

Local 3 Ratifies New Contracts

Nominations Open At Oakland Meeting

New Wages, Fringe Benefits And Conditions

A new master agreement and two other agreements calling for wage and fringe increases for operating engineers have been negotiated and ratified by Local Union No. 3.

The master agreement covers technical engineers and is effective as of June 16. The other agreements cover rock, sand and gravel, effective as of July 16, and clamshell and dipper dredging—hydraulic suction dredging, effective as of July 1.

All contracts call for a 30c per hour across the board increase and a 15c per hour pension increase. Other fringe increases differ with the various contracts and the rock, sand and gravel agreement has several condition changes.

Following are wage and fringe benefit changes as dictated by the new technical engineers agreement:

Wages 30c increase
(all classifications)
Health and Welfare

..... 10c increase
Pension Health and Welfare

..... 2c increase
Pension 15c increase

Vacation 3c increase
Following are wage and fringe benefit changes as dictated by the new clamshell and dipper dredging—hydraulic suction dredging agreement:

Wages 30c increase
(all classifications)
Health and Welfare

..... 10c increase
Pension Health and Welfare

..... 2c increase
Pension 15c increase

Vacation 3c increase
Following are wage, fringe benefit and condition changes as dictated by the new rock, sand and gravel agreement:

Wages 30c increase
(all classifications)
Health and Welfare

..... 9c increase
Pension Health and Welfare

..... 6c increase
Pension 15c increase

Section 3, item G. states that no employee covered by the agreement, once he has reported to his designated work location in his assigned plant shall, as a condition of employment, be required to furnish personal transportation for tools or equipment to another location in the plant.

Section 3, item H. states that no maintenance employee shall be required to work alone during hours of darkness in a remote area or where hazardous conditions exist.

Section 4, item C.1. states that if an employee is required to

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TELLERS SELECTED by President Paul Edgecombe, chairman, at the first Regular District Meeting in Oakland, following the announcement of nominations, check the qualifications of voters. Election Committeemen were elected and nominations for the offices in the new election accepted as a Special Order of Business. Labor Department observers were on hand to monitor

and expedite the procedures. Acting Director Jack Jordan, of the U. S. Department of Labor-Management Services Administration can be seen (grey suit) carefully watching the proceedings. Labor observers will be on hand at all Regular and Special Called meetings until nomination meetings are completed.

Brothers Hear Election Supervisor

Nominations for officers and district executive board members of Operating Engineers Local Union 3 began August 16 with the first nominating meeting held in Oakland.

To date, four other meetings have been held with the result that four men have been nominated for business manager, five for president, three for vice president, three for recording-corresponding secretary, three for financial secretary, two for treasurer, seven for trustees, six for auditors, one for conductor and three for guard.

Three more nominating meetings are scheduled for today, August 23. They will be held in San Jose, Honolulu and Guam. The Hilo meeting is scheduled for August 24, with the Reno meeting to follow on the 25th. Salt Lake City will hold its meeting on the 27th, Fresno on the 28th, Eureka on the 29th, Redding on the 30th and Marysville on the 31st.

These meetings will also elect election committeemen. Election committeemen elected in the first five meetings are Jim O'Brien from District 1, D. O. Hawkin from District 2, Aaron Becker from District 3, Tom Eaton from District 8 and Floyd Webb from District 10.

Only 248 Brother Engineers were present at the first nominating meeting, which heard a speech by John Jordan of the United States Department of Labor. Jordan has been appointed election supervisor and represents the Secretary of Labor.

Jordan said that his supervisory duties include having representatives of his office present at all phases of the election. These representatives will work with the Election Committee to develop an independent record of the proceedings and to assure that the election is conducted in accordance with the Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure Act and Local 3's constitution and by-laws, Jordan said.

According to Jordan, the dispute between the Department of Labor and Local 3 has not been made a matter of court action and supervision of the election by the Department of Labor came only after a voluntary

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IUOE Now Using Local 3 Textbooks

If you do a job well enough, others will soon copy what you do.

That's just the case with the Related Classroom Instruction "workbooks" in use at Rancho Murieta Training Center School.

Several years ago, when Local No. 3 was getting its Apprenticeship Training program

organized, a desperate need for instructional materials in the form of study workbooks could not be filled. There wasn't material available. So the Joint Apprenticeship Curriculum Committee wisely commissioned the California Department of Industrial Relations to prepare for the JAC a set of learning workbooks. The teaching technique proved so successful that imitators began copying Local No. 3's ideas. The biggest imitator was the National Joint Apprenticeship and Training Commit-

tee of the International Union of Operating Engineers. Over the years all of the study workbooks have been rewritten and updated to include new methods and equipment. And each time the International copied our ideas.

Well the situation has finally come full circle. Now the International's workbooks cover all of the topics that were once exclusively used at RMTC. The result is a gradual changeover from the Local No. 3 material to the material put out by the National Committee.

"Even with this change," Administrator Jack McManus explained, "we will still tailor our related instruction to concentrate upon the skills most in demand here in the West. Perhaps most important, we have built into our course of instruc-

tion the flexibility of topic selection that will permit updating new changes with a minimum of cost and effort."

Under the new system the first and second course will be the same for all apprentices. This allows the apprentice to get a good overview of the entire industry and the various branches and job classification within our jurisdiction.

Starting with the third and following through the fourth course the apprentice is given instruction more directly related to his branch of employment.

It is the ambition of the JAC to give the best instruction on every facet of the work an apprentice is expected to know. This latest change in the workbooks is planned to be gradual because in matters such as teaching it has proven best to avoid abrupt changes.

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Status of Agreements Submitted to National Operating Engineers Craft Board for C.I.S.C. Approval

		Effective Date of Increase	Increase Requested	C.I.S.C. Approval
1. California Master Labor Agreement	(A.G.C./E.G.C.A.)	6/16/73	60¢ (30¢ wages)	Now before C.I.S.C. pending approval.
2. Utah Master Labor Agreement	(A.G.C.)	7/ 1/73	54¢ (20¢ wages)	Submitted to Craft Board pending approval.
3. Nevada Master Labor Agreement	(A.G.C.)	7/ 1/73	60¢ (32¢ wages)	Submitted to Craft Board pending approval.
4. Hawaii Master Labor Agreement	(G.C.L.A.)	9/ 3/73	51¢ (25¢ wages)	Original Agreement was approved but this increase still under jurisdiction of C.I.S.C.
5. Hydraulic Suction Dredge Agreement	(Dredging Contractors Assn. of Calif.)	7/ 1/73	60¢ (30¢ wages)	Submitted to Craft Board pending approval.
6. Clamshell & Dipper Dredge Agreement	(Dredging Contractors Assn. of Calif.)	7/ 1/73	60¢ (30¢ wages)	Submitted to Craft Board pending approval.
7. Crane Owners Association—Equipment Rental Agreement		7/ 1/73	60¢ (30¢ wages)	Submitted to Craft Board pending approval.
8. Technical Engineers Master Agreement		6/16/73 (8/15/73 new classification)	60¢ (30¢ wages)	Submitted to Craft Board pending approval.

World of Work

New Regulations Needed Of Private Pension Funds

By **PETER J. BRENNAN**
Secretary of Labor

M. L. of Santa Fe, N. M. writes: I hear that some sort of new regulations of private pension funds is coming up. How will this affect workers' pensions?

Dear M. L.: By 1980, the private pension system in the United States will have assets of more than \$200 billion and will cover more than 40 million workers. Yet today, too many men and women who work all their lives are rudely awakened at retirement time by business failure, misuse of funds or fine print which knocks them out of the pension system with little or nothing to show for the years devoted to work. The Administration presently has two bills before Congress. One is called the Retirement Benefits Tax Act and the other is the Employee Benefits Protection Act. Passage of these bills would correct many of the shortcomings of our private pension system and assure workers adequate pensions upon retirement.

M. D. of Chicago, Ill., writes: Is it true that the Job Corps is one of those programs that will be operated by States, cities, and other local governmental units under the Manpower Revenue Sharing concept?

Dear M. D.: Not quite. Immediate plans call for shifting responsibility for contracting and center management from the national office to the Manpower Administration's regional offices, in keeping with the President's directives to decentralize the Federal Government and make it more responsive to the people. As Job Corps training and placement records continue to improve, we believe that many States and local communities may want their youth to take advantage of this fine training opportunity. A system is now being developed whereby it will be possible for them to do so under

Manpower Revenue Sharing. Manpower Revenue Sharing will make it possible for State and local governments to design their own manpower training programs. One of the options possible is provision of training opportunities for disadvantaged youths at a regional Job Corps center nearby. After completion of their training, the young people will be placed in a meaningful job in the same area.

D. M. of Johnston, Pa., writes: I can't understand how the Federal law against age discrimination works, when an employer is allowed to hire a 45-year-old and turns a 55-year-old away. Both are protected by the law, but it looks like some are more protected than others.

Dear D. M.: The Age Discrimination in Employment Act protects workers aged 40 to 65 from being discriminated against because of age. It is just as illegal to discriminate within the protected age group, 40 to 65, as it is to give preference to a 25-year-old over an equally qualified 40-year-old. If you think that you have been the subject of age discrimination, you might contact the nearest office of the Labor Department's Wage-Hour Division, where you can discuss your case in the strictest confidence.

Editor's note: If you have a question regarding job training and placement, labor-management relations, job health and safety, equal employment opportunity, wages and hours, employment and unemployment, prices and earnings and other matters involving the U.S. Department of Labor, send it to:

Peter J. Brennan
Secretary of Labor
"World of Work"
U.S. Department of Labor
Washington, D.C. 20210

The proportions of Negro and white graduates from high schools who enrolled in college were approximately equal for the first time in October, 1972—48 per cent for black graduates and 49 per cent for white graduates, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

More Contracts

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work more than six hours on the second half of a shift he shall be allowed to take a 30 minute lunch break, and that if he is required to work through this lunch break he will be paid for an additional 30 minutes at the straight time rate.

Section 5 states that when overtime is worked on any weekday other than holidays the employee shall be paid one and one half times the regular straight time rate for the first four hours. For any hours worked in excess of 12 the employee shall be paid two times the regular straight time rate, and, effective as of July 15, 1975, the employee shall be paid three times the regular straight time rate for any hours worked in excess of 12.

Section 6, item D states that employees who are required to work on holidays shall receive two times the regular straight time rate and be guaranteed a full day's work.

Section 7, item A states that, as of July 16, 1974, employees

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Knowledge Can Help!

The Department of Interior's Conservation Yearbook series is entitled "Indivisibly One."

The publication is divided into five sections: Laws for a Changing Land, Energy for Living, People in Transition, With Us on Earth, Saving the Scene.

Copies of the book are available at \$2 each from the Manager, Public Documents Distribution Center, Pueblo, Colo., 81009. The book's identification number is S/N 24000751.

Why Not Be an Apprentice?

Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. 20210. Flyer. 10 cents each.

Women are enrolled in more than 60 occupations out of the 370 offering apprenticeship training. This pamphlet answers many questions, and suggests other sources of information, for women interested in a skilled occupation.

One of the most important changes in the American economy is this century has been the increase in the proportion of women who work outside the home, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Al Clem
Business Manager
474 Valencia St.
San Francisco, Ca.
Dear Mr. Clem:

Please be advised that my Doctor has declared me permanently and totally disabled (see enclosed letter from doctor).

It is therefore evident that I will not be able to return to work at the expiration of my vacation period.

This involuntary turn of events is personally distressing and unwanted by me. However, I am indeed thankful for the opportunity to have been of service to the membership of Local 3 for these past 17 years.

Even though I can no longer remain as a full time paid employee, I hope that I can be of some service to the members. I will be happy, as my health permits, to serve Local 3 wherever and whenever my talents or expertise if any, are needed.

I wish to thank you, the Executive Board, all the officers of Local 3 and all the members for their assistance and guidance in helping me to be a more effective employee over the years.

I am now in the process of and will shortly return all union records and equipment entrusted to me.

Fraternally,
Bill Raney

Labor Courses

San Francisco City College will offer courses in labor studies for the first time this September.

All classes will be held in room 274 of the Arts Building and will begin at 7 p.m.

Labor Studies 70, The American Labor Movement, will be offered every Tuesday beginning Sept. 18. It will be taught by David Selvin, editor of San Francisco Labor.

Labor Studies 73A, Labor Relations and the Collective Bargaining Process, will be taught every Wednesday beginning Sept. 19 by Roland C. Davis, a prominent labor attorney.

Labor Studies 71, Labor and Politics, will be offered every Thursday beginning Sept. 20. The instructor will be Hugh MacColl of the American Federation of Teachers.

Grievance Committeemen V. B. Gilliam of District 60 and E. W. LeRoy of District 40 have resigned. Elections for new committeemen will be held at the next regularly scheduled meetings.

Dear Sir:

Virgil Anderson of Rt. 1, Box 197C, Morgan Texas 76671 passed away at Veterans Hospital in Dallas. He was a member of Local 3 for eight years and had taken a withdrawal card due to illness. He leaves his wife Anna and one son, Jack, and two grandchildren. Please put this in your Engineers News for his many friends.

Sincerely yours,
Anna Anderson
Morgan, Texas

More on Nominations

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agreement between the Department and Local 3.

"The agreement has been entered into by the Union to avoid time-consuming and costly litigation with its attendant disruption of the orderly affairs of the Union," Jordan said.

Jordan complimented Local 3 on the completeness of its constitution and by-laws, but objected to one by-law provision which requires that petitions for nomination of candidates be read to the membership in their entirety.

"In order to give the membership reasonable opportunity to make nominations and to not unduly delay the entire nomination presentation, petitions will be considered valid without the reading of all lists of endorers," Jordan said.

Jordan said that a person reading a list of 300 to 400 endorers of one candidate might deprive another member from making a nomination if the member wanted to make a single nomination without a petition.

Dear Sir:

Squeek and I would like to thank all the brothers of Local 3 who contributed on his behalf due to his illness at the June 12th meeting in District 50. There is no way we can thank everyone individually, but we are grateful for what you have done.

He would be glad to hear from you or welcome a visit at any time. Our address is 5452 E. Grant, Fresno, Calif. 93727, phone (209) 255-5737.

Sincerely yours,
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Henson

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Court Ruling

Union's Power To Fine Members Limited

Washington — The Supreme Court has ruled that labor unions cannot fine workers who quit the union during a strike and return to their jobs.

The 8 to 1 decision, written by Justice William O. Douglas, held that a union has no more control over a former member "than it has over the man in the street."

The case involved a strike in 1968-69 by the Textile Workers Union, ALF-CIO, against the Nashua, N.H., plant of the International Paper Box Machine Co. All but one member of the local voted to strike and, after the strike started, the members agreed that defectors were subject to a \$2000 fine.

Union

Thirty-one members eventually quit the union during the lengthy strike and went back to work. The local tried to fine them a day's wages for each day worked.

The court agreed with the National Labor Relations Board that the fines were illegal under the 1947 Taft-Hartley law. "When a member lawfully resigns from the union, its power over him ends," Douglas said.

The decision reversed a ruling by the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the 1st district, in Boston which had given important weight to the fact that the 31 employees had participated in the vote to strike.

Factor

But Douglas said that factor was of small importance.

"Events occurring after the calling of a strike may have unsettling effects, leading a member who voted to strike to change his mind," the opinion said. "The likely duration of the strike may increase the specter of hardship to his family; the ease with which the employer replaces the striker may make the strike seem less provident."

Justice Harry A. Blackmun, dissenting alone, said membership in a union involves mutual commitments, especially during the strike.

Once a worker votes to abide by a strike, he still may resign from the union afterward and cross picket lines "but not without the prospect of having to pay a reasonable union fine for which he voted," Blackmun said.

Researchers See Economical Desalting Within Five Years

SAN DIEGO—Large scale desalting of sea water using the reverse osmosis process will be economically feasible within five years, an industry expert has predicted here.

He is Seymour S. Kremen, head of reverse osmosis research and development for Roga Systems, division of Gulf Environmental Systems, San Diego. He forecasts that by 1977, Gulf will be able to build a desalinization plant — utilizing Roga's reverse osmosis membrane modules—that will produce fresh water from sea water at a cost of 39 cents per 1000 gallons.

"And it may be possible to reduce this cost still further—to as low as 33 cents per 1000 gallons," Kremen adds. He points out that a price of 39 cents would, for example, be competitive in Southern California with the cost of delivered natural fresh water.

Kremen explains that reverse osmosis is a process in which water is forced through a semi-permeable membrane to remove impurities. When the feed water is brackish or saline, the water molecules pass through the membrane but dissolved solids are

largely stopped resulting in a potable or even higher purity product.

A standard membrane module is a cylinder 4 inches in diameter and 3 feet long. Feed water goes into one end of the cylinder. At the other end, pure water comes out in one stream and residue brine comes out in another.

Kremen said a Gulf-built plant in Florida is producing 350,000 gallons of fresh water per day for brackish feed water containing 6,600 parts per million of dissolved salts, with an expansion of the facility to nearly twice the size now underway. The purified water contains only 300 parts per million of salts, more pure than many municipal supplies in the Southwest, and meeting USPHS standards.

He said another plant in Kashima, Japan, the world's largest with a capacity of 800,000 gallons per day, is being expanded to produce 1.4 million gallons per day. This plant using Gulf Roga modules and design recommendations was built by Gulf's overseas distributor, Ajax International, Inc. of Santa Barbara.

Kremen also described a newly developed membrane module

pressure vessel assembly which is 12 inches in diameter and 30 feet long. He said it takes only 12 such modules to produce 1 million gallons of potable water per day.

Kremen said that the reverse osmosis process is technically and financially feasible, today, for brackish water purification and reclamation of pure water from certain waste streams.

He explained that it is necessary to have in excess of 99 percent solids-reduction efficiency for purifying sea water, compared with 95 percent efficiency for brackish water. He said he is confident that the higher performance figure can be achieved at a feasible cost within five years.

Kremen said a reverse-osmosis plant may be the solution to restoring water quality in the lower Colorado River.

Salt content of the river has continued to increase because of evaporation and briny returns from irrigation projects, with the result that the river flow into Mexico is almost intolerably brackish.

Kremen said a reverse osmosis plant on the river could greatly reduce this salinity while producing high quality water.



TELLERS CHECK THE ELIGIBILITY of brother engineers to vote for election committeemen at the first nominating meeting in Oakland. Harold Terfanky of the United States Department of Labor is seen in the upper right photo (with dark suit and cigarette) as he observes the election procedures. Repre-

sentatives from the Labor Department will be present at all phases of the election to develop an independent record of the proceedings. Only 248 brothers attended the meeting which was held at the Labor Temple at 23rd and Valdez Streets.

\$181.8 Million From Land, Water Conservation Fund Apportioned To States for Fiscal Year 1973

Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton has announced distribution of nearly \$182 million from the 1973 fiscal year Land and Water Conservation Fund appropriations to serve people in the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam and American Samoa. The money is available to the States and territories for grants to equally match funds they provide for State, county and municipal outdoor recreation area acquisitions and developments.

The Fund receives \$300 million in revenues annually from which Congress appropriates money for Federal recreation land acquisition and the State grant program. The FY 1973 appropriation for State grants is \$181.8 million.

FISCAL YEAR 1973 APPORTIONMENTS TO STATES FROM THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

State	Apportionment	State	Apportionment
Alabama	\$ 2,969,703	New Hampshire	\$ 1,714,374
Alaska	1,577,115	New Jersey	5,415,822
Arizona	2,337,039	New Mexico	1,821,636
Arkansas	2,147,967	New York	11,251,830
*California	12,592,377	North Carolina	3,446,928
Colorado	2,533,383	North Dakota	1,640,745
Connecticut	3,042,423	Ohio	6,896,583
Delaware	1,724,373	Oklahoma	2,535,201
Florida	4,980,411	Oregon	2,409,759
Georgia	3,388,752	Pennsylvania	7,555,608
*Hawaii	1,856,178	Rhode Island	1,959,804
Idaho	1,681,650	South Carolina	2,514,294
Illinois	7,193,826	South Dakota	1,660,743
Indiana	3,837,798	Tennessee	3,095,145
Iowa	2,519,748	Texas	7,056,567
Kansas	2,348,856	*Utah	1,991,619
Kentucky	2,709,729	Vermont	1,574,388
Louisiana	3,083,328	Virginia	3,576,915
Maine	1,774,117	Washington	3,136,050
Maryland	3,531,465	West Virginia	2,117,970
Massachusetts	4,477,734	Wisconsin	3,421,476
Michigan	5,991,219	Wyoming	1,541,664
Minnesota	3,145,140	District of Columbia	738,138
Mississippi	2,166,147	Puerto Rico	1,397,163
Missouri	3,633,273	Virgin Islands	66,362
Montana	1,694,376	*Guam	71,816
Nebraska	2,047,068	*American Samoa ...	55,454
*Nevada	1,708,011		

* Local Union No. 3 Jurisdiction

Total Apportioned .. \$173,357,260
Contingency

Total Appropriated .. \$181,800,000

The Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, which administers the Fund for Interior, apportions the State grant appropriations according to a formula that takes total population and metropolitan populations into consideration.

"The Land and Water Conservation Fund, under President Nixon's Administration, has been increased from \$200 million to \$300 million a year. It is a key element in the President's 'Legacy of Parks' program which will insure open space and recreation opportunities for present and future generations of Americans," Secretary Morton said.

Also included in the President's "Legacy of Parks" is the Federal surplus property program which transfers to State and local agencies, at no cost, Federal surplus real property suitable for park and recreation use.

Secretary Morton noted that with the apportionment of \$181,800,000 in State monies, the Fund will have made available nearly one billion dollars in Federal funds to the 50 States and territories. When matched with an equal amount of State and local money the Fund will have made possible an investment of almost \$2 billion for public outdoor recreation resources for the American people, in accordance with State outdoor recreation plans.

Secretary Morton said that nearly 10,000 grant projects have been funded in the seven years of the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Five thousand of these occurred during the last three years when over \$302.4 million went to States through the Fund.

The formula used for apportioning the \$181.8 million fiscal year 1973 funds to the States is: to the 50 States—\$72,720,000

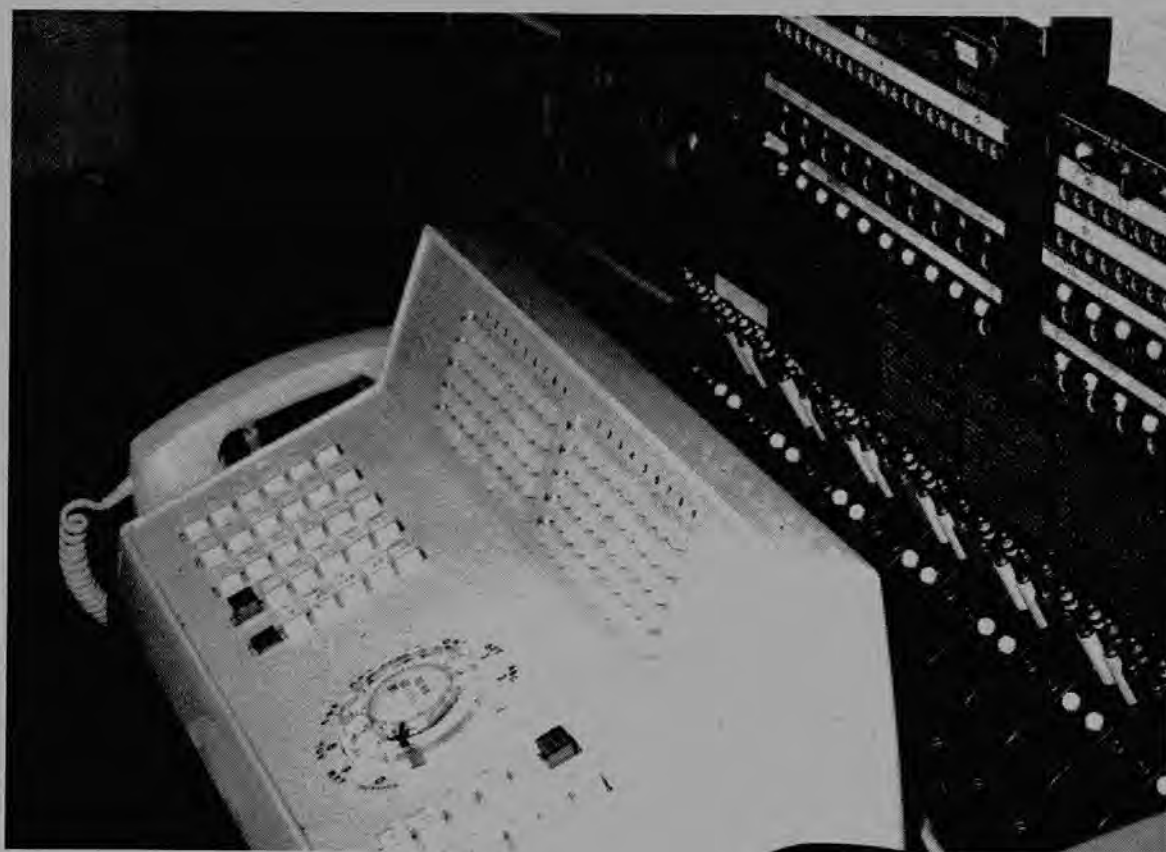
30 per cent prorated to the 55 "States" on the basis of total population—\$54,450,000

25 per cent prorated to the 55

40 per cent prorated equally "States" on the basis of population residing in standard metropolitan statistical areas—\$45,450,000

5 per cent will go to the Secretary's Contingency Fund to be used for projects satisfying needs which cannot be met through the regular apportionment.

Application for Land and Water Conservation Fund grants are channeled through State Liaison Officers who work with regional offices of the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation. States are required to maintain comprehensive statewide outdoor recreation plans which must be approved by the Bureau. Projects approved under the plans are funded either



OUT WITH THE OLD and in with the new was the case in the switchboard operation at Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 Headquarters in San Francisco. Shown above are pictures of new PBX system now in operation at the union's main office. New system will add many new features to the telephone communications and will allow for faster direct transfer inter-office as well as special conference hookups for calls at as many as five stations.

from the normal State apportionments, from the Secretary's Contingency Fund or from a combination of regular and Contingency funding. In each case, however, the funds are matched equally by the State or, through the State, by the local community.

Under BOR's new Director James Watt, emphasis is being placed on streamlining and expediting applications for funding assistance. Application time has been reduced in many cases to

less than a month on projects where no unique problems are encountered.

The following table is a list of fiscal year 1973 State apportionments:

AB 503 introduced by Assemblyman Jim Keysor (D, Los Angeles) would require the State Air Resources Board to establish and administer opacity standards covering exhaust emissions of construction equipment on a statewide basis.

We Get Letters

Dear Sir:

I would like you to know that as a member of Local 3 I appreciate your fine efforts in making this an outstanding organization.

As I am unable to work any longer, this pension trust fund will help to bridge the gap. I received my first pension check and thanks again for your fine management.

Sincerely yours,
Howard M. Hoenes
San Anselmo, Ca.

Automation Key To Teichert's Success

One of the highest production sand and gravel plants in the world, capable of turning out 1,050 tons of material per hour, is Teichert Aggregates' Perkins Plant. Located near Sacramento, the plant has produced more than 2.3 million tons of various products since it was opened in 1966.

The plant was designed and constructed by the Teichert Engineering Department, under the direction of Robert A. Dittman, chief plant engineer. Teichert engineers used some 3000 cubic yards of concrete, 850 tons of structural steel, eight miles of electrical conduit and 88 miles of wire in building the plant.

The reason for the Perkins Plant's huge production is that it is also one of the most automated plants in the world. The entire operation can be controlled by one man standing behind a horseshoe-shaped console nearly 20 feet long. Housed in a two-story concrete block located in the center of the plant, the console has a schematic flow chart through which the operator can monitor all equipment in the plant. Colored lights on the panel show the direction of material travel, stoppages, bypass control and starts and stops, while other indicators show any malfunction in the system.

One button on the console

triggers the startup sequence, which takes about seven minutes. No motor will start until those ahead of it in the sequence have been started and have reached full "on line" power. This part of the system also has a malfunction guard which stops the sequence if any element in the system fails to start at the proper time.

Shutdown also works automatically. All belts clear themselves before power is shut off.

A short distance from the plant the mining of raw material takes place. Before the aggregate excavation begins 15 feet of over burden must be removed. This is done with Cater-

pillar 633 scrapers. The material is then removed using a Caterpillar 992 loader and is transferred to three Caterpillar 796B rock trucks. The rock trucks take their 42-ton loads to a 70-ton drive-over hopper which drops the material on to a 36-in. belt conveyor with 35 degree troughing idlers.

The belt conveyor deposits the material on to a 15,000-ton pile, 5,000 tons of which are considered live storage. Another 36-in. belt conveyor located in a concrete tunnel beneath the surge pile is used for reclamation of the gravel.

When the pit run material arrives at the plant it is put into three equally-fed scalping screens. The screens remove base material and natural concrete aggregate, direct oversize material to the primary crusher and scalp all cobbles. Just ahead of each of the three scalping screens is a vibratory feeding system which increases the screen's efficiency.

When the concrete aggregate reaches the concrete aggregate tower it is put through three

separate processes. First, the sand is taken out by a removal screen, then the aggregate is washed in a pair of log washers and finally it is separated into four sizes by a triple-decked horizontal screen. Production of the most popular size, one-in. x No. 4, is kept at a maximum.

The four different sized aggregates are stored in separate steel truck bunkers below the sizing screen. An overflow conveyor on each of the bunkers removes excess material and transports it to storage piles on the ground.

Sand production at the Perkins Plant is done by moving sand from the sand removal screen to a processing tower by way of a flume of water. At the sand processing tower, in order to meet local specifications, an excess of No. 30 x No. 50 is removed using an Eagle Autospec automatic scalping tank. Then 31 tons per hour of No. 4 x No. 16 are added.

A distinctive piece of equipment for the removal of gold from the sand is also incorpo-

rated in the sand processing tower. The sand is run through a series of pockets which contain mercury.

"The mercury catches the small traces of gold forming a mercury-gold amalgam," said Don Munroe, foreman of the plant. "At regular intervals the amalgam is removed and new mercury placed in the riffles. While only a small amount of gold is reclaimed from the amalgam, it is still felt to be worthwhile to reclaim."

The crushing operation of the Perkins Plant is done through four Nordberg crushers which empty onto a single conveyor belt. The crushed material is then separated into seven sizes by six screens arranged in two parallel circuits. Each of the different sizes is stored in a separate 200-ton bunker.

Beneath these bunkers are six 24-in. conveyor belts. The short head crushers are fed by two of these belts, another blends more crushed material with the base material, another transports crushed fines to be mixed with

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EVERY OPERATION of Teichert Aggregates' Perkins Plant can be controlled by the console seen at upper left. Brother Engineers working on the job are Don Monroe, foreman; Lloyd Slater, automatic plant operator; Joe Marston, plant engineer; Bob Fenner, plant oiler; Emery Datewood, D. J. Long

and Henry Walker, mechanics; Jim Bettencourt, loader operator; Benny Ellsworth, blade operator; Glenn Quinton and Dudley D. Smith, automatic batch plant operators.

Official Nominating Rules Announced

OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF ELECTION COMMITTEE AND NOMINATION OF OFFICERS AND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

"Pursuant to a directive from the representative of the Secretary of Labor on July 23, 1973, nomination and election of Election Committeemen and nomination of Officers and District Executive Board Members shall be made in the month of August 1973 at the following Regularly Scheduled Meetings as a Special Order of Business and at Specially Called Meetings."

Meeting Schedule

Nomination and Election of Election Committee and Nominating Meetings, AUGUST 1973

District	No.	Location	Day & Date	Meeting Place & Address
	2	Oakland Regular	Thursday 16th 8:00 p.m.	Labor Temple, 23rd & Valdez, Oakland, California
	1	San Francisco Specially called	Friday 17th 8:00 p.m.	474 Valencia Street, San Francisco, California
	10	Santa Rosa Specially called	Monday 20th 8:00 p.m.	Veterans' Memorial Hall, 1351 Maple St., Santa Rosa
	3	Stockton Regular	Tuesday 21st 8:00 p.m.	2626 N. California Street, Stockton, California
	8	Sacramento Specially called	Wednesday 22d 8:00 p.m.	C.E.L. & T. Bldg., 2525 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, Calif.
	9	San Jose Regular	Thursday 23rd 8:00 p.m.	Labor Temple, 2102 Almaden Rd., San Jose, California
	17	Honolulu Specially called	Thursday 23rd 7:00 p.m.	Washington Intermediate School, 1633 South King St., Honolulu, Hawaii
		Guam Specially called	Thursday 23rd 7:00 p.m.	Guam Congress Building, Agana, Guam
		Hilo Specially called	Friday 24th 7:30 p.m.	Kapiolani Elementary School 966 Kileaua Ave., Hilo, Haw.
	11	Reno Specially called	Saturday 25th 8:00 p.m.	Musicians Hall, 124 W. Taylor, Reno, Nevada
	12	Salt Lake City Specially called	Monday 27th 8:00 p.m.	1958 W. North Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah
	5	Fresno Regular	Tuesday 28th 8:00 p.m.	3121 E. Olive Street, Fresno, California
	4	Eureka Specially called	Wednes. 29th 8:00 p.m.	2806 Broadway Street, Eureka, California
	7	Redding Specially called	Thursday 30th 8:00 p.m.	100 Lake Boulevard, Redding, California
	6	Marysville Specially called	Friday 31st 8:00 p.m.	Elks Hall, 920 D Street, Marysville, California

I ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERS TO NOMINATE

Eligibility of Members to Nominate: Every Member of the Parent Local Union and its Subdivision, except 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 1/10 of 1% of the members of the Parent Local Union and its Subdivisions (except the Registered Apprentice Subdivision) who are not suspended for non-payment of dues as of the first nominating meeting in the manner and form set out in III NOMINATIONS of this Article. The 1/10 of 1% shall be 1/10 of 1% of the members shown on the records of the Union as of the last day of June preceding the election.

(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 1/10 of 1% of the members of the Parent Local Union and its Subdivisions (except the Registered Apprentice Subdivision) who are not suspended for non-payment of dues as of the first nominating meeting in the manner and form set out in III NOMINATIONS of this Article. The 1/10 of 1% shall be 1/10 of 1% of the members shown on the records of the Union as of the last day of June preceding the election.

Note: Thirty-five (35) nominators required (One-tenth of one (1) percent of 35,481, the membership as of June 30, 1973) for each candidate nominated pursuant to (a) and (b) above.

(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.

No Member who is on the full-time payroll of the Local Union

Election Committee Notice Of Election

T. J. "Tom" Stapleton, Recording-Corresponding Secretary of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, announces that in conformity with Article XII (C) Elections, Section 1, of the By Laws of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, election of the Election Committee (which will conduct the election of Officers and Executive Board Members) will be held as a first order of business at each meeting prior to nominations of Officers and Executive Board Members. (Please refer to Meeting Schedule for dates.)

Article XII (C), 1(b) states: "The Member (Election Committee) 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 Meeting in August 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."

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.

Registered Apprentices are not eligible for election to any office or position set forth in (a), (b) or (c) above.

NOTE: 1st day of dues period for eligibility purposes:

(a) For Quarterly dues—July 1, 1973.

(b) For Monthly dues—August 1, 1973.

III NOMINATIONS Section 1

(a) **Nominations:** Nominations shall be open for the following: Business Manager, President, Vice President, Recording-Corresponding Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees, Auditors, Conductor, Guard and District Executive Board Members. Nominations shall be made in the month of August at the regularly scheduled District Meetings as directed by the Local Union Executive Board as a special order of business, or at specially called meetings in that month in Districts in which there is no regularly scheduled meeting.

(b) 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
Register No. For

Signature

Social Security No.

Register No.

If by more than one nominator:

NOMINATION

We hereby nominate
Register No. For
Signature Soc. Sec. No. Reg. No.

(c) 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 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.

(d) 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 notified in writing by the Recording-Corresponding Secretary of his nomination to Local Union office, a Non-Communist Affidavit and Section 504 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 nomination and before elections, 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.

(e) 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.

(f) 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 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.

(g) No Member may accept nomination for more than one office or position except a Member may accept the nomination for Sub-district Advisor and any one other office or position.

DECLINATION OF NOMINEE

The undersigned states that he declines all nominations:

(Name) (Signature)

(Reg. No.) (Soc. Sec. No.)

(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)

(Reg. No.) (Soc. Sec. No.)

(Date) (Print Name)

In the event no statement is received by the Recording-Corresponding Secretary on or before twenty (20) days from the date of mailing of the notice provided for in XII (B) 1(g), the nominee shall be deemed for all purposes to have declined all nominations for the offices or positions for which he has been nominated.

(h) All Members nominated who are more than 100 miles from their Regular District Meetings the day before and the day of the meeting are excused from attending for good cause. 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.

IV ELECTIONS

Section 1

(a) The election of Officers and District Members of the Local Union Executive Board shall be held during the month of November 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.

REGULAR MEETINGS

AUGUST 1973

16 Oakland, Thurs., 8 p.m.
21 Stockton, Tues., 8 p.m.
23 San Jose, Thurs., 8 p.m.
28 Fresno, Tues., 8 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

6 Ukiah, Thurs., 8 p.m.
14 Salt Lake City, Fri., 8 p.m.
15 Reno, Sat., 8 p.m.

OCTOBER

2 Eureka, Tues., 8 p.m.
3 Redding, Wed., 8 p.m.
4 Marysville, Thurs., 8 p.m.
10 Honolulu, Wed., 7 p.m.
11 Hilo, Thurs., 7:30 p.m.
24 San Francisco, Wed., 8 p.m.

NOVEMBER

6 Stockton, Tues., 8 p.m.
8 Oakland, Thurs., 8 p.m.



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August, 1973

Pay Dues In Advance

By **LOU BRADY**
Coordinator

Even though we experienced an extensive rainy season, this is one of the better years for Operating Engineers. We have approximately ninety-six per cent of our apprentices, in the Oakland area, working and most of them are working very steadily.

My reason for pointing this out is that some of these apprentices have been suspended for non-payment of union dues.

Fellows, don't let this happen to you! We are sure you realize that there is an obligation to pay dues. So why not pay your union dues in advance? Each and everyone of us must pay union dues. You should, also, realize that your work is seasonal and the possibility of a repeat in slow-down in the work situation during the rainy season is likely to occur. Therefore, we strongly urge that you pay your dues in advance. Those of you who have your thinking caps on, will be smart enough to pay your union dues annually. Well, it is something to think about!

At the last Safety Meeting, it was discussed and made clear to the apprentices who did attend the meeting the importance of returning the second copy of the summary card (the pink sheet) to the coordinator's office (JAC) not later than the fourth of the month. Each month, we tend to

have some apprentice sending in the coordinator's copy as late as the tenth of the month and some are received even later. This is negligence on your part. Neglecting to get this portion of your summary card to the coordinator on time can result in not being credited with the proper hours and can cause a delay in receiving the right training. It is the coordinator's duty to report this type of negligence to the Joint Apprenticeship Committee. This can be avoided by your taking sufficient time to fill out the work summary card correctly. List the correct information in each space; be sure that your Social Security number and the Employer's number are shown and shown correctly; and that all the other required information is included before you send the card in. We strongly recommend that you follow this procedure every month.

We have one hundred thirty-five apprentices in this area. We coordinators see each apprentice at least a couple of times a month in the field. If you fellows have any problems, bring them to the attention of your coordinator. The JAC Office is open every Thursday night until 8 p.m. This is for your convenience. Come into the office on Thursday nights or telephone the coordinator at home.

Apprentices Needed At Rancho Murieta Center

By **BUFORD BARKS**

SAN FRANCISCO-SAN MATEO—We are proud to report that the activity for apprentices in District No. 1, San Francisco and San Mateo has been fair to stable with short duration employment keeping the out of work list active.

The Rancho Murieta Training Center could take care of more apprentices during the summer months; remember when the weather turns bad, everybody makes a bee line for the camp when the rain comes.

We would like to offer a little advice in regard to the camp, if you think you need more training on a particular piece of equipment let the instructor know, his job is to help train you. One thing we've understood is that some apprentices who have run the paddle wheel

scraper should try the regular rubber tired and above all, learn to load the scraper. Most of the good dirt foremen like to see the dirt above the side boards.

All of the instructors are experts in their respective field and your attitude and approach to the instructor for advice will be a large factor in your learning to be a productive journeyman.

When you think you're better than the instructor, take a second look and try to realize that the instructor has been around for many years and his job is to help you become a qualified operator.

If you have any questions about your training please call the office and leave a message if the coordinator is not in.

The next safety meeting is Aug. 16, 1973. Make sure you attend.

Understanding Vital For Good Relations

By **FRED LOYA**, Coordinator

COMMUNICATIONS ARE NECESSARY — Apprentices must be trained properly, and the contractor has an obligation to train apprentices. As different jobs progress, there are times when a contractor cannot give an apprentice seat time because of safety reasons or, maybe because of the phase that the particular job is in.

Some apprentices do not realize these situations call for a more experienced operator on the equipment to maintain production. Apprentices must understand the contractor's position also. More understanding of these different situations will make it possible for better relations between apprentices and their employers. As training coordinators, we have discussion meetings with the various contractors and apprentices to work these matters out whereas the apprentice can acquire his proper training. In many cases an apprentice can inform his employer the remaining number of hours required in his categories. The employer can possibly arrange it so that apprentice may acquire all or part of those category hours. When an apprentice has received all the training hours his employer can possibly give him, the apprentice or employer should notify the training coordinator. If possible, we will rotate apprentices in the field. In some cases an apprentice will have to be placed on the out of work list temporarily. In all cases this is done for the benefit of the apprentice, so he may be trained properly in his respective branch.

Attendance Low At Semi-Annual Meeting

By **CLEM HOOVER**

We attended the semi-annual meeting held on July 14 and were disappointed at the small number of apprentices in attendance. We congratulate those present for showing concern for their future. At this meeting, as at all the semi-annual meetings, there are issues that could affect their future drastically. They should be there to have a voice in those decisions. This great Union of Local 3 was built by members concerned and it can only remain great by members concerned enough to give up two days each year and

Two Apprentices To Leave Program

By **JAY BOSLEY**
Coordinator, Oakland

Well, well, hello August.

Here it is August, historically, a good work month. Most all of the Oakland Apprentices have had a fair start this season. Some are doing well at acquiring work skills from the journeymen; others aren't; others won't.

Two fellows will be leaving the program shortly. They are Dave Benson, with Pacific Excavators, and Irv Cunningham, with Bay Cities Excavating. Both show quite a bit of talent and have been a credit to the Industry, to the journeymen who have trained them and to this Union. It has been a genuine pleasure to have served them.

The Concerned Citizens Coalition (C.C.C.) Inc. is off to a start in Contra Costa County. Those who live in the county who desire to lend a helping hand to the Industry as well as insuring the possibility of continued employment for themselves and others are cordially invited to consult with the writer (933-3841) or the agent servicing your job. C.C.C. has had a good amount of success in Alameda and San Mateo Counties.

In that New Blood and/or Young Blood is a prevalent topic of conversation these days, it is only befitting to mention the Blood Bank. The Blood Bank is down to just a few pints. To our knowledge, the last donation was made by "Ole Sleepy Time" Chuck Ray, a Gallagher and Burk apprentice (who, by the way, is being cured of his infrequent fits of insomnia) and this writer. Seriously speaking, the Blood Bank provides blood to those members and dependents who are in need due to an emergency. It is supported wholly by contributions from healthier Operating Engineers.

With such an abundance of healthy and boisterous people (as evidenced by the Oakland Ratification Meeting), there could be a blood supply to withstand any emergency. As it is, there is barely enough to support a small mosquito farm. Donations are helpful and appreciated.

attend these semi-annual meetings. The apprentice has more to lose than anyone, yet only a few took the time to attend. We would hope the apprentices in the future would show the Journeymen and the Officers that they are a part of this Union by attending not only the semi-annual meetings each year, but all the District meetings and other meetings in your respective District that concern you, not only as an apprentice, but as a member of this union. We hear comments that it doesn't do any good to go to the meetings. The best answer for that is that it certainly can't do any less than your staying home.

Congratulations are in order to apprentice Thomas Dorling and wife on their new arrival. That was a good cigar, Tom.

The U.S. Department of Labor has grown from a handful of semi-autonomous bureaus, employing 2,000 persons in 1913 to an integrated organization of 13,000 today.

Meeting Informative

By **CLIFF MARTIN**

We attended the Semi-Annual Meeting on July 14 and the Apprentices with us said it was very educational, that they had heard of parliamentary procedures, Roberts Rules of Order, By-laws and the Constitution, but had never seen them applied at such a large membership meeting.

We have managed to keep the indentured Apprentices in training in their proper categories, although with the work opportunities as they are today, this requires quite an effort to rotate them for the training they need. In some cases we find that some superintendents and foremen are a little hesitant in placing the court group apprentices on equipment for the 25 per cent of the required seat time needed. We appreciate the assistance the employers are giving so that we are in compliance and affording the Apprentice the opportunity for the proper training.

Underground Const. is placing a telephone line underground for Ma Bell and presently they are working between Litchfield and Red Bluff. In this section there are various types of terrain, quite a bit of lava formation and they have had to do quite a bit of drilling and shooting. We have three Apprentices on this project. While talking with Sup't. Jim Siler, we found he feels the Apprentices are doing as well as could be expected with the circumstances under which they must work, with the steep terrain. While servicing this project it took seven hours to run down the three Apprentices. It must take the Business Agent three days to service the project.

Bob O'Hair Const. has an overlay project from Old Station to near Susanville on Hi-way 44. John Sullivan, a grading and paving Apprentice has been afforded the opportunity to run a dozer, loader and paddle wheel scraper with the crushing operation. When they start paving he will probably be around the Blaw Knox paver for more experience.

Apprentices Work In Turlock, Hwy. 49

By **JAMES FAGUNDES**
Coordinator

Work is well under way in the Fresno and Modesto areas. First period apprentices Vidal Villarreal and James Aja are working on the Turlock By-pass job for Polich & Benedict. Superintendent John Lawrence stated the south bound lane should be open in mid-August this year.

On the Highway 49 bridge job, first period Phil Rivera is gaining a lot of experience working for Hansel & Phelps.

This writer is new to the Modesto area, however, he is familiar with the Fresno area and will also be covering it as your Coordinator. If we can be of assistance to you, leave word at the Modesto or Fresno office or call at home in Fresno, (209) 229-7562.

We are looking forward to meeting all the Apprentices and Journeymen in both areas.

Apprenticeship Committee Makes Changes

By JOHN THORNTON

From time to time the Utah Joint Apprenticeship Committee considers it necessary to make certain policy changes. At the last JAC meeting, the Committee decided that upon completion of work training hours, on-the-job training and related instruction hours at Rancho Murieta, Journeyman status would be reached two weeks following the next month's JAC meeting. This change in procedure would allow the Administration office time to check the Trust Fund for Apprentice Termination and Subsistence Funds due, when applicable as per the Master Agreement in Utah, Sections 12-07.00, 12.07.01 and 12.07.02. The Committee also recommended that changes be made in the Selection Procedures to bring them in closer uniformity to California, Nevada and Hawaii, including the new application form to be used when the program reopens.

The Salt Lake JAC office still receives a few "Apprentice Daily Work Record" cards back each month, indicating the cards are not complete or filled out properly. Be sure the month is written in, the hours are totaled and that the card is graded and signed by your supervisor and also that the card is received in the Administration office in San Francisco before the 8th of each month. If you have any questions regarding work cards, refer to your "Applicant and Registered Apprentice Rules and Regulations" or contact your Coordinator for information.

Utah work training opportunities are holding up well this season making it possible to indenture a few applicants who have been waiting for many months.

Marysville Apprentices Working

By HUGH BODAM

Brothers, the weather is good and work is progressing too fast as some of our jobs in this area are nearing completion and not too much new work in the making.

Although at present time most all apprentices are working, some are short timers but get dispatched to another job in a day or two.

About eight or nine of the apprentices working in this area are close to graduating to journeymen and we know they will be good hands and hope they will be good Union members.

Some apprentices are concerned about their hours. We are hopeful that this will all be straightened out soon, the computer has been overloaded due to the increased amount of information it needs for the Court group. But each individual has some problem with his course of training and we will try and get all discrepancies taken care of to everyone's satisfaction.

Changes In Workmen's Compensation Proposed

Many far-reaching changes in California workmen's compensation laws were proposed this month in a report submitted to Governor Ronald Reagan.

Ed White, State Director of Industrial Relations and chairman of the seven-man task force that authored the report, said its recommendations meet the essential features called for last year by the National Commission on State Workmen's Compensation Laws.

Governor Reagan appointed the State task force last February, and charged them to study California workmen's compensation programs and to submit proposals on the course this state should take to assure continued adequate benefits and coverage.

White said the task force recommends liberalized medical procedures for injured workers and expanded coverage.

Under the proposals, benefit levels would be increased. The higher benefits recommended

would add about \$51.2 million annually to the costs for workmen's compensation insurance premiums in California. Total premium costs under present laws are about \$800 million annually.

The task force also recommends that a continuing study commission be appointed by the Governor to review current programs for rehabilitation of injured workers and the system for delivering benefits to the injured or their survivors.

During its review of State workmen's compensation programs, the State task force held hearings in Oakland and Los Angeles during April, White said, to give all interested parties a chance to express their views.

White estimated the cost of expanding workmen's compensation program in California as proposed by the National Commission would add an estimated \$200 million annually to premium costs here.

More On Contracts

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with seven years service are entitled to three weeks vacation.

Section 7, item B states that, as of July 16, 1974, employees with seven years service who are terminated shall receive 6 per cent pay in lieu of vacation.

Section 9, item F states that an employee who is temporarily laid off for not more than 45 days is entitled to receive jury duty pay if, after recall, he is unable to return because of jury duty. This is under the condition that he reports to work upon completion of jury duty and that he is not eligible for jury duty pay from another employer.

Section 16 states that both the Employer and the Union recognize their respective responsibilities to maintain fair employment practices and that they reaffirm that during the term of the agreement there shall not be any discrimination toward any employee or applicant for employment because of sex, age, race, creed, color or national origin.

Section 17 states that, as of July 16, 1975, in the event of a death in the family (father, mother, wife, husband, brother, sister, son or daughter) a regular employee shall be entitled to a maximum of three days with pay to attend the funeral. The compensable day or days must fall within the employee's regular work schedule.

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concrete sand, another moves crushed material to a washing screen and the last feeds the fine reduction crusher. The use of this system has tremendously increased flexibility in blending the material, and has increased product quality and uniformity. Wear on the crusher has also been reduced greatly.

Maintenance of the plant has been facilitated by a program of careful surveillance and repair. A night maintenance crew of four men makes needed repairs each evening with the help of a 10-ton, 40-ft. span P & H bridge crane that can lift any part of the crushers except the main frames.

ularly schedule work week and the employer may require proof of death.

Exhibit A states that every employee covered by the agreement who has been continuously employed by his employer for at least one year shall be entitled to three days' 24 straight time hour sick leave with pay each year the employee qualifies. To be considered "continuously employed" for one year the employee must have worked 1375 straight time hours in the preceding 12 month period. An employee shall never be eligible for more than three days sick leave during any sick leave anniversary year. Employees who have worked less than 1375 hours in the first year of employment and/or in succeeding anniversary year shall receive a pro rata sick leave on the basis of 1.2 per cent of hours worked. A doctor's certificate or other reasonable proof of illness may be required by the employer.

Sick leave shall not be payed on the first day's absence from work unless the employee is hospitalized on that day. In the event that the employee is off sick for three or more consecutive days he shall be payed sick leave from the first day and for succeeding work days' absences until the sick benefit allowance is used up.

If any employee uses less than three days sick leave during his employment year he carries the unused portion of his sick leave over to the succeeding employment year. He may not, however, accumulate more than 15 days sick leave.

Workmen's compensation or disability insurance benefits shall be paid separately from sick leave but, in the event that workmen's compensation or disability insurance cover all or part of the period during which sick leave is paid, the sum of the two shall not exceed the sick leave allowance. Likewise, unemployment compensation disability benefits shall be payed separately from sick leave but the total benefits received shall not exceed the normal straight time earnings of the employee.

Bechtel No. 1 Jobs In Dist. 90

Bechtel Corporation of San Francisco was named the nation's largest contractor for the fifth time by the Engineering News-Record.

The San Francisco corporation, with a \$3.4 billion volume, has been named number one once out of every two times the list of the top 400 contractors has been compiled.

In addition to Bechtel Corp. 16 other Northern California companies were listed in the top 400.

They were: Kaiser Engineers of Oakland (25), Guy F. Atkinson of South San Francisco (32), Haas & Haynie of South San Francisco (65), Swinerton & Walberg Co. of San Francisco (74), Granite Construction Co. of Watsonville (105), Stolte Inc. of Oakland (149), Dinwiddie Construction Co. Inc. of San Francisco (154), A. Teichert & Son of Sacramento (160), F. P. Lathrop Construction Co. of Emeryville (179), Robert G. Fisher Co. Inc. of Fresno (196), Williams & Burrows Inc. of Belmont (274), Campbell Construction Co. of Sacramento (291), Wismer & Becker of Sacramento (317), Rothschild & Raffin Inc. of San Francisco (370), and Murchison Construction Co. Inc. of Sacramento (400).

Murchison Construction's yearly volume is \$22 million.

By BOB FLECKENSTEIN

An important message to you, Brothers, from this writer. Our District meeting for the San Jose area will be held on August 23, 1973, at 8:00 p.m. The location is the Labor Temple at 2102 Almaden Road, San Jose. Hope to see you all there!

The work picture in the southern part of our District is real good at this time. Glad to report that all the plants are working full strength. One of these plants in the area went on a 9-hour 6-day week to catch up on the workload they have since the rains left us.

Granite Construction out of Monterey has started a three quarter of million dollars road job in Carmel Valley which should keep a few brothers busy for a while along with other smaller jobs throughout the area.

The Rob Roy Junction job is moving along good, with a couple of the sub-contractors finishing up their part of the work. This job has kept quite a few brothers working and will keep them busy for the rest of the season. They are using the 651 scrapers to haul across the highway for a 100,000-yard fill which was originally planned to be done by trucks. This is the first of three fills on the job which has been a good deal for the brothers on the job.

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Environmentalists Block Port Project

By **HAROLD HUSTON**
District Representative and
Auditor

PORT OF MARYSVILLE KILLED BY "ECOLOGY"—In May 1969, a city-county committee to promote the development of a barge channel and port was appointed in a rare meeting of the Yuba County Board of Supervisors and the Marysville City Council. In urging approval of a resolution establishing the joint committee, one of the supervisors said that if the project became a reality it would have "the greatest impact on Yuba County of any event since Gold Rush Days."

When the resolution had been adopted, engineer Charles De St. Maurice declared that the board and council had taken "a major step forward in a very important project." He has been active in work to push the project ahead over a period of several years. Only one vote against forming

the committee was cast. The supervisor dissenting said he had several questions about what the action would cost and who would pay for it. The resolution established a committee consisting of two supervisors, two councilmen, two citizens appointed by the board and two citizens appointed by the city council. The board authorized County Counsel Alvin Landis to serve as legal advisor to the committee.

St. Maurice said the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' preliminary feasibility study on the barge channel from the Sacramento River to the Marysville area is in Washington, D.C., awaiting the approval. The corps estimated the cost of the channel at about \$100 million. While the channel would be the Corps' responsibility, port and other facilities in connection with the project would be a local responsibility. No estimate of the cost

of the local facilities had been prepared.

Two of the principal functions of the city-county committee will be to conduct preliminary studies in connection with local facilities, and to make recommendations concerning the establishment of a port authority.

St. Maurice said few committee expenditures are expected in the near future. The eventual cost of its work would be in the neighborhood of \$15,000. The committee will submit a budget to be approved by the Board of Supervisors and the City Council. The question of how to split the cost of the committees' activities between the city and county was left undecided until the budget was discussed.

The committee was to submit progress reports to the board and council every six months. Its duties, functions and responsibilities, as stated in the resolution, were to:

1. Represent local interests relating to the authorization and construction of a commercial navigation channel.

2. Study and make recommendations concerning formation of a port authority, port district, or other legal entity to regulate, operate and control the channel and port and terminal facilities, and other transportation facilities used in the movement of persons and products in commerce.

3. Study and make recommendations concerning the recreational potential and the type of recreational facilities which could be integrated in the operation and maintenance of the channel and port and terminal facilities.

4. Develop criteria to be incorporated in a feasibility study to determine the economic feasibility of the non-federal facilities required to be constructed and estimated costs of operation and maintenance of such facilities.

5. Develop the scope of work and estimates of costs and prepare a list of engineers qualified to make such study, including in the scope of work the requirements of the local interests.

6. Prepare and submit a form of contract between the County of Yuba and City of Marysville and engineers for the performance of the work of making the economic feasibility study of the non-federal facilities.

7. Stimulate public interest and obtain cooperation of appropriate agencies and organizations to assist in expediting the required feasibility studies by the Corps of Engineers and to assist in obtaining the necessary legislation and congressional authorization for the construction of the commercial navigation channel.

KILLED BY "ECOLOGY"—BUT, the long sought barge channel up the Feather River to an envisioned "Marysville Port" will not be built in the foreseeable future.

"Ecology," St. Maurice told Marysville Levee Commissioners, "has blocked that completely."

The Corps of Engineers, however, is studying alternate plans for transporting cobble from the Hammond dredger tailings to the Bay Area for use as aggregate, St. Maurice said. Among the alternates are overland shipment to the Sacramento River and use of the Western Interceptor Canal by means of locks in the vicinity of the confluence of the Feather and Sacramento Rivers.

The corps will have its study of the project complete this fall. St. Maurice's report on the barge channel was not the only "ecology" related BAD news for the county recently.

Also reported is that the levee district, along with all other special districts in the state, had been required to adopt guide lines for assessment of the environmental impact of any construction work the commission orders done. On St. Maurice's recommendations, the commissioners adopted a set of guidelines prepared by the Central Valleys Flood Control Association

and Irrigation Districts Association of California.

Continuing down the list of bad news, St. Maurice advised the commissioners that recent state legislation placing a ceiling on county property tax rates also applies to special districts, such as the levee district.

The Commission manager said the ceiling—this year's or last year's tax rate, the same rate of eight cents per \$100 of assessed valuation in the case of the levee district—will present serious problems for the commission. Over the past several years the commission has deliberately set a low tax rate in order to bring down the size of the district's reserve fund.

The commission now finds itself stuck with a tax rate that is not sufficient for annual expenses. It was also warned that the tax rate ceiling could place the commission in a bad situation in the event of an emergency. St. Maurice said the Central Valleys Flood Control Association is attempting to develop legislation to exempt special districts from the tax rate ceiling, and he urged the commissioners to support the efforts.

RETIREMENT: SOME INTERESTING FACTS—It is fitting that you know what kind of company you'll be keeping when you reach age 65 and retirement. Roughly 4,000 Americans reach 65 every day—that's every day—and about 3,000 over 65 die every day. That's a net gain of 1,000 new people a day for you to be with.

There are just over 200 million Americans now past 65, or about 10 per cent of the population. That is not because older people are living longer, but because younger people are. Better medical care for infants and the young has carried many more people into the later years.

These figures come mainly from the 1970 census. All of which makes for dull reading. Still, the figures are the best to be had and at least give some perspective of just where you'll stand after 65. The figures confirm that while many people flee to warmer climates when they retire, most remain where they are. Pennsylvania and New York (hardly balmy) and California are the three most populous states. They have 24.6 per cent of the total population, and 25.1 per cent of the over 65 population. Almost a standoff. Add the next three largest states and the six state total is 40.8 of the total population and 40.4 per cent of the total over 65 population. But Florida is doing all right. While the national average of the over 65 group is 9.9 per cent, Florida is on top of the list with 14.5 per cent.

The census has figures on retirement income, but don't let them send you climbing the walls. The figures say a fourth of the over 65 families have incomes of \$3,000 or less and a fourth of them over \$9,000 or more. The median income of a man and wife over 65 is \$4,966. The normal retired couple will tell you even less about their income than about their sex habits.

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Rock Sand Agreement Is Cause For Concern

By **HERMAN F. EPPLER**
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In both Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, the dear brothers working under the Rock Sand Agreement are very much concerned about the outcome of the negotiations, and they may have good reason to be concerned because at this time the negotiating committee and the association for the Rock Sand Companies haven't agreed on much at all.

Most of the contracts for the golf courses in this area have been negotiated and ratified and the members were very well pleased with the outcome of these Contracts. Hopefully, we can negotiate the remaining golf course contracts with the same results.

We would like to remind you to attend all of your Union meetings that are held in your area so you will know what your Union is doing for you. "Do your part and be proud to be an Operating Engineer."

The work picture for the surveyors has slowed down a little, with a few brothers coming back into the hall, but the work load still looks generally good.

At this writing, we are in negotiations with the Bay Counties Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors Association, but hopefully these will have been successfully concluded by the time this appears in print. Then, of course, we will have to secure approval of the Construction Industry Stabilization Committee.

We signed a collective bargaining agreement with Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory on July

5, 1973. This will result in an average wage increase of 28% for these brothers.

The brothers in the other testing laboratories are enjoying full employment at this writing also.

O. C. Jones is paving the new sewage plant in Pleasant Valley. Work in that area is about half production on all jobs. Rumor is that another sewage treatment plant will start next year. That should really open up the area.

In the Fremont area Fremont & Sondgroth is going great guns on their 1.6 million dollar road job. Galbraith Construction is a sub to them doing their pipe work just off Durham Road.

Silvas Pipeline has started a new job which will run approximately four months.

West Valley Equipment Pipeline have two jobs in progress, one short term and the other fairly long. The San Pablo job is of long term and they are running lots of small hoes, pavement breakers, loaders, etc.

West Valley at Hayward put in street vaults and is of short duration. Underground is busy all over the Oakland area with small to medium jobs.

Ramirez is doing a large pipe job at Alameda Naval Air and has quite a few brothers working there. Oakland looks good as far as pipeline work goes, possibly until Winter time.

Galbraith is finishing a small storm drain job on ninth and Embarcadero. Crane work is still slow in the general area. There is very little steel, but some panel tilt-up in the San Leandro area.

Most of the Marina work is close to being completed in the near future, just a small amount of piling to be driven there. Some of the pipe laying work will be wet weather work for some brothers. Small jobs are going good.

Over at Willow Rd., Rodeo M.L. Dubach has moved over half million yards on a rocky hill in less than three months. All this so that the Singer Co. can cover that hill with 1100 homes over the next few years.

J & M Company in Hayward has the sewer and water line underground on this project. Several Hoptos, a Caterpillar hydraulic backhoe, and a Model 6 Northwest are busy ripping and chopping out trench.

Throughout the rest of the area, Martin Bros., Independent Const., O. C. Jones, Gallagher & Burke, and many others are busy.

Work has slowed down in Eastern Contra Costa county due to the environmental impact. However, there are several good dirt jobs still going with Gordon H. Ball on their widening of Hiwy 680 from Sycamore Valley Rd. to Willow Pass Rd. in Concord.

New highway spending dropped in 1972 for the first time in decades, possibly because in many instances satisfactory bid prices were not obtained. In any event, 1973 should be a catchup year for road building.

American Bridge has moved two cranes in on the Richmond bulk mail building with one or two more to follow. Altogether they have 3500 tons of iron hang.

Dirt work is rolling right along now, with the biggest job in the area being Syar and Pacco on the highway 4 freeway between Alhambra and Pacheco Blvd., in Martinez. 1.8 million yards of dirt to move over a two year period, with 1.6 million by scraper and 200,000 yards by truck. The trucks will be spoon fed by a Cat 988 loader every 15 seconds! This job presently has about 30 engineers and should peak at about 40.

More On Environmentalists

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its. And I don't know how even the census can get the answers. Some older couples inflate their income information out of pride. More deflate it out of fear someone is after it.

As you reach 65, you will find more older people than young ones living in the non-metropolitan areas—in towns, on farms and so on. But those living in metropolitan areas will be more concentrated in the central city while the young ones have gone to the suburbs. This is because when they acquired their homes 40 years ago or so the central city was downtown instead of the "urban slums."

You will find that past 65 is the "send the doctor a check" age. Health care expenditures for older persons are three and one-half times as large as those under 65.

There are more women than men after 65—139 to 100. And the disparity is expected to grow larger. Men do all right until about age 45, then start off declining, while the women thrive. Between ages 45 and 64 there are 109 women to every 100 men. After age 75 there are 156 women to every 100 men.

The reason there are so many more widows than widowers, of course, is primarily the higher death rate of men. However, the fact that men like to marry younger women is also a factor. The census found that 8 per cent of all over 65 had husbands under 65, which more women ought to consider.

You are like nobody else on earth, naturally. Census findings and statistics are dullish and for the other guy. Still, they give a pretty good picture of where you're going, and since you're going to be there awhile they're worth noting!

DRUG COST VARIES 195 PER CENT IN SURVEY TAKEN—A legislative staff survey of drug costs produced "dramatic" proof California needs a law requiring price posting for commonly prescribed medicine. Assembly Speaker Bob Moretti says. He discovered price variations "from a low of 72 per cent to a high of 195 per cent for the same prescription at different stores in Sacramento." His bill has sparked one of the biggest consumer battles being waged at the Capitol this year, and it pits Moretti's power against the clout of the California Pharmaceutical Association, which opposes the bill.

"This survey presents clear evidence of complete chaos in the present non-system of pricing practices for prescription drugs" Moretti said in a recent statement. "It indicates that there is no means available for the cost conscious consumer to easily obtain price information on his prescription drug purchase." For the survey, he said, five persons each purchased different drugs at five drugstores over a two day period. Here are the drugs and their low-high price range: Dilantin \$1.95-\$5.75; Polycillin \$6.75-\$12.50; Chlortrimeton \$3.95-\$6.80; Tetracycline \$2.00-\$4.85; Isoniazid \$1.75-\$5.00.

Calling the variation "alarming," Moretti said his measure would require the state's 5,000 pharmacies to post a list of their 100 most commonly prescribed drugs. It would also lift a ban on advertising of prescription drug

costs, giving consumers another tool to see how much their medicine would cost, he added.

The State Board of Pharmacy would make up the 100 drug list which would serve as a much needed aid to consumers and particularly to the elderly "who purchase close to 25 per cent of the prescription drugs," Moretti said.

It has been found that most pharmacies will not quote a price to a purchaser over the telephone, that when they do quote a price over the phone it does not bear much relationship to the price when the drug is purchased, and that there is nothing but confusion in the pricing system for prescription drugs at the present time. **CALL OR WRITE YOUR CONGRESSMAN!!!**

By McCarthy Co.

Marin Water District Faces Suit

By AL HANSEN

An historic date in local history was Friday, July 6, 1973, when the McKeon Construction Company of Sacramento hosted a ground-breaking ceremony in the San Rafael Courthouse Square, which has been for 100 years our forum for freedom, justice, rights and law. The occasion marked both the successful conclusion of one year of negotiations with the County of Marin and the City of San Rafael, and also the promising beginning of a banking and business complex which will add a new dimension to our entire community.

A big spready magnolia tree, believed to be nearly 100 years old, was removed along with several evergreens to make room for the 11-story office building.

NEW JOLT FOR MARIN WATER DISTRICT—McCarthy Co., a San Rafael development firm filed a \$1.7 million suit against the Marin Municipal Water District in April, added an amendment to the suit raising the ante to nearly \$3 million. McCarthy Company, which wants to build a 292-unit condominium development on 54 acres across from the Marin Civic Center, filed the original suit April 18th. In it, the company claimed the water district delayed construction by failing to approve water connections at the site. The district directors voted 3-to-2 in mid-June to declare a moratorium on all new water hookups because of a water shortage emergency in the county. That action, in effect, halted all new development in central and southern Marin. In the 28-page amendment filed in Marin Superior Court, the company said the water shortage emergency was "fraudulent," and the moratorium was declared "in bad faith."

The suit further alleged that the moratorium "represents no more than a reflection of a pretended shortage which the majority of the board diligently tried to create and contrive."

The company also claimed the board "willfully and oppressively" discriminated against the de-

veloper and asked for \$1 million in punitive damages from the district and \$100,000 from each member of the board who approved the moratorium.

The directors of the Marin County Municipal Water District discarded a proposed ordinance to compel citizens to take steps to conserve water in view of a threatened shortage. The ordinance would have made it unlawful for anybody to water gardens, lawns or golf courses or to wash down automobiles or sidewalks between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Numerous phone calls and letters opposed to the proposed law, which could put offenders in jail for up to 30 days were received. There was doubt that the ordinance could have been enforced, as it was like "those laws that give people six months in jail for spitting on the sidewalk."

The directors decided to turn the subject over to a committee of the board, and a citizens' advisory committee, for further study, as to what steps should be taken.

\$43,000 worth of equipment needed to fluoridate the water district's water will be installed at the Bon Tempe and San Geronimo plants for fluoridating the water for the 176,000 customers in the district. Fluoridation should be in effect in about 2½ months.

The seasonal work load is extremely good at present. Following are a few of the major jobs throughout the area.

Freeman-Sondgroth are moving along nicely on their Novato Bypass job. They also have jobs located in Petaluma, on Adobe

Don't Miss The Boat

Anyone interested in learning the fundamentals of small boat handling may now enroll in classes conducted by the United States Power Squadrons.

According to Brother Jack R. Brown of the Carquinez Power Squadron, the classes are free and are conducted by experienced boatmen. The courses are constantly updated and have been taught to over one million men and women, Brown said.

Local 3 Wins Strike At Moffett Field

By JACK BULLARD

SANTA CLARA COUNTY WEST OF HIGHWAY 17. ALSO TECH ENGINEERS AND TESTING AND INSPECTION—

We won the ARO strike at Moffett Field. This is the contract where we run the wind tunnels. There were two major points of disagreement. Inadequate Health and Welfare was one point. We won a comprehensive coverage including Kaiser medical and CDS dental coverage. The other problem was shift differential. Where we previously had 25 cents and 35 cents for swing and grave, we now receive 7½ per cent and 10 per cent. This, combined with satisfactory wage increases, brought the strike to a close. The members did their own picketing,

long hours in the hot sun. Stewards John Cole, Glen Raab, and Bill Ross kept things well coordinated. Special thanks are here-with tendered to Manager Al Winters and executive Agent Tony Gellepis, Teamster Local No. 287.

Paul Hodges has retired; he was parts man in the Freeman Sondgroth Shop. We had a party for him on Friday, August 3rd at L'Omelette in Palo Alto.

Almost 50 people were there including Verne Freeman, Ralph Sondgroth, Ted Holmes, Guido Budelli, Verne Grafton, Larry Roeder, Frank Ramirez, Hank Morales, Jerry and Danny Pribyl and this writer.

Freeman Sondgroth has picked up over 8 million dollars in bids in recent weeks. Local jobs in-

clude over 700 thousand dollars for Mary Avenue improvements in Sunnyvale; over half a million dollars for Hamilton Avenue improvements in Campbell and over 100 thousand for overlays on various streets in Campbell. They have an assembly plant expansion at General Motors, around 5 million dollars in highway work around Hayward, and one-half million on Bayview assessment District work in San Carlos.

We had small attendance at the Master Agreement Wage and Fringe ratification meeting July 10th. Members voted 197 to 1 to accept the negotiated offer. As a matter of fact, we have had a lot of meetings lately. Members attended Material Dealers pre-contract negotiation meeting. The Concerned Citizens Coalition (CCC) is catching fire in this District as well as in the others. This organization means more work for us, it's just that simple. Bill Kissel knows this; he passed up his son's High School Graduation to attend a steering committee meeting. Dick Bell, our Business Representative, was instrumental in the San Mateo County. They really made it work, got more jobs down there. Dick takes up where he left off there in San Mateo. We hope you are interested in CCC. If so, call the San Jose Office, leave your name and telephone number. You will be contacted. Other meetings include the ratification of the Truck Crane Association Agreement.

SURVEYORS—In late July, we had no calls for a surveyor, with one exception. McCabe and Whaley signed a Tech Agreement with us. They ordered a crew. Walt Strate is the Field honcho with them.

KAISER PERMANENTE—We have held several meetings with Kaiser Permanente Contract Administration Committee. We have won some, lost some. We got construction pay for working in conjunction with Bigge Crane at the clinker storage building. **We did not get Rock Plant** pay for creek drainage work just above the Rock Plant Area. The area had been defined previously in an arbitration case, and the work we did on the creek was above the defined Rock Plant area.



LT. COL. JACK R. BROWN, public relations officer for the Carquinez Power Squadron.



RECENTLY RESIGNED research director Tom Isaak, who has accepted a position as assistant to the president at California State College, Sonoma, stands with Engineer's News editor and business manager Al Clem and managing editor Ken Erwin.

One Slowdown In Eureka

By RAY COOPER
District Representative and
GENE LAKE
Business Representative

Western Pacific Dredge is running behind schedule due to down time for repairs on the inner harbor boat basin in Crescent City, but are back on a three shift operation.

Umpqua River Navigation has added a few more Brothers to their payroll on their Crescent City project. After two weeks of drilling, they set off the big shot in the quarry, and according to Brother Dillon, the Superintendent, it came out "beautifully" and have all the rock they will need.

Glenn W. Shook, Inc. has about 50 per cent of their water distribution line completed in Crescent City. They average about 2,000 feet a day, so the completion date should be in November. They are also moving in on their recently awarded water line project at Fieldbrook.

North Coast Paving keeps a crew of Brother Engineers busy at their plant in Smith River making material and plant-mix for their jobs and Redwood Empire Aggregates. They have several small jobs going in Del Norte County.

Bids were opened for the on-again, off-again fish processing plant at the foot of Commercial Street in Eureka. Apparent low bidder of five bids opened, was Lee-Con, Inc. of Eureka with \$2,406,940. Original bids were opened last May with Neumann Construction of El Cajon the apparent low bidder; but an error in their bid was discovered and the Federal Economic Development Administration advised the city to reject all bids and re-advertise the \$3,120,000 project. This will provide a few jobs for our Brothers on the demolition, excavation and pile driving of the docks. Occupying the project when it is finished will be the Lazio Fish Company, Seaman's Direct Buying service and the

U.S. Coast Guard.

Mercer Fraser Company is busy moving their hot plants to various locations to complete their overlay paving on Highway 101 throughout the three Northern Counties, and have many other smaller jobs going that will give their steady local operators a prosperous year.

All the local contractors have enough work to keep their Engineers busy as well as the shops and plants.

The C. K. Moseman Company will soon be starting their twin bridge project across the Eel River between Rio Dell and Scotia. The site is about 600 feet down stream from the present two lane structure. The total cost will be \$5,108,821. Approaches and related road-work is being done by the W. Jaxon Baker Company of Redding. At present Baker is doing the clearing and will start moving dirt when equipment is released from their other projects.

At Benbow on Highway 101, the Baker Company is in the final stages of dirt moving. Very soon the scrapers should be shipped out to the Rio Dell-Scotia project or the Piercy job which is also just getting started.

Neither of these projects is large and will probably be completed this season.

Brothers, we're still in desperate need of dirt projects. Our out-of-work list is small but it is mostly dozer and rubber-tired equipment operators. We are extremely grateful to the other districts where the work load is heavier for providing employment to many of our local Brother Engineers.

We do not have any major road building projects coming up in the near future. However, it appears that shortly after the first of the year the North Arcata Freeway and the Rio Dell by-pass will be out for bids. Let's hope the ecology freaks don't get in the way of these two needed projects.

Evergreen College Construction Started

By TOM CARTER

Ground breaking ceremonies for the first phase of the new Evergreen Community College were held on the 18th of July at the site located on San Felipe Road in East San Jose.

This first phase will be done by the Carl Swenson Construction Company of San Jose and consist of two large buildings and parking lots. The bid for this job was about 6½ million dollars. The second phase is expected to be let some time next year. When completed this campus will cover about 100 acres. The first phase is about one quarter of the development.

Two Brothers Retire

A total of 56 years of service to Local 3 has ended with the retirement of two brothers from the San Mateo office.

Brothers Ted A. Hansen of Redwood City and W. G. "Bill" Raney of Menlo Park, both of whom joined Local 3 in 1945, retired last month.

Brother Hansen, 66, worked a push Cat for 13 years and a blade for 15 years, all in the peninsula area. He and his wife plan to take a three month trip with their 16 ft. trailer, touring Canada, Minnesota, Nebraska and Michigan and visiting relatives.

Upon returning, Brother Hansen plans to turn his hobby, refinishing and rebuilding furniture, into a small reupholstering business.

Brother Raney, 55, has been in charge of the San Mateo office since 1958. His early years with Local 3 were spent primarily as a shovel operator in the Bay Area. He began his service as a business representative in 1956 and was active in the formation of the Operating Engineers Joint Apprenticeship subcommittee for San Mateo County.

Fresno Jobs Going Strong

By CLAUDE ODOM
BOB MERRIOTT
HAROLD C. SMITH
and JERRY BENNETT

WORK IN FRESNO GOOD!!
—The jobs in this area are going full blast. Our out-of-work list is almost depleted.

The Business Agents would like to thank the 236 members who attended our July 9th Ratification Meeting and for the vote of confidence for the Negotiating Committee.

Also, we would like to thank the members from this area who attended the Semi-Annual Meeting. Our bus trip was a success and we are planning to do this in the future.

CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECTS INCLUDED IN "NO-FREEZE" SENATE VOTE FOR KEY WATER PROJECTS—The Senate passed a public works and appropriations bill which earmarks \$101.2 million for California water projects and prohibits President Nixon from clamping a freeze on its spending provisions. The bill allocates \$8 million for Hidden Dam on the Fresno River and \$7 million for Buchanan Dam on the Chowchilla River. The new funds also include \$23.1 million for the San Luis Unit.

The President used budgetary freezes during the last fiscal year to slow down many water projects in California. The Senate Appropriations Committee expressed concern over slippage of construction timetables. "In many projects, orderly planning and construction has been affected and in some cases, delayed year after year, and this situation has also been aggravated by the impoundment of funds appropriated by Congress for specific projects. The committee deplores this situation. Delays in orderly project progression have been costly due to spiraling construction costs and loss of project benefits."

The Perini Corp. on Hidden and Buchanan Dams are running two shifts and Mechanics on a third shift. Work on the Buchanan Dam was temporarily

halted after boulders brought down by a heavy blasting charge damaged the contractor's rock screening plant.

Construction of Freeway 41 through Fresno was at a halt because of a fatal accident in Southern California involving Polich-Benedict. The State Department of Transportation ordered the firm's State highway projects throughout California to a standstill until inspectors could assess safety measures. One workman was killed and three injured when a crane and a truck fell into an excavation along the San Bernardino Freeway near West Covina. The firm also was the principal contractor on the Foothill Freeway near Pasadena where a bridge collapsed last Fall and six workers were killed. Work on the Fresno project began last fall and was scheduled to be completed sometime next summer. There has been no indication how long the Freeway 41 project may take for completion, but at this writing, work has been resumed.

Granite Construction Co. of Watsonville was the low bidder on 44 miles of Westlands Water District pipeline west of Five Points on Lateral 16, 18 and 20. The contract requires 550,000 yards of pipeline and structure excavation at a cost of \$8,028,652 and 500 days to complete.

Witham Construction and Fresno Paving Co. were low bidders on 9 miles of State Highway 43 south of Corcoran in Tulare County. The job consists of 84,000 yards of roadway excavation and 250,000 yards of import and 48,000 yards of C.T.B. plant mix.

The Tri-City Wastewater treatment plant at Kingsburg let in June for the second time at a cost of \$8,205,000. The Carl W. Olson & Sons Co. and C&K Engineering of Menlo Park was the low bidder on the project.

Also, the Carl J. Limata Co. and L. D. Folsom, Inc. were the low bidders for the Russell & Fairfax Avenues job approximately 20 miles west of Mendota at a cost of \$418,848.

The textile industry, with more than 7,300 mills concentrated largely on the east coast, is the ninth largest employer in the country, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

In addition to hiring, training, and upgrading disadvantaged workers the U.S. Labor Department's JOBS program has expanded employment opportunities for Vietnam-era veterans.



BROTHER RETIREES—Brothers Ted Hansen and Bill Raney in the San Mateo office on their last day of work.

Snowflower Corp. Gets Permit For Camp Facilities Development

By RALPH WILSON
District Representative, and AL DALTON, DAVE REA, AL SWAN, KENNETH BOWER-SMITH

Snowflower work is off and running. The Placer County and Nevada County Planning Commissions issued land use permits to Snowflower Corporation to develop approximately 750 acres for winter-summer camping facilities. Concerned Citizens Coalition was active and instrumental in securing this project. Approximately 20 engineers will work on this job until the snow flies. We are hoping that by the time the Engineer News goes to press the Haines Mountain Road job at Auburn and Penn Valley Hiway 20 near Grass Valley will be going.

Don't be led astray by unqualified answers to the many programs in your Union's operation. Contact your Representative and get the right information. Too many times we are asked why the Union has done "this" or "that" and after investigation we find the member had been misinformed by someone's interpretation of the question or the problem. Don't be led astray by "bum" answers. Contact the Union!

The shops in the Sacramento south area are all going strong. Some of them are putting on extra men and working long hours. The rock plants are slowing down. Teichert has cut back to a single shift on their main plant. However, by shifting the men around, they are still keeping most of the brother engineers busy. They have shut the borrow pit for their I-5 job quite a bit, as most of the import material for that job is already in. Subdivisions and small shopping centers are keeping several of the brothers busy all over the area.

Among those contracts which have been awarded in the Sacramento District are the following: R. C. Collet, Inc., \$156,176; Valley Crest Landscape, Inc., \$354,875; C. K. Moseman, Inc., M. L. Dubach, Granite Const. and Ball-Ball & Brosmer are going strong on separate portions of I-5.

URGENT APPEAL—At this time we make a strong appeal to all our members for blood donations. Our blood bank is just about depleted with several open-heart surgeries having taken place during the past few weeks and a couple to come within the next two weeks.

By STAN GLICK

RANCHO MURIETA REPORT—The Training Center has been completing many projects started during the spring. Apprentices have been involved in classroom activities as well as training with instructors in the field. Also, a large number of journeymen operators used the training facility, upgrading their skills and learning new pieces of equipment.

The Training Center trained 44 apprentices during June, 29 of whom received their First Aid cards and 21 earned Class I drivers licenses.

Projects which were recently completed include:

1. The conveyance ditch from the Cosumnes River to Chesbro Dam pumping station. Eventually this water will be used by the

project for drinking and domestic use. Pumping will commence August 1st.

2. The grading for the riding stables is finished, the arena and tack areas are near completion. The equestrian complex will draw many people from the area who enjoy horseback riding, but are unable to find adequate facilities near Sacramento.

3. The agricultural area has been upgraded and is ready for lease. By allowing a farmer to grow crops on this property, revenue will be received by the Operating Engineers' Pension Trust.

This is an example of what is going on at the ranch. Many projects are starting up which are excellent opportunities for journeymen Operating Engineers to learn new pieces of equipment, thereby becoming more valuable and skillful, and increasing their potential to make more money per year.

During the month of August, the journeymen will have the opportunity to learn how to operate: Scrapers, Dozers, Backhoes, Draglines, Compactors, Blades, Paving Machines and Hot Rollers, as well as the rock Crusher, Hot Plant and Concrete Plant. Also, training continues in mechanics, grade checking and surveying.

B & R Auto Signs Pact

By A. V. "BUD" DALTON

"LIGHT DUTY MECHANICS"

—Ben Steele has been a heavy duty mechanic and scraper hand since 1964, when he worked for American River Construction at Hell Hole, then to J. A. Thompson and Gordon Ball until last year.

In April, 1973 Ben went into a partnership with Ralph Russell in an automotive repair shop in Placerville, California. Ralph had operated "Ralph's Texaco Service" in Placerville from 1963 to 1969 when he opened "Ralph's Auto Service" and ran it until April, when Ralph and Ben changed the name to "B & R Auto Service."

Ben wanted to remain a union member, and has negotiated an agreement with Local No. 3. Both Ben and Ralph hope to expand their venture and have agreed to hire Local 3 mechanics in the future. All brother members are cordially invited to sample their services at 6880 Parks Court, at Highway 50 and Missouri Flat Road in Placerville.



LIGHT DUTY MECHANICS—Brothers A. V. "Bud" Dalton, Ralph Russell and Ben Steele. Brothers Russell and Steele own and operate B & R Auto Service of Placerville, Calif.

Utah Jobs Moving Swiftly

By TOM BILLS,
WAYNE LASSITER,
LAKE AUSTIN,
REX DAUGHERTY,
GEORGE MORGAN and
DENNIS WRIGHT

On termination of their asphalt job at Tremonton, J. B. Parson Construction will move the hot plant to their job in South Weber.

Thorn Construction is moving ahead with their overlay job at Morgan and from there will move to Wanship for another overlay job.

W. W. Clyde at their job in Parleys Canyon are laying the asphalt. The gravel for the hot plant is being crushed at Wanship and hauled to Parleys Canyon.

A \$2,981,727 contract has been awarded to L. A. Young Sons Construction for a 3.352 mile stretch of I-80 from Emery to Castle Rock in Summit County.

Dirt work is in full swing in Southern Utah.—Cox Construction Company's I-70 job, east of Salina, is a two-shift operation. Brother Max Cox is the Foreman on this project. L. A. Young & Sons Construction is near the end of the dirt work on their I-15 project and will then move to their Minerville job.

Thorn Construction was low bidder at \$613,295 on construction of the road from Fountain Green to Nephi.

Cox Construction is laying asphalt on their I-15 job from south of Kanosh to north of Meadow.

Nevada Rock and Sand is back on their I-15 job from Summit to Paragona.

Gibbons and Reed Construction at Electric Lake Dam is still increasing the crew size of both shifts. More equipment is ex-

pected to be put to work soon. There is still about 1½ million yards to be moved and placed and the employer is hopeful of completing this season.

W. W. Clyde Construction Company has started their part of the new road above the dam-site. It seems possible that W. W. Clyde Company will go on a two-shift operation in the very near future.

H. E. Lowdermilk Company has moved in with their equipment to start the road job near this same project. The road work on these two jobs is at a very high elevation and the work will have to be done as early this season as possible.

The Huntington Power Plant is still a beehive of construction and the plant is taking shape fast. Jelco Construction has a large crew of Operating Engineers on the erection and employment is expected to stay at a high level for the rest of the season.

W. W. Clyde is still moving dirt on this project and they have been able to get work started on the settling ponds.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Brother Operating Engineers and their wives in the Price-Huntington area who attended the E.P.A. meeting and for their concern about the next unit of the power plant at Huntington Canyon. Over three hundred people attended the meeting and a large percentage were Operating Engineers and their wives. We have good reason to believe that these meetings were the key to getting the next project started. It is possible that the new unit will be let for bid in the very near future.

Obituaries

International Vice President and Business Manager Al Clem and the Officers of Local Union No. 3 offer their sympathy and condolence to the families and friends of the following deceased:

Cahil, Harry (Jeanette, Wife)	7-16-73
415 Oak Drive, Napa, California	
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1021 K Street, Tulare, California	
Fischer, James (Jeventa, Wife)	7- 8-73
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Graber, Carl (Ernestine, Wife)	7-18-73
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Green, Charles (Nancy, Wife)	7- 2-73
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Gullikson, Gunwald (Alvira, Wife)	7-11-73
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2164 Monterey Ave., Santa Clara, California	
Hansen, Howard (Rena, Wife)	6-28-73
327 San Emidio, Taft, California	
Harber, Carl (Mary, Wife)	7-12-73
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Hickey, Argie (Patty, Wife)	7- 9-73
4316 Cowill Road, Concord, California	
Kontas, John (Anna, Wife)	7-10-73
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2930 - 24th Street, Sacramento, California	
McCool, Don (Edith, Wife)	7-19-73
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McElroy, Edward E. (Bernard, Brother)	7- 7-73
314 Glen Park Avenue, San Rafael, California	
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Peterman, Jestin (Letha, Wife)	6-25-73
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807 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda, California	
Scaglione, John J. (Sadie, Wife)	7- 6-73
1524 San Andreas, San Jose, California	
Schmill, Louis (Mary Coates, Daughter)	7- 7-73
36 Hanohano, Hilo, Hawaii	
Soito, Leroy (Patricia, Wife)	7-16-73
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Wurth, Ernest (Theresa, Wife)	7- 4-73
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Clemons, Barbara—Deceased July 7, 1973	
Deceased Wife of Howard Clemons	
Collett, Mary—Deceased July 26, 1973	
Deceased Wife of Arthur Collett	
Diaz, Angela—Deceased July 14, 1973	
Deceased Wife of Juan Diaz	
Kimerer, Jeanette M.—Deceased July 26, 1973	
Deceased Wife of Henry Kimerer	
King, Esther—Deceased June 26, 1973	
Deceased Wife of Merrill King	
Withers, Barbara—Deceased July 5, 1973	
Deceased Wife of Forest Withers	

District 11 Engineers Busy This Month

By DALE BEACH, Business Representative and LENNY FAGG, PAUL WISE, DAVE YOUNG, Business Representatives

With the recent ratification of the Nevada A.G.C. Contract, we only have the two gold mine contracts left. They cover approximately 225 members and with the price of gold being what it is, we hope to bring these brothers under the Local No. 3 Pension Plan, along with some other needed improvements in their respective contracts.

Work in the district is holding up real well. We're not totally out of men and still have to call out of area on some classifications. Screedman, gradesetters, and combination loader-hoes are what we have a hard time finding. With Rancho Murieta just over the hill, it is difficult to understand why a hand will sit on the out-of-work list registered in one or two classifications that are seldom called for, when just possibly a few weeks at camp might put him in a position to hold down a job in one of the hard to fill classifications.

Out East, Santa-Fe Curran and W. M. Lyles are still very busy trying to get the telephone cable buried and operational before the fall. We have had a long uphill battle trying to get approval on the International Pipeline Agreement. When it is approved and those retroactive checks are made out, Wells, Nevada will be no place for women and children for a couple of weeks.

Jack B. Parsons Co. of Utah are still pecking away on Pequop Summit. With any luck at all, this job should be done and open by fall.

Lockheed in Carlin Canyon is still on three shifts and making fair progress on the concrete. Clay Paulson is now Project Supervisor, and since his arrival on the scene our problems have been minimal. By no stretch of the imagination does he think we're great, but seems to have a little better understanding of how engineers think and work than did his predecessor.

A 24-mile overlay job on Golconda Summit is to be bid on August 2nd and also a portion of the Ring Road in Reno. By the time this hits print, both jobs should be started. My bet would be Robert L. Helms on both jobs with P.K.S. second on the Golconda Summit bid.

A new business agent was put to work recently here in District No. 11. His name is Dave Young and his phone is 673-1769. He has Crink's old area to service, which should keep him busy at least a shift and a half a day. Dave came to us from Nevada Paving where he had been working for the past year. He's young and ambitious and with the help of all the 1,612 members here in District No. 11, he should be a first rate agent in about a year.

Crink is working for the Apprenticeship Program as Nevada's Coordinator. While he won't be conducting any business for Local No. 3 in his new capacity, we're sure his interest and dedication will remain the same. One of his last accomplishments with real merit as an agent, was to get A & K Earthmovers of Fallon to sign a contract. They have worked around Nevada for more years than any of us care to admit

without becoming signatory. What is equally surprising is that they are living up to the contract without a great deal of guidance from us.

Well, here it is the beginning of the hot season and the area of No. 395 West, Lake Tahoe and Truckee is keeping pace with a few big jobs, and a multitude of small jobs. Helms is about 99 per cent complete on their Douglas Airport job. Pacific Western Kingsbury grade job has come to

a close. These were good jobs that kept some of our brother engineers working steady. Brandenburg has picked up the small dirt job on the Douglas County's new Lampe Park.

We see that Corrao Construction has picked up another sweet one—the Western Nevada Community College in Carson City for \$1,240,000.

Torkelson Construction is moving real good on the Carson City Sewage Plant. It's approximately 30 per cent complete. This job

has gone one hundred per cent union. Speaking of unions, and the State of Nevada's Right to Work Law, we urge all you brother engineers to write your congressmen, senators, legislators etc. to get the Right to Work Law repealed. As you brothers well know, the "open shop" in construction could destroy craftsmanship. It is short-sighted and expensive. It will increase fragmentation. It invites chaos. The union maintains excellent train-

ing. It is open to young men interested in training to be the best in the field, to replace the top hand lost through attrition. Ignore the apprentice, and in ten years there will be no top hand in any trade. Without top engineers, construction costs and schedules could become horrendous. Cost of using untrained engineers, "hay hands" etc. are cost the owners must pay. Owners, the public, complain of shoddy second-rate workman-

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Brothers Manuel "Peaches" Spessard, foreman, Mike Gibney, mechanic, and Charles Lara, apprentice, of the Gordon H. Ball Entr. job now being completed on I-5.

More District 11

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ship, and on the other hand, ask where are the engineers of yester-year? We have an answer to that—the top engineers are in Local No. 3.

Moving on up to the North end, Sha-Neva's Plant at Truckee is going full swing. Lake World is keeping Teichert busy, as well as T & S Construction, who are moving along on their underground. H. M. Byars Construction sneaked in on the hill, and picked up 40,000 feet of underground. At Donner Lake, Sub Terra has turned on and is starting to move along nicely. As usual, Teichert's Plant is belching out the smoke and is keeping the brothers working on shift time. Robert Gerhardt Construction has a nice time and material job going for them at Innisfree.

The north end and west side of the Lake is keeping some of the better contractors busy with small jobs spotted all around. Contri Construction is going strong on the Marla Bay job and Byars is still going at Meeks Bay. Bob White Excavation is moving well at Alpine Meadows. Perata is coming along real well at Tahoe City-Dollar Hill area. Quintana Construction is not losing any time on their pipeline work at Kings Beach.

Nielsen-Nickels are fairly well along on their Lakefront job with Douglas Construction paving. Speaking of Douglas Construction, all the excavation, site preparation, underground, etc. for the new Del Webb project at State-line is theirs.

As most of you brothers probably know, Byars Construction has picked up the \$2,000,000 Kingsburg Improvement District job.

One last item, and that is as you brothers well know, this is the dry season, and we have had a number of disastrous fires already, so we urge you brother engineers to watch your cigarettes and matches with extreme care.

From up around the mining country, negotiations for Carlin Gold's contract have been in full swing for about a month. There are certain issues the company and ourselves are not close to agreement on, such as a Pension Plan and cost of living clause. The contract expires on August 16th, 1973 and hopefully we will have tentative agreements by that time.

We have not received any new information as to when operation for Anaconda's new mine at Curry, Nevada will start. The last word we received was that work would start before fall of this year. Negotiations for Cortez Gold Mine are now in process of being scheduled. Meetings should start with the company sometime in the middle of August.

District 70 Brothers Must Look Elsewhere

By KEN GREEN and BOB HAVENHILL

Although the work in the Redding District has reached a peak, many of the brothers in the area still are not employed and it looks as though about 100 engineers are going to another District to find a job. Local No. 701, has in the past been able to pick up the slack in our "Out of Work" list, but they are on strike. As a result, the job opportunities in their jurisdiction have been cut off. It is the hope of your Union, that the jobs being held up by the President's Construction Freeze will be let to ease the unemployment problem faced by not only Operating Engineers, but all the Building Trades workers.

George Reed Construction and Tahoe Asphalt have moved into the Alturas area and are making preparations to get under way on their Hwy 395 overlay job.

O'Hair Construction has wound up the Hwy 96 and Hwy 9 jobs and are getting started on the "Big One," Hwy 44 overlay job. O'Hair employees are having a very good year this year—thanks to the fine job of bidding by Mr. O'Hair and staff.

Hughes & Ladd Inc., & C. R. McConnell J. V. (Hornbrook) I-5 job have a J. W. Vickrey Paving working full bore on the white paving, including the C.T.B. and expect to have the traffic switched over to the south bound lanes by mid or late August, when they will be able to put the scrapers back to work (not much left for them though) and probably will keep most of the hands busy up to the time the snow flies.

If you have heard some of the rumors floating around about Hughes & Ladd Inc., splitting up—they are true to this extent; Roy Ladd will continue on with Wally Hughes retiring his stock back to the company and staying on with Roy as an Estimator and Superintendent. Roy Ladd said he expects to sell off approximately half of his present inventory of equipment because of the poor job picture for the up-coming year.

Gordon H. Ball Entr., will be winding up their I-5 job at Weed, Calif., sometime in September. It is hoped the Duns-muir (Fox Farm Hill) job will be let sometime late this year or early next year.

Eastco Construction Company, Inc., has about the roughest job in the area at present up on Bear Peak Mountain and will probably be working until the snow closes them down. This has been a tough job but things have gone pretty good considering the terrain. They had a small accident last month in which a water truck came out second best in a collision with a TS-14.

If you aren't working at this time Brothers—you should take advantage of the training facilities at Rancho Murieta. You can improve your old skills and acquire new skills to make yourself more versatile to your employer.

Marysville Jobs Steady

By JOHN E. SMITH Business Representative

EASTSIDE—Work on the east side has been steady during the past month. We have been getting several of the brothers to work and hope to get many more to work to finish out the season.

We just had a pre-job conference with Claude C. Wood on the Lake Davis forest service road job at Portola and we will probably have 16 to 18 engineers on this job. It should last until the end of October.

Luhr Bros. are still going strong on their plant at Ham-monton making rip-rap for the levee work on the west side. Their plant and Claude C. Wood's plant have been employing several operating engineers all summer.

We are still encouraging everyone to write their congressman asking them to request that money be released for the Marysville Dam. We need the dam for water and power and we drastically need the work in our area. Also we need to get other monies released for work throughout the Local 3 area.

By A. A. CELLINI Business Representative

WESTSIDE—Luhr Brothers has their levee work well underway. They have a conveyor belt set up to load barges. Their drag-

line crew is getting slopes ready and then Balsalt Rock has a clamshell crane on another barge placing the rip-rap. Luhr has sites on both sides of the Sacramento River between Colusa and Knights Landing.

Other action on the Sacramento River has Teichert Construction finishing its levee work on their last bid. Healy Tibbets is placing the rip-rap here. Dutra Dredging is also on the river with a clamshell rig putting sand on the banks, working two shifts.

On the Tehama-Colusa Canal Granite-Ball has started trimming and concrete lining of the eleven and one-half miles of work. On Zurn Engineers project Rahco of California has their trimmer ready to go but Zurn is having some drainage problems but is in full swing. There have been some extra finger drains placed to take care of the water when the canal is finished. Myhren Drilling has a crew and rig on this job also.

Moretrench American has set up dewatering equipment on Stoney Creek in preparation for the syphon at that location.

Other projects going are the sewer line in Yuba City on Live Oak Highway. Jaeger Construction is doing that work and also have some work behind city hall in Yuba City.

Good Weather And Jobs In District 10

By RUSS SWANSON, BOB WAGNON and ASTER WHITAKER

BRIGHT DAYS CONTINUE—Not only do we find the weather is such that work is possible, but further that we have been blessed with an extremely good work load and it is expected to continue.

First—as of August 8th bids will be opened for the Geyserville by-pass highway job, which is estimated at \$9 million. There should be about 3 million yards of dirt to be moved. All of the big boys are bidding (we guess) but anyway it will provide jobs for a number of engineers.

The Warm Springs Dam is expected to progress considerably more in 1974. We hear by the grapevine that \$50 million dollars of work will be bid in 1974 which is supposed to include the control tunnel and the main part of the dam. Keep your fingers crossed, because a tremendous amount of jobs would be available. We certainly hope the rumors are correct. Piombo Corp. currently has a number of Engineers working at the Warm Springs Dam project and is in the process of setting up a conveyor belt, not only for present work but in anticipation for 1974 work.

Syar Industries, Inc. is filling in the ditches which were dug for the Atomic Energy Plant near Point Arena. Too bad—a few rigs within a very short time will be the end of that proposed job. Had the plant been built on that site you would have seen a lot of activity on the coast.

Granite Construction Co. has a fair sized crew working at the Sea Ranch Sub-Division near Gualala.

At Bodega Harbour we find Argonaut Constructors doing a lot of underground work and A. B. Siri, Inc. the road work for this big sub-division. There have been some setbacks by the ecologists but work is progressing, which we hope will continue.

Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. continues to show improvement on its highway job north of Healdsburg and one of these days we will have another completed section of Highway 101 freeway. We can hardly wait for the last portion of the freeway and the Geyserville by-pass to be completed as this has been the site of slow traffic and a source of a lot of frustration for motorists.

Don Dowd Company has been quite busy on various sub-divisions and in the last month mainly at the new Geyserville Peak Winery site. Soiland Company has been busy too, doing the underground on this project and on various jobs in many locations.

We find the big sub-division in Rohnert Park is providing work for many contractors such as Forhim, Siri, Argonaut, Soiland, Ghilotti, Teichert, etc., etc.—lots of action!

Blassi Construction is about half way through with its Hwy 12 job with George Carr about to finish the one structure and A. B. Siri Inc. in the process of paving.

A. Teichert & Son is progressing O.K. on the channel job in

Rohnert Park, approximately \$1 million dollars worth of work. They are also busy on a number of sub-divisions, the main one being Oakmont.

Indian Valley Dam is fairly slack in work at this writing, due to the finding of a fault in the core, however, there is a considerable amount of work in store on the project.

Lange Brothers with rigs in every part of Lake County, both on road and sub-division work.

Mission Pipeline, Inc. at the Highlands working on lateral work in conjunction with the main sewer line.

Ebert Sparton Construction also at the Highlands, but working on the main sewer line from Lower Lake to the Highlands.

Slinson Construction with mostly sub-division work around Napa; Harold Smith & Son on many small jobs in and around St. Helena and Ghilotti Brothers with scattered jobs but the main one in the area is the Leveroni Road job in Sonoma.

Going way up north we find W. Jaxon Baker starting their \$1.25 million road job near Piercy; Huntington Brothers with two main jobs in the area, one being their Piercy road job which is in the final stages; they are in the initial stages on their Potter Valley job, consisting of sliver cuts along the logging road to Lake Pillsbury.

Tomki Aggregates, a new company headed by Jim Marks, with offices in Willits, is working on sub-divisions in Santa Rosa, Napa and Sonoma.

David Newton has started an additional nine hole golf course at Brooktrails. On the same location we find Venturini working on underground work.

Parnum Paving is just starting their 59 mile overlay job from Fort Bragg to Leggett, plus some other areas.

Mendocino Aggregates, at Longvale, with a lot of private work around Willits and Laytonville, plus producing overlay materials for Parnum Paving and Mercer Fraser.

We will report more on the Santa Rosa area in the next issue, however, there presently are numerous contractors working on various types of jobs which would, if detailed, require too much space.

Thanks for the excellent attendance at our meetings—keep up the good work! Your presence at all meetings is always greatly appreciated. The next District Meeting will be held September 7th in Ukiah. We hope to see you there.

A new contract has been signed with the Empire Tractor Company in Rohnert Park.

The contract with Remco Hydraulics, Inc., in Willits, is under negotiations after having held pre-negotiating meetings with the Employees.

Don't forget to keep giving those donations for the Blood Bank—our account is running rather low at the present.

And one last word, SAFETY SHOULD BE IN YOUR MINDS AT ALL TIMES.

Environmentalists Motives Questioned

By DICK BELL
District Representative
BOB FLECKENSTEIN,
JACK CURTIS, TOM CARTER,
JACK BULLARD and
MIKE KRAYNICK
Business Representatives

Starting in April this has been one of the area's best years for job opportunities for the members of the Operating Engineers, Local No. 3. The work picture is good for the San Jose area now and will continue into late fall of this year.

It is this writer's opinion that the voters of California were sold out, duped and misinformed about Proposition No. 20. We are all suffering as the result of Proposition No. 20, but at least, we who voted against it don't feel the frustration and futility that those who voted for it. We read every day about projects being rejected by the Coastal Commission, that have already had the blessing of the local folks, the City Planning Commission, City Council, or whatever entity is directly involved in the determination to build or not to build.

We have great hopes that the Sierra Club and their running mates, or the "Sierra Club and Affiliated Dum Dums," are losing their clout. Recently, as reported in your local papers, the Sierra Club has lost in its assinine attempt to stop the development of the "North Slope" oil line project in Alaska. By an overwhelming majority of 77-20, the United

States Senate recently approved the Northern Alaska pipeline, which would bring much needed oil to the United States and reduce the pressure of the Arabian countries upon whom we depend at this time for oil.

We know that the majority of Americans abhor the thought of depending upon another country for a vital resource such as oil, which brings us to an extremely vital question. Namely, this: If we (the people of the United States) are in the midst of a fuel shortage and have the opportunity to develop a national resource and in so doing become less dependent upon a foreign power, aren't we then derelict in our duty to the people if we in fact don't encourage this development? And this, my friends, brings me to the so-called "meat" of the subject, which is: are these people who seek to block the development of the Alaskan Pipeline, are they Americans such as you and I? We wonder!! The best way to cripple these United States is to curtail the power source.

We would ask all of you Brother Engineers to look into the voting record and political affiliation of the politicians who represent you and, if you find that they in fact don't represent you, that this is the time to find out why not.

This is the time for all of us to stand up and be counted. We are for America, First, Last, and Always, and if the Sierra Club feels the same, then let them prove it.

SWAP SHOP CORNER: Free Want Ads for Engineers

FOR SALE: ELECTRONIC CALCULATOR new \$1,500; office type, lg red display selling at \$425. Inverse, traverse pms for HP-35 pocket calculators. A Chiasson, 1030 El Monte, No. 9, Mountain View 94040. Ph. 969-2103. Reg. No. 0583688. 8-1.

FOR SALE: 75-DOLL COLLECTION. 2 Shirley Temples, \$45 & \$75; parts, antique dresses. Call 725-3142. C. R. Hollars, 7131 Parish Way, Citrus Heights, Ca. 95610. Reg. No. 1058704. 6-1.

FOR SALE: RED DIAMOND INTL. 8 cyl. motor comp. w/ carburetor, manifold, etc. \$400. Dump box & Garwood Hoist comp. \$250. L. Mulhair, 97 Southridge Way, Daly City, 415/333-9006. Reg. No. 1547371. 6-1.

FOR SALE: FIVE ACRES. bl. walnut seedlings nearly 6' tall, fenced 3 sides. \$6,000. \$2,000 down. 75 mo. 6%. 916 824-3856. Reg. No. 0307920. 6-1.

FOR SALE: TRAIL BREAKER, TRAIL BIKE. both whls drive, sacrifice \$400. L. E. Everett, ph. 892-3701. Reg. No. 0760627. 6-1.

FOR SALE: ELECTRIC GOLF CART. exc. shape, street legal \$400. L. E. Everett, ph. 892-3701. Reg. No. 0760627. 6-1.

FOR SALE: IN OREGON 4 ACRE. 10x10 mobil home, 2 BR hse, trees, sheltered, nr lake & ocean in Port Orford. Ore. \$15,000. J. A. Humphreys, P.O. Box 233, Myrtle Point, Ore. 97458. Reg. No. 0290274. 6-1.

FOR SALE: HEAVY DUTY COMBO WRENCHES. proto, ratchet, torque. Like new travel trailer awning. Milton Henderson, 1515 N. Main St., Milpitas, Cal. Ph. 262-3512. Reg. No. 0622564. 6-1.

FOR SALE: REST HOME IN BOISE, IDAHO. ideal for couple, gd cash flow, compl. equipped. Call 208-343-8224 or write 1050 Clover Dr., Boise Ida. 83703. Reg. No. 0921384. 6-1.

HOME FOR SALE: BERNAL HTS, SAN FRANCISCO. Exc. view, newly dec., compl. furnished. \$25,000. Call Cleo Jones, 415/285-4477. Reg. No. 950683. 6-1.

FOR SALE: TRUCK CRANE 10T Link Belt stinger type 45' boom 15' job. Hydr. outriggers cab dies. power w/ boom dolly. P.O. Box 3945, Hayward, Ca. 94544. 415 886-4027. Reg. No. 0729287. 6-1.

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FOR SALE: DEEP FREEZE. APT. SIZE. chest style. 3 cu. ft. \$50. Ph. 415/232-3904, 13613 San Pablo Ave., Sp. 96, San Pablo, Ca. Reg. No. 0383371. 7-1.

FOR SALE: 1968 DODGE MONACO 500. 2-dr vinyl htop. Buck seats, auto., pow. disc brakes, factory air, 54,000 mi. Call Warren, 916/533-5260, 3970 Spencer, Oroville, Ca. 95965. Reg. No. 1128421. 7-1.

WANTED: TWO-AXLE EQUIPMENT TILT TRAILER. 9T minimum capacity. John Deere or Case rubber tired backhoe. Ph. 415/897-2527 aft. 7 p.m. Reg. No. 0964940. 7-1.

FOR SALE: 88 FT 1966 KENSKILL TLR. air cond., exp. front rm, exc cond. Shown by appt only. Ph 707/944-2482. Reg. No. 0221417. 7-1.

TRADE 58 283 ENGINE for a 55 or 56 or 57 six cyl 235, 250, 270 engine. Otto Querner, 1525 Shotwell St., San Francisco, Ph. 415/648-3220. Reg. No. 0491005. 7-1.

FOR SALE: 4-ACRE CORNER LOT in Twain Harte on main rd to Tuolumne City, Ca. (Sherwood Forest Devel.) \$5,999. R. L. Strickland, 4247 Bidwell Dr., Fremont, Ca. Reg. No. 0659385. 7-1.

FOR SALE: DRILLING RIG on army trk. 45' telescoping bar, 12"-18" & 30" buckets, 60' reamer. \$2,500. L. W. Kelly, 4543 Rio Linda Blvd., Sacramento, Cal. Call 925-4488. Reg. No. 386060. 7-1.

FOR SALE: 1920 COUPE MODEL T. to be restored. Body not all rusted. Extra pts to trade for restoring P.O. available. \$350. W. P. Harlan, P.O. Box 606, Cottonwood, Ca. 96022. Reg. No. 1069067. 7-1.

FOR SALE: LOT, TAHOE PARADISE. level, all util., nr highway 50, box 210, nr upper Truckee River, 4 mi from casinos. \$6,500. Call 415/471-5045. Reg. No. 0595155. 7-1.

FOR SALE: IN CLEARLAKE WOODS, FURN. MOBILE HOME. 50/100 lot, 12' 40" slab for bldg. Owner will help finance. Launch privileges. \$5,000. J. J. Dunnivant, P.O. 5501, San Mateo, Ca. 94403. Ph. 415/573-8188. Reg. No. 0646852. 7-1.

FOR SALE: 1958 NEW MOON MOBILE HOME 10x46 ft. 2 BR, very gd cond. Assume contract or pay off bal. owed. Local 3 Credit Union, F. A. Hood, P.O. Box 155, Rough & Ready, Cal. 95975. Ph 916/273-4067. Reg. No. 959285. 7-1.

FOR SALE: ROYAL TYPEWRITER. steel desk & chair, file cab, miter box, accounting books, other tools. W. H. May, 1801 Notre Dame Ave., Belmont, Ca. Ph 593-3242. Reg. No. 1022439. 7-1.

FOR SALE: GENERATORS. 100 kw 60 cyl. 45 kw 60 cyl. Loaders, 450 Case Loader/rippers. A.C. 4 1/2 yd. loader. low hours. Call 415/589-8252. Reg. No. 0841471. 7-1.

FOR SALE: HOT WATER FURNACE. new, 155,000 BTU \$1,600. Comp. never used, copper fittings & tubing alone worth total price \$550. Call Danville, Ca. 837-9470. Reg. No. 0734371. 71.

WANTED: OLD JEWELRY, SCRAP BOOKS and old xmas items for cash. N. L. Rolfe, P.O. Box 105, Atwater, Cal. 95301. Ph. 209/358-5548. Reg. No. 1358590. 7-1.

FOR SALE: 1967 FORD DIESEL TRACTOR w/torque converter-loader backhoe, 15-24" bucket. L. E. French, 411 Lewis Rd., Sp. 346, San Jose, Ca. 95111. tel. 408/226-2303. Reg. No. 623442. 8-1.

FOR SALE: LORAIN BACKHOE & SHOVEL. old but good. \$1,200. Phone 415/562-3236. Reg. No. 0678853. 8-1.

FOR SALE: CABIN IN LAKE COUNTRY. Anderson Spars. Two BR, bath, lv. & dining rm, elec. kitch., centr. heat, 2 firepl., air cond. \$21,000. Call 415/223-0311. Reg. No. 253938. 8-1.

FOR SALE: TWO 1969 FORD DIESEL BACKHOES & LOADERS. Two dual axle tilt trs. 1 Hydacrane w/buck, & clam, 1963 GMC 1-T trk. 1960 Chev. 1-T trk. Phone 209 523-6834. Reg. No. 0689121. 8-1.

FOR SALE: PROPERTY & LG. BRICK HOUSE in Jonesboro, Ark. Access alley, potential for office, shop plus live-in. Will bargain. Call collect 702 882-8219. Reg. No. 1181919. 8-1.

FOR SALE: AIR COMPRESSOR DE-VILBIS 7 CUBIC TANK. 2-stage, 7 HP Wisconsin. \$395. J. K. Short, 1889 Montecito, Livermore, Ca. 94550. Ph. 415/443-0374. Reg. No. 1166575. 8-1.

FOR SALE: TL20 LORAIN BACKHOE w/gas eng. mounted on IHC 190 trk. \$2,000, or make offer. will trade. C. L. Schriener, 492 105th Ave., Oakland, Ca. 94603. tel. 562-0164. Reg. No. 0680688. 8-1.

FOR SALE: BUCYRUS-ERIE SHOVEL. air operated, 1 1/2 yd diesel crawler \$1,000. Ph. 415 562-3236. Reg. No. 0678953. 8-1.

FOR SALE OR TRADE: 12x60 1972 MOBILE HOME w/lot 100x240. \$8,700. Mobile hm 20x54. lot 50-150 \$8,900. Both nr Hanford, Ca. Write 14613 Johnson St., Hanford, Ca. Ph 209/582-5357. Reg. No. 0386092. 8-1.

FOR SALE: 1953-1960 FORD PICKUP. 3-spd std. trans. w/overdrive. Less than 1,000 use. Call 415/797-3187 after 6 PM. Reg. No. 0313338. 8-1.

FOR SALE: 15-FT WESTCRAFT BOAT. 40 HP Mercury mot. & tr. \$500. J. Peralta, 534 Kearney St., El Cerrito, Ca. 94530. Ph. 415/525-6761. Reg. No. 1181669. 8-1.

FOR SALE: LOT 160-600 city sewer & water. Will accept best offer. Ph. 874-2988 Waterford, Ca. Reg. No. 0620518. 8-1.

FOR SALE: CURTA CALCULATOR. 6-pl., like new. Textbooks: Bouchard's 5th ed. Surveying: Tracy's Surveying Theory; trk. w/tables by Welchons. \$100. H. A. Kaurin, 2524 Noble Ave., Alameda, Ca. Call 521-9475. Reg. No. 0915793. 8-1.

FOR SALE: CAT LOADER MODEL 933. Crawler w/hydr. backhoe, exc. undercarriage, very gd cond. \$4,950. J. F. Meyer, P.O. Box 308, Valley Springs, Ca. 95252. 209/786-2224. Reg. No. 0409005.

FOR SALE: 1961 FORD F850. 534 eng., 10 yd dump trk ready for work. \$5,000. TD14A eng. good cond. \$2,000. L. W. Mansker, 11330 Farndon Ave., Los Altos, Ca. 94022. Reg. No. 1967423. 8-1.

SHOW HORSE FOR SALE. AQHA. four-year old mare, well bred & trained. 707/763-8558 or 415 892-5232. Reg. No. 0716361. 8-1.

FOR SALE: TRACTORS, 1951 MODEL A John Deere w3 pt. hook-up \$575. 1950 R John Deere, diesel \$850. W. L. Maddox, Box 58, Los Banos, Ca. 93635. Ph. 209 826-0684. Reg. No. 104356. 8-1.

FOR SALE: BEAUTY SHOP EQUIP. 2 ea wet booths, shampoo bowls, rayette chrs, desk, dryers & chairs. Exc. cond. \$400. R. Maldonado, 2300 11th St., Sparks, Nev. Ph. 702 358-8429. Reg. No. 1550971. 8-1.

SELL OR TRADE: 8-YR OLD REG APPY. and 4-yr old Reg. 1/4 Arab. 1/4 Qtr. Both horses exc. Gynkanna and trail horses. S. Gaunt, 5912 Heriman Dr., Concord, Ca. 94521. Days: 689-0250, nhts 685-5426. Reg. No. 0865431. 8-1.

FOR SALE: CLEAR LAKE PARK LOT 12-6th St bet Oak & Bush. \$2,400 cash. A. Gabriel, 1730 Almond Ave., Merced, Ca. 95340. Reg. No. 0714912. 8-1.

FOR SALE: JEEP 1966 MILITARY CJ6. ext. body, parts missing. Also, Zenith TV 23" B&W, exc cond \$30. 5329 Larchwood Dr., San Jose, Ca. Ph. 266-1058. Reg. No. 0835689. 8-1.

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Personal Notes

SAN JOSE

We would like to extend our condolences to the families of the following deceased members: Jim Hall, John Scaglione, and James Fischer.

Our thanks to Brother Bob Sandow for his blood donation.

REDDING

Our deepest sympathy to the family and many friends of the following brothers that expired recently:

Arthur Whitson—expired May 28th rather suddenly. Brother Whitson was on pension with Operating Engineers since 1965.

Charles Risk—expired May 9th after a long illness.

Maurice Fleuret—expired June 11th suddenly. Brother Fleuret was on pension with Operating Engineers late 1972.

George Caton—expired June 6th after a long illness. Brother Caton was on pension with Operating Engineers 2 years.

We would like to thank the following Blood Bank Donors who gave recently: Robert J. Felsner, Anna Krone, Claus Naumann, Donald Rush, Hiram Stewart, Kay Covarrubias and Ruby Vardanaga.

EUREKA

Congratulations are in order to Mr. & Mrs. Gary Hover, who are proud parents of a baby daughter, and to Mr. & Mrs. Phil Gundlach, who are proud parents of a baby son.

We wish a speedy recovery to Brother E. A. Nicolas who is convalescing at home after his surgery in July. Also, we wish a speedy recovery to one of our Pensioned Engineers, Ray King, who is convalescing at home after his surgery in July. Another Pensioned Engineer, Sandy Parks is convalescing at home after his hospital confinement in July.

SACRAMENTO

A fatal accident at Sutherland Construction's Snowflower Development job took the life of our brother engineer Raymond A. Petkovich. Our deepest condolences are extended to the Petkovich family.

Brother Wes Welker, working for Granite Construction was seriously injured. He is recovering at Sutter Memorial Hospital.

Our sincerest sympathies go to the families of Robert F. Lister, Leslie Walker, Delbert Stevens, Carl Harber, Charles Wood and

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Small Jobs In San Jose

By JACK CURTIS

Quite a few small jobs are going on in the Southern part of District 90. At the time of this writing the Highway No. 1 Rob Roy Junction Project is going full blast with about 35 brother engineers on this job. The mechanics are working two shifts.

There would be several big jobs that could get started in the area at present but the environmentalists have held them up.

Madonna Construction Company is finishing up on their Highway No. 17 project. Granite Construction Company has quite a few small jobs in Santa Cruz County, hoping to pick up some more. Roberson Brothers Co. is busy at this time with small jobs that usually last three to five days.

All the rock, sand, gravel and concrete plants have been busy for the last two years but will taper off if we don't start getting some work released.

All the brothers in construction say thanks to the Negotiating team for this one year contract knowing that it has to be approved by the CISC Board.

Brothers, we ask you again to start attending our Council meetings. If you can't, have someone attend them for you. The work is here but looks like we are going to have to fight for it. Let the Supervisors know that we are taxpayers and are getting tired of feeding the free loaders.

Local 3 Has Budding Genius

By RUSS SWANSON
and
BOB WAGNON

HOBBIES—Are there any "flower enthusiasts" in the group? We know Santa Rosa has at least one and we are willing to bet there are many, many more of whom we are unaware.

Let's talk about the one we do know of, namely Jim Grant, blade operator, who grows camellias as a hobby.

Until 1966 Jim thought camellias were just a bush that had an average bloom of from 2 to 4 inches in diameter. That same year a camellia show was held in Sebastopol and Jim and his wife June were curious enough to attend. You guessed it—the camellia bug bit them when they saw some of the blooms were of 9 inches in diameter and as high as 7 inches, in all shapes and colors.

This put the Grants in high gear and presently they have over 500 plants, consisting of 190 varieties, of which most are contained within a large lath house. They grow plants from seed each year and hope some day to grow a new variety which will be good enough to propagate and put on the market.

Camellias, to the Grants, are a rewarding hobby—not only for the thrill of growing a trophy bloom and winning trophies and ribbons, but the people you meet. "Camellia Nuts" are wonderful people.

More Personals . . .

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Ernest K. Wurth, all of them good brother engineers who passed away within the last month. Our sympathies also go to Brother Forest Withers, whose wife passed on on July 5, 1973.

Brothers Ernie Nelson and Rissenberg had open heart surgery on July 16th and July 17th respectively. We wish both of them a most speedy recovery. Brother Nelson was at one time the district representative in the Sacramento Office.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Bud McHenry, who is in the hospital.

MARYSVILLE

Several people have been hospitalized during the past month; Brother Eber Grisso at Rideout Hospital in Marysville; Brother Bill Talley and Sister Inez Peter also at Rideout Hospital. Sister Rotha Allamand was hospitalized in Sacramento. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to all of them.

We are very sorry to hear that Brother Wayne Poole has had to return to the hospital in San Francisco for more tests and/or heart surgery. Knowing Wayne's determination and strong will we feel certain he will overcome this illness and be back to work as soon as possible. Our best wishes for a VERY speedy recovery.

Our condolences and heartfelt sympathy go to Sister Evelyn Lane and her family who lost their father and husband, W. L. Lane, this past month.

We received the following letter from Mrs. Fern Williams, widow of deceased member George S. Williams: "Operating Engineers Local 3, Dear Friends: Please accept my deep gratitude for the beautiful white Bible presented to me at the passing of my dear husband, George. I shall treasure it always. Very sincerely, Fern Williams."

OAKLAND

Our sincere sympathy to the families and friends of the following deceased members: Brother Howard Elmer Bedal, Brother Manuel Caton, Brother L. V. Chancellor, Brother William H. Angelsberg, Brother August Fauland, Brother George R. West, Brother Elmer Sandahl and Brother Ray Walters, also Brother Darrell Crisp.

Brother Leonard Chandler has been under doctors care; we wish you a speedy recovery.

FRESNO

We would like to express our deepest sympathies to Brother Howard Clemons on the loss of his wife Barbara.

Also, our sincere condolences to the families and friends of Brothers Wilford Pence and C. O. Lewis who recently passed away.

SAN RAFAEL

Our deepest condolences to the family of our late Brother Harry Cahill who passed away on July 16th. Brother Cahill was a retired member for the past few years.

Best wishes for a fast and speedy recovery to Guy Slack's daughter, Chris, who has been recently hospitalized at Ross General.

SANTA ROSA

Rudy Gonsalvez will probably be "completely" recovered at this writing, after having undergone a "back" operation. He is out of the hospital and recuperating at home. Sure hope our diagnosis of a complete recovery is correct. Good luck, Rudy.

Jack McKenney is still in the Lakeport Community Hospital. He has had an artery problem and we certainly hope that the doctors have been successful in getting Jack back on his feet. Incidentally, Jack just received his 35 year honorary membership card and we all wish him congratulations and a speedy recovery.

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the family and friends of William Meisenheimer, retired engineer, on his recent passing.

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Date Of Dam Vote Crucial

By RAY COOPER, Dist. Rep.

BUTLER VALLEY DAM VOTE NEEDED SOON—Time is of the essence in setting a special election date on the Butler Valley dam issue, and the earlier the better.

The issue is far too important to the taxpayers of Humboldt and to the county's economic future to relegate to a place on the November 6 ballot with Gov. Ronald Reagan's initiative to freeze tax ceilings into the state constitution.

We cannot agree with the County Clerk that the saving involved in combining the two wholly unrelated matters is justified, when every day construction of the dam is delayed projected costs increase \$25,000 to \$35,000. Thus, with an earliest possible vote, the savings would greatly overshadow the \$17,500 likely to be needed for a special election.

The electorate will not be voting to spend \$8.7 million for the dam and reservoir project. The federal government, if the project is approved, will pick up the \$38.9 million cost for the flood control element. Local repayment of the county's share would be spread in 50-year increments in the 100-year life expectancy of the project.

It has already been determined that the \$48.8 million for water supply and distribution shall be borne by the distribution area—from Big Lagoon in the north, east to Maple Creek and south to College of the Redwoods, a fair enough proposition.

What has not yet been determined by the Board of Supervisors is whether to hold the election on the cost of the recreational element on a county-wide basis or to limit it also to the distribution area. We support the latter.

Separating the two would lead to some degree of confusion in the mind of the average voter, and the issue is too important to the future well-being of this county to allow for any confusion whatsoever. For this same reason, we call for an election separate from and prior to the special statewide election on the Reagan Initiative. The local voter should have an absolutely clear understanding and clear mind when he or she goes to the polls on Butler Valley.

The Board of Supervisors has held the public hearing of Wednesday night open through July 31 for acceptance of further written testimony, and has further indicated that it intends to set the election date for sometime in October or November.

The concept of November should be eliminated entirely, and we see no reason why it should be deferred even until October. A mid-September or earlier date allows ample time for the needed preparations, and legislation currently before the Senate of the United States would eliminate any further federal funding for the flood control element of Corps of Engineers dams, throwing that cost back upon local taxpayers.



Jerry Martin, Job Steward & Asst. Safety Director

JOB STEWARDS ACTIVATED

Week Ending August 3, 1973
 50 William R. Hall H. Huston
Week Ending August 10, 1973
 03 Fred C. Olsen W. Parker
 03 John Gelfond R. Weigel
 12 Howard Bushnell G. Morgan
 12 Kenneth Tanner D. Wright

Week Ending August 17, 1973
 11 Al Radke D. Beach
 20 Roy F. Stutzman R. Butler
 20 Jim Thomas H. Eppler
 30 William T. Ohayer W. Talbot
 90 Gary B. Lopez D. Bell
 10 Ben Clark R. Swanson
 11 Ernest Gilmore D. Beach

SAFETY COMMITTEEMEN ACTIVATED

Week Ending August 10, 1973
 12 Cleon Jackson G. Morgan
 12 Edward Aagard D. Wright

Week Ending August 17, 1973
 20 Floyd E. Webb H. Eppler
 10 H. C. Norred R. Swanson

Brother Roy Teed is presently a Local 3 Job Steward working for Fouche Construction Company in Reno, Nevada. Roy has been a member of Operating Engineers Local No. 3 for the past seventeen years, gradesetting and surveying.

Like so many of the other brother engineers he has met, Brother Teed enjoys the outdoor life of hunting and fishing in all the different localities his jobs have taken him, primarily in Nevada and in Northern California. He is an avid baseball (San Francisco Giants) and football (San Francisco 49'ers) fan.

Roy Teed has worked on a lot of the big dams, such as the Trinity Dam, Whiskey Town and the Box Canyon, and has stated that he would like to see more dam projects get underway. We're sure these are the same thoughts of many engineers.

Brigham City, Utah is the home of Operating Engineer Wain Davis, his wife Georgina and their 14-year old son John.

Brother Davis is a Local 3 Job Steward who works as a Crane Operator for Cannon-Galesburg Construction Company in Snowbird, Utah. An eleven-year member of Local 3, Brother Davis was also a Job Steward for Okland Construction Company on the David O. McKay Hospital job.

In his spare time, Wain Davis is as much at home in the snow, skiing, as he is in the water, scuba diving. He's a member of the Box Elder County Scuba Team's Search and Rescue unit and has performed the sad duty with that unit of locating many victims of drowning accidents.

ILPA Supports Bill

The International Labor Press Association announced its support of legislation approved by the House Post Office & Civil Service Committee that would provide a more equitable postal rate schedule for non-profit publications using second-class mailing permits.

Another man who devotes a lot of time and energy for the good of Local 3 members is Job Steward Thomas Stanley, who is currently working a finish blade for the J. B. Parsons Construction Company's project at So. Weber near Ogden, Utah.

Brother Stanley was also a Job Steward on the Cherry Lane job for J. B. Parsons, and has been a member of Local No. 3 for thirteen years.

Thomas Stanley reports to us that he's a big game hunter, and takes some time off to fish once in a while, too. He and his wife Jean are residents of Clearfield, Utah, the parents of four sons and one daughter, and have been grandparents thirteen times.

Brother Marion Whitson has been a Local No. 3 Job Steward

at the Owl Folsom Company since 1970, and is a sixteen-year member of this local. He also serves his brothers as a member of the Fresno District Grievance Committee. Brother Whitson and his wife Mary are residents of Goshen, California, and are the proud parents of daughters Emma and Linda.

At its meeting on the 12th of August the Executive Board approved Honorary Memberships for the following retired members with 35 or more continuous years of membership in Local 3:
Alfred Tucci, initiated May 1, 1937 by Local No. 45.
Eugene Helstrom, initiated December 1934 by Local No. 842.
Walter McGuffey, initiated June 27, 1936, by Local No. 59.

Many Contractors Aid BART Construction

In the Bay Area Rapid Transit network, 75 contractors and 300 subcontractors can claim a part in the construction of the BART System on the East Bay, in nearly 60 miles of high-speed lines—capable of carrying trains at 80 miles per hour.