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LARGEST OF ITS KIND in the world, reportedly, is this huge earth-drilling machine, weighing 70,000 lbs. It is shown here in use on the Portola Drive widening project in San Francisco, It was developed by Fred Pavlow, owner of P & Z company of South San Francisco, Pavlow says the machine is ready for work 15 minutes after wheeling up to job site, and it drills piling holes as large as eight feet in diameter, at any angle and more than 100 feet into the ground!

The City by the Golden Gate

RAIN PUTS THE DAMPER ON ALL JOBS IN SAN FRANCISCO

By PAT CLANCY & HARRY METZ, Business Representatives

The rains have finally caught up with the work situation in San Francisco, at this writing, it has been raining steadily the past two weeks! Practically all of the jobs have been shut down and we have a good many brothers on the out-of-work list, at this time.

Work is still progressing on Mac-Donald Young & Nelson's section the Embarcadero freeway. Thirty days of good weather should see this section completed.

The Construction Companies engaged in demolition work have been busy all winter. There will be a great deal more of this type of work contracted for in the near Market Street. future, as there is a tremendous job to be done, in making way for the new freeways across town.

Several companies are doing underground work around town. Associated Pipeline, Michael Murphy, Fred Fairey, Mike Lynch and Wm. Cole have all been busy on this type of work.

Bragato Paving Company are reconditioning asphalt roads at the Presidio in San Francisco and have various street work jobs going on in the Sunset district.

The new addition to the Laguna Honda Home have kept several small contractors busy this winter. This work is expected to be com-

pleted in 60 days. M. & K. Corporation's job of widening upper Market Street has been making very good progress. The same Company is still working on their sewer job at 1st and Mission Streets.

L. C. Smith will start paving the Causeway over the bay from Candlestick Point to Sierra Point in South San Francisco in about 60 days, Concrete paving on this job is being done by Pacific Builders Associates.

Piombo Construction Company is making good progress on their two water reservoir jobs, despite the bad weather.

Charles Harney Company has several jobs going on at the pres-

ent time. The most important job is the construction of the new Embarcadero Freeway which runs in front of the Ferry Building and terminates at Fisherman's Wharf. This job is slow in getting under

Ben Gerwick Company and Raymond Concrete Company have piledriving jobs going along lower

Lowrie Paving Eaton & Smith have several small

projects in operation around town. Our last regular meeting was an interesting one. One of the most important subjects was our Blood Bank. We found out that we had to borrow blood from the Teamster's Blood Bank because ours was depleted. We hope we won't have to do that again because we know that if the members knew of the many cases where distressed brothers and wives would have died without blood transfusions they would gladly donate a pint of blood to the Operating Engineers blood bank! I understand that our last appeal did bring results from some of the other areas, BUT THERE WAS NO RESPONSE FROM SAN FRANCISCO! This is disheartening since with the jobs shut down on account of rain our members in this area could easily have made an appointment for this worthy cause. HOW ABOUT IT, FELLOWS . . , LET'S SEE SAN FRANCISCO MEMBERS NAMES ON THE HONOR ROLL IN NEXT MONTH'S NEWS!!!

Service Withdrawals

JAY H. FULLMER ERROL H. KISTER GARY MORTHOLE VERNON L. SEIM JULIAN DON STEVENS

Local 3 Seeks New A.G.C. Contract Effective May 1

ATTENTION . . . MEMBERS WORKING UNDER THE A.G.C. CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT!!!!

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

All members employed by the contracting firms working under the Northern & Central Chapters of the Associated General Contractors Association's agreement with Local

No. 3 are advised that this agreement expires on April 30th, 1957 nection with the newly proposed ciation, meetings will be held in and has been officially terminated agreement. Your recommendations the various districts where it will by Local Union No. 3 as of that date!

We now hope to negotiate a new agreement with the Association, to take effect May 1st, 1957.

Your Negotiating Committee has a big job to do and we are asking each and every member affected by the agreement to offer any sug-

can be sent in to the main office, be possible to meet the largest or you can tell the business representative in the district in which you work, or reside, and he will report to the Negotiating Committee your ideas for their guidance,

After the negotiating committee tion, I am has reached some understanding and have received a satisfactory gestions they might have in con- offer from the Contractors Asso-

number of members and discuss the proposed agreement.

Trusting you will give this important matter your immediate attention and serious considera-

> Sincerely and Fraternally, VICTOR S. SWANSON Local Union Manager.



ROBERT GRAGSON Las Vegas, Calif., Jan. 20, 1957. EDWIN V. SILVA Sacramento, Calif., Feb. 10, 1957. LELAND L. MELOY

Covina, Calif., Feb. 13, 1957. FRANCIS H. DURFEY San Leandro, Calif., Feb. 19, 1957.

JOHN E. HAUGHTON Sanger, Calif., Feb. 22, 1957. FELIX JOE VALENTI

San Jose, Calif., Feb. 25, 1957. ALBERT F. JONES Modesto, Calif., Feb. 27, 1957.

E. DOMINGUEZ Cupertino, Calif., March 4, 1957.

B. E. WOODBURY Folsom, Calif., March 4, 1957.

RALPH MOLLER Hayward, Calif., March 5, 1957.

Many men who served as U.S. Navy Seabees in World War II are now grandfathers. Grandpa is not as spry as he was during his service days. When he returned from Korea and some of the other more recent places of action, he was glad to relax and play with his grandchildren, so now the old

boy has to be replaced if the construction corps of the Navy is to be effective during any future national emergencies.

Young carpenters, electricians, bricklayers, concrete finishers, pilebutts, operating engineers, steel and iron workers, drivers, mechanics (gasoline and diesel), sheet metal men, plumbers, steamfitters and other types of construction trades are needed now in the Seabee Reserve.

There is only one place to get the men to replace the old timers and that is from organized labor. The construction trades are the backbone and the main source of strength for the Fighting Builders of the Navy. Their ingenuity,

knack, and know-how has made the Seabees the outstanding outfit that they have always been. There is no doubt that the Navy needs you construction tradesmen during these times of uneasy peace. We need men with your experience to instruct and train our younger members and, of course, during periods of emergency we need men who are literally able to "pave the way" to victory.

The benefits are not all on the side of the Navy, however. Seabee Reservists are advanced in rating and in pay according to their civilian experience - apprentice mechanics or foremen. Pay is received for any and all participation in the organized Seabee Reserve program, You may also attend the Seabee schools where experienced men in your own trade who speak your own language will help you improve yourself for your own as well as for the Navy's benefit.

Interested men may contact the Navy Recruiter or the Commanding Officer of the Seabee Reserve unit at their local Naval Reserve Training Center,

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Guy F. Atkinson Co., 10 W. Orange Ave. So. S.F., \$2,695,357 for 42 mi. grade & surf. w/ptmx. surf. on cem. tr. base & const. 3 brdgs., betw. Rt. 1 & 0.6 mi. W. of Potter Valley Road, MENDOCINO

Utah Members, Notice!

TO ALL MEMBERS OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3 IN THE STATE OF UTAH:

There will be a special meeting held on SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 1957 AT 2:00 O'CLOCK P.M. AT THE LA-BOR TEMPLE ANNEX, 159 SOUTH 2ND EAST, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. This meeting will be of special interest to all members. You are urgently requested to attend.

> C. F. MATHEWS Recording-Corresponding Secretary



RE-SHAPING SAN FRANCISCO BAY - Rocky piers form hollow rectangles which will be filled in solid to create Paradise Cay home-building development on the Belvedere Peninsula in Marin county,

being built by Pullman Bldg. Co. Fills go as deep as 50 feet. For an idea how the finished product will look, see picture on page 3,

San Mateo, Hub of the Peninsula Local 3 Members, Employers Contribute to San Mateo Boys Club

By CHET ELLIOTT & BILL RANEY, Business Representatives

Through the cooperation of the various Labor Unions and their members, together with the utmost in cooperation of the employers, work has started on a site donated by Mr. and Mrs. Dore at Mt. Diablo and Quebec Avenues in San Mateo, for a building that will house the San Mateo Boys Club. Oper-

ating Engineers Local No. 3 is well for L. C. Smith has started the project on the way with a donation of 2500 yards of earth, as well as donating a shovel, loader, cat, tamper and ten trucks to haul the earth. Brother George Smith, foreman, together with shovel operator Brother Cliff Kent, his oiler Tom Murray, loader operator Cliff Ray and cat and tamper operator Bro. William Melton all donated their Time to this worthy project. The building will total approximately 5500 square feet and will include such facilities as game rooms, a craft shop, library, kitchen, showers, etc. Our Brothers should feel justly proud of their efforts in this venture, for without their cooperation as well as that of their employers, such a building may not have been possible.

AIRPORT JOB

At the San Francisco International Airport, the United Air Lines have started construction on a multi-million dollar expansion 21 to March 7, due to the location program which will include erection of huge hangars to accommodate jet aircraft, a new flight lated residential area along the kitchen for in-flight meals, an employee cafeteria, boiler plant, wash rack and a nine hundred car parking lot. There will also be a line maintenance service area which will fuel and service five aeroplanes at the same time. The Raymond Concrete Pile Co. and the Bragato Paving Co., are now operating at the site driving piles and digging the footings for the build-

There will be a great deal of other activity at the airport during the coming season. Plans are now underway for the extension of both the NORTH & SOUTH and the EAST & WEST runways to a leng of twelve thousand feet to accommodate the new types of cargo and passenger planes. The cost of the fill for this expansion is estimated at SIX MILLION DOLLARS. This expansion will provide employment for a large group of Operating Engineers for a long period of time.

13-MONTH TUNNEL JOB During the past month after thirteen months of drilling, the North bore of the San Francisco Water Co.'s tunnel, which is being constructed by the Peter Kiewitt Co. under the city of Hillsborough, met the South bore, connecting the two ends. The Civil Engineering crew, consisting of Resident Engineer Brother Guy Kitson, Party Chief Harry Andrade, Instrumentman Brother Arthur Kauffman and Field Assistant Brother Robert Torello were highly complimented on the accuracy of the two bores meeting so exactly. Project manager Mr. Paul Ellers reported to this office that progress had been very satisfactory through the entire length of the tunnel, notwithstanding the fact that the job is located six thousand

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represented in this group. Contrac- feet from the San Andreas fault, which creates a mixture of different types of materials. The south half of the one mile tunnel has been completely lined with ninetyone inch steel pipe and concrete, however, the north one half mile of pipe laying and gunite work is still incomplete. A crew of Local No. 3 men, consisting of mechanic Brother Smith, mucker operator Brother Powers, hackley operator Brother Townsend, batch plant operator Brother Lorenzen, motormen Brothers Fennell, McCanless and Williams, compressor operators Brothers Brown and Campbell will be steadily employed until August or September of this year, on this project.

> The date of opening of bids for the construction of the mile and one half of seventy-nine inch pipe line, extending from the North end of the Hillsborough Tunnel, through the city of Hillsborough, has been postponed from February of this pipe line project, which travels through a thickly popucity streets. A great many Operating Engineers will have employment for many months when this project gets underway.

ANOTHER HIGHWAY

Some few days ago a meeting was held in San Mateo, at which officials of the California Division of Highways were present. A plan was disclosed whereby the Division of Highways will construct a fourth Peninsula Highway through San Mateo County and Santa Clara County, to San Jose. The route of the fourth arterial was not made public at the meeting but it is reasonable to assume the new route would stem from the terminal of Junipero Serra at Millbrae and continue south, so as to aleviate the traffic congestion at

Plans are underway by Oddstad Homes for the immediate development of Farm Hills Subdivision No. 5, in Redwood City, which indicates the "tight money" situation has somewhat loosened. This subdivision has been moving ahead slowly for the past few months due to the financing situation.

A part of the SIXTY-NINE MIL-LION DOLLAR Army building program of housing for Military Personnel for Northern California, is to be spent in the vicinity of San Bruno and Sharps Park. The exact location of these thirty units was not obtainable.

Two Belmont contracting firms in a joint venture: The Bragato Paving Co. and the Charles Berger Co. were low bidders on one of the largest underground utilities and street grading and paving jobs ever awarded in the history of San Carlos. The job site is the FIVE HUNDRED ACRE SAN CARLOS ESTATES. The streets in this area are to be sixty feet wide, and the homes to be sold from thirty to thirty-five thousand dollars. There were eight bidders on this project and this joint venture firm submitted the lowest bid.

The Pacific Coast Builders of San Francisco were awarded the two million dollar contract for the construction of the Sequoia Union High School, at Woodside, McFadden & Son of Menlo Park are now operating a fleet of cats and rubber tire rigs on a sub-contract for the excavation and grading. AWAIT WEATHER

Most of the local contractors in the area have work to start as soon as the weather settles. Some Tibbetts Co. of San Francisco, for Engineers in this area,



BROTHERLY BLOOD-That's the kind these Operating Engineers are giving at San Mateo Blood Bank, typical of the 104 donors listed at left. These boys are employed by E. H. Bean Co. of Redwood City which does much crane work in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties, "Tex" Bean is equipped to

handle any type of hoisting work. He is a publicspirited man, as are his seven employees shown above: Frank Tullough, Martin Casey, Dick Hutchings, Dick Roberts, Charley Davis, "Pete" Bean, and Walter Sepulveda, They are shown here at the Peninsula Memorial Blood Bank on Saturday, March 2.

Sincere Thanks from A Member's Widow

Mr. Victor S. Swanson,

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of Feb. 20, 1957, enclosed are affidavits and certified copy of death cercificates as requested.

I want to thank the Operating Engineers for their help during Mr. Meloy's illness. He received blood donations which probably gave him a few more months of life. I want to thank the donors, During his illness of two years, he never fai ed to say "When I go on the next job," so his union meant a lot to him. Again I want to thank you for your help now, when everyone's help is a bless-

> Thank you sincerely, Mrs. Evelyn Meloy West Covina, Calif.

THANKS VOICED FOR BLOOD GIFTS

Gratitude is being expressed by many for the generous donation of blood made by Local 3 members in various districts, although this does not imply that enough blood is now on hand—the need still exists, and with the rainy weather it is felt members have a better opportunity to make arrangements to give blood-get on the honor roll today!

Therefore, all who can are urged to contribute blood, first contact- the adjoining column. ing the union office for informa-

Good showings were made by several districts in the past month, notably the Northbay district, including San Rafael and Vallejo, Lyle G. Bonner P. B. Middleton where a total of 76 donations are on record.

extended to each of those donating | F. R. Chaddock blood. This attitude is well expressed in the letter from a member's widow, which is carried in

Following is the honor roll of blood donors under the current drive to replenish our union account at the blood banks:

VALLEJO Billy G. Burns Lloyd D. Miller Arthur L. Cereda Robert A. Mills The gratitude of all members is Esther R. Cereda Jimmie C. Moore Glenn F. Moyer James L. Clark E. A. McCreath Frank A. Colloms J. J. McNickle William O. Davis. Kenneth R. Ogg C. W. Dayton Chester D. Oiler John R. Dennis John R. Owen Lewis Dexter U. E. Peairson Willard E. Dixon Clyde A. Plymell Frank J. Enright Fred W. Probst

Chas. W. Foote Paul Raney L. A. Freeman O. B. Gant Jess W. Garver Vern A. Gash Earl L. Gibson George Harris Clem A. Hoover

E. D. Switzler Austin E. Hunt L. L. Switzler Mack H. Hunter Buster B. Terry Wm. E. Jones Robert P. Theron Ross Maynard

Chas. B. Mannon James C. Wafford H. Maunder, Jr. Clarence Weaver John F. Wertz SAN BAFAEL

E. J. Clay Thomas Poague Lloyd W. Cossairt Orville Schmidt

Robert Cossairt Ray R. Schunk Lola D. Cossairt Rhebon C. Smith Lloyd H. Cossairt John W. Suiter Lawton Jackson Peter Verhonik John H. Jaquish Arthur Whitley John F. Lockett Ada L. Wilkinson Wm, D. Maloney E. R. Wilkinson

Martin Ronning

Grace J. Seaton

Chas. A. Smith

William Sniffen

Delmer E. Steele

Aaron Smith

OAKLAND W. Cox

M. L. Purser T. Clark John Gosmeyer C. Webster W. R. Chown

G. Anderson J. Mathews Neil Burnham E. Nichols J. Winingham SAN MATEO

Frank Tullough Charley Davis Martin Casey Dick Hutchings Dick Roberts

"Pete" Bean Walter Sepulveda SACRAMENTO James V. Gorham

Forrest Payton Mrs. H. Palmer Jack E. Starns Donald Palmer

FRESNO

Lee Hunter

Mac Long

Earl H. Hobbs

EUREKA Hershell Myer SANTA ROSA

Report of Last Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m., President Cancy presiding, Roll call showed Conductor Collett absent, and excused, A Synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 2 was read and by motion approved as read.

A Synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of February 13 and of February 27 read, and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

Cards of thanks were received from the family of Harry Lundeberg; Mrs. Dean Branscum and family and the family of O. L. Asher. Received and filed.

The following Brothers were reported ill: Warren B. Adams, Oscar J. Brandon, George Bubier, Eldon Bailey, Wm. W. Bowlin, Thomas Craig, Ernest Cooper, Robert Conn, Charlie E. Donley, Claude O. Davis, John E. Estey, W. D. Eastwood, R. K. Froh, William Greeno, Kenneth Hegre, Mason A. Hoburg, Ted Holmes, Leslie R. Haney, Arnold Harland, W. R. Hard, Paul L. Hein, O. L. Inman, San Isaminger, Thomas Jenkins, James Jelinch, T. D. Kime, Donald King, Don E. Louderback, Herman Howard F. Baker Victor A. Nielsen LeSueur, Thomas Marshall, James W. Martin, Keith R. Miser, Antone R. R. Chattman Claude Odom Madruga, Oscar Medalen, Edward Nissen, Chas. Quilette, Sr., John Ottoson, John Pasco, Roy L. Pierce, Fred Padia, Arthur Pleas, Anthony Pisano, Tom, L. Rhyne, Herman Rosse, Joseph Risch, Jim Reeves, Clarence J. Smith, Irving Steinhoff, Geo. D. Smith, Mitten Thornton, W. A. Townsend, Duane Vogler, Neal Willingham, Lee Woods, E. L. Willis, Melvin J. White,

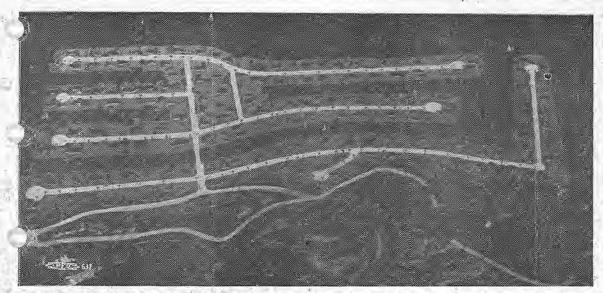
The following Brothers were reported deceased: Harry B. Hammerquist, G. A. Nuckolls, Edwin V. Silva, Leland L. Meloy, Francis H. Durfey, Robert Gragson. The membership stood in one minute in silence in respect to our deceased Brothers.

The Business Agents gave their reports which were accepted as given. It was reported that Brother Louis Solari was ill in the hospital. Don Kinchloe Discussion was had regarding the operation of compressors and welding machines. No action was taken.

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

Respectfully submitted, C. F. MATHEWS Recording-Corresponding Secretary

of the low bidders on miscellan- the replacements of fenders on the eous jobs during the past month San Mateo and Dumbarton were the H. T. Guerin Co. of South Bridges, and the L. C. Smith Co. City for the construction of pump- for street paving in the city of San ing stations and water tanks for Mateo. After reading this report Mills Estate at Burlingame, over, even though employment is Associated Pipeline Incorporated, at a low ebb at the present time, South San Francisco for the in- it appears that as soon as the stallation of culverts and building weather abates and these many access roads at the San Francisco projects get under way, there will International Airport, the Healy be a great demand for Operating



BOATMAN'S PARADISE-That's what this new subdivision, Paradise Cay, at Belevedere in Marin anty will be when completed, as visualized in this emposite photo-drawing. Most of the 233 homesites will have their own docks on channels 10 feet

deep at low tide. Paradise Drive, in foreground, leads to Belevedere on the right or Highway 101 and Corte Madera two miles to the left. Pullman Bldg. Co. of Hillsborough is sponsoring the project.

Northbay Engineers Are Re-Shaping Bay for Homes

By H. O. FOSS, F. A. LAWRENCE, L. C. SOLARI & AARON S. SMITH Business Representatives

As this goes to press, it is raining quite heavily and the , so outlook is not bright at this time, though it should improve as the rainy season slacks off.

Granite Construction, who had the job for excavating and fill of the Black Point Bridge, have sold it to Paul Vincilione

who will be starting as soon as the weather permits.

Black Point Aggregates-Broth-Mel Cross on Loader and Crane; Brother Grady Croker has been transferred over to Niles Sand & Gravel in Niles and will be in charge of maintenance. Brother Norman Muller will be taking over as Foreman at Black Point Ag-

We see where Brown-Ely has pinched off a job at Boonville, approximately \$250,000. Sounds like this will keep them busy, but not in this area.

Pullman Bldrs. at Ring Point busy with following crew:

On Shovels are Brothers George rreeland, known to all the old timers as "Chewing Tobacco' Freeland; R. H. Harrison and Lloyd McCulla. On the Dredge is Brother Les Peterson, Firing is Brother Don L. Elton. Oilers are Brothers Loran Murphy, Leonard lamson and Richard Pfau, On Cat is Bro. Lee Garner. Mechanics in their shop: Brothers Paul Nut-Claude Worsham, Wayne Wells, R. Jennings, Albert W. Harms. Foreman is Brother Ed Johnson, and Project Manager is

Kirby Stevens. TILDING IN THE BAY

What was once a rocky promontory jutting out into the bay has been levelled and the resulting "ock pushed into the water to E. Steele. create strips of water-bound land,

ing planned will have their own W. Dayton, Lewis F. Dexter, Chesfor launch or moderate size sailboat, Minimum depths of the channels will be ten feet at low tide. In the open bay side, the shore

slopes sharply down to 50 feet Each pier of land will have its

n central driveway for motor es. Building lots will extend approximately 100 feet on both sides to the water's edge. Cost of prearing the land and building roads for the project will total nearly \$2 million before lots are ready for ale. This project is still in the en-

ering stage and no lots are presently available or offered for B. Mannon, friends of Engineers sale. It is expected that sales will begin this summer when the map or the first unit is completed and approved. Located on a deep water channel of the bay, the new subdivision lies two miles from the

te Madera intersection of Hwy. Lul. The Marin County entrance to the San Rafael-Richmond Bridge is six miles from the Bay.)-FOOT DEPTH

Rock which formed the original promontory was pushed into the hay, sometimes to a depth of 50

t, to form hollow rectangles of land 1,000 feet long in some cases and 250 wide. By means of clamshell bucket operations, the hollow rectangles are being filled in with rock and fill from the channels to wife of Brother Lloyd H. Cossairt luck in his new venture and don't you next month.

create the land piers for roadbeds and homesites. First of its kind in the Bay Area, the subdivision is expected to have few imitators. Such a development is economically feasible only where a rock promontory extends into deep water; this provides a base for operations and materials to form the essential rock bound rectangles to hold the fill.

The new subdivision has already

aroused interest among members

of the boating fraternity of San

Francisco Bay who have watched

the man-made peninsula take

VALLEJO DONORS

shape.

"Good Deeds Speak for Them-

Our drive for blood was successful in the Vallejo area-Brother Aaron Smith headed the drive and we are very happy to report he was successful in getting 45 donations.

Blood donors from the Vallejo area are:

Brothers Aaron S. Smith, Jimmie C. Moore, Ulrich E. Peairson, Martin Ronning, Charles A. Smith, Odie B. Gant, Willard E. Dixon, Jess W. Garver, Lyle G. Bonner, Frank J. Enright, Clyde A. Plymell, James C. Wafford, Robert A. Mills, James J. McNickle, William E. Jones, Edwin D. Switzler, Delmar

Glenn F. Moyer, Herbert Maun-Nearly all the 233 homesites be- der, Jr., William Sniffen, Clarence ter frontage docking facilities ter D. Oiler, Paul Raney, Billy G. Burns, John R. Dennis, Clem A. Hoover Lloyd D. Miller Frank R. Chaddock, Lester L. Switzler, Frank A. Colloms, John R. Owen, Edwin A. McCreath, Earl L. Gibson, Mack H. Hunter, George R. Harris.

James L. Clark, Fred W. Probst, Clarence Weaver, Ross Maynard, John Wertz, William Davis, and the wife of Brother Arthur L. Cereda, Brother Cereda was refused, also Bro. Chas. W. Foote but they should receive mention-we appreciate their efforts. Also thanks to Paul B. Middleton and Charles Local 3 who donated to the fund.

SAN RAFAEL DONORS

San Rafael was successful in drive on Friday, March 1-with the following Brothers donating:

Howard F. Baker, Raymond R. Chattman, Ernest J. Clay, Lloyd W. Cossairt, Lloyd H. Cossairt, Lawton C. Jackson, John H. Jaquish, John F. Lockett, William D. Maloney, Victor A. Nielson, Claude Odom, Thomas W. Peague, Ray A. Schunk, Rhebon C. Smith, John W. Suiter, Peter A. Verhonik, Arthur L. Whitley, Edward Wilkinson, Orville Schmidt, also the wife of Brother Wilkinson donated, and

and son Robert, Total donations from San Rafael area; 22.

For members who wish to give in next drive—the Blood Bank will be over in San Rafael at the Elks Club on Friday, March 15, between hours of 2:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Irwin Memorial Blood Bank located in San Francisco will take members every day. For members living in Vallejo-Napa areas, if you will contact Brothers Solari and Smith, they will make the appointments for you.

Remember, Brothers this blood is put into the Union's Reserve Fund and is made available for you and members of your family, Brother Garnet D. Rogers, Stake hurt in an accident on Hwy 101 and has been given 10 units of blood. Our thanks to the members working for Carey Brothers who were so cooperative in donating. And to the wife of Brother Cossairt -we wish to thank her for putting herself out-also wife of Brother Wilkinson, as well as the wife of Brother Arthur Cereda in Vallejo

How about arranging for the next blood bank drive, Brothers? Remember, any member of your family may give if over the age of 19.

NAPA OFFICE

As this goes to press, Brother Louis C. Solari, has been hospitalized at Merritt Hospital in Oakland and from last report received, he is greatly improving. We hope to see him up and around very soon.

We wish to announce that we have an office in Napa located at Soscol Avenue, Telephone number: BAldwin 4-7671. Office hours will be from: 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon, and from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. during the week. On Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for your convenience. Members in Napa area please take

M. & K. & Stolte job in Mare Island working . . . Ben C. Gerwick is driving the piling and now backfilling with sand brought in on barges. Los Gatos is doing the underground work for Bell Telephone

More year dues being paid, and displaying their '57 buttons are-Brothers: Dud R. Day, Carrol Madsen and Ken Shaffer, George DeSpain, Fred Jensen. Bro. Jensen is a member of San Rafael City Council-he is retired as an Engineer at present and doing a fine job as Councilman.

PERSONAL NEWS

Brothers Kenneth Gilmartin and L. J. Avilla working for the City of San Rafael School Board during the winter-2 smart boys!

Congratulations to Brother Robert Borello-It's a girl, and for Brother John Lockett, it's a boy. Also congratulations to Brother Lloyd W. Cossairt, Jr. it's a girl. Brother John Lockett is kept

busy these days, besides becoming a proud papa and donating blood to our fund, he is Guitar player and calls his band the "Rhythmn Kings." We feel these boys will go places, just recently being auditioned by a local night club spot. We wish Brother Lockett and his "Rythmn Kings" lots of luck.

Brother Clarence E. Huffstutter has left for Singapore, going to work for Betchel on Dozers and Side Booms mostly. We wish him

REDWOOD RAIN APL

By K. A. "KEN" BROOKS & DANNY "O" DEES

Business Representatives

Brothers, it sure looks like a weather repeat again this month. By the time this goes to press we should be on the down hill side of the winter. The out-of-work list is pretty well loaded due to the rain.

Norman I. Fadel, Inc. has been making pretty good progress with the clearing on their 101 Hwy. job at Big Lagoon. All the for the Forest Service. The resibrothers on this one are happy to dent engineer for both contracts have Brother Art Meyers running the spread. This company also going along nicely on the rip-rap job near Piercy, Brother Fred Stockdale the "snapper."

Mercer-Fraser Co. making good time on their rip-rap, etc. at various places along 101 south of Sco-

Arthur B. Siri's A.B.S. Aggregate Co, have recently completed re-vamping their rock plant at Arcata. Sure looks like the answer to their problem.

Brothers, the Willow Creek, Berry Summit area is quiet as a mouse, knee dep in mud, likewise the Crescent City area.

Various small contractors in the Eureka area are doing their best to do a little when the weather lately after notification of award. permits.

The Six Rivers National Forest awarded Harold P. Hasting of Lakeport the contract for construction of two miles of main access road. This project is 6 miles northeast of Weitchpec. Starting on the Klamath River highway it will continue into the Bluff Creek -drainage. The contract amount is approximately \$140,000 and in-Puncher for Carey Brothers was cludes one permanent bridge 110 feet in length. Completion is called for in early May.

A contract for another section of this road, starting at approximately 15 miles beyond the previous contract will consist of construction of nine miles of road and includes one bridge. James H. Clack of Sacramento was low biddereon this section. Cost will approximate \$440,000 and is to be completed by late December.

Upon completion of these two contracts, access will be a reality to a point named Ferris Camp, some 26 miles up the Bluff Creek drainage from the highway. This drainage is heavily covered by a good quality Douglas Fir stand, and its orderly harvest on sustained yield basis is now being planned. An interesting and unusual feature of this contract section was the way in which prospective bidders were offered the opportunity to investigate the location.

USE HELICOPTER

Due to early storm, on-the-ground access became nearly impossible, so for this season a helicopter was employed and flights were made from the Orleans airfield for interested contractors

The Bureau of Public Roads was responsible for the survey and will handle the construction contracts

forget to write us.

Brother Harry Cahill just retuned from a vacation down Mexico way, but tells us he had to make a hurried trip home due to illness of his wife.

FOR RENT: Brother John Price has for rent: 3200 Gallon White 10 Wheeler-3 inch pump-40 foot spray. Anyone interested may call him at TWinbrook 2-2711 (Nova-

Brother Larry McDonald has returned from the service, and has deposited his service withdrawal. Says he is in no hurry to work, as he is taking care of about twentyone horses at his ranch at Pt. Reyes.

Brother Phil Cardona was hospitalized at Stanford Hospital in San Francisco but is now out recuperating.

Referring back to our Blood Bank-the following Brothers from Peter Kiewit and Son job in Corte Madera donated: Buster Terry, Robert Theron and George West. Brother Austin Hunt was refused but he certainly deserves mention in our column, Many thanks to them.

As this goes to press, we received word that Brother Travis A. Fodge has donated and Veon A. Gash employed by Kiewit as laborer. Thanks to them.

This is all from this end. See

will be John T. Haapola, who recently was in charge of Bureau work on Highway 299, Berry Summit section.

The Associated Dredging Company was awarded the job with a low bid of \$66,740 for construction of the sanitary sewage works addition to the treatment plant consisting of an oxidation pond and appurtenant structure for the city of Arcata.

The Six Rivers National Forest Service announced the letting of two timber access road survey contracts this week.

Both engineering jobs, a total of 10.2 miles, were let to the firm of Winzler, Winzler and Brizzard of Eureka. Work was started immed-The Siskiyou Fork project of 6.6 miles is located in the Red Cap Creek drainage.

Both projects are to be completed during 1957, and when constructed will afford access to large stands of Douglas fir timber.

Brothers, how about that Blood Bank?

We want to thank Brother Hershel Myer for his donation last week. "The way he donates he'll have a bank by him-self."

Remember, the office is open Monday night, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for your convenience.

Mitchell Praises **Anti-Corruption** Stand by AFL-CIO

Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell has expressed high praise for the stand taken by the AFL-CIO Executive Council to combat corruption within the ranks of la-

Speaking before the Catholic Institute of the Press here, Mitchell declared that he had "the greatest faith" that organized labor, as it has in the past, will once again accept the challenge of stopping labor racketeering and would clean its own house.

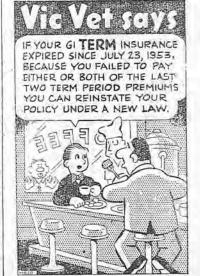
"Today's true labor leaders," he said, "have preserved and act upon the ethical principles of their George Meany is predecessors. such a man."

Discussing the action taken by the Executive Council at Miami to stamp out racketeering, Mitchell declared:

"The tide is starting to run against labor criminals. The AFL CIO Code of Ethical Practices forbids labor leaders from maintaining compromising personal ties with an employer—a warning to the soft leader who opens the door to the criminals. As to labor leaders who are criminals themselves, the Code is a weapon for cutting them out of the movement.'

10 LEGAL HOLIDAYS

About one-half the states observe 10 or more legal holidays each year.



For full information contact your nearest VETERANS ADMINISTRATION office

NEW GRAVEL PLANT ON

By GLENN L. DOBYNS. Business Representative

The erection of a new modern gravel plant has been announced by the Syar and Harms organization. The plant, which is nearing completion, is located on the Russian River, 21/2 miles west of Windsor and approximately 14 miles northwest of Santa Rosa. This new company will operate under the name of Windsor Sand and Gravel Co., Inc., with Mr. C. M. (Tony) Syar, president, and Mr. Robert Montgomery heading up the sales and delivery.

The growth and the opportunities in this area prompted the installation of this new facility for the production of large quantities of concrete aggregates, plaster sand, roofing gravel, road base and paving materials and other types of crushed rock products.

The Syar and Harms organization has had extensive experience in the production of these products from their numerous construction contracts and also from the operation of their large plants at Madison and Esparto, Calif.

Special attention has been given to the production of a cleaner and more perfectly graded concrete sand which is the basis of good concrete. One of the largest Wem-Sand preparation machines available along with a "Water Cyclone" are being installed to salvage the very fine sand former-Iy lost during the washing process. From the washer the sand is carried up a radial stacker where it is piled over a special drain field to produce a uniform product with low moisture content. Concrete gravel ranging in size from ¼ in. pea gravel to 11/2 in. rock is graded and washed by two 4x6 double deck vibrating screens and will be fed to large stock piles by conveyors fingering out from the main plant. From 15 to 25 men have been employed in the erection of this plant for the past three months. It is expected that when the plant is under full production there will be an average of 50 union employees producing an anpayroll of approximately \$350,000. The owners of this company feel that this area has a bright future ahead of it and are happy to participate in its growth.

As everyone knows by this time the relocation of Highway 20 was awarded of the Guy F. Atkinson Co. for the sum of \$2,695,357, with the Parish Bros. a close second, their bid was \$2,698,350. Brother Limon B. Snider is the superintendent and he has a big job ahead of him, as this highway must be open to traffic by the 15th of March, 1958.

The Baldwin Contracting Company of Marysville were low bidders on the Stoney Point Sewer Line. Their bid was \$28,990, beating the Peletz Co, of Santa Rosa by the amount of \$5850.

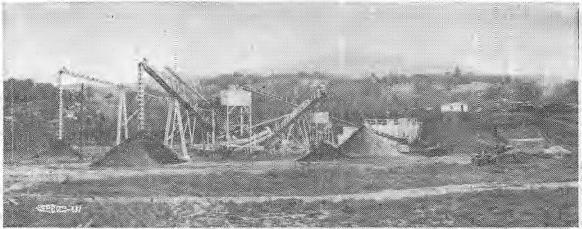
The Brown-Ely Company of Corte Madera were low bidders on the Highway 128 job near Boonville, their bid was \$221,705. There were only three bidders altogether, the other two were as follows: Granite Const. Co., \$238,294, and Arthur B. Siri, Inc., \$248,829. On April 2, 1957 bids will be

opened for the construction of a Sewage Disposal plant in Ukiah. This will also mean the construction of trunk lines at a later date and of course the employment of

more operators.

The Dry Creek Dam is still a live issue according to Mr. Sauer, representative of the Charles East Co., backers of the dam. The International Engineering Company are doing the engineering and the Morris-Knutson Company will do the construction. This will be a two-year job, and it is hoped that we will see some action on it by the time the Coyote Dam is finished.

Brother Bay Lovely really struck it lucky, at the drawing at the new Lee's store he won first prize, a TV set. The next time I see him must ask him how he does it. I have taken chances on every- you, Brother Mac.



ROLLEY COASTER, ROCK AND SAND-A fine new gravel plant getting underway on the Russian River 14 miles northwest of Santa Rosa by Syar and Harms is shown in the above picture. The processing procedure is plainly visible as the material is conveyed up to the large Wemco Sand machine, handled, sorted, washed, and then fed to growing stockpiles by conveyors fingering out in several directions from the main plant. (See story on this page.)

Rains Halt Most Work in the San Jose Area

The recent rains have practically halted all construction work in Santa Clara County. Even the Underground Contractors, who have been fairly busy this winter have had to shut down operations due to the rain.

Pisano Brothers have made fair progress on their Hamilton Ave. repair work at their shop in Palo way job near King City. At the job, putting in a storm sewer. At Alto, the present time they are using a Backhoe, a Crane and one Cat on this job. This firm is still busy on their job in Salinas.

P & E Construction Company are still working on their sewer job off Homestead Road. They also have a sewer job at Stanford University and in East San Jose.

Rodriques Company are still working on their job off Almaden Road and have started a new project in Kings Acres near Campbell.

While the work picture looks dark at the present time, several good-sized contracts have been let and work will start on these, if the weather permits, about the end of March. A continuation of the highway on which Leo Piazza and Lew Jones have been working for the past few months, will, be awarded later in March and this will run approximately 6 million dollars. Another highway job and over-pass will be let soon, located near the Macy Store site.

LOCKHEED PLANT

The Lockheed Company have announced another enlargement on their Sunnyvale plant by the addition of two more buildings. Hilp & Rhodes will continue as the contractors. Fredrickson & Watson Company expect to set up their batch plant within the next two weeks, on the Moffet Field job and will proceed with the sub-grade and paving operations as soon as the weather will allow.

Charles Harney and Macco Company have been able to work fairly steady until this last storm, but will forego sub-base operations until later in the spring.

The State Highway Department will open bids in the spring on the next section of the Los Gatos-San Jose Highway, also on the cloverleaf on the Bayshore near Moffett Field.

Sondgroth Brothers are installing a dual hot plant on their site in Mt. View and will be in operation for the spring and summer paving run, This firm is keeping a heavy shop crew busy on repair work during the winter months.

Piombo Brothers expect to resume operations on the Uvas Dam within the next three weeks if the weather permits.

Casey Concrete Company have moved their batch plant to just east of the Bayshore on the San Antonio Road.

McCammon & Wunderlich are keeping a good-sized crew busy on

thing from a new car to a box of candy and so help me, never once have I even received honorable

Congratulations are in order for Brother Jim Caples, on the 11th of February he was married to Elinor Catherine Antonio of Novato, the ceremony was performed

at the Wedding Chapel in Reno. The following brothers have paid annual dues during the month of February: Roy L. Fowler, Ed B. Schneck, and James B. Wesson.

Brother Mac Long was gracious enough to donate another pint of blood to our Blood Bank, Thank

ANOTHER MOVIE

Buran Equipment showed a film on the Michigan Tractor Loader at the Engineers' Hall in San Jose on Feb. 28, 1957. They plan to have another film shown on trouble shooting and this is scheduled for March 27, 1957, at 7 o'clock. This picture will be of interest to all the Brothers, especially the heavy duty mechanics. We hope that more of the Brothers will take advantage of seeing these films that are being shown through the courtesy of the Buran Equipment Company.

Granite Construction Company have started work on their high- Sur, on Highway No. 1.

present time they are using four 20's, and five Cats. Very shortly another bid on 5.6 miles of highway work is to be let close to this project. Near Chualar two more good-sized jobs will be let the first of March, this also will be road

Granite Construction Company have started the grading and paving on their subdivision at Fort Ord. Two hundred homes are under construction and it is expected that bids for 900 more homes will be let before June.

American Engineers are working on two highway jobs, one in Car-mel Valley and the other at Point

\$85 MILLION ON TRINITY JOBS

By E. A. HESTER & J. B. JENNINGS, Business Representatives

It now looks like we are in for a big season with respect to the work situation. Two major contracts on the big Trinity project have seen awarded.

The Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation have officially awarded the eleven mile Clear Creek Tunnel Proj-

ect contract, a small part of the Trinity River Project, to Shea Company, Morris Knudson Company, Macco Company, Henry J. Kaiser Company and Raymond Pile Company, a joint venture now at \$36,645,664.

Some of the officials are now on the job site looking the situation over. There is a lot of preliminary work to be done before the project will be under way. In another month or two things should be shaping up. They have 41/2 years to do the job.

The Guy F. Atkinson Company, M. J. Bevanda, Charles L. Harney, Ostrander Construction Company, A. Teichart and Son and The Trepet Construction Company, another joint venture, was the low bidder on the dam. They submitted a low bid over six other contractors at \$48,928,100. The job has not as vet been awarded, however all indications are that it will be awarded very soon.

There will be a tremendous amount of preliminary work to be done before this job can get under way-450 acres of clearing for dam site, roads, quarry stripping and etc.

Gibbons and Reed of Salt Lake City, Utah, got off to a flying start on their 41/2 million dollar freeway, south of Dunsmuir on Highway 99.

J. H. Harrison also got off to a good start on his job west of Cottonwood, known as the Beegum Road, Jess recently purchased three brand new D.W. 21's.

Stolte, Inc., of Oakland, have been held up on the Mineral job for quite some time due to heavy snow. Things out there are looking better and they expect to be under way within a very short time.

The big 15 million dollar Diamond Match plant at Red Bluff drugs." The council asked: "We had to slow down a little this winter due to shortage of material.

Peter Kiewitt & Son are still having at it on their road job at Horse Creek, Klamath River, Siskiyou County. Indications are that we are going to have a lot of work in that vicinitiy this year.

The Baldwin Construction Company of Yuba City, Calif., have been awarded a \$130,000 road job in Modoc and Lassen County near the little town of Likely, Calif. There are also indications of a lot who is left winger, all the execuof work coming up in that vicin- tive officers are defensemen, шy.

B. C. Richter Contracting Company of Oroville, Calif., was recently awarded a \$225,000 county road job near Ono, Calif. The work is situated about 12 miles west of Redding.

M. W. Brown, Trans Ocean Engineering and Joe Lema of Yreka, Calif., have been doing very well on their jobs near Lewiston and Minersville. These are the three access roads leading to the big Trinity Hydro Electric and flood control project. Due to weather conditions they have been slowed down. Most of the men are standing by waiting for the river to go down.

At the present time we have 300 men on the out of work list. However, this is not bad to compare with the number of men actually on the payroll and the work we have coming up,

MEDICAL COST HIT

Portland, Ore. The executive board of the Plywood District Council of the Woodworkers unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the IWA executive board stand on the question of the "accelerated trend in higher costs for hospitalization and want to know why and how come 'these increases?"

Fish and Game-

THE SUNFISH **WEIGHS 2 TONS**

The adult male weasel usually weighs less than a pound, sometimes less than half a pound.

The river otter is an extremely graceful swimmer and diver and can stay submerged about four minutes.

The pronghorn antelope's eyes are as big as a horse's and he casee small objects several mil away.

Elk tracks are larger and more blunt than deer tracks and smaller and less pointed than moose.

Three or four rabbit skins a used to make one felt hat.

Some species of octopus have tentacles 15 feet long and a total spread from tip to tip of over 30

The Pacific Ocean sunfish ofte reaches a weight of two tons.

The eggs of the great horned owl might well be termed the first "cold storage" eggs. These birds usually nest in midwinter but successfully keep their eggs warm? subzero weather.

Whales often "hold their breaths" for as long as 50 minutes. They, like all other mammals, however, can drown if they get water in their

Ancient cave pictographs pro that dogs have been kept in domestication by men since prehistoric

Hockey Pros

Professional athletes in still another sport-hockey-have organized a union.

Players of the National Hockey League announced recently that they have formed a player's ass ciation with Detroit Red Wing sta-Ted Lindsay as president. Purpose of the organization, according to Lindsay, is "to promote and protect the best interests of National League players."

The new union's slate of officers reads like the roster of an all-sta team. In additional to Lindsay they are: first vice president, Doug Harvey, Montreal Canadiens; second vice president, Fern Flaman. Boston Bruins; third vice president, Gus Mortson, Chicago Black Hawks; secretary, Jim Thompson, Toronto Maple Leafs; treasurer Bill Badsby, New York Ranger With the exception of Lindsay,

CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

PORT CHICAGO, awarded to John H. McCosker, Inc., 1501 Eastshore Hwy., Berkeley, \$179,499 for rehabil. 4 RR barricaded sidings, inc. rem. exist. barricade const., inst. new tbr. barricades & regrade & plt. earth embkmts. at Naval Magazine, Port Chicago, Concord.

LODI, Contract awarded to D. A. Parish & Sons, Inc., 3128 E. Miner St., Stockton, \$5,725 for lay concrete sanitary sewer in Mills Ave. in City of Lodi SAN JOA-QUIN COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awa ed to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 156, Perkins, \$60,796 for grade, pave drain, curbs, etc. Kara Tract in SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 1, Perkins, \$45,011 fr grounds development, inc. six grade, wtr., gas, san., swr., stm. drnge., elec. lines, area ltg., facils., manholes, ptmx. surf., ch.-lk. fence plt, trees, etc. at type K Armory, Military Dept., Sacramento, California.

EUREKA, Contract awarded Newman Const. Co., 3241 Prospect Ave., Eureka, \$5,789 for const. 2 conc. headwalls, Moon Creek, HUMBOLDT CO.

What's Doing in the Oakland Area

By AL CLEM, BILL BARR, TINY LAUX, DON KINCHLOE, HAROLD HUSTON, and TOM STAPLETON, Business Representatives

Work in the Oakland area has slowed down to a weak, from six feet by twenty-two feet crawl, that is caused by a belated rainy season which is holding up those construction jobs now in various stages of progress. Due to the uncertainty of the money market pertaining to the shortage of houses being built, we find an enormous amount of equipment such as dozers, loaders, rollers and trenching machines sitting idle and the contractors will not spend money for repairs or overhaul at this time. So as the result of this condition the effect is felt all the way down the line. The equipment repair shops are holding the majority of their employees, anticipating a change in conditions and a de-

mand for repairs.

The Utah Construction Company's Repair Yard at Richmond is busy repairing equipment for various projects. Joe Parkinson is Yard Superintendent with the help of Art Charter as General Foreman and Lou Cook as Shop Foreman, with the following mechanics: Earnest Baughn, Bennie Bowman, Les Brundage, Charles Ford, Owen Lee, Robert Lynch, Ed Vaughn, and Hugo Wallin. The welding is being taken care of by Matt Condran, welding foreman, with Ed Blackman and William Kasari. In the "pick it up and lay it down" department Wendell Crossland is the crane operator and Jim Littrell as oiler. Harold Jarvis, Don Davidson and Robert Mares are the helpers. Andy Anderson is packing his bag to go on an inspection tour through Mexico City, Lima, Peru, and home via Panama, Miami and Dallas.

Martin Bros. are looking forward to a good year. They are from Concord and have three mechanics working over all the equipment for this spring. Brother Tom Carter, Brother Hal Burleson and Brother Morrey Lodge are in the garage working in full force.

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The City of Antioch is putting an addition to their water treatment plant. S & Q Construction Co. were awarded a \$216,477 contract by the City Clerk in Antioch for this particular job.

The Close Building Supply shop on 721 C Street in Hayward have the following brothers overhauling the trucks and equipment. Johnny Williams, Marlin Wiley, Ronnie Wiley, Al Greeno and Bob Allison.

COYOTE HILLS NIKE BASE

On March 3rd the personnel of the Nike Base near Newark held open house for all the public to celebrate the completion of the \$1,000,000 job which has employed a great number of our brother's for the past 18 months. The Nike Ajax of which the local base is equipped is capable of knocking down any aircraft or guided missile known in the world today The missile launching platform of the Coyote Hills Nike base is em- superintendent on this job. They bedded in solid concrete quite a have one more 600-foot bridge ways down underground. Nike is never fired in practice here - it won't fly unless an enemy is reported. This base will be on a 24hour alert the year round. * * *

The Alameda County Water District has approved a \$10,589 contract with Galbraith Construction Co. of Hayward for two pipeline installations in connection with construction of the Eastshore Freeway by the state. Galbraith was the low firm of 10 bidding on the jobs of putting in 785 feet of 8-inch pipe on Darvon Ave. in Newark and 1850 feet of 6-inch pipe on the frontage road to Highway No. 17 near Beard Road. Costs will be paid by the state. * * *

HOYT & BUETTNER SHOP

This shop which is located at 22117 Meekland Ave. in Hayward have really been busy overhauling the various contractors' equipment throughout Alameda County. Besides the two owners who have been members of Local 3 for a long time, the following Brothers work in the shop helping them. They are Brothers Warner Phillips and Robert Vernon.

their field office and some equip- ing in span lengths from 120 feet ment to the Mountain Blvd. job at to 180 feet. These girders are supthe top of Lincoln Ave. in Oakland. ported on 47 reinforced concrete Heina Bros, are doing the right of piers. These piers vary in plan oiler are on a P & H crawler with of the COPE Women's Activities teacher."

St Patrick's Dance

A St. Patrick's dance is being given on Saturday night, March 16th at the Carpenters Hall in Martinez. Dancing is to the music of Frank Bach's orchestra, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Admission is \$1.50 with the ladies admitted free. The dance is under the supervision of Walt Medi-

way clearing for this project and while the clearing is going on Gallagher & Burk Co, have six dozers busy stripping at the Mountain Blvd. quarry.

Cal-Steel was awarded a \$28,285 contract from the City of Antioch for construction of a 500,000 gallon steel water tank off of Lone Tree Road in Antioch. This steel tank is being built high on a hill to supply a subdivision, to take care of the extra demand of water which the old lines cannot supply.

Utah Construction Co. have the sub-contract from C. F. Braun for \$350,000 for moving the dirt for the new Ethyl Plant that is starting up in Pittsburg. There is approximately 80,000 yards of dirt to be moved, the building of levees for the Associated Dredge so they can dredge sand to fill up the low spots. This job will be finished about April 15, 1957. Buck Fink is project supervisor, George Jones as superintendent and Bro. Frank Bernard as foreman. Brothers Hugh Rogan, Mark Terrapin, Bob Findley and G. C. Kemper are on the DW 20's. Brother Bill Berry is blade operator, Bro. De Forrest Steadman on push-cat, Brothers Buck Hanna, D. A. Hodge and Jim Bryant are on D 8 Dozers with Bro. Willie Amason on a D 4 Dozer. Bro. Norman Ingram is on grease truck, Bro. Garland Bedford as mechanic and Bro, Bill Vaughan as master mechanic.

Gordon H. Ball is working on a \$3,000,000 freeway going through Lafayette. The freeway will be partially completed and traffic expected to roll some time in June and completed in full some time in July. Bro. Homer Holmes is now structure which is one half completed now. The freeway is completely paved except for the shoulders, ramps, under the bridge, curbs, and also 10,000 feet of fencing to be put in. Bro. Cliff Jasper, who was previously the foreman on this job, is now assistant superintendent. Congratulations, Cliff! Floyd Anderson is master mechanic, Frank Luftquist on a grease truck, Troy Johnson is the blade operator, Bob Smith is truck crane operator, Bruce Rodda is oiler and Vern Fuller is welding.

Crockett Junction Job is Awarded

The Crockett Interchange structure contract of \$4,700,000 was awarded to Peter Kiewit & Sons whose main office is in Omaha, Neb. This structure joins the main bridge and the freeway. The Crockett Interchange serves as a connecting viaduct between the big cut of Ferry Bros. & Crow portion of the new Highway 40 freeway and the south end of the main bridge. It also acts as an interchange structure providing "off and on" ramps for the town of Crockett. This structure is of con-Gallagher & Burk have moved ventional steel girder design, vary-

solid shaft to twenty feet by seventy-six feet boxed section shaft and in height from twenty feet to 123.5 feet with the average height about seventy feet.

These piers were all designed without batter or offsets so that slip form construction could be used by the contractor. Peter Kiewit & Sons had used this slip form method of operation on one of their previous jobs. This slip form method of erecting piers was developed by B. M. Heade, Inc., an International organization whose headquarters are in Sweden. At the start of each pier after forms have been carefully set on pier footings, the 4-foot deep forms are filled in layers of about 8 inches. As soon as the concrete in the bottom has set sufficiently which is in about three hours, the jacking operation is started. Once the jacking operations are under way, the forms are slipped at a rate of 5 to 14 inches per hour with the average being about 10 inches per hour.

The rate of the slipping of these forms depend on the rate of curing which vary with the weather conditions. The forms are constructed so that the outside form of the wall is vertical, while the inside form is battered about % inch in the four feet. This makes the form 3/16ths of an inch smaller at the top and 3/16ths of an inch larger at the bottom than the nominal thickness of the wall.

Pouring operations are maintained 24 hours a day which at the average rate of 10 inches per hour provides for about 20 feet per day. Since some piers are over 100 feet high they cannot be poured in a five-day period. On these particular piers, the operation is shut down over the week-end and an operator is left in charge to keep the forms slipping a small amount sufficient to prevent bond until the slip forms come to within six to twelve inches of the top of con-

Comparative costs between slip forms and conventional forms are not available at this time. However, on a job with a reasonable number of piers 40 feet and over in height, there appears to be an excellent opportunity for economy. Other advantages are safety and speed of operation. Therefore, where time is of importance there is considerable advantage. Also their simplicity appears to give them an advantage over the conventional methods of high prices. All these piers have been completed and we still have the following brothers on this job: Roger Coudray is foreman, Sailor Hamby is master mechanic, R. O. Perry as mechanic, Rex Richardson is running crane with Merle Bruner doing the oiling. Lorin Squier is operating a N.W. 95 with Tom Haliburton as his oiler. Dick Hendricks is running the dozer and the Handi crane when they are needed. Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corporation of Alameda is now moving in to start erection of the steel girders. * * *

Don Norman of Norman Engineers has moved to a new location. Their new address is now 900 Meadow Lane, off to Willow Pass Extension in Concord, The reason for moving is to give better service to the Contra Costa County. Norman Engineers have three operators: Bro. Ralph Sloniker, Bro. Bob Pollard and Bro. Bill Robinson. They are specialists in grading and paying.

Martin Bros. of Concord was awarded a \$6640 contract from Contra Costa Jr. College. This contract consists of the paving of sidewalks at East Contra Costa Jr. College in Concord.

The Hayward Rock ompany just completed pouring 2000 sq. ft. of concrete for the new shop. This makes Brother Tony Massey very happy. This shop is to be completed in about two weeks.

Duncanson & Harrelson are paign to insure that all members driving piling for Associated Oil of the organization become and re-Co. in Avon. Bro. William Geague, main registered voters. operator and Bro. Al Phillips as

BLOOD BANK

The Operating Engineers Blood Bank needs more blood. We have a number of members and their wives who need blood and who have been getting it from the bank in large quantities. As a result of this the bank is badly in need of new donations and new donors. We have a large "out of work" list which means idle men with time on their hands; therefore, we would like to suggest that the brothers who are able to donate blood, bring their wives and make an appointment with the blood bank. We would, as well as the Brother members and their families appreciate any cooperation along this line. Some of our donators for Local 3 are among the following members: M. L. Purser, Don Kinchloe, T. Clark, John Gosmeyer, C. Webster, W. R. Chown, W. Cox, G. Anderson, J. Mathews, Neil Burnham, E. Nichols and J. Winingham.

hanging leads, driving piles for the new power plant and bubble tower that is going to be built by Bechtel Corp. for the Associated Oil Com-

News About The Brothers!!!

the Eden Hospital in Castro Val- your new business.

ley for a few days in February, but is out now and doing light work temporarily until he feels "in the pink" again.

Brother Bernard Knapp is still in Pakistan. Brother Knapp is working for the Morrison-Knudsen Co. on a dirt spreading job. The equipment is mostly dozers and scrapers with a great number of Local 3 members working over there. They are building a large canal, one diversion dam and working on a irrigation project.

Brother Charley Erickson who works at the P.C.A. Hot Plant in Concord is in the hospital. He expects to be home in a few days and would like some of the Brother Engineers to come and see him in any of their spare time. Charley's address is 591 - 37th Street in Oakland.

In Rodeo, Brother Bob Shields and his wife were blessed with a baby boy by the name of Michael Allen. Little Michael weighed in at 8 lbs. 2 ozs. Congratulations to the Shields family.

Brother Phil Allen, who used to work for Orinda Excavator Co. in Concord, is now in business for himself under the name of Phil Allen Earthmoving, Brother Allen has a D 8 dozer and a Ateco ripper and anyone who has the need for these call Phil at MUlberry 2-8186 Brother Egidius Bechtold was in in Concord. Good luck, Phil, in

KEEPING IN TOUCH By Polly Cope

Usually there is a let-down after a national election and folks have a tendency to sit back and relax, thinking perhaps that nothing can be done for another four years.

But such is certainly not the case. Two states, New Jersey and Virginia, will elect governors in 1957, and important state-wide elections will take place in Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, New York, Penn-

sylvania and Wisconsin. In 41 states 685 cities, of 10,000 or more population will hold municipal elections in 1957, so we

can't afford to relax. But first things first. In order to vote in any elections, we must be

registered. Unfortunately, tacts prove that our union members fall far short of the mark when it comes to registering and voting.

So-that's our objective now. START A REGISTRATION DRIVE

At the recent meeting of the AFL-CIO Executive Council, the top policy making body of our entire organization, one of the most thoroughly discussed subjects was registration on a year-round basis -not just at election time. The following resolution, establishing local registration committees, was adopted:

"1. We declare registration of our members and their families to be a permanent part of our organization's program, to be conducted on a year-round basis by permanent committees within each local union and within each local central body.

"2. It shall be the function of such permanent and standing committees to:

"a. Establish a plan, using the facilities of the appropriate COPE wherever possible, whereby the name of each member will be checked against the roll of registered voters to determine the eligibility to vote of such members.

"b. Provide for a continuing process whereby new members, those reaching the age of 21, and others who have moved are reminded of the necessity to register.

"c. Devise and undertake means whereby the adult families of members are made conscious of the importance of their citizenship duties.

"d. Conduct a continuing cam-

Department members in the work of maintaining permanent registration rosters.

"f. To explore, propose and advocate electoral reforms to facilitate maximum registration and

"3. We call upon all of our affiliated National unions to undertake the responsibility of stimulating and guiding their local organizations in the establishment of such committees and we urge each affiliated union to use its publications, conventions, conferences, staff personnel and other resources that may be reasonably available to support this effort.

"4. We instruct our Committee on Political Education to undertake over-all supervision of this program and to assist in the development of area campaigns which will co-ordinate the work of local unions and assist them in achieving and maintaining a high level of citizenship participation." We have printed this Resolution

in full because it states so completely the necessity of following through now on registration in order that we may be prepared at election time. Also points up definitely the part that the Women's Activities Department can, and will, play in this endeavor. We in our office look forward to the time when our Women's Activities Department will be officially recognized by every local union as its best agent for registration.

Reports from all over the U.S. tell us that where a hardworking Womens' Activities Department put on a registration drive the results were astounding and gratifying. So, let's not slow up now, let's keep those files active and up-todate, and where a drive wasn't put on, let's get one started.

-Women's Activities Dept .-COPE.

A white collar worker is one who carries his lunch in a brief case instead of a pail.

A street sign read: "Schooldon't kill a child" Beneath was a "e. Enlist and utilize the services childish scrawl: "Wait for a



Construction Coming Up

Stanford Univ. is receiving bids in early March for an applied research center, total cost \$41/2 mil-

Palo Alto, bids due in April for a \$9 million, 1,000-bed hospital for the city.

Shell Development Cc. of Emeryville has awarded contract for an agricultural research laboratoy at Modesto, \$1 million, M. J. Bock, L.A.

Golden Gate Baptist Seminary has drawing underway for a \$5 million installation on Strawberry Point, Marin county.

Univ. of Calif, is seeking federal money for a dormitory, \$41/2 mil-

CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to The Lowarie Paving Co., 174 San Bruno Rd., So. S.F. \$20,000, for reconst. Woodward St. betw. 14th St. and Duboce Sts., San Francisco.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to G. S. Herrington, P.O. 708, Auburn, \$10,175, for const. improvements to water supply facils. and related work, at Div. of Hwys. warehouse site, Sacto.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Wheeler Const. Co., 875 Cleveland, Oakland, \$22,807, for const. reinf. conc. bridge across Rector Creek on Silverado Trail, abt, 9 mi, N. of Napa.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 1118, Stockton, \$24,835, for reconst. of McDonald Island Rd. from a pt. 1,700 ft. W. of Holt Rd. E'ly to

Short for the National Ice Company relative to their Watsonville plant and an offer made which has been presented to the men for consideration. We are still endeavoring to gain a bit more consideration for them.

No response Storage Company to our letter of demands. Considerable talk is taking place as to how they might make the plant "automatic." It will be costly, but who knows, they may do so.

A close check is being made of progress in the new Cold Storage plant in Salinas. We hope to be able to place men there,

At San Jose, negotiations are progressing favorably with the San Jose hospital; Crown By-Products Company, but not too well with the O'Connor hospital. An offer has been made to the hotel engineers but not yet acted upon.

Requests have been made of the authorities for the San Mateo, Santa Clara and Monterey Counties for increases for their engineers. We hope and pray for some success.

I might report that pledge cards have been submitted by the engineers at the Union Ice plant in Santa Cruz, We hope soon to have an NLRB election, and that they will vote for Local 39 after which negotiations will immediately be undertaken.

Meeting held in Salinas was well attended, for which we are thankful and we trust all will remember MONDAY, March 18th, 1957, and come again. Also we hope members in and about San Jose will attend their MARCH 26th meeting. These are important meetings. Please come.

'When Unions Are Killed, Democracy Will Die,' Writes High School Senior

(Editor's Note: How do America's young people feel about organized labor and its role in American life? Here is one answer. It is that of Nancy Lea Parsons, a Fairfield, Iowa, high school senior who recently won the second annual Iowa State Federation of Labor essay scholarship. She plans to use the scholarship money to help make possible her attendance at the University of Iowa this year. Her essay, published in the Dubuque Leader, Iowa labor publication, follows:)

By NANCY LEA PARSONS

democracy it is today is organized ocracy will die." labor. Unions are most often thought of as agents which bargain collectively to insure better wages, hours, and shop conditions for their members. True, these are their major functions, but to stop here would be giving unions a rather narrow-minded appraisal.

Not only union members, but every man, woman and child in the United States today have received benefits derived through organized labor. This may seem like a broad statement, but remember that when you "promote the welfare of the workers, you promote the general welfare."

Economically, organized labor can take a great deal of credit for the high standards of living which we who live in the United States today enjoy and profit by Unions have brought about better relations between labor and management and advanced the cause of the common worker. This has caused higher productvity with lower prices resulting in a sound economic system for our country.

The social contributions or organized labor to our society are too numerous to mention all of them, yet each has helped to make America the great land of opportunity it is today.

Though labor does not have a political party in our country as it does in many nations, it has made many social contributions by recommending and supporting the passage of many laws and regulations. It supported the laws for free public education, compulsory attendance, and later the Smith-Hughes act which provided for vocations under a system of federal grants-in-aid. This shows that organized labor is interested in education for all citizens, realizing a strong democracy is an educated democracy.

Labor also advocated passage of the wage and hour law, abolishing child labor and establishing a minlmum wage and maximum hours, and the social security act provid-Inland Dr., in SAN JOAQUIN ing old age insurance, unemployment compensation, and aid to the blind and dependent children. From these few examples you can see that the laws supported by labor are not only of benefit to unions but to society as a whole.

One of the chief assets of organized labor to society is the good citizens in its ranks. Union members are not only informed of laceived from our Pajaro Valley Cold bor problems but also problems concerning their community, state, and nation, and are encouraged to take an active part in civic affairs.

These are only a few of the socig-economic contributions of laillustrate the fact that the contri- cisco.

One of the dominant forces butions of labor are a necessity which make America the great . . . "when unions are killed, dem-



WHOPPER!-Mrs. Mary Ely proudly exhibits the 81/2-foot, 90-Ib. sailfish she hauled in at Acapulco, Mexico, where she and her husband, Frank, long-time active member of Electricians Union 617, have been spending their annual vacation, Frank, who caught one of these big ones last year, apparently lost out this year. The Elys live in San Carlos, and he is employed by Davey Electric Co. of Redwood City.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to Stanfield & Moody, 405 E. Rose St., Stockton, \$33,261, for reconst. of Jahant Rd. betw. S.H. U.S. 99 & S.H. 88 & Jack Tone Rd., in SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

CROCKETT, Contracts awarded to C. C. Moore & Co., 450 Mission St., S.F., for inst. 2 boilers, 2 turbine generators & auxiliary equipment and to Ben C, Gerwick Co., Inc., 419 Market St., S.F., for const. of pumphouse & salt water intake structure. Engineering work was bor to our society, but enough to done by Bechtel Corp., San Fran-

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THAT HOSPITAL IS

BEING PICKETED







ATTEND YOUR UNION MEETINGS!

SACTO, FOCUS ON SAFETY RULES

By PAUL EDGECOMBE, ERNIE NELSON, ED HEARNE and BOB SORNSEN, Business Representa ives

State Division of Industrial Safety sponsored a safety meeting for members of the Operating Engineers, Local No. 3, in the Sacramento Labor Temple, Wednesday, February 27, 1957. Approximately 60 members attended.

A film showing the many safety violations occurring on construction work was the main feature. Attention was directed to the members who may operate equipment in, or near, high voltage lines. A lengthy question and answer discussion was ably taken care of by John Franz and Edgar Willett, State Safety Engineers. Dave Bohannon and Ray Henson, Safety Inspectors for SMUD stressed an important point, HIGH VOLTAGE WHEN and WHERE?

If at any time an engineer is working near hot wires, and he doesn't know the voltage, it only takes a few minutes to call SMUD or the PG&E and an Inspector will be dispatched immediately to solve a "high voltage" dispute.

Many of our brother members expressed approval of this type of meeting and the films that were shown. We hope that some of the common safety violations can be corrected which might save one of our brothers from serious injury or death. WORK SAFELY!

The Four Companies are busy at McLellan Field, placing the precast light weight roof slabs on those huge warehouses, 400 feet wide and 2,000 feet in length, This operation involves considerable detailing and handling. The slabs are poured in a yard adjacent to the field, cured and processed, then transported to the job site where truck cranes place them in position. A perpetual operation is maintained in the pouring and placing op-

On the large cantilever type hanger, Robert McKee is putting the finishing touches to it.

MISSILE CENTER

Douglas Aircraft is constructing a modification hanger at Nimbus for modifying Ballistic Missles and Research for the Air Forces, Thor, an intermediate range missle. This company has 1,700 acres and this is just a part of the planned facilities in that area.

The Ideal Cement Company lost no time in starting their Storage and Transfer Plant at the foot of F Street, on the Broderick side of the river, Lord & Bishop have driven several pier pilings but the high water has delayed their work at present.

Recently the Sacramento Yolo Port District approved plans for further work to be done on the deep water channel and have asked Congress for an additional \$5million for this fiscal year.

Hydraulic Dredging Co. are now in the process of moving to finish their contract on the 1st part of the channel at Liberty Island.

Dirt Moving Contractors have suspended operations, but just as soon as the weather breaks, activities will pick up steadily on the following jobs: A. Teichert & Son, Highway 99 South, McCammon & Wunderlick, Highway 40 to Colfax. Frederickson & Watson & Ransome Co., Highway 40 to Colfax. John Delphia & Fred Early on Highway 50. Clyde Woods has been able to continue operating as the water doesn't bother the rock too much at Pacific House, Highway 50. Earl Parker & Baldwin's job at Newcastle, and Parkers job at Colma-Georgetown county highway. Most of those jobs have a lot of yardage to be moved and we have numerous brothers that are raring to go.

Concrete Pipe yards have been busy throughout the winter. Sterling Concrete Co, at Madison have a steady crew while Western Concrete, here in Sacramento, at times, have added men to their two shift operation.

Additional contracts on the extension of runways and building facilities at McClellan & Mather Fields will be awarded during the later part of March. Outlook for employment for the coming season is very promising and an early

spring will relieve our large outof-work list.

We want to thank our members who responded to our plea for more blood. Our bank is a good one. Let's keep it Well Supplied .-(When needed it will be there). Donors for this month are:

> Earl H. Hobbs Forrest E. Payton Jack E. Starns James U. Gorham Mrs. Hazel M. Palmer Donald H. Palmer

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larysville Having Water Troubles Again

Business Representatives

Here in the Marysville District we are having water trouble again. In the past week the Feather River went on a rampage, tore out the Bailey Bridge at the Poe Dam Project of Bechtel Corp. and is raising havoc at their power house site with several pumps buried and a few small office shacks

washed away plus plenty of lumber. One of the pump men (Bro. | some. The dam at Caribou, a good Fred Blackshare) told us that barrels, lumber and logs were really coming down the river, fast too. The snow has mostly disappeared around Quincy, Greenville and that area, so unless it rains heavily in the next ten days, we feel there is not too much danger for the cities and towns in the district.

Work has virtually come to a dead center stop, with plenty of work in the offing when the rains cease, H. Earl Parker has no work in this area except for some land leveling and his shop crew, where he does the major part of the overhauling of the equipment. He will be bidding on the Beale Air Force Base run-way which is due to be called on March 21, involving several million dollars of work for our people. Baldwin Contracting Co. is doing a little work around the area; tearing down the old Masonic Hall and selling a little concrete, sand and gravel as the need arises. Darrough & Sons have almost ceased operations in this area, but have several of our men down around Bakersfield on a road jcb. L. L. Rice & Sons keep a few men busy on small jobs for the present.

Kaiser Sand & Gravel still have the same crew, except of course, Bro. Ed Neff, who is still sick, B. C. Richter Construction Co. has a few rigs around Oroville in the gravel piles. Butte Creek Rock Co. of Chico has a few small jobs, with the shop and plant crew busy and a crew in the Glenn Gas Fields, Frederickson & Watson have a very small crew on the Arbuckle Freeway and we are waiting on spring to finish this project. A. Tiechert & Son are just about at a halt around Chico but have a crew on the plant at Rodgers Flat and will be able to turn out the aggregate real soon,

We have signed an agreement with the Mack Sand & Gravel Co. in Hamilton City, Good luck to Bro. McIntosh and his crew. Mack is an old time member and in charge of the plant. Feather River Aggregates, of Oroville, have their plant in operation now, Bros. Wendell Grubbs and Bill Davis, coowners, are nice fellows with whom to do business, W. H. O'Hair Co. is not doing too much at the present, but has a few men on the payroll. Wright Bros. of Gridley, have three rigs in the gasfields around the Willows area, John and Les are both members of Local 3 and are top notch fellows. The Farr boys keep plugging along in the Gridley district, the same for Bro. Bill Beaver in Paradise. Bill is a former Coast League baseball

The Utah, Bates & Rogers Construction Co., on the Poe tunnel project, is busy on their job in transition from driving a tunnel to lining the tunnel with concrete. The crew has just about gotten the bugs out of the plant and the mixer. They will be going full blast soon, provided the river doesn't break in at the Intake Portal.

Red McKinney will be the Superintendent for Wismer & Becker on the Powerhouse at Poe and will be in as soon as possible. M. & K. Corp. has not as yet moved in to start the Caribou No. 2 Powerhouse, as they are waiting until the Darkenwald Co. moves out. This latter company is starting two shifts now, to hurry the job through. Walsh Construction Co. is having problems at both of their tunnels what with bad ground and water. Caribou is in around 4,000 feet and Butt Valley around 3,300 feet. The roads are impassible, but Les Huntington, Superintendent of the Co., told us he was fixing up some four wheel drive equipment to transport the crews. Even a jeep is no good there, at the moment. Egbert Bros. are going on with their road clearing job near Spring Garden, subbing under O. K. Mittry Co. hampered by the wet weather. The latter company just can't get However, the rate of production is

job, will be let on February 27.

NEWS OF THE BROTHERS:

Brother Art Evans, one of our brakemen on the Poe project, has GLADDING, McBEAN AND CO. been missing for nearly a month. His car went in the river about half a mile above Beldon, and his body has not been recovered, at this writing. He is the son of Bro. H. O. Evans, a heavy-duty mechanic for Walsh Construction Co. at the Caribou tunnel. Our sincere sympathy goes out to this family, with the hopes that their son will soon be found, and their terrible anxiety eased.

Bro. Dick Barrie was just in and told us of his new twin sons, Patrick and Michael, their first children. He wanted to sign them up in 3A as quickly as possible, because he said they could eat as much and yell as loudly as any dirt stiffs he had run into yet.

This is all the news for the March issue.

-Les Collett & Bill Weeks

INDUSTRIAL REPORT GOLD DREDGER COMPANIES

When this article reaches you preparations will be complete for the coming negotiations with the Companies and we hope to start negotiations at the earliest possible date. During the negotiations attendance at your regular meetings will be important as reports of the progress will be made at these meetings.

It must be remembered that negotiating isn't simply making proposals to the companies, having them agree without question and signing the agreement. We make the proposals and long discussions usually follow before an agreement is reached, if it is reached.

Even if the company is agreeable to a proposal, sometimes it takes hours of discussion before the exact language can be agreed upon, as quite often a Union's proposal will not fit too well into a company's ideas of their operation, even though they agree with the proposal in general.

As we procede it quite often becomes necessary to consult with the membership who are daily faced with the problems involved to determine whether or not suggested changes are practical. And the best place to do that is at the regular meetings where the entire job is generally represented.

So that you may know and make arrangements to be present, the following is your next meeting schedules:

Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields: Monday, March 25, in the Engineers' Hall, 1010 "Eye" Street, Marysville. The Natomas Company: Mon-

day, April 1, 1957 in the Veterans' Hall, Folsom. Both of the above meetings will

be held at the following times: 10:00 a.m. for those unable to attend the night meeting.

7:30 p.m. for the members able to attend the night meeting.

CONCRETE PIPE COMPANIES

The companies who are engaged in the construction industry have been notified that we wish to open the agreement. This agreement is open for consideration of the body of the agreement, as well as wages and we hope to improve the working rules, adjust any inequities between classifications, add any needed classifications and, of course, improve the wage scales.

The agreement covering the plants and agriculture work will only be open for wages this year and as it does not terminate until June 30, the time has not arrived to open it, however, it will be opened when the proper date arrives.

Work seems to have improved in the plants, which has caused an increase in the crews, but, of course, installation work has been started until the weather dries up a good criterion to judge the com-

ing installation work and the outlook can only be good.

Concrete Meeting Schedule, both Plant and Installations.

The next regular meeting of the members employed in the conrete pipe industry will, as usual, be a joint meeting of the laborers, engineers and teamsters employed in the plants, and on installation, both construction and agriculture, and will be held Monday, April 8, 1957 at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall, Gridley.

We are keeping our fingers crossed in the hope that it will not be necessary for the Company to cut deeper after the recent cutback and small lay-off. This layoff was caused by a number o factors, such as repair of kilns, shutting down of the Glaze Block department, etc. Some of them, such as the Glaze Block department, may improve. At least that is the outlook at this writing.

Demand for conduit by the telephone companies has, at the last report, continued to be good, instead of being curtailed as usual, in the winter. If this keeps up and the slacking off of home building doesn't cause an appreciable lowering of the demand for sewer pipe, the plant at Lincoln should continue a high rate of employment.

At the present time the Terra Cotta department continues to be busy, with the future outlook being bright.

Of course our prophecies, like prices, are subject to change without notice, but the above is the way we see it at the present time.

Soon it will be time to open up the agreement with the Company (as we told you last month, the first part of April will see the start of negotiations on the pension plan). As the entire agreement is open this year, the next couple of meetings will be important as it will give each member a chance to present his ideas of desirable changes to ask for this

We know the present agreement is not perfect and that during the past couple of years, several matters have come up that have not been resolved to everyone's satisfaction. This has been because the agreement was silent on the matter involved or actually could not be interpreted in the light of the membership's desires. If you know of any such matters, please attend the meetings and make your wishes known. Who knows, your ideas may be just what we have been looking for,

April Meeting Announcements:

Joint Board: This meeting is scheduled for the first Tuesday, which is April 2, 1957 at 4:15 p.m. in the office of the Lincoln Industrial Council, Lincoln. However if it should become necessary to change this meeting date, as it was in March, all the Board members will be notified by mail. General Membership Meeting:

This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday April 9, 1957 at 4:15 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium, Lincoln. See you there!

Personal Notes: Usually the tone of this part of the column is a doleful one. If we are not sadly commenting upon some brothers' death, we are discussing a broken leg or some other such cheerful matter, and it gives us great happiness to strike a little more cheerful note this month. And that is the recent marriage of Bro. Chr. Wallace of Gladding, McBean and Company. We should like to take this opportunity to offer to Brother Wallace and the new Mrs. Wallace, our congratulations and wishes for every happiness as they go down the road of matrimony hand in hand. May all their misunderstandings and troubles be small and never too great to handle . . C. R. Van Winkle

Paradox-Two doctors. Infantry-A young tree.

Horse Marine - A Marine who can hardly talk. Denominator - The person why names a candidate.

Quadruplets - Four crying out loud.

I.O.U .- A paper wait. Detour-A road where no turn

is left unstoned.



"LET'S PUT THIS ONE IN THEIR EAR!"

Knights of Labor Founder Dies in Los Angeles at 91

Funeral services were held in Los Angeles for one of the founders of the Knights of Labor, the forerunner of the former American Federation of Labor.

Isaac Houston Bratton died at 91. after having spent an active life in the Knights, the AFL and the CIO. A Negro, he is believed to have been one of the last remaining founding members of the

Following his affiliation with the Knights of Labor in 1889, he became one of the executives of the United Mine Workers of America, when John L. Lewis served as its secretary.

Bratton went to Colorado where he took part in the famous Ludlow strikes in 1910-12 as an executive on the miners' Welfare Committee. He later became an official for the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, traveling throughout the nation as an or-

His last union affiliation, which followed his advocacy of industrial unionism, was with the Chicago Flat Janitors' Union. For his outwas made a life member,

in Allegheny Springs, Va. At the ming side; however, as soon as the age of 15 he was an accredited teacher in the town's public schools. In 1894 he met and married Alberta Ann Carroll, at that next few years should be boon time a teacher at Hampton Uni- years for this remote area.

He and his wife had been in Los Angeles since 1941.

Tax Savers

Did you know that if you use the small punch card tax form-1040A-you don't have to send the money with it? You can leave lines 11, 12 and 13 blank, because the government will figure your tax for you . . . or your refund, if you are entitled to one. You can pay when you get the bill. But if you fill out the card completely, figuring your own tax, you have to thirty days. They are using No. 3 send the money at the same time.

You can only use the card form 1040A if your total income was less than \$5,000 in 1956 and consisted of wages or salary subject to withholding tax and no more than \$100 in interest or dividends. If you can't use 1040A, you must phalt jobs primarily but are comuse the longer 1040, and figure your own tax.

Even if you are eligible to use the punch card tax return you may save money by using the longer form. This is particularly true if you are a home owner, if you received exempt sick pay, if you are computing your tax as a surviving widow or widower, or if you had more than \$84 of social security tax deducted from your pay because you held more than one job in '56.

"Hello," said a feminine voice over the phone, "is that the Humane Society? Well, I want you to send an officer to my home at once. There is a brush salesman sitting in a tree in my yard, teasing my bulldog with a long stick."

The only trouble with being able to read a woman like a book is that anything can happen in March, the you're liable to forget your place.

Despite some scientific evidence to the contrary we don't believe married men live longer than single men . . . it just seems longer.

Utah News Roundup

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

With the arrival of March we believe the worst part of this "slack work" season is over. With several jobs starting and some new ones being bid, our out of work list should

Even though we had several good jobs working all winter, we still had quite a large out of work list; however, things should pick up real soon.

W. W. Clyde Company was awarded the contract for the other half of the Beck Springs overpass in North Salt Lake at a figure of \$612,336.50. Work should commence immediately. This same company has started some of its other work elsewhere over the state. Harry Clyde has started again on the Davis Co. Aqueduct at Bountiful.

The men on the Whiterocks job east of Roosevelt have also gone the mud is ending. The March back to work after being off through the cold months.

L. A. Young and Vernal Sand and Gravel have started on the Myton to Roosevelt on Highway No. 40, with a full crew of good capable No. 3 men. They are using a Model 6 Northwest Backhoe for digging and the laying the 60" Siphon that must cross the highway before the D.W. 21's can really go Company have the crusher set up just south of Myton, with Brothers Only two contractors submitted Glen Lee operating the crusher bids with W. W. Clyde low bidder and Loren "Horner" Mitchell on at \$350,055.60. The engineer's estithe cat.

Wangsgaard Construction Company is well on its way on the Flaming Gorge access road near Lindon, Utah with three D.W. 21's, cats and patrols and also another very capable No. 3 crew. The piling for the temporary timber bridge on this job is almost in place and as soon as this job gets to the point where it is passable the next 17standing contribution made in the mile section that will lead down formation of the union, Bratton to the campsite and the dam will be let. All of this work mentioned Bratton was born Oct. 10, 1866 so far is coming in from the Wyoweather permits there are several sections more of the Vernal to Manila road to be built. So, the

Fluor Corporation is preparing to start on their platformer at Salt Lake Refinery about April 1st. Although this is not a large job, operator wise, it should make a good close job for several opera-

Morrison Knudsen Co. have gone on two shifts on the Garfield Dyke. This may be because they anticipate more work coming or that they need this equipment back up at Soda Springs, Idaho.

Stearns Rogers have another shut-down job at Utah Power & Light Company Gadsby plant. They are working around the clock and expect to be busy there for men on the A-Frame and Tugger hoists under the able supervision of Steve Halliday.

Other jobs to be bid this month are the 9th East between 21st South and 3200 South and Hyland Drive between 27th South and 3500 South. These two jobs are asparatively large jobs and should make work for some operating engineers

Also, quite a bit of new work has been advertised for the Dinasour National Park near Vernal, Utah for this summer. This work includes roads and streets, parking areas and campsites for tourists. All in all it will amount to nearly \$1 million.

Due to the fact that we do not have committment letters from the chosen co-brokers of our Health and Welfare Plan, we are unable to print any concrete information at this time.

Southern Section

The winter, although weakening, is still holding up the work in the northern part of our area. The contractors are very skeptical of the month of March and rightly so. As far as weather is concerned only consolation being that the bad weather cant' last too much longer. Work in the southern end is

gaining gradually. The W. W. Clyde Company job is moving smoothly now, as the fight with

wind has helped in drying out the grade where 12 inches of snow stood one month ago. Brother Lorus Palfreyman is thinking seriously of a second-shift in the near fu-

A few more jobs have been let in our section and the bidding would reflect a change is taking place: W. W. Clyde Company was low bidder on three bridges and to work. Vernal Sand & Gravel approaches between Thompson, Utah and the Colorado state line. mate was \$322,739 for a new bridge and approaches crossing Santa Clara Creek between St. George and Enterprise in Washington County. The Fisher Construction Company entered the low bid of \$783,796 for 19 miles of grade, gravel, and surfacing from Mexican Hat, Utah to the Arizona state line. A joint effort by J. M. Sumsion and Sons and W. W. Clyde Company of \$857,403.30 on the same job was considerably over the engineers estimate of \$559;-150.05. This job was never awarded as the difference between the bids and engineers estimate would indicate.

> A recent trip to Wellington, Utah to get the latest on the coal treatment plant to be erected there, produced little. The information received would indicate a mid-March starting date. A number of the Brothers are watching for this one.

> A distressing bit of information reached us from Isbell's job in the south eastern section, Brother Ken Wanless and an applicant by the name of Jim Adrain, were involved in an accident. It seems Isbell Company's truck colided with a 20 ton uranium ore truck in a headon collision. Both men were severely battered and cut about the face. Our heart felt sympathy to these men and their families.

The mill job at Mexican Hat still employs a number of our people. The addition of a generating plant at the mill recently, boosted by four the number of engineers on this job. We man the generator 24 hours a day, seven days per week.

Northern Area

The first contract for the Ram jet endine testing facilities at Little Mountain west of Ogden, for the Marquardt Aircraft Company is scheduled to be bid on March 15.

The overall project is estimated to cost between 12 and 15 million and it is expected this construction will be completed and these facilities in operation by late 1958 and include considerable excavation, concrete structures, ac-

Schedule of Meetings for Construction, Lang Co., Sand and Gravel, Iron Mines, Vitro Uranium Corp., and Kennecott Copper Corp., and State Road

Construction, Sand and Gravel Membership, 2nd Thursday of each month, Engineers Hall, 1969 South Main Street, Salt Lake City,

Construction and Sand and Gravel Membership Meeting, 3rd Friday of each month, Labor Temple, Ogden, Utah.

Construction and Sand and Gravel Membership Meeting, 3rd Tuesday of each month, Labor Temple, Provo, Utah.

Vitro Uranium, Lang Company, State Road and Western Phosphate Meetings to be called.

Cedar Iron Mines Membership Meeting to be called.

Kennecott Copper Corporation meeting to be held Tuesday, March 26 at 8 p.m. at the Midvale City Hall.

quire a number of Operating Engineers.

A few smaller jobs have been bid this past month that may help the situation somewhat, even though sometimes there are only two or three engineers required.

Max Jones of Provo submitted the low bid of \$42,446 for the construction of an underpas son Highway 30 at Devil's Slide.

Ernest Stettler of Logan was low bidder and has been awarded a \$406,935 construct for construction of the Morgan City and County Memorial Building.

.A \$399,800 contract has been awarded to the Saunders Construction Company for the New Hillcrest Elementary school building in Og-

A number of the contractors who had work underway last fall when the weather closed in have started work again with a limited crew including LeGrande Johnson on the Logan to Wellsville and Richmond to Trenton Road; Wheelwright Construction Company on the Promontory Point Road; Utah Const. Co. on Pine View Dam and road relocation work in Ogden Canyon; Gibbons and Reed Company on local road and stret work; Waterfall Construction Company on sewer and gas service lines; M. Morrin and Sons Company on Water Treatment plant and Washington Terrace housing project; Hilton and Carr Const. Co. on church, school and water line; Wheelwright Const. Co. on Weber County Sewer out fall line; Engineers Ltd. Pipeline Company on gas service lines; Mt. States Construction and Slaterville Diversion Dam and Layton Intake Channel; Smedley Const. Co. and R. W. Coleman Co. on Roy City service work; Davis and Butler Const. Co. on Water Purification plant; Klopfer Const. Co. on distribution lines; Young and Smith Theo. Woods Co. on North Ogden along these lines. We sewer lines.

This work along with other work already under contract or scheduled for bid within the near future should keep the majority of the Engineers busy for the coming season.

Utah Construction Co.

By the time this article goes to press, Utah's stripping job should be operating at full capacity with the addition of one more Marion 151 shovel and two new Bucyrus 50-R Drills. Up to this point we have talked and talked with management, without success, regarding cess roads and utilities. Some of the some travel time to the job and

work on this job should be under- man trucks. We were informed way by early Spring and will re- earlier last fall, that when the job was at full production, it may be possible to do something along those lines; maybe next time up at bat we will succeed. We do know that for January, production was ahead of schedule.

At the tunnel a change in supervision has been made. Paul Gwynn has taken over and we are informed that Duke Miller has resigned from the Company. The work appears to be progressing there at a normal tempo now. We do not have a large number of Operating Engineers there yet but are adding a few men at intervals. Concrete pouring will probably be underway by the time you read this.

CEDAR IRON MINES continue to operate at about the same tempo as over the past two years. A pilot mill has recently been put in operation at Iron Springs and the Company is making tests in it on low grade ore to determine if the percentage can be raised sufficiently, by that method, to make processing and shipping profitable. We hope their efforts are successful as a milling operation would be very helpful to the area.

In the Salt Lake Tribune Sunday, March 3, 1957 we were saddened to read of the death of the daughter of Brother Harry Rhodes. We wish to take this means to extend our sincere heartfelt sympathy to Harry and his family in their bereavement.

At the BINGHAM COPPER MINE our problems have been cut to a minimum. There is nearly always some boss on any job who thinks, "to heck with the contract, it doesn't apply to me," and through the years on the hill we have had our share, but it appears that in recent months there has developed a little better attitude in the direction of living by the agreement, and we hope this attitude continues to grow. Of course Weber Basin water conservation we know that eternal vigilance is necessary in order to bring about company on clean up work and these changes and believe that our backfill on Davis Aqueduct and stewards are doing a good job if the contract is being violated through you and you don't bring the violation to the attention of your stewards, the blame rests with you.

At a recent meeting with the SAND AND GRAVEL membership, demands for the new agreement were formulated and have been submitted to the association and we should be in negotiations very

Lang Company

We held a meeting recently and went through the present agreement and some mighty fine recommendations were made toward improving the contract in the forthcoming negotiations.

State Road

A couple of bills have been introduced for consideration before the Legislature, one again for job security and another one for unemployment benefits, but at this time with the session being in its last throes, we are not very optimistic on the outcome of either. We have also talked with the Legislative Council in behalf of the people who still come under state retirement. We had hopes of getting that benefit jacked up but the only thing they had to recommend would require an additional 3% withholding and no other groups indicated willingness to go along this time.

Utah Members, Notice! SPECIAL MEETING

TO ALL MEMBERS OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3 IN THE STATE OF UTAH:

There will be a special meeting held on SUNDAY MARCH 31, 1957 AT 2:00 O'CLOCK P.M. AT THE LA-BOR TEMPLE ANNEX, 159 SOUTH 2ND EAST, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. This meeting will be of special interest to all members. You are urgently requested to attend.

> C. F. MATHEWS Recording-Corresponding Secretary

THE NEVADA ROUND-UP

By H. L. "CURLEY" SPENCE & JOSEPH "JOE" MILLER **Business Representatives**

Young, Inc., a joint venture pipe fast finish. This has been a good line for the Southern Pacific Rail- winter job and the brothers have road Company, has set up office, shop and warehouse at 11th and A new wrinkle for finish work the Street in Sparks, Nevada. They are working down the canyon towards Fernley, Nevada and west through Reno, Nevada. Brother Wm. F. Meyer and Brother A. V. Forbes are the two outstanding foremen on the line. Bro. E. D. Hickingbottom has lots of trouble RENO DISASTER as HDRM and Welder. Seems as though there are lots of breakdowns on the rigs, but that's the way Hickingbottom likes it. Bro. Olend Crabtree and his faithful oiler, Bro, Melvin C, Cragg are doing a fine job on the American backhoe. That crew really gets the footage.

Bro. C. B. Nichols and Bro. Ezra Swartz never had it so good. Since they went on the ditching machine, these two brothers just sit back and watch the ditcher dig. There is only one thing wrong, the company has to bend some of the pipe to fit the crooked ditch the two brothers dig. Bro. I. A. "Shorty" Hudson oiling on the other ditcher, and the ditch is much straighter where "Shorty" puts out the string to keep the ditch lined up. Bros. Bruce Ackerman, Donald Jeakins, Howard A. Luzier, and Dale Morlan are the other four outstanding oilers on the pipe line job. With these four oilers on the job, believe me everything is well oiled at all times, on the job and off the

Silver State Const. Co., better known as Andy "Red Shirt," "Scorchy" Drumm, has all the dirt moved on his job at Schurz, Nevada. However, all of Drumm's crew has a bright outlook for the coming season for there are some highway jobs advertised now, and more of the people of Reno. to come up for bids before long, and I am sure "Scorchy" will be low bidder on some of them.

Young & Smith's job on High-

Engineers Limited and J. E. Nevada is rolling right along to a stuck like glue out there. Saw a other day. They are using a DW21 and a blade and moving right along. Mr. Joe Young also has a few ideas about some of the jobs coming up for bid-good luck, Joe, and I imagine your fine crew is roping, too.

Most of you have read about the the heart of downtown Reno on tough job on the dozers, pushing February 5th. This was one of the worst disasters in Reno's history. A series of three explosions rocked the First & Sierra Street area at approximately 1 p.m., followed by fires which destroyed five business buildings and badly damaged a sixth. Two lives were lost and 49 people suffered injuries. Property damage may exceed the \$7 million mark. Now the clean-up work has started.

Isbell Construction Co. and Earl Games have clams on the job with Bro. Ted De Lavega operating for Games rig (naturally), Bro. Frank Sbriglia from Games, is on a Skip the Clam-Bro. "Buck" Piretto from Isbell, is in charge of the draw his pay. clean up operations, with the asdoing a bit of salvage work, too. Bro. Al Mabrier was down there with Martin Iron Work's Crane, hoisting some of the salvage material from the Gray Reid's building but has completed that work. Now all that remains are just the shells of some of the buildings and the task of rebuilding. But it will be many a day before the memory of this fatal day leaves the minds

Mr. Klack's job, cleaning the Truckee River that flows through the center of the "Biggest Little City in the World," Reno, Nevada, way No. 23, from the junction of is a real wet job, for the Truckee Highway No. 50 towards Gabbs, River is rising with the rain and

melting snow. However, Bro. Wayne Straight has done a good job on the Northwest Dragline cleaning the Truckee River even with all the handicaps, like explosion, fire and high water. Nothing stops that Brother with the courteous help of his oiler, Bro. James "Cowboy" Kennedy. Now that "Cowboy" does a bit of salvaging once in awhile, or keeps warm, or dries out between greasing up and at this time. falling in the river, but he doesn't really spend too much time in his pickup like some people would lead a person to think,

Now Bro. Roy Gorton and Bro. explosion and fire that occurred in George "Whitey" Cate have the the rock up in the middle of the river in 3 or 4 feet of water. That "Whitey" may make a fair dozer hand some day, especially if he gets a job where he can see what he is doing. But on this job, the water bothers him a bit, for "Whitey" is not used to wates, especially when it comes to drinking the stuff, Bro. E. J. Killinger has quite a job on the Truckee River. He is a kind of a Boss or Peacemaker between the Inspection Man, Repair Man, and General Flunky and he is good at all of his Isbell and Bro. Bill Games on different titles. I think he is the Timekeeper and Paymaster. He is a good man, however. He really Loader pushing the debris over to hasn't got a job, he just hangs around to be on the payroll and

Congratulations are in order to sistance of Bro. Bill Boegle who is Bro. Bill Martin and his lovely wife of Fallon, Nevada, who are now the proud parents of a baby girl, born February 2, 1957, in Reno, Nevada,

KIMBERLY MINES

Consolidated Coppermines Corporation, at Kimberly, Nevada, is still working along on the same working schedules as they have been for the past several months, although, due to the recent drop in the price of copper, there may be some changes made in the operation. It seems as though Kennecott Copper Corporation, a neighbor of Consolidated Coppermines, is going to curtail their operation to some extent but I have learned from the management of "Con Copper," that there will not be any serious curtailments in their operations for the present time, although the price of copper will determine, or rather, will be the determining factor for their future schedules. There has been a great amount of talk, both pro and con on the situation and what effect it may have on the area as a whole. However, most of the members in the area feel as I do, and that is, don't worry about it too much as it is nothing more than an economical adjustment and will take care of itself in short time and everything will return to normal status within the next couple

of months. Some of the Brothers, however, are not waiting around to find out seems to be more stable. Things don't look too bad at the present rapidly with the coming of spring. OUTLOOK IS GOOD

As for the construction work in the area, things are looking up. I have been informed that Jack recovery for your wife, B. Parson Construction Company from Smithfield, Utah, will be moving onto their job fifteen good luck on the weather, they should make it o.k.

Silver State Construction Company will be moving into Wells, Nevada very soon now, to widen the S.P. overpass and construct job is on U.S. 93 north of Wells.

Bids will be received by the State on March 7, 1957 for the construction of a portion of the secondary highway system in Lander 28 miles of road. This should be a good job.

In southern Utah, between Gartheir road job there. They have a good crew of the Brothers working Grace Monroe-better known as there and they are working very "Gay."

FRESNO DISTRICT S IN LOW GEAR

By G. L. MOORE, J. D. MONROE, and B. F. (Tiny) HELLING Business Representatives

The month of February has been very wet in the Valley and most jobs have been operating two and three days a week between rains, consequently we have a large out of work list

Subdivision work has been very slow in the area for some time, Kovick Bros. have several small trenching jobs going. W. M. Lyles Co. have finished their sewer job at the Villa Adobe subdivision and are busy on another tract just off West Avenue. Stewart & Nuss have three rigs on subdivision work in the Sunnyside District. The rock plants in the Fresno area have been operating fairly steady all winter. Stewart & Nuss's Herndon plant is again in operation after having been down for repairs. They have also started their No. 2 plant.

The Division of Highways have Freeway recently completed by the Gene Richards Company. This leaves only one section under construction. C. K. Moseman Co. have just about completed their overcrossings on this section. This will give Stewart & Nuss (who have subbed the dirt), the go ahead to remove the remaining plugs in preparation for the final grading and paving.

In Mariposa County Harms Bros. have completed rip rap work at El Portal and have moved to a point near Briceburg where they will continue with repair work on Highway 140 caused by last year's floods. John Delphia and Fred J. Early, a joint venture, have moved a cat in on their \$1,077,000 job at Midpines on Highway 140 near Mariposa. There is quite a bit of clearing to do on this job. The dirt moving will start about April 1st.

Work has been slow in Merced County, River Rock's two plants and Valley Aggregate plant continue to operate. There is very little activity at Castle Field Air Base at this time. The Gordon H. Ball Company Freeway job at Atwater is pretty well tied up awaiting completion of structures. Concrete Supply Company are doing the black top work on this job. Valley Tractor Co. and River Rock Inc. are maintaining full crews in their shops in Merced.

Dallas Wilson Co. were awarded a \$138,000 contract for installation of sewer and water mains in Los Banos. Pacific Pipeline Construction continue to wrap pipe for

hard, as they seem to be tiring of the desert and especially that portion of it, and are eager to move on to another job. Brother James Diamond, the crusher oiler, doesn't Porterville. seem to be eager, because he is having too much fun chasing wild what is going to happen. They are horses. He fells me that he caught a contract to widen Highway 198 looking for greener pastures and a fine yearling colt last week end from Visalia airport to Mooney are moving to other work that and would have caught another if Boulevard. This is about a \$1,000,he could have trained the first one to stand still or lay down and wait in a month after bids are opened. time and I expect them to pick up for him while he was gone. Oh well, this next week end will bring new thrills, Jim, that Mustanging is really a great sport. Good luck and best of health and a speedy

Man-things happen around this State of Nevada, Bro. Jack Monroe made a hasty exit from the miles north of Tuscarora, Nevada Carson City Hospital and was back in the next week or two. With on the Northwest Crane for W. W. Wiechmann on his job at the Capital building in Carson City. All this happened in less than a week. The weather began to look as if Spring was on the way so Bro. Jack decided he wasn't at death's the approaches for the same. This door and got back to work. Then things really began to happen. You know "in the Spring a young man's thoughts start turning" even though it was February. Bro. Jack had that feeling. So bells began to and Eureka counties, on State ring and sure enough they were Route No. 21 between Gold Acres wedding bells and now our "Little and Beowawe, consisting of about Man that Moves Mountains" is happily married, February 16th to be exact. The big event occurred in Gardenville, Nevada, and I had rison and Milford, Whiting and the honor of standing up with Haymond Construction Company them and also got to kiss the bride. are still pouring the gravel on Best wishes to Bro. Jack and his brand new, young, blonde wife

Union Oil Company in their Los Banos yard. Roy Price Inc. have the contract for laying this pipe and about three weeks ago moved their operations from Patterson area to the south end of the line and are now laying pipe as far as the Coalinga area and will soon move their shop to Firebaugh. Stewart & Nuss have finished their grading and paving job west of Dos Palos and have moved some of this equipment to Dinuba and will start black top operations just as soon as weather permits. Dick opened to traffic the section of Early has sub contract on the cement treating.

LAND-LEVELLERS

Brighton Sand & Gravel Company have several rigs on a land leveling job on the Cook Ranch near Red Top. L. B. Wells Construction are still working on the Manning Avenue job out of San Joaquin between showers and Gerald Brewster doing the same on their job on Highway 41 south of Hanford. Fredericksen & Kasler have closed down operations at Chowchilla and have moved their batch plant and paving spread to Goshen. They will do the paving on this job, then move back to Chowchilla.

Harms Bros. have moved a crusher and screening plant, and several rigs from their job at El Portal to the Kings River near Balch Camp where they will crush rock for the P.G.&E. The Diamond Bit & Tool Company are winding up their drilling operations on the Kings River and are grouting at the Black Rock Dam.

Schelmaker Dredging Company are operating around the clock dredging Black Rock Lake. The Kings River Constructors continue working on their tunnels at Black Rock and Sawmill Flats on a three shift basis. They have started excavation for the penstock at the Haas Power House, The Morrison-Walsh-Perini Companies have called back a number of mechanics and welders in anticipation of an early start at Wishon Dam; however, at this time it looks like it will be several weeks before they get back to full operations. Bechtel Co. have quite a few mechanics working on rigs here in town but nothing new on Mammoth Pool, At the present time nothing further about Success Dam out of

State Division of Highways have dvertised for blus warch 27th or 000 project and should start with-The thoroughfare will be widened a distance of 4.3 miles to four lane with a dividing strip in the center.

No response to our appeal for blood donors for the BLOOD BANK although our old stand-by BROTHER LEE HUNTER made his periodic donation. Thank you, Brother Hunter.



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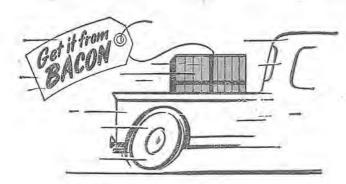
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Construction Awards

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FEBRUARY 1, 1957

STOCKTON, contract awarded to S. M. McGaw Co., Inc., P.O. Box 57, Stockton, \$32,618, for grading and paving and misc. work, 2nd Dist. Agriculture Assn., Stocktor, Calif.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 873, Sacto., \$25,531, for grade, const. curbs, gtrs, walks, sewers & water dist. sys. in and adj. to Sunset Terr., City of Sacramento. field, MONTEREY COUNTY.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to P & E Const. Co., 1620 S. 7th St., San Jose, \$13,059, for const. sani. sewer in Queen's Lane, Bayshore, city of San Jose, SANTA CLARA COUNTY

SALINAS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$78,560, for const. curbs, gutters, sidewalks, street paving & storm sewers within Claremont Manor, city of Salinas, MONTEREY COUNTY.

FEBRUARY 6, 1957

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Eugene G. Alves, P.O. Box 950, Pittsburg, \$13,333, for street grading & surf. w/pltmx, surf. on cem. tr. base in Hayward on "E" St. bet. Main St. & Center St. in ALAMEDA COUNTY.

FEBRUARY 8, 1957

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to James H. Clark, 1288 47th Ave., Sacramento, \$436,022 for const. Proj. Calif. FDR-1203-C, Bluff Creek, Six Rivers Natl. Forest, beg. approx. 16 mi. N.W. (Bluff Crk. Grd. Sta. Loc. on Klamath River, apprx. 6 mi. N.W. Weitchpec & apprx, 11 mi. S.W. of Orleans), HUMBOLDT AND DEL NORTE COUNTIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract Co., Inc., P.O. Box 269, Marysville, River & Harvey Crk, & ext. S.E.'ly 5.933 mi, along Harvey Crk., Modoc Natl. Forest, MODOC & LAS-SEN COUNTIES.

FEBRUARY 11, 1957

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Claude L. Youngs, 5910 Spruce Ave., Sacto., \$114,079 for 2.35 mi. grade & surf. w/rd mx. sucf. on lime tr. base, betw. Georgetown & 2.4 mi. W. of Georgetown, in EL DORADO COUNTY.

WINTERS, contract awarded to Chas. I. Cunningham Co., P.O. Box E, Oakdale, \$73,528 for pipelines. turnout strucs., etc., along Delta-Mendota Canal, loc. betw. Vernalis & Gustine, SAN JOAQUIN, STAN-ISLAUS & MERCED COUNTIES.

FEBRUARY 13, 1957

Coast Grading & Paving Co., 1145 gr. & surf. w/ptmx. surf. on cem. Auzerais Ave., San Jose, \$5482 for tr. base & sel, subbase matl. at reconst. Harrison St. betw. Fuller Mokelumne Hill, CALAVERAS S.P. R.R., City of San Jose, COUNTY. SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

'ract awarded to James Reed, 779 Fresno, \$118,214 for constr. water 2nd E., Salt Lake City, \$763,146 mains & appurts,, sanitary sewer for 7.392 mi. 314" plantmix bit. & trunk sewer mains & appurts, surf. & 2 conc. bridges over 20 ft. in the City of Los Banos.

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SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to L. A. Young Const. Co. & Vernal Sand & Gravel Co., Richfield, Utah, \$711,901 for 8.470 mi. 31/2" pltmx. bit. surf. & 1 conc. bridge over 20 ft. span, U.S. 40 betw. Myton & Roosevelt, DU-CHESNE COUNTY.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to Germer, Abbott the district. & Waldron, Tremonton, Utah, \$555,195 for 8,500 mi. 2½" pltmix. bit. surf. on F.A. No. 35 from point 1 mi. E. of Paria Creek, E'ly for 8.5 miles, KANE COUNTY.

FEBRUARY 14, 1957

SUNNYVALE, contract awarded to C. & N. Pump & Well Co., 1901 Washington, Santa Clara, \$8085, for fur. & inst. one HP water pump at Mary Ave. & Homestead Road in City of Sunnyvale.

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to Piombo & Bresnan, 931 - 2nd St., San Rafael, \$17,370 for grading, paving & landscaping, Mac-Phail School.

FEBRUARY 15, 1957

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Wm. R. Cole, 81 Terrace Walk, Berkeley, \$42,408 for const. Anza-Geary sewer sys., sec. A, in 14th Ave., California to Lake 500 Bragato Road, Belmont, \$28,-St., San Francisco.

NAPA, Contract awarded to B. Miles Thomas Co., 436 Pacheco St., S.F., 29,116 for lower 36" water main due to freeway constr. in city of Napa.

SAN PABLO, Contract awarded to Nick Goyak & Son, 700-20th St., \$295,085 for const. of streets, wa-RC box culv. across Rheem Crk. in Estates, City of San Carlos. City of San Pablo, CONTRA COS-TA COUNTY.

PITTSBURG, Contract awarded awarded to Baldwin Contracting to C. F. Braun & Co., 1100 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, for the de-\$126,781 for grade & const. timber sign & const. of a multi-million girder brdg., acr. S. fork of Pit dollar chemical plant at the W. end of Loveridge Road, Pittsburg.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to Domingos Balanco, 550 Hathaway Ave., San Lorenzo, \$34,777 for const. of storm sewer in Koch Lane between books in Ave. & Central Ave., in City of San Jose.

FEBRUARY 21 1957

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to B. C. Richter Contrg. Co. Inc., P.O. Box 1231, Oroville, \$224,-771 for abt. 0.8 mi. grade & surf. w/ptmx. surf. on untr. base & const. weld. stl. plt. grdr. & RC deck brdg., 17 mi. SW of Redding, betw. 0.4 mi. S. of N. fork of Cottonwood Crk. & Ono, SHASTA COUNTY,

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Claude C. Wood Co., P.O. SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Box 599, Lodi, \$295,237 for 2.3 mi.

LOS BANOS, Contract awarded SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, con- to Dallas Wilson Co., P.O. Box 848,

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SANTA ROSA, Contract award-Colo. River N'ly. to 7 mi, Wash., ed to Baldwin Contracting Co., GRAND COUNTY. Inc., P.O. Box 269, Marysville, \$28,-990 for const. of approx. 1,200 lft. of 30" concrete pipe sewer in Stoney Point Rd. nr. Sebastopol, SONOMA COUNTY.

FEBRUARY 26, 1957

FRESNO, Contract awarded to Easton Pump & Machine Works, 3087 S. Elm, Fresno, \$9,436 for inst. of 75 HP pump, tank & fence in

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Johnston Pump Co., Kentucky Ave. & Cleveland St., \$77,-935 for seven well pumps & engine installations incl. site work, bldg., pipework, controls & misc. work.

FEBRUARY 27, 1957

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to Ceccotti & Son, 1564 Redwood Hwy., Corte Madera, \$1,889 for constr. 3'x12'x19' conc. reinf. stl. box on Arroyo Avichi Creek at South Novato Blvd., S. of intersec. w/Center Rd., Novato, Calif. in MARIN COUNTY.

MENLO PARK, contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., 500 Bragato Road, Belmont, \$3,351 for reconstr. of Alta Lane in City of Menlo Park, SAN MATEO COUN-

REDWOOD CITY, Contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., 878 for const. in Bay Road Assessment Dist., SAN MATEO COUN-TY.

SAN CARLOS, Contract awarded to Chas. H. Berger, P.O. Box 575, San Carlos & Bragato Paving Co., 500 Bragato Rd., Belmont, Richmond, \$6,891 for constr. of a ter & sewer lines in San Carlos

FEBRUARY 28, 1957

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Munz Pumps, Inc., 301 N. 12th St., Sacramento, \$11,890 for const. drainage sump & pump on right bank of Feather River at Shanghai Bend nr. Yuba City, SUTTER COUNTY.

FREMONT, Contract awarded to Galbraith Construction Co., 995 Blossom Way, Hayward, \$10.589, for construct water mains in Darvon Road in Newark and in frontage road at freeway interchange near Beard Road and Hesperian Boulevard, in City of Fremont, in ALAMEDA COUNTY.

COLUSA, Contract awarded to Western Builders, P.O. 306, Sta. A. Palo Alto, \$8,892, for const. 2 RC box clvs. on Bear Valley Rd., abt. 25, mi. w. of Williams, in COLUSA COUNTY

AUBURN, Contract awarded to G. S. Herrington, P.O. Box 708, Auburn, California, \$3,900, for reconstruct curbs, gutters and sidewalks; and replace pavement on High Street and portions of Lincoln Way in City of Auburn, PLACER COUNTY.

MARCH 1, 1957

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Trans-Western Const Co., 9635 W. Colfax Ave., Denver, Colo., \$39,886, for const. Alder Creek Bridge No. 51 and Brush Creek Brdg. No. 52, on Sequoia Natl. Forest, TULARE COUNTY.

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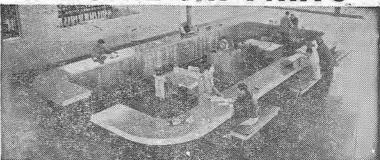
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Timely Hints on Jobless Ins. Benefits

California's employment security system and authentic answers supplied by the Department of Employment. In the last issue, discussion was begun about eligibility for and procedures relating to unemployment insurance. The following continues that discussion.

Q. When does my claim begin?

A. If you first go to an office on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, your claim is dated back to the previous Sunday (if you have not Duration Questionnaire" for each already earned more than your insurance weekly benefit amount). If you first go to the office on a Thursday or Friday, generally your claim is dated ahead to the coming Sunday. However, if you are unemployed Monday and Tuesday but work all day Wednesday, the Wednesday work is good cause for not reporting on Wednesday, In this case, if you report on Thursday (and your earnings for Wednesday were less than your insurance would be) your claim will be dated back to the previous Sunday.

Q. How will I be notified how much insurance I may receive?

A. When you file a claim for unemployment insurance, the date of filing establishes a benefit year. You will receive by mail a "Notice of Benefit Amounts Established" from the department's headquarters office in Sacramento, This notice tell you exactly how much you could receive, if you meet all the eligibility requirements of the

Q. Why is my last employer told that I filed a claim?

A. The law requires that your last employer and all your base period employers be notified when you file a new claim. Your last employer is then required to submit any information he has which may affect your eligibility (Sections 1030 and 1327 of the Code).

Q. What is the Identification Card and why must I have it with me when I go to the Department of Employment Local Office?

A. Everyone is given an Identification Card when he files a new claim in order to help insure that he collects his insurance. The card also is used to help locate your claim records in the office, since records are filed by number, and without the Identification Card there may be a delay in making payment. In addition, your appointment day and time appear on the card. Another important item on it is the "Benefit Year Began" date. You can file only one new claim in a benefit year. You would not be able to file another new claim until 52 weeks from the date shown, Your Identification Card also contains your "occupational code," under which your work application card is filed.

Q. What happens if I go to work after I file my claim and then become unemployed again before the

A. You should go to your local office of the department as soon as you lose your job to register for work and file an "additional claim" (if you did not previously receive all your insurance for that benefit year).

Q. Suppose, after I have filed a claim, I do not come back to the office for a while-not because I worked, but for some other reason. How can I get my claim started again,

A. As soon as you wish to start your claim again, go to the office, renew your work registration and reopen your claim.

Q. How long after I file a new claim can I be paid?

A. Generally between two or three weeks. The first week after the claim is filed is a "waiting period" and no payment can be made for that week. If you meet all the eligibility requiremnts you usually can be paid for one week on your first regular report day after the second week has passed.

Q. Why do I have to go to a special window for my first payment?

A. At this special Eligibility Benefit Rights Interview the department can explain your benefit amount to you and answer any questions you have. The interviewer also will review with you the reason for your unemployment and the kinds of work you are qualified

Following is the secod in a se- to accept and are seeking-as well ries of questions and answers about as the circumstances under which you are able and willing to work. If there is any question as to whether you are eligible to receive insurance you will want to have it resolved before a payment is made which might have to be repaid. This is a longer interview than can be handled at your regular win-

> Do I have to go to the office every week to get my insurance?

A. Yes, unless you have returned to work. You must file a "Continued Claim Statement" or "Extended week you wish to be paid. It is not necessary for you to make a special trip to make your waiting period claim. You may do that when you claim your first payable week.

Does claiming my waiting period mean I get paid for the waiting period?

A. No, but in order to be eligible for payment for the week following the waiting period you mustduring the waiting period - meet exactly the same conditions as for a week for which you may be compensated. That is to say, you must be unemployed, actively seeking work, and willing and available at all times during the period for suitable work. If you do not meet these conditions during the waiting period you will not be eligible for benefits for the week following the waiting period.

Q. How can I file a claim if I have gone back to work?

A. Fill out the claim statement you were given for the week before you went back to work, or the week in which you earned less than your weekly insurance, include on the claim statement the date on which you started your job, and mail it to the office to which you have been reporting. Be sure to show your gross earnings before deductions. If payment is due, a check will be mailed to you, You would generally receive this check in two or three weeks.

Q. Why do I have to report at a particular hour and day? Why can't I report when it is more convenient for me?

A. In order to give all claimants the most efficient service by spreading interviews over the day, neer of that city. Creegan and claimants are given appointments. The day on which each claimant Saratoga, California have also enreports is determined by the last tered the fold. four digits on his Social Security account number, and the time of day by the last two digits.

Q. What should I do if the appointment time I am given interferes with my time for reporting to the union for dispatch?

A. By all means plan to be at your hiring hall when there is a chance of getting a job. Tell the interviewer who advises you what your report time is, that this interferes with your reporting to your union as required. He will ask his supervisor to change your appointment time.

Q. If I have an appointment for a job interview and cannot come in at my regular reporting hour, will I get my check?

A. Yes, if you are otherwise eligible, because that would ordinarily be good cause for not reporting at your regular day or time. However, you should report at the first opportunity.

CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

WEAVERVILLE, Contract awarded to M. W. Brown, Box 827, Redding, \$792,423 for const. earthwork, structures & surf. County Road Impvt. Trinity River Bridge to Trinity Dam, Trinity River Div., Calif., Central Valley Proj. TRIN-ITY COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, Inc., 344 High St., Oakland, \$1,132,116 for 1.4 mi. grade & surf. w/plantmix surf. on cem. tr. base & ped. undercrossing & 7 retaining walls in Oakland betw. Park Blvd. & 0.6 mi. S. of Lincoln Ave., ALAMEDA COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Palmberg. Const. Co., P.O. Box 991, Astoria, Ore., \$48,-400 for dredge aprx. 37,000 cy. in Noyo River, Calif.

Doris: When is your sister thinking of getting married? Tom: Constantly.



HOLING THRU, ON THE NOSE-These boys reflect the happiness of water company and contractor officials on the accurate meeting of two bores

on the San Francisco Water Company's tunnel project after 13 months of boring under the city of Hillsborough by Peter Kiewitt Co. (Story on page 2)

Field Survey Notes-

By Al Beardman, Bill Minihan and Art Pennebaker Business Representatives

have been signed up during the past month. Herbert Frahm has opened an office at 736 Main St., Redwood City, California, Herb formerly was Chief Engineer for Oddstead Homes. Sidney Mitchell of 300 South Murphy Ave., Sunnyvale, California signed an agreement covering his field survey work, Engineer Mitchell is a member of the Sunnyvale Planning Commission, and a former Engi-D'Angelo of 14455 Big Basin Way,

The many friends of long time member, Gideon Blewett, were shocked to hear of his passing. Brother Blewett has been ill for the past two years. We will miss him, as he was always a good union man. He was one of the rapidly disappearing pioneers in the organizing of technical engineers. He had the courage that so few possess, when it comes to an open fight for better wages and working conditions.

This is the month of our first quarterly meeting. It will be held on Friday, March 22nd, 8 p.m., at 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, California. expect a good turn out.

SURVEY NOTES

We have been receiving many reports from various areas that Surveyors are going to work for Civil Engineering firms without a work clearance from the Union. This practice is a violation of the Union's By-Laws.

For your information we are quoting Article VI, section 6 (a) of the By-Laws of Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3.

"A member shall be privileged to work in any part of the territorial jurisdiction of Local Union No. 3, provided, however, that:

(a) in those areas in which Local Union No. 3 maintains an Employment Office, no member may obtain or accept employment except through the Employment Office of the Local Union from which office he shall obtain a Local Union card."

In the future all surveyors must work in accordance with the By-Laws, Anyone found to be in violation, will be cited to appear before the Executed Board of the Local Union.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to Edward Keeble, Rt. 4, Box 64, San Jose, \$72,222 for reconst. of Alma Ave, betw. Almaden Ave. & Lick Ave. in City of San Jose.

STOCKTON IS WET; ROAD JOBS WA

By ED DORAN, WALT TALBOT, ALBERT MCNAMARA & C. I., CASEBOLT, Business Representatives

From all indications, the month of March is going to be the wettest month of the winter season. This makes the pros-Several new Engineering firms pect for an early spring seem doubtful, although a lot of wind could change the outlook.

The Tri-Dam Project is rapidly drawing to a close with

Beardsley Dam completed except for relocation of the railroad over enough work to keep many of the brothers working until May, at which time this project should be completed. Tullock Dam will not have the concrete placed until July but will wind up their job soon after that time.

M.J.B. Construction Company of Stockton was awarded a County road job on Lathrop Road between Highway 50 and 99 in the amount of \$57,128.

S. M. McGaw Company, Stockton, were the low bidders on the paving and grading work at the San Joaquin County Fairgrounds for \$32,618.

A. Teichert & Son won the bid for \$24,835 on the reconstruction of McDonald Island Road west of Stockton.

Thomas Construction Company are hampered by the rains on the pouring of the footings and abutments for their bridge job. They Ferry Bridge, which is a covered wooden structure approximately 100 years old, because it will be covered by water when Tullock Dam is completed and has to be replaced by the new structure to be located 1,000 feet upstream and will be 120 feet high. The approaches were excavated to subgrade before the rains came.

A. Teichert & Son, under the supercision of Adolph Bauer, have completed hauling in the borrow on their Highway 50 job near Mossdale and should be preparing the subgrade for concrete by the time this in in print.

Valley Engineers of Fresno have completed the sewer and water lines at the County Honor Farm.

Stanfield &'Moody were low bidders on a County road north of Lodi. The bid was \$33,261. This job will probably not start until spring. ROAD JOBS

Several small jobs are scheduled for the immediate future such as three miles of road on the Tuolumne Road east of Sonora with bids to be let on March 27. Another job to be let on March 15 is for exploration drilling and core testing on the New Melones Dam Site on the Stanislaus River north of Jamestown, The State Highway Department has surveyed and flagged several road jobs to be done this year and on some, the new right-of-way fences are being installed,

A road job which will cost apthe dam. Donnells Dam still has proximately one million dollars will be three miles east of Ione and run into Jackson in Amador County. Another is on Highway 50 from A. Teichert's present job to Stockton through French Camp, which is approximately four miles and on Highway 108 from the junction with Highway 120 to about three miles west of Jamestown. With these road jobs we have mentioned and additional ones to be let from time to time, we hope to be able to keep the Stockton area members busy this season.

The Claude C. Wood job at Mokelumne Hill has slowed down because of rain and also several buildings and houses have to be moved off the right-of-way. The clearing is over half finished and as soon as the weather permits the dirt and rock should begin to

, Joe Vicini has three DW 20s and a D 9 stripping for Owen-Illinois at Ione and at Sutter Creek he have to replace the old O'Brynes has two dozers and three cats and carryalls at the high school. They keep working when weather permits.

> Brothers, the blood bank is pretty low. During the rainy weather when you are not working, why don't you go over to the blood bank and donate a pint of blood. Office hours are: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. You never know when you or you. family will need blood and a number of the members are not covered by the Health and Welfare Plan and must pay for their trans-

CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to M & K Corp., 404 Montgomery St., S.F., for const. of Caribou No. 2 Powerhouse on the Feather River North Fork, 46 air miles N.E. of Oroville. The powerhouse, 100' x 200' & 32' from foundation below the water to the main generator floor level, will be loc. adj. to the existing Caribou Powerhouse.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$1,395,915, for 7.9 m grade & pave w/ptmx. surf. on cem. tr. base & exist. pvmt., betw. 1.8 mi. N. of Salinas River Brdg. at King City, & 1.2 mi, S. of Green-