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174 Members of Local 3 Have Entered the U.S. Armed Forces

A total of 174 members of Engineers Local 3 have entered various branches of the Armed Forces since the Korean outbreak up to the month of February, a check of records in union headquarters reveals.

This is one of the largest union contributions to the services in this region it is believed, and the number is attributable to the fact that so many Engineers are either volunteering or being called because of their construction skills, useful in all branches and particularly in the Sea-Bees. In the last war, Operating Engineers were the backbone of the Sea-Bees.

As in previous war emergencies, AFL Engineers are in the front lines for defense of our country, in uniform as well as in the garb of the workingman.

Members entering the services get a service withdrawal card from the union, thereby assuring that their international union death benefits are protected during the period of service. Dues must be paid up to and including the month in which the withdrawal card is applied for.

To honor our members entering the services, their names will be published in the Engineers News. Following is the complete list of names of those thus far in service:

- IVAN ALBRETSSEN
- WILLIAM O. ALUMBAUGH
- H. A. ANDERSON, JR.
- DONALD J. ATKINSON
- WM. J. BAKER
- NATHANIEL N. BALL
- DAVE A. BALZI
- CLARE A. BANKS
- DALE RAY BARNEY
- RICHARD E. BARRIE
- HUGH E. BODAM
- ROBERT L. BODIFORD, JR.
- EARL BOVET
- CHAS. E. BRAND
- DAVID R. BREWER
- DONALD R. BROWN
- FRANKIE L. BROWN
- THOMAS W. BROWN, JR.
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- BILL E. CANION
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- MARVIN L. CHRISTENSEN
- JAMES COATS
- ROBERT L. COLEMAN
- BILL SCOTT CONNER
- LYNN COVEY
- EUGENE CRANE
- GEORGE H. CRAWFORD
- JOHN CUMMINGS
- ELDON CUPP
- TOM DALE
- EVERETT DAWSON
- CORLISS V. DEARDORFF
- VINCENT DELANEY
- WILLIAM D. DENSLEY
- WILLIAM R. DONALD
- ROBERT E. DOWNER
- BOYD DRESSER
- CLARENCE DUMP
- GERALD L. DURYEE
- THOMAS H. EACHUS
- RONALD EARLE
- HENRY EASLEY
- STANLEY A. EASTON
- ELLIS MILLER EDINGFIELD
- DONALD ELKINTON
- B. J. ELSTON
- PAUL W. ERNST
- H. A. FAISON
- R. J. FIELDS
- FRANK L. FILICE
- JOE B. FONSECA
- DELL B. FORD
- JAMES G. GALLAGHER

- GALEN D. GEARHART
- HUBERT H. GIESA
- WENDELL A. GOEKLER
- RICHARD T. GOLDEN
- WALLACE GRANT
- ALFRED GRIFFIN
- W. M. GREEN
- KERMIT D. HAGAN
- HOWARD W. HALE
- BOBBY HALLIBURTON
- JOHN HANSTEIN
- MILFORD HARKRADER
- HAROLD HAYS
- LEROY HELMS
- CHARLES E. HOI LIDAY, JR.
- BERNARD C. HOUSE
- DANIEL C. HUTTLINGER
- BOB G. IMEL
- WAGNER H. JENSEN
- ROBERT G. JEWELL
- HERMAN L. JOHNSON
- THOMAS F. KAVANAUGH
- EUGENE KELLEHER
- FRED KIEHN, JR.
- LAVERNE KLOPOTEK
- DONALD M. KNAPP
- FRANK G. LAMPSON
- WAYNE LANGTON
- THOMAS F. LAVEZZO
- WM. R. LEWIS
- LENDELL L. LINK
- ROBERT LLOYD
- EMIL PAUL LUNDGREN
- JOHN H. LUNDGREN
- ANGUS J. MACDONALD
- DOUGLAS MARSING
- ANDREW J. MARTIN
- L. C. MARTIN
- EDWIN H. MATLOCK
- JAY L. MEEKS
- OLIVER MERWIN
- ROBERT F. MILLER
- HARVEY H. MOWRY
- RAYMOND V. MOYER
- JAMES MCALLISTER
- M. J. McCLURG
- RAY H. MCKENZIE
- RICHARD S. McNALLY
- DAVE N. McNEILLY
- ANDREW NAVARRO
- HENRY C. NELSON
- COURTLAND NELSON
- W. F. NEUKAM
- SAMUEL E. NEVERS
- ROBERT GEORGE NEWEY
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- GUARINO M. PERIN
- BERTRAM L. PERKINS
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- ALLEN E. PIGG
- RONALD L. PILE
- DANIEL G. PLUMMER
- JACK R. PONTE
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- EDWARD RAMOS
- JOHN W. REABE
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- ROBERT L. RICE
- EVANS V. ROBERTSON
- STEVE ROKICH
- LEVERETT R. ROWE
- W. C. RUGGLES
- FRANK W. RYAN, JR.
- KENNETH SCHWARTZ
- CALVIN SCOLARI
- JACK SELICK
- C. R. SELOVER, JR.
- JAMES A. SIGLER
- VINCENT A. SILVA
- RAY SPARKS
- ROBERT J. STANLEY

Brother Joe Riley Again in Service

Brother Joe Riley has enlisted in the Sea-Bees as a Chief Petty Officer in the United States Navy. He enters the service on March 19th, 1951.

Joe is one of Local No. 3's senior business representatives and is well known to the membership as he has worked out of our offices in



Chief Petty Officer Joe Riley

Utah and California, more recently out of the San Jose office which he is leaving at this time.

This is the second time Brother Riley has served our country. He enlisted in World War No. 2 and served two years, before returning to resume his job as business representative. He is again sacrificing his position by reenlisting and we all honor him for his devotion to our country.

Brother Riley has proved his ability to us, and through his devotion and willingness to serve the membership has gained many friends, all of whom wish him the best of luck! We shall patiently await his safe return, and when he has finished the job for Uncle Sam we hope that he will again resume his job with Local No. 3.

- DAN L. STEVENS
- JOHN V. STEWART, JR.
- MANNIE L. SUND
- KEITH A. TALLIA
- GEORGE D. TAYLOR
- RICHARD THOME
- CHARLES B. THOMPSON JR.
- R. M. THOMPSON
- GLENN TRESCHOW
- ROBERT D. TRONOFF
- RICHARD J. ULRICH
- BOB VAUGHN
- JACK W. VOGT
- RICHARD H. WALKER
- GEORGE S. WARREN, JR.
- JOHN J. WEBB, JR.
- H. H. WELCH
- BILL WENDT
- DONALD WENGLER
- DONALD R. WHEELER
- GEORGE E. WILEY
- LEO G. WILEY
- J. D. WILSON
- OLIVER WILSON
- STANLEY WOOD
- FRED D. WRIGHT
- WESLEY W. WRIGHT
- WILLIAM J. YATES
- LARRY YOUNGDELL
- RICHARD ZIMMERMAN

San Francisco plans equipment to quickly convert 450 municipal buses into ambulances to provide emergency fleet should need arise.

Goose and duck hunters in California each year spend approximately \$30,000,000, it is estimated by the Wildlife Conservation Board.

Wall St. Retakes Washington and Imperils Free Labor

(State Fed. Release)

American free labor has called for a national crusade to save Washington from the unquestioned and sinister control of Wall Street politicians.

United Labor Policy Committee, speaking for more than 15 million members of the AFL, CIO, and Railway Labor, asked that all labor representatives serving on defense

agencies resign at once rather than continue as an approving partner in the base plot to exploit the American people in the name of national security. Resignations followed at once as labor took its case to the American public.

Long and continued efforts to cleanse mobilization of big business domination were reviewed in the United Labor Committee's official statement.

Here are labor's conclusions:

1. The road is now greased for higher prices.
2. The present wage formula will act like a vise on the aspirations of Americans for decent living standards and equality of sacrifice in the defense effort.
3. Rents are climbing steadily upward, while effective control action lags in Congress.
4. An unbalanced tax program which would place its heaviest burden on the lower income groups is being enacted.
5. Mobilization Director Wilson has imposed an "inner government" dictatorship on the American wage and consumer public. The General Electric tycoon has turned Washington over to Wall Street at a time when American business is enjoying the highest profits in the nation's history.
6. Wilson gagged the voice of free labor in the defense program.

Record snow in the Redding area has slowed a big work load in that area.

Heavy rains in the north coast area have stalled much work in that area. Some dry weather will put many Engineers to work.

Valley Cotton Boom
Outside speculators are buying up rough ground by sections and having it levelled for cotton planting in the Fresno area. About 200 rigs are busy at this work now.

Rocky Jet Site
Aerojet has bought 7,200 acres of rock piles from the Natomas (gold-dredging) Co. at Folsom and expects to have 1,000 at work there within four months on air jet equipment for the armed forces.

Snow on the Coast
Heavy snows in the inland districts pushed out to the coast in February, even doused San Francisco and held up jobs in the San Jose area.

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- James A. Palmiero
December 14, 1950
- Lewis H. Brewer
January 31, 1951
- Clarence Roundtree
February 11, 1951
- Albert Plahn
February 13, 1951
- Leo L. Stillwell
February 23, 1951
- Verlin S. Goldsberry
March 3, 1951
- Chas. P. Henson
March 8, 1951

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS

ARE YOU IN BENEFIT? Many of our members pass away and their families assume they are entitled to union benefits because they were members, and worked at the trade. However, the members beneficiary IS NOT ENTITLED to benefits unless the members dues were paid FOR THE MONTH IN WHICH HE DIED. Don't deprive your family of Union benefits, be prompt; pay your dues before the first of each quarter!

TECHNICAL ENGINEERS, LOCAL NO. 3-E, meeting will be held in the Union Offices at 1444 Webster Street, Oakland, California at 8 p.m., Friday, March 23, 1951.

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"Big Biz Grabs Defense Gravy;" Writer Tom Stokes Defends Labor

(Editor's note: The following article by Scripps-Howard Syndicated Columnist Tom Stokes provides a refreshingly honest analysis of the current "beef" of U. S. labor and tells just what's in it for the big industrial and financial interests.)

LABOR AND DEFENSE

By Tom Stokes

Washington, March 7.—Labor's protest withdrawal from defense agencies has provoked the usual name-calling to which it is peculiarly subject, especially in national emergencies, and has brought the usual attempts to confuse the issue.

Labor expected this, pondered on it before it took the "walkout." While that drastic step may be open to criticism, nevertheless, something dramatic was required to stir public interest in its case.

The walkout was a protest not only against lack of representation in top defense agencies, to which it is entitled and which it got in World War II, but against failure to protect its interests in defense policies as well as in Congress. It has clearly outlined its complaints, all soundly based and justified—price control that has not controlled cost of food, clothing, and necessities; rising rents and housing costs and a blockade against adequate new low-rental housing, due to exploitation by real estate interests which are so powerful in Congress; discrimination in projected tax legislation. Those are a few of the counts.

These are all bread and meat issues. They affect millions outside of organized labor's ranks.

HARDLY A STRIKE

At the root of this situation is an attitude that has developed again, as it did in the second world war, both in defense agencies and in Congress, though it's really only a projection of the normal peacetime attitude. It is a protective attitude on behalf of well-established and well-entrenched industrial and financial interests so that their privileges will be disturbed as little as possible—"business as usual," so far as possible.

Labor's walkout has been called a "strike" against the defense program by some, though it's hardly that. But, at the beginning of the defense program in World War II, there was a real strike, a "sit-down strike" as it was called, by big industrial and financial interests that refused to go into war production except on their own terms.

So Congress rushed to meet those terms before it did anything about protecting consumers or war workers. These terms included very generous provisions in a contract renegotiation law on amortization and tax writeoffs. One result, among others, was that big corporations were able after the war to get war plants built at taxpayers' expense and come out bigger in the end, with their monopoly power greatly increased.

So, though you may not have noticed it, the first thing Congress has done in the current emergency is to put through a bill for renegotiation of contracts with equally generous terms for expansion of plant facilities. Renegotiation of contracts also is for readjustments to save money for the Government. But, when the Senate was hastily completing action a few days ago on the bill already hurried through the House, it exempted certain industries from renegotiation, including railroads, which were flagrantly overpaid in World War II, and public utilities. It also gave the board which is to renegotiate contracts permissive authority to exempt others from renegotiation.

BEATING FOR HOUSING

For another example of "attitude," there are the recent revelations before the Senate Banking and Currency Committee of how real estate interests, in city after city, are using their political power through all sorts of trick referendum schemes to prevent construc-

tion of low-rental housing under the 1949 Housing Act designed to promote such housing.

And now, while all the hullabaloo against labor is going on, a Senate Labor and welfare Subcommittee comes out with shocking disclosures about how some big Southern cotton textile mills are preventing their workers from joining labor unions by all sorts of devices, among other ways:

"Surveillance of organizers and union adherents . . . denial of free speech and assembly to the union . . . organization of the whole community for anti-union activity . . . labor espionage . . . discharge of union sympathizers . . . violence and gunplay . . . injunctions . . . closing or moving of the mill . . . endless litigation . . ."

This is the "attitude" involved in labor's protest—if anybody is not quite clear what it's all about.

JOKES, Etc.

The dollar may not go as far as it used to, but what it lacks in distance it makes up in speed.

She—"I've changed my mind."
He—"Does it work any better than the old one?"

Five-year-old Susan was helping her Daddy at his work bench in the basement. Finally he got tired of her incessant chatter and questions, and he asked her to be quiet for a little while.

"I don't have to be quiet," she stated importantly. "I'm a woman."

First salesgirl: How do you know the new window-dresser is married?

Second salesgirl: He always poses the models with their palms up!

Catherine: If you could have two wishes, what would they be?

Ann: Well, I'd wish for a husband.

Catherine: That's one.
Ann: And then I'd save the other until I saw how he turned out.

An elderly man, a familiar figure in our neighborhood, was complaining that his strength is fading.

"I used to walk around the block every morning before breakfast, but now when I get halfway around I have to turn around and come back."

Two men were discussing the coming marriage of their buddy.

"He is getting a wonderfully accomplished girl," said one. "She can swim, ride a horse, pilot a plane, drive an auto. She's an all-around girl."

"They should get along well," replied the other. "He learned to cook in the Army."

"I think," said the young new stenographer to her roommate, "that the boss has decided to keep me on the job."

"Has he told you so?" asked her friend.

"No," she replied, "but this morning he bought me a dictionary."

Sailor—"Doctor, now that I'm going to marry Betty, there's something I want to get off my chest."

Doctor—"Well, tell me about it."

Sailor—"It's this tattooed heart with the name 'Mabel' in it."

Daughter: What should I do if the brakes give way?
Father: Steer for something cheap.

Big Boys Get Price Rises; Consumer Hit

(AFL Release)

Washington.—The price rise has become a stampede.

The U. S. Department of Labor reported that all items in the cost of living rose 3.2 points—or 1.5 percent—between Dec. 15 and Jan. 15.

Prices last Jan. 15—11 days before the so-called "price freeze"—were 7.9 percent above the same period a year ago.

Undaunted, Price Stabilization Director Michael V. DiSalle approved a 3½ percent increase in prices for automobile manufacturers.

Food prices, which are uncontrolled, rose 2 percent more between Jan. 15 and Feb. 15.

The increase in cost of living has been so rapid that millions of workers have been forced to cut living standards and are still unable to make ends meet.

Two further factors in the piecemeal botched-up Defense Mobilization program being carried out by big business under Defense Mobilization Czar Charles E. Wilson and Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston compound the difficulties. These are:

1. Wages are frozen tight and Mr. Johnston is making decisions on the basis of expediency to take care of big business friends like Mr. Wilson's own General Electric Co.

2. Mr. Wilson's failures in overall direction of the setup threatens to throw thousands of workers temporarily out of employment—with little or no income at all to meet the rising prices. Because of the lack of planning so that defense orders are ready to go when the production of civilian goods ends under the materials cutback plans, many plants will be forced to shut down.

The Labor Department reported that its new adjusted Consumers' Price Index stood at 181.5 on Jan. 15, a new record high for this index.

Between Dec. 15 and Jan. 15, the department said prices of food rose 2.6 percent, housefurnishings 2.1 percent, apparel 1.5 percent, fuels 0.4 percent, rent 0.2 percent, miscellaneous goods and services 0.9 percent.

And all of these items are due to go up more under the profit margin markup retail price order issued Feb. 28 by Mr. DiSalle.

The United Labor Policy Committee called this order "legalized robbery" and the whole price control program under the Defense Production Act of 1950 "a cynical hoax on the American people."

The committee has called for recommendations to Congress that the act be amended to provide genuine price controls, but no action has been taken by President Truman, Mr. Wilson or any other official with power to make such recommendations.

From Local Want Ad: "6 rooms and bath. Here's one you just can't heat."

Radio announcer proposing to his girl: "Remember," he said, "this is the last day for this astounding offer."

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Report of last meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m., President Clancy presiding. Roll call showed all officers present.

A synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of February 3 read and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

A synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 3 read and by motion approved as read.

A synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of February 15 and of February 28 read and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

Cards of thanks were received from the family of Clarence Roundtree; Mrs. Victor Levezu and family; and the family of David Stalker. Received and filed.

Declarations of Candidacy were read.

The Trustees Report was read and accepted as read.

The following Brothers were reported ill: Lee J. Arnold, P. E. Bloy, Chas. R. Burnett, Frank W. Brown, Sherral Bowman, Paul Bringham, Ira Beaulieu, Clifton F. Blake, W. A. Cook, Phil Cardona, Thurman Cox, Ross J. Canfield, R. G. Cazier, J. E. Drennon, Herbert W. Ensley, Harold A. Fosso, Donald E. Fouts, Thomas Forcellini, Henry Goodwin, G. O. Gullikson, Adolph E. Hansen, Gordon S. Heyborne, James A. Humphreys, Arthur Haskins, W. W. Johnson, Lonie Jones, T. R. Kelly, Milo C. Kidder, Howard Lee, Clem M. Lewis, Thos. J. McCoy, Robert McColligan, Geo. McBride, Geo. Matson, C. J. Naishmith, Richard E. Osteen, Jr., Mike Poleage, Roy Pierson, Neil J. Petersen, Don W. Pogue, K. J. Preston, Joseph A. Packer, Mitchell E. Pereira, E. W. Roberts, Woody Sherman W. P. Smith, Floyd Steffy, Robert E. Silva, H. P. Toft, Earl Todd, Adrian Visser, Thomas L. Williams, Joe B. Walters, Virgil Worley, Chas. S. Webb, Edwin D. Williams, J. R. Westfall.

The following Brothers were reported deceased: Lewis H. Brewer, Mark Loftus, Albert Plahn, Clarence Roundtree, Leo L. Stillwell.

The Business Agents gave their usual reports which were accepted as given.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
C. F. MATHEWS,
Recording Secretary



By POLLY EDISON for L.L.P.E.

HOUSING FACTS

Housing figures based on the 1950 census show there's been a big increase in home owners. For the first time since 1890, when the housing census began, "owners" outstrip "renters"—71 per cent more families own homes than did in 1940.

We have more houses, too—23 per cent more than in 1940, though the population rose only 14.5 per cent. The many marriages account for this difference in ratio. Figures also show that households are smaller. In 1940, the average family numbered 3.2 persons as against 3.0 in 1950. And three-fifths of us now live in single detached houses.

The trend away from the farm continues. There are a million less farm houses than in 1940. And many more trailers—over 100,000 more than there were ten years ago.

RENTS AND VALUES

Our rents—as we well know—went up. From an average of \$21 a month in 1940 to \$37 in 1950—an increase of 67 per cent.

So did values. The average city house is now worth \$8,400—the rural home \$5,000. One-fourth of the non-farm home owners estimate their houses under \$5,000; half figure theirs at \$7,400; 30 per cent at \$10,000 or more.

PLUS AND MINUS

All in all, we've made some gains. Not only have we more homes than ever before, but more homes with plumbing facilities. But there are still some five million homes without indoor toilets—the same number as in 1940. Although overcrowding declined, the census shows over two million houses to be in poor state of repair.

There's still plenty to be done, according to Housing Administrator Foley. "Despite the high rate of building," he says, "we are going into this emergency with a vacancy rate of only 1.7 per cent."

This low vacancy rate means we can't count on a housing reserve for defense workers. And growing families still have no place to

move into because houses of more than five rooms are few and far between. Adequate housing for all of us, he feels, is still quite a ways off.

TEN YEARS OFF

It's just ten years since most of us bought the first series of defense bonds. How far away the "maturity" date seemed then.

What should we do with these bonds? We can cash them, of course, but with the present need for saving, this wouldn't be wise. With industry converting to defense production, there'll be \$15 billion worth LESS of goods and services for sale in 1951. So the less cash we have the better.

The best course would be to keep them for another ten years (your interest rate graduates upward) or exchange them for a current income savings bond of Series G.

HISTORIC NAILS

If you're a souvenir hunter, here is your chance. Old square nails, small pieces of stone or pine, hand-made bricks, and other fragments of the old White House are now for sale. Write to "The Commission on Renovation of the Executive Mansion," Fort Meyer, Virginia, and they will send you a list of 13 such items. Cost runs from 25c on up, plus mailing charges. The money will be used to defray handling and packaging.

FOOD FIGURES

According to the latest reports from the Dept. of Agriculture, next year the average person may even eat a little more of some foods than he did last year. Total food supplies for civilians are likely to be somewhat larger than in 1950. Meat, fish, milk, cream, fresh fruit, frozen and fresh vegetables will be plentiful. There may be somewhat less butter, shortening, canned and dried fruits.

There'll be an increase in livestock production, chiefly of pork, and crops will be larger—weather permitting. Though more food will be going to the armed forces, larger production and smaller exports will make up for what the military needs.

What's Doing in the Oakland Office

By AL CLEM, T. D. BRYSON, F. A. LAWRENCE, LOUIS SOLARI, Business Representatives

Work for the month of February held up very well, but the heavy rain early this month did retard a number of jobs that were scheduled to reopen. All in all the work picture continues to show a definite improvement over the last winter. There has been a little flurry of work in the shipyards but all this is on repair, with no new construction scheduled as yet.

GETTING AROUND THE JOBS

Fredrickson and Watson are reopening their job on Highway Fifty near Livermore as soon as the weather permits. They have been down for the past four months and expected to start work the first week in March but the heavy rain delayed them again. According to Brother George Dupree, general foreman, about four miles of the job is nearly ready for paving and the grading is almost complete on the remainder of the contract. On their freeway job in San Leandro Brother Gordon Johnson is grade foreman and Brother Grant Brown is foreman in the field. There is just a skeleton crew employed at the present time.

Buyrite Equipment Company recently purchased two shiploads of surplus heavy equipment. Anyone interested in purchasing cats, cranes, trucks, shovels, etc., might do well to drop by their yard on Freight and Ferry Streets in Oakland.

Bechtel has between 8 and 10 Engineers working on repair and remodeling of a high octane plant at Standard Oil in Richmond. There has been talk that this job will be expanded in the near future, but up to the present we have heard nothing definite. Brothers Ray Butterfield and A. S. Hightower are on Consolidated Western Steel's payroll at Avon, where a new steel tank is being erected for the Associated Oil Company.

Work in the housing projects in Contra Costa County got off to a flying start as soon as the sun came out and the ground dried up, but the 'soaker' around the first of this month put the damper on things again. Rain also stymied Charlie Harney's job at the Oakland Airport and they decided to button it up till things dry out a little. Some of the boys were laid off but a majority of the crew was transferred to San Francisco.

Trans Ocean Engineering is moving a considerable amount of equipment out of their yard in San Leandro. They have a road job in the vicinity of Fresno which is expected to get underway in the near future.

Out at Tracy, S. U. H. B. is winding up their job on the pumping station. We regret seeing this one come to an end as it furnished a lot of employment to the Brothers during the past three years. They are dismantling the batch plant and machine shop and, according to Brother Joe Valente, the machine shop equipment will be moved to Stolte's yard. Down on the Estuary, Stolte, Early and Harrelson have completed about 95% of their south interceptor job for the E. B. M. U. D. Brother Bill Mathews, equipment superintendent, tells us they still have between 35 and 40 Engineers on the payroll, however. In Stolte's Cat Shop there are 16 mechanics employed, and this company has just sent two cranes, a Northwest 78 and a Bay Cities truck crane to Alabama where they have a dam and power plant job.

At the California Peat Company in Antioch, experiments are being conducted on a machine to extract water from the peat moss, and the Brothers employed at the plant seem to think this is going to be quite an improvement over the old method of extraction. This firm, which has been in business for a number of years, collects peat moss from the various delta islands, transports it to the plant in Antioch where it is processed for commercial fertilizer. Removal of water from the moss has always been quite a problem but if this new de-

velopment proves satisfactory it will speed up the processing considerably.

Macco's job for the hi-tension power line is moving along very well. They are now working on Sherman Island and expect to start pouring cement for the footings within the next few days. Since Brother Hoyal Wayne's accident, Brother Paul Collett has been operating the driver. Brother Sam Bryant is now employed as crane operator with Brother Thomas James on the pumps and Brother P. J. Carvalho oiling.

Utah Construction Company is finished with their Army Contract and several mechanics have been laid off during the past month. They are now engaged in overhauling equipment for their jobs in various parts of the country.

Terminal activities in the East Bay have picked up considerably. At Parr's in Richmond two ships have been loaded during the past month. One of these, a cargo of salt, was, to our knowledge, the first shipment of its kind to be sent from this point. The jobs out there do not last very long but in most cases it is a round the clock proposition while a ship is in, and night shift usually receives all overtime. This is a help to some of the Brothers and allows them to pick up a fair check occasionally for a few days work. Things have been quite busy down at Howard Terminal at the Foot of Market Street in Oakland. Two ships were in there recently and one of these with a load of pig iron scheduled for unloading in Oakland presented quite a problem to Brother Wad Carroll, who is now in charge of the Engineers on the job. Wad devised a small crane with magnet attachment to use in the hold of the ship, and was able with a minimum of hand labor to remove the hard to get chunks of metal from the corners, and thus get the cargo on the dock in fast time.

The gravel pits in the Livermore Valley have been running full swing. Brother Otto Hars is new superintendent at Concrete Materials and five men are now employed in the plant regularly. Consolidated Western Steel is erecting steel bunkers at the P. C. A. Plant at Eliot. The Los Gatos Construction Company is also working out there. They have three jeeps and a cat working on a stripping job in the pit.

Brother Al Hill, shop foreman for McGuire and Hester for some time, has taken over the same duties for Clements and Company. Brother Bill Holliday, formerly employed as mechanic for Fredrickson and Watson, will be handling the foreman's spot for McGuire and Hester. Bill has worked as foreman on several other occasions and is well qualified to handle the job. We wish both of these boys good luck in their new jobs.

As usual there is a considerable amount of industrial activity in Richmond. Associated Iron and Metal have reopened their old yard out there and expect to expand it in the near future. The Rheem Manufacturing Company is now engaged in construction and expansion of their plant. Brother Cecil Alexander has the general contract for excavating and paving work on the job, and at the present time there are 5 engineers on the payroll.

Perry and Lane are demolishing the old P. G. & E. warehouse building adjacent to the Fruitvale Bridge, to make way for new construction. Brother R. W. Reilly is

operating Lorain and Franw Conway is oiling for him. Another demolition job now underway being handled by the Sandling Company. This outfit is taking down old buildings in the Standard Oil Plant in Richmond, and Brother Byron Freeman is operating crane on this one.

During the past month the second unit of the P. G. & E. steam plant at Antioch was fired up. The O.K. has also been received for additional expansion which will bring the plant to nearly double the capacity originally planned.

The Learner Company recently purchased a whirley from Parr Terminal in Richmond. Dismantling was unnecessary as it was possible to move the big rig from Richmond direct to the Learner yard on the Estuary by barge.

L. C. Jensen is installing storm sewers on the Groom and Myers Tract on W. Ave. 129 in San Leandro. There is approximately two months work on the job and at the present time one back hoe is being used with Brother F. H. Durfey operating and Brother Earl Knowles oiling.

The Austin Company has 7 to 8 months work on steel erecting at the U. S. Pipe and Foundry plant in Decoto. Brother Seldon Walker is operating crane, Brother F. B. King is doing the oiling and Brother L. N. Rogan is master mechanic on the job. The excavating and grading is being handled by O. C. Jones and Sons. They have about two months work left to do and at the present time Brothers Harry Bartlett and Walter Woodside are operating the blade and dozer. This company also has a street job underway at the Parafine Plant in Emeryville and Brothers Earl Savelly and Claude Pitt are managing to get in a few shifts between showers.

McDonald Engineering Company is working around the clock on construction of a silo for the Atlas Glass Company at their plant in Hayward. Three Engineers are on the payroll.

DREDGE NOTES

Dredge work seems to keep up very well—in fact we have some trouble keeping the jobs supplied with men. This situation is caused by the fact that most of the jobs are up river and our members don't like to pay out a large portion of their wages for transportation.

The San Francisco Bridge Company is moving along fairly well with their deep water channel job above Rio Vista, with the dredge Hinds doing the pumping. The Watalka has finally moved out on the Webb Tract where they had some difficulty getting enough stone to hold the fill. It appears now, however, that they have gotten far enough along for the dredge to start pumping.

The Olympian Dredging Company has finished their job on Old River, and the Palmer has been moved to Venice Island to fill a break in the levee. As reported last month, this island flooded during the high water a short time back. They are using the Army Engineers power barge to supply electricity for the dredge and this gives work to seven more of our members. The Olympian's clamshell dredges Monarch and Neptune are working up in the delta country strengthening levees. The following members are on the Neptune: Frank Anderson, Captain Orville Johnson, Paul Lorenz and John Cardoza, levermen; Buford Passmore, Lee Burns and James Antrim, firemen; Frank Pooler, Albert Johnson and Dale Passmore, deckhands. The crew of the Monarch is made up of the following Brothers: Mons Johnson, Captain; Paul Erickson, Jay Freitas and Joe Brown, levermen; Ashley Boyd, John Holloway and Harry Blecker, firemen; and Henry Gosney, Frank Bateman and Neil Simpson, deckhands.

On the Webb Tract, mentioned previously, the Basalt Rock Company has the contract for placing

the stone for retaining the fill. The contract called for 36,000 tons of material originally, but after placing 40,000 tons, they found that it was still not enough, so dredging had to be held up till more stone could be filled in. They are still working on it and we have not learned yet how much additional will be used.

The Associated Dredging Company has two rigs busy on small levee jobs. The No. One is on Victoria Island and the Curlew is up on the Napa River.

Dutra has his two clamshells busy on Prospect island, which is flooded at the present time.

The following Brothers are working on the Simpsons Dredge California: Pat Simpson, Captain; Babe Simpson, H. N. Wilson and Carl Gutterman, levers; John Blackwell, Jack Rich, Ernie Wiksie and Sam Passmore, deck. This outfit was working on Georgianna Slough, but have moved up to Venice Island where they have enough work to last a year.

WHAT THE BROTHERS ARE DOING

Brother 'Dutch' Oelschlaeger should be on his way to Arabia by now. Last time he was in the office he said he wasn't sure he would make it till they started turning him toward the east and giving him shots, and then he knew he was as good as gone! He signed up for the Bechtel job and will be working with native labor—training the boys in mechanical work.

Several Brothers on the sick list this month. Brother Louis Dietz, who was operated on in January for an old eye injury has to go back to the hospital around the first of April. Louie has really been getting them heaved at him lately—not the least of his recent troubles being gas of chicken pox! Hope things start improving for him—as of now. Brothers Cliff Jorgensen and Vaal Ruffell both got in for visits not long ago. Cliff is recovering rapidly from his back operation, while Vaal, who had his heel shattered last fall is off the crutches following a series of operations. Brother Bob Linticum has his leg in a cast following a freak accident. He was getting ready to go home from work and as he went to step into his car it was hit by another. The impact threw him to the ground and he broke his shin bone in three places. Expects that it will be several weeks before he is able to get back on the job. We hope that all these boys will be able to get going again in plenty of time for 'spring work'.

Brother George Sole, an old timer, is back in the Walnut Creek area, following the windup of the Davis Dam job. Glad to see you back George! Brother George Alexander just got back in too town after a sojourn in Salt Lake City. Says he liked it just fine, the people were very nice, but there was just one thing he couldn't get used to. Seems that the dancing up there is done on a stop and go basis, and as everyone knows, Roy is a glider by nature!

Becoming grandparents isn't usually newsworthy, but in the case of Brother Joseph McFarland and his wife, it's a little different. Joe is just 34 years old and his wife is 31, and they think it is quite possible that they hold a record on this score. If there are any other Engineers who can top it, let's hear from them.

Brother John Corrie has taken out a withdrawal card in favor of ranching. He has been operating crane for the Warren Transportation company for the past ten years, but is leaving the work to take over the duties of ranch foreman for Guy Warren.

Two years ago Brother John Tingen went to Okinawa for Atkinson and Jones. He acted in the capacity of General Foreman for the company for one year and then went to work for the District Engineers and was in charge of all heavy equip-

ment repair on the island. He is now back in town on a thirty day leave, after which he will go back to start a three year contract for M. & K.

Brother Jack Bissett, Northwest operator on the Artukovich job in Alameda is back in harness following a six-week enforced vacation. Jack lost a finger while working, but is O.K. now.

Unions Want Safety Setup In Contracts

According to A. C. Blackman, chief of the Industrial Safety Division of the Dept. of Industrial Relations, the Division recently completed a study of conditions, equipment and practice in metal salvage yards in California. The study was made at the request of the State Building and Construction Trades Council. Findings and recommendations were presented by a Division representative before a joint executive session of the Northern and Southern Councils of Laborers last January.

It is the desire of the unions, says Blackman, to incorporate certain safe practices in future contracts written for the construction industry.

Truck Driver Who Honored Pickets Ordered Rehired

Rockville Center, N.Y. (LPA)—A newspaper truck driver fired when he refused to cross a Typographical Union picket line has been ordered reinstated by a National Labor Relations Board trial examiner.

Charles Waugh, driver for Rockaway News Co., balked at crossing the line in front of the Nassau Daily Review Star in March (1950). He offered to carry the papers if they were brought to him beyond the picket line, but was fired.

His rehiring was directed by the examiner "because a legitimate picket line is a form of protected activity" under the Taft-Hartley act and because "the fact that Waugh was not a member of the picketing union is immaterial."

The company contended it had a contract with the Newspaper and Mail Deliverers' Union containing a "no strike" clause and Waugh could be fired because he violated that clause. The trucking company also said Waugh was in violation of the "partial strike" doctrine of T-H by wanting papers delivered beyond the picket line.

NEARLY HALF CALIF. LABOR IS UNIONIZED

A survey conducted by M. I. Gershenson, chief of the Division of Labor Statistics, reveals that, as of last May, union membership in California totaled in excess of 1,350,000. At that time there were approximately 3,123,000 wage and salary workers in the state (non-agricultural).

This would indicate about 43 per cent organization of non-agricultural workers.

The Division makes its annual estimate of union membership in the state from questionnaires sent out to local unions and these, with co-operation from international offices and labor councils, give the over-all picture from year to year.

U. S. Army Quartermaster will build two huge depot warehouses costing \$3 million at Tracy Annex of Sharpe General Depot.

San Jose—

Coast Jobs Are Suspended Because of Rain and Snow

By M. G. "MICKEY" MURPHY, JOE RILEY, and A. J. "BUCK" HOPE
Business Representatives, Local 3

Well Brothers, we do not belong to the Chamber of Commerce, but believe it or not, it has been our first experience in this locality to have job operations suspended due to heavy snows. This will take us to the Carrico & Gautier job on top of Mt. Hamilton where they are installing a building for housing the 120 inch telescope. Dinwiddie also had to suspend their operations over the accumulation of coagulated aqua (SNOW).

Brother Art Reynolds said he had been on lots of equipment around this territory in the last 10 years, but that this is his first experience of snow on the job, too. We understand that the state will spend approximately \$15 million in the next year or two on this job.

As for other major projects—the food machinery plant which has just been ordered constructed and recently awarded to Bechtel Corporation, has also suspended operations, and many of our brothers have been employed on this project. There will be \$4 million in actual construction, and there will be about \$38 million for re-tooling and machinery. In this building we have other sub-contractors, namely Ed Keeble, A. J. Peters and Carl Swenson.

Another big Bechtel project is a \$2 million expansion program for the Fibre Glass Co., and most of you will remember Bechtel Corporation had the original contract on this job, about 1947 to the tune of approximately \$7 million.

PERMANENTE JOB

Permanente is about complete on their \$3 million kiln and expansion job. They expect to have this kiln in operation within the next 20 days. They have employed quite a force of engineers working for well-known companies, namely Western Crane Service, Earl Heple, Judson-Murphy, Thomas Regan, and Permanente's own crew of steadily employed engineers. This company has also reactivated the old ferro-silicon plant, this is the plant which makes Permanente so conspicuous from the air or from such a great distance—blue smoke. We may mention that with the construction and quarries, the foil plant, and the ferro-silicon plant we will have well over 130 engineers employed. The foil plant has about 80 members making up three shifts. This is a great process and well worth seeing if you ever have the opportunity to do so.

J. C. Bateman Co. who have a backlog of \$250,000 in work, also have a nice little contract for Bechtel on the Fibre Glass Co., but as we say the weather has curtailed all activity.

We must now go to Los Gatos Highway job contracted by Guy F. Atkinson which has been lying dormant for the last eight or nine weeks on account of the weather. It is our inclination that when weather permits this firm will go double shift six days of nine or 10 hours. They have been held up so much this year on account of weather that the State Highway Department is beginning to become worried over the completion date. So aren't we all?

Now as far as our sub-divisions are concerned we may name a few such as Gresham Construction Co., the Kaiser Homes, Goforth & McCah Inc., Marianna Gardens, Sherwood Manor, Sweet Home Manor, Mirasou Park, Sherman Oaks, Kensington Park, Eichler Homes. All these just mentioned are sub-divisions comprising of homes which range from 25 to 150 homes in each sub-division, and they have all been shut down because of rains. So Brothers, you can see what will transpire in this locality upon the resumption of good weather. Needless to say, we did not mention all the sub-divisions in this locality as we do not believe we would have sufficient space to mention them all.

All sewer jobs have been held up also, such as Peters, Basich, Pisano, Artukovich, Heple, Granite Construction, Stockton Construc-

tion. John Pestano having finished his job and has gone to Oakland or other places, we care not where. All these contractors managed to operate a few days per week between showers which is of much disgust to members who would rather draw their \$25.00 rather than work only two days, in some cases.

BRIDGE, ROAD JOBS

Now for the brighter side of the picture. We just received word that Fredrickson & Watson will be starting their project on Bolsa Road very shortly, this job as you know, will see its first day of activity in over two months, and we have no doubt that all these projects which we have just mentioned will be under operation or possibly in full swing by the time this news comes off the press. Fredrickson & Watson also were the lucky bidders for the \$10,000 bridge job. Their job on the Gilroy-Sargent Highway and overpass is about 95 percent complete, and we expect it to be finished just as soon as weather will permit a few days of operation.

Granite Construction on its bridge and highway project south of Sargent on the 101 have considerable to do as yet. These two jobs should be completed within 60 days. We must not forget to mention the fact that Granite was also the lucky bidders on about a \$4 million project at Camp Ord. This, we understand, will be a housing unit consisting of approximately 500 family units.

Over at Santa Cruz we mention Granite Construction again, as it has a great stripping job of approximately one million yards of stripping for the Santa Cruz Portland Cement Company.

After all the words of discouragement you have read, there is still encouragement to this extent; we are positive that when the sun shines for a few days and the wind blows and dries off the territory our boys will all be off the out of work list. So let us hope for sunshine and wind.

Good progress is being made on the Stone & Webster Steam Plant at Moss Landing. Raymond Concrete Pile has completed their phase of construction, and concrete footings are now being poured. At the present time approximately 20 members are employed on this project. As work progresses additional members will be hired.

Kaiser Metals are adding one more kiln to their Natividad Plant to double their capacity. Approximately nine members are to be employed for this project.

Granite Construction has completed their work for Barrett & Hilp Disposal Plant at Monterey. Granite has had three cats working for several weeks on this excavation job.

PERSONALS

Many of you will be interested to know that Brother Paul G. Barnes, an old timer, has gone to India as a superintendent for Morrison-Knudsen. We all wish him lots o' luck.

Also a big welcome is extended to Roy Carpenter on his return to this area after being in Afghanistan for Morrison-Knudsen.

Brother Buck Valentine is another member we wish to welcome back after two years with Morrison Knudsen in Afghanistan.

Brother W. D. Allen after a long absence from this territory called to say hello and extends greetings to all.

Brother Bernard House has been called back to active service in the Air Corps. We wish him all the luck in the world.

Brothers Harry Wooden and

Construction In the West

(Courtesy, Daily Pacific Builder)
CIVIC, MILITARY

Monterey, sewage proj. \$823,383, Barrett & Hilp, S.F.

Turlock, public housing, \$620,000, Harvey & Rose, Arcadia.

Palo Alto, electronic plant, plans, \$1,000,000.

Sacramento, rocket propellant fuel plant, plans, \$7,000,000.

Fresno, public housing funds OK'd, \$1,500,000.

Hunters Point Navy yard, radiological lab., plans, \$1,000,000.

Bakersfield, sewage proj. \$938,100, Wonderly Constr. Co. L. B. Williams & Burrows, Burlingame.

HIGHWAYS

Hollywood-Santa Ana freeway, Grand Ave., Los Angeles st., \$902,792, Webb & White, L.A.

Fresno, highway, \$607,000, Trans-ocean Engineer. Co., San Lorenzo.

Orange County, hwy, \$917,500, A. Teichert & Son, Sacramento.

Los Angeles, Peco Canyon, \$1,025,200, Claude Fisher Co. L.A.

Los Angeles, Ramona Freeway, Hellman Ave., \$1,769,100. J. E. Haddock, Pasadena.

HOSPITALS, SCHOOLS

Porterville, state institution, \$1,737,605, Nomellini Co., Stockton.

Lake County, Amaranth Village for boys, plans, \$1,000,000.

Mill Valley, funds OK'd, \$1,000,500.

Hanford, funds, OK'd, \$1,480,000.

Antioch, bond issue voted, \$3,000,000.

San Pablo, county hospital, plans, \$2,000,000.

San Jose, Sisters of Charity Hosp., plans, \$3,000,000.

Oxnard, Sisters of Mercy, plans, \$1,000,000.

Eureka, Sisters of St. Joseph, plans, \$1,200,000.

San Leandro, juvenile home, \$2,100,000, Engineers, Ltd., S.F.

OUT OF STATE

Bonner County, Idaho, applic. OK'd, dam, power plant, \$40,000,000.

Washington, Frenchman Hills Tunnel, Quincy, \$2,175,300, United Concrete Pipe Corp. and Ralph A. Bell, Baldwin park.

Dallas, Temple Emanu-El, \$1,500,000.

St. Paul, Mt. Zion Temple, \$1,250,000.

Wasco County, Ore., Columbia R. bridge, \$1,988,500, Guy F. Atkinson, Portland.

Dougway Proving Grounds, Utah, 200 housing units, plans.

Fort Richardson, Alaska, power plant, \$10,000,900, Patti-MacDonald Co., Anchorage and Kansas City.

The Judge Speaks

In Baltimore, Md., a 39-year-old convict escaped from the Maryland Penitentiary after spending two full years tunneling under the walls. Labor leaders were fascinated by the comments of Baltimore Supreme Court Judge Eugene O'Dunne, who said, "Perhaps it might be well for him to be recaptured. Then there might be a pardon, decorations for ingenuity, and two years' back pay, with overtime for the labor performed on Saturdays and Sundays."

Mike Kraynick now working on airport job at Suisun-Fairfield sent a card requesting us to take their names off the out-of-work list, and believe it, we appreciate it.

Another Brother with consideration called back to work for Granite Construction is Brother Jack Bennett. Thanks Jack for the card.

Happy Day—Here's two more to send in a card to cross their names off our list, Brothers Joe Marcella and C. B. Hawkins. Thanks fellows.

Brother Robert Sheffield landed work in Tulare and sent a letter in to take his name off the list. Thanks, Bob.

Brother Joseph G. Baker came into the office to notify us he was working and for his name to come off our list. Thanks, Joe.

Keep on notifying us when you go to work fellows as it is a courtesy we really do appreciate.

Fresno—

Cotton Boom Hits the Fresno Area; Rail, Pipe Jobs Move

By H. T. PETERSEN and LYNN MOORE,
Business Representatives, Local 3

The so called cotton rush is still on in this area. Out of country speculators are buying up rough ground by sections and having it leveled to put into cotton, consequently we have approximately 200 rigs working shifts in this area. This work should last for at least another month.

In the meantime M&K's railroad division has moved in on the Santa Fe Railroad. They are building passing tracks, utilizing approximately 14 rigs. There is a possibility that this job will continue through this district and on up to the Bay Area. Bro. Hank Carl is superintendent on this job.

Steve P. Rados Co. has started operations on its 69 miles of ditch and pipe-laying in the Lindsay-Strathmore area. As the work spreads out more equipment will be brought in.

United Concrete Pipe at Tulare still is maintaining the same crew manufacturing pipe for the San Joaquin Irrigation District and for the Bureau of Reclamation, under separate contracts.

American Pipe & Construction Co., who we reported previously as having taken over part of the Gunnert Zimmerman's contracts, are now well established and have a sizeable crew employed in their plant just east of Lindsay.

BUREAU PIPE

Concrete Conduit Co., whose plant is located north of Lindsay, is manufacturing, excavating, and laying pipe on their Bureau of Reclamation contract in the Lindsay-Strathmore district.

There are many more of these pipe contracts to come up and they will be reported as the news is received.

Griffith Co., on the Highway 99-Goshen job, have sublet portions of their import borrow to Stewart & Nuss Co., who expect to move onto the job in mid-March.

The Ellis Co., from Los Angeles, is setting up a hot plant near Laton to do some resurfacing work on secondary State and County roads in that area.

Rice Bros., working in the vicinity of Three Rivers, have been trying to run hot stuff on their highway job on Maddox Way but have been delayed considerably by weather conditions.

H. Earl Parker, working on the Tulare Freeway contract, getting that job pretty well whipped into shape. This same company has a spread of cats and pulls working on land leveling in the Visalia-Tulare area.

United Concrete & Vinnell Co., on its Delta-Mendota Canal job, has added additional cats and doubled up their shifts on the grading and compaction. This job is beginning to get out of the mud stage and should roll along at a good clip from now on.

PINE FLAT DAM

Pine Flat Contractors have finally begun to settle down to the job of building a dam. We have from time to time been supplementing the engineer force there as shifts are being added to various phases of the job.

Bechtel Corp. has now assumed full responsibility of the Power house No. 4 project from the Morrison Knudsen Co., which was with them on a joint venture deal. We have a crew working up there until probably about June on final construction and clean-up. There is still much talk of further Southern California Edison Co. development on up the San Joaquin Canyon.

Trans-Ocean Engineering Co., on the Kings River Highway job at Trimmer, has received some of its equipment and started grading operations.

Guy F. Atkinson's highway jobs in Madera and Merced counties still held up on account of weather conditions. Hope to get started soon after March 15.

Bids have been opened for the State Highway Dept. for two new jobs in this area. Merced and Stanislaus counties, between Merced River bridge and Turlock Overhead, about 5.6 miles, on which we believe United Concrete Pipe Co. was low bidder; and in

Madera County, between Cottonwood Creek and north city limits of Madera, about 4.1 miles, with P. J. Moore Co. low bidder on this job.

Our next meeting in this area will be held Thursday, March 22, 8 p.m., at 631 Kearney Ave., Fresno.

"Unfair" List Ruled OK If You Keep Quiet About It!

Joplin, Mo. (LPA)—It is all right for a union to put a firm on an "unfair" list, but employes of the firm's customers can't be told about it.

A unanimous ruling by all five members of the National Labor Relations Board reversed a trial examiner's opinion that it was a violation of the secondary boycott provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act for union members to vote to put a company on a "we don't patronize" list.

However, it upheld the examiner's contention that Local 303, Amalgamated Meat Cutters (AFL), of Joplin, violated the law during a recognition strike at Western, Inc., meat packers. Violations, according to the board, consisted of picketing Western's trucks while they were making deliveries to customers, and telephone calls to retail butchers asking them to refuse to handle Western meats.

The board held that it was the intent of Congress to "permit primary action while prohibiting secondary inducement" and said "we cannot escape drawing a line somewhere."

In drawing the line, NLRB said it considered the union's internal operations in connection with its listing of Western as "unfair," "to be primary and therefore lawful."

"It is traditional primary action for a union, within its own councils, to classify a primary employer as unfair, whereas conveying the same information to a secondary employer's employee at his place of work assumes the aspect of unlawful secondary inducement tantamount to specific direction to cease work," the board said.

Local 303 lost an NLRB representation election in 1948, pulled a recognition strike in 1949 in which 29 of Western's 70 workers took part. A petition for injunction against the secondary boycott activities, which was denied by Federal courts, was awaiting action before the Court of Appeals on Feb. 23 when the NLRB decision was handed down.

Greyhound Boys Win 10% Raise

The week-long strike of 3500 Greyhound Lines bus drivers was settled March 9 with a 10 percent wage increase and additional fringe benefits.

The men, members of AFL Motor Coach Employees Union, provide service for more than 100,000 riders daily in a seven-state area. The settlement will mean that rates for long-distance drivers will be upped from 6.6 cents to 7.26 cents a mile. Hourly rates will rise from \$1.43 to \$1.573 for mail line drivers and \$1.63 for those on local runs.

Station employes now earning between \$177.80 and \$314.30 a month will be raised to between \$193.58 and \$345.73. Stand-by pay, and a third week vacation after 15 years service are other major gains in the contract.

San Rafael—

One Dry Spell Will Boom the Northbay; 40" of Rain to Date

By H. O. "Heinie" Foss, Business Representative, Local 3
San Rafael, California

California Steel Products on the finish end of the Sewage Treatment Plant at Mill Valley. It has been a good winter job for some of the boys. Shirley Fritter is Superintendent of the project.

Johnson and Nelson is keeping the rigs rolling all over hell and tearing 'em up as fast as Brother "Sandy" Mills can fix 'em. Brother Nelson says lots of work. Brother Cox is foreman.

"Ike" Ely has a big backlog he won't catch up on 'til June, and by that time he will be covered up again.

A. G. Raisch is coming out of hibernation, trying to finish up what was left over from last year.

The mechanics down at Marin Equipment traded off their boots for stilts and pontoons. I didn't know it cost so much for a little crushed rock.

Bros. Bert Smith and Lindsey in excavating and grading—Vallejo 2-1148. Report fine prospects for the coming year. These boys are rustlers.

Bro. George E. Kirk in car, shopping and looking. Has been on the Utah job 80 D, Bear River.

Bro. James Rutherford, assistant superintendent for Morrison and Knudsen, is getting things lined up out at Fairfield. He always wears a yearly button.

MARIN WATER JOB

McGouran, sub-contractor for Jensen and Pitts, started the job for Marin Municipal Water District. Jeeps started moving Feb. 26.

Bro. Bud Armbrust has taken over Farrar's equipment on a working basis. Bud is a good rustler and already had three dams lined up. Good luck!

Empire Rock Co., the old Spallata plant, Santa Rosa, being operated by Bros. Gibson, Lee, Palmer and O. P. Charles; seem to be getting their share of hot stuff, paving, etc.

Codding Homes in Santa Rosa keep a couple of owner operators busy.

The Art Siri Co. doing practically all of Montgomery Village street and excavating work in the same area. We have been informed that they are going to do the excavating and grading and so forth on a housing project starting in the near future. The job is located east of Highway 40 in Vallejo. Which should employ most of his rigs, this with the backlog of '50 should keep this firm out of mischief.

GIRLS' SCHOOL JOB

Work has already started on the Los Guillicos School for Girls (State), one-million-buck project on the Santa Rosa-Sonoma Highway. Orinda Paving is doing the excavating and paving. Couple of their own rigs and Cunningham & Smith Turner dozers on the job.

Bro. Don Keith's wife underwent a major operation in a San Francisco hospital recently. She is now improving and we hope for a speedy recovery.

J. Henry Harris' spread is doing some grading for the Mayson Construction contractors on the new State Hospital at Imola. Bro. Dale Marr is the foreman. Bro. Bob Rapp from Santa Rosa has been doing the trenching work on this job.

On Feb. 20 we ran into Bro. Dave Otis supporting a gold '51 button, also Bro. Dick Stone, working for Harms Equipment on the housing job at Vacaville.

Applicant to Local No. 3, A. Dominguez has a small loader and truck, does grading, sand and gravel fill. Can be reached at Vacaville 2890. Residence, 100 Kendall St.

Bro. Art Burch, getting things lined up for an early start on the Vacaville road-widening job, Fredrickson Bros.

IGNACIO HOUSING

The firm of Johnson & Nelson, operated by Bro. Ed Nelson, says they're doing OK. Good backlog left over. Ed has two eights, two sevens, one six, one loader, one shovel and enough trucks. Bro. "Sandy" Mills is master mechanic, Bro. Cox is foreman, Bro. Saporetta runs the shovel. San Rafael

office telephone number, 2126; the yard, Corte Madera 467-J.

The large housing project at Ignacio has received the "go" signal from the proper authorities. Ground will be broken as soon as it is dry enough.

It appears to be rough on cat-skinners at Basalt-McNear's Point. The latest casualty is Bro. "Tiny" Hicks, who gets the impression he can hold up well bits with his toe. After having it in a sling for a few days, he is again kicking!

Marshall Maxwell, material dealer in the Santa Rosa area who has formerly employed members of Local 3, seems to be branching out into the quarry business. We think he will perhaps do OK in this venture, as one of the first operators cleared to him was "Jimmy" Joy. He will be followed by others.

NOVATO DAM

Earl Walsh, Novato Dam, advises that if his prayers are answered, by the time this comes off the press the Novato Dam will be rising rapidly. This has been one muddy job!

Parish Bros. will attempt to swing the structural steel into place on the highway overpass about the 20th, followed in 30 days with railroad structures. Raymond has had a rig here at Cordella overpass during all the rain and muck and is now headed for Antioch.

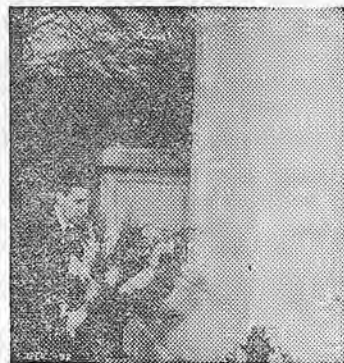
The Bon Tempe Tunnel syphon job, working from two headings, will be holing through soon. The balance of their work will be starting full blast as soon as the weather permits.

The Morrison & Knudsen job on Travis Airbase is feet deep in mud as this is written. Mr. Al Kansler is resident engineer, W. Bonnemort assistant for USED. Mr. R. F. McCuen is project manager, and Bud Hall is superintendent. Bro. R. "Andy" Anderson is master mechanic; Bro. Adair, concrete superintendent; Bro. Don Jensen, batch foreman; Bro. W. H. Taylor, finish grade foreman. Mr. Gene Hargraves is the office manager, and Harry Fassett has charge of employment of personnel. As the weather permits, activities will expand.

As this goes to press, 40 inches of rain has fallen in this area. The general picture here indicates that with 10 days of good weather all the members will be working and perhaps some equipment will be idle—no operators.

Freeze "Legal Robbery"

Washington (LPA)—"Legalized robbery of the American consumer" is what the United Labor Policy Committee branded the new "margin" freeze for retail stores ordered by Price Stabilizer DiSalle. Retailers predicted price increases of 5 to 10 per cent.



PAY TRIBUTE—Chris Jecchinis, member of white collar union and captain of all-labor Greek productivity team visiting U.S. under ECA, lays wreath at Tomb of Unknown Soldier before team departs for Greece.

Ukiah—

MENDOCINO WELCOMES THE SPRING

By C. L. CASEBOLT
Business Representative, Local 3

With the sunshine after the snow and everything looking like Spring we are in a very good mood for a change. We have a \$73,695 Water mains job in Lakeport. E. T. Haas Co., San Mateo has awarded this contract February 26, 1951.

Baldwin-Straub Corp. sold their big logging operation at Philo to two valley firms, Independent Redwood Co. and Boldt Lumber Co. We will not lose Baldwin-Straub as they are in business at San Rafael, and we welcome Independent and Boldt to this area. We have some brothers working for them and reports are good.

We also have two bridge jobs—River Rest was awarded to Kenneth Whited, Oakland, for \$25,300 and Vichy Springs Bridge was awarded to two contractors, steel work for \$48,300 and Carr & Rocca, concrete, \$28,711. Just a little more sunshine and they will be merry on their way.

Pacific Pipe has moved from Ukiah to Healdsburg and took Brother Floyd West along with the compressors. They will be back in two or three weeks to put in 8,000 feet of conduit for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co.

GUALALA JOB

The Huntington Bros. job at Gualala is progressing as the weather allows. Brother Fred Huntington is on the North West shovel with Brother Glen Blakely as oiler. Brother Dexter is busy keeping the rigs running. Brother Norman Harry on the cat and Brother Chas. Burgin on the blade. Brother Luc is the pusher. With good weather they will be putting more Brothers to work soon.

Jones and Caldwell were badly hit by the floods, practically everything damaged but their hot plant. Ukiah Gravel and Cement Co., Inc. are keeping two brothers busy and expect to use more later.

The Arthur B. Siri job for Masonite is being curtailed some as the brothers have the road pretty well cleaned up.

Berman and Sons job on the Willets-Fort Brag road is down because of the rains.

Brother Milton Ford, of the Ford Gravel Co. informs me they had plenty of water but very little damage. Brother Henry Ford is back on the shovel after a bout with the flu.

BRAGG ICE CREAM

Saw Brother Bill Pierce of Fort Bragg. Everyone well knows Bill now owns the distributorship for Golden State Ice Cream. Bill reports business going good and it should be because the writer tried some and it is damned good ice cream.

Brother Ansel Lee has been in the U. C. Hospital since January 2, 1951. He has been a mighty sick man and was given over 15 pints of blood. After a long spell like that I know he would appreciate seeing some of you if you are near the hospital.

Brother V. V. Smalley, of Boonville, is the proud father of a six pound baby girl, born in February. The office girl got so excited about seeing the baby she forgot to get the date.

The need for blood donations is coming close to home, so let's give a little before we need a lot.

TEACHER PAY BOOST

New York (LPA)—A special fact-finding committee of the Board of Education has recommended pay raises for this city's 31,823 teachers ranging from \$350 to \$1025 a year. The raises would boost minimums for teachers with bachelors' degrees to \$3200 and \$6500. The committee was former after teachers dropped extra-curricular activities last April 17 to support demands for a raise of \$600 across-the-board.

Redding—

RECORD SNOWS IN SHASTA AREA, BUT MANY JOBS SET TO GO

By E. A. HESTER, Business Representative, Local 3

Bad weather still holds us at a stand-still. We are getting snow from most all directions. Where it snows heavy the snow is 5 feet deeper this season than any other season of that old weather man's record.

Work on Fredrickson and Watson's four-lane freeway between Anderson and Redding is expected to get underway very soon. And from all indications we believe that that won't be very long. The same situation applies to Rand Construction Highway project, between Weed, and Mt. Shasta. If everything goes well, these road jobs should be opened to the traffic sometime in July. A few fills and a little excavation, a plant mix and black top coat is all that is necessary to complete the roads.

Eaton and Smith is all set to go on the Hatchet Mountain job when about 3 feet of snow has melted away. This should be a pretty good start for the Brothers this Spring, as there is 276,000 yards of muck and rock to be moved and placed.

O'Hair Brothers is also in the same boat only they have an addition of two miles added to their 13 miles of road work. Located 15 miles east of Adin.

DIVERSION DAM

Preparations are being made for a Diversion Dam across the Sacramento River at a cost of about 2½ million dollars. There is also a Sewerage System and a Disposal plant

coming up March 19th. In Red Bluff. The Diamond Match Company is also erecting a big plant, there! Indications are, there will be a lot of work around Red Bluff for sometime to come. Red Bluff is known in this part of the country, as the "unorganized city." And we believe that is why it has been standing dormant for so many years.

The way things look now there will be no question about work. There will be plenty for all the Engineers that wish to come this year. Comparable to this time last year, our out of work list is very small.

TULELAGE JOB

For the information of Dragline Operators, there is a big dirt job coming up at Tulelake April the 4th and there will probably be a lot of cat work attached to this project, too.

In closing, I regret to report that we lost one of our old time shovel runners, Brother Clarence M. Roundtree. He passed away February 11, 1951. Our deep sympathy goes to the family and friends of the late Brother. Clarence was well known and a well liked brother, and he shall be missed by us all.

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BY AL BOARDMAN, Business Representative

The weather seems to be the biggest topic of conversation and the main stumbling block in the construction field. It has not stopped the preliminary surveys however, from starting and many defense projects are on the drafting boards. Major projects that have started include the Food Machinery Plant Extension at San Jose, Apron construction Fairfield Airbase, and the Columbia Steel Plant at Pittsburg. Rumors of a multi-million dollar steel mill persist with the site of construction at Sacramento. The latest news is that the promoters are attempting to get a certificate of priority from the Government in order to start.

7 House Members Trade Unionists

Washington—At least 7 members of the House of Representatives in the 82d Congress are trade union members and were leaders in their organizations. They are:

John Butler (R., N. Y.), officer of the Longshoremen's and grain elevator unions,
John Fogarty (D., R. I.), president of Bricklayers' Local No. 1 of Rhode Island,
Leonard Irving (D., Mo.), president and business agent of the Construction and General Laborers Local No. 264,
George Rhodes (D., Pa.), president and business agent of the Central Labor Union in Reading and vice president Pennsylvania Federation of Labor.

Jack Shelley (D., Calif.), former president of the California Federation of Labor,
Roy Wier (D., Minn.), representative of the Trades and Labor Assembly of Minneapolis and member AFL International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees.

Gardner Withrow (R., Wis.), state legislative representative for the Railroad Brotherhoods.

However, the city ordinance specifies that the highest wages in private industry shall be paid. It will take legal action in the courts to bring this about.

The next meeting of Local 3-E will be held at 1444 Webster Street, Oakland, California, at 8 p.m., Friday, March 23rd.

Arcadia has mailed a copy of "Survival Under Atomic Attack" to every home together with notices of public meetings for each district. The response was tremendous, volunteers registering for all essential services. Every teacher in city schools is now training in first aid.

The City of San Francisco continues to ignore the Technical Engineers Land Surveyors contract in their wage surveys. Your representative appeared before the Board but the reaction was negative.

On a Bicycle Built for Two



Big Business Men In Govt. Kept on Private Payrolls

Drew Pearson points out "big business tycoons . . . dominate the mobilization picture."
 What's more, although big businessmen are supposed to be giving all their time and loyalty to the Government, they remain on the payrolls of the companies where they had been working.
 Pearson listed some of the big businessmen in Government in his February 21 Washington Merry-Go-Round column:
 "General Clay, on leave from Continental Can; Fred Searls, on leave from Newmont Mining, a J. P. Morgan firm; Sidney Weinberg, head of Goldman, Sachs, investment bankers; Howard Chase of General Mills; Alfred Howse of the Forest Land Development Co. . . .
 "Roosevelt appointed labor men among the top executives of war mobilization, so labor was always a part of the war effort. Now labor has scarcely been consulted. . . ."
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Western Union
 Western Union Telegraph Co. made \$8.9 million in 1950 compared with a loss of \$4.4 million the year before.

Nobody Wants a New Car Anyway

Washington (LPA) — If you're going to buy a new car you should have done it last year, maybe. Or perhaps you're rich.
 The manufacturers will be permitted to raise new passenger car prices 3½ percent above Dec. 1, 1950, levels, under a regulation issued by the Office of Price Stabilization March 1. Price chief Mike DiSalle signed the order which amends the order outlying a price rise just before Christmas. The 3½ percent is applicable to the prices dealers pay the auto makers. DiSalle said the order is "an interim measure" to be in effect 60 days.
 You add the price boost to the credit restrictions and figure in the fact that auto-making is being slashed—well, who wanted a new car anyway! The old heap still runs, doesn't it?
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American Tel and Tel.
 In 1950 the American Telephone and Telegraph Company made more money than ever before. Its net profits soared to \$359 million as compared with \$118 million in 1949.
 Earnings per share were \$12.58 for 1950 compared with \$9.70 the preceding year.
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 Support union and labor paper!

"Should Fire Donaldson"

(AFL Release)
 Washington. — The President of the United States should immediately seek a competent administrator to head the Post Office Department.
 Frank X. Martel, president Detroit and Wayne County Federation of Labor, made that suggestion in a special front-page article in the Detroit Labor News.
 Never in the history of the Post Office Department has any Postmaster General put into effect as many administrative policies that adversely affected the welfare of the employes as Postmaster General Jesse Donaldson.
 In long-delayed and less-frequent mail deliveries the general public is also suffering from Mr. Donaldson's actions, Mr. Martel pointed out among further observations.
 The longer the change is delayed, the more difficult it will be for a competent man to bring order out of the present chaos.
 Since his permanent appointment he has yet to recommend a single constructive measure or one piece of legislation that would improve the lot of the employes. The justification for all of the backward steps taken by the Postmaster General, if any explanation has been attempted, has been based on the plea of economy.
 Despite his high-handed actions towards the rank and file, the Postmaster General has been most generous in recommending increases for ranking departmental officials of the Post Office Department, and extremely generous in recommending increases for the American railroads. He vigorously fought a slight increase for World War II veterans and his record towards the employes has been a shocking one.
 All in all, the various actions have resulted in little or no saving to the American taxpayers. They have, however, made the Post Office Department—once the pride of the government—the despair of the public and the postal employes.
 It is ironic that the employes of an agency of government in a pro-labor administration should have to put up with the whims of an administrator whose sole response to the challenge of managing a big department is to issue orders that ruin the service and wreck the morale of the employes.
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Ask Medical Schools
 Washington (LPA) — In a letter to Miles Kennedy, director of the American Legion's legislative commission, Sen. James E. Murray (D., Mont.) thanked the Legion for supporting his bill to provide emergency federal aid to medical, dental and nursing schools over a period of years. The Senator urged the Legion to open an all-out campaign against the American Medical Association's "dreadfully wrong, stupidly wrong, dangerous wrong" instruction to AMA lobbyists to defeat the measure.
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AT RAIL HEARING — Roy O. Hughes, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, tells a Senate committee investigating negotiations between rail unions and management that profits of railroad should be impounded when the roads are seized by the government during labor disputes. (LPA)

Looks Like These Gals Ought To Do More Unionizing!
 "Wages generally in the mercantile industry are still in the 65c an hour bracket, and with increasing defense production, women will again desert the mercantile industry for the high wages paid in defense work," declares Rena Brewster, chief of the Division of Industrial Welfare.
 A statewide survey by Division agents reveals that the prevalent wage rate in stores is 65c an hour. Some of the larger stores pay 75c, and in some cases even stores with union contracts provide for a lesser wage than in other related industries, it was found. Comments Chief Brewster:
 "The Industrial Welfare Commission, recognizing the problems of the low-income worker, recently completed a cost of living survey for a single working woman. This survey showed that a woman should earn at least a minimum of \$2004.24 a year. This would average 80c an hour for a 48-hour week."



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"You're Nuts!" Shouts Wilson at Labor Delegates

(LLPE-AFL Release)
 The people—not a few big businessmen—should run the defense program.
 Right now big businessmen in Washington are dictating decisions that will change the lives of all Americans for years to come.

(But when Labor's committee pointed out the plain truth to the red-faced Czar Wilson, he shouted back repeatedly in typical bullish employer fashion, "You're nuts!", according to syndicated columnist Victor Reisel.)
 But representatives of 15 million trade unionists are doing all they can to protect the people from dictatorial rule by big business.
 The fight for people—the worker, the grocer on the corner, the farmer—is being made by the United Labor Policy Committee. It consists of representatives of the AFL, CIO and Railroad Brotherhoods.
 On February 28 organized labor withdrew from the defense agencies. A few representatives of trade unionists had been serving as "advisers" to the big business-dominated offices. But they had no authority. All the real power is in the hands of big business.
 The withdrawal of labor representatives from the defense agencies was suggested by the Policy Labor Committee. The committee pointed out in a statement February 28 the defense program is run by Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson, \$300,000-a-year president of General Electric.
 "Our conferences and correspondence with Charles E. Wilson have demonstrated that he has little understanding of the needs of the plain folks throughout America," the committee's statement said.
 Wilson's two principal advisers are Gen. Lucius Clay, chairman of the giant Continental Can Co., and Sidney Weinberg, head man of the multi-million-dollar Wall Street investment banking firm of Goldman, Sachs.
 Nowhere in the defense program is there a trade unionist with power to do anything. Nowhere is there a small businessman. Nor do farmers have a voice. If you're not from Wall Street, Wilson doesn't want you.
 Everywhere you look you can see the stamp of big business. Wage controls ordered into effect February 27 are rigid, unfair to all workers—whether they belong to trade unions or not.
 Price control is a joke. The Government has approved every bit of

the profiteering by big business since the Korean war began. It even has okayed deliberate violations of the price "freeze" put into effect in January.
 Small businessmen are getting few if any defense contracts. But lush contracts are handed out to big business.
 The worker or the small farmer earning only \$40 a week is going to have to pay still higher taxes. Yet the speculators in stocks and food will continue to make immoral profits through tax loopholes.
 The fight the United Labor Committee is waging for the American people boils down to a contest between the democratic way of life and dictatorial rule by big business.
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 Lack of volunteers is handicapping San Diego's civil defense preparations.

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Sacramento—

First Folsom Dam Unit Gets Started Fast; Steel Plant Set

By E. P. PARK and H. S. CLARK, Business Representatives, Local 3
M. H. Hassler Construction Co. and D & H Construction Co. were the successful bidders on the Mormon Island auxiliary dam at Folsom. With approximately five million yards of dirt involved, the job went for \$2,194,484. In true Karkenwald fashion, equipment started to roll onto the jobsite within a day or so after the bids were opened. At this writing, approximately 20 engineers are already on the payroll. Bud Kelley opened the job up as superintendent and has since been joined by Renauld from the Los Banos job. Bro. Clem Marchant is at present the heavy duty master mechanic and Bros. Jim Kelly, Dave Hanny and Don Goble are the foremen on the job to date. It is anticipated that this job will solve our out-of-work problem which still exists here. In this respect, we again wish to bring to the attention of the brothers in other areas that the unemployment problem does exist here and it would be well to write or call us before moving into this district until the weather improves and the work picks up.

Another good dirt job, levee repairs and setbacks on Georgiana Slough, involving a million yards of dirt, went to A. Tiechert for \$407,529. This job should also use a large number of engineers once it is under way.

There have been numerous street jobs let throughout the city, the largest one going to McGillivray Construction Co. for \$53,483. The tunnel job on the Folsom Dam should be up sometime around April 1. Another job contemplated and awaiting NPA approval is a steel plant in Yolo County, with approximately one million tons yearly capacity. This contract is tentatively awarded to McGraw Construction Co. of Philadelphia. A small highway job in Placer County, north of Auburn, is scheduled for March 28.

Governor Warren has signed a bill approving a \$2,242,000 fund to be made available to flood-damaged counties in California. This is to be matched by local and federal funds and should provide considerable work for members of Local 3. There also is approved legislation for a \$5,500,000 motor vehicle building and a \$700,000 highway building.

On March 14 bids were opened on the American River bridge. Work at the rocket plant still hasn't reached the stage previously anticipated. A. Tiechert has four cats, a drag and a blade on the job at this time. Bro. O. P. Jacobs is foreman, with a crew consisting of Bros. C. L. Bronson, D. E. Furrer, Charles Walker, M. L. McGregor, R. L. Adams, Art Beckwith Jr., and Floyd Pike. MGM Construction Co. also has three brothers on the project, Harold Huston, Neely Foulger and H. E. Fitzgerald.

Brighton Sand & Gravel had one cat on the job the other day but due to the rain it was tied up. Bros. Buster Morrison and George McFadden are the shifters on the H. E. Parker job at Folsom Dam. Bros. Charles Shipley, Paul Chandler, James Elston, James Porter, Harvey Clark, Jack Slade, J. J. LeFurgey, Herbert Comer, Perry Maxey, John Chaddock and W. A. Hicks are the present crew for this job.

Over at Davis, Parker has Bros. Richard Bell, Roscoe Collins, Roy Heath, C. F. Farris, Calvin Lohr, Willard Gibson, Melford Dahms, Cecil Field, Alex Grey, Don Ketcherside and Frank Peckham busy when weather permits on their sewer job.

A. Tiechert has several jobs going with Bro. Oran Cobb as foreman at the River Park Tract. Bros. Jack Miller, L. S. McElroy, Jack Brady, John Krpan, J. H. Miller, Joe Krpan, Buck Acton, George Haskins and Buck Tofft are working in and around the area.

On the Walnut Grove job, Bro. Jerry Cuneo, the foreman, and Bro. Wayne Selby, master mechanic, are working with Bros. J. E. Disney, Paul Sheldon, R. R. Ryan, S. H. Billingsmeyer, Newell Barlow, John Farnham and Jack Davis on the equipment.

During the month, Bro. Jerry Layne and W. E. Mixon were up from the bay on a Judson-Pacific rig. Also back in town for Bethlehem Steel were Bros. Bill Reasor, Jack Reasor and Ray Lewellan.

Over in West Sacramento on MacCloskey's job, Bros. Jim White, Ben Parker, Phil Stanford and Harry Welch are on the rigs handling concrete for the structures on the new freeway. Also in that area, we ran into Bros. Elmer Pike and Ray Quillan on one of Bill Terrell's trenching machines, also Clyde Miller on one of the two blades, and Bro. Bob Soderlund on his own rig.

The brothers in the Grass Valley and Nevada City area are in the middle of a snowstorm at this writing. The work is at a standstill due to mud. On our trip through this area, we noticed one cat working on snow removal with Bro. Jack Bastian at the controls.

This is the rainy season also in the mountain town of Auburn. The brothers are loafing due to weather conditions, with one exception. The California Rock Products Co. is still operating at capacity. They should run to the end of March. Bro. Kenneth Henry tells us that he will have a new 54-B starting next season. This company also has two new Euclids on their pit haul.

At Placerville, the weather again is the reason that most of the contractors are keeping the brothers in their shops, overhauling, etc. The brothers at Roseville are pushing mud in between rains. A. L. Miller keeps a few brothers busy most of the time on the sewage disposal plant, hoisting cement, leveling, etc. Lasick's ready-mix keeps a member busy the year around on the batch plant.

In checking the subdivisions, we find the brothers who operate and own Fordsons and similar equipment keep busy most of the time.

ANTI-LABOR BILLS

What should be of interest to all the brothers is that which is happening here in the Legislature. There is a general assault on all the so-called "humanitarian bills." Added to this, there are at least 150 bills aimed at labor. It is foolhardy to believe that some of these will not be passed. Typical are bills AB-1712, the so-called "right to work" bill which prohibits any form of union security; AB-2921, which outlaws secondary strikes and secondary boycotts in labor disputes, deprives labor of the right to peaceful picketing, frees contracts and unfair listings; and SB-1228, which repeals and reenacts a hot cargo and secondary boycott law. Much good can be accomplished if the brothers will contact their representatives in the Legislature and urge them to oppose these and similar bills and all such legislation.

Our sympathy and wishes for a speedy recovery to Bro. Halvor Skjold, who is in Mississippi for asthma treatment.

To Bro. Clyde Stonecipher, who spent over a month on crutches, we wish better luck in the future.

Wishes for a better future go to Bro. Chuck Elliott, who is laid up as the result of an auto accident. Bro. Elliott will not be workwise for approximately a year.

Congratulations and much happiness to Bro. Ralph Krpan, who didn't wait until June to take onto himself a bride.

Our sympathy goes to Bro. Bob Coldren, who lost his home as the result of a fire.

We ran into Bro. Roy Carpenter the other night at the San Francisco meeting. Just back from overseas, he asked to be remembered to the gang he used to work with up here.

Bro. Bill Evans who has a ¼-

Honolulu—

HIRING ON THE INCREASE IN THE ISLANDS

By J. K. WAIWAIOLÉ
Business Representative, Local 3

The Hawaiian Dredging Co., Ltd. was low bidder for the contract for construction of an eight-lane Queen Street highway with a figure of \$612,216. The contract specifies 360 calendar days for completion of the project. Moses Akiona was awarded contract for demolition of parts of Piers 11, 12, 13 and 14, to permit widening of road.

The Island of Maui will have the first breakthrough or tunnel for the first public highway in the Territory of Hawaii. Cost of the 135-foot tunnel excavation will be \$60,000 and the completed contract cost with a two-lane highway to be completed by August of this year will cost \$888,000.

The Glover Construction Company who was awarded the Hickam Field runway contract has and it is anticipated that actual a crew of surveyors on the strip excavation will begin within the next week.

Kaneohe Naval Air Station is now full in its rehabilitation work. Our engineers have been on that project for a month now cutting down a sand dune as an extension to the present landing mat. It is proposed that when this cut is completed the present mat will be rooted and graded for a concrete mat enabling the use of jet planes.

Of interest also is the attitude of the General Contractors' Association of Hawaii opposing passage of a bill requiring bonding of building contractors in our present legislative session.

House Bill 114 calls for contractors to be bonded for any construction or repair job that will cost more than \$3,500. It also says that a contractor won't be issued a building permit for a job over \$3,500 unless he presents a copy of the bond. Gordon H. Scruton, Contractors' Association executive secretary, told committeemen that contractors object to the measure because they feel it won't do any good.

OUTER ISLANDS

This office has received word from Brothers Barney Olds and Jonah Kenolio now on Eniwetok for the A. E. C., that they have a new raise from 40c to 43c above former rates and will, no doubt, be an incentive to keep some of our members there longer than the one year contract. Brother members on the Island of Kwajalein must be quite contented because Brothers Albert Ching and Kiyoshi Yoshimoto flew back to finish out their present contract and sign on for a new one.

A former 3-man who transferred to Local 307, Seattle, Wash., is back in our sunny clime again to enjoy the sunshine after two contracts up in Alaska. He is on permit on the Kaheohe Naval Air Station project.

Since present hiring is showing that much needed skilled craftsmen is the answer to many of our labor problems here in the Territory of Hawaii, it is contemplated at this writing by the Building & Construction Trades Council and the Operating Engineers that an apprentice program be set up with Contractors Mid-Pac through the Territorial Apprenticeship Committee to help build the future qualified craftsmen for all crafts and especially for the maintenance division of Operating Engineers.

yard P&H for rent, Woodland 2-2182, came in and paid a year's dues the other day.

Thanks to Bro. Alex Gray, who made a trip to the blood bank during the month. Bro. Gray was our only donor this past month.

Don't forget that this office is open each Thursday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock.

For your protection and in accordance with your working rules, don't fail to get a clearance before going to work.

Stockton—

Two Big Army Warehouses Set; Flood Damage Repaired

By ED DORAN and GLENN DOBYNS,
Business Representatives, Local 3

Construction of two huge United States Army quartermaster depot warehouses costing almost \$3,000,000 will begin between May 10 and May 15 at Tracy Annex of Sharpe General Depot.

Plans are now on drawing boards in the Sacramento offices of the Army district engineer. Bids will be called for some time within the next two months with the Sacramento office handling all details, said Col. Howard.

Included in the appropriation are rail, road, drainage, grading and utility facilities. Purpose of the structures is storage.

The warehouses will measure 200 by 900 feet each and will cost a total of \$2,928,000, said Col. T. R. Howard, depot commanding officer. Floor space will total 360,000 square feet.

Larger in area than most aircraft hangers, the warehouses are standard size quartermaster depot installations. The Army is building such structures wherever there is a need.

The near \$3,000,000 appropriation came as a result of Army requests for \$15,866,000 from Congress in late December for Northern California installations.

CALAVERAS HOMES

Purchase of a 15-acre tract adjoining Hillmont subdivision at San Andreas marks entrance of the Calaveras Cement Company into the field of home construction in the interest of its employees.

The tract, purchased from R. B. Hathaway, local real estate man, will be subdivided by the company into 40 lots. The number of homes planned in the initial project is undetermined, according to Edgar Barker, plant superintendent.

Sunset Street will be extended through the new subdivision to connect with the road leading to the cement company plant. Financing will be arranged by the company, with first preference among purchasers to be employees of the company.

The levee jobs in this district have been good for the members of Local 3 financially, but the work was done under difficulties, such as mud and bad weather. All of these jobs were 10 hours per day and seven days per week for two shifts. Approximately 200 cat operators, heavy duty mechanics, blade operators and oilers were employed on the following jobs:

John Delphia of Patterson had a levee repair job north of San Joaquin City.

Karl Harmeling, after a couple of starts and more high water, finally completed his levee repair job north of Lockeford.

LEVEE JOBS

A. Tiechert was repairing levees in the Riverbank area.

Vega Engineering Co. of Berkeley has also been repairing levees near Riverbank.

Earl Parker Company from Marysville has been working in the vicinity of San Joaquin City on the levee.

Malfitano of Pittsburg and Malcal of Antioch are now working

on the levee just south of the San Joaquin County Hospital.

A crew of men are doing necessary repair work on the hot plant at A. Tiechert's, getting ready for the many city streets that they are going to pave this summer.

Bro. Harry Wilson, popular member of Local 3, has opened a tool rental business at 1135 E. Harding Way in Stockton. Anyone wanting to sand a floor or drill a hole can get the tools from Bro. Wilson. He will also repair your electric tools if they are haywire.

Bro. Bill Lewis left for Korea shortly before the holidays and after many tough battles, his luck ran out. He is in the Army hospital at Tokyo with several bullet wounds in his chest. Good luck to you Bill—hope you will soon be back with us.

CALL 'EM CATSKINNERS

Here is a little news item taken from the Stockton Record of February 22, 1919:

QUOTE: "Shall the man, or the woman, who operates a tractor be known as a tractorator, a tractorist, or a tractorioneer? That is the question, the answer to which is desired by large numbers of students at the tractor schools now being established in various parts of the United States. Tractor operations have been carried on in a somewhat hit or miss fashion thus far but now, the industry is being stabilized and permanent terms or expressions are needed. The tractor industry has apparently been set forward a good 10 years by the war. Tractor production has outstripped the training of operators. Every farm boy was brought up to manage a horse but this big steel beast must be handled in quite a different way. State tractor schools provide a short cut for turning out tractor operators, whatever they are to be called." End of quote.

Tractorator, tractorist, tractorioneer—what the hell—we're called "cat skimmers" by one another while some of the names the contractors call us are unprintable. (Note by Doran)

Pacific Gardens will get its streets, curbs, and gutters this year and work should begin by May 15.

This is a \$267,000 job and will be completed some time in the late summer of this year.

Bro. Jack "One Drum" Brown has purchased the Sierra Club on the Carson Pass Highway above Jackson, near the Bear River Dam project. Any of you brothers in need of a smile or smoke, stop in and see Jack. We recommend bringing small change with you. He has trouble changing currency over \$5.00.

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Round-up of Local 3 News From Utah

By Renny Burroughs, C. R. Van Winkle, Merlin Bowman and Charles Cockayne, Business Representatives, Local 3

Sudden snows and thaws are giving the '51 construction season a typical send off—clearances are heavier so far than normal seasons. Dugway, Geneva Steel, and defense housing in the Ogden area are the big expanding jobs before us.

Dugway project for the Army Chemical Corps must be finished by December 31, 1951 and so far has been a fast tempo short job project for the following contractors, Jacobsen Construction Company, Olsen Construction Company, R. J. Daum, Wheelwright Construction Company, Wright Engineering Company, DeMar Brimhall, Less Cox, Rait Construction Company, Morrison-Knudsen Company, Talboe & Harlen, Harry Young & Sons, Stolte Company and a host of sub-contractors. The new jobs are as follows:

Moore and Roberts, \$4,250,000, construction of 11 buildings in "E" area.
 Jacobsen Construction Co., Salt Lake City, was listed as second low with a bid of \$4,467,937.
 W. W. Clyde, \$1,498,721 roads, parking area and runway.
 Morris and Knudsen, Boise, and Los Angeles, apparently second low, with bid of \$1,778,923.
 J. Kenneth Thayne, \$862,416, water distribution and sewer system.
 C. L. Electric Company, \$295,177, electrical distribution system.
 R. J. Dawn, \$1,382,133, area "A" buildings and utilities.
 Curlett and Wunderlich, \$2,789,881.95, area "B" building and utilities.

Geneva Steel is expanding slowly with McGraw Company price contractors and Thorn Construction Company, Byran Ewell, Shurtleff and Andrews and Woods & Decker on the job.

Housing in Ogden continues of great importance to the Army installations. 1350 duplexes in Washington Terrace are to be divided into single residences and moved over new foundations and basements. Columbia Construction continues in its large western subdivision and several hundred new homes are planned in two additional subdivisions.

BIG UTAH JOB

Utah Construction is in high again after a slow winter. Largest of their projects is the 9,000,000 cu. yd. dike job at Garfield for the smelter. Both Lark and Bingham tunnels are in high again after a 10-day shut down at the latter due to steel. British Shaft is shaping up rapidly with the crews soon to enter through Lark Tunnel rather than the risky trip over the mountain in the man truck. Utah still keeps sizeable maintenance crews at Geneva and Garfield Copper Refinery. The stamp mill job Utah got at Remington Arms plant is set to go right now. The new shop being erected at the Garfield pit on the dike job will take more mechanics as the job goes two shifts. The Utah Construction Wendover job at the potash steam generating plant keeps three engineers steady. The 21st Street shop is in its usual spring bustle as is the old dike shop at Baccus. A new Utah Construction Company job is developing at the Horse Canyon Coal Company operations near Price.

Grafe Gallagher Company is plugging steadily in heavy snow outside and water inside on the Duchesne tunnel job. First thaws will see this company opening the other portal and a dam job over the ridge. Their new batch plant is in.

On Utah highway construction jobs, Strong Company is ready to go at Enterprise, Sumsion is looking things over at Modena, Kings Canyon and the Stockton jobs are rolling for Clyde, L. T. Johnson is trying out at Orangeville, Whiting and Haymond are busy at Arco. L. A. Young is greasing up and repairing for his job up near Roosevelt. Wheelwright & Clyde took new bridge jobs in Southern Utah. Parsons & Fife have just about wintered through.

Jobs adding men lately to normal winter crews include: Kewitt's reservoir job, Nels Mettome's crane

crews, Bechtel's Jordan Steam plant, Wunderlich's Hospital job, Gibbons & Reed's Hanksville job and their shops.

Young & Smith are starting a new Salt Lake waterline job. R. M. Jensen will complete his 1950 job on same. Olof Nelson, Logan are ready to finish this road at Richmond.

Western States Refining Company at Woods Cross is ready to start a big remodel job with the contractor rumored to be Fluor Engineering Company—good people with Local No. 3.

Salt Lake Airport finally okayed a big strip for jet planes which will be good for Engineers.

Utah State Road employees are having a breather after a hectic meeting of the legislature which will probably increase pay roll deductions to 5 per cent for a very limited state retirement plan compared to what a 1 1/2 per cent deduction would have brought them under social security. An able road commission is gradually straightening out the red tape involved in applying a new increase in rates and job classification. It seems to take forever but the State Road Employee members of the Operating Engineers are making progress.

Members of Local 3 at Kennecott Copper began to list demands for the coming contract negotiations, at our last meeting and are also going to take the case of being limited to 36 assigned shovel crews no matter how much ore is hauled, to an arbitrator.

PERSONAL NOTES

Visiting the Brothers — "Doc" Cook soon to be navigating on his artificial leg. Brother Johnny Deo wiggling his toes despite paralysis. "Irish" Flannery boasting for the others despite a recent operation himself. Another toughie—Norman Kendall of Ogden out of our game possibly forever with a ruptured heart sac. Brother Verlin Goldsberry killed on the Clyde Stockton job when he was run over attempting to get his cat and carry-all started. Sad news and good news seem to go hand in hand for in spite of news like the above we hear of many fine new children in our Operators families and more work than ever looms before us.

Brother Vander Nelson, crusher operator at the Iron mine at Iron Springs, was reported recently to have broken his ankle while on the job. At last report he was doing as nicely as could be expected and was expected back on the job in the near future. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery Vander.

Brother Richard Stout is running around looking pretty smug these days. Reason: He joined the ranks of the benedicts on Jan. 20. On that date, Miss Ellen Libby of Emmett, Idaho, and he were united in marriage at the Salt Lake Temple. In case that the new Mrs. Stout should see this he says that marriage is a bit of all right. Every wish for your happiness Mrs. Stout and congratulations, Richard.

Brother Lloyd R. Davis, popular oiler at Iron Mountain, one of the iron mines operated by the Utah Construction Co. near Cedar City, has been holding out on us. It seems that he went into double harness on Dec. 2, 1950, and we have just been apprised of the fact. On that date he was married to Miss Alice E. Bayless, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman E. Bayless of Parowan, Utah. We are sure that our entire membership joins us wishing the new Mrs. Davis every happiness that marriage can bring and in offering our congratulations to Brother Davis.

Metal safeguards are good. Mental safeguards are better.

Reno— NEVADA BOYS BUSY ON ROAD, PLANT JOBS

By H. L. "CURLY" SPENCE
 Business Representative, Local 3

Dodge Construction is well along on their highway job at Carson City, Nevada, with Mr. Verne Wilson on the job as superintendent.

Brothers Jack E. Chatelle and Bob Vicks are grade foremen. Brother Al Jensen is taking care of the heavy duty repair work on the job. The following brothers are on the equipment: Bud Jacobsen, George Sharrah, Marvin Renken, J. S. Benbow, E. C. Hildebrand, Warren J. Whitehead, Al Henderson and Gordon A. Young. Now, that is a fine bunch of outstanding Engineers to be on one highway job, believe me. They are a go-ahead crew.

George Schilling's bridge and highway job at Dayton, Nev., is coming along in fine shape with Bro. Ted DeLavega and Bro. Robert G. Blanchard on Earl Games' Northwest dragline and Les Jacobsen on the cat. The job will be finished in no time with those three fellows on it.

AROUND RENO

Bros. Alfred L. Mabrier and Charles M. Rice are a couple of busy boys with Martin Iron Works' truck crane, moving the Martin Iron Works shop to a new location on East 4th St., along with the other odd jobs around Reno and Sparks, Nev.

Bro. R. C. Wigle has his hands full doing the heavy duty repair work out at Nevada Constructors, Inc., better known as Duque and Frazzini. However, Bro. Carson Frazzini does help Wigle sometimes, but Bro. Andy Duque is not much on helping when there is any work involved; he's a better boss.

John B. Powers Co.'s men are quite busy around Reno. I see Bro. Zane Hunt and his oiler, E. E. Burgess, either cleaning ditch or loading trucks out in the sand pit, and Bro. Edward Gnadig running the cat or doing some heavy duty repair work in the shop along with Bro. A. W. Harcourt and Bro. Myron Atwater. Bro. Jay O. Baker is "flunky" and busy running errands around the yard and shop for Powers Co.

NEW GRAVEL PIT

Isbell Construction Co.'s new gravel plant on East 2nd St. in Reno is in full production, with Bro. John Coriello in full charge. Bro. Bill Ponton is on the cat. Bro. Clinton Green is oiling on the plant. Bros. Herman Petersen and Carl Hector are doing some remodeling on Isbell's two hot plants. They must expect a large summer run.

There is a lot of activity out at Gabbs Valley, Nev. Basic Refractories, Inc. has about 74 Engineers, oilers, crusher men, ball mill operators, burner operators, slurry mill operators, and a large heavy duty repair crew, and a large quarry operation. Standard Slag Co. has enlarged its operations. Wells Cargo, Inc. has an ore operation for Basic Refractories, Inc. Morrison-Knudsen is still doing a lot of stripping for Basic. The little town of Gabbs, Nev., is really booming again.

Bomb Shelters in Cities Belittled

Why isn't there more support for large-scale production of metropolitan bomb shelters?

Largely because the Federal government doesn't look upon them with favor. At any rate, that was the statement made by Civil Defense Administrator Caldwell before the AGC convention in Boston last week. Caldwell said such a program, if carried out properly, would cost \$100 billion. Also, he declared the shelters would probably be useless, for the present radar protection around the coasts could give civilians only two minutes' warning.

Musicians Reject 10%

New York (LPA)—The American Federation of Musicians (AFL) has turned down a 10 per cent pay raise offer from the major radio and television networks, want 20 per cent. AFM Pres. James C. Petrillo and the networks have agreed on some issues: musicians on a program that is broadcast at the same time over radio and television will get \$10 to \$25 extra, and musicians wearing costumes for television shows will get an extra \$12 per program.

 Make our unions ever stronger!

OK, OK

In Birmingham, England, a militant lady agitator for women's rights read about last month's report by the US Census Bureau that for the first time in history there are more women than men in the US. The lady agitator immediately wrote an open letter to all American trade unions demanding—in the name of justice and equal rights—that at least 50% of all labor leaders should henceforth be women!

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Daily report of awards for construction

(Compiled by P. E. Vandewark)
FEBRUARY 9, 1951

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Engineers Ltd., 1723 Webster St., Oakland, \$2,101,900 for const. Alameda County Juvenile Hall at Fairmont Hospital, 150th Avenue & Foothill Blvd.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Helwig Const. Co., 407 E. Main St., Sebastopol, \$29,200 for const. water system, Van Damme State Park, MENDOCINO COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to C. Norman Peterson, 2832 - 9th St., Berkeley, \$137,750 for const. mechanical services at S. F. State College.

VACAVILLE, contract awarded to Vaca Drilling Co., Hy. 40, Vacaville, \$9,999 for drill test hole & gravel pack, wells, New Medical Facil., Vacaville.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Fredrickson & Watson Const. Co., 873 - 81st Avenue, Oakland, \$98,782 for 0.4 mi. grade, surf. & R. C. brdg. Pajaro R., 5.3 mi. E E of Gilroy, SAN BENITO & SANTA CLARA COUNTIES

OAKLAND, contract awarded as follows: to Independent Const. Co., 741 - 50th Ave., Oakland. (1) 21st St. & Adeline St., Grade, drain, & surf., under 1911 Act. \$18,633 (2) Hegenberger Road: Surf. etc., East side betw. Railroad Ave. & State Rt. No. 69 \$57,650.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to D. R. Tyson Co., 1201 10th St., Sacramento, \$5,240 for Erosion Control.

FEBRUARY 14, 1951

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Duncanson-Harrelson Co., 530 Cutting Blvd., Richmond, \$36,200 for remov. strucs. & dredge trench. vicin. Pier No. 64, Ft. of 16th St.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to G. Ferrabee, 2507 Woolsey St., Berkeley, \$13,160 for grade & pave, etc., at the High School.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1755 Evans Ave., San Francisco, \$9,430 for const. retaining wall, curb, & fence, at Potrero Heights Reservoir.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to M. Malfitano & Son, P. O. Box 750, Pittsburg, \$107,817 for const. levee setback & bank protection, left bank of Sacto. River & Miner Slough, Ryer Island.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Associated Engineers, Inc., 3606 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, \$32,800 for const. irrigation system Unit No. 4, at Golden Gate Park.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Healy-Tibbitts Const. Co., 411 Brannan St., S. F., \$28,400 for dredging Yacht Harbor at Marina Blvd. & Divisadero St.

FEBRUARY 15, 1951

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to W. H. O'Hair Co., Box 278, Colusa, \$39,602 for 1.8 mi. grade & rdmx. surf. on grav. base, Jnt. Hwy. Dist. No. 14, betw. Slat Creek & Grasshopper Valley Ranch, LASSEN COUNTY.

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, contract awarded to Dodge Const. Inc., Fallon, Nevada, \$129,013 for 5.986 mi. rdmx. surf. etc., from Carson River Bridge to Junction with FAS (Prison Rd.), from Jctn. w/US 395 north of Carson City to Jctn. w/US 50 at New Empire, Inc., spur to Carson Airport & from Nevada State Prison to 0.32 mi. East in ORMSBY COUNTY.

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to C. K. Moseman, 600 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont, \$7,767 for const. conc. retain. wall at the San Carlos City High School.

CAMP ROBERTS, contract awarded to Western Pump Co., Ltd., P. O. Box 47, San Jose, \$4,977 for develop. well B-1, E. Garrison.

FRESNO, contract awarded to Kovick Bros., Const. Co., P. O. Box 1323, Fresno, \$18,840 for const. san. sewers in blocks 8, 9, 10, of Oakwood No. 2, et al.

TOOELE, UTAH, cntracts awarded as follows: Dugway Proving Ground facilities:

ENG-1051: To Tolboe & Harlin Const Co., Dooly Bldg., Salt Lake City, \$98,092 for rehabilitation, Phase 3.

ENG-1052: To R. J. Daum Const. Co., 6803 West Blvd., Inglewood,

Calif., \$67,922 for telephone exchang. bldg. & Resid. Engrs. Bldgs.

ENG-51-46: To Ilson Const. Co., 1549 S. 2nd. West, Salt Lake City, \$127,938 for remodeling chemical lab.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2567 - 9th St., Berkeley, \$20,272 for grade, surf., etc., Dwight Way, Panoramic Way East, in Oakland, and Berkeley.

FEBRUARY 19, 1951

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$42,824 for grade, drain, & plantmix surf. South 7th St. extension, from Phelan Ave. to Tully Road.

TRAVIS A. F. BASE, contract awarded to Morrison-Knudsen Co. Inc., 411 W. 5th St., L. A., \$4,500,000 for const. airplant parking areas at Travis Air Force Base, near Fairfield.

TOOELE, UTAH, contract awarded to Wheelwright Const. Co., 2300 Avenue "E", Ogden, Utah, \$203,230 for const. 1/2 mi. square grid at Dugway Proving Ground.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to S. & Q. Const. Co., 248 - 9th St., San Francisco, \$24,500 for const. pumphouse & pump sump, & install. drain. facils. at South end of San Rafael Viaduct, MARIN COUNTY.

BENICIA, contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, P. O. Box 175, San Pablo, \$8,442 for excav. & install. cr. run base & asph. conc. surf. for pav. roadway aprons, N. of Bldgs. W1, W2, W3, & W4, und. Ord-51-132.

FEBRUARY 20, 1951

BELMONT, contract awarded to Edwards, Foulk & Dana, P. O. Box 27, Redwood City, \$12,639 for const. C. I. wtr. mains, hydrants, etc., under R. I. Prop. 1950-2, & 1913 Act.

SANTA CLARA, contract awarded to Pisano Bros., 1700 Moorpark Ave., San Jose, \$31,981 for const. vitr. san. trunk sewer in Brokaw Rd. & Stockton Ave.

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, contract awarded to Dodge Const. Inc., Fallon, Nevada, \$129,013 for 5.986 mi. roadmix surf. etc. from Carson River Bridge to Jctn. with FAS 681 (Prison Rd.), from Jctn. w U. S. 395 north of Carson City to Jctn. with U. S. 50 at New Empire, incl. spur to Carson Airport, & from Nevada State Prison to 0.32 mi. east, ORMSBY COUNTY.

ANTIOCH, contract awarded (Partial award) to M.G.M. Const. Co., P. O. Box 1056, Corncon, for clean, connect., & steriliz. 12" cast iron mains on 6th, "G", 2nd & "L" Sts., Antioch.

FEBRUARY 21, 1951

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, contract awarded to Young & Smith Const. Co., 204 Beason Bdg., Salt Lake City, Utah, \$62,553 for 0.35 mi. const. por. secondary hwy. sys., betw. 2.3 mi. N. of Centerville & 2 7mi N of Centerville, incl. reinf. conc. bridge, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

TOOELE, UTAH, contract awarded to Jacobsen Const. Co., 724 So. 3rd East, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$813,574 for constructing Contractors' temporary housing at Dugway Proving Ground, Tooele.

LIVE OAK, contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., P. O. Box 95, Belmont, for install water mains.

LAKEPORT, contract awarded to E. T. Haas, P. O. Box 95, Belmont, \$76,695 for const. addns. to water mains.

TAFT, contract awarded to Fred J. Early Jr. Co., Inc., 22124 So. Vermont Ave., Torrance, \$151,656 for const. joint outfall sewer and treatment plant for City of Taft.

TRACY, contract awarded to H. Sykes, Box 626, Patterson, \$9,795 for furn., haul and place gravel, Delta-Mendota Canal, Central Valley Project.

ELVERTA, contract awarded to R. E. Ziebarth, 21205 S. Bolsa St., Torrance, \$49,917 for 4 relay sta. C.V.P., Calif., under Spec. 200C-140.

FEBRUARY 26, 1951

ATHERTON, contract awarded to Huettig, Schromm & Bennett, P. O. Box 798, Palo Alto, \$32,182 for gen. landscape work and const. parking area for Menlo-Atherton High School.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2657 9th St., Berkeley, \$67,717 for const. Unit 4 of 14th Ave. sewage separation project, from East 34th St., north of East, Oakland.

AVENAL, contract awarded to Kovick Bros. Const. Co., P. O. Box 1323, Fresno, \$59,307 for const. of sewage disposal plant.

GRASS VALLEY, contract awarded to W. E. Frye Const., 200-J Alta Vista Ave., Grass Valley, \$106,000 for const. exhibit bldg. for 17th Dist. Agric. Assn.

FOLSOM, contract awarded to Judson-Pacific-Murphy Corp., 4300 Eastshore Hwy., Emeryville, \$14,719 for furn. and erect. struc. steel framing on exist. fdns. at Food Process Bldg., Calif. State Prison.

CARSON CITY, NEV., contract awarded to Young & Smith Const. Co., 204 Beason Bldg., Salt Lake City, Utah, \$62,553 for 0.35 mi. const. portion of sec. hwy. sys., betw. 2.3 mi. and 2.7 mi. N. of Centerville, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

FEBRUARY 27, 1951

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Ben C. Gerwick, Inc., 112 Market St., S. F., \$106,085 for const. wharf and bulkhead, foot of Broadway.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to H. T. Treacy, 48 Sotelo Ave., S. F., \$3,385 for lay. 8-in. cast iron mains in 23rd and Minnesota Sts., S. F.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to H. T. Treacy, 48 Sotelo Ave., S. F., \$3,386 for install. 6-in. cast iron mains in Harkness Ave., betw. Alder and Sparta Sts.

FEBRUARY 28, 1951

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Arthur Wallgren, 500 De Haro St., S. F., \$5,738 for reconst. 24th St. sewer, betw. Fountain and Hoffman Ave.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Rice Bros., Inc., P. O. Box 1489, Marysville, \$14,800 for furn. and stockpile 10,000 T min. aggr., near Blairsden, PLUMAS COUNTY.

MARCH 1, 1951

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Foley & Krueger, 324 Durham, Palo Alto, \$13,996 for const. sanit. sewers in Tract 836 and the Niggenman Property, N. E. of San Jose.

MARCH 5, 1951

OROVILLE, contract awarded to Atlas Pipe Co., 1845 E. 15th St., Oakland, \$34,354 for const. conc. sewer mains, outfall lines, etc., acr. S. P. Railroad R/W, under Cash Contract.

SALT LAKE CITY, contract awarded to W. W. Clyde & Co., Springville, \$292,496 for const. 2,331 mi. roadmix bit. surf. and const. two conc. bridges over 20-ft. span on U.S. Hwy. 50 and U.S. Hwy. 6, betw. Cisco and Colorado state line, GRAND COUNTY.

FARMINGTON, contract awarded to A. Tiechert & Son, Inc., 1848 37th St., Sacramento, \$73,204 for const. Duck Creek Diversion Channel, struc. and dikes, near Farmington.

MARCH 6, 1951

SANTA CLARA, contract awarded to Leo F. Piazza Paving Co., Rt. 1, Box 800, San Jose, \$21,481 for asph. conc. pav. on Newhall St., Gould St., et al, a gas tax job.

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to Eugene G. Alves, P. O. Box 950, Pittsburg, \$16,500 for 4.3 mi. clear and grub por. for realign. Sand Hill, Portola and Alpine Rds.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Walter Lenkeit, 2225 Revere St., S. F., \$33,204 for lay. 12-in. mains in Newhall, Palou and Keith Sts., Topeka and Newcomb.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Eaton & Smith, 1215 Michigan Ave., S. F., \$47,550 for reconst. Twin Peaks Tunnel track and install crossover on Market St., east of Castro, under Muni. R. R. No. 363.

MARE ISLAND, contract awarded to Assoc. Pipeline Welders, P. O. Box 563, Colma, \$49,500 for replacing water and gas piping at Iwo Jima Village, Mare Island.

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ANTIOCH, contract awarded to W. T. Haas Co., Box 95, Belmont, \$126,700 for const. domestic water system for Pleasant Hills area.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1755 Evans Ave., S. F., \$29,501 for const. traffic signals and channelization at Market and Sansome Sts., and at Market and Battery.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to the following for landscaping Naional Guard Armories: (1) To Hathaway Nursery, E. Mineral

King Rd., Visalia, \$3,450 for landscape at Hanford. (2) To Dana R. Tyson Co., 1201 - 10th Avenue, Sacramento, for landscaping armories at : Modesto, \$4,398; Visalia, \$2,189; Merced, \$3,121; and Willows, \$2,392.

ALAMEDA, Contract awarded to F. R. Archibald, 718 Douglas Avenue, Oakland, \$5,213 for const. phone cable conduit betw. City Hall & Franklin Park.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to A. Teichett & Son, Inc., 1846 - 37th St., Sacramento, \$4,450 for const. addnl. parking facils, at business and Professionals Bldg. Annex, Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Underground Const. Co., 75th Ave. & San Leandro Blvd., Oakland, \$24,096 for const. water system, Mill Creek State Park, Div. of Beaches & Parks, DEL NORTE COUNTY.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Nat Lena, 1174 - 19th St., Oakland, \$5,197 for const. conc. floors in quonset huts at Oakland Airport.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Baun Const. Co., P. O. Box 1281, Fresno, \$93,326 for 3.0 mi. grade & pltmx. surf. on cem. tr. base, on Manning Ave., betw. Zediker Ave. & Kings River Bridge.

SANTA ROSA, Contract awarded to Arthur B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland St., Santa Rosa, \$915 for const. water main extension on Sonoma Ave., from Franquette Ave. to Yulupa Ave.

MARCH 2, 1951

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney Inc., 575 Berry St., S. F. \$1,512 for street work at San Francisco State College.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contracts awarded as follows for grade, surf. etc: (1) Mission St. Track Removal, betw. Excelsior Ave. & County Line; To Lowrie Paving Co., 1755 Evans Ave., S. F. \$249,492. (2) Hamilton St., Grade, Drain, etc.: to Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S. F. \$4,865. (3) Crossing, Burnham & 25th Sts.: To Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina, S. F. \$3,365. (4) Olmstead St. Crossing: To Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S. F. \$13,244.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Olympian Dredging Co., 525 Market St., S. F., \$73,250 for repair. left levee break on Venice Is., San Joaquin River, 12 Mi. from Stockton.

MARCH 8, 1951

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Fred McKinley, 14503 S. Garfield, Paramount, \$130,920 for 4.3

mi. grade & const. reinf. conc. bridge on Calif Canyon-Huer Huero Road, betw. Creston-Highland Rd. & 0.85 mi. E. of St. Rt. No. 137 SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Foster & McHarg, P. O. Box 244, Riverside, \$522,639 for const. levee at 2 sites along E. levee of Feather Riv. & S. levee of Honcut Creek, & East levee, Recl. Dist. No. 10, near Marysville.

RICHMOND, Contract awarded to Barrett & Hilp, 918 Harrison St., S. F. \$279,400 for const. "H" type National Guard Armory at Richmond.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to M. H. Hasler Const. Co., & D. & H. Const. Co., P. O. Box 387, Santa Ana, \$2,194,484 for const. Mormon Island Auxiliary dam, Folsom Reservoir Project.

WALNUT GROVE, Contract was awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1848 - 37th St., Sacramento, \$407,529 for constructing levees along Georgiana Slough, near Walnut Grove.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to C. W. Lance, P. O. Box 12, Moraga, \$5,572 for const. grade, backfill, curb, walk, sprinkler sys. & landscaping, etc., at the school.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to V. A. Nelson, Rt. 2 Box 1094, Stockton, \$86,450 for const. 4 classrooms, etc., at the Lincoln School.

NLRB Blasts Phony Woolworth Trainees

NLRB has ruled that trainees for the jobs of store manager and lunch department assistant manager at an F. W. Woolworth Co. store in San Bernardino fall within the bargaining unit of AFL Retail Clerks Local 1167. The board unanimously voted to deny Woolworth pleas to exclude these management trainees from the unit in an election to be held on petition of the union. The disputed classifications, "are not, during training, assigned to supervisory positions," the NLRB stated.

The ruling means that the labor board has finally seen through the practice of 5 & 10c store chains of getting employees to work extra long hours at low pay by designating them as management "learners" or "trainees." Previous decisions had excluded these workers from the bargaining unit at the company's request, union attorney Robert W. Gilbert said.

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Marysville—

Jet Project on Rockpiles; Two Big Levee Jobs Let

By LES COLLETT and WM. C. WAACK, Business Representatives

Two large jobs have been let in Marysville district in the past two weeks but are held up due to rain.

The first job was for three sites on the Sacramento River above Knights Landing, California for one million, thirty thousand yards to H. Earl Parker Company of Marysville, California. The total price is \$480,000. Mr. Parker informs us

that Basalt Rock Company of Napa, California, will place the cobble rock on this job by barge load and derrick. This will start as soon as weather permits. The Parker Co. still has about one month or more on their Butte Creek levee job and also are only about 60% complete on the eleven site Sacramento River job below Meridian, California.

Foster & McHarg Company of Los Angeles were low bidder on the levee job on Feather River and Honcut Creek, north of Marysville, California. It is one million three hundred thousand yards and no cobble to be placed. We have not been able to contact this company as yet, but will meet with them when they hit the district.

Rice Brothers of Marysville were the low bidders on a resurfacing job on Highway 20, west of Yuba City for almost \$90,000 and will start when weather permits. This company will move a crusher to Blairsdon, in Plumas County, to crush rock and gravel for the county which is a \$16,000 contract. They were also low bidders on Carlin Bridge repair job, near Wheatland, and this bid was for around \$17,000. Rice Brothers will have the highway job on 789 in Oroville to finish as yet, also.

The Raymond Concrete Pile Company sent a rig in to drive the piling with Bro. Clarence Vivion at the controls.

McDaniel Construction Company of Marysville have started the gymnasium for the Oroville High School around \$350,000, but this won't require many operators.

Archie Till Company's job at Orland is still under water and he doesn't know when they will resume operations.

The O'Hair Company of Colusa are making a truck crane in their shops, doing repair work and getting ready for a good spring and summer.

The Berlinger Company of Chico finished their canal lining job west of Orland and put a few of our boys back on the slave market.

E. E. Myers has a crane crew on the Coca Cola plant in Chico and also was the successful bidder on a steel building for the Butte County fair at Gridley, California.

The Butte Creek Rock Company has about twelve operators on the payroll, repairing and getting the sand and gravel stock piled for summer.

The Oroville Construction Company have two or three men on steady and must run the hot plant a few days to stock pile some plant mix—if it ever gets dry.

Richter Brothers have a crew overhauling in the shop at present. Kaiser Sand and Gravel keep the regular crew busy.

The M.G.M. Construction Company have a pipe line job in the town of Olivehurst for \$186,000 and Pittsburg -Des Moines Steel will erect the water tank.

Now with all work mentioned above let's hope we get some dry weather soon.

CALAVERAS

Snow and rain make mud and slush to no end at Calaveras. March 1st was our regular meeting and it was well attended. Numerous complaints were presented—some that could be corrected and others not so good. Brother Ed Doran was in the area this night and many of the hands were glad to see him. His stripping job at San Andreas was an angle that some brothers thought would change their payroll status from that of industrial to construction, but it won't work that way, hard as we tried.

Production at the plant is going on full capacity. The Rust Engineering Company just completed

the silos in a record pour. A crew of iron workers with E. J. Solomon Company are putting up the elevator's and the bridges for the conveyor screws. Some of the maintenance crew are working on the silo spouts and air vents. This is new construction. A portion of the maintenance crew are going on a night shift for several weeks to change the liners in the raw mill. This will require two 12-hour shifts—a continuous operation until the job is done. Then to the finish mill—more increased production. The meetings start at 7 p.m.

Aerojet, an essential war industry has negotiated the purchase of 7,200 acres of rock piles from the Natomas Company at Folsom and expects within four months to have a payroll in excess of 1,000. An industry of this nature will have a great influence in leveling off a wage condition in this area. Aerojet is at present under agreement with an affiliated A. F. of L. union and inasmuch as their wage scale of the area is in excess of the scale in neighboring industries, adjustments are inevitable.

All gold dredge companies have been notified that their contract is open for negotiation—wages, sick leave, etc. and by the time this publication reaches the membership our first meeting should be behind us.

Natomas Company was first notified, then Yuba Consolidated and Capital Dredge membership meetings will be called as negotiations progress.

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SUNNY SMILES—Blonde Dolores Marlin is living the clean, healthy life at Las Vegas. Not only is she keeping away from those gambling dens, but she's getting the boys out in the sunshine to see what they've been missing at night. (LPA)

Why U. S. Labor Quit the Wage Board

Organized labor walked out of the Wage Stabilization Board on Feb. 16 for two reasons:

1. The immediate issue is the unfair wage control program that the industry and so-called public members of the board are trying to force down the throats of trade unionists.

2. The broader issue is the failure of the Government to take labor in as an equal partner with business in the defense program.

The WSB was set up under the Defense Production Act of 1949. This was supposed to control both prices and wages. The WSB can only advise. Final decisions on wage matters must be made by Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston.

Three representatives of organized labor, three from industry, and three who are supposed to represent the public made up the nine-man board. Cyrus Ching, former director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, is chairman.

On Jan. 26 wages and prices were frozen. This meant all the profiteering since the Korean war began in June had the blessing of

the Government. But workers were told they could not get wage increases so badly needed because of high prices profiteers were charging.

Finally on Feb. 15 the three industry and three so-called public members of the WSB got together on the unfair wage control program.

Under it no one's wages can be increased more than 10 per cent over January 1950 rates. Everything from wages to pensions and welfare programs are included in this 10 per cent figure.

The United Labor Policy Committee, made up of 14 representatives from the AFL, CIO, and the Railroad Brotherhoods, pointed out Feb. 16 that the 10 per cent formula "manifestly fails to consider the serious and legitimate economic needs of America's wage earners."

"The wage formula is inflexible, inequitable and unworkable," the committee added.

While the Office of Price Stabilization (OPS) has guaranteed record-breaking profits for business, workers must try to struggle along on a measly 10 per cent increase.

Pres. Truman's Council of Economic Advisers reports that estimates of 1950 corporate profits increased 60 per cent from January to December last year.

By including pensions and other "fringe" benefits in the 10 per cent figure, the control program hurts workers still more. Pensions are fine, but you can't use them to buy food. The whole purpose of the wage program is to make sure workers have enough to live on.

In its statement Feb. 16, the Labor Committee reviewed the

whole story of business domination of the defense program.

"We have offered our full support to the defense program," the committee's statement said. "Our offers of cooperation have been rejected."

Labor members of the WSB were Pres. Harry Bates of the Bricklayers, Pres. Emil Rieve of the CIO Textile Workers, and Vice Pres. Elmer Walker of the Machinists.

AFL members of the United Labor Policy Committee are Pres. William Green, Sec.-Treas. George Meany, Pres. George Harrison of the Railway Clerks, Pres. Dan Tracy of the Electrical Workers, Pres. William Doherty of the Letter Carriers, and Pres. Al Hayes and Vice Pres. Elmer Walker of the Machinists.—The League Reporter.

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Bureau Chief Says Navy For Bidding

Competitive bidding over negotiated contracts is favored by the U. S. Navy, it was announced this week by Rear Admiral J. F. Jelley, chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks. Jelley said that although the bureau had been forced to use more negotiated contracts due to the emergency, the Navy still figures the bidding method serves the government best. He added that in the speeding up of the present \$600 million public works and engineering program, the bureau was avoiding as much as possible cost-plus-fixed fee contracts.

Financial Data Required by Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, to Be Furnished Members of Local Unions

Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 of the International Union of Operating Engineers

RECEIPTS

January 1, 1950 to December 31, 1950	
Dues and Fees	\$ 828,604.58
Interest, U.S. Defense Bonds	6,250.00
Interest, Savings Bank	892.28
Rents	50,334.93
Engineers News	2,926.50
Books and Buttons	38.25
Good Standing Fund	10,049.50
Burial Expense Fund	48,783.00
Defense Fund	5,122.00
Reimbursements	9,256.19
Miscellaneous	8,743.75
	\$ 971,000.98

DISBURSEMENTS

January 1, 1950 to December 31, 1950	
Salaries	\$ 308,012.46
Officers and Business Representatives Expense (33 B.A.)	86,782.23
Office Expense Direct, (14 offices)	63,706.05
Audit and Legal Fees	6,423.41
Blue Cross Hospital Plan	2,286.90
Bankers Life Co.	270.13
Books and Buttons	4,295.07
Building Operations	33,669.23
Burial Expense Fund	48,783.00
Capital Expenditures	178,593.00
Defense Fund	5,122.00
Dues and Fees Refunded and Transferred	7,854.22
Employee Disability Fund	2,169.00
Engineers News	8,928.21
General Organizing	3,655.14
Good Standing Fund	10,049.50
Insurance	5,674.66
Miscellaneous	33,072.67
Per Capita, International	174,282.75
Per Capita, Local Councils	14,132.40
Tax, Excise	565.91
Tax, Federal O.A.B.	5,843.54
Tax, Calif. S.U.I.	4,004.19
Tax, Nevada Unemployment	25.42
Tax, Utah Unemployment	120.29
Tax, Federal Withholding	34,184.40
Tax, T. H.	295.26
Transportation	7,111.88
	\$1,049,912.92

Less Payroll Deductions:

Federal Withholding	\$ 34,184.40
Federal O.A.B.	2,897.53
Calif. S.D.I.	1,682.40
Blue Cross Plan	2,166.90
Employee Disability Fund	167.00
Bankers Life Co.	27.65
	\$ 41,115.88

Net Disbursements 1950.....\$1,008,797.04

BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1950

Assets	
Cash:	
Office Funds	1,775.00
On Deposit	225.00
Commercial Bank Account	15,084.29
Savings Bank Account	23,753.48
Good Standing Fund	2,850.32
Burial Expense Fund	31,180.46
Defense Fund	5,122.00
	\$ 79,990.55
U.S. Defense Bonds, Series G.	\$ 275,000.00
Real Estate	768,922.52
Transportation Equipment	146,321.96
Office Furniture & Equipment	32,382.37
	\$1,302,617.40
Liabilities	
Net Worth	\$1,302,617.40
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San Francisco

All Types of Weather Hit the City, Many Jobs Under Way

By PAT CLANCY and HARRY METZ, Business Representatives, Local 3

Brothers, we hate to keep writing about the weather, but a severe winter like this leaves us no alternative. Some of the brothers have been fortunate enough to have worked steady in the shops all winter. These members, however, are way in the minority.

We expect to report in our next issue that the sun has been shining so long that the brothers have the spring fever and want time off to take a trip somewhere.

With all the work contemplated for this year, it looks like it will keep us all busy.

WANDERING AROUND THE JOBS IN SAN FRANCISCO

Granite Construction working on reservoir job west side of twin peaks—Theodore Meyer going right along with housing project in Chinatown—Leo Epp showing some progress on housing project in north beach—California Sand Bunkers still selling sand in the Sunset district—American Sand same as above—Piombo Construction working in between wet spells on Oak St. track removal job—Harney and Rosenberg also have a few rigs on the above named job.

Dinwiddie on Met Housing job figure that No. 1 building will be open for inspection and rented within a short time—Harney about through with pipe job in conjunction with sewer treating plant in north point—Eaton and Smith along with M&K Corporation working on overpass job on Juniperra Sierra—M&K using mucking machines on Broadway tunnel after they had figured to use the electric shovel. There is still a possibility for them to use the shovel providing the material they run into is suitable.

Rosenberg hauling dirt from old Tivoli theater—Casey and Case about wound up on Sears job—Harney going right along with Geary St. storm drain also China beach playground—Eaton and Smith with little progress on Lands End Road—Scrap metal yards have no complaint now that there is a big market for metal—Standard Building shut down its job for a day on account of snow (right in the heart of S.F.).

Granite Construction still detouring traffic on Mission St. overpass—Bethlehem Steel Shipyard not calling for any men lately—Harbor roller still under cover—Walsh Construction with skeleton crew on sewer treating plant off of 3rd St.—McDonald, Young and Nelson same as above—Stoneson showing lots of progress on the new Emporium Department store.

Devencinzi and Haskins with a cat here and a shovel there—Shanmac keeping some of his equipment busy—Most all of the shops in town are keeping a lot of mechanics busy—T. Meyer going up with an apartment house on Green St.—Hyman-Michaels mechanics with a good representation at the union meeting—McKee working a couple of engineers on the Marine Hospital—Piombo still working on road behind U.C. hospital and also a few cats are busy on Alemany—Various contractors working on College job near Stonestown.

Most of the plants keeping the men busy—Soule Steel hiring an oiler every once in a while—Cahill keeping some brothers busy on hoists scattered around town—Lowrie with a few small jobs—M&K Corporation still working at Lake Merced Tunnel—Lypsett and Lerner going right along on the demolition of C&H Sugar refinery—Various other contractors doing work in S. F. and with coming good weather (we hope), S. F. should be fairly busy.

PERSONAL TOUCH

The overseas jobs are few and far between. This past month there have been only two brothers report to us that they are going to some far away job. Watler Crowley should be in Guam working for BPM by the time this goes to press. Howard Miller is once again going out of the country to work for Macco in Bolivia. Lots of luck fellows and don't forget to write

and let us know what's doing.

Bechtel has a standing order in the S. F. office for about 20 heavy duty repairmen. If any of the brothers are interested, please contact the S. F. office and we will supply you with any information that we can.

Usually there are a few brothers coming in from some overseas job every month but this past month there has been no activity whatsoever and not a single brother has come into the office or dropped us a post card letting us know that he was in town again. Those of you who are working out of the country, please write in order that we might let some of your friends know where you are. Thanks a lot.

BLOOD DONORS STILL NEEDED—Don't forget brothers, a lot of brothers or members of their families may be needing blood—You never know who will need it next. Thank you.

Excess Profits Tax Stirs Up Hot Air

Big business screams that the 77 per cent excess profits tax is killing it.

What "77 per cent" excess profits tax?

At present, the corporation income levy is 47 per cent. The excess profits duty is 30 per cent. That makes a total of 77 per cent for all taxes.

However, no corporation must pay more than 62 per cent of its profits in taxes—or 15 per cent more than the normal tax rate.

In effect, then, the excess profits tax amounts to 15 per cent—and all the talk about it is mostly warm air.

Patients Strike

In Jersey City, N. J., the nation's first strike of hospital patients occurred at the Pollak Hospital for Chest Diseases when 50 ambulatory cases walked out in protest against the replacement of a head nurse. As in previous instances in Hague's Jersey City, the police were called in to break the strike. The cops were ordered to herd the strikers back to the hospital.



COCKTAILS AT 5.—Unable to get secretarial help, a Washington men's clothing store ran an ad promising cocktails at 5 p.m. and guaranteeing a husband in six months. Over 300 applied. Eleanor Nelson, who got the job, samples the first cocktail. (LPA).

Peninsula District—

WATER LINE IS FINISHED; HIGHWAY LET

By CHET ELLIOTT, Business Representative, Local 3

The pipe line tunnel on the City of San Francisco pipe line job at Menlo Park was completed the early part of this week by the United Concrete Pipe Co.

This project, extending from Menlo Park to Spring Valley Lakes, is one of the few jobs that has remained in operation through one of the worst winters, as far as rain is concerned, that we have experienced in this area. Although the work progressed slowly the engineers and other crafts employed on the job have continued to work under very adverse weather conditions.

The contract for clearing the right of way for the new Sand Hill, Portola and Alpine roads was awarded by the San Mateo County Road Department to Eugene Alves of Pittsburg. Contracts for the grading and paving on these projects will be awarded at a later date.

Although the heavy rains have practically stopped all construction operation in the field in this area the maintenance and repair work in our shops has considerably increased and most of the local contractors have added more engineers to their repair crews which have cut down our out of work list for heavy duty mechanics in this office.

The Carlson Equipment Co. of Redwood City by continuously expanding their plant for the past two years have become one of the major employers of heavy duty mechanics in this area. Starting in 1948 with one mechanic they now have a crew of 20 members of Local 3 on the payroll. Under the able management of E. N. Carlson this plant has grown from a vacant lot to a modern shop and office building covering 10,000 square feet, and construction is now under way to increase this building another 30,000 square feet with over head cranes and modern shop equipment.

Along with the present operation this firm has secured government overhaul contracts, and master mechanic, Brother Hassenflow, and foreman, Brother Tony Schadi, plan to have many more members of this union under their supervision in the near future.

The Chas. Harney Co. of San Francisco, who have been awarded the state highway work at South San Francisco, is waiting for the weather to settle before starting operations.

R. A. Farish, who was awarded the contract for an access road from Brentwood to South San Francisco and the grading on the Brentwood Co. Real Estate Development project at East Palo Alto, has postponed the start of this work until more favorable weather conditions prevail.

The local contractors in this area, including J. O. Archibald, Douglas and Woodhouse, Peter Sorenson, L. C. Smith, Bragato Bros., Sperry and McCue, Frank Smith and many others, are impatiently waiting to start the many jobs they have already been awarded which when they do start operation will cause a shortage of operating engineers.

Feed Torry Apes

In London, England, the Labor government, worried about feeding the British people adequately, discovered the ultimate in heckling from the Conservatives. A Tory member of Parliament, L. D. Gammans, demanded the Labor government explain whether the present 4c a day appropriated by the government is enough to feed the apes on Gibraltar.

Attend your union meetings!

Eureka—

BIG JOB LOAD SET IN REDWOOD AREA, AWAIT GOOD WEATHER

By A. R. McCAFFREY, Business Representative

During the first part of this winter, when I was in Ukiah, I thought that they had just about run out of water, but since I've been up here, I've changed my mind. It has rained here almost continually for the past week.

There is considerable work in the area. Several contractors are just standing by waiting for the weather to break. Some of the jobs have been opened up, while others haven't tried to start.

Frederickson Bros. job at Alton has been working when they can. They just added four new DW-10's to their spread along with four pulls. There are approximately 20 brothers on this job at the present time, with more to come. Brothers Jim Dennison and Whitey Koche, along with their talking dog, John, went to work last week on this job.

FRASER IS BUSY

Mercer Fraser Co. of Eureka seems to have some kind of a job wherever you look. They have jobs going all over the area. They were low bidder on 4.7 miles of surfacing at Smith River in Del Norte County.

Brother Tom Hull of Eureka seems to keep busy, rain or shine. At the present he is working on a bridge at Lane's Flat. He also has a pile-driving job at Holmes.

Healy-Tibbitts Co. is progressing on its dock job in Eureka. There are six brothers on this job getting in steady time. Their dock job at Crescent City is almost completed.

There isn't any action on the Macco-M & K jetty job in Crescent city at the present time, although it is rumored that they will start this spring.

Brother Louie Conner is getting ready to roll. Brothers Mike Day and Dick Tucker went to work for Louie this week and it looks like they will be busy all this season.

SEE BUSY SEASON

Fred J. Maurer & Son of Eureka are overhauling their equipment getting ready for a busy season. Brothers Joe Smith and Dick Shirey keep busy on the truck crane doing odd jobs around town.

M & K's job at Requa has slowed down considerably although they expect to get started in the near future.

Hoagland - Findlay Engineering Co. is progressing on their sewer disposal plant in Eureka. Brother O. C. Baird, who has been running shovel on this job, has decided there is just too damn much water up here for him, so he is taking off to the South. Good luck, Red.

At the present time our out of work list is very small. We are having trouble now filling some classifications. As soon as old Sol comes out we will be hollering for help.

Housewives' Strike Forces Slight Drop In Meat Prices

New York (LPA)—What the weak-kneed price controls of the government failed to do, a housewives' revolt is accomplishing. Retail consumption of meat has dropped 30 per cent in New York City because housewives have either stopped buying meat, or are buying cheaper cuts.

Butchers have begun cutting the price of choice cuts, but the cuts have not been substantial enough, and the women just aren't buying. The slaughterers said they were not to blame for the high prices, were being "squeezed," and cried for relief. Warehouses and coolers were full of unsold meat, slaughterers said they might be forced to close, and were laying off workers.

A grocery chain on Long Island cut top round roast beef from 83 cents a pound to 79, after cutting steak from 99 cents to 89.

A Chicago meat market cut porterhouse steak from \$1.48 to \$1.09. A suburban Pittsburgh market was selling "good" steaks at 89 cents, down from 98 cents two weeks before.

15 Rail Non-ops Get 12 1/2c, Plus Cost-of-Living Hike

Washington (LPA)—Fifteen non-operating AFL railroad unions signed a 32-month contract March 1 which gives 1,000,000 shop and terminal employees 12 1/2 cents an hour increase retroactive to Feb. 1, plus cost-of-living raises.

The agreement was signed at 6:08 a.m. after an all-night negotiating session in the office of Presidential Assistant John R. Steelman. Initialed by carrier and union representatives, the contract is binding and does not require ratification by union members. President Truman congratulated unions for reaching agreement without strike action.

George E. Leighty, chairman of the Railway Labor Executives' Association and chief union negotiator, said that "while we would like to see a better agreement, this is one we can live with." L. W. Horning, chairman of the Eastern Carriers' Conference Committee echoed the comment, and estimated the contract would cost railroads \$280,000,000 a year.

Workers now average \$1.48 an hour so that the 12 1/2-cent raise comes within the 10 percent limit in the proposed wage stabilization formula. They will also get one cent an hour for each point the Bureau of Labor Statistics cost-of-living index rises above 178—first payments will be based on the Feb. 15 index and probably average four or five cents an hour.

J. P. Shields, Grand Chief Engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, told a Senate Labor Committee that the non-operating unions' settlement would have no effect on the dispute between operating unions and the railroads.

Folsom Dam Starts

Contractors got quickly underway on a 5-million-yard Mormon Island auxiliary dam at Folsom. Hassler and D & H bid low at \$2,194,400.



SEX, NOT ART—Bette Rose, a featured strip teaser, says she's for burlesque as long as it pays off in cash. Bette has no patience with the girls in her line of work who "try to highbrow the trade by writing books, reading psychology, or calling it art." (LPA)