The Season's Best Wishes to All!

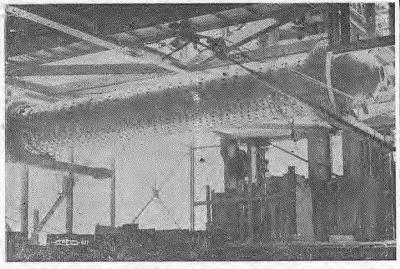
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BOILER DRUMS AHOY-Here is the last of four giant boiler drums hoisted into place on the huge P. G. & E. Steam-Electric Plant at Pittsburg. The heisting was done by Brother Auger of Local 3, and the boiler erection contract is held by C. C. Moore.

Work Holds Fairly Good Despite Wholesale Winter Shutdowns

There's a new foreman on most Local 3 jobs these days. His name is J. Pluvius, a rough newcomer from up around Alaska parts. He has ordered a wholesale shut-down on these jobs in practically all districts, and the contractors are complying, but reluctantly.

occupation, or are taking a winter which is nice to observe. vacation, or have joined the snowwork in the sunshine areas.

everything out of order late bragging about a very fine fall of tons of wasted water on the coastal slopes and a vast white blanket from the Sierras to the Rockies.

It rained so darned hard on the north coast, that Eureka begged for a let-up. In one district there it came down 24 inches in 48 hours! Brother, that is really rainto say it stonned everything. But, as the saying goes "it's an ill wind . . . ", for this torrent provided the Dear Brothers with quite a lot of highway repair and mud clearing.

Around the Bay the subdivisions turned into a giant mud-ple for a while. However, work on bridges, freeways, new business buildings continued during dry spells and is holding up unusually good for this time of the year. The Ford boys are going to get that \$50 million assembly plant built at bottom of the bay near San Jose come heck or high water and have 30 per cent of 8,000 tons of steel up.

Valley districts shuddered, put the equipment into the barns, and slept late. But then came a dry spell and the bosses get itchy feet and work resumes wherever it is physically possible. Most cities report the usual slump, but they are fairly well agreed that next year looks very good, and this outlook is shared in nearly all Local 3 jurisdiction.

The Brothers in Utah, have got their coat collars turned up and are sitting around the stove talking about the swell season just past and the good season shaping up for '54. It is the wet and cold period there, and the softies are lion project. Sand will be dredged slipping away quietly, southward. and solid fill put in 12 acres.

As a result there's a good many Salt Lake office advises them, hundred members of Local 3, sit- please keep your cards in good fing on the bench at present, shape because it certainly helps Either that or they have turned you on the road. That office is off to some regular winter-time sort of motherly about its boys,

So that's it, old St. Nick time birds and gone south to look for approaches. There are dire warmings of a GOP let-down for next Heavy rains came in a one-two- year, with advice to all: save your three punch that knocked nearly dough, take it easy. Well that's good advice at all times, but we November. We had just finished just can't get real worried about outlookwestern construction season when it hit. It left millions there are too many important things to be done out here next year. And we hope to help get them done. Meanwhile, MERRY CHRISTMAS to all!

S.F. Navy Yard Needs Welders, Shipfitters

Some 400 qualified welders and shipfitters are being hired at S. F. Naval Shipyard for two years of work on the \$65 million conversion of the carrier Bon Homme Richard into a heavy-jet carrier. Welder jobs are filling up fairly well at latest report, but there is still need for shipfitters.

New Truck Engine

Hall-Scott Motor Division of ACF-Brill Motors Co. of Berkeley, will soon produce a new high-powered engine for truck and industrial use, Model 590, of 200-plus horsepower, in both upright and horizontal, for either gas or LPG fuels. Some features: overhead valve and camshaft, cylinder head with hemispherical combustion chamber, extra-size main and rod bearings, six-in-line with 590 cubic inch sapacity, five-inch bore and stroke, weight under 1400 pounds

Some 15 new toll lanes will be added for westbound traffic along the north side of the administration building, part of a \$31/2 mil-

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 goes to press.

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

Hearings on the arbitration proceedings of the Plan have been completed, and the entire matter is now in the hands of the umpire appointed by the federal court, Sam Kagel, who is expected to issue his decision in the very near future.

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

"It is our sincere hope that this can be accomplished by the first

Urge Quick Start On Feather R. Job

Immediate use of the state's \$75 million "rainy day" fund to start work on the huge Feather River project as soon as possible was recommended on Dec. 4 by an Assembly sub-committee on conservation, planning, and public works which toured the proposed damsite.

The group is recommending about a million in funds in next year's budget for survey work. The five members voted unanimously on its recommendations after nearly three hours of hearings.

The billion-dollar Feather River project would create a water supply that would feed the entire state and reach to the southern border through a 567-mile conduitcanal system.

Alex M. Russell El Cerrito, Cal., Nov. 15, 1953 Robert Morgan

Eureka, Calif., Nov. 23, 1953 Ruey R. Moles

Campbell, Cal., Nov. 24, 1953 Edward Marliave Daly City, Cal., Nov. 28, 1953 H. T. Kennedy

Hayward, Cal., Nov. 29, 1953 Wilbur T. Gurney

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SERVICE WITHDRAWALS

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New Estuary Tube

State Department of Public Works has applied for a new permit to build another tube 450 feet west of the Posey Tube under Oakland Estuary to carry two lanes southtbound. The old permit ran out, and work is to start "within three years." The 3300-foot tube will cost \$15 million,

Meanwhile, all members who may be eligible under this plan are urged to keep a full record of any medical or hospital expenses due to illness or injury, a copy of all ment of Local 3, please advise us bills and other records pertaining as to whom you are employed by. to such, so that they may be compensated to whatever extent they may be covered by the plan.

This request has been made of accurate information.

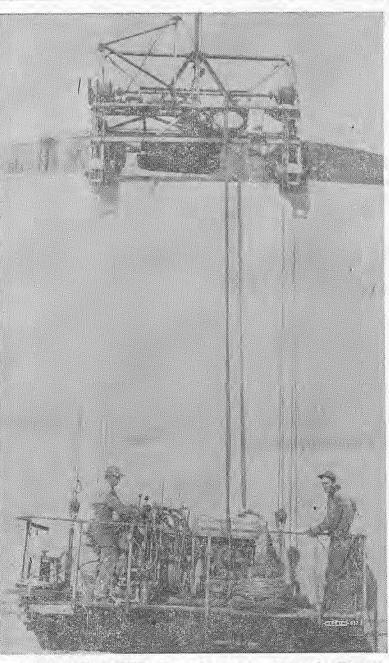
the members on previous occasions and is repeated again now.

Another request to the members is this: in addressing any inquiries to the Health and Welfare Depart-There are several health plan setups, and we must know who you work for before we can give you

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 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 9th,

OFFICES OF LOCAL No. 3 WILL BE CLOSED Saturday, December 26th, 1953, and Saturday, January 2nd, 1954, because of the Christmas and New Year Holidays.



PRE-STRESS WALLS-Shown here is one of two banding machines at work on the pre-stress concrete fire wall around the oil supply tanks at the \$80 million P. G. & E. Steam-Electric Plant at Pittsburg. Brother Marvin Miller, operator, and Brother Geo. Jaujou are seen here. Another big pre-stress job is Richmond's new 12 million gallon, 3000 ton water reservoir, which is getting 144,000 pounds of "super tens" steel wire pressure.

EDITORIALS

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OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION No. 3

COMMENT

RIGS ARE IN THE BARN, BUT READY TO GO, SOON AS CAN By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Business Representative

Due to the early heavy rains several of the contractors have headed all equipment for the barn and closed the doors until spring. However, much contemplation of work is scheduled soon as the weather permits.

Sonoma County projects include: Right-of-way acquisition on Highway 101 from Santa Rosa to Cloverdale. Grading and surfacing of the stretch between Venezia and luxury rather than a project of Lytton Overhead. Grading and surfacing of 3 miles on Highway 1 between Jenner and the Mendocino County line. Replacement of culvert at Stockoff Creek on the same route. Grading and surfacing of Highway 12, the latter over 1.1 mile west of Gossage Creek. Surfacing and shoulder improvement 5.6 miles on 101 Wilfred Crossing to Santa Rosa and Russian River to NWP railroad in Healdsburg and replacing culverts at Kolmer Gulch, Miller Creek and Deadman Gulch.

Also proposed for construction is a new Adobe Creek bridge on Highway 12.

Mendocino County: New base and surfacing on Highway 101 from Outlet Creek to Reeves Creek. Replacement of posted bridge on Highway 1 at Big Gulch, north of Gualala, under contract. Repairs to Caspar Creek bridge, Highway 101. Surfacing of two miles between Sap Creek and Rattle Snake Summit. Surfacing portions of Highway 101 between Panther Springs and the Humboldt County line. Installation of a culvert and fill at Ross Creek.

Lake County: A total of \$262,000 is budgeted. Grade and surface 4.9 miles northerly Lake-Napa County line. Also some extensive repair work will be done in the vicinity of Cobb post office.

Ukiah's State Street appearance, drainage and convenience to motorists will be greatly improved shortly by standardization of portions of curbs and gutters between Gobi Street and Low Gap Road.

The curb and gutter job will mean the elimination of those spots on State Street where water accumulates during inclement

Presently there are many parts of the city where doors of modern cars, legally parked within one foot of the curb, cannot be opened.

The East Valley bridge in Willits is near completion in spite of wet weather. The redwood stringers on the east half of the span in place; the remaining stringers should be in place shortly.

The ancient Valley Street bridge partially collapsed when a loaded Santa Rosa backed over it.

The bridge is being constructed from native materials.

Bro. Pete Persico has his truck crane working on this project.

TEN MILE BRIDGE

Bishop, Younger & Bradley Co., contractors of San Francisco, in body striking windshields, steering joint venture with Al Erickson, Napa contractor, are ahead of schedule on the concrete bridge strated that the new safety belt they are constructing spanning the mouth of Ten Mile River north of like dummy, specially designed for Fort Bragg.

This bridge is of particular interest inasmuch as it is being built against a barrier of telephone in a section that is famous as a poles, High-speed photos of the source of redwood lumber and crash showed that at no time did where previously most bridge builders used this comparatively inexpensive native material.

of a series of such structures to replace wooden trestle type redwood bridges on Highway 1.

There was a water problem-as on either side of the stream water was encountered within two feet of the surface. Al Erickson met this the car would result in evenly disproblem for the foundation work tributed deceleration. by excavating underwater to proper depth. Then forms were driven into bottom mud and the water pumped out. After 40 years of experience Mr. Erickson has earned for himself the reputation as a bridge building expert.

Much controversy has been going on about the Coyote Dam. ing it at least 201/2 years old when A resolution was released which shot,

said in part that "The proposed Coyote Valley Dam is highly po-Htical and must be considered a major benefit."

WATER? WE GOT IT!

In Southern California a plea has gone out that an atomic energy reactor be built to provide power for converting ocean water into fresh water for farm irrigation. To us in the Redwood Empire, where there is still plenty of water to be had, the idea sounds fantastic. the water-short To Californians, it must Southern seem equally fantastic that we are sitting here with water running down the creeks and rivers into the Pacific, while our domestic wells overdraw their underground supply.

In the Coyote Dam project, the mid-Empire is preparing to increase its water supply while there is still time. But there are many steps between the engineering studies now under way, and a completed system of water supply. The Southern California predicament should remind us all that we cannot afford to be either complacent or dilatory.

We take this opportunity to extend to you and yours a Very Merry Christmas and a sincere wish that '54 will prove the happiest and most prosperous of all New Years!

Los Angeles.-Fasten your safety belts!

This may be routine procedure every time you get in your car if tests conducted on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California are heeded by car own-

John Mathewson and Derwyn Severy of the Institute of Transportation and Traffic Engineering have designed a chest-type safety belt which has shown promise in a preliminary investigation of eliminating a major source of traffic injuries.

Analysis of fatalities in auto accidents shows that most injuries dump truck owned by Arthur B. stem from lack of restraint of the bodies of persons involved in the accidents. About one-third of the deaths are the result of occupants being thrown through car doors forced open by crash impact. Most of the remaining deaths are caused by the head or other parts of the wheels, dash panels, etc.

The investigation has demoneffectively restrained a very lifethe study, in crashes of a test car at a speed of 25 miles per hour any part of the dummy collide with any part of the car's interior. The belt fits horizontally across This bridge marks the beginning the chest and can be fastened in a couple of seconds.

The mechanics of the crashing auto are being investigated also to determine if cars of the future could be designed so that the crushing of the forward part of

女 六 六 20-Year-Old Duck

What is probably the oldest wild duck on record is one shot on the Sartain Ranch in California Dec. 27, 1952. It was banded at Lake Merritt, Calif., Dec. 8, 1932, mak-

1953 Deer Kill Report Nears All-Time High

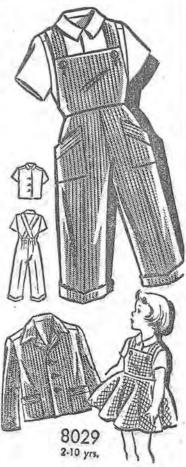
California deer hunters can mark down the year 1953 as at least the second best hunting season in state history, a compilation of deer tag returns made at the end of October showed a near-record take of a little over 57,000 bucks.

The annual tag report is incomplete, but already tops, the 50,667 final kill recorded in 1952. California's all-time record was set in 1951, when nimrods scored an annual bag of 64,619 deer.

The state's number three year was 1949, when 52,082 deer were reported taken. The number of deer tags turned in during the years 1947, 1948 and 1950 ranged in the 47,000's.

With a 16 per cent increase noted in tags returned over the same date last year, the record counties held their own and continued to produce high bag totals. Mendocino County, where hunters reported a take of 4,357 bucks this year, held its title as California's best deer producer. Tehama claimed honors as this year's number two county, followed closely by Siskiyou, Shasta, Fresno and Humboldt.

Only 12 counties registered a lower deer kill than at the same date last year. The Lassen County take dropped from 1.913 to 1.441: Modoc slipped from 1,626 to 965; Napa, from 1,219 to 1,155; Riverside, from 625 to 339.



Barbara Bell Pattern

No. 8029 Here's a cute overall set for tots that is as practical as can be. Jacket and overalls are suitable for a boy or girl; sister also has a jumper provided to wear with the blouse that is included.

Pattern No. 8029 is a sew-rite perforated pattern in sizes 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 years, Size 3, overalls, 1% yards of 39-inch; jacket, 11/4 yards; jumper, 1% yards; blouse, 14

For this pattern, send 35 cents in coins, your name, address, pattern number and size wanted to Barbara Bell, Labor Press Associated, P.O. Box 99, Station G, New York 19, N. Y.

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Report of Last Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., President Clancy presiding. Roll call showed all officers present.

A synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of Nov. 4 was read and by motion approved as read.

A synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of Dec. 2 was read, and the acts and recommendations of the board were by motion approved as read.

Christmas greetings were received from George R. Reilly and family.. Received and filed.

Cards of thanks were received from Imelda Bates, Barbara and Peggy; Charley Hudson; Florence Day. Received and filed.

The following brothers were reported ill: Lee Avilla, L. D. Banks Harry Briggs, A. F. Bowling, Kenneth Cole, Herman Cecil, Thomas E. Craig, Walter F. Crane, Chas. Cardwell, L. E. Carroll, Harold Chubick, Jack Dodson, Paul E. DeLay, Louis F. Gil, Harold Hurd, Roy Hublitz Geo. Hughes, Ferrie Harmon, Monroe Johnston, Basil Kaul, James M Lampley, Lloyd L. Love, Kenneth McCord, Tom L. Norris, Oliver Plemons, Fred O. Parker, J. Russell Pattings, Dale F. Passmore, Dee Parrish, L. A. Price, John M. Soto, Dan S. Street, Delbert Slaybaugh, Homer E. Walker.

The following brothers were reported deceased: Wm. J. Day, Alex M. Russell, Robert Morgan, Ruey R. Moles, Edward Marliave, H. T.

Kennedy, Wilbur T. Gurney. The membership stood one minute in silence in respect to our de-

ceased brothers The Trustees report was read. It was regularly moved and sec-

onded the Trustees report be accepted as read. Carried. The Business Agents gave their reports which were accepted as

Report of the General Secretary-Treasurer was read by President Clancy.

Brother John J. McDonald, Third International Vice President, gave a resume of the meeting of the General Executive Board held in Los Angeles, as well as plans for a building in Washington, D. C. He offered Season's Greetings to the membership. His remarks were well

No further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned, Respectfully submitted,

C. F. MATHEWS, Recording-Corresponding Secretary

I LIKE IKE

(IN SPITE OF EVERYTHING)

I like Ike His cheery smile and wide open grin, Helps me forget the mess I'm in. I lost my job, I lost my car I can't even get near a bar I haven't eaten for days and days But for good old Ike I still have praise 'Cause I like Ike.

I wouldn't believe in '52 When the union said it was true The bankers, bosses, and big money men Were using Ike to get power again, But what the hell, I was eating, see And besides, the "big shots" weren't after me I could have my cake and still make dough So let them chop at the Union Cause I like Ike.

The first to go was overtime Then they cut wages another dime And Ike, he said on his TV show It was patriotic to give up dough But the price of meat was still sky high And beans was all that a man could buy But he said it with such a cheery grin That I figured that's how it should have been So here I am more dead than alive But I like Ike.

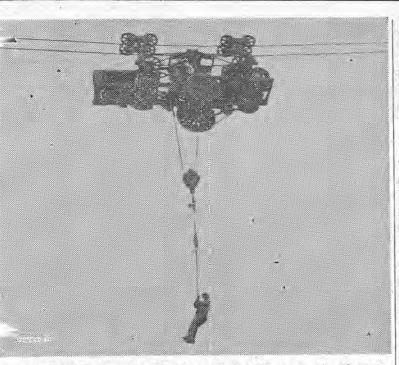
My belly was full and my blood was hot I had two chickens in every pot And Hoover was gone a long way back So I gave the elections a big wise crack It didn't matter about my vote Old Ike would never make me the goat But Brother,

I'm eating grass on the range Because I was yelling "time for a change" 'Cause I like Ike.

-ANONYMOUS.



LAST MAN OFF, AN ENGINEER-Bro. Billy Soule is known as the second Capt. Kurt Carlson around Long Beach Harbor circles since he was the last man off this sinking barge of Smart & Robinson on the Matson Terminal. The barge sank in two minutes, with everybody off but Engineers Bill and Blackie Quinn. Blackie made a skiff, but Bill stuck it out and hit the water.



SKY BUGGY-Operating Engineer Paul Addison operates the spectacular 30 mhp carriage which brings materials to the Sutherland Dam job east of San Diego. Here he moves more precious, human cargo. The rig carries up to 30 tons, is one of the most unusual seen in recent

Fresno Stays About Same; Some New Jobs to Start

Conditions in the area are much the same as they were the previous month; however, we have several new jobs about to start operations. Karl Harmeling Co. have subcontracted the dirt work from Darkenwald & Hasler on the Bureau of eclamation Canal job. Both Darkenwald & Hasler and Karl

.farmeling have moved in but won't start operations until about the middle of December.

Nomellini Construction Co. now have a pretty good spread working on their Bureau of Reclamation job west of Berenda, consisting of seven DW20's, 8 cats, 2 blades and other incidental equipment. They the early spring. are subject to some trouble in the event of inclement weather because of the type of excavation; however, this job will probably last through next May or June.

Harms Brothers from Sacramento have moved in on their Briceburg highway job east of Mariposa. Fortunately this job is in the valey low enough so they will be able a Happy New Year. to work throughout the winter

I believe we reported in last month's news that John Delphia had submitted low bid to the highway division for 5.2 miles of highway, west of Coalinga, on the San Lucas road. They have since been awarded the job but as of this date have not moved in. Work in the oilfield area is exceptionally slow with no sign of any relief in the near

Rice Bros., Inc., of Marysville, have been awarded a \$200,000 contract to resurface Clovis Avenue, southeast of Fresno. We expect they will be moving in soon. In Merced County, M. J. Ruddy & Sons have "snagged" two road jobs on the Merced - Gustine Highway

d have broken ground on both Granite Construction Co.'s b has been shut down for the winter by the Merced Improvement District. Concrete Supply Co. and River Rock Co. have approximately two weeks' work ahead to catch up on their current contracts. M.J.B. Co. have completed their storm drain job in Merced. In Tulare and Kings counties the United Concrete Pipe Co., American Pipe & Construction Co. and Concrete Conduit Co. plants are all busy making pipe on current Bureau of Reclamation contracts.

Guy F. Atkinson Co. have about completed their contract on the Tulare Freeway. We were all sorry to hear of the sudden death of Dan Morrison, who was general superintendent on this job. Dan will be missed by his many friends in this union.

Volpa Bros. was awarded 3.8 miles of secondary highway job east of Hanford and will start operations there as soon as they complete their current job on Highway 152.

This reads like an optimistic report for this time of the year; however, we would advise the brothers that at the present time we have an out of work list of over 300 members and on many of the new jobs the contractors are and will be bringing in their crews with yard dash,"

them. We have been advised that the PG&E Company have several engineering crews working up in the canyon and as was previously reported construction will start in

May we again suggest to the out of work brothers that now is a wonderful time to donate that pint of blood to the Engineers' Blood Bank. We are sorely in need of replenishments.

From the Fresno office, Petersen, Moore and Josie, may we wish all a very merry Christmas and

What's Doing? Very Darn Little In Redding Area

By E. A. HESTER

What's doing? Nothing, seats all crowded with unemployed, I think the out-of-work list now numbers about 90. Here is is December and the work has started to slow down; in fact, it started a month ago. Now it is down to a slow walk, as seven or eight of our big jobs are buttoning-up for the winter. The rain started to come down in this area Nov. 9, which was four weeks ago and we have had four days of sunshine during that time

Several of our highway jobs were nearing completion; but didn't quite make it before the rain. Therefore, it will give some of our Brothers an early start next spring; and maybe a hit-andmiss between now and then.

A. Teichart & Son have about two weeks left on their free-way at Dunsmuir. Fredrick & Watson also have a lot of unfinished business to take care of.

Morrison Knudsen Co. is still pounding away at that tunnel project out at NeuBeiber. They expect to be there through February,

Out at Big Bend the Walsh Construction Company has slowed down to a creep, due to more water. It looks from here as if the boys out there have a long job ahead of them.

We all admit that we have had a bum year; a slow start and an early shut-down. We all hope that next year will be better; therefore, I extend to you my most sincere and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

* * * The list of prize winners at a picnic included the following: "Mrs. Smith won the ladies' rolling-pin throwing contest by hurling a pin Del Webb Construction Co. expect 75 feet. Mr. Smith won the 100-

Rain Forces Suspension on Many Projects in the San Jose Area

We are sorry to have to start out with this caption, but it is the truth, and knowing that the truth sometimes hurts, we still must tell you that much of our work has been suspended due to the recent rains. Many of the projects that were in operation will no doubt be in hibernation until spring. We have several subdivisions which have turned out to be quagmires, and much of the equipment is still standing in water at this writing. Granite, who

are well ahead of schedule on the Freeway job have closed down tight until February or later; with no worry at all about an early completion date. Many of the Sub-Contractors on the Ford Plant have donelikewise, however Pacific Bethlehem Steel are going to continue on their steel erection job as long as it is not raining, but have found it essential to have a D-7 at hand at all times to help drag their trucks and equipment around in place. At this writing they have about 30% of their 8000 tons of steel in place and just recently have put another Truck Crane in operation with Brother Harold Ficke at the controls. E. A. Forde has about 15,000 yards of concrete to pour on this project, but has suspended operations temporarily. Val Valenburgh, who has much of the underground work on the Ford Plant, also has suspended operations; the same applies to nearly all of the other 30 Sub-Contractors on the job.

McQuire and Hester, who have been well occupied on the drainage canal are just about complete on their section east of the Plant and are preparing to move back home. On the west side of the Plant we have J. W. Richards with about two miles on the same job, which is going along well at this time; however, this Firm is having a little difficulty in the operation of their Jeeps due to the wet terrain and may have to discontinue the use of them very shortly. Manuel Smith is still floundering in the Milpitas mud and is hoping for dry weather to arrive soon. We have just received some good news, all pertaining to the Ford Plant, that soon there will be a ground breaking ceremony for a 2200 Home Sub-Division in this Milpitas district. We doubt very much that will take place until after the Yule Season.

We expect that the 31/2 Million Dollar San Jose Sewage Disposal Plant will soon start operations near Alviso; however, the Cities of San Jose and Alviso are still in a huddle over who is going to do this or that.

LOS GATOS . . . Another bit of good news comes to us that a Major Highway Project on the San Jose-Los Gatos Highway will come up for bids next spring. This project will be in the neighborhood of approximately 21/2 Million Dollars. Much more underground work is proposed with bids being called early this spring.

SUNNYVALE soon vote on a Bond Election to board of directors include: William raise 11/2 Million Dollars to build a Sewage Disposal Plant and Sewage System in the near future. Operation are all but complete on the Granite job in this city, Nisson & Son have their Underground job well under control.

MOFFETT FIELD . . . The latest information that we have received is that there will soon be more major construction started very shortly, namely, Runways and perhaps another Hanger, similar to the three already built on this base. A. J. Raisch expect to complete their Runway job this week. American Bridge plan to move in on their tunnel contract about December 15th.

SANTA CRUZ & WATSON-VILLE . . . The firms of Ed Keeble Dan Caputo, Granite Construction and the Coast Pipe Line Project are still busy in this area. We hope soon to have some work coming up for the City of Watsonville. Two bond issues were voted in November 3rd., \$905,000 for Sewer improvements and \$960,000, for Storm drains.

MONTEREY & FORT ORD . . .

Engineers who have been employed on this project. Granite Conwork left completing the paving of the streets around the barracks. Stolte Inc., are busy on their Sewer contracts and building of the 19 Classrooms. Granite Construction has quite a few small jobs in this vicinity. Phil Calabrese, so far, has been able to keep all his Engineers busy.

SALINAS & GILROY . . . The Granite Construction at Chular and Salinas have been working quite a bit over time trying to beat the rains, fortunately it looks they will make it. About the only jobs that have been let in this territory is the Bridge widening job at Cedar Creek, about 19 miles east of Gilroy. This job was awarded to H. H. Anderson and a Sewer Disposal Plant at Alisal. Theo. R. Gregory was the low bidder on the Alisal Project with an estimate cost of \$302,020. Prospects of work in the southern territory do not look too good for this winter.

PERSONALS . . . We are sorry to hear that Brother Joe Bowling, who is in Arabia, has been very ill, and hope that by now he is well on his way to recovery. Bro. Hollis Pickle, also has been confined to the hospital, but we are glad to report that he is getting along nicely. May we extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Brother Ruey Moles, who passed away last week after a lengthy

And now that the Christmas Season is rapidly approaching may

AGC Northern Cal.

H. C. "Pat" Maginn, executive vice president of Calaveras Cement Company, was elected president of Northern California chapter of the AGC at an organizational meeting of the board of directors in San Francisco on Dec. 7.

Maginn was vice president last year and succeeds Dallas Young of Can Francisco. E. L. Clements, owner of Clements & Co., of Hayward, was named vice president. Gordon Pollock, vice president of Geo. Pollock Co., of Sacramento, Ben C. Gerwick.

Other new members of the Jones of San Francisco; Jack Burk of Oakland! U. B. Lee of San Leandro; Gordon Ball of Berkeley; William Rapp of Santa Rosa; Ralph Brown of Eureka; Charles Stewart of Fresno; John Delphia of Patterson, and Peter Schoening of Sacramento.

the 20th of December. This will we of the San Jose Office, extend mean the lay off of all the our wishes for a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPER-OUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR to struction will have quite a bit of all the members of the Operating Engineers and their families.

File Now for Your License Renewals On Car and Truck

Over a million registration renewal statements for 1954 were released in the mail this week by the Department of Motor Vehicles, addressed to owners of commercial vehicles registered in California.

Paul Mason, State Director of Motor Vehicles, said the renewal notices will reach owners of cabs, trucks, trailers, and busses. The potential registration cards for pleasure vehicles won't be mailed until Dec. 26.

The Department's registration division urges owners of commercial vehicles to file their applications for renewal during December at field offices throughout the state, in advance of the general renewal period which extends from Jan. 1 through Feb. 4.

A. J. Veglia, Registrar of Vehicles, emphasizes that early application is especially important for commercial vehicle owners who may wish to register and pay weight fees on a quarterly basis, as provided in a new law enacted by the Legislature in 1953.

"Those who elect to renew their commercial vehicle registrations on the optional quarterly basis should take notice of the fact that the new law requires application during the first five days of January. The holidays will limit the time available for securing information and filing applications," Veglia said. "Therefore the Department is prepared to offer information to commercial operators interested in the quarterly registration during the month of December, and will accept and process applications."

The Registrar pointed out the new law provides that the regular registration and vehicle license fees must be paid as usual under the law, but that on payment of a special quarterly registration fee was named treasurer, succeeding of \$2, a commercial vehicle owner may pay the weight fees due for the year on the basis of onefourth for each quarter in which Smith, Felix Siri, and Edward the vehicle is operated. He also reminded owners that the registration fee was increased by \$2 and the weight fees by one-third during the 1953 session of the Legislature, and said that these increases will be included in the statements issued by the Department.



ASPHALT RE-PROCESSING-Here's another view of the unusual to have all their concrete poured Athey Force Feed Loader and Serria Crusher operating at Orange for the barracks at Fort Ord by County Airport, re-processing asphalt laid many years ago.

THE RENO ROUND-UP---

Outstanding Group of the Dear Brothers Gathers at Hawthorne

By H, L, "Curley" SPENCE and J. W. "Bill" BARR **Business Representatives**

Silver State Construction Company, better known as "Andy Drumm," has his Road Camp set up in Hawthorne, Nevada, but only House Trailer facilities and sleeping quarters. Drumm did not set up his famous Cook House to feed the Dear Brothers on this job. So all the brothers sleep in three months while they complete Drumm's camp and do their light eating and heavy drinking in the big town of Hawthorne.

And there is quite an outstanding group of Brother Engineers on the job, such as Brother Joseph "Chip" Montrose, grade foreman, with Brothers Al Montrose, George Thomsen, and Russell Hutchison on the Blades. Now those are three brothers that really keep things smoothed out on the job, but they should, for they are pretty smooth operators themselves.

Brothers Charles "Red" Melendy, Charles H. Walsh, and Ralph "Jughead" Stephens are on the Scrapers. That "Red" is a real Scraper man. He sets an example for the rest of the hands on the job, not only around Camp, but also around town, for Red is the "Man" around the place. Brother "Little" Bud Jacobsen and Marvin "Timber" Renken are on the Push Cats. They do a bang up job.

Especially Bud, he really hits the bugs in high gear. Bud's a high gear boy, especially around Hawthorne, he really goes places when he gets in town.

Brother Ed "Squirrel" Jones, the HDRM for Drumm, is a busy man. He keeps everything rolling on the job and when he's in town, a very respectable man, no rough stuff "Squirrel." Harold Johnson and Donald Miller are on the "Super C's." Brother James Street is on Drumm's new DW 21 and that Street boy really gets things done with that "21." Drumm says they are the coming thing in rubber tired equipment.

Bro. I, J. Tobler is on the Northnew home. Drumm and "Tobe" really get along fine, but anyone can get along with Tobe for he is a good operator and a fine fellow to have around a job. Brother Joe Solaegui is the Boss Man on the Culvert gang and what have you. That Joe is right up there next to Mr. Fields, himself, the Super. Another thing about Joe, he is a real gentleman around town, a very peaceful citizen. That Joe's OK for anyone's money.

Young and Smith's Highway job on the cut-off from Mina to Basalt, Nevada, has the Culvert Pipe strung out and are expected to get started in the near future, weather Brothers Frank Femons, operator permitting.

"BUCKET OF BLOOD"

moving to Gabbs Valley for the winter months to do a highway job. This will be a good job for the dear brothers, nice and warm near the town of Gabbs, Nevada. Lots of excitement around the "Bucket of Blood", and Smithville and other entertainment in the valley.

Brother Zane Hunt has been out at the Lead Mine, north of Dunphy, Nevada, most of the summer. But the weather is getting pretty rough up in those parts and maybe we will see Zane's smiling face around Reno during the winter months.

I saw one of my old friends the mear Litchfield, Calif. Joe's on a he was the whole show on that der boxes" for furniture. job, but I bet he's really doing a good job building bridges.

WEGAS OR RENO

Most of the George Miller Engineers have gone south, either to Furnace Creek Airport job in Inyo County or to Las Vegas, Nevada. However, some of the dear brothers are still around Reno. Brother Howard Johnston and his crew are still bouncing around town. Bro. John Livingston is in the shop and High School for Bro. Carson Frazbelieve me, that Johnny keeps the zini. equipment fixed up and ready to roll. Bro. J. E. Burney does the

Bro. Hershel Walker has really moved back to Grass Valley, Mr. "Uncle" Everett Hayes plays an important part around that Miller outfit, especially when it comes to the Compressors and Powder part of the business. Then Uncle Everett has other chores to take care of, such as trying to keep Riley and Johnston in line and looking out for the office force, such as coffee, taking them home, bringing them to work, particularly the front office manager, Miss Marilyn Springer. Any time there is something outstanding to be done, Hayes gets it done. There is also a gentleman by the name of Carl Brady around that Miller outfit that gives Uncle Everett a lot of static, but that's part of Hayes' job. Lots of luck to you, Mr. Hayes, whatever you do.

Isbell Construction Company has finally lined out their stripping job at Ely, Nevada, with a full crew on a three-shift basis. Young & Smith have two shifts going on their sub-contract with Isbell. By the way, Brother Earl Andreason, we hear that second shift gets mighty sleepy at times, if you know what we mean. . . . The following brothers were appointed stewards on the Isbell operations: Bro. Marion Duillo is the steward at the Lane City shop, Bro. Ralph Reed is at the Kimberly shop. Brother Thomas "Rocky" Patton is taking care of things at the Veterans Pit, and Brother R. L. Robinson is at the Morris Extension Pit. Bro. Harold Sager is the steward on the Young & Smith job. Now that west. "Tobe" has found himself a is a fine bunch of fellows and I am sure they will make good stewards with the cooperation of the brothers on the job.

Clarence Dieterich has quite a lot of work around the different housing projects and with the Sierra Power Company. Brother Dave "Whitey" McNeilly is on the Ditcher and Bro. Al Parlanti is still doing a fine job with the Back-

Macal Improvement Company's road job at Markleeville, Calif., is still going ahead under the able guidance of Bro. Therman "Snuffy" Smith. Bro. Snuffy can't miss with such rock men in the gang as on the Model No. 6 and his oiler, Bro. Al Montford, Brothers Ken-Dodge Construction with Vern neth McCord and Buster Terry are up with Brothers "Wally" Wallace, Cats. Bro. Charles Oullette Chancellor.

ANACONDA, YERINGTON

Anaconda Copper at Yerington, Nevada, is having a little trouble getting he new mill and acid plant on a full production schedule but hope to have the "bugs" out soon. Bro. Ed DuBos and W. A. Gray are on the maintenance crew, so I guess maybe the mill will soon run after all. It looks as if the DuBos are in Nevada to stay. Mrs. Ed had the furniture packed and shipped from San Francisco some other day, Joe McClary; he was up time ago, and we think the van is coming by the way of New York. bridge job up there. He tells me She is really getting tired of "pow-

Bro. A. A. Joplin is the swing shift shop boss and is keeping the brothers in line on the repair end. Bro. Bob Thomas is the shop steward on that shift and doing a fine job, Bro. Bryan Mason, Ray Williams, and Warren Benner are on the Gantry Bridge "Clam" and keeping production moving.

Bro. Bob Cawelti is cleaning up some Dozer work at the Yerington

H. Earl Parker has moved two welding around the place now that at the Lovelock, Nevada, iron mine. Spence, Betty, and Barr.

Big Jobs Folding Up in Sacramento District By W. V. MINAHAN, H. S. CLARK and E. M. NELSON, Business Representatives

Inclement weather, job completions and other factors make a very discouraging repo for this month. However, we have every reason to believe we will have full employment during the coming year. This has been one of those years where it seems like all the b jobs, and the small ones, too, are about to fold at the same time. The subdivision jobs this area are about finished as far as dirt work is concerned. The streets, curbs and gutte are completed and the contractors are taking the rigs in for overhauling.

Savin Corp., builders of Folsom Dam, have shut down a major portion of that project. Approximately 800 employees were laid off, with more scheduled in the near future. Looks like they'll be down the better part of the next two or erection of a trestle from shore to shore. When completed it will be concrete pouring around the clock.

Nimbus Dam remains about the same as our last report, with 16 engineers on the job. It looks like these brothers will have work for some time to come as they have a lot of much to move yet, providing weather permits. Brother Curley Larsen does the ramrodding on this project.

A. Teichert & Son have been keeping the brothers busy to date. This company got two jobs recently in this area, one at Mormon Island near Folsom, and the other on the Roseville freeway, which consists of ten miles of highway which will cost 34 million dollars. They will operate this at capacity in the spring. They plan to lay all the culverts and do the pioneering this fall, and turn the cats loose when the ground dries up.

Fredrickson & Watson have nearly shut the Sly Park job down completely. A crane and a cement crew remain at this time.

U.P.K., who have the structures on the Roseville freeway, inform us that another month should see the end of this job. This company also has the concrete poured on the West Sacramento freeway. The curb, gutter and shoulders will be completed by Christmas. Traffic should be rolling on this stretch of freeway early next year.

The Tom Connolly tunnel job at Sly Park has not started as yet. Rumors come to us that they will start sometime before the first of

The 51/2 mile conduit line, also located at Sly Park, is in the same

Brothers Christie and Chandler came in with the rigs. This job will probably go all winter, and we hope that the brothers uncover a good deposit of ore.

Before we torget, there's still Isbell's stripping job at Leviathan Mine in Alpine County. They have two 120 B's on the job with Brothers O. Murphy, Bert Charley, G. B. "Chi" Heideman, Maurice Burke. Ivan Spedden and M. J. "Duggan" Pulsipher operating. Bro, Harry Alexander, "Mr. Monkey Wrench" himself, is building quite an efficient repair crew. The latest recruits being Brothers Robert Pulsipher and Kenneth Belt, teamed and is on the Blade, And Bro. Mitchell the Shop Pusher, Brother Ed Clif-White is doing a fine job with the ford. Brothers Chris Guldager and repair work along with Brother Bill Ponton are busy keeping the snow cleared off the roads. Bro. Gerald Luke is the smart boy. Bro. Jerry grabbed himself a nice warm job in the new Generator House at the first sign of frost.

Bro. Frank Molinari has quit the Cut and Blade Operating Game for the winter months and gone into cleaning, heating, repairing or replacing furnaces. If any of you brothers have any heating or cleaning problems, just call Frank at Reno 5-4665 for the "Spick and Span Way." Frank will do you a real fine job for I know, he worked on my furnace, and my heating problems are over.

I ran into another old buddy of mine, clear out in Ely, Nevada, Rex Williams. Seems Rex is airminded now, he was taking a plane from some place in Idaho to Phoenix, Arizona. Sounds like a pretty good racket. Rex calls it dusting and seeding for the farmers around the country. Lots of luck.

We would like to take this opportunity as the old year of 1953 draws to a close, to thank all of you brothers for the fine cooperation we've had all year round and to wish you a very Merry Christcats and cans on the stripping job mas and a Happy New Year from

category as the tunnel. No word of the start has been received yet. Gordon Ball, has just about completed the highway job at Davis. This stretch of road takes the northbound traffic around the city of Davis and will be opened to traffic very soon.

Bids will be opened on December 7, for two large levee jobs located on the Sacramento River. We are hoping that this will reduce our large out-of-work list.

The Guy F. Atkinson Co. has started to pour concrete on the Folsom power house and are progressing very well. Brother R. O. Peterson, operator of the Washington whirley, dropped the first bucket of concrete on this project at 2:45 p.m. on November 9.

Sacramento Brick Co. keeps Brothers Ralph Plummer and John Azevedo busy all the time in and around the plant.

OWNER-OPERATOR

Following is a list of . owneroperators:

James (Red) Gorham has recently acquired a service station, located at 12th Avenue and Sacramento Blvd. Red specializes in all types of servicing. Bob Hunt & Sons, all types of road oiling, rock and sand . . . phone WA 5-4703; Cold Springs Sand & Gravel, Brother Dennis Forni operating, specializes in rock, concrete mix, trucking and excavating . . cerville 100-J-1; Hunter Welding Shop at Placerville with Brother Ed Hunter doing all types of welding, will go anywhere, also handles wire rope . . . Placerville 744-W; Delmar Hopkins, hole digger, fordson carryall, loader, leveling, discing, plowing, top soil, blading . . 9-1124; Remme Trenching, loading hauling . . . HI 7-6328, WA 5-5195; Donahue & Ice, trenching of all types . . . WA 5-5282, HI 6-8629; Leslie Goltz, 24 hour track service, will go anywhere . . . GI 3-7361; Jay Harris road building, grading . . . Grass Valley 71-R-3; Krpan Trenching, all types of trenching . . . HI 7-7697; Otto Van

Gorder, pole digging, back filling, excevating, paving . . . HI 6-9131 Joe Correia, trenching, B. C equipment . . . HI 7-8823; Charles Bush, leveling, grading, plowing . HI 5-7802; Charles Graves, fordson equipment . . . WA 5-5181; Jacobsen Fence Co., all types of fencing, septic tanks . . . HI 5-8252; A. L. Seymour, fordson tractor work . . . IV 9-2629; Bob Soderlund, excavating, hauling, grading .. HI 5-8524. HERE AND THERE

JULIUS THELEN & CARLOS BRITT breaking H Street; RAY COCHRANE on wrong side of river; FRANK MILLER looking at his hat; CARL CLARK running a boom truck; RAY AUSTIN ordering a blade man; BILL STEVENS dodging north wind; C. O. PAT-TERSON working in his back yard; ORVILLE GODFREY bossing the ice plant; JIM CARGILL starting a family orchestra; BOB LYNCH looking at pickup; MAR-SHALL WHITE loading a truck; GEORGE HICKS watching traffic; WHITEY RESH preparing for a stiff leg; ARNOLD ICKES dozing rock; ERNIE WONSER loading eucs; MICKEY CAVANA looking east; DUKE SUTHERLAND in the backwoods; WHITEY CRISLER also in the backwoods; MARVIN RUSSELL hammerhead operator; JERRY ALDRICH looking towards Dec. 25; LARRY MERCIER holding an 80; FRED SALAS working on a steep slope; MAURICE BOUZER working on wind pumps; ARNOLD (Smokey) BOEHM telephone operator; LONNY DUBOSE placing concrete; JOHN ADAMS trenching; BOB HALL loading lime rock; ROY GULLEY working on stack; HAROLD SNIDER high up; TONY NICHOLAS looking at

porting in from the brush; BIL PLUNKETT watching the ace LEE YOUNG coffee-ing up; BC WAGON finishing the soap plan PAUL SHELDON dodging traff with a crane; DICK WISE waitin for black stuff; BILL YOC watching ditch grade; GEORG SCOTT contemplating on selling his home on Marconi Avenue. Call WA 5-9631.

Wishes for better luck in u future go to John Senechale wi convalescing from an ulc operation; Glenn Eckert wh fractured a finger on a job a cident; and to Mrs. Earl Carro who is in the Sutter Hospital. W wish these three very speedy at complete recoveries.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mr. Pat Callahan on the birth of baby boy; and to Mr. and Mr Ralph Plummer on the birth their baby boy. Could be two mo future engineers!

BLOOD BANK

Our sincere thanks this mont goes to the following donors our Blood Bank during the pa month: Emery Loyd, Howar Green, Irvin Silverberg, Richard Keller, William Landrum, Fr Hassett, John Neal, Glen Robe Jack Hutcheson, William Woo yard, James Bettencourt, Rali Mick, Don Pickel, Mrs. Elino Doyle, Lionel Doyle, Edward M Quillan, Mrs. Helen McQuilla Robert Ferguson, Mrs. France White, Marshall White, Norwoo Mullenaux, Frank Reeser, Arno Boehm, Harold Clark, Mrs. Rut Clark, Wm. Snider, Harry Crigle and John Barnes. These donation should take care of the loans from the Blood Bank but, even so, does not leave us with much re serve, so any help that we can go in building our reserve will be ver much appreciated.

This office will be closed on i. Saturdays following Christmas a

We take this occasion to exten our best wishes for a very joyou holiday season to all the brothe and their families. Merry Chris

Following are jobs listed by th State Personnel Board, for which examinations will be given in th near future. Listed are: Name of job, last date for filing applies

tions and date of examination: Deckhand, fish and game boa

Game conservation aid. Feb. March 13. Forest firefighter foreman. De

24. Jan. 16. Assistant laundry supervisor, an

laundry supervisor. Dec. 31. Jan. 23

The Ancient Mariner" Recovery of a banded pelican, s

least 18 years old, has been re ported to the wildlife protectio branch. The bird was banded a Clear Lake National Wildlife Re uge, Modoc County, July 7, 1933 It was found dead at Buena Vist Lake, near Taft, Kern County Feb. 26, 1953.

OH BROTHER

"I stood in line for more tha an hour today," said the wife.
"What for?" asked the husband

"I don't know," said the tire wife, "It was all gone by the tim I got there."

Neighbor Jones says that judg

ing from some of the specimen they pick for husbands, it's eas to see why brides blush.

Thought for Today: In two mor days tomorrow will be yesterday

Luck in what happens when pre a crusher; NORMAN HARRY re- paration meets opportunity.

the Oakland Area Vhat's Doing

By AL CLEM, T. D. BRYSON, L. L. LAUX, L. SOLARI and J. RILEY, Business Representatives.

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 no real increase in orders for men during the 30 days just past; 251 men were dispatched to jobs in the last four weeks, with in excess of 350 men registered on the out-

of-work list at this time. O. C. Jones and Sons, continues have their eyes on the annual to be one of the busier outfits in the area, and at the present time have several jobs well under-way. Brother Martin Kenoyer, has been handling a rip-rap wall and dam job near Martinez with Bros. Johnny Jarvis and W. Essary on the Lorain Clam-shell. Bro. Arville Jones is in charge of the grading and paving at the new Texaco plant at First and Cutting along Mt. Blvd., and Sage Road in Streets in Richmond, where is ably assisted by Bro. Al. Dodin on the blade, and Claud Pitt on the roller, with Bros. Paul Emerson and been held back too much as yet Frank Macedo on the Barber Greene paver. Bro. George Nabors is putting up an Armco type bin wall in Saratoga on Rt. 9, with Roy Granlund on the dragline and clamshell. Bro. Harry Bartlett is also putting up a bin wall at the University of California, with Bro. Earl Savely on the loader. Bro. Loren Hoisington, is winding up several small paving job, started December 1st. 800 feet jobs at Hunter's Point, with Joe of 10 inch clay pipeline is to be Brooks on the roller. Bro. Vern laid along Kennedy and Diesel Storey has finished putting in the streets in Oakland. rock at the Jordan and Reid Tract at Alamo, and is getting ready to Matoza's payroll are getting startstart an excavating and tunnel job ed on the excavating and paving at the University of California. Bro. Vern Foley has just returned from a two weeks tour of the airport job at Crows Landing. Bro. Brady Johns is in charge of the equipment for this outfit, and is new chapel building. In addition to ably assisted by Bro. Irv Cunning ham as shop foreman, Bros. Cleo Harper and John Kokus, working as welders and mechanics, and Bob Romiti doing the greasing. The boys all seem to be happy and should stay that way as this out-

The Gene Alves Construction Company have started work on the re-aligning and widening of Pleasant Hill Road near Martinez. The specification has a stipulation which restricts any work being done to existing highway during the winter. This means that only work in connection with re-alignment can be done between now and next April. At present the following brothers are working on the direct spread at Alhambra Valley: Oro Elliott, foreman, Ben Blackman, dozer operator, Walter Gibson, dozer operator, and Tom Ferguson, jeep operator.

fit has plenty of work lined up to

carry them through the winter,

and are not anticipating too much

down time.

During a special meeting at the Standard Oil Plant, the Stone and Webster Engineering Corporation was honored with an engraved safety plaque by their compensation insurance carrier. The trophy was won through the accumulation of approximately 275,000 manhours, in 144 working days, without a disabling injury, at their Richmond construction project, the building of the Phenol Plant.

Several members of Local 3 have been employed on this project throughout the summer months, with Bros. Ray *Post, Chief Operating Engineer, Bill Dearing and Travis Price still currently employed by Stone and Webster. Stone and Webster's safety committee operates on a rotating basis, with one member being chosen from each craft, with the shop stewards and a representative from every sub-contractor also in attendance. Weekly inspections of the project are made for the prompt detection and correction of hazards. Another important factor in the project's orientation program for new employees. Before going on the job, men are thoroughly instructed in the use and importance of protective equipment, and the need for working safely at all times. Richmond-San Rafael Bridge is steel, concrete, fireproofed building The crew at Richmond is doing its moving rapidly along, at an aver- will consolidate under one roof all best to complete the project with age rate of 5000 cubic yards during the many projects that the Departa perfect safety record, for they a nine hour shift. If the weather ment of Public Health carry on wants to get the presents."

safety award which Stone and Webster makes. Local 3, is very happy with the good relationship we have always had with this engineering firm.

Work will get underway during the middle of December by six members of Local 3 employed by Stolte Inc., on the sewer-line job Oakland, a project which will take three months to complete.

Fredrickson Brothers, have not by weather on the Castro Valley Freeway job. Twenty-one engineers are curently employed on this project, with approximately onehalf of the work completed at this time.

Bros. R. Owens, trencher operator, and P. McNair, oiler are working for Kevry Construction Company on a sanitary sewer-line

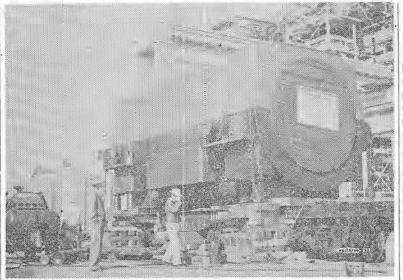
Four engineers on Rose & for the new Irvington Jr. High School. At Camp Parks this company has a sub-contract from Campbell Construction Company to do the grading and paving for continuing with excavating and paving work, Rose and Matoza will in the future also do curb, gutter, and sidewalk work.

Pacific Bridge Company has a contract to wire wrap six fire walls that encircle the P. G. & E. Steam Plant fuel tanks at Pittsburg. The new banding machines to be used for the wire wrapping, which are to be manned by Local 3 men, travel around these walls, which are 1000 feet in circumference, under their own power, laying a single wire each time around. Each roll equals approximately one mile of wire. 255 rolls of wire are to be used on each of the six fire walls. It is estimated that the two banding machines travel at 30 miles per hour. At the end of each row it is necessary to splice the wire, so it is easy to see that this is a slow operation. Bros. Marvin Miller and A. Miller are operating the banding machines, and George Laujou and Wally Wright are doing the oiling.

General Electric Company claims some sort of a record by unloading a 236 ton Stator, a generator part, at the P. G. & E. Steam Plant, Pittsburg. This generator part traveled from Schenectady, New York by rail and had to be moved in daylight at 25 miles per hour. Bigge Crane had the pleasure of unloading and placing this item.

They are going full blast on the work at Canterbury Village Housing Project in Clayton Calley, near Concord. Frank Beach, Al Urricelqui, Rex Robertson and M.G.M. Construction Companys all have crews working at this location at the present time. Gallagher and Burke have completed the street grading on the Glenbrook sub-division. Oliver Rousseau is planning on opening their new subdivision north of Holbrook Heights in the very near future. Herity and Gannon have the dirt flying on their new sub-division south of Holbrook Heights, with Bros. Don Pickrel, Homer Wright, Ross safety achievement is the short Knapp, Glen Gillam, and Chuck Bray on their equipment.

> Parish Brother's contract to move 480,000 cubic yards of fill of California will be ready for ocmaterial for the approach to the cupancy. This eight story structural



TOY MOTOR-This 236 ton generator part, known as a Stator, is about as far from a toy motor as you can get. It is shown being installed at the \$80 million P. G. & E. Steam-Electric Plant at Pittsburg, Four of these Stators are to be installed.

SEASON'S BEST WISHES

In behalf of the Business Representatives and office staff of the Oakland office we would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every member of Local 3, and his family a very joyful Holiday Season, and to thank all of them for the outstanding cooperation they have extended to us during the year now drawing to a close. While there are those among you whose Christmas' will be brightened by the return of loved ones from various places throughout the world, especially those who spent last Christmas in the mud and rain in Korea in protecting the world from the aggression of the Communists, we realize there are still many who have loved ones that will be unable to spend the holidays at their firesides, and we join with you in offering a prayer that next Christmas will be a brighter and cheerier one for all of the members of Local 3, and their loved ones.

NOTICE: UNION

The Oakland Office WILL BE CLOSED on Saturday, December 26th, 1953 and Saturday, January 2nd, 1954 preceding the holidays!

in the next weeks to come as it has been in the past, the job will be finished by Christmas, which will be a good two months ahead of schedule.

At the present time there are 3 DW-20's, 3 DW-21's, 3 DW-10's, one D-7 Tamper Cat, one new D-8 Push cat, 4 D-8 cats and one Cat brothers are at present working on this project: Leo Chilton, superintendent; Tom Stapelton, pusher; Henry Maguire, D. L. Booth, Art Cereda, Loren Jones, Ernest Smedley, and Norman Luna on the cats; "Rocky" Adamson, Cecil Price William Gardner, Boyd Davies, Caesar Rogers, Clarence Dayton, William Swan, R. Pemberton and John Dennis on the rubber-tired rigs; Walter Woodside, blade operator; Merrill Weekly, master mechanic, Andy Anderson, greaser, Souza, on the carryals are Looney

order to be sure no mud remained San Leandro Rock in their quarry. under the fill material a blasting set-up was used. The mud_which tention of the memberships living reached depths of 25 and 30 feet in Contra Costa County to a new was pushed ahead of the fill by bond issue, the purpose of which the use of 3" sticks of vitro-gel 60% powder. Holes were jetted sewer improvement program, beinto the mud with a two inch pump at the approximate toe of the fill. The holes were 15 to 20 feet apart, and filled with from 80 to 100 pounds of vitro-gel. Meanwhile the shoulder of the fill was loaded a scraper width wide to a height of from 15 or 20 feet. The between the C.I.O., Steelworkers resulting blast kicked the mud out and the management at Pacific into the bay, and the fill buckled States Steel in Niles resulted in and settled under the mud. The approximately 70 members of mud wave then kept moving for two or three days before another blast was necessary. Over 11,000 slow time of the year we were able pounds of powder was used.

Just one year from now the new Department of Public Health Office and Laboratory for the state

for the health of the people of California. Brother LaMarr Dees, is the Assistant Superintendent for the project. Brother Fred Adams, with his oiler Harold Straight are operating the Lorain Truck Crane that is being used for placing forms and pouring concrete. Brother Don Meifer is the mechanic in charge of all the equipment for the general contractors, Williams and continues to be even half as good Burrows, Inc. and the Carl N. Swenson Company.

Brother M. A. Henry and his oiler Ray Silva are operating Elmer Freethy's moto crane, setting trusses and girders for the roof of the new Almond Reservoir now under construction in Castro Valley. Bro. Silva has the difficult 12 Motor patrol. The following task of taking the crane down the 2-1 slope to the bottom of the reservoir.

Lee Construction Company have nine members of Local 3 employed on excavating and paving work on several different hou's in g projects throughout Southern Alameda County, and it is their belief that they have enough work lined up to keep these men working for the next several months to come. Operating blades for Lee are Fred Meyers, Ray Meyers, and George cats are Jim Zumwalt and Heiger One very interesting aspect of Jessen, and Pat Ferrari is doing this job was the mud wave that the greasing. Brothers Clyde was created by pushing so much Felcher, Richard McCampbell and rock and dirt into the bay. In Vernon Beecroft are employed by

We would like to call the atis to provide funds for a general tween Orinda and Pacheco. Approximately 600 miles of sewer line would be involved for a cost of approximately \$3,389,000.

On October 26th, a labor dispute Local 3 being without employment. As this labor difficulty came at a to get only a very few of these men out on other jobs. On Dec. 7, some of these men returned to work at the mill, with the greater number not to return for sometime.

"Mama, what is a dilemma?" "Oh, it's when a woman doesn't want any more birthdays, but still several months or longer spent on

Dredger News

Dredge work appears to be holding up pretty well, considering that no new jobs have as yet been started. San Francisco Bridge Company, Hydraulic Dredging Company and Olympian Dredging Company have all put a number of men to work, getting their equipment ready to start. We are as yet unable to give any definite starting dates on any of these jobs; however we assume that they will get underway soon.

Hydraulic Dredging Company have employed a few men to take up the submerged pipeline which was used on the first section of the East-shore freeway widening job. They are using LeBoeuf and Dougherty's Derrick Barge in conjunction with their anchor barge to salvage the pipe. Hydraulic has the following men employed at: their Rio Vista yard, getting the Papoose ready to go out on a job. The men are making needed repairs to the dredge and to the pontoon line: Sam and Dominic Papetti, John, Pete and Vi. gill Delzompo; Philip and Louis Oliveri, Joe Halter, Dave Oding, Norman Stanton, Robert Ford, Uric Salonius, John Baldetta, Jr., Ilza O'Mary, Guy Ferrari, H. Lar en, Pete Welter, Ray Anderson, Jos Mirandi, W. A. Baker, E. Remington, James Hall, and Rolland Davies. Brother Morris Walgrave is general superintendent of Hydraulic Dredging on the Papoose,

Olympian Dredging Comp.ny have their four dredges, The Palmer, The Monarch, The Holland, and The Neptune in their Rio Vista yard. The crew on the Palmer includes Merle Ready, Carl Anderson, Ben Eden, Vince Baldetta, Amory Rathbun, and Frank Bateman. On the Monarch are Brothers John Cardoza, Albert Johnson, Travis O'Mary, Louie Hohn, and Joe Brown, captain. The Holland is manned by Brothers Pete De-Rose, John Holloway, W. Wilkinson, John Hermanson, and Haroldi Souza, and the Neptune by Brothers Lee Burns, Mons Johnson, Oroville Johnson, and Ray Heath.

The Simpson Brothers, Pat and 'Babe" have moved their clams'iell. dredge, the California, down and are at present tied up at Parr-Richmond Terminal in Richmond where they have some repair work to do before getting started on the East-shore freeway job. Simpsom Brothers will do the clam work on the pre-dredging part of the project.

Brother George Sullivan has just returned from the Philippiness where he was employed as master mechanic for Mid-Pac, and has now taken a job with the Sam and Charlie Company is doing the Eelton and Ross Walker, on the Chief Engineer on the Dredge Francisco Bridge Company as Wilatka, which is now being reconverted into a steam turking powered dredge.

> Brother Charlie Hall, who has been on the sick list since last August, is now going to be hospitalized for major abdominal surgery. We would all like to wish Charlie lots of good luck, and hope he will be able to be back to work

No doubt all our readers detected the printer's error in last month's issue of the Engineers News, where the copy read—"the second section of the Eastshore Freeway job has been lost." Correctly, of course, that sentence sould read "the second section of the Eastshore freeway job has been let.

News About The Brothers

In addition to the many engineers from other areas who have dropped into the hall recently checking on the work situation, we also have several Local 3 men put in an appearance after an absence of

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Itah News Roundu

By MERLIN BOWMAN, CHARLES COCKAYNE, GEORGE FARRELL, GLEN FULLMER and JAY NEELEY, Business Representatives

As this news goes to press we are right in the middle of distance of about 30 miles. This be satisfactory both to the comwinter. 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 and all the work that is promised, or look back and reminisce a 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 slow start, after we did get started we really had some nice State Road jobs. The 9th to 21st South State Street job was really a good one for quite a few memlers, and now is one of the nicest stretches of road in the State, with the new traffic-actuated lights.

Strong Company's Silver Creek j h is about 85 per cent complete and is another real improvement,

Also, two more stretches of new highway to Mirror Lake this year r ake it easier for the fishermen to get in to the Grandaddy Lakes. All of these jobs have used a lot of No. 3 men.

The work going on now is pretty slow. Bechtel Corporation is still vorking on the Jordan Steam I lant. Utah Construction has a couple of small crews still going in Bingham, W. W. Clyde Company is still busy at Beck's Springs and using quite a number of operators. Several other smaller jobs are still going on around Salt

Lake City. There are plenty of good prospects for the coming year-recla-Lation projects, industrial plants, elc., but at this time we are a litt'e reluctant to make any commitments after the way some of the bg projects fizzled out last year. I ugway is one of these prospects. We are still getting reports of a lot more work to be done out there, but all that is going on is the R. E. McKee Company build-

Osear Lyman Company is still working at Fort Duchesne, leveling and clearing land for the Indan Service, and they contemplate a lot more work in the spring, but contrary to last month's report of the company renting a large garage in Roosevelt to do their overhauling, they now have decided to erect a quonset nearer the job site and keep some of the No. 3 boys repairing during the cold weather anead.

Reynolds Company has finished the gravel on the Duchesne-to-Myton stretch of Highway 40 and has shut down for the winter. They will complete the blacktopping early in the summer of 1954.

At this time of year, with so many members out of work, quite a few are traveling and seeking employment in other locals. We would like to urge you all to keep your cards in good shape and live up to the by-laws of the International Union of Operating Engimeers. With regards to going into may save your job, if you get one, embarrassment later. Believe me, we in this office know.

North District

expected curtailment of work due to the winter weather has caused the out-of-work list to grow fast. The majority of earth work has halted and there is very little building and industrial work that is scheduled to operate during the winter months.

year seemed short because a number of fellows didn't get started until late this past spring.

Most everyone knows there is little work that progresses during dle. the winter months and is prepared to be idle for awhile, but we sure hate to resign ourselves to the fact after having such good weather the past few months.

There is some work already awarded and other jobs scheduled for bid and to start as soon as conditions are favorable.

Company is the low bidder on the highway jobs in Echo Canyon. The and there will be quite a lot of principal work on the job is 730,-000 yards of excavation and 44,000 tons of gravel. The balance of the work on the Deweyville River change and road job and this ad- roadway job extending west from Mr. O'Connor, we tried to work

number of fellows busy for Young & Smith for some time.

Germer, Abbott & Waldron are working on a road job at Montpelier, Idaho, and were low bidder on the 3.47 miles of road improvement in Box Elder County, southwest of Tremonton.

Fife Construction Company has a four-mile gravel and oiling job on the road from Plain City to

J. B. Parsons Company was the low bidder on the bridge and approach job west of Richmond and should be able to keep most of the crew busy this winter.

Olof Nelson Construction Company was low bidder on the loop road west of Smithfield, Utah.

Additional new work is scheduled to be advertised in the near future and should make the work situation look good for the coming

There is no definite date set for the bid on the new work scheduled on the Weber Basin Project as yet, but several Bureau of Reclamation engineering crews are out surveying for the road relocation on several projects. We hope that these projects are developed soon, not only for the immediate work involved but for the future development of the Salt Lake and Og-

As usual, the weather is the controlling factor as to how work will be between now and the middle of March, but the construction picture looks very good for the year

South District

While the weather and work were both in our favor at the last writing, a change has taken place. The weather is still good, but the jobs have not kept pace. This situation is disturbing so early in the

W. W. Clyde Company has worn out the rock on their Red Narrows job. The grade is up and they have graveled it, so it will be in shape for the winter. They will lay the hot stuff in the late spring other locals without clearing and it will make a fine road. We through the proper channels, it expect another job in this canyon next summer, which is especially and save a lot of bad feelings and good for our members because of its proximity to town.

> Thorn Construction Company did not finish their stocknile at Soldier Summit. They were forced to move the crusher into the yard to supplement their depleted aggregate stock. Thorn Company was awarded the drainage work on the Provo sewage disposal for \$47,945.

Bechtel Corporation, at Castlegate, is busy trying to close in the building before bad weather sets in, which at this location can occur at any time. Utah Crane and The construction season this Rigging Company from Salt Lake City is doing the boiler erection. They have promised some tugger jobs as the work progresses, which at this time we can certainly han-

> Whiting & Haymond's tunnel crew is making footage now. They are drilling, loading, shooting and mucking two 24-foot rounds, which pleases the inspectors. We knew they could do it!

L. A. Young Company has completed the bridge on the new alignment and it looks like a first-Young & Smith Construction class job. They have about two weeks more of grade work here gravel to make. They will have to move the crusher twice to get it.

Barben Brothers, from Murray,

job was awarded for the bid of

J. M. Sumsion & Sons have their as if these boys are set for the

Reid & Jensen have their job at Anderson's Junction under way. This job is going to be rough on equipment and men. After moving the brush and trees there was formation of huge boulders. I'm sure the men will live through this one, but I can't say as much for the machinery.

Whiting and Haymond's job at St. George is moving very well. The formation under that cap of rock seems to move very well without shooting. The slopes on the big cut will not stand as they are staked, so they will widen the cut to compensate.

The Provo Office wishes all the members a very merry Christmas and a happy, successful New Year.

Kennecott. Bingham

The year 1953 has seen quite a few changes take place for the good over the past three years. With the ending of the Korean war we have seen some of the federal restrictions removed, mainly the Wage Stabilization Board, which was a thorn in everybody's side who came within the scope of its power. As a result, we were in a much better position to complete our contract negotiations with Kennecott in a somewhat near reasonable time.

We are pleased that the same production schedule has been continued since the war ended.

This writer would like to express appreciation to you for the friendly manner in which you have received me as your representative, succeeding Brother Van Winkle. I am getting a better understanding of your problems and intend to be able to serve you much better in the future.

Our best wishes to you for a happy holiday season and 1954.

Utah Const. **Cedar City Mines**

We could and do wish you the season's best and let it go at that, because if the mining operations continue at the present pace we believe all the Cedar City brothers will be happy.

The end-or truce, or what have you-of the Korean war has taken some of the shackles off labor and has come as a welcome relief to those of us who have sons, brothers or other loved ones in the armed services. Fortunately the tempo of the Cedar mining operations has not changed, for which we are very grateful. Being able to conclude contract negotiations within a reasonable length of time with Utah has created a much better atmosphere at the mines this fall than has been prevalent under the Wage Stabilization Board red tape during the past three years, and we hope it will be a long time before we are bound again.

Brother Jay Neeley has been asigned to assist in servicing at the Cedar Mines. Many know him and he will be around to become acquainted with the rest. This writer is glad to have Jay to work with. I also wish to extend my appreciation for the friendship which has been extended to me by you brothers since being assigned to Cedar Mines, and hope to serve you better in the future.

Vitro Chemical

We have had several meetings with Mr. Hall, manager of the Vitro Chemical Company, with regards to the lunch period, which has been abused considerably. At our last grievance meeting, held in the Vitro Chemical plant office Utah, were awarded a graded with Mr. Hall and their attorney, ditional new work should keep a Blanding to the Colorado River, a out a plan for lunches that would have constantly done), and also to

pany and to the employees. We came to a verbal understanding at this meeting and the office manjob at Moab manned, and it looks ager of Vitro Chemical was instructed to put this understanding in writing and mail it to the negotiating committee for signatures, but before the letter reached the hands of the negotiating committee the overtime lunch period was abused again, so it looks like this nothing there but a conglomerate matter will be coming up again very soon.

> The negotiating committee also discussed the matter of protecting clothing and respirators and it was decided to wait until Dec. 15, when Mr. Hall said they would have the clothing allowance all straightened out according to the contract, and there would be reimbursements made at that time. The company has also sent the employees notices that they must cut their workweek to 40 hours. They said that the Atomic Energy Commission had been putting a great deal of pressure on the management in order that this be done. They also claim that their payroll expenses are much higher in this plant than in any other plant they have in operation.

Sand and Gravel

At this writing Utah Sand and Gravel has closed down its ballast plant at Garfield and has tried to place most of the men from that plant in their other plants in the Salt Lake area, but there were a few of the men who were laid off, and not in accordance with our present agreement.

We have tried to arrange a meeting with Mr. Knowlton in order to get the back pay and seniority matters straightened out. This matter has not been taken care of to date because Mr. Knowlton has been very ill and has not been able to meet with us. We hope to be able to get this matter settled in the very near future.

Lang Company

The work picture at the Lang. Company does not look too favorable for all employees for the winter. At this writing the company does not have any Government contracts, so they are depending on the local contractors and the local work to keep their employees on the payroll during the winter. Ray Welling, labor relations representative for the Lang Company, said that they are making every effort to keep all the men employed throughout the winter.

Brothers, it has been a long time since we have had a good turn-out at our meetings of the Engineers of the Lang Company. I have had bers that we try to get a good meeting arranged for right after the first of the year. I would like to encourage all employees of the Lang Company to attend this meeting when it is called. We will post handbills on all the bulletin boards announcing the date that this meeting will be held.

Utah State Road

We want to clear up a mis understanding which is in the minds of some State Road employees over the respective functions of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 and the Credit Union.

First, we want to give praise to the Credit Union. We know it to be a fine institution with great value to its members because its chief function is to make available very low interest loans in the time of need.

Some information has been circulated to the effect that the function of one is the same as that of the other and that if you join the Credit Union you have no further need for the Operating Engineers Union. Nothing could be furtherfrom the truth. The job of the Operating Engineers Union is to bargain collectively with your employer for better working conditions, better pay rates (which we

work with the State Legislature for a job security bill (as was done to secure Social Security legislation for you a couple of years ago). On the other hand, the Credit Union is chartered as a financing agency. The members of this Credit Union make regular contributions to a fund, and the fund in turn is used to make low interest loans to its members. It is not intended to be a collective bargaining agency in the sense of your labor organization,

Would it be logical that the president and secretary and other officials of the Credit Union, who are also members of long standing in the Operating Engineers Union, would continue their standing in the Operating Engineers Union if the Credit Union was intended to do the same job.

Personal Notes

Brother Erol Millett met with tragedy when his boy lost an arm while hunting ducks.

Bobby Roberts was seriously injured while a passenger in a pickup truck driven by Mr. Roy Olson on their way to work at the Castlegate Bechtel job. Roy Olson was killed in this accident, which occurred on icy roads.

Brothers Earl Drawn and Elmer Meyer met with injury while dismantling a Jumbo at the Utah Construction tunnel job at Bingham. Brother Meyer was treated for injured ankles and returned to work in about six days, but Brother Drawn received a broken leg and has just been released from the hospital.

David V. Houser, who was taking a little cruise in his private plane, crashed while landing and received cuts and bruises, but no broken bones. His plane looked like a total wreck,

Brother Arvil Taylor is back on the job after a nervous breakdown in July.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Brother Kenneth Chase, who passed away in November.

Brother Dall Turner, who was injured while oiling on a backhoe several months ago, will be laid up a few more weeks until his foot heals more.

Brother Charles Conner will know in a few days how well his foot has healed and how soon he will be able to go to work.

To these brothers and their families we extend our sincerest sym-

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

There comes once more that time of year when good will prevails and the spirit of Christmas invades our hearts and homes. It is the time of year when we pause to make merry and to look back over the past twelve months to take inventory of our fortunes. It is our sincere hope that you and yours have enjoyed a measure of nealth, wealth and happiness, and that the new year will bring an even greater abundance of the good things of life.

We have enjoyed serving you during the past year and appreciate your cooperation and good will. With the continuation of all our combined efforts, we hope to be of even greater service to you in the future.

Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year! MERLIN F. BOWMAN Salt Lake City 5-5672 C. E. COCKAYNE Salt Lake City 84-1444 GEORGE FARRELL Salt Lake City 5-9403 GLEN FULLMER Salt Lake City 87-2450 JAY NEELEY Provo 1715-J Salt Lake City Office 8-8551,

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Genial Joseph X. Paup, our friend who haunts questionable night spots, comments that perhaps the gal who wears plunging necklines only does it to show us her heart's in the right place.

* * * It was 2 husband-and-wife squabble.

"How can you talk to me like that?" she cried. "I've given you the best years of my life."

He retorted: "Yeah! And who made them the best years of your life?"

Marysville Gets a Taste of Winter, But Outlook Is Good

The month of December is now upon us and in 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 wind and rains are blowing so bad that a respectable wild duck would not or could not stay out in it. However, the jobs for the future look good and we will attempt to tell you

First, the seven site levee job bid was postponed from November 17, to December on account of something fouled up in the specifications so one will be coming up soon, now. The job will be between

the Sacramento River.

Of course, we have no news as soon as we get any news of this job, you can bet it will be published in the following issue of our paper. U. K. P. Co. of Southern California were the low bidders on the Oroville Wye job, but this Company has not moved in as yet. The job was for \$729,000, and will be a good one for the skinners. Al Vercruyssen of Rice Bros. has really been having a bad time on his job. Due to the rains, he will get to work his crew a day or two and then he gets washed out, but Al swears he can't really do anything about the weather. Rice Bros. keep a few men busy in their Gravel Sand & Hot Plants if and when the weather permits, plus a few blade jobs in the area.

Lester L. Rice & Sons do most of the oilfield location work around this area and just lined up another southwest of Gridley, with Bro. Riney Wolff in charge. Bud Smith has a man or two finishing up some small jobs in the Chico district. Bun Co., had a small job on the Chico State College, B. & R. Const. Co. have not been able to make much progress on the Paradise High School, due of course to the weather. T. E. Connolly Co., have a small tunnel job above Oroville and are tramming the muck out by hand car, old style. The M. K. Co. Inc., at Greenville, had to dog off their tunnel daylighting job, too. M. W. Brown was also dogged off on their road and bridge job at the Greenville-Quincy Wye. Parker Co. has a few rigs on the Yuba River on a small job and some rigs on landleveling.

Kaiser Sand & Gravel Co. at Oroville brought in a locomotive from another job to replace one here whose boiler had been condemned. I hope Bros. Kloss and McCourry don't hassle over who will run it. We heard also that Bro. Ed Neff's old shovel finally just quit and the Company is to install a new motor. Ditto a new boiler on Bro. Harlow Terrell's steam crane, Butte Creek Rock at Chico are doing the best they can under these weather conditions, same with New York Machine Shop at Oroville.

Bob O'Hair, of the O'Hair Co. at Colusa, says he is finishing off the grading for Oil Terminals, Ltd., at Meridian. Con. Western Steel had made good time with the steel tanks. Ben Gerwick Co. by being present. moved a rig in on the finder piling on the Meridian Bridge.

We told you last month that we would say something about the pheasants. Jim Ashford, Ralph Wyatt and Dick Whittington are hereby declared champions in this important subject. First, your rep-

Now we have reached the time of the year that peace on earth and good will to all men should be uppermost in our minds. Van, Irene, and Les wish to take this space to wish each and every member and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year and to say thanks to all for their cooperation the past year.

Teacher-There is direct and indirect taxation, Give me an ex- mit the offense alleged. ample of indirect taxation.

Boy-The dog tax, sir. Teacher-How is that? pay it.

INDUSTRIAL REPORT By C. R. VAN WINKLE

Business Representative

NATOMAS COMPANY

News from this company con-Colusa and Knights Landing on cerns mainly the turning over of Dredge No. 7, last month, and the effect this accident will have on yet regarding the P. G. & E. job at the over-all operation of the com-Poe on the Feather River, but as pany. At the present writing our information is that, at least temporarily, it will reduce the level of employment in the company by about 30 men, as the company has no intention of trying to salvage and rebuild the dredge.

This is indeed bad news, coming at this time of year when other companies also are reducing their crews due to seasonal slackness, but was not entirely unexpected as the company had been threatening to take the dredge out of operation - because of poor earnings. However, it was our hope to delay this move until the winter months were over. Providence, in the form of the accident, took care of this problem for us and now we are in the position of facing the consequences. Any lay-offs will be in accordance with seniority, and your representatives are to be consulted before they are made, the company has informed

We hope to make any readjustments equitably and in accordance with the agreement. Whether or not we succeed will probably be known before this reaches you. If you are, by chance, affected, and feel that you have been unjustly treated, be sure to contact your representative; he is here to serve you. Do this at once as, according to the agreement, complaints must be made within five days.

In closing, we wish to call your attention to the next scheduled meetings of your unit. Watch the bulletin boards for any changes or other announcement. The next meetings will be held Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1954, in the Meeting Hall at Natoma at the following times: 10 a.m. for the night workers, and 7 p.m. for the day workers. Be sure to try to be present as these meetings are important, and if well attended can become more important.

GLADDING, McBEAN CO.

First let us call your attention to the next meetings of your unit, and urge your attendance. Like we said above, these meetings are as important as the attendance.

Joint Board, Lincoln Industrial Council, Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1954, at 4:15 p.m., in the Lincoln Industrial Council Office, Lincoln. All board members are urged to be present.

General membership meeting, Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1954, at 4:15 p.m., in the City Hall, Lincoln. Let's start the new year out right

Several problems vitally affecting our membership have arisen in the past month with the company. As most of these were discharge cases we thought it well to say a few words on this vital and resentatives as a matter of routine investigate all discharge cases that we hear about, whether or not the member complains. We do this so that we can be informed, and frankly keep the company aware of the fact that discharges may be made only for a just reason. This has the effect of making the company careful when making discharges to be sure they are right according to the agreement, and reduces the controversy to the facts. In other words, did or did not the employee involved com-

In discharge cases the employee, so to speak, must come before the court with clean hands, as much Boy-The dog does not have to so as the company. The recent the officers and members of Opercases all involved men who have ating Engineers Local Union 3.



"Sure glad about that new clause in the agreement calling for no more homework!"

had records of absenteeism, unmerous reprimands for poor, unsatisfactory, careless or unsafe work, coming to work under the influence of liquor, or similar offenses. Any of them taken sepcould justify discharge. Such cases, although we try and try hard, are difficult to defend, as we think you will admit.

Another matter that has occupied considerable of our time is the question of down-grading caused by seasonal slackness. Here we have been on stronger ground and we are insisting that downgrading be in reverse order of upgrading. Our complaints along this line have brought to light some laxity on the part of the company in qualifying men for higher jobs, and we believe will result in the management being more careful in the future in this regard, with the consequence of reducing the number of these cases in the future.

YUBA CONSOLIDATED GOLD FIELDS

If there is any complaint a labor representative hears more than any other, it is probably that the union isn't as effective as it should be, or the representative isn't on his toes, etc. Of course, we never hear from the member who is satisfied. Now we are going to offer you an easy solution to this problem, one that you can take care of yourself, and one that is simple: Attend your meetings!

By doing so, you do two things: you become a participant in your union's affairs, you help make the decisions, and you encourage your representative, who after all is a human being and can stand a little encouragement, as the job (to say the least) has its share of discouragements. That is why we are always harping on this subject, believe it or not, we want your help.

So you can put into practice the above, we announce the next meetings of your unit. They will be held Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1954, in the Engineers Hall, 1010 "Eye" St., Marysville. The first meeting will be called to order at 10 a.m., so that the night men will have an opportunity to attend, and the second at 7:30 p.m., for the day workers.

One last word. At the request of the membership, a clause was written into the agreement providing for a check-off of dues from the member's wages. Many have taken advantage of this, and have arranged to have this done. While it is entirely voluntary, the idea occurred to us that perhaps others might wish to take advantage of this convenient manner to pay dues. If you do, you can secure an authorization card at any time from your representative or at the office.

PERSONAL NOTES

It is with a great feeting of thankfulness that we report there were no injuries when Dredge No. 7 turned over. . . . Brother Wm. Weems, dry pan operator at Gladding, McBean Co., is reported off the job because of serious gall bladder trouble. As we haven't heard more, we take this means of expressing to Brother Weems our wishes that he have a speedy recovery. . . . For those who haven't heard (the news came to us rather late), we are sorry to report the death of one of the oldtimers at the Natomas Co. Brother Arthur R. McGee, who had retired some time ago, passed away October 27. He was 70. He is survived by his widow, a son Harley, and a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Staffer. We extend to the family of Brother McGee the heartfelt sympathy of

State Is Finally Moving on The Deadly 2-Lane Highway From Stockton to Sacto

By ED. DORON, W. M. TALBOT, M. W. GRIFFING and C. L. CASEBOLT (Modesto), Business Representatives

This being the last report from this office for the year of 1953, and work rapidly tapering off, it gives us a good opportunity to take stock of the work situation both past and future.

Due to the late rains of last spring, work was slow to start. When construction finally got under way it was time to renew our agreements with the contractors, which slowed it down again and in some cases shut it off entirely. After work resumed again, we here at the Stockton office were getting prepared to supply men to the \$50-million Tri-Dam Project which incidentally would have cleared this and several more offices of out-of-work members, but as things turned out the project was cancelled because the water districts involved were unable to raise the necessary funds at four per cent interest. When this big project fell through it left us with a few roads and housing project jobs to keep the brothers working -which was slim pickings. The state road work was not too heavy in this area during the past year. Now for future work in the

Stockton area: The State of California finally has come to the conclusion that we have a few automobiles and trucks running up and down on narrow two-lane roads that need immediate attention. They have an \$8-million program set up to handle the work to be done in this area for the next six years.

They apparently are finally going to take action on the two-lane head-on Highway 50 between here and Sacramento, where many have died.

Six miles of road work will be let by the time this goes to press -at Jackson. It is to get started in the spring of '54.

Joe Vacini of Placerville was the successful bidder in getting a \$75,000 road job at Mountain Ranch, which also will start in the spring.

Stolte, Inc. and Stephens Bros. Trucking Co. were low bidders on a new bridge and road approaches to it on the Mokelumne River near Clements. This job went for \$240,-000 and some work might be done this winter.

Lee Stephens is moving his equipment down to the Palmdale Airport on the Stolte-Early job, which should keep him busy until spring.

The John Delphia shop at Patterson is a beehive of activity, with equipment coming in from the Carson Dam being completely overhauled in preparation for the job they have near Coalinga, which we understand they got by about \$150. That's using a pretty sharp pencil. Dutch Oelschlaeger is the master mechanic, with about fifteen mechanics, five mechanic's helpers, a steam cleaner, paint sprayer and parts chaser all working under Local 3,

Archie Till has moved in on the pipeline job at Vallecito. They have two cats and an Insley hoe on this job, which they exepct to finish in about three weeks.

Beerman & Jones have completed the sanitary sewer in Angels Camp and most of their equipment is in the shed for the winter.

Granite Const. Co. has stockpiled the rock for the county job in the Waterloo Residential District and will not be ripping out the streets until early spring.

S. M. McGaw Co. has purchased the portable crushing plant of the Milton Gravel Co. at Wallace and will move into their holdings on the Calaveras River at Bellota.

Atwater Underground Co. is getting along nicely with the storm sewer in the West Park subdivision, northwest of Stockton. Al Downer is putting in the sanitary sewer for this project.

Sonora Marble Aggregates have set in a new crusher and stepped up their production of roofing and terrazo chips-some of the most-

beautiful colors we've ever seen. Calaveras Cement Co. of San speeds up to 45 miles an hour.

Andreas started three-shift operations in the quarry last week and things are really humming at the

There is considerable excitement in the Copperopolis district over an asbestos mine. There is a nice deposit of asbestos in the area and a firm from New York State is promoting its development. So far nothing has been done except a little exploration work,

Land levelling at this time of year is moving out on the peat ground and down into the sand around Manteca to Turlock, which happens every winter.

The Akslands are going strong at this time and are hiring a few more rigs to beat the rains for some of the farmers who have crops to plant.

Well, brothers, the holidays are almost upon us and we here in the office wish you all a real merry Christmas and a prosperous and happy New Year.

(AFL Release)
Chicago,—Social justice is America's best "secret weapon," Martin P. Durkin, former U.S. Secretary of Labor, told the Catholic Labor Alliance tenth anniversary dinner in Chicago.

The CLA, a steadily growing influence in the city life and the labor movement, drew 1,600 to the dinner. The alliance was formed in 1943 to promote social justice as defined in the Gospels and the two principal Papal encyclicals on labor.

SUPPORTS ACTIVITIES

It now supports neighborhood labor schools, the annual John A. Ryan forum, discussion groups in local communities, and a monthly paper, "Work."

The tenth anniversary celebration, which taxed the capacity of the huge Plumbers' Hall, was addressed also by the Most Rev. Samuel Cardinal Stritch, archbishop of Chicago; U.S. Senator Paul H. Douglas, and several other labor, civic, industrial and government leaders.

"In the conflict of ideas, the home front is our battle line," said Durkin, who is now president of the AFL Plumbers & Steamfitters International. "We must attack Communism here at home by actively promoting social justice.

"We must always remember that social justice is one weapon which the Communists can never posses. Let us therefore develop our secret weapon to a high state of perfection here in America." BLASTS EDITORIALS

Cardinal Stritch was critical of

editorial writers in the metropolitan press who have written that the church should stay out of labor - management controversies and stick to general definitions of moral principles.

"We can't separate human behavior from the moral law," he said. "The church would be wanting in its duty if it failed to teach the moral law in terms of the experiences of human life."

Social justice is not an obligation merely of society at large, he declared, but falls directly upon the individual. It is an obligation, he said, for individuals to band together for the wider application of social justice.

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to Clements & Co., Box 328, Hayward, \$29,880 for const. Parking Lot No. 2 at Livermore Research Laboratory.

RICHMOND, contract awarded to Oliver DeSilva, 2333 Eden Road. San Leandro, \$9,787 for grade, fence, etc. at following schools: J. O. Ford: Castro: Belding: Mira Vista Annex and Richmond School District.

FRESNO, contract awarded to Calif. Fresno Asph. Co., P. O. Box 527, Fresno, \$13,082 for asph. surf. patrol road, in vicinity of Delano,

CONCORD, contract awarded to Vezy Const. Co., 3760 Ardley, Oakland, \$10,795 for pave outdoor theatre, Pleasant Hills High School.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Rice Bros. Inc., P. O. Box 1489, Marysville, \$195,104 for grade surf. with plantmix surf. on cem. treat, base, on Clovis Ave. betw. Hwy. Rt. 4 & Columbia Ave. (South), FRESNO COUNTY.

FRESNO, contracts awarded to Gene Richards Inc., P. O. Box 1349, Fresno, \$24,955 for const. reinf. conc. bridge over Dry Creek & conc. pipe sewer at 1st St., south of McKinley Avenue.

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SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Fredrickson & Watson Construction Co., 873 - 81st Avenue, LIVERMORE, contract awarded Oakland, \$276,428 for 5.9 mi. grade & surf. w/pltmix surf. on imp. base metal. betw. 0.2 mi. S of Palo Cedro & Bella Vista, SHASTA COUNTY.

> MODESTO, contracts awarded as follows:

(1) To M. J. Ruddy & Sons, 922 Jay St., Modesto, \$46,736 for conc. of Lat. No. 1 & end of lining near Harding Way.

(2) To J. Harvey Brizendine, Rt. 7 Box 1751, Modesto, \$35,506 (3 projects.) for lining the Brashear Branch of Lat. No. 3, Doleman Branch of Butler Ditch & Pipeline, & Brashear Br. of Lat. No. 3, Doleman Branch of Butler Ditch & Pipeline, & Brashear Br. of Lat. No. 3, Extension No. 1.

(3) To Person & Bullard, 514 Sycamore St., Turlock, \$6,895 for lining Bentley Branch of Lat.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Bos Const. Co., 1035 Grayson St., Berkeley, \$87,769 for widen bridge & grade & surf. w/pltmix surf. on cem. treat. base, about 0.6 mi. of approaches, 0.2 mi. W. of Bradley, MONTEREY, CO.

NOVEMBER 6, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Jas. H. McFarland, 101 Tara St., S. F., \$19,412 for reinf. conc. bridge to be widened, across Martin's Slough, 4 mi. S. of Eureka, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$29,817 for South bound rdway of 4-lane hwy, to be graded & surf., betw. 0.1 mi. N. of Seaside Jct. & Prattco Siding, MONTEREY COUNTY.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to Helwig Const. Co. and North Bay Const. Co., 407 N. Main St., Sebastopol, \$399,883 for construct sewage treatment plant for Sonoma Valley Sanit. District.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Cast Pipeline Road, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. Contractors, 580 Bragato Road, Belmont, \$6,252 for const. relief sewers in Armour Ave. betw. Airport Blvd. & Linden Avenue.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to W. F. Maxwell, 634 S. Western Avenue, Los Angeles, \$142,521 for 0.4 mi. const. new bridge & grade & surf. approaches w/pltmix, surf. on untr. base, Kaweah River, 4.6 mi. E. of Woodlake, TULARE COUNTY.

RICHMOND, contracts awarded to Oliver DeSilva, 2333 Eden Road San Leandro, \$35,535 for grade, pave, fence, etc. at Nystrom School (Play Area No. 1) & Mira Vista Annex School.

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tract awarded to Sperry & McCue, 304 El Camino Real, Millbrae, \$5,-640 for widening "B" St. betw. Orange Ave. & a point 325 ft. southeasterly.

NOVEMBER 9, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., 442 Post St., San Francisco, \$4,387,474 for 3 mi. grade & pave with PCC on cem. tr. subbase & const. seplining of Main Canal between head arate structures, betw. Ashby Ave. & El Cerrito Overhead, in ALA-MEDA COUNTY.

NOVEMBER 10, 1953

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Ben C. Gerwick, Inc., 112 Market St., San Francisco, \$5,-463 for repairs to 3 fender braces at Mission Rock Terminal.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Kaweah Const. Co., P.O. Box 867, Visalia, \$26,287 for const. Proj. Calif. Indian Service Road S-70, Unit 2, bridge across burg, MARIPOSA COUNTY South Fork Tule River, Tule River Indian Reservation, TULARE CO.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Harms Bros., 5261 Stockton base, betw. Secret Valley & 4.7 mi. N., LASSEN COUNTY.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Pisano Bros., 1800 Stockton Ave., Santa Clara, \$9,270 for const. storm water drainage system between State Hwy. Rt. 42 & Three Oaks Way, SANTA CLARA CO.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to J. W. Richards, P.O. Box 421, Rio Vista, \$17,450 for drainage channel & levee improvement on Berryessa & Coches Creeks, near Milpitas, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$14,224 for paving of parking area at the Civic Center, San Jose.

NOVEMBER 12, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Eugene G. Alves Const. Co. Box 950, Pittsburg, \$308,358 for 2.6 mi. grade & surf. on cr. run base, Alhambra Ave. & Pleasant Hill

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2657 - 9th St., Berkeley, \$7,617 for const. chain link fences & concrete curbs betw. Ignacio & 1.5 mi. south of Petaluma, MARIN & SONOMA COUNTIES.

NOVEMBER 13, 1953

BERKELEY, contract awarded to Watkin & Sibbald, 6 Bridge, San Anselmo, \$23,310 for grounds improvements, Phase 3, Calif. School for Deaf.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Slough Const. Co., 666 Mission St., San Francisco, \$18,408 for const. water supply sys. at Pine Flat Dam.

SUNNYVALE, contracts awarded as follows:

(A) Grade & Pave-To Sondgroth Bros., 318 Sierra Vista Ave., Mt. View, \$14,682.

(B) Irrigation System-To Associated Engineers Inc., 3606 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, \$3,748.

(C) Lawns & Planting -Stephen L. Vistica, 70 No. El Camino Real, San Mateo, \$3,000. NOVEMBER 16, 1953

OAKLAND, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th St. Berkeley, \$28,681 for sediment basin bypass at East Bay Sewage treatment plant SD 87.

FOLSOM, contracts awarded to the following for const. earthwork, tunnel, pipeline & structures, inc. terminal struc., Sta 81-58 to 387 48.68, Camino Donduit, located near Camino, EL DORADO CO. Sched. 1-A—To T. E. Connolly,

Inc., 461 Market St., San Francisco, \$322,910.

Sched. 3-To Engineers Con-Overflow, 17 mi. E. of Fresno, structors, Inc., P.O. Box 3328, Ter- FRESNO. CO. minal Annex, Los Angeles, \$1,103,-

HILLSDALE, contract awarded to Haas & Haynie, 275 Pine St., San Francisco, \$6,318,000 for const. Hillsdale Shopping Center Macy's Department Store.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., Box 95, Belmont, \$13,958 for water distribution sys. in Potrero Way betw. Monterey Way & Linton Way in City of Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, contract award-

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, con-Broadway, Sacramento, \$19,940 for water distribution system in Carleton Tract.

> Berkeley, \$5,960 for site development of the Antioch Junior High School.

CONCORD, contract awarded to

to Winton Jones, 1770 Riviera St., Walnut Creek, \$18,215 for concrete sidewalks, gutters etc., at Three Schools. SAN FRANCISCO, contract

awarded to Rothchild, Raffin & Jos. D. Ballinger & Co., 6185 San Weirick and James I. Barnes, 274 Leandro St., Oakland, \$8,830 for Brannan St., San Francisco, \$29,- removal of debris at Foot of 5th 989 for const. utility building at the San Francisco Naval Shipyard. SACRAMENTO, contract award-

ed to Harms Bros., 5261 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$570,614 for 2.5 mi. grade & plantmix surf. on untreated rock base, betw. 0.2 mi. S. of King Solomon Mine and Brice-

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Paul E. Woof, 2203 N. Fruit Avenue, Fresno, \$35,928 for 0.7 mi. grade & surf. with roadmix surf. Blvd., Sacramento, \$491,161 for 4.7 on imported base matl. in Whittemi grade & surf. on untr. rock more Grove State Park betw. South Fork of the Eel River bridge and West Park Boundary, HUM-BOLDT COUNTY.

> SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 3030 San Pablo Avenue, San Pablo, \$19,912 for 0.4 mi. widen & plantmix surf. on Mattox Road betw. East 14th St. & 300 ft. east of Oak St. ALA-MEDA COUNTY.

awarded to E. W. Emley, P.O. Box mi. E. of Crescent City, in Six 153, Saratoga, \$107,785 for const. Rivers National Forest, DEL John Gill School Addition No. 2, Jefferson Avenue.

NOVEMBER 17, 1953

PITTSBURG, contract awarded to F. Willis, RFD Box 233, Antioch \$12,279 for play area paving fencing, concrete work at Pittsburg Jr. & Sr. High Schools.

PITTSBURG, contract awarded to F. Willis, RFD Box 233, Antioch, \$18,180 for grade, pave & fencing at Pittsburg Heights south wing elementary school.

SAN PABLO, contract awarded to Aguiar Bros., 1716 Broadway, San Pablo, \$15,443 for pave 23rd St. between Wildcat Creek U. S. 40.

SALINAS, contract awarded to E. J. Donahue, 355 E. Market St. Salinas, \$1,887 for const. conc. slab in Central Park (Prop. 1).

MADERA, contract awarded to Rogers Matls. Co., P.O. Box 509, \$8,180 for const. reinf. conc. pipeline in Olive Ave., betw. So. P St. & Cypress St., Madera, for piping of Madera Irrigation Canal.

VISALIA, contracts awarded for work at Visalia Municipal Airport, loc. approx. 5 mi. west of the city of Visalia at jct. of SH 198 w/US 99, involv. const. 2 connecting taxiways betw. runway & passenger loading apron at new Admin. Building: auto parking area; entrance road from 2 new freeway accesses to new Admin. Bldg. parking area & to fire station: 1st stage of taxiway parallel to NW/-SE runway: and re-grade & re-oil NW/SE runway shoulders wide.

Sch. 1 -- A-To L. B. Wells Const. Co., P.O. Box 287, Visalia, \$19,695. Sch. 2-To L. B. Wells Const. Co. Visalia, \$2,834.

Sch. 3 - A-To Fredricksen Kasler, 214-12 St., Sacramento, \$14,653.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Friant Construction Co., 4929 Hedges St., Fresno, \$37,788 for redeck a bridge with precast PCC deck units, const. detour & widen approaches, across Kings River

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to John Delphia, P.O. Box 313, Patterson, \$480,335 for 5.2 mi. grade & roadmix surf. on untr. rock base & const. reinf. conc. bridge across Hans Grieve Canyon, betw. Lone Pine Sta. & 2.8 mi W. of Hot Springs Canyon, FRESNO

SAN LEANDRO, contract awarded to Rose & Matoza Const. Co., P.O. Box 2007, Castro Valley, \$6,563 for resurf. Williams St. betw. Eastshore Freeway and Pacied to Romack Plumbing Co., 1313 fic Avenue.

COUNTY

SACRAMENTO contract awarded to Slough Construction Co. 6727 N. Blackstone, Fresno, \$45,336 for ANTIOCH, contract awarded to const. two bridges and two culverts O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520-4th St., at various locations on Russel Avenue, 11 miles northwest of Firebaugh, FRESNO COUNTY.

MODESTO, contract awarded (General) to Nomellini Const. Co., P.O. Box 1177, Stockton, \$445,000 for const. of County Jail, to be built at 12th & H Sts.

NOVEMBER 18, 1953

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Avenue.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$34,594 for const. vitr. sewers in Mt. Blvd., Sage Road,

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Kevry Const. Inc., 655 Peralta Ave. San Leandro, \$13,202 for const. sanitary sewer in Diesel Street.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Manuel Enos, 1900 - 101st. Avenue, Oakland, \$47,370 for const. pipe conduit in portions of Pearmain St., Apple St., 105th Ave. & Moorpark St. et al.

RENO, NEVADA, contract awarded to George E. Miller, P.O. Box 1728, Reno, Nevada, \$84,218 for const. storm drains & appurtenances in vicin, of East Street.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Reed & Tuttle, Redwood Valley, \$29,000 for const. Proj. Calif. FDR 1901-Bl, bridge REDWOOD CITY, contract across Patrick Creek approx. 29-NORTE COUNTY.

EUREKA, contract awarded to Mercer, Fraser Co., 2d & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$16,116 for resurface Fairfield Street.

MILLBRAE, contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., 1650 Old County Road, Belmont, \$13,938 for widen, const. curbs, gutters, etc. on Broadway from Victoria Ave. to Taylor Blvd.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to P & E Const. Co., 1620 S. 7th St., San Jose, \$314,207 for const. storm sewers in S. Willow Glen.

LIVERMORE, contract awarded to Hallawell-King, 3131 Filbert St., Oakland, \$7,485 for landscape at Livermore Sr. High School, involv. lawns, sprinkler sys., fencing, asph. pave & conc. pave.

MATHER AFB, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$150,677 for const. Academic Bldg. w/utils., roads, parking areas, curbs, gutters. walks etc.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded t oGene Richards, Inc., Box 1349, Fresno, \$45,531 for 2 reinf. conc. slab bridges acrooss Fresn Slough bypass on McMullin Gr., 22 mi. SW of Fresno, FRESNO CO.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Barton Const. Co. and B & B Steel Erectors, 7708 Crest Avenue, Oakland, \$13,662 for redecking Garden Hwy. Bridge across Amer ican River north of Sacramento.

NOVEMBER 19, 1953

VALLEJO, contract awarded to Parish Bros., P.O. Box 6, Benicia, \$8,500 for repairs to portions of Selfridge, Rodgers & Aden Streets.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to C. A. Gossett & Son, 19327 California St., Hayward, \$133,247 for const. swimming pool & appurt. structures on grounds of the Oakland High School.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded (General) to E. A. Hathway & Co., Inc., 1098 S. 5th St., San Jose, \$533,400 for const. Food Service Bldg. at Agnew State Hospital.

NOVEMBER 20, 1953

MILL VALLEY, contract awarded to the following for: (1) Additions to Homestead School - To Herbert A. Crocker, 1930 - 4th St., San Rafael, \$75,871. (2) Addns, to Tamalpais Valley School-To Peter Sartorio, 2530 - 18th St., San Francisco, \$81,685.

SAN MATEO, contract awarded to L. C. Smith Co., 225 - 19th Ave., San Mateo, \$39,700 for grade & drain at site of Abbott Elem. Schl., 36th Ave. & Alameda de las Pul-

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Arthur B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Clevalena Avenue., Santa Rosa, (Continued on Next Page)

Construction Awards Oakland

(Continued from Preceding Page) | Bridge and Emmaton's Landing, \$65,349 for 1.7 mi. grade & surf.

with untr. rock base & seal coat. on Old Sonoma Road, Napa city limits at Casswell St. to 1/2 mi. N.E. of Buhman Ave., NAPA CO. SACRAMENTO, contract award-

ed to M. J. Ruddy & Son, 922 "J" St., Modesto, \$131,567 for 0.8 mi. grade & plant mix surf. on untr. rock base & const. reinf, conc. bridge, betw. 0.2 mi. S. of Sullivan Road & Gustine, MERCED CO.

SAN LEANDRO, contract awarded to Huettig-Schromm & Bennett, P.O. Box 798, Palo Alto, \$10,957 for planting at Juvenile Hall, 150th Ave. & Foothill Blvd., ALAMEDA

ARCATA, contracts awarded as follows for work at Humboldt State College, Arcata: (1) To Bernard Gayman, 12 Seymour Ave., Mill Valley, \$5,775 for planting & irrig. sys.; (2) To Humboldt Constructors, Inc., 125 W. 5th St., Eureka, \$17,500 for const. roads, park areas, etc.

NOVEMBER 23, 1953

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Elmer O. Giessner, Cassel, \$0.325 per cu. yd. for const. reservoir near Cassel, Conrad Flat Desilting Basin & Reservoir Project, under Inv. 2-48, involving 1817 cy. material.

OGDEN, UTAH, contract awarded to Arnold Schultches, Vernal, Utah, \$77,940 for 18.8 mi. const. 12' roadbed, Shafter Trail Access Road, GRAND & SAN JUAN COS.

IMOLA, contract awarded to Peletz Co., 1236 Central Avenue, Santa Rosa, \$57,190 for improvements to water supply system at Napa State Hospital,

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., 1650 Old County Road, Belmont, \$24,244 for const. of running tracks | Shipyard. at (1) Carlmont); and (2) Menlo-Atherton High Schools.

NOVEMBER 24, 1953

RICHMOND, contract awarded to Robt, R. Murdoch, 5376 Belgrave 626-54-24. Place, Oakland, \$3,000 for const. 48" CMP culvert, curbs, gutters, sidewalk & asph. conc. surf. on Carlston St. btw. Niven St. and Pointset Avenue.

SEBASTOPOL, contract awarded to Helwig Const. Co., 407 N. Main St., Sebastopol, \$4,475 for grade, conc. curbs & gutters, tile

NOVEMBER 25, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Payne Const. Co., 689 Louisiana St., Oakland, \$8,648 for const. Clay Station Road Ttrestle, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 COUNTY. Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$38, 896 for grade, pave, etc. on Mormon Island Road,

BERKELEY, contract awarded St., Berkeley, \$5,445 for const. sewers & grading of Fairlawn-Queens Road Playground.

ed to J. Henry Harris, 2657 - 9th 646 for const. access road to Jede-St., Berkeley, \$23,448 for 2 reinf. conc. structures to be extended & widen approaches with roadmix surf. on imported base matl., at Finley Turn & Cole Creek, 4.2 mi. Marks Blvd., Pittsburg, \$3,397 for & 3 mi. south of Lakeport, LAKE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to H. H. Anderson, 15049 East 14th St., San Leandro, \$38,294 for 0.2 mi. widen bridge & approaches with pltmix, surf, on untreated rock base, lightweight base materials and existing pavement, at Cedar Creek, 19 miles east of Gil-roy, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Joe Vicini, P.O. Box 206, Placerville, \$72,708 for 2.7 mi. grade, import. subbase & pen. treatment, betw. Mountain Ranch & 2.7 mi, north, CALAVERAS CO.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Ukropina-Polich-Kral and John R. Ukripina, P.O. Box 105, San Gabriel, \$715,859 for 9.1 mi. grade & plantmix Surf. on untreated rock base & cem. treated base betw. Oroville Wye & jct. Rt. 87 north of Oroville, BUTTE CO.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Dan Caputo, 2711 Moorpark Avenue, San Jose, \$1,099,103 for 2.1 mi, grade & surf. approaches with bitum, surf. treatment a const. por. steel bridge, between. Autioch

SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Paris Bros., 430 - 40th St., Oakland, \$16,464 for const. reinf, box culvert & vitr, clay pipe sewer in por, of 48th Ave, between San Leandro St. & East 12th Street.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to Justice-Dunn Co., 1260 - 59th St., Oakland, \$5,400 for grounds improvement at Gymnasium Bldg., Los Guilucos School for Girls, near Santa Rosa,

YOUNTVILLE, contract awarded to A. G. Raisch Co., P.O. Box 458, San Rafael, \$47,000 for const. extension of main road at Veterans

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blyd., Sacramento, \$23,-790 for site preparation, Central Office Bldg., Dept. of Employment, Sacramento.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., San Francisco, \$65,814 for track removal on 11th St. & Potrero.

NOVEMBER 27, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Huntington Bros., 2186 Monticello Road, Napa, \$18,167 for rep. & replace drainage facils, at 23 locations betw. Jenner & 4-5 mi. S. of Gualala, SONOMA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Volpa Bros., 233 Nielson, Fresno, \$62,373 for 3.8 mi. grade, place imp, base matl, betw. 0.25 mi. S. of Flint Ave. & SHR No. 10, 2 mi. E. of Hanford, KINGS CO.

NOVEMBER 30, 1953 SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., 1755 Evans Avenue, S.F., \$4,272 for yard paving in vic. of Bldgs. 210, 368 & 369 at the S.F. Naval

TRAVIS, contract awarded to Parish Bros., P.O. Box 6, Benicia, \$11,329 for const. parking area adj. to Base Hospital, under iFB 04-

DECEMBER 1, 1953

EL CERRITO, contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 3030 San Pablo Avenue, San Pablo, \$14,460 for resurf. Barrett Ave., betw. west city limits & Tassajara Ave.

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to Sondgroth Bros., 318 Sierra Vista Avenue, Mountain drains & catchbasins, on Litchfield View, \$1,500 for surf. Jefferson St. betw. El Camino Real & Adams

> PORTERVILLE, contract awarded (General) to R. Pedersen & Sons, 446 Clark St., Fresno, \$1,-921,490 for const. 14 ward bldgs. at Porterville State Hospital, Phases 3 & 4, Porterville, TULARE

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Jas. H. McFarland, 101 Tara Street, San Francisco, \$67,972 for const. bridge & 0.1 mi. road apto O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th proaches at Frazier Creek, 2.5 mi. S. of Blairsden, PLUMAS CO.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 SACRAMENTO, contract award- Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$18,diah Smith School.

DECEMBER 2, 1953

CAMP STONEMAN, contract awarded to Jack Catalino, 97 inst, gravity-type retaining walls on N. sides of Bldgs. T-4309, 4310, 4311 & 4312 at Camp Stoneman.

MONTEREY, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$10,548 for reseal two runways at the Monterey Peninsula Airport.

MILPITAS, contract awarded to M. Weber, 28149 Niles Road, Hayward, \$23,316 for const. water main to serve property of Western Pacific Railroad in Milpitas area.

SANTA CRUZ, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$14,990 for const. Altivo Avenue betw. San Andreas Rd. & its Nly end, Loma Ave. between its west end & Altivo Ave., Elena Rd. between Altivo Ave. & its Ely end, approx. 0.96 mi. SANTA CRUZ

SANTA CLARA, contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$12,-380 for const. portion of De La Cruz Blvd. betw. Brokaw Road & Reed St.

DECEMBER 3, 1953 awarded (General) to Martinelli Bldg, No. 253.

Area News

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construction jobs in various parts of the world.

Back from a summer spent in Alaska is Brother Sheldon 'Whitey" Ongman who was employed by Birch, Lytell, and Green, as foreman over the heavy duty equipment crew, on their air-base job at Elmendorf, just out of Anchorage. This was Whitey's second trip to Alaska, and while he found the camp conditions satisfacory, prices somewhat lower than in 1952, hunting and fishing excellent, he reports that it was possible to get in only a very little overtime this season.

Brother Tommy Laird, found his red hair and ruddy complexion an asset in Iceland where he has been working for the past nine months. His fair coloring made him almost always be taken for a native Icelander, and helped in establishing friendly relationships with the people of this far northern land. Tommy was employed as night superintendent over the H. D. Equipment by Metcalf-Hamilton, Smith, and Beck on the airstrip being built for the American government in Iceland, but as the sun did not set until after midnight most of the summer, the shift was a matter of little consequence. The spring and summer weather in this country are very fine, and quite similar to that of the Bay Area; however, the onset of winter forced the shut-down of the project until Spring, While Tommy spoke with real enthusiasm of the beautiful Icelandic women, he did not appear to be to sorry to be home for a while.

From considerably farther south came Brother George Cleek, returning from eight months spent working as lubrication foreman for Morrison-Knudsen on their Orinoco Railroad job in Venezuela. George's return trip to the states was a very pleasant one as it included a two-day layover in Caracas, and was made in a brand new sixty passenger Pan-American plane, carrying only ten passengers on this flight.

Brother James Oliphant, who has just returned from French Morroco tells us that its hard to get used to hearing English spoken again, after hearing so many other languages spoken for so long.

One of our well-known blade men, Brother Ray Purdy, came in recently to say so long for a while before taking off for Eniwetock in signed a one year's contract with the Marshall Islands, where he has Holmes & Narver.

Brother Ray Tripplett, one of the four mechanics sent from the Oakland area to the Bechtel job in Vermillion Valley, gave us a very favorable report of the company maintained camp and the job as a whole.

Macal Improvement Company and Antioch Paving Company have a considerable amount of surplus equipment for sale, specifically jeeps, tractors, shovels, carryalls, oil distributors, rollers, transport and other dirt moving rigs. The equipment is at Wilbur Avenue and Highway 24, Antioch, telephone Antioch 400.

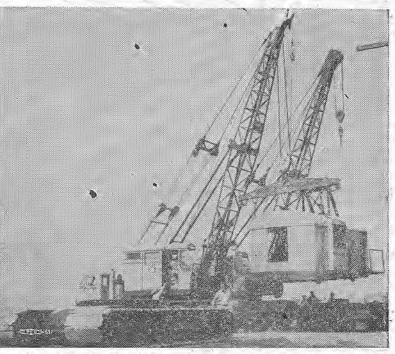
Const. Co., Inc., 1580 Folsom St. San Francisco, \$492,000 for const. Starr King Jr. High School.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Wm. E. Thomas Const. Co., Rt. 4, Box 3400, Sacramento, \$8,-936 for const. reinf. conc. culvert in Armstrong Drive, SACRAMEN-TO COUNTY

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$4,712 for const. roll type conc. curbs & gutters in O'Farrell Drive Local Improvement Dist. No. 82, SAC-RAMENTO COUNTY.

TIBURON, contract awarded to Brown-Ely Co., P.O. Box 474, Corte Madera, \$38,680 for remove slide material & cut back slope at Bldg. No. 51, Naval Net Depot.

MARE ISLAND, contract awarded to Basalt Rock Co., Box 538, SAN FRANCISCO, contract Napa, \$7,600 for floor paving in



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Several Large Contractors Establish H.Q. on Peninsula

By CHET ELLIOTT, Business Representative

During the past few weeks a few of the large contractors who formerly were located in San Francisco and other cities have established headquarters in San Mateo County. The M & K Corp. are moving into their new yard and shop at Butler Road and Bayshore Ave. in South San Francisco. The Ken Royce Company have moved their main office to the

Ready-Mix Concrete plant at South San Francisco and have filled in ground on the old Bayshore Highway for a storage yard and contemplate erecting a new shop in the near future.

Also, the F. and O. Corporation now have their main office and yard at Redwood City. This firm along with their home building operations have now branched out anto the heavy construction business and at the present time are operating two shovels and several cats preparing the hilly ground near Belmont for real estate development. This work is conducted under the supervision of Superintendent Brother Bill Ballam assisted by foreman Brother Peter-

Project Manager Brother Phil Dunne with the assistance of office manager Brother H. D. Thomas and foreman Bros. Hawkins, Kerr, Presnan and Needham after several delays now have Piombo Construction Company's large Bayshore Highway job proceeding on schedule and forty members of Local 3 are employed on this work. They now have the mud stripping and sand piling unit of the job about ninety per cent complete and the concrete footings are finished, ready for the steel erection. The management is concentrating on the Raiston Ave. overpass and is anxious to finish ing and paving jobs throughout this part of the project so the overpass may be used for a haul the importing of two million yards of earth fill which will relieve production.

BIG HOUSING PROJECT

According to the latest information received in this office from Trousdale Construction Co. eleven hundred acre Mills Estate, Holiday Season.

contracts for the clearing and moving of more than a million yards of earth will be awarded and actual construction will start immediately after the 1st of January. At this time we do not have the information as to who will be the successful bidder.

The Sterling Builders Real Estate development project at Pedro Valley on the coastside is the scene of much activity at this time. Contractor Joseph Brady, assisted by foremen Brothers Smith, Brady and Peters, and many members of Local 3 operating the shovels, blades, trenching machines, rollers, cat, and jeeps on the many units of this large job, including the erection of the sewage disposal plant, filling of the land for homesites and street work.

Actual construction on the multimillion dollar Hillsdale shopping center has been under way for the past two weeks. The L. C. Smith Company were the successful bidders on the excavation and J. O. Archibald and the Ken Royce Company are supplying the catloaders and shovels.

The Douglas and Woodhouse Company of Redwood City have a large crew of engineers under the supervision of Brother Reese Woodhouse employed on many resurfacthis district.

L. C. Smith, Bragato Paving Co., road for the many trucks used in Frank W. Smith, the S.A.E. Co. and many other local contractors have large crews of engineers emtraffic congestion and speed up ployed on a great number of highway and street grading and paving jobs at all points in this area.

In closing this report, your local representative takes this opportunity to wish all of you Brothers who are the developers of the and your families a very Happy

Contractors Mid-Pac Is Closing Its Operation in the Islands

By J. K. WAIWAIOLE, Business Representative

Matson Navigation Co. has just signed a contract for \$1,660,901 with Pacific Construction Co., for the construction PERSONAL NOTES of the 300-room 11-story Princess Kaiulani Hotel on the corner of Kalakaua Ave. and Kaiulani St., opposite the Moana of the Edwin H. Smith Engineer-Hotel to be completed some time in May 1955. This contract is only for the structure. It is estimated that the entire

project with additional contracts for other phases of this construction, including land, will represent an investment of approximately \$4,500,000.

Seattle interests through Charles J. Pietsch, Honolulu realtor, have taken an option on 61,000 square feet of land adjoining the Waikiki Yacht Harbor on Ala Moana, for the purpose of erecting a 12-story apartment hotel.

Contractors Mid-Pac closes its Kanephe Marine Corp Air Station project on Dec. 18. No new work is contemplated here. The Kwajalein project is tentatively scheduled for closing Jan. 16, 1954, if the Navy does not renew their contract. The Subic Bay, P. I., job should be ready for extensive shore construction sometime early next year. Much of the hiring is done in San Francisco for this job.

Brother Joe Cathcart, shop superintendent for the Army Corp of Engineers dredging on Okinawa, who has been vacationing the past 45 days back home, leaves for Okinawa on the 11th of this month on another year's contract. Accompanying him will be Brother Tom Wills, veteran leverman on all types of dredges, on a one-year contract also. Returning from 144,000 pounds of "super tens" Kwajalein last week were Broth- steel wire squeeze to give it added office in the San Francisco Bay ers Ernest Chee, Tokuzo Nakata strength,

and Herman Uavao, all equipment operators. After 18 months spent learning the Turkish language and instructing them, Brother John Spencer popped in the office direct from the Honolulu Airport with a message to keep a sharp lookout for any return request for him by Byrne International Organization of Washington, D. C. He reports cupid worked overtime along the shores of Lebanon for Brother Joe Haia as he will be returning to Paradise Isle very soon with a lovely wahine. (Lady-a Greek at that.)

Unions who are not affiliated with the local Central Labor Council are quite interested to join up now since the program of the conference of AFL unions was adopted last Friday, Dec. 4, 1953. It is hoped that some changes in election can be effected to the agreement of the majority, it not all interested parties.

Super-Squeeze Reservoir

Richmond's new 12 million gallon water reservoir, largest prestressed job of its kind, is getting

Field Survey Notes

DICK DINNING

The civil engineering firm of W. J. Hanna & Sons, of Gilroy, Calif., signed the master agreement covering Technical Engineers' -field classifications of the Operating Engineers Union. The firm, headed by W. J. Hanna, Sr., has for many years done the major part of engineering in the Gilroy-Salinas area. Their outstanding reputation for accuracy and dependability has held them in demand on boundary disputes and matters of litigation. We welcome this firm as a valuable addition to our growing list of union engineering firms.

Dick Dinning, your East Bay representative, recently attended a meeting of the East Bay Chapter of the Bay Counties Civil Engirequest. The problem of nonunfair competition was discussed. and your representative explained the steps being taken by the union to remedy this situation,

Plans were then made for closer cooperation in the future between the union and the employers in attempting to eliminate malpractices in the engineering field.

A meeting of the Junior Chamber of the ASCE was held recently on the Berkeley campus of the University of California to discuss collective bargaining for engineers during which the Operating Engineers came under discussion. A member of the AGC who was present criticized us severely, while a member of the Bay Counties Civil Engineers & Land Surveyors Assn. who was also present said he felt that the union was doing a good

Shipherd and Riffe, of Martinez, one of the biggest engineering firms in the East Bay area, has just signed a new contract with the union.

While the usual seasonal layoffs have begun, a sudden spurt of activity occurred within the last week during which several work orders came in. After several relatively slow weeks, this was very encouraging and we hope the trend continues.

A "cost of living" increase has been negotiated for mill draftsmen of the Pacific Manufacturing Co., in Santa Clara. This makes the fourth increase in as many years and will mean an increase of approximately one per cent for all classifications.

Casey Bell, long-time employee ing Co. Redwood City. arily on the sick list. We wish him well and a speedy return to work,

Scotty Cruikshank is out of the hospital but is not yet able to return to work.

There will be no December meeting of the Technical Engineers, due to the fact that the usual meeting date falls on Christ-

Navy Deckhand Job

The Navy is announcing Civil Service Examinations to fill the the position of Deckhand, \$3216.00 per annum, at the U.S. Naval Supply Center, Oakland, California. The Twelfth Naval District Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners is accepting applications to fill these positions until further notice. A list of eligibles will be established from which vacancies will be filled as they occur. Preference in appointment will be given to veterans. Appointments will be on an indefinite basis.

For complete information and application forms, contact the Twelfth Naval District Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners, 45 Hyde Street, San Francisco, California; 12th Civil Service Regional Office, 630 Sansome Street, San Francisco, California; or any post Area.

REPAIRS TO GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE TO

By PAT CLANCY and PAUL EDGECOMBE, Business Representatives

In general, work in the San Francisco area has tapered off the past couple of weeks. We all are aware of a situation of this sort at this time of the season. In spite of this seasonal trend several of the jobs are operating at a steady rate.

Excavation for the Summit Reservoir, located on top of Twin Peaks, has started this past month. Buzz Haskins has a crew of first class engineers employed on cats and cans, jeeps, dozers and blades. They have really been rolling the muck off this hill. Bro. Maskins, though young in years, proves qualified in experience.

Adjacent to this job Standard Building Co. has their equipment going steady on the Twin Peaks Housing Development.

Walter Lenkeit and Western Plumbing have completed all the of the job he gets it done. excavation and placing of pipe on neers & Land Surveyors at their the Columbus Ave. 30" water main job. They have moved their equipunion surveyors who are offering ment to the vicinity of the P.G. & E. plant on Evans Ave., getting ready to start that job.

On the 36" water main pipe line from Lake Merced pumping station joists and reinforced concrete girdto 23rd Avenue, and Sloat Blvd. ers and columns. Station, Coast Pipe will be finished in the next couple of weeks.

workers to lose their lives.

The Division of Industrial Safety has moved in and has forbidden wish each and every member and the company from using the three his family a Merry Christmas and remaining scaffolds until they have a prosperous New Year.

been made safer. They have shifted their operations to the base of the San Francisco pier where they are building a ramp and platform for the storing of material to be used on the bridge.

Unloading of the barges, loaded with steel and other material, will be handled by a Lorain Truck Crane placed on the base of the pier. Smith-Rice Co., was loading the material for the initial steps of the pier job. Brother Lloyd Northrup was operating the derrick; makes no difference to the size

Therefore Meyer & Sons have started building their new apartment house on Clay & Jones Sts. The building is one of the newest types of construction jobs in San Francisco. It is a concrete constructed building with steel floor

Received a letter from one of our world traveling members, Bro. Judson, Pacific & Murphy Co., Chet Abell, employed by Morrison has suffered a temporary setback & Knudsen on the Itutinga Project on their job of structural repairs in Brazil, South America; saysand re-bracing of the underside of everything is fine and has learned the Golden Gate Bridge deck. This enough Portuguese to get acis due to the accident of one of quainted with his native barefooted the traveling scaffolds falling into welders. Always glad to hear from the channel and causing two iron the members employed on foreign jobs.

At this time we would like to

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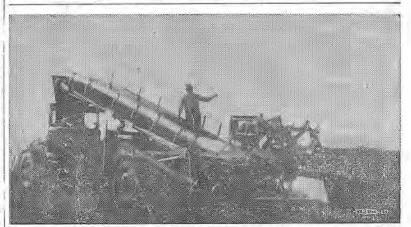
By A. R. McCAFFREY, Business Representatives

Work in the Redwood Empire has slowed down to a crawl. Reason? Water. A couple of weeks ago we had 24 inches (2 feet) of rain at Gasque in 48 hours. Since then we have had a shower or two which only amounted to a few inches. At the present time we are approximately 8 inches above normal rainfall for this time of the year.

Practically every large job in the area is shut down except for maintenance, which has shown quite a bit of activity. At one time the only way you could get out of Eureka was on 101 south and that was questionable at times. 101 at Brookings slid in; Macco M. K. job on 199 at Patrick Creek slid in; C. V. Kenworthy job at Berry Summit slid in and is still sliding; Kenworthy & Patterson's job at Weitchpec slid in. Maurer & Son job at Klamath came in but good, approximately 25,000 yards. Most of the jobs I just mentioned were constructed this last year and were more or less expected to slide some but nothing like they did, all at once.

There are various small jobs throughout the area working when it isn't pouring down, mainly graveling roads, piledriving and inside work. Most all the contractors are overhauling their equipment after a busy year and getting ready for a busier year next year. Next year has all the indications of being a better year for the brothers than last year.

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



ANY ULD KOADS FOR SALE?—An unusual job of re-processing asphalt roads laid many years ago is being done by this Athey Force Feed Loader and Serria Crusher operating at Orange County Airport.