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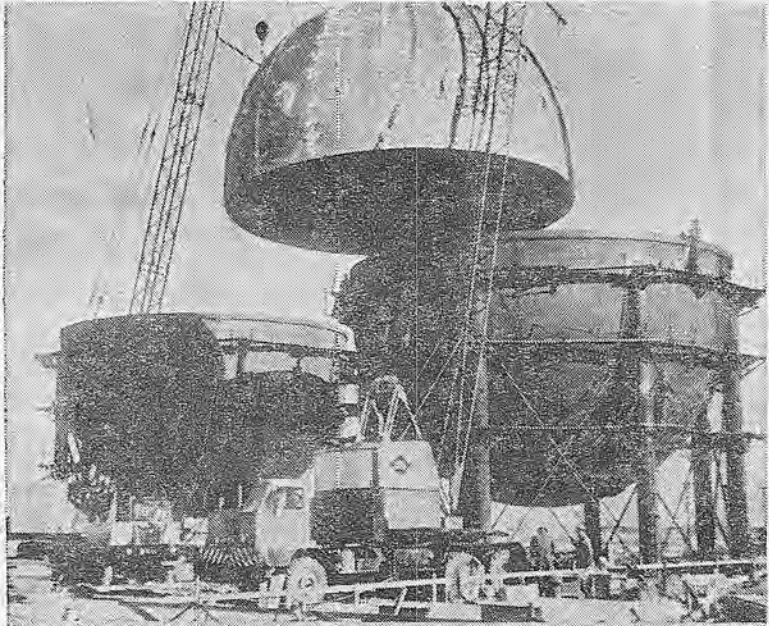
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STEEL AND OXYGEN—Union Carbide's huge Linde Company air products plant takes shape in Antioch, to produce 115 million cubic feet of liquid oxygen and nitrogen per month. Here, two mobile cranes lower a nine-ton aluminum section to form inner shell of 25-million cubic foot liquid nitrogen storage tank. (More details in Oakland office report.)

Address Change?? Follow the Rules!!

In the month of March over 400 papers addressed to members were returned to us by the post-office as not deliverable. Subsequently the names of these members have been removed from our mailing list and they will not receive a paper until the MAIN OFFICE of the Operating Engineers has been notified of their new address.

In order to speed up our address changes and also to assure the membership of their copy of the Engineers News, as well as important notices, we have instituted a new procedure and your cooperation will be appreciated.

TO CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS PLEASE OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING RULES:

A change of address will be made upon WRITTEN REQUEST ONLY and can be submitted as follows:

1. By filling out the change of address form which will appear in each issue of the Engineers News.

2. By filling out the "Change of Address" forms which are available in any of the Local Union's district offices.

3. By post-card or letter including your register number, new and former address and date of change.

CHANGES SHOULD BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO THE MAIN OFFICE, 474 Valencia Street, San Francisco 3, California, and marked "Address Dept." In order to receive the current issue

the deadline is the 10th of each month. If your change of address is not in the Main Office prior to, or on that date, you will NOT receive your paper for that month.

Remember, it is to your advantage to have your correct address on file. Important mail is frequently addressed to members in care of the Main Office and if we do not have your address on file we are unable to forward anything to you.

Special arrangements have been made with the printer to air-mail copies directly to the members employed in foreign countries.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$2,410,766 for 4.9 mi. grade, PTMX. surf. & const. 4 RC brdgs. betw. 0.9 mi. S. of Irvine Lodge and 0.8 mi. No. of Sherwood Road, abt. 15 mi. N. of Willits in MEN- PLEASANT HILL, Contract awarded to Pacific Co., 801 Cedar St., Berkeley, \$1,855,242 for const. new high school, Viking Drive, North Pleasant Hill.

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ENGINEERS TO EXHIBIT—

Western Labor Focuses On Big U.S. Union Label Exhibition in S.F. May 1-6

The International Union of Operating Engineers are nearing completion of plans for their participation in the AFL-CIO Union Industries Show which will be held in BROOKS HALL, CIVIC CENTER, SAN FRANCISCO MAY 1 to 6. Our craft display will be of interest not only to the Holsting and Portable members but to the Stationary Engineers as well! Although admission is FREE, admittance tickets must be presented and these can be obtained thru any of Local No. 3's branch offices.

For those of you who may not be familiar with the type of show sponsored and produced by the AFL-CIO Union Label and Service Trades Department, it's one of the nation's greatest free exhibitions and is held in a different major American city each year. This show features virtually every skill and service performed by union members.

There will be an estimated \$20 million worth of displays. More than \$80,000 worth of gifts and souvenirs will be given out.

Last year, more than 300,000 attended the union industries show in Cincinnati.

Awards such as television sets, electric ranges, live animals, fresh beef, clothing and food will be given away.

Months of planning go into each year's show. Unions in the Bay Area have been working on plans for the San Francisco show for a year. Representatives of the Union Label and Service Trades Department have been in San Francisco since early January.

The show has been described as "the story of American trade unionism and the many benefits every community derives from the cooperative spirit that exists between AFL-CIO unions and fair-to-labor employers."

The union label, shop card and union service button will be prominently displayed throughout the show, symbolizing the benefits of this cooperation.

All members are invited to come and bring their families—Let them see how smart and important "Pop" really is!!!

YOUR IMPORTANT DOLLAR TO COPE---WHAT IT DOES

By JAMES L. McDEVITT, Director, Committee on Political Education, AFL-CIO

So that our members, their families, and their friends will vote and vote wisely is a fundamental and basic reason for the establishment of the Committee on Political Education, known as COPE, within the framework of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations. We do not attempt to tell or even suggest to our members as to whom they should vote for or against.

We do, however, present to our members a discussion of the issues which concern them as citizens, as working men and women, as heads of households, and as members of labor organizations. They are not narrow labor issues, but issues which are of concern to all of the people, in all sections of our country, in all walks of life.

The issues we discuss are issues that not only affect the economic stability of our country, the expansion of our economy, our position in international affairs, and the standard of living of our people, but also those which ultimately affect the very root of our society, the family and the ability of our people to preserve and enhance the American way of life for our children.

We are as opposed to unequal Federal income taxes as we are opposed to unequal opportunity for any of our people because of race, creed or color.

We believe that the well-being, the security, the freedom from economic fear and the dignity of each person should be the first

concern of each legislator whether it be in the state capitals or Washington.

Now, about our fund-raising drive. . . .

We are often asked: "Well, just how is the dollar I give to COPE handled, and what happens to it?"

Your dollar to COPE does not pay for the Committee's year-round salary and educational expenses. The AFL-CIO pays for that. Your dollar is not a subscription to a political paper.

Your dollar is for one purpose only—to help elect Congressional candidates friendly to the working people.

For your dollar, you receive your COPE membership card. Every dollar collected is reported monthly. A complete report is made to Congress as required by law.

Of every dollar contributed to COPE, half is used by local and state Committees on Political Education, the other half is used by national COPE to aid worthy candidates for national offices.

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DAVID G. HANSEN
San Jose, Calif., Feb. 28, 1959.

LEA WRIGHT
Vallejo, Calif., March 2, 1959.

GEORGE M. DAVIS
Chico, Calif., March 3, 1959.

E.H. DURKEE
San Francisco, Calif., Mar. 9, '59

GEORGE W. HOLDER
Altaville, Calif., Mar. 25, 1959.

MELVIN BRANNAN
Oroville, Calif., Mar. 25, 1959.

W. O. SCOTT
Redding, Calif., Mar. 30, 1959.

EUGENE C. BOWDISH
Lakehead, Calif., Mar. 30, 1959.

G. S. OIEN
Ukiah, Calif., Mar. 30, 1959.

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS


District Meetings Scheduled for May, 1959:
May 7 Sacramento, C.E.L.T. Bldg.
12 Stockton, Engineers' Bldg.
13 Oakland, Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez
21 Salinas, Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro

COPE 1959 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION DRIVE STARTED . . . The Committee on Political Education of the AFL-CIO has started its 1959 Voluntary Contribution drive and we sincerely hope our members will lend their full support to this important campaign. Contribution books have been mailed to all business representatives and district offices so that every member will have the opportunity to donate ONE DOLLAR for this drive. It is of extreme importance that we continue to extend our cooperation to COPE in this 1959 drive. LET'S MAKE LOCAL No. 3's CONTRIBUTION 100 PER CENT. . . . DONATE YOUR \$1.00 TODAY!

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San Mateo, Hub of the Peninsula \$40 MILLION SUBDIVISION IS PLANNED FOR PACIFICA

By BILL RANEY, JERRY DOWD and GEORGE BAKER,
Business Representatives

Henry Doelger, builder of the Westlake subdivision, has revealed plans for a forty million dollar housing development, to be called Westmont, in Pacifica on the coast, in San Mateo County. This will mean he will move approximately twelve-million yards of earth over the hill toward Edgemar. This will create a great deal of work for the brothers, when you consider the underground and paving crews it will take to cover such a project. We should have more information on this job for the next issue of the newspaper.

Work has picked up considerably in the San Mateo area during the past two weeks. Nick Ratkovich has started his pit at the Mills Estate again. At present there are two shovels, two dozers and a blade, which should run all summer.

C. J. Woods is very busy on the school job at San Carlos with two shifts running. They were finally issued a blasting permit, last week which will help with the hard rock they have to contend with in this area.

Earl Parker is going strong again on the McKeon track. With two million yds. to move, the brothers and the mechanics are working on a two shift basis. E. T. Haas Co. have a number of jobs going throughout the area, furnishing work for many of the local boys.

Utah Construction Co. has started their South San Francisco development again. This project will run most of the summer. Dale Williams is doing the street work here and at various other locations in the northern end of the county. The L. C. Smith Co. has many paving jobs running in the area at the present time. Piombo Construction is a little slow with signs of some activity in the very near future.

The repair shops are now running full blast. Seems as though the contractors are planning for a very busy season ahead.

The Pillar Point Breakwater job at Half Moon Bay seems to be getting off to a slow start, and it will be some time before there will be much activity at the actual job site. They are trying to find suitable rock in the hills near Half Moon Bay, at present, and some preliminary survey work is being done on the hauling roads. There will not be much work for the Engineers for another month. At this writing the company, which is the Healy Tibbets and Granite Construction Co. on a joint venture, have not determined whether they will barge or truck the rock up from Granite's Quarry, out of Davenport. When the job does get underway,

there will be considerable work for the Operating Engineers.

Berger-Coastwide Co. is busy on a \$117,000 job grading for the Bayside School. Add this job to several other similar sized jobs they have in the area, and this makes it quite a spread.

William Frank Co. is scratching the hills back of Lindemar for more homesites for Oddstad to build on. Dale Williams is also working in this same area. There are many of the smaller contractors starting to work in the area, so many, in fact, that it would be impossible to name all of them.

There are also many government jobs anticipated throughout San Mateo County. These are:

1. V.O.R.T.A.C. facility in Woodside.
2. Lighting systems at the airport with considerable underground work.
3. Road and fence work for the I.A.T.S.C. transmitter site out of Redwood City.
4. Coast Guard Air Station, 3,000 ft. 12" concrete taxiway, plus 12" base rock (this one should take quite a few operators).
5. Half Moon Bay Breakwater, probably 40 engineers at both ends at peak of job.

Brother Valdivia has just returned from deep South Eastern Mexico where he was sent by the University of California, as an archeologist, to study some very old Indian civilization. He quotes some of the for from envious wage scale which prevail there today, such as \$1.20 per day for laborers and \$5.60 per day for a cat skinner. The equipment owner gets stateside rental prices. A roadside hair cut costs 24 cents. INTERESTING?

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Hydraulic Dredging Co., Ltd., 1221 Central Bk. Bldg., Oakland \$4,145,800 for Sacto. River Deep Water Ship Channel Proj. Ship Canal Mi. 26.70-35.8, YOLO CO.

SANTA CRUZ, Contract awarded to Cupertino Gravel Co., Inc. 605 W. Bayshore, Sunnyvale \$157,400 for clearing Newell Creek Reservoir, loc. 1 1/2 mi. from Ben Lomond in SANTA CRUZ CO., inv. 200 acres of land to be cleared.

Field Survey Notes SURVEY JOBS ARE SHORT

By AL BOARDMAN and
ART PENNEBAKER Bus. Reps.

Dispatching brothers to the jobs is becoming more difficult. There are more jobs but the brothers are harder to find! Many times a man will go back to work for the same employer after a short layoff BUT he neglects to notify the dispatcher to take his name off the out-of-work list. This necessitates calling these names time after time with a lot of wasted effort. Please give us a call or drop us a postcard if you forgot to remove your name from the list.

Heavy construction in the bay area has been spasmodic and mostly involves short jobs, a few days or a week. The biggest movement is with the Survey firms and most of their work is on the fringe of the bay. It becomes increasingly important that the Technical Engineer be mobile. Without some method of commuting to the jobs around the bay your chances for a job are very restricted. Many times a brother refuses a job he badly needs simply because he can't get to it.

Here are a few warnings our Technical Engineers membership to adhere to:

If you are dispatched to a job don't fail to report to work. If you fail to report, the employer is entitled to hire a non-union man in your place. Don't go to work before 8 a.m. or fail to quit at 5 p.m. Any time worked before or after these hours is in violation of the agreement. Don't work for straight time on Holidays, Saturdays or Sundays. Don't work below the scale, and NEVER cross a picket line. Don't make any private agreements with your employer nor take a job through a private employment agency. We're not trying to insult the intelligence of our membership in setting forth these DON'TS but we have had instances where members have pleaded ignorance of the rules.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Leo F. Piazza Paving Co., 985 Downer Ave., San Jose \$57,547 for const. two-lane rd. on Downer Ave., betw. Snell Rd. & Canoas, inc. const. RC brdg. over Camoas Creek.

YUBA CITY, Contract awarded to Baldwin Contrg. Co., P. O. Box 269, Marysville \$99,980 for conc. pipe storm drain along Lynn Way, frm. Rio Camino (SR 99E) to nr. So. Pac. RR, along Clark Ave. & Bunce Rd., from "B" St. to Gilsizer Slough.
MARCH 25, 1959

MENLO PARK, Contract awarded to Don Dana, 110 Floresta Way, Menlo Park \$66,561 for const. Corte Madera School, Unit No. 3 incl. 3 classrms. & related facils.

RENO, NEVADA, Contract awarded to Condor Const. Co., Reno, Nev. \$79,828 for const. reinf. conc. pipe sanitary sewer line from vic. of new airport terminal bldg. loc. at Municipal Airport, Reno, northerly.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Arntz Const. Co., 1745 Filbert St., S. F. \$558,563 for consol. of lab. bldgs. No. 100, No. 200, No. 300 & No. 4 at S. F. Hospital.

SANTA CRUZ, Contract awarded to Cupertino Gravel Co., Inc. 605 W. Bayshore, Sunnyvale \$157,400 for clearing Newell Creek Reservoir, loc. 1 1/2 nyvale \$157,400 for clearing cleared.

SAN FRANCISCO JOBS NOW IN FULL SWING

By PAUL EDGEcombe and DAN MATTESON,
Business Representatives

Union Label comes to San Francisco for its 50th Anniversary Union Industries Show. Opening in Brooks Hall at the Civic Center, San Francisco May 1st thru May 6th, show hours are from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. daily. Admission is Free. . . . All Union members, their families and friends are invited to attend.

YES, IT COULD HAVE BEEN US

Here is a listing of current wage rates for County work in Case County, Iowa, where everyone has the "right-to-work."

It could have happened to us! Glad you voted last November? Re-register now if you didn't vote, if you have moved, or your status has otherwise changed. We don't need wages like these in California!

"1. The following wage scale is to be effective January 1, 1959 and the Board of Supervisors and the County Engineer will determine the skill and wage scale of all county wide and district employees.

- a. Unskilled labor, 1.00 to 1.50
- b. Skilled labor, 1.25 to 1.75
- c. Foreman, 1.25 to 1.75
- d. Mechanic, 1.25 to 1.85
- e. Dragline Oper., 1.25 to 1.65
- f. Yardman, 1.00 to 1.50
- g. Rodmen, 1.00 to 1.40
- h. Inspectors, 1.00 to 1.40

The above schedule is for regular working hours. Overtime labor will be paid for at the regular hourly wage rate of pay. Overtime labor will be at the discretion of the County Engineer with the exception of emergencies."

Proof That Political Activity Pays Off

(COPE) San Francisco.—Fresh—and financially substantial—proof that labor's political activity pays off in dollars and cents comes from Indiana and Ohio. After vigorous campaigns by organized labor in those two states, the state legislatures passed laws permitting unemployed workers to receive supplemental unemployment benefits (SUB).

Unemployed workers in these states can now collect both unemployment insurance and SUB benefits negotiated through their unions in collective bargaining. Generally, the contracts call for the employers to set aside a few cents hourly so that when a worker is laid off, he will receive a weekly SUB payment, in addition to his unemployment compensation, to equal 65 per cent of his normal weekly take-home pay.

The 300,000 workers who drew SUB benefits during 1958 helped to moderate the effect of the recession on many communities hard hit by unemployment. Nationally, some two million workers are covered by such programs, and with the adoption of such state laws, an extension of SUB is anticipated to many millions more.

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Some of the money will be used to help a pro-labor candidate pay for newspaper advertising; or for gasoline for his automobile he must use for travel around his state or district; or for the typist who types his news releases; or for telephone bills; or for radio or television costs.

You can see that there are a

The main purpose of this show is to focus Public Attention on the important part played by organized labor and the many benefits derived from harmonious Labor-Management Relations.

This 1959 Union Industries Show with its more than \$20 million worth of action packed displays is admittedly America's greatest GIVE-AWAY exhibition. Over \$80,000 worth of free prizes and souvenirs will be awarded during the run of the show.

In the San Francisco area the busy season is here and all the jobs are in full swing. Demolition work is still making good progress in the various areas affected by the redevelopment programs.

The tall buildings downtown are coming along satisfactorily. Housing is in high gear and the Freeway work is going good. Last but not least Harney's ballpark job has now advanced to the grass planting stage!

Now that our season has really started to roll SAFETY is a very important item. Injuries cause lost time and lost time does not pay any dividends, so let's ALL make this season a safe one!

Are You Entitled To a Refund??

Persons who paid more than \$36 in 1958 for disability insurance coverage may recover the excess, but only if they apply for it on or before June 30th. John E. Carr, California Director of Employment, has announced. Application forms are available at all offices of the Department of Employment.

Employees who are covered under the California Unemployment Insurance Code contribute 1 per cent of the first \$3600 they are paid in the calendar year. This money is withheld by employers and paid in to either the state or a private insurance carrier for disability insurance coverage.

An employee who works for two or more employers during the year may overpay the \$36 maximum because each of his employers, as required by law, makes a withholding.

The Department of Employment handles the refund claims, whether coverage was state or voluntary plan.

Last year, Carr said, the department refunded \$3,680,637 to 208,740 persons who applied by the deadline. Applications in envelopes postmarked up to midnight, June 30th, will be timely.

Employees whose single employer erroneously withheld over the \$36 maximum should apply to that employer for refund of the excess.

thousand and one things that your dollar could be, and is, used for.

Never forget this: To get good legislation, you need good congressmen. To get good congressmen, you must help them pay their campaign expenses. The best way to help them pay campaign expenses is to contribute voluntarily to the Committee on Political Education.

It's as simple as that.

REDDING DISTRICT WORK IS OFF TO AN EARLY START

By J. B. JENNINGS and S. McBROOME, Business Representatives

Work in the six counties started early this year, due to good weather. The Trinity Dam contracts at Minersville started the wheels of progress as of April 1. Second shift is due to start April 13, with approximately 250 brothers to return back to work. The Sea, Kaiser, Morrison Clear Creek tunnel project closed operations at the intake at Lewiston due to heavy flow of water. Shea has moved in pumps, and a few of the brothers are working around the clock on the project. Work is predicted to resume operations April 20.

The Union Construction Co. is in full swing on a clearing job in Minersville with 42 brothers working. O. K. Mittry and Son got off to a good start on their road job on Stony Creek, out of Minersville. Brother Tony Tarko, (superintendent) for Serria Construction is in full swing on their road job at Ceder Stock Ranch. Serria Construction also provided facilities for the brothers with trailers to park them on the job, fully equipped with lights, water and other facilities. For the brothers on this particular job it is like a vacation in Alaska. The job lies in the center of the beautiful Trinity Mountains, some of California's best fishing country. Just a reminder to brothers who want to try their luck at trout fishing, please hold off until May 1.

The A. D. Construction has moved in on their new job for Trinity County, at Weaverville. This is about the first paving job to break in the Redding District. This job has approximately 12 brothers employed. The J. W. Briggs paved road job at Del Loma is back into full swing. This job is due for completion in September of this year.

McCammon and Wunderlic got back in full swing on the Dunsuir job, and additional work on 99 will consist of 4 7/10 mile of freeway to be awarded April 29. This job will start approximately one mile south of the Siskiyou County line, and work is expected to start the latter part of May. The Boss Construction Co. of Berkeley was the low bidder on a bridge job on Highway 99.

Gibbons and Reed was the low bidder on a dirt job out of Etna. This job is due for completion in 60 days. Also the Humboldt Construction Co. has started their job back of Ceicleville. A note to the brothers who are

working on this job, beware of the Big Foot, it was reported that he spends his winter in this locality.

South of Redding, the Lomas Construction has started a road job out of Beegum, with George Brovech as Superintendent. The L. D. Shilling and Co. is in full swing with twoshifts on their syhon job out of Red Bluff. This job is due for completion June 1. When completed this job will link the Corning Canal with a section of the canal which was completed in 1957. There is one added section to let in May which will tie the canal. The canal will carry water through Tehama and Glenn Counties.

The High Edwards Construction Co. will complete the Vistica job at Dales Station within 60 days. Work will continue to increase throughout the district. We would appreciate any of the brothers who are registered in the Redding office and who have gone to work out of another district to phone or send a post card, so that we may remove you from our register.

W. E. Tredwell and Allen has completed the paving of the Weed Airport. Redding Engineering Construction, Redding, has the contract to construct the Vets Memorial Building at Red Bluff.

Bryant will construct the Juniper School job, totaling 116,000 dollars. Thomas W. Lista of Redding has the contract to build Manzanita School. Christenson and Foster of Santa Rosa was low bidder on Sicamore School.

Trinity Job. Redding office recently held a pre job conference with the following named contractors. Ray Kiser has his cats in full operation with 15 brothers employed. A clearing job and additional clearing work was awarded by the Bureau of Reclamation for clearing Trinity Dam. John Tresdale, Redding contractor, was low bidder on Schedule 2 and 3, this job is due for completion in 1961.

It was recently submitted that a proposal in Iron Canyon at

Jobs Awarded

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Fredrickson & Watson Const. Co., 873-81st Ave., Oak, \$1,532,222 for 3.3 mi. 4-lane div. Freeway w/front. rds. & ramps to be gr. & PTMX. surf. on untr. base & const. RC arch culv. & 2 RC bridges, betw. GLEN CANYON RD. & 0.2 mi. No. of SANTA CRUZ, SANTA CRUZ CO.

BERKELEY, Contract awarded to J & M Const., 445 Blossom Way, Hayward, \$50,095 for con. sanit. & storm sewers in La Loma & Cedar Sts.

REDDING, Contract awarded to Robert F. Bryant, 1242 Center St., Redding \$116,991 for const. Juniper Elem. School in Redding.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose \$98,886 for impvt. of various major streets in San Jose.

SAN RAFAEL, Contract awarded to Piombo-Bresnan, 931-2d St., San Rafael \$60,984 for 5th Av. storm drain.

SANTA ROSA, Contract awarded to Colombini Const. Co., 608 Wright, S. R. \$25,700 for 50 unit trailer park at SONOMA COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS, Santa Rosa.

SANTA ROSA, Contract awarded to R. R. Todd, P. O. Box 1145, Santa Rosa \$60,583 for const. of a Jockey Bldg. at the SONOMA COUNTY FAIR-GROUNDS, Santa Rosa.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland & Lee Stephens, P. O. Box 726, Stockton \$552,800 for const. Harding Way U'pass in City of Stockton.

MARCH 26, 1959

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Ben C. Gerwick, Inc., 417 Market St., S. F. \$66,000 for const. pile fdn. for 4-story office bldg.

MARCH 27, 1959

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Elmer J. Freethy, 1432 Kearney, El Cerrito \$89,042 for const. of 1/2 million gal. cap. prestressed conc. tank, loc. PINOLE VALLEY, CONTRA COSTA CO.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Fredrickson & Watson Const. Co., 873-81st Ave., Oak, & Ransome Co., 4030 Hollis St., Emeryville \$975,624 for 1.6 mi. four lane div. hwy. W/ramps & frontage rds. grd. &

Balls Ferry district. The prospect of this job materializing looks good. At the present time no further information of any value was received.

Brother W. O. Scott's widow would like to thank each of his friends for the kindness shown her at the time of his death. Brother Scott was an old time member of Local No. 3 and served the organization as a member of the Union's Grievance Committee. Brother McBroom and myself extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Scott.

At the last district meeting Brother Wayne Coleman was elected to replace Brother Scott on the Grievance Committee. Remember your grievance committee meets between 7 and 9 p.m., on Thursdays at 1054 Tehama Street.

In closing we're happy to predict that the year 1959 will be particularly good for construction throughout!

Cancer can no longer be called a "woman's disease." The American Cancer Society says that 53 out of every 100 cancer deaths occur among men.

Many cancers can be cured. More than 800,000 Americans have been saved from the disease, according to American Cancer Society statistics.

North Bay Boys Are Kept Busy by Small Jobs

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

Spring weather has arrived, and many of the brothers are returning back to work, and the out-of-work register is tapering off. We can give thanks to the small jobs in the area keeping quite a number of members in the area busy, as the out-of-work list is still too big for this time of the year. From all indications, the year 1959 promises to be a good year for Marin, Solano and Napa counties.

Brothers: May we again remind you to please call our office when returning to work. This is a great help to us in trying to keep the out-of-work register up to date. We would like you to be more cooperative in this matter. Thank you.

Associated Dredging of Sausalito have just been awarded the river and harbor work at Petaluma Creek in Petaluma at a cost of \$154,328. Work will be starting in the very near future.

The Dan Caputo Co. of San Jose is in the midst of clean-up of the fallen freeway span at Hwy. 101 overpass at Greenbrae. About 75 feet of the false-work collapsed Thursday, April 2nd, and luckily this happened about five minutes after quitting time. Bro. Dave McClelland, Oiler was the last one to leave the spot and really made a "bee-line" when he heard the creaking. Dan Caputo is the contractor for this \$1,800,000 project which includes two bridges over Corte Madera Creek at Greenbrae.

In Solana County—Martin Bros. have finally got to rolling full blast on their pipeline job at Dixon with J. Tanner putting in the Monteletic pipe. This line is a continuation of an irrigation from the Putah Creek Canal for the rich farm lands of Dixon area.

McGuire and Hester have the first 22 miles of partly open ditch and pipe line and Martin Bros. the second phase.

Frederick and Aldermot have subbed their job to Parish and Harms at Travis Air Base with not much dirt work—mostly concrete.

Teichert and Son have started alignment of the Peabody Road their job of resurfacing and re-forming Vacaville to Travis Air Force Base. Also doing the excavation for Stolte, Inc. for the readiness crew bldg. By the time this goes to press, Teichert will also be rolling on the excavation, curb and gutter and new streets for the Wherry Housing at Travis.

SUBDIVISION

The sub-division work has been holding up good—keeping a number of members in the Solano area.

Parish Bros. are doing a small excavation job for a shopping center in Benicia. If they don't pick off a good job pretty soon, they'll have to change the moth balls on their equipment, because it looks as if they have gone into retirement with the luck they've had on bidding.

Syar and Harms doing quite a few small jobs around this area plus filling in a new yard and office site—between Vallejo and Hwy. 48 on Napa Hwy.

We hope the Highway division will get some action and let the freeway job between Hwy. 40 Vallejo to Benicia so the public will be able to use the Underpass on Hwy. 40 to Benicia to some advantage.

In Marin County some of the bigger jobs are going full blast at the present time. At Hamilton Air Base, there is equipment scattered all over with Capehart Housing project going on. This project keeps quite a few of our boys busy. Also the Williams & Burrows Marin City

Housing project is going pretty good at present. The Gallagher & Burke job here in San Rafael keeps a good crew busy.

Brothers, we wish to remind you of the need of Local No. 3's Blood Bank. You might be next Can you afford to pay for the amount of blood that might be needed to save your life? All of us realize there are many who are unable to donate themselves, but with the membership the size it is, just try to realize how active we could keep our bank if we got a friend or a member of our family to donate for us. Those of you who have needed blood in the past few months and may have had to pay for it should get on the ball and get some action from the guys on your jobs or your friends and family who are physically able to donate blood. Check with our office for the time and place to give donations.

Have you contributed to COPE yet? Your dollar will help elect a better Congress. COPE (Committee on Political Education) is the political arm of the AFL-CIO. Your voluntary contribution can be made at our office. The first member to purchase at our office is Brother Frank Wilton.

Reminder: Our office in San Rafael and Vallejo remains open every Thursday straight thru to 7 p.m. for your convenience.

NEWS ABOUT BROTHERS:

Brother L. L. Nicholson is in Queen of the Valley Hospital with a case of Ulcers. We are hoping that you aren't having too much trouble, Len and that you will be out soon feeling fit.

Bro. Dave Pereira is in Marin General Hospital with a slipped disc. Must have been running, eh Dave?

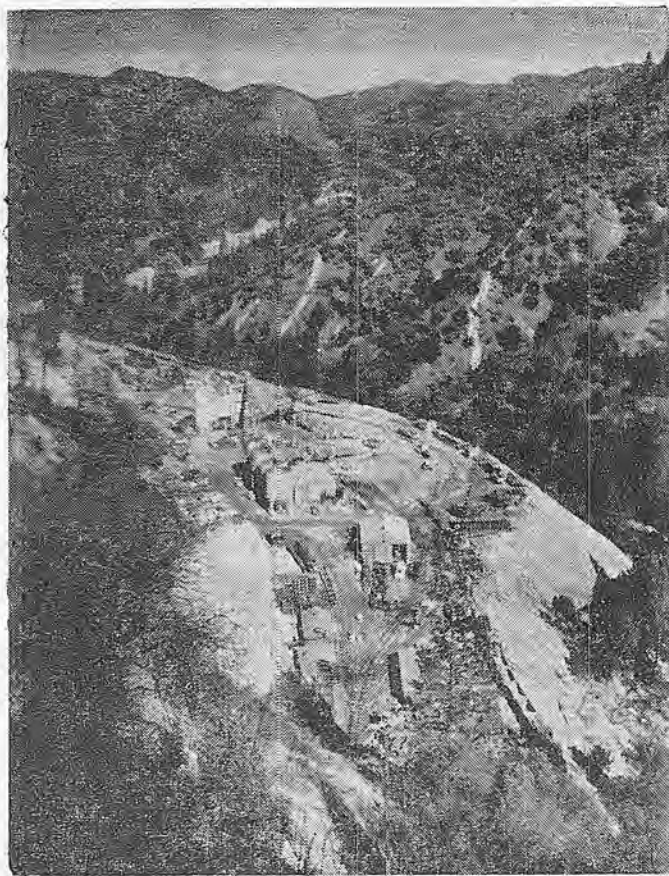
Bro. Glen Jones, formerly with Schultz Construction is now associated with Bro. Lee Cox, owners-operators. We wish him much success in his new venture.

Bro. R. C. George is now the owner of a Case Industrial Backhoe in addition to other equipment he has. At present his crew consists of Brothers Guy Manka and Ova Lee Manka on backhoe and the "nits & lee!"

Brother L. S. "Red" Whitaker passing thru to say "hello"—just returned from Glen Canyon Dam in Arizona—and is all set for a 2 1/2 year hitch with M & K in Iran to work at the Karadj Dam. He says he is taking his family along. Another Brother, Dan Burris is heading for the same job. We wish them luck. "Red" says there is enough work there for the next ten years.

Brother Bob Gordon, Dozer Operator for the Pullman Builders at California Point (formerly known as Ring Point) took a step backward and fell into the bay. Of all places... he landed in a septic tank! His co-worker, Brother O. R. Buchanan, who rides back and forth to work with Bob says he certainly doesn't smell "like a rose" these days.

This about winds the news up from this end for this month. In our next month's issue, we hope to report more of our brothers working on the jobs, as more work opens up and finds us in a busier season.



TUNNEL JOB SITE—This picture was taken just above the adit of the Clear Creek tunnel job. Tanks and other structure in center are the Shea-Kaiser-Morrison batch plant, producing cement for tunnel lining. The Trinity River project tunnel is lined between adit and intake, drilling crews are pushing toward each other under the mountains.

What's Doing in the Oakland Area

By H. T. "PETE" PETERSEN, BILL BARR, TINY LAUX, WARREN LE MOINE, TOMMY THOMPSON, and JOHNNY SCALES, Business Representatives.

Since the last issue of the Engineers News the Operating Engineers have been successful in winning an election at the American Forge Co. in Niles, after the employees had petitioned for decertification from another Union. This group is a sizable addition to our growing Union and we would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to new members for their assistance in the recent activities. This newly affiliated group comprise some 75 new members and we are now in the middle of negotiating a new agreement for the employees of the American Forge Co. At the present time there are approximately 80 Operating Engineers employed at Pacific States Steel.

This plant is situated in the same area and adjacent to the American Forge Co. property. The addition of the American Forge Co. engineers to the old stand-by Operating Engineers at the steel plant makes quite a representative group in itself. The Oakland office recently negotiated a new waterfront agreement with the Oakland Dock & Warehouse Co. to cover their operations of cargo and van handling. The company is in the process of rebuilding the existing docks, to take care of anticipated increase of cargo handling contracts.

Your representatives are busy organizing small groups as well as some of the larger groups and it is our sincere hope that we will be able to give the members a favorable report on the organized progress in the next issue of your newspaper. Through the cooperation of the members your representatives have been able to run down and check on chiseling employers and the not so good "members" who work overtime for other than the conditions as set forth in the Agreements under which they work. These violations are taken care of as soon as we find them or when notified that they exist.

Union Carbide's multi-million dollar Linde Co. air products plant takes shape at Loveridge Rd. and the Freeway in Antioch. First section of the plant, capable of producing 115 million cubic feet of liquid oxygen and nitrogen per month, is expected to swing into operation ahead of the original June 1st target date. In the picture on page 1, two mobile cranes are shown lowering a nine-ton aluminum hemisphere into final position for welding to an identical hemisphere positioned below it to form the inner shell of a 25 million cubic foot liquid nitrogen storage tank. A special insulating material will be packed around the sphere and it will be enclosed in a steel outer shell. This construction plan also was followed in the oxygen tank at the right.

The liners in these steel tanks are of solid aluminum and weigh only nine tons. This is something new in the manufacturing of Linde Air Products. Brothers Jim Johns and D. H. Knight are the crew on the 35 Lima. The other rig from Winton Jones yard is manned by Dick Lacy and Marvin Grana.

Work will start June 1st on the 68 million dollar Mokelumne Aqueduct No. 3, the East Bay Municipal Utility District said today. Chief Engineer Jos. D. Decosta said the initial contract will provide for constructing a 33 mile stretch of pipeline over thirty months. Terminal points will be at Walnut Creek and at Bixler near Brentwood. The entire line totals 92 miles, from Pardoe reservoir in the Sierra foothills, to Orinda. Other sections will be built in seven additional contracts. The project should be completed in October, 1962.

What was once the lonely graveyard of sunken ships rap-

idly is taking shape on the north shore of Alameda as the west's largest and most complete recreational boating center. The attractively landscaped area will be known as the Pacific Marina. Two giant dredges of the Pacific Bridge Co. have almost completed their job of scooping mud and rotten hulls from the bottom of the Alameda Estuary to establish a minimum depth of ten feet at lowest tide, it was announced today by Richard Carpenter, manager of the company's Pacific Marina Division. The dredges Olympian and Alameda have been working on the project more than a month, one of them on a 24 hour schedule seven days a week. Driving of piles already has begun and by the end of April the first of an anticipated 500 boats will begin berthing in the new facility. The boats will range in length to 70 feet.

First occupancy of Pacific Marina will be followed by construction of shop, restaurant, and motel buildings. The fourteen acres of grounds will be planted with lawn, trees and shrubs, and large parking areas will be installed. The yacht harbor will extend over 19 acres of water which through the years has been serving as a final resting place for sunken merchant vessels. The old hulks were towed into the protected cove to keep main channels clear. None of the vessels dredged up in the clearing operation has been identified, Carpenter said. One wooden ship apparently had sides more than three feet thick. Several of the recovered propellers and shafts were made of cast iron. The Pacific Marina is described by Carpenter as "the west's largest planned boating community, prepared from the start to provide boating enthusiasts with all of the specialized services they need." It is located at the north end of Sherman Street in Alameda.

Hank Sparks of Oroville, California has the contract for all of the excavation for the Bellvaque Tract on Ewing Drive in Castro Valley. This is for some 150 new homes in a restricted sub-division which entails moving 135,000 cubic yards of dirt. They now have about 60 per cent of the dirt moved. We have on this job two DW 21's, five D-8 dozers and carryalls with Hank Sparks as the Superintendent on this job. Working with him is Louis Wyman, Slim Olson, Woodrow Wilson, Doc Gross, Ronald Abare, A. J. Voth and Harry Howard with Paul Stafford as foreman.

The Henry J. Kaiser Co.'s Rock, Sand and Gravel plant in Niles is getting ready for a busy season. Fredrickson & Watson Construction Co. is moving two cats and two DW 20's in to strip some 45,000 cubic yards of dirt off, so that they can get down to the rock. Kaiser Co. will then move in their Manitowak with the dragline on it and go down to the water. They will then use the sewer man cable way excavator and excavate down some 100 ft. under water which will

BLOOD DONORS

Mrs. William (Donna) Blaw
Elmo Priest
A. G. Ransome
James Roche
Charles Thomason

make a hole about 125 ft. deep. The Brothers working in the pit crew are John Perry, John Smith, Howard Stewart and Don McCuaig. The Brothers working on the plant are Emery Button, Lewis Staub, Bill Squibb, Harold Jones and Calisto Xavier. The plant has been keeping fairly busy during the winter months putting out some hot mix and doing repair work for an expected busy summer. The Brothers working in this plant are Ralph Farnum, Erman Morgan, Peter "Pineapple" Souza, Frank Price, Paul Davis, Fred Amaral and John Lanes. This plant is under the supervision of Jim D'Antonio.

Ball & Simpsn is back in full swing now that the weather is good. Most of the men were called back with an exception of a few hires.

Heim Bros. are busy clearing the brush for the earth fill dam near Orinda. This project should keep some of the boys busy but will not start until early next year. This earth fill dam is to be known as the Briones Dam and Reservoir.

Fredrickson & Watson was low bidder on the Mountain Blvd. highway job in Oakland. The job will be from Lincoln Ave. south to Redwood Road. The bid was for \$975,000. They will be getting under way in the next few days and will probably be hiring a few men in the near future. Their job at the airport is rolling along good. They are laying C.T.B. at the present and should start paving soon on the main run-way. They are still moving sand on the taxi ways and will start laying base rock soon.

The John H. Buestad Co. is going along real well on their school job located at 98th Ave. and Bancroft Ave. They are adding a \$605,990 building to the Morris Cox Elementary school. This new addition will add about 38,000 square feet of floor space. The completion date is January 1960.

Martin Bros. is going strong on their job in the Pinols area and their ditch job near Dixon. Brothers Tommy Carter and crew are busy in the shop getting things ready for the next job.

Duncanson & Harrelson are moving off of their Port Chicago job. Yuba Consolidated (Judson, Pacific & Murphy) are moving in for the second phase of the dock work.

The Robert Mulloy job on the Skyline school site in Oakland is about finished. They have a little of the dirt moving left. When this is finished they will start another school job at Pleasant Hill that has 320,000 yards of dirt to move. This should keep some of our Brothers busy for awhile.

Bechtel Corp. is starting a boiler repair job at Fiberboard in Antioch which should keep some of the Brothers busy for

quite some time.

Le Bouf & Dougherty is doing the pile work for Rothchild, Raffin & Weirick on the steam plant job at Pittsburg for the coffer dam.

The J. W. Lee job at the water filter plant on Mountain Blvd. in Oakland is going along good. They are trucking the dirt to the Port of Oakland on Hegenberger Rd. and have three dozers, one loader and a backhoe on the job. They also have a few Brothers working on their library job at E. 14th St. and Estudillo in San Leandro. They will have about 90,000 yards to haul away. This job should last quite some time.

C. Reynolds Co. from San Jose has the dirt moving job on Mountain Blvd. near the Oak Knoll Hospital. They are shut down at the present time as the material is too wet to get compaction. They will be down about ten days if the weather stays good. We understand that the yardage on that job will run about 85,000 yards or more.

Peterson Tractor Co. in San Leandro is starting a production line on welding. They are building a lot of dozers, rippers and sheepfoot rollers in their shop. They also have an apprentice program going which will be good training for young fellows that are looking for experience in mechanics and welding. They are also looking for good H. D. mechanics.

The Oscar Friberg job on Mountain Blvd. in Oakland has started up again. They have been down for a couple of weeks. The grades have been changed and there is about 40,000 yards more of dirt to be hauled away. At the present time they have two dozers and a No. 977 cat loader on the job.

Duran Equipment Co. is still building logging forks for the big Michigan loaders. They are building up the hydraulic system on them to handle some fair size logs.

If there are any H. D. mechanics who want to go to school for two hours and only one night per week, Blakemore Equipment Co. is the place to go. They

have started a school on electric pull maintenance. It is being held on Wednesday nights from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in their shop which is located on the 9200 block on "G" Street in East Oakland. There is no charge for this school. For further information call LO. 2-3482.

Martin Bros. of Concord was awarded the excavation and fill contract for the tract of new homes at Pinole called Tara homes. There are 108 homes in Unit No. 2 with 120,000 yards of cut and fill. Martin Bros. are also doing the street and sewer work with 8,000 ft. of sewer to be done. At the present time we have fifteen Brothers on this job.

C. Norman Peterson was awarded the contract at Standard Oil for three contracts on pipe line work. All contracts call for 6", 8", 10" and 12" pipelines. Contract No. 1 calls for 70,000 ft., contract No. 2 calls for 65,000 ft. and Contract No. 3 calls for 85,000 ft. Altogether there is 220,000 ft. of pipe line work and we have six brothers on this job at \$4.21 per hour.

Construction Awards

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Healy-Tibbitts Const. Co., 411 Brannan, S. F. & Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville \$4,522,100 for harbor improvements at Half Moon Bay, SAN MATEO COUNTY.

BERKELEY, Contract awarded to Rothschild, Raffin & Weirick, 274 Brannan St., S. F., \$2,393,300 for const. 6-story Earth Sciences Bldg.

LEMOORE, Contract awarded to Camco Const. Co., 2146 E. Main St., Visalia \$41,888 for const. sewer & water lines in Lemoore Heights Subdiv., Lemoore.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Roek Cement Co., P. O. Box 783, Stockton \$594,890 for const. bldgs. No. 305, 307 & 314, inc. utils., etc. at Site 300.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Payne Const. Co., 689 Louisiana St., Oakland \$392,282 for Chemical Lab Bldg., No. 101, Increment No. 4 at Livermore.



A view of Kaiser Center in Oakland looking east, shows elevator shaft in center of building, shops and garage in foreground. About 80 per cent of building materials are either produced by affiliated Kaiser companies or products made from their raw materials.

SACTO IS BUSY ON MANY BIG JOBS

By D. R. KINCHLOE, ERNIE NELSON, HAROLD HUSTON,

ED. HEARNE and BILL METTZ, Business Representatives

The weather is right. The time is right, but we're still waiting! The jobs have opened good and in two or three weeks should be going full blast. As you read the business agents' report you can see how work has gotten started.

McClellan and Mather Air Bases have lots of work. Hydraulic Dredge was awarded a \$5,000,000 deep water channel job.

This year we have tunnels, dams, freeways, government jobs, subdivisions, channel work, and anything else you can think of. This year will be the busiest year Sacramento has ever seen. We have had lots of bids let and many many more to come.

I would like at this time to ask all of you brothers who operate and oil on equipment to be careful. Don't take chances. Stop and think before shoving into it. Your life is more valuable than the equipment. Equipment can be replaced. So brothers think first and act second!

IN THE MOUNTAINS

Work in the mountains is showing signs of picking up at this time, but it is still slow.

Harms Bros. are moving back into the Lake Tahoe area and will be starting up their crushing plant at Meyers right away. They have been awarded the balance of the C. S. Phillips job on Highway 89 by the Bonding Company. They have an 80-D on the job now.

Lee Const. Co. of San Leandro, have the Tahoe airport to complete and Harms will furnish the base rock and the asphalt paving on this job. We understand that the runway will be lengthened another thousand feet to accommodate larger planes than originally planned for. If so, this job will provide employment for several brothers in the Tahoe area.

There is quite a bit of organizing still to be done in the Lake area as there are several new outfits moving into the area every year to take on some of the construction work that is going on. With all the other work that is going on in the area, covered by the Sacramento office, it looks as if your representatives are going to have their hands full this year.

Gibbons & Reed are still working one shift on the Ice House Dam. They still have quite a little preparatory work to be done before they can start the earth fill. The fill material will be hauled by trucks and will be loaded by shovels in the pits.

McCammon and King were the low bidders on clearing the Ice House Reservoir area with a bid of \$132,300. This is for clearing and grubbing 765 acres and the bid price figures out to about \$190.00 per acre. This is a pretty low figure but we anticipate no trouble on this job because of the several years of good relations between this union and McCammon. We do not have the starting date for this job as we have not met with the company yet.

Marin Rock is in the process of setting up their crushing plant 5 miles north of Riverton and should have it operating by the first part of May. They will supply aggregate to Gibbons Reed and to Frazier-Davis Co. at the Jay-Bird Tunnel. There may also be some other jobs come up for which they will furnish the rock.

Piombo Const. Co. is going right along on both of their jobs in this area. On Highway 50 they have the clearing about completed and are ready to start moving the dirt on a bigger scale than they have been doing up till now.

On the access road to the Jay-Bird Tunnel Power House site, they are fighting hard rock all the way but making good prog-

ress considering the terrain they are working in.

Frazier-Davis Co. is still driving tunnel at what looks like a snails pace. They are working in two headings now and are not driving downstream. They are working in the raise at the outfall and also are assembling the batch plant.

There have been quite a few problems arise on this job due to the type of equipment being used. The Jay Shuttle cars have been a serious safety problem because the brakes and the steering were not being worked on enough to keep them safe. This situation recently came to a head and we hope that it is corrected for good. It is our opinion that this type of equipment will not stand up under the conditions on the job without a great deal of maintenance work being done.

A. Teichert & Son is getting under way on their freeway job at Baxters. This job will have several peaks, for two lanes will have to be completed before the other two lanes can be started. This will mean starts and stops in the work.

Fredrickson, Watson and Ransome Co. have resumed the operations on both their jobs on a limited scale. They have all summer left on the Truckee job but most of the dirt has been moved on the Gold Run Freeway.

Thayn Const. Co. has resumed crushing on the Forresthill Road paving job.

AMONG THE ROCKS

A. Teichert's crews are the "Kings in the Cobble Piles." These brother engineers are doing a good job hiding out at a dozen different locations; roads, revetments, building sites, and general excavation make up their operations.

Lee Stephens crew is finishing their job at high trust area.

Robert E. L. Parker has expanded his organization and is now erecting several buildings. You must load, light and dump short to keep up with this bunch of fast moving engineers.

A.E.C. commands the volume of construction dollar-wise and keeps a crew of ten engineers busy at all times.

Dalzell Rigging has taken over the hoisting work inside Aerojet on a contract basis of equipment rental which, at times, keeps our brothers busy day and night.

The Nicholson Electric Co. also has a time and material contract for new installation. We have three engineers on their payroll doing maintenance work.

Swinterton and Walberg are getting started on their pipeline job through the rock piles. The right-of-way and ditch was subbed out. This will furnish work for ten engineers for a couple of months.

Campbell, Continental and Baldwin are doing several buildings but employ very few engineers.

Southern Engineers have two brothers at hard labor on the Boron Plant.

Mather Contractors are well along on the Cape-Hart Housing job, Unit 210 and 67. Brighton is doing the grading, Van Valkenburg and C. O. Brand the underground, and Jim Martin and Coombs on the foundations and driveways. This has kept a good sized crew of operators busy for the past nine months.

Ball has a small hurry-up job

on the approach apron. Bailey and Claude Youngs are doing a job on the alert area.

Teichert has some paving to do with Marshall-Mix on the access runway which will be furnished by McGillvary's able crew of hot-plant operators.

There is no end to the limits of the subdividers. Any direction you go there are new homes going up. This keeps large crews of brother engineers going at all phases of construction. A. Teichert, Brighton Sand & Gravel, Granite Const. Co., J. R. and L. A. Reeves, Lentz Const., Landsborough, Erickson Const., Gannon Developers have large crews of operators doing the grading, curb and gutter and paving.

Capital Trenching, Sacramento Trenching, Bob Delzer, Krpan Bros., Frank Beach, Louis Wunzel and Joe Corriea do most of the underground work on the subdivisions.

Richard Cox Trenching keeps his engineers going on everything, as does Vern Johnson and Sam Rock.

The Rock, Sand & Gravel Plants keep expanding each year to supply the demand for aggregates needed in the building and construction trades. The engineers employed here are of great significance to the welfare and prosperity of our community.

Most of the following plants are busy the year round: A. Teichert, Brighton Sand & Gravel, Granite Const., Pacific Coast Agregates, Fair Oaks Gravel, and Haggin Sand & Gravel. The companies also keep the ready-mix concrete flowing, which in turn furnishes employment for a great number of engineers.

There are several crane rental companies in the area manned by competent brother engineers doing all the heavy hoisting; Valley Crane, Reliable Crane, Dalzell, Wilkins, McLaughlin, Kelley Brothers and Four-Way. The demand for this type of work has increased for the industrial type buildings now being erected, all seem to be pre-fab.

Delta Pre-Stress at Florin keeps three worthy brothers employed pre-fabbing bridges or what have you.

The owner-operators have a good year ahead for them. These brothers are on their own and 100% union. Their work is of grade A quality.

ON THE LEVEES

Hydraulic Dredge Co. was the low bidder on 21 million yards of muck on the deep-water channel. This job is just south of the one that Pacific Dredge has. Hydraulic will not start pumping until around July or August.

Gordon Ball has started their job at McClellan Field. They have about 20 operators working now and will add more as the weather gets better. This job will never be too big.

A. & W. Concrete has put up a new batch plant near McClellan Field. They will do custom batching for this area.

Lock-Bridge Const. have put some of the Brothers back to work. They have about 100 operators and oilers working now. They are getting structures up for the bridge and the piling is all in the north side of the channel.

Stolte Inc. is coming along slow on their "T" Street Bridge job. They only have two brothers on the payroll.

Lentz Const. Co. was awarded a \$177,283.00 subdivision job in North Sacramento at Strawberry Manor. They have more

work this year than they ever had before.

The subdivision work is going to be good this year. The Sun-Gold job out by McClellan Field is waiting for Teichert to get some paving in so they can get started in a big way.

The paving job at Winters should be let by the time this is printed. It will be opened on April 8. Teichert, Harms and Ball all want this job bad.

The State has been staking out the structures on Highway 40 by Davis. This section of Highway 40 is to be a full freeway.

The shops around town are going strong. Wescott Equipment Co. has put on more men. Their shop is so full of work that they are doing some of it outside. Blakemore has added more men to his crew also.

Rhea Tractor has their crew going strong. This company is going to get a complete new line of G.M.C. Diesel motors that will fit any job.

The New Island Equipment Co. are just getting their feet on the ground. They are ready to give good service on all small tractors.

The Gravel Plants on the west-side are all going again. P.C.A. did some remodeling on their plant in Yolo. It is much better now, and the brothers are all happy.

Teichert & Son have a good sized crew at their plant in Woodland. Madison Sand & Gravel have the same crew. These brothers have lost little time this winter.

Sterling Concrete Pipe Co. has the largest job they have ever had. They have pipe stacked all over Madison.

THIS MONTH'S BLOOD DONOR WAS: Clyde Husted.

LATE JOB REPORTS

MARYSVILLE, Contract awarded to Baldwin Contrg. Co., Inc., P.O. Box 269, Marysville \$117,023 for East Marysville Ipvt. Dist. No. 41 for street improvements, incl. curbs, grts., drainage, etc.

CASTLE AFB, Contract was awarded to Clarence Ward Construction Co., P.O. Box 806, Fresno, \$356,338, for Readiness Crew Bldg. at the Base.

FREMONT, Contract awarded to North Bay Const. Co., 560 Boyd St., Santa Rosa, \$731,960 for const. Irvington Sewage Treatment Works, Fremont.

RENO, NEVADA, Contract awarded to Walker Boudwin Const. Co., 624 E. 4th, Reno, \$820,543 for const. 2 story newspaper plant for Reno Newspapers.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to Alken Const. Co., \$137,033 for const. swim pool & Locker-Filter Bldg., San Jose High Schol, San Jose.

ARCATA, Contracts awarded to General: MacDonald, Young & Nelson, Inc., 8907 Railroad, Oakland, \$268,000.

NIMBUS STA., Contract awarded to Affil. Engineers, Inc. P.O. Box 218, Florin, \$965,600 for site develop. test area No. 46 at the Solid Rocket Plant, Nimbus Sta.

NIMBUS STA., Contract awarded to Baldwin Contracting Co., 9th & Yuba Sts., Marysville \$719,625 for const. Staging Bdg., etc. at Solid Rocket Plant, Nimbus Sta.

NIMBUS STA., Contract awarded to Campbell Const. Co., 800 "R" St., Sacramento, \$205,400 for const. Environmental Test Lab. & Refrig. Plant Bldgs. at Gen. Liq. Rocket Plant, Nimbus Sta.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

ALAMEDA, Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 66th Ave., Oakland, \$111,941 for 1st stage const. of Tilden Way, including roadway, storm drain & assoc. work from inter. of Park St. & Lincoln Ave., Fruitvale Bridge, Alameda.

BEALE AFB, Contract awarded to Hal B. Hayes & Assoc., Inc., 13006 Saticoy North Hollywood, \$6,392,777 for const. 400 Capehart Hous. Units at BEALE AFB.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Watkin & Sibbald, 6 Bridge St., San Anselmo, \$169,251 for const. & complete Athletic Field at McClymonds High School, in Oakland.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 4th St., Berkeley, \$88,970 for const. & complete Playground & apts. for McChesney School in Oakland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Gordon H. Ball, Camille Ave., Danville, \$3,934,527 for widen. exist. channel & modify earth levees for approx. 0.6 mi. lining & 0.7 mi. of exist. levee slopes with conc. conc. aprx. 3.9 mi. rectangular conc. channel & other work in SAN LORENZO CREEK, ALAMEDA CO.

NIMBUS STATION, Contract awarded to Bingham Const. Co., 6329 Eastern, Sacto., \$74,500 for const. Data Reduction Bldg., 4610 Addn., Area 46, Solid Rocket Plt., Nimbus Sta.

NIMBUS STATION, Contract awarded to Robt. E. L. Parker, Co., Ltd., P.O. Box 192, Claremont, \$401,804 for const. Instrumentation & Control Bldg., No. 4632 & temp. cond. complex No. 4638, Area 46, Aerojet-Genl. Solid Rocket Plt., Nimbus Sta.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, Contract awarded to Gibbons & Reed Co., P.O. Box 2429, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$1,452,948 for const. graded & drn. rdwy. sec. of Interstate Hwy. No. 15 betw. 1600 So. St. & 1600 No. St., in OREM, UTAH CO.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to John Delpia, P.O. Box 313, Patterson & Fred J. Early Jr. Co., Inc., 369 Pine St., S.F. & L. A. & R. S. Crow, 800 Arlington, El Cerrito, \$2,888,888 for 3.7 mi. freeway tog. w-ramps, frontage rds. and connections to be graded & surf. w/PTMX surf. on cem. tr. base & exist. surf. & RC brdgs. const., betw. LITTLE RIVER & 0.2 mi. No. of TRINIDAD, HUMBOLDT CO.

FRESNO, Contract awarded to Fred S. Macumber & Macumber Const. Co., 2727 N. Cedar Ave., Fresno, \$990,866 for construction. Speech & Drama Bldg. at Fresno State College, Fresno.

OGDEN, UTAH, Contract awarded to Waterfall Const. Co., Inc., 1685 Wall Ave., Ogden, Utah, \$97,731 for const. of earthwork, pipelines & structures, Shepherd Creek & Framington Creek Inlets, Davis Aqueduct, located South of Ogden, Utah in DAVIS COUNTY-Weber Basin Project, Utah.

CONCORD, Contract awarded to C. & H. Contractors, 1015 Market St., Richmond \$50,969 for const. sewers in Monte Garden Annex & May Court Area, Concord.

EMERYVILLE, Contract was awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 66th Ave., Oakland, \$58,436 for const. of sanitary sewer on Park Ave., Emeryville.

FRESNO, Contract awarded to Smith-Wehner Co., 4663 E. Hedges, Fresno, \$65,891 for install. conc. curbs, grts., valley grts., walks, untr. base & PTMX surf., drain, strucs, etc. FRESNO CO.

THE NEVADA ROUND-UP . . .

By H. L. "CURLY" SPENCE and JOSEPH "JOE" MILLER, Business Representatives

Gordon H. Ball Construction Company is making good progress on their job at the Fallon Naval Air Station east of Fallon, Nevada. They have about twenty operators on the job at present and are keeping these brothers moving all day. Bro. Mike Saparetti is the Project Super and Bro. John Bruin is the Foreman. This job should keep these men quite busy through the summer.

Gibbons & Reed Construction Company of Salt Lake City, Utah have resumed work on their job at Ely, Nevada and have a considerable amount of dirt to move this Spring. They are double shifting this job, so it will go pretty fast.

Willis Brothers Construction of Winnemucca, Nevada, has started their job at Denio, Nevada. John Pedro of Lovelock, Nevada, has his machines and crew on this job moving dirt. This job runs to the Oregon border and is really in a tough remote area. The brothers on this job won't have to worry about mis-behaving as there is nothing there and no place to go.

Whitting Brothers Construction Company of Las Vegas, Nevada, is doing a little work around Winnemucca, Nevada and should get into full scale operation during the next couple of weeks on their job in town as well as their other job located at Paradise Valley, Nevada. Neither of these two jobs are very large, but will keep a good crew of men working for three or four months.

Dodge Construction Company of Fallon, Nevada is nearing the end of the excavating on their job north of Lovelock, Nevada, and have been laying gravel on this job for the past month. Many of the hands from the Contact, Nevada job were sent to the Lovelock job temporarily and will be going back to Contact in the near future to complete the excavating there. The Contact job has been practically down for the past six or eight weeks.

Duffy Reed Construction Company out of Boise, Idaho should be moving a paving crew onto their job at Owyhee, Nevada, north of Mountain City, Nevada, in the next few weeks and start oiling the road running through the Indian Reservation and to the Idaho line.

EAST OF SPARKS

Silver State Construction Co. of Fallon, Nevada, (Andy Drumm) has the excavating practically completed on the job east of Sparks, Nevada and the finish crew is busy keeping ahead of the gravel spread. They should have the gravel pretty well along by press time and a large amount of the road bed will be ready for oil. Drumm has his Hot Plant all set and ready to roll and will begin paving this job as soon as he gets the go ahead from the state.

Local No. 3 is having some difficulties with Silver State Construction Company again concerning provisions of the Agreement that are being violated. We are presently taking the necessary steps to correct this condition and hope to have a solution to the problem as soon as possible.

Isbell Construction Company has been working on their job at Boca, California, and will have most of the excavating completed in the next week or two. There are about thirty operators working on the job now. The finish crews are busy getting the grade ready for Gran-

ite Construction Company who is one of the joint venture group.

Granite Construction is setting up a complete new crushing system now and will get their operation underway by the time this issue comes out. They will be busy throughout the season on the Boca job, those four lanes will take a lot of rock.

Gordon H. Ball is back to work on their portion of this job, and are busy getting the bridges in shape and the concrete poured. Their crane crews and bridge crews will be busy for several weeks yet. This job will also run through this season and will near completion sometime this fall.

We have another job advertised that will be awarded to the low bidder on April 16, 1959. It is construction of the section of highway starting 24 miles west of Eureka, Nevada and running to about 34 miles west of Eureka, a distance of close to 10 miles, toward Hickinson Summit.

AROUND RENO

Lagrange Construction Company, better known as Johnny "The Little Man" DeLagrange, has quite a bit of work around the Reno area. Brother Charley Flynn is the boss man on Lagrange's job at the Oliver Housing Project on Highway No. 50 near Lake Tahoe. This will be quite a housing project when it is finished. It will relieve the housing problems for some of the people around the state line on Highway No. 50, especially the dealers and gamblers at the south shore of Lake Tahoe in the great State of Nevada. Johnny is doing some work out at Stead Air Base. Brother Reggie Fields and Brother Earl Scott have lots of work around the Lagrange shop to keep all of the equipment in running order, but they are just the two brothers that can keep them rolling. Of course there is Brother Dale Morlan the grease ball kid that just became the father of twin boys which will probably be greasers some day too. Now the yard boss, Mabel, is on a little vacation down around Las Vegas and Phoenix, Arizona, and by the way, Mabel let Johnny come along for a few days' rest from the long tough winter's work, which he is rightfully entitled to as he is a hard working boy. Now the manager, Mr. Harold Imelli has lots of extra responsibilities while the wheels are on vacation, but he is just the man that can handle the problems at hand.

C. Dieterich Company has most of his crew working around the area. "Deak" seems to keep all of his crew busy the year round. Brother Harry L. Smith the HDRM for Dieterich is the busiest man around the outfit, especially when "Deak" shows up around the shop. Now Dane "Whitey" McNeilly, all he does is talk aloud and try to impress the dear brothers that work for "Deak", me included.

The George Grifall Company, better known as the Terrible Greek, has lots of work. He got a big job up at the State Line at Lake Tahoe for the gambling Harrah's Club. Brother Cal Scolari and his faithful oiler, Bro. Lloyd Mattie really get the job done with that new Bucyrus shovel of Grifalls.

Now Brother Don Wood and his real good oiler, E. E. McDaniels really do their share of digging around that Grifall outfit and Brother Roy Nielsen does his part for the company as a tractor on that Allis-Chalmers.

The work season in Nevada this year has been starting off very slowly and the brothers are getting nervous waiting, due to all this good weather that we have been having this spring. We don't understand why more jobs haven't been advertised and started early this year. There is definitely a bottle neck somewhere in the planning board of the Highway Department.

We hope sincerely that the month of April will bring better tidings than the first quarter of this year has.

Last Spring we were plagued by bad weather, but this Spring the weather has been exceptionally good and the jobs should have been underway by now.

We do expect a good season with the work that we are told is going to be done this year. Let us hope that this holds true.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Brothers we have been having some problems concerning claims under our Health and Welfare program, due to errors caused by either the member involved or the respective doctor or hospital reporting on the claims.

In various cases the claim forms are mailed to the wrong office or else the claim is incomplete and the necessary information is not given.

Please make sure that your claim is properly filled out and signed. Then make sure that it is sent to the proper Trust Fund office.

If you are in doubt of where your claim should be sent or have any other questions concerning the Health and Welfare, again we ask, please check with your business agent. Don't ask your foreman or some other member working with you. Check with us so that we can help eliminate some of these difficulties. Thank you for your cooperation.

Late Job Awards

MARCH 9, 1959

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento \$56,865 for improvement of Bell Wood Heights Assess. Dist.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to L. B. Wells Const., Co., P. O. Box 1311, Visalia \$284,883 for 6.4 mi. net lgh. to be graded & surf. W/PTMX. surf. on cem. tr. Base on Rd. 152, betw. Ave. 112 and Ave. 144 and on Ave. 152, betw. US 99 at Picton Rd. 152, in Tulare Co.

CAMPBELL, Contract awarded const. pave., gtrs. storm drain faicls., water serv., etc. in Local Impvt. Dist. No. 1 (Sunnyoaks & to A. J. Peters & Sons, P. O. Box 632, San Jose \$89,783 for Dell Avenues).

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Contract awarded to Pisano Bros., 1800 Stockton Ave., Santa Clara \$160,453 for Proj. No. 53-14, for W. Trunk Sewer Unit No. 1.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Barret Const. Co., 1800 Evans Ave., San Francisco \$1,028,000 for const. of Fuel Elem. Lab. Bldg. No. 173-8 at Livermore.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Chas. L. Horney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S. F. \$226,275 for "B" line tract removal & pav. reconstr. betw. Geary Blvd. & Great Hwy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to the Fav Improvement Company, 101 Carolina St., S. F. \$68,632 for pvy. & drainage work portion of SWL 344 off Arthur Avenue, Islais Creek Area on the waterfront of the City & County of S. F.

San Jose Looks Forward to a Good Year

By A. J. HOPE, T. J. STAPLETON and DANNY O. DEES, Business Representatives

Due to an unusually dry Spring, jobs have started earlier this year, and all over the area new jobs seem to be springing up. From all indications this promises to be a very good year for the Brothers.

Piazza Paving Company are already working six, nines in their sub-divisions. This firm expects to have their hot plant in operation about the 20th of May and are already working in their tow gravel plants.

J. C. Bateman, Inc., are using three jeeps and two blades in Unit No. 42 in the Idlewild Tract off Stevens Creek Road. Ince Brothers are doing the underground work on this same tract.

A. J. Raisch are still working on their new hot plant and new crusher plant on the Monterey Highway. They expect to have their rock plant in operation about May 1, and the new hot plant will be completed about May 20. This firm is doing the grading and paving on a sub-division off Bollinger Road; Izzi Construction Company is doing the underground work on this same job.

James Engineering Company is busy on a sewer job on Union and Foxworthy St.; Bridges Construction are working on this same job, with Brother Walter Havens operating the backhoe.

F & E Construction have started their underground job on Keith Lane and are also doing the paving and grading on Rosa Street.

Pisano Brothers have several jobs throughout the area. At the present time they are doing the sewer work at the Lone Hill Quarry and also have the sewer job on the school being constructed by C. E. Moore.

The first section of the Freeway being completed by Ball & Simpson will be open about May 1. This section of the Freeway will extend from Bascom Ave. to Los Gatos. Lew Jones is doing the structural contract on this job and have completed the three structures on Unit No. 2. Ball & Simpson have started work on the third section of the freeway and at the present time are using 8 D.W. 20's, 10 D-8's and 13 semi-dump trucks moving the fill. The import material is being furnished by the Carl Swanson Pit at Calaveras Quarry.

Granite Construction Company are the low bidders on a \$1,680 contract for construction of a water supply system at Alhaden AFS, near San Jose. **MT. VIEW, SUNNYVALE AND PALO ALTO**

F & H Plumbing Company are using seven Engineers on their sewer line job in Los Altos. They have 19,000 feet of 6" and 8" pipe. Brother Kirby is pushing the job, with Brothers Jim Bragg operating the trencher and Ed Bayer the oiler. Sam Shumate is operating the backhoe with Jim Taylor the oiler. Cecil Miller is on the dozer, Ed Watson is operating the swing-crane and Harry Chance is on the blade.

F & G Pipe Line Company is finishing their small sewer line job on Bonita Way in Los Altos. They have kept three Engineers busy on this job.

L. C. Smith is keeping eight Engineers busy excavating for the new El Camino Hospital on Grant Road in Mt. View. They have about 80,000 yards of excavation and should be complete with this portion of the job about April 17. Brother John Pellizzari is pushing the job with Brothers Doug Bishop operating the N.W. 80 and Jim Simmons the oiler. Brother Art Swan is on the dozer, John Stevens on the blade, Joe LaPlant on the euclid and R. B. Kittsted on a euclid.

L. C. Smith is also busy on a

job that extends from San Fransquito Creek in Palo Alto to Sterling Road in Mt. View. The import material is taken from a pit located near Stevens Creek Dam. Brother Tony Bruno is Superintendent, Brother George Marsh, Fireman, Brother Weldon Honley is operating the Coleman loader, which is fed by dozers operated by Bro. Ed Maxted and Fred Cunha. Brother Cliff Clint is operating a Northwest shovel, with Brother Willie Flores, the oiler.

They are handling around 45 sets of doubles on the over-crossing fills where the material is being hauled there by two D-8 cats operated by Basil Kaul and Wayne Rommel, 1 H-D 9, operated by Leo Frank, a pull operated by Deno Mancariniz and a Kompactor being operated by Johnny Boos. Brother George Giovanni is on the euclid that is taking out the roadway excavation with Gebe Austin on the blade, finishing for him. A. Lorain crane, operated by Toby Davis is breaking out portions of the existing bridge. The Gradall is trenching and laying pipe.

Hackett Brothers are keeping five Engineers busy on their storm drain job in Killarney Park off Lawrence Road. Phil Hartman is the foreman, Jack Nolan is operating the trencher, Bunny Westphal on the dozer and Tommy Westphal is operating the swing crane.

P & E Construction is using six Engineers on their 20,000 feet of 12" to 84" of storm drain in Mt. View. They have approximately two months left to finish the job. Brother Ralph Emmett is pushing the job, with Brothers Bob Poston operating the trencher and Ken Sohn the oiler. Carl Perry is operating the swing crane, John Maher on the loader and Wilford Sarazan on the blade.

Manuel Smith is using four Engineers on his sewer job in Mt. View.

SANTA CRUZ, SALINAS AND MONTEREY

Fredrickson & Watson are well under way on the clearing of 3.3 miles of Highway No. 17 in Santa Cruz. They have a few weeks left to complete work on Kaiser's new Sand Plant at Felton.

Cupertino Gravel Company have started the clearing job on the new dam site in back of Ben Lomond. Granite Construction is working on their dam site also. This firm is calling back their men for the completion of the river job in Santa Cruz. They are also calling back their men at the rock quarry for the Half Moon job. The quarry is located at present in Davenport and Brother Fred Tucci is still moving dirt like a beaver. Granite has made some changes with the personnel at Watsonville. Brother Thomas, who used to be with them, is now working for the county. Work is still quiet in the area around Watsonville, but hope things will soon pick up.

Granite Rock is going full blast. Central Supply has their new hot plant finished at Aromas and have a full season ahead of them.

Phil Calabrese is underway on the San Miguel Canyon job with Brother Harley Davison as Superintendent.

Granite Construction is busy on several jobs in the area. They have just finished the new Borden Plant job. Rocky Rockwell

is Superintendent.

Peninsula Paving have the Golf Course in Pacific Grove. They are waiting on Wilder & Jones to put pipe in the County Road job in Carmel.

Stokes and Fisher have 6 pieces of equipment in use at this time, and have about completed the clearing on the Carmel Hill job.

Ed Keeble's job at Fort Ord is up to the point where the cement treated base will be laid down. This job is under the supervision of Brother Woody Woods.

Delphia-Early is back at full swing on their job at Soledad. They also were the low bidders on the new by-pass section around Soledad. Work is progressing nicely under the supervision of Brother Bernard. Mr. Brown says that the rock crusher and hot plant will be ready to start up the 8th of April, at Greenfield for Delphia-Early.

Thomas Construction at San Juan Bautista are ready for the black top on the over-pass section.

Hollister Sand & Gravel Plant is about completed. This is a new plant completed near the San Benito Ready-Mix Plant in Hollister.

Roy Woll, foreman for the Ditz Bros., in Hollister, is on the sick list. Brother Woll has been ill for several months and we hope that he will soon be able to be back at his old job again, as the Brothers in the shop really miss him.

Wm. Radtke is well under way on their building job at the plant in Gilroy. George Renz is busy on their road jobs and subdivisions in Gilroy and Morgan Hill.

Howason Brothers are rebuilding their gravel plant at Gilroy. Prem Brothers are running at full capacity. Santa Clara Sand & Gravel are starting up after being shut down during the winter months.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Chas. MacClosky, Co., 15900 S. Broadway, Gardena \$416,621 for 0.6 mi. widen bridge, PTMX. surf on cem. tr. base & exist. pave. & const. approach at E Tracy Overhead, **SAN JOAQUIN CO.**

STOCKTON AREA DELAYS BIG JOBS

By WALTER M. TALBOT, AL McNAMARA and C. L. CASEBOLT, Business Representatives

Apparently our reports for the past two months have been over optimistic as some of the projects which were tentatively scheduled to be under construction by this time have been abandoned due to lack of financing.

The latest report on the million dollar grain elevator job at the Port of Stockton, which was to be constructed by Utah Construction Company, is that it has been postponed for at least a year.

The multi-million dollar food radiation processing plant to be constructed on government property at Sharpe General Depot for the Army has been postponed indefinitely. The new date for opening of bids will be announced later.

Last, but not least, the three and one-half million yard levee repair and realignment job to be let by the State Department of Water Resources on April 22nd is all in Merced County and will be handled through the Fresno office. However, we hope to be able to send some men to this job when Fresno calls for operators.

On the brighter side of the picture, the State Highway Department has allocated funds for the 1959-60 fiscal year to construct interchanges on Highway 99 and Waterloo Road, at Linden Road and an underpass at the S. T. & E. Railroad crossing. We expect these jobs to be let in July of this year.

I. L. Croft & Son, Inc. and Union Construction Company on the Big Trees access road, and the clearing job, are beginning to roll now and should be calling for more men right along.

A. Teichert & Son are now moving dirt and rock on the Al-taville-Murphy road job.

TRACY OVERPASS

Charles MacClosky Company of Gardena, California was low bidder on the widening of the overpass east of Tracy, in the amount of \$416,746. Stanfield & Moody will do the grading and paving on the approaches. This, along with their street work job in the Waterloo district in east Stockton, and their venture into the rock crushing business south of Tracy, should keep the members working for Stanfield & Moody busy through the season.

The Stolte-Stephens underpass job on Harding Way should show some signs of life by the

time this item is printed. We understand the dirt will be trucked out.

E. A. Forde Company, of San Anselmo, was the successful bidder on the grading and resurfacing of Louise Avenue, between Highway 50 and the Durham Ferry Road, by their bid of \$95,615. Joe Richards of Rio Vista is to do the grading.

The Corp of Engineers levee construction and bank protection job on the San Joaquin River, in both San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties, has been postponed from April 10th to April 21st.

Lee Immel, of San Pablo, has not yet moved in on his road job on the Fabian Tract. This consists of grading and resurfacing between the Old River Bridge and the new Middle River Bridge, which is being constructed by Erickson-Phillips and Weisberg.

A. L. Craft, of Oakdale, who was awarded the job of making compaction tests at Hogan Dam last fall, now has two cats and a 25 Northwest on the job.

In the Modesto District-John M. King Company, of Tacoma, Washington, the low bidder on the high voltage transmission line from Mocassin Creek, in Tuolumne County, to Highway 9, in Stanislaus County, a distance of forty-one line miles, will have approximately ten engineers on the job on excavation equipment.

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MERCED. Contract awarded to Graham & Jensen, P. O. Box 1208, Merced \$182,000 for const. new police station in Merced.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. Contract awarded to D. W. Brimhall Const. Corp., Maurice Rasmussen Const. Co. & The Johnson Co., 31 S. 3d East, Salina, Utah \$211,826 for 5.833 mi. const. 2" RDMX. bit. surf. & 31.55' conc. box cluv. on SR No. 24, frm. 9 mi. W. of Hanksville nr. Giles. East toward Hanksville, **WAYNE CO.**



CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS of the Crown-Zellerbach building is shown in two of the photos from the album of Mrs. Johnnie Del Pope, whose hobby is recording the growth of the new, impressive S. F. structures. Picture at left was taken in April 1958, one at right was snapped in December 1958.

UTAH NEWS ROUND-UP

By MERLIN BOWMAN, GLEN FULLMER, GEORGE FARRELL, JIM HALL and JOHN THORNTON, Business Representatives

As Spring weather arrives in Utah we all hope that construction will show its usual upturn which will be a real Spring tonic to people who make their living doing this kind of work.

Bids were opened April 1, 1959, at Vernal on the Stanaker Dam. Morrison-Knudsen Company were low bidders at \$1,659,428 which was about 30% below the engineer's estimate; however, they were only \$1,563 above the next low bidder, R. H. Hientz Company of Portland, Oregon.

The bids have been sent to the Bureau of Reclamation Chief Engineer's office at Denver for checking and for the awarding of the contract.

Actual construction is expected to start within 60 days. The contractor has 600 days to complete the job. It will be about 1900 feet long and 140 feet high with a total of approximately 2 million cubic yards.

Total cost of the dam plus other works has been estimated at \$6,900,000. On April 14, 1959 bids will be opened on 6½ miles of relocation of highway U44 around the site of the dam, beginning about 3½ miles north of Vernal. We are therefore happy to report that there will be plenty of work in the Uintah Basin this season. At present, W. W. Clyde Co. is working on U. S. 40 ten miles west of Vernal.

On April 6, bids opened on South Cottonwood sewer. This should be a good job to take up some of the slack as the Bennion Taylorsville and Granger sewers are about all finished.

On April 7, two more structures on the Davis County Freeway will be bid. These structures are to be built on the very north end of the job Tiago did last year. On April 17 two more big jobs for the South Davis County water improvement district will be bid. All in all, the work for this season looks real promising even though we are getting off to a slow start.

The Army Engineers are also still working toward the building of an 8,000 acre reservoir at Mountain Dell up Parley's Canyon and the prospects look very good. This dam will also be an earth filled dam about 170 feet high.

Also in the near future we hope, the city of Magna will open bids on a \$400,000 water line replacement.

READY TO GO

To the south, the work situation is on the improve and should continue so throughout the summer. Very few jobs have been advertised since the last report, but, the word is that they have several ready to go very soon.

Whiting & Haymond Co. moved onto their recently acquired job between Henrieville and Escalante. This company really needed this one and wasted no time in moving onto it. The job was awarded on Tuesday and I met Brother Quentin Erickson with the patrol and trailer in Panguitch Wednesday evening. He was headed for work. Since then most of their steady hands have drifted back. Brothers Tobe amond Lucas, Delbert Winters and Jay Fullmer, to name a few. Brother Woodrow Winters is superintendent on this job and it is going very well.

The Orem Freeway job under the supervision of Brother Shirley Craig has added a swing shift. An order for five pull operators, four cat operators, two greases, 1 oiler, two mechanics and a oiler operator helped considerably to reduce the out of work list.

Southwest, Wangsgaard and Peterson have started their job at Dell. They have about two months work finishing up the grade. Brother Paul Lindsay is pushing the job with Brother Owen George on patrol and Brother Mel Hendricks on a 20, Brother Lowell Howell on a D-8 doing the pushing and dozer work. Jack Parsons is also on

Clyde and Strong Co. have their jobs going again.

To the North, the employment situation has improved considerably this past month with the starting of the majority of the jobs shut down due to weather conditions last fall. However, our out of work list has stayed about the same the last sixty days due to the large lay-off on the Morrison Knudsen job at Little Valley. We should be able to absorb these men as soon as things get moving.

Hasler & Smith Company on the Willard Bay Dyke have taken some forty operating engineers to get their job started again. The remainder of the present contract should keep the fellows busy until about the middle of June and by that time we should have the other contract let on the balance of the Dyke project.

Morrison Knudsen Company have nearly a full crew again on their road job in Weber Canyon. It is about the same crew as was working last fall and should last until about the middle of July.

Wheelwright Const. Co. has all of their old employees back on the payroll and have called for several additional men on their Blacksmith Fork job and Ogden Canyon job.

L. T. Johnson Const. Co. has a few men on several local jobs and expect to be ready to start on the completion work on Wall Avenue and 36th St. by about April 20.

Gibbons & Reed Const. Co. has kept a number of men busy all winter on their crusher and yard work but will need additional help as soon as the oiling season begins.

There have been a number of smaller jobs bid this past month which is helping take up the slack. This work already mentioned along with the new jobs scheduled to start within the very near future should keep most of the men busy for the season.

JAY NEELEY RESIGNS

Brother John Thornton was recently appointed Business Representative to replace Bro. Jay Neeley who resigned to enter a new field. In submitting his resignation Brother Neeley expressed his gratitude for the help and cooperation he received from his co-workers and fellow members throughout the years he served as a Local No. 3 business representative. Jay expressed the hope that Brother Thornton would receive the same cooperation and that our wonderful organization will continue to gain in strength and that our membership will prosper. To Brother Neeley we wish the ultimate in success and achievement in the field of selling which he has chosen. To Brother Thornton we also extend our congratulations on his appointment and assure him of our cooperation!

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE CALLED MEETINGS

Construction Awards

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to E. A. Forde Co., P. O. Box 306 San Anselmo \$95,615 for reconst. Howland Rd. from Louise Ave. So. for 2,200 ft. & Louise Ave., from SH No. 50, easterly to Durham Ferry Rd.

LIVERMORE, Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796-66th Ave., Oak. \$333,501 for const. industrial sewer.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded

main, to Wilco Const. Co., 725-2nd St. S. F. \$375,000 for const. of Convention & Banquet Bldg. at Wash. & 1st Sts., Oakland.

TIBURON, Contract awarded to M. G. M. Const. Co., P. O. Box 1056, Concord \$67,265 for const. pumping station & sewer force main, Tiburon.

REDDING, Contract awarded to Singleton Const. Co., P.O. Box 271, Eureka \$167,467 for const. office bldg. addn., Redding.

this job doing the soil stabilization. He will only be there about ten days and then he will be moving on.

Western Contracting Corporation is still going strong on the Bingham Stripping with nothing to stop their progress except a few rough days, weatherwise. Down below at Kennecott things are going along fairly well. We should have the contracts for the bank trimmer signed soon so the boys will get their retro-active pay.

KENNECOTT

Our last Kennecott membership meetings were very successful and we were indeed happy to have Brother Newell Carman, Vice Pres. of our International and Business Manager for Local No. 3 along with Brother Paul Edgecombe, President of Local No. 3, present to talk to the boys. We feel sure that you all feel much more confident regarding the way affairs are taken care of in Local No. 3 since these meetings. We would like to say again that new members are still coming into our organization and we are out for a 100% membership in the near future. This could be accomplished if all of you would work with your steward.

Utah Construction Company is still doing clean-up work and grading on the Bingham Tunnel and it looks like another three weeks will wind it up. By this time we hope we will have enough work so that we can place everyone on other good jobs.

We were relieved to hear that the boys who were in the accident, namely, Chick Ingersoll, Vearl Boyer, Fred Ryver and Wallie Reed, were not seriously injured. We don't know all the details but we know it could have been a lot more serious. We also heard that Mike Angus has a bad sprained ankle. Hope it doesn't cause you too much grief, Mike.

At the Lang Shops, things are moving along at a little better pace than at this time last month. We are going into negotiations with this company within the next few days. We hope to come up with something satisfactory for the brothers.

The Sand & Gravel Plants are starting to move. Things should improve quite rapidly now.

SOUTHERN AREA

At this writing, in the southern part of the state we ran into a little problem at the Iron Mines, when one of our brothers was discharged without cause. Through the cooperation of all the brothers, who took a definite stand regarding this matter, we were able to solve the problem and give this brother a fair break. Things have settled back to normal and all is well.

Down on M. K.'s Ashcreek job the muck is really flying. This job should be good for several months yet.

Hoagason & Storey have finished their tunnel and have paid their Health and Welfare contributions before leaving. W. W.

ROSA-UKIAH JOB OUTLOOK NOT TOO GOOD

by R. F. Swanson, Bus. Rep.

The rains which we had the later part of March really raised havoc with things in general around this part of the country, everybody was raring to go and then someone puled the plug; well I guess the farmers are happy.

The work situation in this area looks pretty skimpy this year. All that has shown up so far is peanuts except the Granite job, on which a conference was held but the information was rather vague. We do know that Dick Lewis is the Project Manager and Captain Fausey the super, from the start it looks like the Army Engineers have moved in. The foremen have not been selected yet but they expect to call for them any day now. There is only one cat working so far and that is on the clearing. They are working ten hours, five days a week and expect to have 40 engineers at work by July. The Weatherman will be the one who will say as to how soon they will really get going.

It looks like Ferry Brothers have a problem child in their flood control job in Lake County, seems the more dirt they pile on the levee the lower it gets. They say the DW-20's can move dirt faster and cheaper than a dragline but this is one place they sure will never be able to prove it. In fact if they keep on running those 20's they will need a dredge in there to finish the job, the 20's keep pumping the mud and water up to the surface. We will all have to wait and see what happens, right now the job is shut down for two weeks and I expect this last rain has added another week on that.

The Shanley Construction Company of San Francisco were low bidders on the construction of sanitary sewer works involving addition to sewage treatment plant, consisting of reinforced concrete structures for a circular clarifier, a digester and yard pump station, digester control buildings, additional oxidation ponds, storage ponds, pressure lines, access roads, spray irrigation facilities and a sub-surface drainage system. This job is located at Lakeport, in Lake County. There were eight alternates and the Shanley Company were low on all of them. Their bids ran from \$284,120 to \$332,349.

The construction of the new Cook Junior High School in Santa Rosa was awarded to Wright and Oretsky of Santa Rosa, their bid was \$859,600.

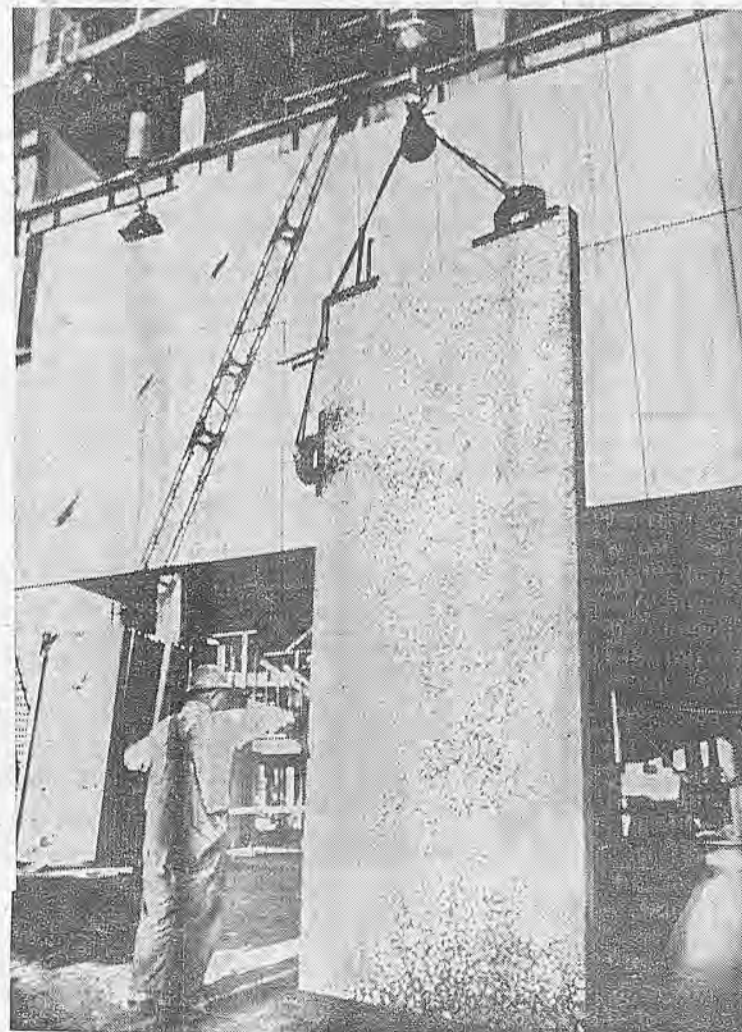
The Cleverdon Company, Inc. of Lafayette was awarded the contract for construction of a water supply reservoir and pump house at the Point Arena Air Force Base at Point Arena, Mendocino County, it went for \$42,708.

The Peletz Construction Company was awarded the contract for the pressure line for the So. Park Sanitation District, Santa Rosa, their bid was \$32,650.

The E. T. Baxman Company of Fort Bragg were low bidder on the replacement of culverts in Mendocino County. Their bid was \$8,800.

BRANSCOMB DAM

Sexton Brothers of Cortez, Colorado were low bidders on the test hole job for the Branscomb dam site, just how anyone from Colorado can beat local contractors out on a small job



Ends of the Kaiser office building are covered with huge pre-cast concrete and dolomite panels. These average five by 12 feet in size and weigh from 3,000 to 4,000 pounds. Dolomite gives a glistening white surface to the panels. It is a raw material mined by Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corp.

The Marysville Boys Are Rarin' To Go

By C. R. VAN WINKLE, C. E. COCKAYNE W. R. WEEKS, Business Representative

With the temperature reaching into the eighties and with the sun shining, at least most of the time, the boys in the Marysville District are champing at the bit and are ready to go. While the tempo of the dispatching has picked up a bit, it still isn't anything like we would like, or expect, it to be.

At this writing several of the jobs are slowly beginning to come to life or showing signs of life and as soon as the Army Engineers give the go ahead on the levee work we expect a big improvement in the situation. As, barring more rain, this should be around the fifteenth of the month, it shouldn't be long now.

In the southern part of the area the Capehart Housing Project at the Beale Air Force Base has dried up after the last rains and is slowly coming to life. Part of the slow down was caused by a disagreement among the contractors which we hope is satisfactorily settled. On the new bunch of 400 houses there is apparently going to be a new bunch of subs, especially in our line, and it looks like we may have to go through the same story as the last group. At this time we haven't been told when the next contract will start.

While there is quite a lot of money in the contracts on the rest of the base the job doesn't involve much work for us, although Baldwin tells us that company's work will use around a dozen of the brothers, the rest of the work only has small jobs for the engineers. This will probably mean more fordson type rubber tired small equipment, darn it!

R. M. Price Company on the E Street Bridge Job, Marysville, have sure had a great break this winter in the weather and have certainly taken advantage of it. From six to ten of the brothers have been kept busy practically every day this winter and are now pouring the sub-deck and the girders and if they keep up the pace it looks like Marysville will have a new bridge to come into town by the southern way somewhat ahead of schedule.

Levee work as we said above should start buzzing soon. M. Mafitano and Son's area superintendent Tom Gunter has been in the office regarding starting up. We have dispatched them a couple of technical engineers and expect to have around thirty-five of the brothers on the job when they get started. The job is between Rio Oso and Nicolaus and involves about \$680,000.

H. Earl Parker has two levee jobs between Knights Landing and Meriden. The one on the east bank is pretty well along with the section near Knights Landing to finish. The one on the west bank consists of several sections and is to start. About seventy-five of the brothers will be used and Earl says he is ready as soon as the Army Engineers give him the word.

L. A. and R. S. Crow on that company's levee job at Ord's Ferry has been limping along all winter. At one time when the weather was the wettest they were down to two mechanics, however, they are now getting back into the swing and are calling a number of the brothers back. About twenty-two brothers are working as of this writing.

M. J. Ruddy and Son notified the office this week that they were going to reactivate that company's paving job east of Williams. Several of the same brothers that were there last year are back and we are told about the same number would be used. We had a report the other day that they were getting

Meeting Notices

Grievance Committee: This very important committee meets every Thursday, between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the Engineers' Hall 1010 "Eye" St., Marysville. If you have a beef report it to your business representative or to the office and if you are not satisfied bring it to this Committee. They meet to serve you!

Rock, Sand, Gravel and Ready Mixed Concrete: This group meets Friday, May 24, 1959 at 8:00 p.m. in the Teamsters' Hall, Chico. Remember negotiating time is rapidly approaching so bring in your ideas, we want to hear them!

Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields: This unit will meet Monday, April 27, 1959 at 7:30 p.m. in the Engineers' Hall, Marysville and at the following times: 10:00 a.m. for those members working nights.

Gladding, McBean and Co.: The Joint Board meets Monday, May 4, 1959 at 4:15 p.m. in the Lincoln Industrial Council Office, Lincoln. All Board Members are urged to be present as the time is fast approaching to work up contract demands.

The General Membership Meeting will be held Tuesday, May 12, 1959 in the City Hall Auditorium, Lincoln, at 2:30 p.m. and 4:15 p.m.

Natomas Company: The membership meeting will be held Monday, May 4, 1959 in the Veterans' Hall, Folsom at 10:00 a.m. for those unable to attend at night and at 7:30 p.m. for those able to attend.

Concrete Pipe Companies: A joint meeting of the Teamsters, Laborers and Operating Engineers, for those members of these Unions employed in both production and agriculture installation, will be held Monday May 11, 1959 at 7:30 p.m. in the Teamsters' Hall, 818 Wall St., Chico. Remember here also it is important to attend as contract reopening time is fast approaching.

New York Machine Shop and Peterson Tractor Company: Meetings subject to call.

the plant ready to operate, but we couldn't verify this as some farmer had us locked out.

Swinging on up the river and into Chico there are several small jobs going, none of them, however, of any size or using too many operators. E. T. Haas is getting going on the California Water Service Company work and while they keep a few of the boys going pretty much the year around yet the total number isn't large.

Butte Creek Rock Company probably keeps the largest number of the construction brothers working in this area, mostly small jobs, but it is work and pretty steady. Jack Greenwood also keeps two or three of the worthy brothers busy in and around Chico and Teichert has some small jobs going or to go.

G. G. Williamson, who is primarily a no-joint concrete pipe laying contractor, but who also lays pre-cast keeps a small crew working pretty steadily. Most of his work is agriculture, but he also does some fair sized commercial, street and road pipe laying jobs.

Moving along towards Oroville, Wunderlich's relocation job of Highway Alternate 40 has

about sixty of our borthers working and has kept them pretty busy all winter, depending on the weather. This job is a big one, around nine million and will run another four or five months. W. H. O'Hair is laying the base rock and Rice Brothers is laying the plant mix.

Baldwin Contracting Company informs us that they are about ready to start their Clark Road job near Paradise and while it is only a fair sized job, every little bit helps. Moving over to slightly north of Oroville John C. Gist seems to be in no hurry on that company's Western Pacific Railroad bridge job, although their progress, though seemingly slow, has been constant and steady.

East of Oroville on the Olive Highway job Jim Clack on his subcontract from Rice Brothers is making good headway with about fifteen of the brothers keeping busy. This is a comparatively small job, but we are going to have quite a few jobs of this type if we read the tea leaves right.

Up the Feather River Canyon at the site of the Oroville Dam (sic) the Nichols and Thompson Core Drilling Company has a small core drilling job for the State. This outfit, which is new here, is from Boise, Idaho and they marched right in and signed up and we are sure our relationship is going to be of the finest. They will work two drills, two shifts and will finish in about ninety days.

In the same location Boyles Drilling Company is drilling a small exploration tunnel. They have kept three of the brothers busy all winter, but are about getting to the ragged end of the job, however, it has kept them hid out up among the rocks and out of the weather besides keeping the old pay check coming in every week.

Up the canyon Peter Kiewit Sons have kept struggling along with their tunnel job (they're pretty good strugglers). They are still drilling the up-stream tunnel and are making good progress on the concreting of the down stream tunnel. Around sixty of the tunnel stiffs have been kept busy on this job for the past eighteen months and it sure has been a life saver.

This is all a part of the relocation of the Western Pacific Railroad and the highway around the future Oroville Dam and we are reliably informed that money will be made available for tunnels numbers one and two and the railroad grade between the tunnels as well as the combination railroad and highway bridge. This will leave just one small tunnel to go.

Pacific Bridge Company are just about ready to start pouring the concrete on the big arch on that company's Western Pacific Railroad bridge at Poe. This is going to be quite the bridge when finished. The weather has also been very kind to this company as very little time has been lost during the past winter.

We are keeping our fingers crossed as far as the Yandotte Project is concerned. This will be a nice big job, if it goes, with an early completion date and while we are hopeful, yet after reading over the schedules we are wondering if there is going to be enough in the kitty as it is going to be a tough job to bid to keep within the bond issue. The bid date has been moved up to May 5th and we should have

Better Stay Home Afternoons

It seems that the contractors can't make up their minds when they need men until around 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon. Then they call in and want someone by the next morning. This means we have to start calling and if a man isn't home or doesn't answer the phone then we have to go on until we find someone.

We know the agreement gives us forty-eight hours to fill a job, but the business isn't geared that way, and if we take the full forty-eight hours someone loses a day or two of work, work that all of you need. Also it adds to the danger of finding someone on the job who was picked up off the bank and the consequent danger and trouble that causes.

So what we are trying to say is now that some calls are starting to come in it might be a good idea to stick around the phone in the afternoon or to

a pretty good idea soon after.

In the making or already let are a number of comparatively small jobs all which mean work. Baldwin has a \$100,000 storm drain job (no-joint) in Yuba City. Marysville has a special assessment street district, which went to Baldwin's for a \$177,000. Oroville has a sewer job coming that is fair sized and chico has a paving job coming up and so on. Also the State has quite a few jobs of various sizes scattered around the area that are being advertised or about to be advertised.

INDUSTRIAL REPORT

Natomas Company

Negotiations for the coming years wage rates have been under way with the Company for the past month with little or no headway being made. As this is being written we are finally getting down to the meat of the issue and have something to chew on. We hope to have something definite to report by the next meeting.

The shutting down of Dredge No. 1 due to running out of ground about the first of May will reduce the Company's dredges to two and necessitate a change in operating procedure. Just in case you thought we were just beating our gums with the Company, this change in operations has occupied a lot of thought and talk as no practical settlement is possible until that is known.

Yuba Consolidated Gold Field

While we are losing a dredge at Natomas, Yuba is reactivating a dredge. Dredge No. 18 has been completely remodeled, jibs have been installed and should be in operation before you see this. Besides this everything is about normal with this Company, which means going along quietly with few beefs.

Gladding, McBean and Co.

Plans have already been completed to open the agreement, which is open for wages and one fringe and we hope that around the middle of May we will be into the negotiations. The plant has kept busy all winter which should indicate a good year for the Company and we hope they are in a generous mood to share their prosperity with the men who make it possible.

Relations with the Company, at least from an agreement administrative viewpoint has been good. The last Labor-Management Committee meeting is a good indication of that as it was the best in several months with very few complaints left to adjust. This indicates to us that we are receiving better cooperation in the plant, however, if you don't agree, let us know as

make sure that there is someone home who can reach you. We want to give everyone a fair shake and treat them fairly and don't want to pass anyone up, especially if they would have wanted the job, but if we can't reach you in some cases in a reasonable time we have no recourse but to go on to the next name.

We might add that we never pass anyone up unless it is absolutely necessary and then not until the last moment. To illustrate this we have inconvenienced ourselves on the weekend calling and waiting at the phone until the last minute for some member whose name has come up to come home from a weekend trip or visit. We have done this although we might have had a trip or visit in mind. So please cooperate so we can get you to working as soon as possible.

we are here to try to please you and just growling in your beard doesn't make things better. **Rock, Sand, Gravel, Ready Mixed Concrete and Concrete Pipe Plants**

The rock, sand, gravel and ready-mixed concrete plants are gaining momentum generally in the area with practically all of them approaching capacity. We hope this means a good year for them. In the concrete pipe plants some improvement is being noted and it looks like good season for this industry.

Shops:

The various contractors shops in the area are getting pretty busy getting the equipment ready for the coming season with several of the brothers being called back or newly dispatched. The other shops, such as the New York Machine Shop and Peterson Tractor Company, are also busy with a new hire occasionally.

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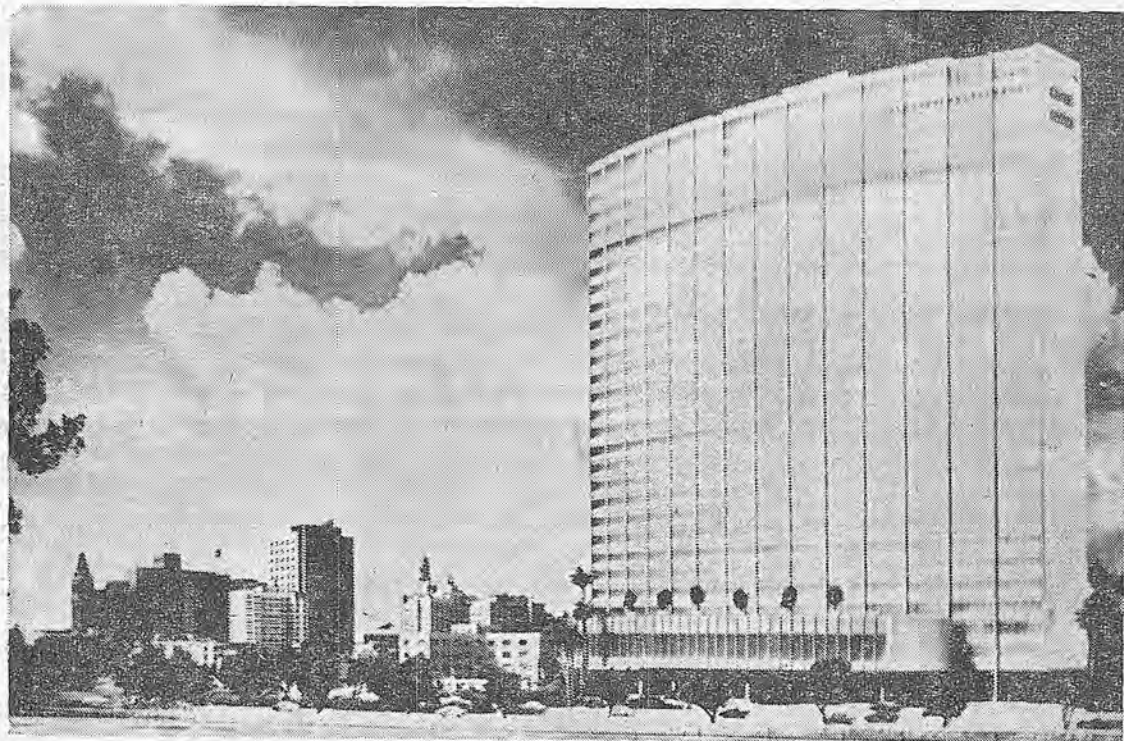
Ignorance of safety instructions will not be accepted as an excuse for violations. If in doubt as to the meaning of a rule, ask your supervisor for an explanation of it.

Take a special interest in the new man, call his attention to dangerous practices and teach him the safe method of doing his work.

Every workman should report promptly to his supervisor any defective conditions, practices or machinery affecting himself or his fellow workmen. Notify all persons who might be endangered by the work you are doing. Report every injury no matter how slight, a small scratch that does not bleed is often the first to become infected.

When work must be done on air lines while they are under pressure, before working on or disconnecting any air line, make sure that the air is shut off and the line is drained.

Do not ride on any moving equipment unless your duty requires it, such as conveyor belts, sling loads, shovels, cranes, catwalks and trucks, unless you are a member of the crew. Do not take short cuts, use ladders, ramps, gangways, stairways and paths intended for safe travel. Never enter manholes, tanks or other similar places that have not been ventilated.



KAISER CENTER, fronting on Lake Merritt in downtown Oakland will be international headquarters for more than 60 affiliated Kaiser companies. The 28-story building, nearing completion, will be sheathed in gold and gray aluminum and glass. There will also be a five-level, 1200-car garage and a wide variety of modern shops.

OUTLOOK GOOD IN REDWOODS

By **KEN BROOKS** and **BILL TOMBERLIN**,
Business Representatives

Well, Brothers, the sun is shining on both sides of the fence but still it seems work is real slow starting, we guess that some of the contractors are waiting for that last rain to come. At this time of the year the brothers are all itchy to get to work and that's the way it should be when that real nice sunshine is starting down on us, it warms the old bones and they start to stir you up.

It looks at present as if we are going to have a rather slow start, but mid-summer is going to be a wild scramble.

We are sorry to say we have no more concrete information for you on the Hiway 199 subject out of Crescent City, but you can rest assured that the pressure that is being brought to bear on the top level is going to bring results one of these days, and when it happens there is going to be a terrific amount of work for the brothers in that area. We are all aware of the fact that this Hiway has been out-moded many years ago and at all good things can't come at once, but we still continue to work and hope for improvement on our local Hiways.

The Del Norte County Supervisor at a recent meeting passed a resolution listing three priority projects for the action of the state division of highways was passed by the board, recommending that U. S. 199 be improved and modernized as a first class highway and including the construction of a tunnel through Oregon Mountain. Second on the list was the re-alignment of U. S. 101 from Minot creek to the Humboldt county line and third was the elimination of the dangerous curve on U. S. 101 south of the Wilson creek bridge.

Humboldt Bay jetties, Congressman Clement W. Miller blasted the Eisenhower administration's Budget Bureau for what he termed "poor fiscal judgment" in not allocating funds to repair Humboldt Harbor's jetties.

Repairs, Miller stated, should begin at "the earliest practicable date to prevent further deterioration" and the "accelerating de-

struction" of the jetties.

The bureau has not allocated as much as a two-bit piece. This is not unlike the shortsighted false economy of putting off a badly-needed trip to the dentist.

The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers has recommended that the repairs start as soon as possible and has estimated the cost of restoring the jetties to their desired condition at \$2 million. By next year it could be three million dollars.

The congressman said his next action would be to ask the House and Senate appropriations committees to assist in "our effort to bring the total fiscal . . . 1960 appropriations for for Humboldt Harbor up to a sensible, truly economical figure . . . enough to begin the jetty repair job this coming fall as well as to complete this summer dredging."

"This is going to be very much an uphill battle," in citing the fact that the budget has ignored the jetties. "To have any chance at all, we will need continuing manifestations of local need."

NEED LOCAL SUPPORT

He also will need strong local support this spring when he asks the appropriations committees to fund a long-authorized "new look" at the harbor with a view to increasing channel depths and widths. The Corps has estimated that this review would cost \$25,000 and would take one year to complete.

Top echelon officials from Simpson and Georgia-Pacific Corporation will negotiate a contract for construction of a water transmission line from Essex to pulp mill sites on Somoa Peninsula.

The move would mean the cost of any water project undertaken by the Humboldt Bay

Municipal Water District would be cut by the amount the pipe would cost, probably \$6.5 or \$7 million.

The development was revealed at a Rotary club meeting by Robert Matthews, chairman of the water district. Matthews said announcement of the meeting indicates "they really mean business" about locating pulp mills here.

We're moving as fast as we possibly can on this thing, but it's such a tremendous investment that it takes so long. The next step after the two companies have agreed on a contract to build the water line will be to negotiate with the water board for setting firm price on water.

The joint venture on the pipeline would cost in the neighborhood of \$4 to \$5 million, according to earlier estimates, and would exceed 12 miles in length to the proposed Simpson site at Fairhaven. The companies hope to have their contract completed in about two weeks.

THE RUTH DAM

Matthews said the water district already has taken steps to obtain new estimates and cost data on the proposed Ruth dam and diversion dam at Essex.

A bond issue for construction of a Mad river project was passed by the people of the district two years ago. The amount is \$12 million.

This brothers is a prelude to the construction of the much discussed dam at Ruth, we all hope it will be forthcoming in the near future.

Brothers we have about covered the points of interest for this time, but in closing we would like to express our most sincere thanks to the brothers for the nice turn out at the meeting, this is good in many respects, we want to see you all take an active interest in your Union, when we all understand the problems we face today we become a closer knitted organization.

Brothers, come in Monday nights to discuss your problems and questions, if the Grievance Committee doesn't have a grievance to process we will be most happy to sit down and have a round table discussion with you. If you are in doubt at any time, day or night please feel free to call your Business Agents, we are here to serve you and we do mean you, each and every one, your problem is ours.

REDDING, Contract awarded to Christensen & Foster, 3795 Redwood Hwy. North, Santa Rosa, \$180,000 for const. Sycamore Elem. School.

A bridegroom is a wolf who has just paid for his whistle.

Rosa-Ukiah

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like that makes one wonder. Their bid was only \$6,787. Seems to me that shipping the equipment in would make a large hole in that amount.

The State plans upon putting in a maintenance yard at Bodega Bay, the bids to be opened on the 15th of April, this will give a few members some work but nothing to get all steamed up about.

There is a new sub-division called Westgate No. 1 being started soon, also a 50 unit trailer park at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds.

Mendocino County is due for the following work, construction of a dock on the south side of the Noyo River. Water mains improvements in the city of Ukiah. And several other small jobs which are strictly peanuts.

Lake County has 0.3 mile of two lane highway to be graded and paved on untreated base and the construction of a reinforced concrete bridge at Middle Creek about 0.3 mile west of Upper Lake. Also the construction of a reinforced concrete bridge on pile foundations and approaches across Alley Creek on Pitney Lane approximately 1.5 miles north of Upper Lake.

Brother Bay Lovely has been having a rough time of it, he was just released from the University of California Hospital where they removed two ribs and operated on his lung, we all hope that this will be all the surgery he will have to have for a long time.

Brother Harley Jolliff is in the Hospital in Sebastopol, he was operated on the 27th of March and we sincerely hope that he is getting along just fine.

It is with deep regret that we have to tell you that Brother R. A. Hankins wife passed away.

Brother Joe Plumb was patching the roof on his chicken house and fell off and broke six ribs, somebody should have told him that he was no carpenter.

Our many thanks to Brother Leroy Brown for his blood donation.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Thomas Const. Co., P.O. Box 683, Fresno, \$178,276 for 1.4 mi. 2-lane hiway, to be gr. & surf. & slct. applied to untr. base, drain. facils. installed & R. C. Bridge const. betw. 0.2 mi. W. & 1.1 mi. E. of Dry Creek abt. 31 mi. W. of Red Bluff, TEHAMA CO.

Stockton Area

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M. J. Ruddy & Son are completing their job on Albers Rd. and will be moving most of the equipment to Castle Air Field, near Merced, where they should be busy for some time.

The prospects for another pipe line for the East Bay Municipal Utility District, from Pardee Dam to their reservoir near Richmond, is looking better all the time. Reports have it that some contracts will be let before the year is out, and needless to say, we can use the work in this district.

PERSONAL NOTES:

Brother George Bradley was killed on the M. J. Ruddy & Son job on Albers Road. Apparently he lost control of the Roller and it flipped over on him. We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to George's family.

BLOOD BANK:

Our only donation to the Blood Bank this past month was made by Merle W. Isbell. However, we have reports that several of our members donated blood directing that it be credited to Brother Glenn Gallaven's wife who is seriously ill in St. Joseph's Hospital following surgery.

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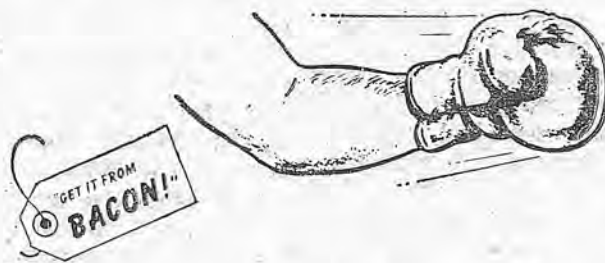
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SAFETY STANDARDS AND THE VALUE OF STANDARDS

By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Business Representative

The development and general acceptance of standards is necessary if a reasonable degree of uniformity is to be secured in any line of activity. Every branch of science or engineering, every profession, every line of industry must have its own set of standards. As each new field of endeavor is developed, standards must be set up as a basis for further progress, and this groundwork in turn plays its part in the development of additional standards.

Industrial safety is still a new and steadily developing field. The standards in use have been developed through two different channels; a fact which has had important consequences. These standards fall into two groups:

(a) Voluntary, self-applied standards. The various interests, groups, and individuals engaged in the work of accident prevention have developed standards representative of good practice. Since the purpose is to prevent accidents, the standards amount to a crystallization of experience and are accepted and observed only by virtue of their practical value as aids to prevention.

(b) Regulatory standards. Laws, or rules having the force and effect of law, have been adopted by governments for the purpose of securing the correction of specific hazardous conditions and of setting forth certain requirements deemed necessary to safety.

The need of standards was realized very early in the organized safety movement. There was a period of trial and error experiment, and the exchange of ideas and experience-won knowledge. Standards soon began to appear, many of which were embodied in general and broad regulatory requirements.

The present situation in the field of industrial safety is one of progress and improvement, largely through the continued application of techniques and knowledge slowly and painfully acquired through the years.

There is no evidence that anything like a limit to the progress possible through the application and extension of principles universally accepted by the safety profession—the techniques of education, engineering, and enforcement—has been reached.

Yet large and serious problems remain unsolved. Neither small industry nor organized labor has been won to a full share of the battle. A large number of industries still have tragically high accident rates.

The job ahead is at least as great as the job already accomplished—and it may well be more difficult, for among the unsolved problems are, of course, a large number which, though studied carefully, have stubbornly resisted solution.

The resources of the safety movement are great and strong—and impressive body of knowledge, a corps of able professional safety people, a high level of prestige, strong organizations for cooperation and exchange of information.

One can go to many safety meetings these days without hearing a single shockingly new idea to challenge the mind and stir debate.

On the whole, in spite of its weaknesses, safety is in a strong situation with every reason for confidence in its main lines of approach.

In spite of the remarkable advances and tremendous achievements of American industry, relatively few of our industrial undertakings have had the benefit of good planning; few have control adequate for top safety performance. However, in even

the worst of these, good safety performance can be attained by persistently carrying on a program of improvement based on realistic appraisal of conditions. Occasionally, a major reconstruction and rearrangement is practicable, but usually financial considerations limit expenditures to relatively modest sums month by month and year by year. This emphasizes the importance of carefully planning the safety program to make the most out of little.

FRESNO TO HAVE A BUSY SEASON

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

The Fresno Area is looking forward to a very busy season ahead. The weather has been very much in our favor so far this Spring. The Griffith Company having taken over the former Pinedale Rock & Sand Co. plant have increased its capacity considerably and are now running two shifts preparing rock for their

The other rock plants in the area are also operating full time. The Mammoth Pool project continues full speed ahead with a completion date some time in November. They will have a maximum of twenty five DW20's on a two shift basis. There are approximately 400 Engineers of all classifications on the Mammoth Project, which includes Utah Construction Co's tunnel operations.

We have had many of the brothers inquiring about the proposed levee work in the San Joaquin River. There is NO levee work in this area at this time. The Department of Water Resources have called for bids for approximately 3 million yards of levee work in Merced County. Bids are to be opened April 22nd.

Bids were opened March 26th for a little over one million dollars worth of additional parking aprongs and runway work at Castle Field Air Base at Merced. However, at this writing the successful bidder has not been announced. It looks like there will be a little work in Merced County this year for a change. Guy F. Atkinson Co. at Porterville, on the Success Dam project have finished Frazier Dyke on the northwest side of the Lake. This company is moving dirt on the spillway and doing some stripping in the river bottom. This job will go two shifts on the dirt and three shifts on mechanics in about four weeks.

L. B. Wells Construction have subbed the dirt to Flores & Perry on their contract at Tipton. This company have about 180,000 yds. of dirt to move. On L. B. Wells Construction Co's job at Tulare they have started black top and are keeping a few of the brothers busy.

Griffith Co. at Lemoore Air Base have started cement treated and have been having lots of compaction troubles. They also have started on the concrete. This company has lots of concrete to pour when they get things lined out. The Navy has called for bids on two more in the series of contracts for constructing facilities for the Base's Administrative area work is estimated over \$5,000,000,000

Aloha From the New State of Hawaii

By HAROLD LEWIS and RUPERT TEVES, Business Representatives

Biggest news for this issue is the admittance of Hawaii as a state. Many people, even the Texans, are wondering how our boundaries will be set up. Some of the proposed boundaries would swallow the state of Texas. They are wondering also if the high seas between the islands will be classed as inland waters or high seas. A decision on the latter may make a big difference in the shipping circles.

Next biggest news item is the public announcement of a \$350 million "model city" planned by Henry J. Kaiser and the Bishop Estate, owners of the land involved. The proposed plans provide for hotels, apartments and homes for 50,000 people on more than 6,000 acres of land. The development would embrace the area bounded by the east ridge of Niu Valley and eastward along the Waimanalo ridge to Makapuu Point. The "city" will be developed in stages and will include a marine sports area in the present Koko Head fish pond. It was not mentioned but we expect this project to run between four and

seven years depending mostly on available money.

Another area of Oahu that has tremendous development plans is the Barbers Point and Ewa district. The Standard Oil Company is the first to start the ball rolling out there, followed by a Dillingham sponsored reinforcing steel production mill. The Honolulu Construction and Draying Company, a local aggregate firm, presently plans a barge harbor, for its aggregate barges which will be plying between the islands and the eventual deepening of the harbor to accommodate sea going tankers which will service the Standard Oil refinery. Terminal Steel Company, the largest local steel fabricating and erecting firm, also plans to set up shop in that area. The Hawaiian Electric Company plans to erect an Atomic Energy power plant in the vicinity within the next three or four years. The Government is sponsoring a Capehart Housing project nearby and lo-

cal real estate developers have several subdivisions going in the area. If any local union has suffered growing pains, they will know what we are going through out here. With the work now going on and the work coming up, some of our members have the nerve to say the "B. A." has a soft job. Huh!

Hawaiian Dredging and Construction has picked up a \$3 million highway project which entails a three level traffic structure. The structure will be in the School and Fort Streets area. It will be an intersection for the Lunalilo freeway, the Pali Highway, Emma Street and Fort Street. Hawaiian Dredging also picked up a \$4 million Capehart job on Guam. The dredging company clarified its position on the Tokyo job; they will furnish the technical assistance to Mizuno Construction Company of Japan. Hawaiian Dredging will send only a minimum number of key dredging personnel over to Japan.

A \$14 million bond sale has cleared the way for completion for the new International Airport in Honolulu. Hood Construction Company, a non-union contractor, is doing \$1,075,150 worth of leveling, filling and grading. Bids for additional work will be asked for soon and other increments on the job will follow.

A request is extended to all AFL-CIO members in the islands to pay close attention to the local political situation. Your Business Representatives have formed a Committee on Political Education to make a special study on the political setup and will soon publish a list of honest pro-labor representatives and senators who will be on ticket for state elections. Politics play a big part in union sponsored legislation and it is the duty of every brother member to vote for the proper political candidate. Therefore, brothers, keep your eyes and ears open in regards to local politicians.

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the family and friends of the late Brother Paul Isaacs. Brother Isaacs was a member in good standing and was last employed at the Naval Air Station at Barbers Point.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

MT. VIEW, Contract awarded to Freeman Paving Co., 220 Lambert St., Palo Alto, \$420,727 for California St. Impvt. Proj., Unit No. 2.

MT. VIEW, Contract awarded to J. D. Harms Corp., 411 Middlefield Rd., Redwood City, \$206,000 for const. of a swimming & wading pool, bath house & snack bar, Mt. View.

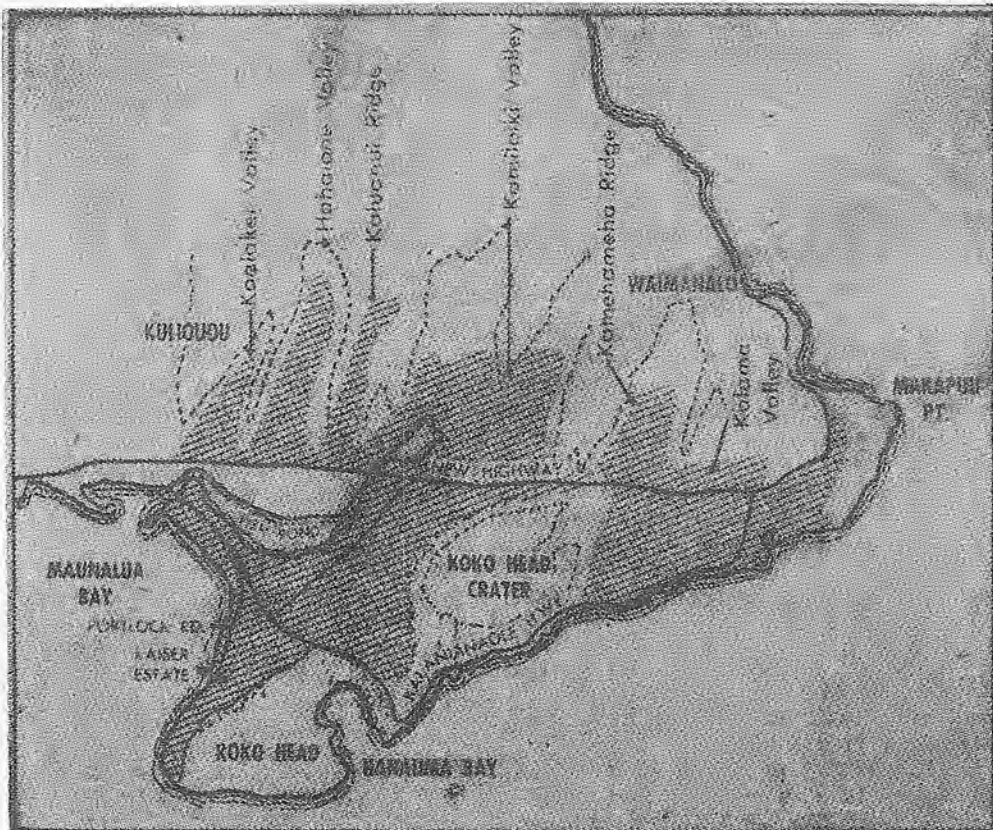
MT. VIEW, Contract awarded to A. J. Peters & Son, 534 Stockton Ave., San Jose, \$347,969 for water system improvements, Phase 1, under Proj. No. 58-15.

RED BLUFF, Contract awarded to Redding Engr. Const. Co., Redding, California, \$11,867 for construc. of Veterans Memorial Bldg., Red Bluff.

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ALMADEN AFS, Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$194,680 for const. water supply sys. at Almaden AFS, nr. San Jose, SANTA CLAR ACO.

CASTLE AFB, Contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, P.O. Box 3042, Modesto, \$1,053,292 for oper. alert apron, utils. & appur., lighting, etc. at the base.



ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU, Henry Kaiser plans to develop 6,000 acres of the Bishop Estate, shown here in the shaded areas. A \$350 million model city, with hotels and homes for 50,000 people, will be built on this southeast corner of the island.