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## Vote—Get Out the Vote

# Democrat Ideals Are Typified by Adlai Stevenson

By VICTOR S. SWANSON

In the hands of political hacks, our advanced means of communication have, I think, been used in the American field of politics to confuse rather than to educate. Back in 1931 our nation sank to the lowest depths of depression in every sense that this condition connotes: Financially destitute, economically frustrated and spiritually well nigh hopeless!

Press, radio and television continued to give the false impression that the Republican-made depression, which started with the Stock Market crash of 1929, was the result of World War I. However, America knows, and the world knows, that sandwiched in between the ending of World War I and the crash of 1929 was what is accepted and known as the "GOLDEN TWENTIES," the "stock market binge" of the upper crust of the Republican Party.

Government was transferred from the people to the brokerage houses and financial centers of the "big-wig" Republican Bosses! Those ten years of the "GOLDEN TWENTIES" with their mythical Republican Party prosperity and their ever present millions of unemployed represent the zenith of Republican Party accomplishments so-called



ADLAI STEVENSON

### "NEW DEAL" IS BORN

The inevitable degrading results of this mad binge of Wall Street is not a matter of history. Our great nation crashed! And this desperate plight of America became the driving force of the Democratic Party and gave birth to the "NEW DEAL."

In 1932, the Democratic Party restored our Government to the American people, and to this very day the greatest era of sound democratic prosperity has prevailed—and will prevail—but only under a Democratic Administration.

In my opinion, the only candidate for the Democratic Party nomination, who stands head and shoulders over all other candidates in this field as an outstanding proponent of the "NEW DEAL" philosophy is ADLAI STEVENSON. In his speeches, public utterances and writings, he has pointed up the fact that the primary difference between the Republican and the Democratic parties is the historically proven fact that the Republican Party is the party of privilege, power and wealth, whereas the Democratic Party stands for the basic rights of the common people. Mr. Stevenson has pointed out that the Republican Party as a National organization has never introduced a program of social benefit for the wage-earning and salaried classes.

### GOP FAILS THE PEOPLE

The Republican Party, as a party, never sponsored unemployment insurance, pensions for the aged, prepaid medical and hospital care, or industrial democracy for the working men and women of America. The Republican Party as a party has never proposed on a

national scale workmen's compensation, beneficial child labor laws, or laws to protect women in industry or commerce.

Stevenson has told us, and has proven, that our present era of prosperity is due entirely and to the social legislation of the Democratic Administrations under President Franklin D. Roosevelt and President Harry Truman.

And Mr. Stevenson goes one step further than anyone else in maintaining that if the present Eisenhower trend away from basic "New Deal" principles isn't checked now, this nation is in for another series of peaks and valleys of Republican economics—with the peaks ever so short-lived and the valleys of deep depressions regularly recurring social catastrophies!

**I AM FOR STEVENSON** because his whole life and being is dedicated to the benefit of the millions of working people of America.

**I AM FOR STEVENSON** because his intelligence in domestic and world affairs out-shines anything in the political field of our day.

**I AM FOR STEVENSON** because he will return the Government of our Nation to the plain every-day working men and women of America.

**I AM FOR SEVENSON** because he stands for Organized Labor's right as conceived and established under the original Wagner Labor Act—rightfully regarded as the working people's Magna Carta!

Prosperity as we know it now is **DEMOCRATIC PARTY PROSPERITY!** If we are to keep this prosperity, the answer is forcefully clear:

**ELECT A MAN OF ADLAI STEVENSON'S STATURE TO THE HIGH OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF OUR UNITED STATES!**

# Record Season Is Underway

## All Districts Busy as Big Program Gets Moving

One of the best seasons in many years in the West's giant construction industry is now getting into full swing after an early start was interrupted by late rains, and from all districts under Local 3 jurisdiction report increased demand for men in all classifications.

There are sizeable dam and power projects, industrial development, subdivisions, and a great expansion in highway work as government and private industry strive to meet the great demands of increased population throughout the region.

First steps on a program of flood control are also being taken, and this phase will add a steadily increasing demand on the industry over the next several years—the follow-up to last year's historic Northern California floods.

All members of the union are urged to keep closely in touch with branch offices at all times, so that union men may be placed on all jobs and other contacts with the union may be maintained, for the benefit of both the member and the union.

A check of this month's business agents reports, reveals full activity in all districts. Here is a round-up:

**Utah:** A spurt in activity on dams, water, mining. Also busy on highways, housing.

**Nevada:** Weather finally permitted extensive work in mining, highways, and building to proceed.

**Marysville:** Five miles of big PGE power job; much work in the tunnel on one Feather canyon area.

**Redding:** Tunnel contract is first step on huge Trinity project.

**Eureka:** Moving along on good season after winter flood.

**Sacramento:** Housing, freeways, industry.

**Northbay:** Much subdivision work.

**Oakland:** A big season for freeways, subdivisions, bridges, industry.

**San Francisco:** General push on freeway network; housing, streets, industry.

**San Jose:** Despite late rains, strong drive on housing, industry.

**Stockton:** Pushing big Tri-Dam job, others.

**Honolulu:** Expansion in housing, industry.

**SACRAMENTO,** Contract awarded to Peter Kiewit Sons Co., 442 Post St., S.F., \$2,711,100, for 3.5 mi. grade w/ptmx. surf. on cem. tr. base & const. 2 bridges betw. 0.7 mi. N. of Greenbrae Intersec. & 0.2 mi. N. of Alto Intersec., near San Rafael, MARIN COUNTY.

# \$11 Billion Calif. Water Program Revealed; Folsom Dam Dedicated

California took its first look at the long-awaited Water Plan early this month about the same time that the life-saving \$100 million Folsom Dam project was dedicated, and there was hope that the state's government officials would survive red tape and politics and get going on the sequel to last winter's flood which took 100 lives and did \$500 million in damage.

A crowd of 50,000 was on hand to hear leaders speak warmly of the Folsom Dam, which finally got built and got finished just in time to save the city of Sacramento from devastation in last season's flood.

After 30 years of planning, the 3450-foot, 14 million cubic foot dam, has created a beautiful recreational area, checked rampant waters of the American river, and added new kilowatts of power.

What will come out of the \$11 billion water plan unfolded by the State Water Resources Board, meanwhile, remains to be seen. It is a vast effort at solving our long state's multiple flood and drought problems with a network of dams, aqueducts, and related facilities to bring some of the northern surplus to the southern dry areas.

First order of business under the plan is construction of the Oroville Dam and the Feather River project.

The S.F. Bay area will need eight new dams costing \$27 million and a network of aqueducts costing \$100 million more. Included would be a Northbay aqueduct running 50 miles from Fairfield to Novato. Another would be the Eel river diversion, carrying water by tunnel from the Eel to the Russian river, thence by 39-mile aqueduct to Petaluma. Third would be a seven-mile tunnel from the Monticello reservoir into the Napa valley.

That is just a sample of the sort of detailed improvement that will be required throughout the state under the master plan.

The question now is: When will we get going on the plan?



**JOHN E. BURMAN**  
March 6, 1956, Eureka, Calif.

**ERVIN P. DABBS**  
April 4, 1956, Hayward, Calif.

**VIRGIL BOYER**  
April 12, 1956, Casa Grande, Ariz.

**EDWARD B. SAHLMAN**  
April 17, 1956, Modesto, Calif.

**LELAND D. CARDWELL**  
April 18, 1956, Alameda, Calif.

**ROY V. MARTIN**  
April 19, 1956, Eureka, Calif.

**J. I. FORD**  
April 20, 1956, Fair Oaks, Calif.

**W. M. COCHERELL**  
April 23, 1956, Chico, Calif.

**MORRIS J. SPRING**  
April 24, 1956, Sacramento, Calif.

**JAMES F. WALSH**  
April 30, 1956, Concord, Calif.

**CHAS. G. KING**  
May 7, 1956, Martinez, Calif.

## \$80 Million PGE Job 60 Mi. East of Fresno

PG&E has begun work on expansion of the Balch powerhouse, part of the Kings river project, 60 miles east of Fresno, to cost \$80 million. Work was halted in mid-November because of snow. The Balch plant will be boosted and two new plants, the Haas and Kings river powerhouses, will increase capacity on the river by 261,500 kilowatts.



**CULEBRA AND CARQUINEZ.**—Largest single slice into Mother Earth since the Panama Canal is this 8½ million cubic yard cut at the junction of Franklin Canyon road and Highway 101. It took

nature thousands of years to build these gentle hills but Operating Engineers come along and remove them in a matter of days.

(Note: for full list of the voting recommendations of Calif. Labor League for Political Education, see page 2 of this issue.)



*The City by the Golden Gate*

**ALL ARE BUSY IN S.F.**

By PAT CLANCY & HARRY METZ, Business Representatives

Conditions are about the same as last month with regard to the work situation in this area. All of the Contractors are busy and we have been short of men in several classifications.

There are a good many old buildings being remodeled and some new buildings being erected in the downtown S.F. area. Cahill Construction Company seems to be doing the majority of the work and all these projects provide good jobs for many of our members.

**San Francisco Vote Recommendations**

AFL Union Labor Party recommendations for the Primary Election of June 5 are as follows:

- U.S. Senator, Richard Richards.
- Congressman, 4th District, James L. Quigley.
- Congressman, 5th District, John F. Shelley.

**State Assemblymen**

- 19th District: Chas. W. Meyers
- 20th Dist.: Thomas A. Maloney
- 21st Dist.: Caspar Weinberger
- 22nd Dist.: Delbert L. Barnett
- 23rd Dist.: John A. O'Connell
- 24th Dist.: Edward M. Gaffney

**City Propositions**

Labor Council recommendations on San Francisco City Propositions are as follows:

- Proposition A ..... YES
- Proposition B ..... YES
- Proposition C ..... YES
- Proposition C ..... YES
- Proposition E ..... NO
- Proposition F ..... YES

**Social Security Helps Children**

Since family social security payments started in 1940, many thousands of children have been helped by the Federal Old-Age and Survivor's Insurance Program.

Retired workers receiving monthly social security payments, who have children under age 18, can receive additional payments for the benefit of their children.

However, most children helped by social security have been those of younger workers who died, leaving the mother and children without regular income. Here the survivorship part of social security stepped in to replace, in part, the money lost to the family because of the father's death.

Social security payments to a family can now be as much as \$200 monthly. The amount depends on the father's earnings during his working years and the number of children.

These payments are not charity. They are family insurance, paid for by the father. Whenever he worked, his employer deducted the social security tax from his wages and reported the amount of the wages to the federal government. The employer helped buy this insurance, as he paid social security tax on each of his employees at the same rate as that paid by the employee.

From the wage report submitted by the employer, the Social Security Administration kept an individual social security account of the total earnings of the father. At his death, his widow filed a claim at one of the 540 social security district offices throughout the United States, and began receiving monthly social security payments.

For their own benefit, it is, therefore, important that survivors of a deceased wage earner contact the social security district office promptly.

**THE AFL-CIO PRESENTS**  
*Monday Thru Friday*  
**Morgan and Vandercook**  
*ABC Network*  
**WITH THE NEWS**

**Labor Supporting John F. Shelley for Return to Congress**

All of labor in San Francisco is supporting the re-election of Congressman John F. Shelley at the June 5 primary election on the basis of his splendid record in behalf of the working people.

In a letter to Bus. Mgr. Victor Swanson dated May 9, Rep. Shelley wrote as follows:

"Dear Brother Swanson:

"It was my privilege to serve the working people of San Francisco and the State of California as an officer of the trade union movement. Since November, 1949, it has been my privilege to serve as your representative in the Congress of the United States. I am proud that my record in Congress



Rep. JOHN F. SHELLEY

is regarded as 100% pro-labor and I am just as proud of the fact that every campaign in which I have been engaged has seen labor giving me a 100% endorsement.

"I am again a candidate for re-election and am faced with opposition in this year's fight. I am taking this opportunity of writing to you personally to ask that you acquaint the members of your Local with my record.

"I sincerely regret that the heavy press of Congressional duties in this session of Congress requires my presence in Washington and prevents my personally appearing before your members.

"Thank you sincerely,  
Fraternally and cordially,  
JACK SHELLEY"

Jack Shelley's record as a former president of State Federation of Labor and in recent years as a Congressman is one of constant battling for the rights and betterment of the wage earners. He comes from labor, knows its problems, works for their solution and deserves labor's fullest support!

**GE Gets AEC OK on Reactor at Livermore**

General Electric Co. on May 15 was given the green light by Atomic Energy Commission to build an experimental nuclear power reactor near Livermore. Preliminary work is already underway. The plant will start at 3,000 kilowatts, can go to 10,000. It will be of the boiling water type, fueled by enriched uranium 235. AEC has allocated 29 kilograms of U-235 to fuel the plant over a seven-year period. Purpose of this model plant is to get data for a full-scale plant to be built in Illinois, but GE hopes to sell power from the Livermore model to PG&E.

Permit was granted subject to approval of design on the reactor to make sure it "provides reasonable assurances that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation of the reactor."

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, Contract awarded to W. W. Wiechmann Const. Co., 100 Giroux St., Reno, \$783,827, for const. a 3-story & basement Office Bldg, in Carson City, Nevada.

**Report of Last Meeting**

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

A Synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 3 read and by motion approved as read.

A Synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of March 14, April and May 2 read, and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

Cards of thanks were received from Mrs. Ralph W. Farnham and family; Mrs. Ervin Dobbs and family; the family of George Pearson, and Mrs. W. M. Cocherell and family. Received and filed.

The following Brothers were reported ill: J. N. Avery, Jess B. Aye, Warren Blake, Wayne Boughton, Geo. S. Broce, Steve Barry, Pa. Brothers, Glenn Cochrane, Hobart Carden, Richard Casteel, Stanley Coach, John Culwell, Irwin F. Dale, Richard Daigh, Art A. DeMars, Henry Elzasser, Sam Fratto, Francis Fiddler, James Grantham, Robert I. Gwyn, James Holstine, Ed Hickman, Tullis A. Hardy, Harry L. Hayes, Adolph Hummel, Ed Howard, L. G. Harris, K. F. Knutsen, Duncan B. Keir, Charles King, Clifford Kent, Wm. Latorre, Henry Lewis, Charlie Lee, Geo. A. Light, Fred Meyers, Glenn Moore, James A. Martin, Par. M. Melton, F. S. Miller, Larry Mesa, Ray F. Nielsen, Earl Oxborrow, C. O'Coynne, John D. O'Connor, Chester Pfohl, Hosea Rea, Louis Rogan, E. H. Ritchie, Joseph Risch, Floyd Ramey, Elmer D. Sanders, Sven Swenson, Forrest Sheppa, Nelson W. Stroup, Joe Stanton, Chas. A. Shields, Albert L. Stratton, Elbert W. Spalinger, Frank Shelley, Howard Seacord, Edw. V. Tennon, Dan Todd, Robert J. Trask, Burl Trull H. L. Williams, Ross Wallace, L. J. Wilson, Leon H. Witt, Earl Wortman, Edw. C. Wilson, Ray M. Williams, Frank Walloupe, Clyde Weige Gerald Yates.

The following Brothers were reported deceased: Ralph Burton, Jack Foster, Chas. Lockridge, Wm. P. Walsh, Jewell E. Heaton, Richard J. Smith, Gilbert T. Overholt, Cecil Ray Search, L. A. Woods, E. M. Kress, F. D. Bird, Albert L. Reese, Jacob Beyer, Peter L. Johnson, Percy C. Fletcher, Wm. J. Pomeroy, W. E. Karstedt, John E. Burman Jr., Clifford Melton, Baker Cleveland, Virgil Boyer, Edward B. Sahlman, Leland D. Cardwell, J. I. Ford, Morris J. Spring, W. M. Cocherell, Ervin P. Dab! Roy V. Martin, James R. Walsh.

The membership stood one minute in silence in respect to our deceased Brothers.

The Business Agents gave their reports which were accepted as given. Report of the General Secretary-Treasurer was read by President Clancy.

Brothers Lowell Nelson, H. O. Foss, Alton Clem, P. E. Vandewark, Danny Dees, Les Collett, Pat Clancy and Victor Swanson, delegates the Convention of the International Union of Operating Engineers held in Chicago on April 9 through April 13, gave reports on the Convention which reports were well accepted by the membership.

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

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

**LABOR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE JUNE 5 ELECTION**

Following are the recommendations of the Calif. Labor's League for Political Education in the various legislative districts for the important June 5 Calif. Primary Election. All members are urged to vote and get out the vote at this election.

**U. S. SENATOR . . . . . RICHARD RICHARDS**

**UNITED STATES CONGRESS**

- 1. Clement Miller
- 2. Clair Engle
- 3. John E. Moss, Jr.
- 4. James L. Quigley
- 5. John F. Shelley
- 6. Dr. H. R. Quinney
- 7. Laurance L. Cross
- 8. George P. Miller
- 11. John J. McFall
- 12. B. F. Sisk

**STATE SENATORS**

- 1. Stanley Arnold
- 3. Carl Christensen
- 5. Edwin J. Regan
- 7. Harold T. Johnson
- 11. Nathan F. Coombs
- 15. Luther E. Gibson
- 17. George Miller, Jr.
- 23. Wm. L. Mathson, Jr.
- 25. Fred S. Farr

**STATE ASSEMBLYMEN**

- 1. Thomas Bair
- 2. Pauline L. Davis
- 3. Lloyd W. Lowrey
- 5. Samuel R. Geddes
- 6. Paul Lunardi
- 7. Richard H. McCollister
- 8. Thomas J. MacBride
- 9. Roy J. Nielsen
- 10. Donald D. Doyle
- 11. S. C. Masterson
- 12. William Biddick, Jr.
- 13. Carlos Bee
- 14. Robert Crown
- 16. William M. Freeborn
- 17. William B. Rumford
- 18. James G. Whitney
- 19. Charles W. Meyers
- 20. Thomas A. Maloney
- 21. Casper W. Weinberger
- 22. Delbert L. Barnett
- 23. John A. O'Connell
- 24. Edward M. Gaffney
- 25. J. Howard Hartley
- 27. Glenn E. Coolidge
- 29. William J. Harris, Jr.
- 30. Ralph M. Brown

**Construction Awards**

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Norman I. Fadel, Inc., 7101 Radford Ave., No. Hollywood \$886,458, for 4.6 mi. grade & cons. RC girder bridge betw. 0.4 mi. N. of Fernbridge & 0.7 mi. N. of Hookton R., HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Gordon H. Ball, Camille Ave., Danville, \$1,485,158, for 5.7 miles grade & pave w/pec. cem. tr.-subgr., ptmx surf., hwy. fig. sys. & const. 3 reing. conc. bridges & widen 1 reinf. conc. bridge, betw. 1.0 mi. S. of Traver & Ave. 392 TULARE COUNTY.

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# 5 Miles of Tunnel Spark Marysville Area

By LES COLLETT and C. R. VAN WINKLE, Business Representatives

The best news in this area at present is the start of the access road jobs near Howell's Station in Feather River Canyon for the two P. G. & E. tunnel jobs which, if all goes well, will be going by July of this year. The bids are out now and will be called May 14th. One of the tunnels will be 11,000 feet

long with a penstock, and one will be 13,000 feet with a penstock plus two more powerhouses. Darkenwold Const. Co. have the 11 miles of access roads. Don Goble is Supt. with Bros. Pete Pearce and Bill Brown as foremen. They have three pioneer dozers, one blade, one 80-D N.W. shovel, a mechanic, a grease monkey and air compressor opr. on the job at present.

Utah Const. Co. has started on their tunnel lining job near Keddie and have more work to do when this one is topped out. They are about 550 ft. deep and doing a little better since another new fan was installed. The Bechtel Corp., who are the Contractors on the Poe Dam and Powerhouse are still

A. Teichert Co.—\$17,415 job to widen Mangrove Ave., Chico.  
Baldwin Constr. Co.—\$140,000—sewer and street work—city of Marysville.

Bids will be called May 31st on 3.5 miles of road near Browns Valley—budget allocation, \$136,000.

Souza & McCue—low bidders on 87 acres of clearing and grading at Yuba County Airport for \$4,900.

J. W. Baker has signed an agreement and subbed part of the clearing for Pinole Land Co. near Rio Osa, likewise with R. & P. Contractors.

This is 30 for this month.

—LES COLLETT,  
Business Representative

## INDUSTRIAL REPORT GOLD DREDGER COMPANIES: STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS:

After several meetings with the companies the negotiations have begun to firm up and it begins to look like we will be able to report something definite back to the membership. As soon as this occurs we will call a special meeting to allow the membership an opportunity to hear and discuss the negotiated offer of the companies, and to make the necessary decisions. The demands decided by you to make upon the companies have been thoroughly discussed, and you might say argued. Needless to say the companies were resistant to any changes in the present agreement and the greatest argument came over (surprise) wages.

At this writing we have hopes that what we have to report will be agreeable and acceptable to the membership, but, as we said above, the entire matter is still in a fluid state, which is a technical way of saying that we don't know where we stand, at least, at present.

## MEETING NOTICES: YUBA CONSOLIDATED GOLDFIELDS

Due to a confliction of negotiation meeting with the next regular meeting and the imminence of a report on the results of the negotiations the next regular meeting will be cancelled, and a special meeting will be called on or near the date of the regular meeting day. **WATCH FOR A NOTICE BY MAIL AND POSTED ON THE JOB.**

## NATOMAS COMPANY

The next regular meeting of your unit will be held **Monday, June 4, 1956 in the Veterans Hall, Folsom and at the following times:**  
**10:00 a.m. for those unable to attend the night meeting.**  
**7:30 p.m. for those able to attend the night meeting.**

The above meeting may be made a special called meeting, or if possible, a special meeting will be called earlier, if so, under either of the above circumstances, you will be notified by mail and on the job.

## ATTEND THESE MEETINGS:

Both of the above meetings will be, and are important! The wage rates and conditions of your employment for the coming year will be up for consideration. It is hoped that every member will be present as those not present will be counted as voting on the prevailing side, and a record will be kept of those present.

## GLADDING, McBEAN CO.

The agreement, as you were informed at the last meeting, has been opened, and your instructions at that meeting have been prepared for submission to the Company. The first meeting with the Company will not be until May 28th, as it was hard to get a meeting that did not conflict with one or the other parties previous commitments.

It is to be hoped that the negotiations will not take long, at least as far as the wage question is concerned, of course, the matter of pensions, which is a complicated matter, may take longer. The agreement is only open this year for the consideration of wages and the pension plan, and if we can get the matter of wages settled

## YUBA CITY UNION HIGH SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

Every member and member of their families eligible to vote and who reside in Yuba City or the above school district are urged to support and vote for the high school bond issue that is up for consideration on May 18, 1956.

Those with children of high school age who attend the Yuba City Union High School know that it is in a deplorable condition and new buildings and facilities are long overdue. So the passage of this bond issue is a must if you want a decent place for your children to attend high school.

There is today, a subtle attack being made upon our public school system, not necessarily by people that are against public schools and in favor of private schools, but by the larger taxpayer for the sole and selfish, greedy reason to save money on their taxes.

It might be pointed out that it has been estimated that if the public schools were closed down, 50 per cent of the children would receive little or no education. We give you one guess whose children would make up the bulk of this 50 per cent.

It is also true that experienced and forward looking industrialists are reluctant today to locate plants in areas without adequate school and other public facilities, simply because they know that sooner or later they will face a bigger tax bill to provide these necessary facilities.

So for the sake of the children of the area and for the future development and expansion of this district, support and vote YES on the Yuba City Union High School Bond Issue.

satisfactorily, we can afford, probably advantageously, to take a little longer time on the question of pensions.

To serve on the negotiating committee representing the membership working in the plant, the Joint Board has chosen Bro. Charlie Moss and David Mitchell, both from the Main Factory. The choice, we believe, was a good one and follows out the policy of the Joint Board of rotating these members between the departments. We are sure that both of these brothers will have an interesting experience and an interesting report to make to the membership.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Unless specially called before the following dates, the next regular meetings will be held as follows:

**JOINT BOARD:** Meets the first Tuesday of June which will be June 5th, at 4:15 p.m. in the office of the Lincoln Industrial Council, Lincoln.

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:** Will be held Tuesday, June 12, 1956, at 4:15 p.m. in the City Hall, Lincoln.

## CONCRETE PIPE COMPANIES:

The agreements with these companies, including the no-joint pipe companies to the extent permissible under these agreements, have been opened. A survey is underway of the other plants in other areas outside this one so that our efforts will be coordinated with other districts.

At the present writing it is not possible to even hazard a guess as to what the trend may be, however, there is this hopeful sign: During the past year, the complaints about unfair competition from a certain company have ceased. As soon as we can report, a special meeting will be called to inform you of the results and to allow you to make the necessary decisions.

## NEXT MEETING:

The joint meeting of the members of the Laborers, Operating Engineers and Teamsters employ-

# SACTO. IS BUSY ON HOUSING, INDUSTRY

By PAUL EDGEcombe and ERNIE NELSON  
Business Representatives

Numerous bids, ranging from small sums to \$100,000, have been awarded this month to contractors, in the Sacramento area. Most of these jobs consist of grading, paving, sewers, curbs, sidewalks and surfacing in new subdivisions which are developing on all sides of the city.

None of the jobs are of great proportions when compared with some of the larger highway projects but they are abundant enough to amount to well over a million dollars in total contracts. These will not be long term employment operations but will furnish jobs for many of our members. Activity has increased each week in this locality, weather pending.

No new proposed highway contracts have been let to date but from information gathered, all probabilities should be let in a month or two.

The recent allotments being made during the last two months at the new liquid rocket test base at Aerojet has overshadowed all other new construction in general. Additions of several new test stands are now under construction with others yet to be erected. Baldwin Const., Rosendahl Co., Kaiser Steel, Judson-Pacific-Murphy, Paul Hardeman, Southwestern Engineering Co., C. Norman Peterson, Brighton Sand & Gravel, A. Teichert & Son, McDonald Bros. and Fred Chapek all have been fortunate to nip off sizeable contracts that should keep them all busy for some time at this important project. They are scattered all over the 20,000 acres of rock and rattlesnake country.

Two major projects, Folsom Dam and Sly Park Dam, were dedicated this month here in the area. Ceremonies took place at Folsom on May 5th with Governor Knight and many of the Congressmen in attendance. This dam has already prevented a great loss in this area almost offsetting the total cost of the big flood controller and power developer. We all realized its importance last December.

For grading, excavating, hole digging, swimming pools or basements, call MCGOURAN BROS., IV 7-6121 or IV 7-4165.

It is your duty and personal business to check with your employer to see if he is reporting on your correct Social Security number. A recent survey shows several errors.

## BLOOD BANK:

Our sincere thanks to Al Ver-cruyssen, Jesse D. Barrick and Lon Allen who donated to our Blood Bank since our last report. The Blood Bank had loaned us several pints when our supply became exhausted. These last three donations were used to replace this borrowed blood. At this writing we do not have even one pint of blood credited to our account. We must have donors to contribute to this account—so call this office for an appointment, fellows!

Remember, this office is open every Thursday until 8:00 p.m. for your convenience!

Dredging operations in the lower Delta area consist of California Dredging and Dutra & Son using clamshell rigs on levee repair work. The Hydraulic Dredging job of channel enlargement has not yet begun but several thousand dollars of preliminary clearing must be done before the project gets underway.

Activity in the Rock, Sand & Gravel industry seems to be getting back into the swing again.

Additional partners have been added to the National Tractor Co., a shop employing Local 3 mechanics. This Company has added several more mechanics and helpers to take care of the recent increase in business. We are happy to see

ed by the above companies will be held **Thursday, June 14, 1956, at 8 p.m. in the Engineers Hall, 1010 "Eye" Street, Marysville.**

(NOTE): It might be a good idea to make a note of the above date and be present as there may be an interesting report to be made.

new life interjected in this industry in this area and we hope that their business progresses as it has in the past two months.

## HERE AND THERE WITH THE BROTHERS:

ERNIE WONSER really backhoeing; ELMER SELF going day and night; E. B. LOYD smiling; BOB WAGNON crack filling; TOM EATON hoisting brick; MARVIN LAWSON on a hoist; RAY CULP signing in; HARRY SMITH predicting the weather; JIM BALLARD sorting rice; APFEL JOHNSON dedicating the dam; GILBERT CAVANA manufacturing steam; JOHNNY WISE asking questions; WHITEY RESH pouring concrete; CURLY LARSEN laid up; JOHN HARDY a settled young man; PAUL BURT laying it on the money; BILL EDWARDS teaching "Suzie"; HARRY CRIGLER boom trucking; TOM HERZOG fancy sloping; GEORGE KNIGHT greasing everything; CATERPILLAR MOORE broken down; MAURICE BOUZER laying off; CARL JOHN and DICK LAWS cleaning up after the big fire; RAY ADDISON on a dragline; ERNIE ROBESON oiling; WES FLEMING on the locomotive; LON ALLEN telling stories; GEORGE McFADDEN having coffee.

Don't forget the 12½c an hour wage increase on all classifications on June 1st as per the A-G-C Agreement.

## CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

OAKLAND, Contract awarded by East Bay Mun. Util. Dist., 512 16th St., Oakland, for furn. & inst. cem. mortar lined & coated steel water mains & appurts. in 4 loc. in ALAMEDA COUNTY. Sch. 1—to Vincent Rodrigus, 226 Jackson St., Hayward, \$892,896 Sch. 2—to McGuire & Hester, 796 - 66th Ave., Oakland, \$357,707.

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MARYSVILLE, Contract awarded Rice Bros. Inc., 900 Victor Rd., Lodi, \$11,799, for net lgth. of abt. 2.9 mi. borders const. of untr. base & fine seal coat, var. locations betw. 0.3 mi. N. of Courtland & 2.7 mi. S. of Freepoint in SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

CONCORD, Contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 13555 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$46,060, for widening Concord Blvd. & Grant St. in city of Concord, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to The Lowrie Paving Co., 1755 Evans Ave., S.F., \$198,765, for pavement reconst. & street resurf. of Silver Ave. betw. Mission St. & Thomas Ave.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Baldwin Const. Co., Inc., P.O. Box 269, Marysville, \$194,320, for abt. 0.6 mi., a reinf. conc. bridge & appr. rdways to be const. abt. 5 mi. N. of Biggs at Cherokee Canal, in BUTTE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to L & Y Const. Co., 1352 - 98th Ave., Oakland, \$21,293, for redeck bridge acr. Ten Mile Creek abt. 12.8 mi. NE of Tulare Co. line, FRESNO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Lord & Bishop, Inc., P.O. Box 812, Sacto., \$32,932, for const. Haggel Trestle, 3 mi. S. of Alta Mesa, Calif.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Daniel Bayles, Jr., Box 367, Biggs, \$17,930, for emerg. levee repair on R. bank Big Chico Crk., R. & L. bank of Rock Crk., L. bank, Murphy Slough, Snaden Slough & Pine Crk., BUTTE COUNTY.

TREASURE ISLAND, Contract awarded to Don H. Arbuckle, 1106 San Pablo Ave., Pinole, \$54,877, for replace storm drainage piping, etc., at Naval Sta., Treasure Isl., S.F.

## NOW A NOTARY PUBLIC IN OFFICE:

Irene Araujo, smiling office secretary of the Marysville office, has been commissioned by the State of California, as a Notary Public. Those having documents requiring notarization, can now have such papers notarized by someone who is acquainted with you (a legal requirement) at the convenient location of your office. In fact, you can kill two birds with one stone; pay your dues or other financial obligations to the Union, and have your papers notarized. There will be a small fee charged, to cover the expenses of obtaining the commission.

C. R. VAN WINKLE  
Business Representative

ried up on account of high water on the Feather River, however they have two or three cats and a pump experimenting on the excavation to find bed rock. Utah, Bates & Rogers, on the Poe job, are doing pretty good at present, however they are still trying to make up their minds on what to do with the raise; whether to drive it from the bottom or from the top. This has been in abeyance for quite awhile.

Delphia, Williams & Burrows, have started a little preliminary work on the Mosquito Creek Dam above Paradise. Arnold Conrad has subbed the clearing and we have a signed agreement with this firm.

H. Earl Parker Co. has 28 operators on the levee job near Knights Landing on the west side of the Sacramento River. This same company has the excavation on \$980,000 freeway south of town, but have been held up a lot on account of rain. H. Earl Parker & Baldwin Constr. Co. have a contract for the Simmerly Slough job just north of Marysville on 40A in the amount of \$848,000. This work will start as soon as they can shake some equipment loose from other jobs. Parker has quite a crew out landleveling at this time. W. H. O'Hair Co. have not been able to get started on their road contract above Butte City, but if we can get about 10 days of sunshine, the dirt will start flying.

Butte Creek Rock Co. of Chico are just on an even keel in their gravel plant with a few men on outside construction at this writing. Kaiser Sand & Gravel in Oroville maintain a steady pace with the same regular crew. Walsh Const. Co. are still catching up on repair work in their Oroville shop.

## NEW & PROPOSED WORK IN THIS AREA:

Richter Bros. Co.—low bidder on the street work at Canyon Highlands, Oroville—\$54,000.

Baldwin Constr. Co.—low bidder on bridge and road approach, about 5 miles north of Biggs for \$194,320.53.

Bids due May 9th on Fairway Greens sub-division, Willows, Cal.

Ben C. Gerwick—\$750,000 contract to build first portion of 5th St. bridge which washed out during the December floods.

E. T. Haas Co.—low bidder on pipe work at Chico State College.



# What's Doing in the Oakland Area

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

Well, again another month of May rolls around, and it goes without saying, the work load has begun to pick up. We have a very short out-of-work list and we are hopeful that in the coming few months that we will be able to keep all the brothers busy. At the present time there is a demand for blade operators, rubber tired men and finish dozer. We only wish that all the months throughout the year were as good as those during the summer months and again we realize that construction industry is one of seasonal nature so we presume the best we can do to endeavor to see the members do as well as they can during the summer. Inasmuch as we have a tremendous amount of work in the area serviced by the Oakland office, we want to take this opportunity to thank each and every member for their splendid cooperation they have given each business representative in reporting all contract violations.

## DREDGES BUSY

The dredge companies are busy in the Oakland Area—Associated Dredge has three clam dredges at the Oakland Airport—"Curlew" No. 1 and No. 2 are now working on the perimeter dike. "Pacific" was formerly on the job, but it just recently dropped the A-frame and is now in the yard for a new A-frame and a longer boom.

The Olympian Dredge Company's "Golden Gate" is hard at it at the Oakland Naval Supply Base.

The San Francisco Bridge Company's dredge just recently completed a portion of their contract at the Alameda Naval Air Station. Basalt Rock Company are doing some of the rip-rap on the seawall at the air station.

Utah Dredge Company's "Franciscan" continues to pump sand on the south shore of Alameda at a rate of well over a million yards a month. Utah is also driving a 3000-foot extension to the existing crib line and will drive a new crib line 9000 feet long from the borrow pit to Bay Farm Island.

Fredrickson and Watson was awarded the contract for the East Shore Freeway project from High Street, Oakland, to Washington Avenue in San Leandro. Progress is really being made, possibly due to the "eagle eye" of Brother Tex Strickland who is the superintendent. The excavating on this project is approximately 75 per cent complete and the cement work approximately 50 per cent completed.

The O. C. Jones & Sons Company are making good headway on their road project on Joaquin Miller Road. The excavating is approximately 75 per cent complete and Paris Brothers trencher is following up the ditch for sewer line.

McCammon & Wunderlich Company's housing project for Oddstad Homes at Crestmont on Skyline Boulevard is rapidly taking shape and some homes have been started east of Skyline Boulevard. Bro. Bob Woods is the man in charge of McCammon & Wunderlich's operations in this area. Bob has a pioneer crew on another project consisting of 250 acres in the vicinity of 106th Avenue above MacArthur Boulevard.

Close Building Supply was awarded the contract for the grading and paving of the streets on the Glen Groom Tract on Golf Links Road.

R. A. Parrish has completed the excavation for the Sequoyah Highlands Tract on Golf Links Road and are now in the process of moving the equipment to El Sobrante.

Gallagher and Burk are excavating for a new Latter Day Saints Church at the Top of Lincoln Avenue in Oakland.

Joe Meyers is excavating for a new Parochial School and Sisters Home on Golf Links Road.

Fredrickson & Watson are excavating for the new Holy Names Church and School on Mountain Boulevard.

## HAYWARD FREEWAY

Erickson, Phillips and Wiseberg have completed eight of the nine bridges on the East 14th Street Freeway job in Hayward. This \$1,500,000 project has kept quite a number of our brothers steadily

employed; however, at present the only remaining engineers are Charlie Myers, operator, and Pete, McNair, oiler, on the Northwest pouring the concrete.

L. C. Jensen has been awarded the contract to dig 2600 feet of storm drain on Orchard Drive in Hayward for the Alameda County Flood Control. Jim Delaney is operating the 221 Parsons Trencher with Sherman Branscum oiling; Vince Delaney with a D-4 dozer is doing all the back-filling, and Buster Durfey is operating the side boom setting all the pipe.

M.G.M. Construction Company now have their equipment on Highland Boulevard in Hayward to lay 1600 feet of steel pipe; a water line for the City of Hayward. When this portion of the job is completed, they have 12,000 feet of transit water pipe to lay on Driscoll Road in Irvington on the Bay View Builders Tract. They also have all the services and fire hydrants to install.

Cecil L. Moore received the contract for the excavation work on the extension of the Niles Crest Development Tract located in Niles. Brother "Red" Caldwell brought in the first cat and sheepfoot to break the ground. Brother "Red" is 64, however, is still going strong.

Wallace Webb has the contract to dig the trenches for the new Mohrland Elementary School which is now under construction at the end of Eden Avenue in Russell City. They still have remaining to dig approximately 1500 feet. Brother Don Bennett is operating the backhoe with Richard Bennett doing the oiling.

Souza, McCue and Jess Hog received the contract to install 4700 feet of 39-inch storm drain on Lewelling Boulevard in San Lorenzo. At the present time, they only have a 3/4-yard Insley Dragline, TD-18 Dozebr and a 3/4-yard Bucyrus Backhoe working on the job.

J. Henry Harris is in the process of placing an additional 3500 tons of rip-rap on the San Lorenzo Creek banks. Bro. William Matthews is the superintendent on this job and has 11 dump trucks hauling the material to the two Northwest Clamshells which are placing the rip-rap on the sides of the creek.

Bos Construction have started building the new culvert at the end of Bockman Road in San Lorenzo. Brother Herbert Goering is operating the truck crane with Bob Perfect doing the oiling.

A. J. McCosker is digging the water lines for the East Valley Tract on Center Street in Castro Valley. Operating the 3/4-yard Byers Backhoe is Sam King and Graham Alexander is oiling.

The contract to haul 65,000 yards of fill for the new P.X. Warehouse to be built at the end of Grant Avenue in San Lorenzo was awarded to Charles Berger. Thomas Kavanaugh is the superintendent and has the following engineers working with him: Joe Roth, John Muniz, Gino Ottonello and Vern Walker on the cats; operating the Northwest Shovel is Ethen Hoover and Joe Vingo as the oiler.

## Pay Raise Due June 1-- Watch Your Pay Check

We want to call your attention to the fact that everyone who is working in construction work for either A.G.C. or independent contractors has a 12 1/2% per hour increase in wages effective June 1st. We would appreciate you letting us know if this does not come through on your pay check.

McWalters is doing the grading around the houses on the Akana Development Tract located on Ruus Road in Hayward. At present Brother Bill Sanford is running the Fordson, and the other two rigs are to be moved in soon.

The excavation and street work on the new addition of the Roy Jensen Tract on East Avenue in Livermore is being done by Silva Brothers Construction. Brother Virgil Campagna is running the blade with Clarence White and Bob Frost operating the DW-10's. At the present time, the mechanic work is being done in the field by Loyd Pugh.

## SUBDIVISIONS

McGuire & Hester is completing the blacktop on 4th Street in Livermore. Jim Fugitt is the foreman; Vern Bushtgens, blade; and Dells Mestin running roller. When this is completed, they will move their equipment to the Hillcrest subdivision on Rincon Avenue in Livermore to pave the streets on this tract. Also, another one of their jobs is located on 143rd and Washington Avenue in San Leandro of which they have 1200 feet of 8-inch sewer line remaining to dig. Brother John Florence is operating the 407 Buckeye with Bill Alstrand doing the oiling. Kenneth Wilson is running the loader doing all the back-filling and clean-up work.

Brother Bob Mulloy has been awarded the contract from Utah Construction for 76,365 yards of dirt to be moved at Inland Valley for a new subdivision where forty-six new homes are to be built. Bro. Joe Fanfa is the foreman and working with him operating the equipment are the following engineers: Joe Motta, D-8 dozer; Carroll More, TD-24 dozer; Cliff Jordan, electric pull; Thurman Shepard, DW-15; Joe Vernon, DW-15; Rubin Stirton, D-7 dozer and sheepfoot; and Jerry Claimcoff, grease truck.

M.G.M. Construction Company has started work on the water distribution system at the new filter plant in Oakley for the Oakley Water District. This system consists of 24-inch concrete pipe from Oakley to Antioch; a distance of approximately three miles with completion anticipated in August. Working on this project are the following engineers: Oscar Underwood, dozer; Fred Baroni, side boom; Nathan Frazer, NWW-25; and Ralph Taff, oiler.

J. H. Pomeroy has been awarded the contract from United States Steel Corporation at the Columbia Steel Plant in Pittsburg, for the construction of a third high speed line for the production of electrolytic tin plate. The total contract is in the amount of \$10,000,000, the portion awarded to Pomeroy was in the amount of \$2,000,000; estimate to have completed in a year and a half. Earl Van Geem is the project manager and has the following engineers employed: Gus Blomseth, master mechanic; James Basham, Manitowoc; Henry Gibson, oiler; Blackie Haugh, Bay City; Merle Fletcher, oiler; Dutch Hasenstien, compressor; and Paul Davis, mechanic.

## EBMUD JOBS

Dan Prodanovich has two jobs under way in the Contra Costa area for the East Bay Municipal Utility District. One located at St. Marys Road in Moraga consists of laying 6700 feet of 16" concrete pipe. Brother Ray Bowers operating the Buckeye Trencher with

Brother Flynn Gross as oiler; and Brother Stan Johnson on the side-boom cat laying the pipe. The other job near Pleasant Hill, in the amount of \$95,000 consists of 700 feet of 20-inch case iron pipe and 17,000 feet of 16-inch concrete steel pipe for the new mains in the freeway Gallagher and Burk are building. Brother William Jarvis is operating the Barber-Green trencher with Brother Vern Fuller oiling; Brother Oscar Underwood, loader operator; Brother Lyle Smith, hoe operator; and Brother Collie Duhose, compressor operator.

The Eichleary Corporation received the contract from Crown-Zellerbach in Antioch for sitting the 5000 tons of machinery. They anticipate to have all the machinery in place by the middle of September which will complete the job. The engineers employed are: Frank Stimac, bridge crane; Dick Cole, fork lift; D. J. Byerrum, tugger; O. E. Southwick, Lorain crane; C. C. Jackson, oiler; Peter Visalli, operator and Walter Williams, oiler.

Precision Stump Extractors of San Francisco have the subcontract from J. R. Armstrong of El Cerrito to clear the right-of-way for the San Pablo Dam Road in Contra Costa County. Precision Stump Extractors is comprised of Ed Ellis and his three sons Frank, Edgar and Bill. Ed Ellis is the superintendent on this job, but insists he is only the "water boy." The three sons are operating the D-8 dozers with Don Pruitt and Bill Iverson running the D-6 dozers. This job consists of clearing underbrush—oak trees, eucalyptus trees, plus a great quantity of poison oak. They are approximately 75 per cent complete now and expect to have completed in another four or five weeks. A crane is being brought in to stack the logs which are to be burned.

## UNION OIL YARD

Union Oil Company of California is having a packaging and storage yard built at 1300 Central Drive in Richmond. This project is under the supervision of Howard Parker and Fred Lang, Union Oil representatives from the San Francisco office and the resident engineers representing Union Oil are Bill and Bert Rogers.

The contractors for this project are Duncanson and Harrellson from Richmond with Chicago Bridge and Iron erecting the storage tanks. Duncanson and Harrellson have completed the excavation for the two tank bases which were excavated 8 feet deep and 140 feet in diameter and each base has 714 60-foot piles driven for the foundations and then filled with 8000 tons of 2 1/2" drain rock.

The second phase of their contract consists of driving piling which will be capped with a 13-inch concrete slab for 15 additional tanks ranging from 32 feet to 52 feet in diameter and 48 feet high. These additional tanks will be erected by Graver Tank Company.

They will also build a 500-foot dock for waterway shipping and the warehouse and package plant in the amount of \$2,500,000. At the present time, they are putting in place 100,000 cubic yards of sand fill which is being used to compact the ground and stabilize it for the warehouse and storage plant. The sand is being furnished by Henie Gentry, and are using four dozers and two sheepfoot compactors. The technical engineers doing the survey work on this job are Bud North, chief of party; Art Standish, instrument man; Bob Monahan and Al Wiebe, chainmen. The operator on the NW pile driver is Dick "Pappy" Emery with Marvin Mallory as oiler; Harry Kellar, fireman; Bob Pedric, skid rig operator and J. Trueblood, fireman; Bob Knapp is operating the NW 80 dragline with Al Phillips oiling; Bill Teague is operating the P & H truck crane and Bill Shaw oiling.

## CARQUINEZ JOB

Ferry Brothers of San Fernando and L.A. and R. S. Crow of El Monte submitted the low bid of

\$7,098,690 and was awarded the contract on U.S. Highway 40 north of Hercules to the Carquinez Bridge at Crockett. They will grade and pave with poured concrete on cement treated subgrade. Also included in the contract are three steel girders and two reinforced concrete bridges of which Gordon Ball has the subcontract for the erection.

This project has the largest single cut since the Panama Canal. In this one cut they have approximately 8,500,000 cubic yards of muck to move whereas in the entire job there will be approximately 12,000 cubic yards.

They have sufficient crews on the two shifts at the present time, and feel the only additional men may be a few replacements.

R. C. "Dick" Philbert, general superintendent; Vern Stofy and Norman Gilliam, general foremen; W. J. Ferguson, Rocky Adamson, Rip Edwards, and George Bowman, shifters; E. L. "Ted" Combest, master mechanic; Charley Rose, W. A. Cook, and S. E. Gray, mechanic foremen; Jack Brown, service manager over the sixteen DW-20's, four D-9's, seventeen D-8's, one Northwest Shovel, approximately eighteen mechanics and oilers on grease trucks.

## NEWS ABOUT THE BROTHERS

Brother Dan Kiser has purchased a new P & H Truck Crane and is in business for himself; known as A B C Crane Rental Service. We all wish you success in your new business.

We are sorry to report that Bro. Ron Hawkins was injured while working for Frank Beach in Concord. We all hope you have a fast recovery and are looking forward to your return.

Brother Tex Strickland is in the hospital for surgery on his leg that was injured in a shovel accident a few years ago. We wish "Tex" a speedy recovery and back on his job soon with Fredrickson & Watson. During his absence Brother E. A. Hill has taken over his duties and is doing a good job.

Brother Bill Lake who was employed by Utah Dredge in Alameda has finally departed for southern France via New York. His duties in France for Utah will consist of shovel set-up and maintenance.

We are happy to report that John Smith has returned to work at the Kaiser plant in Niles. The Euclid he was oiling on ran over his foot; however, he was very fortunate not to have any broken bones.

## CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

PALO ALTO, Contract awarded to Freeman Paving Co., 220 Lambert Ave., Palo Alto, \$23,089, for grade & pave parking lot at Palo Alto Hospital, Palo Alto.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to Leo F. Piazza Pav. Co., Rt. 1, Box 800, San Jose, \$12,480 for pav. off-street parking site.

HANFORD, Contract awarded to Fresno Paving Co., 1549 Thesta St., Fresno, \$51,597, for const. of curbs, gutters, sidewalks & driveways at various locations in city of Hanford, KINGS COUNTY.

MATHER AFB, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$9,112, for repair & resurf. access rd. to Nav-Aid Facils. at Mather AFB.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to L & Y Const. Co., 1352 - 98th Ave., Oakland, \$17,303, for const. of timber highway bridge acr. 5 miles northeast of city of Tracy in SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 1118, Stockton, \$33,296 for reconst. Austin Road from U.S. No. 99 N'y 1.48 mi. to S.R. No. 120, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 1118, Stockton, \$11,630, for reconst. streets in North Oaks Dist. W. of West Lane & N. of Harding Way, adj. to city of Stockton, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.



## Re-Elect Luther H. "Abe" Lincoln to Assembly, 15th Dist.



Assemblyman Lincoln

To those members, their families and friends who live in the 15th Assembly District, which comprises East Oakland, we would like to take this opportunity to urge each and every one that they not only vote for but to do all in their power to further the election of L. H. "ABE" Lincoln to the assembly come June 5th.

Abe's labor record is one of constant, positive action toward securing additional benefits for the majority of the workers. He not only has continuously opposed the various Right to Work Bills, which have been introduced to the assembly, he has supported labor in all its major battles. Also, he is a

believer in the right of free collective bargaining between the various unions and the employers with which they are doing business. His record in legislation dealing with Child Care Centers, Civil Rights, FEPC legislation and Workmen's Compensation speaks for itself as well as against the attempt to weaken the Unemployment Insurance Code. We believe that his reputation for fairness was confirmed by Abe being unanimously re-elected by both the Democrats and Republicans to the office of the Speaker of the House which in itself is a very important position as far as labor is concerned. Abe's record in the last session of the assembly needs no explanation to those who know him. Had he not been elected as Speaker of the House, we would have no doubt been faced with far more adverse legislation than we were. Those who represented labor in Sacramento could always depend on him for help or all aid that he could possibly give to the working men and women in the State of California.

He has been endorsed by approximately seventy individuals, representatives and elected officers of different labor unions in the East Bay which we feel is a very good indication that he is a man well fitted for the position he is seeking in the June 5th election. Again may we earnestly urge

## Labor for Rep. George Miller

Fullest support will be given by all of organized labor to popular, capable, veteran Congressman George P. Miller, who is up for re-election from the 8th District.

He is one of the outstanding congressmen from the West and has represented his district both in the state legislature and in Congress, where he is now completing his sixth term.

He serves on the Merchant Marine committee and the important Armed Services committee in the House. For eight years he was a member of the Post Office and Civil Service committee.

He has fought constantly against corruption and misuse of power in public office.

He has fought for a stable for-



Congressman Geo. P. Miller

eign policy, for veterans' legislation, for housing.

He has made every effort to encourage the growth of more major industries to locate along the East Bay shore, thus bringing increased employment, bigger payrolls, and larger opportunities for better living.

He was born in San Francisco, raised in Sacramento and Oakland, graduated from St. Mary's college with a degree in civil engineering, served in field artillery in the first war. He lives in Alameda, is married, has a daughter. He served in the state legislature for two terms, then retired and went into fish and game work until his election to Congress in 1944.

He has made his mark for you—now, make your mark for him, on the June 5 ballot.

each and everyone to do all they can to further the election of Luther H. "Abe" Lincoln in the Primary as he is interested in you so why not repay his interest and get out and vote for him.

## Re-Elect Bro. Don Doyle to Assembly



Assemblyman Donald Doyle

June 5th will be a very important day for all of us affiliated with organized labor, for this is the day we go to the polls to vote for people who represent us in the various branches of our State, County and Federal Government.

We of Local 3 are very fortunate in having one of our members, Brother Don Doyle, who has served for the past several years as an Assemblyman from the 10th District, comprising that portion of Contra Costa County including Lafayette, Walnut Creek, and all the upper portion of Contra Costa County. We would like to take this opportunity to urge each and every one to do their utmost for a brother engineer so that he may be returned to the Assembly in Sacramento. Those of you who have followed the voting record of the various assemblymen know that Don needs no introduction to you, but to those who have not been fortunate enough to receive the voting record of the various legislators, we can only pass this on to you that Don has done an outstanding job for the people he represents in Contra Costa County. He has always been in the forefront for better schools, highways, and more flood control projects for the area which he represents.

So again may we urge you not only to vote but to ask your friends to support Don for re-election to the Assembly. If we all work consistently enough, we are confident Brother Don will be elected in the Primary.

ALAMEDA, Contract awarded to Geo. Reed, 529 Covena St., Modesto, \$23,250, for re-seal coat runways 13-31 & 7L-25R, at Naval Air Sta., Alameda.

SAN BRUNO, Contract awarded to Wms. & Burrows, Inc., 500 Harbor Blvd., Belmont, \$414,570, for const. 3 sewage treat. plants, 2 storm water pump. stations, san. sewers, storm drains & appurts. incl. earthwork, piling, conc. work, piping, mech. eq., & misc. related items; at Naval Radio Sta., Skaggs Island; Naval Net Depot, Tiburon & Naval Fuel Supply Depot, Pt. Molate, Calif.

# OAKLAND: VOTE FOR SCHOOL BONDS!

WHAT — OAKLAND SCHOOL BOND ELECTION. Approval is sought from local citizens for a \$40 million bond issue—to be invested in school facilities and the future of our youth, at a rate of \$10 million per year.

WHEN—June 5, 1956. Polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

WHO—All registered voters of Oakland.

WHY—To meet the emergency growth and adequate school requirements for our 65,000 children through 1960.

### BACKGROUND IN BRIEF:

After five months of thorough study, a Citizens Committee comprised of more than 100 volunteers, investigated our school needs most thoroughly, and arranged for the firm of Louis J. Kroeger & Associates, for an independent analysis of school conditions in Oakland. After combining their findings, the information was presented to the Board of Education for ballot action.

The proposed program has been strictly limited to the barest needs by the combined information and judgment of this Committee of Citizens (made up of business, industrial, labor, management, professional people and homemakers).

The end result is reflected through their business and professional judgments balanced with their interest as taxpayers and as parents.

Oakland schools are crowded and inadequate—and becoming more so every day. The proposed program is a **minimum essential requirement needed.**

Economy and efficiency of construction is the prime basis of the proposed program.

It is significant that cost standards neither support an exorbitant level design and equipment, nor reduce schools to an austerity level. These needs are substantial, middle-of-the-road standards which will provide attractive, comfortable, adequate and safe school facilities.

### THE GREATEST NEED IS CREATED BY PRESENT OVER-CROWDING AND IMMEDIATE FORESEEN SCHOOL POPULATION GROWTH.

Another kind of need is created by structural and fire hazards. While these hazards are a potential danger, OVER-CROWDING highlights an ever-present need.

What YOU can do to help solve the urgent school needs:

Go to the polls Tuesday, June 5, and vote "YES." A two-thirds majority is necessary for passage. **YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT.**

(Note: The last bond issue for Oakland Schools was approved in

1945. Today, 11 years later, the time has come to approve another bond issue to meet the pressing, urgent needs for our 65,000 children now attending our schools).

## In the East Bay We Recommend:

### For Congress:

7th Dist. Laurance Cross.  
8th Dist. Geo. P. Miller.

### For State Assembly:

10th Dist. Donald D. Doyle.  
13th Dist. Carlos Bee.  
14th Dist. Robt. W. Crown.  
15th Dist. L. H. Lincoln.  
17th Dist. Wm. B. Rumford.  
18th Dist. James G. Whitney.

## CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

MERCED, Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$12,838, for pay w/bitum. asph. conc. approx. 21,000 sq.ft., conc. walks, curbs, gutters, at various schools with District.

RIO VISTO, Contract awarded to Asta Const. Co., 33 N. Front St. Rio Vista, \$11,254, for const. road, Rio Visto Storage Area, Rio Vista.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Mohr Bros., 2914 Bridge St., Hayward, \$6,231, for const. of Line F, vic. of Lake Chabot Road & Park Way in Castro Valley, Zone No. 2, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

### MAY 3, 1956

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P. O. Box 873, Sacto., \$86,392, for grade, pave, curb, gutters, sidewalks, sewers water wells in & adj. to Riverside Blvd., SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 873, Sacto, \$27,653, for grade, surf., curbs, gutter, tract, vic. of Fruitridge & Stockton Blvd., in SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Ransome Co., 3040 Hollis St. Emeryville, \$79,022, for reconst. 27th St. betw. Grove & San Pablo Ave.

YOSEMITE NAT'L PARK, Contract awarded to Robt. L. Sloan, 952 N. Fresno St., Fresno, \$84,309, for const. residences, 5-rm. w/bath & garage, wood fram const. w/ conc. fdn. & related work, Hdqtrs. Area, Yosemite National Park.

PALO ALTO, Contract awarded to Wms. & Burrows, Inc., 500 Harbor Blvd., Belmont, \$72,154, for reconst. of street & util. work on Campus Dr., in front of Florence Moore Hall, Stanford University, Calif.

## Labor Backs Cross For Congressman In Seventh District

Labor's League for Political Education has officially endorsed former Mayor Laurance L. Cross of Berkeley as the Democratic candidate opposing the incumbent congressman, John L. Allen, in the seventh congressional district. Dr. Cross, a native of Alabama, has lived in Berkeley for 32 years.

The only Mayor ever to be President of the School Board, he helped carry a school bond issue which had been defeated for 29 years. He helped build ten million dollars worth of new schools in all sections of Berkeley.

He was chairman of the Berkeley Red Cross for seven years, including the war period, and was acting speaker at the National Convention.

For ten years he conducted his own daily radio program, "Crosscuts from the Log o' the Day" for KGO, KPO, and NBC, and has made public appearances to capacity crowds in 100 California cities.

Dr. Cross was invited to Tokyo to tell of democracy on the city level, and later brought forty Japanese Mayors to Berkeley and to many cities in the United States to study democracy at work. He was chosen also to go with a group

of Mayors to Israel to report on democratic progress in that country.

He was sent to see President Truman on the subject of parallel bridges and President Eisenhower on civilian defense. He was invited to witness an atomic explosion in April for purposes of civilian defense.



Laurance L. Cross

He helped make Berkeley's City Council meetings one of the most democratic in the nation. A group of visitors from Germany reported to the American State Department that nowhere in America had they found a place equal to Berkeley in the right of every citizen to be heard.

### "REPRESENT ALL"

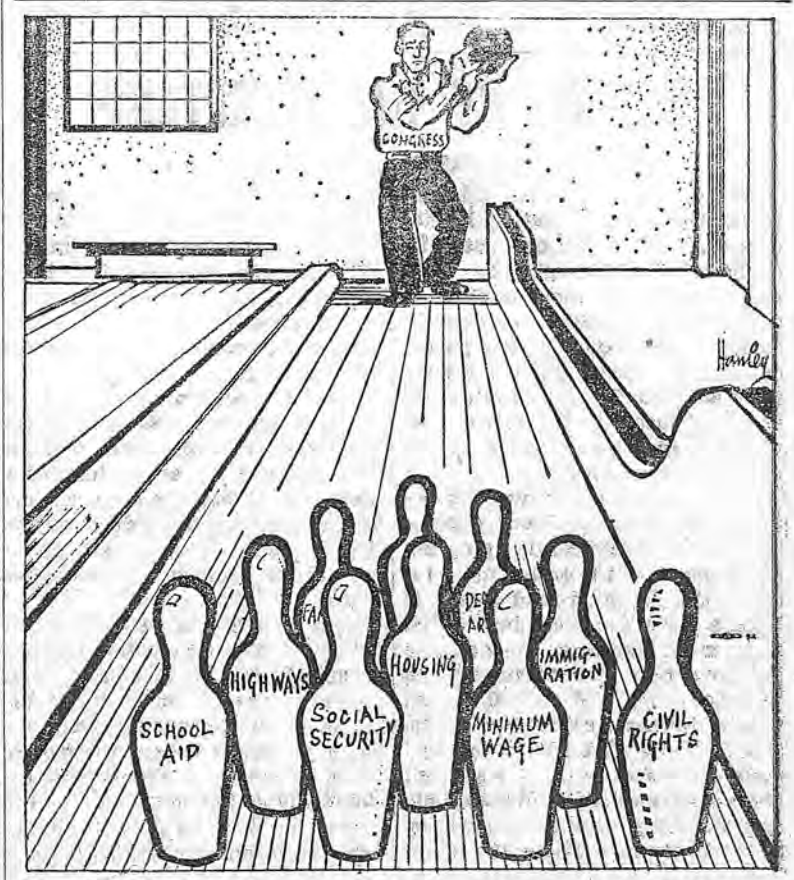
He worked for housing for all the citizens of Berkeley. He made a special trip to Washington to urge housing authorities to extend the life of Cordones Village so that undue hardship might not be suffered by those who had been brought here to help in the war effort.

Dr. Cross believes that a public official should represent all the people, not a few individuals or organizations.

He believes that public officials should represent all sections and segments of the city's life.

He fought to save our parks and playgrounds and to help reduce juvenile delinquency.

Dr. Cross believes that politics is not a dirty game to be avoided, but a patriotic privilege and solemn duty for all.



NOW'S THE TIME TO BOWL A STRIKE!



# THE NEVADA ROUND-UP—

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

Consolidated Coppermines Corp. at Kimberly, Nevada, is working "around the clock," and shipping ore every day despite the fact they are having trouble getting empty cars from Kennecott Copper Corporation. This situation will clear up in the near future, we hope. As of May 1, 1956, the Consolidated Coppermines Corp. will begin paying the entire cost of a health and welfare program for their employees and their dependents. New York Life Insurance Company was the low bidder and is the new carrier. This will mean a gain on the Brothers' pay checks, as they have had to pay their half of the previous plan. A low cost rental housing unit has finally reached the final stages of "face lifting" and is now open to the employees. Many of the Brothers have been waiting for this, since housing in this area is scarce at the present time.

Brother Floyd Ricketts has taken a leave of absence from Consolidated Copper and is now helping out the business agents in the Ely area. An office is located at the Labor Temple in Ely. This is a joint office for the Operating Engineers and the Miners and Laborers Local's. Brother Ricketts will help the Brothers in the Ely area, and assist the regular business agents in taking care of that area of the great Silver State.

Hoops Construction Co. from Twin Falls, Idaho, had a very good start on the job at Eureka, Nevada, but a late storm really put a "kink in the works." The job was shut down for about a week due to high water and mud, mud, and more mud. All work was halted and traffic was detoured around through Tonopah, Nev., with the exception of a few travelers who don't believe in signs. They were towed through the muck and mess by Hoops' cat. However, the great Silver State has some very warm sunshine and will dry things out quickly, and we expect to see the Brothers back at work in a few days. Hoops Construction has done what all the Brothers in the Silver State have been waiting for Andy Drumm to do. They got rid of the old Super C Pulls and purchased four new LeTourneau electric. Real nice rigs, and Hoops says they are the real thing for moving dirt. We agree.

## VIRGINIA FREEWAY

Isbell Construction Company has completed the dirt moving on the cut-off at Herlong, California, and are now putting in the bridge and getting ready for black top. The dirt moving crew has moved to the South Virginia four-laning in Reno, Nevada. The job there is going along very well in between rain storms and my discussions with Brother George Connelly, the boss man. He likes a good argument. Brothers Jim Howe, Kendall Seow, Ernest McAllister, and Half-Brother Brown are on the Euclid Pulls doing an excellent job for Isbell. Brother Bill Ponton is holding up his part on the dozer along with Brother Bud Berg, and Brother Raymond David is on the Michigan. There is a Brother that they really keep moving. Brother Tom "Call Me Tex" Brown is lending his efforts to the project by operating the back hoe once in a while. Brothers Jack Cox and his oiler, Andy Antonovich, have been keeping busy lately and for a change, the results are very good.

At the Isbell shops in Reno, the Brothers there are in the process of negotiating their first Agreement as a result of an NLRB election. They are looking forward to reaching a satisfactory agreement in the near future. This is a very fine group of men, and we are pleased to find such cooperation and harmony as we are finding at the Isbell shop, and with the committee that has been selected to work as negotiators. At their pit out of Ely, Nevada, Isbell is still going strong. Brothers Ed Clifford and Mike "Sparky" Bellino are moving away in the Lane City Shop, keeping things in running order while Brother Lester Wilbur keeps tires rolling round the place. Brothers Dick Joseph and Woodrow Behank are in the pit on the

shovel trying to load ore after the heavy duty repairman, Brother William McQueen, renovates and keeps the machinery in A-1 running order. Brothers Decker, Fielding, Bradley and Farnsworth are taking care of all the drilling operations. Brother Ordie Lee is back with Isbell, giving them the benefit of his experience as a dirt mover. Brother Don McGowan is the foreman at the Lane City pit and along with the Brothers who are working with him on the job, a lot of ore is being moved by one of the most able crews in the mining industry.

## WENDOVER 50 JOB

Now, out west of Wendover, Utah, Silver State Construction, better known as Andy Drum, Jr., has a camp and a large highway construction job on No. 50. This is the best camp in the great State of Nevada as far as eating is concerned. He has a very swell crew, such as Brother Joe Solaegui as "super," and of course, Brother Solaegui isn't working by himself out in the sun-baked, wind-swept plains. That blade man of blade men is back home again. Brother Leonard Miller is on the blade, and Silver State Construction can rest assured they'll have a job well done. Brother Miller's faithful wife, "Bee", is there, too. Fighting the dust, but always with a smile. That's a mighty fine "gal." Brother Gaylan "Sgt." Corkill is on the dozer and has been really working. He did get a few days off to go to Fallon, and then back to work, if able, always willing. Brother Erval Yturiage is busy keeping the Drumm rigs running. He's a fine repairman and an addition to any crew. Brother Cliff Carr is out working with the Culvert Gang and what have you. Busy as a bee as always. We appreciate the fact that a wonderful fellow, Brother Millard "Bud" Bowers, has transferred into Local Union No. 3. We are glad to have you with us, "Cousin."

Morrison-Knudsen have started their \$1 million highway job east of Wells, Nevada; one of Nevada's largest highway jobs. Mr. Tuffy Jones is the "super" on the job. Tuffy was the super on the Morrison-Knudsen job just out of Sparks, Nevada, a couple of years ago. We had very good union relations with Tuffy, and we expect the same out on this new job on highway No. 40, at Pequop Summit. Tuffy has assured us of that. Brother Bob "Bad-Eye" Pulsipher is one of the heavy duty repairmen on the job, and believe me, that boy gets the job done in short order. Brother Bill Peterson has the drilling under control. Brother Dan Milovich, I think, has the title of foreman. However, knowing "Danny", he may be most anything by now. Brother Bert Roark is the head blade man on M-K's job, and of course, everyone knows Brother Bert has reformed. No more wine. He is a fine fellow and this Brother can do a real fine job when he's not on the wine. Brother Gerald Twitchell is on the northwest shovel, and believe me, Brother Twitchell's a real northwest operator, rock or otherwise. Dear Brother Twitchell is good at most anything.

George E. Miller Construction Company has been busy at Herlong, Calif. Brother Harold "Hawaiian" Lewis is on the job keeping the foreman, Russell Fields, in an "ambiguous" position. Brother Harold is quite satisfied on the job, but says the dust isn't quite heavy enough to cut yet. Brother Virgil "Jiggs" Williams paid his respects to the job, but it is rumored that he has terminated over the weekend. Brother John Garnier is on the Blade for Miller. Brother Garnier is a resident of Herlong, and has done a fine job for all of the contractors who have done work in that area. The Miller outfit has a few Brothers working on the Fallon, Nevada, air base and is keeping them as busy as possible. Most of the work has been buildings and concrete work. Brothers Anderson and Biale have kept the gravel plant in operation for Miller and have quite a stockpile ready for the batch plant on the air base. We expect to see more activity on the base soon and

more of the Brothers working there by the time this issue goes to press.

## GERLACH JOB

Dodge Construction, Inc., have the sub-grade built at their job in Gerlach, Nevada, and are really pouring the gravel on the job. Brother Jack Chatelle, the boss man, is quite pleased with Brother T. C. "Alabama" Bottoms, who has really kept the Model 25 Northwest humming, and the yardage consistently going over the scales, with the aid of Brother Dan Zubieta. The rest of the dirt moving crew has moved to the Dodge Iron Mine at Lovelock, Nevada, and are stripping waste off of the ore deposits. Brother Dan Ellis is oiling out at the mine, and we are sure that production will zoom with him there. Brother Mike Pantoja has been having a few difficulties on the job but says that more money and shorter hours will iron out all of his problems. Brother Mike Eschinger has been thinking of retiring for the past few months and well deserves the rest, as he has worked hard for many years. We wish him all of the luck and good fortune for many years to come, and we will miss his jovial attitude out at the mines. Dodge Construction has suffered a great loss at the mine. Brother Ed Barrington has terminated and is thinking very strongly of getting a "rig" of his own and putting it to work. We wish him loads of success in his venture as a contractor. Good luck, Ed.

We have heard from Brother Eck again, and he says that things in Afghanistan are looking fine. First he gets a holiday for the Afghan New Year's, and then because it has been raining. He also tells us the king is making a tour of the projects and everything must be spic and span. Bro. Tommy is quite happy over there, but every now and then he wants us to call a certain number in San Francisco, just to check and see if the flame he had still carries his torch.

Brother John Kudron is working at Quincy in between rains. This Brother was pretty sick for a while and it's sure good to have him back and busy.

Brother Dick Hunt is running hoist at Eureka, Nevada.

Brother Leo Dahoney was in the office a few days ago, and he asked about a good many of the Brothers in the Silver State. Brother Dahoney ran steam shovel in the Ruth pit at Ruth, Nevada, in 1909. He gives his regards and best wishes to Jim Puryear, Ray Williams, Lew Buckmaster, and all of the Brothers here who remember him that many years back, and regrets that he cannot personally visit each of them and talk over old times. Brother Dahoney stated that he delivered and operated the first gas driven shovel (205-P&H) in the State of Nevada in the year 1919. The machine was delivered to the Union Lard and Cattle Company at Yerington, Nevada. I expect to receive some old pictures from Brother Dahoney soon and will have some in one of the following issues of the paper. Good luck and best of health to Brother Dahoney.

## CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

LIVERMORE, Contracts awarded to the following for const. of 5,000 KW Atomic electric power plant and laboratory in the Livermore-Pleasanton Area in ALAMEDA COUNTY:

Consolidated Western Steel Div., 120 Montgomery St., S.F., \$123,000 for steel shell 48'x46' to house atomic reactor unit, and \$15,000 for const. water tank.

Herrick Iron Works, 18th & Campbell Sts., Oakland, \$30,000 for structural steel.

The Pacific Coast Engr. Co., P.O. Drawer E. Alameda, \$114,800, for const. of reactor pressure vessel.

Ransome Co., 3040 Hollis St., Emeryville, \$17,000 for grading & excavation.

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to J. H. McCosker, Inc., 1501 Eastshore Hwy., Berkeley, \$73,036, for grading & paving Contra Costa Jr. College-West Campus, Richmond & San Pablo, Calif.

# Busy Season for Redwoods

By K. A. "KEN" BROOKS and EDW. G. HEARNE, Business Representatives

It begins to look like spring is here and summer is right behind, we are sure happy to say the least. Brothers there isn't any doubt about it, this is going to be a real good year in this area, once the work gets under way.

## IN AND AROUND EUREKA—

Norman I. Fadel, Inc. of North Hollywood was the low bidder on the 4.6 miles of divided freeway on U.S. 101 at Loleta with a bid of \$886,663. We hope to see the dirt rolling by the time this goes to press. This job should keep some 35 or 40 of the Brothers on the go for the remainder of the season.

Mercer-Fraser really on the hop these days with work all over the place. Ralph Brown owner of this company continues to add to his already large spread, 2 new Model 6's, a new Buffalo Springfield—"Kompaktor" roller, several new Cook half-cab Dump trucks and a new 14A-D8 Dozer. Brother "Scotty" Jenkins isn't talking to common people these days after getting that new 8. Take care of it Scotty, it's a beauty.

Brother Art Burman doing the grading on a Pierson Homes project, keeping a few Brothers working.

Maurer & Sons doing a nice job on Harrison Street in spite of all the handicaps. This company adding to their spread, too, a new "Cat" Blade, 14A-D8 Dozer, 2-yd. Lorain this year, Brother "Pop" Scanton on the Blade, "Tex" Barker on the Dozer and Hershel Myer on the Lorain, Paul Bristow doing the oiling.

## TRUCK INTO THE BAY

Foster Drayage & Crane Service with 4 rigs on the move. This company had the misfortune to have one of their truck cranes to topple off a barge into the Bay at Fields Landing some time back. Brother, Fritz Juchter, operator, suffered a broken foot when he jumped from the "rig" to the barge. Brother Chester Pohler, oiler, went under with the "rig" but got clear and came up feet first, O.K. except for a lot of bruises. They have retrieved the crane and are going thru it in their shop.

"Admiral" Ray says it's just one of the perils of the business, that's a good way to take it.

## IN AND AROUND CRESCENT CITY—

Work in the Crescent City and Klamath area is beginning to pick up and all signs point to a busy summer ahead.

Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. have their plant almost completed and should be getting under way with the jetty by the time this goes to press.

Associated Dredging Co. is pumping sand and report a solid rock bottom about three feet. The ships will need wheels on them to come into the harbor.

Pelican Bay Construction Services has just completed their new washing and crushing plant, it's the best set up in this part of the state. They will furnish aggregates to Kiewit.

At Myrtle Creek, Carr & Rocca have the bridge almost completed and are just cleaning up.

Marlin Tryon is repairing his portable crusher and will be taking it to Klamath to crush for the state.

Brother Charlie Page is keeping both of his rigs busy and often wishes he had either two more or two less.

The Nat McDougall Company has wasted no time in getting under way on their bridge and road job at Wilson Creek. They will use about 8 Cats, 4 electric Pulls, and a 80-D Shovel. Looks like good equipment and should keep a lot of the Brothers busy all summer.

Spiering-Homes have received an O.K. from the county on unit one of their proposed housing development at Requa. This is about 3 miles north of Klamath and out of the flood area, should run over a million dollars.

J. W. Briggs is moving dirt on the Forrest Service access road at Bluff Creek.

## "PERMANENT" BRIDGE

Peter Kiewit was the low bidder on the new "permanent," we hope, bridge across the Trinity river at Hoopa. Should be on this

one by the time you read this.

Kukenberg Construction Company is moving in on the final section road between Willow Creek and Berry Summit. This job will keep about 35 Brothers busy.

Brother Mickey O'Callahan who cleared the Berry Summit job for Kenworthy is again in our area. Mickey started clearing the 7th of May as a sub-contractor for Kukenberg Construction Company of Portland, Oregon. Brother Floyd Siligo and Robert Younce operating the other two cats.

At this writing it appears that Humboldt Constructors will move back to Berry Summit and replace the fills that were washed out by the high water. A lot of the work of last summer will have to be done over.

J. Ira McNutt has quite a few Brothers on the payroll. Some moving dirt and the others repairing flood damaged equipment.

South of Eureka things are rather quiet at this time. The State has a few rigs on rental spotted from Fortuna to Leggett.

Transocean Engineering Company is surveying the flood damage on their job at Maple Hills, a mile south of Miranda. Bos Construction Company has the contract for the superstructure of the bridge on this job.

We want to express our thanks to Brothers Hershel Myers and Frank Wright for their blood donations. These two Brothers should be commended they have given over a dozen pints between them. Brother Wright one gallon to his credit.

Come on Brothers the line forms on the right.

Don't forget we are open Monday nights 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for your convenience.

## CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Mercer-Fraser & Mercer-Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$249,141, for 1.5 mi. grade & surf. w/pltmx. surf. on cem. tr. base & const. precast R.C. bridge, betw. 0.2 mi. S. of Elk River & S. city limits of Eureka, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

APRIL 26, 1956

SAN CARLOS, Contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., 500 Bragato Rd., Belmont, \$19,868, for grade & pltmx. surf. on Rosewood Ave., San Carlos Ave., Old County Rd. & other streets in city of San Carlos.

APRIL 27, 1956

SAN BRUNO, Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 - 66th Ave., Oakland, \$37,372, for const. 72" drainage conc. culv. at U.S. Naval Advanced Base, Personnel Depot, San Bruno.

SANTA ROSA, Contract awarded to Papp, Christensen & Foster, 705 Bennett, Santa Rosa, \$12,298, for const. wood frame garage & stl. frame storage locker, & pave parking area, at Marine Corps Reserve Training Center, Santa Rosa.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 873, Sacto., \$31,565, for grade, pave, curbs & gutters, etc., Golf Course Terr. Unit No. 12.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to C. S. Phillips Const. Co., P.O. Box 758, Petaluma, \$43,915, for const. unmanned gap filler facil. at AC&W Sta. near Laytonville, MENDOCINO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Lee Stephens, P.O. Box 726, Stockton, \$12,751, for emergency levee repair, R. & L. bank, Consumnes River, 3 mi. S. of U.S. 99 downstream to Mokelumne River from jct. of Consumnes River upstream 2 mi., in SACRAMENTO & SAN JOAQUIN COUNTIES.

BELMONT, Contract awarded to E. T. Haas, P.O. Box 95, Belmont, \$117,228, for const. pump station, water transmission & distribution lines, fire hydrants & appurts. in various streets in Belmont, SAN MATEO COUNTY.

APRIL 30, 1956

DALY CITY, Contract awarded to The Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S.F., \$7,450 for const. of approx. 3,600 sq. yds., playground paving & related work.



# Marin-Northbay Jobs Are Really Rolling

H. O. FOSS, FRANK A. LAWRENCE, LOUIS C. SOLARI, Bus. Reps.

Work has recently started over in Marvelous Marin. There are five major grading projects on Highway 101 from Sausalito to Cotati, with housing and building projects under every bush and rock, and more work to be let.

McPhail is in the process of erecting a new concrete batch plant across the railroad tracks north of their old plant in San Rafael. Marin Rock & Asphalt have started to enlarge their plant located at Novato. Basalt has just completed their new asphalt plant at McNear's Point, so it looks like everyone is getting ready for an enormous boom for the next few years.

Peter Kiewit & Son have been awarded 3.5 miles of grading and plant mix surfacing, and two bridges between Greenbrae intersection and Alto intersection in Marin County on Highway 101. This is to be a two-shift operation and to be started approximately on the 21st. At this date, Mr. E. L. Waigard, Labor Relations man for Kiewit, informs us that they will probably get started here on this date, subbing the dirt to Mr. Case of Southern California. Mr. Brad Lockwood will be Kiewit's superintendent. We are to arrange a pre-job conference with all crafts very shortly.

Granite Construction will start on the 10th of May on their hot plant located at Sears Point Rd. Brother Henderson is in charge.

Low bidders on grading, surfacing and constructing a bridge between Tiburon Street and Point San Quentin are Ball & Simpson. We are hoping that Andy Webster comes along on this project when it gets awarded and under way.

Associated Pipe Line have a crew of men on their job in Sausalito at a cost of \$78,534, digging and laying sewer pipe. This is a slow procedure. If they are not digging in rock on the low hill, they are sure to have slushy mud in the flats.

John Delphia have been awarded a fair contract at a cost of \$270,106 by the State for grading and surfacing road between Lagunitas School and 3-2 miles west of Fairfax. They have moved most of their spread of equipment from their housing job at Corte Madera onto this new job two weeks ago. Brother W. S. Kimble is Superintendent. Brother Geo. Shoemaker will be on this spread, too.

Morro Underground Const. Co. got started on their sewer job located at Strawberry Drive and Road B., and are using a new type of trenching machine. There are no frictions on the track steering. It has jaw and hydraulic clutches and is a ladder type with drags and no buckets on the chains.

Brother George Kappas has a project in Sausalito—owns his own suction dredge, a 15-acre fill project. Some one million cubic yards of mud will be moved before the 15 acres is filled to a depth of three or four feet. Brother Kappas also owns and operates his own pile driver. Brother Kappas has been at work on this project for a year and a half. One finds him on the job daily, and in the past two weeks, he has fallen into the water three times—his pile driver broke down twice—once more for the pile driver to even things up. Brother Kappas sees this development as a beauty spot of Marin.

## WHAT'S DOING IN NAPA-VALLEJO AREAS

A. Teichers & Sons, Inc., from Sacramento, have started their job on March 20th, an irrigation canal 6-3/10 miles long. Amount of this contract is \$1,480,000. They have 480 calendar working days. Start of job is two miles west of Winters, end of job at Sweeney Creek, six miles south of Winters. This job is on a 40-hour week. The Brothers are beginning to feel the heat in this part of the Valley. Brother Nick Gavrilko is proud of his new Manitowac Dragline Crane with a six-yard bucket. Good luck; don't wear it out, treat it nicely, Nick. Brother J. Novak is oiler.

Brothers on this job are: M. Alameda and T. L. Pettibone, foremen; G. Brown, motor patrol operator; H. Smeltzer, P. Darling and E. Bagwell, Technical Engineers; G. Haskins, crane operator; W. P. Gaines, welder; K. W. Bryson, A. E. Welton, Wm. Cooper, D. S. Clendenin, J. Hartman, C. Pirtle,

W. E. Metz, T. H. Rutherford and R. Reeder, cat operators; J. Novak, H. T. Payne and R. G. Manas, oilers; Frank Carpenter, Jr., on grease truck; Nick Gavrilko and W. E. Simmons, dragline operators; W. Gavrilgo, mechanic, and R. L. Hinkson as master mechanic. Manager is Bob Brock.

Fredrickson Bros. Const. has started their road job seven miles north of Monticello. It goes to Knoxville and is eight miles of road job, amounting to \$600,000. At this time, they are clearing right of way for roadway. It will be 22 feet wide. This road goes to Putah Creek Bridge, then to Knoxville. Engineers on this job at present are: Brothers Art Burch, foreman; master mechanic, Bro. W. A. Miles; mechanic is Bro. Raymond Woody; Bro. LeRoy Ruffner is Motor Patrol; Bro. Bruce A. Burch, stake puncher; Bro. Ray Trimble, dozer operator. When this job gets in full swing, they will have 24 engineers on their payroll.

Mallard Dredge is back on Leslie Salt Ponds in Napa County. They are rebuilding the levees which were washed out last winter. They will have about five years' work building up these ponds and levees. The Brothers have rebuilt their sleeping quarters and remodeled them, Leslie Salt allowed the Brothers \$2000 for this remodeling job.

The following Brothers on this dredge: Russell Pasmore, Bill Hutchison, George Kekkolan, Herman Schumacker as leverman; Pete Haugnes, Frank Pooler and John Reed, deckhands.

Peter Kiewit & Parish Const. Co. job on the Monticello Dam is still under repairs, work with sub-contractors repairing the damage done last winter. They hope by May 14 to start work on the dam again, pouring 12,000 tons of concrete per week to complete the dam by January, 1957. On the job at this time we have four engineers and by May 21, we expect to have 28 engineers on.

## A BIT OF LOCAL NEWS

The Tecon job located at Loma Verde tract at Ignacio is still going strong—starting on a 9-hour day as of May 7.

Brother Al Gunnell has a concrete pipe plant started in Novato, and is called Gunnell Concrete Pipe & Products Company. He has no engineers employed at the present time, just himself.

We are sorry to hear of Brother Herman Rosse having a heart attack. From the last reports received, we learn he is doing nicely, convalescing at Patterson at present. Brother Rosse is super for John Delphia.

Brother Arthur Azevedo, who is Gordon Chases' leading man has for sale an Italian made accordion, with 120 bases and 5 changes—all white. Any brother member interested call: TWInbrook 2-3491. Brother Azevedo says "very reasonable."

Paul Vincillione, known as the first time, no complaints—everything running satisfactory.

Received news that Brother Charlie Fowler got himself married sometime during the month of April. Received too late for publication in April edition, but congratulations are still in order. Brother Fowler is employed by the city of Napa.

Brother Ray Dillard suffered a heart attack recently and is confined in the San Rafael General Hospital. Brother Dillard is employed by A. G. Raish. Brother Fred Montoya suffered burn injuries on the A. J. Peters job and is convalescing very nicely from last report received.

We would like to remind again that those members registering on our out-of-work list, and who go out on jobs, please call this office or drop a postal letting us know that you have gone to work. This helps facilitate our procedure. We would appreciate your letting us know that you have gone to work.

Thanks for cooperating.

Wish to remind the Brothers that we have a fresh supply of those popular watch fobs and lapel pins with the engineers insignia. Fobs are \$1 and pins, 75 cents each. We received a request for a watch fob all the way from Fairbanks, Alaska, the other day.

Brother M. E. Tavenner, who suffered a heart attack recently, was in the office the other day to give us a bit of good news since we heard of his illness. Brother Tavenner was one of the lucky winners of a Gold Nugget Certificate worth \$100 per month for one year given by one of the service station dealers in San Rafael—Smiling Ed Woods. Brother Tavenner also passing out the traditional cigars, announcing at the same time addition to the family, a girl! Congratulations—couldn't happen to a better guy.

Brothers Willis and Dave Carey acquired the Johnson & Nelson yard on Highway 101 South—fixed up nice shop, making Brothers Vern Croker, Sandy Mills, Roy Walker, Ted Mills and R. C. Jennings happy—out of mud. They just got 90,000 yards at Santa Vernetia, 120,000 yards on Freitas Ranch, 40,000 on Bel Air School. Still at Terra Linda, buying equipment each week. Got 80 N. W. with Brother George Ley as operator, Brother J. Clay pushing. Brother Vic Nielsen all over—Dave and Willis looking for lost equipment most of the time.

Basalt is getting ready for double shift at McNear Point Quarry, finishing erecting new hot plant. They are driving piling for extension of wharf facilities.

Brother Steve Zappetini and Brother Reilla with their blacksmith busy welding, etc., on No. 3 work. If you need any trailers, etc., welding or lay-out, see Steve, 2nd St. and San Rafael.

Shaffer & Madsen are successful members in general excavating business. They advise us they are selling all their loaders and have bought 2-20's. They have 5 cats and are busy all the time.

McPhail Builders Supplies erecting new Johnson Mix Plant—600 ton storage capacity, 6000 lbs. mix. Erection costs \$50,000. Brother Becker will be in charge—fully automatic. He will be dressed in white, wearing finger stalls. To be in operation July 1.

Brother George Williams of Marin Equipment for the first time in five years has stopped crying, working four or five mechanics. Anything you want in excavation, he's got it or will get it for you and service it. If it's raining, stop in front, blow your horn and he will send boat over.

Ghiolotti Bros. busy all over county. Their Shamrock Ready-Mix plant keeps 10 mixers on the run. They are not looking for new work—56 order books filled.

Pullman Bldg. Co. has started their job at Ring Point, with Charlie Marsac in charge. Mr. Kirby Stevens is Vice-President of this firm.

Monticello Dam will be in full operation by the time this comes off the press. Storm damage was severe. They expect to top out early in '57. This is a joint venture of Kewis & Parish. Doug Baker keeps things running smoothly.

## BLOOD DONORS ARE NEEDED!

Why can't you donate to Local 3 blood bank? If some member happened to get hurt on the job, you would in all probability shut the whole spread down to go and donate for him. You or your family might seriously need blood when you least expect it. You could save a life. Have you ever given thought to this?

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# ROSA SEWER JOB MOVING

By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Bus. Rep.

Construction of two huge sewer trunklines—the initial links in Santa Rosa's proposed \$3,878,000 master sewer system is under way.

The N. P. Van Valkenburg, South Gate, submitted the low combination bid—\$1,550,919 for construction of the Crosstown Trunk and North Trunk, and stipulated that they would not accept a contract for just one of the lines.

The Crosstown Trunk will be built south from the city's sewage treatment plant to Santa Rosa Creek, then east along the city to a terminal point near the intersection of Summerfield Road and Newanga Avenue.

The North Trunk will go north from the plant to Guerneville road, then north and east to a terminus near the Sonoma County Hospital.

The plans of this Company is to divide the job into five working sections. To date they have moved in one NW-25 Hoe, one Ensley Hoe, one Buckeye Digger. The digger started the first section. Bro. John Jones is the operator with Bro. Leo Beers his oiler. Bro. Dale Swart pioneering with the dozer.

This project has to be completed before the rains so the boys will be working long hours.

Granite's superintendent Mark Sholar—or, as he is better known as "the slave driver" stated that their job on Hwy. No. 28 out of Boonville is moving right along in spite of the recent rain. Bro. Roger Coudray is the foreman. On the truck crane is Bro. Harry Montgomery with Bro. Alfonso LaGrange his oiler. Bros. Bill Willis, Bill Schaffer, and J. R. Myrick, the operators. The mechanic—Bro. Richard. Bro. Bill Jackson, oiler.

## WILLITS-FT. BRAGG

W. H. Darrough & Son have moved back to complete their job on the Willits to Fort Bragg road. Working on this spread we have Bros. Cy Shephard, M. L. Dardough, Jesse M. McFarland and Eldon J. Holmes on the tractors. Bros. John Chaddock, oiler, and Bro. Jack Christy, the grade setter. Bro. E. H. Marshall is the mechanic. Bro. A. C. Agers, the blade operator. The superintendent, Earl Baker.

Construction of a \$367,000 timber access road near Covelo in the Mendocino National Forest is also under way. The seven-mile stretch, which will follow the middle fork of the Eel River, is to be the first link in a chain that will open up for logging some 176,000 acres of rich virgin timber and in the Covelo district of the national forest.

## INDIAN DICK ROAD

The Indian Dick road is being built by the J. W. Biggs company of Bend, Oregon, which has an eight month contract to finish the job. Superintendent for this company is Mr. Butts.

The road will run north along the Eel river, beginning at the ranger station 12 miles east of Covelo on the Mendocino Pass road.

The road will lead to the first timber sale in the 176,000 acre working circle.

The first sale will be part of a broad program, in which other large block sales will follow, working around in a circle until harvesting has been completed in the whole area at the end of a 20-year period. They hope to cover the circle in 20-year cycles, overaging about 20 million board feet yearly cut, during the first cycle an average of about 24 million feet will be cut, as they will be going through fast and harvesting a lot of old and dead trees.

There has never in the past been any logging operation to speak of in the Covelo district of the Mendocino.

It is expected that, with the opening up of the Covelo and other districts as yet unlogged, an annual allowable cut of about 70 million board feet for the whole Mendocino will be reached by next year.

Twenty-five percent of the receipts from timber sales is returned to the counties for roads and schools in proportion to the amount of national forest land lying in each county. Last year receipts in the Mendocino totaled \$501,992 of which the county of Mendocino was given \$24,493.

# BIG TUNNEL FIRST STEP ON TRINITY JOB

By E. A. HESTER, Bus. Rep.

The most encouraging news we have had to date is that the work has started on the \$225 million Trinity River project. The first major job, a two thousand three hundred foot long diversion tunnel, thirty-three feet in diameter, was recently awarded to Gates and Fox Company of Burlingame, California.

This particular project calls for about one hundred men to be employed and the company has three hundred working days to complete the tunnel. This will open the gate for the heavy work to begin. Before work can actually be started on the tunnel, the company will build a bridge across the Trinity River. This bridge is a temporary construction and should be finished within three weeks. The bid that won the contract for Gates and Fox was for \$1,348,000.

Mercer-Fraser Company and Mercer-Fraser Gas Company of Eureka, were lately awarded a fair-sized road job in Weaverville. There is more than a little activity taking place in Trinity County with more and more in view for the near future.

The Valley Engineers, Incorporated, of Fresno, California, headed by R. Peter Price, have been awarded the contract for the development of the Cottonwood water distribution system. John Carter, of Cottonwood, a former member of Local No. 3, is president of the District.

Peter Kiewit and Son are back with us again this year. They are doing some paving and odd jobs in the vicinity of Mt. Shasta and Weed. They also have some work to be done on the Klamath River.

M. W. Brown, of Redding, has been held up for a while on his freeway project out of Yreba because of the weather, but now has increased his crew and is going full speed ahead.

Guy F. Atkinson Company has stepped up their job to two shifts on the freeway north of Lakehead.

## BIG DIAMOND MATCH JOB

Both Del E. Webb and Richter Brothers on the \$15 million Diamond Match Project at Red Bluff have stepped their hours up to five nines, and will probably go to six, tens as the job warrants.

Work is progressing well on the Stolte, Inc., Corning Canal job site.

J. H. Trisdale, Incorporated should be completing his section of the canal in another month or so.

O. K. Mitty and Sons, of Gardena, were the low bidders on the fourth section of the Corning Canal, on which work will start soon.

Grover Oaks, of Redding and Red Bluff, are installing two hot plants. One at the Red Bluff location, and the other at their plant in Clear Creek. Brother Little is in charge of this operation.

Brother W. E. Carlson is still in the Shasta County Hospital and to date, has used twenty-one pints of blood. Anyone who wishes to donate replacement blood can report to the Mercy Hospital Blood Bank in Redding from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays.

Except for occasional nuisance showers the weather problem is no longer with us. And—as you can see by the above report, the work situation for the brothers in and around the northern part of the state is getting better day by day with even brighter prospects in sight.

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# Daily report of awards for construction

Compiled by P. E. VANDEWARK  
and RUSSELL SWANSON

APRIL 9, 1956

**PITTSBURG**, Contract awarded to J. H. Pomeroy & Co., inc., 333 Montgomery St., S.F. for general const. for expansion of Columbia-Geneva Steel Div., U. S. Steel, Pittsburg, Calif. plant, to raise tin plate production from 285,000 T to 440,000 T annually.

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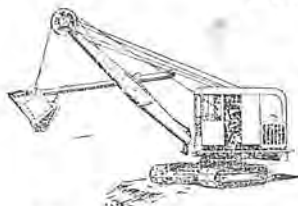
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**EUREKA**, Contract awarded to Box Const. Co., 1035 Grayson, Berkeley, \$163,566, for const. of superstruc. & deck of Maple Hill Bridge across So. Fork of Eel River near Miranda, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

APRIL 10, 1956

**SOLEDAD**, Contract awarded to A. J. Dianai Const. Co., P.O. Box 636, Santa Maria, \$68,000, for site grading at Calif. State Prison, Soledad.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Thomas Const. Co., P.O. Box 683, Fresno, \$58,180, for const. comb. precast, prestressed & cast-in-place bridge over freeway, about 120 degrees no. of intersec. of County Rd. 128 & Ave. 80, TULARE COUNTY.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to H. Earl Parker, 12th & F Sts., Marysville, \$40,110, for emergency slide removal on SSR 89 at Emerald Bay near Eagle Falls, in SUTTER COUNTY.

**NIMBUS**, Contract awarded to McDonald Bros., 605 Fremont, Sacto., \$98,500, for const. superstruc., process, auxiliary & deluge piping, instrumentation & control system, Cold Flow Bldgs. \$44, Aerojet-General Corp. Liquid Rocket Plant, Nimbus Sta., Calif.

**NIMBUS**, Contract awarded to Judson-Pacific-Murphy Corp., 4300 Eastshore Hwy., Emeryville, \$96,355, for const. superstruc., Test Stand 5, Aerojet-General Liquid Rocket Plant, Nimbus.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Pinole Land Co., 1600 Belmont, Fresno, \$528,500, for clear & grub, Feather River, Sutter By-pass, upstr., to Yuba River, YUBA & SUTTER COUNTIES.

**MARTINEZ**, Contract awarded to Asta Const. Co., 33 N. Front St., Rio Vista, \$22,766, for reloc. Hoffman Lane, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to B. Gayman, 48 S. Linden Ave., So. S.F., \$22,504, for site work at Alemany Housing Project, incl. pipe rail, fences, gates, conc. pave., etc.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to J. W. Briggs, Box 283, Bend, Ore., \$367,652, for 9.5 mi. clear, drain & grade, Indian Dick Road No. 2515, Sec. A., on Mendocino Natl. Forest near Covelo, MENDOCINO COUNTY.

APRIL 12, 1956

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Watkin & Sibbald, 6 Bridge St., San Anselmo, \$22,784, for 0.3 mi. roadside areas prep. & plant betw. The Toll Plaza & Rt. 56, City & County of S.F.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to Granite Const. Box 900, Watsonville, \$22,450, for repair of levees, inclu. clear & Grub, at Guadalupe River, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Natt McDougal Co., 824 Pittock Block, Portland, \$552,100, for abt. 1.1 mi. grade & surf. w/pltmix surf. on cem. tr. base & const. RC brdg, betw. 9.4 mi. S & 0.8 mi. N. of Wilson Creek, abt. 13 mi. S. of Crescent City, DEL NORTE COUNTY.

APRIL 13, 1956

**MENLO PARK**, Contract awarded to MacDonald, Young & Nelson, 600 Calif. St., S.F., \$625,000, for const. of 20,00 sq. ft. home office bldg. at Middlefield Rd. & Santa Monica Ave., Menlo Park.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to Bechtel Corp., 220 Bush St., S.F., \$34,000, for const. of an underground powerhouse, part of the Poe Pro. on the Feather River, loc. SE of Jarbo Gap, 24 mi. fm. Oroville. Powerhouse will be entirely below ground, const. in a deep excav. through a gravel bar to bedrock.

**NAPA**, Contract awarded to Fredrickson Bros., 1259 - 65th St., Emeryville, \$582,786, for reloc. County Hwys., Berryessa Valley Proj. Sec. A1 fm. Pope Canyon Rd. SE'ly to Pope Creek Bridge, Sec. B fm. Pope Canyon Rd. N'ly to Berryessa-Knoxville Rd. et al....

**SAN RAFAEL**, Contract awarded to Consolidated Western Steel Div., 120 Montgomery St., S.F., \$61,943, for furn. & erect San Clement 1,500,000 gal. steel tank, loc. in Corte Madera.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 1, Perkins, for paving work, consist. of double seal coat & and hot plantmix, at

Calif. State Fair Grnds., Sacramento.

APRIL 16, 1956

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Leo V. Jones Const. Co., 105 Miner, Bakersfield, \$36,370, for emergency levee repairs & channel restoration left bank Tule River & R & L banks Porter Slough, vic. of Porterville, TULARE COUNTY.

**PARADISE**, Contract awarded to John Delphia & Williams & Burrows, Inc., P.O. Box 313, Patterson, Calif., \$956,250, for const. of the Mosquito Junction Dam.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Fredericksen & Kessler, 212 - 13th St., Sacto., \$2,285,809 for 7 mi. length, freeway together w/service rd., rapm & interchanges to be graded & paved w/PCC on cem. tr. subgrade, plantmix surf. on cem. tr. base & untr. base & seven bridges & 3 pumping plants const. between Calif. and Merced Co. Line, in MADERA COUNTY.

**SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH**, Contract awarded to L. A. Young Const. Co., Richfield, Utah, \$221,313, for 16.107 mi. 2" rdmix bitum. surf. on SR No. 70 fm. jct. of US 30 of U.S. 30 & SR 70 SW'ly toward Parks Valley, BOX ELDER COUNTY.

**SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH**, Contract awarded to Vernal Sand & Gravel Co., Vernal, Utah, \$18,580, for gravel & cover mat'l stockpile 2 mi. NE of Wanship, SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH.

APRIL 17, 1956

**REDWOOD CITY**, Contract awarded to Freeman Paving Co., 220 Lambert Ave., Palo Alto, \$18,480, for const. parking lot, Vets. Memorial Bldg., Redwood City.

**RICHMOND**, Contract awarded to Ben C. Gerwick, Inc., 112 Market St., S.F., \$12,540, for dredging Berthing Area, Municipal Wharf No. 3, Inner Harbor, Richmond, involving 16,500 cy. dredging & disposal of material.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to Michael Murphy, Jr., 308 Upper Terrace, S. F. \$15,370, for laying 6" cast iron mains in Euclid & 9th Aves., San Francisco.

**REDWOOD CITY**, Contract awarded to Associated Engrs., Inc., 3606 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, \$23,163, for inst. of 12" water lines in Broadway to Whipple via Middlefield, Bradford & Allerton Aves., in Redwood City, SAN MATEO COUNTY.

**LODI**, Contract awarded to Dallas Wilson Co., P.O. Box 848, Fresno, \$10,842, for inst. concrete sewer lines in Hutchins-Sunset Dist., City of Lodi, Calif.

**SAN JOSE**, Contract awarded to Los Gatos Const. Co., P.O. Box 111, Los Gatos, \$16,618, for pave, grade, sidewalks, curbs & gutters, Parking Site No. 1, No. Market St. & St. Augustine, city of San Jose.

**MARTINEZ**, Contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 13555 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$19,986, for reconst. of Arlington Ave., CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Mercer-Fraser & Mercer-Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial, Eureka, \$183,206, for 1.8 mi. grade & surf. with plantmix surf. on cem. tr. base & exist surf. betw. Court St. in Weaverville & 1.8 mi. E. in TRINITY COUNTY.

APRIL 18, 1956

**ALAMEDA**, Contract awarded to Harry L. Harp, Box 194, San Bruno, \$39,661, for const. sanitary sewer interceptor in Pearl St. betw. Central Ave. & Fernside Blvd., Alameda.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to S. J. Amoroso Const. Co., 2100 Oakdale Ave., S.F. \$828,828, for General work on const. of Ridge Point Elementary School No. 2 at Harbor Rd. & Innes St., San Francisco.

**SANTA ROSA**, Contract awarded to N. P. Van Valkenburgh Co., P.O. Box 1192, Sacto., \$1,550,919, for const. two sanitary sewer projects, North Trunk Sewer & Cross Town Trunk Sewer.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$16,875, for 0.3 mi. grade roadbed & embankment const. & plantmix surf. on untr. base, about 2.6 mi. N'ly of Governor's Camp in Big Basin State Park, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

**SANTA ROSA**, Contract awarded to Rapp, Christensen & Foster, 705 Bennett Ave., Santa Rosa, \$27,407, for widening Rose Court betw. "B" St. & Mendocino Ave., in city of Santa Rosa, SONOMA COUNTY.

**MONTEREY**, Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co. P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$10,677, for const. of Beach Parking Lot, Munic. Parking Lot No. 1, city of Monterey, Calif.

APRIL 19, 1956

**EL SOBRANTE**, Contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th St., Berkeley, \$67,490, for grade, drain, & erosion planting for site work, at Hillview School, El Sobrante, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

**FAIRFIELD**, Contract awarded to Glanville Plumbing Co., 323 Belle Terrace, Bakersfield, \$575,282, for const. of sewage pumping plant & trunk sewer in Fairfield-Suisun Sewer Dist., SOLANO COUNTY.

**PRESIDIO OF S. F.**, Contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th Ave., Berkeley, \$17,283, for const. Athletic Field, Presidio of S. F.

**VALLEJO**, Contract awarded to C. Norman Peterson, 2832 - 9th St., Berkeley, \$262,000, for const. 2 storm water pumping stations in city of Vallejo.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to Kuckenber Const. Co., P. O. Box 7407, Portland, Ore., \$680,345, for grade, base course & bitum. preservative treat. on F.H. Rt. 3, begin. approx. 30 mi East of Arcata & ext. E'ly 3.1 mi., Six Rivers Natl. Forest, HUMBLODT COUNTY.

**SAN FRANCISCO**, Contract awarded to S.F. Bridge Co., 140 Montgomery St., S.F., \$908,765, for dredging at Richmond Harbor in CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

**VALLEJO**, Contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$98,500, for const. holding basin drin in city of Vallejo.

**ORINDA**, Contract awarded to M. G. M. Const. Co., P.O. Box 1056, Concord, \$158,953, for const. sts., san. sewer, storm sewer, curb, gutters, in Altarinda Estates Subdiv No. 2 nr. Orinda, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

APRIL 20, 1956

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Peter Kiewit Sons' Co., 208 West Main, Medford, \$710,276 for 0.4 mi. brdg. appr. rdways & const. welded plate girder bridge across Trinity River at Hoops, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to Jas B. Allen & Lee Arnold, Inc., 947 Bransten Rd., San Carlos, \$36,980, for const. conc. girded brdg. & appr. grade & surf. w/pltmix surf., abt. 55 mi S. of Monterey at Limekiln Crk., MONTEREY COUNTY.

**REDWOOD CITY**, Contract awarded to Larson's Landscape Service, 804 - 17th Ave., Menlo Park, \$12,960, for site work at Terremere Field, Sequoia High School, James Ave. & El Camino Real Redwood City.

**SACRAMENTO**, Contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., Box 873, Sacto., \$26,165, for grade, pave, sewers, curbs & gtrs., etc., Newman Crt. & R/W Row No. 3139.

APRIL 24, 1956

**HILLSBOROUGH**, Contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., Box 95, Belmont, \$304,968, for const. of streets, sewers, curbs, gutters, underground elec. system, water system & Storage tank for Hillsborough Highland Subdiv.

**COTTONWOOD**, Contract awarded to Valley Engrs., Inc., P.O. Box 412, Fresno, \$37,990, for inst. only approx. 30,000 lft. transite water lines & fittings in Cottonwood.

**LOS ALTOS**, Contract awarded to Sondgroth Bros., P.O. Box 1055 Mt. View, \$97,022, for resurf. of Almond Ave., city of Los Altos.

**ODGEN, UTAH**, Contract awarded to W. W. Clyde & Co., P.O. Box 231, Springville, \$894,575, for const. earthwork, conc. pipelines, & strucs. & conc. or steel pipe for trunk lines, Sta. 934-98 to 1144-60 Davis Aqueduct, Weber Basin Proj., situated near Ogden, DAVIS COUNTY.

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# STOCKTON SLOWS; TRI-DAM MOVES

By ED DORAN, WALT TALBOT, C. L. CASEBOLT,  
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Business Representatives

Work in the Stockton area has slacked off somewhat, due partly to the adverse weather we have been having and to the lack of State and County work at this time.

The Tri Dam project seems to have reached the peak in calling for men, as some equipment that was being used on

Donnell's Dam and the spillway has already been dismantled and shipped to Montana, with more to go in the near future. However, the dirt should be flying at Beardsley Dam within the next month as the dam is scheduled to be completed by December. The bulk of the dirt will be hauled by Euclids from the Euc loader so that will eliminate the hiring of any more engineers on this phase of the work.

The tunnel work on the Donnell's project is over 55 per cent completed, with Addit No. 3 hoing through about the 20th of this month. Addits No. 1 and 2 should go another four to five months before they hole through, which will complete the power tunnel to Donnell's powerhouse.

### POWERHOUSE JOB

The powerhouse job is moving along satisfactorily with enough concrete having been poured to show the outline of the base of the powerhouse. Brother Leonard Young is running the stiff-legged derrick which has 210 feet of boom and will be used to erect and pour the powerhouse to its completion.

Tulloch Dam is going along on schedule, with the keyway excavation over half completed and the batch plant and cableway erections keeping a few engineers busy. This project suffered a mishap recently when the new Model 80D Northwest turned over on its side. Fortunately, the operator and oiler were not hurt as the rig went over on the opposite side to the operator.

A. L. Craft and Jack Galbraith were the successful bidders on another levee repair job near Modesto for approximately \$47,500, which was nearly 25 per cent over the engineers' estimate.

Lee Stephens of Stockton was awarded two levee repair jobs in the Thornton area on the Consumnes and Mokelumne Rivers.

### LAND LEVELERS

The land leveling contractors are not as busy at this time as in past years, but we have a few still busting clods, such as the Aksland family, Henry, Larry and Ernie, who usually keep busy in the Manteca-Escalon area, C. V. Kenworthy all over, E. H. Rider & Son working for Richmond-Chase Cannery, Joe Alldrin finishing on Roberts Island and moving to a construction job in Orinda, Ed Abatangle in the Collegeville area, and Kenworthy & Patterson leveling their own ranches near Thornton and on Sherman Island.

The highway jobs in the area are all too wet to work. MJB's job between Lodi and Galt has scarcely started, H. Earl Parker Company is still marking time on their

Highway 49 job at Melones, doing a little preliminary work on the cuts, the same story on all the small local paving jobs.

Harold Construction Company is starting on three buildings for the Atomic Energy Commission. One operator employed on the job at present, leveling building sites and pulling material around. This will be the program as far as Engineers are concerned until they are ready to set steel.

Claude C. Wood Company of Lodi is prospecting a new plant site for their material. They plan to move the crushing plant this fall to a new location about three miles downstream from the present site.

Walsh Construction Company have about three weeks to go at the Calaveras Cement Company and that will complete a one and a half million dollar expansion program for Calaveras Cement.

We are happy to report Bro. Hap Frerichs is back at the controls of the dinkey at P.C.A. Tracy plant. This plant is hard at work trying to replenish their stock piles. The boys have had a good winter and are in position for a good summer run. They hope to supply material for the Atomic Energy Commission Tracy installation.

### NEWS ABOUT THE BROTHERS:

Ed Doran is improving rapidly and we expect him back in the office very soon.

Jim Inks lost two fingers pulling the cable off a power unit sheave. It seems the dozer which was held up by a knot in the cable released just as Jim grabbed it to pull the cable back.

Charlie Curtiss arrived back from the South Pacific Islands, where he was employed by Narver Construction Company.

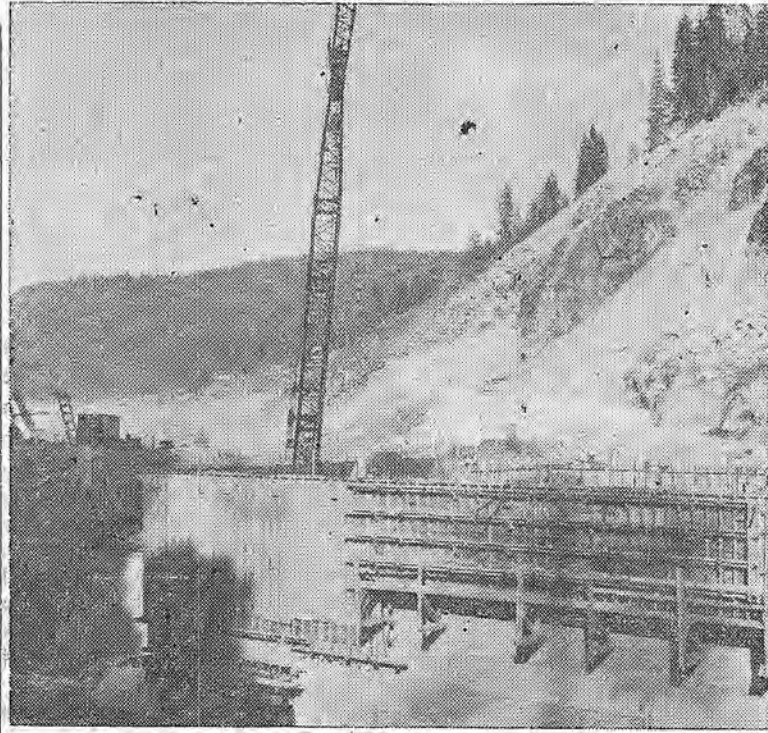
Lloyd Damewood is leaving for a trip around the world with his wife and son. He plans to include an African safari and the Far East on the trip.

### SNAP-ON DISTRIBUTOR

Bro. Bob Geary has taken over the distribution of Snap-On tools in the Stockton area. It is a fine line of tools and Bro. Geary, as a heavy duty mechanic himself, knows your every need. We heartily recommend every service Bro. Bob can extend to you. He lives at 10 E. Churchill, Stockton. His phone is HO 3-6375.

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"Oh, miss," came a tearful feminine voice, "can I have my dime back? Albert wouldn't speak to me."



**BEARDSLEY DAM POWERHOUSE.**—This shows the powerhouse being erected on the big Tri-Dam project east of Stockton. It is located on the downstream portal of the diversion tunnel, which puts it on the downstream slope of the dam.

### In the Islands

## BIG NEW JOBS AT HONOLULU

By J. K. WAIWAIOLÉ  
Business Representative

Capital Investment Co. of Honolulu, a real estate developer, has purchased the 2,242-acre McNear ranch near San Rafael. It will be a \$15,000,000 development when completed. Mr. Chinn Ho, president, invited Mr. James San Jule, president of Corporation of the Twentieth Century; Mr. Harold F. Wise, a master planner, and Mr. William A. Buckman, a national authority on management consulting, to brief local business men on this particular development.

Mr. Walter F. Dillingham, president of the Oahu Railway and Land Company, and Hawaiian Dredging Co., Ltd., the largest general contractor in the Territory, disclosed plans that have been under study the past year that may make Honolulu the western joint terminus of America's, transcontinental railroads with a staging base capable of serving eventually the entire Pacific area.

The overseas links between Hawaii and the railroads' present termini at Mainland Pacific Coast ports will be specially designed "roll on, roll off" cargo ships, if the plan is accepted and works out successfully.

Hawaiian Builders, a newly organized outfit in general contracting is using two of our boys at this stage. Bro. Tommy Kilauane is subforeman and Bro. John Spencer is the crane operator.

Pacific Construction, one of the big outfits in town is gradually lowering the bars. Bro. John Kepilino is running their 2B on a subdivision job in upper Nuuana valley.

Henry J. Kaiser has just started building a three-story, 100-room hotel, which he expects to finish in just 90 days, in time for the peak summer tourist trade. This is not part of the sky scraper building he is planning with international Hotelman Conrad Hilton.

Also going up is a 1,000-seat auditorium, to be built in only 60 days. The combined cost is about \$1,000,000.

When there is any crane work, Bro. Eddie Ebisui brings in his two Lima truck cranes.

Bro. Danny Hosino, who runs the 95 Northwest for Hawaiian Dredging Co., Ltd. is just about finished with the drag-line work outside Kaisers' resort hotel and will move his rig to Kahului Harbor, Maui to work on the breakwater where 30-ton cement jacks will be laid as an extension to the present breakwater.

Bro. Peter Wong, tug operator tending the dredge W. F. Dillingham (formerly the Jefferson) reports they will move to Nawiliwili Harbor the end of this month.

From Okaawa, Bro. Frank Soares reports much work pro-

## CALIF. UNIONS TO CONTINUE MERGER TALKS

State AFL-CIO merger negotiations will be resumed July 17-19 in San Francisco, it has been announced by California State Federation of Labor executive council.

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the state AFL organization, said both organizations were satisfied with the progress of the discussions. The 19-member merger committee met last Wednesday and Thursday in Hollywood, just prior to the state AFL session.

The AFL executive council voted to request convention authority for calling of a special merger convention following the annual State Federation convention to be held in Long Beach August 13-17.

Time and place of the merger convention will depend primarily upon conclusions reached at the July merger meetings.

Ralph B. Bronson was elected to council membership to fill the unexpired term of William Carroll, who resigned at the last quarterly meeting. Both are from Local 12, Operating Engineers, Los Angeles.

## Life in the Nude Is a Hard One

Artists' models in Italy threatened to go on strike unless they got: 1—More pay for posing nude; 2—A minimum wage of \$48-a-month instead of the current minimum of 48c-an-hour; 3—Social Security coverage.

Declared Edey Giannelli, a leader of the models: "We are willing, yes, when required, to pose nude but we want to be paid more for it. What isn't generally realized is that the artists won't let us cut our hair or even change our hairdo. Even worse, we can't get tanned during the summer."

## 'RIGHT-TO-WORK' SEMINARS STARTING

The Seattle Central Labor Council is organizing educational seminars against Initiative 198 which is seeking to impose a "Right-to-Work" law on Washington workers.

Educators from the University of Washington, Seattle University and Pacific Lutheran College as well as representatives of Protestant, Catholic and Jewish churches will participate.

grammed for dredging for the next year.

Although most of the workers on Elniwetok have been sent home before the big "blast," our branch members are still on the job and will probably remain to go into the new phase of experimenting after it goes off.

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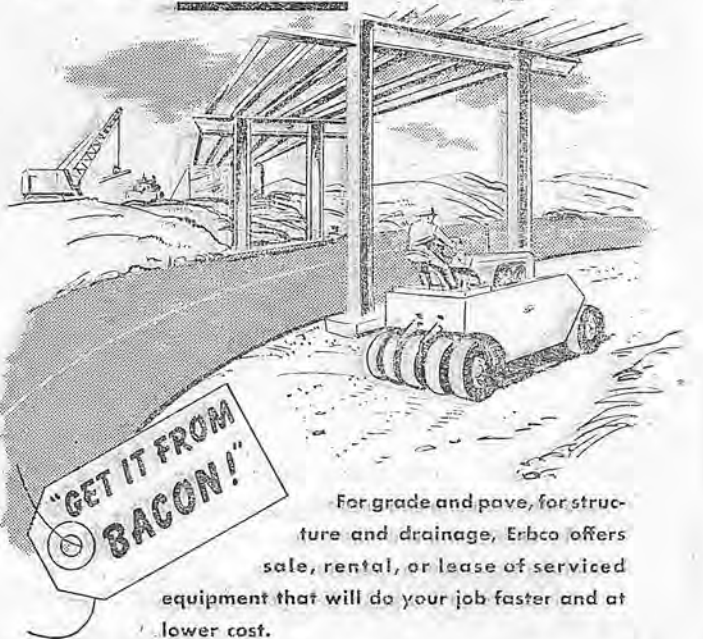
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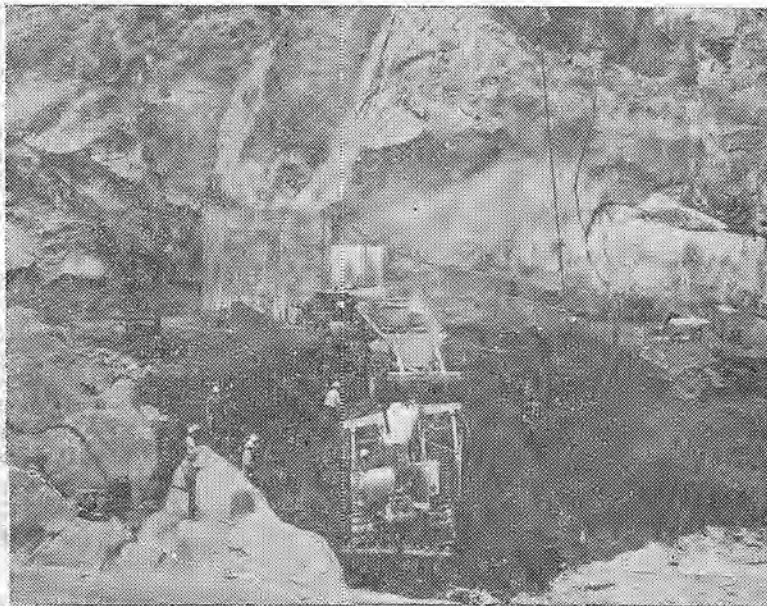
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# LATE RAINS SLOW UP FRESNO DISTRICT

By G. L. MOORE & J. D. MONROE

Due to unforeseen circumstances beyond our control, the weatherman has again changed the situation in the Fresno area.

Gordon Ball was low bidder of \$1,485,158 on another 5.7 mile section of Highway 99 Freeway, South of Kingsburg.

When the three sections that Gordon Ball Company are working on now and are about completed with, and this next five mile section, there will only be another two miles approximately and then it will be a 4 lane divided highway from Fresno to Los Angeles.

Frederickson & Kassler are starting their \$2,285,809 freeway project out of Chowchilla on Highway 99, bringing in three cats, one blade and three eucs, moving them in from their job from Castle Field Air Base. The Raymond Concrete Pile Co. will be driving pile at Berenda Slough and Ash Slough on this job. Frederickson & Kassler are setting up their crushing equipment at Bear Creek out of Le Grande.

The C. K. Moseman Company has started work on several structures on their freeway job through Fresno. Stewart & Nuss, Inc., subs, are making good progress moving the dirt on this job, using two domores and two NW shovels for the loading, the excess dirt is all trucked off the job. The Gene Richards Paving Company are waiting for completion of structures before they can remove the plugs and finish grading on their section of the freeway. This same company is making good progress on their widening job on Blackstone Avenue (Highway 41) and have completed paving for the new Sears Roebuck Bldg., located in the Manchester Shopping Center. The Fortier Construction Co. is setting up a hot plant at the Anderson Rock Company's plant and will soon be ready to go. The Carl N. Swenson Co. is nearing completion of the State Division of Highways Maintenance headquarters on Olive and West Avenues.

The Fred Galante Company has moved in a NW 80 at Barton Flats and have two cats getting ready to rebuild the washed out section of Highway 180 near Cedar Grove.

Sub division work has slowed down somewhat in the area, partly due to inclement weather.

## WISHON DAM

The Morrison Walsh & Perini project at Wishon Dam has picked up some the past week. Mechanics are working two 7 hour shifts, all equipment working 8 hours per day. H. Earl Parker Company has moved in three cats on their Stump Springs Road job near Big Creek. Bechtel Company has moved into Vermillion Valley with a small crew to repair flood damage to the dam. Late spring storms have slowed all mountain work considerably.

Ted Baun Construction Co. still

has some more black top to lay on their Belmont Avenue job and are gradually getting their equipment and men transferred to their Mariposa job. All of the rock plants seem to be humming along; Stewart & Nuss Inc. opening their plant No. 2 on the San Joaquin River and P.C.A.'s plant at Lemon Grove on two shifts producing rock for the Gordon Ball job at Pixley.

United Concrete Pipe Company, who have been shut down for some time, are putting a few of their men back to work at their Tulare plant, getting ready to make pipe for the Lloyd Company job out of Wasco.

Quite a bit of talk about the Le-moore Air Base but it will be several years before this will actually materialize for any work.

Gerald Brewster finished their road job on Highway 41 and 33 and moving their equipment and men down to Taft.

May we again PLEAD for help from the Brothers for our Blood Bank—we are very much in need. We will not be able to help any of you in case of emergency. Think about it. Be sure and check to see if all your assessments have been paid.

## Construction Awards

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Osborne & Bowie Engr. Contrs., 658 J St., Crescent City, \$71,907, for 0.2 mi. R. C. brdg. const. & approaches graded & surf. w/pltmix surf. on untr. base, 2 mi. N. of Klamath at Panther Creek, DEL NORTE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, Rt. 6, Box 1419A, Modesto, \$72,174, for 2-1 mi. surf. w/roadmix surf. on untr. base & 2 bridges widened & redecked abt. 5 mi. W. of Grass Valley, betw. 0.4 mi. W. of Casey's Cor. & Rough & Ready, NEVADA COUNTY.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to A. J. Peters & Son, P.O. Box 632, San Jose, \$1,441,125, for const. mechanical work for Card Plant, Mfg. Bldg. & Powerhouse at new I.B.M. Co. site, Cottle Ave. & Monterey Rd., S. of San Jose in SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to M & K Corp, 405 Montgomery St., S. F., \$1,146,000, for const. sewage disposal facil. for S.F. Naval Shipyard, San Francisco.

## Pilebutt Comments

# Carquinez Job Starts

Fellow Pilebutt:

Up at Crockett a lot of activity started last week. At the south end of the bridge over the Carquinez straits a demolition crane was swinging a giant steel ball against a concrete abutment. There were some cats digging into the hillside. And out in the middle of the stream a piledriver was chugging away. It's a \$5,500,000 job ultimately intended to break one of the bottlenecks on U. S. Highway 40. It's the building of a parallel bridge across the straits.

LeBouf & Dougherty is driving the piles where required for the foundations for the new bridge and it is a job that already is calling for some ingenuity. It will keep Superintendent Bill Hamilton and his crews busy for quite a while. The bridge will provide an artery for traffic traveling east on the highway. The old bridge will be devoted to west-bound traffic. When finished, and with the hook at the south end of the old bridge somewhat straightened out and a new road cut through the hills, it will be a lot easier getting into and out of Vallejo.

LeBouf & Dougherty are working on four of the five piers to be built. The other, on the north shore, will be supported by a concrete abutment. There will be a lot of piles driven before the bridge starts to take shape.

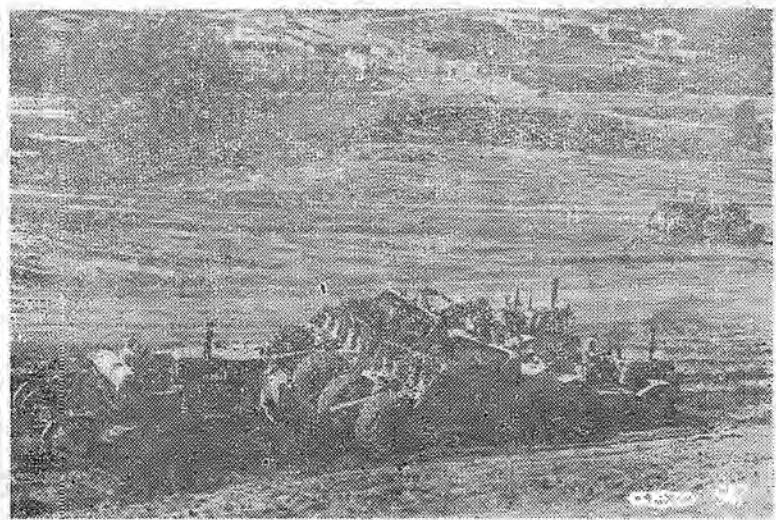
## SAND, HARDPAN, ROCK

Over near the north shore the company has a floating driver now, pushing 24-inch pipe caison piles down through the sand, silt, a layer of hardpan and into bed rock. The piles are 142 feet in length and are jetted into the river bottom. On this pier there will be 10 pipe caison piles driven. On the big center pier there will be 49 pipe caison piles. On the pier nearest the south shore, there will be 628 steel, 15-inch "H" beams driven, each 90 feet long. . . . And finally on the South shore, where a crawler rig, under Foreman Leonard Gotchy has just started work, there will be 132 steel, 14-inch "H" beams of 20 to 30 feet long, driven. In addition there will be a lot of sheet piling driven for the cofferdams before the prime contractors, Mason-Hangar; Silas Mason, and F. C. Rolandi, take over to complete the structure.

Working with Bill Hamilton on the pier nearest the north shore is a veteran crew of pilebutts and operating engineers with Harold Kirkpatrick as forman. The pilebutts include William Adair, Red Zamberlan, Gib Wilson, Pete Melton, George Woods and Herman Wilkie. Operating engineers are Eddie Erickson, Earnest McWilliams and Frank Viczara. On the derrick barge, anchored alongside the driver, where the pipe caison piles are prepared, are Jack Williams, forman; Jack Lowe, Bob Pilcher, Wally Ott, Donald Adair and operatin engineers Ernest Michael and Blackie Marchant. "It's a swell crew and if anybody can do this job, these guys will," said Bill Hamilton. "It isn't going to be an easy one, either. We have some of nature's foibles to contend with. The water here is about 90 feet deep. The river has been dredged for shipping, but since then there has been a whole lot of said and silt settled on the bottom. We have a current of 7 1/2 knots through the straits. This doesn't bother us when the tide is coming in, but when the current combines with the outgoing tide, it really raises Cain with us."

That's the job description for this month. We'll see you again next month with some more dope on what's going on among pilebutts in the Bay Area.

Sincerely yours,  
**PILEDIVING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION**  
 By: M. B. McGowan, President



This photograph taken on the new Lafayette Freeway being built by Gordon Ball shows Brother Nick Chorak operating the D-9 dozer practically at full capacity pushing two DW-20's operated by Brother Dan Street and Vic Cochrane working side by side. Of course, we do not recommend this as a steady diet but we do believe this is indicative of the high skill workmanship of the members of Local No. 3. While this job is now down to one shift there is still remaining quite a lot of work for a number of the engineers.

# Housing Projects Bring Job Boom to Peninsula

By CHET ELLIOTT, Business Representative

Douglas and Woodhouse of Redwood City were the successful bidders on the clearing, grading and paving of Hillsborough Highlands, one of the major real estate developments to get under way during the past month. The E. T. Haas Co. of Belmont are the Prime Contractors on this

project who will later on install the Utilities System. Foreman Brother Lee McClure is in charge of the work for Douglas and Woodhouse, and is assisted by cat operator Brothers Mooier, King White and Payne, who will have employment at this point for many months.

Foreman Brother Jack Hust and Ray Morgan, with a large crew of Local No. 3 men, consisting of cat operators Brothers Coelho, Marsh, Dowd, Guthrie and Woodbridge, DW 21 Operators Brothers Alfonso, Bagley, Bryant and Charlie Mey, Blade Operators Brothers Henderson and Wise, Roller Operator Brother Wallace, Gadall Operator Brother Mace and Oiler Brother Abrahamson, Grade setters Brothers Purdom and Vollstedt, and Brother Carlton on the Loader, have begun the extension of Unit 11 at Linda Mar in Pedro Valley, which includes the grading and paving of streets and the grading of lots for homesites. All of this operation is being carried on by Contractor McCammon & Wunderlich of Palo Alto.

At Redwood City on the Farm Hill Subdivision, the McCammon & Wunderlich Co. are preparing to start construction on Unit No. 3 for the Oddstad Homes Co. This project will involve the moving of several million yards of earth to provide homesites for many hundreds of homes, and will keep a great many of our worthy brother members of Local No. 3 employed for a great length of time.

Heather Highlands, located at San Carlos, is another new subdivision being developed by the Bauer Lesser Co. who have contracted with the J. O. Archibald Co. of Redwood City to grade the lots and streets on this project. At the present time, Foreman Brother Robert Smith, with cat Operators Brother Orin Brown and Meyer, DW-10 Operators Brothers Lorenzen, Jarrell and Hughes, blade Operator Brother Buck and stake setter Brother Preble, are busily and happily engaged in their work.

## ENGINEER SUBDIVIDERS

The J. O. Archibald Co., one of the most enterprising Contractors in this area, were also the successful bidders to the Eichler Homes Co. for the work at Eichler Highlands, in San Mateo. This huge project involves the grading of lots for homes and streets. Foreman Brother John Dillard assisted by a sterling crew of Operating Engineers consisting of DW-20 Operators Brothers Freeman, Viscari and Farwell, cat Operators Brothes Hutchinson, Jahnsberger, Turner, Rodgers, Johnston, Just and Frank Brown, Grade setters Brothers Eas and Ballantyne are now employed, and will continue to be employed at this point for some time.

Although at the present date

most of the large jobs are all on subdivision work in this area, some time during the latter part of May or the first part of June, the California State Highway Department is scheduled to advertise the bids for the Bayshore Freeway extension, which begins at San Carlos, and continues to the Santa Clara County Line, which will offer employment for many engineers. All of these construction projects mentioned in this report creates a very healthy condition for members of this Union.

During the past month, the question came up at the Peter Kiewitt two shift tunnel job at San Mateo, as to the proper point for the changing of shifts. After a very pleasant meeting between Mr. Jim Irwin, the project manager for this firm, and myself, it was agreed all shifts would change at the portal. This office extends thanks to Jim for his cooperation.

## NAMED SAFETY MAN

Some months ago, the McCammon & Wunderlich Co., who have many large contracts in the Bay Area, saw fit to create a position on their San Bruno and Pedro Valley jobs to safety engineer. At that time they very wisely selected a member of Local No. 3, Brother Harold Skeans to fill the job, which Brother Skeans has taken care of very efficiently. Now this firm has decided to promote Brother Skeans to another position and again this firm has used fine judgment in selecting a successor for Brother Skeans. They have chosen a fine upstanding member of Local No. 3, a man by the name of Oroville Unruh, whose past record in this organization speaks for itself. CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH OF YOU BROTHERS, and we compliment this firm on their rare judgment.

OBSERVATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTER IN THE SAN MATEO OFFICE: Best of luck to Brother Ed Davis, who is now in the automobile business, with the Arata Pontiac Co., 99 Linden Ave., South San Francisco. Ed will be more than happy to take care of any of our worthy brothers who are interested in buying a car. Drop by and see him. . . . Brother Pete Egnatoff has been hospitalized in Peninsula Hospital. Hope you are feeling better Pete and that you will soon be back on the job again. . . . Wedding bells for Brother Donald Garrett, H. D. mechanic, and Isabella Collenderg who were married May 12, and are now honeymooning in Los Angeles. Our congratulations to both of you.

MARYSVILLE, Contract awarded to Ben C. Gerwick, Inc., 110 Market St., S.F., \$750,000, for const. of first portions of necessary work to reconstruct bridge over Feather River, betw. Marysville & Yuba City, Calif.



BEARDSLEY DAM SITE.—This view shows the prepared site of the only earth fill dam of the big Tri-Dam project east of Stockton. Dragline in upper right side is working on the spillway and relocation of the Pickering Lumber Co. railroad which will go across the dam when it is completed.

# Vote June 5