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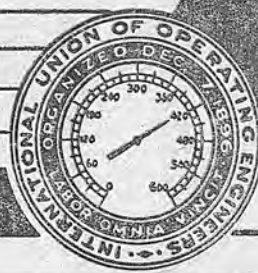
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ON HAND for the San Mateo Building Trades' Blood Bank Day were (from left) Local 3 Business Manager Al Clem, San Mateo Business Representative Bill Raney and San Francisco Dispatcher Ed Dubos.

Blood Donor Day

Local 3 Helps in Life-Savings Drive

The San Mateo County Building Trades Council and its affiliated locals—including Local 3 of the Operating Engineers—demonstrated a concern for fellow members at the Peninsula Blood Bank in Burlingame last month. This bi-annual blood drive has received national acclaim as the largest and most outstanding event of its type in the United States.

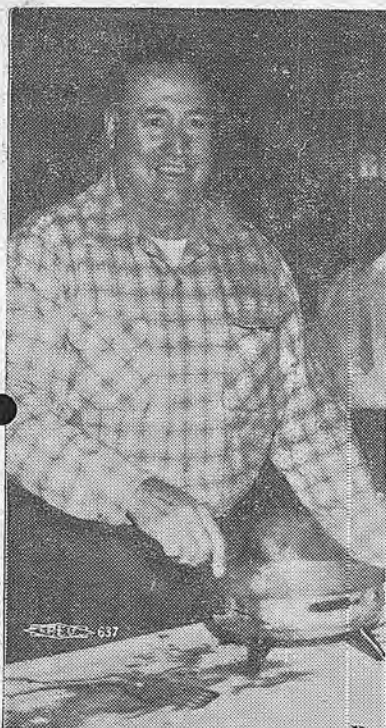
Local 3 representatives were on hand at 7 a.m. the morning of June 3 to assist in cooking and serving breakfast to the Brothers. Present were Business

Manager Al Clem, Vice-President Jerry Dowd, Business Representatives Bill Raney, Dan Matteson and George Baker.

As an example of the magnitude of this event 51 dozen eggs were served to blood donors.

Of the 216 pints of blood donated that day, 16 were given by Engineers. Not the top of the list, but surely a respectable showing. Those who donated were James Batista, Elsie and James Jensen, Dorothy and Norris Cummings, James Treadway, Ed DuBos, David Toews, Robert Lehman, Frank Fred-

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VICE-PRESIDENT Jerry Dowd worked over a hot skillet and served some 55 packages of sausage to union members at San Mateo's Blood Bank Day.

Dirt Moving Tops 200 Million Yards

2-Day Union Safety Talks In Stockton

A two-day union safety conference, designed for union business agents and local union officials and co-sponsored by the State Division of Industrial Safety, Teamsters Local 439, and Operating Engineers, Local 3, was held in Stockton on June 22 and 23.

Thomas N. Saunders, chief of the Division of Safety, extended an invitation to this first-of-its-kind seminar to officers and business agents of every local union in a ten county area.

TEN COUNTIES

These counties were represented: San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Amador, Alpine, Calaveras, El Dorado, Napa, Solano, Contra Costa and Tuolumne. Attending from Local 3 was Walter Talbot, district representative in Stockton.

In addition to Saunders, who closed the session with an overall view of the Industrial Safety Division's responsibilities in the total safety picture, prominent speakers were Florence Clifton, chief of the Division of Industrial Welfare, and M. I. Gershenson, chief of the Division of Labor Statistics and Research.

Mrs. Clifton discussed the special safety problems of women in industry, and Gershenson explored the causes of injuries and the troublesome question of

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Engineers' Big Role In Growth of West

More than 150,000,000 yards of dirt were being moved on construction jobs throughout the area of Local 3's jurisdiction last month, a partial survey of jobs sites has revealed.

At least 50,000,000 yards were being moved on jobs from areas unreported, putting the total yardage at more than 200,000,000.

The reported jobs range in size from 20,000 yards at the Stolte-Stephens bridge in the Stockton area to 20,000,000 on the hydraulic dredge deep water channel out of Sacramento.

"This is one indication of the tremendous part our members are playing in the continued growth of the West," said Business Manager Al Clem, who made the survey.

"The great number of yards being moved also reflects the use of larger and faster equipment on the jobs and the letting of jobs in larger units."

Some of the reports were:

From Salt Lake City: 20,209,476 yards — mostly highway jobs.

From Fresno: 4,000,000 yards, not including yardage moved prior to January 1 on some of the larger projects.

From Redding: 25,660,080 yards.

From Stockton: 4,860,000 yards, including 2,600,000 on the Green, Winston, Tecon dam construction job.

From Eureka: 6,000,000 yards

From Oakland: 30,029,000 yards, including 19,450,000 in upper Contra Costa County.

From Sacramento: 48,299,000 yards on 18 jobs.

Pole Plant Vote Won By Local 3

Operating Engineers Local 3 has been chosen by an overwhelming vote to represent the employees of the B. J. Carney & Co. pole treating plant at Madera, Calif.

Local 3 was chosen as the bargaining agent with only 3 votes against it during the June 27 election that was held by the National Labor Relations Board.

The vote was a gratifying demonstration of the confidence these men put in the union and its representatives, who set out immediately to negotiate a contract under which they will work.

It came also as a complete rejection by the employees to an appeal by the employer that they should each deal individually. The company had told the men in a letter that "If you vote in a union to represent you then neither you nor us can operate on a personal basis."

As millions of men before them, the men at Carney chose the strength of unionism over the "personal" employee-to-boss relationship that the company obviously would have preferred.

With this demonstration by the men of the Carney Company of their desire for representation by Local 3 came the assurance that the Union would provide them the services that no man could seek as a lone bargainer.

Ed Hearne originally signed up these new members while he was assigned to the Fresno area. Now he and Joseph Miller are working jointly with the men at Carney.

Labor Asks Strong Defense

The leaders of American labor have called on Congress to give President Kennedy "full emergency power" to mobilize the Nation's resources in any world crisis.

The call was part of a declaration by the AFL-CIO on the urgency of strengthened military preparation for combatting threats from the Soviet Union.

It was adopted by the Federation's executive council, meet-

ing at Unity House, Pa., in the name of its 12,500,000 members.

The unionists urged public support of renewed nuclear testing, tighter curbs on shipments of machinery and food to Iron Curtain countries, and joint Allied action to prevent Soviet "imperialism" from altering the status quo in Germany.

Senator Mike Mansfield's proposal for making Berlin a "free

city" was denounced by the council, which took the view that the withdrawal of allied troops from West Berlin would leave it defenseless against the Communist bloc and thus turn the heart of Europe into "an even more dangerous source of world tension and conflict."

George Meany, AFL-CIO president, said he was against the Mansfield plan "completely, absolutely and conclusively."



TWO SHIFTS are working on the Terminus Dam, where the Winston-Green Co. has recalled a full crew of men. The control tower is almost completed. In the background is

the area that will form the lake when the dam is filled. Brother Burnice Griffith is operating the "stiff leg" on the outlet control tower.

Fresno Area

Out-of-Work List Cut 50 Per Cent

By **JOE MILLER** and **B. F. "TINY" HELLING**

The work situation in the Fresno District has been very slow this season, but has finally started to pick up. During the past two weeks some of the larger jobs have started and a good number of men have been dispatched to work.

However, there is no big job in sight for this season and we expect the job situation to remain far below the past seasons. Many of our members from this district have moved into other areas where there is work and consequently our out-of-work list has dropped 50% per cent during the past month and some classifications are becoming scarce.

LEVEE JOBS

The levee jobs at Merced are awarded and underway. Charley

Harney is expected to go two shifts on his job, which will take about 30 operators.

H. Earl Parker is progressing very well at Mt. Bullion. Most of the excavating is done on the job and Baldwin Construction should be ready to do the rock crushing and paving before long.

All of the rock plants and hot plants in the district are busy.

Industrial Asphalt Co. of California has purchased the Polard Concrete properties and the Rice Bros. plant at Pinedale. They are increasing their operations and are undertaking some paving operations.

Cherf Bros. and Sandkay Construction Co. of Madera have finished the fill on their canal job, but the ditching crew have until August. The Bureau of

Reclamation opened bids June 27 on part two for earthwork and structures at Madera for an extension on this job.

This company was awarded eight miles of road at Johnsondale. Griffith Co. has started putting up a hot plant and crusher five miles east of Porterville for their job on highway 99 at Tipton.

Hayden Church has the sub-contract on the dirt and has 15 of the brothers busy. L. B. Wells has the dirt finished on his job on avenue 384 out of Dinuba. This company has also fired up their hot plant for their resurfacing job at Sequoia Park. Connors Construction at Lemoore Airbase have a few brothers busy putting in underground pipe for the five hundred Capehart houses.

Oakland Area

Jobs Still Roll — 634 Cleared

By **DON KINCHLOE**, "TINY" **LAUX**, **NORRIS CASEY** and **TOM ECK**

The Oakland area is still rolling and looks as if it will continue for some time. There have been 634 members cleared in the month of June.

We would like to thank the brothers for calling in and informing the union of the problems on the jobs. We have put many engineers to work with your help, and we know these engineers who have gone to work appreciate and thank you.

Peter Kiewit & Sons Co. of the Southwest District out of San Francisco are moving right along on 3.8 miles of divided freeway to the Martinez Benicia Bridge, consisting of four lanes with seven traffic separation bridges with interchange and access facilities.

BRIDGE

The major bridge crossing over the Southern Pacific Railroad and heavily traveled country road is about 1200 feet in length. As of this date, they have moved some 500,000 cubic yards of dirt with about the same amount still to be moved.

This job is under the supervision of Jim Kovac, project superintendent; grade foreman are Brothers Forrest Thorpe, John Brown, Wayne Brookshire and Bud Noon. The master mechanic on this job: Eight DW-21, two D-9 cats, six D-8 dozers, one D-6, two blades, one Hough loader, DW 20 Grid Roller and one NW 80 D Dragline with Brother George Freeland, operator and Charles Holzen, oiler. N. W. 25 backhoe Bill Conn, operator and oiler Dewey Dabbs. One the 35 ton Lorain T/C, Brother Bud Rich, operator, and Brother Guy Basile's doing the greasing. On the grease truck is Brother D. O. Hawkins and Brother Grady

Jackson. They have six mechanics and two mechanic helpers on this job. May 1, 1962, is the approximate completion date of this job.

BALL JOB

On the Gordon H. Ball job in Martinez, the superintendent is Sam Martinelli, job engineer is Milt Greenstein, office manager is Gloria French, master mechanic is Cliff Sheffield, grade foreman is Lloyd Portloch and Carl Prince is also grade foreman.

They are building three miles through Concord and Pacheco, also rebuilding one and a half miles along Arnold Highway. This will tie into Kiewit's job that connects to Martinez-Benicia bridge. They have 10 DW-20's, three D-9's, two D-8's, miscellaneous blades, rollers, etc. About 900,000 cubic yards are to be excavated for this job with 500,000 from one big cut. Seven sets of bridges to be built by Bos Construction. Block paving and underground work by Martin Bros. Piling by Raymond Concrete Pile.

APPRENTICESHIP

Seven heavy duty repairman who gave up one night of home life to take the aptitude test conducted by the U.S. Department of Labor to help Local 3 get the apprenticeship program off the ground. The experts can determine quite a bit from the over-all results and this is a big step in setting the standards for the future Local 3 apprentice heavy duty repairman.

The Murphy-Universal drain pipe project in Richmond is going along well under the direction of Larry Holly with an outstanding crew of Engineers such as Brothers Darrel Wimmer, "Red" Tankersley and Tom Kelsey doing the excavation work with the backhoes with their oilers, Gene Gilstrap, Thane Clark, and R. O. McCarty. Placing the pipe with the new 11B is Brother Les Davis and oiler Jack Webster. On the loaders doing the backfilling are Brothers "Hank" Mundt and Jim Quinn.

SAFEBAY JOB

The Safeway distribution expansion program in Richmond is getting off to a good start. The Perini Corp. is the prime contractor for the \$3 million project with O. C. Jones doing the excavation, grading and rocking. Center Line Ditching, K. D. Mattingly, McGuire and Hester and W. R. Stephens and Son doing the trenching for the foundation and the pipe, etc. This job will keep some Engineers employed for about one year.

The new Blue Chip Stamp Co. office building, warehouse and stamp redemption center is going up in Richmond with a tight schedule under the prime contract of Carl Overaa. Bob Smith is doing the excavating and grading with Leo Scramaglia and E & K Trenching digging the foundation.

At the El Portal Shopping Center in San Pablo, things are shaping up with a Yuba Erector's rig setting the steel and Berkeley Plywood putting the lids on. D & D Trenching Co. and S. M. Roberson Co. are doing the ditching.

Employment Increase In California

Although employment in California rose sharply in May, unemployment remained at the April level, two state officials reported.

Civilian employment climbed by 104,000 from April to a record May total of 6,096,000, according to John F. Henning, Director of Industrial Relations.

Increases from April were largely seasonal. Of the additional workers, about three-fifths — or 63,000 — were in agriculture. Employment also rose seasonally in trade, construction, services, and other industries.

In manufacturing, an April-May increase of 10,000 resulted in large part from the return to work of machinists who had been on strike in April in the San Francisco-Oakland and San Jose areas.

There were 41,000 more Californians employed in May than at this time last year. Employment gains were limited to services, government, trade, and finance. These gains outstripped the year-to-year losses in manufacturing, agriculture, transportation-communication-utilities, construction, and mineral extraction.

Jobs Roll On In Southern Alameda County

The work in Southern Alameda County is still going full blast. This month has been a rough one for our brothers though, because of the heat. In Dublin, it has been as hot as 112 degrees in the afternoon.

In Livermore, it has been up to 116 degrees on the Case Hood job in the Altamont Pass. In all other cities it has been hot and miserable. Because the weather had been so changeable all spring, the hot wave hurt when it hit. Many of the jobs had to knock off early and let the fellows go home.

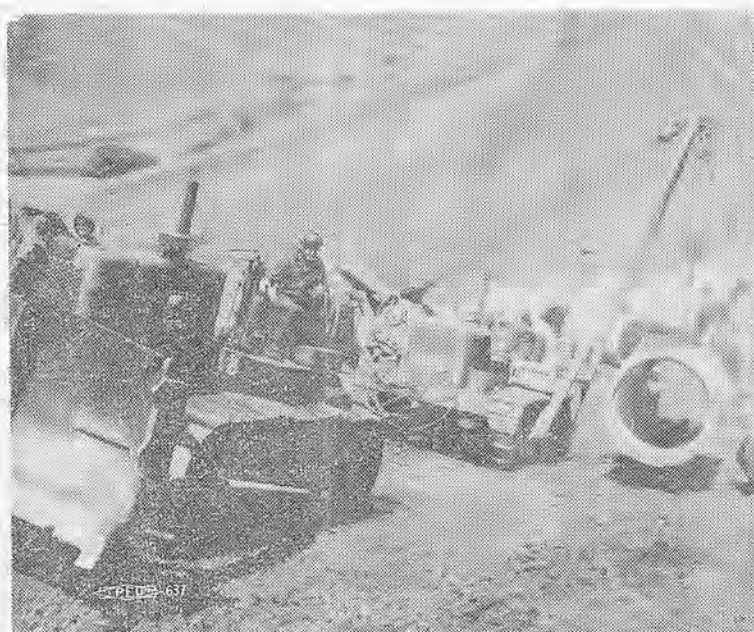
Santa Clara Sand and Gravel Co., from Santa Clara, is putting in a new plant near Sunol. The plant originally belong to Merritt-Chapman and Scott and was used on the George Dam Project in Washington. There will be a crusher, screening plant and a washer. They anticipate having it erected and in working order in approximately 30 days. We have 13 engineers on this job now.

Piombo Construction is going good on the approaches to the San Mateo Bridge. They are hauling some 5000 yards of dirt per day. They have three dozers and a belt loader at the La Vista Quarries in Hayward. They have one D-8 dozer and a new 380

Michigan with a blade working at the bridge.

The Case-Hood job in Livermore is well underway now. This job is in the hills along the Altamont Pass. This is a hard job for everyone concerned. A couple weeks ago the wind was blowing so bad that it was almost impossible to work. Now it is so hot that it is really miserable.

The job itself is rough. It is through the hills, and the hills are steep. They are digging the ditch with a 54B Backhoe. The laying rig is a 95 Northwest. The backhoe has to have help on the hills and is usually pulled by a sideboom. They have a spread of D-W20s on the job digging for the canal and are putting in a trimmer which should be in operation soon.



AT LIVERMORE, Brother Leroy "Cowboy" Bernard strings pipe on the Case-Hood job with the help of Brother Jim Logsdon on a D-8.

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What's Doing?

FEDERAL FREEWAY AID . . . California can look to more freeway jobs as a result of some \$72 million released by the federal government to the state. The funds were ordered released by President Kenendy for the first quarter of the 1962 fiscal year, which began July 1. . . .

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SAFETY ORDERS . . . Although the percentage of injuries in construction work has gone down, the rate is still so high that California probably will begin enforcing safety laws more vigorously. Of all work injuries in the State, 79.4 per cent were on construction jobs. At that, however, the rate is 3.8 per cent below 1959 even though work forces expanded by 2 per cent. . . .

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VETERANS DIVIDEND . . . Special dividends will be paid to holders of GI insurance in the near future. It will amount to 80 per cent of the regular dividend you received earlier. The VA points out that the dividend will be automatic and you do not need to write in. Inquiries will only slow down payments. . . .

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COST OF A HOME . . . The average family buying a new home in 1960 with a mortgage insured by the FHA had an annual income of \$7,590. This family has a home that cost \$14,939, makes monthly payments of \$104.90 and other expenses that bring total housing costs to nearly \$131. Despite the averages, however, the FHA says each family needs to figure out how much it can spend on a home after making provisions in its budget for all other expenses. . . .

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BOAT SAFETY . . . About 1,300 persons die each year in boating accidents—mainly because of a neglect of elementary rules of safe boating. Some rules to remember: Don't use a motor that's too powerful. Stay ashore in bad or threatening weather. Don't overload the boat. Avoid sudden bursts of speed or quick turns. Don't smoke while refueling. . . .

Utah Report: Valley Work Falls Short

By T. J. STAPLETON, MERLIN BOWMAN, JOHN THORNTON, JAY NEELY

The work just has never developed in the Salt Lake Valley as we predicted. A small amount has developed, but we had hopes for a busy summer in the dirt moving business.

We have two sewer jobs starting in South Bountiful which together amounted to \$760,000. Lloyd Jackson Co. is low bidder on one schedule and Herb Plewe Co. was successful on the other.

Statewide Plumbing Co. and Nelson Brothers with whom we have signed agreements are starting sewer jobs simultaneously in the Magna area. Butler Construction Co. was low bidder on the Magna disposal plant and are now underway with construction.

Gibbons and Reed Co. has had to lay the second shift off at Garfield. Delay in the construction of the overpass structure and difficulty with the tailings discharge structures were the cause of the lay-off. This company is now at work on their section of the new freeway.

Brother Lynn Robinson is operating the 1201 Lima and

SALT LAKE OFFICE CLOSED ON SATURDAY

So the agents can more effectively check the jobs which are working on Saturday, the Salt Lake City office will be closed on Saturday.

The office is open every Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. for union business, and in addition we are now having area meetings throughout Utah so members may contact the business representatives.

Brother Sheri Bernson is oiling. They are driving vertical sand drains for the new freeway. We understand Brother Glen Fullmer will operate this machine on the second shift when it starts.

The section of the freeway from 8th to 18th South has been advertised for letting on July 7. This should be a good job and should go till winter sets in.

Western Contracting Corporation is still whittling away at the mountain at Bingham. Since moving to the west side they have not had sufficient room to use all their equipment. At present, they are able to spread out some and are taking on a few new hands. This company has about 3½ million yards left on this contract which will amount to about four months' work.

GENEVA

After several postponements on the shut down on the blast furnace at Geneva, it looks like now it may possibly go in the mid-summer, maybe.

W. W. Clyde Co. has just purchased a new 108-A Link Belt 40 ton motor crane and have put two of their own engineers to work breaking it in on 20 ton plus pre-cast beams. Charlie Sa-

bey and Rex Wardle seem to be handling it like they have been on it for years.

Daniel's Canyon is taking on a new look with Tiago's boys grinding away at the rock, and getting well up toward the summit. They just moved in a crusher and will soon be lawing gravel.

UINTAH BASIN

Pease Brothers Co. was just awarded 103 miles of pipe line costing nearly two million dollars beginning at Ouray and running down to Carbon County and ending up at Clear Creek. They have 120 days to complete the job and are planning to work six ten-hour days. The men for this job will be dispatched out of the Provo office. The superintendent is Jake Cheaves, who has been with the Company for some time.

Wheelwright Construction Co. from Ogden has some of the Basin engineers along with the men they had last year on their road job at Green Lakes, near Flaming Gorge. They have started a two shift operation with Max Hunter as superintendent.

FLAMING GORGE

Arch Dam has raised nearly 105 feet of concrete since they started pouring last Fall. One hundred and twenty-seven thousand, three hundred and twenty-three cubic yards of concrete has been placed to date of which 111,552 cubic yards has been placed in the dam. 1,851 yards have been placed in the shale tunnels, 4,536 cubic yards in the outlet works, 3,701 in the retaining wall and 3,527 cubic yards in the Powerhouse.

Dick Sumsion at Bryce Canyon is going strong with a very capable crew of Brothers.

V. C. Mendenhall was the successful bidder at Hatch, Utah. We look for him to transfer all of his men to this job, so there will be very few new men on the job.

San Francisco Report

Redevelopment Job Starts

By PAUL EDGEcombe, JERRY DOWD and GEORGE BAKER

The 108-acre Western addition is being restored by 22 private developers, including Eichler Homes, who will build a \$17 million project in the four square blocks bounded by Laguna, Gough, Ellis and Geary.

The construction now underway involves 72 garden apartments at a cost of \$2 million and is expected to be completed this year. These apartments will include three bedrooms, two baths and family rooms. The company also will construct more than 600 units of high-rise residential construction that will have one, two and three bedrooms. Half will be completed in 1962 and the balance in 1963. The project also includes a bank, a restaurant and a supermarket in the 1962-63 period.

A 240-unit circular building

with every room facing an inner court 150 feet in diameter is one of many innovations in the contemporary style apartment project.

The surrounding area will be developed by other apartment construction and school, church and recreational facilities will be expanded. Five medical facilities and a three-block Japanese Cultural and Trade Center will also be included.

Eichler Homes will begin construction in early fall on its second San Francisco development, a \$3.5 million project in Diamond Heights.

OTHER JOBS

From reports we have received, start of construction of the Hilton Hotel will be delayed some four or five weeks.

Additions to Fifth Street parking garage are being built by Cahill Brothers with Pacific State Steel subcontracting the steel work.

L. C. Smith of San Mateo has a large resurfacing job on Van Ness Avenue with Thermo Bond Company furnishing heating equipment for the removal of the present surface.

M & K Corporation has furnished the excavation on the San Francisco College Law School project. We expect to see the building work start very soon.

Rothchild, Raffan & Warrick on the Lone Mountain project has begun doing its own grading with Clark & Clark Company doing the drill work.

CLAIMS

It has been brought to your Business Representatives' attention that some of the Brothers are having problems with the health and welfare claims. Many problems such as companies not reporting or improperly reporting of first name or Social Security number. Since our last report, we have been able to help several of the Brothers and would be most happy to help any one who may be having difficulty along these lines.

BRISBANE

Brisbane's new industrial area at this time seems to be one of our biggest areas. New grading, landscaping, underground buildings being started as fast as land is made available by builders.

We have a report that negotiations have begun for a \$2 million, 51-year lease in Chris C. Keon's tract in Daly City with an additional \$750,000 proposed to be spent by builder, Barton Development Co. for stores, shops, etc.

The large buildings in the San Francisco area seem to be employing approximately the same number of men with some just starting and some nearing completion. It seems to be the trend in this building work when one building is finished a new one starts.

Blood Bank Day: Local 3 Helps San Mateo Drive

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rickson, Robert Lenz, Floyd Pike, Douglas Gray, Samuel Rossi, Jack and Ralph Barker.

First to anticipate the need of a reserve supply of blood and plasma were members of labor organizations in San Mateo County. Their suggestion that a permanent blood bank would be a significant contribution to civilian and national defense and also of lasting benefit to the entire community received immediate approval and unanimous endorsement by the San Mateo County Medical Society.

As a result of the united and enthusiastic cooperation of the citizens of San Mateo County, the San Mateo County Blood Bank, a non-profit community

enterprise, was officially incorporated on April 14, 1942, three months after its creation was first proposed, giving San Mateo County one of the first and finest blood banks in the nation.

On May 22, 1942, the Blood Bank began its priceless and enduring services, which have come to mean the difference between life and death to thousands of stricken persons.

In the first year of operation 4,063 donors gave blood and the 1960 report shows that 12,826 units were processed.

Trustees of the Peninsula Memorial Blood Bank come from every segment of our community life and labor is represented by Henry P. Schwab, Kenneth M. Hower and U. S. Simonds Jr.

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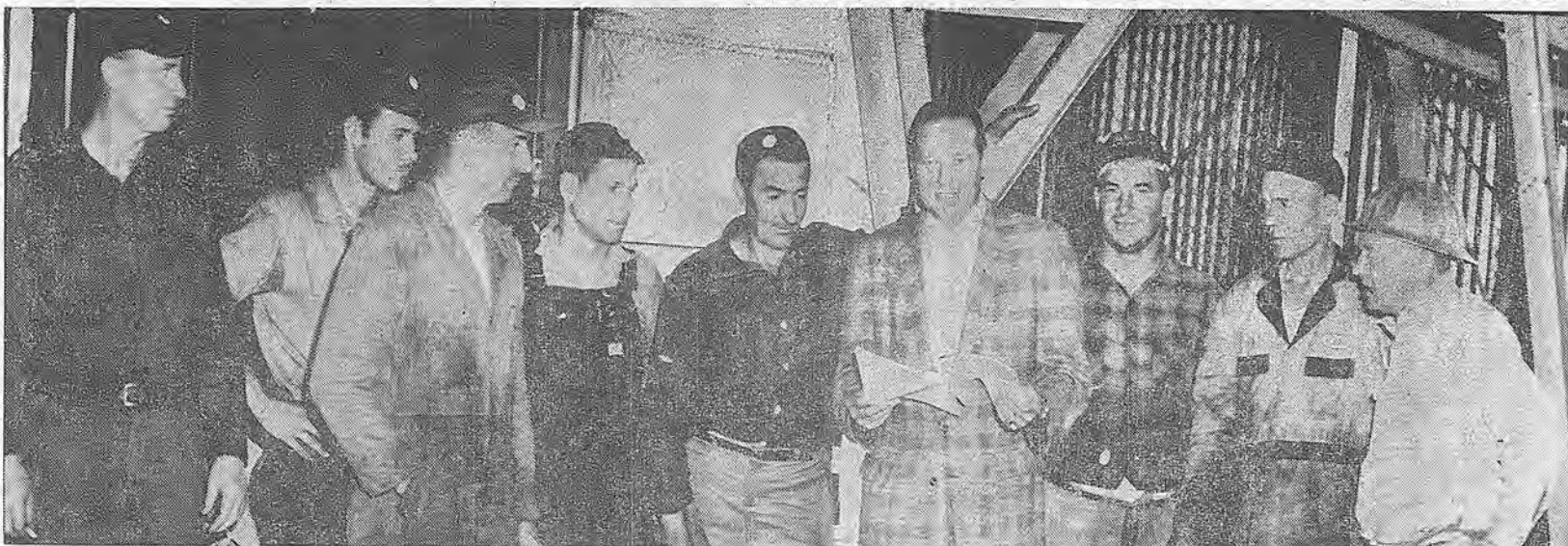
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Oakland



AGREEMENT negotiated by the Marysville office for brothers at the Yuba-Sutter Oil and Burner Company is shown to the employees by District Representative Harold Huston. The package increase was worth 47 cents an hour. From left are Brothers Miles Hart, George Wilson, H.

Dean Cummings, Joel Williams, Harold Herr, Huston, Charlie Rector, Allen Pack and Jay Wells. Not present when the photo was taken were Clyde Willmon and E. N. Powler.

No Strikes in Space Jobs, Labor Says

Manufacturers, construction concerns, and labor unions involved in the Nation's missile and space programs have given Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg a no-strike, no-lockout pledge.

"Assurances have been given," the Secretary said, "that labor and management involved in these vital programs will co-operate to avoid uneconomical operations and work stoppages at missile and space sites."

Secretary Goldberg also announced that the President had established by Executive order an 11-man tripartite Missile Sites Labor Commission to handle disputes at missile and space sites.

This Commission will among other things, be empowered to establish local committees at missile and space sites to anticipate and dispose of labor problems, including jurisdictional disputes; establish procedures for handling problems which cannot be resolved by local committees; and establish panels to hold hearings in disputes matters and to issue directives to insure uninterrupted and economical work at missile and space sites.

In announcing the no-strike, no-lockout pledge, Secretary Goldberg said: "I am sure that all Americans greet this action by labor and management with a deep sense of gratification."

"The importance of our missile and space programs to our national security and stature is self-evident. A short while ago, this nation placed a man in space before the eyes of the world. Now we have shown that free labor and management can respond to the responsibility of observing the national interest without the compulsion of law."

47-Cent Increase Negotiated In Fabricating Shop Agreement

An agreement, increasing wages and benefits by 47 cents an hour, has been signed with the Yuba Sutter Oil and Burner Company, located ½ mile north of Yuba City on Highway 99 E.

Yuba Sutter started in the stove diesel and fuel oil business in 1918. A few years later it added road oil butane and propane storage systems and served seven counties with their trucks.

During World War II the firm

needed 60 1,000-gallon oil storage tanks but could not purchase them on the market. The necessary machinery and one-legged tank man who had the "know-how" were located, however.

They liked the fabricating business, so after the war they added modern machinery to their plant.

At the present time, the firm has one of the most modern metal fabricating shops in

Northern California, to serve the states of California and Nevada with tanks, industrial supplies and other fabricating materials. Last March, the butane and propane business was sold so the firm could devote its entire time to steel fabrication.

The following brothers are working at this shop: E. N. Fowler, George Wilson, J. Wells, Harold Herr, Dean Cummings, Allen Pack, Joel Williams, Miles Hart and Clyde Willmon.

Jobs Going Well Around Vallejo Area

By AARON SMITH

Work in the Vallejo area has been moving well, and most of the Brothers have been keeping busy.

H. C. Pirce has moved in the plant crew and has started working in the pipe wrapping yard by Kaiser Steel Plant in Napa. This pipeline will cross Solano County from a point near Winters to Antioch. The last report is that the pipe-laying crew will not be in this area until early this fall.

The Wunderlich job is progressing according to schedule, but they haven't reached the point where there are any detours to affect traffic in the area. At last report, they have moved over one-third of the 2,500,000 cubic yards of earth to be excavated.

Gordon H. Ball's job, according to the resident engineer's report, is about 65 per cent completed and the work may be finished by January 1, weather permitting. Abernathy Lane overcrossing already has been opened and the Suisun Valley Road Interchange is scheduled to open shortly.

Charles Harney on Highway 40 at Fairfield is over 56 per cent completed and it is expected that this project will be finished about October 28. They are putting in headerboards preparing for the concrete work, and by the time the paper is out they should have started the paving. Pittsburg Des Moines is working for Leslie Salt, on the salt beds off Sears Point Road. Moseman and Sons has started back to work on their job on Trancas Avenue in Napa.

Frederick and Altermatt has started to work on the section of the pipe job in Green Valley, the sections in Rockville and Vacaville have not been started yet.

Syar and Harms has all the grading for the Capehart Housing at Travis A.F.B. Working there at present are Brothers Jack Bean, superintendent; Ray Scott, foreman; Sidney Flock; Bob Campbell; Boyd Davis; L. Dressel; Jack McBride; T. L. Stover; Van Spears.

First Contract

The Clothing Workers have won their first contract in Hawaii—a three-year agreement covering 250 employees of Alfred Shaheen, Ltd., largest clothing maker in the islands.

Marysville Area

Work Underway at Dam Sites

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

Jobs have really started to open up in this area, and most of our brothers will be working in the very near future. This is quite a different picture than we had last January when approximately 1,000 men were on the out-of-work lists.

Oroville Project Contractors are starting to order out quite a number of the brothers, and are fast getting underway with about six million yards of material to be put into two dam sites—one at Little Grass Valley and the other at Sly Creek. The tunnel work is going good and looks as if they will hole through on Slate Creek tunnel within a few days. Other work consists of penstock sites and powerhouse sites.

HIGHWAY 40-A

Harms Brothers are getting

started on their Highway 40 Alternate job at Oroville with several of the brothers working at present and more to be called later.

They are just about finished with their Highway 20 job east of Marysville. Lester L. Rice is putting on the base rock and doing the paving.

The work on the Yuba College in Linda, and the work on the Yuba County Courthouse in Marysville is moving along with a minimum of Operating Engineers consisting of a crane crew and a few on the clean up and underground work.

Work at Beale Air Force Base is moving at a rapid pace, with more sub-contractors moving in every day. This is turning into a good job for the operator-owners with small backhoes.

Black Butte Dam is still rolling on a two-shift basis. There has been a lot of muck moved—approximately a million yards

—with four DW 20's. They still have about a million and a half yards to go.

TUNNEL JOB

Case, Hood & Foster should about have the diversion tunnel completed by the time this news reaches you. This job has 40 Engineers working.

Ball & Simpson's relocation job is still moving along at a rapid pace. They have about one and half million yards left to move. This job has another 80 D shovel coming in. They will work three shifts on the shovels.

There have been a couple of new jobs let in the area. Jay Bailey Construction Company was low bidder on the new Durham Elementary School at a low bid of \$581,346. The grading for the school should be under way within the next day or so.

GOLD DREDGE

A settlement considered satisfactory enough to present to the membership was almost simultaneously arrived at with both gold dredging companies and a long almost identical lines.

This settlement, which at this writing has been accepted by a substantial majority of the membership employed at Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields and will have been acted upon by the membership at the Natomas Company before this is printed, provided for something that has been the aim of many in the industry for many years. That is the inclusion of the employees in the Operating Engineers Pension Plan.

The agreement will run for two years with a wage increase each year and at both companies the classification of Winchman has been increased before the wage increase has been added.

Field Survey: Civil Service Bill

By Al Boardman and Art Pennebaker

Congress has before it a piece of legislation entitled "House Resolution 5563," which, if passed, will revise and create new professional engineering-scientific Civil Service classifications. This is an admitted attempt to improve both salaries and working conditions. Thus, at last, the public agencies, including the Federal Government, are being compelled to face the facts of life.

It has become impossible to hire professional help at the established governmental rates of pay. This may be beating an old drum, but it should be

pointed out that until the Engineers build a strong collective bargaining organization, all charity and public handouts will do nothing but humiliate the profession. In this money-worshipping civilization there is little respect for morals, professional excellence or engineering ethics. Status will not induce the proper quality of a man into the engineering fields. In fact, the sooner the engineering profession stands on its own two feet the better for the country's survival.

We were deeply saddened by the loss of a long and faithful friend, Wes Reed, inspector for the city of San Francisco and a union member since 1941. He died June 16. Wes was a man

you could go to in need and his response was always most generous. His record as a union member was without blemish.

We would like to tip our hats to Ted Heslep, the new U.S. Marshal for Northern California. Ted has been our legislative representative in Sacramento during the last session of the legislature. It was through his efforts that the technical engineer classifications are being published in contracts let by the California State Board of Public Works.

What we hope will be a final meeting with the Bay Area Land Surveyors Association on the Apprenticeship Program was held June 28.



SAN JOAQUIN County Courthouse, first occupied in 1893, is now being demolished by the Aron Wrecking Company. The building was constructed of brick with no reinforcing steel, and was faced with granite rock blocks. The cupola is many feet higher

than the boom on the truck crane, which posed an interesting demolition problem. It was settled by putting a sling around the Dome and then toppling it over with a cat. Brother Dick Laws is operating the crane and Brother Carl Snow is the oiler.

Stockton Area

'Preferred' Jobs Still Slow

By WALTER M. TALBOT,
AL McNAMARA,
GLYNN L. DOBYNS

Although we predicted our out-of-work list would be depleted before long, we should have expected those classifications that now fall within the "preferred" category.

The first page of our list is almost entirely composed of compressor, pump, welding machine and material hoist opera-

tors. The calls for members who make this their choice for employment have been practically nil. However, we have hopes of placing a few as the construction season progresses.

Swinerton & Walberg, who we reported as the low bidder for the Owens-Illinois Glass Plant, near Tracy, for an estimated \$1,500,000, also picked off the \$2,500,000 laminating and glass bending plant at Lath-

rop, as the first step in development of a multi-million dollar glass making center for the Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co. Although the same company was awarded both jobs, it might be interesting to note that the San Francisco Division of Swinerton & Walberg obtained the contract for the Libbey Plant, and the company's Oakland Division the Tracy Plant.

EXCAVATIONS

C. Reynolds, of San Jose, is doing the excavation at the Tracy site and A. Teichert & Son, of Stockton, have the engineering, excavation and grading at the Lathrop Plant site.

Wells-Cargo, of Reno, Nevada, was awarded the access road into the Jefferson-Lakes asbestos deposit near Copperopolis and also have a mining and stripping contract with the same firm whenever they go into production.

At this time, Wells-Cargo has subbed the access road to A. L. Craft, of Oakdale, and Hiatt Brothers, of Copperopolis.

The Tellespen Construction Co., a division of Tellespen Petro-Chem Constructors, of Houston, Texas, will erect the plant and do the engineering work. They estimate it will take a month before the access road is completed before they can erect the plant.

TEICHERT

A. Teichert & Son has finally come out of hibernation with the contract mentioned above for Swinerton & Walberg, grading and surfacing portions of Jack Tone Road south of Lockeford for \$477,316; stripping at Camanche for Pacific Clay Products' screening cobbles at Jenny Lind; replacing bridges on Airport Way; building levee near Mossdale; construction road on Highway 33 at Patterson; road job near Thornton; pavement resurfacing jobs throughout the district; plus miscellaneous small jobs.

R. Goold & Son, of Stockton, has started on the sewer contract job for the City of Modesto. Their bid was \$427,141.

Governor Predicts State Water Plan On Schedule

Governor Edmund G. Brown has predicted that the state now will be able to meet its "most optimistic target date" for bringing Feather River water to Southern California.

The Governor said he has kept his pledge "to resist all efforts to destroy the integrity of water contracts signed with the Metropolitan Water District" and that "earth already is flying on this massive water system—the boldest project ever undertaken by an American state."

NEXT YEAR

"Pre-construction work already is under way at the site of the huge Oroville Dam," said the Governor. "We expect to deliver water to the Livermore Valley next year."

"In the light of our success at this legislative session, I can now assure you that we will start boring through the Tehachapis by 1964. This was our most optimistic target date — and we are going to meet it."

The Governor said "determined efforts were made to upset the entire project" during the 1961 session.

"A small faction in the Legislature would have rewritten the water contracts entirely — and not to the advantage of the entire state, I might add. This same faction tried to seize control of the bond funds—to determine how, where and if they should be spent."

"But not one attempt to destroy those contracts was successful. The water plan remains intact. We are over the last legislative hurdle."

Safety Institute

A call has been issued for the second session of the AFL-CIO National Safety Training Institute, scheduled for July 10-14 in Washington.

Mechanical and physical safety training will be the topic of study, it was announced by Chairman Richard F. Walsh of the AFL-CIO Standing Committee on Safety & Occupational Health.

In inviting students from affiliated unions, Walsh pointed out that more and more collective bargaining contracts are providing unions with the opportunity to take part in developing safety and health programs, thus increasing the need for qualified personnel.



Al Clem Reports—

A resolution of special importance was introduced by Local 3 at the Western Conference held in Portland June 8, 9 and 10th. It petitions the members of the Executive Board of the International Engineers to hold the next International Convention in San Francisco in 1964. This resolution was adopted unanimously by the delegates present.

Another resolution introduced by Local 3 called for the next meeting of the Western Conference to be held in San Francisco at a date and place set by the Executive Board. This resolution also was adopted.

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General Secretary-Treasurer Hunter Wharton attended the Western Conference last month and addressed the hoisting and portable caucuses. General President Delaney sent his regrets that he was unable to attend as he was attending a Building Trades Conference. These groups met separately and discussed their own problems and on the second day met together to talk about the over-all problems. The conference was presided over by Vice President Jack McDonald. International Vice President Newell Carman was Secretary. Attending from Local 3 were Paul Edgecombe, Jerry Dowd, W. V. Minahan, H. T. Petersen, A. J. Hope, Warren Lemoine, Earl Horn, Garth Patterson, Sid McBroome and Cliff Martin.

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It looks like a fairly good work season in Utah where, incidentally, attendance at the quarterly meeting last month was fairly good. T. J. Stapleton has been meeting with representatives of the Teamsters, discussing a plan to persuade all the people working in our jurisdiction to become members of our union.

Utah, you will remember, has a so-called "right-to-work" law. For that reason, there is an occasional employee who does not enjoy the benefits of union membership. Some of them haven't learned the advantages of belonging to a union, so it's just a matter of letting them know.

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We are currently negotiating the new Rock, Sand and Gravel industry agreement. This is a multi-union and multi-employer contract and, as a result, negotiations are usually somewhat prolonged. This is the only major contract which expires this year. There are several other contracts, however, which are just as important to the economic stability of the members of our union.

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The work picture appears to be picking up in most areas now. We still have a number of Brothers on the out-of-work lists, but with a break in the weather (and some more Federal funds for highway construction), the picture should continue getting brighter. We all realize that men who work in the construction industry must follow the jobs. This becomes apparent when some Brothers find it impossible to leave one area for another where they may be needed. As a result, it sometimes is difficult to find employment for all the men all the time.

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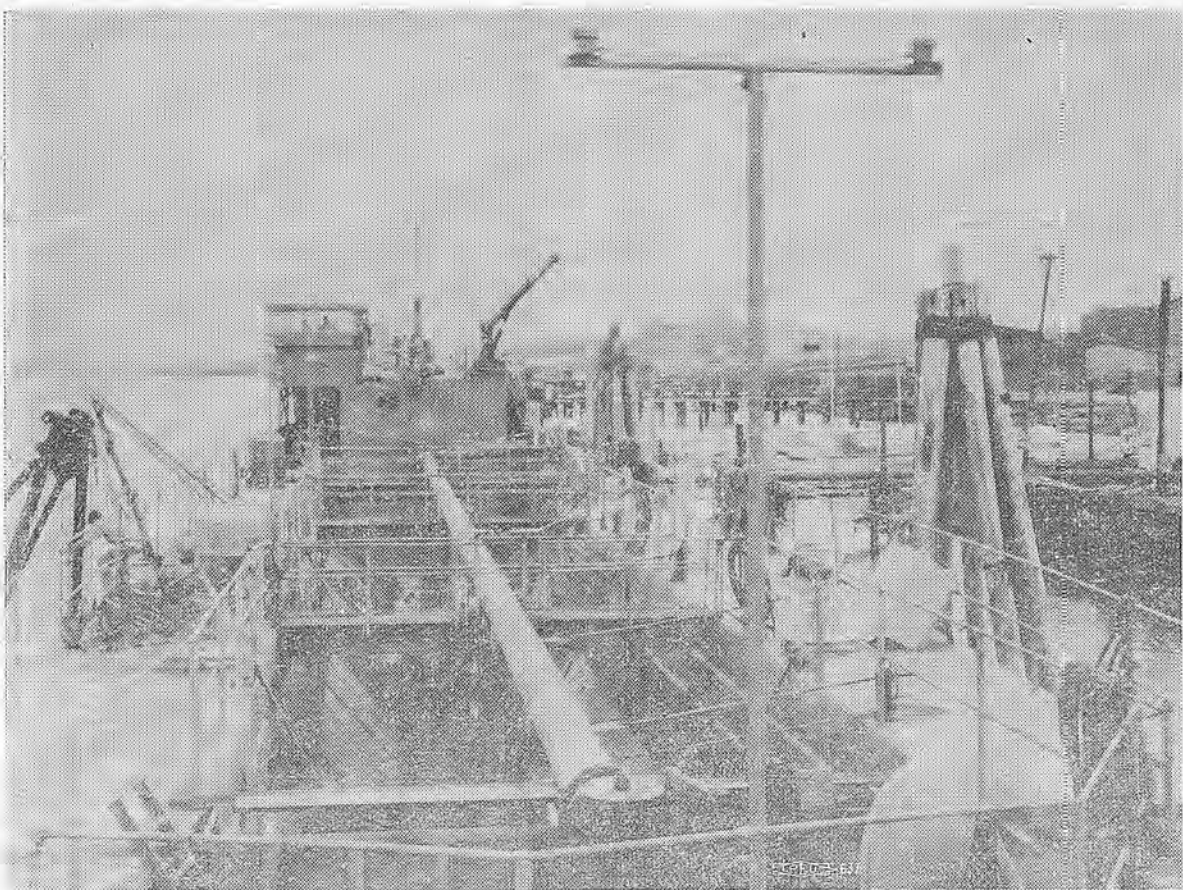
The Executive Board meeting on June 4 adopted a resolution which will be presented at the semi-annual membership meeting relative to honorary members. These are Brothers with 35 years or more continuous membership in Local 3 or one of the unions which forms the Local 3. This important resolution honoring the "old timers" of our union will be presented at the July 8 meeting in San Francisco . . . An extensive report was given to the board as to the working conditions and the growth of our union in Hawaii with a resume of our negotiations with Haas & Haynie Co.

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Agreements: Between May 2 and June 4, 67 one-page construction agreements, four Utah Construction agreements, and 15 regular agreements were signed. . . . Approximately 3240 men were cleared in the entire area during the month of May.

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The incumbent offices of Local 302 were elected by an overwhelming majority of approximately 4 to 1.



New Dredge

The United Sand and Gravel Company has built a new dredge, the "Sand Piper," which was converted from a Navy L.S.M. landing craft at Sausalito Shipyard. It has been in operation since March, and is now working on the J. A. Pomeroy Tube job in Alameda.

The dredge is 203 feet long. The cutter or drag tip is 80 feet long and sucks the sand up into the barge. There is a 16-inch pump and two 16-inch pipes. The pipe shown in the picture that runs down the center of the dredge has eight discharges to fill the dredge. There is also a 16-inch pipe at the bottom with eight discharges that empty the dredge. The dredge goes out to Angel Island and loads 1200 yards of sand in two hours. It is brought back and discharges 1200 yards of sand in 1½ hours. The dredge has 150 K.W. Cleveland Diesel and a 100 K.W. auxiliary Cleveland Diesel which is operated by a 800 h.p. diesel.

The following members are operating this dredge and gaining new experience:

Day shift—Nils E. Edlund, leverman; Roy Boyd, engineer; and Richard Davis, deckhand. Swing shift—Bill Rogers, leverman; "Whitey" Albright, engineer; and Bill Adams, deckhand. Graveyard shift—Stan Salenius, leverman; Ed Nelson, engineer; and Jerry Jacobson, deckhand. Levee day shift—Jim Kolezar and Rod McDermott. Swing shift—Ron Kanto and Frank Ench. Graveyard shift—Herb Sawyer and Bro. Thompson.

Sacramento Area

Good Weather Puts Spur in Construction

By E. M. NELSON, BILL METTZ, C. E. COCKAYNE, ED HEARNE, AL DALTON.

The Sacramento area is hitting the peak at last. We have been held back with bad weather in the mountains, but now we are getting good weather and things are drying out fast.

Very few men were hurt on the job last month. If any of you Brothers find unsafe working conditions on your job, report it to this office.

HIGHWAY 40

Briggs-Conley-Dennis Donner Summit job is doing two shifts now with a good crew of tight-line operators. This is a go-ahead job where only the best survive. There is nothing but rock here and lots of it.

Guy F. Atkinson's job on the west side of the summit is leveling off now with crews on two shifts. This is another rock job with only shovels and dozers moving the yardage. All top operators are on this spread and production is tops.

Madonna Construction at Monte Vista is getting ready to pave. This job has some excavation left on the sub-grade and same at the Alta slide. They are going along with a good bunch of finish operators on the sub-grade and clean up. Madonna also has the job at North Shore Lake Tahoe to widen and pave to four lanes from Highway 89 Junction to the Nevada State Line.

TRUCKEE

Archie Till has his crew of muck moving engineers finding sub grade on the Truckee cut off to the North Shore. This is a job long past due and will be a blessing to summer tourist traffic when completed.

Isabell Construction has moved in and is going full blast to get ready to pave on Highway 89 North of Truckee.

R. A. Heintz's Prosser Creek Dam project is finally going and will soon be operating at full capacity on two shifts. Getting the right material for the dam embankment has been a major problem due to moisture and classified fill.

Clements Rock Products at Truckee has added a few mechanic welders to get the dredge in the water. This is a new venture for the gravel business and there will be a lot of new ideas

incorporated for this type of operation.

Joe Cheveraux's rock and gravel business is holding steady with time out for some remodeling of the plant. There is a large deposit of rock to choose from, but the need for a particular type and size calls for a constant change in location at the barrow pit.

Work on the Yolo Causeway project is in high gear. Lee Stevens has two shifts of 20's going and has about one third of his dirt moved. Jarrett & Bertran Drilling Co. manage to stay a couple of jumps ahead of Lew Jones. Jarrett's contract is for drilling and pouring the concrete piling to a foot and one half above the ground. Lew Jones takes it from there on up. Jones has designed a unique steel collapsible form for the columns, on top of the columns the cross beams of reinforced concrete are formed on hangers atop the columns and at present the pre-stressed decking is being placed.

60 WORKING

Fredrickson & Watson started a spread of 20's a few days ago on the east end of the project. P.C.A. is furnishing all the concrete for the project and in all we have approximately 60 Engineers busy there.

Macco Corp. has the television tower project at Walnut Grove really up in the air. Last week they were at the one thousand foot stage, have another four hundred to go. On top will be a 20 foot platform on which will be several large relay screens. No accidents, either.

POLLACK PINES

Fredrickson & Watson was low bidder on the freeway job at Placerville. This is a \$3,000,000 job and should put a lot of the Brothers to work.

Joe Vicini Construction Co. has a number of small jobs going in the area. His housing project on Highway 50 is nearly completed.

Piombo Highway 50 job at Placerville is nearing completion for the rubber work and their pipeline and reservoir jobs are getting underway. The pipeline job is going fairly slowly as they are going through the fruit orchards and they have to be careful not to damage any of the trees.

J. W. Briggs Construction

Union Shop Ban Hurts, States Say

Commissioners of labor in so-called "right-to-work" states have warned that laws banning the union shop stunt the industrial growth of states which enact them and harm both workers and fair employers.

The views of public officials closest to the labor-management scene were put on record as a result of a survey conducted by Maine's Commissioner of Labor & Industry, Marion E. Martin.

Miss Martin told the Joint House-Senate Labor Committee that only two of the 17 labor commissioners who had replied to her questionnaire felt that "right-to-work" laws had accomplished "some good" in their states.

This mild approval from commissioners in Virginia and Florida contrasted with an indictment of "work" laws by labor commissioners of Arkansas, Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska, Nevada and Tennessee, and by the former labor commissioner of Florida.

On the basis of the replies received, Miss Martin said she was convinced that a proposed "right-to-work" law would seriously disrupt Maine's "excellent" labor-management relations.

For example, Labor Commissioner Clarence R. Thornbrough of Arkansas said: "I have talked to dozens of people who have brought plants to Arkansas and find they are interested in many things . . . but not a single person has indicated that this law had any major part in the decision to move to Arkansas."

Co. is making very good progress on their Highway 50 job above Pollock Pines. This job has been rough going all the way, but should be completed in the fall.

Northrop Construction Co. road job at the East end of Union Valley going into Robbs Peak is ready for the gravel and will make it better traveling for the tunnel stiffs at Robbs Peak.

They are starting another heading at the opposite side of the mountain and this should put a few more of the brothers to work. This has been a rough job, but they are making good progress and they have a very safety record.

Walsh Construction Co. at the Camino tunnel is also making very good progress and will hole

San Jose Area

Summer Upswing—400 June Jobs

By A. J. HOPE, WM. HARLEY DAVIDSON, LYNN MOORE.

After a slow start, work has picked up considerably in the San Jose District. To date during the month of June 400 dispatch referrals have been issued.

A. J. Raich Paving Co. has men on many jobs in this area. On the San Jose Airport job, which will take about two months for completion, they are using five Michigan scrapers, and three dozers. Brother Bill Moseley is the foreman on the sub-grade, with the following brothers on the equipment: John Fisher, K. Hamnes, Don Steneck, Bob Coplin, H. Fowler, H. C. Russell and Joe Dolan. Brother Vern Sorensen is the foreman on the finish work, with brothers Steve Ruckman, James Mahan, Andy Bravo, Burdine Blake, George Wright and Dave Huffman.

Work on the select material will take about three months to complete. This firm is working two shifts in their quarry on Monterey Highway under the supervision of Brother Cooper, who is also in charge of the hot plant. They have several street jobs in San Jose and are working in a sub-division in Milpitas.

BIG JOBS

J. C. Bateman has several good-sized jobs going at the present time. They have two large street jobs in Sunnyvale on Mary Avenue, and a large sub-division in this area, on which they have all the grading and paving. Brother Joe Garcia is the grade foreman on this job. On the sub-division on Lawrence Road, Brother Earl Petersen is the grade foreman. They also have the grading and paving on the Mandell Homes on Prospect Road and are doing the grading and paving on the west end of Williams Road. Brother George Reynolds and Jim Boswell are on the blades with Walter Masterson, Lew Powers and Jim Conn on equipment and Emilio Betancourt and Louie Munoz, the grade checkers.

Pianna Paving is busy on various jobs throughout the area—the paving and grading on Meridan Road and a crossing

through in about 30 days. This tunnel has a very good safety record.

over Dry Creek Road. They are extending Leigh Avenue to Dry Creek Road and this will help control the bottleneck during the rush periods. This firm is still working in their sub-division off Almaden Road, and their hot plants and crusher plants are at top capacity.

Brandon Construction Co. has started work on a new unit of Tropicana Village. East Valley are doing the underground work on this unit.

L. C. Smith's crew is making good progress on the road job near Milpitas and has started paving on the Bayshore Freeway with Fredrickson and Watson bringing in their equipment and crew.

Allan Campbell Co., on its section of the Freeway is busy making subgrade, so the Fredrickson & Watson Concrete Crew can be used when it is finished on the L. C. Smith job.

Sondgroth Bros. has added many men to the crew, and is busy on many sub-division and street jobs throughout the area.

Fred J. Early Co. has about completed work on the disposal plant at Alviso. Crow Bros. has the dirt work on this job, making the levees around the settling pools.

Southwest Engineers are setting up the wind tunnels at Moffett Field. Brother Mattingly is the operator, and Brother Joe Phillips, the oiler.

George Davis is off to a good start on his \$1,400,000 Cabrillo College job. Crow Brothers finished the excavating on this project and they did an excellent job.

Central Supply is furnishing the plant-mix out of a new automatic hot plant in Santa Cruz.

Union Leader Gets U.S. Post

Sam Eubanks, of Berkeley, Calif., has taken a leave of absence from his job as executive secretary of the San Francisco Newspaper Guild to work with the U.S. Labor Department in helping to explain provisions of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act.

Eubanks will work with employer and worker groups in ten Western States to explain the law's requirements.

Engineer At Leisure



When work is done at Berkeley Asphalt & Ready Mix, plant foreman Martin Kenoyer takes to his 23-foot Bear Class sloop for relaxation. He has been sailing the "Cinnamon Bear" since 1941, and it has become known as one of the most active yachts on the San Francisco Bay. Of the

many trophies Brother Kenoyer has won, he is most proud of capturing the Bear Boat Perpetual two years in a row—1958 and 1959. He also won the big Hearst Regatta in 1959 and missed first place in the "S" race winter series last year by one point. In the first race of the 1961 yachting sea-

son, a two-day regatta, Brother Kenoyer won over 25 other Bear sloops. (First in a series of "Engineers at Leisure." If you have a favorite hobby or sport, send a picture for publication to Engineers News, Al Clem, Editor, 474 Valencia St., San Francisco.)

Labor Setback

Cal Minimum Wage Bill Beaten

Organized labor suffered a major setback when the California Senate Labor Committee killed a bill to set a \$1.25 an hour minimum wage.

On a motion to approve the measure, only one "aye" vote—that of Sen. Albert S. Rodda, (D-Sacramento)—was heard. A course of "noes" with-

held approval.

The bill, by Sen. William Byron Rumford, (D - Berkeley), would affect an estimated 500,000 workers in California, mainly hotel, restaurant, hospital, sanitarium and rest home workers and farm workers. Eighty per cent of the farm workers on each ranch during harvest

periods would have been required to be paid at least \$1.25 an hour under the measure.

It was opposed by farm representatives and a spokesman for the restaurant and hotel associations.

BENEFITS

Russell Munro lobbyist for the latter two groups, said hotel and restaurant workers get added benefits such as meals, sometimes lodging, uniforms and tips which could not be counted under the minimum wage bill.

And Charles Gibbs, representative of the Associated Farmers, and Robert Hanley of the Farm Bureau Federation said a minimum wage for farm workers should be approached from a national level.

Gibbs said higher wages in California would attract out-of-state workers who would put a "staggering" burden on local relief rolls during the winter.

But Rumford said California, "with its high index of living, should set the pace" on wages. He said he was trying to stabilize a subsistence wage in California and hotel and restaurant workers "should not have to live off tips."

Harris said that while the labor law is designed to bar unfair labor practices by both unions and employers, it provides for mandatory injunctions against such acts by unions without setting up injunction proceedings against management, "no matter what irreparable injury" may be done to employees.

Harris reported that more than 50 percent of the time involved in processing unfair labor practice cases was devoted to the preparation of the trial examiner's report to the NLRB and its subsequent review by the board itself.

NLRB Reorganization Sought to End Delays

A Kennedy Administration proposal for reorganizing National Labor Relations Board procedures would help end "unnecessary delays" which usually work against the union or individual employee and in favor of the employer," the AFL-CIO has declared.

Testifying before the House Government Operations Committee, Associate General Counsel Thomas E. Harris said the federation is in accord with the general purposes of the plan, under which the board would delegate to trial examiners the authority to make decisions in most unfair labor practice cases.

Personal Notes

Oakland

Brother Earl Leavitt, who is 77, is retiring. He's known by many of our Brothers and everyone joins in wishing him the best . . . Brother Charlie Russell is in Merritt Hospital. He indicates he'll be hospitalized quite a while, and he would appreciate seeing his friends . . . Brother Amos Cherryholmes is now at home recuperating from an operation . . . Brother Charlie Lee, DW 20 operator, is home recuperating from an accident on Gordon H. Ball's job in Concord on May 31. He broke a leg and a wrist in the accident, caused when an automobile failed to stop for a flagman. Charlie took to the ditch to avoid killing the occupants of the car. His rig was upset and he was thrown from it. Since this accident, Ball has devised a new system of flagging cars—a swinging gate across the road prevents them from driving in front of equipment.

Redding

Brother Dick Damon has worked in the Redwood area for 20 years as an Operating Engineer for various contractors. Now he's 73 and wants to take life easy. With his Social Security and Operating Engineers pension, Dick claims that life will be very pleasant. He's in excellent health and keeps that way, he says, by walking an average of five miles each day. The Brothers who know him agree he is very vigorous.



DICK DAMON

Utah

Brother Kenneth Naughtman was seriously injured at Flaming Gorge while helping to put a cable on the load block on the cableway . . . At Kennecott, Brother "Botts" Anderson has been hospitalized with a slipped disc . . . And Brother R. B. Anderson, ironically, broke his arm while on a safety inspection . . . Brother Lynn Margetts it out of the hospital after a disc operation, but will not be able to return to work until after November. . . .

San Rafael

Brother Vice Nielsen and his wife have been touring Europe since March. Their postcards tell us they expect to return about July 15 . . . Brother Bill Weldon is on the mend from an accident on the C. D. Madsen job . . . Best wishes to Frank Ench and Joe Perry, both confined for a short time at Ross General Hospital . . . Brother John L. Pruitt was hospitalized at Napa from burns suffered on the Ghilotti job in San Rafael. A radiator cap blew up as John tried to remove it from the overheated engine of the roller he was operating . . . Brother Ken Shaffer was hospitalized at Truckee. . . .

Stockton

Brother Bruce Gregory has found his treasure in the Sierra Madre. He goes into Old Mexico every winter and works a gold mine claim. From the description of his adventures—how he packs equipment and goes miles to reach the claim—it sound like something out of the motion pictures . . . Brother Art Murrison writes from Chugiak, Alaska, that the sun rises at 2:20 a.m. and sets at 9:39 p.m., making it something of a long day. He and his wife plan to visit Matanuska Glacier and McKinley Park before they come home in a month or so. . . .

Sacramento

Brothers Bill Nekum and George Palmer were injured in an automobile accident on their way to work early last month. Bill is on crutches, but George is still in the hospital with back and hip injuries and broken ribs. . . .

Santa Rosa

A blood clot put Brother George Hardwick to bed for a short time. Brother James Griffith is ill at Sonoma County Hospital. Al Robinson is in U.C. Hospital—he was injured when a tree snapped suddenly. Al may not have visitors, but he would appreciate letters . . . A new Engineer: A baby boy, 6 lbs., 3 oz., to Brother Eugene Gilmer and wife. . . .

San Francisco

Two Brothers are confined to the hospital: Carl Thomason is in St. Joseph's and Fred Stockdale is in St. Francis . . . Mack Lee is layed up with a broken foot. . . .

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Our Vital Role in Building the Nation

Members of our union quite literally change the face of the earth. They man the equipment that moves mountains, alters the course of rivers, build foundations for the spans that arch the bays, and constructs the never-ending ribbons of highways that tie our nation together.

Two examples in the Bay Area demonstrate the Goliath-like performance the Operating Engineer is often called upon to do: The Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, for one, is supported by 79 piers that rest on a solid foundation of 7800 piles—some up to 201 feet long. During each shift on that job, blows from the hammer of each pile driver released enough power to lift 100,000 people to the top of a five-story building.

The other example is the world's largest highway cut—12,000,000 tons of adobe and sandstone were moved by construction equipment to carve out a three-mile stretch for the southern approach to the parallel bridge crossing Carquinez Strait. The total amount of earth moved would cover an area the size of a football field to the depth of one mile.

Our members may operate one piece of equipment or several pieces, including cranes, rollers, tractors, spreaders, trenchers, backhoes and others. To operate one of the many types of equipment, the Engineer must understand the machinery and, in addition, must be able to judge distance accurately in order not to endanger other workers or damage equipment. He must know the limitations of his own rig and the materials with which he is working.

The crane operator, for instance, must consider the weight of the material he is lifting, the length and angle of the crane's boom, the position of the boom in relation to the longitudinal line of the crane.

These considerations are not resolved by charts, tables of a mathematical formula. Rather, through experience, the operator develops a "feel" for the equipment and its performance.

The work of an Engineer is potentially dangerous at all times. Safety precautions are numerous, but when a dangerous situation arises, most often it is the good judgment of the operator that prevents an accident.

As a result of the use of machines that can swallow mountains, vast projects that once were only dreams are now feasible. A whole series of jobs for operators has emerged. In the future, increased demands are expected to counter-balance any job reduction caused by improved machines.

To the construction industry, our union provides a unique and vital service. In some parts of the country, the highly-skilled men who operate this complicated equipment have no union protection. They find themselves little better off than the pick-and-shovel laborer of 30 years ago.

Only by belonging to a union can the worker share in the benefits of more and more equipment, each piece of which can do a bigger job faster than the one before it.

In addition to the strength of organized bargaining, our union is in the process of developing on-the-job training and classroom instruction as part of an apprenticeship program.

Also, we all work with the knowledge that we have behind us the strength of our International union—thousands of other Engineers with whom we share our experience and our problem.

First Pickup in 23 Years



Consumer Advice

July Is Month For Buying

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

As this department has been advising you, right now we're in a period of stable living costs with some exceptional recession-born buys available in appliances and clothing especially.

Now it's our duty to inform you that living costs are about to rise again. Already on the wholesale level, prices of some of the important raw materials like metals, and also of food, are beginning to harden.

This means that July is a time to look for buying opportunities in things you are planning to buy if you have some cash to buy without taking on heavy finance charges.

Timing your shopping to anticipate your needs when prices are most favorable is one of the most important techniques of buying the most for your hard-earned dollars.

July is an especially good month for finding price reductions. One of the most important July sales is the semi-annual shoe sales offering reductions of 10-20 per cent. Summer dresses and sportswear are cleared this month at sharp reductions. Men's shirts and other haberdashery are sale priced, giving you an opportunity to fill in wardrobe needs. July hosiery sales give you a chance to save on the stockings you'll need this fall.

In household equipment, refrigerators and washing machines are sale-priced, even though they have been selling at reduced prices all year. In television sets, competition has been fierce, with some 19-inch models offered for as little as \$110-\$120.

Families in the market for cars should note that used-car prices take a drop after July 4.

Here are tips on other July buying opportunities:

AIR CONDITIONERS

Inventories are heavier than normal with distributors cutting prices. In comparing values, the BTU rating is the only fairly reliable guide to cooling capacity. The "horsepower" or "ton" rating is less reliable. A 1-h.p. air conditioner may provide anywhere from 9,000 to 12,000 BTU's, which is a large range.

You may see air conditioners advertised for as little as \$179. These generally are smaller units of sometimes only 6000 BTU capacity, and satisfactory only for a smaller room. The most popular and generally adequate room air conditioner is the 7½-amp, 115-volt with 9,000 BTU capacity. The retail price of this size is in the \$260-\$280 range, with some dealers offering it as low as \$240-\$250. This low-ampage model generally can be used in any outlet. The higher-BTU models required to cool large areas in especially-hot locations, are generally higher-ampage, such as 12 amps, and will need 220-volt wiring. This

involves an additional installation expense if you don't already have heavy-duty wiring.

MEN'S SUMMER SUITS

Look for sales after July 4. The three general types of men's summer suits and slacks are:

Lowest-price: Blends of polyester fiber (Dacron or Kodol) with rayon, or polyester, rayon and acrylic fiber (Orlon or Creslan) generally retail for \$35-\$45. They are suitable for occasional wear. The higher the percentage of Dacron or Kodol in the blend, the more crease-resistant and harder-wearing is the fabric. For example, a good-quality blend is 65 per cent Dacron, 35 per cent rayon.

Medium-price: Blends of polyester with wool worsted, such as a blend of approximately 50 per cent Dacron and 50 per cent worsted, retail for \$40-\$60. These generally give longer wear and keep their shape better than the polyester and rayon blends.

High-price: The finest summer suits are generally found in the all-wool worsted group. They often cost \$60 up. Better-quality wool worsted trousers now often are available with a permanent crease. The chemicals used for this process are like those used in women's permanent-wave solutions.

For all-around usefulness at a medium price, we recommend the polyester-worsted blend in suits and sports slacks, especially if you use a suit frequently. For only occasional wear such as for Sundays or dressup evenings, the polyester-rayon blend is satisfactory.

The fiber content, of course, is only one clue to the satisfaction you'll get from a suit. The construction of the suit is at least as important. Among the less-obvious places to judge quality are the pockets, which should be of closely-woven material; the lapel, which should roll slightly and not lie flat; the quality of stitching around the pockets, armholes and other seams (there should be no signs of puckering); the trouser crotch (which should not be pieced). Note also how carefully the pattern or weave of the material is matched at the various seams.

HOMES, MORTGAGES

Homeowners and those seeking houses should consider these two points:

Prices of heating equipment and installations are still relatively reasonable this summer but are starting to advance.

The Government has reduced the interest rate on FHA mortgages to 5¼ per cent, plus one-half of 1 per cent for loan insurance. This makes the effective rate of 5 and ¾ per cent below the cost of conventional mortgages in the West, but not much below rates in the East.

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AMA Tries to Fight Medical Care For Aged By 'Drowning it in Fear'

By EDWARD P. MORGAN

There are supposed to be two sides to every argument, including how best to provide for the elderly, but the AMA, so far, has refused to examine and discuss the case on its merits. Instead it has loosed a paper flood of printed propaganda about "socialized medicine" clearly calculated to kill the Administration program by drowning it in fear.

If the average doctor practiced medicine as recklessly as his closed-shop professional association, the AMA, practices the deceptive art of propaganda, he would have his license lifted in a twinkling as a quack.

What basis is there for such harsh charges? Recently in big ads in some 39 newspapers across the country, the AMA professed to list the pros and cons of medical aid for the aged. In discussing the Kerr-Mills Law, limited legislation passed last year after the Forand Bill had been defeated, the ad stated flatly that this law "is now being put into operation in 46 states."

ONLY SEVEN

According to Health, Education, and Welfare Department figures, in only seven out of 50 states is this law in effect insofar as new provisions for medical care are concerned, beyond the expansion of the old age assistance program.

Only six other states so far have submitted plans or enacted laws that will result in operation of these provisions by summer. The strict limitations on eligibility—set by the states—exclude many deserving cases. In Kentucky, for example, nobody with a gross yearly income of more than \$1,000 need apply.

But the point the AMA has hammered most frantically on is the allegation that under the Administration plan, patients will lose their right to choose

Wage Increase

Higher minimum wage rates under the Fair Labor Standards Act went into effect June 24 for the tobacco industry in Puerto Rico, according to a wage order issued by Clarence T. Lundquist, Administrator of the U. S. Labor Department's Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions.

Cut-Rate Prescription



their own doctor.

This consideration is not even at issue in the current package. The AMA knows this. It has studied the legislation. It knows what is in it.

INUENDO

And yet its propaganda not only persists in charging that the normal doctor-patient relationship will be destroyed, it compounds the falsehood with a fantastic innuendo that Josef Goebbels would have envied. The AMA has distributed to doctors for distribution in turn to their callers a leaflet headed "An Open Letter to My Patients."

At one point this little document makes, in effect, the shocking charge that, under the Administration's plan of medical care for the elderly, doctors will be forced to violate their Hippocratic oath by revealing professional secrets. Lost with the freedom of choice of doctor, says the leaflet, "will be one of the basic principles of my responsibility to you. A principle expressed in the physician's pledge—I will hold in confidence all that my patient confides in me."

IRRESPONSIBLE

This is the most irresponsible kind of false propaganda. "The truth of the matter is

that the doctors are in no way involved in this bill," HEW Secretary Abraham Ribicoff said. . . . This bill provides health care for the aging (for) hospital costs and nursing home costs (and) outpatient costs and has nothing to do with doctors. Every patient in America will have the right to choose his own doctor. The doctors' bills will not be paid. They are not controlled. They are not in any way affected by this bill, so the doctors are outside this legislation in each and every respect."

Glove Workers

Strengthening of health and welfare provisions in negotiations with the glove industry has been called for by delegates to the biennial convention here of the Glove Workers.

In three days of sessions, delegates from locals in some 25 communities revised the union's constitution and by-laws to conform with the Landrum-Griffin Act; debated the effects of foreign imports on job opportunities in the industry; and voted to provide annuity retirement benefits for Pres. Joseph C. Goodfellow and his successors.

By-Laws

"It shall be a duty of a member to become familiar with these By-Laws, the International Constitution and the Working Rules in the specific contract under which he is working."

—from the By-Laws of Operating Engineers, Local No. 3

Article XII—Continued

(g) Only those Members who have filed a Declaration of Candidacy may be nominated and such Members may be nominated only for the office or offices, or position or positions, or any or all of them for which they have filed a Declaration of Candidacy.

(C) ELECTIONS

Section 1

(a) The election of Officers and District Member of the Local Union Executive Board shall be held during the month of June by mail referendum vote of the membership of this Local Union under the supervision of a nationally known firm of Certified Public Accountants selected by the Executive Board.

(b) The election shall be conducted by a committee known as the Election Committee composed of one Member from each District of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3. The Committee Member shall be nominated and elected by secret ballot at the Regular Quarterly District Meeting by vote of those members present whose last known address as shown on the records of the Local Union ten (10) days prior to the first such District Meeting in February preceding the election was within the area covered by the District. Each nominee shall be a registered voter in the District in which he is nominated and have been a Member of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 for one year next preceding his nomination and election and shall not be a candidate or the nominator of a candidate for any office or position.

The Nominee for Committee Member in each District receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected and in the event he is unable or unwilling to serve shall be replaced by the Nominee with the next highest number of votes and he under the same circumstances by the next highest and so on until the list of nominees is exhausted.

(c) The Election Committee shall determine whether or not each Candidate nominated was eligible as of the last day for the filing of Declaration of Candidacy. Any Candidate found not

to be eligible as of the last day for the filing of his Declaration of Candidacy shall by the Election Committee be declared ineligible and the Committee's decision, which shall be promptly communicated to such ineligible candidate in writing, unless reversed on appeal, shall govern and the ballots shall be prepared in accordance with the Committee's decision.

(d) The Election Committee shall be responsible for the conduct of the election and specifically for the preparation of the list of eligible voters showing the Member's name and last known address as it appears on the Records of this Local Union, the preparation and printing of the ballots listing the nominees for Business Manager first and the Constitutional Officers next, and other positions thereafter in the order in which they appear in Article VII, Section 1 of these By-Laws with a separate ballot of a different color for each District for nominees for District Member, listing the incumbent for each office or position first and the other nominees for the same office or position in alphabetical order by their last name (the candidates name shall be printed as it appears on the acceptance of nomination) and envelopes, and the giving of a Notice of Election by mailing a printed Notice thereof to each Member of the Local Union at his last known address as it appears on the records of this Local Union not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the mailing of the ballots to eligible voters.

The Election Committee shall cause a sample ballot to be published in the May edition of the Engineers News preceding the election, and promptly posted in the District Employment Offices.

The Election Committee shall deliver the list of names and last known addresses of eligible voters, and cause the printer to deliver the ballots and envelopes to, the nationally known firm of Certified Public Accountants chosen by the Local Union Executive Board, which firm shall rent a post office box to which the ballots shall be returned.

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SWAP SHOP: free want ads for Operating Engineers

FOR SALE

1954 FORD Station Wagon, automatic transmission, two new recaps. \$450. Also 1950 Plymouth Station Wagon \$200. Write: M. B. Rose, % Dolly-Mark Ranch, 416 Horn Ave., Santa Rosa, Calif. Phone: Liberty 5-3746 evenings. Reg. No. 1059628.

1960 DETROITER, 46" by 10". \$500 cash for my equity. Cooler included. Write: Richard Y. Kingston, 501 Moana Lane, Reno, Nev. Phone: FA 9-5303. Reg. No. 466934.

23-FT. CABIN CRUISER. Trojan family sedan. Eight foot beam. Excellent condition. Run only 25 hours. Write: W. C. (Slim) Wentworth, 5484 E. Griffith Way, Fresno 27, Calif. Reg. No. 468357.

TWO NEW UNUSED 1/2-inch air drills. Ingersoll Rand, value over \$300. Sell for \$100 cash. No attachments. Write: Elmer C. Hansen, 2721 E. 11th Street, Oakland 1, Calif. Phone: KEllogg 4-8770. Reg. No. 324534.

BLACK & DECKER value refacer, Black & Decker seat refacer, Sunnen rod aligner, Quickway boring bar, Quickway power value seat cutter, assorted shop tools. Phone: Merrill McCarthy, El. 7-2959. (San Leandro). Reg. No. 402912.

TO SWAP

GLASS CHURN and home health pasteurizer for a female burro that is over 1 1/2 years old. Or will purchase one. Write: A. J. Davis, 181 Geyer Road, Santa Cruz, Calif. Phone: EDison 5-7092. Reg. No. 915736.

RULES FOR SUBMITTING ADS

• Any Operating Engineer may advertise in these columns without charge any **PERSONAL PROPERTY** he wishes to sell, swap or purchase. Ads will not be accepted for rentals, personal services or sidelines.

• **PRINT OR TYPE** the wording you want in your advertisement on a separate sheet of paper, limiting yourself to 30 words or less, including your **NAME, complete ADDRESS and REGISTER NUMBER.**

• Allow for a time lapse of several weeks between the posting of letters and receipt of your ad by our readers.

• Address all ads to: Engineers' Swap Shop, AL CLEM, Editor, 474 Valencia Street, San Francisco 3, California. Be sure to include your register number. No ad will be published without this information.

ALL ADS ARE FREE

Anything to buy, trade or sell?

FORD COLUMBIA rear end, \$25. Front hood fender & grill assembly from 48 Ford wagon. Make offer. Write: Harold Reiser, 758, 12437 Trail, Inglewood Canyon, San Fernando, Calif.

80-ACRE FARM, good house, outbuildings, year-round creek, paved road, school bus, 4 miles from Woodland, Wash. Write: Charles, 1200 Route 1, Bex, Wash.

YEAR-ROUND HOME, nicely furnished, 3-bedrm., bath, on water front, 67' well, lot 100x300, good fishing, Hamlin Lake. Write: Robbins, 1000 Lodge 105, 1

BLEWARE, 16-quart aluminum tray, \$2.50. Whistling tea, \$2.50. All are new. Write: B. C. Jones, 10000 20th St., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

EMBROIDERED PILLOWCASES, crocheted edgings, \$3.50. Baby quilts, fit 6-year crib, appliqued, dacron filled, guaranteed, postpaid. Send stamp for more information to: Gladys Lindsey, 10000 20th St., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

59 TAUNUS, Ger. Ford, station wagon, like new, R/H, W/W, must sacrifice, take over payments. Write: L. J. Natale, 10000 20th St., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

BOAT, 14', fiberglassed Thompson speed, fisherman mode, Mercury motor, deluxe er, accessories. Write: Lyle 1181, 900-17

sin, insulated cottage, living rm., kitchen, nished, open-beam glassed end gables, 10 385' depth, \$6,800. Write: Williams, 10000 20th St., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

BUSINESS BLOCK, indust central N. Y., fully-equ. cheonette, 2 stores, 7-rm., \$15,000. Owner retiring, write: Kenneth R. Hans, 10000 20th St., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

BOAT, 16' fiberglass Lap Strak 40 h.p. Evinrude outboard, steering gear, remote control, lent condition. Best offer. Ori cost, \$2,200. Write: Sol Korn, 10000 20th St., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

AMERICAN FLYERS, 2 car transformer, \$300.00. Write: 10000 20th St., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

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August issue

Injuries Hit Record Low This Year

Work injuries in manufacturing plants reached a record low rate of 10.4 per million man-hours worked during the first quarter of 1961, according to preliminary reports by the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Statistics.

The rate was 6 per cent below the 1960 first-quarter injury-frequency rate of 11.1 and slightly below the previous record low first-quarter rate of 10.5 established in 1958. It was the same as the fourth quarter of 1960—the record low for any quarter.

The 1961 rates for both January and February were at record low levels for these months, and the March rate equaled the previous low established in 1958.

As compared with the 1960 period, first-quarter rates dropped 1 full frequency-rate point or more in 50 of 131 classifications and rose correspondingly in 21 industries.

The logging industry showed the greatest improvement over the year, with a rate of 50.5 injuries per million man-hours in the first quarter of 1961, as compared with 60.7 in the 1960 quarter.

Substantial increases occurred in the insulated wire and cable industry, to 16.6, as compared with 9.8 in last year's first quarter.

Blood Bank

OAKLAND

Two engineers are hospitalized and need blood. Fortunately, the blood supply was enough to help them, but it is depleted again and we need more. Call OLYmpic 4-2924 for an appointment.

SAN JOSE

Donors for June: Ruth Oswald, Oroville Horn, Robert Sandow, Schuyler Bottolfson.

FRESNO

Donor for June: Jack Green.

SAN RAFAEL

No appointment is necessary at our Blood Bank, 508-A Fourth street in San Rafael.

SACRAMENTO

The Blood Bank is very low. Recent donors: Mrs. Loretta H. Youngs, Mrs. Viola V. Berk, Clyde A. Swearingan, Edward Carr, Daniel C. Clancy, M. F. Orr, Mrs. Dolly Orr and Frank Kuhre.

SANTA ROSA

Our Blood Bank supply is low, and two brothers currently are in need of blood. Call the Santa Rosa office if you can give.

Unique 2-Day Safety Talks Held in Stockton

(Continued from Page 1) workers who tend to have more than their share of injuries.

NEW PROBLEMS

Of considerable interest was the discussion of new problems created by the increased use of atomic energy and X-ray equipment as well as the standard occupational health problems

By DALE MARR

This picture shows the new type hydraulic track adjuster fittings that should be on all Caterpillar machines using the hydraulic system for track adjustment.

About a year ago, all the Caterpillar dealers sent out a letter to the owners in their areas advising them of these new type fittings. They could be installed at no cost to the owners if work were done on regular straight time basis. Otherwise, the owners would be charged the overtime rate.

Apparently many of the letters never found their way to the men in charge of the equipment—we have found many machines with the old-style fittings still being used.

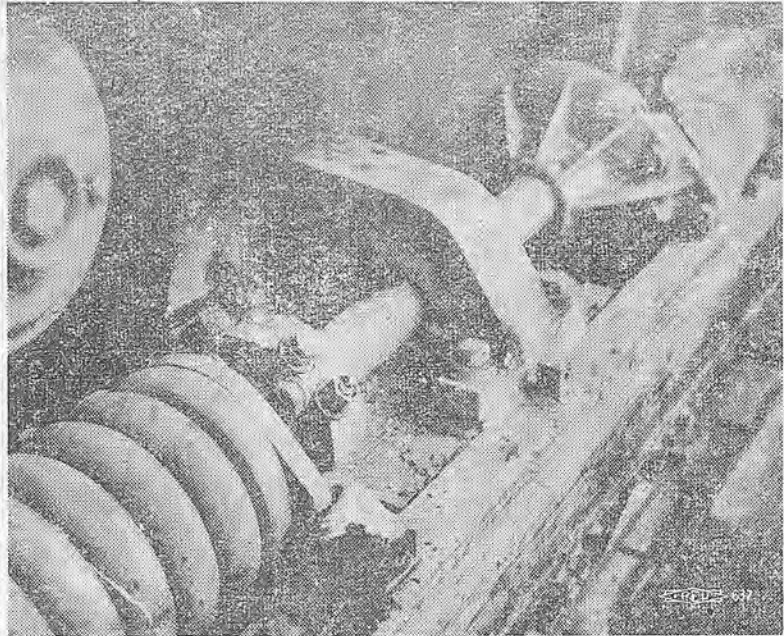
The new setup is a great safety device and we are very anxious to get all of the machines in our jurisdiction changed over at once. In May, a member was killed while working on one of the old style

fittings.

We discussed this new setup with Vince White, head of the Construction Section of the California Industrial Safety Department. He said he would write an order requiring all the owners to have this changeover

made within a reasonable time.

We would appreciate your letting us know of any equipment that hasn't been changed over so that it can be taken care of before another one of our brothers gets injured or killed.



Safety Report

Outstanding Safety on Missile Jobs

Bob Pearson, master mechanic on Peter Kiewit's job at Lincoln Missile base, has directed a crew of about ten mechanics over 16,000 hours without a lost time accident. This is an outstanding job on heavy work of this type.

Pat Stewart, superintendent on the Wunderlich job on Highway 40 out of Vallejo, reports that the hoist cable on a DW 20 broke on the haul road while the rig was rolling at high speed recently. The safety belt undoubtedly saved the operator from serious injury. As a result, he says, all the operators are glad to wear them on the job now.

He also wants to pass along an idea that was suggested to him by an operator in a safety meeting. It was suggested to put a red vest on the grade checkers so they can be easily seen. They have done this on this job and it appears to be an idea worth adopting all around.

Ideas like this from the field are appreciated. Any of you who have a good idea should send it to Dale Marr at the main office so we can pass it along. Your idea may save a life or an injury to one of your brother members.



AFL-CIO Launches Attack To Stop Labor Day Accidents

Organized labor for the third year has launched a major attack on the toll of death and injuries from traffic and other accidents during the annual observance of Labor Day.

The Long 1960 Labor Day holiday, at least in part because of the efforts of the AFL-CIO and other organized workers, was one of the safest in 10 years. A still further reduction in death and injuries is the goal of the 1961 attack.

President Cornelius J. Haggerty of the AFL-CIO Building Trades Dept. has been named chairman of the 1961 Labor Day Traffic Safety Campaign by AFL-CIO President George Meany.

SPONSORS

The drive is sponsored by the AFL-CIO Safety & Occupational Health Committee, of which Vice-President Richard F. Walsh is chairman and John D. Connors executive secretary; the Labor Conference of the National Safety Council, and other labor bodies.

"Our national holiday was never intended to be desecrated by the injury and death of thousands of men, women and children," Meany said.

"Every union organization has an obligation to eliminate the suffering and heartache from collisions between cars, drownings and other accidents by participating in our nationwide Labor Day Safety Campaign."

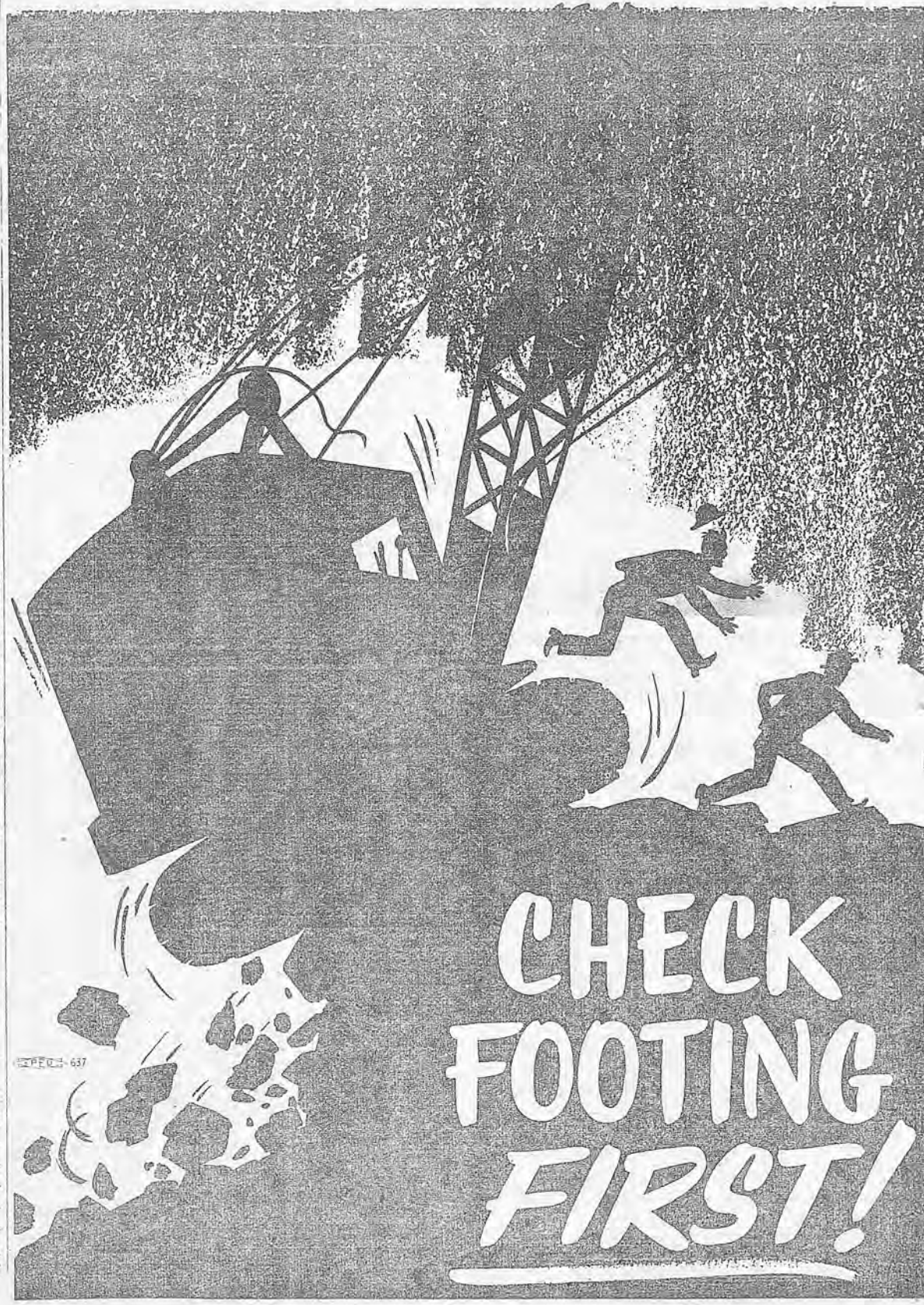
FREE KIT

A free kit of campaign materials may be obtained by local unions or central bodies on request from the National Safety

Council's Labor Dept., 525 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

It includes a list of suggested activities, a 5-minute talk on safety, a news release, a poster, suggested spot radio announcements and other material essential to an effective campaign.

Unions, union safety committee chairmen and other officials actively participating in the campaign will be eligible to receive an award of commendation which has been made a special feature of the 1961 campaign.

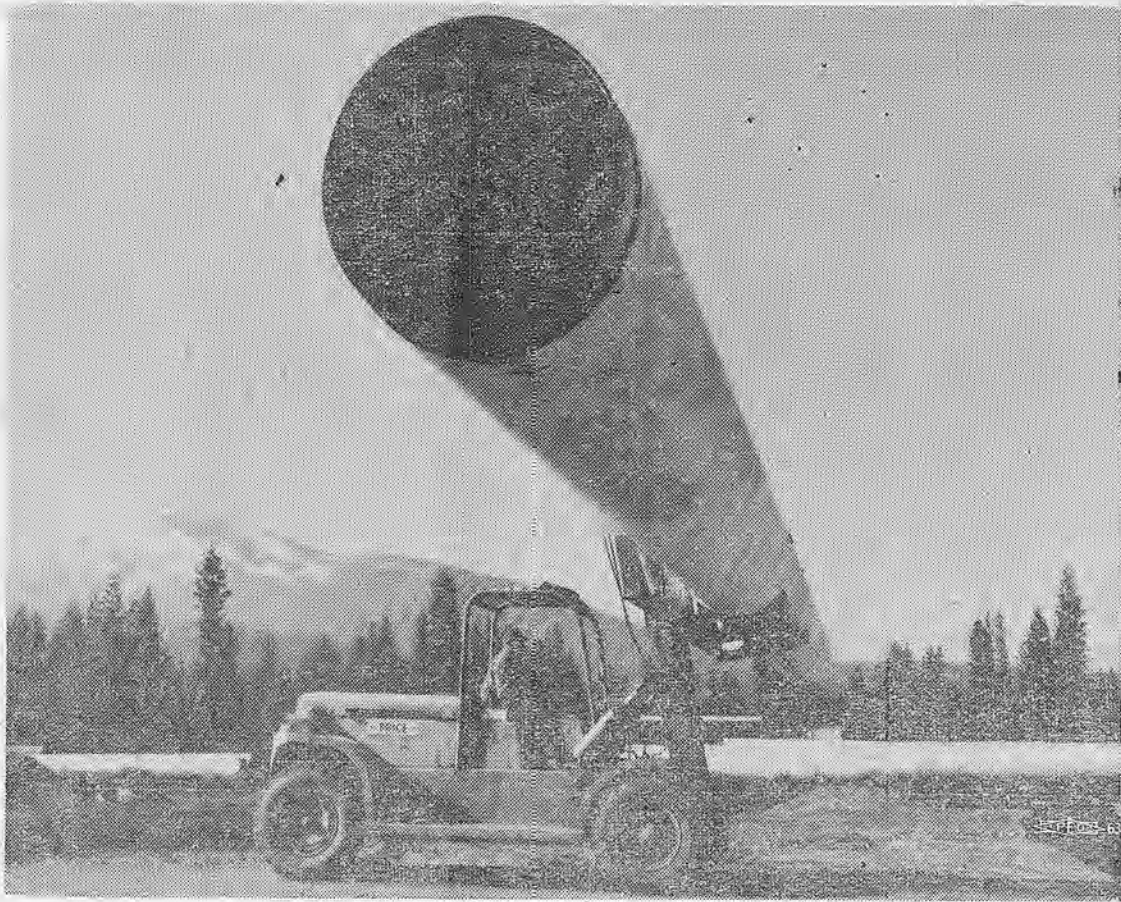


CHECK FOOTING FIRST!

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SOME VIEWS of work around the Redding area: At right, Brother Wally Franz, working under the shadow of a snow-capped mountain, transports an eight-ton section of pipe. Below is a close up of Brothers Franz (left) and (right) a view of Brother R. V. Carpenter with his Oliver Tractor. At the bottom, Brother Joe Belue is making an adjustment on a 275A Michigan Loader (left) and Brother Ted Trimble looks down from atop his 275A.

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Firm Bids Low on 3 Major Jobs

By J. B. Jennings and
Sid McBroome

Gibbons & Reed made history recently when they were the low bidders on three major jobs on the Trinity Project. The last of the bids was for the Spring Creek Debris Dam in the amount of \$3,196,387. Gibbons and Reed is already building the Whiskeytown and Lewiston Dams and also relocating the highway for the Trinity River Project.

The California-Canadian pipe line has to date been completed 100 miles, from Tululake to Millville. The pipe was laid at the rate of 10 miles a day. Even the hardened lava beds which run for miles between Fall River Mills and Tululake, Calif., have failed to slow crews laying PG&E's new Canadian gas line.

During the next few weeks they will be pushing through some of the toughest country on the entire pipeline, the serrated ridges and canyons of the foothills between Burney and Red Bluff.

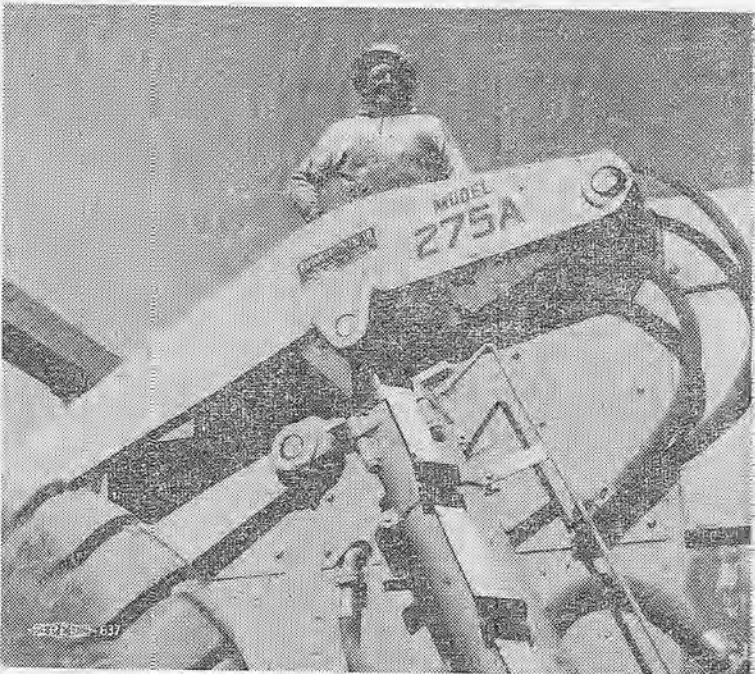
In mid-June, work started on the difficult job of pulling the pipeline under the Sacramento River, across Sherman Island and under the San Joaquin River. Construction will begin shortly on enlargement of the Antioch Terminal Station where the Alberta-California pipeline will tie into PG&E's existing transmission system.

In June, we average 200 dispatches to numerous jobs. With four new jobs to break and many of the jobs to go two shifts, we are looking forward to quite an increase as July rolls around.

Most of the jobs in and around Redding are well on their way. However, most all the jobs still remain on one shift.

Brother Sid McBroome (Business Representative) and Brother Cliff Martin (Exec. Board Member) recently attended the seven Western States Conference in Portland. Brother Martin made his report on the 18th in San Francisco and will tell members of the Redding District about it at the next district meeting. Both McBroome and Martin said they have gained a lot of knowledge about labor functions from this conference.

Each member who registers on the out-of-work list should keep us informed as to his correct phone number. At times we find it very difficult to locate some of the members due to their moving and not checking with the hiring hall.



Nearly 75,000 in S.F. Get Social Security Pay

By the end of 1960, nearly 75,000 people in San Francisco were receiving old-age, survivors and disability insurance benefits. Total benefits paid to these people for December 1960 was \$5,826,824.

Nationally, almost 15 million people were receiving about a billion dollars a month in old-age, survivors, and disability insurance benefits at the close of 1960.

Many of these people were made eligible for benefits by the changes in the law made in 1960—such as the reduction in the amount of work required to qualify for benefits and the removal of the age 50 require-

ment for disability benefits.

Payments to a retired worker with no dependents receiving benefits averaged \$70 in December 1960; to a retired couple, both receiving benefits, the average payment was \$124. The average for an aged widow was about \$58.

Last year was the 20th that Social Security benefits were payable, and the 25th anniversary of the Social Security Act, which became law in 1935. Changes in the law since 1935 have brought more than 9 out of every 10 people in the United States protection by old-age, survivors, and disability insurance—protection paid for by taxes on employees, their employers, and the self-employed.

Goldberg Urges Help In Jobs for Young People

The great numbers of unemployed and out-of-school youth in city slums is "potentially the most dangerous social condition in America today," according to Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg.

He said job training to qualify young people for employment and measures to locate job opportunities are included in the Administration's youth employment plan.

Speaking before the National Committee on Children and Youth, Goldberg said: "No young person, and especially no young person bred to expect rejection, can be asked to share in the mores of our society when he cannot share in the work and receive the fruits of

the work of that society."

To help cope with the youth problem, the Secretary disclosed, he has directed the Labor Department's Bureau of Employment Security to give special attention to the installation of counseling devices and personnel in urban areas of high youth employment. The department is now engaged in expanding and improving the public employment service, the basic government instrument for exchange of information and persons in the Nation's job market.

"I have also asked the employment service to take the initiative on job placement, to go out and uncover every job possibility they can for urban youngsters," he said.

U.S. 'Duty' To Keep Up The Economy

The federal government has a primary duty to keep the nation in tip-top economic health and the President must have greater powers to counter the ups and downs of the business cycle — including authority to cut or increase income taxes and vary public spending — and a greater voice in credit policy making.

That's the theme of the first intensive study of the nation's money and credit system in 50 years by a top-flight 20-man commission composed of leaders in banking, business, education and labor.

The 285-page report presented to President Kennedy, containing 87 separate proposals, specifically aims at giving national priority to three equally important goals—a low level of unemployment, an adequate rate of economic growth and reasonable price stability.

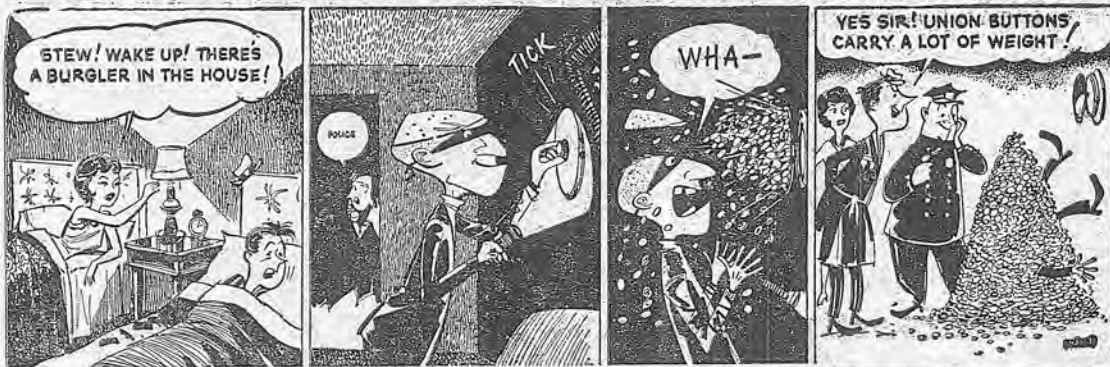
The Commission on Money and Credit recommended that the Federal Reserve Act and the Employment Act of 1946 be amended to set out these goals "as applicable to all federal agencies administering economic programs."

The private independent commission, established in 1957 at the urging of the Committee for Economic Development, a business group and financed in large part by a Ford Foundation grant, said in the words of its chairman, Frazar B. Wilde, that the conclusions represented "a consensus of American philosophy and economic judgment today."

The three major goals were not defined, but the commission said a low level of unemployment means that the number of job vacancies would be equal to the number of jobless. The commission said it would be reasonable to expect a rate of growth ranging from 3.5 to 4.5 per cent a year.



STEW & LEW



Nevada Report

Crews Busy on Road Jobs

By H. L. "Curley" Spence and Danny O. Dees.

Dodge Construction from Fallon, Nev., has started its job on Interstate Highway 80, east of Lovelock, Nev. Vern Wilson is "super" on the job. They are having a little water problem. However, the job will be going full blast in the near future.

Most of Dodge's dirt moving crew has moved into Lovelock. Brother Lew Peck has finished up with the hot plant at Warm Springs, Nev., and has moved the hot plant and crew onto the Middlegate job on Highway 50, east of Fallon.

Silver State Construction Company, better known as the Andy Drumm spread, has solved its water problem on Highway 6 and the "W" spread is now going full blast. Brother Henry Tonn is right at home with his Northwest in a big rock cut. Drumm

has put up a Trailer Camp on the top of Montgomery Pass. Drumm will have a pipe crew on Highway 3 at the junction of Highway 395 at Topaz Lake starting very soon. Drumm's job on Golconda Summit on Interstate 80, Highway 40, has the gravel practically all crushed for the sub-grade. They are in process of change over on the Crusher to make material for the hot plant.

INCLINE

Morrison-Knudsen, on the Incline Development job, has the new change route of Highway 28 cut through and most of the sub-division streets pioneered. All the Brothers are happy with this job because it is on the shore of beautiful Lake Tahoe. There are miles and miles of water lines and sewer lines on the M-K job. They have two crews working with the pipe gang.

Isbell Construction Company

has its hot plant set up on the 395 Highway job near Stead Air Force Base, north of Reno. They will have the hot stuff laid in a short time. It will be a four lane highway for the personnel at Stead Base to travel to and from Reno on.

Isbell will be starting their new job on Highway 50 at the intersection of Highway 28 to Spooner Summit. When this section is finished, Highway 50 will be four lane from Highway 28 to Highway 395, about one mile south of Carson City.

PIPE LINE

Isbell has a crew busy on a pipeline job around Reno. And they still have a full crew of mechanics busy at the main shop on South Virginia Street getting the finishing touches done on equipment for the work season. Brother Bill Boegle, the "super" at the Second Street pit, has a crew busy on the gravel pit and hot plant.

READYMIX

Readymix Paving Company has two big jobs on Highway 95 at Oroville, Nev. M. C. Christian subbed the dirt work on them. Chris has three 20's and four cats and three blades moving the dirt. He is acting as his own "super." Readymix Paving has six Brothers on the gravel plant for the jobs with two blades, one compressor and one dolly laying the sub-grade. Brother Al Pierce is the super. They expect to move their hot plant over soon. Brother Al says they expect to finish up in the next three months.

George Miller Construction still has his Capehart Housing Project going at the Air Station at Fallon, with two backhoes working plus a Michigan loader, a small Ferguson backhoe, one dozer backfilling and two draglines working. They are working as high as 10 Brothers at a time. Miller still has a crew working on his Lake Tahoe job.

Leland Eckley is putting the finishing touches on his job at Smith Valley, Nev., with Brother Ray Duval doing the blade work. They expect to finish within the next month.

TRAFFIC

Wells Cargo, Construction Division's job on Interstate 80, Highway 40, have their hot plant going full steam and are laying down the east bound lane on the new section they have finished the dirt work on. They have quite a problem as the traffic has been moved over on the new road so that the old section can be made to conform to the new.

They have to build an over-pass exchange where Highway 95 comes in as well as wider culverts and bridges on the old section. There is still dirt work left on the east end yet to make the tie in. The four 20's are kept busy stripping for the hot plant and gravel pit. They have quite a field crew of mechanics working; five Brothers on the day shift and three Brothers on swing as well as a full crew on the gravel and hot plant and full crews on the Barbergreene also three rollers and one compaction machine finishing on black top.

Meany Warns U.S. 'Must Make Democracy Work'

A blunt warning that the Soviet Union will "win the cold war without firing a shot" unless America can make its economic system work was sounded by AFL-CIO President George Meany at the 64th annual convention of the Musicians at Atlantic City.

Charging that the American private enterprise system has "no plan" to provide jobs for the millions of unemployed, Meany told the AFM that it's up to the government to meet the challenge, and that labor "has the responsibility to demonstrate to the rest of the world that democracy really works."

The convention, largest in

AFM history, with 1,182 delegates representing 269,000 members, elected four top officers and five members of the executive board, and adopted a legislative program designed to carry on accomplishments of the last year.

President Herman Kenin urged the delegates to support these objectives:

- Complete the task, already half won, of convincing Congress it should eliminate the "job-destroying" cabaret tax.
- Work for passage of pending bills to provide a Federal Arts Council and grants-in-aid to states for music and other performing arts.

Labor Helps the Helpless



NEARLY 12,000 HOURS of work was donated by Iowa unions for the construction of a 13-building camp for physically handicapped children located near Des Moines. Here members of two Des Moines unions, Plumbers & Steamfitters Local 33 and Pipelayers Local 431, are shown installing a six-inch water main.

Union Label Family Drug Price Report Is 'A Shocker'

The report by the Senate Anti-trust Subcommittee on the high price of drugs is a three-alarm shocker. It shows how difficult it is for the public to get lower drug prices.

You can get a copy of this report by writing to Senator Estes Kefauver, Chairman of the Senate Antitrust Subcommittee, Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C. Its revelations are important to your family. For one thing, the report shows how and why you are compelled to pay 40-50 cents apiece for tetra-cycline capsules—the widest-selling broad-range antibiotic — although they cost only 2½ cents to manufacture.

The committee is holding hearings on the Kefauver-Celler bill proposed to correct some of the high-pricing practices. Already the drug industry is mustering opposition to beat the bill.

Too, the Wall Street Journal has reported that the Food & Drug Administration is preparing a weaker bill, which the Journal said, would not offend the drug industry. If FDA does this, such a bill would injure chances of getting an effective drug-price law.

The Kefauver-Celler bill is one end of a double-barreled attempt by consumer-minded Congressmen and community organizations to break the drug industry's price grip on life-saving medicines. While the Kefauver-Celler bill seeks to crack the patent monopoly, labor unions, co-ops, retired-persons' associations, settlement houses and other civic groups are trying to find lower-cost ways of providing the family with vital drugs.

DISCOUNTS

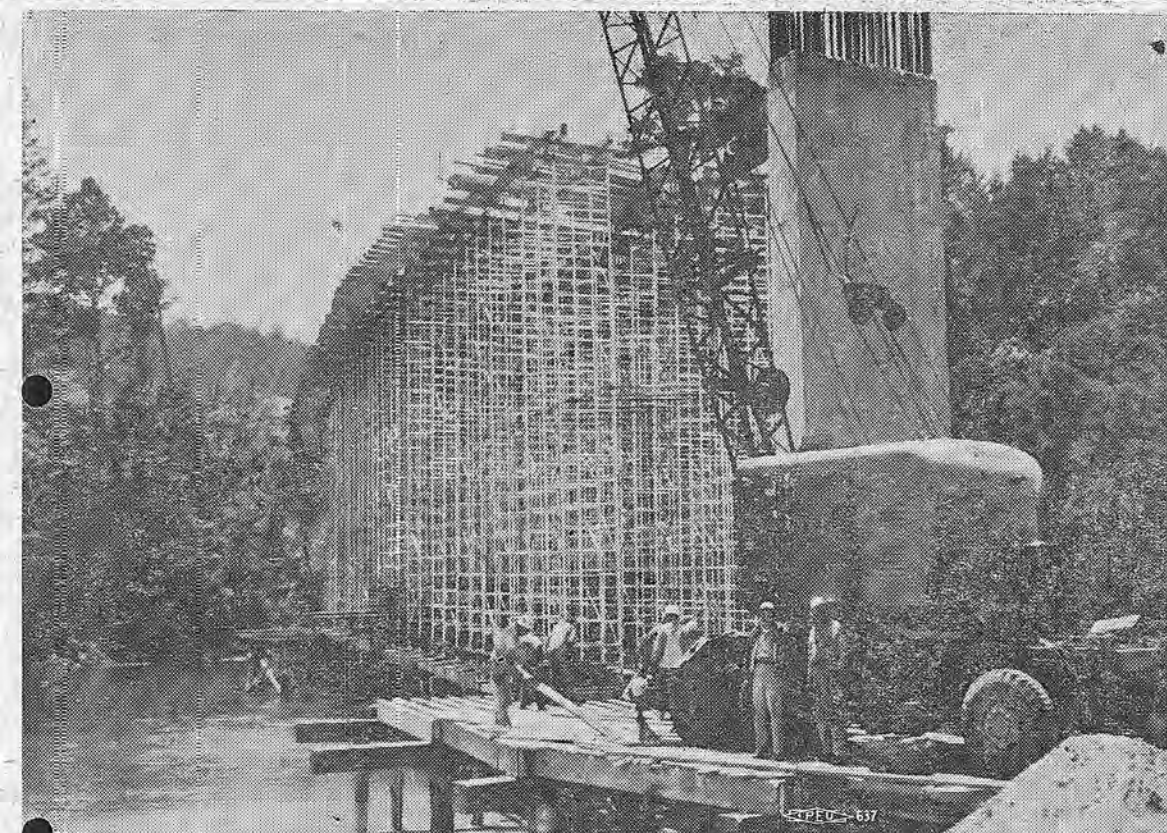
In a number of areas, unions and other groups are arranging with independent pharmacists for discounts, or filling prescriptions through their own health clinics at low prices. Various union locals have made such arrangements in a number of cities, including San Francisco, New York, Portland, Ore.; Detroit, Cleveland, others. In New York, 13 unions are organizing Medstore, a proposed chain of drug stores which will operate on a nonprofit basis and also assist independent pharmacies in supplying drugs at reduced prices.

But the union and co-op efforts can solve only part of the problem. They can't crack the patent monopoly without legislation.

One of the most important provisions of the Kefauver-Celler bill would require drug manufacturers to state the generic name on each package of medicine in the same size type as the brand name. You can buy household medicines like aspirin, milk of magnesia, antihistamines, etc., under their generic name at a fraction of the brand-name price.

BRAND NAME

But when it comes to prescription medicines, there are so many now that doctors are unable to keep track of the generic names and so tend to prescribe by brand name. Moreover, drug manufacturers have worked out a new wrinkle—which is to have no generic name at all on some recently-developed medicines. Doctors then have to prescribe either by the chemical name which is long and involved and which they often don't know anyway, or by the brand name.



Wet'n' High...

WATER PROVIDES a serene touch for employees on the Granite Construction bridge job at Mendocino. The operator is Norman Schindler and the oiler is Ken Croft.



...Dry'n' Low

DRY, DRY, dirt provides a contrast to the bridge job. This is the Argonaut Construction Company's road job at Gualala on the Northern California coast.

North Bay Area

Nearly All Working On Marin Projects

By F. A. LAWRENCE

Work in the North Bay area is moving along, with nearly all of the brothers busy.

E. T. Haas has started its sewer construction job in Corte Madera. On the hydrocrane is Brother Vaughn Termansen, operator and Stew Orchard, Jr., oiler. Brother Fred Foss is operating the loader.

A pre-job conference was held recently with Fred J. Early Co., Inc. Their job for a filtration plant is now under way at Woodacre. This job should keep a few of the brothers employed for a while.

Engle Asks Study of U.S. Buying

Senator Clair Engle (D-California) has urged the Defense Department to initiate a four-year study of defense procurement requirements for the purpose of gauging long-range effects on California and other key defense production areas.

The Senator asserted that if the Defense Department "can project with some certainty the general direction of defense procurement over a four-year period rather than from year to year, as has been the case in the past, it will be helpful both to the Defense Department and to the States involved."

"Rapid technological changes mean drastic changes in defense procurement in short periods of time with severe effects on communities heavily engaged in defense work," he said.

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San Francisco and other California communities.

"If industry and the communities involved are to adjust as necessary and if they are to continue to be prepared to respond immediately to the nation's defense needs, it is of great importance that they be able to look and plan ahead," he said.

Senator Engle said he outlined these points in a formal request to Deputy Secretary of Defense Roswell L. Gilpatric that the Defense Department initiate a four-year study of defense procurement requirements.

He said he believes such a study should gauge the effect of projected defense purchases on communities which are heavily engaged in defense production.

Beasley Engineering transmission line job is also under way—from Petaluma to Novato. This will be about a five month project. Brother Ed Demings is on sideboom; Brother Serpa on backhoe; Brother Clem Sequeira is on the loader; Brother Al Shockley is on trencher; Brother Don Manka is oiler on backhoe; Brother Volney Hanes is repairman.

PIPELINE

Granite Construction is progressing nicely on the pipeline job from Lagunitas to Nicasio Dam. Brothers Brank Kuhagen and Elvin Ensley are on the dozers; Cloyce Turley is on truck crane; Brother Murl Bates is oiler; Roy Stevenson is on trencher; Harry Houseman is oiler; Glenn A. Hardy is backhoe operator; Albert George is on the loader; Bob Povenmire is on grease truck; Ray McClure is on dozer; Ed Teves is on motor patrol; Leo Gerbich is on Fordson backhoe. Foremen are Brothers Bill Christensen, Richard Caporale Jr., Cliff Perini, Toby Johnson and George Ley.

Underground Construction transmission line under way at Marin Bay, east of San Rafael. Also on the same job is William R. Crail of San Diego, who is putting in a treatment plant.

Brown-Ely, it appears, will be busy for some time with various jobs all over the county, and at present the firm is doing the clearing at Stinson Beach State Park.

A pre-job conference was held recently with Leo L. Shanahan & Sons of Gardena, Calif., regarding site preparation for homes at China Camp, east of San Rafael. This job will get under way shortly.

It is vitally important that you keep an accurate record of all hours you work, particularly in reference to the 15 cents-per-hour vacation plan. To help you keep this record, we have available in our office a Time Record Book which sells for \$1.



Santa Rosa Area:

Number of Jobs Underway

By RUSS SWANSON

Happily, a number of jobs in the Santa Rosa area finally started. This, however, does not mean that everybody in the area is working. At times, we have been void of certain classifications, but we have been able to fill the great bulk of the orders with brothers living in this area.

The jobs going on the whole have been printed in the previous issues, but here are some of the main ones: Ball & Simpson two shifts, on highway work near Healdsburg; Guy F. Atkinson, on highway near Windsor; gravel plants such as Basalt-Windsor-Sand and Gravel, Hiens are all busy; Miles & Sierra are back to one shift on the levee at Lake County; Galbriath is working steadily on the aqueduct from Santa Rosa to Petaluma; Shelmaker is making it interesting for the tourists at Bodega Bay, by pumping horse neck clams through the 12-inch pipe.

Fredrickson Brothers are working on Imola Road near Napa; Harold Smith at Rancho Monticello at Berryessa; Carey Brothers on road at Lower Lake; Siri at various locations in Lake and Sonoma Counties; Reichhold and Jurkovich fouling up traffic on 101 near Geyserville; Crow with 10 operators on Atkinson job.

Argonaut is busy with jobs at Rohnert Park and Gualala; Don Dowd in on the Westgate subdivision; Granite is still working on bridge and approach near

Mendocino; Giordano is about finished at Valley Ford on the road.

Journeymen Heavy Duty Repair Men who recently took the apprenticeship test were Lewis

Weimer, Al Rittenhouse, Harold Stone, Corkey Lawson, Ben Shepherd, Dave Kragler, Bob Farish, Ed Halm, Ralph O'Hara, George Green, H. A. Ervin, and Cecil Edwards.

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Letter From An Engineer's Widow

A letter from Mrs. Clara Carahoff of San Francisco to the Business Manager of Local 3 demonstrates aptly the view of some of our older members —

and their families — toward their union.

It was a letter of thanks from the widow of a man who was a member of our union more than

35 years. It's a pleasure to print it here, and it's gratifying to know that we, together, have contributed toward Mrs. Carahoff's peace of mind:

"Dear Mr. Clem:

"Again my sincere thanks for the check for \$500 . . . in connection with the passing of my husband.

"With kindest regards to all members and brothers and my best wishes for the welfare of Union Local No. 3, I remain, most gratefully yours . . ."

Brown Tells Work By Legislature

Important new social insurance benefits and "further strengthening of the nation's finest school system" were key achievements of the 1961 Legislature, Governor Edmund G. Brown has said.

Winding up a state-wide "Report to the People" on the legislative session, the Governor continued to emphasize the theme that it was "one of the most productive and progressive in the modern history of California."

Speaking to the Democratic clubs of San Francisco in the Whitcomb Hotel, the Governor noted that "a 'truth squad' of Republican irregulars is following on our heels."

FAR BACK

"They aren't likely to catch up—because they never caught up at all during the 1961 session," said the Governor. "In fact, they have a lot of trouble just trying to catch up with the 20th century.

"The squad is made up, I understand, of a handful of Republican legislators who sat for six months in Sacramento and did nothing but try to hold back the future. Fortunately, some of their own colleagues joined the Democrats in marching into the future."

Governor Brown, who drew standing-room only audiences on his three-day tour, said major improvements in education came out of the 1961 session.

"We have seized every chance to chart the way into the hard, demanding future of education—a future in which California will continue to lead."

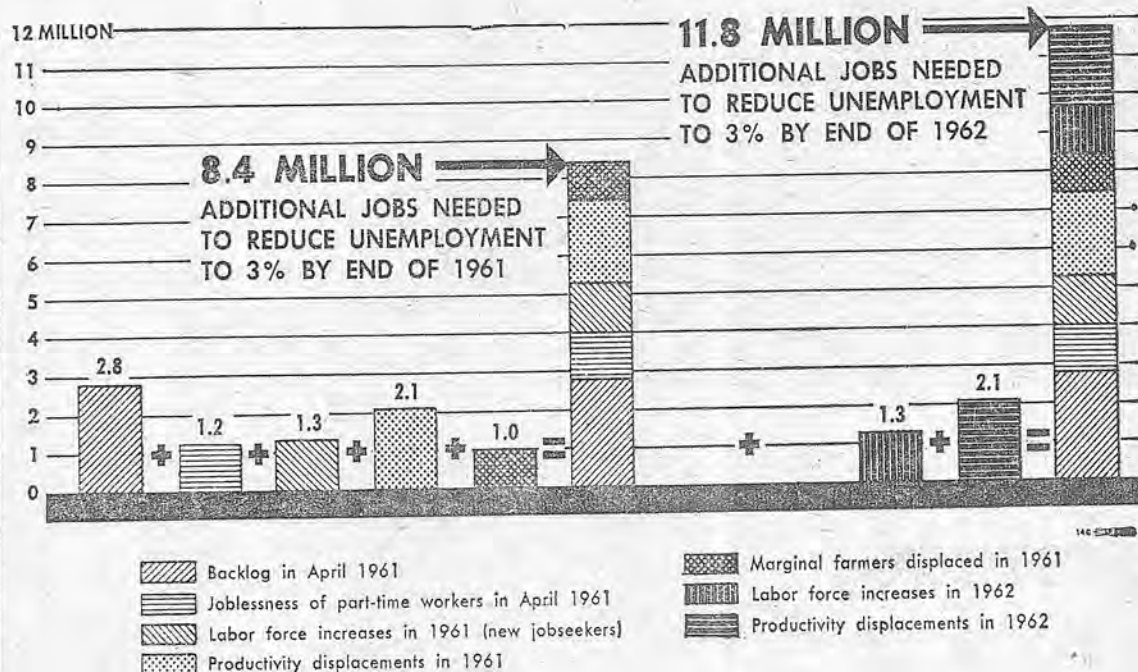
JOB DONE

Among the accomplishments of the session, he said, were:

1. An increase in state aid to local school districts from \$10 million to \$12 million a month and an advance appropriation of \$30 million to speed school construction.
2. Senate Bill 57, which requires that teachers must have a college major or minor in the subject they teach, "emphasizing substance rather than methods of teaching."
3. A curriculum revision that will stress "solid" subjects rather than "wasteful fringe courses."
4. Special programs to speed the education of the gifted child.
5. An appropriation of \$5 million to relieve taxpayers in junior college districts, and funds to start three new campuses of the University of California, two new State Colleges and a new medical school in San Diego.

"The Legislature rebuilt the State Disability Insurance Fund, which for years had been court-ing disaster, and had reached the brink.

"Not only was this accomplished but we also managed to increase maximum benefits from \$65 to \$70 a week—the highest benefits in the nation."



THIS IS THE SCOPE of the job problem facing the nation. The backlog in April, 1961 is the number of unemployed in excess of a 3 percent rate of unemployment. If the 4 percent yardstick is used, this figure would be 2.1 million and the total number of jobs needed at the end of 1961 to reduce unemployment to the 4 percent level would be 7.7 million. Carried through to 1962, the figure would become 11.1 million.

San Mateo Area

Serra-Skyline Tie Chosen

By BILL RANEY and DAN MATTESON

The State Highway Commission has finally made up its mind regarding the route of the proposed connection off Junipero Serra and the Skyline, in the northern end of the county. Since this decision has been made, there no doubt will be a considerable amount of work created for the members.

There is still some interest and a little activity on the Stanford Accelerator. Test boring will continue for some time to come.

Williams & Burrows has started the large Crestmoor High School job at San Bruno, to the tune of \$3,716,000. Many contractors and subs are on the site and a great many brothers are at work there.

PARKING LOT

Barrett Construction Co. has started to double deck the existing Farmer's Market Parking lot at Hillsdale in San Mateo. This will provide much work for our Engineers. Brother Charles Dees broke the ground with a large compressor the other day.

The California Division of Highways has allotted \$500,000 for 18 miles of maintenance work on Highway 1, as well as three other highway jobs on the bay side of the county. The 19th Avenue Freeway has not been let to date, but this is due at anytime.

After nearly two years' work constructing a rock wall to form a quiet harbor for small crafts in the Half Moon Bay area, completion of this project is now in sight. This is a beautiful harbor.

The next step is to put in piers and various developments for small craft dockage. All of the stone and rock was imported from the Davenport Quarry in northern Santa Cruz County.

The transportation was quite a project in itself. All the material was hauled by trucks. The

Coast Highway was the route used and there was quite a lot of improvement on this road during the hauling period. To be sure, this highway had a test, for it has stood the heavy traffic comparatively well. This project was done by the Heal-Granite Construction Co., a joint venture formed to fit this project.

Work is now in progress on the offshore lines into the waters of the Pacific Ocean. One at Sharps Park and one at Linda-mar area. This job is being done by Glanville Construction Co. of Oakland. We have had several engineers on this job all winter and there is still quite a bit of work for the next few months.

WATER SYSTEM

Pacifica also is developing its water system. There are five water tanks being built. The tanks are being installed by Cole Engineering Co. of Hayward. The waterlines being placed in this area by the E. T. Haas Co. and Valley Engineering.

A good deal of grading and underground work is being done just north of Half Moon Bay.

Death Benefits

A reminder of the benefit to members who conscientiously keep in good standing as necessary under Section 3 of Article XX of our International Constitution.

That section says: "For the purpose of establishing and maintaining a right to benefits under this Article, a member in good standing is a member who is not suspended by the operation of any section of this Article or any other Article of this Constitution, and who also has paid his dues and all other obligations to the date of his death."

One is reminded only that death almost always comes as a surprise—the average man is not given time to set all his business straight before it's too late.

This will be for a home construction development. Dale Williams is doing the underground and Bob Fontana the street grading and paving.

Pescadero has a new look. First, the State is widening and realigning the main street of that little southern coast city. Perhaps you read in your local papers about the hassle the local gentry had over the removal of the very old and loyal flag pole that sat in the center of the main intersection. That flagpole was a historic landmark and there are second and third generations still residing in Pescadero who felt strongly about the removal of this flagpole. You wouldn't know the old town—buildings are being moved back or torn down, some new ones being erected. We can see a beautiful new look taking place and we are told that the controversial flagpole will be erected in a new location.

Questions continue to arise about the start of Foster City or Brewers Island. This large and varied project has had many hurdles and, consequently, many delays. However, it has been disclosed that the project will be started in the near future with dry fill taken from the hills in Brisbane and San Bruno.

Dredging equipment is to be used to dig fill sand from the bottom of San Francisco Bay, but will not be ready for this aspect of the work for 11 months. Other sources of fill will be used in the meantime so there will not be further delays.

This is going to be a whale of a job—the first bonds for the half billion dollar development were sold at mid-week at 6 percent interest to a Texas bank. The bonds totalled \$2.3 million, and \$6 million more will be placed on the market this year. Mind you, this is just the start of this project. Is it any small wonder we are all champing at the bit to get this job going and growing?

Sen. Engle Defends U.S. Job Awards

Challenging critics of California's leadership in aircraft and missile development, Senator Clair Engle (D-Calif.) says his state pioneered these fields and today is unsurpassed in its skilled labor force, its technical ability and its total investment in defense plants.

Speaking on the floor of the Senate, he said eastern Senators seeking to have defense contracts awarded on the basis of labor surpluses "would seriously jeopardize our national security."

Senator Engle pointed out that relocation of defense plants in depressed areas would just create new unemployment and business depression in communities left behind.

"Can you imagine the reckless waste of time and money that all this would involve . . . not to mention the great sacrifices in quality of the product?" he said.

The California legislator said his state has been involved in aircraft development since 1910 and added, "As early as 1945, California anticipated the change-over from manned aircraft to missiles and began diversification into missile production."

Senator Engle said if California has an advantage in defense production it is because the state has attracted a large percentage of the nation's scientific personnel and skilled production workers and because its industry has pioneered in research and testing and invested heavily in production facilities.

ISSUE

Taking issue with Senators from New York, Maryland and other eastern states who propose to reduce the number of defense contracts awarded to California firms in order to reduce unemployment and depression in their own states, he said: "I agree with my colleagues that high employment in an area of the country is a matter not only of regional concern but of national concern. . . . But I certainly do not believe that the circumstance of substantial surplus labor should be used as a major or primary factor in making a plea for more defense contracts."

Senator Engle said, "I am convinced that when all the facts are revealed, neither the people at the Pentagon nor the public generally will be any more disturbed about a large percentage of defense orders going to California than they are about a large percentage of the automobile production being concentrated in Michigan . . ."

At the same time, he explained that California itself leads unemployment in the nation as a whole. "In January of this year, California's unemployed numbered 8 per cent of the state's labor force . . . That was worse than the national average of 7.7 per cent," he said.

Your Pension Plan Questions—Answers

Here are more questions members ask about the Pension Plan — which is supported solely by employer payments — and some answers.

Specific problems should be addressed to the Pension Trust Fund, 476 Valencia Street, San Francisco.

Q—How does a retired Engineer qualify for a basic pension?
A—An enigneer who retired prior to January 1, 1959, is eligible for a Basic Pension if he meets the following four requeirements:

1. He attained age 65 prior to Jan. 1, 1959;
2. He retired between Jan. 1, 1953, and Jan. 1, 1959;
3. At the time he retired he had at least 15 years of Past Service Credit;
4. He presents evidence of retirement in the form of a Federal Social Security award.

Q—How much is the basic pension?
A—The Basic Pension is \$30 a month, payable for life.

Q—Are a minimum number of pension payments guaranteed to an Engineer who has been awarded a pension?

A—Yes, pension payments are guranteed for three years to all retired Engineers receiving Normal, Reduced or Early Retirement Pensions. If a retired Engineer dies before he has received 36 monthly pension payments, his monthly pension is continued to his beneficiary until a total of 36 payments have been made.

Q—Are there any vested rights under this plan?
A—Yes. Vested rights means that once an Engineer has accumulated ten years of Pension Credit and has reached the age of 55 he will not lose the Pension Credits he has earned, even though he no longer works as an engineer in the area covered by this program. He is entitled to apply for a pension any time after reaching the age of 60.

APPROVED PENSIONS

The following members were granted pensions during June, 1961:

Name	SS Number	Date of Entitlement
NORMAL PENSION		
Corning, K. S.	545-07-2287	September, 1961
REDUCED PENSIONS		
Godding, J. T.	566-20-1896	July, 1961
Harris, E. W.	564-09-6789	September, 1961
Ryan, M. C.	562-05-1689	July, 1961
Wilson, Herschel	559-18-5743	September, 1961
Young, R. R.	525-16-6532	July, 1961
EARLY RETIREMENT PENSION		
Stevens, Wm.	573-16-8922	August, 1961
DISABILITY PENSION		
Sanders, Archie	509-05-5433	April, 1961
BASIC PENSION		
Damon, Richard	504-01-0387	February, 1961

Deaths, June, 1961

It is with deep sorrow that we report the passing of the following brothers:

NAME — CITY	LOCAL	BORN	DIED
Raymond B. Mitchell, Corcoran	3	11- 9-12	6- 3-61
Henry Doering, N. Sacramento	3	3-17-08	6- 5-61
Dave Siri, San Francisco	3	6-28-1893	6-10-61
Carlos Dunlop, San Anselmo	3	8- 7-31	6- 8-61
Joseph Frates, Oakland	3	4-18-1897	6- 7-61
Foster Howell, Sonora	3	5-18-17	6-16-61
Wesley B. Reed, San Francisco	3	2- 51894	6-17-61
Jack Houver, Bryte	3A	9-10-1889	6-10-61
Kenno Boggiatto, Pt. Richmond	3	5- 8-09	6-20-61
Charles Overman, Toulumne	3	9- 3-13	6-21-61
Archie I. Sanders, Stockton	3	2- 3-1898	6-21-61

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San Francisco Labor
Temple, 2940 16th St.,
San Francisco, Calif.

California

EUREKA

July 5 (Wednesday), 2806
Broadway. Regular quarterly
meeting.

REDDING

July 6 (Thursday), New Elk's
Hall, Benton Drive. Regular
quarterly meeting.

OROVILLE

July 7 (Friday), Prospectors
Village, Oroville Dam Blvd. Reg-
ular quarterly meeting.

SAN FRANCISCO

July 12 (Wednesday), Labor
Temple, 2940-16th Street. Reg-
ular quarterly meeting.

CONCRETE PIPE PLANTS

Because of a special meeting
call, the regular July meeting
will be cancelled.

YUBA CONSOLIDATED

July 24 (Monday), Engineers
Hall, 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

ROCK, SAND, GRAVEL

Because of the necessity to
cancel the June meeting, the
July meeting will be held in Oro-
ville, July 28 (Friday), 8 p.m.,
in the Bartenders and Culinary
Workers Hall, 1858 Montgomery
Street.

Utah

Because we are now meeting
throughout the State, the Salt
Lake office will be closed on
Saturdays. It is open every
Thursday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

CEDAR CITY

2nd Tuesday of each month,
El Escalante Hotel, 8 p.m.

VERNAL

2nd Tuesday of each month,
Court House, 8 p.m.

OGDEN

3rd Wednesday of each month,
Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m.

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July 25 (Tuesday), Oldham
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