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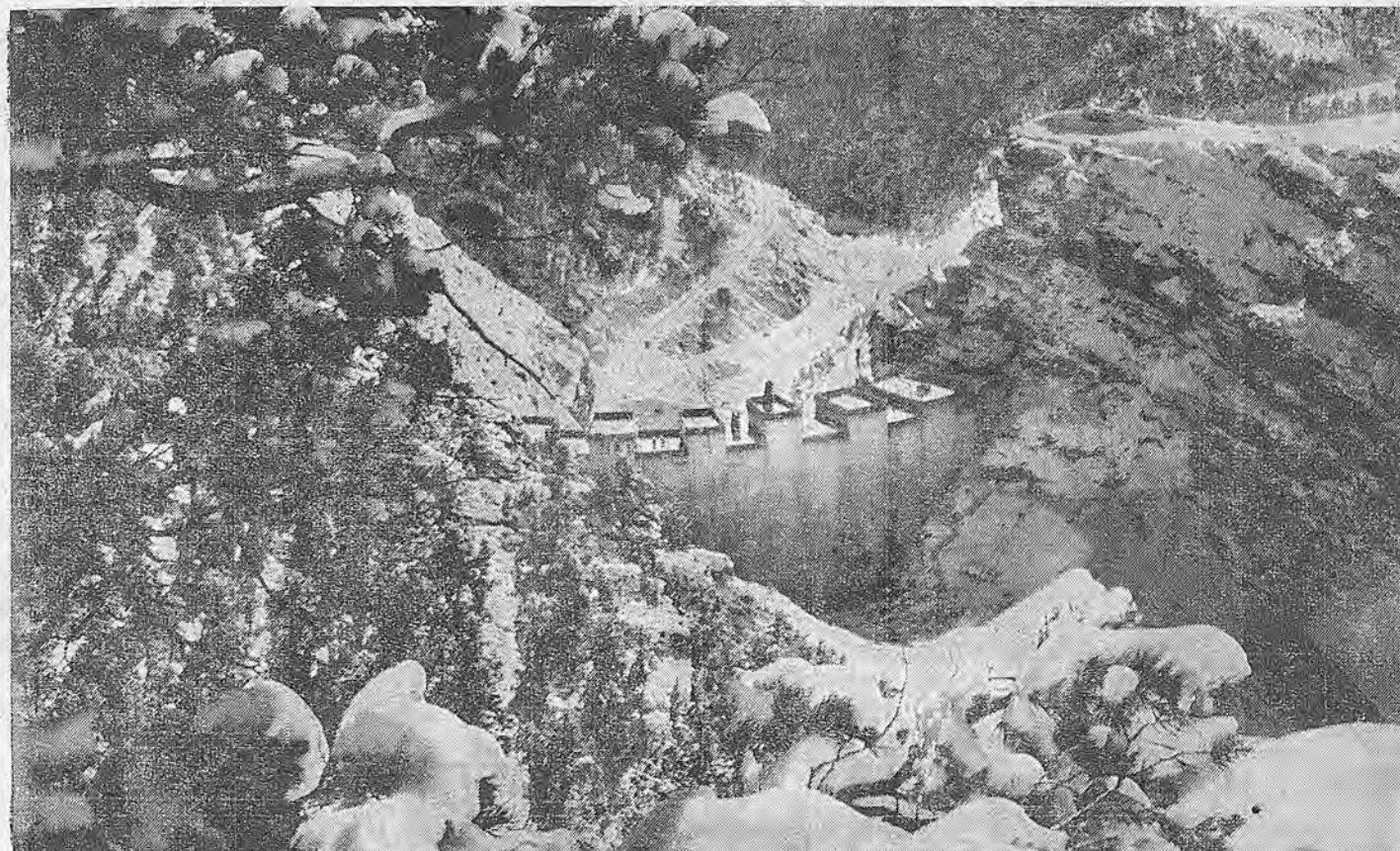
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This is the fortress-like Flaming Gorge Dam in Utah, which is now encased with a blanket of snow. Temperatures have plummeted in the area, sometimes hitting 42 degrees below zero.

Access roads to the dam site can be seen in the background, and an outlet is in the shadow of the mountain side at right.

General Secy.-Treas.

Wharton to Take Part in Conference

At the invitation of President Kennedy, Hunter P. Wharton, general secretary-treasurer of the International Union of Operating Engineers, will play a major role in the President's Conference on Occupational Safety.

The conference is scheduled for March 6, 7 and 8 in Washington, D.C.

Al E. Brown, secretary-treasurer of the United Papermakers and Paperworkers, AFL-CIO, will make one of the two principal addresses at the closing plenary session of the Conference on March 8. More than a dozen other leaders of the labor movement are involved in Conference planning or will take part in workshop sessions.

PANEL

Arnold S. Zander, president of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, will join the panel in a workshop on safety of public employees.

Members of the Conference's Technical Advisory Committee include Wharton and Michael Fox, president of the Railway Employees' Department; David J. McDonald, president of the United Steelworkers of America; Richard F. Walsh, president, International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Moving Picture Machine Operators; and chairman of the AFL-CIO Committee on Safety and Occupational Health; and Elwood D.

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Local 3 Holds First General Semi-Annual Meet in S.F.

Semi-Annual Meeting

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July 14, 1962

Saturday, 1 p.m.

San Francisco Labor Temple, 16th & Capp Sts.

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First Group of Applicants Tested for Apprenticeships

By ART PENNEBAKER and HOWARD WYNN

The first group of applicants in the apprenticeship program have been tested and evaluated. Thirty-two party chiefs presently working at the trade have been certified. Eighteen applicants have been indentured into the various steps of the program.

These men subjected themselves to rigorous examinations in order that this program of building a stronger union of highly skilled craftsmen could get underway.

The following Brothers were certified as party chiefs.

Howard R. Curry, Mike Giuli, William A. Bartlett, Robert W. Foulk, Robinson A. Hill, Wilbur H. Evans, Bruce J. Rider, Paul W. Sweeney, Harvey F. Blom-

quist, Owen H. Snyder, Gorman W. Booth, William S. Hanna Jr., Donald C. Long, Herbert S. Reed, Merle Kehn, Frank Southworth, Richard Arnold, James L. Beatty, Robert Bodiford, Ted Taylor, Robert Wickham, William E. Foy III, Alfred H. Riboni, Theron C. Irving, Charles H. Burritt, David Ahern, Robert Humann, Roger Taylor, Richard C. Barrett, Albert Norman, Andrew McMahon and Robert Berini.

HOW IT WORKS

How does the apprenticeship program work? A committee has been formed made up of five representatives of the Bay Counties Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors Association, Inc., and five representatives of the Union. This committee adopted a set of standards which become the working rules for the Apprenticeship program. This committee and the standards have been set up under the rules, regulations, and laws of the State of California Division of Apprenticeship Standards. The committee has available, as consultants, representatives from the D.A.S., the various

Members Uphold Board On Pension Resolution

By AL CLEM, Business Manager

On January 13, the first official semi-annual meeting of the Operating Engineers Local 3 was held in the San Francisco Labor Temple, 16th and Capp Streets. It was attended by approximately 350 members.

This was the second call for the semi-annual meeting since we have been under local autonomy. No business was conducted at the July meeting because there was no quorum.

At the January meeting, with a quorum present, all the business to come before the meeting was acted upon as scheduled in the agenda, which was prepared and circulated to the membership in attendance.

RESOLUTION

There was one resolution introduced as an amendment to the by-laws. One of which, we say, everybody favored in principle. It had been before your local Executive Board, which heard the full explanation from the attorney for the Pension Plan and the consultant from the Martin E. Segal Company, which advises the Board on all technical matters dealing with pensions. As a result, your Executive Board made the following recommendation:

UNANIMOUS

"The Executive Board, having analyzed the resolution related to the Pension Trust Fund and after hearing and reviewing the detailed reports of the Pension Fund's Actuary and the advice of the Attorney, have unanimously concluded that to approve the resolution at this time would jeopardize the security of the payment of pensions in the future. The Executive Board recommends non-concurrence simply because of the inaccurate factual basis for the resolution and actuarial unsoundness (Continued on Page 2)

Big Political Show Starts in California

By AL BOARDMAN
Director, Department of Education and Research

With the big political show about to go on the road in our State of California, it might be interesting to examine past performances in the political sweepstakes of Governor Pat Brown and contender Dick Nixon.

In the Presidential race of 1960, Nixon won California by a paltry 35,000 votes. This is a very poor showing for a favorite son in a Presidential race. In the 14 big counties with more than 100,000 registered voters, Nixon was only able to carry two more counties than Kennedy. Thus, in the counties that control 89 per cent of the State's total vote, Nixon was only able to run up a 6,000 vote majority.

This would indicate that two strong candidates can fight to a draw in the big counties, with the victory going to the candidate

date who carries the rural counties.

State-wide, Nixon won in 32 counties; Kennedy in 26. Nixon's greatest majority over Kennedy came in 18 counties with fewer than 100,000 voters apiece.

On the other hand, a candidate carrying the big counties by a large majority can make any results in the less populated counties meaningless.

In comparing Governor Brown's drawing power with that of Nixon, it can be pointed out that in the past Nixon has carried enough Democratic votes to win. Registered Democrats outnumber Republicans by 3 to 2.

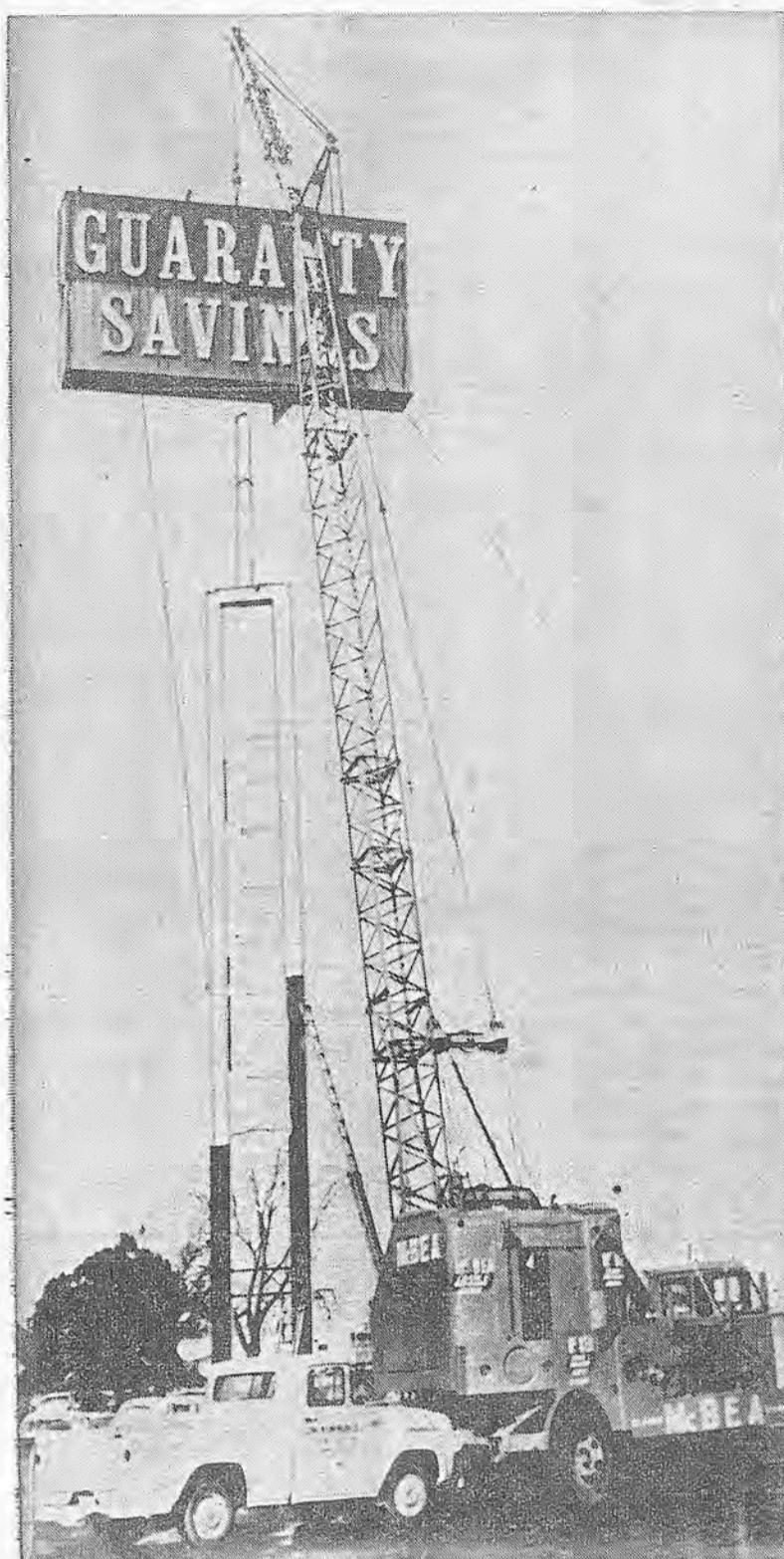
Many Republicans voted for Brown, who won over Knowland by more than a million votes.

All of this seems to indicate a close race, come next November, with Labor's big stake in the re-election of the incumbent Governor.

Grievance Committee Elections in February

There will be elections of Grievance Committee members in February at the Stockton, San Jose, Oakland and Sacramento District meetings.

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McBEA CRANE & RIGGING are seen throughout the San Jose area, wherever long booms are in demand. The above picture shows the Guaranty Saving sign being placed above their large new building on Winchester Road in San Jose. The crew handling this piece of equipment is Brother Dick Hutchings, operator, and Andy Anderson, the oiler.

Big Reservoir Contract Underway in San Jose Area

Job Calls for Moving 60,000 Cubic Yards

By A. J. HOPE, WM. HARLEY DAVIDSON, G. L. MOORE and DANNY O. DEES

The recent rains and the extremely cold weather of the past two weeks has brought all construction work to a standstill.

Oscar C. Holmes, Inc., of Menlo Park, is currently engaged in the excavation phase of a contract with the San Jose Water Works to construct near Clayton Road and Mt. Pleasant Road in Santa Clara County, an earth embankment distribution reservoir. It will be concrete lined and timber roofed with a capacity of approximately 18 million gallons. It will be known as "Columbine Drive Reservoir."

This project involves the moving of approximately 60,000 cubic yards.

The earthwork specifications as established by the San Jose Water Works are of the strictest nature and require equipment, methods, and manpower of a caliber that Oscar C. Holmes Inc., and the Operating Engineers are capable of providing.

Personnel employed on this project are R. E. Sutton, project manager; W. Coats, foreman; and W. Brown, P. Bell, R. Rogers, L. Woolridge, D. Trull and A. Latto, Engineers.

SMITH

L. C. Smith Company has been instrumental in keeping a large number of the Brothers busy this winter. In the hot plant, which was established a year



Rigs on the Columbine Drive Reservoir

ago. Brother Orville is the super, with Bob Hoggas, fireman; Dick Mero, fireman and Jerry Marr the oiler.

In the screening plant, which was put into operation a year ago, the following Brothers are employed: Fenton Silvey, Logan Rush, Gene Matzek, Rice Matthews, Bill Johnson and Jim Fancer. Brother Boyd Varney is the plant greaser. At the present they are constructing a new crusher plant, using the following eight welders: Gil Borba, Harold Skaggs, Brad Fine, Bill Gribble, Arlyn Blackmun, Gerry Holbert, Claud Bandy and Maurice Smith. Bill Byerly is the foreman. Other Brothers working in the plant are: Bill Race,

Pat Amann, Merl Hartsell and Leo Shaeffer.

Granite Construction Company was the low bidder on a \$36,800 contract for parking lot improvement in Salinas. The firm is busy on several housing projects throughout the area.

Madonna Construction Company has completed the Hernandez Dam and is showing good progress on the Gonzales highway by-pass job.

Ted Warkins has a small two-mile road repair job in Campbell Roberts.

Petersen Brothers of Campbell was the low bidder on a \$59,119 contract for street and storm work in the Seaside subdivision in Santa Cruz.

McGuire & Hester is making good progress in the widening of El Camino Real, near Palo Alto.

Bahr & Ledoyen is doing the excavating for a 380-unit apartment on Channing Road in Palo Alto; the prime contractor on this job is Haas & Haynie.

Howard J. White is pouring the concrete for 15 motel and an eight story hotel, plus a convention hall, with a 1200-seating capacity in Mountain View. Brother Robert Long is the hoist operator on this job. Freeman Paving is doing the street work.

Sondgrot Brothers is busily working on many jobs in the area. They are presently occupied on the new shopping center on Grant Road.

WATSONVILLE

Work in the area around Watsonville and Santa Cruz has held up well. Some of the paving jobs are still going and others completed during the winter.

Kelly Brothers has two cranes working at Cabrillo College along with Granite Construction, doing the tennis courts, parking lots and drainage.

BLOOD DONORS

Pete Bottelfson, Bill Dalton, Roscoe Pounds, Tom Smith, Jr. and Robert E. Martin. Martin has donated three times during 1961; however Brother Martin is the only donor in the Santa Cruz Chapter.

Several of the Brothers in the San Jose area have needed blood in large quantities, which has been gladly given them. However, due to the great demand, our supply of blood in the San Jose Blood Bank has been depleted.

Report of First Meeting

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that the resolution implies.

"The Trustees and the Executive Board are fully aware of the grave responsibilities to the membership in the administration of the Pension Fund.

COMMENDATION

"The Executive Board commends the Trustees of the Pension Trust Fund for their past policies in providing the maximum benefits consistent with the maintenance of a solvent pension plan which will fulfill all of the promises made to the members.

"The Executive Board therefore recommends that the Trustees continue their policy of improving the present pension plan, while keeping in mind any changes must be on a sound actuarial basis so that the maximum benefits to all members will be secured."

At the Executive Board meeting held on December 29, 1961, it was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the above recommendation, and that this recommendation, together with the resolution, be mimeographed and distributed to the members at the semi-annual meeting on January 13, 1962.

REPORT

At the semi-annual meeting,

P. H. McCarthy, the attorney representing the union on the pension plan and Bert Jacobsen representing the Martin E. Segal Company, who gave the membership a full report as to the legality of the trust as well as the actuarial facts pertaining to the union pension fund.

There was a question and answer period, in which every member was afforded an opportunity to ask questions regarding the pension plan and the resolution to amend the by-laws.

After they had heard the explanation and perused the recommendation of the Executive Board, keeping in mind the welfare of the "old timers" who have done so much to build the organization, the members voted 318 to 12 to concur with the recommendation of the Executive Board.

By this action, they demonstrated that they want to keep a sound pension plan, not one that merely looks good on paper, but one that will take care of all of our members as time goes on and is built on a sound foundation.

BOARD

A general report of the Executive Board covering its activities during the second six months of 1961 was presented. The report was accepted with no dissenting votes.

Speaking for myself, the offi-

ers, and the Executive Board, we were extremely glad to see the turnout at the meeting and we feel that it was rewarding to see the way the business was conducted in an orderly and business-like manner as it more generally always is at meetings of the Engineers.

MEETINGS

During the past month, I attended meetings in Eureka, Redding and Marysville, as well as a quarterly meeting in San Francisco, where the grievance committee members were elected for the forthcoming year.

With one exception, all the grievance committee members in all the four districts were

returned to office for another term.

We believe this is a healthy situation and that actions speak better than any written words. It demonstrates that these members in their respective districts retain a great deal of faith and confidence in those who have served them so faithfully during the past 12 months.

There were more than 30,000 clearances issued over the entire jurisdictional territory of Local 3 during 1961.

As of January 26, 1962, there had been 1,027 men dispatched for the month of January in Local 3. As of January 13, 1962, eleven agreements had been signed in 1962.

You May Have Money Due

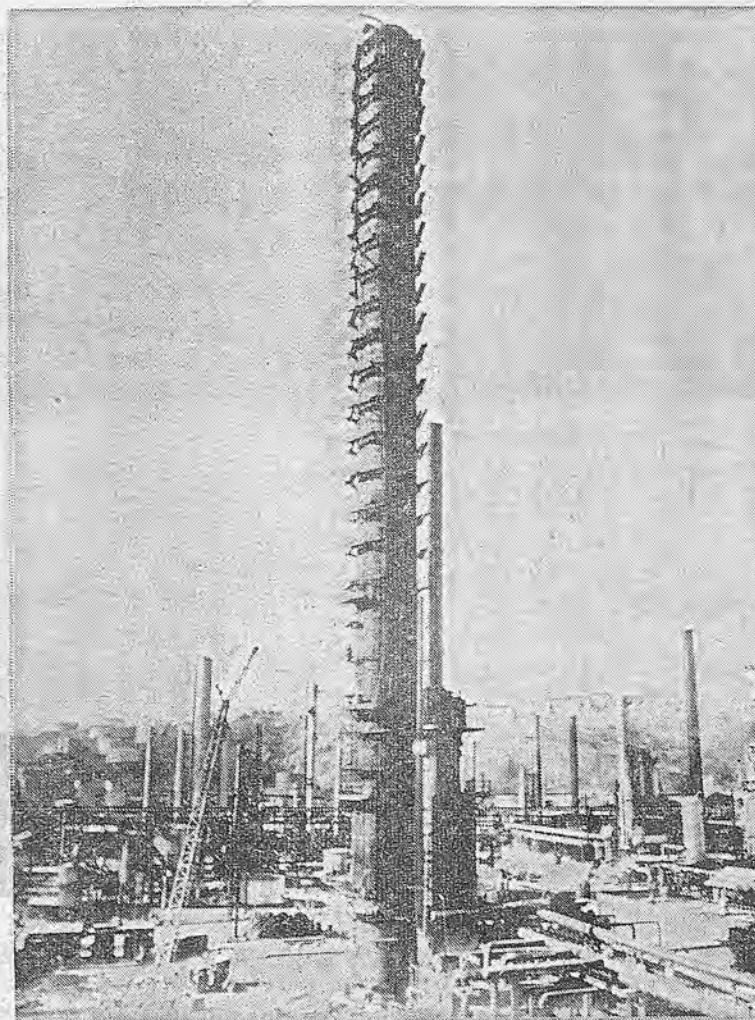
If you worked for two or more employers last year, too much may have been deducted from your pay check for disability insurance. If so, you are entitled to a refund from the Department of Employment of anything over \$36 deducted for that purpose, but you must claim it before June 30, 1962.

State Director of Employment Irving H. Perluss pointed out to

day that under state law an employer was required to withhold one per cent of the first \$3,600 paid in wages to each worker during 1961, but that in cases where an employee worked for two or more employers during the year, more than the \$36 maximum may have been deducted from his wages for disability insurance.

World's Tallest

UNDER CONSTRUCTION at Standard Oil Company's Richmond Refinery is the world's tallest fractionating tower. It will be as tall as a 27 story building, some 280 feet high. Inside, the column will be packed with 155 bubble decks, which are required to effect separation of the zylene components which have similar boiling points. It measures 17 feet in diameter—54 feet in circumference. It weighs over 450 tons. Its function will be to separate meta and paraxylene from orthoxylene, materials used in making various types of high grade plastics, paints, etc. Special plastics from these products end up in the plastic boats, fishing rods, auto bodies and parts, and household items. Chicago Bridge and Iron anticipated completion of the vessel about the end of February. Working on this job are operators Lou Jones, Jim Johns Jr., George Jeremiasen, Charles Russell and Rex Stanbury and oilers Earl Knowles and Charles Holzen.



AROUND THE EAST BAY

BIGGEST JOB AT CHEVROLET PLANT

Southern Alameda County still has its share of work going. At this writing the hills around Livermore are covered with snow and it is cold.

The biggest job at this time is the Chevrolet Plant in Fremont. They are working as much as is possible here, and will continue to do so, fighting a tough schedule. There are approximately 125 engineers on this job. The prime contractor is Hunter, Hunt and Nichols. The Irwin D. Varwig Company is doing a terrific job of moving dirt. This company has grown tremendously this season and really does beautiful work.

P & Z Drilling is working on the footings. They had some 500 footings to dig and have completed two-thirds of them.

Schlegel Plumbing has the underground piping. Galbraith Construction, Fargo and Sons and Bailey Crane Service are digging the trenches.

John McCosker Co. has a storm sewer job.

Fredrickson and Watson putting down the concrete for the streets.

A. R. Reid Co. with concrete saws on the streets.

L. C. Smith putting the finish-

ing touches on the street grading.

O. C. Jones & Sons have some pads to put in for the buildings. Rogers Material have their batch plant running full blast. Paisano Bros., from San Jose, are finishing up their underground work.

BRIDGE

There is nothing new on the San Mateo Bridge. Yuba Erectors have set up an office, but haven't moved any rigs in as yet. The dredging is still going on though.

Oliver De Silva Inc. is going strong on the college job in Hayward, with 12 engineers on this job under the supervision of Brother Charles McPherson.

Heim Bros. from Berkeley is doing the clearing.

The Pacific States Steel Mill and the American Forge Plant at Niles have started back up full blast, putting many of the Brothers out of work.

All of the rock, sand and gravel plants are working fairly steady. Most of them are working more than one shift and everyone is getting some time in each week.

The Case Hood job in Livermore has slowed up some, but there still is a lot of work to do.

The Guy F. Atkinson dam job at Orinda is now in the process of closing down for the winter. This job will be down until March or April.

The Broadway Tunnel is just getting underway and at the present there are a few brothers working there.

American Pipe is going ahead with the pipeline in Orinda, Lafayette and Walnut Creek.

Rose and Matzo has some

600,000 yards to move on their job in Walnut Creek.

Peter Kiewit is nearing the completion of the freeway job in Martinez and is now working on its new shop and office site near Concord.

The Fibreboard Company is putting up their new plant in Martinez. Balliet Construction is the prime contractor. Bigge Crane is doing the placing of the steel and a number of small contractors are doing other small portions of this job.

The Bechtel Corp. has the job in Associated Oil of adding on the new addition to the plant. They are just getting started. They have a new 4000 Manitowoc Crane which was bought for this job. There are two truck cranes, a grader and a number of Austin Westerns. Duncanson and Harrelson are driving the piling.

The Stolte-Early tunnel at Orinda is still going although it is a muddy situation.

The Young and Anderson job at Bixler is moving along slowly with the quick sand problem which has become a very expensive problem. They are now putting down well points the entire length of the line and have an around the clock pumping operation on this job.

Consolidated Western Steel have just started a 10 mile section adjacent to the Young and Anderson job. At present there are four brothers on this job and more expected when the job is in full swing.

Although we have quite a number of brothers on the out-of-work list it looks like this will be quite a profitable year to the brothers in this area.

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OAKLAND AREA

Jobs Still Going-Rain Stays Away

By DON KINCHLOE, "TINY" LAUX, NORRIS CASEY, FRAN WALKER and FRANK LAWER WALKER AND FRANK LAWRENCE

Redwood Road. This drain system will take care of the old system when Redwood Road will be widened to four lanes of traffic which will be coming up for bid some time this year.

During this period, when many of the brothers are unemployed, why not make an appointment with the Operating Engineers Blood Bank? This can be done by calling Olympic 4-2924. Our Blood Bank is depleted and we are still receiving requests for blood. Let's really try to remedy this situation by building up the Blood Bank.

At present there are many brothers on the out-of-work list, but we are looking forward to a good year with much work in this area.

Oakland Housing Authority have awarded \$1,980,000 contract to Pacific Coast Builders for construction of permanent housing at 69th and Hawley Streets in Oakland, and are in the process of erecting a number of model homes.

East Bay Excavators have the dirt on this job and have a motor patrol, two cat and cans, one Jeep and several dozers. They expect about two more weeks of good weather to finish.

John H. McCosker has about 1,000 feet of sewer and drain pipe to be installed on Hegenberger Road. As of this writing, traffic is one problem, but they will have this situation licked shortly and will have clear sailing here on out.

The Telephone Company awarded McGuire and Hester 2,000 feet of red soil conduit pipe on Alvarado Blvd. They are making good time on this job as it turned out to be a dry ditch and easy digging.

Underground Construction Company has started a drainage pipe job of about 2,000 feet in Hayward on Brecon Court and

Encouraged by the AFL-CIO victory in New York City, where 43,000 teachers voted two to one for affiliation with the union, Englander said:

"The Federation will call on local school boards to hold bargaining elections, and failing that, will ask the legislature to instruct school districts to allow them to conduct bargaining elections."

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'Marineland' Planned in San Rafael

By T. J. STAPLETON

As this goes to press, everyone in Marin County seems to be excited over possibilities of a \$4 million "Marineland" to be developed in Mill Valley. This depends on the reaction of the city of Mill Valley. The proposed building site is in a 50-acre recreation area. The plans include a main building housing a dolphin tank and a reef tank, encircled by an area from which viewers could see the marine life in the tanks.

On the basis of newspaper reports, this Marine World would be a "wonderful thing." Given the green light, the promoters say, construction should be under way in 1963.

Bids for the dredging of the San Rafael Creek Channel were opened on January 25—estimated cost \$200,000.

Shellmaker Dredge has started dredging the Petaluma River Channel. This job went for \$131,575. They are using 15 engineers at this time on three shifts. This will be about a two-month job, and starts 1½ miles off Black Point and goes four miles into the main channel.

Underground Construction keeping three engineers busy by Tamalpais High School in Mill Valley.

BRIDGE

Massman Construction is working on the north approach of Golden Gate Bridge with crane operator Richard Irwin and oiler Pete Montoya. Miller Drilling is excavating fillings.

There is a bee-hive of activity on Canal Street area in San Rafael—with Holtzinger Bros. Ghilotti Bros., C. D. Madsen, Merz Brothers, Quin J. Ongaro busy making fills in a fast developing area.

Piombo Bros. is anticipating a lot of dirt moving in the near future. At present Brother Francis Powell is master mechanic, Richard Connell is super. Bob Bowyer and Vince Selich are operators and Dan Ritter is oiler.

The following brothers have purchased their year 1962 cards: L. P. Meyers, Leon H. McKinney, W. Mounigan, C. E. Huffstutter, Harry Hayes, Tom E. Pilkington, O. A. Cooper, Roy Hinkley, Russ Donahue, Elmer O. Lane, M. A. Cerri, Wm. R. Forde, John E. Lapp, M. A. Geister, R. Richard T. Irwin, Al Harms, Sil. Cervantes, Sr., Sil Cervantes, Jr., Elmo Maggiora, Chas. T. Hover, Louis Paysse.

Grievance Committee Is Re-elected

Marysville Area Chooses Christy, McLellan, Lester

By HAROLD HUSTON, C. R. VAN WINKLE, W. R. WEEKS AND JIM HALL

At the district meeting held in Oroville on January 18, Brothers Robert Christy, Robert McLellan, and George Lester were re-elected as your Grievance Committee members from this district.

The out-of-work list has grown to a total of 862 A & B operators and oilers. Many brothers registered on the out-of-work list have not re-registered between the 76th and the 84th day after original registration or last re-registration.

The Hiring Regulations of the Operating Engineers' Local Union No. 3 states the following:

Safety Meeting

A safety meeting will be held in the Community Hall, Clark and Elliott Streets in Paradise at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, February 14.

All members in the area are urged to attend.

Good speakers will be heard and interesting motion pictures shown. They are intended to help each member stay alive and uninjured on today's high-speed equipment and under modern high-ball methods.

Illegal to Use Automation to Break Union—NLRB

WASHINGTON (PAI)—Unilateral introduction of automation as a subterfuge to bust union workers has been sharply rebuked. A 3-man panel of the National Labor Relations Board ruled that the Northern Virginia Sun, Arlington, Va., was guilty of an unfair labor practice in laying off 14 union printers to make way for new mechanical processes which could be operated by fewer and less skilled workers.

The paper secretly bought new, labor-saving equipment, hired new workers to operate it and then laid off its regular International Typographical Union staff at the expiration of the current contract. It also fired 10 other union workers for a sympathy strike.

The panel upheld a trial examiner who ruled that a publisher could not unilaterally introduce new equipment and lay off help without making an effort to make an accommodation with the union involved.

Registration on lists A and B shall be valid only 84 days (12 weeks from the date of registration. An Employee whose name in the interim has not been stricken from the list as provided in other subsections of this Section No. 3 may maintain his place on the list by successive re-registrations. Such registrations must be accomplished between the 76th day and the 85th day after original registration or last re-registration, as the case may be, and each such re-registration shall be valid for an additional 84 day period only from the last date of re-registration. The name of employee who fails to exercise this right of re-registration within the time provided herein shall be stricken from the appropriate list.

AROUND THE AREA

Roy Price has completed his contract on the gathering system for Pacific Gas and Electric Company's gas fields around Grimes. The company hasn't pulled out with its equipment as yet.

Geo. Brewster and Son, Inc., on the Black Butte Dam still has a fair sized crew working and will have until sometime in February when they expect to shut down for a short time and start up in the spring.

The Lyles Co. has gotten off to a good start on their eight-inch pipe line between Gridley and Chico, despite the fact that they ran into some swampy ground.

Some 16 brothers are on this job and, depending a little on the weather, this may turn out to be a good job for them. The company hopes to get the other section between Gridley and the Beale Air Force Base.

J. H. Pomeroy's job at De Sabo is moving very slowly because of the weather, rough terrain and because they can't get material shipped for the penstock.

Ball and Simpson at Table Mountain on the Western Pacific Railroad relocation job is getting near the ragged end of the job. This has added to the out of work list as a goodly portion of the crew were laid off and it looks as if they will be finishing up in the near future.

HIGHWAYS

Harrington is trying to work his Cohasset highway job again, but with the recent period of bad weather has probably shut him down now to spring.

Baldwin Contracting Co., at \$204,735.50 was the low of two bidders on the construction and paving of the highway approaches to the West Branch Feather River Bridge.

This bridge is nearing completion and is a double bridge carrying on top the relocated section around the Oroville Dam, of Highway Alternate 40A. The bottom section of the bridge car-



GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE elected at Marysville were (standing from left) Bob Christy, George Lester, Bob McLellan and Business Manager Al Clem and (seated), Bill Minahan, financial secretary, and Paul Edgecombe, president.

ries the relocated Western Pacific Railroad.

Included in the above job is the connection of the completed Wicks' Corners and Jarboe Gap sections of the relocated highway to the old highway at Jarboe Gap and the new highway at Wicks' Corners.

Also included is improving the drainage, repaving settled areas at various locations, and applying a fog seal coat over the entire 13-mile length of the express way, which was completed in 1959.

Construction is expected to start in about six weeks and should take about four to five months to complete.

Work on the missile bases is coming to a gradual halt, with most of the cranes being shipped out.

The Air Force has approved the building of an aircraft maintenance dock fueling system facility at Beale Air Force Base. A total of \$875,000 has been released, \$700,000 for the facility, and \$175,000 for site preparation grading, access pavement and utility lines for the dock building.

Work has started on the second 100 houses in the Johnson Park sub-division in Olivehurst with Bear River Construction Co. doing most of the work.

It is reported that \$9,000,000 will be spent on this project during the next five years. This includes the erection of a large shopping center and an elementary school.

On the Virginia Ranch Dam, Williams and Burrows have had a cat spread and a good crew of mechanics working most of the winter on the dam. Gates and Fox are approximately 50 per cent through with the tunnel.

TUNNELS

Frazier-Davis on the Oroville Dam diversion tunnel are now getting under ground after a bad start due to a slide and are back on three shifts. There are now 14 of the brothers on this job. This is a 36 foot in the finish concrete lined tunnel.

Morrison & Knudsen are also getting underground on that company's tunnel job near Oroville and have three shifts working. There are 17 brothers working on this job which has as its head man "Shorty" Pierce.

Oroville Project Contractors are still working on the concrete lining of the tunnels and pouring concrete on the concrete dams. At the same time they are excavating for three powerhouses.

On the penstocks, the one at Kelly Ridge is completed except for being tied in when the concreting is through. There is also a crew putting the one in place at Woodleaf. When this job is finished it will be moved to the Forbestown penstock.

There still remains a fairly good sized crew of mechanics working. Mostly at the Ponderosa Dam site and at the main shop.

Pacific Gas and Electric Co. recently announced that starting this spring the dam at Lake Almanor will be raised to a height that will increase the storage of the lake by 60 per cent. Estimated cost of this job is reported to be \$6,750,000.

SHOPS

Employment has remained very stable in the shops and plants with the quits exceeding the lay-offs. There are some matters however that we think bear noting as follows: Northern Counties Materials has closed down for the winter. Reason: No demand for hot stuff.

Baldwin Contracting at Hallwood has a larger crew than usual working. The crusher is still going and they are erecting a hot plant which, when completed, will take the place of the one in Marysville. The present hot plant crew members in Marysville will be moved to Hallwood.

Diamond Steel, formerly Yuba City Oil and Burner Co., has somewhat reduced the crew, but probably will be able to keep going without further reduction.

Concrete Conduit Co., both in Yuba City, and Chico has kept busy. Lacasella Concrete Pipe Co. has the same crew working with the exception of Brother Roy Laughlin, who is off because of an accident.

Concrete Ready Mix has the same crew. Williams and Lane have now moved to Yuba City. Baldwins has dismantled the batch plant on Oroville Dam Blvd., in Oroville, and has erected a larger batch plant over behind the rock piles, south of where they used to have it.



WORKING ON the open-air shop at Woodleaf Powerhouse are, from left, Brothers Pete McKay, Bill Fry, Bill Archibald and Sam Eversole. The project was a 38-B Bucyrus.

Multi-Million Dollar Plant OK'd

Huge Paper Company Builds in Redding Area

By J. B. JENNINGS and S. N. McBROOME

Kimberly-Clark officials and the health department have reached an agreement on the standards that have to be met with the California State Board of Health. Fantastic changes will be made in the Anderson-Cottonwood area.

Ralph Smith company merged with Kimberly-Clark Corporation. The huge corporation, with annual sales of \$500 million, will add another 400-man payroll to the community by 1963.

Kimberly-Clark scientists were testing the five species of timber grown on Smith forest lands to determine whether the timber could be converted into Kimberly-Clark's products, which range from household tissues to top grade bond stationery.

Kimberly-Clark came up with effluent treatment plans which please the community and also the state water pollution control authorities.

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company has delayed plans to develop a \$92 million hydroelectric project on the McCloud and Pit Rivers. This job consists of four dams, two tunnels and three power houses. An unconfirmed report states that this project will start this year.

A \$23 million to enable the Trinity River Project to generate its first power in the coming year was asked by the President. Starting July 1, \$674,000 will go for Lassen Park, \$60,000 will go for a visitor center and \$345,000 for roads and trails, \$78,000 for construction of ski facilities.

Eleven million dollars will go for 230 kilovolt transmission lines to carry Trinity power to the Tracy switchyard. Work will also continue on the Trinity, Whiskeytown and Lewiston Dam and the Clear Creek and Spring Creek tunnels and pumping plants. Cow Creek irrigation facilities are listed for \$2,164,000.

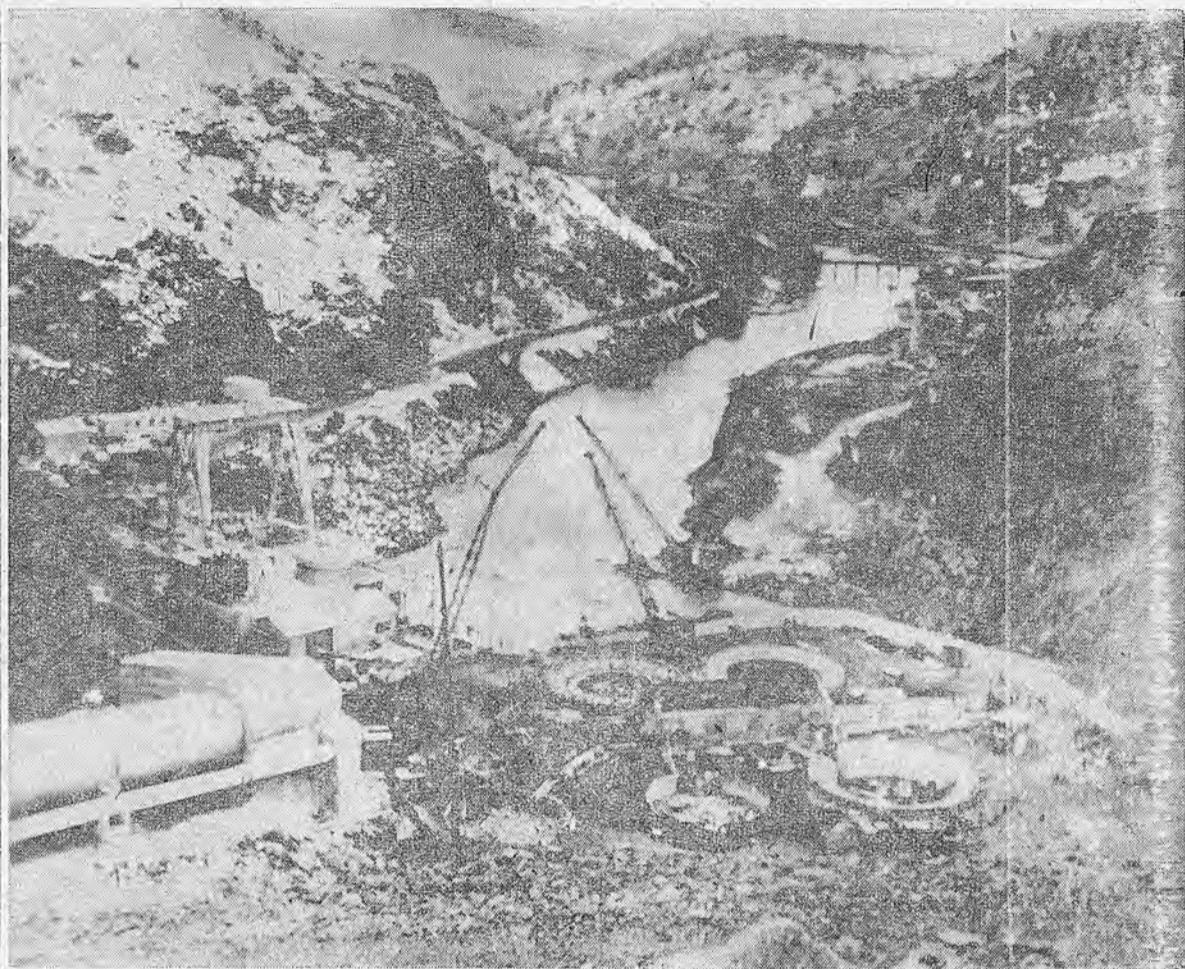
The Federal Program in the Central Valley includes the Red Bluff Diversion Dam \$3,830,400, the Corning Canal \$346,000, the Corning Distribution System \$400,000, the Tehama Colusa Canal \$300,000.

FREEWAY PLANS

According to the plan, east bound traffic on Highway 44 will move on Tehama Street to the Freeway. Westbound traffic from Highway 44 will exit into Redding from a ramp at the intersection of Tehama and Library Streets.

Freeway plans call for ramps from the two streets to span Continental and join the highway on an embankment near the south boundary of Redding cemetery. The highway would follow the crest of the embankment through an area of gravel excavations to a bridge crossing the Sacramento River.

The Guy F. Atkinson Company of South San Francisco and a group of other contractors were



THE IRON GATE DAM is a \$6 million project built by Morrison and Knudsen Company, which employed 110 men. The dam is located 28 miles from Yreka on the Klamath River. The crest of the dam will rise 173 feet above the river bed and stretches 685 feet from wall-to-wall.

awarded the hydroelectric project in West Pakistan. One phase of the project will be the construction of an earth barrier three times the size of Trinity Dam.

Trinity, as you know, is one of the largest earth dams in the world. The dams and a powerhouse will be located approximately 120 miles from a city of nearly one million population.

Most of the men will be hired in West Pakistan, but many men will also be hired here in the United States. This job will be completed sometime in 1969.

TRANSMISSION

Work gets under way on 280 miles of transmission line. The John M. King is the first contract to start on the line from Keswick that ties into the Trinity Dam Power House.

The Power City is the second contract for transmission lines from Keswick to Cottonwood. Clearing is already under way on the foundations for the towers.

A new stretch of Highway 99 North from Pit River Bridge is expected to start this year. However, the date on this is not set. Work also will start this year on the Highway 99 North from Dunsmuir to the Oregon State line.

With all the new construction to start this year in and around Redding, this will be a very good year for Ready Mix. The early part of spring will find steady work for the Rock, Sand and Gravel employees.

SOMETHING NEW

A fallout shelter will be built as part of an apartment development. The underground area will have 720 square feet of floor

space. The apartments are designed to house 68 persons. These fallout shelters will be designed to be recreational areas as long as they are not needed for war.

six Northern Counties. Our last count we had 617 operators and 77 oilers on our out-of-work list.

BLOOD BANK

Again the call goes out throughout the six northern counties to the members and their families to replenish their blood bank. Once again our goal is 100 pints and we are more than confident that we will achieve our aim, as we have in the past.

The fellows in this area seem to realize the importance of having their own blood bank available and any time the cry goes out for blood, the response has been terrific. Our drive will start in February. If you would like to donate, please contact Jeanne at the office or at home, CH. 3-3272.

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Looks Like a Busy Year at Santa Rosa

By R. F. SWANSON and LOU BARNES

We are fortunate this year that the work load for this area is anticipated to be very good. We base our assumption on previously published items from the state, federal and local agencies.

The main items are the figures which the state has released, showing about \$12 million to be spent in freeway work in various sections from Santa Rosa to Ukiah.

These jobs have not come up for bids as of this writing, but they are expected to momentarily. Also anticipated is a sizeable amount of money to be spent on various flood control projects in Sonoma County.

BIDS

The Corps of Engineers plan to advertise for bids this spring of about \$1 million dollars for bank stabilization work along the Russian River, both in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties. All in all, with added numerous sub-divisions and building projects and various other types of work, the forecast is good.

We don't want to confuse the issue by saying that work on the 42 million Warm Springs Dam will be started this year. Some newspaper articles have intimated such to be the case, but it is not a fact.

This project has been recommended by the District Engineer and it had not been expected to be reviewed until a later date. This is encouraging because the project must be passed by a large number of government agencies before being recommended to the Department of Public Works Committee of the House of Representatives. The earlier date increases the chances of this item being included in the Omnibus Bill.

WEATHER

Due to good weather the last few weeks, a good many brothers have been working on various projects in the Redwood Empire, and the weather is still good as of this writing.

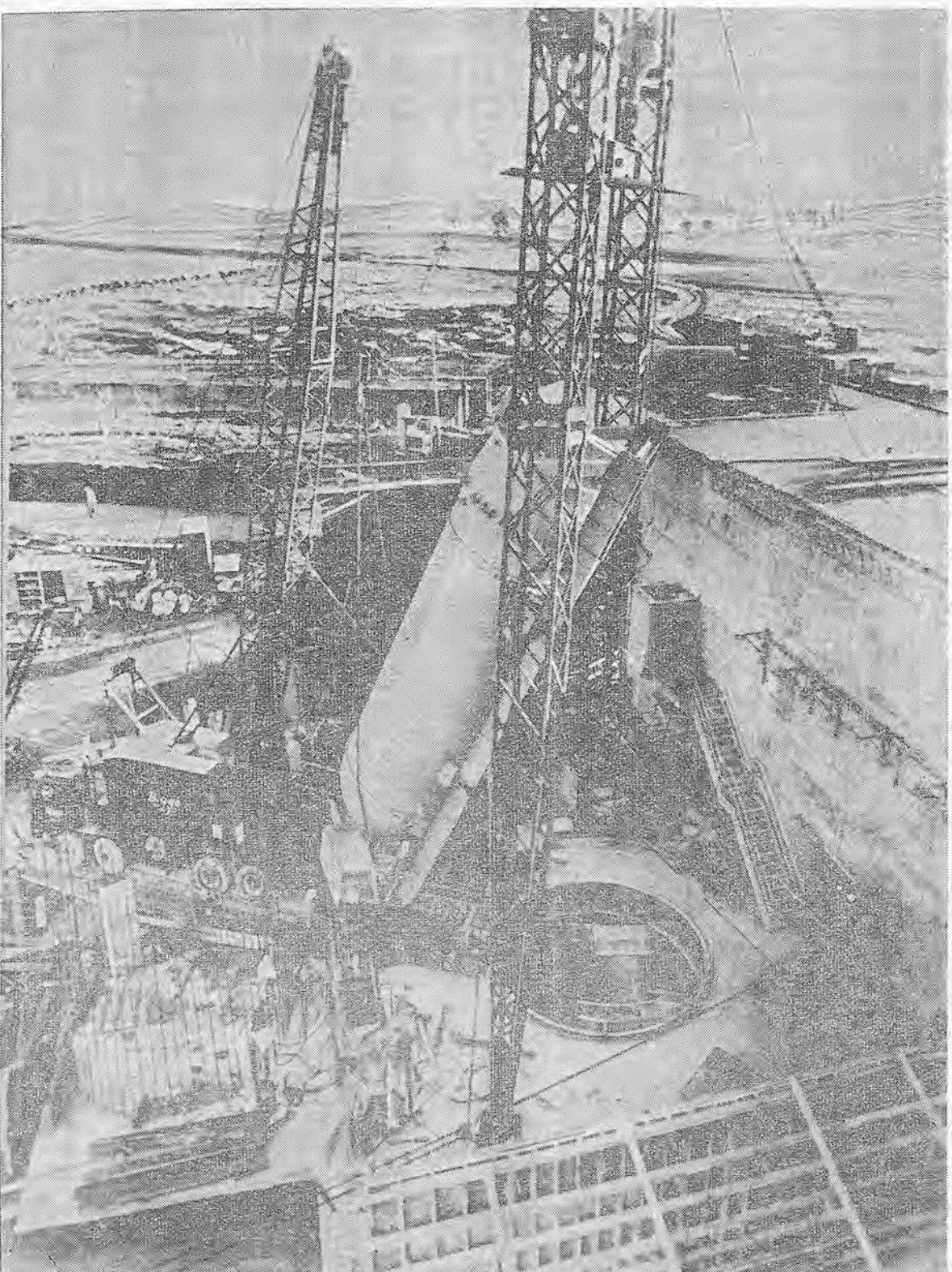
Kirkwood-Bly-Agonaut and Knight's Trenching all have been relocating water and sewer lines on the proposed Highway 12 Freeway right of way. We have nothing definite on this one. But from all indications there should be some action on it in the spring.

Reichold and Jurkovich have cleared and started their Guerneville Road job. Arthur B. Siri has been busy on several small jobs and Strocco Company also. This being the off season, we have been doing very well.

Thanks to recent blood donors, Charles Thomason, Floyd Webb and John Dawson.

We now have the 1962 time books available. These are a benefit to you and your union. Also, forms for refund on Disability will be available in the office.

Meeting Notice for Ukiah: March 8 at the Labor Temple (to elect Grievance Committee).



NOW IN PLACE at Pacific Gas and Electric Company atomic electric station near Eureka is the pressure vessel which will contain the reactor core. This vessel will have an operating weight of 252 tons, including uranium oxide fuel and water. Bechtel Corp. is engineer constructor and prime contractor. Bigge Crane set this 132-ton vessel for Bechtel.

EUREKA REPORT

Rain Slows Down Operations

By WARREN LEMOINE and W. L. "Bill" TOMBERLIN

Operations in the Eureka district are at a stand still and it's really raining.

The Hooker Company of San Valley, California, have taken over the Arthur B. Siri Company plant at Arcata with Brother Robert King in charge. We welcome this new company into the district and wish them the best.

The pipe-line is working one unit over on the Samoa beach

and is getting around a thousand feet of pipe laid per day. In this wet weather the sand makes real easy working. The shop crew is busy putting a pile-driver together. It is a floating rig to drive pile across the Samoa slough.

The Ranney Western has two crews working on the wells at Mad River. These wells are the intake for the Samoa pipe-line. They will furnish water for the proposed pulp mill to be built this year in Eureka.

Thanks to the members at the

special called meeting of Mercer Fraser employees for the wonderful turn out. We'll be calling on you from time to time for these open discussions.

Brown Urges Fight Against Right Extremists

The only way to meet the issue of right-wing extremism is to fight it, Governor Brown told the National Press Club this month.

Brown said one important unit of the Republican Party has already swung to the John Birchers—"while Nixon and other Republican leaders look away."

"No other state must admit to having two John Birch representatives in Congress," Brown noted, in emphasizing the electoral activities of the society.

"Furthermore, the ultra conservatives have corporate financial support. They are using it to exact concessions formerly conservative Republicans, and to seize control of party organization," Brown continued.

"Like the Communists, the radicals of the right have a basic quarrel with democracy because it is complex . . . Looking



THE INCUMBENTS were re-elected to serve on the Grievance Committee in the Eureka office. Andrew Anderson, Earl Horn, executive board, Ray Cooper, Frank Wright, Manager Al Clem and Jerry Dowd, vice president.

Work Holds Up Well in S.F. Area

By JERRY DOWD and GEORGE BAKER

At this time of the year, it is a pleasure to report the work situation in the San Francisco area has held up very well. From all reports this should be a banner year for our men.

Pacific Pavements Co. was low bidder for the work at Isla Creek, \$495,000. However, to date the contract has not been awarded.

William R. Cole of Berkeley has been given the contract for the construction of the North Point Collection Sewer at The Embarcadero and Berry Street.

The P.C.A. Brisbane quarry was working two shifts for a while but is now back to one shift. This project will keep many of our men busy for some time, particularly the shop crews, shovel, hot plant, crushers and cats. Many are working steady and some on part time basis.

EICHLER

Flora Crane Service has completed the demolition work for Eichler Homes on the Visitacion Valley project. However, we expect further activity there in the near future.

Frank D. Smith Plastering Co. of San Francisco was awarded the plastering work on the new Federal Building. This job will be in excess of \$2,000,000. According to our information Bethlehem Steel is within 85 per cent of the completion date and at the present time this company has four Guy Derrick operators and one compressor man.

The Cahill Construction on the Hotel Hilton project at Ellis and O'Farrell Streets has furnished quite a bit of work for Operating Engineers.

The crew at the San Francisco garbage dump employed by Easley & Brassey is busy, as usual. This has been one of the better jobs in San Francisco as it is a year-round situation.

We are still badly in need of blood. One old-timer recently needed four pints. We feel sure that many of you will rally to this cause.

VACATION CHECKS

We are holding Vacation Checks for the following:

From Associated Pipeline Co. for: Edward Nissen, Otto Aune, Fred Buck, Rodney Hake, Roy Jones and Adolph Wagner.

From Charles Harney Colma Dupree.

We are still holding mail for some of the members. This is done as a courtesy, however. When giving the Dispatch Office as a mailing address, we must insist that the mail be picked up at least once a month or it will be returned to the sender.

for a panacea, the extremists of both left and right seek to escape into simplicity—and find that it ultimately turns out to be an escape into authoritarianism," the Governor said.

Engineer Tries To Solve a Mystery

"I've seen a lot of Indian mortars," said Brother Ted Dodson, who has been with Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields for many years, "but I have never seen another one with decorations on it."

Brother Dodson was displaying, in the Marysville office, a granite mortar about eight inches in height and ten inches in diameter, the outside of which bears engravings put there by some long-dead tribesman.

"Do these markings tell a story of Indian life as it existed hereabouts? Was it perhaps the property of some tribal medicine man? Was it made by some long gone tribe or was it imported from other lands?"

"That is something I've been trying to find out ever since I found the mortar, while working on a gold dredger for Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields," he said.

ON DREDGER BELT

Brother Dodson told how he had suddenly seen and grabbed the "rock" coming across the dredger belt. It had been brought up from some 25 feet underground by one of the buckets in the ladder of the gold dredger he was working on. That was in April, 1950.

The markings on the mortar seem to depict a forest of pine trees and at one place there ap-



pears the figure of a man. The entire outside of the bowl is decorated.

Such bowls were used for the grinding of seeds, acorns and other foods.

"I've seen Indian drawings on rocks in Sierra County," Brother Dodson continued. "These markings appear to me to have some meaning, as do the rock paintings or engravings."

DIGGER INDIANS

He is sure that this decorated mortar pre-dates the Digger Indians who used to live in this area and in the mountains before the Gold Rush days.

They were so low in the scale of primitive culture that no Digger Indian would have gone to the trouble of fashioning the mortar with its deeply rounded ground so long.

inner bowl and decorated outside.

Brother Dodson said that, since making his find, he has more than once written to the University of California to try and interest scientists in the mortar. "I have never even had an answer," he said.

Publication recently in the Marysville Appeal Democrat on the important archeological find near Colusa, in diggings connected with natural gas explorations brought the matter to his mind.

In a field not far from the Sacramento River, human bones and artifacts of an Indian tribe thought to have lived in the Sacramento Valley centuries before Columbus discovered America, were brought to light.

STUDY UNDERWAY

The Colusa discovery was reported by the Humble Oil and Refining Company to the Central California Archeological Foundation. John S. Clemmer of Sacramento, of the foundation, now is conducting explorations at the scene which was spared from further digging in order that the scientific study might be made.

Brother Dodson hopes to get in touch with Clemmer, in his effort to identify the stone mortar with its cryptic markings, which lay buried deep underground so long.

NEVADA REPORT

Work Grinds to a Standstill

By H. L. "CURLEY" SPENCE and TOM ECK

At this writing, most of Northern Nevada is covered with snow and thermometers are registering below zero. At the present there is only one highway project advertised for bid. That is a 5.8 mile stretch of Nevada State Route 18-A between Battle Mountain and North Battle Mountain.

The Highway Department has quite a budget program for 1962, with Washoe County getting an \$8 million chunk and stretches of Interstate 80 (U.S. Highway 40) will be built in all counties it passes through except Pershing County. Latest word from Carson City is the stretch from California-Nevada State line to Verdi will come out this month.

EAST

Silver State Construction Company got off to a good start on its Coal Canyon Project East of Lovelock until the snow hit, but that won't stop that crew of Engineers very long.

The Dodge Iron Mines is running in its usual systematic routine, only occasionally closing down the haul from the mine to the rail siding because of slick haul roads.

Dodge Construction Company highway 40 project east of Lovelock is in the wind-up stage as the dirt is just about moved.

The Wells-Cargo Highway 40 project east of Lovelock is also slowed down due to weather. The bulk of the dirt on this job has already been moved, but there is still quite a lot of pushing to be done.

VACATION CHECKS

A number of Operating Engineer's vacation checks have been returned because of incorrect

mailing addresses and another group have never been mailed due to no address on file. The following list of Brothers have checks available if they will send their name and social security number and current address to this office, 185 Martin Avenue, Reno, Nevada:

Erick Anderson, Roy Anderson, Myron Atwater, Pat Avery, Usac Bibayoff, James M. Bragg, Joseph P. Brian, Earl V. Burhans, John E. Burney, Earl R. Butler, Earl H. Chapman, Gaylon Corkill, Norman L. Crow, Richard J. Dallen, Clarence W. Dayton, Wallace E. Draper, Colma Dupree.

Jack Ellis, Denton Fricke, David Germain, Earl Gibson, T. F. Gibson, Jesse A. Glenn, Theodore H. Haberman, Wayne D. Hall, Dave Hansen, Malcolm W. Harden, Felix Iturralan, Max O. Klassen, Joe LaChapella, Dell W. Lathum, Wilfred McDonald, Donald McGowen, Floyd Marcial, Henry F. Marsh, Edward L. Martin, William Martin, Malcolm L. Maxwell, Dick Merritt, R. W. Miller, John J. Montgomery, James G. Morris, Peter G. Morros, Lee B. Morton, Harry Muhlhause, Richard S. Myers.

Robert A. Neep, Kenneth Nelson, T. L. O'Dell, Leroy C. Palmer, Owen H. Park-

er, Glen B. Parker, Verne S. Pickrell, Clifford Powell, Albert L. Pico, Gino Quilici, Edgar R. Rankin, Kenneth Rasley, Carl A. Roberts, Clyde S. Smart, Jr., Robert L. Stanley, Ronald D. Starr, M. F. Summerville, William P. Thomas, Peter C. Thomsen, Guy E. Tietjen, Donald I. Trask, Robert A. Waller, Cedric Ward, James R. Walsh, James White, Mitchell White, D. H. Wilcox and Leo M. Zeigler.

The following checks were mailed out and returned for lack of forward address: Robert Lyon, Allen Bridges, R. J. Taylor, Edward McMahon, Floyd Victor, Frank Jackson, Alvin Hoterer, James Munson, Glenn Gillson, Ernest Grimes, Robert Boyer and James Street, Jr.

The following brothers have W-2 forms at this office: J. R. Armistead, Nathan Barlow, John Beasley, Rulen Black, Frank Dodd, Kenneth Goodrich, Robert Horsley, John Hubert, John Huizing, Mack Hunter, Clinton Hurbut, Willard Kelly, James F. Lambert, Clarence Michaud, Clifford Glasgow, Henry C. Houck, David Howard, D. B. Jenkins, Lewis E. Jones, Richard Key, C. K. Lohr, George Marshall, Freeman Mason, Claude E. Morris.

Hugh Noble, Claude R. Patrick, Elmer Rider, R. T. Ross, Neil S. Rowley, Mike Saporetti, Jack W. Seeley, Charles Shalbenberger, William A. Sigglin, Howard Steffens, Charles L. Stewart, Loren W. Street, John E. Thomsen, James W. Turner, Michael H. Turner, H. H. Welch, Jube Whelchel, Richard Whiting, and William P. Whitworth.

Pensions

NORMAL PENSIONS

Name	Date of Entitlement	Name	Date of Entitlement
Machi, Michael	6/62	Teronis, Peter	2/62
Rinehart, Gail F.	2/62	White, Shirley M.	1/62

REDUCED PENSIONS

Bowles, Henry C.	12/60	Strange, Elmer	3/62
Colombo, Henry	12/61	Thomason, George A.	2/62
Hansen, Herbert J.	2/61	Vest, Edgar D.	1/62
Moller, Fred W.	12/61		

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EARLY RETIREMENT PENSIONS

Eikerenkotter, G. S.	1/62	Lema, William	10/61

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DISABILITY PENSIONS

Alexander, Ernest	3/62	Murray, Kenneth	3/60
Gonzales, Ivy	2/61	Stalnaker, Gus	12/61
McNutt, William H.	6/61	Terry, Robert L.	2/61

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BASIC PENSIONS

Bruce, A. Julius	2/62	Hester, Edgar A.	2/61

Personal Notes

San Francisco

Erothe Lyle M. McMurray is in Ft. Riley Hospital and would appreciate a call . . .

San Jose

Brother Harold Dedd, a crane operator severely injured on the Thomas Bridge job, is still in the hospital . . .

Santa Rosa

The Leroy Browns had a baby girl . . . Brother Miles Jones is operating on his own—at the Standard Oil station at the Forks above Ukiah . . . Brother Dean Rogers is an agent of the Golen Realtors . . .

San Rafael

Brother Ross McAllister, long time dredge hand, has retired. He was with Associated Dredge since 1918, when he was put to work on Delta No. 1 as a deckhand. He was first made dredge captain in 1926 . . . Brothers Clarence and Bill Huffstutter are working for Arabian Bechtel Corp. in Tripoli, Libya . . . Brother Bill Weldon became a father on December 22. A girl, 7 pounds 13 ounces . . . Hospitalized: Brothers Bob Libchitz, Howard O. Chadwick, Charles Brickner and John Wright . . .

Fresno

We have a vacation check for John W. Bullard . . . Our blood bank is low. Check with Shirley in the office if you can donate, as Everett Thompson and O. D. Conley did last month . . .

Vallejo

A new grade setter was born December 9 to Brother Robert Lee Smith's wife. Robert Jr. weighs 6 pounds 12 ounces . . . Brother Louis Climer is in Vallejo General Hospital . . .

Oakland

Brother David J. Silveira, formerly employed by Al Uricelqui, is now stationed at Loan, France, with the 62nd Engineers . . . A baby boy for Brother Edgar Auld and wife Caroline (now 3 months old) . . . Bill Blau is home after an operation. Ken Burlingham has a general repair and tune-up shop for foreign and American cars. It's Sports and Imports, 1652 13th Street, San Pablo . . . Bill Radke, cat and can operator for Rose and Matoza, is completing a navigation course to obtain a commercial license on multi-engines . . . Arthur Peters, one of the original 3D men at Peterson Tractor is convalescing at his home at 420 B Street, Hayward . . . C. J. Wheaton, who has been with H. J. Kaiser Corp. for many years, and has been a member of the Engineers since 1937, has been forced to retire because of ill health . . .

Modesto

Brother Marty Hicks lost his left arm in an accident at Standard Materials batch plant . . .

San Mateo

Your blood bank is very low. Please pay a visit as soon as possible. It is located off El Camino Real south of Trousdale Avenue at the entrance to Peninsula Hospital. Phone Oxford 7-4034 . . .

Utah

On the sick list: Brothers Lester Gomm, Melvin Hayes, Evan Street, James Allen, Zeph Thomas and Alred Blonquist . . . Babies in the families of Herber D. Ward, Ronald (Dick) Nye and Roger Clofson . . .

Sacramento

Brother Bill Edwards is still in Sutter Memorial Hospital, recovering from burns he received from welders at Aerojet . . . We have a long list of recent blood donors, but our bank balance is still low. The recent donors: Mrs. Josephine M. Apted, Howard Baxter, Mrs. Viola V. Berg, Alard J. Brown, Albert V. Dalton, Bill L. Dalton, John A. Etheridge, Robert C. Knapp, Richard M. Mello, Norwood N. Mullenax, Elmer Rasetter, Alfonse Vercluyson, Mrs. Catherine Vercluyson, Rene O. Cereruyssen, George Vodjansky, Mrs. Avis Wissler and Mrs. Loretta H. Youngs . . .

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How to Maintain A Strong Union

WE FEEL THAT all the members of our union are interested in their Local and are at all times seeking to gather more information so that they can be better informed in that respect.

In order to have a strong trade union, it is necessary to have the full and active cooperation and support of every member. It has often been said that the union is only as good as its officers and the officers are only as good as the members who select them.

In the day-to-day operation of our organization, the actions of the officers and representatives are affected to a large degree by the wishes of the membership as conveyed to them through union meeting discussions, on-the-job discussions, and as they intermingle socially.

In this way, your officers and representatives gather thoughts and ideas with which they endeavor to build a better and stronger union.

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YOUR OFFICERS and representatives are governed by the constitution and by-laws, which were adopted by the membership in a referendum vote. The by-laws are a result of almost two years' work by the by-laws committee and are considered a good set of by-laws. This is evidenced by the fact that your officers have received many requests for copies of them from different unions throughout the United States.

In a democratic union such as ours, it is the responsibility of the members, when making a selection of officers and representatives, to study the past record of those who are seeking office.

In this way, a more effective and proper selection of men will be made—men who will maintain the high standards and fill the different offices of their union with respect, and, most important, men who have a high regard for the membership as a whole.

Look for the Label

OVER A CENTURY ago a noted Englishman, John Ruskin said:

"Price? There is hardly anything in the world that some man cannot make a little worse and sell a little cheaper and the people who consider price ONLY are this man's lawful prey."

This sage statement could well be engraved in our minds to remind us to give a great deal of thought to the way we spend our union-earned dollars.

As part of the proud tradition of the American trade union movement—a special group of citizens noted for their understanding of the true spirit of brotherhood, an organization which has its very roots established on the principle that all who toil should be fairly paid for their labor—union members and their families demand that the products they buy and the services they patronize meet the requirements of their beliefs and convictions.

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THIS MEANS that the worker who produced the product or performed the service must be assured a fair share of the profits made possible by his hard work—that those who produce the products and services which make our society the greatest in the history of mankind must be able to back the fruits of their toil.

This means that the products and services for which we spend our union-earned wages must be identified by organized labor's historic symbols of fair play and highest quality—the Union Label, the Shop Card and the Service Button.



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CONSUMER ADVICE

February Home Sales

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Furniture and rugs are the big shopping opportunity in February. Reductions of 10 to 20 per cent are available on most furnishings, including those of well-known designers and manufacturers which are price-maintained, by one device or another, most of the rest of the year.

Other home sales this month include china, glassware, housewares and curtains.

In food, beef, pork and lamb are still relatively reasonable, but turkeys, broilers and eggs are the outstanding buys this month. Canned salmon is especially abundant this winter, marketing services report. Fresh produce is scarce and costly at this season, and value-wise families will look for values in canned vegetables. Canned corn is in heavy supply and an especially good buy this year. Winter is also the season for citrus fruits—in heavier supply this year than last.

FURNITURE SALES

Some furniture manufacturers seem to be trying to set back furniture styles instead of advancing them.

In shopping the furniture sales this month, you'll find stores this year offering some massive, over-elaborate styles. Some look like the fancy "moderne" furniture that first came out a generation ago. This bulky furniture means extra cost and housekeeping work.

Truly modern furniture, or "contemporary" as it is sometimes called, is compact in size and light in weight. But it is architecturally designed so that a smaller chair is as comfortable as a bulky one. Contemporary furniture also has simple, clean unadorned lines. Danish-inspired furniture is a good example.

In upholstered furniture, the costlier chairs and sofas are usually made with deep spiral coils. Less-expensive but still satisfactory pieces are made with crimped, zig-zag steel webbing. The zig-zag construction does not have quite the deep-seating comfort of coil-springs. But it is moderate in price, durable and enables lighter-weight, more compact styles.

Quality of coil-spring construction varies considerably. Some upholstered pieces have as many as twelve springs to a seat section, others as few as six. Both the number of springs and the number of coils each spring has, affect buoyancy.

In better-grade coil-spring construction, the springs also are hand-tied to keep them from shifting.

LATEX-FOAM

Genuine latex-foam cushioning is costlier than the synthetic urethane and considered preferable for shape-retention and durability. Urethane, however, is satisfactory if it has sufficient "density." Observe the comparative resilience of fillings when you sit on chairs or sofas, or compress a cushion in your hand, and lift it to see if it is very lightweight urethane or the more dense grades.

The best, but also costliest type of foam construction is latex wrapped in a layer of Dacron for a combination of softness (the Dacron) and support (the latex). Some all-foam cushions achieve this combination of softness and buoyancy by a surface layer of soft foam laminated to a core of load-bearing buoyant foam.

Such laminates, as well as the Dacron-foam combination also enable neater tailoring of the covering material.

In buying plastic-covered chairs, which are increasing in popularity, you need to be especially careful of the quality of the plastic. Some chairs have only thin, lightweight plastic which wears through quickly and tends to tear more easily. One leading manufacturer recently even charged in Home Furnishings Daily that the furniture industry is selling "phony value" in some chairs of this type. He said some mass retailers are representing chairs worth only \$49 as \$99 chairs. These have 21-ounce plastic coverings which will last only a few years compared to the 32-ounce plastic which would last perhaps 15 years.

In bedroom and other "case-goods" furniture, there's at least one worth-while trend—to "bunching" pieces. These are chests, vanities, dressers, etc., with trim, squared-off lines so they can be bunched side by side for more storage room in less space.

TV PRICES

Television-set manufacturers have become concerned over current public reaction against the quality of TV shows—what has become known in the industry as the "boob-tube" image. The effect of the loss of interest in TV programs is that set manufacturers are keeping their prices down, and in fact are offering some excellent values. Several manufacturers recently introduced 19-inch portables listing at \$140. Thus with discounts these are available around \$115-\$120.

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Meeting Notices

February

Stockton—Feb. 1, Thursday, Engineers' Bldg.

Grievance Committee Election

San Jose—Feb. 5, Monday, Labor Temple, 45 Santa Theresa. Grievance Committee Election

Oakland—Feb. 8, Thursday, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez. Grievance Committee Election

Sacramento—Feb. 13, Tuesday, CELT Bldg., 2525 Stockton. Grievance Committee Election

March

Fresno—March 1, Thursday, 3120 East Olive St.

Grievance Committee Election

Ukiah—March 8, Thursday, Labor Temple, State Street. Grievance Committee Election

Salt Lake City—March 9, Friday, Teamsters Hall, 443 So. 6th St. East.

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Reno—March 10, Saturday, Reno Musicians Bldg., 120 W. Taylor.

Grievance Committee Election

April

San Francisco—April 4, Wednesday, San Francisco Labor Temple, 16th and Capp Streets.

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Eureka—April 10, Tuesday, 2806 Broadway.

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Redding—April 11, Wednesday, Retail Clerks Bldg., 900 Locust St.

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Marysville—April 12, Thursday, Elks Club, 920 D Street.

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May

Sacramento—May 3, Thursday, CELT Bldg., 2525 Stockton.

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Stockton—May 7, Monday, Engineers Bldg.

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Oakland—May 9, Wednesday, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez.

Watsonville—May 17, Thursday, Veteran's Memorial Bldg., 215 Third Street.

June

Fresno—June 5, Tuesday, 3121 East Olive.

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Santa Rosa—June 7, Thursday, Veteran's Bldg.

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Salt Lake City—June 15, Friday, Teamsters Hall, 443 So. 6th East.

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Reno—June 16, Saturday, Reno Musicians Bldg., 120 W. Taylor.

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July

San Francisco—July 11, Wednesday, San Francisco Labor Temple, 16th and Capp Streets.

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Eureka—July 17, Tuesday, 2806 Broadway.

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Redding—July 18, Wednesday, Retail Clerks Bldg., 900 Locust St.

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Oroville—July 19, Thursday, Prospectors Village.

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August

Stockton—Aug. 1, Wednesday, Engineers Bldg.

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San Jose—Aug. 6, Monday, Labor Temple, 45 Santa Theresa.

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Oakland—Aug. 9, Thursday, 2315 Valdez.

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Sacramento—Aug. 14, Tuesday, CELT Bldg., 2525 Stockton.

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September

Fresno—Sept. 4, Tuesday, 3120 East Olive St.

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Ukiah—Sept. 6, Thursday, Labor Temple, State Street.

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Salt Lake City—Sept. 14, Friday, Teamsters Hall, 443 So. 6th East.

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Reno—Sept. 15, Saturday, Reno Musicians Bldg., 120 W. Taylor.

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October

San Francisco—Oct. 3, Wednesday, San Francisco Labor Temple, 16th and Capp Streets.

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Eureka—Oct. 9, Tuesday, 2806 Broadway.

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Redding—Oct. 10, Wednesday, Retail Clerks Bldg., 900 Locust St.

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Marysville—Oct. 11, Thursday, Elks Club, 920 D Street.

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November

Stockton—Nov. 1, Thursday, Engineers Bldg.

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Oakland—Nov. 8, Thursday, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez.

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Sacramento—Nov. 13, Tuesday, CELT Bldg., 2525 Stockton.

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Watsonville—Nov. 15, Thursday, Veteran's Memorial Bldg., 215 Third Street.

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December

Fresno—Dec. 4, Tuesday, 3120 E. Olive.

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Santa Rosa—Dec. 6, Thursday, Veterans' Bldg.

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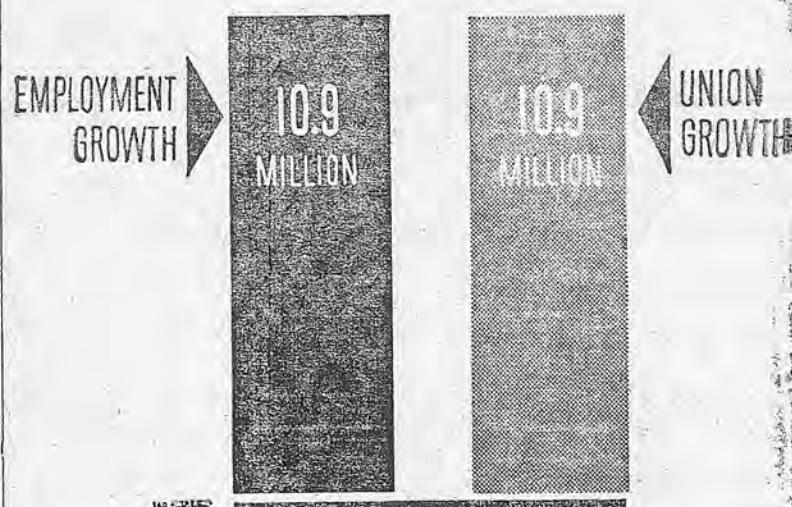
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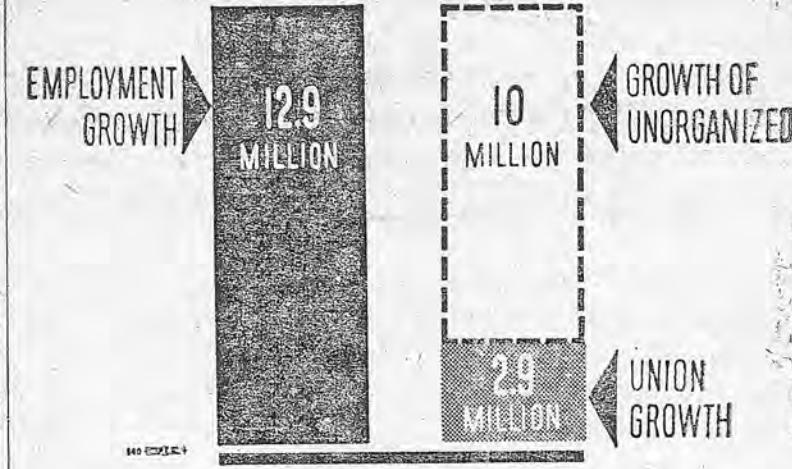
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Employment vs. Union Growth—1930-1945



Employment vs. Union Growth—1945-1960



CHARTS TELL STORY of comparative growth in employment and in union membership during two periods. Between 1930 and 1945 (top) they ran neck-and-neck, although the increase in union membership was recruited from those already in the work force rather than among new workers. In the 1945-1960 postwar period, employment outstripped union membership by 10 million. The gap is considered by the AFL-CIO Dept. of Research, which prepared the charts, to indicate a substantial shift of workers to the white collar field and the importance of helping these workers improve their conditions and dignity.

SWAP SHOP: free want ads for Operating Engineers

FOR SALE

- 14½ ACRES river bottom land, under cultivation (or will trade for Calif. property). House, barn, double garage, 18 miles south of Salem, Ore. \$12,000. terms. Write: Fred A. Powell, Rt. E, Box 1560, Auburn, Calif. Reg. No. 617485.
- STEEL HOPPER, 8'x8"x10'. Write: Ed Wright, 1195 Hillside Blvd., Colma 25, Calif. Phone: PLaza 5-6446. Reg. No. 370309.
- FERGUSON tractor with Pippin Backhoe and loader. Phone John Martinson, Berkeley, Calif. Yellowsone 4-8863 or Hornbeam 5-7580. Reg. No. 865574.
- SCHULT TRAILER HOME, 1956, 42"x8', twin beds and full bed, excellent condition. \$2600 full price. Write: Robert E. Powers, 5801 Robinhood Drive, El Sobrante, Calif. Phone: CA 3-7346. Reg. No. 863917.
- KEN CAMPER for long wheel base pickup. \$375. Write: L. J. Tillmann, 575 So. Rengstorf, Mt. View, Calif. Reg. No. 998036.
- CAMERA 35 m.m. Bessmatic Voigtlander with case. Cost \$250, will take \$125. Write: Jack Tull, 1215 Alice Dr., Santa Clara, Calif. Reg. No. 808175.
- LARGE OCCIDENTAL STOVE, chrome top. Grill never used. 1954 model. Like new. Must see to appreciate. \$65. Write: Travis Crain, 78 Jess Ave., Petaluma, Calif. Phone: PO 2-6491. Reg. No. 679094.
- MODERN HOME, 3 bedrooms, 2 5/8 acres, service station. Ideal place to retire. Good fishing, ideal hunting. Can be bank financed. Write: Marvin Breerton, P.O. Box 382, Ferron, Utah. Reg. No. 967780.
- UNFINISHED HOUSE, 4-room, on two lots, 150' by 300' in Roquoson, Virginia. Write: W. C. Shinn, 1440 Carlos Ave., Burlingame, Calif. Phone: DI 4-3948. Reg. No. 836875.
- 12½-ACRE RANCH, 2 good houses, pipelined, 2 wells, fruit, nut, citrus trees, aluminum shed 40x60. Write: Howard Winsett, 11813 S. Temperance, Selma, Calif. Reg. No. 420996.
- MODERN HOME, 3-bdrms, 2½ acres land. Service station. Ideal place to retire. Good fishing, ideal hunting. Can be bank financed. Write: Marvin Breerton, P.O. Box 382, Ferron, Utah. Reg. No. 967780.
- 1957 CHEVROLET pickup, four speed transmission, \$750 cash or \$850 with half cash. Write: W. C. Shinn, 1440 Carlos Ave., Burlingame, Calif. Phone: DI 4-3958. Reg. No. 836875.
- 1954 FORD Station Wagon, automatic transmission, two new recaps. \$450. Also 1950 Plymouth Station Wagon, \$200. Write: M. B. Rose, 1/2 Dolly-Mark Ranch, 416 Horn Ave., Santa Rosa, Calif. Phone: LIBerty 5-3748 evenings. Reg. No. 1059628.
- SHALF ACRE, with 20x22 building, on lower Sherman Island in Neil tract, 1/4-mile from Sacramento River. Full price, \$4,000. Write: Royal Winfred, 1063 Capp St., San Francisco 10. Phone: VA 4-0718. Reg. No. 423253.
- 1954 BUICK 2-door hard top. Good shape. Clean. Good tires. Write: George Brooks, 1442 E. 36th Street, Oakland. Phone: KE 4-5601. Reg. No. 293329.
- 300 AMP H D GE trailer mitch welder. Sell account of illness. Sacrifice for \$300. First class shape. Write: W. H. McNutt, Route 1, Box 271A, Suisun, Calif. Phone: HA 5-4312. Reg. No. 268666.
- 10,000 SQ. FT. lot at Lake Tahoe. 3 miles from State Line. 6 miles from Squaw Valley. 1 mile from Kings Beach. \$4000. Write Jack Pool, 3635 Brookdale Ave., Oakland 19, Calif. Phone: KE 4-1753. Reg. No. 1062382.
- 10 ACRES in Lassen County. Fenced, level, near electricity road. Water table 30 feet. \$1500 with 25% per cent down, balance \$40/month. Write: Ray Flaniken, 4409 Crestridge Rd., Fair Oaks, Calif. Reg. No. 983216.
- MOBILE HOME, ABC custom built, 8x50, 3-bedroom, Youngstown kitchen, 45° coving, air conditioning, etc. Excellent condition. Write: Ed Pacini, Box 97, Port Chicago. Phone GL 8-2120. Reg. No. 897953.
- BLACK & DECKER value refacer, Black & Decker seat refacer, Sunnen rod aligner, Quickway boring bar, Quickway power value seat cutter, assorted shop tools. Phone: Merrill McCarthy, EL 7-2959. (San Leandro). Reg. No. 402912.
- UPRIGHT FREEZER, 20 cu. ft. Ben Hur Supreme. 2 years old. Excellent condition. Save \$270 plus tax. \$400 cash. Write: H. L. Walker, 16471 Bonnie Lane, Los Gatos, Calif. Phone: EL 6-4404. Reg. No. 18135.
- 3-BEDROOM HOME, 5 minutes to downtown Sacramento. Insulated and air conditioned. Patio and fenced yard. Easy terms, \$10,900. Write: Jim Wood, 740 Greenwood, Broderick, Calif. Phone: Gilbert 1-2418. Reg. No. 899679.
- MOUNTAIN HOME, 3 BR, LR, kitchen, pantry, bath downstairs. 1 BR and full attic upstairs. Ideal skiing, hunting, fishing. \$8500. Terms. 15 miles E. of Sonora. Write: Harold McMillan, Gen. Delivery, Moab, Utah. Reg. No. 772867.
- THREE-QUARTERS ACRE, near Lemoore Air Base on Highway 41. Garage. Shade trees, 2 wells, 2 pumps. ¼ acre, grocery store building, 80x45, with equipment, 600-gallon storage tanks, 2 pumps. Write: C. A. Menefee, 957 So. Main, Porterville, Calif. Reg. No. 386092.
- TRUCK CRANE and backhoe combination for sale, or consider trade for house lot or multiple dwelling. Write: W. H. Morison, 1231 Oxford St., Berkeley, Calif. Phone: THornwall 1-3-6949. Reg. No. 1075452.
- 5 ACRES, house, well, electricity, on new road to Mt. McKinley. Good hunting, fishing. Also 160-acre homestead relinquished. Write: Charles Spiess, Watson, Alaska. Reg. No. 964966.
- WHITE REAR end reduction unit for Cal-weld rigs, ready to go. No exchange required. Reduced price. Write: James M. Taylor, 2523-19th Ave., Oakland 6, Calif. Phone: KE 6-6022. Reg. No. 912143.
- BUCK GOAT. Registered, 9 month old Nubain. \$40 or will trade for doe. Write: J. L. Bonney, Rt. 1 Box 2197, Applegate, Calif. Reg. No. 918832.
- TRAILER, 1958 Eastern Built, 31x8. Thermal windows, complete with T.V. Bucatil condition. \$2750. Write: Jack Brown, 2335 Kirkham St., San Francisco. Calif. Phone: OV 1-1754 or Morgan Hill, PR 9-3439. Reg. No. 434969.

DRAGLINES, Lima Model 34, 3½ yards.

Serial No. 2742. P & H Model 255-A. Serial No. 6380. \$5,000 each. Write: Vernon Dark, Paterson, Calif. Phone: TYler 2-7921. Reg. No. 381503.

3 HOUSES, six lots, income \$147.50 month.

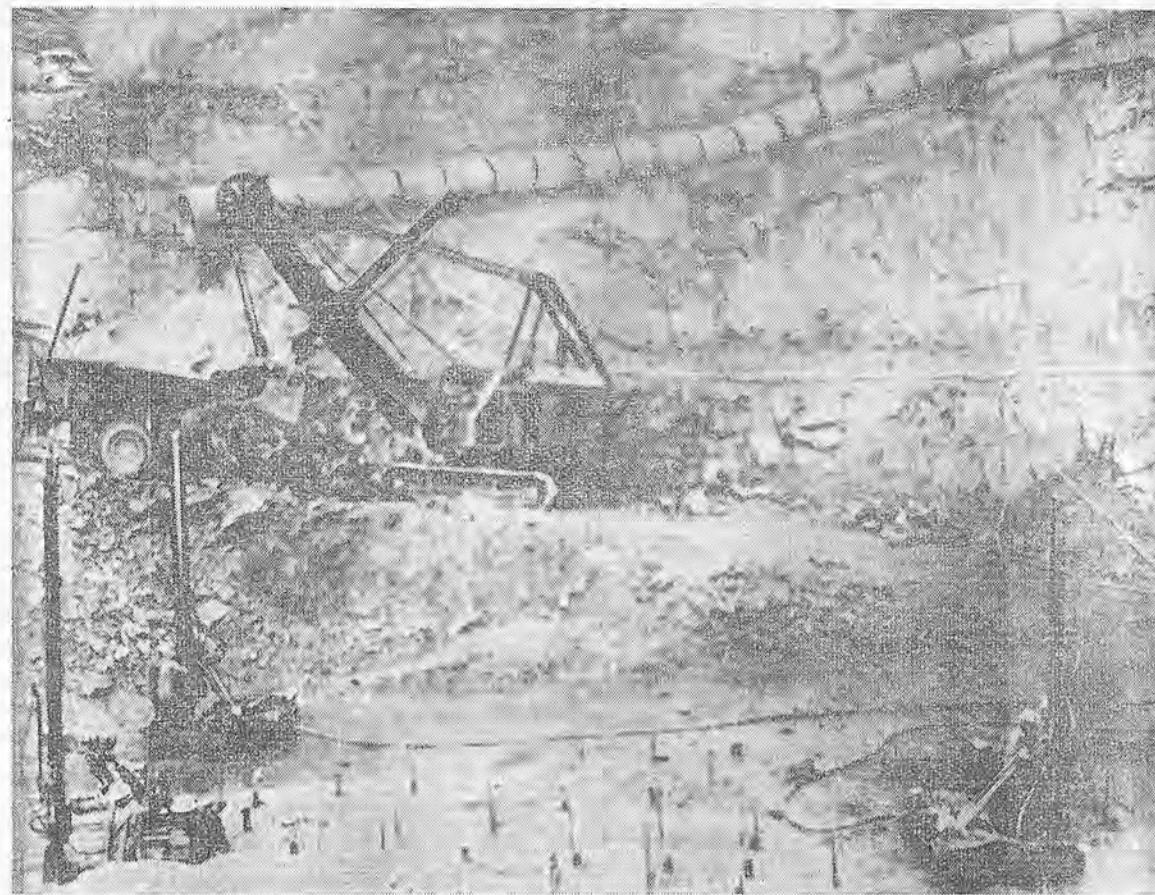
plus owner's two-bedroom home. Flowers, trees, lawns; \$21,000, terms. Write: Frank Dias, Box 392, Williams, Calif. Reg. No. 249022.

LOT, 67x91, Lake Tahoe, Calif. \$3500.

3 miles to State Line near Y junction. School and shopping ½ mile from South Lake. Write: Floyd Dotson, 136-3rd Street, Richmond, Calif. Phone BE 3-2818. Reg. No. 915680.

TO SWAP

ROCKHOUNDS: Will swap rocks and will slab your good rocks on shore basis. Write: Eugene Russell, 2087 28th



ENGINEERS on the job behind sheet piling back of the coffer dam near Pollock Pines. They are going down 35 feet below the level of the river. Working on this project are Jess Hoopes, superintendent; and Elmer Bateman, Maurice Bouzer, Forrest Carter, Claude Clarke, William Nyman, Harold Rubke and Herman Sethe, operators; and Raymond Colby, Altha Love and Howard Sander, oilers.

SACRAMENTO REPORT

A Good Winter -- Plenty of Work

By E. M. NELSON, ED HERN,
Wm. E. METTZ, ED DALTON
and C. E. COCKAYNE

This has been a good winter in the Sacramento area as far as work goes. The contractors have a lot of the Brothers working. It looks like we will have more work around the city than we had last year. We think that the County is going to let more street work this year and there should be some freeways let.

Around the Placerville area we have a few small jobs going. The Sutherland Construction Company and V. M. Anderson are working on their job below Shingle Springs on Highway 50 along with the El Dorado Development Co.

John M. Blair is sub-contracting under the Underground Construction Company on the reservoirs and pipe line job, but will be unable to get pipe until March. He will be doing very little until then. Fredrickson & Watson is still working on the freeway job between storms and working the mechanics.

DAM

Union Valley Dam has shut down with the exception of quarry operations work. However, it is progressing in the three powerhouses. Excavation in the Camino powerhouse is working one 89D and is nearing completion. Installation of the second unit at the Jaybird powerhouse is progressing on schedule. Union Valley power house is hindered by weather.

The East side road around Union Valley reservoir was completed and the East side road extension to Loon Lake is near completion, as is the clearing of Union Valley reservoir.

Piombo has all the trenches dug on the pipe line job and has 2,000 feet of pipe to lay. All of the reservoirs are completed.

Guy F. Atkinson at Emigrant Gap is keeping a few mechanics busy. Warren McQuerry is on the EOG setting forms and pouring concrete for the railroad tunnel at Nyack. Otto Popovitch and E. B. Howe are taking turns operating the big equipment.

Hubner & Mitchner has finished the clearing on the Highway 40-Cisco Grove job. This will be the toughest section of freeway, according to the en-

gineers. Briggs-Conley-Dennis is busy with three operators moving the equipment across the state line into Nevada until after April.

Joe Chevreaux has his crew back at work on the Bear River plant.

Lowrie Paving at Colfax has added a portable scalper to the quartz plant to eliminate fires.

R. J. Miles crew at Glen Elder has a slow-motion operation going, trying to overhaul the plant and keep the customers happy.

Red Simpson manages to keep his engineers busy with a few days lost occasionally due to weather.

G. S. Herrington has finished work around Auburn and has the equipment in the yard.

MEETING

Our safety meeting held in

Auburn December 27 was well attended.

Lew Jones has kept the pre-stress concrete plant at the Yolo Causeway project working straight through and now is setting some of the decking on the causeway, providing jobs for about eight Operating Engineers.

Associated Dredging of Sausalito has moved the dredge into the Yolo Port area and is dredging the benches in preparation for Ben C. Gerwick Co. to start driving pile on that project.

Gerwick has a pile-driver on a new Sacramento County building at 8th and G Streets.

Raymond Concrete Pile Co. of San Francisco has moved a rig in at 10th and K St. to drive piles for a new office building.

Fruin-Colnon Contracting Company Water Treatment

plant on Riverside Drive is moving to completion.

COLLEGE

Several building projects are in various stages of construction at Davis College: Erickson, remodeling an addition to existing classroom facilities; Rothchild-Raffin and Werich, a new science building; Earl C. Wilson, married students' housing; Baldwin Contracting, women's student housing; C. Norman Peterson, a concrete underground water storage tank.

The foregoing represents close to \$10,000,000.

At the Gladding-McBean Plant at Lincoln, production is still at a low ebb.

Stockton Construction has over 50 per cent of its sewer job completed in the North area

(Continued on Page 16)

been working all winter on the Elmira Canal Job, but had some hard luck by not using anti-freeze, and winter with 17 degrees weather on January 22 played the devil with the radiators on several DW 20's and Cats.

Oliver DeSilva will start a job on Solano Avenue March 1, weather permitting.

Fredrickson and Watson has shut the freeway job down at Benicia for the winter. However, they were the low bidder on the seven miles of freeway from Vacaville to Dixon, at an estimated cost of \$2.5 million.

The renovation started for the missile school at Mare Island. Work is being done by the Jordan Company of Georgia. Total buildings to be converted are 13 at an estimated cost of \$2 million-plus. The job is to be completed in 270 days.

The Marina Vista project now under way, has been amended to cover a 24 square block area rather than a 22 square block bounded by York Street, Marin Street and Pennsylvania Street, with a seawall of 4,400 feet in the Mare Island Channel.

This will create approximately 15 acres of new land in the fill area behind the seawall. The earth for this is to be moved from the entire hill area from the waterfront to Marin Street. The amount of earth to be moved is 500,000 yards, which will fill the area behind the seawall. Two acres of this will be used for a public fishing park on the newly constructed land. Total cost of the entire Marina Vista project is \$7,219,000.

The State has called for bids for the sub-structure of the new deck girder span which will replace the existing two lane drawbridge on Highway 42 across Napa River at Mare Island. The new bridge will be 100 feet high with 66 feet of roadway. The bids will be opened February 28 and work will start April 1.

First Group of Applicants Tested for Apprenticeships

(Continued from Page 1) school boards, and the Department of Employment.

The program calls for a four-

year apprenticeship with a written test and a personal interview with each applicant in order to properly evaluate and place

each indentured or certified person.

SUBCOMMITTEES

To facilitate this testing and



Applicants tested for apprenticeships as Chief of Party at the Oakland City College bent over their tests. The exam also given last month at the University of Santa Clara.

VALLEJO REPORT

Outlook Is Good For a Busy Year

By AARON S. SMITH

The work picture for 1962 in the Vallejo Area looks good.

The Wunderlich Company at Vallejo on Highway 40 will have its traffic change made in the Spring, leaving it free to run full blast on the East side with approximately 65 Engineers for the summer. At the present, the finish work and rock laying is underway with a skeleton crew.

Bali and Vickrey at Fairfield is putting the Travis boulevard overpass over Highway 40, using eight Engineers.

Gordon Ball at Vacaville is about done with the clearing and will start the structural work for the overpasses on their Freeway job just as soon as they finish the clearing.

BAD WEATHER

McGuire and Hester have

interviewing, four subcommittees have been formed in four separate areas. Other subcommittees will be formed from time to time as the need arises. The subcommittees meet at the following times and places:

- San Francisco-Marin, 701 Mission Avenue, San Rafael, Second Wednesday of month, 7 p.m.;
- San Mateo, 1527 South B Street, San Mateo, first Thursday of the month, 7 p.m.;
- Oakland, 1444 Webster Street, Oakland, fourth Thursday of month, 8 p.m.;
- San Jose, 760 Emory Street, San Jose, fourth Thursday, 7 p.m.

These subcommittees have been provided in the areas of the heaviest concentration of field surveyors. They are for your use. If you have questions, criticisms or suggestions drop in.

Applications are available at your nearest union field office. When there are sufficient number of applicants to warrant another test and series of interviews, another group will be started. Don't wait until tomorrow. Get started toward that certification now.

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San Mateo Prepares for Start of Project 'M'

By BILL RANEY AND
DAN MATTESEN

Project "M", the linear accelerator in back of Menlo Park, has not speeded up much. A meeting is planned by the various international unions involved, at the Villa Hotel in San Mateo, to eliminate, if possible, those types of work stoppages that have plagued the missile bases. It is expected that the next issue of the Engineers News will show considerable work starting on this "Monster" project.

The work picture is comparatively healthy. There is an uncommon amount of small work keeping most medium sized contractors busier than they have been in many a winter. This, of course, has kept our out of work list at a reasonable level.

The 19th avenue job has been keeping 20 to 25 Engineers going during the dry spells. When the long range weather forecasts look favorable, L. C. Smith still plans a two or three shift schedule.

Oscar Holmes engineers are

An Important Date

An important safety meeting for San Mateo County will be held at Carpenters Hall in the first block of North B Street, San Mateo, at 8 p.m. on Thursday, February 15.

Because of the poor safety record of Operating Engineers in San Mateo County and your Union's concern over our brothers, it behoves your Union to not only continue its safety program but to saturate it if need be in areas where our Brothers are being

making rapid progress on his Palm Avenue overhead structure that is part of this same 19th Avenue Freeway.

BREWER ISLAND

Granite Construction still has a small crew on Brewer Island in spite of the wet weather. It was predicted that no work could be done during the rainy season on this spread. Seems we were wrong. At the same site

needlessly injured.

Your Operating Engineers' safety representative, Dale Marr, will show the latest color sound film on this important issue and show ways to protect yourselves from accidents.

After each serious accident it can always be shown that accidents don't happen, they are caused. Make every effort to attend this critical meeting and help to stop this needless mayhem.

engineer on the hoist. Earl Dunn is the contractor.

In Burlingame, we have a seven-story apartment building under construction at El Camino and Belview. It is the concrete slab type—when the foundation is in, all floors are poured at the ground level and their raised to their proper places and anchored on the upright supports, then the partitions and walls are placed later. M. J. Brock & Son is the general contractor and Western Concrete Structures is subbing the lift slab part of the work.

COURTHOUSE

The county courthouse in Redwood City is now above ground level with Bethlehem Steel doing the steel erection. We have a crane crew on the truck crane as well as an Engineer on the compressors and welding machines.

Bethlehem Steel is erecting steel on a new building and have a 70-ton American truck crane there, with plenty of boom.

Millbrae has had a nice addition, the widening of El Camino Real from Taylor Boulevard north to the San Bruno line. This job has just been completed by the Lowrie Paving Co.

Burlingame has many buildings under construction. One four-story structure across from Burlingame Plaza, the steel is being placed by Schrader Iron Works, with E. H. Bean's Truck Crane Service setting the steel for Schrader.

EL CAMINO

Demolition work is now underway for El Camino widening in San Bruno. Right of way is being cleared for this project at this time. Some of this work is being done by cranes and trucks, and other parts by loaders and trucks. The actual construction on this section of El Camino Real will be let this spring.

Progress at the Thunderbird Hotel at the east end of Millbrae Avenue is gradually taking shape. This is a cement block type of construction. H & J Construction Co. have this contract.

SALT LAKE CITY

Temperatures Fall And Projects Stop

By JAY NEELEY, MERLIN BOWMAN, JOHN THORNTON, VANCE ABBOTT and LAKE AUSTIN

Winter has put the skids on construction in Utah. Temperatures have hit 15 degrees below zero in the Salt Lake Valley, with the out-lying areas even colder. At Flaming Gorge it hit 42 degrees below zero.

Most of the large projects will not be able to move until early April. The State Highway Department has only eight projects underway, compared to 41 on December 1.

Tentative approval has been given by both the Salt Lake City and County Commissioners to assign various officials to determine responsibility for cleaning the Jordan River. City Commissioners are preparing to let bids for a section of the proposed \$2.5 million storm drainage project which will empty into the Jordan River. The city's drainage is stymied because it can't flow freely into the Jordan River.

HIGHWAY

Utah's Interstate 15 highway project is progressing slowly but surely, with the completion date set for 11 years from now. Four major sections of the road to run from north to south have been finished and 18 others are under construction. The State Highway Department has programmed three additional projects on the highway for this

Food Costs Affect Taxes

Nearly 12,000 persons have applied for benefits under California's new medical aid for the aged program which started January 1.

J. M. Wedemeyer, state Director of Social Welfare, said a spot check of county welfare departments showed applications have been received from 11,786 persons in the first two weeks of the program operation. Counties are processing the applications to determine eligibility.

Reynolds Sand & Gravel Company. The employees voted 100 per cent for the Union.

We won an NLRB election with Reynolds Sand & Gravel Company. The employees voted 100 per cent for the Union.

STOCKTON AREA

Snow in Valley--First in 30 Years

By WALTER M. TALBOT,
AL McNAMARA and
GLENN L. DOBYNS

The weather brought snow to the valley for the first time in over 30 years, bringing a sharp decline in job placement.

The Lodi bypass job, scheduled to be let January 10, was delayed to permit revision of bid forms. Bids will now be opened on February 14, according to the State Division of Highways. The project entails about five miles of new freeway with part of it depressed.

Healy, C.K.F.M., Graver, low bidders on the three river crossings, the San Joaquin, Middle River and Old River, have completed the excavation for the small waste building, or valve house, and should be driving piling before long.

NEW RIGS

This joint venture recently purchased a Koehring 545 sprayer and a 3900 Manitowoc. These, in addition to Healy-Tibbets derrick barges, will be required to complete the river crossings.

C.K.F.M. & Graver tank has moved the 71-B up to Wallace to dig the six mile stretch from Wallace to Tully Road. The backhoe (71-B) is on a three-shift operation and the laying machine (3900) is on one shift.

Morrison-Knudsen does not plan to commence its excavation on the U.S. Steel contract for the remaining four miles of the same aqueduct until June.

The Clancey M. O'Dell Construction Company tunnel job, near Cherry Valley, has four of Brother Bud Hooper's cats punching in access roads at this time.

TUNNEL

According to Project Manager John Hester, it will probably be March before any tunnel work is actually under way. The company now has some mechanics working on the Conway Mucking machines in Utah Construc-

tion Company yard in South San Francisco, under the guidance of Brother Paul "Slim" Edwards, mechanic foreman. Brother P. McAvay is the master mechanic.

J. L. Hatcher Company, of Santa Paula, is working on the small sewer job at Pinecrest when weather permits.

The Stoltz-Stephens overpass job and the Stoltz, Inc. San Joaquin County Courthouse job have been moving along at a good clip. Myhren Drilling Company of Sacramento has the drilling and caisson work on the new courthouse with two rigs on the job.

Proposed new work that was omitted from last month's report, which gave an optimistic view for 1962, is the tentative bid call on February 15 by the U.S. Army Engineers, for the stone protection along the right and left banks of the San Joaquin River from the head of Old River to the Stockton deep water channel. This job consists of the compaction of levee embankment, shaping, capping and surfacing levee crown and furnishing and placing quarry rock on prepared slopes. Estimated cost is \$900,000.

Other projects scheduled by the Corp. of Engineers for this area include levee construction, navigation gates and pumping plant in the vicinity of Walthall Slough, with bids to be called around July 1. Approximate cost about \$500,000; bank protection along Old River and Paradise Cut, at a cost of \$450,000, with bids to be called for about April 1. Still another project will be the construction of recreation facilities at New Hogan Dam, with the call for bids set for February 1, approximate cost \$250,000.

The City of Stockton is planning a sewage plant program for the year in order to expand the south sewage treatment plant and the extension and expansion of sewer trunk lines.

STEW & LOU

Workers, Employers Jointly Interested in Safety Program

By DALE MARR

In recent months, there has been an apparent increase in interest toward the safety effort, both by our members and by our employers.

We are happy to report that the number of calls we are getting from the field has increased considerably in past months. We have been able to get our employers to correct most of the problems in a very short time, and what is also important, the employer has appreciated our suggestions in most instances. If we can step up this action, I am positive we will have a bet-

ter industry to work in. We hope to hear from more of you as times goes by.

We can also report that more and more of our employers are starting a safety program and many are asking our Union to help them.

We would appreciate any of you who work for an employer who doesn't have a safety program either suggesting that they contact us or let us know who they are and we will contact them and offer our help.

ACCIDENTS

We are constantly faced with accidents that point out the necessity for being on guard at all

times. A number of our people have been injured already this year and several have been killed on the job. One accident, in which one man was killed and another injured, was of a type that no one has been able to figure out what happened. But most other accidents were caused by someone letting their guard down for a second.

We realize it is hard for many of you to get to a safety meeting during the busy work season, so we are scheduling as many meetings as time permits during the rainy season with the hope that we can discuss our mutual safety problems with you.

Safety Talks This Month In San Francisco

Governor Edmund G. Brown will be the featured speaker during a luncheon at the opening day of the Governor's Industrial Safety Conference, which will be held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco on February 8 and 9.

John F. Henning, Director of the State Department of Industrial Relations, and presiding chairman of the conference, issued the conference announcement.

Some 1,400 representatives of management and labor, and other individuals and organizations concerned with on-the-job safety in California, will attend the annual two-day session.

The conference, which represents every occupation and industry in California, meets annually to achieve possible reduction of work injuries and deaths.

A Moment's Mistake --It Cost Him an Arm

It was only a moment's distraction.

Brother Floyd Parker was working on the Highway 40-A realignment job when it happened.

He was oiling a pulley on a slipping conveyor belt. For an instant, his attention was distracted from his work.

In that instant, his right arm was caught. Despite the excruciating pain, Brother Parker was able to pull away, turn off the switch and stop the belt.

But his arm was mangled. At the hospital, doctors had to amputate the arm between the elbow and the shoulder.

It was the second serious accident on the job within 30 days. On December 22, Brother Her-

man Bonham was fatally injured.

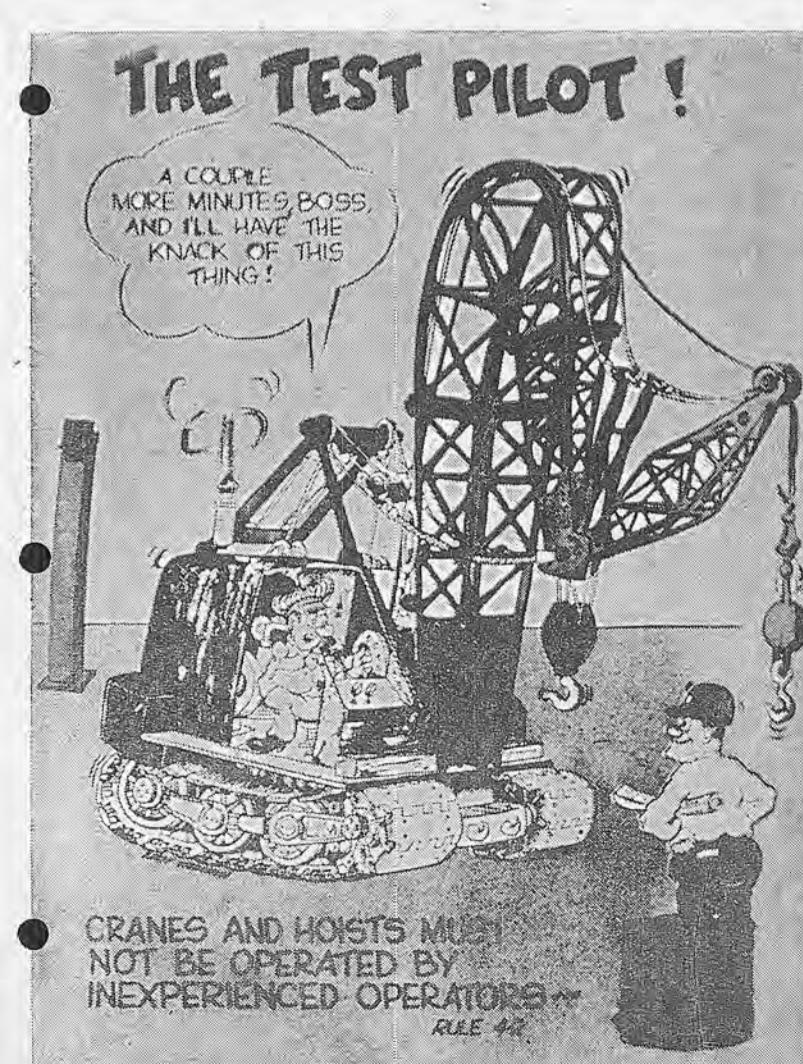
Brother Parker is the brother of H. Earl Parker, who is subcontracting the job from Harms brothers and Lord and Bishop.

Seabees Seek Journeymen

San Jose construction battalion 12-14 reserve unit of the Sea-Bees has openings now for journeymen construction workers and also can accept recruit construction men. For information about the reserve program and retirement benefits, contact the C-B Recruiting Office, 19th & Mission Sts., San Jose, CY 4-7024. The office is open Wednesday nights.



THIS WAS a fatal accident in the Sacramento area. The operator of the cat was killed by a falling tree—because the cat did not have a strong cab over his head. Any work in clearing should be done with equipment that will protect operators from this danger.



FRESNO REPORT

Only the Cafes Were Busy

By JOE MILLER and
B. F. HILLING

Work was stopped, traffic was snarled and coffee shops were loaded as snow fell in Fresno last month. This was a strange sight for the residents of the San Joaquin Valley, as it occurs about once every 15 or 20 years. This time it snowed twice in two days, which residents say they can't remember ever happening.

The Sun Maid Raisin Plant at Selma is progressing very well. Most of the underground pipe is in and the building pads are ready. The forms are being placed for concrete footings and we should see some steel in the air before too long. The L. E. Dixon Company is doing this job for Sun Maid. Fresno Paving Company has the excavating and Kovich Brothers have the storm and sewer pipe and excavation.

RUBBER PLANT

Baldwin, Erickson and Campbell has completed a lot of the contract at the Armstrong Rubber Company plant at Hanford and is rapidly getting more of it done.

Pomeroy-Nettles-Fishback and Moore is installing machinery in the buildings at present and are completing some of the structure work that they have.

At the Spreckles Sugar Company plant near Mendota, all of the underground work is complete and the first load of steel arrived on the job about the middle of January.

Sharp and Fellows Construction Company has the contract to install the railroad spur lines

etc., on the site and is laying rail at this time.

Fresno Paving Company still has a small crew on the site and still has a considerable amount of work for them to do. Homan and Lawrence Engineering Company is the mechanical contractor on the site.

Westbrook, M & K have been moving right along on the two sections of freeway that they are building in Fresno. The dirt spread on the second section has been rolling in high gear and moving a lot of dirt fast. They have some of the detours built and excavation for the first overpass is complete at Ventura Avenue. The first freeway should be completed late this fall and it will probably be 1963 before the Ventura section is complete.

AIRPORT

Gordon Ball Construction Company was awarded approximately \$800,000 worth of work extending the runways at the Fresno Airport (Hammer field). Work should start on this project within the next couple of weeks.

Kemper Construction and Hoagland and Finley Engineering are building a new addition to the Fresno Sewer farm. Thomas Construction Company is doing the excavating. Thomas has about six operators on the job.

Kemper Construction will keep about four operators on the payroll to operate the backhoe and crane for laying pipe. This project will last about four months.

Thomas Construction is busy on some bridge work and high-

way work at Los Banos as well as the jobs on Belmont Avenue in Fresno and the bridge job at Sycamore Creek east of Fresno in the mountains.

Sandkay and Ransome has 9½ miles of open ditch and about 15 miles of underground pipe and will keep the Brothers busy two more months. Griffith Company on Highway 99 at Tipton has the grade ready for base and concrete.

ROCK

Sequoia Rock Company at Porterville is going two shifts trying to stock pile the material for Griffith Company's job. Jolly and Jurkovich has subbed the dirt to Thomas Construction on Avenue 384 going to Woodlake. Thomas has six of the Brothers busy on this job.

Miles and Sierra has started the job out of Lemoore Airbase on Highway 198. This will be about two miles of new road and three miles of widening. This will be a good job for about 30 Brothers.

Harry Wilmoth has finished his North Avenue job and has another out of San Jose. Winston-Green have about completed Terminus Dam.

Fresno Paving is moving a lot of dirt on their Chowchilla dam job. This company has had a bad time with underground springs, but has started putting in fill and compacting on the earth filled dam. This company also has McMullen Grade, a road job at Helm, that is moving a lot of dirt.

Minnie and Wright have the boat ramps and camp sites about half completed at Terminus Lake. This company has ten brothers working at this time.

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and is keeping a small crew on the job.

A. Teichert & Son has most of the pipe in on its storm drain job between the American River and Jackson Road.

ROCK PLANTS

The rock plants are going but are slowed down and putting in quite a bit of time on repair work.

P. C. A. at Fair Oaks has cut down to one shift as usual in winter. Things are different at the Fair Oaks Gravel however, where the rock plant keeps the same capacity the year around. Brighton Sand and Gravel Co. has been on and off so far this year. Teichert's two plants in the Sacramento area are slow and the one at Perkins doing some repair work.

Brighton recently wound up a railroad job about two miles in length around the west end of Aerojet. They built the right of way and the John Lumus Co. laid the track.

There is very little work going on at Aerojet although the work there is not dependent on the weather to any great extent. When there is work to be done they don't let a little rain stop them.

Lentz Construction Co. has had a crew of operators at work on the excavation for the American River filtration plant to be constructed by Fruin-Colnon Inc. This is the firm that is presently at work on the Riverside filtration plant. When completed, these two plants will pour several million gallons of fresh water daily into the water system and will make it possible to discontinue pumping from wells.

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