 1976.

He is a native of the state of Illinois; was initiated by Local 382 in April, 1942 and transferred to Local 3 in September, 1942.

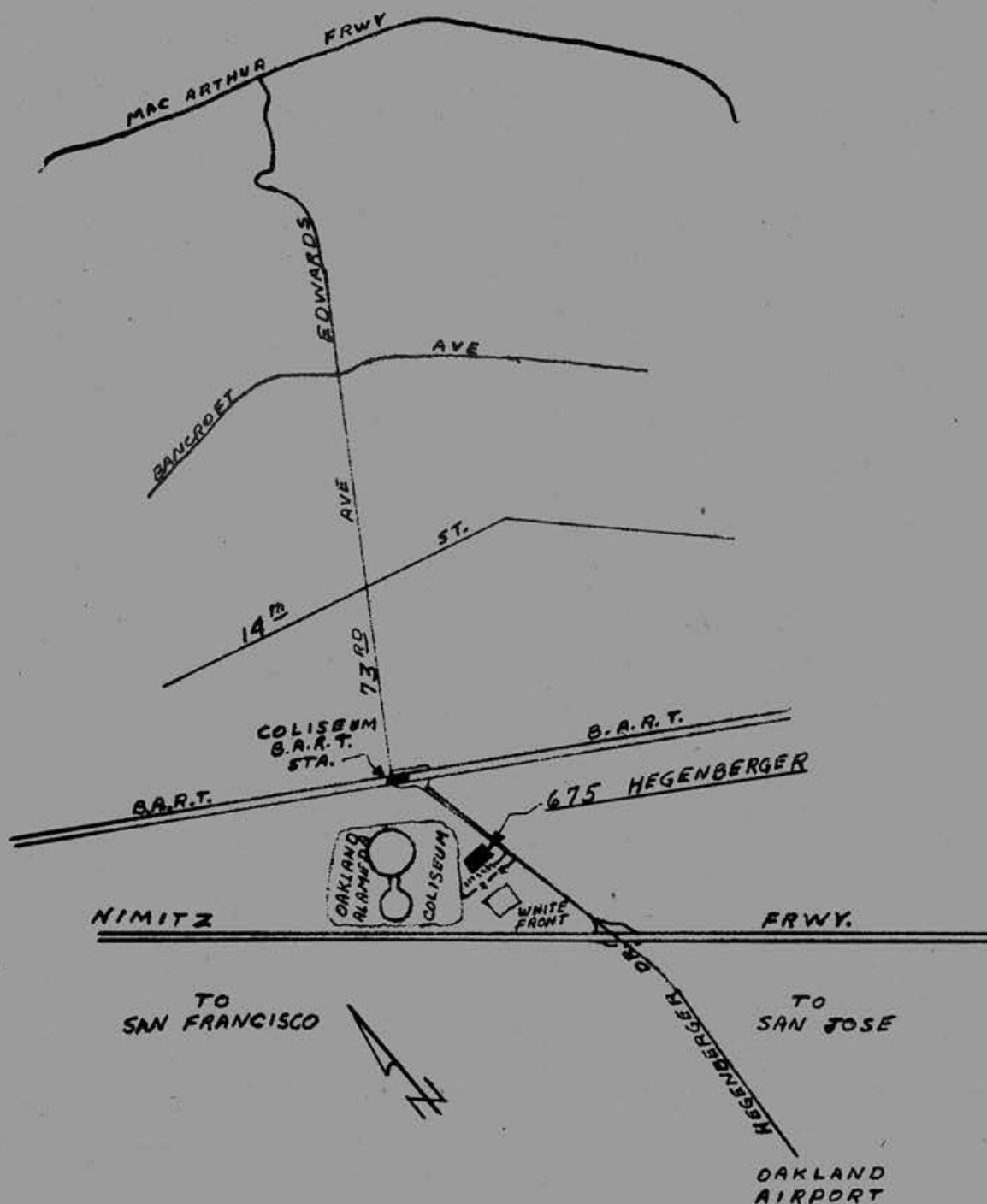
Prior to joining the industry he boxed for four years—two years as an amateur and two years as a professional—in various arenas throughout Illinois. From 1934 to 1936, while still in Illinois, he was employed in a rock quarry where he had the opportunity to become acquainted with heavy equipment and to run it. This experience led him into his life's work as an Operating Engineer. After becoming a member of Local 3 Kemmitt worked in the Richmond shipyards as a crane operator until the middle of 1945; then, he resumed operating blades, dozers, scrapers, side booms, hot rollers and other equipment for contractors located primarily in the Bay Area. From January, 1974 through August, 1975 Broth-

er Kemmitt served in the capacity of Blade and Dozer Instructor at Rancho Murieta. He was forced to leave there due to an injury. Upon his recovery Brother Kemmitt, after much deliberation within himself, decided to step aside to give the "young talent" an opportunity. He feels that the young men coming into the ranks are a capable lot and advises them to learn all they can, stay close to the Union's rules and to take an active part in Union affairs thereby insuring this Local's continued strength and progress in the years to come.

He stated, "I've enjoyed my association these past 34 years with various individuals of Local 3 — officers, staff, and members — and am certainly going to miss them. In parting I leave my best wishes with all you Brothers and Sisters of this great Local."

Now it's our turn, Roy, to wish you good luck for a long and happy retirement!

How To Find The Oakland Hall



EFFECTIVE APRIL 5, 1976, offices for the Oakland Dispatch Hall, Tech Engineers, Northern California - Nevada Surveyor's JAC, and the Oakland Public Employees

will be located at 675 Hegenberger Road, Oakland. The map, complements of the Tech Engineers Department, pictured above, shows the way.

Spring Brings More Work For Stockton

By WALT TALBOT, District Representative, JAY VICTOR, Assistant District Representative and AL McNAMARA, Business Representative

The prospects for work in this district continues to improve with the advent of spring. Melones Contractors, constructors of the New Melones Dam east of Oakdale, were awarded the powerhouse contract at the damsite. This job entails the construction of the powerhouse, switchyard, power intake works and access roads. The contract was bid in excess of \$40 million and should employ approximately 40 engineers at the peak of the job.

A \$6.2 million contract for design and manufacture of two electrical generators for the powerhouse capable of producing 433 million kilowatts annually has been awarded General Electric Co. The generators are scheduled to be installed in November, 1979. Work on the dam itself has accelerated with the coming of spring and should continue to improve with each month. At this time a crew of mechanics and welders are assembling a new fifteen-yard 280 Bucyrus electric shovel that will be used to load

110-ton rock bed trucks for the backfilling of the dam.

David Roberdes of Garden Grove has the subcontract for the dirt moving on the tertiary water treatment facilities at the Main Water Quality Plant in Stockton. The prime contractor is Boecon Corp. of Renton, Wash., with a \$16.5 million contract to construct the new facilities.

Projects that we expect to be let for bid later this year are the concrete paving of seven miles of Interstate 5 from Hammer Lane to Route 12 where Piombo Corp. has approximately three and one-half miles subgrade to construct in order to complete this seven-mile section. The other three and one-half mile portion was completed last year under a contract to Ball-Kirst.

Realign 4.3 miles and widen to thirty-two feet Highway 4 about two miles east of Stockton. Cost is estimated at \$850,000. Reconstruct 2.5 miles on Route 26 east of Stockton from west of Patterson Ave. to Jack Tone Road.

Last but not least we want to express our appreciation to all those members and particularly to the untiring efforts of Business Manager Marr, who have refused

to accept CalTrans' statement of the unavailability of funds to complete I-5 and have actively taken steps to change the Commission's priorities. This undoubtedly will be responsible for contracts being called for bid to complete I-5 much sooner than was planned.

The work picture in Stanislaus and Tuolumne counties has not changed since the last report. We have held several pre-jobs on work that is coming up in the two counties. The largest dirt job is L. D. Folsom on Highway 708 above Groveland. The job cost is \$1,700,000. There are 450,000 yards of dirt and a large bridge structure. The other pre-jobs were for Swinerton & Walberg on their buildings for Tillie Lewis Foods and the mechanical on CVC. Unfortunately, this type of work does not have many jobs for engineers.

Other activities in the area are rock, sand and gravel plants. Flintkote Co. is producing materials with almost a full crew. George Reed Co. is making necessary repairs on their Waterford Plant.

Santa Fe Rock is also making repairs on their plant. Granite

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With Safety In Mind

Vigilance Required During Trenching

Damage during excavation is the number one pipeline safety problem plaguing the nation. More than 40 per cent of all gas pipeline accidents, the deaths, injuries and property damage that go with them, result from this cause. Many of the victims are the equipment operators themselves. All other underground facilities suffer the same fate. In one recent year, the Bell Telephone system reported that its telephone cables were damaged more than 87,000 times.



Jerry Martin

A number of accidents provide a reason for our concern. To name a few:

1. A contractor for a telephone utility installing underground cable with a trenching machine reported that a 10 inch gas pipeline was ruptured. The line was operating at a pressure of more than 750 psi at the time of the accident. About 45 minutes after the break, the leaking gas ignited, killing one person and injuring three others. They were all contractor employees.

2. A dozer operator working in front of a children's nursery, broke a 1 inch medium pressure gas service pipeline. The crew was unable to locate the buried shut off valve. In a few minutes an explosion occurred in the nursery. Nine people, including seven children, lost their lives.

3. A back-hoe struck a 3/4" medium pressure gas service line but did not break the pipe at that spot. However, the service line was separated from the main which was about 14 feet away. Two hours later, an explosion occurred in a building near the break, demolishing two semi-detached homes which comprised the structure and killed all nine occupants.

4. A dozer, excavating a ramp for a new building basement, hit and fractured a gas service line. Gas leaked into a small department store where it exploded, killing six persons, injuring ten others and destroying the department store.

5. A back-hoe, excavating for a sewer project, snagged a 2 inch steel gas main and pulled it out of a coupling. Gas migrated through ground into nearby houses where it exploded. Three persons died and three houses were destroyed.

6. A dozer rode over and crushed a gas regulator station. This permitted high pressure gas to enter a low pressure distribution system serving 7,500 customers. Miraculously, there were no deaths, but more than 50 homes suffered gas fire damage.

All of these accidents occurred in recent years around our country and most recently in the Santa Rosa area, two men were blown out of a 48 inch water transmission pipeline just like deer slugs out of a shotgun. One of the dead men was propelled 1,000 feet. You can all imagine our concern!

Every time I see a rig digging a trench or new excavation, I automatically say to myself, "I hope whoever is in charge of the project has checked the location of the buried utility lines." Many persons never realize just what is going on beneath our streets and roadways. We've always had water, gas and sewer lines. But nowadays, we have storm sewers, electric systems, telephone lines, steam lines, fire alarm and police alarm systems, traffic control signals, street light, television cables and who knows what will be next?

It is in this vein that we want to stress so much importance that the rules of safety be strictly adhered to and our equipment operators be completely aware of just what lies beneath the surface—BEFORE—he puts that first bucket in the ground. More generally speaking, any trench or excavation five feet or more in depth or requiring a person to work in such excavation, then a formal permit is required, with few exceptions.

We therefore insist that the operator of the piece of equipment has checked with his supervisor and is satisfied that all measures of safety precautions have been taken before he begins excavation. This should include plans for "daylighting" of any underground installations by careful probing or hand digging.

Just the other day one of our good Brothers called and reported that the boss didn't think a permit for a trench was necessary. We just cannot imagine this happening—but the boss finally got his S— together after we made a jobsite safety inspection. We feel he learned a valuable lesson that he'll never forget!!

We are certainly hopeful that this bit of information will have a lasting impression on those of you out there "mucking" out the trenches and excavations day in and day out. BE CAREFUL!!

THINK SAFETY — WORK AND PLAY SAFELY

More From Marysville

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your donation to our Blood Bank, we certainly appreciate your generosity. We have had to release 10 units of blood this month so we need some donations just to bring up the credits to replace units borrowed from other Districts. We would certainly appreciate any time you could take to go to the following locations —

and please remember this is District 60 when you are donating:

Chico:—Every Monday, 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Every Tuesday—8:00-11:00 a.m. and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Every Friday—8:00-11:00 a.m., at the Chico Donor Center, 169 Cohasset Road, Chico.

Marysville:—Second Tuesday of each month: 1:00 to 7:00 p.m.,

Commission Schedule Full

By BOB WAGNON,
District Representative and
E. L. "GENE" LAKE,
Business Representative

The agenda for March 1976 meeting of the North Coast Regional Commission is the largest I have seen. It consists of 49 separate items including permit applications, public hearings, extension of permits, etc.

The majority of the applications are for construction of homes and small businesses followed by requests for lot splits and minor subdivisions.

The larger projects include applications from Cal Trans to permanently repair Buckhorn Creek crossing in Mendocino County by installing an 84-inch culvert and realignment of approximately 1,000 feet of roadway on the north side of the creek.

The California Department of Parks and Recreation is requesting a one-year extension to construct a beach undercrossing three miles north of Fort Bragg.

An extension of time through the upcoming construction season is sought by the subdivider to complete the surfacing of a road north of Point Arena.

The City of Crescent City wants to construct a public access to the beach at the foot of Howe Street.

Louisiana Pacific Corp. is requesting a permit to do some dredging in the bay about 1,000 yards south of the Samoa Bridge.

Humboldt County Department of Public Works is asking for a permit to replace a bridge with a large box culvert in the Orick area.

College of the Redwoods is applying for a permit to construct a pump station, replace an existing campus treatment plant and pressure sewer line to the proposed regional collection system at Fields Landing.

Brothers, a public hearing with the U.S. Corps of Engineers scheduled for the afternoon of April 12, 1976 in Eureka on the most important and environmentally orientated project to come before us to date. I am referring to an application from the Humboldt Bay Harbor and Recreation Conservation District to develop a 215-slip marina with restaurant, offices, 500-car parking and considerable dredging. The development is scheduled for Woodley Island in Humboldt Bay and involves expenditure of public funds amounting to 6.2 million dollars.

April 12 is the only time in April that Colonel Flertzheim will be available personally for a hearing.

I am encouraging fishing boat owners to be at the hearing to present testimony why a modern harbor is needed on the North Coast. Also owners and managers of support type businesses such as motels, restaurants, stores, fuel distributors etc. are asked to be present as condemnable opposition is expected.

at the Marysville Art Club.

Oroville:—First Thursday of each month: 1:00 to 6:00 p.m., at the Medical Center Hospital.

Stewards' NEWS

by Ray Cooper, Job Steward Director

There might be some people who don't like Donato Camarra—he says that's bound to happen if you're a Steward—but it would be hard to find someone who doesn't respect him.



Ray Cooper

At age 67, Brother Camarra is retiring from the Union and going back to school. He spent a year in City College of New York on a football scholarship when he was young and since then he's had a desire to go back but needed to work full time instead. Camarra is going to study history, not because he plans to begin a second career but because he says 'you're never too old to learn.' It's clear that Don's idea of retirement isn't just sitting around even though he plans to relax and have fun.

Brother Camarra has a lot of concern and some good advice for the younger men still active in the Union, including his two sons. "Get up and say

whatever you want to say, but take an active part in the Union. Open shops are moving in more and more," he said. "I've been working in the Union so long I can't remember exactly when I joined, but when you've been around as long as I have, you can see the change taking place. Young people should be alerted to the fact and not be afraid to do something about it."

"Get your new ideas in motion," Camarra said. "Otherwise, when you look around and all you see are scabs, don't blame us old guys. It's up to you."

Brother Camarra was an active Union brother and believes we all should go to meetings and be involved in one way or another. He said, "Every job with three or more men should have a Steward and if at least one of them doesn't volunteer to serve, you're looking at three sorry men."

"I never understood why some people refused to be a Steward, unless they just didn't feel like they could handle it. A Steward should have 'gusto' or fortitude," Don said. "If a man is going to worry about being on the superintendent's list then he shouldn't take the job."

Brother Camarra wouldn't hesitate to volunteer or to say exactly what he thought. If he was wrong, he was willing to admit that, too. Charlie Snyder is the Business Agent who covered Don's area at Dinwiddie Construction. He thinks Camarra was one of the best Stewards he ever appointed and, vice versa, Don is proud that Charlie would stand up to whatever pressure a beef brought about. But there was a day when they nearly came to blows over a disagreement. Don found out he was mistaken and apologized just as quickly as he was ready to fight.

We visited for a long time the day that Brother Camarra came in to sign up for his retirement pension. We talked about things on the record and off the record and I was taking some notes.

He motioned to the note pad and said, "What have you been writing down?"

"Just the things you said to put in there," I answered.

"Hmm, I wouldn't trust you for a minute," said Brother Camarra with that good humored smile and twinkle in his eye that all of us who know him have enjoyed over the years. "But that's all right," he said. "I'm like Howard Cosell. I just tell it like it is."

JOB STEWARDS ACTIVATED

Week Ending March 5, 1976			Week Ending March 19, 1976		
Dist. Name	Agent		Dist. Name	Agent	
10 Donald Wardlow	S. McNulty		12 Daniel Cummins	W. Markus	
20 Manuel Lemos	D. Markham		20 Victor Johnson	R. Butler	
20 Charles Fox	D. Markham		60 Robin Turk	R. Criddle	
30 Wm. Stoner	W. Talbot		60 Leonard Pelfrey	R. Criddle	
31 James Hayes	J. Victor				
50 J. D. Ringer	B. Merriott				
80 James Warner	B. Marshall				
80 Tom Winnett	B. Marshall				

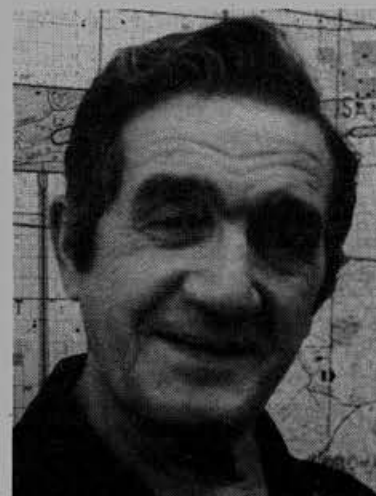
Week Ending March 12, 1976			Week Ending March 12, 1976		
Dist. Name	Agent		Dist. Name	Agent	
12 Robert Spears	W. Markus		10 Russell VanDerhurst	S. McNulty	
			10 W. L. Thrower	S. McNulty	
			12 Roger Ahrens	W. Lassiter	
			12 Robert Jones	D. Strate	
			20 Wayne Gibson	B. Barks	

JOB STEWARDS INACTIVATED

Week Ending March 5, 1976			Week Ending March 12, 1976		
Dist. Name	Agent		Dist. Name	Agent	
01 Howard Baker	R. Wilson		20 Troy Manzer	J. Johnston	
01 Billy Conn	R. Wilson				
01 R. E. Pearson	R. Wilson				
01 James Thornock	R. Wilson				

Get Yours!

Members and their families planning a trip to Disneyland or Disney World may want to join the Magic Kingdom Club first. A free membership card in the Club will take the edge off the costs of such a trip, by getting good discounts on tickets, and motel and auto rental savings. Write to Ken Erwin, Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, 474 Valencia Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94103, or call him at 415/431-1568 to obtain a membership card in Local 3's chapter of the Club, or for more information.



RETIRING JOB STEWARD

Donato Camarra, is calling it quits so that he can return to school because "you are never too old to learn."

Personal Notes

EUREKA

It is with deep sorrow we report the passing of our retired brother, Arthur W. Meyer who passed away very suddenly on March 2nd. Our deepest sympathies are extended to his family and friends.

We are also sad to report the passing of another retired brother, James (Ed) Mangum who passed away on March 7th. We extend our deepest sympathies to his family and friends.

MARYSVILLE

Tom Boze, Sr. of Marysville entered the Veteran's Hospital in Martinez for surgery and Ray Thruston of Stonyford entered the UC Medical Center Hospital in San Francisco for surgery—we wish both of you a speedy recovery.

Terry Bare, son of Brother Doyle Bare, had open-heart surgery early in March and has done very well and his father tells us that he is anxious to return to school—take care Terry! I can remember when I would look for any excuse to stay home from school.

It looks like Spring has sprung in our area—the almonds and peaches have all bloomed and now the prunes and pears are permeating the air with the scent of flowers—it is a lovely time of year—time for everyone to stay well and be able to enjoy it.

OAKLAND

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family and many friends of Brother Carl Rood. Brother Rood became a member of Local 3 in 1943 and worked in the industry until he retired in 1969. Brother Rood worked for Gallagher & Burk for some time. Carl will be missed by many friends.

Our deepest sympathies to Brother Mel Norberg of the R. H. Gorman Company on the passing of his wife, Lois.

RENO

It is with regret we announce the passing of retiree Raymond Miller on March 2nd and Gordon Woolley on March 3rd. Our sympathies are extended to their families and many friends.

Congratulations are in order for Delbert Horsley and his wife on the birth of their daughter on March 2nd.

SACRAMENTO

Our sympathies are extended to the families and friends of deceased Brothers William Riley, Dean Ketcherside, and Hop Lee Farris.

We would like to extend our condolences to Martin Anderson on the passing of his wife, Marie.

Brother Big Jim Bridges has been hospitalized. A speedy recovery is wished for him.

SAN JOSE

We would like to express our deepest sympathy to the families of the following deceased members: Frank Phillips, Frank Jones, Hugh Blackwell, Edgar Vest.

Brother Dan Heeney, of "Dan's Blade Rental," Fremont, Calif. with 12 years in business is starting a new business that will be known as Dan F. Heeney Co. He will be buying and selling used heavy equipment—at 45675 Warm Springs Blvd. Fremont, California., Telephone No. (415) 702-5990.

Brother Dan has been an operating engineer for the past 31 years, and has worked at the trade, so should know that "yellow paint," as he calls it. He will appreciate calls from any of the brothers that have equipment to buy or sell.

Good luck, Brother Dan, in your new venture!!

SAN MATEO

The Crew at Granite Rock as well as the San Mateo Dispatch office wish a speedy recovery to JACK BELCHER, Loader-Operator at Granite's Redwood City plant. Jack has run a loader in the plant for many years, but at the present is taking time off on Doctors orders—Get well soon!

SAN RAFAEL

Congratulations to Brother Bob Chenoweth who pensioned out in March.

We are sorry to report the deaths of Brothers Trevor "Bud" Walter on March 13th; L. E. "Rip" Van Winkle on March 19th, and Martha Maxine Thomas on March 21st, wife of Brother Vern Thomas. Bouquets to the Brothers at Basalt Rock for their spiritual bouquet to Vern. It was a very nice gesture on their part. Our deepest sympathy to their loved ones.

We would like to comment on the recent City Council elections. It was very surprising and rather disappointing to find out that there are so many of our members who are not even registered to vote. As an example, in Novato area where we have over one hundred members residing, we came across quite a few who are not registered to vote. It is a sad affair when the candidates win or lose on one single issue such as Hamilton Air Force Base, and so many more issues that are equally important to the community, such as Flood Control Projects, Housing, Jobs for the unemployed and the ever increasing tax rate (School & Property). This leaves us with something to think about.

By the way, for your convenience our office Secretary Terry Haag is a Deputy Registrar, and she will be most happy to register anyone who resides in Marin County. May 9th is the closing date for registration, in order to vote in the Primary.

Brother Al Hansen is now out of the hospital and recuperating nicely. He wishes to be remembered to all the brothers who have asked about his well being.

Brother Charles Louwaert has had recent surgery and is now at home recuperating. Best wishes for a fast and speedy recovery.

SANTA ROSA

Our old friend, Charley Schroff, has passed away. We, and his many friends, will sorely miss him. Our deepest sympathy to those loved ones he has left behind.

We also wish to extend our condolences to the family and friends of Floyd Clawson who recently died, and to Randall Avellar and his

SWAP SHOP CORNER: Free Want Ads for Engineers

FOR SALE: 1970 FORD, F500, 4-1/2 speed, 330 V8, lowbed trailer. 1975 backhoe w/extension & buckets. D. Sare, 5435 Dry Creek Rd., Sacramento, Calif. 95838. Ph. 916/991-5472. Reg. No. 1040538. 2-1.

FOR SALE: LOT CLEAR LAKE PARK LOT-12-Block 6-Subdivision 6 on 6th Street between Oak and Bush. A. Gabriel, 1730 Almond Ave., Merced, Calif. 95340. Reg. No. 0714912. 2-1.

FOR SALE: APPX. 1/2 ACRE CORNER LOT, in Redding, Calif. Wooded area, paved streets, sewer, gas, water & elect. Can divide into 2 parcels, well & small oak trees. Two small building sites available. J. Paulazzo, 275-41st St., Apt. 115, Oakland, Calif. 94610. Ph. 415/658-6539 or 658-3048 after 5 p.m. Reg. No. 865537. 2-1

FOR SALE: 3 WHEEL UTILITY CART. 8 h.p. Kohler eng. 12 volt elect. start. 8" tires. \$700 or best offer. D. Wise, 28700 Old San Jose Rd., Los Gatos, Calif. 95030. Ph. 408/353-1612. Reg. No. 1148422. 2-1.

FOR SALE: 1972 20' ARISTOCRAT TRAILER, will sleep 6, fully equipped, self-cont., very clean. Asking \$2,900. W. Kissell, 154 Junco Dr., Bonny Doon, Santa Cruz, Calif. 95060. Ph. 408/427-1585. Reg. No. 1136297. 2-1.

FOR SALE: 1972 F-350 PLATON. Asking \$3,300. W. Kissell, 154 Junco Dr., Bonny Doon, Santa Cruz, Calif. 95060. Ph. 408/427-1585. Reg. No. 113-6297. 2-1.

WANTED: U.S. AND FOREIGN COINS, and world currency. G. Lambert, P. O. Box 21427, San Jose, Calif. 95151. Ph. 408/226-0729. Reg. No. 1225584. 2-1.

FOR SALE: In beautiful Lake County, deluxe 1972 model 24x62 mobile home on lovely 1/2 acre, custom draperies, fully carpeted, family room w/wet bar, many extras, must see to appreciate. D. Doyle, P. O. Box 1947, Clearlake Highlands, Calif. 95422. Ph. 707/994-5933. Reg. No. 0509652. 2-1.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: 4/10 ACRE IN LAFAYETTE, Calif. Residential lot, upslope w/all utilities. Prefer trade for heavy equipment, boat, etc. Will consider all offers. Value \$12,500. F. Spaulding, Box 357, Lafayette, Calif. 94549. Ph. 415/284-7355. Reg. No. 354738. 2-1.

FOR SALE: 1974 JOHN DEERE, 410 Loader and backhoe, 1300 hrs. \$15,000. Ph. 415/934-7931 or 415/676-4151. James, 1263 Las Juntas Way, Walnut Creek, Calif. 94596. Reg. No. 15721. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 24' TRAILER HOUSE, 1973 Shasta, fully self-cont. Oversized refrig. w/freezer, heater, carpeting. Will sleep 6. See to appreciate. \$3,750. J. Killeen, 236 E. St., Redwood City, Calif. 94063. Ph. 415/591-3253. Reg. No. 1509108. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 1975 THUNDERBOLT Jet Drive 18', 465 Olds engine, trailer, only used 5 times, seats 6. License & engine tags paid, \$6,000. Ph. 916/489-3560 after 5 Monday-Saturday. R. Duntun, 2922 Walnut Ave., Carmichael, Calif. 95608. Reg. No. 0708240. 3-1.

FOR SALE: NATIONAL PRESSURE COOKER, 14 qt. or 18 pint jars, cast aluminum, never used. \$20. Mr. McFadden, 2667 18th Ave., San Francisco, Calif. 94116. Ph. 415/731-7607. Reg. No. 276799. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 1971 CHRYSLER NEW-PORT, 4 dr. vinyl top, p.s., p. disc brakes, a/c. 360 engine, body perfect inside and out, needs engine work. \$850 firm. W. West, 4419 Gertrude Dr., Fremont, Calif. 94536. Ph. 415/797-0572. Reg. No. 1634806. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 160 ACRES IN TRINITY COUNTY, California. Plenty of water, timber, good hunting. \$150 per acre—low down, balance at 7 percent. Easy terms. M. Sykes, 1674 Granet Lane, Concord, Calif. 94519. Ph. 415/682-5683. Reg. No. 1087611. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 2 TANDEM AXLE EQUIP. TRAILERS, 62 Chev. 2 ton truck bit up for moving tractors, etc. 70 Chev. 18 ft. van w/lift gate. A. Strasser, 5409 Brophy Dr., Fremont, Calif. 74536. Ph. 415/797-8738. Reg. No. 0647495. 3-1.

FOR SALE: SERVICE STATION/GIFT SHOP/MOTEL. Hwy frontage close to Norfolk Lake. \$85,000 full price for business and property. J. Ball, Box 618, Salem, Arkansas 72576. Ph. 501/895-3106. Reg. No. 1142907. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 19' JET BOAT, 454 LS7 Chev. Tantom trailer, Beemins Fiber-glass hull. 17' Silverline Dolphin Open 17 sailboat. 22' Anodized Aluminum Mast, 163 sq. ft. 575 lbs. Dacron Sails. Brand new. Ph. 415/757-5914 after 5 p.m. Reg. No. 1637825. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 4 ACRES, 3 BR, 2 bath re-furnished home close to town, lake, etc. Tack room, stalls, corrals, fenced, fruit trees, sprinklers, paved frontage. \$42,500. T. Gardner, 3070 Oro-Bangor, Oroville, Calif. 95965. Ph. 916/534-0644. Reg. No. 1091194. 3-1.

FOR SALE: REG. 1/2 ARABIAN FILLY. Bay coloring, good comp., gentle, nice showing prospect. \$500. T. Gardner, 3070 Oro-Bangor, Oroville, Calif. 95965. Ph. 916/534-0644. Reg. No. 1091194. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 9,000 LB. PULL ELECTRIC WINCH. Hickey Sidewinder almost new \$360. Belt driven winch in good condition \$250. 4 — 15" Ford wheels \$40. Redwood burl table, oblong 6', all natural sides, root base \$200. L. Green, 15211 Mitchell Creek Dr., Ft. Bragg, Calif. 95437. Ph. 707/964-3622. Reg. No. 1351433. 3-1.

FOR SALE: APPX. ONE ACRE IN

wife on the loss of their daughter, Virginia.

Glad to report Bro. Herb Freitag is now home recuperating nicely after another stint in the hospital. Get well quick, Herb.

Congratulations are in order to Stanley and Linda Wise on the birth of their son, who weighed in at 8 lbs. 11 oz.

STOCKTON

Brother M. W. "Jack" Abernathy, who we reported as back in the area after an extended period of time on foreign jobs, is off again with M-K. Brother Sam Eversole has also been attracted by an offer in Saudi Arabia for three months.

Brothers Clay Henry, Frank Pitto, Gary Hartwick and Manuel Sequeria were either hospitalized or under a doctor's care during the past month. A speedy recovery is wished for all.

LOOKOUT, California, Modoc County, good hunting and fishing area. \$1,500 cash or trade for self-cont. camp trailer. Ph. 916/243-4169. Reg. No. 0813772. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 1972 ELCONA, 12 x 60, 3 BR mobile home w/10 x 14 expando, new cpts. skirting, 100 pressure pads, awning, \$6,000. J. Batten, Box 212, Shingle Springs, Calif. 95682. Ph. 916/622-8593. Reg. No. 1153059. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 1968 ROLLS ROYAL, 19 1/2' self-cont. trailer w/shower \$1,500. J. Batten, Box 212, Shingle Springs, Calif. 95682. Ph. 916/622-8593. Reg. No. 1153059. 3-1.

FOR SALE: 1969 TC 200 SUZUKI, 4,000 miles \$250. J. Batten, Box 212, Shingle Springs, Calif. 95682. Ph. 916/622-8593. Reg. No. 1153059. 3-1.

FOR SALE: STARLINE CAMPER SHELL, 6' x 8', needs some repair. Also, Kenmore automatic washer, 3 yrs. old. Priced to sell. H. Roberts, 3145 61st Ave., Oakland, Calif. 94605. Reg. No. 226736. 3-1.

FOR SALE: HOME IN SAN FRANCISCO, 26 Sargent for \$2,500 total down pymt. incl. closing costs, plus assume Operating Engineers Credit Union loan of appx \$17,000. Mo. pymts. of \$154.45 —no 2nd loan. Call 415/584-7045 anytime. Reg. No. 1195123. 3-1.

FOR SALE: TWO 5 ACRE LOTS In Applevalley, California. Will sell all or part, also will consider trade for right location. Ph. 209/984-3474. B. Gilcrease, Star Rt. Box 161, Jamestown, Calif. 95327. Reg. No. 0654165. 3-1.

FOR SALE: ONE BLACK ANGUS, 1 yr. old, artificial insemination, bred to black angus, will calve 10-25-76. One white face, 3 1/2 yrs. old, artificial insemination, bred to beefalo, will calve 4-3-76. One part Charlois, 3 yrs. old, artificial insemination, bred to beefalo, will calve 7-2-76. One part Charlois heifer, 9 mos. old. V. Sorensen, 17871 Andrea Way, Anderson, Calif. 96007. Ph. 916/357-2704. Reg. No. 0251990. 3-1.

FOR SALE: BEAUTIFUL LOT on Colo-rado River, Earp, Calif. All waterfront privileges, water & elect. on lot, paved streets. Lot No. 607, Track No. 7422, \$4,000. D. Collins, 6370 N. Temperance, Clovis, CA 93612. Reg. No. 0996883. 4-1.

FOR SALE: 1948 STUDEBAKER CHAM-PION, new upholstery, tires, motor & license, runs like a top. \$2,000. Ph. 209/299-3817 (Clovis, Calif.) Reg. No. 0996883. 4-1.

FOR SALE: CAT 12-99E, Series 7527, safety enclosed cab, heater, 12' sliding moldboard, 1400 x 24 tires. Machine in very good cond. W. Ogden, 5538 1/2 Old Oasis, Redding, CA 96001, Ph. 916/243-4552. Reg. No. 0750170. 4-1.

WANTED: SAND & GRAVEL SCREEN-ING PLANT w/stacker conveyors to buy or lease. M. Williams, P. O. Box 1552, Gilroy, CA 95020 or phone collect 408/623-4616. Reg. No. 1414682. 4-1.

FOR SALE: CHOICE LAKE WILD-WOOD property in Smartsville, CA. owner may carry. F. Harley, 354 San Miguel St., San Francisco, CA 94112. Ph. 415/584-7847. Reg. No. 1419455. 4-1.

FOR SALE: 8' COUCH, black nauga-hyde, exc. cond. \$200. G. E. mobile maid part. dishwasher \$75. K. Prenger, 6036 Lean, San Jose, CA 95123, Ph. 408/226-1963. Reg. No. 1528272. 4-1.

FOR SALE: 1966 AIRSTREAM TRAIL-ER, 27' all self-cont., roll up awning, radio, window shades, wheel covers, exc. cond. Reasonable. V. Moore, 3457 Jupiter Dr., Yuma, Arizona 85364, Ph. 602/783-8960. Reg. No. 0752821. 4-1.

FOR SALE: 14 ACRES ON WINTERS FREEWAY, zoned for 5 acres, good 255' well and pump house, beautiful view. R. Woody, 460 N. Jefferson, Dixon, CA 95620. Ph. 916/678-3268. Reg. No. 0347177. 4-1.

FOR SALE: MACK 401 Gas motor com-plete, \$250. International 6-cyl. Red Diamond motor complete w/carburetor, head, pan, water pump \$550. L. Mulhair, 97 Southridge Way, Daly City, CA 94014. Ph. 415/333-9006. Reg. No. 1547371. 4-1.

FOR SALE: ONE HALF ACRE w/2 mo-bile homes, close in, near market. Rent out or retire. E. Stevens, 2280 Poole Way, Carson City, Nevada 89701, Ph. 702/682-6554. Reg. No. 1212581. 4-1.

FOR SALE: WHITE CAP, new w/12 volt air filtering unit, complete \$300. Also, used White Cap \$65. Ph. 415/455-4014. Reg. No. 1136940. 4-1.

FOR SALE: ANTIQUE CAR PARTS, 1951 Cadillac series 60S, 4 d. Flemish giant rabbit breeding stock. Ph. 916/273-3338. Reg. No. 924990. 4-1.

WANTED: AUGER HEADS for Williams drill, 2 1/4 sq. inch drive. Six inch to 32 inch needed, single or long flight. State size and price. J. Pawson, 1109 Dix St., San Mateo, CA 94401, Ph. 415/354-3193 after 8 p.m. Reg. No. 0680993. 4-1.

WANTED: MOTOR HOME or Camper van in trade for 2 acres w/ 10' x 50' mobile home. Good well, fenced & cleared, fruit trees, garden, no equity on vehicle trade R. Pounds, P. O. Box 246, Garden Valley, CA 95633. Reg. No. 0367255. 4-1.

FOR SALE: 27' TRAILER, 1973 Winne-bago 5th wheel, fully self-cont., 4 Kw generator, many extras \$8,000. Ph. 209/22-8765, J. Mitchell, 2230 Orchard Lane, Merced, CA 95340. Reg. No. 1027908. 4-1.

FOR SALE: 1970 DODGE SUPERBEE, firm good interior, motor has 18,000 miles, \$700. L. Nelson, 3700 Hilltop Rd., Sequel, CA 95073, Ph. 408/475-1610. Reg. No. 1195021. 4-1.

FOR SALE: HOME appraised for \$27,-000, will sell to right party for \$25,000, with \$4,000 down, bal. through bank. Ph. 801/375-5018 eves. H. W. Johnson, 810 W. 2000 N., Provo, Utah 84601. Reg. No. 0386054. 4-1.

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● Address all ads to: Engineers Swap Shop, DALE MARR, Editor, 474 Valencia Street, San Francisco, California 94103. Be sure to include your register number. No ad will be published without this information.

More From Redding

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last year. This has been a rough job from the beginning, and making finish grade with four-inch shot rock is mighty tough, but, Brothers Ken Dickinson, Floyd Hanks and Marvin Seal have done a fine job of it.

Bob Brodie, Project Manager for Piombo on the Dumsuir I-5 job will hopefully be back in the dirt around the first of April and will be calling back several of his old hands to put the finishing touches on this—the last major contract to be let on I-5, in our area in the immediate foreseeable future.

The last two sections left to be brought to freeway standards are the Pollard Flat and Shotgun Creek stretches which will have to wait until matching funds are

made available by the State in order to secure Federal funds.

Contri Construction made a short stab at starting up in March on their Mt. Shasta wastewater project but had to back off for a couple of weeks because of bad ground. They will probably be going again around the first of April.

Not much in the way of new work coming up in the northern part of the district this month other than Eastco's road job west of Lake Siskiyou, the Dumsuir sewage collection system and the Montague Wastewater facility. These are all nice size jobs though and will hopefully put several of the Brothers to work.

Don't forget to check your registration slip for your re-registration date. It's easy to forget to re-register; but, your wife won't let you forget the fact if you go "085" (over eighty-four days since last registered).

Unemployment insurance programs administered jointly by the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration and individual states provide temporary income as partial compensation to unemployed workers.

1976 SCHEDULE OF SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

JULY held at the Masonic Auditorium, 1111 California Street, near Taylor, in San Francisco.

10 San Francisco, Saturday, 1:00 p.m. Semi-annual meeting will be

DISTRICT & SUB-DISTRICT MEETINGS

APRIL

27 Eureka, Tues., 8 p.m.
28 Redding, Wed., 8 p.m.
29 Marysville, Thurs., 8 p.m.
14 Honolulu, Wed., 7 p.m.
15 Hilo, Thurs., 7:30 p.m.
21 San Francisco, Wed., 8 p.m.

MAY

6 Oakland, Thurs., 8 p.m.
11 Stockton, Tues., 8 p.m.
18 Fresno, Tues., 8 p.m.
25 Sacramento, Tues., 8 p.m.

JUNE

3 Ukiah, Thurs., 8 p.m.
11 Provo, Fri., 8 p.m.
12 Reno, Sat., 8 p.m.
17 Watsonville, Thurs., 8 p.m.

JULY

13 Eureka, Tues., 8 p.m.
14 Redding, Wed., 8 p.m.
15 Oroville, Thurs., 8 p.m.
21 Honolulu, Wed., 7 p.m.
22 Hilo, Thurs., 7:30 p.m.
28 San Francisco, Wed., 8 p.m.

DISTRICT AND SUB-DISTRICT MEETING PLACES

San Francisco, Engineers Bldg., 474 Valencia St.

Eureka, Engineers Bldg., 2806 Broadway.

Redding, Engineers Bldg., 100 Lake Blvd.

Oroville, Prospectors Village, Oroville Dam Blvd.

Honolulu, Washington School (Cafetorium), 1633 S. King St.

Hilo, Kapiolani School, 966 Kilauea Ave.

San Jose, Labor Temple, 2102 Almaden Rd.

Stockton, Engineers Bldg., 2626 N. California.

Oakland, Labor Temple, 23rd & Valdez.

Sacramento, CEL&T Bldg., 2525 Stockton Blvd.

Fresno, Engineers Bldg., 3121 E. Olive St.

Ukiah, Grange Hall (opposite 101 Motel), State Street, Ukiah.

Salt Lake City, 1958 W. No. Temple.

Reno, Musicians Hall, 124 W. Taylor Street.

Marysville, Elks Hall, 920-D Street.

Watsonville, Veterans Memorial Bldg., 215 Third.

Santa Rosa, Veterans' Memorial Bldg., 1351 Maple.

Provo, Carpenters Hall, 600 South, 600 East.

Ogden, Ramada Inn, 2433 Adams Ave.

Hwy. 101—A Gap In The System

By MIKE KRAYNICK,
District Representative
TOM CARTER,
Assistant District Representative
JACK BULLARD,
BOB FLECKENSTEIN and
NATE DAVIDSON,
Business Representatives

Improvements to the "Blood Alley" stretch of Route 101 have been completed but congestion is merely slowed down. If it is true that we must reduce our dependence on the private auto as a paramount long-range goal. However, the completion of "missing links" in our freeways is necessary for reasons of transportation efficiency and safety. Until adequate rail transit systems are a reality, even bus transit systems must depend on our road networks. Highest priority for statewide highway project funding should be assigned to the completion of "missing links" in existing freeways. Strong local public support for this type of legislation will help insure its favorable consideration in Sacramento. Please keep encouraging your local representative to vote for this freeway funding.

Within the City of San Jose, the citizens task force is meeting weekly to find a way of paying for an estimated \$195 million in road construction the city will need over the next 15 years, one can debate the fairness of making new home buyers pick up the lion's share of the road building expenses. But if the City Council does decide to take that step, its temporary tax ordinance was entirely appropriate and indeed the fairest way to proceed. The builders are promising that, if the council does impose a construction tax at the end of three months, they will pay over \$1,000 per unit. This is over and above the \$180 per unit construction tax they are already paying. So homebuilding is not frozen. Subdivisions and projects that have tentative subdivisions map approval were exempted from the proposal—and now all duplexes, apartments and mobile homes have been given the same exemption. It assures these builders that the fees charged by the city before the moratorium will remain in force. Do we really need to protect and plan for the next 15 years for the areas that are to be developed or shouldn't we develop the areas as we go?

Project engineer, William C. Hart announced that construction bids are being invited for the

first segment of the San Felipe project that will bring water stored in San Luis Reservoir near Los Banos to Santa Clara and San Benito Counties. The project specifications will be mailed out on April 9 and copies of the same will be made available to interested bidders after that date.

Estimated cost for the 8.5-mile long Pacheco Tunnel under the Diablo Range that separates the huge storage lake and the project service area is between \$50 million to \$100 million.

This will mark the first actual construction since the 1.5 mile tunnel link was constructed beneath the reservoir before it was filled.

The tunnel will connect it to the mouth of the Santa Clara Canal that will carry water from the Central Valley Project toward the two service counties. The 11-foot diameter tunnel, lined with reinforced concrete, will take just over five years to complete. The drill and blast excavation will take out an estimated 278,000 cubic yards of dirt.

Almost a million hundred pound sacks of cement will go into the 117,000 cubic yards of concrete and it will take 17 million pounds of structural steel supports, 560,000 pounds of reinforcing bars and 297,000 pounds of steel liner plates to brace the whole system up.

The bid solicitation timing is based on the formal contract signing between the bureau and the Santa Clara Valley Water District. The signing is expected to occur on April 15, unless the president's Council on Environmental Quality holds up formal approval of the bulky environmental impact statement submitted earlier this month by the agency.

This project has been certainly a long-fought battle between labor and progress oriented groups and the so-called "Environmentalists groups." We sincerely hope this project is not held up any longer. It will provide much needed work for our brother engineers in the area plus a lot of different crafts for a long time.

Three female engineers pioneer the way at Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corporation at Permanente. The plant is located in the beautiful Los Altos Hills, overlooking the Bay Area.

Coleen Wilson started at the enter level job in August, 1974, and has been upgraded to a 4th Rolling Mill Helper.

Dynamite comes in small packages and Marjorie Bay has certainly proven that. In August, 1975, she and the Multirewind Operator had the highest production ever in the plant's history. Marjorie has been employed since August, 1974, and was upgraded to a pop-up machine operator. She and Jess Castalanis, an employee at the plant were married in December of 1975, making this the first interplant marriage at Permanente.

Alice Gonzales has been employed since August of 1974 also. She has worked on various jobs and has now also been upgraded to a pop-up machine operator.

We congratulate these employees who have been a great asset to the company and have earned the respect of their fellow employees and employers as well.

More From Stockton

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Construction Co. is getting started with their pipe cleaning job for Hetch Hetchy water. Kasler Corp. in Modesto is in the middle of a six-week slowdown on the dirt. The bridge structures have to be quite a ways further along before they can move any more dirt.

Madona Construction Co. on Highway 120 has almost completed their suspension period and will go with a full crew as soon as the state gives them the okay. Hansel Phelps is just about finished with their spillway project at Mocassin Creek.

The Modesto Office will furnish the men for the sub-contractor on the powerhouse at Melones Dam, who is American Bridge. The entire project was \$40,000,000 and the American Bridge contract was for \$3,500,000. This will be steel structures and some excavation. The pre-job should be held soon. The other activities in the counties will be underground sewer lines and treatment plants. Also some storm drain work. That's about the extent of activity in Stanislaus and Tuolumne counties.

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MEETING DATE CHANGES

At its meeting on the 21st the Executive Board approved the following changes in the dates of regular quarterly membership meetings.

Dist. Change to	Meeting Place	Changed From
8 Tuesday, May 4	C.E. L. & T. Bldg., 2525 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, CA	May 25
9 Thursday, May 20	Veterans Bldg., 215 3rd Street, Watsonville, CA	June 17
12 Friday, June 4	Carpenters Hall, 600 South, 600 East, Provo, Utah	June 11
11 Saturday, June 5	Musicians' Hall, 124 W. Taylor, Reno, Nevada,	June 12

DISTRICT 1 MEETING LOCATION CHANGED FOR APRIL

The regular quarterly membership meeting for District 1 to be held on Wednesday, April 21st, 8:00 p.m., will take place at the MARINE COOKS & STEWARDS AUDITORIUM, 350 Fremont Street, San Francisco, instead of where originally scheduled.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL OPERATING ENGINEERS IN THE BAY AREA

The U.S. Department of Health and Welfare through the AMIS PROGRAM, wants to get more members of the Operating Engineers L.U. No. 3 who have had a heart attack within the last 5 years on their AMIS Project. This program is free of charges and AMIS has the best heart doctors in the U.S.

Medicine and a complete check-up are provided once a month.

If you are interested in obtaining more information and details about this program, call this number collect:

(415) 387-3811

Ask for Dr. Frost or Mrs. Harriman.