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# Safety 'Feed Draws



PROMOTE SAFETY—Here are some of those who took part in the big Crab Feed and Safety meeting at Eureka. From left: Warren LeMoine, district representative of Operating Engineers Local 3; Dale Marr, the local's safety representative; John O'Brien, director of safety for Bechtel Corp.; Dan Mathers, timekeeper and safety inspector for Bechtel Corp., Eureka; Al Clem, business manager of Local 3, and Joe Roberts, representing State Division of Industrial Safety.

## Local 3 Representatives At President's Conference

### Al Clem, Dale Marr In Capital

Some 3000 leaders of labor, management, education and government were invited to participate in the President's Conference on Occupational Safety March 6 to 8 in Washington, D.C.

Both Dale Marr, safety representative of Operating Engineers Local 3, and Business Manager Al Clem were among Californians who received invitations from President Kennedy.

Clem was in the nation's capital at the time for the eighth annual national legislative conference of the AFL-CIO Building Trades Department, He joined Marr to give the union added representation in part of the safety program.

President Paul Edgecombe, Recording Secretary William V. Minahan, and District Representative Warren Le Moine also attended the legislative conference.

Each year nearly two million American workers are disabled for a day or more by injuries suffered on the job. In 1960, nearly 14,000 persons were killed. And it appears that work casualties will be as high or higher when the 1961 returns are in.

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Guy Slack



Paul Edgecombe

### Get Acquainted' Feature For Members

(So the membership may know more of the background of the officers and the Executive Board members of the Operating Engineers Local Union 3, the Engineers News will run a series of articles giving a brief biographical sketch. We begin with Paul Edgecombe, president, and Guy Slack, board member from District 1.)

Brother Guy Slack was born on October 31, 1904. He started working as a boiler maker in 1921 and from 1924 to 1928 served a hitch in the Navy.

In 1942, Brother Slack joined the Operating Engineers Local -Continued on Page 7

Our president, Paul Edgecombe, was born in Salinas, Calif., on February 9, 1915. He became a member of Local 3 in 1941 when employed on the construction of Friant Dam. He then moved to the Bay Area where he operated —Continued on Page 7

# Eureka Event Has Big Turnout

The serious subject of safety was blended with good fellowship and excellent food as a throng of 631 — Operating Engineers, their wives, contractors and others — turned out for a big event in Eureka.

It was the first Crab Feed and Safety Meeting sponsored by the Humboldt-Del Norte Construction Safety Committee for Local Union No. 3, with construction firms serving as co-sponsors.

There were talks by union and management representatives, plus the showing of the safety film, "Knowing Is Not Enough" - all in the interest of advancing labor-employer efforts to cut back accidents and fatalities in highway construction and other projects.

And insurance companies showed their interest through the attendance of representatives from Northern California, Southern California and from as far away as Seattle, Wash.

#### PREPARATIONS

The wives who worked with the Operating Engineers in making arrangements and preparing the food deserved a full measure of credit for the success of the event, which was rounded out by five hours of dancing.

For example:

More than 2,000 hours (manhours and woman hours) went into the preparation and serving activity.

The crowd enjoyed 1,080 pounds of crab, 150 pounds of

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### Death Claims A. F. Mailloux

A. F. (Al) Mailloux, secretarytreasurer and business representative of the San Francisco Building and Construction Trades Council, died at Sierra Hospital in Sonora on March 8. He was

Brother Mailloux was injured February 23 when a horse fell on him at a ranch near Sonora.

He was a vice president of the California State Building and Construction Trades Council, a San Francisco Housing Authority commissioner and a former San Francisco Grand Jury member.

A member of the Ironworkers, he had been an officer of the San Francisco Building Trades Council since 1947.

Survivors include his wife, Constance, and two grandchildren. A son, William, an Air Force reserve officer, was killed in a jet plane accident in the Sierra foothills a few years ago.



**NEWELL J. CARMAN** 

#### Carman on Farm Labor Commission

Newell J. Carman, general vice president and regional director of the International Union of Operating Engineers, has been named to the new California State Agricultural Labor Commission.

Carman is one of four members appointed by California's Gov. Edmund G. Brown. The Governor said he would ask the four to recommend a fifth member to him.

The commission will study farm labor problems and then submit a report to the Governor and the State Legislature in January, 1963. Its creation was authorized by the 1961 Legisla-

#### OTHERS

Carman's fellow members include Thomas L. Pitts, who holds the top job of secretarytreasurer of the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO. Carman is a vice president of the federation. Both he and Pitts make their headquarters in San Francisco.

A general vice president of the Engineers since 1957, Carman began his service as the international's regional director in 1951. The region now includes 10 western states.

#### POSITION

He now is secretary-treasurer -Continued on Page 3

### 2½ Per Cent Rise

### Employment Up In California

California employment in January was substantially higher than a year ago and unemployment was considerably lower, two State officials announced.

John F. Henning, Director of Industrial Relations, stated that civilian employment totaled 6,058,000 in January, up 143,000, or 2½ per cent, from a year earlier.

Employment was reported at the highest January level

### Local 3 At Safety

Conference

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and technological advance has minimized certain risks encountered by the working people of the nation . . . (but) it has also added new hazards to the old ones," President Kennedy said in a letter to Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg last year.

TOLL
In citing the 1960 toll of nearly 14,000 killed and two million hurt at their jobs, safety experts noted that only two out of 10 accidents happened in factories, where the danger might be expected to be the highest.

Thus the delegates to the Washington safety conference gave major attention to ways of reducing mishaps on jobs in agriculture, construction, trade and service fields, materials handling and government.

The comprehensive program considered research in safety, off-the-job safety, the role of the medical profession in a fully-integrated job safety program, and the role of the schools in advancing worker safety among its study group subjects.

#### Measures on Cuba Praised

The AFL-CIO Executive Council of the Organization of American States in expelling Cuba from its ranks but warned that "sterner measures" are needed to isolate completely that country's Communist regime.

The council called on all OAS members to put into effect as rapidly as possible diplomatic and economic sanctions against the Castro regime and expressed its firm support of U. S. action "to suspend completely whatever trade was still being conducted with Cuba."

On a year-to-year basis, largest gains were made in manufacturing, up 47,000; government, up 40,000; services, up 32,000; and trade, up 30,000.

In maufacturing, the year-toyear gain has widened each month since employment topped year-earlier levels in September, 1961.

#### AGRICULTURE

Employment in agriculture and transportation-communication-utilities continued below a year ago.

Between December and January, civilian employment dropped by 134,000, which is less than expected at this time of year. Month-to-month declines included an 82,000 drop in trade following curtailment of holiday peak activity, a 21,000 drop in construction, and a 20,000 contraction in manufacturing.

Within manufacturing, seasonal losses in canning, lumbering, and apparel, and slight decreases in ship repair and autos were partially offset by continued gains in electronics and missiles.

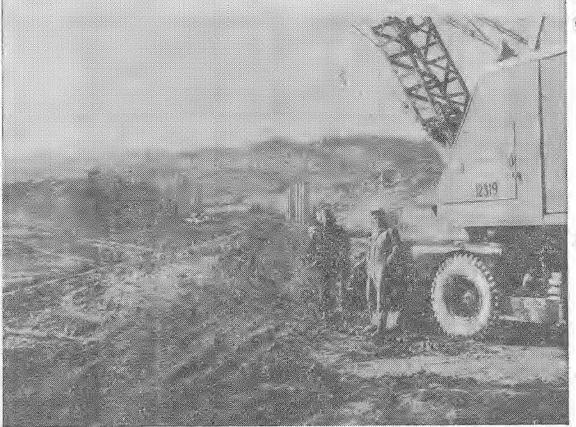
Irving H. Perluss, Director of Employment, stated that unemployment in California was 456,000 in January, 67,000 below the year-ago figure of 523,000.

Similarly, the unemployment rate in January, 1962, of 7.0 percent, was well under the 8.1 percent rate in January, 1961,

#### JOBLESS

Perluss noted that seasonal factors accounted for the rise in unemployment from 410,000 (6.2 percent of the labor force) in December. Layoffs from holiday jobs in retail trade and other industries were the primary reason for this seasonal rise. As is usual for this time of year, unemployment also increased in construction and in many manufacturing activities.

The California civilian labor force total this January was 6,514,000 compared with 6,438,000 in January, 1961.



**ON THE** Guy F. Atkinson job in Ukiah, Operator Pat Furnish and Oiler Bob Schuman stand beside their big crane. Heavy rains have kept the project bogged down in thick mud, as can be seen by the deep tire ridges.

#### Santa Rosa Report

### Dam Project Provides Jobs

By RUSS SWANSON and LOU BARNES

At this writing, there has been noted only one call for bids in the area in which we are anticipating a good amount of work. This, a portion of the Santa Rosa dam job, was to be opened for bids on March 5. This portion will run in the amount of \$400,000. This \$1,000,000 dam job has not come up for bid as yet in roads and overpasses. Other bids for the \$11,000,000 jobs are expected shortly.

Argonaut has been doing a little work at Westgate, and various other sewer lines. Cunningham is doing private dam work in Geyserville territory, and Carey Brothers are at Jenner. Due to recent heavy rains there is only spotty work by the various other contractors.

Most of the jobs in the Lake County area are pretty well at a standstill. The last report on the levee at Upper Lake is good—so far no flood damage. The Guerneville area did not fare as well but the flood damage could have been a lot worse. One thing is pretty well certain; Warm Springs Dam would have prevented any damage whatsoever. This is good because it keeps this big job in the minds

of the Army Engineers so that it will speed the start of construction.

We would like to remind the brothers at this time not to forget to renew their original signup on the "out of work" list. This is to be done at any time between the 76th and 85th day from the original sign-up. Also,

don't forget your time books so that you can keep accurate records this coming season.

We have plenty of forms in the office for those of you who have money coming due to overpayment of the disability insurance. If you are not sure about this, contact us and we will explain.

## Work Prospects Good In S. F.

By JERRY DOWD AND GEORGE BAKER

Work in the San Francisco area has held up very well for this time of the year. Up to the last rain spell, the work has been comparable to what it was last summer. With the clearing of the weather we can see no reason why the work situation in the area cannot continue to be very good.

As has been reported in other issues of the Engineers News, the Federal Building is one of the better jobs in the area. This project has furnished many hours of good employment for our Engineers, not only through the prime contractor, Roscoe, Ajax, Knickerbocker, but there are numerous Subs on the job employing Engineers. To name a few of the Subs: Bethlehem Steel, Henry Robertson, Sheedy Drayage and Devincenzi & Haskins.

#### SWEDISH CRANES

Haas and Haynie, with their co-operative apartment project on Sacramento Street, are going to use two Swedish cranes to do their hoistings. They are remote control, hammer head-type cranes. At present they have one in operation, with the other to be erected very shortly.

The Pacific Company, which is erecting the Fontana Apartments at North Point, has one of its German cranes in operation, with a second one to be put to work in a week or so. These are the cranes which were used on the Comstock Apartment Building. It seems the contractors are favoring this type of crane.

Charley Harney's Alemany Freeway job has been inactive since the rains. Harney's crew on the Bay Bridge is working steady, and some of the Brothers are making very good money on the night work. Would like to see more jobs like this in the area.

#### \$100 MILLION

 On information received in this office, San Francisco construction passed the \$100 million mark in value of authorized projects for the third year in a row.

Among the largest projects authorized during 1961 were four co-operative Apartments: 1200 California Street, \$4,250,000; the Royal Towers, \$4,011,000; the Nob Hill, \$3.7 million, and the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union-Pacific Maritime Association project and the Western Addition, \$3.1 million. Other major projects were the Woodrow Wilson High School, \$4.3 million, and the Bay View Federal Savings and Loan Assn. office building, \$3 million.

Nearly \$157 million worth of construction was authorized or under way at the end of last year.

You can tell from the above report that a lot of money is being spent on commercial construction in the area. If we had just half of this money being spent on dirt work, we wouldn't need an out-of-work list.



A SLIDE on Highway 1 near Fort Ross resulted in work for Carey Brothers, who put Bud Lancaster and Tom Rich to work "daylighting" the rigs. They worked side by side, with the ocean precariously near.

### Field Survey Notes

## New Instrument Is Explained

BY ART PENNEBAKER AND HOWARD WYNN

Another electronic survey instrument has come to our

attention. It is called an electrotape.

How it works-An Electrotape system consists of two tripod-mounted instruments placed at opposite ends of a baseline to be measured. The system operates on an interrogator-responder electronic principle. Instruments are identical and can either be used as interrogator or responder. Thus, measurements can be made from each end of the basé-

### Carman on Farm Labor Commission

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of both the California State Conference of Operating Engineers and the Western Conference of Operating Engineers. And he is a member of the National Defense Executive Reserve. This appointment came in 1960 from the Secretary of Labor.

Governor Brown named Keith Mets of Holtville and Richard Johnsen, Jr., of Sacramento to represent agriculture on the California Agricultural Labor Commission.

Mets, an Imperial Valley farmer, is president of the Council of California Growers and the Imperial Valley Farms Association. Johnsen is executive secretary of the Agricultural Council of California, a coordinating body for farmer coopera-

With Carman and Pitts representing labor and the others agriculture, the fifth memberto be recommended by the four -is to represent the public at

#### Labor Urges Moratorium on Rail Mergers

Mergers on U.S. railroads should come to a dead stop pending an overall survey of the nation's transportation needs, the AFL-CIO Executive Council de-

AFL-CIO leaders urged a moratorium on rail mergers and establishment of a National Transport Commission to determine the kind of railroad industry required to serve the public adequately.

line to provide an immediate check of the distance obtained. In simplest terms, Electrotape measures the time it takes for a radio wave to travel from one unit to the other and back again. Since the speed that radio waves travel is known, it is easy to calculate the distance. Ultra-precise phase measuring equipment is used to make the actual determination of distance.

#### "PUSH BUTTON"

This instrument weighs from 25 to 35 pounds and is powered by a twelve-volt battery. It requires two men to operate it; one as interrogator and one as responder.

So far these instruments will only measure distance, but the company that produces them claims to be developing an electronic instrument to turn vertical and horizontal angles.

Push-button engineering is upon us!

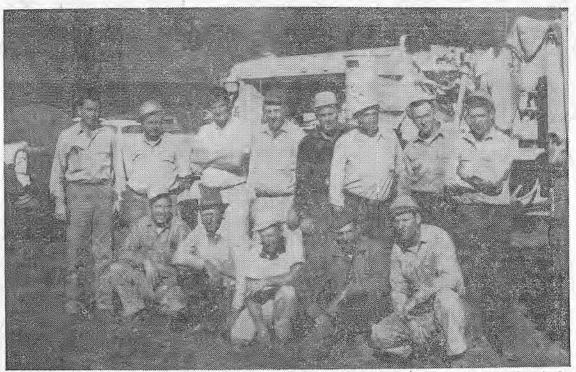
During the last month your representatives met with the Nevada State Labor Commission and were assured that the Operating Engineer wages will be advertised as the prevailing rate of wages for Technical Engineers in bid proposals put out by the State of Nevada.

#### CONTRACT LET

As an experiment, the State of Nevada has let a complete Engineering-Design contract to a private Engineering firm. If this works they are planning to use private engineers to design most major highways.

Applications are coming in at a rapid rate for the Apprenticeship program. It is anticipated that a cut-off date on accepting applications will be set for the month of June.

If you are presently a Chief of Party, and want to be certified or if you are presently working at any classification on a survey party-send your application in immediately so that the Joint Apprenticeship Committee can begin processing it.



WORK THROUGH the summer is assured for these Engineers on the A. G. Raisch job for Eichier Homes in Lucas Valley. The crew shown here are (back row, from left) Brothers Kirby Mitchell, John Patchett, Jim Holway, Bill Moungovan, Charles Chandler, Peter Verhonik, Ray Harvell and Preston Jones and (front row) Jimmy Moore, Clyde Anderson, Dave Gordon, Art Azevedo and Johnny Presley.

### Heavy Rains Bring Many Slides, New City Is Planned Near Novato

By T. J. STAPLETON

After an extended dry spell we have had eight days of continuous rains and the reservoirs are filled to capacity. The rain we now are getting is running off into the bay and ocean, causing numerous slides and property damage throughout the county. The Nicasio Dam, which was completed last year, now has its share of water.

What work is in progress consists of removing slides.

McGuire and Hester almost completed underground work at Belvedere despite the weather.

A pre-job conference was held recently with Willamette Tug and Barge, of Portland, Oregon, which has started the San Rafael Creek channel job. This went at a cost of \$144,670. They will use approximately 20 engineers for a period of three

Shellmaker Bredge is still out at Black Point, with a good crew of Engineers.

Mary Soiland Pipeline is a new contractor starting up in Novato, with two Brothers at present.

A \$100 million "city" is being

planned near Novato at the 2000 acre Freitas C Ranch. Plans are now in the hands of the county planning department, but subject to some revision. Six months more of planning remain before this historic, partially wooded acreage is broken by bulldozers for eventual conversion into a community of 12,000 people.

The 2000-acre part lies partially on the valley floor bordering on Novato Creek and Novato Boulevard. The main entrance via Sutro Avenue from Novato Boulevard is about 11/2 miles from downtown Novato.

### Pensions

#### NORMAL

	Date of		Date of
Name E	ntitlement	Name	Entitlemen
Machi, Michael	6/62	Teronis, Peter	2/62
Rinehart, Gail F.	2/62	White, Shirley M.	1/62
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Bowles, Henry C.	12/60	Strange, Elmer	3/62
Colombo, Henry	12/61	Thomason, George	e A. 2/62
Hansen, Herbert J.	2/61	Vest, Edgar D.	1/62
Moller, Fred W.	12/61		
	EARLY RE	TIREMENT	
Eikerenkotter, G.	S. 1/62	Lema, William	10/61
	DISAE	BILITY	
Alexander, Ernest	3/62	Murray, Kenneth	3/60
Gonzales, Ivy	2/61	Stalnaker, Gus	12/61
McNutt, William I	H. 6/61	Terry, Robert L.	2/61
	BA	SIC	
Bruce, A. Julius	2/62	Hester, Edgar A.	2/61

### State COPE To Convene April 11

The official call to the pre-primary convention of the California Labor Council on Political Education has been sent out to all affiliated AFL-CIO organizations in the state, coupled with a warning by Secretary-Treasurer Thos. L. Pitts that organized labor's stakes in the outcome of the 1962 elections command "full mobilization of labor's political resources."

The one-day session will convene in San Francisco, Wednesday, April 11, 1962, at the Towne House to endorse candidates for Governor and other state constitutional offices, the United State's House of Representatives and State Legislature in the June 5 statewide primary election.

Involved, in addition to the statewide offices, are 38 Congressional seats, 80 State Assembly districts, and 20 of the 40 seats in the State Senate.

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### 'allejo; Freeway

By AARON SMITH

The much needed rain has brought work in the Vallejo area to a complete standstill, with Gordon Ball, McGuire and Hester, and Wunderlich Company closing down completely.

The Frederick-Watson Freeway job at Vacaville was to start March 1. This is the Freeway seven miles between Vacaville and Dixon. Frederickson and Watson has subcontracted the dirt work to Hess and Dubach Company. Frederickson and Watson will do the structural work themselves. Pre-job conference was held February 13.

Kaiser Steel has been awarded some more work, enabling them to call back part of the Engineers previously laid off due to lack of work. They will start three shifts in the very near future.

Several miscellaneous jobs have been let in the past few weeks, which are as follows:

Power Development at the Yountville Veterans Home contractor is Napa Electric Company at a cost of \$24,793.

Engineers Shelter at Travis Air Force Base - contractor is Underground Construction Com\$64,443.

The weed abatement program for the City of Napa; contractor Allen G. McDonald of Savador at a cost of \$4,545.

Modification of Building 420 at Travis Air Force Base from an officers' open mess to a cocktail lounge with contractors Krull and Krull of Vallejo and Archie O. Smith of Vallejo, at a cost of \$65,006.

#### COURT JOB

Resurfacing four tennis courts and three basketball courts in Vallejo. Contractor is Mallot and

pany of Oakland, at a cost of Peterson Grundy of San Francisco at a cost of \$5,653.

> Sewer construction at the California Maritime Academy in Vallejo: contractor is Robert Murdock of Orinda, at a cost of

> Construction of a Reflector Tower at Travis Air Force Base. Contractor is Richardson and Von Raesfeld of Petaluma, at a cost of \$5,377.

Construction of a Sports Arena at the Solano County Fair Grounds in Vallejo. The contractor is Built Right Construction Company of Martinez, at a cost of \$29,795.



AT THE LAST District meeting in Redding, local officers and newly-elected grievance committee members discussed district problems. Local officers are Manager Al Clem, President Paul Edgecombe, Recording Secretary W. V. Minahan, and Financial Secretary A. J. Hope. Grievance committee members are Wayne Coleman, Dale Bryant and Don Hart.

### Redding Report:

## Mountain Highway Project

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

Highway 1089, running between Weaverville and Etna, will open up the wilderness areas. This road will start at Weaverville and skirt the eastern slope of the Trinity Alps. The road will pass near Trinity Center, Coffee Creek and Carrville. Two miles of this road will be mountainsides that have 70 per cent slopes.

When this road is completed the traveler will be able to leave Highway 99 at Redding, swing west on Highway 299, and be able to take Highway 1089 at Weaverville, travel north to Etna in Siskiyou County and northeast until he finds Highway 99 again at Yreka.

At present, Highway 1089 is a mixture of paved two-lane expressway and crooked, narrow, rough mountain road. But crews are pushing south from Callahan in Siskiyou county and north from Carrville in Trinity county. The motorist can travel the full 125-mile length of Highway 1089 already. But the traveler must be prepared for rough going on

the 25-mile unfinished midsection.

#### FREEWAY

Freeway plans call for ramps from Shasta and Tehama Streets to span Continental Street and join the highway on an embankment near the south boundary of Redding cemetery. Eastbound traffic coming into Redding would exit from a ramp at the intersection of Tehama and Liberty Streets. This means that Shasta and Tehama Streets will be included in a one-way street pattern leading to and from a bridge planned across the Sacramento River.

#### BRIDGE

Osborn Construction Company of Redding received the contract to build a concrete bridge over the A-CID canal on Locust Street. Osborn's bid was \$32,993, the lowest of 10 submitted. The bridge will eventually join east and west sections of Locust Streets near the Village Plaza shopping center.

Some compromising over the McCloud-Pit hydroelectric project appears to be developing between Pacific Gas and Electric Company and the State fish and game department. The \$92 million project was set back from its appointed starting date in June when the fish and game department protested to the Federal Power Commission that the hatchery question had not been resolved.

The State and the company are divided over which should build, operate and maintain a fish hatchery at Fenders Ferry on the Pit River. The hatchery would take care of displaced Kokanee salmon when PG&E builds a system of dams, power houses and tunnels to blockade water in the two rivers upstream from Shasta Lake

Construction work of the Pit River bridge at Big Bend is expected to start as soon as weather permits. This job is part of the county's long-range heavy capital investment bridge program.

#### BRIDGE JOB

Ray Kizer Construction Company was awarded the Pit River Bridge-Canby Modoc County job. Kizer's bid was \$882,882.00, a sixmonth job. This job is bridge and road, clearing, pipe and grading. Approximately 30 Engineers will be employed on this particular job.

Killer minerals flushed out of the mountains by pounding rains have again littered the banks of the Sacramento River with dead salmon and trout. The villain is once more the Spring Creek. As it drains heavy rains off the hills around Iron Mountain which is laced with copper. The stream is so polluted when it enters the Sacramento north of Keswick Dam that it kills fish.

The \$3.2 million Spring Creek Dam, to be built by 1963, will control entry of the troublesome minerals into the river. Until such time fish will continue to die.

Winter rains bring work in the Redding District to a standstill. A few new jobs about to break are waiting for the weather to clear.

### Al Clem

### Reports:

During the past month, I attended the Engineering and Grading Contractors Association convention held in Sacramento. We heard several very interesting speakers from the Department of Public Works. Everyone seemed optimistic as to the outlook for work in the California Highway System in the coming years. This was a very orderly and well-run convention. It was especially interesting, for there we met many of the members of Local 3 who are contractors or working in a supervisory capacity.

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A Safety Conference was held in San Francisco at the Fairmont Hotel on Thursday, February 8. Dale Marr, Safety Representative for Local 3, myself, and other representative of Local 3 were in attendance. This conference was very interesting and informative. We can be proud of the safety program being conducted in our Local.

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I talked to a group of fine young apprentices in San Mateo County who are taking time off from their regular jobs to devote themselves to becoming better engineers through our apprenticeship program.

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Danny O. Dees, formerly a Business Representative out of the San Jose Office, has been permanently assigned to the apprenticeship program. He is now endeavoring to set up curricula and to develop more classes in other areas under our jurisdiction.

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After a series of meetings with the representatives of the Wells Cargo Company, on the evening of Wednesday, February 21, we consummated an agreement which was submitted to the membership in the employ of Wells Cargo. It was accepted by an overwhelming majority. Present when the acceptance was voted were President Paul Edgecombe and Representatives Spence and Eck.

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The total number of men dispatched during the mont of February throughout our territorial jurisdiction was 763. It goes without saying that the out-of-work list is heavy due to the weather. We know that everybody is looking forward to a busy season.

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With other officers of the union I attended the regular quarterly membership meetings in Oakland, Stockton, San Jose and Sacramento at which Grievance Committee elections were held. The Grievance Committee members now serving in Stockton are: Merle Isbell, Forrest Pritchard, Aaron Becker, Ed Hayes, and Walter M. Talbot. In San Jose: Al Perry, Robert A. Long, George Reynolds, Les Hodges, and A. J. Hope. In Oakland: Ernie Miller, Bill Rogers, Tom Byark Robert Romiti, and Don Kinchloe. In Sacramento: Tom Eaton, John R. Moore, Clem A. Hoover, Bill Woodyard, and E. M. Nelson. I personally know all of these Grievance Committee members and I am sure they will perform their duties in a conscientious and upright manner.

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During the past month Paul Edgecombe, H. T. Petersen, A. J. Hope, Don Kinchloe, Joe Miller and myself, the committee representing Local 3, met with a larger committee from Local 12, headed by Business Manager Joe Seymour and President James Twombley. We discussed problems of mutual interest to the two local unions. The meeting was held in Fresno.

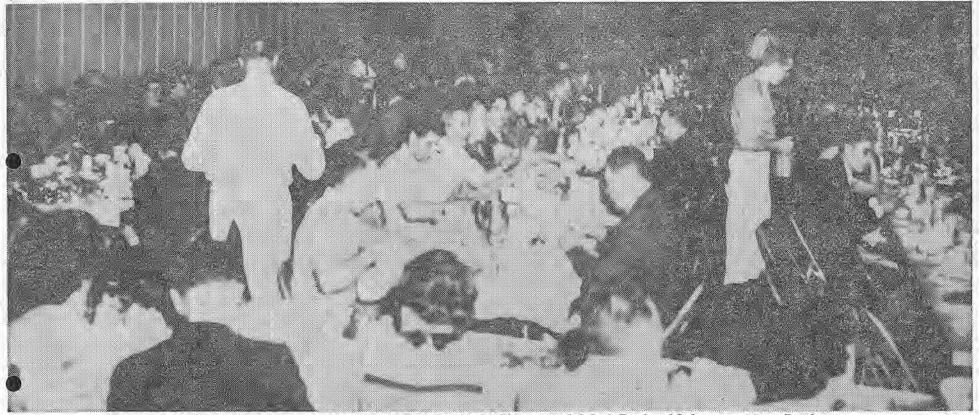
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The number of contracts signed in the past month was 60.

### Deaths

	Initiation	Died
Name and City		
William Moore, Redwood City	5/18/36	2/7/62
Samuel W. Matthews, Salt Lake City	3/ 1/47	2/ /62
Fred Schultz, San Rafael	5/ 5/51	2/ 3/62
W. W. Barry	_	2/ /62
Lorrie Stone, Vallejo	7/11/42	1/19/62
Owen M. Lee, San Pablo	5/ 6/44	2/13/62
Troy Maxwell, Vacaville	9/11/60	1/29/62
Joe S. Pruitt, Oroville	10/ 4/58	1/ 3/62
John H. Harris, Campbell	10/ 3/53	2/16/62
Frank A. Broda, Reno, Nevada	9/ 6/58	2/19/62
Russell F. Scott, Sacramento	12/13/58	2/17/62
Clayton H. Koup, Richmond	3/ 6/43	2/15/62
Tony Maniz, Livermore	8/19/39	2/23/62
Oscar Leroy Lewis, Salt Lake City	5/ 4/34	2/26/62
Glen G. Adams, Provo, Utah	8/ 1/42	2/ /62
Wilbur Goesch, Dutch Flat	11/15/49	1/15/62
Charles A. Seelig, San Carols	10/ 2/54	2/25/62

# Safety 'Feed' at Eureka



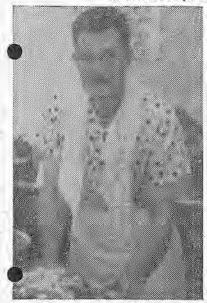
This is part of the throng which turned out for the highly-successful Crab Feed and Safety meeting at Eureka.



Aldon Yates, Joe Roberts, Al Clem and John O'Brien (from left).



Ray Cooper (left) and Dennie Reynolds and daughter.



Engineer Carl Walden was salad-mixer.



MRS. KEN ROBINSON signs in with (from left) Mrs. George Bonville, Mrs. George Meacham and Mrs. Howard Nelson. Wives got a lot of credit for the success of the event.



Dale Marr Speaks

#### Eniov Wives,

Continued from Page 1potato salad, 75 pounds of spaghetti, 80 loaves of French bread and a quantity of tossed green salad (50 heads of lettuce were used). Some 125 pounds of potatoes and a crate of eggs were team cooked by the Bechtel Corp. at the PG&E plant.

#### SPEAKERS

The evening's speakers in Eureka's Shrine Park were John O'Brien, director of safety and labor relations representative for Bechtel Corp., San Francisco; Joe Roberts, labor liaison representative of the State Division of Industrial Safety; Al Clem, business manager of Operating Engineers Local 3, and Dale Marr, the union's safety representative.

The general committee was headed by Dan S. Mathers as chairman and included Howard Nelson and Ray Cooper.

The co-sponsors included Foster Drayage Co., Tom Coy, John Burman and Son, Russell Melohn, Fred J. Maurer and Son, J. L. Conner Jr., Arthur B. Siri, Inc., Chandler and Newman, Peter Kiewit and Sons, Slate and Hall, Ball and Simpson, Bechtel Corp., Mercer Fraser Co., Norman I. Fadel, Inc., Morrison-Knudsen and Pacific Mechanical.

THEY HELPED

Here are some of those whose

time and effort contributed to the success of the event:

Mrs. Dan (Ann) Mathers, Mrs Joe (Pat) Biasca, Mrs. Joe (Hazel) (Pat) Biasca, Mrs. Joe (Hazel)
Swaner, Joe Biasca, Earl Horn, Ben
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(Evelyn) Cooper, Mrs. Carl (Fay)
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Renfro, Carl Walden.

### Oakland Report

## GM Makes Big Change In Plans

By DON KINCHLOE, L. L. "TINY" LAUX, NORRIS CASEY AND FRAN WALKER

The out of work list is quite long as the rain has put a stop to much of the work in this area. Once the rains are over we

look forward to a good year for the brothers. Southern Alameda County, like all others has received its share of rain in the past couple of weeks. At this writing just about all outside construction is shut down. About the only people that are happy about it are the farmers.

About the biggest news here now is that General Motors has changed its mind on the Fremont plant, and has stopped

tion at this time.

### Many Give Blood at Redding

Thanks go to the members and their wives who have shown so much interest in our annual blood program. The response has been terrific.

Here's our honor roll of blood donors:

John Amushastgin, Hubert Anderson, Carl Anderson, Tom Armstrong, Cal Barham, Warren Bartlett, Bill Baumann, Lewis Baum, Del Beiers, Jim Binkley, James Bradley, S. A. Buchtel, Ted Carson, John Carter, Mrs. John Carter, Ed Closs, Bert Cordell, Wayne Coleman, Ben Corovalho, Steve Collins, Fred Crandall, Mrs. Fred Crandall, Joe Craig, Jim Darcy, Delbert Day, Oswald Dusina, Jim Darvell, Eddie Darvell, John DeJong, Al Denning, Paul Eastley, Ed Foreman, Wally Franz, Iro Gois.

Al Gonse, Lester Griffith, Kenneth Griffith, Judie Griffith, Don Griffith, Alfton Hale, Bud Hasha, Harold Headrick, Mrs. Lillian Harty, Ernest Hull, Dr. Michael Hamilton, Bob Ingersol, Ralph Jauch, Sam Johnson, Eric Johnson, Robert Johnston, Orville Johnson, Harry Johnson, Mrs. Harry Johnson, Don Jennings, Robert Jones, Dalton Krigbaum, Mrs. Hershell Krigbaum, Leland Lucas, Ralph Lamar, Al Lampley, Ernest LaFond, Vern Leete, John Linebach, Mrs. Orin Montgomery, Kenneth Martin, Mrs. Sid Mc-Broome, Sid McBroome, C. L. McGettrick.

I. Miller, Bob McAlexander, A. A. Olson, Wm. Palmero, Curtis Palmer, John Peltier, Jackson Pryor, Walt Proebstel, Leland Ryan, Jack Riley, S. J. Riley, Caesar Rogers, Mrs. Orde Robinson, Dan Roberts, Dave Robenkohl, Orville Sargent, F. M. report on this. Scheimer, N. J. Sheeran, Merle Sidener, Bill Smith, James ner, Harold Stevenson, Billy Hims, Willie Vardanega, Mrs. Willie Vardanega, Don Woods, Barney Word, Walter Wells, C. E. Wilmoth, Woodrow Wilson, Mrs. C. Wilmoth.

#### SACRAMENTO

Donors since January 19 include: Tony Azeveda, Robert L. Briggs, Dennis Fenno, R. K. Froh, A. G. Lewis, Mrs. Mildred S. Potts, W. R. Potts, Mrs. Alice B. Stobert, Fred Wachtel, James Williams, Ray Wymore, Howard B. Green.

#### OAKLAND

Ray Halmick has been a donor.

SAN MATEO

Our blood donors include Thomas Raftery, Keith Hayes and Julius Hacke.

#### CHANGED

orders on most of the construc-

Originally this was plannedand the construction started early last fall - to be a Chevrolet assembly plant and a Fisher Body plant. It has all been changed now. There are no plans out as yet, but it is official that neither Chevrolet nor Fisher will be here. It will be an assembly plant for Buick, Pontiac, Oldsmobile and G.M.C. trucks. It was orginally planned as two separate plants on the same 392 acres of land.

Now the building that is under construction, and was to be the Fisher Body plant, will be widened 130 feet and extended some 1,200 feet to make the complete plant under one roof plus office buildings. Of course, this causes many changes. It is our understanding that almost all the work that has been done up to now will have to be done over - even to the moving of the new railroad spur. This will make much more work for the drilling companies, as there will be approximately another 1,000 footings to be dug. P&Z Drilling Co. just completed 500 on the original

#### REPOURING

Many of the concrete slabs will have to be taken out and repoured as they are now too light for the new building. All in all, it will be a big change, but it will also make a lot more work for our brothers.

It was originally planned as a \$15 million job plus equipment, and is now estimated as approximately \$25 million plus equip-

Activity has started on the San Mateo Bridge. Yuba has moved in one truck crane and one derrick barge at this time. Nothing has started as yet. By the next writing we should have a good

All the dirt jobs are down at this time. It has rained long and drying before most of it can go. Oliver DeSilva boys at the Alameda State College will go as soon as it stops raining - as the drainage is good up there.

The Rock, Sand and Gravel industry is slow. Most of the fellows are getting some time in, but very few are making full weeks. They did have a good year last year and from all indica-

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tions this year will be better.

Peterson Tractor has been going exceptionally good this year. Last year at this time they had their men on a four-day week and the situation didn't look good. This year everyone is working full time, and they have hired a few extra men. Which is a good indication for the equipment bus-

#### REFINERY EXPANSION

The Bechtel Corp. has the Tidewater Oil job at Avon under way and at this time they are setting the vesels in place with the new 4000 Manitowoc. We now have 14 brothers on this job. They are: C. E. Wilkins, F. Cabral, T. T. Perkins, F. F. Stimac, J. W. Bankhead, E. Phelps, J. E. Piper, C. H. Johnston, R. J. Pacini, W. A. Rogers, L. W. Lyman, P. E. Spencer, and T. Manzer. At the peak of this job they expect to have 17 Operating Engineers on the payroll.

Yuba Erectors are nearing the completion of the steel erection of the Martinez-Benicia Bridge.

Consolidated Western Steel on the pipeline along with Young and Anderson have slowed to a walk as of this writing because of the rains.

American Pipe is also at a standstill because of the rains.

Some of the brothers have inquired about the freeway from Danville to Walnut Creek. The information is that a budget of \$12,900,000 has been set aside for this project and it is the largest highway budget in the Bay area.

The Broadway tunnel job is

2348 - 14th Ave.

Oakland

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'One Day' Becomes Career

CHARLES GARDINER (left) was cleared through the Oakland office (Dispatch No. 7849) by Al Clem on October 7, 1943, to Ed Tobin, 1000 Carleton Street, Berkeley, to operate a trenching machine. This was to be a one-day job. He's still there—proof that one day jobs can pay off. He is shown here with Business Manager Clem.

> now under way but has not gone R. Craighead were omitted. They into full swing. The compressor house is now on three shifts.

In last month's issue of the Engineers News the names of Brothers John Battenfeld and W.

are working on Standard Oil Company's Richmond Refinery Udex Fractionating Tower. Low bidder on this project was Chicago Bridge & Iron.



2344 E. 12th Street



AT SAN RAFAEL, several brothers gave to the blood bank recently. Above, Jeanne Parrish tests the needle for sharpness. It was approved. Among those who donated were Sid McBroome, Wayne Coleman, Bud Hasha, Al Lampley, Ted Carson and Bill Palermo.

# More About Union Leaders

#### Paul Edgecombe

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equipment for various contractors on all types of construction work. He was an Operating Engineer for the City and County of San Francisco for 12 years. He is married and nas a son and daughter.

As a business representative, Brother Edgecombe worked out of the San Francisco office from 1953 until 1955, when he was transferred to the Sacramento Office as District Representative.

During the period of supervision, he was appointed to the Executive Board, and in February of 1958 he became treasurer. In March, 1958, he was chosen to serve as president. In November of 1960, the membership, by majority vote, elected him our president.

The office of President includes a multitude of duties and responsibilities as indicated by the following excerpt from the Constitution:

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings, enforce the Constitution, Laws, Rules, Ritual and customs of the organization; to decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Local Union; to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie; to sign all orders on the Treasurer for the disposition of funds authorized by the Local Union; to read all receipts from the General Secretary-Treasurer for funds sent to the General Office; to appoint all committees unless otherwise provided for; to be custodian of the quarterly password and examine the credentials of any member before bestowing the same; to furnish the General President full and complete information on any subject within his control or knowledge when requested; and to perform such other duties as appertain to his office or which may from time to time be delegated to him by action of the Local Union or other authorities in the organization. (Art XXIII, Subdiv. 2, Section (a).

All of which adds up to a responsible position which must be administered in a truly democratic manner.

#### San Rafael **Brother Hurt**

Brother Lawrence Thomas is recovering from a motorcycle accident. Twelve units of blood were given to him. He now is out of the hospital. Our thanks to the following who donated blood: Haskell Thomas, John Kelly, Tom Fenton, Gerald Arp, Faine Ray, Robert Clements, Loren Williams and Charles Brown.

Days for donating blood at the San Rafael Blood Bank, 506 4th

#### **Guy Slack**

Continued from Page 1-Union No. 3. Prior to that he worked as Foreman and Shifter in the northern part of California. This makes him a member of approximately 20 years stand-

During World War II he worked as Superintendent of Equipment at Marin-Ship for the Bechtel Corporation. These were the days when construction jobs were few and far between.

Brother Slack has always taken an active interest in the affairs of his Local Union. He served on the By-Laws Committee and was helpful in writing the By-Laws by which your Union is now governed. Prior to his election as an Executive Board Member in 1958, he served as a Grievance Committee member in District 1. In addition to his duties as an Executive Board member, he is chairman of the Grievance Committee 1 District 1.

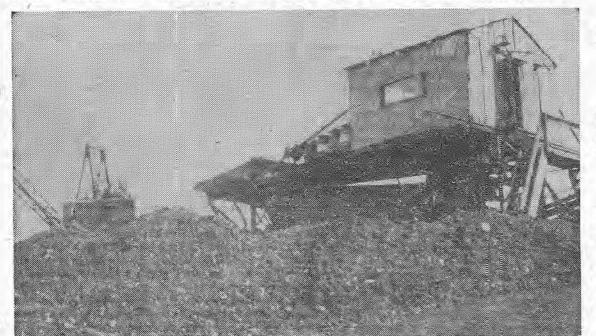
St., are Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### SAN FRANCISCO

We are in need of three pints of blood for a member's wife. Another member's son has used 19 pints and is still badly in need of more. You can see this is a "team" project.

#### SANTA ROSA

Since our last writing, we have had one blood donor. Our thanks to Brother Robert Johnston.



BROTHER DON HUNT and his son-in-law, Jay Brown, do a little gold dredging on their property, near Jenny Lind, in their spare time. Although Brother Hunt's equipment has had many break-downs, due to its lack of use, he has hopes of making it a profitable avocation before too long. This piece of equipment has been parked at Double Springs since the cessation of dredging activity in that area.

# Personal Notes

#### San Jose

Brother Del Armer is still laid up with injuries he received while working at his home. Brother Dawson, a dozer operator for the Granite Construction Company, was injured by a falling oak tree, while clearing at the LaTorre chicken

Brother Roscoe Pounds has recently purchased a combination Hough Loader H-209 7 Backhoe.

Brother Bud Price stopped in at the office and reports that he is doing nicely in his new business at Salinas, Victory Bar Dining Room, located at 126 Main Street.

#### Fresno

Brother John DeBrum has been hospitalized. Brother Ira Rhines has returned to work after his accident.

Brother Don Brewster has returned from South America, where he was employed with Utah Construction Company for eight years as lubrication Superintendent. He tells us that Brother Richard (Dick) Terry has also returned from the same project.

Brother Gunnar Norberg returned recently from a week in Honolulu. While there he dropped in the Operating Engineers office and was greeted with warm hospitality. Brother Ruper Teves, Business Representative, took him around the island to different construction jobs.

We are holding in the office W-2 forms for the following brothers: Cliff W. Horman, Johnnie Johnson, Tom Laughton, Robert Mavis, Ronald Newell, Chuck L. Verling, Evan Larson,

Raymond Kelsey, Calvin Bartels.

A vote of thanks to Brothers Henry Swarthout and Roy Wallace, who picketed the Wells Cargo, Inc., job near Copperopolis, in the worst kind of weather.

Brothers Coy Sanders and Jack Skinner are recuperating

from recent operations.

#### Marysville

Brother Earl Jensen of the R.C.A. Service Company, was busy passing out the cigars the other day. The reason: His wife gave birth, Monday morning, February 19, to a boy weighing 8 pounds, 4 ounces. The Jensens have one other child, a daughter.

Vacation checks are being held in the office for the following brothers: Clifton Bakewell, Martin H. Barton, Charles E. Elan, Wilson Low, O'Neal Miller. Contact the office either in person or by mail to pick up the checks or indicate where to send them. In writing identify yourself by register, social security number, or both.

Brothers Art Irwin and Andrew Frandsen suffered heart attacks recently. Brother Charles Bateman injured his back on the Moab M. K. job.

#### San Mateo

Thanks to Brothers Bill Caufield, Dick Pfau and Charles Nicholaisen for the contribution of their labor on the playground for the emotionally-disturbed children at Community Hospital.

#### Eureka

W-2 forms for the following Brothers are at the Eureka Office: Albert Murphy, Earl H. White, Gordon K. Gardner, William M. Bradley, and Arthur E. Keeler.

#### San Rafael

The following brothers are on the sick list: Hal Martin at Marin General. He had an accident on the job, operating a dozer for Paradise Engineering. Brother Harry Cahill confined at Ross General; Brother Al Wicht back in Marin General for eye surgery.

#### Nevada

We are still holding the following vacation checks at the Reno office, 185 Martin Avenue: Erick Anderson, Myron Atwater, Ysac Bibayoff, James M. Bragg, Joseph P. Briano, Earl V. Burhans, John E. Burney, Earl R. Butler, Norman L. Crow, Richard J. Dallen, Clarence W. Dayton, Colma Dupree, Jack Ellis, Denton Fricke, Dale Fraser, Earl Gibson, Jesse A. Glenn, Wayne D. Hall, Dave Hansen, Robert Lyon, James Munson, Glenn Gillson, Felix Ityrraran, Dell W. Lathim, Donald McGowan, Floyd Maricle, Henry F. Marsh, Edward L. Martin, William Martin, Dick Merritt, James G. Morris, Peter G. Morros, Lee B. Morton, Richard S. Myers, Kenneth Nelson, T. L. O'Dell, Owen H. Parker, Clen R. Parker, Albert Nelson, T. L. O'Dell, Owen H. Parker, Glen B. Parker, Albert L. Pico, Edgar R. Rankin, Carl A. Roberts, Robert L. Stanley, M. F. Summerbell, William P. Thomas, Peter C. Thomsen, Robert A. Waller, Cedric Ward, James R. Walsh, James White, D. H. Wilcox.



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## Team Effort— 'And A Strong Union

What makes a trade union strong and keeps it that way? The most important factor is teamwork.

Webster defines this as "work done by a number of associates, all subordinating personal prominence to the efficiency of the whole."

The definition emphasizes the essential feature of good unionism as practiced by Local 3.

A TRADE UNION is defined as "a voluntary association of wage earners organized to further or maintain their rights and interests through collective bargaining with the employer, especially for improving wages, hours and conditions of employment."

But officers and members of a healthy and efficient union must work as a team. The engineer who exercises his democratic right to cast a secret ballot, electing those who will carry out the policies and objectives of his organization, is an "organization man" in the best sense of the term.

He's an informed member of the team, a supporter of a continuing effort to build and improve.

THE LEADERS he's selected are working for "the efficiency of the whole," their day-to-day endeavors charted within the framework of the union's constitution and by-laws—themselves a product of teamwork.

And this involves the rights of the individual — of each of us in an organization whose strength is a matter of pride, in whose future there's no room for complacency.

The potential is great.

Your attendance at union meetings, with group discussion of problems, your talks on the job, your personal contact with your officers and representatives — all are part of the team effort.

### Warren Doesn't Share Nixon View

Chief Justice Earl Warren doesn't share Richard Nixon's opinion that California is in "a mess."

Warren, who was Governor from 1952 until his appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court in 1953, had this to say to The Sacramento Bee when he came home from Washington for the holidays:

"Every part of the state I've seen looks to be in wonderfully good shape.

IT MAKES me feel good to see the way the State of California is moving forward, not only in private industry but in government. It is fine to see what good the state government is doing for the welfare of the people.

"I'm pleased to see the state so conservation minded with the idea of preserving resources for the generations to follow.

"IT IS A THRILL to see what is happening statewide in the education field. The Sacramento State College is developing into a fine institution.

"Progress is being made at the University of California campus in Davis and other UC campuses, and plans are being made for three or four new colleges and two more UC campuses.

"This is great confidence in the future of this state."



Consumer Advice

### Senator Watches Costs

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Maurine Neuberger hasn't the slightest reluctance to wear 79-cent nylons right on the floor on the U. S. Senate. And that gleam in her hair comes from no costly TV-advertised shampoo. The tall slim lady Senator from Oregon, who is certainly one of the most attractive legislators this country ever had, uses inexpensive tincture of green soap, as well as unperfumed theatrical cleansing cream that costs 49 cents a pound. And when she gets back to her house in the evening, she makes her own corn-muffin mix. She knows from her own and other women's experiences how consumers often are overcharged, and she minces no words in telling about it.

In fact, recently Senator Neuberger candidly told New York Times reporter Charlotte Curtis that "advertising contributes to the cost of products" and that she herself is "so conscious of this that I deliberately try to buy things that are not highly advertised." To its credit, the Times printed this extremely outspoken comment, and also what must be some of the frankest statements on other selling practices ever uttered by a United States Senator.

For example, Senator Neuberger says: "The hardest thing to buy without being gypped is tooth-paste. I don't like the salt-and-soda combination so I have to settle for something else. But I think toothpast prices are ridiculous. No matter what the ads say, my dentist tells me you have to brush after every meal."

Two situations that Senator Neuberger is especially determined to help correct are the high prices of drugs, and deceptive credit fees. She recently told a public meeting in New York sponsored by Mid-Eastern Cooperatives that in a drug store one day she waited while a poorly-dressed woman in front of her had a prescription filled. "That will be seven dollars," the druggist said. The woman gave him a five dollar bill, and then silently fished in her handbag for her remaining nickels, dimes and quarters to make up the rest of the price.

"She never uttered a word of complaint or protest," Senator Neuberger recalls. "She just gave up all the money she had to get that prescription."

The new oral drugs used by diabetes sufferers are a revealing example of the high charges for vital medicines, the Senator told the Consumer co-op representatives. Diabetics who can substitute the oral drug for insulin injections pay a list price of 14 cents a tablet, for which the druggist himself pays eight cents. But the cost of production, includ-

ing tableting, bottling and packaging, is only seventenths of one cent. At three tablets a day, the typical patient must pay \$150 a year for dosage which is actually manufactured at a total production cost of about \$14.

The other immediate consumer legislation, which Senator Estes Kefauver has recommended that co-op, union and credit-union members support, is the Douglas "truth-in-lending" bill.

"Recently a girl on my staff wanted to buy a used car," the Senator reported. "She began to discuss the terms with the salesman. Since she works in my office where we often discuss consumer problems, she offered to pay cash if this would lower the price. She got a real hard sales pitch about easy credit, simple weekly or monthly payments, how they would carry the insurance, etc., until it became evident that they didn't want cash — the real profit on this transaction would come from the carrying charges which figured at about 32 per cent."

Knowledge of what credit really costs could save untold hardships, Senator Neuberger believes. "When a man goes to buy an appliance, if the clerk says "Cash or credit," the customer simply replies, "Cash, I can't afford credit."

A typical incident brought out by Senate hearings on credit practices concerned a Government employee who was moving and needed three small pieces of furniture which cost \$48. But because of his moving expenses, he was strapped for cash. The salesman said: "Let's help you out. You pay \$2 today and the other \$24 next payday." The salesman added, "There will be a small carrying charge." The small carrying charge proved to be \$10, and actually amounted to a true annual rate of 160 per cent.

Senator Neuberger feels that the single most important agency protecting consumers is the Food and Drug Administration but, she says with characteristic candor. "The FDA's program is inadequate and it is unable to take action in many areas where it feels action is warranted, because its budget is too small, the laws under which it operates need clarification, and it can't hire enough enforcers."

Among recent protective actions taken by the FDA, Senator Neuberger cited cases of ocean water sold at \$3.75 a gallon as a cure for arthritis and other illnesses and as a general pep-up tonic; orange "juice" which contained up to 50 per cent water and sugar, and many instances of short weights.

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#### VEETING Nondets

### Semi-Annual Meeting

JULY 14, 1962 SATURDAY, 1 P.M.

San Francisco Labor Temple, 16th & Capp Sts.

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#### April

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

Eureka - April 10, Tuesday, 2806 Broadway.

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

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

#### May

Sacramento - May 3, Thursday, CELT Bldg., 225 Stockton.

Stockton - May 7, Monday, Engineers Bldg.

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.

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

Salt Lake City - June 15, Friday, Teamsters Hall, 433 So. 6th East.

Reno - June 16, Saturday, Reno Musicians' Bldg., 120 W. Taylor.

#### July

San Francisco - July 11, Wednesday, San Francisco La- 3120 East Olive St. bor Temple, 16th and Capp Streets.

Eureka - July 17, Tuesday 2806 Broadway.

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

Oroville - July 19, Thursday, Prospectors Village.

#### August

Stockton-Aug. 1, Wednesday, Engineers Bldg.

San Jose - Aug. 6, Monday, Labor Temple, 45 Santa Ther-

Oakland - Aug. 9, Thursday, 2315 Valdez.

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

#### September

Fresno - Sept. 4, Tuesday,

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

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

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

#### October

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

Eureka-Oct. 9, Tuesday, 2806 Broadway.

Redding-Oct. 10, Wednesday, Retail Clerks Bldg., 900 Locust

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

#### November

Stockton - Nov. 1, Thursday, Engineers Bldg.

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

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

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#### December

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

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

Salt Lake City-Dec. 14, Friday, Teamsters Hall, 443 So. 6th East.

Reno-Dec. 15, Saturday, Reno Musicians Bldg., 120 W. Tay.

### SWAP SHOP: free want ads for Operating Engineers

#### FOR SALE

- TRENCHING MACHINE, 110 Cleveland. Digs 18 to 24" wide, 5½' deep. \$3500. Write: James Hiner, 415 Imperial, Modesto. Phone: KE 7-3572. Reg. No. 328847.
- FURNACE, forced air, Western filtered comfort. Apartment size, 250-000 BTU. A-1 shape. Automatic controls. \$300. Phone: Russ Gary, ELgin 7-2958, San Leandro. Reg. No. 928045.
- 1956 TRUCK CRANE, 25-ton model 355, P&H. Excellent condition, 100-ft. boom, 30-ft. jib. Write: Louis Eck, 19943 Redwood Rd., Castro Valley; Phone: JE 7-8194. Reg. No. 346986.
- 1956 FORD V-8, %-ton pickup. 3-speed transmission, new tires, wraparound bumper. \$600 cash. Write: Duke Dooley, 3856 High St., Oakland 19, Calif. Phone: 533-7964. Reg. No. 286146.
- 1½ ACRES, half-mile from Grant Un-fon High School on Fell Ave., Del Paso Heights. Small down or swap for foothill property. \$4000. Write: Dick H. L. Cooper, 5761 Redwood Highway, Santa Rosa, Calif. Reg. No. 292566.
- 3½ ACRES, English walnut produc-ing. Large modern house, complete-ly furnished. Tractor and imple-ments, 2 wells. Family fruit trees. Good hunting & fishing, \$6000 down. Write: Al Chapman, Stonyford, Calif. Reg. No. 351266.
- LE TOURNEAU, 4-yd. carryall. Cable driven, good rubber. \$300. Also 12'' American sticker and motor. Belt driven. Best offer. Write: Walter Young, 4300 Fraga Rd., Hayward, Calif. Phone: LU 1-2517. Reg. No. 732140.
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  6-ply. Warren hubs, tow bar, canvas
  top. Write: Eugene Mendes, 5355
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  SY 3-3155. Reg. No. 879752.

  TRAILER, 1956 Godentate. 2 bdrm.
  8x40. New drapes, awning. Cooler,
  plus other extras. Excellent condition. Write: Gary Burghardt, Rt. 1,
  Box 505, Antioch, Calif, Phone:
  PLateau 7-5438. Reg. No. 939853.
- 16 FT. TRAILER, Go-Lite. Sleeps 5.
  Gas lights, electric brakes. \$750.
  Write: W. L. McElroy, 162 Duane
  St., Redwood City, Calif. Reg. No.
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- KEN CAMPER for long wheel base pickup, \$375. Write: L. J. Tillman, 575 So. Rengstorff, Mtn. View, Calif. Reg. No. 996036.
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### San Jose Report

### Rains Hit, Jobs Shut Down

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

The rains have shut down almost all of the jobs in the San Jose area. Our "out-of-work" list has doubled, but as soon as the weather permits these new additions will return to their jobs.

O. E. Anderson Company has been kept busy this winter and has plenty of work lined up for 1962. They recently purchased a new M3225 Lorraine 25 Ton Truck Crane. Brother Gordon Melton is operating this new piece of equipment with Brother Johnny Estes doing the oiling. Brother Bob Raynor operates their K-12 Insley, with Brother Chuck Bowling the Oiler.

This firm was the low bidder on a \$7,750,000 contract for the Santa Clara University for a student center and commons.

They have made good progress on their four story Education Building at the San Jose State College. They expect completion of the \$3,000,000 job at Fremont High School in about three months.

Earl W. Hope, Inc., has jobs under way on Davis Avenue, Piedmont Road, Branham Village and Branham Lane. Brother John Kapatanich is operating the Cleveland trencher on the underground job on Branham Lane with Brother Robert Harris oil-

ing. During 1961, Heple, Inc., was responsible for the laying of over 552,000 feet of pipe in Santa Clara County. Brother Harold Binkley is the superintendent for Earl W. Heple, Inc., with Ralph O. Wilson, assistant super.

E. A. Hathaway have completed three stories of the garage they are building for the San Jose State College and have one floor to go. Brother Herschel Myers is the Operator on this job, with Brother Dave McClelland doing the oiling. This firm is also building a new building at Stanford.

A construction combine from San Francisco was named low bidder for the huge San JoseSanta Clara sewage treatment. the award went to Fred J. Early Co., Stolte, Inc., and M & K Corp., a joint venture for \$23,138,099.

A. J. Raisch Company are repairing their Hot Plants and Crusher Plants.

Due to the heavy rains, work has come to a complete stand still in the southern end of the district. Only Kaiser, P.C.A. and Olympic Sand Plants are still running. Granite Construction have all their equipment in the shops being repaired.

In the Monterey area, most of the jobs are not hampered by rains due to the sandy soil. Alcon & Pacific are on schedule at the Army Air Field at Fort Ord.

### Injured Member Says 'Thank You'

This is a thank you note.

It comes through the San Jose office at the request of Harold Dodd.

Dodd, a man with a family, was severely injured when the crane he was operating went off a bridge.

There wasn't much money. And Christmas was coming, The San Jose office had a milk bottle on the counter. The engineers gave liberally — so the kids could have a merry Christmas.

The money was given to Dodd, who says thanks to the brothers for what they did for his family.

### Pipe Job

ALL KINDS of rigs were in use on the Downer Avenue pipe job in the San Jose area, where Earl W. Heple, Inc., had a contract for 900 feet of 30-inch pipe. A basket rigged on a crane (above) carried a worker up to the pipe that was suspended some 15 feet in the area across a creek bed. At another time, workers climbed into a bucket to work on the pipe. Brother Tony Oliver is the foreman, Brother Harold Ficke operates the Northwest crane, and Brother Rudy Rivas is oiler. Brother Michael Albanese is the welder and Brother Robert Conn operates the loader.



### Union Member In Congressional Race

William J. Keller, union member, newspaper editor and member of the San Mateo County Democratic Central Committee has been endorsed as the official Democratic candidate for Congress in 1962.

Keller, who branded the Republican incumbent as "inept, ineffectual and indifferent," said the people of San Mateo County "too long have suffered from a hoarse whisper in the roar of Congress.

"We now desperately need a firm voice of leadership," he

The 33-year-old editor charged that the incumbent has "drifted like a wisp of wind around Washington, enjoying his retirement while the President and the people were urging leadership in Congress."

"EXTREMISTS"

And he charged that the incumbent has acted "consistently contrary to the will and best interest of the people, often in contrast to the moderates in his own party, and remarkably in agreement with the renegade extremiets"

Thus the challenge was issued for what could be the most heated campaign in San Mateo county.

Keller, a World War II veteran, pledged "an unending fight against those who would destroy us. Contrary to the expressed opinions of the extremists," he said, "I believe in my fellow Americans — I believe they are loyal and love their country."

Keller brings to the campaign a wide background in newspaper reporting, editing and manage-

ment, in government service, in teaching and trade unionism.

He first came to San Mateo County in 1947 after service in the infantry and field artillery, from which he was discharged as a sergeant.

#### UNIVERSITY

He was graduated from the University of California in 1950 and was immediately empolyed by the Hayward Daily Review. He was news editor and vicepresident of The Daily Review, Inc.

In 1955, he was hired by the United States Information Agency and, after a training program in Washington, D.C., was sent with his family to Baghdad, Iraq. As Assistant Information Officer there he worked closely in formation of the Baghdad Pact, an alliance of nations

against Soviet aggression, and he traveled extensively throughout the Middle East.

#### TRAVEL

In 1956, Keller and his family traveled through Southern Europe before he accepted a position with the Rome, Italy, Daily American.

He joined the San Francisco Chronicle in 1957 and within a year had won a coveted State Bar of California award for outstanding achievement. He was Assistant City Editor at The Chronicle.

Keller has written for numerous national publications and is a lecturer in journalism at the University of California.

With their children, Lisa Kay, 10; Kristen Leigh, 8; and Michele Ann, 3, they reside at 1035 Parrot Drive in Hillsborough.

# Labor Dept. • Cites Work Hours Cut

The spendable earnings and buying power of factory production workers in January were down almost 2 per cent from the month before, but were still at a record for the month, the U. S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported.

Although some decline is usual between December and January, this year the drop reflected assomewhat greater than usual cutback in hours of work. In addition, consumer prices and hourly earnings remained steady over the month.

Spendable earnings in January -earnings after deduction of Federal income and social security taxes-were \$84.22 weekly for the factory worker with three dependents, and \$76.58 for the worker with no dependent These figures were approximately a dollar and a half lower than in December. The decline was primarily caused by the reduction in the work week (shorter by seven-tenths of an hour). Only a small part of this drop resulted from the increase in the employee's social security contribution, from 3 to 3% per cent, effective in January 1962.

Compared with a year earlier, January, 1962, spendable earnings of factory workers were higher by about 6 per cent, \$4.50. The purchasing power of these earnings was more than 5 per cent above a year earlier, and 6 per cent higher than the average during the 1957-59 base period.

# he Rains Came: Marysville Reports

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

During the month of February there hasn't been a day go by that we haven't had rain. The total: 7.28 inches. The ground has soaked in about all the water it can take, and Feather River has raised in depth from levee to levee. We hope it has just about rained itself out, and we can get some good dry weather for a change.

The out-of-work list is still growing and at the present time we have approximately 1,100 A. and B, operators and oilers registered in this office. Some of the jobs that were working have had to shut down operations due to the extremely wet weather.

We had a very good safety meeting in Paradise, February 14. All the brothers and their wives who attended were very favorable in their comments regarding this meeting. The Business Representatives in this district are happy at the interest shown by the members who want to improve their safety condi-

#### CONSTRUCTION JOBS

Work on the Black Butte Dam has been suspended by George has been suspended by George M. Brewster & Son except for a shovel and a couple of cats. Work

will be suspended, according to our information, until about the first of April.

There are rumors of considerable additional work in this proj-

W. M. Lyles and Co. has just about completed that Company's pipe line job from Gridley to Chico. This would ordinarily have buttoned this one up for the brothers. However, the company picked up the balance of the contract from Gridley to Beale Air Force Base. As this one has continued despite the weather, this should make considerable, and probably unexpected work for this crew.

Chicago Bridge and Iron picked off the contract for the tank farms both at Beale Air Force Base and at the Chico complex for the storage of the fuel that the pipeline written about above will transport.

#### EXCAVATION

Taggart did the excavation for the tanks farm at Beale, but has had some tough luck with the compaction due to the prevailing dampness and this has held up Chicago Bridge and Iron in starting. Harms Brothers, who have the excavating at Chico, have been shut down on account of the weather.

At the missile bases, weather is no obstacle and the crews are

#### SAFETY MEETING

Wednesday, March 28, is the date, 8 p.m. is the time and the Engineers' Hall, 1010 "Eye" Street, Marysville, is the place.

All members of Operating Engineers' Local 3, no matter where employed, and their wives and any of your friends of other crafts are invited to attend a safety meeting. There will be a good program and a new safety film.

still averaging some good hours, but the end is in sight. Completion of this work will put a number of the brothers on the out-ofwork-list, but probably after the hours these brothers have put in a couple of months off will be welcomed.

The Western Pacific relocation job being done by Ball and Simpson is all wrapped up. Some additional work is anticipated because of slides in the cuts caused by the wet weather.

The road project between Oroville and Wicks Corners being done by Harms Bros, and Lord and Bishop and H. Earl Parker has been shut down by the heavy rains. The management tells us start this one up at full blast.

Baldwin Contracting Co. informs us that they are only waiting for some dry weather to start up that company's job at Wicks' Corners and at Jarboe Gap tying into the big bridge and Harms Bros. et al. This should put a few of the brothers back to work.

Frazier and Davis is very busy driving away on the diversion tunnel for the projected Oroville Dam after having to overcome a serious high water problem. Morrison and Knudson is proceeding with this company's tunnel, but the road in and out is plenty rough at the present time.

Most of the outside work on the Wyandotte project being done by the Oroville Project Contractors has been practically shut down. However, the underground work is proceeding on schedule.

#### SHUT DOWN

Williams and Burrows on the Virginia Ranch dam have had to shut down, but tell us that they are raring to go as soon as the weather permits. Gates and Fox are still busy driving tunnel on this project.

The big news this month is the announcement by Governor Brown that the State will call for bids on April 12 for the construction of the embankment for the Oroville Dam, and the remaining

that a few days of sunshine will diversion tunnel. Bids are to be opened, according to this announcement, June 27.

We would like to re-emphasize that advertising for bids doesn't necessarily mean that the contract or contracts will be let (bids are occasionally rejected). Also, even if accepted, it will be some time after the contracts are awarded before the work starts and there are enough men in this district at the present time to do this amount of work and more.

The South Sutter Water District has taken no further action concerning the Far Western dam project. (This work was bid early in 1961, but the bids were rejected as excessive). Since that there have been persistent reports of trys of reducing the required work to a minimum and negotiating a contract or calling for new bids. Reports prevail as this is written that a breakthrough on this matter is imminent. Cost of the project was estimated at \$6,102,000.

Bids are to be opened March 27 for work on approximately six miles of levee on the Yuba and Feather Rivers, Bids on the Sacramento River bank protection work near Meridian will be opened on March 20, according to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Cost is estimated at \$800,000.

### Farmers Benefit Around Stockton

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

Although the month of February was the wettest we in Stockton have had for several years, the members are not complaining too much.

This district is still basically one of agriculture, with the economy of its people predicated on the success or failure of those producing field crops, and with this amount of rain we expect the reservoirs to fill and the water table to rise.

Presently, we are mired down but expect to get rolling just as soon as the ground dries out. The only jobs that were not affected by this deluge of rain was the shop work.

#### PROJECTS

Three major projects that were bid since our last report are the Lodi By-Pass, San Joaquin River levee job and Comanche Dam.

A. Teichert & Son submitted a low bid of \$2,823,000 to the State Highway Engineers for the construction of approximately 4.7 miles of four lane freeway, to be graded and paved with Portland cement over an aggregate subbase, with frontage roads, ramps, connections, and speed change lanes. This will entail construction of six overcrossings, two underpasses, two separations, and a pumping plant.

Of the ten bidders on the stone protection and levee construction at various sites along the right and left banks of the

San Joaquin River, from the mouth of Old River to the Stockton Deep Water Channel, A. Teichert & Son was low bidder at \$683,845. However, this job was specifically reserved for small business by the present Administration, and in all probability will be awarded to the second low bidder, who was M. Malfitano & Son with a bid of \$705,633.

The last of the three jobs was the East Bay Municipal Utility District construction of Comanche Dam. Green Construction Company, Inc., of Des Moines, Iowa, with a California office in San Mateo, was low bidder at \$15,047,369. This project entails the construction of the dam, spillways, dikes and relocation of county roads with approximately 11,800,000 yards of excavation and fill.

#### GRIEVANCE

The membership, in attendance at the District Meeting held February 1st, elected Brothers Aaron Becker, M. E. Hayes and M. W. Isbell to serve on the Grievance Committee for District No. 3. This Committee, to date, has recommended that the Local Union Manager appoint Brothers Leonard Yound-Healy, Tibbetts on the San Joaquin River crossings; Fred Njirich-George Reed Company, Sonoma; Claud Muns - Teichert Aggregates; and Phillip Mohrmann-Claude Wood Company Rock Plant, a Job Stewards. Our members should give these Job Stewards their unqualified support and assistance.

### Fresno Report

### It's a Muddy Situation

By JOSEPH MILLER and B. F. HELLING

During the past month the work in Fresno has almost come to a standstill. Heavy and continuous rains have made lakes out of puddles and excavation

Most of the building and construction job locations are either covered with water or bogged down in mud. For the first time in the past several years the rock plants in the area have had to suspend operations due to the rain and mud.

M & K-Westbrook freeways are shut down temporarily due to the weather but have not too much time. The Brothers should be back on the job in a week and the dirt will fly again. They have about 40 Operators employed on the two projects between Fresno and Fowler at present and as the paving operations begin on the first section more men will be put to work.

#### BIG CREEK

We held a pre-job conference with the Bechtel Corp. last week covering its job at Big Creek. The job consists of putting a steel liner in the Big Creek-Shaver-Lake tunnel for about 800 feet. The job will work two shifts, six days per week, 10 hours a day and must be completed on or before April 15 of this year. It won't last too long but is a very good job for about 12 Operators. Brother Duke Martin is the foreman on this project.

Pomeroy - Fishback - Nettles & Moore joint venture is still active at the Armstrong Tire plant at Hanford. The job is progressing very well with the wet weather. There is still a large amount of

work to be done and several Operators will be kept busy for several months. Spreckles Sugar Plant job at Mendota is slow at present but the preliminary work is about complete and construction of the buildings has started. Sharp and Fellows Construction Company is putting in the railroad spurs and has a crew of Operators on the burro crane laying rails. Nevada Steel Erectors has a crane crew on the job erecting steel on the first building.

#### SITE READY

At the Sun Maid Raisin Plant near Selma the site preparation is near completion and most of the water and sewer lines are in.

Construction on the main plant should be underway in the next thirty days, which will create several jobs. L. E. Dixon is the prime contractor.

Winston-Green at Lemon Cove on Terminus Dam has moved four DW 20's to Baker, California, on a road job, and has a crew of mechanics tearing down the shovels and overhauling the equipment for the next job.

Gordon Ball will start its \$800,000 contract on Hammar Field as soon as weather clears. This Company will extend the runway 2000 feet and put in the electrical work. Fresno Paving has the sub-contract on excavat-

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### Medical Care Bill Defended

San Francisco Congressman John F. Shelley has charged opponents of hospital care for the aged with using "scare labels" to fight the administration's proposals.

"The administration bill is a far thing from the scare label 'socialized medicine', "the con gressman declared, "and provides complete freedom for the patient in selecting both the hospital and the physician of his choice."

Shelley said his support for the measure is based on the fact that the expense of medical care has "jumped a giant 49 per cent over the 1947 figures" and hospital room charges have increased 105 per cent in the same period.

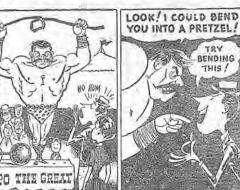
"These higher costs must be faced particularly and most frequently by our elderly citizens," Shelley declared, "those whose incomes are lowest and those who because of their very age require more and longer medical care and hospitalization."

Hospital care, he said, is the senior citizen's "most haunting problem," since "millions of our older citizens have medical bills twice those of persons under 65, when their annual income is less than half as much."

#### Corporate Profits Zoom

Zooming corporate profits in the fourth quarter of 1961 may lift total profits for the year to records mash, ing levels when final reports are in.

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### Safety Report

### Governor's Conference in S.F.

By DALE MARR

The Twelfth Annual Governor's Safety Conference was held February 8 and 9 at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, with more than 1600 people representing all areas of labor and management in California.

Most in attendance felt that this was the best conference held to date.

We were pleased to see labor take a very important part in the program. It is safe to say that labor was represented more than they have been in the past,

The overall spirit of the conference was one of cooperation between labor and management.

Of particular interest to the Operating Engineers was Governor Pat Brown's charge to the construction industry to join hands in an all out drive to cut down our accident frequency rate. Governor Brown pointed out that again this past year the

construction industry led all employment in accident frequency.

We believe Governor Brown's charge was taken very seriously by everyone in the industry and we hope to see an all out effort made this year to correct the situation.

We have been pleased with the number of brothers who have been attending the safety meetings that have been held in the various areas. We hope as time goes on that we will be able to contact more and more of you. Try to bring another brother with you to the next meeting in your area.

We are getting an increased number of calls from the field and have been able to correct many situations that we would not have known about if it were not for your calls. So let's hear from you.

We are expecting to have the public hearings on the tunnel safety order revision sometime in March or April. We will get the word out on the date as soon as it is announced.

### AFL-CIO Council Has Economic Policy Study

The AFL-CIO has called for an "urgent reexamination" of the Administration's "overly timid" economic policies in order to achieve full recovery from the 1960-61 recession and avert a new downturn.

The Federation's Executive Council took a close look at the nation's economic health in mid-February, found it "alarming," and declared "a more adequate and aggressive program is essential."

It urged an "aggressive collective bargaining policy combined with vigorous efforts to cut taxes on low-income groups and initiation of a public works program" as essential to return the economy to full employment levels.

If unemployment is not reduced, the council declared, Congress should "seriously consider enacting a flexible work week program." A 40-hour week is appropriate at full employment, the council said, but at anything less than full employment "the work week should be curtailed and workers employed with no reduction in take-home pay."

### Long Safety Record Is Broken

A record of almost four years without a lost time accident was spoiled on February 8 at the Kaiser Sand and Gravel plant in Oroville. For on that date Brother Rosenda (Shorty) Berennan had his arm badly cut and broken in two places.

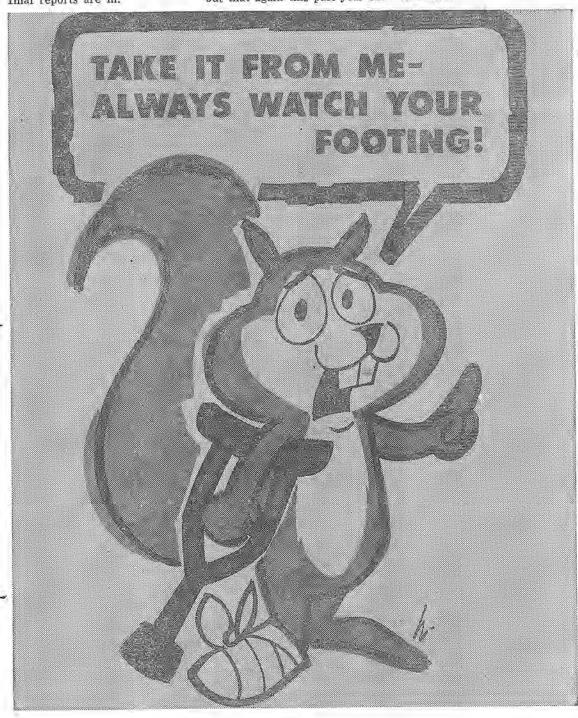
In the June issue of last year we ran a picture of the crew of the plant receiving a plaque for the outstanding safety record of the entire far flung Kaiser industries, of not having a lost time accident for three years.

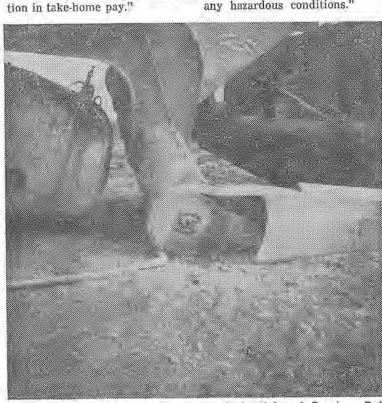
Brother Berennan and the superintendent, according to reports, were making a routine inspection of a small conveyor belt when the conveyor, the supports apparently having been weakened by the recent rainfall, gave way causing it to collapse. Brother Berennen received the injuries mentioned above. However, the superintendent Marvin Larson escaped with painful bruises and scratches.

Larson who but recently took charge of the plant after the death of Stanley Ford, who served as its superintendent for years, expressed himself as very disappointed that this accident occured, especially in light of the former safety record and that a very serious effort was being made to rebuild the plant and to eliminate unsafe conditions.

He also expressed himself as very appreciative of the cooperation of the officers of Local 3 and the safety Engineer and representatives of Local 3 and the membership employed at the plant.

"All" he said, "have cooperated and worked together and it is unfortunate that this accident should have occured to spoil a perfect record, especially under the circumstances that the Company, as well as all others mentioned, were making a strenuous effort to rebuild the plant and to eliminate any hazardous conditions."





A SAFETY BELT may have saved the life of Brother Bob Shields, who was operator of this L.W. 35-yard scraper when the arm broke on Miners Ranch during a job for the Oroville Project Contractors. The firm recently installed safety belts on all such equipment and has encouraged their use.

#### Utah Report

### Snow, Rain, Mud Keep Rigs Still

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

Snow, rain and mud are still keeping the jobs shut down in the Salt Lake area. Many of the contractors have work awarded but just can't get started.

At the Bacchus job, Leavel-M. K. have been able to work a couple of days a week. M. K. sent some of their equipment to Idaho. However, due to the terrific rains and floods, this same equipment is working on the flood damage.

Nelson Brothers opened a short run of ditch in the Manga area and are able to lay a little pipe. They also were awarded the second half of the Redwood Trunk line. We hope this job will start in March.

The Medical Building project of Christiansen and Paulsen has started to roll and they expect delivery of the Swedish "Lindon" cranes soon. There will be three of these rigs on this building, plus two or three truck cranes. The travel batcher is already working, as well as a couple of loaders.

#### BEELINE JOB

A 4000 Manitowac was delivered to Refco at the Beeline job. This rig will have two hundred and sixty-five feet of boom toward the end of the job. At this writing the mud is a big problem on this project.

Bob Weher has a job at Bingham and the weather is keepingthe Brothers from working.

Western Knapp's job in Wendover has a couple of months left. Del Bunnell is running a Lorraine truck crane with Joe Neilson oiling. Omar Conners is running an A-Frame and Keith Timms is on the compressors.

#### NORTHERN AREA

Here in the North, a few jobs are trying to get under way. Out on Willard Bay, Gibbons and Reed are trying to clam out some mud around the pumps but are having quite a little difficulty as the weather just won't cooperate. It has stormed every day since they started. The Strong Company reports that no decision has been given on the Layton Canal job and it will have to wait for at least five or six weeks before it can start up again on the Porcupine Dam. There is still a great deal of snow up there.

Wheelwright Construction Company is working on the Pipeline job at East Layton but has only a few operators on this job. It pulled its crusher out of the yard and may do some crushing in West Ogden.

Germer, Abbott and Waldron have started their crusher but are doing very little on this project other than getting some gravel on their road job just out of Ogden. Hilton and Carr have started on the waterline up in Brigham City but so far have only a few operators on this job.

Things at Thiokol are at a complete standstill except for a few buildings, but as soon as the weather breaks there will be lots of roads to be repaired and constr:ucted in that area.

J. B. Parsons Company has very little work in the state of Utah; therefore he has moved most of his equipment and operators into Idaho. This leaves only a few mechanics in his shop at Smithfield. Many of the Contractors such as Brewster, Miles and Fife are really anxious to get their jobs going, but mud, rain and snow makes it quite discouraging

The Sand and Gravel Companies, such as Fife, Parsons and Waterfall, have had a mighty tough time keeping their old hands busy this past winter.

#### PROVO AREA

Strong Company is attempting to start work in its 13th South Orem access road to Interstate 15 Freeway. Some of the members who are being called back are Clyde Neilson, Paul Buttars

#### **Utah Meetings**

OGDEN—Third Tuesday of the month.

LOGAN—Fourth Tuesday of the month.

PROVO-First Tuesday of the month.

VERNAL — San Francisco Chemical Co., courthouse, 6 p.m. CEDAR CITY—Third Tuesday of each month—City and County Building.

KENNECOTT COPPER—First Thursday of each month—12:30 and 7:30 p.m.

on B-Pulls, Orville Wardel on pushcat, Glen Holt, Merl Davis for the blades, Lynn Larsen and Don Olsen on the tampers and Rapley Bird doing the servicing. This company wants to complete this job at the earliest possible date and move the men and equipment to their Jensen job, which is still bogged down.

This company also has an incomplete job from Greendale Junction toward Vernal on the Flaming Gorge Pass.

We have had a pre-job conference with Tiago Construction Company, successful bidders on the Bridgeland-to-Duchesne highway 40 job. It's now moving equipment from Colorado to the job site.

#### SOUTHERN AREA

There has been some indication of Spring, some mechanics have been called out to help get the equipment in shape and some of the contractors are beginning to line up their crews.

We are happy to report that Utah Mining and Construction Company at the Iron Mines near Cedar City has worked to this date without a cut-back for the first time in several years.

At this time we would like to remind the members on this job that their contract is up this year. We encourage your attendance at the monthly meetings held in Cedar City on the third Tuesday of each month, at which discussion should be held on the desired changes in the forthcoming contract negotiations.

Another building project at Cedar City is scheduled to be let February 28th. This will be a two million dollar High School. This should attract some more fair trades building contractors to this area.

### San Mateo Report

### Apprentice Class Now Under Way

By BILL RANEY and DAN MATTESON

After 60 years of speculation, 20 years of consideration and a year of hard work by the officers and members of Local 3, an officially recognized apprenticeship program lifted off the pad at Coyote Point Campus of the College of San Mateo on February 13.

At this writing, the class like Colonel Glenn, has made three orbits under the able guidance of Brother Joe Brown, Brother Brown's ability as a journeyman is well known to most members in San Mateo. He has followed the game for more years than most apprentices are old, as a HD Repairman Foreman and Master Mechanic, and is presently working as HD Repairman foreman for Piombo Construction Co. Brothers Hannum, Eckes and Frias are watching the program and have agreed to act as alternate instructors. Space does not permit description of the hundreds of meetings by the Joint Apprenticeship Committee and its various Sub-Committees with State and Federal Agencies, with various school districts, the Employer Groups, attorneys, educators and applicants, etc.

#### REGISTRATION

This historic occasion was heralded by the registration of the following applicants for indenture to the program:

Warren Amrine, Wendell Barden, Oscar Cameron, Larry Chaney, John Edmondson, Lowell Johnson, Stanley Milam, Jim Piffero, Chuck Schindler, Jess Whitsell, Dale Armstrong, Jim Bryan, John Cammara, Billy Conn

Gary Fambirini, Tony Keeble, Ed McCuiston, Warren Pemberton, Frank Snow, Nels Blagen, Ronald Buch, Howard Capener, Dave Drahos, Peter Favre, Steve Kurtz, Jerry Oliver, David Spath, Jim Westphal.

Mark these names well, broth-

ers. In years to come most of them will no doubt be master mechanics, foremen, superintendents and owners of companies. It will be no easy road, however. They will be required to take two nights a week of two hours each night of related classroom instruction and a minimum of 6,000 hours of on-the-job training. This 6,000 hours of training is broken down into specific minimums for each type of work that a journeyman must know. Each apprentice must master each section before graduation. Every brother in Local No. 3 is urged to help these apprentices in every way by showing them how to get the vast knowledge he has acquired through his years of work at our trade.

Your local Sub-Committee of the JAC, composed of two management and two union representatives, will be grading the apprentices constantly.

#### CHANNELS

Your representatives have had a pre-job conference with the officials of Associated Dredging Co. It is presently digging channels preparing for the big job of bringing in about 11 million yards of sand to start with. This project should have a total of 75 dredgemen working by early summer.

Negotiations are nearly complete with Stanford University and A.B.A., its contracting agency, for commencement of Project "M."

Another Radar Tower is being started to be part of the San Francisco Airport system. There should be some crane and pile driver work on this one.

A 40-acre industrial project is being proposed for that area west by northwest of Coyote Point. This job will necessarily be a filled portion of the bay and will take a lot of dirt with some levee work

### Nevada Rundown-Plenty Of Water And Snow

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

After a three-year dry spell we have received more moisture in the last two weeks than we can handle in some portions of our great Silver State. Parts of Highway 40 and the Southern Pacific tracks had to be cut open to drain off the City of Battle Mountain, where water had backed up into some homes as much as four feet. If the snow keeps on piling up in the hills, we will be in good shape this coming summer. Meanwhile things are a muddy mess in most areas.

At the Van Vooris Naval Air Station east of Fallon, the Fullerton Construction Company is trying to keep going despite the weather. Brother "Pinkey" Vaughn on the dragline with his oiler, Brother Charles Schafer, is getting some pipe laid, and Brother Les Sanders is running the pumps on the well point system, while on the other side of the base there's Brother Wayne

Straight on the Reno Iron Company crane with his oiler Brother "Rod" Rodney hoisting the iron and mud for the Jen-Mar project. The C&H Construction Company, which is putting the rock on the roads into the practice bombing ranges, south of Fallon, also is hampered by the weather:

#### LIGHT EFFECT

The Anaconda Company at Weed Heights is one of the few operations in the area which the weather does not bother too much—the pit and the primary crusher working two shifts while the secondary crushers and the mill operations as well as the acid plant run three shifts. The shops and maintenance crews vary from one shift in some departments to three shifts in the main garage, and Wabuska is running smooth, as always, with Brothers H. L. "Bud" Provost, Norman Pursel and "Tony" Smith keeping things rolling.

Our highway work is exceptionally slow again due to in-

clement weather conditions. The Isbell job at Wadsworth and the Dodge job and the Wells-Cargo job, both of the latter on Highway No. 40 (Interstate 80) east of Lovelock, all try to run between storms but it is a hit and miss affair. Silver State Construction Company road in Coal Canyon was rolling along real good until the storms moved in. Of course, Iron mines at Lovelock and the Standard Slag Company Iron mine at Wabuska are still grinding away.

The Industrial Construction Company, Inc., of Las Vegas, was awarded the 24-mile stretch of secondary highway be tween Highway 50 and Strawberry. Its bid was \$616,196.10 This job starts approximately 15 miles east of Eureka, Nevada, and runs north to Strawberry a distance of 23.988 miles. By the time this paper reaches your mail box, another contract on Highway 6 in Mineral County will have been let. This will be a rock job starting at the California-Nevada line

and running to a point approximately nine miles east.

WELL ALONG

McKenzie Construction and Walker Boudwin's joint venture at the Earl Wooster High School job on East Plumb Lane in Reno, is well along. Brother Frank Jakowatz, the outstanding crane man, has done a lot of work on this job with Holcomb's rig. Isbell Construction Company has been doing some grading on this job.

George Grifall Company has a couple of jobs on Second Street, downtown Reno. George has demolished the old J. C. Penney Building and back-filled the basement and it will be a parking lot. One of the old-time members told us that this corner used to be a livery stable. He drove his team in when he was a young fellow. Now they are going to park the new fancy gas wagon there.

Grifall's other big job is at Second and Center Streets, where Harrah's Club is putting a new building, two floors below the street level and two floors above street level.

Stolte Company has its job well along at the University of Nevada. However, things are a bit slow with Brother James Mott, the one drummer, in the hospital. He will be back soon as you can't keep a good man like Jim down for long.

La Grange Construction Company, better known as Johnny "The Little Man" DeLaGrange, has moved most of his equipment down from Lake Tahoe to his yard on Lakeside Drive and Moana Lane in Reno, Nevada. Johnny has quite a bit of work starting around Reno.

The extension of the Nugget in Sparks is shaping up. Some of the brothers have had good jobs there most of the winter. It will be a real nice place when it's finished and will seat 600 people.

The Sierra Engineering, Inc., agreement was finally signed February 16, after a long, drawnout negotiation.

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### Work Pickup With Spring

By E. M. NELSON, EDW. G. HEARN, BILL METTZ, C. E. COCKAYNE, and AL DALTON

In the Sacramento area, it has been the worst month we have had in about four years.

The work is at a standstill but it looks like we will have a good year when spring gets here.

C. J. Dorfman Co. has been trying to take advantage of the brief periods of good weather to finish its sewer job but it has been getting little help from the weather man. There is still some pipe to go in the ground and all of the paving and cleanup is to be done. It should be able to finish in about thirty days if the weather would hold good for that long.

Most of the grading and paving contractors are sitting around their offices, looking out the windows and watching it rain.

#### TOO WET

Teichert and Son has quite a lot of work left on the storm sewer job of the American River but it has been too wet to work. They also have small grading jobs all over the area that remain to be finished including work at the Aerojet plant.

Delta Construction Co. is working a couple of Brother Engineers at Aerojet on various small projects. H. C. Smith Co. has a steady crew of three that takes care of any work that falls under our jurisdiction. They are Brothers Virgil Capps, Richard Byerum and Richard Pierce.

Brighton Sand and Gravel has been moving dirt in the plant area. It lost time only when it was raining the hardest.

Teichert's plant at Perkins is back in operation after being down for extensive repairs. The portable plant, popularly known as the "Green Hornet," is in the Manlove pit at Perkins but has been shut down for a while due to water rising in the pit.

Arden Ready Mix has been crushing rock all winter and will be going straight on through without stopping.

The shop crew at Granite Construction on Power Inn Road has been hard at it getting the equipment back in shape for the next work season.

#### SNOW PROBLEM

Snow has virtually stopped all work on Highway 40 and the Lake Tahoe Area. Briggs-Conley-Dennis are moving the equipment into Nevada but will have it back on the Donner Summit for an early start.

R. J. Miles has renovated its plant on the Bear River to comply with the state safety recommendations.

Also on the Bear River at Colfax Sierra Milling Co. keeps three brothers busy producing quartz rock for processing at the Colfax mill, where we have five Engineers at the controls. Joe Cheveraux has eight brothers busy at the plant on the Bear River and in the shop at Auburn. This is a good go-ahead crew of engineers.

Big "Red" Simpson is still going steady with no lay-offs or turnover on several jobs located in Placer and El Dorado coun-

Roseville Dry Mix Products, a recently organized concern, has been going along with the agreement 100 per cent and has seven engineers on the pay roll. Pacific Ready Mix has taken over the Roseville Ready Mix plant and employed an engineer to operate the plant.

On Monday morning, February 12, an era in gold dredging in the Folsom area and on the Feather River which began at the turn of the century, ended for the Natomas Company when it closed down Dredge No. 6, its last operating dredge.

Natomas has a considerable acreage which could be dredged if the price was right, but Uncle Sam has failed to consider the plight of the gold miner. The net result is that increased operational costs have finally reached the point of saturation and recently gone beyond for this company. The result is that more operating engineers are being relegated to the ranks of the unem-

Natomas Co. has had as many as five hundred operating engineers employed on the dredges over the years. Several have spent their entire working life working there and are in their early sixties.

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### Hawaii Report

# Interesting State Budget

By HAROLD LEWIS, RUPERT TEVES, and BERT NAKANO

The largest topic of public conversation and concern in Hawaii is the Governor's proposed budget. When his publicity department sent the job schedules and proposed salary increases for government workers, someone forgot all about the estimated income for the State treasury.

The smiles of anticipation turned to frowns when the public was informed that the State will be short by about \$6 million if the Governor's proposals were accepted.

The Hawaii C.O.P.E. office has informed us that, because of the overload of work due to the sessions of the State Senate and Legislature, there will not be a C.O.P.E. Bulletin in February, but the March issue will be full of news.

Construction is still slow. J. M. Tanaka was low bidder on the Mt. Kaala job, but has not yet been given the contract, Subdivider Treausdale has lost his battle to subdivide the Kawainue Swamp into home sites and the city will condemn the area for a park; knowing how the mayor's office works, this will take another two years to start. The Parker Ranch project will not start for another five or six months. The last report from the company, Haas and Haynie, is that the detail drawings have not been started on as of this writing.

Your guess is as good as ours as to when the highway jobs will start. Your Central Labor Council is doing everything in their power to build a fire under the Governor's seat and get these and other State jobs started so the unemployed can get the work.

There is a move on by the plantation managers to lower the tax rate on sugar and pineapple. Their argument is that the present tax structure is gradually pricing their products off the market.

If this proposed tax reduction goes through, all the taxpayers in the State will have to contribute more to cover the \$3 million dollar loss. If you have any friends in the State Senate or House, contact them and tell them to fight against such a tax

The water system improvement projects for Kona Hawaii are finally going to start. After being awarded the contracts months ago, A. C. Chock, Ltd. and J. M. Tanka have been told to start on this much needed system for this dry area of the

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