

Building Trades 'Bite The Bullet,' Pass Controversial Resolutions

By MARK STECHBART

The 35-member executive board of the 375,000-strong State Building and Construction Trades Council of California passed this week in Sacramento 13 major resolutions at the council's regular annual meeting of the Joint Legislative Conference with the 1.4 million member California Labor Federation.

James Lee, president of the Building Trades, said, "It is time some of us bite the bullet on issues that are vital to the working middle class families of the state of California." Lee was referring to several controversial issues faced by the board on illegal aliens, natural gas, energy and attempts by Friends of the Earth, in Lee's words "to betray, confound and mislead the urban minority committees of this state."

Passed unanimously were three controversial resolutions on liquid natural gas (LNG) and the Arctic Gas Pipeline.

Jim Twombly, Sec. Treas. of the California Building Trades and Sec.-Treas. of the IUOE Western Conference for the 13 western states said these resolutions on the coming energy crisis that face the nation are vital. "We need to convince the public that, not only is there a real energy shortage in California and the western states, but we must quickly employ every

means possible to meet this crisis," Twombly said.

The Building Trades endorsed the \$7 billion Arctic Gas Pipeline for transport of Alaskan and Canadian natural gas south, and the Western Leg concept for guaranteed natural gas deliveries directly to the west. A resolution was also passed endorsing SB 1081, the LNG siting bill to expedite one

LNG site in California for Indonesian and Cook Inlet, Alaska natural gas.

"The Arctic Gas pipeline will bring more natural gas to California at the lowest cost and in an environmentally sound manner," Twombly commented. "SB 1081 will allow LNG in from two existing fields, while the western leg will supply California, which is

highly dependent on natural gas for industrial and home use."

The environmental group—Friends of the Earth—were characterized at the conference by James Lee as "Johnny-come-latelies," who have continued their hit and run, delay-tactics game plan against community building projects. "FOE is using

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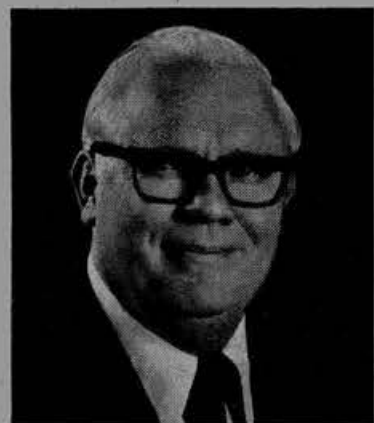
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IUOE Pres. Jay Turner

Turner Gets New Post

J. C. Turner, president of the Operating Engineers, was elected to the AFL-CIO Executive Council at the council's spring meeting. Turner, 60, fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Federation Vice President Hunter P. Wharton, who is president-emeritus of the IUOE.

Turner had succeeded Wharton as president of the union on Jan. 1, 1976, and was elected to a full four-year term at the IUOE convention last year.

A native of Beaumont, Tex., Turner has been active in the union since joining IUOE Local 77 of Washington, D.C., in 1934. He was business manager of the local for a number of years, and

served as president of the Greater Washington Central Labor Council, president of the Washington Building & Construction Trades Council and president of the Maryland-D.C. AFL-CIO.

Turner was elected a vice-president of the IUOE in 1956 and secretary-treasurer in 1972. The union's executive board chose him to head the IUOE when Wharton announced his resignation in 1975.

Turner holds a bachelor's degree from Catholic University of America and has done graduate work in economics there and at American University. He is on the board of trustees of Catholic University.

He also has been active in civic and political affairs, including service as a member of the District of Columbia city council and as a

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Apprenticeship Bill Gets Committee 'OK'

Local 3's fight for firmer controls on government and other organization attempts to establish unilateral apprenticeship programs hit a major milestone this month with a bill introduced by Assemblyman Bill Lockyer.

According to Local 3 Business Manager Dale Marr, the bill (AB 861) will require the California Apprenticeship Council to "establish criteria for approval or disapproval of apprenticeship programs" proposed by joint labor and management agreements, unilateral labor and management agreements, and single employers. "This bill is a step in the right direction for what we have been fighting for all along," said Marr. "It will help prevent the further abuse of apprenticeship programs by those groups having ideas of setting up apprenticeship programs that parallel those already existing in the building trades and other areas of labor."

Marr noted that the bill, if passed, will also "make it more difficult" for nonunion organizations like the Associated Builders and Contractors to set up their own apprenticeship programs with the intent of training non-union craftsmen.

Under existing law, the California Apprenticeship Council only has the power to establish standards for minimum wages, maximum hours and working conditions for apprenticeship agreements, but is not expressly required to establish criteria for approval or disapproval of apprenticeship programs.

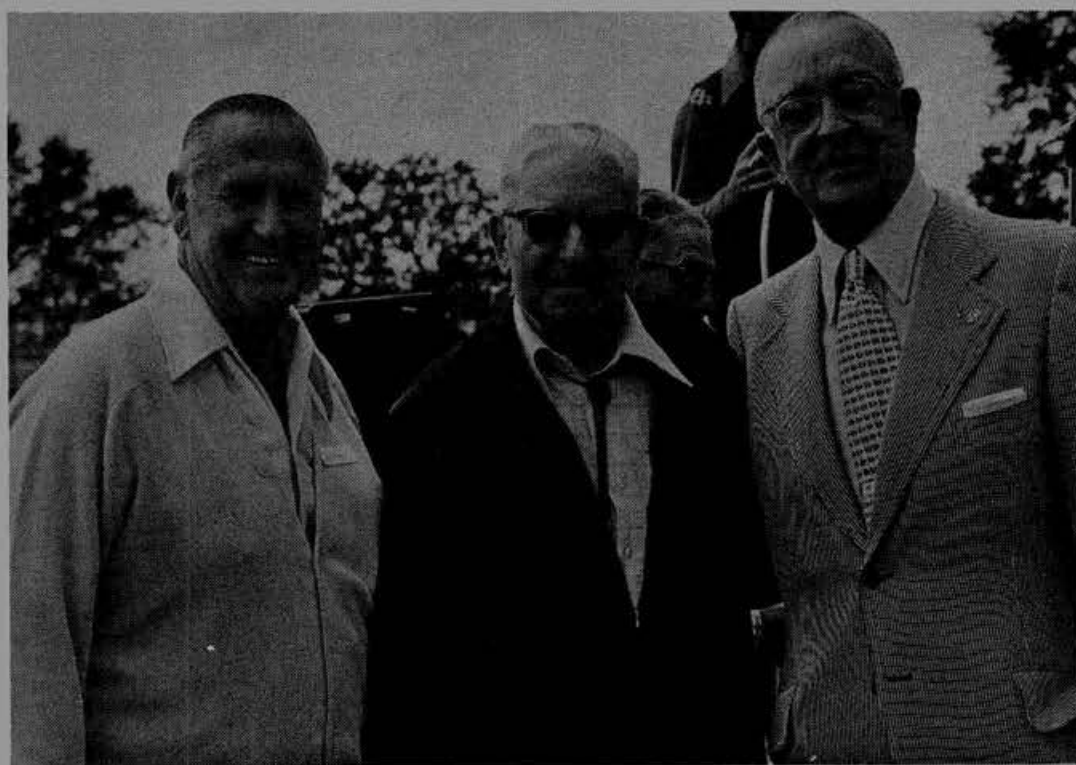
AB 861, which won the approval of the Assembly Labor, Employment and Consumer Affairs Committee by a 10 to 0 vote, now goes to the Assembly Ways and Means Committee. If passed by the Legislature, the bill will be added in the section of the Labor Code dealing with apprenticeship.

Credit Union Annual Meeting

Secretary-Treasurer James "Red" Ivy has announced that the Credit Union Annual Meeting will be SATURDAY, JULY 9, 1977, following the Local 3 Semi-Annual Meeting at the Masonic Auditorium, 1111 California Street, between Taylor and Jones, San Francisco.

Semi-Annual Meeting

Recording-Corresponding Secretary James R. Ivy has announced that the next semi-annual meeting of the membership will be held on Saturday, July 9, 1977, at 1:00 p.m., at the Masonic Auditorium, 1111 California Street, between Taylor and Jones, in San Francisco.



Business Manager Dale Marr (left) and IUOE President Emeritus Hunter P. Wharton (right) met with Larry Walker, who was honored recently at the Local 3 Retiree Association annual picnic as having the long-

est membership in the Operating Engineers of all the Local 3 retirees in attendance. Walker, who joined the Operating Engineers in 1928, still fell short of Wharton's 51 years in the union. Wharton made a spe-

cial trip out to California to be at the picnic, which was attended by nearly 2,000 retirees and their wives. For details on his keynote speech and additional pictures, see pages 8 and 9.

Wharton Attends Retiree Picnic

Resolutions Hit Illegal Alien Issue

The Executive Board of the California Building Trades addressed the issue of illegal aliens at its annual Joint Legislative Conference with the California Labor Federation this week in Sacramento.

With 900,000 Californians unemployed, the presence of at least one million illegal aliens in California draws considerable attention, but the additional problem of "instant pensions" for aliens is too often overlooked. In California, illegal aliens are primarily Mexican nationals who take a wide range of jobs at a lower wage scale than normally offered.

If the alien is over 65 or disabled, they can qualify for Supplemental Security Income and free medical care after 30 days residence.

The Building and Construction Trades have responded to these issues by passing two resolutions, one calling for a comprehensive solution to immigration, and another calling for a prohibition on "instant pensions" now available to aliens through existing loopholes in the Social Security law.

"The issues go hand in hand and the American taxpayers get beat both ways," said James Lee, president of the state Building and Construction Trades Council. "With 30-day instant pensions, the taxpayer is burdened with supporting people who have no commitment to this country and are unfairly drawing Social Security benefits."

It is commonly thought that illegal aliens are employed primarily in agriculture, but in 1975, 50 percent of apprehended

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By DALE MARR, Business Manager

Looking At Labor

Work Ethic Is Crumbling

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The American worker has always been more than willing to pay his own way — plus. In fact, no other class in the history of organized societies has been so generous to others with its time and money.

From the edge of the American frontier through the not so peaceful industrial revolution, it has been the hard work, skill, generosity and compassion of this unique individual that has made the world a better place for billions of persons.

Those were the sons and daughters of the self-reliant men and women of the American frontier that died and fought gallantly for others' freedoms on the foreign soils of the world. The same sons and daughters generously and nobly supported the League of Nations, the Marshall Plan and now the United Nations.

Today, their great-grandsons and great-granddaughters are still giving freely to needy people and needy nations across the world while fighting inflation, high unemployment and the new disease of cultism and individualism that threatens to destroy the great nation their forebears carved out of a wilderness and sustained for 200 years.

It seems a shame that Vietnam, "the wrong war, at the wrong time and in the wrong place" has blemished and blotted out so much that was generous and good in "man's last best hope" for individual dignity and personal and collective freedom.

However, what is even more shameful is the almost instant infestation of the American Dream by the maggots of separatism and cultism. Seduced by the insidious screwworms of sensuality and self-indulgence, pressed upon by the defeatist deceptions of ideologues and self-appointed high

priests of neo-religions and eco-political philosophies that have been repeatedly cast aside by history and finally, demeaned and vilified by many of those who first tasted real freedom to dissent within the system they now malign.

Recently the noted social critic, Vance Packard, said "the American dream is crumbling . . ." and he went on to single out that individualism and self responsibility had changed to privatism or "doing your own thing." He added that widespread fragmentation of our society was the main cause of our problems.

Reg Murphy, editor of the San Francisco Examiner, recently wondered in print what we could do about the potential 30 million self-displaced persons that wander around the nation "doing their own thing" and using survival tactics to feed off Social Security and welfare.

The Carter Administration wonders what it can do about six to eight million illegal aliens already here and more pouring in every day.

I wonder what will happen when the wage-earner taxpayer, who now works half the year simply to pay his federal, state and local taxes, simply throws in the towel and says "to hell with it."

One thing about it, there is no "funny money" out there. Whether it is the member's dues dollar or the working middle class tax dollar, it can only come from the productivity and skill of the worker. He is the goose that has laid the golden eggs of democracy. Without him, politicians, bureaucrats and governments have historically fallen.

Like the nation's two most quoted and popular politicians, President Carter and Governor Brown always say, we don't have

all the answers, but we would recommend:

- A complete moratorium on all immigration, except in documented hardship cases where threat to life is imminent, until unemployment reaches a zero base.

- A National Economic Displacement Act that provides complete financial restitution and relocation costs when community and states are adversely affected by acquisition of conservation and park projects.

- A tax-supported legal foundation to engage solely in class action suits on behalf of the unemployed young, inflation-exploited aged, and the middle class working taxpayer, where taxpayer resources are used to the detriment of any of these injured parties.

- Immediate implementation of a National Identity Card Act that will prevent exploitation of undocumented aliens in already depressed fields of high employment, with stiff penalties for both employer and illegal.

- A five-year moratorium on the expenditure of any union funds to support either party or candidates for public office, but would recommend a one-cent voluntary contribution for each union member's hour worked to "revitalize organizing, negotiations and public service training and organized public-labor relations groups from which future political leaders might be chosen.

- Finally, a rejuvenation of the "work ethic" by a complete overhaul of all the nation's social programs, so that once again the worker taxpayer believes that the dollar he gives and the dollar that is taken really goes to help the deserving needy. He might keep working and paying taxes.

Resolutions

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a false concern for the inner city black community," Lee said, "by manipulating the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) into their tool to attack both the Building Trades and an environmentally sound freeway-shopping center (Grove Shafter) that enjoyed strong black community support. Affirmative action and

jobs are concerns the Building Trades, the AFL-CIO and the NAACP have shared for many years," said Lee. "This eleventh hour appearance by FOE is pure and simple manipulation.

"If FOE is so concerned about jobs, I can point out thousands of jobs lost because of their lawsuits," Lee criticized.

The Building Trades also passed a major resolution on the environment, endorsing AB 211 and AB 884, calling for streamlined environmental permit processing and a means to restore "bounds and reasonableness" in protests against planned building projects.

Twombly, in commenting on AB 211, said, "AB 211 would serve to restore government of a majority instead of the few, since it would make environmental groups responsible for frivolous losses and the needless costs and delays they cause."

Resolutions advocating a national \$3 an hour minimum wage and establishing a Building Trades Retiree Association were passed as a measure of the Building Trades' concern for economic justice.

"This Retiree Association is certainly in keeping with increased activity and an interest the retired have shown across the country in issues that affect their lives," Lee said.

Resolutions on AB 399, sewage treatment, and AB 437, preservation of farm land, both addressed timely issues facing California and the other Western states. The western states have two-thirds of

all land owned by various levels of government, and Twombly said, "the fairest way to preserve what is left, without federally mandated rules or back door land use planning, is to allow local communities to preserve USDA surveyed farmland in a manner consistent with local wishes. In addition," he said, "the waste water treatment outlined in AB 399 by Speaker McCarthy is environmentally sound, will greatly benefit local communities."

A resolution supporting the Marysville Dam was endorsed by

the executive board. This resolution was immediately followed by a meeting between Business Manager Dale Marr and Governor Brown to discuss the dam and the governor's intentions on California water policy.

Marr said "I was pleased that Gov. Brown expressed strong support for the \$1 billion Marysville power dam and the Cottonwood Reservoir Dam. The Governor also assured me that he supported the peripheral canal as part of the overall water program.

"We expect to have a meeting

in the next few days with all major parties and the Governor to iron out final details and then we will go full bore at getting these projects on line," Marr added.

Finally, the force account resolution endorsing AB 1931 by Assemblyman McVittie was adopted by the Building Trades because, as Lee explains, "government overhead could be reduced and costs cut if government construction and maintenance work were put out to competitive bid, thus employing skilled private sector tradesmen.

Turner

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Democratic national committee-man.

Wharton, 76, has been a vice president of the AFL-CIO since 1965. He became a member of the IUOE in 1926 after he was graduated from Carnegie Institute of Technology. He had served as business manager of IUOE Local 66 in Pittsburgh before he was appointed assistant to the president of the union in 1950.

Wharton was elected an IUOE vice president in 1957 and was named secretary-treasurer the following year. He became president of the union in 1962.

Wharton had been chairman of the AFL-CIO standing committee on education and served on the international affairs, civil rights and occupational safety and health committees.

More On Illegal Aliens

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ed Los Angeles area illegals were working in heavy industry, earning between \$4.50 and \$6.50 an hour. In fact, Immigration Service commonly nets its largest alien groups through sweeps of L.A. industrial plants.

However, illegal immigration is not simply a police problem at the border. It involves exploitive employers who deliberately recruit low wage help. Economic and political problems in Mexico drive their citizens to greener pastures in the U.S. where a job paying the minimum wage is at least five times better than an equivalent job in Mexico.

With the constant threat of

deportation over the heads of illegal aliens, anti-union employers use them to stop union organizing drives. If an illegal stands up for his rights or signs a union card he stands the chance of being deported.

The Building Trades Executive Board realizes that illegals already in the country have been too difficult to locate, short of extensive police sweeps. And the idea of police repeatedly stopping anyone on the street and demanding a national identity card smacks of a police state.

The Executive Board endorsed a resolution calling for all illegals already living in the U.S. being given the right to remain after a designated cut-off date.

The Executive Board also adopted the following proposals:

- require employers to verify legal status when hiring through existing identification cards. Employers failing to do this would face criminal charges and stiff fines.

- tailor foreign aid programs to help countries such as Mexico to improve the quality of life, so their citizens can remain home and be employed at a decent wage.

- help to establish a legitimate trade union movement in these countries to allow workers to organize and protect themselves.

- renew efforts by the AFL-CIO to organize exploitive low wage industry in the U.S.

\$3 Million Monterey Sewage Job Begins

Assistant District Rep. Jack Bullard reports that Piambo Construction has the pipeline contract on the Monterey Sewage Treatment Plant. Project is \$3 million, will last 1-1/2 yrs. Bart

Bruno is superintendent, Bill Shutt is foreman, Glenn Baylard is there already as operator. Looks like old home week, as Shutt, Baylard, and Jack Bullard all worked together for Hood at

Redwood Shores near Marineland. Rumor has it Ray Allen will make this job too, he's an old Hood hand from the Redwood Shores job.

E. A. Buttler hands got rained

out in early May, 1 1/2 inches on Jolon road. No rain all season, now 1 1/2 inches of rain in May, when it "never" rains.

"We are attempting to organize an oilfield service company in South Monterey County," says Bullard. "Teamsters No. 890 and Local No. 3 are jointly participating in a June 17th election with Rich-Sand Service Co., San Ardo. We will be representing the equipment operators. Jack Bullard, Assistant Dist. Rep., is working with Teamster No. 890 President Ed Gay and Representative Dave Lindell.

"We three agents from two unions have worked closely in harmony for four years now, it's a pleasure working with them."

Employees at Valley Tank and Welding, Salinas, voted by four to one to be represented by Local No. 3. NLRB conducted the election March 11, 1977, there are fourteen men in the group. "We welcome them to our Union," Bullard said.

Kaiser Moss Landing and Natividad members have had plenty of problems with Company position regarding exercising of seniority rights in posting for open-

ings in other positions. The unions will jointly bring this matter to arbitration.

"Coast Counties Truck and Equipment Parts Department contract negotiations have dragged along badly," said Bullard. "The other side of the coin is that it's very easy to strike and picket. It isn't easy to unstrike and unpicket. In spite of the problems, it is only fair to report that the negotiations have been conducted honorably by all parties."

Santa Clara Valley

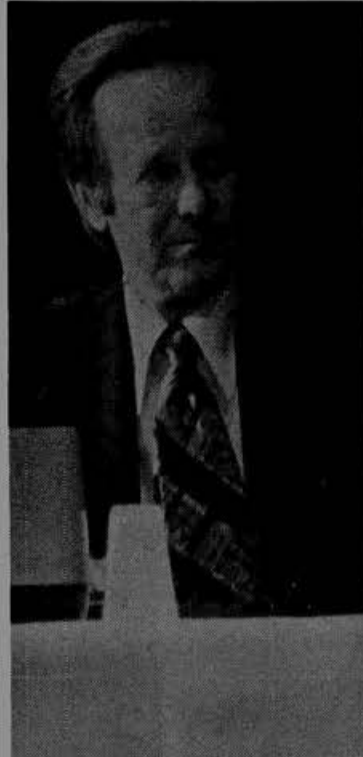
Business Rep. Bob Fleckenstein reports that most of the projects going on in Santa Clara Valley are of the industrial park type setting and unfortunately don't require that many men, but on the other hand they are popping up all over the valley so the contractors have been able to stay busy with at least 2 crews working at all times.

Fleckenstein said his schedule "looks pretty busy for the days ahead since we've got negotiations coming up with the following companies: Clarkliff of San

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Tom Carter Speaks At Town Meeting

District Representative Tom Carter had the opportunity to speak recently at Secretary of Transportation Brock Adams' town meeting in San Jose. Presenting some of the problems that face Local 3 in the San Jose area, Carter said, "Hopefully the government officials got the message. I'm very optimistic that the necessary changes and improvements so badly needed will be made in the near future."



By HAROLD HUSTON, President

A Personal Note From The President's Pen

Today, May 4, 1977, we presented to the Associated General Contractors of California, Inc., our proposed New Agreement for their consideration, for our brother engineers working in the Construction Industry throughout Northern California.

We hope to meet as often as possible with their Negotiating Committee. Your officers know we have a tremendous responsibility to the members to negotiate the best agreement possible. Let me assure you; your officers will give their 100 per cent effort, and I am confident we will reach a tentative agreement at the conclusion of the negotiations which we will be proud to recommend to the members of your approval or disapproval.

Each member who took the time to fill out the Survey Questionnaire Card, which was mailed to you, is to be commended! Many members have called and written their suggestions which is also appreciated.

Let me repeat again, no one knows the problems that exist in the Construction Industry any better than the brother engineers who are working in the Industry!

A happy note to our retired brother engineers and families; Washington has announced that nearly 35.5 million Americans who receive Social Security or Supplemental Security Income, will get a 5.9 percent increase in benefits starting July 1. The size of the automatic increase announced by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, reflects the rise in the cost of living during the 12 months that ended March 31.

The increase will cost the financially troubled Social Security trust funds \$5.3 billion during the year that ends September 30, 1978. This means the trust funds will pay out about \$92 billion in the next fiscal year.

The automatic cost-of-living increase was 6.4 per cent last year, and 8 per cent in 1975. The law requires that Social Security and SSI checks be increased each year that the Consumer Price Index rises 3 per cent or more.

We know this will only be a drop in the bucket in helping our retirees and families with inflation continuously eating away like termites at what little money you do have.

The plague of inflation is everyone's problem and I believe it is here to stay. You cannot be other than pessimistic about the cost of living in the days, months, perhaps years ahead.

To suggest, as you sometimes hear done these days, that an inflation rate of around six per cent is "moderate" or maybe "modest", is accurate in only

a very relative sense. It may be moderate compared to a 12 per cent rate. However, it is triple or more the rate prevailing in most of the post-1948 years up to the mid-1960's.

To say that an indefinite continuation of inflation at the current pace will bring little joy to most Americans hardly calls for documentary support. Inflation's evils have been widely felt, and widely written about, and extend far beyond the frustrations of housewives trying to stretch pay checks in the supermarkets.

For the nation's swelling millions of retired people, inflation has an especially sharp tooth. Consider a man who retires on a pension of \$500 monthly. With a six per cent inflation rate each year, and even without compounding, he would need, in a mere five years, an income of \$650 a month to buy what the \$500 bought when he retired.

But will the inflation rate be pulled down again to the much lower levels of the past? Nobody knows. Both political parties, of course promise to work for it. It is still a high wind by historical standards. If it continues indefinitely at the present pace, it will involve a trauma that the country has never had to live with on a sustained basis in modern times.

People who say the bad inflation is not over because prices still seem to be rising, miss the point slightly. The level of prices, the cost of living—they almost always rise some. Except just after World War I, and in the Great Depression, they have never really gone down in this century. Our agony in the present era has been not in the rise, but in the sharpness of the rise.

There are several ways of measuring inflation. As good as any lies in the gain in the Consumer Price Index (Cost of Living) from its level of twelve months earlier. The high point of 12.2 per cent was reached in December of 1974.

If inflation continued at its September 1974 pace, by 1984 it would take \$3.13 to buy what you could buy for \$1.00 in September 1974. This means the purchasing power of your already depreciated 1974 dollar would have been reduced to less than 32 cents.

Consumer prices rose 12.2 per cent in 1974, 7 per cent in 1975, and 4.8 per cent during 1976. Figures released by Budget Director Bert Lance, now forecast a 6.7 per cent hike in consumer prices for the year January 1 through December 31.

My personal opinion is it will be higher. Economist Kenneth Rosen of Princeton University told Congress it will cost you about \$90,000 to buy a

medium-priced new home by 1986, twice as much as present prices.

"By 1986 the medium-priced home will sell for close to \$90,000 with the average down payment requiring close to \$23,000."

Rosen told the Senate Banking Committee that the current medium price is around \$45,000 this year and increasing by more than 10 per cent annually.

Some ask the question what is "normal" inflation? There is no such thing. It varies in different countries. It varies in different periods of history. But we know enough about it to say that in this country and in this period of history—say, the last quarter century and more—the amount of inflation we still have is decidedly not "normal."

The table below traces yearly gains (with two tiny declines) in the cost of living clear back to 1948 soon after World War II. The percentage figures reflect the gains in the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index during each year, measured from December to December. Minus signs for 1949 and 1954 indicate declines.

FOR HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

YEAR	CPI Pct. Rise	YEAR	CPI Pct. Rise
1948	2.7	1962	1.2
1949	-1.8	1963	1.6
1950	5.8	1964	1.2
1951	5.9	1965	1.9
1952	0.9	1966	3.4
1953	0.6	1967	3.0
1954	-0.5	1968	4.7
1955	0.4	1969	6.1
1956	2.9	1970	5.5
1957	3.0	1971	3.4
1958	1.8	1972	3.4
1959	1.5	1973	8.8
1960	1.5	1974	12.2
1961	0.7	1975	7.0
		1976	4.8

There is not much point in trying to draw an "average" inflation rate from the pages of history. But some things do stand out, from the briefest perusal of the above record.

In all the 18 years from 1948 through 1965, a total of 13 years actually showed cost of living gains (or no gains) of less than 2 per cent. Five, including the two decliners were even under one per cent. And, excluding the Korean Wartime gains of 1950-51, you have to come all the way from 1948 to 1966 before you reach the first gain above 3 per cent.



By BOB MAYFIELD
Vice-President

Rigging Lines

This past month for me, as well as most of your officers has been spent for the most part in preparation for and in actual negotiations with the Associated General Contractors (A.G.C.) and the Engineering & Grading Contractors Assoc. (E.G.C.A.) This group of employers in Northern California represents by far the largest group of employees that work under the same, or nearly the same, contract in the jurisdiction of Local 3. As is the case of all units that we represent in Local 3, it is extremely important that parties arrive at an honorable settlement and, hopefully, without need for any work stoppage. To this point progress as to contract language has been slow but steady with only a couple of issues of major importance left to settle. The economics usually are the last to be discussed and settled but I'm of the opinion that by the time this article reaches press or by early June a settlement in total will have been agreed upon and ratification meetings established throughout the Northern California districts. This is where the rank and file members of Local 3 have the final say so and, of course, this is the way it should be.

Right on the heels of the California Construction contract is the Nevada Construction agreement which expires on July 1st. The last few years the Nevada settlements have been very similar to those of Northern California so, hopefully, a successful conclusion to the California agreement will mean a conclusion very quickly with the one in Nevada.

Negotiations seem to never cease, as most of the copper contracts in the entire jurisdiction expire the last day of June. Preliminary meetings have already been held in Phoenix, Arizona by the Utah District Representative Tom Bills in behalf of the Kennecott Copper Mine, where Local 3 represents around 500 people. Similar type meetings were held in Butte, Montana with Nevada District Representative Dale Beach and Agent Lenny Fagg in attendance with top officials of the Anaconda Mining Company, as well as many other Unions. Such meetings as these are called "main table meetings" in coordinated bargaining sessions with many unions coordinating their ideas and energies toward a conclusion to a good agreement. Each individual mine (all these major companies have multiple locations throughout the United States and Canada) has what is known as local issues which must be settled.

At this stage, the local issues at the Anaconda property in Yerington, Nevada have been settled and hopefully will be done soon at the Victoria Mine. I will be traveling to Salt Lake City to assist the Negotiation Committee for the Kennecott property (regarding local issues) which consists of the Mining Agent (Bill Markus), District Representative Tom Bills and the various Department Stewards from the mine. This pit is the largest open pit in the world and at least 20 Unions altogether represent units there, so it should be obvious that down through the years this one has had its fair share of complications.

In the area of Round Mountain, Nevada is located a mine called Basic, Inc. (in Gabbs, Nevada). This mine was inherited from Local 12, but due to the fact their nearest office was in Las Vegas, it was given to us. The unit at the time we took it had only around 20 dues-paying members. In short, the Nevada office through service and hard work of many hours has brought that total to over 130 members, which is remarkable. The product they mine (Diamatious Earth) is mainly used as a filler for women's cosmetics. This contract also expires the last day of June and will be dealing with a total unknown quantity, as this will be our first negotiations with this management.

In closing for this month, I would like to say a few words about the untimely death of Brother Fran Walker, which occurred this past month. Fran had worked very closely with me in the collection of Delinquent Employer Fringe Benefits these past 3½ years after being appointed by Business Manager Dale Marr. This job, to say the least, is not the most pleasant job and Fran seemed to be about as well fitted with his temperament and ability as anyone could have possibly have been. When the present group of officers took office in late 1973, the delinquencies throughout the four states we represent were about \$2 million. Through Fran's continued vigilance in conjunction with the District Representatives and Business Agents throughout these four states, these inflated figures dropped to around \$160,000 to \$200,000. This figure continues to hold steady. For the size of our trusts and the monthly income due, this low delinquency must be the lowest of any construction trust in the entire United States. Back in 1970 when working way out on Guam, I first became acquainted personally with Fran Walker. Throughout several difficult assignments involving organizing plagued with the possibility at the time of getting ourselves killed—it was nice to know that man was covering your back. At any rate, Fran finally got it all up to grade (as a figure of speech) after spending a good part of his working life in one capacity or another with the Local Union. Tom Eck has been assigned by Business Manager Marr to take Brother Walker's place, and he certainly will have a big pair of shoes to fill. We all wish him the best in this thankless job.

Community Sewage Treatment Projects Ordered Accelerated

The California clean water effort is putting people to work. An estimated 174,600 man-months of employment has been created on 72 community sewage treatment construction projects begun after Governor Brown ordered the program accelerated.

The State Water Resources Control Board reports the projects have a price tag of \$582 million. They are funded with state and federal grants of 87½ per cent. Grants are available to communities under orders to meet minimum state and federal water quality standards.

Due to start construction in the next few months are 30 additional projects costing \$385 million. They will create 115,500 man-months of employment.

"The Governor asked us to approve projects with 444,000 man-months of employment by September, 1977. We expect to exceed that goal," said John Bryson, Chairman of the State Water Resources Control Board.

"We have a program that enhances both the environment and the economy," he said.

Discussing specifics, Bryson cited San Francisco City projects, which are running far ahead of schedule. "San Francisco originally expected to have \$121 million in projects approved by September 1977," said Bryson. "As of now, we have four projects costing \$208 million ready to start construction, with more to come." He added that "... this works out to 62,400 man-months of employment."

Bryson said that the only disappointment in the acceleration program so far has been the defeat of a Los Angeles City bond issue in 1976. "We'd hoped to have \$170 million for Los Angeles City projects with 51,000 man-months of employment by September, 1977. We now expect \$12 million and 3,600 man-months," he said. "Los Angeles County is close to its original goal, with an estimated \$218 million in projects predicted for approval. This would generate over 38,000 man-months of labor."

Employment estimates are based on field surveys of grant

projects and a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics study of sewage treatment plant construction employment patterns. About 300 man-months of labor are generated for each \$1 million in total project cost. One-third is on the construction site, the remainder in manufacturing and other support services. Approximately 64 per cent of the jobs are in the craft worker, operatives, service worker and laborer categories where union labor predominates.

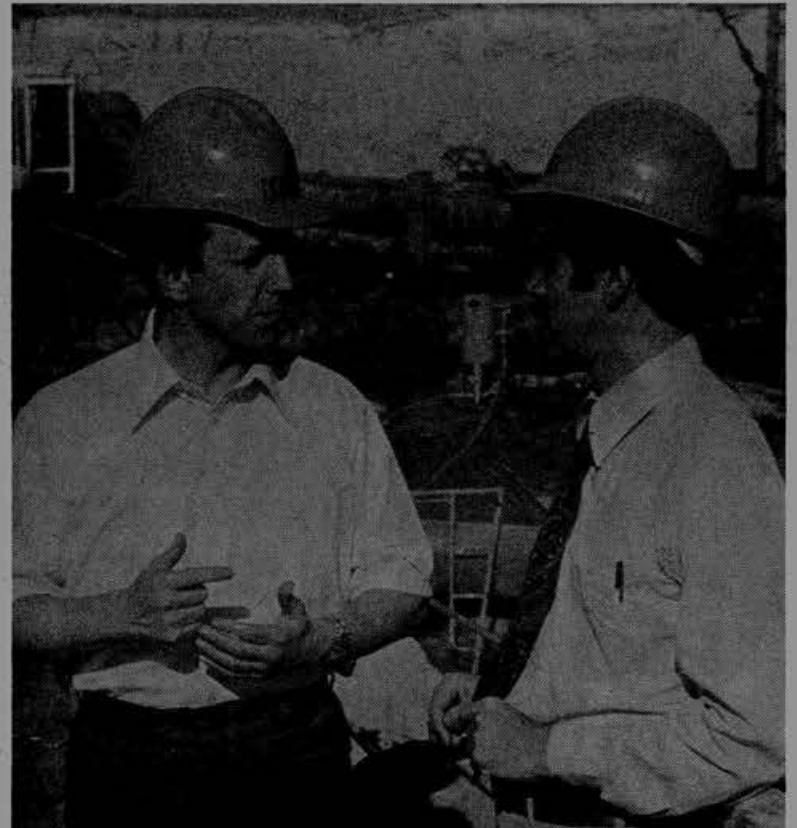
The Clean Water Grant program is a nationwide effort to clean up municipal wastewater discharges. Congress authorized \$18 billion for the program in 1972. California supplements the federal 75 per cent grant with a 12½ per cent grant funded from 1970 and 1974 Clean Water Bond issues. Early in his administration, Governor Brown ordered acceleration of the program to speed up compliance with clean water goals, spur employment and forestall price increases due to inflation.

For the future, the State Board

made a conservative projection that it will approve projects costing \$679 million and generating 203,700 man-months of employment by September, 1977. Money will run out from state bond issues sometime shortly after that date and the federal appropriation has not yet been renewed. "We expect Congress to continue funding the program and Speaker McCarthy has introduced a state bond issue for the 1978 ballot. Both of these are needed to keep the program moving," said Bryson.

Credit Union Annual Meeting

Secretary-Treasurer James "Red" Ivy has announced that the Credit Union Annual Meeting will be SATURDAY, JULY 9, 1977, following the Local 3 Semi-Annual Meeting at the Masonic Auditorium, 1111 California Street, between Taylor and Jones, San Francisco.



ON SITE—ASSEMBLY SPEAKER LEO MCCARTHY (left) discusses jobs and the clean water program with John Bryson, Chairman of the State Water Resources Control Board. McCarthy is author of AB 399, which would add \$500 million in state construction funds to the multi-billion dollar federal/state/local program to build sewage treatment facilities.

MGM Awarded Pipeline Contract

Assistant District Rep. "Lucky" Sprinkle reports that M.G.M. Construction Company, who was awarded the contract to construct a temporary pipeline to bring state water to Marin over the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge has started this project. Cost is \$376,429.

The pipeline—estimated to cost a total of \$2 million, including material—will be operative June 1 and will be capable of bringing up to 10 million gallons of State Water Project water a day to Marin Municipal through February.

Sprinkle announces that Valentine Corporation is low bidder for a project involving re-

placement of concrete columns on the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. Work is expected to begin within six weeks.

According to a recent report by the Road Information Program bad roads cost each driver \$91 a year in extra fuel and wear and tear on his car. The bureau said the national bill for the impact of bad roads on motoring probably is around \$12 billion a year.

The cost of operating a car on a smooth paved road averages 6.4 cents a mile (for highway driving) but that cost can go up quickly by two-thirds to around 10.5 cents a mile on bad roads, the bureau said.

The bureau estimated that about one-third of 1.8 million miles of paved road in the U.S. presently are in sufficiently bad repair to need resurfacing if not complete rebuilding. Most roads are good for 16 to 20 years between resurfacing.

If traffic is extremely heavy the underlying steel reinforced concrete foundation will break down as well. But if the road is not too heavily traveled, timely resurfacing will prevent a costly rebuilding job. The difference is staggering—an average of about \$53,000 a mile for surfacing against \$250,000 or more a mile for rebuilding.

Redding 'Doesn't Look Too Promising'

District Representative Ken Green reports that work in the Redding area has not picked up and "it don't look too promising for the coming work season."

A few projects are under way at this time — such as Hensel-Phelps South Bonnyview bridge crossing. As far as Engineers on the \$870,000 project—there will be only three. One Loader operator, a Crane for hoisting and driving the pile and the oiler. Cal-Ore has the sub on the clearing and abutments from Hensel-Phelps.

Green says J. F. Shea was having problems getting their Canby job awarded. After the successful low bid Cal-Trans was holding back the award—but after some persuasion they turned the project loose.

"I asked Gene Kenable why Cal-Trans would spend \$1 million on Highway 139, when Buckhorn Summit (Highway 299 West) is a twisting turning 9 mile nightmare," says Green. "Gene told me every county is allotted \$1 million for State Highways that must be spent in that County in a fiscal year."

"Highway 139 near Canby gets Modoc County's \$1 million. Gene also said if the Buckhorn Summit is fixed—it would not seriously affect the safety of that stretch of highway — for a better road means faster speeds with about the same accident ratio as there is at this time. The cost as per Gene—for new alignment is too prohibitive at this time to justify fixing Highway 299."

Business Rep. Bob Havenhill reports that this year "is probably one of the most unique in the history of the Redding District." It has seen the most severe drought to ever hit the State of California (Continued on Page 16, Col. 3)

Dim Future For Central Utah Project?

Utah is still in a quandary as to whether or not the funds for the Central Utah Project will be reinstated, according to Business Rep. Don Strate. Hopefully, the decision will be made in the very near future and in favor of the continuation of the project.

A spokesman for the C.U.P. stated that the \$150 million which has already been spent in the last ten years will be wasted unless the entire project is completed. A 16-year completion schedule was set for the Central Utah Project when it began in 1966.

The project would have been about 75 percent complete at this time instead of just 22 percent, Strate points out. It is at least five years behind schedule because of the delays caused by lack of funding during the Viet Nam war and suits brought by environmental groups. The Bonneville Unit, largest in the CUP, con-

tains 200 miles of pipe drains, 140 miles of aqueducts, tunnels and canals, three powerplants, plus numerous reservoirs, including the 1.1 million acre foot Strawberry Reservoir.

Strate added that if the Administration cuts off funding for the Central Utah Project, it will be breaking a government treaty with the Ute Indians. The Utes gave up their first priority rights to waters in the Uinta Basin and allowed the project to go ahead because the government had agreed to construct tribal water projects as part of CUP.

"The cancellation of the Bonneville Unit is viewed by the Utes as another example of the broken treaties which have characterized Indian dealing with the government," he said. The Ute Indian Tribe has stated they will sue the federal government if the project isn't reinstated in the budget.

I-70 Is Approved

Strate also reports that the final environmental impact statement for the proposed construction of I-70 through the Sevier Valley in Sevier County has been approved by the Utah Department of Transportation. After approval of the federal agency, actual construction of the project can begin. The proposed construction is for 32 miles of I-70 from Sevier Junction to Salina along an alignment called the "West Side Alternate." The West Side Alternate was one of three alternatives for the location of the highway which were considered at public hearings.

It follows the west foothills from Sevier Junction to Sigurd and then crosses the valley to the mouth of Salina Canyon. When completed, I-70 will connect with I-15 near Cove Fort and will serve as a ma-

ior traffic carrier between Denver and the West Coast.

New Anaconda Job

Business Rep. Wayne Lassiter reports that Gibbons & Reed was low bidder on the site preparation at Anaconda's new concentrator near Tooele. They have approximately one-half million yards of dirt to move; this will include backfilling around several buildings.

"This job should be summer work for ten to 12 Operating Engineers," he said.

The erection of the concentrator is expected to start in late summer at a cost of approximately sixty million dollars unofficially.

Anaconda is at present sinking four vertical shafts to mine underground for high grade copper; none will be smelted in Utah.

According to Lassiter, company officials have indicated that the ore will be shipped to Montana for smelting.

When the operation is in full swing, there will be approximately 600 employees working on a permanent basis; this will be around 1980.

Bids were opened by the Department of Transportation in May for the fencing and clearing of the highway construction strip from Redwood Road west to 4870 West North Temple. There I-80 will merge into the old U.S. Highway 40 route and be rebuilt as I-80.

Business Rep. Rex Daugherty reports that Gibbons & Reed Company is well under way on their project located between Farmington and Layton. This is a ten million dollar job that has to be completed by October, 1978. Half of the project will be excavated by scrapers and the other half will be imported borrow. These materials will be hauled from G & R's White Hill Pit, a 22 mile haul. (Continued on Page 12, Col. 5)

Nevada Activity Slower

Business Representative Craig Canepa reports that activity in Nevada has slowed down from the pace of the last few months. Parsons Construction, working on the Silver Zone Pass job in the eastern part of the state, has finished moving the dirt and should be paving in the near future.

Frehner Construction in Ely is winding up the by-pass job as is Helms on the Lovelock by-pass. The M.G.M. Grand Hotel in Reno has slowed some but will not be completed until 1978. Dubach Inc. is on the last stages of the I-80 highway job at Verdi.

Canepa says work in the Reno-Carson City-Tahoe area has leveled off. However, life is starting to stir again at the lake with Del Webb on the Parks Tahoe project and the eight story parking garage adjacent to the Sahara-Tahoe

Hotel. In addition, the Jennings and Oliver Hotels should get started as the State of Nevada Supreme Court ruled against the "League to Save Lake Tahoe" last ditch effort to halt construction.

H. M. Byars has the excavation for the \$37 million Reno Sahara Hotel Casino which includes a three story underground parking garage and a 400 room tower. Case Westland is doing the drilling with five rigs going and Coker Crane will move in a 2000 and 1200 Pecco and two elevator-man lifts. Corrao Construction will be starting their Sportsman Complex as Gerhardt and Berry have moved on the demolition work. Brunzell's job on the Onslow Hotel is slowly coming to the last stages. The J. C. Penney project at Stead, north of Reno, is well underway

on the 40 acre plus warehouse facility. Contractors on this include Jeakins & McCullah, Stellan, R. E. Ferretto, Robert L. Helms, U.S. Engineering, Reno Iron, Stockton Steel and Nevada Crane Service.

"We have completed negotiations with Interstate Tractor arriving at a 15 per cent increase in wages and substantial changes in the C.O.L.A. adjustments," Canepa announced "Mentzer Detroit's contract expires this month and with any reasonable luck we will have some noteworthy changes in wages and contract language. Contract negotiations are continuing on the Nevada A.G.C., Nevada Rock, Sand and Gravel, Basic Incorporated at Gabbs, Anaconda, Yerington and Victoria which all expire the end of this month."

Large Jobs Slated For S.F.

District Representative Ralph Wilson reports that the work picture has taken on a brighter side in San Francisco with several large projects progressing beyond the talking stages.

According to Business Representative Charles Snyder Perini Corp. has been awarded the \$2.8 million Golden Gate Bridge and Transportation District's new San Francisco Ferry Terminal, located behind the present Ferry Building. They have 260 working days to complete the project and completion is expected on April 1, 1978, he says.

Shorenstein and Bechtel Corp. are scheduled to construct a 33 story office tower and a 5 story satellite building, on Market and Fremont. Stolte Inc., has been awarded a \$4.5 million Hotel, Restaurant and Retail Shop project at Beach and Leavenworth Sts., in the Fisherman's Wharf area. "This project has been in the planning stages for some time," says Snyder, "and may now become a reality."

Cahill Const. has started a \$3 million addition to the St. Francis Hospital at Bush and Hyde Sts.

Dinwiddie Const. has started a

\$20 million, 31 story structural steel and pre-cast office building at 2nd and Market Sts. Completion date is expected in June of 1979.

Dinwiddie Const. has also started a \$7 million, 8 floor, Golden Gate University Building at 536 Mission St. Completion expected in August 1978.

According to Business Rep. Phil Pruett, Bethlehem and Triple A Shipyards have been our largest employers of Operating Engineers and have been a big help in keeping the out-of-work list for crane operators at a minimum for the last few months. This has been a lot of help for the Brothers as construction work has been on the down side for so many months now.

"Because a Brother who was concerned enough to spend a dime for a phone call and report a non-union contractor working in the area, I would like to report that an Informational Picket was used for three days and that the work is being put out for bid again,"


Pruett said. "This time it is being offered to contractors signatory to our agreement. It does help to call your agents on known violations, if he is not aware of a violation, it may be too late to take action on it if he finds out by other methods."

There are three jobs in progress at U.C. Hospital, Nielson Nickles on the new dental building, Larson & Sons on the Moffet Building extension with Wagner Const., drilling the foundations at the present time, and Arntz Bros. doing extensive remodeling on the Langley Porter Building.

Pruett said there have been a couple of contracts let in the Hunters Point area for site development work. O. C. Jones Const. was low bidder and will be starting this month. Another O. C. Jones job, track renewal on Taraval St., is progressing and keeping several Brothers busy. Homer J. Olsen Const., is just finishing up on two other track jobs, one on Ocean Ave. and the other on Carl St.


DESPITE BUREAUCRATIC PROBLEMS plaguing the San Francisco sewer project, the first portion pictured at right continues on schedule. The pump house is still in the excavation stages with pipe supporting the concrete walls.





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Santa Rosa Gets Federal Money

District Representative Bob Wagon reports that congressional appropriations of \$5.5 million and a conditional appropriation of \$12.5 million resulted in a U. S. Corp of Engineers call for bids on June 22nd for road repair and restoration on relocation roads. Also to be included in the bid is about one and a half miles of new construction and an optional reinforced concrete or steel girder bridge; all repair and new construction is to be completed by November 1978.

Embankment work will not be allowed until the California Department of Water Resources certifies the Warm Springs design for earthquake safety, Wagon said. "District No. 10 of Operating Engineers owes a loud and grateful 'Thank you' to Congressman Don Clausen, Supervisors Will Johnson and Ernie Banker and Citizens for Community Improvement's Milt Brandt for their untiring efforts in

behalf of the project," Wagon commented. Three major hurdles remain in the way of completion of this much needed project. First, the Task Force is expected to appeal the recent court decision permitting completion of the embankment and outlet works. Second, the California Dept. of Water Resources assessment of earthquake safety could lead to a two year delay. Third, there will be Congressional and Supervisorial elections prior to any further appropriations. "Register to vote and support the people who support you," Wagon urged.

Business Rep. Pat O'Connell reports that "a novel way to end a drought was discovered by the City of Santa Rosa. All you have to do is award a 700,000 yard pond excavation contract with a one month completion date and \$2,000.00 per day penalty over thirty days and the skies will promptly open up.

"The whole area is rooting for Piombo Const. to complete by contract expiration date due to a cease and desist order overhanging the City of Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park and Sebastopol," O'Connell said. "The storage pond, known as Burbank Lake, will serve as storage for millions of gallons of sewage effluent, presently being discharged into the Russian River. Non completion could result in a complete ban on new sewer hookups for the three cities."

Business Rep. Stan McNulty reports that site work on Units 12 and 15 has been completed at the Geysers, S & Q Construction and Owen Haskell are proceeding with respective structures. Unit 14 site work was almost completed when a landslide occurred that will result in approximately one month's extra work for prime contractor Owen Haskell and sub Wes Brooks.

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Your home's equity—the difference between its present market value and what you owe on your mortgage—gives you credit power.

Rapid appreciation of home values during the last few years has dramatically increased homeowners' equity. At the same time, rising prices of new homes have caused many homeowners to enlarge or improve their present home. The market for second-mortgage loans has been increased. Even banks who once shunned second-mortgage loans have jumped into promotional campaigns for "home-equity" or "home-owner" loans.

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PAYMENTS	Examples:

Amount of Loan	Term	Monthly Payment	Number of Payments	Finance Charge	Total Payments Principal + Interest
\$ 5,000	6 years	\$ 97.75	72	\$2,038.00	\$ 7,038.00
	10 years	71.74	120	3,608.80	8,608.80
\$ 7,500	6 years	\$146.63	72	\$3,057.36	\$10,557.36
	10 years	107.60	120	5,412.00	12,912.00
\$10,000	6 years	\$195.50	72	\$4,076.00	\$14,076.00
	10 years	143.47	120	7,216.40	17,216.40

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\$37,500 75 per cent of the Appraised Value	
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Applications are available at your District Office and the Credit Union. If you need assistance or advice on a second-mortgage loan, call Jan Heacox, Real-Estate loan officer, at the Credit Union.

Best In Three Years

Stockton Work Improving

"The work picture for the Stockton-Modesto area this year looks better than it has in the past three years," says District Representative Al McNamara. "I met with the Director of District 10, D. L. Wieman, Department of Transportation and he gave me a list of projects to be bid. Highway 4, one mile East of Highway 99 to Jacktone Rd. to be widened to 40 feet and take out three curves. The first stage of the Manteca Bypass will be bid in November for about \$15 million. Forest Highway in Tuolumne Co., east of Groveland will be bid sometime in May. Raliroad Flat road, grade and pave to two lanes and Amador County Highway 88 to be resurfaced in various locations (\$274,000); Calaveras Co., Highway 4, 12 and 26 resurfaced in various locations (\$388,000); Tuolumne Co., Highway 49 resurfaced (\$244,000); San Joaquin Co., Highway 4 resurfaces (\$483,000). The prices on the above jobs are the Engineers' Estimates and could be higher or lower."

McNamara explains that the work has slowed down because of the rain, but should be back to normal within two weeks.

Claude C. Wood Co. has a job in Calaveras Co. about 16 miles off Highway 4. Two weeks ago, they could not find any water for compacting. "Now all they have is snow and mud," he said. Nova-Rados on Highway 4 has been down on account of weather but should be back within a week.

Assistant District Rep. Jay Victor reports that Pleasant Valley Inc. has taken over the Groveland project in Tuolumne County. The members that were working have been redispached to the new company, he says.

At George Reed Company, the crew is working on the timber agreement and have about two more weeks left. The shop at Table Mtn. is running a full crew. The rock plant and hot plant have been running steadily.

"We signed San Jose Contracting and Engineering to a new agreement," Victor says. "They have a small job at the Fish Hatchery at Moccasin Creek."

Victor explains the work picture for the near future in Tuolumne County is not all that good. The only job coming up right away is just above Groveland. It is only 9/10ths of a mile on Highway 120.

"The biggest shot in the arm we have had has been the S. J. Groves Job just out of Columbia," he points out. "We have got about 14 brother engineers working there at this writing."

In Stanislaus County, the projects have been few and far between of any size for the members of this area. The local contractors have been working on small projects in the county however, even the small contracts have been getting fewer and fewer.

The biggest project to be let recently is the new sewer and water treatment plant in the City of Ceres. The amount of this project is \$4.1 million. This is about \$2 million over the engineering estimate, however, there is some talk of the job being awarded to low bidder Lloyd Tull out of Fresno.

Business Rep. Sharkey Winnett reports that Ernest Pestana, Inc., the prime contractor on the

Stockton Sewer line project has put on another complete crew since the last writing and has gone to a 10 hour day. That puts them at 15 brother engineers working.

Winnett says Teichert Construction has set up a portable Batch Plant at Hammer Lane & I-5 to start the paving on the section that wasn't completed last year. This has taken a few of the brothers off the out of work lists.

Some of the Rock-Sand & Gravel pits have gone back to a five-day work week instead of the three and four days they have been working.

Piombo Construction has started widening Highway 12 where I-5 and Hwy. 12 meet. They have about 14 engineers on this project.

McGaw Company has been doing resurfacing work on Highway 26. According to Winnett this particular project will only last about two more weeks. They have about 8 brother engineers on this job.

Stanfield & Moody has some small subdivisions in and around the Stockton area. They employ 10 to 15 brother engineers.

35 YEARS

At its meeting on the 15th the Executive Board granted Honorary Memberships to the following Retirees who have 35 years or more of membership in Local 3:

Carl Andersen	238790	11/36	45
Wesley Ball	334787	12/41	3
Earl Bovet	285470	4/40	12
(Transferred 11/41 to Local 3)			
Harry Faison	354848	5/42	3B
William Green	354353	5/42	3
Thomas J. Hanna	284964	5/40	3
Richard Hendricks	322126	10/41	3D
Glenn Jewell	314276	8/41	3A
Al Leerberg	354381	5/42	3
Claude Pitt	354412	5/42	3
Alexander Quinn	329525	11/41	3A
Earl Wallace	288925	8/40	3
David Williams	307250	6/41	12
(Transferred 5/42 to Local 3B)			
T. T. O'Brien	354886	5/42	3B

Proponents Predict Success

Efforts To Legalize Laetrile

Perhaps one of the more interesting debates taking place in California's state capital centers around the currently illegal drug Laetrile. Efforts are underway to legalize the controversial cancer drug, and proponents on both sides of the issue are predicting its legalization by the California legislature this year.

The Senate was scheduled to vote on a bill to decriminalize the apricot-pit extract that reportedly draws thousands of Americans to Mexico every year.

In recent weeks, according to the advocates in favor of legalization, Laetrile has been legalized in Indiana and Florida while similar legislation has cleared both houses in Nevada, Arizona and Texas.

The Laetrile bill, SB 245, carried by Senator William Campbell, Rep.-Hacienda Heights, cleared the Senate Health and Welfare Committee on May 11, 1977 on a 5-to-1 vote. It was the second time through the committee for the bill. On March 30, it was approved on a 7-to-0 vote, moving it to the Senate Finance Committee. But on April 28, 1977, Campbell withdrew the bill, re-

portedly because the finance committee was not prepared to approve it. The revised version approved in May dropped a requirement that the government spend money for informed consent forms. This change allowed the bill to proceed straight to the floor.

Senator Campbell expressed optimism that the bill will receive overwhelming approval by the Senate.

Apparently two arguments have provided the impetus for the Laetrile movement. The first of these is that organized medicine and public health officials have not been able to convince the courts that Laetrile is harmful, much less that it is worthless. The second argument is that the Laetrile ban is a denial of individual rights. The individual rights argument seems increasingly more effective.

Laetrile's opponents suffered a crucial setback in 1975 when a federal district court gave a resident of Oklahoma City the right to import Laetrile for his own use. When the government appealed this decision, the federal appellate court refused to act until the U.S.

Food and Drug Administration developed a more adequate record on Laetrile.

Thus failing to make their case in court, it now also appears that the opponents may lose in the state legislatures.

"We know the American Cancer Society is really putting on a big push in California," said Beverly Newkirk, executive director of the Freedom of Choice committee.

Nearly all health professional groups have joined the campaign against Laetrile. An example is this new release from the new National Council on Drugs:

"We note that all 26 anti-cancer drugs marketed in this country since 1962 were first shown to be safe and efficacious in animals before being tested in man. Laetrile should be no exception.

"The consequences of exempting Laetrile from the safety and efficacy requirements of the law would be disastrous to the public welfare. Such an action would subvert the intent of Congress, would make a mockery of scientific drug investigation, would open the door to other worthless nostrums and would victimize desperate cancer patients."

Fringe Benefits Forum

By MIKE KRAYNICK,
Director of Fringe Benefits



This past month we attended a special Education Seminar at Rancho Murieta Training Center for Local No. 3's business agents and dispatchers. The seminar dealt principally with the new changes that were recently adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Operating Engineers Pension Plan, and gave us a chance to find out how the members of Local No. 3 were reacting to the changes. In addition, it gave your business agents and dispatchers an opportunity to pass on many of the questions that had been asked of them out in the field. I must admit that the sessions were very lively and extremely educational for all of us. And I think that we came away knowing that our pension program not only now conforms with the requirements of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, but is in sound financial condition.

Many, and I mean many, questions were asked and with the assistance of Claude Odom, District Representative and Trustee of the Pension Trust Fund, and representatives from C. W. Sweeney & Co., the Trust Fund Manager, all of them were answered. I thought it might be beneficial to share some of them with you.

Q: We have often used the expression "normal retirement." What does it really mean?

A: Under the recently revised pension plan, what we used to refer to as "normal retirement" will now be called a "regular pension". The only change that was made to this particular type of pension was the name. A participant of the Operating Engineers Pension Plan who has retired will be entitled to receive a regular pension if:

- He has attained age 65;
- he has at least 10 years of credited service without a permanent break in service; and
- he has earned at least two quarters of credited future service.

Q: If a retiree and his wife decided not to take his pension benefits as a Husband-and-Wife pension, is there still a 60 month guarantee?

A: Yes, under the revised pension plan, if a retiree and his wife decide not to take a Husband-and-Wife Pension, his pension benefits upon retirement will be guaranteed for 60 months. This provision of the pension plan was left unchanged by the recent revisions.

Pension benefit payments will be made to the retiree for his lifetime, or in the event of his death before 60 monthly payments have been made, then the balance to his beneficiary.

Q: How is eligibility for the Pensioned Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan determined?

A: A pensioned operating engineer is eligible for health and welfare benefits for himself and his legal spouse provided the pensioner is receiving or is entitled to receive pension benefits from the Pension Trust Fund for Operating Engineers. In the case of a pensioner who is receiving a Pro-rata Pension, he must have earned at least ten years of credited service under Local No. 3's pension plan to be eligible for this retiree health and welfare program.

Coverage under the Pensioned Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan is effective on the first day of the month during which an application for a pension has been submitted immediately prior to the effective date of his pension award, or upon the date his eligibility terminates under the Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan if such date is later.

Q: Could you please explain what is meant by the Husband-and-Wife Pension, and how it differs from the Joint and Survivor Option that was available under the pension plan prior to the recently adopted changes?

A: Under the revised pension plan, married employees retiring on December 1, 1976 or later will receive their retirement benefits in the form of a Husband-and-Wife Pension. This type of pension is quite similar to the Joint and Survivor Option that used to be available to retiring members under the plan prior to the recently adopted changes in that it provides the surviving spouse of a deceased pensioner with a reduced monthly pension for the rest of her lifetime. However, unlike the Joint and Survivor Option, which had to be elected two years prior to its effective date, the Husband-and-Wife Pension will be payable automatically to a married employee unless he says he does not want it.

Guaranteeing retirement benefits to two people, for two lifetimes—the husband's and the wife's—means that more monthly benefit checks may be paid out than would be the case if only one lifetime was covered. Spreading the available money over more monthly benefit payments reduces the amount which can be paid each month to the pensioner. The amount of the reduction depends entirely on the difference in ages between the retiree and his spouse. When the retiree dies, his spouse will then receive 50 per cent of the reduced amount for the rest of her life.

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Measles On The Increase

Measles is on the increase across the country. Recent statistics indicate that the number of cases of measles has jumped more than 50 per cent in 1977 over comparable figures in 1976. Dr. Gregory F. Hayden of the U.S. Center for Disease Control advises parents to check their children's medical records to be sure that the youngsters were inoculated against the disease, with the right vaccine at the right age.

Dr. Hayden said that the disease is showing up among many junior and senior-high-school students, some of whom mistakenly believed they were vaccinated.

"Parents should make certain the shot a child received was for measles and not for rubella, or German measles," the doctor warned. "Sometimes the two are confused, and one does not afford protection against the other."

Another thing to watch out for is that a shot of gamma globulin is not a measles vaccination. Gamma globulin is given after exposure to the disease and serves simply to make the effects of the illness somewhat milder or can

also be something of a short-term preventive.

In addition, Dr. Hayden suggests that some children who were actually vaccinated should be inoculated again. He recommends this for youngster who received a "killed" vaccine that was sometimes used in 1963 to 1967. That type of vaccine was not quite as effective as the "live" vaccine that is administered today.

"Another vaccination is urged if a child was under the age of 1 year at the time of the original inoculation," Dr. Hayden said.

"That's now considered too young for the shot to take."

The first signs of measles are a cough, runny nose and other cold symptoms, inflammation of the eyes and a high fever. After a few days, a rash breaks out. If measles are suspected, a physician should be immediately consulted because of the danger of complications, such as brain infection. The usual remedies for the disease include bed rest, fluids and aspirin, and a dark room if the patient finds that light bothers the eyes.

Flourocarbon Ban Proposed By Federal Government

The Federal Government is proposing a phaseout of fluorocarbon gas in aerosol sprays, with a complete ban to take effect two years from now. The reason for the elimination of fluorocarbon use centers around evidence that these compounds destroy ozone in the upper atmosphere, thus allowing more of the sun's harmful ultraviolet radiation to reach the earth. The decrease in the ozone layer could lead to an increase in skin cancer, plus altered climate and harm to agriculture.

The products that will be primarily affected by the ban would include deodorants, hair sprays, antiperspirants, colognes, perfumes, pesticides, household cleaners and air fresheners. About

30 per cent of aerosols use fluorocarbons. Industry has been switching to other propellants and to nonaerosol containers.

The proposed timetable for the phaseout is as follows: By October 15, 1978, no company will be allowed to manufacture fluorocarbons for use in aerosol cans; by December 15, 1978, firms will have to stop using the chemicals in aerosols; and on April 15, 1979, no product containing fluorocarbons will be allowed to be shipped in interstate commerce.

Prior to the actual ban, all aerosol products that contain fluorocarbons will be required to say so on the labels. The proposed legislation exempted from the ban the use of fluorocarbons in essential products, such as drugs.

Life Insurance

Local 3 officers have been contacted by members concerning an insurance plan offered in a recent commercial mailing to all members. Please contact American Life Insurance Company at 415/969-6400 for more information. We do not have additional information about the insurance.



RETIREES BEGAN ARRIVING at Rancho Murieta at 10 a.m. for the annual picnic. Within an hour Local 3 staff members (above) were getting the retirees and their wives registered and name tags placed. OLD TIMER William Hoffman (pictured below) came to the picnic with his seeing eye dog. A member for 32 years, Hoffman has worked everything from a piledriver in the pre-World War II years to backhoes. He also spent 12 years after the war as an oiler, due to some "advice from a friend," said Hoffman.



LOCAL 3 OFFICERS (right) took a moment during the picnic to greet the 1,900 retirees and wives in attendance. From left to right are Business Manager Dale Marr, Mrs. Harold Huston and President Huston, Mrs. Bob Mayfield, James "Red" Ivy, Vice Pres. Bob Mayfield, Mrs. Marr, Mrs. Don Kinchloe and Sec.-Treas. Kinchloe.



Rancho Murieta H

Wharton Gives Keynote Speech

By James Erp

The challenge confronting retired members of the Operating Engineers is to create a unified voice that will speak for the needs of senior citizens throughout the nation.

This was the message of IUOE President-Emeritus Hunter P. Wharton, who was the keynote speaker recently at the Local 3 annual Retiree Association picnic at Rancho Murieta Training Center. In a nation with 23 million people over 60 years in age and growing at a rate of 500,000 a year, the issues confronting senior citizens are becoming increasingly important, Wharton said.

Pointing to the fact that President Carter "made many rash promises on behalf of senior citizens" which have gone unfulfilled, Wharton emphasized the time has come for senior citizens to overcome the disorganization and apathy that has traditionally plagued them.

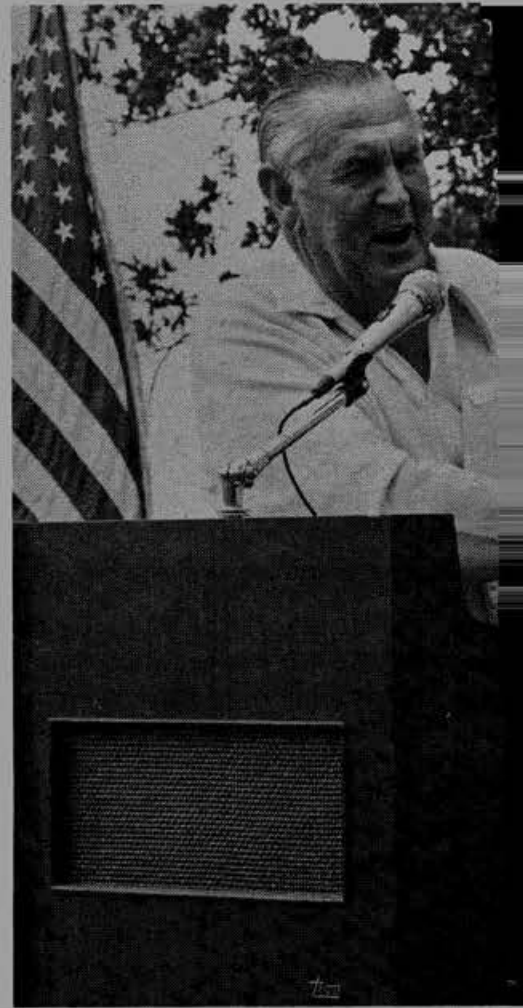
"The problem with our senior citizens is the same problem we have always had with safety," Wharton explained, "and that is attitude." Too many people believe "it will only happen to the other guy," he said.

"How do we change these attitudes?" Wharton asked.

To begin with, he said we must convince the younger members of our organization that they will eventually be numbered among the ranks of senior citizens. "You only have two alternatives," he pointed out, "you either die or you become a senior citizen, and no one particularly likes the first alternative. Wharton revealed that in his own case at age 77, he has had a major open heart operation, after which he said "I expect to live to be 100 years old."

Explaining that the old age in our society need a "survival strategy" to see that their needs in health and welfare and other benefits are taken care of, Wharton urged the retirees and their wives in attendance to become involved with senior citizens on a national basis.

He urged the members to join the three million strong National Council



BUSINESS MANAGER DALE MARR Retiree A

cil for Senior Citizens, which has had a good record in the past of helping to pass legislation beneficial for senior citizens as well as labor.

Wharton referred to a statement made by AFL-CIO President George Meany in which he said, "The AFL-CIO supports the National Council of Senior Citizens because the seniors organization has stood shoulder to shoulder with organized labor in campaigns for Medicare, for improved social security benefits, for the new federal law forbidding age discrimination in employment and other union backed legislative measures."

Wharton also referred to a recommendation made by the late President Lyndon B. Johnson where he said "Without the National Council of Senior Citizens, there would have been no medicare."

Wharton pointed out that the nominal fee for joining the national organization would give seniors in Local 3 an opportunity of "contribut-



RETIREES WERE TREATED to the

osts Retiree Picnic



introduces IUOE President Emeritus Hunter P. Wharton to retirees at the annual association picnic held at Rancho Murieta Training Center.



BUSINESS MANAGER DALE MARR (above center) and IUOE President Emeritus Hunter P. Wharton had a chance to get together with some of the old timers before dinner was served. EVERYONE WAS SERVED thick slices of roast beef (left) with all the trimmings. The lines were long but it was worth waiting for. A SPECIAL PRESENTATION (below) was given to Hunter Wharton by Director of Safety Jerry Martin. The gift was a small segment of the cable used on the Golden Gate Bridge, which recently had a new set of cables installed by Local 3 members.

ing on a national basis toward the senior citizens movement." He also encouraged the retirees to become more active within Local 3's own Retiree Association, saying that "When we're working in behalf of senior citizens in our own organization, we are working in behalf of senior citizens throughout our country."

Over 1,900 retirees attended the annual picnic at Rancho Murieta.

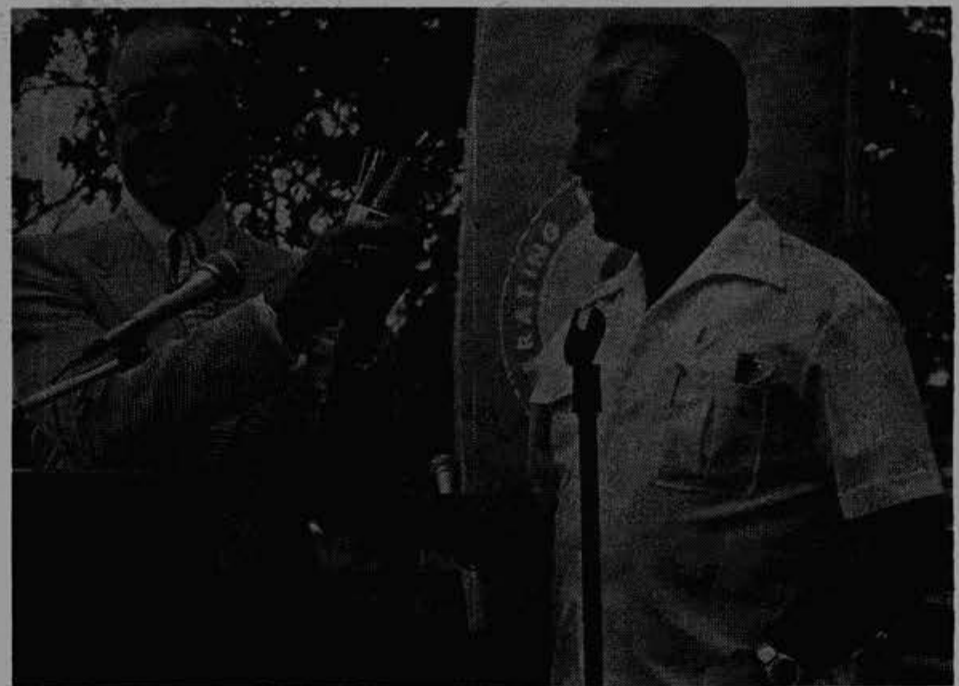
Retirees enjoyed a roast beef dinner to country and western music by Country Fever. Several presentations were made. Chief among them was the recognition given to Larry Walker (see front page picture) as the member in attendance with the longest record as an Operating Engineer. Walker, who became a member of the Operating Engineers in 1928 still fell short of Hunter Wharton's 51 years of membership with the Operating Engineers.

Local 3's own Retiree Association, which operated for a number of years on a loosely organized basis is

now a chartered, well organized group working towards the goal of "bringing retirees together as a group to work for their own advancement in political and other areas."

In keeping with a commitment he had made, Business Manager Dale Marr began organizing the Retiree Association as we know it today following his election to business manager of Local 3. An initial round of meetings were set up and attended by the Local 3 officers for retirees in October and November 1974. From these meetings the Retiree Association was set up with 20 chapters throughout the jurisdiction, elected officers and bylaws.

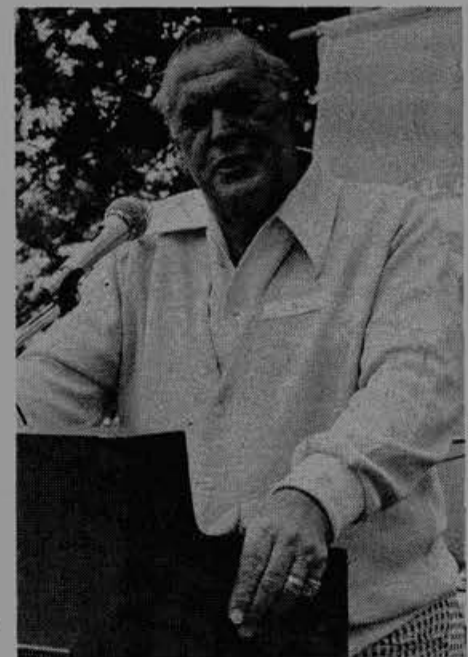
Attendance at the chapter meetings reached a remarkable total of over 3,000 the first year. Now over 5,000 strong, the Local 3 Retiree Association enjoys the distinction as an organization that has been used as a model for other union retiree groups throughout the country.



western music of Country Fever.



FOLLOWING THE DINNER, retirees listened while Business Manager Dale Marr (right) spoke a few words.



Big Catch For Hawaii Agent

Blue Marlin Sets Charter Boat Record

Business Rep. Willy Crozier is the proud owner of a new record which was set for Brother Cho's charter fishing boat, the Makaala-C recently off the Island of Hawaii.

The accompanying picture shows the 742-lb. Pacific Blue Marlin that was landed aboard Al Cho's charter fishing boat. The fortunate angler, Willy Crozier of Hilo, gives full credit for his fine catch to the able and competent skipper and crew of the Makaala-C.

According to Crozier the fishing trip started out at a very slow pace on that beautiful Sunday morning. They departed from Honokahau Harbor near Kailua-Kona early and started to fish the proven big game areas near the Kona coast. The entire morning went by without so much as a single strike. Although there was no action as far as fishing, the beautiful day and calm sea made it a relaxing and peaceful time to enjoy nature's great ocean. The porpoises were all around the boat and they put on quite a show by swimming near the surface and coming up so that their backs and fins would be out of the water. They would swim very near the boat and play in the bow wake, then they would swim right up to the bow of the boat and dive straight down into the ocean until they were out of sight. Occasionally some of them would leap clear out of the water while they were playing.

After lunch, Captain Cho decided to try another of his favor-

ite fishing grounds and we proceeded to fish that area. It was not long after we arrived in this area before one of the large big game fishing reels started to scream under the strain of some large fish that was taking line off of the reel at a terrific speed. This fish was pulling so hard and fast that after the hook was set, getting the rod and reel connected to the fighting harness and set in the fighting gimbals proved to be quite a chore. After everything was finally set up to fight, the fish was still running off with line until it had taken out over 800 yards and the remaining 200 yards of line on the reel was going out fast. For a few minutes it looked as though all of the line was going to be ripped off of the reel. It was only because of the way Captain Cho maneuvered his boat and the way he skillfully backed down on the line that we were able to finally stop the loss of line and eventually retrieved some of it. On several occasions, after retrieving the line, this marlin again made several runs away from the boat and took off with hundreds of yards of line.

Finally after a fight that seemed to last forever the marlin was finally brought to gaff under the skillful direction of Al who was assisted by Al Jr., who is his deckhand on big game trips.

After it was killed all who were on board tried to help and pull it aboard but it could not be done. So finally Brother Cho decided to tie it behind the boat and tow it back to the pier at Kailua-Kona.

On the way back to Kailua-Kona you can be sure that it was a very happy crew and fishing party that could not stop talking about our catch and every few minutes walk back to the stern and admire this big beautiful fish. After we were under way back to the pier, we needed a lot of beer

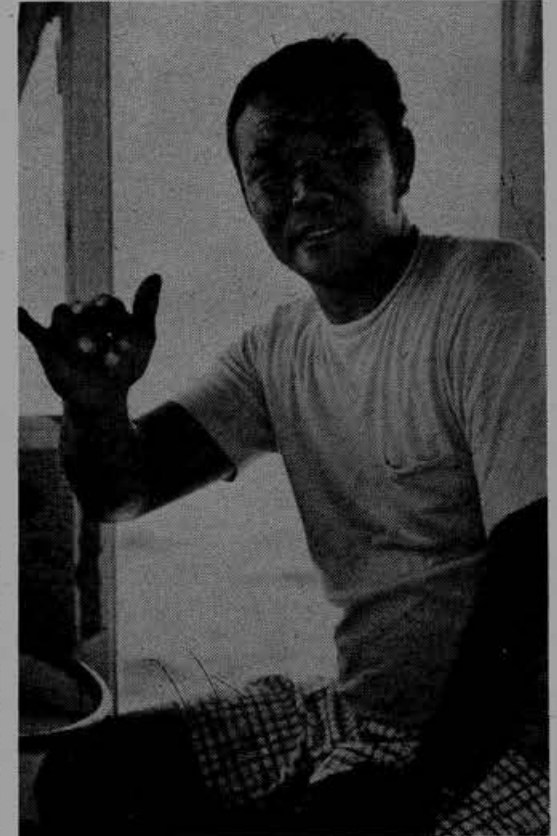
to replenish our strength and energy, but mostly to celebrate our good luck.

It really is a great sight to see such a large and strong game fish leap clear out of the water at the beginning of a fight. It is hard to describe the strength and agility of these beautiful creatures when they are fighting.

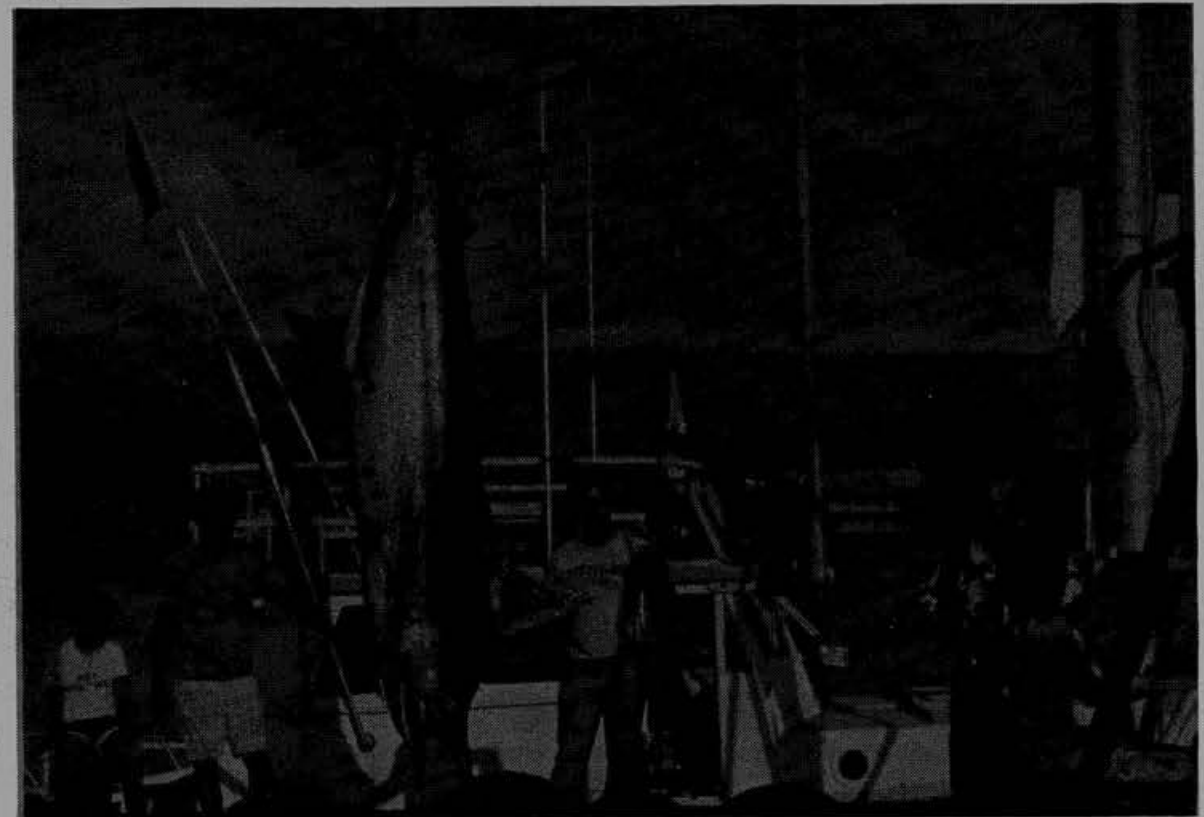
Brother Cho is to be congratulated on catching this 742 pounder on his boat. However, this is not the first marlin that he has caught over the 700 pounds mark. A few years back he landed another marlin that weighed it at about 721 pounds near Kawaihae on the northwest coast of the Island of Hawaii. We would like to congratulate Brother Al Cho on his second over 700 pounds marlin and now would like to hear from him again when he lands the third one of this size.

Congratulations again, Brother Cho, and good fishing!

At The Helm



Brother Alvin Cho (right) at the helm of his boat, "Makaala-C" Below is the 742-lb. Blue Marlin caught (from left to right) by Willy Crozier IV, Alvin Cho and Willy Crozier III.



Fairfield Dist. Settles In

"After much confusion we are now settled in our new office at 1245 Travis Blvd., Fairfield," announces Hugh Bodam, Assistant District Representative. "The new telephone number for the dispatch offices 707-429-5009. Stop by and say hello."

According to Bodam "The members in our district are quite pleased that the office is centrally located within Solano County, which makes it more convenient for them to reach the office.

"We have a number of small jobs going, keeping some of our brothers busy, and we are looking for a lot more money to be released to provide many more jobs.

"Our thanks to George Baker and his staff for their help during our move."

Shift Hours Change At RMTC

Beginning May 9, 1977 the working hours at RMTC will be 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for the summer months.

Work In Sacramento Area Picking Up

District Representative Clem Hoover reports that work in the Sacramento area is picking up. Granite Const. and A. Teichert Co. are both cranking up on their sewer projects in the south area. Teichert has most of the dirt moved adjacent to Freeport Blvd. and the railroad tracks to make the pad for the underground line to go in. They now have an excavation for a connecting structure at Meadowview Road and Freeport Blvd. that will connect Granite's job and theirs. Both contractors will be putting pipe in the ground shortly.

Hoover said the County sewer plant is a "beehive of activity." Huber, Hunt & Nichols is getting underway with the main plant structure and are adding more people to their payroll from time to time. J. W. Sabad has the bulk of the dirt moved and has cut back on their work force. They have most of the underground and all the backfill, so they will keep a good size crew for most of the duration of the project, he explained. Limbach Co has started on the mechanical portion, but they will require very few operating engineers. Pacific Ready Mix is supplying the concrete with an on-site batch plant. They have two operating engineers employed and

will be there for the duration of the job.

Holiday Inn has the green light for their hotel in the downtown area. This will be built in the Macy's parking lot between 3rd and 4th Street. The other hotel office complex at 19th and K Street still has not won City Council's approval.

"The subdivision work is still going strong in the Sacramento area," said Hoover. "It has been the lifeblood of our work picture for the last two years. All the local contractors have their full crews going full time building streets, housepads, underground, etc. Granite, Teichert, Repco, and Collet just to mention a few report they have a heavy work load for the summer which will keep those brothers busy."

We have several contracts that are up for negotiations, Hoover pointed out, which will "keep us busy for the next couple of months trying to hammer out a good agreement for the brothers affected by those agreements. We are also busy in the organizing field and have several new contracts to put together with these employers that will be acceptable to our new brothers that are employed by the employers," he said.

Hoover announced that the Sacramento office is beginning to get

calls from brothers about violations of the contract by different employers. "We would just like to say we really appreciate these calls," he said. They have resulted in putting several brothers to work as well as collecting monies for manning violations. These calls are kept confidential and are very helpful to all the agents.

Business Rep. Bill Marshall reports that Auburn Constructors at the Auburn Dam is still working three shifts placing concrete. This should last for about six weeks, he said, and by then "we are hoping we will have the go ahead on the main body of the dam."

"We are still looking for the Sugar Pine Dam project—bids to be let soon," said Marshall. "This will be a dirt filled dam, and that means it will be mostly engineers on this project. The contract is supposed to be let in the next 30 days for the widening of Highway 49 from the Southern Pacific Railroad crossing in Auburn to the Dry Creek Road crossing. This will be about 2.2 miles of widening and overheads."

Boyles Bros. Drilling is keeping some of the brothers working ten hours a day, five days a week. They are working two shifts too. They are drilling the test holes for the Bureau of Reclamation to

check for faults in the Auburn Dam.

Dig It Engineering and Construction was awarded a two hundred and forty-nine thousand dollar contract by the Nevada Irrigation District for the construction of the North Combie Aqueduct Phase III. Marshall said this will put some of the brothers to work for three or four months.

The gravel plants in the mountains are still keeping the brothers going and have been all winter long.

Industrial Asphalt will be going full bore by the time this gets in the paper and back to you. This plant is run by two of our good brothers. The plant engineer is Roy Steer and the boxman is Bill Thomas.

"At this time we have subdivisions on every corner," said Marshall. "This is keeping A. Teichert, Granite, Repco Const. and R. C. Collett busy. This type of excavating has kept them busy all winter long."

Business Rep. George Morgan reports that "we are going under way in an election with Tahoe Ford in Tahoe City.

"We are also in the process of negotiating with A. Goetz & Son out of Sacramento, who is in the sales of equipment rental," he said.

Oakland District Report

Business Rep. Bob Marr reports that the work picture is improving but "we must not let our guard down. The need to become even more involved in politics is of utmost importance," he says.

"If you brothers will take a look at your city councils you will see some very interesting things. In almost every city in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties the councils will have people who are pro-growth, and those who are no-growth," he points out.

"Once we have identified these people we must begin to strongly support or fight them, depending upon which way they lean. If there are those who seem to be riding the fence, then we must begin to talk to them in order to get our concerns and needs across to them.

"The single most important thing we can do is vote in every single election there is," Marr added. "Too many times I have heard people say that an election is not important. When this happens we are only hurting ourselves.

"Over the years we have allowed the environmentalists to become entrenched in local areas such as school boards, park boards, planning commissions, city councils, county offices, etc.

Because of this, the schools are teaching our kids to be no-growthers, the parks are buying up land, not to be used but just so that nothing can be built there; planning commissions are deliberately choking the communities by undersizing sewer systems, and city councils are placing such excessive demands on projects that they become economically impossible to build. Put all these together and you end up out of work, so please — TAKE AN INTEREST IN YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT."

City's Order: One Tree To Go

Business Rep. Chuck Ivie reports that the Pittsburg City Planning Commission "weighed the value of a tree and a hamburger" recently and the tree lost. A developer asked to saw down a full grown eucalyptus tree to make room for a Jack-In-The-Box Restaurant and after a month of planning, a compromise was worked out.

According to Ivie the City of Pittsburg is getting started for a big boom, with housing going full bore. All kinds of plans are in the fire to take care of the new residents that are going to be

moving into the new homes.

The Planning Commission has given the go ahead for construction of two shopping centers with one more still on the drawing board. The two centers that have the go ahead are going at a tune of 4.5 million with the one on the board with a price of 3.5 million. A. D. Seeno Construction of Pittsburg will be the builder of the two shopping centers, plus the third one if it gets off the board. "This will create a few jobs for everybody," Ivie points out.

Pittsburg is also building a new hospital, plus another grammar school and also they are going to be redoing several streets.

Ivie also reports that Concord and Walnut Creek have four road jobs coming up in the future at a grand total of 4.6 million. These are on ramps, widening of intersections, etc. All of the jobs in progress are moving along just fine, he says. "We hope to hear something on the Sewage Treatment Plant in Concord in June; estimate is 50 million."

Madonna Construction in Concord is coming along just fine. O. C. Jones has the parking lot at the Concord Pavilion and is making good time.

According to Business Rep. Hank Monroe, the work situation

Sewer Bids Open

Business Rep. Bill Parker reports that bids on Humboldt Bay Wastewater Authority sewer project will be opened in the near future, and he plans to have further information by the next issue of the *Engineers News*.

On May 9th bids were opened for Smith River Water System with Jaeger Cons't of Yuba City low bidder at \$619,000, Parker announced. This job amounts to 21,000 ft. of 8 inch, 11,000 ft. of 6 inch, and 2,000 ft. of 4 inch main line plus services. All the main lines will be completed in 30 days. The company will either use two 680 Case Backhoes or a trencher, the ditch will only be about 5 feet deep, this job should be completed and paved within 120 days. Bob Saling will be the superintendent on this job.

Jim Johnson of Garberville was the low bidder at \$319,443 on a water project for the Orick Community Water District System.

The sewer job in McKinleyville is moving along. Christeve Corp.

is expected to complete its portion by the last of August or the first of September. Jaeger Cons't plans to complete its portion by July. 3-D Cons't is moving along a little slower, but they are ahead of schedule.

Nally Enterprises will start in the near future on their Park and Recreation project located at Coopers Gulch. Also, Nally Enterprises has moved equipment onto their Forest Service job at Gasquet. It shouldn't take long to complete this job for they moved most of the dirt last year, they have a few slides to remove and place the gravel.

Eastco Cons't Co. of Redding has started on their job on Hiway 199 with five Brother Engineers working to date.

Paul Easley Cons't of Redding has started on his small job on Hiway 36.

Pete Barretta of Ukiah has started his \$400,000 job on Hiway 36 at Bridgeville.

definitely looks better in Western Contra Costa County. All of the local paving contractors are busy. O. C. Jones, Ransome Company, Asphalt Surfacing, George Peres, Bay Cities Excavating, Lindquist, and Carone Bros.

Besides that, Gallagher & Burk at Hercules, Centex Homes, already with 45 engineers on the day shift has just started a swing shift operation with 7-9 scrapers, 3 dozers, 1 pactor, and 1 Bee-gee. (Continued on Page —, Col. —)

New Meridian Bridge Opens To Traffic

Business Rep. George Halsted reports that work on the West Side has moved forward this past month. Reach 6 for the Tehama-Colusa Canal was let with Ball, Ball & Brosamer being the low bidder on the job at \$18.9 million.

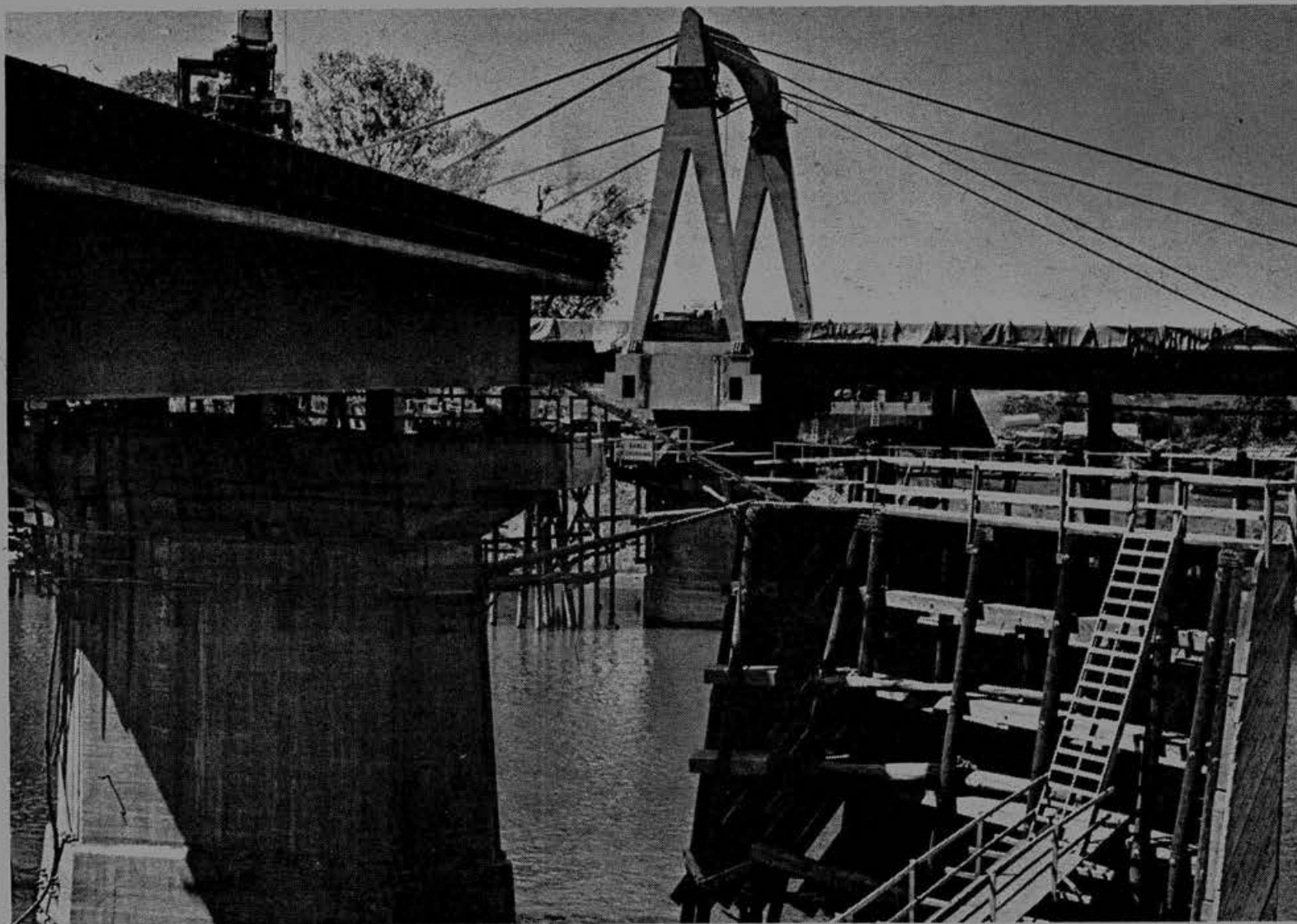
The new Meridian Bridge was opened to traffic on May 10, 1977—this job is just about finished. Claude C. Wood is working on the East side of the Sacramento River Levee. This job is finishing up with some very capable operators such as: Bobby Darrough and his Oiler, Charlie Sehorn.

Robinson moved in on the new Chico Service Center in Chico—they are doing the site work and, in addition, will be doing the paving on this job. The Material Plants have been up and down at the present with Butte Creek Rock about finished reworking their Plant at Stoney Creek. Hydro Conduit is still working overtime and starting up another machine.

Shops are also slow at the present time, said Halstead, and "we hope that this will change in the very near future." Jaeger Construction is still working on some new street work in Yuba City.

Business Rep. Dan Mostats reports that work on the East Side is starting to pick up somewhat. Syblon-Reid Company from Folsom, California was the low bidder on the site improvement project Phase I at Beale Air Force Base at \$1,221,642. They are presently on the job and working six days a week—10 hours a day.

The plan for the Air Force is to build a giant radar facility on this site. The Air Force is anticipating the radar facility to cost in the neighborhood of \$28 million and



TRAFFIC WAS ADMITTED on the new Meridian Bridge on May 10. This view is looking west from Meridian.

will be designed to scan 240 degrees of the West Coast watching for sea-launched ballistic missiles from as far as 3,000 miles away. The Air Force acknowledges the radar facility as the Pave Paws System. They are in the hopes of having this facility in operation by 1980.

According to Mostats, Robinson Construction in Oroville is doing a fair amount of work around the area. They have a road job that should start any time now on Hon-Cut Road off of Highway 70 South of Oroville, which will employ a

few more members. Robinson is also doing some work on the Kelley Ridge Marina Boat Ramp.

Murray and McCormick from Sacramento, California is back on the Kelley Ridge project in Oroville doing another section of the survey work. Work in the hills is also picking up somewhat. O'Hair Construction from the Redding area has just landed an overlay job in the Feather River Canyon on Highway 70 South of Quincy.

Ray Huntington Construction from Quincy, California has just set up a portable crusher and

screening plant on Highway 70 South of Belden and they are now in full swing. They will be supplying O'Hair Construction with all of their material, said Mostats.

Blood Bank

District Representative Alex Cellini would like to thank the following individuals for their donations to the blood bank: Evan Barley, Kenneth Bettis, Carol Burns, Raymond Dolce, Thomas Ewing, William H. Fortney, Carol Fortney and Lee Garner. If anyone wishes to donate to our Blood

Bank, you may do so at the following locations (and please remember to tell them the donation is for Marysville District, Operating Engineers): CHICO—169 Chasset Road, Every Monday, 3:00-6:00 p.m. Every Tuesday, 8:00-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m. Every Friday, 8:00-11:00 a.m.; MARYSVILLE — Marysville Art Club, 2nd Tuesday of each month, 1:00-6:00 p.m.; OROVILLE—THIS IS A NEW LOCATION—Thermalito Grange Hall, 479 Plumas Avenue, 1st Thursday of every month, 1:00-6:00 p.m.

More From Santa Rosa

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Clearing is completed on Unit 12—C. R. Fedrick with dirt work just starting to roll. Unit 15 will be the first of the four power houses to go on line, with a tentative completion date of September 1978. Unit 13, the last, tentatively scheduled to start sparking in July 1979. Collectively, the four units will supply an additional 406,000 kilowatts, almost doubling the geyser output.

According to Pat O'Connell, Peter Kiewit and Sons and Sully-Miller are keeping about thirty engineers busy in Lake County on the North side of the lake with collector lines and laterals in Lucerne and Nice. J. C. Plumbing in Clearlake Highlands is fighting rock, Division of Industrial Safety and labor problems.

Lange Bros. is keeping busy at three locations in Mendocino County and at Snow Mtn. Parnum Paving and Mendocino Aggregates are starting their overlay jobs at various locations in Mendocino County.

Brother Bill Adams recently retired and is firmly established in his refurbished resort in the Clearlake Highlands; P.O. Box 258—(707) 994-6474. The resort features cabin and boat rentals; also some of Lake County's better fishing guides.



Teaching Techs

By ART PENNEBAKER
Administrator,
Surveyors' JAC

Not too many months ago CAL-TRANS terminated the employment of a large number of employees and thereby increased the number of unemployed in the already depressed private enterprise engineering, surveying and related occupations. Many of the CAL-TRANS employees are Registered Engineers or Licensed Land Surveyors.

Within the structure of CAL-TRANS the Registered and Licensed employees have worked diligently and somewhat successfully to place registration and licensing requirements on many previously technical classifications in order to protect their job opportunities within the state governmental organization.

As one part of that effort, certain changes to the regulations of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers were made. Those changes affect all engineers and surveyors both in and out of government.

The changes affect not only employees who have collective bargaining agreements with Local No. 3, but can vitally affect every Journeyman Chief of Party and aspiring Chief of Party who is currently employed by private enterprise employers.

Boiled down to the simplest terms the question is: Does "responsible charge" mean hiring competent persons, directing their work, applying adequate checks and balances to the work and then certifying that work by affixing the Registration or License Seal?

Does "responsible charge" mean that only a Registered Engineer or Licensed Land Surveyor can perform the work?

The new Section 404.1 of the Regulations appears to indicate that every survey party would be required to contain one Registered Engineer or Licensed Land Surveyor or at the very least, perhaps, have one stand-by to personally observe the survey crew's every move.

As stupid as this may seem it is now a part of Chapter 5 of Title 16 of the California Administrative Code (Section 404.1).

The California Council of Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors is opposing the new regulation and it is our understanding that the Council is preparing a lawsuit in an attempt to redefine "responsible charge" as it is imposed by the new regulation.

In addition, Ed Park, the Union's Legislative Advocate in Sacra-

mento, is working on the project at the present time.

Over 200 Operating Engineer Local Union No. 3 Tech Engineer members have viewed the Roadway Safety presentation prepared for the Northern California Surveyors Joint Apprenticeship Committee by the staff of the Local Union No. 3 Public Relations Department. In addition, the presentation has been shown to the annual meeting of the Bay Counties Employer Association, three of its chapters and the presidents of all the chapters of the California Council of Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors. Inquiries from other entities desiring a showing will be considered by the N. C. S. J. A. C. at its next meeting.

This first production is not a Cecil B. DeMille extravaganza . . . it was produced as a simple reminder to: DO WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO, BUT BE CAREFUL! !

Reaction, thus far, has been accepting and there have been many comments that future presentations covering other phases of surveyor safety could be productive. Consequently, it will be recommended to the N. C. S. J. A. C. that another segment of Safety for the surveyor be implemented. Most suggestions, thus far, tend toward a presentation revolving around the use of tools and the hazards of working around heavy equipment.

The collective bargaining process has begun and, yes, Apprenticeship is an integral part of the discussions. Both Union and Management will be applying several years of experience to the needs and desires concerning training of both new entrants and experienced Journeymen who are broadening their skills.

It would be well for all trainees to respond to the call for the ratification meetings when negotiations have been completed.

The Joint Apprenticeship Committee and the Trust are in the process of making accommodations for Apprentices hired under the provisions of Labor Code Section 1777.5.

All public works jobs now contain requirements for a contractor to hire Apprentices in the ratio of 1-5. Even when not required by a collective bargaining agreement to make contributions to a training fund, the public works contract will make such a requirement.

The amended law should provide more job opportunities for Apprentices and more revenue to operate the expanded Training Program.

Talking To Techs



MIKE WOMACK
Paul Schissler
Gene Machado

Recently a contract violation was processed under the Grievance procedure for a hiring violation. A grievance under the Union By-Laws was also filed on the member involved. The member was working without being properly dispatched. He was notified to appear before the Grievance Committee for the Oakland District. The employer has now paid wages and fringes for each day plus 20 per cent Liquidated Damages as provided in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. The member was reprimanded and is currently on probation.



Mike Womack

This may appear harsh to some members, however, this member was currently dispatched to a firm normally working on a day shift. Then working for a different firm on a night shift, which is in direct violation of Union By-Laws and not fair to those other members sitting on the Out of Work List.

While the eastern part of the United States is confronted with an energy crisis brought on by a rough winter the western part of the United States faces an energy crisis brought on by an extremely mild winter.

In Northern California we are largely dependent on hydroelectricity, which poses a strong likelihood of electric rationing in the near future. Isn't it ironic that the one energy source that is totally unaffected by weather, transportation, water and fuel shortages is nuclear power plants? They continued to produce nonpolluting energy which only reaffirms the wisdom of the voters. This is a continuing battle by your Union Representatives.

We have recently concluded several rounds of pre-negotiation meetings with Surveyors working under the Tech Engineering Master Agreement and have had our first meeting with Bay and North Counties Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors Associations, Inc. Additional meetings are scheduled.

At the request of Dale Marr, the Tech Reps assisted the full Negotiating Committee with facts and arguments concerning the Technical Engineer provisions in the Associated General Contractor's Master Agreement.



USING THE NEW 3810 Total Station, Chief of Party Bob Bryant (left on upper picture) and soils technician Jim Pierce work on a subdivision in the San Ramon area. ABOVE Bob Kingslet (left) and Jack Horan are pictured at a housing development in Rodeo. AFTER 29 YEARS of work (side picture), steward Jim Wilson (left) is retiring from his job with Pittsburg Testing Laboratories. He is pictured with technician Ray Denny (right).

More From Utah

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All the concrete treated base and concrete aggregate will be made at White Hill.

Flaming Gorge Dam

According to Daugherty, Osberg Construction Company from Seattle, Washington will get started this month on a four and a half million dollar water duct system at Flaming Gorge Dam. The purpose of this project is to regulate the water temperature that flows into the Green River. The fish in the Green will not spawn so they will migrate to the Colorado River and out of Utah unless the water is regulated. This water duct system will require hard hat divers who will be working 220 feet deep in the lake.

James Reed & Company has started both of their projects in Daniels' Canyon. The total of both projects is approximately four and one half million dollars. This job will be a combination of both scrapers and trucks. The Company should employ approximately 30 Operators.



ATTEND YOUR
UNION MEETINGS

The Oakland Work Picture

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This was done to take advantage of the moist dirt in the cut before it dries out this summer, Monroe says. This extra shift should last for about 4 to 6 weeks.

Oliver DeSilva has the major dirt moving out at Citation Homes, Rodeo. Independent got all the easy dirt in the 2nd phase and left the rock for "Oliver" so we will see how it works out.

Housing Contracts

Business Rep. Buford Barks reports that housing tracts and commercial developments are "looking up all over the place."

Union City, Newark and Fremont have from 5 to 500 lots and footings staked out and graded for single family and apartment complexes underway, "and the builders tell me that they are being sold at the first showing of models—as many as 400 units from the first 60 unit showing," says Barks.

The gravel plants are holding up to a 5 day workweek.

Central Contra Costa

In Central Contra Costa, Business Rep. Dewitt Markham reports that the dirt crews have "kicked it up a notch or two."

Lamal Enterprises is moving it at Montivadao, San Ramon—about 250,000 yards here. "They also bought some new iron, so it looks like they have the work lined up," Markham says.

Foster Exc. will be moving into Twin Creeks soon. They are running the finish work out at both

Blackhawk and Whitegate now.

Independent Construction has picked up three new jobs. One on Vine Hill, just over the hill, another in back of McAlveys, and the third on the hill—Pleasant Hill Rd. Jim Logsdon is pushing this one, with Bill Delamater, Corry Simpson, Hank DeWeese, Jim Ventura, Claude Simms, Jim Cook, and Frenchy Thiverge making up the crew. This crew just finished up at Rudgear Estates where "they moved the dirt just right," according to Markham.

Gallagher & Burk is still at it in Rossmoor. They're in the finish work on a small unit, waiting to go on the next one "if the city planners will ever get off their duffs," Markham said.

Ernest Pestana is running strong at Blackhawk, Twin Creeks, and a dozen other small jobs.

The small operators, Sam Levy, Hasenpflug, McCullough, etc., have been busy up and down the valley.

Assistant District Rep. Ron Butler reports that Peterson Tractor Company in San Leandro has slowed down again, with these brothers working 3 weeks on and 1 off, and a few laid off.

"We have reached agreement with Tilden Park Golf Course after a four day strike," Butler says, "and these brothers are now back to work."

"We have reached agreement with San Ramon Golf and will soon be entering negotiations with Round Hill Country Club and Diablo Country Club."

"In the next few days we will be having our first bargaining session with Alcan Metal Powders. This is always a tough one," says Butler, "but we look forward to getting a good agreement for these brothers."

Truck Cranes

Truck crane rental is starting to pick up a bit in the Bay Area, according to Business Rep. William Dorresteyn.

Sheedy has been doing fair to good and looks as they are getting quite a bit of future work. They have their 150 American Truck Crane at 7th & Market and will be there awhile setting stone. They have a 80 Ton Truck Crane taking down a tower in San Francisco on 4th Street.

"I talked to their estimator, Joe Pacheco, and he said he's got lots of work coming, 17 different jobs on paper from small to larger

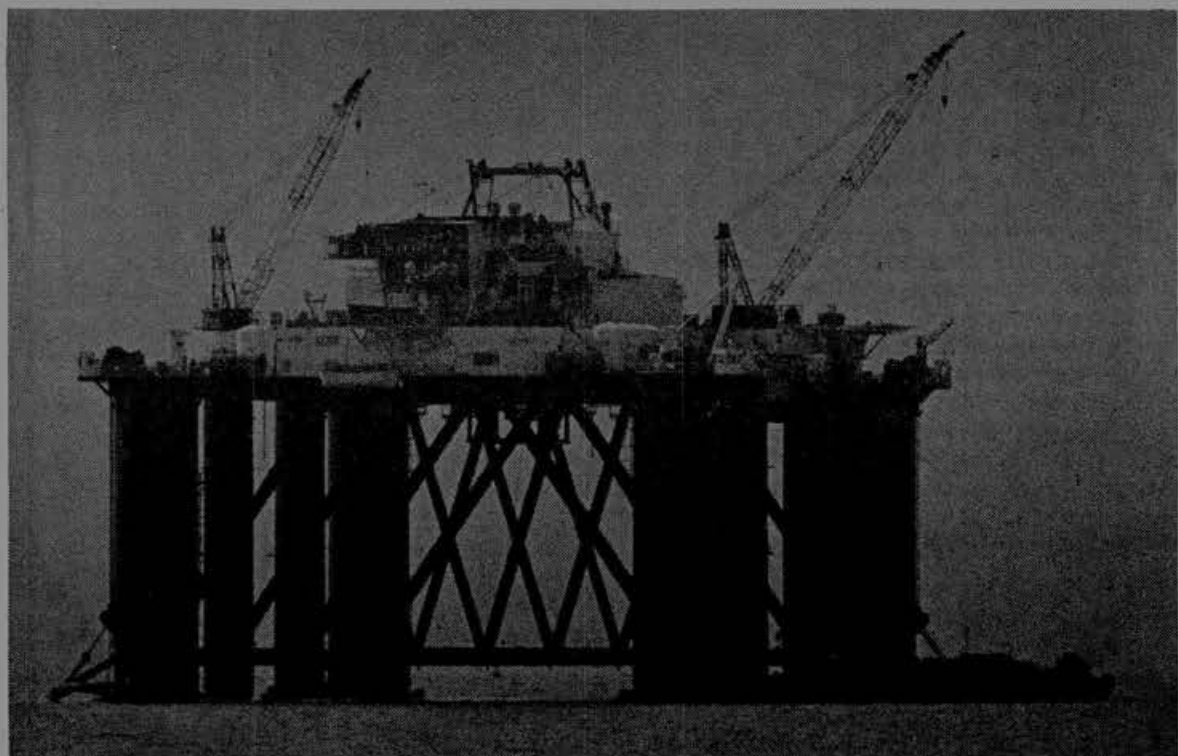
ones," says Dorresteyn. "They will be doing a little work at U. C. Berkeley and at the Rad. Lab. in Livermore. At U.C. it will be two 80 ton cranes for this job. They have a nice one also coming up at the Veteran's Hospital. This looks good as work at Sheedy has been a little slow."

Winton Jones is picking up, as they have a rig rented to Bay Cities at Lyon Oil for their shut down. They have some rigs going into Exxon for a large turn around, probably three or four cranes. They have some work at Central Sanitary and a few small jobs all around Contra Costa

County. They have a job at the Dow Plant and also a rig out for S. J. Groves.

Dorresteyn talked to Olin Jones, Winton's son, and he is getting his cutter dredge ready for a May start on a project. He just hired Steve Morrell, a very good Dredgeman for this operation.

Rosendahl is still bare leasing their equipment and selling their big cranes except for their crawlers. He has two mechanics full-time keeping this stuff going and also painting and repairing cranes they have for sale. According to Dorresteyn, it looks as though he (Continued on Page 16, Col. 4)



Black Gold Seeker

If you've noticed this giant offshore drilling rig near the Bay Bridge, it's not searching for oil—yet. Built by Kaiser Steel in Vallejo, this \$52 million structure is earmarked for Sedco Maritime Co., a drilling contractor which had leased it to Sun Oil Co. for two years of exploration in the Gulf of Alaska.



WITH SAFETY IN MIND

By JERRY MARTIN, Director of Safety

Don't Let Carbon Monoxide Spoil Your Vacation—For Good

Think Safety Work And Play Safely



Jerry Martin

Now that most of us have maintained a position of keeping ourselves safe and healthy all these months and months; at work, at home, and yes, at play; don't blow it in these next few months. Now that the vacation season is upon us, and many of us are making plans, that as soon as the children finish the school term, the whole family will load up and hit the road, wherever our hearts desire, and our pocket books will allow us.

Most of us are well aware of the pitfalls where serious injury and even death can overtake us while we vacation; the boating, fishing, horseback riding, hiking, hunting, skin diving, water skiing, etc. . . . to name a few. As a matter of fact some of our families have made formal plans on the do's and don'ts of all phases of their vacation so they'll be enjoying themselves to the fullest and still return home hale and hearty AND SAFELY.

Yes, if we can see, feel, taste or smell a hazard or a potential problem most of us can more generally figure out a way to handle these situations. But what do you do when there is a silent KILLER nearby, as a matter of fact, right in the very midst of your families or friends; and you cannot see, feel, taste or smell this KILLER?

Several years ago there was a report of three safety experts who had gone camping and fishing and all three lost their lives. It seems the campsite cabin was well pro-

vided for and these three Safety Experts made all the precautions of how to provide for a fun trip and within the guidelines of total safety. Their one and only fatal mistake was the fact that they ALL gave little attention to the propane refrigerator located in the cabin and the CARBON MONOXIDE gas given off put them in the deepest sleep of all—DEATH. There have been innumerable persons killed by carbon monoxide from various types of portable camping equipment, including grills, heaters, stoves and lanterns.

Many deaths have occurred in campers, trailers, automobiles, boats (with cabins) and even in waterproofed tents. In fact, any enclosure that will allow carbon monoxide to accumulate is a deadly, deadly place to be. Most deaths have been attributed to a propane or butane heater. But any type of fuel-burning device poses a potential threat. One reported case of two children were killed in a pickup camper after they fell asleep while reading in bed by the light of a propane lantern.

In one case the pickup camper unit itself was the problem. Three children were riding in the back while the parents were up front in the cab—a very dangerous practice. Carbon monoxide leaked into the camper from the exhaust system and the kids fell asleep. Luckily their father had to stop and gas up and found the three kids only unconscious.

Any form of combustion will produce some carbon monoxide but the concentrations usually don't become dangerous unless there is an improper mixture of air and fuel, insufficient ventilation of combustion gases or not enough fresh air intake.

Most of these camping devices include a printed warning, "USE ONLY WITH ADEQUATE VENTILATION". But in many cases it may be utterly impossible to get adequate ventilation in a small camper. And there's no way you can be sure until it's too late. In one reported case, the victims had opened the roof vents and the side vents of their camper, yet they still died.

A little carbon monoxide goes a long way. It's absolutely dangerous, even in small concentrations because it's absorbed into the blood—very similar—but much more readily than oxygen. The chemical reaction of what actually takes place is that the hemoglobin (the red coloring matter of the red corpuscles which carries oxygen from the lungs to the body tissues, and carbon dioxide from the tissues to the lungs) in the blood grabs onto the carbon monoxide and ignores the oxygen. To put it vrey simply, without oxygen you're dead.

Air with a concentration of only .04 per cent carbon monoxide will give you a headache in an hour or two, but once you go to sleep, you've had it. You'll never wake up again.

Sleeping bags or wool blankets are the best way to sleep in the chilled air of camping. It's just not worth the risk to use any type of portable heating device while you sleep, and this includes charcoal hibachi's or barbecue cookers.

These are some of the disasters we learn about, and believe me, I'd be derelict of my duty if I didn't pass this information along to all of you. You may even call this information to the attention of your neighbors and friends.

Please have a safe vacation.

Job Stewards Activated

Week Ending May 13, 1977

Dist. Name	Agent
30 Dewayne Johnson	A. McNamara
60 Lloyd Olen	G. Halsted
90 Robert Gagan	B. Fleckenstein
10 George Tuso	S. McNulty
10 Lloyd Portlock	S. McNulty
10 Ronald Lyons	S. McNulty
10 Richard Gregory	S. McNulty
10 Jon St. Clair	S. McNulty
11 Wm. King	D. Young
12 Arnold Shields	D. Strate
12 Keith Barney	D. Strate
12 James Bayer	R. Daugherty
12 Bryant Blackner	L. Lassiter
12 Alfred Blonquest	R. Daugherty
12 Jack Snowball	D. Strate
12 Rick Clift	L. Lassiter
12 Roger Huff	D. Strate
12 Doug Johnston	L. Lassiter

Job Stewards Inactivated

Week Ending May 13, 1977

Dist. Name	Agent
01 Samuel Botza	C. Snyder
01 Al Cameron	C. Snyder
01 Alfred Dybdahl	C. Snyder
01 David Geier	C. Snyder
01 Kenneth Holth	C. Snyder
01 Jasper Muccia	C. Snyder
01 Fred Williams	C. Snyder
30 Thomas Aja	S. Winnett
60 A. L. Armstrong	A. Cellini
60 Michael Cunha	A. Cellini
60 Glen Harris	A. Cellini
60 Harold Hudson	A. Cellini
60 Virgil Jarosh	A. Cellini
60 William Salisbury	A. Cellini
12 Bill Child	L. Austin
12 Deloy Condor	L. Austin
12 Terry Hee	R. Daugherty
12 Jack White	D. Strate

San Jose Reports On Members

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Jose (formerly Warner Yates), J. T. Lift Truck, Calstone, Peninsula Building Materials, etc. By the time this article reaches the press, we will have had pre-negotiation meetings with both the

members and companies involved. We are very optimistic that everything will go along just fine."

Fleckenstein was recently nominated as a Treasurer for the Santa Clara Overall Council on Apprenticeship and Training "SCOCAT", which is made up of both Labor and Management Committees. As treasurer, he actively participated in the planning of a recent meeting of the California Apprenticeship Council which turned out to be very successful, he said.

Business Rep. Don Incardona reports that three brother engineers working for Fairley Construction in San Jose have 91 years of service between them.

John Bell, a 35 year member, was born in Los Gatos in 1922. John joined the Union in 1942 and went to work for Permanente. In late 1942 he joined the army and served 3 years as a maintenance sergeant in a flank battalion. After John was discharged he went back to work for Permanente, then he quit to get married, after his honeymoon, John went to

work for Earl W. Heph in charge of a pipe laying crew for 20 years until Heph went out of business. John then went to work for E. T. Haas which is now Fairley Constructors.

D. C. (Doc) Rosecrans was born in 1923 in Southern Oregon. He started in construction in 1942 as a laborer. In April 1947 "Doc" was initiated into Local No. 3 and he went to work for E. T. Haas as a mechanic where he took advantage of his training he received in the Army Engineers. Doc worked as a mechanic, Op-

erator Foreman and a job superintendent until 1963 then he went to work for Bragato Paving Co. in Belmont until 1966. He went back to work for E. T. Haas Co. (now Fairley Const.) and he is now employed as a shop foreman.

John Kapetanich (Kap) was born in Lead, South Dakota, a gold mining town. Being the youngest of five children of a widowed mother, he went to work for the Home Stake Mining Co. for three years at \$5.32 per day. "Kap" quit and went to Butte,

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Overlook Dedicated

This memorial stone overlooks the hills of San Mateo, commemorating Leonard Turner, who was the fatal victim of a hit and run accident while working on Ralston Ave., nearby. Turner had been a member of Local 3 for 25 years.

Letters From The Members



Sokoako, Indonesia

Dear Dale:

Just a note to say hello and congratulations on the election. Man, you don't know how much I miss Local 3 and my friends at home. Even in supervision we have backing there, but here it's frustrating as hell to have top operators and not be able to get the conditions for them that even the kids and newcomers in Local 3 take for granted.

You tell my brothers in Local 3 to thank their lucky stars that they have people like yourself, Huston, Mayfield and the rest of your officers working for them. Amen, enough preaching. But honest to God Dale, when I got here I expected about what I had in Guatemala. Some of my hands had run into people from Local 3 before and it sure made my job easier—I don't know who they were but I'm sure proud of them.

My general foreman and four or five others had Local 3 decals on their hardhats and when I showed them my card, half of my job was done right there. With their help we instituted our safety program and training program that would have taken me at least until now to even get started, as these people have to like you before they understand anything you say.

I'll be home for a couple of weeks in August and plan on picking up my dues again. I know I'll be over here for at least three more years, but after being away from there I figure my dues are the least I can do to support what we believe in.

Well Dale, I'll sign this off for now and say hello to Harold, Bob and the rest of the guys for me. God bless you all.

S. T. Monck

Operating Engineers Local 3:

I wish to express my heart felt gratitude to the Operating Engineers Local 3 of which my husband was a member for many years before his retirement. I would also like to thank you for the beautiful Bible that was given me. I will treasure it always. I am also thankful for the words and kindness given to me in the loss of my beloved husband, Mike Langland.

Sincerely,
Jennie E. Langland
Pollock Pines, CA.

Sir:

I would like to thank the officers and members of Operating Engineers Local 3 for the beautiful memorial edition of the Holy Bible. It has brought me quite a bit of comfort and I find myself reading special texts every morning. Thank you again. My family will treasure this remembrance.

Mrs. H. Gonzalez

Dear Operating Engineers:

I want to thank you for the beautiful Bible you gave me after the passing of my husband Ernest C. Hardin January 27, 1977. He was proud to be a member of the Operating Engineers for many years. Again I want to thank you and God bless each and every one of you.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Della Hardin
Lindsey, CA.

Dear Officers and Members of Local 3:

Thank you for your kindness and understanding in the death of my beloved husband. Thank you for the beautiful white Bible. I shall treasure it always.

Ada Hobson and family

DEPARTED BROTHERS

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

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| Amaral, Fred L. (Gordon Lindsey, Friend) | 4- 6-77 |
| 300 King Avenue, Fremont, Calif. | |
| Ashford, A. M. (Violet, Wife) | 4- 4-77 |
| 515 S 4th East, Sandy, Utah | |
| Bealer, Frank (Bernice, Wife) | 4-22-77 |
| 307 Hewitt St., Santa Rosa, Calif. | |
| Bernardo, Bud (Mary, Wife) | 4-13-77 |
| 2660 Fair Oaks Blvd., Sacramento, Calif. | |
| Brown, James (Margaret, Wife) | 3-29-77 |
| 20703 Meadow Dr., Sonoma, Calif. | |
| Bryan, Warren (Barbara, Wife) | 4- 7-77 |
| 62 Academy, Sanger, Calif. | |
| Cecil, Jeff D. (Idera, Wife) | 4- 5-77 |
| 1066 Princess Anne, San Jose, Calif. | |
| Cox, Grover (Alberta, Wife) | 4- 5-77 |
| P.O. Box 1053, Anderson, Calif. | |
| Everett, Lewis A. (Dorothy, Wife) | 4-14-77 |
| 1457 Fourth St., Red Bluff, Calif. | |
| Gentis, Wm. (Mabel, Mother) | 4-22-77 |
| P.O. Box 2511, Oakland, Calif. | |
| Glem, Maurice (Blanche, Wife) | 4- 9-77 |
| 4191 W 5855 So., Kearns, Utah | |
| Godinez, Cruz (Kate, Wife) | 4- -77 |
| 4864 Kingbrook Dr., San Jose, Calif. | |
| Gordon, Lloyd T. (Norine, Wife) | 3-25-77 |
| 714 "A" St., Union City, Calif. | |
| Grant, Warren (Opal, Wife) | 3-26-77 |
| 874 Douglas Ave., Redwood City, Calif. | |
| Ghilarducci, Leo (Ethel, Wife) | 4-19-77 |
| 3105 Patriot No. 63, Sacramento, Calif. | |
| Hicks, Louis (Diane, Wife) | 4-16-77 |
| St. Rt. Railroad Flt., Mountain Ranch, Calif. | |
| Holmes, Eldon J. (Robert Watt, Friend) | 4-23-77 |
| 1617 Bay Meadows, Modesto, Calif. | |
| Hillery, Frank L. (Ingrid, Wife) | 4- 8-77 |
| 1169 Charlotte Ave, Yuba City, Calif. | |
| Johnston, E. E. (Dorothy, Wife) | 4-18-77 |
| 235 Lyon So. No. 30, Hemet, Calif. | |
| Krpan, Ralph (Catherine Wife) | 4-19-77 |
| P.O. Box 253, Sloughhouse, Calif. | |
| McAllister, Ross (Celia, Wife) | 4-19-77 |
| Rt. 1 Box 102, Orland, Calif. | |
| Martin, Donald (Christina, Daughter) | 4- 3-77 |
| P.O. Box 1662, San Mateo, Calif. | |
| Moseley, J. R. | 3-30-77 |
| (Joyce Ohlheiser, Daughter; Donald Moseley, Son) | |
| P.O. Box 144, Fort Dick, Calif. | |
| Nelson, Randall (Karl Nelson, Nephew) | 4-11-77 |
| 868 W 2nd No., Salt Lake City, Utah | |
| Pattullo, K. L. (N. C. Pattullo, Brother) | |
| 13507 Hwy. 99, So. Everett, Wash. | 3-30-77 |
| Raible, Ronald (Cecelia, Mother) | |
| 1395 Mauna Kea Ln., San Jose, Calif. | |
| Scott, James (Mary, Wife) | 4-25-77 |
| 138 Elm St., Cloverdale, Calif. 95425 | |
| Smart, Arthur (Dale, Wife) | 4-15-77 |
| 4143 Yosemite Blvd., Modesto, Calif. | |
| Stalnaker, B. S. (Otheta, Wife) | 4-11-77 |
| 1749 Lefebure Way, Pinole, Calif. | |
| Walker, France | 4-26-77 |
| (Rita Doran, Daughter; Kyle Walker, Son) | |
| 474 Valencia, San Francisco | |
| Wilmoth, J. B. (Virginia, Wife) | 4-17-77 |
| 7127 Railroad Ave., Palermo, Calif. | |
| Wright, S. L. (Ruby, Wife) | 3-26-77 |
| 161 S. Park Victoria, Milpitas, Calif. | |
| Wyatt, Earl (Oneita, Wife) | 4-22-77 |
| 1651 S. Geo. Washington, Yuba City, Calif. | |

DECEASED DEPENDENTS APRIL 1977

- Adams, Gertrude E.—Deceased April 23, 1977
Wife of Fred Adams
- Austin, Edna—Deceased April 6, 1977
Wife of Chesley Austin
- Hawley, Betty—Deceased March 27, 1977
Wife of William Hawley
- Lowry, Vineta—Deceased April 22, 1977
Wife of Lance Lowry

Swap Shop: Free Want Ads for Engineers

FOR SALE: PERMITS—freight and dirt. Set of bottom dumps. Richard Harris, 763 Canterbury, Livermore, CA 94550. Ph. 415/447-2267. Reg. No. 0786950. 4-77

FOR SALE: 1/2 INCH TORQUE WRENCH, used once, best offer. Herb Nefstead, Reg. No. 0276799. Ph. 731-7807.

FOR SALE: 1936 PACKARD 120 COUPE. Runs good, needs paint, body in good condition. \$3,500. Jay Shulthes, 393 West 200 South, Vernal, UT 84078. Ph. 801/789-1064. Reg. No. 0883689. 4-77

COLLECTOR SEEKS BRITISH MEDALS and decorations. Highest prices

paid. Example: Victoria Cross, \$1,000; British campaign medals from 1815: \$50 to \$250 depending on condition and year. Les Reeve, 302 E 29th Ave., San Mateo, CA 94403. Reg. No. 1051351. 4-77

FOR SALE: EL CAMINO PICKUP w/ camper, 350 c.i. engines. Good Shape. Also, 16 ft. fiber glass boat w/canvas top, 40 hp motor, almost new trailer, all in good shape. Ray Woody, 460 N. Jefferson Street, Dixon, CA. Ph. 916/678-3268. 4-77

FOR SALE: APPROX 1/2 ACRE LOT in Redding, CA. Wooded area, capped

well, sewer, gas, electricity and city water. Can be divided into two parcels. Also two smaller building sites in Redding area. J. Paulazzo, 275 41st Street No. 115, Oakland, CA 94611. Ph. 415/658-6539, or 415/658-3048 after 5 pm and weekends. Reg. No. 0865537. 4-77

FREE TO RETIRED MEMBER WITH MOBILE HOME—generous space w/ utilities on Noyo River, in exchange for caretaker responsibility of small private campground in the redwoods. Joe Risch, Fort Bragg, CA 95437. Reg. No. 0395381. 4-77

FOR SALE: 12 GERMAN ANTIQUE DOLLS—\$90 to \$240. Collectable dolls—\$3 and up. French Bronze statue—\$1,000. French Provincial couch and chair—\$400. Drum table—\$250. Hand carved coffee table and two end tables—\$2,000. Portable B&W TV—\$50. Two silver and crystal lamps for \$150. Much more. Cecil R. Hollars, 211 Valencia, Fairfield, CA 94533. Ph. 707/422-1877. Reg. No. 1058704. 4-77

FOR SALE: TRANSFER UNIT (Sham Bang), 66 kw 10 wheel dump, 66 Reliance trailer, 318 Detroit Jake brakes—\$12,000; with PUC—\$13,500. 1973 Miller title equip., trailer, 32,000 lb—\$5,000. Financing available. Bud Kinney, Rt. 1, Box 438 T, Chico, CA 95926. Ph. 916/342-5863. Reg. No. 0879591. 4-77

FOR SALE: HYDRAULIC DRAG SCRAPER (Murray type), 10 ft. wide 4 cu. yd. cap. Gannon Scraper w/hydr. ripper, late Ford loader attach., several gradall buckets & boom ext. Call John Schiedel, 4040 Bell Rd., Auburn, CA 95603. Ph. 915/885-1886. Reg. No. 1166574. 5-77

FOR SALE: 1974 450C J.D., like new—500 hrs. w/6-way dozer, brush rake, integral arch w/winch, "Gabco" canopy w/side brush guards. \$24,500. Pete Ayerigg, 2490 Silk Road, Windsor, CA 95492. 707/545-6404. Reg. No. 0814911. 5-77

FOR SALE: 1974 W100 Dodge power wagon w/six-pac cab over camper. Reg. Siberian huskies—female and male: \$75. Occasional pups, very beautiful. Steve Thurio, 2036 Meridian, Vacaville, CA 95688. Ph. 707/448-2959. Reg. No. 1566869. 5-77

FOR SALE: 2 1/2 ACRES LAND, Dorris, Calif., near good hunting and fishing. Ideal cabin, retirement home site—\$2,500. A. Carlyle Nelson, P.O. Box 41, Leggett, CA 95455. Reg. No. 0746313. Phone 707/925-6377. 5-77

FOR SALE: H.P. 21 COMP., 2 plumb bobs complete. Hand level, 10 ft. log. H. Baugh, 118 Oakwood Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95405. 707/539-3193. Reg. No. 0651624. 5-77

FOR SALE: JOHN DEERE BACKHOE BUCKETS—14 in., 16 in., 18 in., 20 in., 24 in., 30 in., and 36 in. 1 1/2 and 1 3/4 in. holes in ears. Ears can be changed for the larger holes. Your choice for a steal at \$100 per bucket.

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Personal Notes

Marysville

Get well wishes are extended to Ken Nickelson and Dennis Moreland. It is good to see Verl Donley up and around again! Our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of deceased Public Employee Brother Frank Hillery and Retired Brother Jesse B. Wilmoth.

Sacramento

We regret to report the passing of retired brothers Francis Bernardo, Ralph Krpan, and Leo Ghilarducci.

Redding

Our deepest sympathies to the family and many friends of deceased Brother Lewis Everett who passed away after cancer surgery in April. Also, it is with deep regret we send our sympathies to the family and many friends of deceased Brothers Glover Cox, Ross McAllister, and Robert Dunn who passed away in April.

We wish a speedy recovery to Brothers Bill Lloyd and Max Buhrlé—both Brothers are in Mercy Hospital.

San Rafael

We are sorry to report the passing away of our Brother J. L. Jackson, retired member, and Barney "Buzz" Piombo. Our deepest condolences to their families.

Brother Lloyd Pruitt was hospitalized at Sonoma Hospital for a few days, and is recuperating. Hurry and get well.

Brother Don Verke's wife has been in the hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Bouquets to the 500 persons who attended a banquet at St. Patrick's Hall in Larkspur on Saturday, May 7th and raised over \$17,000 for Mickey Hurley, son of Brother Milo Hurley. Mickey was involved in a dune buggy accident on February 10th, and some family friends got together and put on the banquet for Mickey to raise some money to help pay those heavy medical bills. The response was overwhelming. Mickey has a lot of Marin County friends who want to help.

Fairfield

As reported in Hugh Bodam's column, we have now completed our relocation from Vallejo to Fairfield, 1245 Travis Blvd. Our new phone number is 707-429-5008. And you apprentices may contact your coordinator on number 707-429-5337.

During the time of the move I have not had the opportunity to speak to too many of the brothers, and getting settled in the new office has been time consuming. I would just like to remind those of you on the out of work list, please remember, to remain on list you must renew your registration prior to the 84th day or Mr. Computer removes you. With work being what it is each of you should make every attempt to retain your original position on the list.

Would enjoy seeing you brothers and if you are in the Fairfield area, working or not, please stop by and say hello, and see our new office.

Stockton

Our sincere sympathies are extended to the family and friends of departed Brothers Ken Williams and Leslie Wheeler, and Norma Parreira, departed wife of John Parreira.

Eureka

We would like to extend our condolences to Retired Brother Fred Adams on the passing of his wife, Gertrude on April 23, 1977 after a lengthy illness.

Also, we extend our condolences to Retired Brother William R. Tryon on the passing of his wife, Retha on April 29, 1977. Our deepest sympathies to these families and friends.

It is with great happiness we announce the birth of a new son to Brother Boyd Cornett and his wife on April 17, 1977.

Reno

Congratulations are extended to Gene and Janis Hammulun on the birth of a baby boy, Thomas and Coleen Hayden on the birth of a girl—Lindsay Lee, and to Frederick and Jeanne John on the birth of a girl also named Lindsay Lee.

Bill Cowan of Carson City will be laid up for several months with a broken leg. Also, George Tyler is in the hospital for surgery. We wish to both a speedy recovery.

Santa Rosa

We deeply regret having to report the death of Brothers Frank Bealer, William Gentis, James Scott, James Brown and Robert Edwards. Our sincerest condolences are extended to the families and friends of our late Brothers.

Glad to hear Clarence Spires is home recuperating nicely after experiencing a heart attack. Keep up the good work, Clarence.

'Life-Of-The-Well Bond' Lifted

Brothers, the *Life-of-the-well bond* has received some relief, until January 1, 1978. Just to get the bond lifted it took the combined work of Employers, Independent Oil Co.'s, Major Oil Co.'s and the influence of the Operating Engineers Local No. 3 all working together. That's one for our side, against the ecologists!

Around the oil fields of Northern California, Camay Drilling Co. has moved their Rig No. 9 to Kettleman City, which put 15 men to work out of the Sacramento and Santa Rosa hiring halls. Camay's Rig No. 10 is in the Middletown side of The Geysers, still working for Shell Oil Co. Rig No. 10 may set a world's record for deep steam well.

Hoover Drilling Co. has moved in a new well for Union Oil on the Cloverdale side of The Geysers. Any men wishing to get their vacation checks may go by the Santa Rosa or Sacramento hiring halls and have the dispatcher, or one of the office personnel help you get it; or call me, and I will bring the proper cards around so that you may receive your vacation. A little note: Last year the credit union paid 6.5 per cent interest on the monies in it. If a man is working steady it isn't a bad idea to let your vacation money just pile up. You may get part or all of your money out at any time you wish.

R. B. Montgomery Drilling Co.'s Rig No. 6 is working for American Oil on the Middletown side of The Geysers. It is expected that by

the time this article reaches you that Rig No. 14 of R. B. Montgomery will be in The Geysers also working for American Oil.

Perryman Drilling Co. has moved their rig to Fairfield Knolls in Yolo County and is expected to drill three wells there.

A contract has been recently signed with Tom Steed Crane Service. Tommy is in the oil field rig moving business.

I had the pleasure to meet and talk with some of Northern Crane Service's crane operators in the past few months in The Geysers:

crane operators Dick Richardson and his oiler Steve Felkins. And in the Rio Vista area, crane operator Buck McFerson and oiler John Cripe.

Hunnicut & Camps has at the time of this article's writing, all five of their rigs running. Rig No. 1 is in Willows area, Rig No. 2 is in Gustine, Rig No. 3 in Brentwood, Rig No. 4 in Turlock and Rig No. 5 in the Davis area.

So all in all, the drilling picture is pretty damn good at the present, and it looks as though it will continue through the year.

More From San Jose

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Montana where he met his wife Anne Andrews. He went to work for the B.A.P. Railroad as a switchman. After 2 years he decided to move to California and he went to work for Earl W. Heple. "Kap" started as a laborer and in 1951 he joined the Operating Engineers. "Kap" stayed with Heple until they closed their doors. He is now working for Fairley Constructors.

"We take pride in congratulating these 3 members and wish them the very best," said Incardona.

Business Rep. Harvey Pahel reports that work in the Santa Cruz, Watsonville and Monterey area has not been too good, but is looking better. Mission Pipelines

has just picked up a little job in Santa Cruz and should start on it about the middle of May. Norman C. Peterson was awarded a contract of \$2,800,000 to do the pumping station for the new sewage line, that Radio Const. will be doing. This company is from Southern Calif.

"We haven't had a prejob conference on this project yet," he said, "and should have one within the next week or two." Their part of the construction was over \$3,200,000. They have eight miles of sewer lines to put in so this should be a good job for some of the brother engineers in the area. Eilert & Smith is very busy at this time as they just picked up a nice job at Fort Ord.

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They Don't Mix

Labor And Gay Movements

Any movement that uses multiple lies, stridency and personal attack as a means to justify its end becomes immediately suspect with me. Such is the case with the Gay Movement's vendetta with Anita Bryant over her opposition to a Miami gay-rights ordinance.

San Francisco gays in particular have hysterically equated her stand with the Save Our Children group as being racist, anti-union, anti-freedom, fascist, communistic and just about anti-everything. We object not only to this emotional and irrational overkill, but especially to their efforts to equate their ideological life style to the trade union movement.

It is true that as trade unionists we have always been in the forefront when it came to the infringement of individual rights by dint of any race, sex, color, age or creed, but it is also true that we don't hire those dedicated to the right-to-work philosophy as union business agents. We feel the same attitude should prevail when homosexuals are put in authoritative positions over our impressionable youth.

The American trade union movement is based on the Judeo-Christian ethic of family responsibility and heterosexual life style. As Christians we accept the admonition of Jesus, and of Saint Paul that without charity our faith is like "tinkling bells and sounding brass." We also accept a deeper and harsher warning of personal responsibility that if you give scandal to one of these, my little ones, it is better you had never been born or that you were cast into the sea with a millstone around your neck... We consider perversion and pornography of any kind that reaches our young as "giving scandal!" We

A POLITICAL ANALYSIS

Art Of The Possible

BY KEN ERWIN



don't believe in putting the fox in charge of the chicken coop.

The old saying that "misery loves company" is equally applicable in the saying that "zealots love converts" and you had better believe homosexuals are no less active in selling their life styles than any other movement. It all began with the acceptance of "consenting adults" and a few short years later we find freedom of speech and sexual life style has translated into child sexual abuse, unlimited pornography, skyrocketing divorce, abortion on demand and the marketing of incredible sexual ambidexterity. I don't believe trade unionists and their families endorse and support any of these horrors. I do believe that all of us may share the guilt for a lack of militancy in opposing the moral degradation of our young.

I can't help but be reminded of our Lord's words, Matthew 7: Verse 8: "Do not give what is holy to dogs or toss your pearls before swine. They will trample them under foot, at best, and perhaps even tear you to shreds."

To me, our children are our pearls and their innocence is holy.

Drought Hurts Redding

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 (at least the most severe ever recorded). The latest figures available on the watersheds in the State indicate about 15 per cent of the normal run-off is available. Grass and fires are already a problem for California Division of Forestry and the U.S. Forest Service.

"Most of the contractors," says Havenhill, "buttoned up their jobs last Fall in anticipation of the usual heavy rain and snow this area is usually subjected to during the course of a normal winter. So what happened? We did not see the normal winter rains and snow—we didn't even see one half the normal precipitation we ordinarily receive. The result has been a tremendous drop in available water for hydro-electric production, farm irrigation, industry-commercial and domestic use, etc."

Brother Dick Stemple (Eastco Construction) has a job down near Sonora—he said he wasn't sure they would be able to even do the job because of a lack of water needed for compaction.

"In talking to the Business Representatives in some of the other areas we have been told that several jobs are running at reduced production because of a lack of water," Havenhill says.

Lema Construction has a few Brothers working on the Holly Sugar job and according to Havenhill it has been rumored O'Hair may set up a crusher there this Spring.

"No matter where you are on the 'Out of Work' list check your re-register date and re-register prior to the eighty-fifth day. If you don't—you will be in for some very disquieting news."

Many thanks to the Blood Donors from the Redding District: Edward Benz, Jess Cannon, Mrs. Christine Clary, Bert Cordell, Melvin Frye Jr., Wayne Gardner, Ken Green, Maudie Gregory, Rosa Hodges, Dave

Hoie, John Kearney, Louis, Kinas, Earnest LaFond, Loretta Lloyd, Bob McAlexander, Mrs. Betty McWilliams, Roland McWilliams, Lawrence Bland;

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Oakland Work Picture

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 is going to buy some new R.T. centermounts later this year.

Bigge at their Santa Clara yard is doing a lot of tilt up work. They also had a rig at United Tech. for awhile. Also, they are doing a lot of work at Kaiser Permanente. They had some work at Moss Landing and at Santa Cruz too. They've had to borrow crane crews from the San Leandro yard off and on. Bigge at San Leandro is doing very well as of this writing. They have five cranes in Standard Oil on a turn around, and have been working some time. They had a mobile 140 ton tower set up in Sacramento and are just now finished with this job.

It was a modular concrete high-rise and this job went just beautiful and was completed earlier

than the completion date. There was a very gusty windy day on this job and the crane crew shut this job off for safety.

"The project manager was a bit mad," says Dorresteyn, "as he had a schedule and was not too concerned with the safety part of high gusty winds on this kind of crane setup. The crane crew are to be commended for their action, as there was some pressure put on them by the other crafts working on the project. I had full support from the Agents and Safety Representatives in the Sacramento area, also the Director of Safety from San Francisco."

Marin Van is doing very well and looks like they will be busy for awhile. They just bought a new drilling rig for around \$250,000. and are in the process of getting this in operation.