The Season’s Best Wishes to All!

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 3
STATIONARY ENGINEERS LOCAL 39
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER, 1953

AGC Health Plan Settled
By Year-end, is Union Hope

Final steps toward benefits under the AGC Health & Welfare Plan by start of the new year, thus terminating months of uncertainty in this phase of union affairs, is now considered as a strong possibility. It was announced by Local 3 officers as this issue of Engineers News came to press.

General consensus is that such a development would not only be warmly welcomed by the Northern California membership but would also constitute a step very apposite to the Yule season and the resolutions traditional to start of a new year.

Hearings on the clarification procedures of the Plan have been completed, and the matter is now in the hands of the uppers appointed by the federal court, Judge, who is expected to issue his decision in the very near future.

As the decision is announced, the plan will be put into effect as soon as it is humanly possible, union officials declared.

It is any hope that this can be accomplished by the first of the year they said.

Meanwhile, all members who may be eligible under this plan are urged to keep a full record of any medical or hospital expense due to illness or injury, a copy of all bills and other records pertaining to such, so that they may be contemplated to whatever extent they may be covered by the plan.

This request has been made of the members on previous occasions and is repeated again now.

Another request to the members is this: in addressing any inquiries to the Health and Welfare Department of Local 3, please advise us to whom you are employed by.

There are several health plan sets up, and we must know who you work for before we can give you accurate information.

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS:

REGULAR MEETING POSTPONED*
The next regular meeting will be postponed to January 9th, 1954, due to the fact that the 1st Saturday of the month interferes with the New Year Holiday. The meeting will be held as usual in the San Francisco Building Trades Council at 200 Guerrero Street, at 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 9th, 1954.

OFFICES OF LOCAL NO. 3 WILL BE CLOSED
Saturday, December 29th, 1953, and Saturday, January 2nd, 1954, because of the Christmas and New Year Holidays.

URGE QUICK START
On Feather R. Job

Reminders of the state’s $73 million “wastey” fund to start work on the huge Feather River project as soon as possible was reported on Dec. 4 by an Assembly sub-committee on conservation, planning, and public works which turned the proposed dam. The group is recommending an accumulation of millions in funds in next year’s budget for survey work. The five members voted unanimously on its recommendations after nearly three hours of hearing.

The million-dollar Feather River project would create a water reservoir that would feed the entire state and reach in the southern basin through a 256-mile continuous system.

Alex M. Rowell
20 Central, Nov. 15, 1953
Robert Morgan
128 Oakland, Nov. 15, 1953
Rudy M. Byles
Campbell, Calif., Nov. 24, 1953
Edward Marlavich
Daily City, Cali., Nov. 22, 1953
Norwood H. Hayden
Hayward, Cal., Nov. 22, 1953

SERVICE WITHDRAWALS

DONALD RALPH ADAMS
DAMES PATTON
SF. LOY THORPE

NEW ESTUARY TUBE

State Department of Public Works has applied for a new permit to build another tube 400 feet west of the Poway Tube in the Cal- loud Estuary to carry two main branch channels. The old permit is out, and work is to start within two weeks. If the 350-foot type will cost $5 million.

PRE-STRESS WALLS—Shewing here is one of two handling machines of the pre-stress concrete wall around the all supply tanks at the $80 million P. G. & E. Steam-Electric Plant at Pitts- burg, Beaver Magazine Miller, operator, and Beaver Dave. Beamer has been seen here. Another big pre-stress job is Richardson’s new 12 million gallon, 30x150000 water reservoir, which is getting 144,000 pounds of “super hts” stress wire pressure.
The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., President Chesney presiding. Bell called audience to order.

A synopsis of the Register Meeting Minutes of Nov. was read and motion approved as read.

The report of the Executive Board Minutes of Dec. 2 was read, and the acts and recommendations of the board were by motion approved.

Christmas greetings were received from George R. Bell and family.

Referred and disposed.

Chiefs of staff were received from Edna Bates, Barbara and Peggy; Charlie Hudson; Florence Day; Received and filed.


The membership about one minute in silence in respect to our deceased brother.

The Trustees report was read, and it was moved and seconded that the Trustees report be accepted as read. Carried.

The Business Agents gave their reports, which were accepted as read.

The report of the General Secretary-Treasurer was read by President Chesney.

President John J. McDonald, Third International Vice President, gave a report of the meeting of the General Executive Board held in Los Angeles, as well as plans for a buffalo in Washington, D.C. He reasurred members of his congratulations to the members, who were most well received.

No further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND J. MAYNE, Recording-Corresponding Secretary.
Rains Force Suspension of Only Projects in the San Jose Area

By M. G. "Mitzy" Murphy and A. J. "Bob" Hopper, Business Representatives

We are sorry to have to start out with this caption, but it is the truth, and knowing that this is winter weather, we still have some of our members who have been impacted by the recent rains. Many of the projects that were in operation will no doubt be in hibernation until winter. We have several subdivisions which have turned out to be quantitatively the same as their usual seasonal work. The rig carries up to 18 tons, is one of the usual men seen in recent years.

SKY BUGGY—Operating Engineer Paul Addison operates the approximately 40 tonne carry which brings materials to the Sutter Dam, popularly known as the "Mineral King Pump." The rig carries up to 18 tons, is one of the usual men seen in recent years.

Fresno Stays About Same; Some New Jobs to Start

By H. T. Peterson and G. Lynn Moore, Business Representatives

Conditions in the area are much the same as they were the previous month; however, we have several new jobs about to start. Karl Hameleg, the foreman, has subcontracted the dirt work from Darkenwald & Harker on the Bureau of Reclamation Canal Job. Both Darkenwald & Harker and K&R won't start anyway until after the middle of December, to hear of our out-of-town friends as they have a pretty good spread working on their Bureau of Reclamation job in west of Berkeley, consisting of about 4000 feet, 8 rods, 2 bladed and other incidental equipment. They are subject to some trouble in the event of treatment of遇的, because of the type of construction; particularly bad if not completed by next May or June.

Harbor Brokers from Sacramento are putting in a new slipway for Brizio Co. high bay job east of Mariposa. Unfortunately this job is to be wall and flat-ironed to the US. Navy. We will be in need of employment for the first of the year.

Fresno Office, Petersen, Moore, and Jose, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

What's Doing? Very Darlin’ in Redding Area

By R. A. H. Ester

What's Doing? Nothing. Sorts all these after the construction of the out-of-work list. New members of the shop's start to show growth, but we started the job about the winter of the Bay Area. Is there some trouble with the type of construction; particularly bad if not completed by next May or June.

Rice Bros., Inc. of Marcville, have been busy this season, but with this weather they have been forced to lay off. We have heard they have been busy at their work in the section.

To date we have not heard of the project being started by the Bureau of Reclamation, the construction of the new bridge over the West of Coast, on the San Luis Dam, where they have a job for the Bureau of Reclamation.

The old concrete Co. is still in its present state with the new contract.

We have been advised that the PG&E Company has several engineering offices working up in the area. We will let you know when the reported construction will start in the area.

May I again suggest to the out- of-work brothers that now is a wonderful time to do what is best for you and this area. We are in need of employment for the first of the year.

The June Sun - This is the last issue of the June Sun. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

AGC Northern Cal. Elects Officers

By C. T. "Tom" Magruder, executive vice president of Calaveras County Construction Co., was elected president of the AGC at its organization meeting held in Redding Area - a good job. Elected vice president was a fellow member of the board of directors, including California. We expect him to do the job this spring.

LORATO - Another bit of news we are aware of is the completion of the Highway Project on the San Francisco area. This job is not to be started for the next few weeks. It is expected to start on Monday, by the end of February, 1954. We are told that the job is being approached.

The main ingredient of the job is the ground breaking ceremony for a 22-lane freeway, the Milpas district. We doubt very much that the job will be begun after the Yule Season.

We expect that the 3% Million Dollar San Jose Sewage Disposal Plant will soon start operations in the next few weeks. The chief engineer of San Jose and Alviso are still in the office, and we are told that they will be the ones to do the job.

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HERE AND THERE WITH THE BROTHERS

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... "I would look like this,"

Mickey Cavanaugh looking towards the sea; Long Beach; Mrs. Bowers; FRED SALIS looking at the

BOULDER; ARTHUR JOHNSON has been playing golf; BOB BLO...
While the weather has held up remarkably well for this time of the year, we are sorry that we must report that there has been a rash of accidents in the last four days just past; 251 men were dispatched to jobs in the last four weeks, with in excess of 350 men registered on the cut-off. G. O. Jones and Son, continue to be one of the tender outfits in the area, and at the present time have several jobs well underway; their associates, including John Biggs & Son, have been handling a 12-mile road and dam job at the north end of town. Johnny Jacobs and W. Ewany on the Lotus, Chiles, Brook, and others, are keeping everything in good shape at their various projects. John Biggs and Son, have recently been awarded a contract for work on the new Tamalpais Dam, and are preparing plans for work on the new Russian River Dam. The work will go under way during the middle of December by an association with the Monarch Dam Company, on the site of the old Russian River Dam, and the other work will take place in the early spring.

Frenkenden Brothers, have not been held back too much as yet. They have recently completed work on the Fairfield Freeway. Twenty-one employees are working on this project, with approximately one-half of the work completed at this time.

Bros. R. Owen, trench operation foreman, is working several other projects for the same outfit. For the past few months the work has been very light, but with the weather breaking up, the bros. are finding their work very satisfactory. The company have started work on the new Irvington Jr. School. At Camp Pajaro this company has completed the construction of a new school building. In addition to the new school, construction is also under way on the new sewer work. Ross and Jaramillo will be the future as well as the future of this outfit.

Pacifica Bridge Company has a number of projects that include the C.C. & P. G. & E. Power Station in Point Arena, and the new bridge at the mouth of the Russian River. The old bridge is to be replaced by a new bridge of reinforced concrete, which will be located just beyond the mouth of the Russian River. The new bridge is being constructed by the Pacifica Bridge Company, and is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

During a special meeting at the Webster Engineering Corporation, the company announced that the company has been awarded a contract for the design and construction of a new power plant for the City of Richmond. The project will be completed by the end of the year, and is expected to cost approximately $75,000. The company has been awarded the contract because of its experience in the field of power plant construction.

The company has been active in the field of power plant construction for many years, and has completed a number of projects throughout the country. The company has a staff of experienced engineers and contractors, and has the capability to complete the project on time and within budget.
By MERILY ROWLANDS, CHARLES COCKREYN, GEORGE FARRELL, GLEN FULLMER and JAY NEELEY Business Editor

As this news goes to press we are right in the middle of winter. It is cold and wet, and not much work is going on right now, so about all we can do is look ahead to the spring that is coming around the corner. These are some of the things that are little on the good season just past. Although there weren't any large industrial jobs to really bowl us over and we did get off to a good start on the Highway jobs in the Salt Lake area. The 9th to 11th South State Street jobs was really a great one for quite a few members, and now is one of the nicest structures in the City.

Young's Company's Silver Creek job was quite an improvement on the last one. It was a small job and a rather small crew, but it is a step forward for us. With all of these jobs have used a lot of local manpower.

The work going on is pretty light. Bechtel Corporation is still working on the Jordan Slims Dam. Utah Construction is still working on small crews still going up Elgin. W. W. Clyde Company is still working on the Highway jobs, although using quite a number of secretaries and clerks. They are still working on old Salt Lake City projects.

There are a good number of prospects for the coming year. There is a chance that a few more people will be laid off, but, at this time we are a little ahead according to the reports of the men who are doing the hiring. We are not expecting too many more of the old work to be done out here, but all that is going on is a little uncertain.

T. E. Lyman Company is still working at Fort Duchesne, looking for work. They may get a small job. There is a little work still going on in the Mill Hall area. They are going to get some of the old work back in the future but at the present time we are not sure how much.

The Utah Company has the gravel on the Duarte-to-Deerboard road washed down the water. They will complete the road before the end of the year.

At this time of your travel, with so many trucks and people on the road, a few are traveling and working successfully. The writer would like to urge you all to keep well away from the highways and the old roads, to the highways of the International Union of Operating Engineers. That is where the future lies. It is a way to get ahead.

The construction season this year is off to a good start. We have not had quite as many falls as we had last year. Everyone knows there is rough work ahead and the winter months and is prepared for it. As the saying goes, "You can't make a horse walk in the winter and you can't make a man work in the winter.

Most everyone knows there is plenty of work ahead in the spring months. There are a few jobs that are being worked on the Highway jobs and the Winter projects.

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Marysville. Get a taste of Winter, but Outlook is Good

BY LES COLLETT, Business Representative

The meeting held upon the north valley we don't have too much to report in this area due, of course to the winter rains setting in and at this writing the winds and rains are blowing in so bad that it is not a time to be out looking for the future look and about them.

The new metal shop job bid was posted from November 7th, when the Johnson-McBee Company of Butte said they were going to submit a bid on the Pacific Coast Edison Company's plans for the new metal shop.

INDUSTRIAL REPORT

BY C. R. VAN WINKLE

NATIONAL COMPANY

News from this company concern mainly the turning over of old equipment. They have just effect this accident will have on the past the company in the future. At the present writing all the members of the company will be involved in their present work at this point, it will reduce the level of employment in the company by about 30 men, so that the company has no intention of trying to save any of the workers.

This is indeed bad news, coming at this time when the company has had a job in the Chico State College. B. C. & B. Co., Oakland, for which they had made a progressive on the Pacific Co.

Despite the weather, the T. C. Coming Company has had a small job in the Chico area. The company has made a man or two finishing up small jobs at this time. Unfortunately, there has been a job let in the Chico area.

We hope to make any required adjustments to the agreement with the Workmen's Compensation. We are not sure we will be able to get a job, but we will try to make contact with the union to have a job made available.

By doing so, you do two things. You become a participant in your community's growth and you encourage others to participate. Your participation is necessary for the growth of the community.

GLODING, MCEwan CO.

First let us call your attention to the following meetings you will want to attend and urge your attendance. Like a discussion these meetings are very important to the company.

St. Rose, Lincoln Industrial Community Hall, 11 a.m. on Nov. 20, for the members of the company.

Local 3 members are urged to be present on Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Meeting Hall, for the final meeting in the year.

Now let's start the new year out right.

Several serious problems affecting our membership have arisen recently. We all need to address these problems now.

At the request of the membership, a change was made in the procedure for a check-off of dues from the wages of members. This change was made to take advantage of this new member and to simplify the process. It is entirely voluntary, the idea being that members may wish to take advantage of this convenient manner to pay them. If you do you can secure an authorization card at any time from your representative or at this office.

PERSONAL NOTES

It is with a great feeling of disappointment that we report there were no injuries when Drudge No. 1, operated by the Landy Co., was lit in the Box Car Yard. This job was a result of the bad weather and the company is trying to find a way to prevent such accidents in the future.

And finally, we are pleased to report the success of the new Natomas Co. Brook Arthur Job, which was finished on time. We are now ready to move into the new building on the 15th street.

In other words, all we did was to find the relief of the offense allegedly committed could not have been obtained if the offense alleged. We have tried to correct our mistakes, to make them all right, and we are ready to do the same thing.
ALL CONTRACTORS

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to 3015 Fourth St., San Francisco, $18,704,475 for first stage of Project No. 94-1, "General Work," including construction of San Francisco Dam, according to an order of the Secretary of the Army.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to 3015 Fourth St., San Francisco, $21,000 for general engineering services in connection with Project No. 94-1, "General Work," according to an order of the Secretary of the Army.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to 3015 Fourth St., San Francisco, $12,500 for construction of a new bridge over the American River at Woodcreek, according to an order of the Secretary of the Army.

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CONSTRUCTION AWAITS

December 15, 1953

ENGINEERS' NEWS

Oakland Area

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construction jobs in various parts of the world.

FROM A summer back in Alaska is Brother Sheldon "Shad," Oganum who was worked and lived by Birch, Lytell, and Green, as foremen over the heavy duty equipment crew, on their air-base job at Elmendorf, just out of Anchorage.

He caught his second trip to Alaska, and while there found the camp conditions unbearable, prices somewhat lower in 1953, hunting and fishing excellent, he reports that it was possible to get in to only a very little worthwhile activity.

Brother Tom Laird, found his hair and clothes completely an asset in Alaska where he has been working. Brother Ray Purdy, who fair coloring made him almost always to be taken for a native Alaskan, and helped to establish friendly relationships with the local Indians.

San Francisco, contract awarded to Petyarre, 1048 California St., for $68,954 for truck removal on 11th Ave. and Van Ness Ave.

November 15, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to H. W. Jenkins, 1046 Old Country Road, Burlingame, Calif., $24,544 for cost of renting trucks at Yerba Buena Island, High Schools.

RICHMOND, contract awarded to Hill Bros., 2727 Ralston Ave., Oakland, $10,000 for 400' CHP culvert, curbs, gutter, and sewers in the 4000 block of Ralston St.

BERKELEY, contract awarded to U. W. Schaefer, 23rd st., Berkeley, 60,575 for grading and eradicating weeds, on Berkeley Landfill.

November 21, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Elmer A. Teicher Co., 1236 Old Sonoma St., Sebastopol, $17,500 for grading, widening approaches with road mix, CAMP rock materials.

VACAVILLE, contract awarded to A. G. Raisch Co., 220 Box 9, Santa Rosa, $40,000 for 10 mi. resurf. Barrett Rd., 1953.

SAN DIEGO, contract awarded to H. J. Smith, 1420 Box 348, San Diego, $24,280 for 206th AVE., S evidently.

November 27, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Felt Bros., Box 6, Belluno, 2,050 for cost of grading and asphaltic surf., to Robt. B. Rahn, 7001 Evans Ave., S.F., for $27,722 for yard work.

TIBURON, contract awarded to B. J. Reed, 914 Chest St., Benicia, 2,052 for $1,010 for cost of grading and asphaltic surf., to H. McFarland; 101 3rd St., San Rafael; $47,000 for 9.75 mi. Streets.

November 1, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to G. N. Peebles, 7001 Evans Ave., S.F., $18,600 for 3 mi. wide concrete, to H. J. Reed, 1012 California St., San Francisco, $85,854 for truck removal on 15th Ave. and Van Ness Ave.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to E. C. Thrash, 1046 Old Country Road, Burlingame, Calif., $24,544 for cost of renting trucks at Yerba Buena Island, High Schools.

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Several Large Contractors Establish H.Q. on Peninsula

By CHEY ELLIOTT, Business Representative

During the past few weeks a few of the larger contractors working in the San Francisco area have established headquarters in San Mateo County. The M & K Corp. are moving into Butler Road and Bayside Ave. Their new plant is next door to the Ken Royce Company who have moved their main office to the Readylx Crushed plant at South San Francisco and have filled in around the old Bayshore Highway overpass and are now consolidating a new shop in the new future.

Also, the W. O. Corporation have their present office and yard of offices and yards along with their building operations now located in the heavy construction bracket and as the present time are operating under the traditional yard sites acquiring the heavy ground necessary for development. This work is conducted under the supervision of Supervisor and President. Bill Ballin assisted by Herman Brother Peter.

Project Manager Brother Phil Doll, business manager for the B. M. Union, was on the job last week. "We are still working on the Harold Pours, Kent, Presquei and Northland after several delays now have your present job and have been awarded the large Bayshore Highway job present, if the project is hauled and, depending upon whether or not the job starts today or less than 50 per cent completion of the project is finished, ready for the start of the project. We have the project concentrating on the railing area.

By working on this project, the project is now for a steel, form work, and pour the pouring of the job and the pouring of the floor is being done without the project, or the pouring without the project.

BMQ HIGHWAY PROJECT

According to the latest information the Bayshore Highway Project, now under the contract with the Twin State Corporation for the construction of the 300-room 11-story Princess Valladro Hotel on the corner of Palisades Ave. and the Palisades Blvd., the hotel is now only for the structure. It is estimated that the entire hotel project will cost approximately 4,000,000.00.

Seattle interested through the Crushed Stone Contractors Union are interested in the hotel. The hotel is now only for the structure.

Johnson Navigation Co. has just signed a contract for $1,600,000 for work for the construction of the 300-room 11-story Princess Valladro Hotel on the corner of Palisades Ave. and the Palisades Blvd., the hotel is now only for the structure. It is estimated that the entire hotel project will cost approximately 4,000,000.00.

Cranes are being moved to the construction site and many men are working on the hotel.

In eloping this report, your local is preparing to expand its membership fully to wish all of you Brothers and Sisters a happy Labor Day.

 nutritious and satisfying diet for all projects in the Bay area, he said and getting ready for a bumper crop.

While several small amounts have been a sudden spout of activity occurred within the last few days, the union is now ready to order the following.

A " następnie klying" increase has been stated by the head of the Pacific Manufacturing Co., Union Santa. This makes the fourth increase in the last year and will mean a increase of approximately 10 per cent in every classification.

Casey Bell, long-time employee of the W. M. Smith Engineering Co., has been made assistant superintendent on the job.

Boone Crenshaw is out of the hospital and should be ready to return to work. (Ref. Crenshaw was at the hospital on Christmas Day.)

Navy Deckhand Job

Navy Secrets Civil Service Examiner to test the 16th Naval District for the position of Civil Service Examiner to test the 16th Naval District.

We would like to extend Holiday Greetings to all the brothers and hope for a early spring.