Johnson Makes Strong Plea For Calif. Work

"Serving the men who make the earth"

By KEN ERWIN

Throughout Northern California billions of dollars worth of badly needed public service construction is being sorely hampered, delayed or just plain stopped by the domino effects of high administration costs and self-preservationists ecologists.

Congressman Harold "Buz" Johnson from the Second District of California is one of the legislators who has consistently fought the appropriations battles to win funds for those seriously needed service projects, not only in his state but throughout the nation.

And for cause. "Buz" Johnson has always brought a personal, even somewhat conservative, stance to his support of good conservation and seriously needed public works projects.

Too often only one side of the coin is shown by those who bring a purely partisan viewpoint to the floor of Congress. The following remarks, made by Congressman Johnson to the Subcommittee on Appropriations, are well documented and will well be read and should provide many of our members some timely reminders for those who are destined to direct the giving and general public service ability of California. We relegate Congressman Johnson's address in full:


Mr. Chairman: May I express my pleasure and appreciation for the opportunity to speak to you and my fellow Californians in presenting to you a realistic, well thought out, and public service proposal for our golden state.

As you and the other members of this Committee know, my district is the largest in California and contains most of the state's water supply. Having most of the supply also means we have most of the problems—especially at the wrong time in the wrong place.

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My district is also greatly and adversely affected by the struggling economic environment which is running from 8 to 14 per cent, well above the national average. With 75,000 workers, not only is the demand for significant requirements of providing flood control and supplying water to new developments, good quality drinking water, and reclamation for this country's most popular state, but also to create jobs.

This committee has been most understanding of the needs of my area, but still the needs are so much greater than ever before. Public works construction can provide work and bring new hope to the local people and eventually to the U.S. Treasury, but they are high quality projects that must meet the needs of the people that will provide employment, flood protection, irrigation, and drinking water. The Foresthill project, for example, is a direct contribution to the San Francisco area stricken by unemployment and in need of an extremely well and accurately informed picture of the future.

Mr. Chairman, I also would like to submit a statement of the Auburn Dam Committee in support of the necessary appropriation for the Sugar Pine project.

The second Bureau of Reclamation Projects which is vitally vital as yet is unfunded is an interpretive center at the Tehama-Colusa fish spawning channel. This fish hatchery, once be a popular tourist attraction in the state, but now is still in the construction stage. The $1.8 million portion of the project is expected to be over 7,000 visitors per year. It is impossible that the public is not accurately and quickly informed of its existence.
We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the brothers and sisters who took part in the recent primary election, particularly those who studied the initiatives and voted for those that were beneficial to labor. Your union spent much time and effort in helping to defeat Propostion No. 9, as we all know was a most ill-conceived piece of proposed legislation, of which

As to the candidates, I think there were some very fine candidates selected to run in the November election. As you know to this time your union has not officially endorsed any candidates for state office or national office.

The work picture remains bleak. Particularly in Northern California there is a shortage of certain classifications in Utah and Nevada, to be specific blacksmiths, dumper men, heavy duty mechanics at the risk of repeating ourselves worse: why some of the members if possible would not avail themselves of the opportunity of attending Rampart Motor and try to get themselves into much needed classifications where there appears to be always openings in the jurisdiction of our union.

On Saturday, June 11, we attended the graduation ceremonies held at Ranch Murieta conducted by the Joint Apprenticeship Committee where certificates were presented to approximately 30 young men. I was fortunate in being able to attend these ceremonies for this was the first graduation of young engineers coming into the industry. I assure you they will be a credit to our union as time goes on. By training these members of the craft we perform a service not only to our members but to the general public as well as to the work which we perform for all the Operating Engineers know there are improvements in the equipment from time to time and if we have the opportunity to work on the projects of the United States we can demand and improve the ecology, improve the environment and improve the way we perform our work which we perform for all the Operating Engineers this way we can demand

The $1,000,000 to permit continuation of construction on to the South Canal will allow completion of miles of canal so the South Canal will allow completion of the project for which I would recommend an appointment for bids

We concluded the negotiations in the truck crane agreement dealing with the employers in the business of renting truck cranes. It will be a "first" agreement in this industry covering the crane rental employers and is now being submitted to the membership for ratification.

It has been necessary to conduct some grievance meetings with the A. G. C. of Nevada and it looks in some cases that we are very near to the reality of a first agreement in this industry.

Another Bureau of Reclamation project for which I would like to request an increase over the President's budget involves the Upper Klamath Project. The House approved a feasibility study for the Butte Valley Project in 1971. Reconnaissance studies

With the exception that I support the FY73 budget request for the Bureau of Reclamation. It is imperative for example that we get full fiscal year funding for our irrigation projects such as the Arkansas reservoir.

In my opinion for the $24,159,000 requested for the Tokyo-South Canal will allow completion of miles of canal so water will be available to the Rancho Seco power plant. In fact if I were successful in this effort I would join in supporting efforts to increase this by $500,000 or $1,000,000 to permit continuation of construction on the South Canal.

Similarly, Mr. Chairman, I would like to recommend the approval of a program of which the Bureau of Reclamation is carrying out on the Stanislaus River, the next big river in the state of California, which contains a request to increase this to $1,150,000 for Continuance of this work and that most of this money will be used for drilling the first exploratory well. I endorse this item most strongly and feel that the President's budget deliberations—be prove to be beneficial to the country, the significant developments in the water resources which I refer to the hydro-geological investigations which are being done in the Butte Valley Water Plan Study.

I understand that the President's budget contains a request for $1,000,000 for completion of construction in the South Canal.

Mr. Chairman, turning now to the other side of this report and the works appropriations, relating to the projects of the U. S. Army Engineers, I would comment that the budget which we now have before us is realistic and will provide for continuing development of our water resources in such a manner as to provide for flood control. I would like to especially call special mention a few projects the Rainan and Highwater Reservoirs—the twin...
Late Spring Keeps Projects In Marysville at Snail's Pace

By HAROLD HUSTON, District Representative and Auditor

We appreciate the many brothers who attended our District meeting held in Marysville on April 8, 1972.

Brother Bryan O. Ribi was elected to the Election Committee to represent this district, which will conduct the election of Officers and Executive Board Members during the month of August.

At the meeting we explained how our Business Manager and International Vice President, Brother Al Clem, had spoken to representatives of the Associated General Contractors, Engineering, Grading Contractors Association, and other District Representatives in regards to all projects currently held up by environmental, lack of funds, non-appropriation of funds, etc. As usual, Brother Al will try to take a positive position and approach to correct this problem.

We know by the enthusiasm expressed at this meeting, Brother Clem will have one hundred percent support of the brothers in this project.

BROTHERS RECEIVE 5 YEAR PINS AND SCROLLS—Congratulation to the following brothers who received their 5 year pins and scrolls at the May meeting.

Weslands Funds Fight Won $10 Million to Perini Corp.

By CLAUDE ODOM, ROBERT B. MERRITT and HAROLD C. SMITH

$10 Million Westlands Contract Awarded—A contract of $10,049,400 has been awarded to the Perini Corp. of San Francisco, part of the TOPIC program. The contract provides for the construction of Clinton Avenue in Fresno and related facilities.

L A Y I N G A C H R O C K on the defeat of Proposition 9 in Local Union No. 12 Business Manager Al Clem (right) to Walter R. Farrell, Vice President, Industrial and Union Relations, Kather Industries Corporation. Clem presented the check on behalf of the membership of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 12.

The contract is for construction of the concrete-lined canal and related facilities.

Clinton Avenue is Be Widened—A fast-lining job for a section of Clinton Avenue in Fresno has been ordered by the California Division of Highways as part of the TOPIC program. TOPICS comes from the federally funded Traffic Operational Program to improve safety and efficiency on streets elsewhere than in the freeways.

Bids have been advertised to install traffic signals and highway lighting at Millbrook Avenue, and widening Clinton from 52 to 96 feet between the Carson Canal Bridge and Millbrook, plus sidewalks and drainage facilities.

A total of $64,000 is available for the project. Bids will be ready this week.

The City of Fresno is going to have a chance with about $20,000 more than anticipated that the Mariposa Mall is to be constructed between O and P Streets. Bids on the project were opened in March and the low bidder was the California Company for the low bid of $710,356. This is approximately $20,000 higher than the architectural estimate. There were five bids with the highest one total of $108,930. The starting date for construction is August 4 with completion about Oct. 15.

Lloyd R. Tall of Fresno was awarded a contract of $3,252 to install water mains in the City of Ashland and Mark Avenue.

A contract was awarded to Gent Construction of Fresno for a sewer replacement project at East Bullard to 8th Street.

A contract of $36,964 was awarded to Carl J. Limata Co. of Fresno for paving North Maple Avenue between East Shafter and Dakota Avenue.
More Collectively Speaking

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this, we can be thankful that we have a large, strong local union which can afford this sort of thing. These arbitrations and grievances seem unnecessary to me in many cases. Of course, all know how true it is that we have a great deal of difficulty getting your wages approved by the Construction Industry Stabilization Committee. This is a result of the fact that the negotiations submitted to us by the C. I. S. C. in good faith and some people think there was a misunderstanding. So, it will be necessary for me to go to Washington, D.C., again to see if we cannot get this subject matter adjudicated to the satisfaction of the union.

I attended the Trustees Meeting of the Health & Welfare Committee, involving the region in Dallas, Texas, of which I am a Trustee, and it was a very constructive and informative meeting. There are many Operating Engineers and their families receiving health and welfare benefits as a result of our negotiating this plan who never received one penny before.

I attended the State Transportation Board Meeting in Sacramento on June 8, of which I am a member. The trans- portation problems in the state are great and numerous and this is one committee made up of citizens who serve without pay. The meetings usually entail from two to four hours of my time but I think it is my opinion very important that Local 3 have a representative on this committee for the policies covering all phases of transportation are discussed.

On Friday, June 9 we were honored by a visit from the Secretary of Labor of the United States, James Hodgson, his Assistant Secretary, William Overy and the Secretary's Representative in San Francisco, Dr. Edward Aguirre. Also in attendance who we invited were Richard Munn, Executive Director of the California A. G. C., John Marsella representing the California Corporation who came in from Hawaii along with several prominent labor leaders from other crafts with whom we do business including the Secretary of the California Labor Council, Jack Crowley. This meeting with the Secretary of Labor I think was very beneficial to Local 3. We were able to sit down with him for a few minutes and convey to him some of our problems which we think today may be down with the employment to be continually multiplying. However, in talking with other local unions I do not believe that our problems are as great as some people believe due to the fact that we have the respect and support of many people in the higher echelon of our state and nation.

During the month I attended the Santa Rosa Special Meeting of which I was thankful to be present. It was a well attended meeting and we were able to give members a report on the activities of their union.

We have several mid-year wage increases coming due. As all the members of the union know, after negotiating an agreement with the employers we also have to negotiate with people on the C. I. C. S. We are as fortunate that we have our General President, Hunter P. Wharton on our C. I. C. S who came in from Washington, D.C. and was a very constructive meeting.

I prevailed upon Brother Frank Hanley, Assistant to the General President to set up a meeting with the representatives of the C. I. C. S. on June 21. At this time I will present all of our agreements and endeavor to get approval on all of them. However, we know that throughout the United States there have been instances where the negotiated wages have been reduced by the Pay Board. We sincerely hope that we can prevent this happening to Local 3.

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NEW YORK—Value of construction contracting in 1972 is now expected to total $113 billion, seven per cent above last year's $105.6 billion, it was announced recently by a leading analyst of the construction market. "Good gains this year will be made by the recovering industrial and commercial sec- tors, and residential building is expected to perform a bit better than we forecast earlier," said George A. Christie, vice president and chief econo- mist of McGraw-Hill Informa- tion Systems Co., which produces Dodge Newspapers, Dodge Reports and Forecasts Cistalage of product informa-

SWEET SMILE OF SUCCESS is on the faces of Local Union 3 President Paul Edgemont, left, and Bank of America Senior Vice Chairman of the Board Sam Stewart as a check from Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 in support of Propos-ition 2 changes hands. Stewart was state chairman of Caliornia for Quake-Safe Schools which will provide $250 million in low-cost state loans to 222 school districts in 54 counties for the replacement and rehabilitation of nearly 1600 school buildings judged unsafe by earthquake safety standards of the Field Act. An additional $100 million will be provided for the continued financing of school construction in rapid growth districts where bond debt capacity has reached its limit. Local 3 gave the successful measure its full support.

Contracts Outlook $85 Billion '72
Johnson Fights for Projects  
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Techs Get It All After Hard Battle with Massed Red Tape

By RON BUTLER

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Mild Winter Still Found Many
"Wild Rivers" At Flood Stage

By KEN GREEN and BOB HAVENHILL

The mill construction is under way with substantial progress behind. This is the first mill to be built north of Ohio and is being well accepted by business and shoppers. Both Redding streets and sidewalks are torn from building to building, accessible only by sidewalk-side walks and dirt roads. By some of the undergrounding a tunnel was uncovered running from one building across the street to another which caused a lot of speculation. Some of the colorful stories that were told brought considerable excitement among the sidewalk superintendents. It was quite a disappointment to discover a week later that the tunnel had been dug in 1934 for part of the sewer system for the two buildings.

Christensen and Porter, a Santa Rosa general contracting firm, is constructing the 40-ft. wide enclosed mall covering Market Street. There are 14 engineers employed on this project. A site has been selected for the control tower at the Redding Airport. The Federal Aviation Administration has decided to build the tower 700 feet south on the present airport terminal on the west side of the field. The control tower is to exercise mandatory control of all planes using the airport during the 16 hours a day it is to be in operation.

Redding will be only one of eight cities in California in which control towers are to be built this year. The complex electronic system will make the Redding airport an all-weather flight center. The Federal regulations state that security fencing and warning signs must be installed at the entrance of the runway areas where airlines park. The regulations also call for perimeter roads to be built all around the edges of the airfield. The city of Anderson has finally put together a plan for an extra offramp on North Street from the Interstate 5 freeway. City officials and civic groups for several years have sought the extra offramp on north bound lanes of the freeway extending it is needed to entice tourist business into Anderson. The project is expected to cost about $178,000 for land acquisition and moving utilities. $120,000 is estimated for actual construction of the offramp.

Fisher Brothers of Vista has been awarded a contract for erosion control and slope protection at the Red Bluff Reservoir. The $180,000 contract is well under way with two draglines working six days a week, 10 hours a day. Brother Osie Ballard, a son enthusiast and relief expert, has been dispatched as an Assistant to the Engineer on one of the rigs. The cranes are now digging the banks back to allow for dryway rock to be placed. The continued wave action against the slopes has eroded them to a point where the threat of a 100-foot landslide feels this work is necessary at this time.

Morrison-Knudsen Company is getting under way on their project on Hiway 39 approximately 90 miles east of Red Bluff. Brother Ken Wintzke who is in charge of the project is continuing with the land office at this time. Two men have been pushed for M&K, for several years.

Brother Terrience Thompson, who is an H-1B was the first man to be dispatched on this long awaited project. Ken went into long details about plans to move in a big one rig to rip the rock and load it with a ators instead of having to use the conventional Dupont rippers. We are hoping for M&K getting started, as approximately 44 engineers will work two shifts, five days a week.

It may be Spring—but, Old Man Winter hasn’t quite gotten the word. Hughes & Land, Inc. and R. McConnell, J.V. could use some dry weather on their Hiway 5 job at Hornbrook. They have completed the clearing and have some of the 77 units to be placed from Dawsonville, but things have been too wet to work. When things finally do break, we have a ten day plan on having around 30 Engineers on the job.

Gordon H. Bull, Inc., has been working rather sporadically on their Hiway 5 job at Weed. The 47 spread has been losing more time than the Dupont 212 spread, due to the difference in the material to be moved. Project Manager Paul Edgecombe.

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Mall project. This firm signed the Technical Employment Agreement in early January and has managed to be the successful low bidder on several other projects throughout the jurisdiction of Local 3. Construction International, Inc. is a "no ahead" firm with the latest in equipment. Length of employment for the employees ranges from three years of employment for the employee, to twenty-one years of service.

At my last writing the weather had been very good since then we have had more rain, so it is just a little too wet to play in some areas now.

Huntington Brothers at Alder Springs has their crushing opreation started again, and have had the hot plant and paving crew working when weather and materials permits. The job is approximately 14 miles long, so the sun can be shining on the planting and grading area, and up to the mountains where paving is to be done it can be raining so the grade has been too wet to pave.

Williams Western has about 95 per cent of their project completed on the Glenn-Colusa construction project. Brother Gordon Winstead is operating a Ditch Crew setting the fish screens in place. Owner Operator Brother Robert Peach is in charge of the cleanup work on this project.

TwoTelephone Construction has been working in Yuba City on a subdivision, on Quainton Avenue in Yuba City. Brother Robert Feldman has been in charge of the project. It is an HDR project.

HEAD TO HEAD DISCUSSIONS on the numerous problems affecting labor and management were part of the action in a recent special meeting in San Francisco with Secretary of Labor James O. Hodgson sponsored by the Department of Labor and Industry. Union No. 3, IUEC, A-FIC. In the top photo (l. to r.) Secretary Hodgson, Dr. Edward A. Aguirre, Dale Marr, Don Kinchloe, Local 3 Treasurer, John Ryan, Utah Construction International and Paul Edgecombe, President, Local 3. In the bottom photo (l. to r.) Tom Stedman, Recording- Corresponding Secretary, Local 3, Secretary Hodgson and Local 3 President Paul Edgecombe.

Medicare at 60?

The Senate Finance Committee voted yesterday to allow people who retire at age 60 to buy Medicare government health insurance at what it costs the government.

More Tax Relief

Property tax relief for senior citizens will benefit about five million as many homeowners during the coming tax year and will pay each as an average of nearly $160 more this year.

At its regular quarterly meeting on June 3, 1972, the Reno District No. 11 membership elected ROBERT J. EDMUNDS to fill the balance of the vacant term of Treasurer. Ken Green.
Every Student Wants to Be An Engineer

By CLEM HOOVER

Apprentice Load Very Heavy—The apprentices are still pouring in every month for testing, trying to get into the apprenticeship program. This makes the list quite a large one, and gives a new applicant little or no chance of getting into the program this year. We simply do not have enough openings to accommodate the number of applicants we are getting.

Some of the largest have fired up and put on apprentices, such as Gordon Rail (Paiola Canal), Guy F. Atkinson (Highway 80), Bache Corp. (Bache Corp.), and, of course, our local large contractors such as A. Tedos, Private Construction, Lee Conant, and M.L. Dubach, plus a number of smaller contractors. The usual result is that, in the early part of April showed those contractors down for a short time, but hopefully they will be fired back up soon.

During the week of April 17-21 we participated in the Occupational Guidance Day at the County Fairgrounds in Stockton. This is a public service where the students are brought to a different school in their area bringing the students by bus to the Fairgrounds where they are exposed to different trades and professions. The students were able to talk to their trade or profession, which gave the students a better idea of how to prepare themselves for a career in that trade or profession. The apprenticeship program of the Operating Engineers is happy to render this service to the students of the area.

Just a reminder that the State Apprenticeship Fair will be starting on August 25th. The Operating Engineers Apprenticeship Program will again have a display booth in Building C. Drop by and say hello. It will be manned again this year by a very worthwhile youth group known as Y.I.C.A.

APPLICATIONS ARE HEAVY IN SACRAMENTO & STOCKTON—Due to the advertising that was done, we have had a large number of applicants. We have been testing twice a week and unfortunately too many of our applicants have increased heavily. We have been testing twice as many people as we did before. With the construction work slow down, it doesn't look too good for the applicants who are coming out for this late date. We hope the politicians get selling games with our Blowjob and release some of the money that is being kept up for construction projects that are badly needed. Most of the contractors in the Sacramento and Stockton areas are really hurting for work.

We hoped the apprentices would show up with the journeyman in defeating Proposition No. 9. This very dangerous proposition would stop construction work we do have going. We don't really understand what people want to stop progress and return to the horse and buggy days, and wonder how they think the houses they are building in the freeway they drive on could have been built if someone had done this 10 or 20 years ago.

Most are sure they park their car and get a horse and tear down their house and plant a farm. I don't think there wouldn't be less cars and more cows.

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Many Seek To Become Engineers

By LOU JONES

The Oakland office continues, month after month to register for tests those who desire to become apprentices to the trade of Operating Engineers. To date this month we have already reviewed the applications of 284 prospecting for apprenticeship. The figures are already up and are more expected. To those apprentices who have been accepted, those above figures should have a message for you. We want to stretch many opportunities for apprenticeship and they are limited to the ranks of the trade and with employers, and that ratio in the application is certainly good work.

Apprentices who are newly indentured will get as much help as we can give them but if it is a two-year street and we expect the completion of every apprentice now in the program.

The application is required to report to the Joint Apprenticeship Council, monthly as to the progress of apprentices in their particular area. An apprentice may do more work on his particular problem but if he does not and reports his local correct he is not progressing. If he does not attend designated meeting, he is not progressing. If he has not and understood all of the rules governing apprenticeship, he is not progressing.

Finally, if this lack of progress becomes chronic, the Joint Apprenticeship Council must see to dealing him from the program and replace him with one of the hundreds of applicants currently awaiting their opportunity. Don’t let this happen to you.

New Regs. On Crane Safety Set

By NICK CARLSON

New Safety Regulations for Crane-keeping apprentices—Eric Vining, employed by Gen. Crane Co., of PA, is getting some first hand information and experience on the new safety regulations on cranes from master mechanic, Bob Blazemore. Ray Noble, owner of General Crane revealed some new safety regulations imposed by the U.S. government regarding the lifting capacities of cranes. In order to work on certain jobs, the crane must be certified by actual testing. General Crane has purchased a Type T Mark Playmore Weighting System to test their equipment. They have eight cranes with the M.S.C. ranging from one and two and two half tons. They recently had two of their cranes certified for use by the Army Engineers. The rigs must pass this inspection annually.

Apprentices on 8-wheel 43-foot Pierson Western Company of Fresno are moving right along on their 125 mile highway job. This is an excellent project for an apprentice who is interested in the Danielson's regrading of State Highway 63 between Vista and Chula Vista. Apprentices Johnny Morrison and Larry Brewer are on their payroll and are attending the excellent training of the 13 experienced engineers on the project. Jim Lois Griggs is the project superintendent.

The President of Pacific Western Co., Frank Poer, Mr. Poer is the Chairman of the Northern California Joint Apprenticeship Council, representing Engineers Local No. 2.

Utah's Best Apprentice Is Selected

By JOHN THORNTON

Congratulations to Alfred Whelm, GCP, Graduate Apprentice and recipient of the Utah Outstanding Apprentice of the Year 1971 award.

At the meeting held on March 13, in Salt Lake City, the Utah Joint Apprenticeship Committee presented Mr. Whelm with a $50 Savings Bond for his fine display and an opportunity at the present time. This is the opportunity to train at the trade and in the trade.

Member Larry Smith and a first place-award of Apprentice of the Year are worthy of your congratulations. You have been recognized for your efforts in the carpenter trade.

Mr. Richard Rowan is a journeyman of the General Construction Company and is Frank Pozar. Mr. Pozar is the Chairman of the Utah Joint Apprenticeship Committee. The rigs must pass an annual inspection and are thereby certified.

You may be paying the earth fill costs and the resultant loss of life and property running into the billions of dollars should give the ecologists and environmentalists a few seconds for thought, however it probably won't.

For a number of years the non-engineer ecologist and conservationist has been screaming that the earth-fill dam is the answer to the massive concrete-encased engineered water conservation and flood-control.

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Certificates Will Be Held For All TOP APPRENTICES who become Operating Engineer apprentices in California are shown following contracts. The records of these apprentices will show the number of hours they have spent talking and discussing the work of the committees and the examinations made. On the grounds and training a receiving line to be formed of 44 apprentices were individually presented 44 Apprentice Awards and turned the microphone over to the joint Apprentice Standards, and the apprentices should feel slighted in the least because there could only be one outstanding, one outstanding. Mr. Pozar pointed out that a few short years ago a training facility like this did not exist. Now it is a team from the time the apprentice applies for training opportunity through his dis-This is not an entire team and it is not a small organization. It is a huge organization, an organization of men who are interested, who wish to try to upgrade, improve, teach and to give the men who are the men that are doing it:


Contract $55

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No Work Slows Apps.
In North

By ED MIDDLETON
Santa Rosa, San Rafael and Vallejo—The Apprenticeship Program is moving rather slowly in this area due to the work picture. We are complying with the federal injunction as to indenturing minorities into the program to the best of our ability, but what we need are more projects opened up whereby more Journeymen will be employed, and I guess the answer to that is to vote for the right man in the coming elections.

Since I have just recently been assigned to this area, it is a new ball game for me. As many of you know, I was at Rancho Murietta Training Center for three years, and am now running into many of the good Brothers in the field.

Many questions have arisen as to R.M.T.C., so I will say this, many of you Brothers are passing up a wonderful opportunity to expand your skills in the trade. Al Clem, your Business Manager, has assembled the greatest group of instructors ever put together for the benefit of the members of this Local Union, under the able direction of Whit Whitaker, to teach the members another part of the trade or to familiarize them with different equipment. There is every facet of the trade up there from soup to nuts, and the price is right—only the cost of transportation up there—so while you are waiting for that job to come up, think about spending some time at R.M.T.C., upgrading your skills on scrapers, divers, compactors, bulldozers, cranes, draglines, cranes, crushers, hot plants, batch plants, pavers, hopper malers, surveying, grade setting, mechanics, welding or any other phase of the trade I might have failed to mention. Think about it! It will surely help you in the future.

San Jose
Apps. Stay Very Busy

By HARLEY DAVIDSON
Checkers

The work picture for the apprentices in the San Jose area has been very good the last two months and looks as if it will continue to be good. 100% of our apprentices are working in the San Jose area.

The Gilroy bypass and Highway 88 have approximately sixteen apprentices working and getting top apprentice training on these two jobs.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our sympathy to the Stanley Derrickson family. Stanley Derrickson, 35 years old, 2nd period H.D.R. was fatally injured when his truck collided with a car on Almaden Road. He leaves his wife and two children.

'The Quiet Epidemic'
WASHINGTON, D.C. — Pop-  ulation—the quiet epidemic" is the title of pamphlet No. 472, available for 25 cents from Public Affairs Pamphlets, 311 Park Ave. South, New York, N.Y. 10017. There are the lead- ing cause of short-term hos- pitalization among people 45 to 55 years old, and affect 4,000 new victims a day.

By AARON SMITH

Work is picking up throughout Solano County. Syner & Harms, the largest construction company in Solano County, picked up the Highway 88 job, from Vacaville to Win- ter, this was with the low bid of four hundred thousand dollars. They have most of the work in the area, with one hundred and nine operating en- gineers working for them at the present time.

Clyde Pyle jobs are still going with the big one in South Hampton, and another one about completed in River Meadows.

Solano Concrete in Fairfield is hurting for work. The Kennef Ponton job in Vallejo should last about another four months. They are also doing work in Vacaville on five or six small jobs.

Pondmonkev is going full force.
See More VALLEJO Page 12
It Ain't All Balmy Breezes
But Utah Work Holds Well


tom Bills

The members, for the most part, are standing and have cooperated very well with the Silverwax in trying to solve these problems. However there are always those who want to enjoy a free ride by not belonging to the Union, and even though they may do so personally, they blame the Union or they say they are going to move to another job to meet our demands. Yet to hear of any of these same people change their ways, will benefit that the officers of this Union have negotiated for them and don't have any fights for over the past years.

We have been assured that by the time this issue goes to press many of the Brothers who have been on layoff since February and 3/11, and were still covered under all the provisions of the Master Mechanic. We would like to mention the outstanding job the Stewards did in keeping the brothers informed. We have been assured that the time will have been spent of the Brothers who have been on layoff since February and 3/11, and we will be covering under all the provisions of the Master Mechanic.

On the doorstep of summer, the Salt Lake area anticipates a record breaking building industry looks excellent with projects already under way.

The St. Marks Hospital (approx. 300 South 13th East, 80% complete and ready for a General Contractor. Christiansen Brothers are making good progress. E.C.M.T. concepts with a good sub-contractors. First phase of this project is $35 million which will be an estimated 300-story building.

Royal Irons are nearing completion of new model, located on the corner of 2nd South and West Temple. Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge will begin construction approximately mid-April on their future site 5000 South 13th East. 80% complete and ready for a General Contractor.

Burgess Construction has plans for a combined scrap and truck operation. This combination very often means extra work for their employees.

S. A. Holm Construction, at the tunnel near Current Creek, is still a three-shift operation and the hollowing is still good. It is in the employer's intention to keep the three-shift operations going throughout the life of this phase of the tunnel.

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Further south, W. Jason Baker, job head at Dry Lake, pretty much the same story—operation on schedule and weather getting better all the time. It is in the employer's intention to keep the three-shift operations going throughout the life of this phase of the tunnel.

With the snow piled to a depth of 18 inches, the warm temperature and high winds have turned the W. W. Clyde construction on the top of Parley's Peak, 4000' above lake level, and most of all, cold. This project started the first week of December and operation was mostly in full swing. However, the weather changed December due to the front over the weather. This 1-30 project is at 7,080' ft. elevation. The crisscrossed road, one of the snowiest roads in Utah, from the areas of the project. W. W. Clyde has been working on the upper section of the project. We have been assured that if the weather improves they will still be able to work on the project. With the snow piled to a depth of 18 inches, the warm temperature and high winds have turned the W. W. Clyde construction on the top of Parley's Peak, 4000' above lake level, and most of all, cold. This project started the first week of December and operation was mostly in full swing. However, the weather changed December due to the front over the weather. This 1-30 project is at 7,080' ft. elevation. The crisscrossed road, one of the snowiest roads in Utah, from the areas of the project. W. W. Clyde has been working on the upper section of the project. We have been assured that if the weather improves they will still be able to work on the project.

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Northern California Firms Make "400"

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More Vallejo

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on the sewer line job in Vallejo for the Marine Securities, they also picked up the second part of this same job. A. Tewhert & Son is going full force at Davis with a full crew. They also have a sub on the job by the name of Willamett Western Corporation.

Important Notice!!!
The Construction Industry Stabilization Committee has approved payment of all wages and fringe benefits effective 6/16/72 for firms signatory to the Master Construction Agreement and those contractors who have signed short-term agreements. If you are not receiving your increased wages, please advise your business agent at once.
Specially called 8:00 p.m.

ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERS

shall be eligible for nomination, be elected, or hold the position of District Member. No Member may accept nomination for more than one office or position.

A Member who has been continuously a Member of the Union within ten (10) days after the nominations have been declared, may be lost by failing to file such notice of his nomination to office within the twenty (20) days from the date of the nomination to office to which he has been nominated.

Note: 1st day of dues period for all purposes set out in (B) NOMINATIONS of this Article. The 1/10 of 1% shall be eligible for nomination and election to office in the Local Union on February 29, 1972, was 35 which is the number of the membership on February 29, 1972.

No Member who is on the full-time payroll of the Local Union shall be eligible for nomination or election to any office or position.

NOMINATION

Registration-Recording Correspondent Secretary T. J. "Tom" Stapleton announces that the following amendment to the Eligibility Rules for Elections was adopted at the U.O.C. Convention

Recording-Recording Correspondent Secretary T. J. "Tom" Stapleton announces that in accordance with the Local Union By-Laws, Article XII, elections of Officers and District Executive Board Members are to be held on June 1, 1972 at the following Regularly Scheduled Meetings as a Special Order of Business and at Specially Called Meetings:

(A) 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 Parent Local Union for a period of one (1) year immediately prior to the date of the Local Union or its Subdivisions (except the Registered Apprenticeship Subdivision) shall be suspended for non-payment of dues as of the first nominating meeting in the manner and form set forth in Article XI(b) of these By-Laws. The eligibility of Members nominated shall be determined by the Recording-Recording Correspondent Secretary T. J. "Tom" Stapleton at the first nominating meeting in the Parent Local Union or its Subdivisions (except the Registered Apprenticeship Subdivision) who has been continuously a Member of the Parent Local Union and its Subdivisions for not less than three (3) years immediately prior to the date of the first nominating meeting in which he is nominated.

ELIGIBILITY TO BE A CANDIDATE

shall be eligible for nomination and election to any office or position. The following nominations shall be considered void and shall be excluded from the ballot:

(b) When nominations are received for in III(c) above, the nominee shall notify in writing the Recording-Recording Correspondent Secretary of his withdrawal from the ballot and his reasons for the same.

Eligible Members nominated in accordance with the above provisions shall be eligible for nomination and may be mounted at the option of the Recording-Recording Correspondent Secretary for any elective or non-elective office or position. A Member may be lost by failing to file such notice of his nomination to office within the twenty (20) days from the date of the nomination to office to which he has been nominated.

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Who Said Engineers Want to Pave the World?

By ERNIE LOUIS

For some reason our Brother Engineers have been labeled by a few radical bird watchers as the stereotype "bad guys" to our environment. Contrary to popular belief, we're quite human and have a sincere interest in the world around us.

A good example of our interest is an experiment in progress at San Ramon golf course in San Ramon. A big practice green is being maintained by Wayne Wallick and his Operating Engineers greenskeepers consisting of Brothers Clark Rubenaker, Tom Santos, Jim Johnson, Luis A. Munoz and Jose Pacheco.

The designers of the new process claim what a lot of people maintain that mankind is heir with the immediate need for dis-covering or returning to ways of doing things without depending on chemical fertilizers, fungicides and other chemicals used on such greens. The designers of the new process claim what a lot of people maintain that mankind is heir with the immediate need for discovering or returning to ways of doing things without depending on chemical fertilizers, fungicides and other chemicals used on such greens.
SACRAMENTO
Our deepest sympathies and condolences are extended to the families of Brothers Albert F. Bowling, William Coldiron and Harley Lester, who passed away recently.

Brother Barbara, wife of our good friend Harrel Maynard had surgery just recently and is now recuperating at home. We wish her a speedy recovery.

STOCKTON-MODesto
The following Brothers were either hospitalized or under a doctor’s care at this past month: Ben Arquilesparen, Marvin Kadj, A. P. Shelton, Edward Knutsen, Jack Bostick, Melvin Chantron, Joe Foley and Glenn Johnson. A speedy recovery is wished for all.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to the families and friends of departed Brothers Donna Compton and Herbert Sigworth.

MARYSVILLE
Blood donors this month included Ralph W. Ellis and Grover K. Johnson. Our thanks to both of them for this very needed service.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to the families and friends of Walter Mikkelson and Isaac Parnell who recently passed away, and to Brother Leron Stevens on the loss of his wife, Pat.

FRESNO
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REDDING
Our deepest sympathies again to the family and friends of Brothers Keith Swanson who expired April 8, 1972, Brother Lee A. Broadhead expired April 12, 1972, Brother Clinton Smith expired April 29, 1972. Brother Erickson Williams expired May 1, 1972. We will all miss them.

Ralph wishes for a fast and speedy recovery to the following members who have been hospitalized: Brother Charles Walsum, confined at Mercy hospital is recovering nicely; Jack Wynn, who is recovering at home after being hospitalized; Paul Pohlson, who is slowly recovering at home after a long illness; James Hough, who is recovering at home; James Graham, who is also recovering at home after eye surgery.

To the families of Frances Josephine Henneau who had major surgery at Methodist Hospital in San Francisco in February, is still convalescing but coming along nicely. We wish young Darrell a very complete recovery.

SAN JOSE
We would like to extend our condolences to the families of the following deceased members: Roy C. Mabry, Ron Whitman, Stanley Dervinakos, and Myrtle Holman.

We wish to extend to our brother recovery to Brother Rudy Roger, who broke his leg.

We, too, wish to extend a speedy recovery to Brother Bob Sandoval, who has now donated a total of (6) gallons of blood to our blood bank.

The Wilbur Brower is going into the hospital for open heart surgery and needs blood. We urge anyone who can donate to our blood bank to do so at this time, since our blood bank is currently depleted.

SANTA ROSA
It is with deep regret that we report the recent passing of Brothers Eugene Grower, Roy Mabry, Harley Williams and Ralph Klett. Our deep condolences are extended to the families and friends of our late Brothers.

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The waste and destruction of the environment, as well as the failure to properly manage natural resources, should alert the people in those areas where flood and drought are a concern. This has resulted in the increase in the use of local resources, which in turn has led to the need for more efficient and ecologically sound methods of control. The project starts at the estuary and will add one lane in each direction. The project is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

Engineers presently on the payroll will be among those who are being offered the best opportunities of the year.

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