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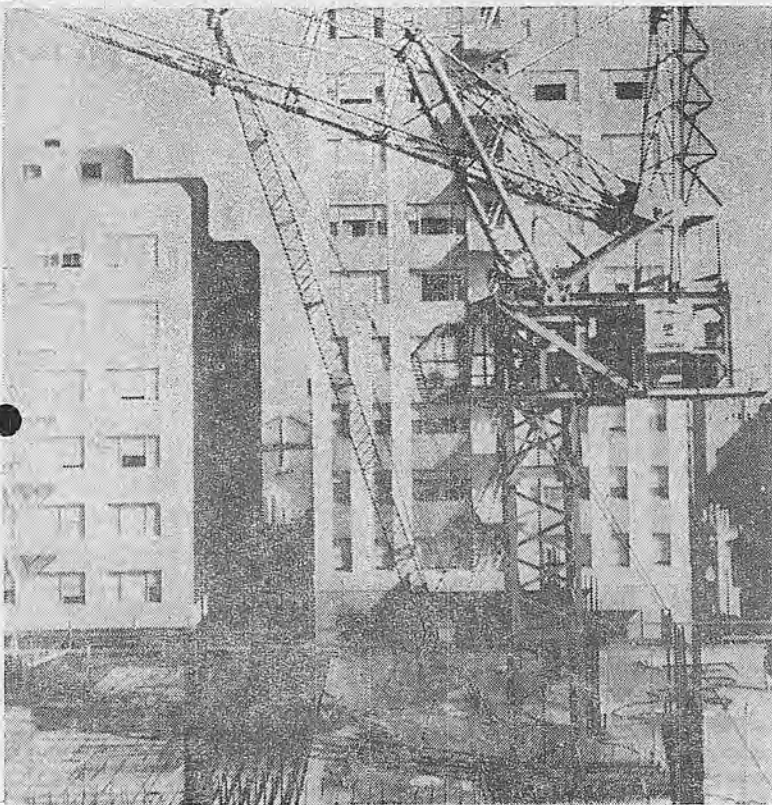
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**NOB HILL TOPPER** is what "The Comstock" apartment building will be at Clay and Jones, with the help of two German-built extension cranes which can swing the muscle almost single-handed for a 17-story building. Operating Engineers pilot the "Liebherr" crane with pushbuttons and telephones in the glass cab out front. Pacific Company is erecting a second, similar crane at other end of the building. Note how this one pushes its way up thru second floor. Bay bridge can be seen in background, and a motor crane is on the street below. Oh, yes, if you are interested, these apartments will sell for from \$40,000 to \$125,000.

## HONOR ROLL OF BLOOD DONORS

Top honors this month go to the Brothers and their families in the Redding district who donated approximately 55 pints of blood! If all the members in the various districts would contribute now that work is slow, and they have the time, our members and their families in every district could be sure there was blood available for them in case of sickness or accident. Call your district office to make an appointment!

### REDDING

Billy D. Tims  
Thomas Shanklin  
Thomas Berlin  
William Smith  
Charles Yarnell  
Joseph C. Ames  
Jeanne Parrish  
T. E. Carson  
Jim Monson  
Peter Gault  
Paul DeLay  
W. A. Fousi  
Mrs. W. Feusi  
Lester Griffith  
Aubrey Stillwell  
Caesar Rogers  
Edward Closs  
Barney R. Word  
Larry Agnew  
Sid McBroome  
Mrs. Sid McBroome  
Mrs. Thomas Berlin  
Orville Warrington  
William Gregory  
Mike Kreclic  
Ira Goins  
Orde E. Robinson  
Mrs. Orde Robinson  
Mederic LaChapelle  
Henry W. Franz  
William Baumann  
Walter Wells  
Warren Wallers  
H. L. Carter  
Bryce Modrell  
Selmar Osness  
Wilbur Hugus  
Francis Hempe  
Juanita Milligan  
D. F. Beier  
Bud R. Burnett  
Mrs. Duke Dalton  
Everett D. Shanklin  
Ernest E. LaFond

### SAN MATEO

Joe Stockton

### SAN FRANCISCO

Richard T. Irwin  
Robert C. Knapp  
Chas. Shafran  
Lloyd Sidebottom  
SAN JOSE  
Sam Kehaha  
Tim C. Jacques  
Ralph Bockeno  
Thomas S. Smith  
H. Caywood  
Ronald Mossholder  
NAPA  
Ed Kirk  
SAN RAFAEL  
Chas. Snyder  
W. W. (Woody) Lievsay  
James H. Nyholm  
Otis Wilbor  
Rollin A. Wheeler  
Pete Verhonik  
VALLEJO  
Johnnie Walling  
Ted Mertz  
Aaron Smith  
Jim Barnes  
Frank Parolini  
Roy Glenisky  
Dave Jarvis  
Odie Grant  
Frank Costa  
Jack Riley  
Bob Smith  
STOCKTON  
Loretta Lloyd  
Merle F. Laughlin  
FRESNO  
Lewis Galloway  
E. L. Thompson  
R. C. Smith  
SACRAMENTO  
John Sheehan  
Elmer Rastetter  
Ernest Kennedy  
Wm. Timmons  
Norma Gault  
Frank Campbell

## Mail Ballots for Election of Delegates, Alternates to 26th Convention, IUOE

By N. J. CARMAN, International Supervisor

If you were not suspended for non-payment of dues as of February 1, 1960, you will receive or have received in the mail your ballot to be voted by you in the election of delegates and alternates to the 26th International Convention of the International Union of Operating Engineers. Your ballot was sent to your address on the records of the Local Union as of February 1, 1960.

## Here Are Candidates for Delegates, Alternates to 26th Intl. Convention

(Listed alphabetically; just as they appear on the ballot)

Darrell Allen  
Lou V. Barnes  
Santa Rosa  
Al Boardman  
Business Representative  
Robert F. Boden  
Oakland  
Harold L. Bowen  
Allie "Curley" Brodese  
Ken Brooks  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
Jack R. Brown  
Vallejo  
Clarence Bruner  
Exec. Board Member  
T. D. Bryson  
Retired Representative, Oakland  
B. R. "Renny" Burroughs  
Bernard "Whitey" Campbell  
San Francisco  
M. D. "Wingy" Cardoza  
Redding  
Norris A. Casey  
Exec. Board Member  
Lawrence "Larry" Chapman  
Robert L. "Bob" Christy  
Exec. Board Member, Marysville  
Tom L. Christy  
Oakland  
Al Clem  
Financial Secty. & Assist. Manager  
Sam P. Coburn  
Stockton  
Wayne Coleman  
Grievance Committee Member  
Coy Collins  
Fresno  
F. L. "Les" Crane  
Santa Rosa  
Henry Curb  
Stockton  
Al "Bud" Dalton  
Grievance Committee Member  
Jesse H. Dansie  
Compressor Opr., Salt Lake City  
Mike F. Day  
Cat Skinner, Eureka  
John M. DeVine  
Oakland  
Jimmie Dorris  
Marysville  
Jerry Dowd  
Business Representative  
Paul Edgcombe  
President  
Harvey Edwards  
Grievance Committee Member  
"Heinie" H. O. Foss  
Vice President  
George Freeland  
Griev. Comm. Member, S.F.  
Danny Furrer  
Dale Garrison  
San Francisco  
Floyd Greiner  
Cat Skinner, San Francisco  
Al E. Griffey  
Fresno  
Jack C. Hale  
Heavy Duty Mechanic, San Jose  
E. A. "Red" Hester  
Redding  
Everett H. Hibbard  
Steward, Kennecott Corp.  
J. A. "Jim" Hilliard  
Fresno  
John Hinote  
Exec. Board Member  
John A. Holmes  
Vern H. Holmes  
Executive Board Member  
A. J. "Buck" Hope  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
Lee Hunter  
Fresno  
Harold Huston  
Business Representative  
Art Irwin  
James "Red" Ivy  
By Laws Committee Member  
J. B. "Jim" Jennings  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member

Don C. Johnson  
Redding  
Ira N. Jones  
Oakland  
Sidney J. Jordan  
Shovel Operator, San Jose  
Don Kinchloe  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
Frank A. Lawrence  
Industrial Accident Commissioner  
George R. "Bud" Lester  
Marysville  
Harold Lewis  
Business Representative  
Jack Lloyd  
Grievance Comm. Member, S.F.  
Jack Lofton  
Executive Board Member  
R. S. "Bob" Lyons  
Executive Board Member  
Dale Marr  
By Laws Committee Member  
Cliff Martin  
Redding  
L. S. "Mac" McClintock  
San Francisco  
Ned McColley  
George C. "Mac" McFadden  
Executive Board Member  
Bob McLelland  
Grievance Committee Member  
Paul N. Miles  
Sacramento  
Berton K. Miller  
Oakland  
Joe Miller  
Business Representative  
W. V. Minahan  
Recording Secretary  
Lynn Moore  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
Glenn Mullowney  
By Laws Committee Member  
Ernie Nelson  
Business Representative  
William "Bill" Nelson  
Shovel Operator  
Nephi Nemelka  
Business Rep., Salt Lake City  
Sam Nettles  
Oakland  
Henry "Hank" Pacheco  
By Laws Comm. Mbr., Santa Rosa  
Denton Parker  
Blade Operator, Salt Lake City  
F. E. "Sandy" Parks  
Shovel Operator  
H. T. "Pete" Petersen  
Treasurer  
Harold G. Quigg  
E. H. Ragsdale  
Boxman & Fireman Oiler, Stockton  
Al Rains  
Exec. Board Member and By Laws Comm. Member  
Bill Raney  
Business Representative  
Gerald E. "Jerry" Raver  
Marysville  
Lawrence L. "Larry" Reno  
Marysville  
Joe Riley  
San Francisco

1. Vote for no more than 46 Candidates by placing an X in the box opposite the name of the Candidates of your choice. If you vote for more than 46 Candidates, your ballot is void.
2. Insert your marked ballot in the envelope marked "BALLOT ENVELOPE."
3. Seal the "BALLOT ENVELOPE" in the "BUSINESS REPLY ENVELOPE."
4. Sign your name with your address and register number in the upper left-hand corner of the "BUSINESS REPLY ENVELOPE."
5. Mail the "BUSINESS REPLY ENVELOPE" with your signature, address and register number on it. No postage is required.

### IMPORTANT

1. Your ballot will not be counted if your signature is not on the "BUSINESS REPLY ENVELOPE."
2. Your ballot will not be counted if you vote for more than 46 Candidates.
3. Your ballot will not be counted if it is received in the mail after 10:00 o'clock A. M., February 29, 1960.

Bob Romill  
Grievance Committee Member  
Ray J. Rutledge  
Operator, Fresno  
Roy Scarbrough  
Grievance Committee Member  
Fred Schieuter  
Shovel, Crane & Dragline, San Jose  
Ken Shaffer  
Oakland  
Frank "Cass" Shipe  
Marysville  
Guy B. Slack  
Executive Board Member  
H. L. "Curley" Spence  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
Tom Stapleton  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
Roy Stevens  
By Laws Committee Member  
Walter M. Talbot  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
John L. "Tommy" Thompson  
Business Representative, Oakland  
C. R. Van Winkle  
Dist. Rep. & Exec. Board Member  
Eugene "Little Gene" Vierra  
Robert L. "Bob" Wagnon  
H. L. "Larry" Walker  
By Laws Comm. Member  
Lloyd A. Wilcox  
Marysville  
Bill Woodyard  
By Laws Committee Member  
Barney Word  
Exec. Board Member  
Jake L. Young

## OFFICIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS

District meetings scheduled for March, 1960:

### MARCH

- 2 (Wednesday) Fresno, Labor Temple, 631 Kearney Blvd.
- 3 (Thursday) Ukiah, Labor Temple, State Stret.
- 8 (Tuesday) Salt Lake, 151 So. 2nd, East, Annex.
- 9 (Wednesday) Reno, Reno Musicians' Bldg., 120 W. Taylor.

### IMPORTANT . . . SEE PAGE # 2.

For the information of the membership we have printed the **RULES OF PROCEDURE** which govern the District Grievance Committees. **ALSO** the **RULES GOVERNING THE GOOD STANDING FUND**. Since these may be of vital importance to you, we hope you will become familiar with the rules set forth!



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## Rules of Procedure to Govern the District Grievance Committees

1. The Grievance Committee to meet at least one (1) evening each week, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Local Union office in the District in which they reside. Or in case of emergencies upon the call of District Representative.

2. The Grievance Committee shall consist of the two District Executive Board Members and three (3) rank and file members to be elected by the membership residing in the area in which the Grievance Committee is established.

3. The rank and file Executive Board member shall be chairman.

4. The District Business Representative shall be secretary. He shall keep a detailed account of the activities of the Committee and furnish the Local Union Manager and the Local Union Secretary a copy of the minutes of all meetings. The minutes to be mailed to the main office in San Francisco not less than two (2) days following the meeting.

### 5. Rules of Order

(a) At the hour appointed, if a quorum be present, the Chairman shall call the meeting to order and preside.

(b) Any delegates to the Grievance Committee absenting himself from three (3) consecutive meetings without a satisfactory excuse, shall be replaced by a vote of the membership at a regular meeting in his district.

(c) Three (3) members of the Grievance Committee shall constitute a quorum.

(d) The proceedings of this Committee shall be governed by the Constitution of the International Union of Operating Engineers as amended April 1956.

6. It is recommended that in order to be eligible to be elected to the Grievance Committee the members shall be in good standing and a member of the parent local for two (2) years; a registered voter in the area in which he resides; is not an owner-operator or a contractor, and shall be a Brother of good moral character.

7. It is mandatory that if the Committee finds that in the scope of their investigation that a member of the Union has violated any working rules or has wronged another member it shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Committee to notify the Local Union Executive Board and/or the Local Union Manager, for appropriate action.

8. They shall process the grievances of any member who is desirous of appearing before them, and report their findings and recommendations to the Local Union Executive Board and/or the Local Union Manager.

9. It shall be their duty to interview any candidates who are seeking office for City, County, State or Federal office and report the recommendations to the Local Union Executive Board.

10. To cooperate with the Business Representatives in their area to further the election of all political candidates endorsed by the Local Union Executive Board.

11. To work in conjunction with the Representatives and the members in the area, to further the cause of organized labor, and more specifically, the Operating Engineers in the political field.

12. Any grievance signed within three (3) days of the regular meeting of the Grievance Committee meeting shall be processed at the next meeting of the Grievance Committee.

## THE GOOD STANDING FUND

The Good Standing Fund was originally established when the By-Laws were adopted in 1941. Since that time the rules governing this Fund have been revised, said revision being adopted by the membership on November 1, 1954. The Good Standing Fund has subsequently been approved by our General President, and

Section 1. The Good Standing Fund is hereby perpetuated and will be maintained by the payment of an annual assessment of \$1.00 per year from each member at the time of his fourth quarterly membership dues payment, which is due and payable on or before October 1 of the current year. New members, whether accepted on application, clearance or withdrawal cards, or reinstated shall in addition to regular charges, pay the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) to the Good Standing Fund.

Section 2. This Fund shall be known as the "Local Union No. 3 Good Standing Fund," and maintains its own titled depository in an established bank in the City of San Francisco.

Section 3. The purpose of this Fund is to provide a means to financially assist those sick and stricken with extended illness, or disabled for protracted periods by accident and injury, with the payments from this Fund of their monthly dues and thereby securing their membership and protecting their benefits in this Local Union and the International Union.

Section 4. There will be paid from this Fund and transferred to the credit of the account of the entitled members upon the approval of their individual claims, the sum equivalent to their membership dues in the amount approved for the period of illness or disability, inclusive of six (6) months' continuous duration in any two (2) year period. Applications for consideration of extended good standing benefits, beyond the six (6) months' period must be approved by special resolution authorizing continuance, by the Executive Board.

Section 5. Members making application to this Fund must be in compliance with the following:

(a) Have been in good standing up until the affliction of sickness or disability.

(b) Have been sick or disabled for more than one month.

(c) Present a claim accompanied by a Doctor's Certificate showing date of illness, nature of sickness and duration.

Section 6. Any member found guilty of chiseling by making misrepresentation of his claim, or who shall be party to procuring fraudulent payment, or who claims and secures illegal and improper benefits or who willfully violates the spirit and intent of these rules and regulations, shall forfeit all rights to consideration in this Fund.

The Rules governing the Good Standing Fund have been approved and accepted by your Executive Board and are as follows:

Section 1. The Good Standing Fund is hereby perpetuated and will be maintained by the payment of an annual assessment of \$1.00 per year from each member of Local 3, Local 3-A, Local 3-B, Local 3-C and Local 3-E, at the time of his fourth quarterly membership dues payment. This assessment is due and payable on or before October 1 of the current year.

New Members, whether accepted on application, clearance or withdrawal cards, or reinstated, shall in addition to regular charges, pay the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to the Good Standing Fund.

Section 2. This Fund shall be known as the "Local Union No. 3 Good Standing Fund," and all assessments and fees belonging to said Fund shall be deposited

in a separate and exclusive account. Said Fund and Account shall at all times be under the joint control of both Local Union No. 3 and the General President of the International Union of Operating Engineers, or his deputized agents thereunto authorized. The signatures of both parties shall be required upon all withdrawals therefrom.

Section 3. The Treasurer shall render at least a quarterly report to the general membership at the regular membership meeting and furnish to the district offices a financial report of the receipts and the disbursements from the Fund each month. A full disclosure of the receipts and disbursements shall be available to the general membership meeting, or any district meeting, upon the request of any member in attendance thereof. The same information shall be furnished to the General President when requested by him, or his Deputy.

Section 4. No Officer or Agent employed shall accept any assessments referred hereto from any member who is then in arrears of the payment of other like assessments, unless all assessments in arrears are paid at the same time.

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Section 7. Members making application to the Good Standing Fund must have complied with the following:

(a) Have been in good standing up until the affliction of sickness or disability.

(b) Have been sick or disabled for more than one month.

(c) Present a claim accompanied by a Doctor's Certificate showing date of illness, nature of illness, and duration, signed by a medical doctor and the Business Representative in the area in which the member resides, which shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Local Union who will be authorized to pay the member's dues for a period of six months in any two year period from the Good Standing Fund.

Section 8. Any member desiring dues in the Good Standing Fund any period in excess of six months in a two year period, shall make application to the Secretary of the Local Union accompanied by a Doctor's Certificate, signed by a medical doctor and the Business Representative in the area where he resides each 30 days of sickness or disability, the Secretary to present same to the Executive Board at each meeting thereof. The member's dues may be paid from the Good Standing Fund for a period not to exceed six months.

Section 9. Any member who has had twelve months' dues



Long reach is a specialty of these new German-built cranes which can provide the lift for a 17-story building. In background is the Clay-Jones apartment building atop SF's Nob Hill.

### Late Job Awards

RENO, NEVADA, Contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro Oakland, \$2,081,600 (Base plus Alternates) for construction of Library Building on campus, University of Nevada, Reno.

paid from the Good Standing Fund may upon furnishing the Secretary with a Doctor's Certificate each 30 days, signed by a medical doctor, and the Business Representative in the area where he resides, and upon vote of the majority of the members of the Executive Board, be allowed to pay dues at the rate of \$2.00 per month while incapacitated. It is distinctly understood that no member shall be permitted to pay dues at this reduced rate who is working at any gainful occupation whatsoever.

Section 10. Any member who has received eighteen months' benefit under the rules governing the Good Standing Fund, and upon being unable to return to work, shall be automatically granted a Withdrawal Card from the Local Union provided, he did not care to pay the full dues.

Section 11. Any member found guilty of making misrepresentation in his claim, or who shall be party to procuring fraudulent payment, or who claims and secures illegal and improper benefits, or who willfully violates the spirit and intent of these rules and regulations, shall forfeit all rights to consideration in this fund.

Article XXIII, Subdivision 7, Section (f), entitled "Fines and Assessments Must be Paid Before Dues Accepted" from the International Constitution, reads as follows:

"All fines or assessments legally levied or imposed shall be charged by the Financial Secretary against the member from whom due and must be paid by the member involved to the Financial Secretary within thirty (30) days and before any dues owing by him to the Local Union can be received or accepted by the said Local Union."

To be eligible to participate in this Fund, all back assessments must have been paid. If there is any question as to your eligibility to participate, or the assessments you may be owing, kindly contact the San Francisco Office. We are requesting your cooperation to the end that payment of your assessments will be brought up to date and the Union's records will be in order.



Close-up of cab section on giant crane erecting new apartments on SF's Nob Hill. Note glass cab out front with control levers. Operator really has a front seat.



## •The City by the Golden Gate

# GOVT. WKRS. MEET IN SAN FRANCISCO

By PAUL EDGECOMBE, JERRY DOWD, DAN MATTESON,  
Business Representatives

Recently a new department has been initiated into this part of the country called the Western Conference of Federal Government Employees. Participating in this Conference will be Employees from any or all government installations. This department was proposed by Brother and Regional Director who has appointed International Representative Frank Brantley to put the program into operation. Each Local Union of the Operating Engineers will have a Chairman to handle their respective problems with delegates from installations meeting to unite their issues rather than try and process them individually.

The first meeting was held here in San Francisco, Friday evening, February 5, 1960, and all Employees (Union and non-Union) were invited. The San Francisco Navy Shipyard and Mare Island Yard were well represented and by the enthusiasm shown, these brothers feel this may be the solution to many of their problems. With the fine cooperation of the Employees at the San Francisco Naval Shipyards, your business agents in this District (with the able assistance of a good Brother Engineer) have the majority of the Hoisting and Portable Engineers signed up. These brothers are fully aware of the limitations and restrictions existing in this yard, but feel the need for Union representation.

We shall attempt to fulfill this task. Construction work in general throughout the area has been hampered considerably with the weather being the governing factor. No new projects have been awarded since our last report. The "wrecking contractors" are extremely busy all over town clearing sites for proposed building. Seals Stadium, a familiar landmark to all of us, no longer exists. Flora Crane Service has everything above the ground knocked down and is now removing the footings. HARNEY FINISHES STADIUM

The new stadium at "Candlestick Park" has officially been turned over to the City and County of San Francisco by Contractor Charley Harney. This was accomplished after many heated sessions amidst the press, City Officials, Giant's management and Harney. We approve Charley's position throughout this struggle in its entirety. (Even the naming of the Park). Stoneham and his "Giants" have found gold in the "mud swamp" and "red rock hill"—almost to the extent the miners did when they came to California in '49.

Consolidated Chemical Plant on old Bayshore at Boneyard Hill has announced that they will reduce the output of their plant in the Hide Glue Department so as to reduce the raw sewage odor problem in the Bay where it empties the sewage. The odors in the Candlestick Area are a well known problem to all who pass when the breeze is right. Also a new sewage treatment plant is being built by North Bay Construction Company at Brisbane which will reduce the problem of odor.

Many of you brothers are now receiving your retroactive vacation checks and if you encounter any difficulty in connection with drawing your unemployment benefits get in touch with

your business agent or this office and it will be corrected. Be sure and emphasize to the department this money is in lieu of vacation.

Brothers, we are in need of blood for our blood bank. There has been a heavy drain in the past. In one instance one of our Brother Engineers was in the Hospital for nearly five (5) months and quite a bit of blood was needed. Also we have another Brother who has spent nearly six (6) months in the Hospital who has had a few transfusions. Fortunately he will be going home to his family soon and you brothers that have donated blood are to be thanked again for that blood being available when it is needed.

### BUT OUR SUPPLY IS VERY LOW.

Contact the Dispatcher or your business agents and a date will be arranged as well as transportation, etc.

Express your Democratic right—be sure to vote.



- JACK KIRK**  
Aukum, Calif., Dec. 11, 1959
- HAROLD E. HOWARD**  
Salinas, Calif., Dec. 28, 1959
- H. J. WEBSTER**  
Millbrae, Calif., Jan. 4, 1960
- EDGAR L. ZINGLEMAN**  
Stockton, Calif., Jan. 7, 1960
- CARL M. SUND**  
Reno, Nev., Jan. 7, 1960
- CHRIS D. HANSEN**  
Turlock, Calif., Jan. 8, 1960
- HAROLD L. TERRY**  
Watsonville, Calif., Jan. 8, 1960
- HENRY M. RAMOS**  
Honolulu, Hawaii, Jan. 17, 1960
- DOUGLAS H. NELSON**  
Cedar City, Utah, Jan. 18, 1960
- W. H. MYERS**  
Chico, Calif., Jan. 18, 1960
- RAYMOND DILLARD**  
Novato, Calif., Jan. 19, 1960
- MORLEY S. ROBERTS**  
Sebastopol, Calif., Jan. 23, 1960
- C. L. LANGORD**  
Placerville, Calif., Jan. 27, 1960
- A. L. MORSE**  
Manteca, Calif., Jan. 27, 1960
- CECIL R. PEZZOLA**  
Redding, Calif., an. 27, 1960
- ALFRED H. BISHOP**  
Napa, Calif., Jan. 27, 1960
- J. E. DRENNON**  
Stockton, Calif., Jan. 29, 1960
- G. R. McFARLAND**  
Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 30, 1959
- A. M. ANDERSON**  
Redding, Calif., Jan. 31, 1960
- ORVILLE O. SANDVIK**  
Ogden, Utah, Jan. 31, 1950
- FRANK B. GLIKO**  
Grass Valley, Cal., Jan. 31, 1960
- IRVIN L. WALKER**  
Dunsmuir, Calif., Jan. 31, 1960

## Aloha From Hawaii, The Volcano State

# JOBS STEADY IN ISLANDS

By HAROLD LEWIS and  
RUPERT TEVIS  
Business Representatives

Madam Pele has been doing her share to attract tourists to the island of Hawaii where the hotels need the business, but on the other hand she has also claimed quite a bit of valuable farmland and turned it into a giant bed of useless waste with her relentless flow of molten lava. She has also claimed a good part of the sleepy village of Pahoa in the Puna district, but the residents are borrowing money to rebuild just on the edge of the lava flow. For further information come to Hawaii and see with your own eyes this magnificent, but devastating fete of nature; you can be sure it is something not to be forgotten.

On the construction front, the work is moving at a steady pace with not too many new hires.

After months of equipment breakdowns and many changes of plans, Brother Roger James, general superintendent of Kaiser's Hawaii-Kai Development at Koko Head, has finally gotten the situation well in hand and things are running fairly smooth now. The company plans to set up its office on the job site in the near future. It also plans to set up a hollow tile and brick batching plant along with a first class repair shop just back of the fish pond as soon as plans are completed.

Brothers Bill Foster, Joe Kanashiro and Clarence Kapaona must have been making strong medicine lately for it hasn't rained for three weeks in Kalihi Valley, and the boys are finally getting a few full weeks in. Just keep that medicine going Bill!

Brother Harry Stone has been promoted to foreman for Hood-Thompson Construction Co. on the Pohakupu job and our brothers are glad to see him up there.

No doubt some of you brothers on the mainland have been wondering what has happened to Bro. James "Big Jim" Aregger. Well, he's out here in Paradise working in the hottest section of Oahu. He's riding herd on the engineers for Bechtel Corp. on the Standard Oil refinery job at Barber's Point. He hasn't changed.

Brother Jack Ching says that he has worked in the Ewa district so long the people there are calling him Governor.

Speaking of Governor reminds us of the coming elections for mayor and councilmen for the various counties in Hawaii. If you haven't been paying any attention to local politics, it is not too late to start. The Committee on Political Education (COPE) is still functioning for your benefit; they are keeping a watchful eye on the political scene and when they come up with their recommendations you can be sure they know what they are doing.

The petition for representation of dredgemen at the Hawaiian Dredge & Construction Co. is being legally stalled by the company, but your representatives are quite certain it won't be for long. We are now organizing the Operating Engineers at Hawaiian Dredge for the eventual election after August 7, 1960 when the agreement between the Machinist Local and the company expires.

Your kokua has been and will continue to be appreciated. Malaho & Aloha.

## San Mateo -- Hub of the Peninsula

# It's 'Winter Vacation' for the Peninsula; See March Pickup

By BILL RANEY and GEORGE BAKER, Business Representatives

Because of rain and resulting mud, the month of February looks like a vacation month, whether we like it or not. Even if the weather would clear later in February, there is little new dirt work scheduled until the early part of March. The predictions for Spring are quite good as you will not after reading the balance of the column.

All of the employers should have had time to work out their clerical systems to the point where you can get your 8 cents per hour due you in lieu of a vacation. This money is due you if you have been terminated by any employer since October 1, 1959. First, be sure the company has really terminated you, and that you have not been just temporarily laid off because of the rain. Ask the company for your vacation money. The agreement says they have five days from the date of request, to pay you. If you do not receive it after your request, contact your business representative. As you can see, it is vitally important to keep an accurate record of the hours you have worked.

The Ed Keeble Co. have a nice grading job in Sharps Park preparing the site for the Oceano School. The company have already started on this job but have been forced to suspend operations until the weather clears.

Willie Frank has also slowed down on a very similar job in Linda Mar, for the same reason. JUNIOR COLLEGE

The Wunderlich Co. have been awarded the grading job for the new San Mateo Jr. College in San Mateo. This job has at least 1,000,000 yards of rock to be moved by September. The company left a large amount of money on the table. Wunderlich is a large company and have some good men with rock tricks up their sleeves. Brother Harold Skeans will head up the dirt spread. He is no "Johnny come lately" at this business.

There have been a number of good contracts let that will start in March, (weather permitting), which should give you skinkers something to look forward to.

Berger-Coastwide has two of them: First a \$300,000 widening of Highway 1 near White Horse Creek. This is just north of the county line and should be a good job for you brothers that live in the artichoke country. Brother Joe Stockton will also supervise another job of about the same size in Enchanted Hills off Polhemus Road. They expect both jobs to start about the middle of March.

There is a good sized school

## Job Awards

SAN FRANCISCO — Contract awarded to Biltwell Const. Co., 4745 Geary Blvd., S.F., \$207,777 for space and alterations work at U.S. Post Office and Court House at 7th and Mission Streets.

SACRAMENTO — Contract awarded to Elliott Co., 120 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, \$631,037 for furnish and install 35,000 KVA vertical shaft water wheel driven alternating current, synchronous generator and appurts. at Union Valley Power House, Upper American River Project.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO — Contract awarded to Elvin C. Stendell, Inc., 26th and Kansas, S.F., \$402,887 for addns. to plant and addnl. 2nd story to Milprint, Inc. office bldg. at 205 Shaw Rd., South San Francisco.

job to start in Pacifica. Technical delays should be worked out before the end of the month.

### PACIFICA JOB

Buzz Haskins twelve million yard Pacifica job has approximately 300,000 yards to go before it will come to a halt. This is allegedly due to short-sighted planning on the part of the city of Pacifica. We hope that these technical problems will be worked out soon as there is an additional five million yards yet to be hauled on this job, which is being held up awaiting the decision of the powers that be. It is hoped that the brothers residing in Pacifica will ask your city fathers why this work is being suspended. Haskins also has 300,000 yards of dirt he is hauling for other contractors in San Mateo County, and 200,000 yds. on miscellaneous work for himself, plus a 250,000 yd. job for Standard Building Co. in Daly City. Not bad at all for a fellow who ten years ago had only a few beat up rigs, and now has almost too many to count. All in running order too. "Buz" will have to purchase more rigs now and possibly hire a dozen more engineers because of a new job he has just got. NOW HEAR THIS: 15,000,000 YARDS, to be moved in the next three years on 700 acres of proposed subdivision between Skyline and Junipero Serra between San Bruno and Daly City. We understand that he will also handle the underground and street work. Pioneer work will start about the first of March.

Survey work has started on the proposed widening of Bayshore Freeway, from South San Francisco to San Mateo. Latest info available informs us that the contract will be let in May, 1960.

Pressure seems to be building up for an early starting date for the 19th Ave. extension. We are hoping it will be this year as present city restrictions make it vital that a new link between Skyline Blvd. and Bayshore be opened to allow dirt hauling. When this is done, we should see a marked increase in shovel and loader work in Central San Mateo County.

### VOTE!

By the time you read this you will have received your ballots in the mail. YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT!—DON'T FAIL TO USE IT. Mark your ballot and get it in the mail early.

The "out of work list" in San Mateo has been continuously growing this past two weeks. This, of course, is quite natural for this time of year. Many of the brothers who are now signed on the list will have jobs to go back to as soon as the weather permits. Your San Mateo office will do its utmost to get all of the brothers back to work again.

Brother Frank Williams has bought out the MODERN CLEANERS, 570 San Mateo Ave., San Bruno, specializing in top notch cleaning with a pickup and delivery service. Those of you living in the area should give Frank a chance and try him out on this de luxe service. Good luck to you in your new venture, Frank.



# What's Doing in the Oakland Area

By H. T. "PETE" PETERSEN, BILL BARR, "TINY" LAUX, WARREN LE MOINE, TOMMY THOMPSON and JOHNNY SCALES, Business Representatives

As usual for this time of the year the jobs are very slow. However, even though they are not lengthy ones a few are coming in every day. Right at the moment there are no big jobs in the offing, but we are hopeful that by the time Spring rolls around, the work will have picked up considerably.

The work in Richmond and Berkeley has come to a stand still. The weather has really moved in and closed down most of the jobs. There have been a few bids let out recently. Williams & Burrows were low bidders on a building in Berkeley, located on Telegraph Avenue between Oregon and Russell Sts. The building is reinforced concrete pipe and steel. This bid was for \$1,867,680. They have started excavation but the rain has stopped operations.

Escobar Construction Co. of Martinez was low bidder on a new Science building for the Contra Costa Jr. College in San Pablo. The bid was for \$375,000. The job has not been started as yet.

Willamette Iron & Steel Co. in yard No. 3 Richmond—have been getting a few contracts from the Navy on repair work. They have two ships in at the present time and expect to have more come in at the near future. We have seven Brothers working and if the company is successful in bidding we will place a few more men there.

Yuba Construction Co. is making progress on their prefabricated piers for the bridge job. They have one pier complete and are about ready to float it out. They are also sandblasting and painting steel for a bridge in the East. This work is being done in their yard in Richmond.

Badger Construction Co. bid the chemical plant at Standard Oil in Richmond. However, this job won't start until about the first of March.

The Bechtel job at Hercules will not start their job for approximately six weeks yet. When this job is underway we hope to have quite a few of our Brothers working with it.

O. C. Jones & Sons of Berkeley, California have the sub-contract from the F. P. Lathrop Building contractor to move approximately 50,000 cubic yards of dirt. This dirt is being moved in so that the E. P. Lathrop Co. can build the big new Trailmobile Manufacturing Co. shop to be located in Newark. O. C. Jones & Sons have the streets, curbs, gutters, parking lots and the floors for the buildings. They will import some 45,000 cubic yards of rock for base fill for this job. The streets on this project will be of concrete eight inches thick—with floors of the building six inches thick. The total amount of concrete to be poured on this job will be about 10,000 cubic yards. This is a highball job and will only last about five or six weeks for our Brothers, weather permitting. This portion of the job of O. C. Jones & Sons is under the supervision of Foremen Brothers Hary Bartlett, Chris Brass and Bill Mathews. We have the following Brothers running the equipment: Henry Stevenson and George Gentry on blade, Christian Jensen and Fred Hammer on rollers, Dave Crockett and L. S. Hawks on TS 300, Milton Hendricks on a dozer. ...

## LIVERMORE CANAL JOB

O. K. Mitty & Sons of 15905 South Broadway in Gardena, California, have started construction on their intake canal

and Bethany Forebay dam. The project consists of two miles of open canal, a pumping plant and an earth filled dam. The contract amount is \$877,689. They propose to use approximately 25 Operating Engineers to move their 850,000 cubic yards of dirt. They have about 2,000 cubic yards of concrete in structure along with about 4,000 lineal ft. of reinforced concrete pipe. They propose to do all the work themselves with the exception of some specialty items such as fencing, reinforcing steel. They have already set up their batch plant and are at the present time working on their equipment to get it in shape for the big push in the spring and summer. This job is under the Supervision of Brother M. O. Mitty, Project Manager and Brother Bob Mitty Superintendent, Brother J. E. Fritz as master mechanic and Brother Gordon Johnson as grading foreman. They expect to complete this project by December 1960. The job is under construction by the State of California Department of Water Resources and is the phase of a series of projects that are going into the development of water for the Livermore Valley area.

The report in the downtown area for this month is much the same as the last report. A number of rather large building contracts have been let but as of this writing there is no activity. Valley Engineers is busy in Alameda County and are keeping a few Brothers busy on a \$85,000 pipeline job. The scrapping industry got a shot in the arm with the announcement that the cruiser "Oakland" would be scrapped at Todd's shipyard. The boys in this yard should keep busy the rest of the winter.

Frederickson Bros. at the airport are just about at a standstill with a couple of draglines scratching around in the mud.

There is a little burst of activity on the Oakland side of the Estuary as Charles Campanella clears the area for the new Alameda tube approaches at 3rd and Market Sts. Brothers Earnest Lemas, operator, and Dewitt Yelton, oiler, are busy as beavers as Charlie oloks for more buildings to demolish.

Wunderlich on Mtn. Blvd. is trying to get started with their street job if and when the city fathers decide on the location of the retainer wall. There are 55 working days on this project. This should keep about seven of the Brothers busy.

## MACARTHUR FREEWAY

The State Department of Public Works today was awarded a \$2,926,802 contract for the first unit of the MacArthur Freeway in Oakland. The successful bidder was C. K. Moseman and Son of Redwood City. The contract covers about eight-tenths of a mile of eight-lane freeway and traffic separation structures between the Bay Bridge distribution structure and Market St. The project includes construction of a traffic separation structure about 1,100 ft. long to take the freeway over Peralta, Magnolia, Adeline and Chestnut Sts. and San Pablo Ave., and

## ATTENTION BLOOD DONORS

Again as reported before—we are in dire need of blood for the Blood Bank at the Oakland office. We have over 1200 members in this area and only one pint of blood in our blood bank. At this particular time when work is slow we would appreciate it if some of the members could contact the bank and donate a pint of blood. The number to call is—OL. 4-2924.

construction of a bridge near Haven St. to carry westbound traffic over MacArthur Blvd. There are 500 working days allotted to this job. Gallagher & Burk are going to do the excavation and the pipeline work. Dick Moseman will be the superintendent and informs us that he will move in on the job on or about the 14th of February.

The Lark Corporation is completing its pipeline running from Concord to Martinez for the Navy. There are a few ties to be made to complete this line. We had a little trouble on this job with the owner-operators of small backhoes but with a little persuasion and understanding will now have oilers on the backhoes in the Upper Contra Costa County area. Due to the rain there is no housing or dirt work at the present time going on in this area but as soon as the weather permits there will be sufficient new housing tracts to be started in Danville, Concord, Walnut Creek, Pittsburg and Antioch.

The Bechtel job in Antioch has started and is underway with the full swing of things. Bechtel has hired six engineers in the past two weeks. At the moment there are seventeen engineers working. At the peak of this job we hope to have thirty to thirty-five engineers. This project should be completed by June of this year.

C. C. Moore is erecting the boiler for the Bechtel Corp. and Henry J. Robertson is doing the stairs and decking on the same job. There was quite a bit of back pay and subsistence due to the Brothers on this Bechtel job which has now been collected for them. We hope they are happy—smile!!!!

The Stolte tunnel job in Orinda is on a three shift basis right now but we understand that the residents in the area are complaining about the noise the machines and the Brothers make on the swing and graveyard shifts. At the present time there is a Court injunction against them which we think the residents of the area are going to lose. If the residents had their way—it would take about nine years to complete this tunnel instead of the three years which is expected. Good luck to Stolte Corp. and our Brother engineers.

Young & Anderson are starting to receive pipe for their pipeline contract which consists of 34 miles of 87" water line running from Bixley to Lafayette; which job will be underway with weather permitting. At this particular time we have a few of our Brothers working on this line. We understand that Young and Anderson have bought a new American crawler rig with a 4½ bucket with which to dig this pipeline.

## News About the Brothers

Brother John Prindible is visiting in the Civic Center Hospital in Oakland for an overhaul. John is doing real well and should be out of the hospital by the time this is in print.

Brother Bob Lynch who works for Wm. Box in Decoto has been in the hospital in Richmond. Bob didn't have anything too serious and is feeling fine and back to work now. We are always glad to report when the Brothers get well quickly.

Brother Ivy Hampton opened the "M. & H." Mohawk Service a couple of months ago and is doing very well. His station is located at 2310 "A" Street, Antioch. If any of the Brothers care to go by and see him—they are certainly welcomed.

Brother Joe Risch is in the Stanford Hospital in San Francisco at the present time, but will be going home on Friday February 12 after a very serious operation two weeks before. There is no doubt about it—Joe has the stamina of an elephant. Best of luck to you Joe.

Brother Jack Blackwell was in the Herrick Memorial Hospital in Berkeley with an ulcer and heart ailment but is home now and doing fine. We want to wish you a quick recovery Bro. Jack.

Another of the Brothers has been in the hospital recently. Brother Louis Dietz of Fremont was in the Veterans Hospital in Oakland for a short time but is home now and very much up to par, we are happy to say.

## FRESNO SLOWED BY FEB. RAINS

By G. L. MOORE, J. D. MONROE and B. F. (TINY) HELLING, Business Representatives

Heavy rains hit the valley the first of February, which naturally caused a shutdown of most of the work in the area. The Frederickson & Kasler Company, who have been working two or three days a week, have decided to shut down their San Joaquin levee job until spring. There is several months of finish work yet to be done on this job.

The Baun Construction Company have been operating part time on their Firebaugh job. The M. J. Ruddy Company have shut down their Lander Avenue job indefinitely.

The rains don't bother the tunnel Engineers. The Winston-Green job at Balch Camp is running three shifts. There has been very little turnover on this job to date.

Winston-Green Construction Company on Terminus Dam are still working on the south side of the river and are high enough that it will take lots of water to do any damage. This company has two 1-11 shovels digging the spillway and have about two million yards to go. Five DW-20s are hauling clay for the core. The rock is loaded with tow draglines and a 74B shovel.

L. B. Wells has the black top all ripped up and about 3000 yards of sub-base material to go. This company also is moving dirt with four super C pulls and two cats on his other job at Visalia.

The majority of the work in this area is at Lemoore Airbase. Yosum Construction has a contract for 800 Capehart houses. John Varin has three DW-20s, a blade and two cats putting in streets and pads for this job. On west of Yosum's job, Mobile Crane has five truck cranes placing concrete for L. E. Dixon. Cal-Mobile has a mobile automatic batch plant mixing concrete for this job.

Altermatt & Frederick is keeping about eight engineers busy on underground fuel storage. Chicago Bridge & Iron has a sub-contract putting in the tanks. D. G. Bing and John B. Sooy will be starting their job about the 15th of February. This job only has 30,000 yards of dirt to move but will have a lot of import and finishing to do.

Baldwin Construction have two cats, a DW-20 and a blade working on their road job at Lemoore Airbase.

Three more contracts expected to cost \$19,140,000.00 are due

to be let in April. This work will consist of three hangars and utilities, roads and parking aprons, estimated cost \$8,335,000.00. Aircraft maintenance facilities cost \$2,975,000.00. Personnel and administrative structures cost \$7,820,000.00. As of last December 15th, more than \$44,538,059.00 worth of construction contracts have been awarded since May 1958.

Gordon H. Ball has moved in and started his job north of Visalia on highway 99 with six DWs, three D-8 cats, two blades, one truck crane and one grader.

Cen-Vi-Ro Corporation was awarded a contract for \$1,208,662.00 for earthwork pipelines and pumping plants at Tea Pot Dome, near Porterville, California. Peerless Pipe will do all the earthwork for Cen-Vi-Ro. This job will start March 1st.

Camco Construction Company was low bid with \$62,438.00 for pipelines out of Terra Bella. This company will start about February 15th.

We have three blood donors: Lewis Galloway, E. L. Thompson, R. C. Smith. Thank you very much.

We have a vacation check for Harry J. Wilmoth; payroll check for W. R. Mayall. Also W2 forms for: Walter J. Welch, Devon J. Carter, Trueman E. Douglas, Frank Sanders, Wayne R. Mayall.

## NEW JOB REPORTS

McCLELLAN AFB — Contract awarded to Campbell Const. Co., Sacramento, \$279,500 (Sch. III) for prefabricated structure and related items for redistribution and marketing facility at the Base.

SPARKS, NEVADA — Contract awarded to N. P. Van Valkenburgh Co., P.O. Box 1192, Sacramento, \$422,000 for construction of sanitary sewer interceptor, WASHOE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO — Contract awarded to Harms Bros., 526 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$289,535 for improvement of Lincoln Village Unit No. 2 in SACRAMENTO CO.



## REDWOODS HIT BY RAIN

By K. A. "KEN" BROOKS and W. L. "BILL" TOMBERLIN  
Business Representatives

Last month we reported that at the time the article was being written the rain was really coming down, between that writing and this one it wasn't too bad but Brothers, take it from us it really is working at it now, coming down in torrents for a couple of days and nights. Right at the moment we have the works, high water right to the very dangerous point and if it doesn't change real fast you may be reading of flood disaster in the Redwoods before this goes to press.

Also as this article is being written Hiway 101 is closed in numerous places by slides of all sizes and it looks like only the beginning, all we can do is hope Old Man Winter settles down for awhile.

Since we are in mud up to our ears and activity is pretty well slowed down we will touch on some of the progress made on the Redwood Hiways 199 and 299 and some of the things to come.

The development of the Redwood Hiway to a four-lane freeway continues to be among the prime interests of the area. This is readily understandable because as various units of new freeway are completed there is an increasing awareness of the travel ease afforded by the new sections of freeway as compared to the old and obsolete sections of two-lane highway.

As we tour north along the Redwood Hiway, U.S. 101 and U.S. 199, we will see the major improvements completed and underway.

The big freeway project we observe as we proceed northerly is the second unit of the Redwood Parks Freeway in Humboldt County. It extends for 7.5 miles from Myers to just south of Dyererville, connecting with the completed 4.4 mile-long first unit. Three contracts are involved in this second unit with two contracts completed, good progress is being made on the third contract, which will complete the project.

The first contract provided for the clearing of the area between slope boundaries which amounted to 167 acres.

The area cleared contained a considerable volume of salable timber of various species and of course large redwoods. This timber became the property of the contractor and the timber was sold by him to lumber mills. Under such circumstances the project was a combination logging and clearing operation.

### LOGGING

The logging, however, had to be carried on in a somewhat different manner than usual. The greater portion of the project traverses state park land and all clearing and logging operations had to be confined within the clearing flags so that all natural growth and trees outside the flags would not be damaged or disturbed in any manner whatsoever. It is therefore obvious that the trees could not always be felled in the most desirable direction or manner.

This clearing work was performed by Don F. Shuster of Willits, California, at a cost of \$250,844.

The second contract, on this second unit of the Redwoods Parks Freeway, provided for the construction of a reinforced concrete arch culvert at Mowry Creek, a short distance north of Myers.

The arch culvert is 514 feet long with a seven-foot arch. The contractor was John W. J. Petersen, Inc., of Loleta, who performed the work at a cost of \$125,600. The work was expeditious and an excellent quality structure produced by some of contractor devised, prefabricated steel forms.

The third contract to complete this second unit is now underway. The contract is with Morrison-Knudsen Company on the basis of their low bid of \$4,912,329.

The project length is 7½ miles and connects with the completed first unit at Dyererville. Upon completion of the second unit in 1960, there will then be 11 miles of continuous Redwood Parks Freeway.

The work on this third contract consists in general of constructing graded roadbeds, with drainage structures, placing of plant-mixed surfacing on untreated base and cement treated base over imported sub-base material and constructing roadway lighting systems. Four major structures will also be built, being Williford Road under-crossing, Pesula Road over-crossing, Weott under-crossing and Women's Grove overcrossing. As is usual in District 1, there is considerable stabilization work to be done prior to the placing of embankments.

The first unit as a forerunner of the eventual 43 mile length of Redwood Parks Freeway results in a startling comparison of the old and the new. Its 4.4 mile length of four-lane freeway replaced a section of original two-lane highway that was critically deficient in all aspects. The old section contained High Rock Hill and Englewood Hill and any appreciable volume of mixed traffic continuously created congestion and delays.

### THIRD UNIT

It is anticipated that progress on the 43-mile Redwood Parks Freeway will be continuous until completed. Detailed design work is underway on the third unit extending 11 miles from Sylvandale to Myers in Humboldt County. The location of this unit is across the South Fork of the Eel River from the existing highway in virtually virgin territory at least as far as major highway construction is concerned. The area to be traversed is now served only partially by a county road and logging roads. In order to get drill rigs in for foundation investigations, roads had to be specially constructed in some areas.

In all probability the third unit will be constructed in three phases due to the extent of work necessary and costs involved. The recently adopted 1960-61 State Highway Budget includes an allocation of \$1,915,000 for a bridge and approaches at Myers Flat.

In the district's densest traffic area, the Humboldt Bay area, progress in freeway construction is being maintained.

On October 30, 1959, traffic was routed onto a new section of freeway between the northerly city limits of Fortuna and 0.4 mile north of Fernbridge.

This new section of four-lane division freeway is 3.2 miles in length and connects with the southerly end of the four-lane divided expressway over Table Bluff Hill that was opened to traffic last year. Together these two sections north of Fortuna give the motorists a 7.6 mile section of modern, four-lane divided freeway.

The Fortuna-Fernbridge section was built under two separate contracts, the first of which was started in April of 1957. The first contract totaling \$480,

## Job Awards

**SACRAMENTO**—Contract awarded to C. K. Moseman & Son, 727 Barron Avenue, Redwood City, \$2,926,803 for abt. 0.8 mi. lgth. an 8-lane freeway tog. with city streets and ramps const. by grade and surf. with AC on cem. tr. base and aggr. base; const. pvmt. on cem tr. base; const. two brdgs. and 6 retain. walls and revise two brdgs. in Oakland and Emeryville. betw. S.F.-Oakland Bay Bridge Distribution Struc. and Market Street, ALAMEDA CO.

300, was completed by Mercer Fraser Company in May of '58, and provided three grade separation structures and their approaches. The second contract for grading, surfacing, and other necessary miscellaneous items was completed by the Norman I. Fadel Company at a total cost of \$1,278,000. The freeway has four 12-foot traffic lanes, paved shoulders eight feet wide and a 22-foot wide division strip. The Fortuna area will see further activity on development of U.S. 101 to a freeway. The 1960-61 budget provides \$910,000 for structures on a 3.9 mile section of freeway between 0.4 mile north of Alton and northerly city limits of Fortuna. This 3.9 mile section will fill the gap between completed sections of the freeway, Robinson Ferry Bridge to Alton, and Fortuna to Hookton Road.

### EXTEND FREEWAY

There is considerable interest in this dense traffic area to complete the freeway to Eureka at Elk River, just south of the southerly Eureka city limits. Toward this end, plans are completed and the new budget provides \$2,590,000 to extend the freeway from the northerly end of the completed freeway over Table Bluff Hill at Hookton Rd. to just south of Fields Landing, a distance of 3.7 miles. Design work is under way on the balance of 2.7 miles from Fields Landing to Elk River.

An interesting project is developing on U.S. 199 in Del Norte County in the Hazelview Summit area. A complete relocation of U.S. 199 in the area is involved, which includes a tunnel, reducing climb, greatly improving alignment and reducing distance. Work will get underway at an early date as the 1960-61 budget allocates \$770,000 for the grading at the north approach to the tunnel from 2.5 miles south of the Oregon line.

On U.S. 299 the major activity is a continuing effort on the improvement of this route by the Honor Camp 42 forces.

Work is now progressing in the Green Point area. The work generally involved a major relocation of the route between North Fork Mad River and Berry Summit.

Grade has been completed with select material placed on a relocation between Preston Ranch, the location of Honor Camp 42, and intersection of relocation with existing 299 at Lord-Ellis Summit, a distance of one mile. This new grade is not yet in use by regular traffic, but serves as access to Camp 42.

Grading on a portion generally crisscrossing the existing highway has for the larger part been completed from Lord-Ellis Summit easterly to Green Point, a distance of 2½ miles. A greater portion of the new grade has been bituminous treated and is in use by U.S. 299 traffic.

Brothers, we were all very pleased with the nice turnout at the January 19th District meeting, let's make it even better next time.

## Nevada Round-Up

By H. L. "CURLEY" SPENCE, JOSEPH "JOE" MILLER and TOMMY ECK, Business Representatives

Three mining agreements are now open for amendments, namely Dodge Iron Mines and Mineral Material Company, both operating out of Lovelock and the Standard Slag Company operation at Wabuska. Membership meetings were held in Lovelock and Yerington for the brothers employed on these projects and proposals were received. By the time this paper goes to press the negotiating committee will have had the initial meeting with the companies representatives and we sincerely think we will receive a fair counter proposal to take back to the brothers for ratification. These Iron Mines still hold great potential for Nevada and the brothers who work them and the communities who will benefit if and when the developments really take hold.

Prospect drills out of Lovelock make those hills look like a porcupine's back with lots of rumors that if the ore body is there in large enough quantity, U.S. Steel may be interested in a huge development in this area. Meanwhile, down at Wabuska, the Standard Slag Company is considering a five year program which includes some three million yards of stripping, so its possible the Iron Mines may pick up the slack the copper industry dropped in the state of Nevada these past few years.

Wells-Fargo have moved in on their road job west of Denio despite the season and the weather and the brothers are roughing it through. It's a big pleasure to see long lost brother Jack Chatelle back in this area as the dirt boss on this job. It sure makes him smile to see those seven brand spanking new DW 20's in the muck. A little rough on the brothers as this project is way out in God's Country and they are bunching up and batching and getting by in a true pioneering spirit. The brothers who came with Jack from their uncompleted job in Beaver, Utah, are real anxious to finish this up and get back to their home stomping grounds. While the Nevada bros. would like to see this last till more work breaks around home.

Silver State Construction Co. has completed the excavations and embankments on their Denio job but still to return in the spring to lay the oil. Meanwhile, they have moved back, lock, stock, and barrel to their home base in Fallon where they are doing some land leveling and have some equipment rented out to Trans-Universal who is doing a job for the Navy south of Fallon.

### FALLON JOB

Dodge Construction Co. has Highway 50 relocation job East of Fallon well in hand now in respect to the dirt and now have the gravel plant in operation.

The George Griffal Co. has most of his crew working even with the snow. George gets a few jobs around Reno, but he has a real good crew working for him so it is no problem to keep them busy.

I see Brother Bill Games tearing down and loading out the old Southside School on Center Street in Reno. That's quite an old land mark for Bill to have to demolish.

Dear Brother Bill Boegle is very lonesome as he has the whole 2nd Street Pit all to himself, no worries, no problems, nothing, just Boegle.

The Lagrange Construction Co. better known as "Johnny, the little man Lagrange" has most of his crew working in California at Tahoe Keys. Most of his regular hands are working most of the time between the rain and snow.

The State of Nevada has been getting its share of rain and

snow during the past month and the work in the area has come to a standstill. Most of the jobs have been shut down and others are not going to be started until the weather outlook improves enough for the work to get underway without a great deal of lost time.

As for the work that is coming, the State Highway Department Engineer Ed Pine has told us that they expect to let nine million dollars worth of contracts during the first quarter of this year. Let's hope that this is true and that it gets an early start.

We believe that the job at Golconda Summit out of Winnemucca, Nevada, will be one of the first jobs out for bid. Another section of road east of Lovelock, Nevada, is expected next, then they say that there is some work to be done near Pioche, Nevada, and some structural work on river crossings near Wadsworth, Nevada. By the time this work is bid, we expect that some of the problems regarding the various road jobs around Reno will be out of the way and that bids will be let on the section of road from Reno to Stead Air Base, another from Steamboat over Washoe Hill and with a great deal of success we may get one of the freeways started.

### RENO BUILDING

There is a lot of building work in Reno this year that will create jobs for some of the members. Housing projects are going up in every section of town. A couple of million dollar gambling casinos are planned for construction and are supposed to get started this spring.

The word is out that another flood control dam in the vicinity of Peavine Mountain is about to be contracted out.

We expect a good work season for all of the brothers this year and if we can get an early start on some of these projects, we should have a good year.

We wish to call to the attention of all members working in Nevada, under the Construction Agreement with the AGC that another wage increase went into effect Jan. 1, 1960 on all jobs. Please make sure that your employer is paying you the new wage scale. If you don't have a contract booklet or if you have any doubts as to your new rate, please check with the Reno office or with one of the business agents for assistance.

Since the field work has slowed down, we have had the opportunity to check our files more closely and have found some employers delinquent on their payments into the Health and Welfare Fund and Pension Fund. We are now going thru the proper procedures to collect the money due to these funds. We have collected the back payments from most of those contractors who were behind but we have a few more to go.

**SACRAMENTO**—Contract awarded to Campbell Const. Co., P.O. Box 390, Sacramento, \$2,004,454 (Base-Alts.) for const. Will C. Wood Jr. High School, Sacramento.

**SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH**—Contract awarded to Floyd S. Whiting, Box 158, Murray, Utah, \$1,024,755 for 6.53 mi. const. 4" PTMX. surf. on U.S. 50 and 6, betw. Thistle and Red Narrows, UTAH CO.



## Compensation Quizzes

### Question

Do employees working in agricultural labor have a right to compensation benefits?

### Answer

Yes. The law excluding farm labor or other agricultural workers has been repealed. These employees are now entitled to the same benefits as all other employees covered by the Workmen's Compensation Act for any injury on or after September 18, 1959.

### Question

What is the maximum period of time in which an employee can receive temporary disability payments?

### Answer

For injuries suffered before September 18, 1959, an employee was not entitled to receive any temporary disability compensation more than 240 weeks after his injury. For injuries suffered on or after September 18, 1959, the employee can still receive at the most 240 weeks of temporary disability compensation; however, these 240 weeks can be spread over a five-year period.

### Question

If the insurance carrier petitions to reduce a permanent disability rating and is not successful, has the employee any right to recover his costs of defending the action.

### Answer

Yes, when the employer or insurance carrier is unsuccessful in trying to reduce the employee's permanent disability rating, the employee is entitled to an award for his reasonable costs in defending the action.

## Organizer's Report

(Continued from preceding page)

1960. A few days after this notice, and before the N.L.R.B. could schedule a date for the election, the U.E. filed charges blocking any election until these charges have been resolved.

Last November we filed a petition with N. L. R. B. for a representation election at the Castlewood Country Club, Pleasanton, involving five maintenance mechanics. The Board will not assert jurisdiction over this club; therefore, we have turned this case over to the State Conciliation office. After having meetings with the culinary workers and receiving their support at this club, we feel a contract is in the very near future.

We also have had our problems in Irvington at the Cloverleaf Bowling Alley. The N.L.R.B. will not assert jurisdiction over this club. Three maintenance mechanics are involved.

We have petitioned to the N.L.R.B. for an election at the Campbell Chain Co. in Alvarado. 70 employees are involved. We hope to be successful in arranging a consent election at this plant.

The first part of February we spent some time organizing all of the Federal Government installations in the Bay Area, in cooperation with the International Office and Local 3. A meeting was called February 5, 1960, for all federal employees by our Seventh International Vice President, Newell J. Carman. Mr. Frank Brantley, International Representative, chaired the meeting, representing Local 39. Our purpose is to establish a West Coast Conference for more complete representation concerning wages, grievances, etc.

A union that works together stays together.

## Safety Committee Is of No Value Without You

By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Safety Representative

I believe a safety committee is one of the strongest and most important devices that we can use in improving the safety records and reducing accidents. However, I feel that the old concept of having a group of safety committee people march through an area on a particular day of the month, each armed with a sharp pencil and a notebook, and each individual looking for the things that he can find that should be corrected, is almost ludicrous as to its actual result in reducing accidents.

Therefore, I propose that the safety committee should be thought of as an educational organization which can provide the means of communications between the staff, management, and supervisory personnel, and all other employees. I like to see large safety committees made up of carefully selected, dedicated individuals who meet monthly to discuss the safety program. These committees should be chairmanned by the safety engineer, or any other individual who is responsible for the safety program. The monthly program should be so constituted as to give every member of the committee an insight into the broad policy of safety with enough inspirational material that the member will go back to his work and become a strong factor in selling this policy to other employees.

Each safety committee should be divided into groups and these groups should be rotated in such a way that, over the years a larger number of employees will have the opportunity to serve on the committees. The committee should be given a chance to "speak his piece" as far as ideas he believes are important in any and all aspects of safety. These ideas should be presented in committee to a professional safety man who can direct the idea along the proper pattern and quickly eliminate the so-called "crack pot" ideas.

The committee member is best qualified to report on conditions in his own field. That is where he works and that is where he is acquainted. If he is properly indoctrinated, he can serve as the right arm of the supervisor or foreman in pointing out items that should be corrected.

This use of a safety commit-

tee as an educational arm of the safety program can be dynamic and an important part of creating safety awareness in every member of the organization. It is trite but true that the best safety device is a safe worker. No safeguard can be manufactured and no rules and regulations enforced that will prevent a man from injuring himself if he tries hard enough to cause an accident.

The average American likes to feel that he has contributed something of the policy that in turn governs the operation in which he works. This is particularly true in safety. A man who feels he has contributed one small part of an idea that eventually becomes a safety regulation will consistently support that regulation and will cause others to support it.

Contrast this attitude with that of the man who feels it was an arbitrary act decreed by the authorities who were not interested in listening to his ideas on the subject. All of us like the feeling of being "in at the beginning." It is this feeling that a safety committeeman can take back to a department, to an area, to an office, to a community, that many instill a better degree of cooperation from that group with the safety operation. I feel we are missing a big part of safety promotion if we do not utilize a safety committee to every possible extent in selling safety to all employees in an organization.

As we advance technologically as we move further into the space age, as atomic installations and supersonic aircraft begin to operate in close proximity to large segments of our population, as our cities become more crowded and our freeways more congested, how could anyone disagree that his safety and the safety of his family is no longer individually in his own hands but rather collectively in the hands of the community as a whole.

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## Redding Area Sets Goal Of 100 Pints of Blood

By J. B. JENNINGS and SID McBROOME, Business Representatives

Brothers and their families throughout Redding District have shown their initiative and have set a goal of 100 pints of blood for the Redding Blood Bank. For the past two weeks members and their wives have donated approximately 55 pints of blood. If you wish to donate to the Redding Blood Bank, please call our office CH 1-0158.

Our honor roll of donors is listed on Page 1.

**Work in the Trinity Area and 299 West—Trinity Dam Project** is at a standstill with approximately 75 to 85 brothers employed. Most all the men working are in the repair work in the shops. Work on 299 West between Redding and Douglas City will be opened for bid around March 2. Division of Highways called for bids with approximately one million dollar project to open. Gibbons & Reed project on the Whiskeytown relocation job should start around March 1, the weather permitting. Shea, Kaiser, Morrison Clear Creek tunnel job is in full swing again at the Intake and Adit after a serious water problem. The tunnel crews are working around the clock and have less than one mile to hole through. Shea, Kaiser, Morrison gravel plant is back in operation at Churn Creek.

**Work on Highway 99N:** Gibbons and Reed Construction on the Weed and Castella jobs are down due to the big storm that hit recently. This job ran up to January on a two shift operation. M. J. Coleman at Cecilville is still in operation although faced with bad weather. Mr. Coleman claims he will continue operations as long as the brothers want to work this winter.

**Work in the Alturas Area:** Morrison & Knudson are back to one shift and expect to complete this job the middle of March. This has been an extremely rough job because of the cold weather.

**Work in the Redding Area:** Jess Hogg is busy on his sewage job in the city. Peterson Tractor & Equipment shop in Redding has had a very busy winter. Most of the repair work is done in the shops. The new Calaveras Cement Plant at Mt. Gate

expects to start the new plant in March.

Your attention is called to the vacation plan. Any Brother employed from October 1 and terminated by the employer wish to draw your vacation check please notify the employer. You will receive your check in 5 days or less.

We want to thank the Brothers in the Redding District for the large turnout at our last schedule meeting on January 20. Your Grievance Committee meets on Thursday nights between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. The Redding Office is opened during these hours for your convenience. You do not have to have a grievance to come in and discuss anything at our meetings.

### YOUR UNION AND YOU

Your union is exactly what you make it—no more, no less. There's just one way of making sure that your union will function as you want it to function—you must regularly attend union meetings and participate to the fullest extent in all the affairs of your organization. Be active! Do your full duty as a good citizen and a good trade unionist.

Don't skip meetings and shift your responsibilities as a union member to the shoulders of others. Attend meetings regularly. When the time to vote on a proposition arrives, vote wisely. Yes, it is a fact—your union is what you make it. It's your union so help make it a dandy.

Your Executive Board Member in the Redding District is Barney R. Word.

The following named men have checks being held in the Redding office:

O. C. Osborn, Willie Hogue, John Geddes, Robert Montgomery, J. C. McFarland, Alfred J. Fontaine, Wilbert A. Feusi and Robert Howard.

## CHANGES IN WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION IN 1959

By FRANK A. LAWRENCE, Industrial Accident Commissioner

### Question

Has there been any change in the requirement of a waiting period before compensation payments are due?

Answer: Yes. For injuries occurring before September 18, 1959, the rule was that the insurance company did not have to pay any temporary disability compensation for the first seven days of disability unless the disability lasted more than 49 days. This is still the rule unless the employee is hospitalized within the first seven days. In that case his temporary disability compensation starts on the date of his hospitalization.

### Question

Has the amount that the employee can claim as extra benefits against his employer on a claim of serious and wilful misconduct been changed?

### Answer

Yes. Prior to September 18, 1959, the employee was limited to a maximum recovery of \$3,750. The maximum is now \$7,500, plus \$250 maximum for costs and expenses.

### Question

In addition to his compensation benefits, does an injured employee have a right to sue a fellow employee for damages because of an on-the-job injury caused by the fellow employee?

### Answer

Yes, a fellow employee may be sued if the death or injury was (1) proximately caused by the wilful and unprovoked physical act or aggression of such other employee; (2) when the injury or death is proximately caused by the intoxication of such other employee; (3) when the other employee's acts show a reckless disregard of safety for the employee injured, or a caluculate or conscious willingness to permit injury or death to the employee.

### Question

If a party wants a transcript of the testimony at a Commission hearing must he pay for it?

### Answer

Yes. The charge is \$1 for each page for all copies.

## Field Survey Notes

## APPRENTICE PLAN IS SET IN SO. CAL.

By AL BOARDMAN and Art PENNEBAKER, Business Reps.

We have received from our sister Local 12 "D" in Southern California, a copy of their Apprenticeship Standards for Chief of Party. This apprenticeship program was jointly established by the Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors Association of California, Inc., and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 12, AFL-CIO. The employer and union have set up a governing organization known as the Southern California Surveyors Joint Apprenticeship Committee. This committee consists of five members from management and five from labor. In addition to these members an advisory from a local school district and one apprenticeship consultant representing the State Division of Apprenticeship.

The definition and duties of apprentices are as follows:

Apprentices shall be at least 18 years of age.

An apprentice will enter into a written agreement conforming to State laws governing apprenticeship standards.

The term of apprenticeship and probation is 800 hours with the first 500 hours served as try-out or probationary periods. The wage schedule is as follows: \$2.50 per hour during probation; \$2.70 per hour Apprentice; \$2.98 per hour Rear Chainman; \$3.25 per hour Head Chainman; \$3.52 per hour Instrumentman; and \$3.84 per hour Chief of Party.

The apprentices shall satisfactorily complete a course comprising not less than 144 hours per year of related and supplemental instruction. This time shall not be compensated.

### WORK PROCESSES

500 hours, classification "A" Probationer:

1. Use and care of tools such as shovels, picks, axes, mauls, chisels, hammers, etc.

2. Use and care of survey equipment which is pertinent to chaining and leveling, excluding instruments.

3. Care and handling of survey instruments: (a) Removing from and replacing in the box (b) Carrying instruments which have been mounted on tripod. (c) Setting up instrument safely (not over a point).

4. Safety practice and instruction: (a) First aid and first aid kits. (b) Proper use of sharp tools. (c) Precautions for street work. (d) precautions for mountain work. (e) Precautions around heavy equipment.

1,000 hours, classification "B" Apprentice. Practices, A (1-4):

5. Use of hand signals.

6. Familiarity with station system.

7. Setting of monuments.

8. Setting of proper bench marks and turning points.

9. Proper marking and placing of guard stakes.

1,500 hours, classification "C" Rear Chainman, Practices A.B. (1-9):

10. Senior apprentice to have functional supervision over rear chainman or junior apprentice.

11. Use of spring balance.

12. Read thermometer and make temperature corrections.

13. Correcting for slope measurement.

14. Set up transit over a point and set up level for taking levels.

15. Operation of reading a level

## STOCKTON IS WET; JOBS ARE SLOW

By WALTER M. TALBOT, AL McNAMARA and C. L. CASEBOLT, Business Representatives

As we write this article for the Stockton-Modesto District it is pouring down rain. All indications point to a wet winter this year as the rainfall has about doubled that of last year at this time and is well above the average precipitation for this area.

Due to the exceedingly wet weather the rock plants that usually are able to operate on a short week basis during the winter have curtailed operations until the rains are over. Some unfinished construction work, along with a few new jobs that have been let this year, are bogged down to the mud and mire.

The only plants or shops that have not been affected by the rainfall to date, in that no reduction in force has occurred, are the Sonora Marble Aggregates Company Quarry and Mill near Columbia, Claude C. Wood Company shop in Lodi, Stockton Engineering & Equipment Company in Stockton and Valley Tractor Company in Modesto.

New jobs awarded since the first of the year which will employ Operating Engineers are:

Charles I. Cunningham—Turnout at Tracy Plumbing Plant, for \$9,123.

Basalt Rock Company—Stone Protection, Stockton Deep Water Channel, for \$76,186.

Automatic Irrigation Company of Englewood—Planting

el (or of using transit in lieu of a level).

3,000 hours, classification "D" Head Chainman. Practices, A.B.C. (1-15):

16. Full use of transit and level.

17. Check chief on calculations: (a) level closures (b) traverse closures.

18. Check transit and level adjustment and make required field adjustment.

19. Keep notes and make sketches.

1,000 hours, classification "E", Chief of Party. Practices, A.B.C.D. (1-19):

20. Supervise party.

21. Analyse jobs for most efficient procedure.

22. Read and work from plans, sketches, notes, maps of record, etc.

23. Instruct apprentices in field procedure.

1,000 hours, classification "F", Chief of Party. Practices, E (20-23):

24. Additional training in one or more of the following branches of survey work: (a) land survey (as required for taking L.S. exam.) (b) sub-division (c) topography (d) triangulation (e) construction (f) hydrographic (g) railroad (h) mineral.

TOTAL HOURS: 8,000

We wish the membership to give this matter serious thought as we have need for such a plan in this area.

## Job Awards

SEASIDE — Contract awarded to Tomblason & Huck Box 1388, Salinas, \$588,000 (Base), for school additions involving const. multi-purpose rm., kitchen, administrative office and classrooms.

SAN FRANCISCO — Contract awarded to Barret Const. Co., 1800 Evans Avenue, S.F., \$874,000 for constructing RC 6-story wing addn. psychiatric wing at St. Mary's Hospital, S.F.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to Rubino & Gullickson, \$439,000 for gen. const. of Science Bldg. and Boiler House addn., at Contra Costa Junior College, San Pablo, CONTRA COSTA CO.

and Landscaping at the San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, for \$74,983.

Chalmers & Borton of Hutchinson, Kansas—Twenty-two Concrete Grain Silos at the Grain Terminal, Port of Stockton, for \$779,000.

M. Malfitano & Son and Vega Engineering & Grading Company, joint venture on the Corps of Engineers levee job on the San Joaquin River, have not as yet been notified to proceed. At this writing the outcome of this project seems to be anyone's guess. The delay appears to be due to the fact that the contractors bid was approximately one-half million dollars below the Engineer's estimate. The bid must be reviewed by the Army Corps of Engineers in Washington to determine the contractor's ability to perform the work at the price submitted in his bid.

The State Division of Highways awaits details of the Federal regulation clearing the way for construction of overpasses at Fremont Street and Waterloo Road on Highway 99. The project, which includes an underpass at the Stockton Terminal and Eastern Railroad, will cost an estimated \$1,800,000. The State hopes to advertise for bids by March 1st.

In addition to the forty-one members listed in our last month's report, Brothers George Bowman, Floyd Bryant, Albert Burgess, Dan Dark, W. H. Edwards, James W. Harp and Theodore Jamison are sporting the 1960 Year Button.

### BLOOD BANK CLUB:

We are pleased to list two more donors to the Operating Engineers Blood Bank Club this past month—Loretta Lloyd and Merle F. Laughlin. This is a 100 per cent increase over the preceding month. Let's keep up the good work!

### PERSONAL NOTES

Again we regret to report the untimely passing of three Brothers this past month. Brother Chris Hansen, of Turlock, was killed in an automobile accident while returning home from his job with John Delphia Company.

Brother A. L. Morse, of Manteca died following an operation in Sacramento. Brother Morse was employed for many years by the M. J. Ruddy & Son Company where his brother, who is also a member of this union, is a job superintendent.

Brother James Drennan, of Stockton, was laid to rest February 10th, having suffered from heart trouble for some time prior to his death.

The members and office staff wish to express our sincere sympathies to the families of the departed Brothers.

Due to the presence of influenza, which is widespread throughout the state, and other ailments that are common at this time of year, we find the following ill members this past month: Kenneth Cole, Stockton; Paul Hatfield, Modesto; Ted Harwell, Modesto; Henry Imboden, Stockton; Paul Melton, Turlock; F. B. Muns, Stockton; Walter Gibson, Manteca; L. H. Paslay, Vallejo; and John Rasmussen, Stockton.

We are holding a check at this office for Fred Hendricks.



# SACRAMENTO AT SEASONAL LOW

By DON KINCHLOE, ERNIE NELSON, HAROLD HUSTON,  
EDW. HEARNE and BILL METTZ, Business Representatives

The Sacramento area is at a standstill. Only a few jobs on Highway 50 are still operating.

Peter Kiewit has started the Missile Plant in Lincoln. He has contracted the dirt work to Jarrish Brothers.

D. W. Nicholson lost their contract at Aerojet; Wismer and Becker received the new contract.

Brothers, we have had much illness in the past few weeks and our blood bank is very low. We need blood badly! While the weather is bad, and the work is slow, go down and donate your blood.

The following donated blood in the past month:

JOHN SHEEHAN  
ELMER RASTETTER  
ERNEST KENNEDY  
WM. TIMMONS  
NORMA GAULT  
FRANK CAMPBELL

Brother Mel Fox, blade operator for Lentz, has been in the hospital for an operation and is out doing fine now.

Brother Ernie Brown is in the Sutter Hospital. Brother Brown, shore foreman for Hydraulic Dredge Co. This crew has a very bad time with the flu. Brother Nick Carlson was off some time; also Bro. Ray Anderson is down and Brother Davies.

Brother Morris Walgrave is in the hospital in Antioch with something wrong with his heart. We hope these brothers are back on the job soon!

Jay Anderson is in the Mercy Hospital for a check-up.

Work in this area is slow, about the only thing going on is the dredging and shop work.

Erickson Const. have a full crew working their American River Shop. Russ Armas is the master mechanic and doing a good job.

A. Teichert and Son have a few men repairing the paving spread at Davis, and they have a small crew in their shop in Woodland. Brother Cliff Sanders has taken over as master mechanic. They still have the plant going five days.

Madison Sand and Gravel are down. All they are doing is repair work.

P.C.A. still have their plant going in Yolo and it looks like they will run all winter.

Dinwiddie Const. will start on their job on 7th and Capital next week. The last storm we had here blew a big tree over on their office. Luckily, no one was killed!

Rhea Tractor just got moved into their new shop. This is going to give them a lot more room and a better shop to work in.

New Island Equipment is getting much larger stock of case equipment. They are building a good looking loader now.

Industrial Tractor Co. have good-sized crews working in their shop and think they have work to take them through the winter.

It looks like we are going to have more subdivision work this year than we had last. The South Sacramento Freeway is almost sure to go this year.

## SNOW REMOVAL

Old man winter has been very busy bringing lots of snow and rain in the hills. With all the bad weather, work around the lake is just about to a standstill excepting the snow removal equipment, which are busy 24 hours a day.

Pomeroy Dredge is in high gear at Tahoe Valley and at the present time are working six days per week. It's been so cold up there the pipes will freeze up it it's shut down. We hope this job will keep a lot of our brothers busy all winter.

Paul E. Shaad, general manager and chief engineer of the Sacramento Municipal Utility District, reported to the board of directors that contract commitments on SMUD's Upper American River Power Project

are running somewhat below original construction estimates. He did not cite specific figures, but did express satisfaction with the progress of the work on the multimillion dollar project.

He also reported a minor, but important, change in the design that is being made at the Camino power plant to be located about three miles north of Pollock Pines, El Dorado County. "The installed capacity of the plant will be reduced to 72,000 kilowatts from a previous 86,000 kilowatts but provisions will be made to increase the capacity of the plant to double the 72,000 kilowatts at a later date."

The change will make better use of the potential power resources and require later construction of a 1,200 acre foot forebay reservoir, with a 180 foot rockfill dam on Brush Creek, about a mile north of the Camino power plant.

"This additional construction will take place later in combination with the development of the south fork of the American River below the present project features."

The development of the lower stages of the river near Placerville, El Dorado County, will be financed by a separate bond issue not yet authorized.

We're sorry to report Brother Harold Ferrin, who was hurt operating a dozer for Archie Till on the road job, is still in serious condition in the hospital. We wish to urge all the brothers who are working in rough country in a tight spot, to use all the caution that is needed to prevent an accident. PLEASE, DON'T TAKE A CHANCE! The life you save, might be your own!

## AUBURN SEWER

Brothers in the Auburn area have been anxiously awaiting word on the new sewage treatment system to be constructed in Auburn. Fred J. Early Co. of San Francisco was the low bid of \$1,250,000. This job will consist of a sewage treatment plant, three lift or pump stations, and several thousand feet of sewer line, ranging from six inches to 24 inches in diameter. Representatives of the Early Co. have stated that they plan to start about March 1st. This job will not keep too many brothers working, but it should be steady going once it gets started.

The brothers in the Truckee area are interested in the Prosser Creek Dam. While we have very little information to give you at this time, we have learned that the R. A. Heintz Co. will move in no equipment until about the first of April. Your representatives will meet with company officials before work starts and we will have a more complete report for you at that time.

Peter Kiewit Sons Co. has gotten started on their \$31,000,000 Titan Missile site job as this is being written. This job consists of three bases, one of which is located at Lincoln in the Sacramento district, one near Liveoak, and one near the Chico airport. The latter two are located within the Marysville district, so we shall confine our report to the site at Lincoln.

Kiewit has subbed the dirt work to Parrish Bros. of Benicia and they are busy moving dirt whenever the weather permits. The job has a high priority and there will be little time lost to rain if it can be helped. There is about half a million yards that Parrish will move.

The silo that the missile is in will be 160 feet deep, so a vertical shaft will be sunk about 80 feet deeper than Parrish will go with the scrapers. The Corporation of Engineers has informed us that this will be in solid rock, as well. Parrish Bros. figure about 100 working days for the dirt.

Surveying on all three sites will be done by John B. Duff. He will have three or four parties in the field at the peak of the job. Duff has had many jobs in the area, and he has always employed members of Local No. 3 on his parties. He is returning to the area from Vandenberg Air Force Base near Lompoc, Calif., and he says that he is mighty happy to be back in Northern California.

Flores and Perry of Hanford have moved out all but one or two pieces of their equipment from the Pilot Hill job and are doing a couple of landleveling jobs in the lower San Joaquin Valley during the bad weather. All they are doing now is working on the crusher, getting it ready for next spring.

G. S. Herrington of Auburn is still moving dirt on the Mooney Flat Road whenever the weather will permit. That has not been very often lately. Brother Jim Lewis is keeping busy doing repair work on the equipment so that the operators will have something to run.

Roads, Inc., of Santa Rosa, was low bidder on the rebuilding of Colfax Street in Grass Valley, with a price of \$197,926.86. This job is only about three-eighths of a mile in length, so if this seems like a lot of money it's because of all the concrete to be used. We understand that they will place something like 33,000 yards of ready-mix concrete. Don't know where they'll put it, but they must have a place for it. We have no other information on this job yet, but hope to have some soon.

Madonna has been shut down lately because of the rain, so we have nothing to report on this job at this time.

Teichert has had to move a few rigs back up to Baxters to move a huge mud slide that has shut down the westbound lanes of traffic about three and a half miles east of Baxters. This is all the activity that has taken place on this job since the first of the year.

We have been expecting some word on the Donner Summit job, but so far we have heard nothing that we can pass on to you. As soon as we do, it will be reported to you. This job will provide considerable employment when it does get underway. There should be no shortage of work in the Truckee area the next couple of seasons.

## AEROJET SLOW

Work is almost at a standstill at Aerojet. D. W. Nicholson keeps two engineers on the equipment.

The Wismer and Becker Electric Co. was successful in getting the time and maintenance job, and at present we have dispatched three engineers to this job.

A. Teichert's work is limited to small contracts, with a crew of six able men at the controls. Callahan Co. is up and down with one to three brother operators.

A.E.C. keep a crane crew busy on their job.

Reliable Crane is working with the Western Freight Handlers.

The Delta Const. Co., owned by Norman Brown, from Rio Vista, is keeping busy with three engineers on maintenance.

The contract for the new traffic overhead interchange will be let soon to alleviate traffic congestion entering or leaving Aerojet, at Hwy. 50 and Nimbus Dam Road.

There is no new construction planned for Aerojet in the near future to help our unemployed engineers.

Most of the subdivisions are down due to the wet weather. Some of the contractors are keeping busy repairing the equipment.

Lord and Bishop have started the new Watt Avenue Bridge across the American River. This job will go until early summer but will only employ about five engineers. The ramps and Watt Ave. extension will be let later in the spring with a finish planned for December. There is very little excavation on this job, so again the operators will be few.

Lentz Const. are in the process of moving their shop out on Elder Creek Road. They keep a crew going on underground work between rains.

Brighton Sand & Gravel have all but shut down. The shop crew are doing a good job overhauling the equipment and will have it ready to do when the weather breaks.

Granite Const. Co. keep the crusher going and also are doing some stripping around the pit. They also have their go-ahead crew of mechanics busy repairing the equipment and remodeling machines for better production and eas in in operation; no dead-heads on this crew, and all are 100% union men!

Erickson Const. are at a standstill with the equipment on outside jobs, but they are going good at their plant on Arden Way and in the shop.

A. Teichert, as usual, is going when they can, with lots of activity in the shops. The Perkins yard is full of equipment ready for the mechanics to work on and some ready for the transport to go to the job. Our brothers here are all old-timers and do a first-class job.

McGillivray Const. are repairing everything they own. The plants are getting a good going over in anticipation of a good year in the offing.

Western Concrete Pipe have a small crew keeping the plant in operation.

Delta Pre-Stress have their regular engineers on the payroll. Clarks Welding on Folsom Blvd. have top welders in the shop putting out "grade-A work."

P.C.A. at Fair Oaks are going strong with two shifts with no let-up in the future. They plan to add another Hot Plant this year to take care of extras ordered of the plant mix.

Brighton Sand and Gravel have shut the crusher down for 30 days but keep some of our brothers busy with hepaing. Sacramento Ready-Mix stay in operation, rain or shine!

Teichert's batch plants have kept going in spite of the inclement weather.

Folsom Ready-Mix and Roseville Ready-Mix have our brother engineers getting full checks each pay-day.

Krpan Bros. have their equipment in the yard undergoing extensive repairs.

Richard Cox started his Carmichael water pipe job with six engineers on the pay-roll.

# ROSA-UKIAH AREA PARTLY UNDER WATER

By R. F. SWANSON  
Business Representative

You have no doubt read the daily newspapers and already know of the approximate extent of water and flood damage to this area. You can be sure that it will create work for there are numerous slides—bridges out—roads under water—slip-outs, etc., etc.; however, we are thankful now for having one dam—namely COYOTE — and we are certainly looking forward to additional dams in the area. The quick flooding of the Russian River, especially in the area of Guerneville, should hasten the start of the proposed Dry Creek Dam. At least we hope it is uppermost in the minds of the Legislature. Just think of the amount of run-off of valuable water which could have been saved had there been a dam; also many of our Brothers and their families would not have to worry about loss of their homes due to floods. PLEASE, Mr. Governor, this area NEEDS a dam. We know that your good office has looked into the matter, so please put the Dry Creek Dam on your high priority list.

## OFFICE CHANGE

The new address on or about March 1, 1960 will be 1186 Yulupa Avenue, which, incidentally, is within seven (7) blocks of the present office. Also, the proposed Highway 12 Freeway will be within one block of the new office location and there will be an interchange at Yulupa Ave. The telephone number will remain the same. It was not our idea to make this move—however, the clothing store adjoining our present office has been desirous of additional space for some time. The only way this could be accomplished is for them to take over the space we now occupy by removing a wall. The landlord therefore suggested that he build an addition to one of his office buildings in Mayette Village. We agreed, so long as we will have better accommodations. (Note: We realize the office will be a few blocks farther out than the present location, but we still have excellent parking facilities and no meters. This is the main reason for not moving closer to the heart of Santa Rosa).

## MEETING TURNOUT

Many thanks for the excellent turnout to the Special-called Meeting for election of an Election Committee member from this District and also for nomination of Delegate to the International Convention to be held in Miami. The Election Committee member elected was Floyd Webb.

Jim Moves to Fresno—Most of you know, but possibly there are some who haven't heard that Jim Mark has left the Santa Rosa office. Oh no—he didn't quit—he has been transferred to the Fresno office where the former dispatcher has retired after many years service. Jim, we are going to miss you but as the Brothers are saying, "Santa Rosa's loss is Fresno's gain." Good luck, Jim, from all of the many friends still in Santa Rosa. By the way, the new dispatcher's name is Edith Leppert and the files which Jim has so ably started will certainly be continued in the same manner.

## DISABILITY REFUND

Brothers, a word of caution: if you have worked for more than one employer and have made more than \$3600, then you have a refund coming from (Continued on Page 12)



# Marysville Is All Set for Big Year Ahead

By C. R. VAN WINKLE, C. E. COCKAYNE, W. R. WEEKS, IRA BASHAW, Business Representatives

## WEATHER:

The Marysville Area like other areas is having weather troubles with most of the work down or limping along on one leg. But as one of the dear brothers said, "now that it is raining he can sit back relaxed and watch television, read or play solitaire, but when the sun was shining he paced the floor like a caged tiger." So the rain, as long as there isn't much work going on, is probably a blessing in disguise and, anyway, our good friends the farmers need it.

## MISSILE BASES

Now here is a subject that is in everyone's mind and one that we thought we would be able to write a book about and, at this writing, hardly know enough to fill a paragraph. And that which we know is subject to change without notice and we hesitate to say too much for fear some one may change his mind and cancel out everything we know.

To date we know that which you know and that is Peter Kiewit Sons have the contract. That they will have central office in Marysville and that Mr. Homer J. Olson will be the Project Manager. Also a Mr. Paul Scroggs is to be the Project Sponsor for the Company. But don't ask us what a project sponsor is because we haven't found out yet.

Bases "B" and "C", the one behind the buttes and the one near Chico as designated by the Army Corps of Engineers are in the Marysville area. Each base, according to the Company, will be handled as a separate job and have a separate superintendent. Who these will be the Company couldn't tell us as we prepared this as they hadn't picked them out or so they said.

Murphy Brothers of Spokane, Washington are to do the access roads and the preliminary excavating on the two bases in the Marysville area. A Mr. Larry Hawley is General Superintendent for this Company and a Mr. Russ Hopkins is the Superintendent. As we write this we have only talked to them over the telephone and we are waiting for these gentlemen to come into the office so that we can have a pre-job conference.

So far we haven't been informed as to the method of construction (which will have a lot to do with the number of men that will be employed), so we can't say much about how many of our people will be used or what classifications. When we asked if they were going to use scrapers or shovels and trucks, their answer was "both". So you see how it is.

Access roads are scheduled to be finished by March first and the preliminary excavation is taking out a hole large enough for the entire base to a depth of forty feet. The tunnels connecting the various parts of the facilities will be built in open ditches and the silos will be shafted. Or at least that is the way the talk has it.

## PICKET LINES

It seems that we can't win. Not only has the existing work used less of the brothers than expected but if the weather doesn't close down a job something else will conspire to do it. An example is the Gates and Fox tunnel job. We just got, we thought, the job off to a good start when bang out of a clear sky the electricians slapped a picket line on it.

Just what their beef was we don't rightly know as they didn't bother to pay us the courtesy to tell about their difficulties with the Company. It went on Tuesday, Feb. 2nd and the next Friday without notice to us, at least, just as suddenly it was pulled off and then the following Monday morning back it went on again.

Personally we are getting more than a little annoyed with some of the crafts who are always a little quick on the trigger and don't bother to inform the unions they expect to support them of their troubles and give the other trades a chance to help them before putting on a picket line. And this is especially true as to the Union that is trying to gain a jurisdictional advantage.

## OTHER WORK

The Peter Kiewit Sons tunnel concreting job in the Feather River Canyon have run into a little difficulty. Bad cement is blamed as after the forms are struck apparently the set isn't good and hunks fall out of the roof.

We have also had a lot of trouble on this job with the smoke conditions in the tunnel. This is especially true on days when the atmospheric conditions are bad and the outside air is too heavy to let the smoke out. They are using diesels and we just don't believe it is possible to keep the tunnel clear when you are using the tunnel as a pipe to pipe out the smoke.

The State Division of Safety hasn't been of any help although we have filed a number of complaints. We have also kept up a constant stream of complaints to the company which have resulted in little or no permanent improvement. In our opinion the only cure to this problem is a State law permanently prohibiting the use of any internal combustion engine under ground or in any other enclosed place.

The other jobs if not completely closed down by the wet weather are as we said before only getting in a lick now and then. We have had Boyles Drilling Company doing an exploratory drilling job on the Wyandotte Project and going ahead despite the weather. This also true of the Continental Drilling Company who has a similar job on the site of the proposed Oroville Dam. Four wheel drive jeeps are needed to get into both sites.

## OUTLOOK

The work outlook for this area continues to improve. The Linda County Water District, which is just South of Marysville, in the last month approved a \$1,950,000 general obligation bond issue for the construction of a sewer system in the district. Actual construction cost will be over two million dollars with the additional money coming from other sources and construction should start within the next three of four months.

Special praise for the passage of this bond issue, which failed a number of times before, is due to the efforts and hard work of Brother Otis Thornsberry, Secretary - Treasurer of the Yuba-Sutter Building and Construction Trades Council, and who is chairman of the Linda Civic and Commerce Association. The local newspapers neglected (?) to mention Brother Thornsberry's connections with the Labor Movement, but we are happy to correct that oversight (?).

Other work in offing or which is in the very serious talking stage, besides what has been mentioned in past issues, is 5 miles of grading and surfacing

## MEETING NOTICES

Regular Quarterly District Meeting: Will be held Thursday, April 14, 1960 at 8 p.m. in the Acapulco Dance Hall, 323 E St., Marysville.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE: Meets every Thursday (except on the Quarterly District Meeting Night) at 7 p.m. in the Engineers' Hall, 1010 "Eye" Street, Marysville.

Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields Membership Meeting: Cancelled due to holiday, Washington's Birthday.

Rock, Sand and Gravel Membership Meeting: Will be held Friday, February 26, 1960 at 8 p.m. in the Engineers' Hall, 1010 "Eye" Street, Marysville.

Natomas Company Membership Meeting: Will be held Monday, March 7, 1960 at the Veterans' Hall, Folsom at 10:30 a.m. for the Swing Shift and 3:30 p.m. for all others.

Gladding, McBean and Company: The Lincoln Industrial Council Joint Board meets Tuesday, March 1, 1960 at 4:15 p.m. in the offices of the council, Lincoln. The General Membership meeting will be held Tuesday, March 8, 1960 in the Lincoln City Hall Auditorium at 2:30 p.m. for the Swing Shift and 4:15 p.m. for all others.

Concrete Pipe Industry Membership Meeting: Is to be held Monday, March 21, 1960 at 7:30 p.m. in the Teamsters' Hall, 818 Wall Street, Chico.

New York Machine Shop and Peterson Tractor Company: Meetings subject to call.

of the Dry Creek Highway in the Lassen National Forest in Butte County for which \$600,000 has been appropriated by Congress. A million dollars plus for extension of the Cherokee Canal is also due to be advertised for bids in the near future.

The Wyandotte project is still slated, they tell us, to be advertised for bids the first of March. Also in the serious talking stage are one or two smaller dams, the construction costs of which are over four million dollars. Funds are also proposed in the Federal budget for the Black Butte dam west of Orland.

While things are looking up and we are anticipating a better year than 1959, don't, we beg of you, come rushing into this area expecting to go to work. There are over 600 "A" operators and 100 "A" apprentices on the out of work list and this will more than take care of any work that will come up in the near future. If it should come to pass that we run short the word will get around, we assure you.

## INDUSTRIAL REPORT

In the plants and shops in the area there isn't much difference to report than we reported in January. Most of these plants and shops are inclined to a steady pace and are not subject to the sudden ups and downs experienced in construction and there isn't much new usually to report.

Last month we reported that the New York Machine Shop had hit a low ebb with difficulty being had in keeping the brothers busy. This month we are happy to report that the tempo has increased and all the brothers are working except one, of which more in the Personal Notes.

Peterson Tractor Company at Chico is keeping up a good pace with all hands busy. Field work has been slack, but due to the

fact that the Company has taken in quite a bit of equipment in trades, which has to be put in shape, everybody has been kept going.

As we have reported the last couple of months the rock, sand and gravel plants on the whole have been holding up surprisingly well, considering the time of year. Kaiser's plant in Oroville has been an exception to the above, having been off and no since October and now its off.

Last month we reported on a question that had arisen with the Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields regarding the welfare insurance benefits. We are happy to inform all our members employed there that there will be no change in benefits provided in the agreement. The only change will be a switch from the insurance company carrying the disability unemployment insurance to the State Plan. The additional disability insurance will still be carried by the insurance company, and there will be no reduction or loss of benefits.

Gladding, McBean and Company after a very good production year in 1959 have slacked off. This has caused quite a lay-off, but there still remains better than 300 on the payroll which is much better than some winters we can remember. According to those in the know, the curtailment should be of a short duration as all signs point to another good year in the clay industry.

The concrete pipe plants to our surprise and pleasure have continued to hold up real good. This has made for an exceptional good winter for the brothers working in this industry as last year at this time they were working three or four day weeks and so far this winter there hasn't been any short weeks.

## PERSONAL NOTES

We regret to report to their many friends and brothers of the passing away on January 18th of Brother W. H. "Bill" Myers, who had long been employed by Butte Creek Rock Company. The passing away on February 2nd, in Paradise, after a lengthy illness of Brother Jack C. Parkinson. And the passing away on February 6th also after a lengthy illness of Brother Warren B. Adams. To the immediate family and their friends the officers and members of Operating Engineers Local 3 extends their heartfelt and sincere sympathy. Brother Ed Fowler, who works for the New York Machine Shop has been kept off

## Job Awards

SANTA CRUZ — Contract awarded to W. J. Nicholson Co., Inc., and Shanley Const. Co., 805 Kifer Road, Santa Clara, \$1,499,444 for const. 12,000,000 gals. per day water treatment plant incl. flocculation and sedimentation basins, rapid sand filter, storage tanks, operations bldg., etc.

MT. VIEW—Contract awarded to Gragato Paving Co. \$329,974 for PTMX. surf., RCP storm drain, AC wtr. main on Bailey Avenue Extension.

SAN FRANCISCO — Contract awarded to Payne Const. Co., 689 Louisiana Street, Oakland, \$325,998 for roofing and lining College Hill Rsve.

PLEASANTON — Contract awarded to Reynolds Const. Co., Santa Rosa (P.O. Box 468), \$325,110 (Base and Alts.) for construction of Vineyard Elem. School.

## Compensation Quiz

### Question

If an employee is required to report for a medical examination is he entitled to any compensation?

### Answer

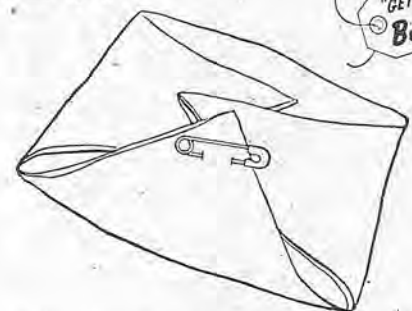
Yes. The insurance carrier must pay the reasonable cost of transportation, meals and lodging incident to reporting for examination, together with one day of temporary disability indemnity for each day of wages lost in submitting to such an examination. This applies to all examinations after September 18, 1959. It also applies whether the examination was requested by the employer, the employer's insurance carrier, the Commission or any Commissioner or referee.

the job of late by a series of treatments for a serious back condition and we extend to him our hopes that he will regain his health and be able to return to work in the near future. Brother Frazier D. Erwin came by the office the other day and asked us to say hello to his many friends. He just returned from Brazil where he had spent several years as a superintendent for M and K Company.

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# UTAH NEWS ROUND-UP

By TOM J. STAPLETON, MERLIN BOWMAN, JIM HALL, JOHN

THORNTON and NEPIH NEMELKA, Business Representatives

Now that the long month of January is behind us, we can look forward to the first signs of Spring. At this writing we have a good deal of snow in the high elevations but very little in the valley, which is the way we like it.

We are anxious for all of our members to understand the true meaning of COPE. It stands for Committee on Political Education and is affiliated with the AFL-CIO. It seeks to inform union members and their neighbors about the issues and candidates and to report on the record of the candidates as a public service. It seeks to have legislation passed which is favorable to labor and to encourage everyone to vote by getting them to the polls. Labor has been forced to take this means in order to combat the high pressure groups of management which try to destroy the strength of Unionism. COPE is dependent on voluntary contributions made by the union membership.

The following is an example of the type of legislation which COPE encourages. The Forand Bill (HR 4700) provides health benefits for workers retired under Social Security. This bill proposes to establish medical care, hospitalization and medicine for these people. This is a very worthy piece of legislation. We are all acquainted with retired men and women who cannot afford adequate medical attention. The AFL-CIO requests retired persons and others to write letters to their representatives and senators in Congress requesting action on this piece of legislation. They especially request that these letters be in the individual's handwriting, stating his own problems in regard to medical care. If you are interested in this piece of legislation, get letters going to our Congressional Delegation.

The AFL-CIO is also supporting legislation to aid depressed areas, promote economic growth, overhaul the tax system, develop America's resources, protect family farmers.

Here in Utah, we have set up three major COPE areas. One in Salt Lake City, one in Ogden and the other in Provo. Oscar Hansen is the chairman of the Provo area and can be contacted at FR 3-1488. Chairman for the women in the Provo area is Ora Nielson, whose husband is a member of Operating Engineers. MASS MEETING will be held on February 15th and is an important day for all labor members in Utah. It is imperative that every member of organized labor attend these meetings to aid in electing delegates who will support candidates favorable to our program.

## SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

Announcements of the Utah State AFL-CIO Second Annual Scholarship Award Program have been sent to all high schools and other interested people at this time. This year they will give two \$250 scholarships which may be used at any accredited College or University in the United States. If your children are interested, have them contact their high school principal.

Things are still progressing satisfactorily at the Flaming Gorge Project. We regret having to report an accident which occurred a few days ago. Brother Neil Anderson suffered fractures in his right leg when the shovel he was oiling on, caught him before he could get out of the way. This is the first accident in over 200 days, and we sincerely hope Brother Anderson will be able to return to work before too long. We have a number of very fine Brothers on the Flaming Gorge project, one of whom is Clarence Bruner. Clarence stopped in on his way to the Executive Board meeting in San Francisco the other day and remarked about the progress of the keyways, etc. He also commented on the fact, that although the weather had varied from zero to 20 below, they had lost very little

time on account of the weather, which is quite remarkable in an altitude of this kind. Keep up the good work boys, but do pay close attention to the fine Safety Rules the Company stresses!

At the Bingham Stripping things are still slow. There are a lot of rumors but nothing moving so far. We hope that by the time this reaches you some of these rumors will materialize.

Tiago's freeway and sewer jobs are beginning to move gain. If the weather continues to be mild, these jobs should go into full swing.

Jacobsen Construction Company is moving Brother "Red" Fenner and his crane to the new telephone building job at 1st South and 3rd East. Looks as though Brother Fenner will have to take out a pilot's license as this is one of those German built telescoping cranes where the operator sits a hundred feet in the air.

Hansen-Niederhauser Company is still going on with their waterline at Woods Cross. Bro. Cleo Colby is doing the operating on this job.

At Rock, Sand & Gravel things are still pretty slow but we'll be going into negotiations shortly and would like to remind the Brothers, that we'll start to have called meetings in the very near future.

The Utah State Road Commission meeting here Tuesday approved a 16½ million dollar construction program for the first two quarters of 1960 and set its sights on completing the Salt Lake-Davis County freeway from North Temple to Page's Lane by the end of the year.

Other interstate projects which were approved of for the first half of the year included the Silver Creek to Wanship job, at \$2,300,000; from Wanship northeast, \$1,000,000; Orem to American Fork, \$2,00,000.

Primary system projects approved included: Magna to Garfield, \$300,000; 7th East in Salt Lake City from 21st South to 33rd South, \$500,000; 21st South in Salt Lake City from 2nd West to Redwood Road, \$200,000 and Elsinore to Joseph in Sevier County, \$360,000.

Participation in three forest road projects to cost about one million dollars also drew approval and will consist of \$400,000 for four miles in Big Cottonwood Canyon, \$325,000 for the Greendale Junction near Manila (part of the Flaming Gorge project road development) and \$275,000 for four miles between Woodruff and Huntsville.

The job at Devil's Slide of Ryberg & Garff started pouring cement this week which took a number of the Brothers to operate the hoists on three shifts as this is a continuous pour. On the day shift, Brothers Maynard, Potter and Blonquist are manning the machines, with Brothers Parke, Farrell and Albertson on the swing-shift and Brothers Carlier, Wallace and Iman on the midnight shift. Unfortunately this is a very short

job, just a few days at the most.

Bids will be let on the Weber Basin Project, Pipe Laterals in February or March and will consist of about 8.5 miles of pipe distribution. Pipe sizes are to be four to twenty-four inch diameter for heads of from Twenty-five feet to three hundred feet and may be concrete pressure pipe or asbestos cement, pretensioned, or steel pipe.

A water expansion system will soon be let at the Utah State University. This includes a one million gallon reservoir. SOUTHERN UTAH

At this time there is little work going on in the southern part of the state. Fife Construction Company at Huntington was forced to shut down. We were in hopes this job would go all winter but the snow and frost became too deep. This company had a very good crew with the following Brothers fighting the cold weather: Joseph Farnsworth, foreman, Dean Killpack, mechanic, Marvin Brerton, cat, Dwight Killpack, cat, Kent Killpack, cat, Hough Fish, DW 15, Lorin Willesen, DW 15, Harold Hayes, cat, William Black, cat, and Rulon Rudd on patrol.

The Floyd Whiting job at Helper is still down but we hope it will be going by the time you get this paper. We are not sure just when he will start his Red Narrows job but he has hinted that it may be about the first of April. Whiting & Haymond's job at Carmel Junction will start on February 8th, weather permitting. Wheelwright Company is still going with very little lost time for the Brothers this winter at St. George.

W. W. Clyde Company has his shops filled with very good Brothers who are getting the equipment ready for Spring. Orville Drysdale is master mechanic with the following Brothers working with him: Howard Alfred, R. B. Ames, J. L. Anderson, Robert Corbett, Verl Davis, Reed Futkan, Orval Harmer, Phillip Hinkley, Elkington Horton, Monard Jacobsen, D. R. Kuykendall, Waldo Levanger, Ted McNeil, Sheldon Nielson, Loris Palfreyman, Duane Peterson, Ray Phillips, Frank Rigtripp, Robert Russell Res Snell, Johnny Streeter, Ray Sumter, Rex Wardal, John Welch, Jack Welch and Vernon Whiting.

The Wells Cargo job at Beaver is still down and it is hard to say when they will be able to get started again.

There have been many of the Brothers asking about the Glen Canyon Dam project. We have about thirty Brothers on this job at this writing and it will be about April or May before the company will have the plant completed so they can start making gravel.

Utah Construction Company at Cedar City has most all of their men back on the job with the future looking very good. At this time, we want to wish Ed DeMoss the very best in his new position with the company. DeMoss was a very good man to work with. He has been appointed as Manager of Iron Ore and Coal Operations with headquarters in Palo Alto, California. In this capacity he will report directly to the General Manager and be responsible for the Company's operations at Cedar City, its contracts and relationships with the Colorado Fuel & Iron Corporations at Cedar City and at Ozark, and for the direction in the future of the operation of coal and iron ore mines which the company may undertake.

Mr. Ralph Long is appointed manager of Cedar City operations and will be responsible to Mr. DeMoss. He formerly was manager of the Ozark Philpott Mine at Ozark, Arkansas.

## ALL MEETINGS WILL BE CALLED MEETINGS.

## PROVO AREA

The highway building program is still flat on its face but the prospects for Utah County look pretty good if what we read in the local newspapers comes to pass. Several million dollars has been tentatively approved for freeway work. Two million is for the section between Orem and American Fork and is supposed to be let around March.

Out at the Vernal Stanakar Dam project, Morrison Knudsen is waiting for the Bureau's inspector to give them the go ahead but it could still be a month or so before the frost is out of the ground. This company anticipates a two shift operation with possibly ten hours a shift. They have S-18's and TS-24's on this job and have a total of seven. If they need more of these euclid scrapers they are prepared to get them. The dam itself is up to ground level now and Intermountain Concrete Pipe Company has the contract for the course material. This combined with the fine fill which Morrison Knudsen will be built up within eight feet of each other.

Morrison Knudsen has all of their equipment overhauled and the following members have about run out of work in the shop. They are Brothers Leonard Schultz, Harold Bratton and Frank Croninger.

About the only other work in the Uintah Basin is a water line job which two of our members, Ralph and Wesley Thacker, have. These brothers have a 22-B backhoe and the other day found them digging 22 inches of frost to lay a 2 inch pipe. Tough going, I'd say.

The Red Creek Dam at Fruitland started up for two weeks but were forced to shut down again. Peterson Construction Company has this job.

United Concrete will be going as soon as they can get the steel. The strike held up the production but it looks as though they will be underway again before long. The following brothers are still on the job: Sam Lowrey, Fred Murray, C. J. (Doc) Gaines, Jack Bona, Joe Widdison, Sam Fratto and George McNeese.

Consolidated Western is still scheduled to shut down the furnaces on February 8th. They have not hired any new hands as yet but may be in the near future.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish Brother Dwayne Aullman much success on his mission which will take him away from construction for two years.

## KENNECOTT COPPER

After a strike of 173 days, the Herculean task of getting operations rolling at Kennecott Copper began on January 30, 1960. This resumption of work was indeed welcomed by the members, as many had not had any work during this strike.

Operations began by the recall of 13 ore crews and 21 waste crews. Three more waste crews were added on Monday, February 7th. This leaves only three waste crews to be recalled, and we have been informed by the company that these three crews will be in operation within two weeks.

The trackshifter-angle dozer department will have all crews back to work, except on dozer on the graveyard shift. The pum pdepartment will be back in full operation as soon as enough water is obtained to operate the three systems. This should not take too long.

The crane department got off to a roaring start with all cranes in operation except the Big Hook, which was damaged during the strike by company supervisors who tried to operate it. This is a shining example of what inexperience can do.

The company is calling in all of their foremen to explain all of the provisions of the contracts to them. This does not mean that they, the foremen, will be experts in contract interpretation, as there are many understandings that were reached during negotiations, that if they were all incorporated in the contract, it would require that it be printed in more than one volume instead of a small booklet. The ones who really know what is in the contract, and its intent, are the ones who negotiated it. ALL MEMBERS ARE ADVISED TO CONTACT THE STEWARDS OR BUSINESS AGENT FOR INTERPRETATION OF THE CONTRACTS.

If any member has had any medical expense during the strike, and their insurance elapsed, be sure to have it reinstated. This can be done by making application at the company office, and the back premiums will be deducted from your check. These deductions will not exceed one month premium per month. This does not mean that if you did not have any medical expense that you have to make up the back premiums. All insurance is automatically reinstated when you return to work.

If it had not been possible for us to obtain unemployment compensation during this strike, the hardship and suffering among the membership would have been tremendous. The hardship committee which was composed of Brothers Pat Pierce, Pete Strebel and Gordon Young is to be commended for their untiring efforts in reporting and helping the many hardship cases which were brought to their attention. These Brothers spent a great deal of time and were no doubt sick at heart at some of the misery and suffering they encountered. LET'S ALL GIVE THESE BROTHERS A BIG HAND FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

Brother Frank Young has been in the hospital and we wish him a speedy recovery. Brother Charles Schwab suffered a broken arm and will not be able to return to work for some time.

## PLEASE NOTE

Your Union's greatest enemy is the indifference of those who do not regularly attend union meetings. No one should be so indifferent to his own welfare. Meetings are held in an orderly and democratic manner to assure the rights of all. Be a true American. Be a real union member—attend union meetings. Franklin D. Roosevelt once said, "Unionism has helped to give to everyone who toils the position of dignity which is his due."

Benjamin Franklin had Poor Richard's Almanac say in 1737: "The worst wheel on the cart makes the most noise." From the time we sing "Put your shoulder to the wheel" on Sunday morning until the weeks activities close late Saturday night the life of modern man is filled with wheels, and it is almost a universal truth that the wheel that is doing precisely the task that it was intended to do, seldom gets into trouble or makes excessive noise.



# Rains Halt Work in San Jose District

By A. J. HOPE, DANNY O. DEES and WM. HARLEY DAVIDSON, Business Representatives

The much needed rain has finally put a halt to construction work in the area. The late arrival of the rainy season has given the Brothers a much longer period of work than they normally have. Our "Out-of-Work" list is long and from all appearances will continue to stay long until spring.

Now that the rains have shut down the jobs, we hope that the Brothers will take time to donate a pint of blood. During the month of November we had one donor; in December we had two donors and we are pleased to report that during the month of January six men donated a pint of their blood. The following Brothers were blood donors for the month of January:

Sam Kekaha, Tim C. Jacques, Ralph Bockeno, Thomas S. Smith, H. Caywood, Ronald Mossholder.

WILL YOUR NAME BE LISTED AS A FEBRUARY DONOR?

Pipe Linings, Inc., have about three weeks work left to complete the relining of a 12 inch water line extending from Bayshore to White Road on Alum Rock Ave. Brother Bob Lyons is operating the lining machine on this job.

McGuire and Hester are working on their storm sewer job in East San Jose and the extension to this job will be let about March 1st. This firm also has a paving contract on Downer Ave.

James Engineering Company has started work on a sewer job on Downer Ave. and Almaden Road which should last about three months.

P & E Construction have shut down their job on 4th street due to the rains. They have several good-sized jobs to start as soon as the weather permits.

Hepile Utilities are working seven days a week to install a water line to and across Vasona Dam. This water line will furnish the water for the new Sub-Division in the Los Gatos area.

A. J. Raisch Paving Company were the low bidders on a \$55,555 street contract for the improvement of Alma Ave., from 1st Street to 7th Street.

C. Swenson Company was low bidder on a contract for construction of new buildings at the Civic Center.

## SANTA CLARA, MT. VIEW AND PALO ALTO

Chicago Bridge & Iron have about two weeks work left to complete their tank job at Wolfe Road and Kiefer. They are also completing a one and a half million gallon tank on Wright and Homestead Road.

While most of the Contractors in this area, as well as the Batch Plants and Ready-Mix Plants have found it necessary to curtail their operations due to the wet weather, Anderson Bros., are keeping their full crew busy on both plants.

Sondgrath Bros. have completed the construction of their new shop and are now working in their new location. They keep about 20 of the Brothers busy in the shop and plants.

Buran Equipment and Ditz Bros. are working at top capacity in their shops.

## SANTA CRUZ, SALINAS AND MONTEREY

This area is also quiet due to the rains. Some of the Contractors are keeping just a couple of the Brothers for maintenance work but jobs as a whole are at a standstill.

Granite Rock is working one shift at their quarry in Aromas. They are using about eighteen men.

Souza Bros., of Yuba City were the low bidders for the grading on the new school site in Hollister.

Ralph M. Parson is the main Contractor on the Experimental

Station, located 4 miles east of Coyote. John Delphia is doing the excavation on this project and employing about 20 of the Brothers.

Due to the death of Fred Stokes, the Carmel Hill job has shut down. Due to lack of funds most of the Brothers employed on this job have at least six checks they have not been able to collect on. We hope that soon this matter will be settled and the men will receive their pay.

## PERSONALS

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our sympathy to the family of Brother Harold Terry of Watsonville, who passed away Jan. 8th.

Brother M. S. Holman stopped in at the office last week after working in Saigon with Johnson, Drake & Piper for over a year. Brother Holman says they were building highways and bridges. It is nice to have you home again!

Brother William L. Brown has started on a new venture of his own. Anyone interested in a new drive-way, patio or concrete work of any kind, just contact Brother Brown at Essex 7-8550 or the B & A Concrete Construction Co.

Brother Ed Millard has started his own Welding Service. Brother Millard says that no job is too small, so when in need of some first class welding, remember to call Ed's Welding Service at CY. 5-0847.

## Santa Rosa, Ukiah Area Under Water

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the State Disability Tax which has been deducted from your checks. The deadline for filing for this refund is June 30, 1960. A supply of forms for the State Disability Tax refund is in this office in case the Brothers wish to have one.

## PERSONAL

We are sorry to report the passing of our good Brother, Morley Roberts. Our deepest sympathy to those whom he left behind.

Brother John Pearson is in the Healdsburg Hospital recuperating from an operation. Hurry up and recover, John, the winter is about over.

## MEETING NOTICE

Our next regular District Meeting will be held March 3, 1960, at the Ukiah Labor Temple in Ukiah at 8 p.m. Your attendance will certainly be appreciated. See you then.

## Job Awards

MODESTO — Contract awarded to Harris Const., P.O. Box 109, Fresno, \$980,300 (Base plus Alt.), for const. one-story conc. new high school, incl. classrms., science rooms, shops, arts and crafts, etc.



**RUSHING RUSSIAN RIVER** lived up to its name in the recent heavy rains which dropped some eight inches over its several lower tributaries and caused this 38-foot flood crest just below Guerneville bridge. Note rowboat in background. The newly-completed \$18 million Coyote dam 75 miles upstream protected the area 30 miles below it, as it was designed to. Another dam is needed on Dry Creek to protect Guerneville area, engineers explained.



Here's portion of the Fredrickson & Watson flooded highway job on Trenton road west of Fulton, northwest of Santa Rosa.

## Northbay District Slow, New Jobs Slated

By H. O. FOSS, F. A. LAWRENCE, A. S. SMITH and L. C. SOLARI, Business Representatives

As this goes to press, the weather is not the kind that makes it possible for dirt movers to stay outdoors. Many jobs are down at the present time.

A pre-job conference was held recently with Frederickson & Watson of Oakland who were awarded the contract between Lucas Valley Road and So. of San Pedro Road in San Rafael. Bro.

"Tex" Strickland, their Asst. Super, and Bro. Elbert Hill, foreman, sat in on the conference. Coming in with the equipment are: Brothers Norman Cabassi, Wilford G. Anderson, Claude C. Jordan, J. Steadman on the Pulls; Bros. F. Cabral and Roy R. Kemmitt on the Dozers; Bro. Wayne Stokes, Grade Checker; Bro. Burl Prince on the Motor Patrol and Bro. Ray Cachrane, Master Mechanic. Weather conditions make it impossible for this job to get under way, as they were scheduled to start February 1st.

Al Haworth from Stockton recently was awarded the clearing for the dam site at Nicasio in Marin County, and a pre-job conference has been requested. It looks like this project will be somewhat delayed due to weather conditions.

D. H. Hand Construction Company have an excavation job at the Reedlands subdivision at Tiburon, and a pre-job conference held recently shows Brother Bob Brown as mechanic and Bro. Bob Novak on the Dozer, coming in with the equipment.

K.T.K. Wrecking from Concord went right to work in demolishing one of the oldest landmarks at the San Anselmo hub. The all-brick building which was originally the Northwestern Pacific, and later used for a city storage building, is to make way for a parking area. The operator on the Truck Crane is Brother Norman Gardiner and his oiler is Bro. Lynn Williams.

Rothschild-Raffin-Weirick of San Francisco were awarded the contract for the site of the new Marin County Civic Center. A pre-job conference is to be held shortly.

E. T. Haas has a small sewer job on McDowell Road in Petaluma with Bro. Fred Foss on the backhoe, and Larry Zoppi, oiler. Donnelly is foreman.

**YOU MAY HAVE MONEY COMING** — If you worked for two or more employers last year and received more than \$3,600 in wages during the year for work in California for which total deductions for Disability Insurance (State or Voluntary plan) exceeded \$36 you probably have a refund coming from the Department of Employment. However, in order to get the refund a claim must be made before June 30, 1960. Application forms for this purpose may be obtained from your local Department of Employment office or from this union office.

More year cards purchased: Since last month's report, the following members have bought their 1960 buttons: Elmo Maggiora, S. Cervantes, Sr. and Jr., Milo M. Hurley, Gerald Ackerman, C. E. Bothwell, Lester C. Dressel, Shirley P. Smith, Wm. A. Bartlett, M. A. Geister, C. C. Haymart, L. H. Portlock, James Thornton, Charles Hover, Frank Costa, Richard Padgett.

We are very pleased to report that we have had a good response for blood this past month. We wish to thank the following brothers who took time to donate to the blood bank fund: From San Rafael — Brothers Charles Snyder, W. W. (Woody) Lievsay, James H. Nyholm, Otis Wilbor (a veteran at this sort of thing—used to be a regular donor during World War II); Rollin A. Wheeler, Pete Verhonen, From Vallejo — Brothers Johnnie Walling, Aaron Smith,

Ted Mertz, Jim Barnes, Frank Parolini, Roy Glenisky, Dave Jarvis, Odie Gant, Frank Costa, Jack Riley and Bob Smith. From Napa—Brother Ed Kirk. Our thanks also to Brother Sid Flock for a good try. Better luck next time. Don't forget Brothers — if you didn't make it last month, contact the San Rafael or Vallejo office to make an appointment for this month—for sure!

Most of the work in the Solano and Napa area is shut down due to the rains.

## PERSONAL NOTES ABOUT THE BROTHERS

Our best wishes to the following who are on the sick list: Brother E. L. "Shorty" Thomas, recently confined at San Rafael General, Joe Korteum at Ross General and to Brother H. O. "Heinie" Foss at San Rafael General. To them, we send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Brother Bill Mounovan has something to boast about these days—just the other day he tangled with a 70 lb. sturgeon — about 66 inches long — and wants it to be known that he is Local 3's No. 1 fisherman on the list.

And from fishing to farming —Brother Fred Perry tells us his sow had a litter of pigs — nine in all. Here's one boy that doesn't have to depend on bringing the bacon home!

Our condolences go to the family of our late Brother Ray Dillard who passed away suddenly on January 19th. Bro. Dillard was Motor Patrol Operator with A. G. Raisch for about 19 years. He will be missed. Our sympathy to the family of late Brother Elzie O'Mary who pass-

## Job Awards

FRESNO, Contract awarded to Harris Const. Co., P.O. Box 109, Fresno \$459,800 for const. 3-story addn. to the County Jail —15,000 sq. ft. reinf. conc. struc.

SAN RAFAEL, Contract was awarded to Rothschild, Raffin & Weirick, S.F. \$3,638,735 plus \$216,600 (Base & Alts) for Administration Bldg. & site prep at New Marin Co. Civic Center, MARIN CO.

AUBURN, Contract awarded to Fred J. Early Jr. Co., Inc., 369 Pine Street, SF., \$1,257,489 for Dist. Swge. Disposal Proj., PLACER CO.

MATHER AFB, Contract awarded to Gordon H. Ball, Inc. \$445,675 for NCO open mess at Mather AFB.

SAN MATEO, Contract awarded to Moroney Const. Co., Inc., \$351,200 (Base & Alt.) for construction of Fair Exhibit Bldg. at San Mateo Fairgrounds.

SAN MATEO, Contract awarded to Wunderlich Co., P.O. Box 359, Palo Alto, \$547,612 for approx. 53 acres of rough grading at the Campus of San Mateo Junior College-Coyote Point Campus.

SACRAMENTO—Contract awarded to Berger-Coastwide Const. Co., P.O. Box 545, San Carlos, \$388,674 for 2.1 miles, two and four-lane highway gr. and paved with AC etc.; 0.2 mi. S. of Whitehouse Crk., SAN MATEO CO.

ed away on February 5th. Bro. O'Mary was Oiler for Cunha Construction in the Vallejo area.

We still have a supply of watch fobs with the Engineers insignia; also lapel pins. The fobs are \$1.00, and pins, 75c.

**DO YOU KNOW IF YOU ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE???** Be sure you and your family and friends are registered to vote, as this is a vital year.

See you next month.