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Democratic Elections Are A Must for Free Unions

Open, honest and democratic Union elections are a vital necessity and fundamentally basic to good unionism.

Because the most sacred element in all unions is involved—the all-important element of AUTHORITY. In any union, the authority of that union rests with the entire over-all

membership. This is basic! This is fundamental! And wherever this autocratically usurped, then very bad unionism results.

Because of the size of local unions today, a great measure of authority of the membership has to delegation of authority is accomplished through elections. Therefore, this highest and most sacred trust must be conveyed in a manner that is absolutely above ques-

What constitutes honest, open free and democratic elections?

AT REGULAR INTERVALS

First off, such elections should be held at regular designated intervals of from one to not more han four years. A specific month in each election year should be designated and advertised so that it becomes the common knowledge of every union member.

Of equal importance to the setting up of an election month is the setting up and advertising of nomnation of candidates for election. These nominations should be held immediately prior to each election at two union meetings and notices of such nominating meetings should be sent to the entire membership and advertised fully on bulletin boards and in union periodicals, newsletters or journals.

Right at this point-nominations for election-is where each member exercises his individual role and right to freely, openly and democratically choose the candidates he feels are best qualified to exercise the sacred authority of he entire union membership. Indifference, carelessness or neglect by union members in this particular instance opens the door to small pressure groups to take over the effaire of the union with disastrous results.

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After all nominations are properly recorded, then said nominations should be closed and a sample sallot printed and forwarded by mail to every union member at his last known address.

SAMPLE BALLOTS

This sample ballot should properly and correctly list each candidate's name and the office for which he was nominated. It should also set out clearly the time and location at which the voting will take place as well as any other union requirements with which union members must comply in order

Union voting polls must be opend at such times and in such places to afford every member ample opportunity to vote.

So much for preliminaries. Now, quite a traffic problem. we come to the all important mat-

ter of conducting the actual voting counting immediately after basic fundamental is violated or and tabulating the results. This is last voter casts his ballot. The where honesty, openness and secrecy must be guaranteed.

BROAD COMMITTEE

In the first place, a capable election committee should be sebe delegated to its officers. This lected from a cross-section of the entire union membership. To this committee falls the responsibility voting. There should be no harrassment of voting members and all pressure types of campaigning near or at the polls should be prohibited. Candidates or their representatives should have free opportunity to observe the election procedure but must abstain from campaigning at the site of the polls. The polls should be so located that each voting booth will assure complete privacy and freedom of action for the voters.

When the voting is completed and the advertised closing time for voting arrives, the polls should be declared officially closed and the place immediately. This is the most important part of the entire election. So much can happen between the closing of the election and the everything in readiness to start the ernment.

counting of ballots must be conducted in the open with all candidates or other representatives fully able to observe the entire counting procedure.

ASSURE FAIR COUNT

Where the jurisdictional area of a local union covers several counof orderly conducting the actual ties and States, voting by mail is a virtual necessity. Voting by mail should be carefully and clearly set out in the by-laws of each union so that all mailed ballots are immediately available to be opened and counted when the official tallying starts.

The tally clerks must be able, reliable, well-known and chosen from a cross section of the entire membership. Monitors of the same caliber and choice should be placed at strategic positions to assure order and fair play at all times.

When the ballots are counted, the results should be re-checked and tabulated and the tally-clerks counting of the ballots should take in charge should sign the vote tabulating sheets and openly declare the election results.

Such an election, so conducted and recorded, is the best possible counting of the ballots that it is assurance of good union leadership absolutely imperative to have under our democratic form of gov

S. F. IS SLACK, BUT

By PAT CLANCY & HARRY METZ, Business Representatives

There was very little new work started during the month of April and the usual spring surge of new work has not materialized as yet. However, as the month of May progresses, we expect the work to open up and things will be much bet-

several meetings with the Associated General Contractors, and we hope to have something to report

The California Highway Commission allocated another \$2,550,-000 for the elevated portion of San Francisco's Bayshore Freeway. The funds will cover construction of 1,4 miles of elevated freeway between South Van Ness Avenue and Turk Street, Officials said the additional money was required because costs will exceed original estimates. The 1957-58 highway budget provided \$5,200,000 for the project.

Payne Construction Co. of Oakland has a contract for replacing progress on their Hunters Point job the cable slot on Calif. St. between Powell St. and Van Ness Ave.

Dale Williams has two new jobs going on after a quiet winter. A contract for construction of storm cated at the Fremont St. ramp off and sanitary sewers for Standard Builders on their Forest Knoll one is the new Masonic Temple on Subdivision has been awarded to California and Taylor Streets. Dale. The other job is a pipeline for the San Francisco Water Department.

portion of the Embarcadero tied up from Mission St. to Broadway. Harney's equipment has created

Macco Construction Co., on the will abide by the Agreement.

As of this report we have had same job, have steel piling covering three blocks. The pile driving has been a slow process on this job due to the fact that two piles have to be welded after the first pile is

Motorists northbound into San Francisco from San Mateo County will appreciate the news that the new causeway across the water will be open to Northbound traffic July 1, 1957.

The "tight money" situation has finally caught up to our members working at Henry Dolger's Westlake Tract. We have six members left on the payroll.

M & K Corp. is making good and also on the upper Market St. extension job.

MacDonald, Young & Nelson are busy on their two jobs. One lo-Bay Bridge approach and the other

The arbitrator has not handed down this ruling on the Theo. Meyer & Son case in connection with Charles Harney Co. has a good their job at Mole Hall. However, the same issue will be brought out in our negotiations with the Associated General Contractors, and whatever the outcome, the Union

AGC Talks Underway

As this issue of the Engineers News goes to press, contract talks with the Associated General Contractors are going into the second week. Full report on these negotiations will be carried in the June issue of the News.



CHANGING S.F. SKYLINE-Operating Engineers are having a big hand in re-shaping San Francisco's famous skyline these days, as several large buildings are underway in the downtown area. This view shows work on the big Zellerbach building at First and Market. Several pieces of equipment are at work tearing down old buildings (lower right), and laying foundation for the new structure. The famed Mechanics Statue, which labor saved from being put out in the bushes at Golden Gate Park, stands prominently at the intersection (lower right).

Supreme Court Says Health Funds Protected By Employer 'Wage' Bond

In a decision of far-reaching significance for negotiated health and welfare funds, and for other employee benefit funds, the U.S. Supreme Court last week ruled that the trustees of a health and welfare fund were entitled to recover contributions due to funds from "wage" payment bonds required on federal construction projects.

Bonding companies have heretofore argued that contributions to health and welfare funds are not of workers. guaranteed by bonds required on

public projects for the protection

The U.S. high court gave its decision in a dispute growing out of master labor agreements between contractors and the Carpenters, Laborers and Cement Masons of Northern California, and centered about an incident in which the Carter Construction Company of California went out of business be-

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Hensley Equipment

In the East Bay

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SAN RAFAEL Car! Warner Lloyd Cowen Pauline M. Bradley SANTA ROSA

John Armbrust Otis Brookin

Conclusion of difficulties with the Hensley Equipment Co. in the East Bay and signing of an agreement with this firm, was reported by Local 3 representatives last

The agreement was signed as of May 13. This step marks the end of several months of picketing and start of what is hoped will be a long period of good relations with the firm.

Announcement of the agreement is being released for the information of all persons or firms having any association with Hensley Equipment Co.

"We hope in the future to have harmonious relations with Mr. Hensley and his firm," said Bro. Al Clem of the Oakland office of



REPORT OF LAST MEETING, LOCAL UNION

at 8:25 p.m., President Clancy presiding. There were approximately 1043 members present.

President Clancy

I would like to have the Executive Board members up in front please.

We have with us tonight the President of the San Francisco Labor Council, Jack Goldberger-a good friend of mine. (Members applauded).

I will call on the Secretary for Roll Call of Officers. Secretary Mathews

Called Roll and all officers were noted present. Roll is called Mr. Chairman.

President Clancy

Minutes of the last Regular Meeting.

Secretary Mathews

Mr. Chairman-I have here the synopsis of the last Regular Meeting Minutes of April 6, 1957. Synopsis read.

President Clancy

Brothers-you have head the reading of the minutes of the last Regular Meeting. From the floor-I move the Minutes be adopted. Motion seconded, President Clancy -It was regularly moved and seconded the minutes be adopted. Are there any objection? Hearing none, as submitted. Executive Board Minutes.

Secretary Mathews

I have here the synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of April 17, 1957. Minutes read, President Clancy

Brothers-you have heard the reading of the Executive Board Minutes. What is your pleasure? Brother from floor-I move adoption. Motion seconded. President Clancy-It was regularly moved and seconded the minutes be adopted. Is there any objections? Hearing none, as submitted. President Clancy

Communications.

Secretary Mathews

Cards of thanks received from President Clancy

Let us have a little order down there so you can hear more.

Brothers from floor Let us turn the P.B.X up so we can hear it.

President Clancy

I have it wide open now. Secretary Mathews

Cards of thanks read from Mrs. Thomas E. Ferguson and family; Mrs. Andrew J. Whitehead and family; Mrs. Erma Hahn; Michael 'Prescott; Mrs. Irene O'Regan and family; Mrs. Arthur Phillips and family. All were received and filed. President Clancy

Sick list Brother Mathews.

Secretary Mathews

Mr. Chairman-the following were reported ill during the month of April: Jack E. Anderson, B. D. Borden, Lewis Bowman, Lawrence Bunting, Jr., LeRoy M. Brown, Sherman D. Branscum, Clarence D. Brophy, James J. Bluff, Lloyd E. Bauer, E. C. Bennett, Charles Crawford, Keith Chesney, E. D. Cooper, Egidio Croci, Joseph P. Carrigan, Thomas Craig, Claude O. Davis, Tom Eaton, Geo. Ernest, Albert G. Goss, Sr., Daniel Gurney, Louis Hansen, John L. Harriger, Otto E. Hars, N. D. Hatcher, James D. Ivy, Mondell Jewkes, J. J. Johnson, Horance Jones, E. M. Kupers, Edw. F. Kaffka, T. D. Kime, Alonzo Kimmel, Marvin Lachney, Alex S. Leonesio, Edmund McRae, Roy C. Maxwell, Manuel L. Miller, F. G. Morse, Charles Marsac, A. H. Muel-Ier, William Mohawk, James Nardinelli, Elzie C. Omary, Martin E. Paisley, Gene Peterson, Richard Pfau, Miguel Pantoja, Walter M. Proebstel, Wendell E. Park, Lynn A. Phares, Louis N. Rogan, Paul A. Smart, Joe A. Stalteri, Thurman Story Arthur Stout, John Shaffer, Joseph Silveria, Robert Strickland, Edward Sylvain, Carl Thomason, Ervin Tobler, Jerome D. Theisen, John Underwood, George R. West, Paul E. Williamson, Walter Whipp, Ernest U. Webster, Edward E. Willhoyt, Leon H. Witt, Ted E. Ward, Solen B. Welton, C. F.

Yeager.

The meeting was called to order Brothers were reported deceased; gineers Local No. 3 has or have been elected not by a majority vote | Local 59. In those fifty years I have David T. Collett, A. L. Phillips, requested the International Union alone but by an overwhelming ma-Donald H. King, Antone F. Rapoza, Whitehead, Thomas E. Ferguson, C. J. Allen, Wayne E. Wooley, William Lee Duncan. The membership stood one minute in silence in respect to our deceased Brothers. President Clancy

If there is no objection we are going to dispense with the reports of the business representatives inasmuch as there is so much other business - like the A.G.C. Agreement and things I know you want to hear about, and talk about, I am going to dispense with business agents reports if there are no objections. Hearing none-business agents reports stand suspended. Brother Swansn-

Brother Swanson

We have very important business tonight. Can you hear me? (Members from floor-a little louder). This thing doesn't work good-I will try it. We have two propositions that are going to come before us tonight-one that you are very much interested in, I know, has to do with the agreement with the A.G.C. The Committee - Negotiating Committee-will report on that and it will probably require some time. The other proposition is a resolution that is going to be presented to this organization for your consideration. I am not going into details now-I am going to hand the resolution to our seccretary to read. I will answer any questions you may have.

Secretary Mathews

Mr. Chairman - The resolution referred to by Brother Swanson is as follows: (members from floorcan't hear you). Secretary Mathews-you all have a copy. The resolution was read as follows:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it has been rumored that one or more members of Operating Engineers, Local No. 3 has or have requested the International Union to take over the administration of the affairs of Local 3 and,

WHEREAS, the general membership of Local 3 is shocked by such rumors by reason, among other things, of the fact that International intervention or interference with the administration of a local union is justifiable and permissible only where there exists circumstances indicating a dire emergency which threatens the very existence and well being of either the local or the International Union, and no other circumstances can justify the deprivation of self-government to any group of free people or the removal from the control of such International was about to come free people of the funds and assets which they have accumulated over the years, and

and direction of Victor Swanson the Union has progressed from a point where it had little funds to its standing today as a Union having assets approximating \$2,720,000, and

WHEREAS, Local 3 has grown to a membership of over 20,000 members, and

WHEREAS, the working conditions and wages of the membership have been constantly and consistently improved, and

WHEREAS, the Union is adminand exemplary manner and the financial records and books are audited quarterly by Burrows and Wilson, Certified Public Accountants, and

WHEREAS, in truth and in fact the manner and efficiency of the administration of Local 3 makes it one of the outstanding examples of true trade unionism to such degree that it serves as an inspiration to the labor movement as an example of the achievements and results possible in a free and democratic association of working peo-

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that if there is any truth in the rumor that one or Mr. Chairman - the following more members of Operating En-

to take over the administration of Jr., Beverly Key, Wm. L. Keeton, the affairs of Local 3 the general W. J. Hynes, Peter C. Lapioli, A. J. membership of Local 3 hereby repudiates and condemns such ac-Merritt, A. Hillhouse, R. L. Holt, tion and hereby further requests Albert G. Walters, Wm. G. Ross, the International Union to disregard completely any such communications from any such persons, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Union resists by all legal means at its command, financial and otherwise, any action by the International Union to deprive the membership of this Union of their right of self-government in any manner whatsoever and to resist by such means any infringement of any kind or character on the local autonomy of the membership of Local 3, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Victor Swanson, local union manager, who over the years has been elected to this position by all of the members of Local 3 and its branches, be and is hereby authorized, with the cooperation of the Executive Board, to take any action necessary to preserve and protect the good name of Local 3 and to maintain the rights of the members of Local 3 to the self-government they have always enjoyed under his administration, and for these purposes to expend funds of Local 3 in such manner and at such times and in such amounts as he, with the cooperation of the Executive Board, shall deem necessary and proper.

President Clancy

We will have a word from Brother Swanson on the Resolution,

Brother Swanson

Mr. President and Brothers: I was looking around and I realize the condition in this hall—the fact that there aren't chairs for all of you-there are people standing up. It is not our fault-this is the largest hall that we have been able to secure for this most important meeting. Inasmuch as this is a regular meeting, you can readily see what (members from floorlouder). Can you hear me? (members from floor-louder). All right?

I have been a member of the International Union for fifty years last April, and this is the most important meeting I have ever attended during those fifty years. Can you hear me? (members from floor-ves).

We are confronted with a situation tonight that I have never in all my life been confronted with before. We are confronted with a proposition that there is a rumor -and a rumor, in my opinion, that came from the City of Washington. D. C. The papers had it that the in and take over this organization The rumor, as I said before, is sufficient to warrant calling this WHEREAS, under the leadership meeting. Tonight we are confronted with a situation that I will try to discuss-if you will bear with me a few minutes.

We have the best organization and the largest organization within our International-but above all, we have the most Democratic organization of any Union in the world today, and I will challenge any man to contradict that statement. Your officers are electednot by a crooked election like they have in some locals but by honest elections, where every member has istered in a democratic, efficient a right to see the ballots. Throughout the years, your officers have

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jority! as a matter of fact nobody even had any opposition in our last election. Your officers have done a good job for you for the last eighteen (18) years. Eighteen (18) years ago we started in the hole some \$3,000. Today we have 20,370 members and instead of \$3,000 in the hole we have a fund—or an assetfund—of \$2,720,000. This has been done by the present administration. It has been accomplished by the officers which you have elected from year to year, including your manager. It has been a struggle-a desperate struggle at times when we have had to preserve this organization from the acts of certain individuals who would have liked to destroy it. We have no room in this organization for the type who, with a wicked eye, have done everything possible to try and destroy this organization. We have spent several thousand of dollars-yes, we have spent a fortune to protect our lives and our Union, I have no apology to make to any man for that. No man would apologize for that! We have built up the greatest local within the International successfully, honestly, and uprightiously.

Here we are confronted tonight with a proposition that there are those who would like to take over. That is the rumor. Can you imagine that? Could any sane man imagine that those conditions would ever exist? In this great country of ours men-real men-do not sneak up from behind. Any man in this Union has a right to run for officepresident, manager, secretaryfreely-but he must be elected by the majority, not by a handful of hypocrites that would destroy us if they could. In America everybody has the same right.

I would not waste my breath talking if I did not believe our people would fight to death to preserve this freedom. I would not waste my time. I have seen too much for that. We are a free people and the majority rules and must rule forever.

I am well aware that tomorrow belongs to the YOUTH. I am not unmindful of the good book telling us that three score and ten years was our limit, but medical science has prolonged life in some instances. We know that the young may die but the OLD MUST DIE, and for that reason I say to you, We are confronted with a situation tonight where someone in our midst wants to take this Union over, but I do not think they will get your help. I will never submit to slavery. I know you would not want a dietatorship-which I despise and hate. I could use better language if it was not for certain people here tonight. People rebel against dictatorship,

We are not confronted with a problem tonight - between local autonomy and dictatorship. I, for one, will never submit to dictatorship and I'll never submit to slavery. The issue is between a free people and slavery.

Many years ago, or may I say centuries ago, the struggle was then for freedom and through one century after another, that struggle continued that there might someday be freedom. The same thing went on and on, but at last a great republic was born. A republic that wrote into its very constitution the greatest document ever concerived by human mind. It gave every man the right to own his own soul-the right that he be counted as one and no less. No man is born great enough to be anyone's master without his consent. That great document gives us that right. Those who signed the Declaration of Independence were willing to give their lives and their ALL for liberty. All would have died on the scaffold had they lost that war for freedom. I am not speaking only of to-

night but of a lifetime-my lifetime. I have been a member for 50 years. In 1906 I became a member of Local 77 Piledriving Engineers and in 1911 the Engineers

spent at least 35 years fighting the fight of organized labor and for this Union and others. I have been honored and privileged to be elected and have served the members as best I could. There is no man living who can challenge my statement, or any officer of this Union who would do so. We have fought for this Union and we will continue to fight until we are burned out. I carry the scars of the battle-I have lost one eye and the hearing in one ear. These are scars I will take with me to my grave. What did I do it for? I did it to preserve this organization-to preserve this organization against many skunks. I have better words than that, but I refuse to use them. They would take this Union away from you and give it to the Commies and fellow-travelers-people that have no thoughts for others. I apologize to no living man and never will for whatever has been done to offset these people. No one in this country will ever succeed in overthrowing this Union, They will not succeed because this Union has always elected officers to preserve and fight for the Union. We should be honored and respected because we have built the greatest organization within our International I use the word greatest, because it is true. We have nothing to apologize for. I will carry the scars. I have fought for the labor movementand I don't expect, or want, any sympathy for having done so. BUT I don't want my life challenged because of the people I have been honored to serve.

There are rumors going around that I no longer represent this Union-imagine that? I do not represent this Union! The members have elected me year after year, practically without opposition-and yet they say I no longer represent you. I want you to vote tonight and see whether or not I represent you. If you say I do not represent the member-I would rather walk out of this place and never come back, after all these years and the struggle for conditions that we have made for the Union, You would not hurt my feelings-and I will not apologize-for everyone has a group of enemies-people who would not protect a man who fought their fights and would turn him down because of a few skunks. That is their right. Who would ever think this? I do not believe there was ever a time in the history of my life in the labor movement and in this Union where the people I have been honored to serve, have not been with me. If they do not support this resolution I will shed no tears I have told that I would hesitate to think people in this Union would degrade themselves to that extent. I don't want to talk much more on this resolution. We have lots of other business. A motion has been presented to you and I could talk to you in detail in connection with this matter, for I know something about it-but I am not going to appeal to you in that way. I have seen the sad side of life and I've seen many fall by the wayside, and you know it. The greatest answer to all of you and the greatest answer that I know of in the labor movement is this-that together we have built the greatest organization of all-the best and the most democratic. I want to thank you for listening.

Members applaud.

President Clancy You have heard the Resolution read. Do I head a second to the resolution? (From the floor-I second the motion.) Anything on the question?

Brother Leerberg

I would like to ask if there is an International Representative from the International at this meeting. Brother Swanson

Right here sits one.

President Clancy Brother Swanson is Sixth Vice-President.

Brother ?? I think we should have the other (Continued on Next Page)

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(Continued from Preceding Page) side of this question. What seems to be the trouble? I am new here. Brother Swanson

Somebody is trying to take over is Union.

Brother ??

I want to know more about it. I am from Arizona. I just came in. President Clancy

Here is a copy of the resolution. Brother Leerberg

I want to know more about it. nave a copy of the resolution but I want to know more about it. I think I have the right, I am a dues paying member in this Organization and I think I have the right to know what is going on. Whether I vote yes or whether I te no-if Brother Clancy will give me the permission-I would like to know more about it. What brought this on-what is the ramification? I want to know.

President Clancy

On the question-Brother Swanson gave you a pretty good exination.

Brother Leerberg

I would like to hear more about

President Clancy

We will probably hear more about it. Open up-louder brother om the floor - go up to the mike). There is a brother talking. Come up here and talk in the mike. Whoever wants to talk on this question come up here and use this mike. I will set it down where you can use it. O.K .- Brothers-on the question.

other Worth

Mr. Chairman-members of Local 3.

President Clancy Let us have a little order.

Brother-the floor is yours.

Brother Worth I have belonged to this Organion for quite some time (from

the floor-how long?). Before I belonged here I belonged to an organization that was run by a memer from the International. You think you have troubles-and you think the Russians dealt the Hungrians trouble? You just let one these sit in the chair where Victor S. Swanson is sitting right now (members applaud). After this is all over with and it comes time to ote I hope each and every one of you do give wholehearted support and vote for Victor S. Swanson to p him manager of Local Union . . 3.

President Clancy

I won't recognize anyone except if they talk in the mike. Let's have little order.

Brother Simon

I will tell you what you want to know. You have asked to hear the er side. I am going to try and give you some of it. It is impossible to give you all of it. I am not going to wander all over the counto the resolution. It was mentioned outside interests-the papers-say in the resolution that it was only e "umor. If it is only a rumor then . / all this propaganda of presenting a resolution on the floor I have not heard the rumor-I don't ruestion it as a fact—but that is sesides the point (member from the floor-"not besides the pointlet us get right down to it.") Brother Simon

et me read-you brothers have not got the sense or the decency to have order. How are you going vote intelligently on the resolucon. Let me read this in part:

"Whereas the general membership of Local 3 is shocked by such ors by reason, among other unigs, of the fact that International intervention or interference with the administration of a local nion is justifiable and permissible only where there exists circumstances indicating a dire emergency which threatens the very existand well-being of either the local union or the International Union, and no other circumstances can justify the deprivation of self-

vernment to any group of free people or the removal from the control of such free people of the funds and assets which they have nulated over the years."

Brother from the floor Have that man introduce him-

self.

esident Clancy This is Brother George Simon.

Brother Simon

I became a member in 1925. If it is just a question of dire necessity then the rumor should not inter-

Brother Clem

Mr. Chairman-I would like to ask a question-(lots of noise) Mr. Chairman-I would like to ask the Brother a question through the chair. (He was recognized by President Clancy.) Is this the same George Simon that sued this local union for \$50,000 at one time?

Brother Simon

\$30,000. President Clancy

He says \$30,000.

Brother Clem

That is all I want to ask. (Boos, Boos, Boos from the floor),

Brother Simon

You got your point over very well. But how much did you cost this local I would like to know. There is a statement in the resolution-(boos, boos, boos from the floor)-in regard to a statement in the resolution that the International is taking over this local-at the time the organization took over they didn't have any money. Let me tell you for your information at the time the organization took over, there was \$3000 in the local treasury. It was not broke. It is true that under international supervision in 1939 we owed \$40,000 -(boos, boos, boos from the floor) Brother Swanson

Point of order. He is not talking on the question.

President Clancy

You are not talking on the question Brother Simon. Cut it out. Brother Simon

In regard to the statement this is a democratic union let me ask you gentlemen if you know how much your business agent is getting? (Boos, boos, boos). Inasmuch as I can't talk any more I will leave the floor.

Brother?

I didn't know before what he was talking about - the International taking over. I am new in this local. I have been in a local where the International took over. I was talking about rumors. When you hear a rumor, do something about it. They take over the money -kick the officers out. If they take over, I know then you are just S.O.L. I was a member of 1304 before the steel workers took that over and they kicked out every good member in it. It was all they had to do to get to handle the cash. Sign that over and they got it. Nothing we can do about it. So we can work on it now to keep them out and keep Swanson in. (Members applauded.)

Brother Glenn King

Regardless of all the propaganda in the papers against our Union, and one thing and another, we had better keep this out of the International. Keep local autonomy y. I am going to stay pretty much in here, regardless of what the against the Union; regardless of whether they are trying to cause disunity in our local; regardless of that, we had better stay out of it better not let the International take us over. We had better keep what we have. There are a lot of rumors going around - they are easy to start. I have heard some propaganda started in the paper. I have heard a hell of a lot that the manager-he is crooked, etc., but by God I am going to tell you when it is published in our own paper our financial statement-by public accountants, by all accountants, by International accountants -we should be the ones to know. The paper would take it right away. The public has had that before. I think we had better stay out of the International and carry this on through. If there is any dissatisfaction in the election of officers-there is an election coming up. We will handle our own affairs. (Members applauded.)

Brother Don Meifert

I would like to say something about this. We have a pretty good union. I was a member of Local 70. It took them seven years to get the International off their back. What did they have? They were the laughing stock in the Bay area. It is easy to heckle. It is pretty damn easy to criticize. By God I tell you if we don't keep it-you make a complete up-to-date report. from each side. We spent the en-

the barn." Now is the time to act before that crummy outfit does move in on us.

Brother Tom Combest

The International deal is something you should study pretty hard. I was in Local 12 and that's after we came out of it. It took a good six years to get back where we were a decent union. It is just now happening. It was hard times. We sat still and didn't get any place. Got nothing. We were behind everybody from 40c down to 20c and up to 50c. As far as I am concerned if the International takes our local in, I am going back where I was. It does you no good. Thanks. Brother John Harvey

Mr. Chairman and Brothers: I think Victor Swanson stated the case pretty well but one thing he overlooked is that today there is an attack by Congress and Senate and National Association of Manufacturers, or Chamber of Commerce, and everybody else against the labor movement. Therefore if there is any reason that they can think of, they are going to take out after the labor movement. A few years ago you would not have seen Victor Swanson's picture on the front page of the San Francisco papers, but today, because of the fact that there is an organized attack upon the labor movement. every question is a front page picture and headline. This you just take into consideration-that today, more than ever, there is the question of solidarity in the labor movement. If they can drive one little wedge against the business manager - against the business agents or even the members-if they can drive that little wedge to smash it and the rights of the labor movement-they have done the same thing in the Teamsters-they will do the same thing to every branch of the labor movement. Let us stick together for the good of the rank and file-stick together and back up the officers. I take

Brother Swanson. Brother Wayne

My name is Wayne. I came in this Local in 1927-No. 641-Steam and Operating Engineers. I first met Brother Swanson when we amalgamated in 59. He has always fought for the Union, doing a good job. I say we keep him,

From the floor

Call for the previous question. I make a motion for new business Brother Leerberg On the question Mr. Chairman,

President Clancy

Previous question has been called for. Are you ready for the previous question? All those in favor of the previous question signify by saying Aye. Contrary minded, no. Ayes have it. So ordered.

Brother Swanson

Let's have a standing vote. President Clancy

Too many men standing-can't count the no's. The Ayes have it. Unanimous.

Brother Swanson

I would like to answer a statement made a few minutes ago that the papers are full of my pictures. but upon advice of my attorney I am not permitted to discuss the one which you probably noted in matter although I would be most the newspaper - provisions were happy to do so. All I can say is made for either paid vacations thank God we live in America or supplementary unemployment where honest courts decide wheth- benefits, whichever the members er a man is guilty or innocentnot the newspapers, communists or might be well to discuss it if you fellow travellers. Now, I must say, that this is indeed a democratic with the Employer at this point. organization when it allows a In the first meeting, I might point skunk and a hypocrite-one who out, they refused the entire prohas done everything possible to hurt this organization over the years-to stand on this floor and talk.

Brother from the floor

I make a motion to proceed with the regular order of business. Motion seconded.

President Clancy

Brothers-we will proceed with the regular order of business. Brother Swanson

Brothers-first I want to thank you for what you have done. Now you have most important business before you-business that you are all interested in pertaining to the craft in which we make our living. The Negotiating Committee is all present tonight, ready and able to the committee was reduced to five

the door after the horse is out of to try and consummate the agree- and cussing at times. We got abment with the A.G.C. We publish- solutely no where. They are appared a special contract edition of our ently attempting to get behind newspaper and sent a copy to ev- them the other crafts before they ery member in California so that have to wrestle with us. As you you would all be familiar with know they have settled with the what is taking place in the nego- 42 County Carpenter group, and tiations. We received thousands of the Laborers, The Carpenters came letters from members with sug- out with a somewhat better settlegestions of every kind, and these ment than the Laborers. They still were all studied and given full have the Cement Finishers and consideration by your negotiating Teamsters to go. Brother Swanson committee.

President Clancy

I would like to hear from the negotiating committee, Brother Vandewark-do you want to report?

Brother Vandewark:

Mr. Chairman and Brothers: This is rather a difficult task to report to you on-something that has not happened. As pointed out previously, your committee spent not a few hours but hundreds of hours preparing an entire new agreement. This was reported to you at the last meeting. We cancelled out our previous agreement in its entirety. We started from scratch with an entire new agreement. You have received this last week our special edition of the paper, pointing out the important issues. Of course we couldn't print all the agreement in the paper, but printed for your benefit the important issues that we felt to be of most value to you so that you would know what your negotioning committee was attempting to do. In our first meeting I might tell you first, that the Employers had our proposals for better than 10 days before they found time to meet us. They were busy meeting with laborers, teamsters, cement finishers. They finally met with us on the 29th and 30th. We did meet with them for 2 days. You may have noticed in the paper. I will just refer to several important issues-No. 1-The seniority and job security clause. Something we have never had in the agreement before -something that is vitally needed in this organization of ours for everyone of us. We have representatives sitting in this hall that come from states where you have the right to work law. If we ad in our master contract a seniority and job provision like we have prepared in this agreement, we would not care how many state laws-right to work lays-they wrote-this agreement would protect you and protect you by the priority right that you worked on the job and worked in the industry and therefore had a priority. It is one of the backbones of the agreement. As I recall - some brother at the last meeting raised the issue - how about job security. Brothers - if you studied that particular section in the contract-you will find it covers job security. Job security over the person who may come in from the outside. Job securitywherever they may be in this northern part of California-from the various offices of the local union. So much for that section of the agreement.

The other sections outlined I think you fairly understand-except I would like to touch upon choose to take. At this point it wish. We have not got that far posal. They even refused those sections from the original agreement. We were not willing to work from the original agreement. The agreement had two days to run the first day that we met. They relinquished their position somewhat and then started to discuss the agreement. There was very little difference between the first day and the second. They okayed 7 clauses in the agreement-mind you-7 clauses. From 27 in the agreement they okayed 7. The seven clauses okayed were seven clauses from the previous agreement. Liberal they are trying to be. I have not much more to report.

The following day-second dayknow the old saying "Don't close We have all worked day and night tire day arguing and discussing

pointed out that we are meeting again on Monday. I don't know what the outcome will be - can only guess. Brothers, you are in for a fight. We are attempting to get what you are entitled to and the rest of the union security provisions and job security provisions that you are entitled to.

President Clancy: Brother Clem .. Brother Clem

Mr. Chairman and Brothers: The previous speaker covered the negotiations fairly well. There are a couple of points that I would like to bring out at this time. In making up the agreement, as Brother Vandewark told you, the Agreement has not been changed since 1947-the proposals were worked on several days from suggestions that were written in to the Manager; suggestions from the different business agents in this area, and from the Executive Board, and in my opinion we submitted to the contractors a very god agreement. contractors a very good agreement. from the contractors. We may have a little trouble but I think we will get it. The classifications have all been re-grouped. We are going to get all we can for you. We are going to do the best job we can. As it has been stated, it will be submitted to the membership for ratificaion and at that time you can accept it or reject it. The hiring clause is very important for our existence. As it has been pointed out, the right-to-work law is in several states. I think that the hiring clause is very important in our agreement. Regarding a pension-we are shooting for a pension plan for you. That is nothing new to many members who are in the hall who work under contracts where the employer pays them a pension plan. I hope we will be successful in negotiating a pension plan. I do not stand here in front of you saying we are going to get a pension plan, I am saying that the whole committee and executive board and all business agents are going to shoot as far as we can to get the best agreement that we can. While I am on my feet I would like to make a motion. I would like at this time to make a motion that the Negotiating Committee be empowered to take such routine and economic action as may be necessary among individuals contractors that we have no agreement with at this time, in order to get the submit to you. Motion seconded by brother from the floor.

President Clancy

You have heard the motion. Anything on the question? Brother from the Floor

Do you mean strike action or not?

Brother Clancy

In case we need to. Anything further on the question? Those in favor say Aye, Ayes. Contrary minded? None. So ordered. Brother Foss-you wanted the floor? Brother Foss

Mr. Chairman and Brothers: I am your Vice-President, register number 147568, I offer no apology to you for any action that I have ever taken since I have been a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers, (From the floor-how long?) Mr. Chairmanthe Brother does not realize that there are women present and I can't conduct my speech the way I usually do.

President Clancy

Brother Foss-we are still reporting on the negotiating committee. Go ahead.

Brother Foss

I want to tell you I have no apologies to make since I have been a member in the International Union of Operating Engineers-personally, for my action of myself as an officer or any action as rep-

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Weather, Talks Slow Up Marysville Area

By LES COLLETT, C. R. Van WINKLE and BILL WEEKS Business Representatives

Due to weather and contract negotiations work in this district has really been slowed up. However, "all is not lost" as the saying goes. First, we have a few men at Beale Air Force Base and when it gets drier we will have more, in fact around 105 members on the job. They have one shift going at present and will start a second shift soon, weather per-

mitting, R. A. Westbrook Morrison & Knudsen Inc. and H. Earl Parker have the contract. Olive Pope is project manager, Don Westbrook and Bro. Del Hoyt are shift superintendents Bro. Dallas Mathews is master mechanic, Brothers Clem Marchant and Glen Dedman are

The two tunnel jobs, which were due to be let in Feather River, on the relocations of the W. P. railroad, were postponed due to labor contract negotiations. It seems that the Contractors didn't know what wage scales to use, therefore May 15, 1957 is the new date. Also 13 million dollars of hiway work is called for bids on that date.

H. Earl Parker Co. was low bidder on the approaches of the Simpson Lane Bridge, \$22,000. Pacific Bridge Co. were the low bidders on the 5th Street bridge between Marysville and Yuba City at a cost of \$1,421,735 and we understand this job is to start right away. We have a few men on the large bridge No change in the welfare insurjob for C. K. Moseman at Nicolaus but don't know what will happen know of, except a reduction in the there over the pre-stressed concrete beef. Souza & McCue Co. with Bro. Bill Adams in charge are ring the possibility of last minute putting in the approaches on the East side of the Nicolous Bridge. in the offing to consider the re-Morrison & Knudsen Co., Inc. have sults. a bridge job for the W. P. railroad at Rock Creek Dam. Bill Francis, a rebel from Texas, is superintendent and Roy Keyes is shifter.

Baldwin and Parker Co., joint job north of town. B. C. Richter been exactly to our liking, it has Oroville district. Utah Bates & to par now that the crews are orcrushing rock at Rodgers Flat for the upper Tunnel jobs. Darkenare getting started on their Caribou Dam job. M. & K. Co. are for reports on progress. starting on Caribou powerhouse tunnels, surge chamber and penstock, O. K. Mittry has a few men on his large road job east of Spring Garden and will add more men as the dirt gets drier. Bechtel are doing pretty good on their powerhouse and dam on the Poe Project. Lester L. Rice & Sons have been doing quite a bit of work around this area. They also have a job going in Adin. This company seems to always have a good sized crew working the year around.

Frederickson & Watson at the Arbuckle freeway job are getting under way again. They have their hot plant and crusher set up about six miles west of Arbuckle. They have about 16,000 ton of plant mix | Concrete Pipe Industry: and Williams on Hiway 20. W. H. O'Hair had the sub moving the borrow on this job. A. Teichert & Sons at Chico are doing a few small jobs around. Also they are setting up a big gravel plant and hot plant west of Chico, Bro. Ken Fox is the district superintendent for this company. Our good Brother Ted McIntosh who has Mack Sand & Gravel near Orland says business is picking up for him. Cecil Hulse has moved back in to finish the levee job he started last fall.

Other than this work has been very slow getting started in this

Odie Hicks, Utility greaser for H. Earl Parker, was in a car accident and has a compound fracture of the leg and will be laid up for a year the doctor said.

-Les Collett & Bill Weeks

INDUSTRIAL REPORT Report on Negotiations:

At this time of the year the memberships' interest naturally turns to thoughts of the progress of the negotiations, and the following is a brief outline of the progress to date. For more details attend your regular meetings.

Natomas Company: with the company, resulting in the 3, 1957 at 4:15 p.m. in the Lincoln

Notice to Members On Check-off

Every month out of the Marysville office several hundred envelopes are mailed to the membership on the checkoff containing their monthly buttons and dues stamps. Each month some of these are returned marked "Move-No forwarding address," etc. Hereafter upon the return of such mail no button or dues stamp will be again mailed out until we hear from the member.

So if you do not receive your monthly button or dues stamp, please contact the office or the undersigned so that we can correct your address, if it has been changed, or the post office if they are in error. Thank you.

best negotiated wage offer to date. ance as it is still the best that we cost to the membership of the additional disability insurance. Barminor changes a special meeting is

Yuba Consolidated:

This agreement expires one month after the Natomas Company agreement and traditionally the negotiations have been carried after venture are doing the finishing the Natomas Company negotiations touches on the Simmerly slough are well along. While this hasn't Co. have a few jobs around the had its advantages and, of course, it's disadvantages. On the whole it Rogers Co. are pouring concrete hasn't worked out too badly, for on their Poe Tunnel and about up at least, we know the minimum that can be expected. When we ganized. A, Teichert & Sons are reach the point where we have gone as far as possible or a final report can be made a special meetwald, Harms and M. & K. Co., Inc. ing will be called. In the meantime attend your regular meetings

Gladding, McBean and Co.

Pension negotiations have already started, but no progress at this writing. Negotiations on the agreement and wages opened Monday, May 6th and continued into Tuesday. However, it is too early to hazard a report as yet.

We can, we believe, anticipate a better agreement and increased wages, if the results of other negotiations in the clay industry can be used as a criterion. In this case also, we advise attendance at the General Membership Meetings at which will be made full and complete reports and your advice and council sought.

to lay near Williams, which will be We are just preparing for meetmixed at their plant. Buddy & Son ing with these companies and no are coming right along on their meetings have been held to date. surfacing job between Meridian There is one thing we do not anticipate this year and that is the dragging out of the negotiations as has happened in the past.

This year the pipe companies apparently are much busier than they have been the last two years and we do not believe there will be any reason for any delay this year as the pattern will be pretty well established by the expiration date of these agreements.

Meeting Announcements:

Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields: This unit meets the fourth Monday of each month and the next meeting will be held Monday, May 27, 1957 in the Engineers Hall, 1010 "Eye" Street, Marysville the following times:

10 a.m. for those unable to attend the night meeting.

7:30 p.m. for the Day and Graveyard shifts.

The Natomas Company: The next membership meeting for the members employed by this company will be held Monday, June 3, 1957 in the Veterans Club, Folsom, at the following times:

10 a.m. for those unable to attend the night meeting. 7:30 p.m. for those able to at-

tend the night meeting. Gladding, McBean and Company: Several meetings have been held Joint Board meets Monday, June

Industrial Council Office, Lincoln. All Board Members are urged to be present as these are important meetings. General Membership Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 11, 1957 at 4:15 p.m. in the City He'l Auditorium, Lincoln.

Concrete Pipe Companies: This meeting will be a joint meeting of the membership of the Laborers, Teamsters and Local No. 3 employed both in the plants and on installation work, both agriculture and construction, and will be held Monday, June 10, 1957 at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall, Gridley. Work Report:

Gold dredging is staggering along at its lowest ebb in a number of years with no hope of improvement unless the yield improves or the price of gold is increased, a rather hopeless dream, at least, at present.

Yuba Manufacturing Company's dismantling work is using quite a number of the dredger men with one dredge practically dismantled and another to start. Fairly authentic information lead us to believe that there may be more. If so, some of the boys may have several months work ahead of them.

Demand for concrete pipe seems to be much better this year with all the plants from fairly to very busy. This has been caused by a large demand for concrete pipe on the Beale job, several road jobs and considerable more agriculture jobs. Of course this pipe must be made in advance and doesn't mean that that work is in high gear as

Gladding, McBean and Company has apparently reached the end of its slow period, which, incidently, wasn't as slow this past winter as in former years and has started to call men back, and hire new ones. As this plant's main production is sewer pipe and telephone conduit this should mean a shot in the arm to the construction boys.

PERSONAL NOTES

Brother Walter Heflin, of Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields, suffered an unfortunate accident while on a visit to the State of Oklahoma. A trailer being pulled by a car blew a tire which threw the trailer into Brother Heflin, demolishing his car and putting his wife and himself in the hospital. They since have been released from the hospital and have returned home, but it will be about three months before Brother Heflin will be able to work, according to his report. . . Brother Charles Forsman, of the same company who underwent a hernia operation recently, has suf-Brother Sam Isaminger of the

Natomas Company who suffered a heart attack some months ago has among many of the building being recovered sufficiently to return to demolished on "Eye" street bework. . . . Brother Kimmel, Tower between 7th and 8th is just about Operator at Gladding, McBean & Company who underwent surgery recently is well on the way to recovery and expects to return to work soon.

-C. R. Van Winkle.

SACTO IS BUSY ON KEY HIGHWAYS

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

Job reports here in the capitol of this great state are morfavorable than some of the bills coming out of this session 6.2legislation affecting organized labor. Take note of how your candidate voted and remember next election.

Contracts awarded during the month of April on highway and airfield projects in this area total more than 14 million dollars. These jobs will furnish employment for many of our brothers on our large out-of-work list. Employment has been on the rise steadily with few interruptions of rain.

The extension of runways at McClellan Field will be built by Gordon Ball and Goldon Ball, Inc., who were low bidders at \$1,982,-134. This same company were low bidders and have been awarded the Mather Field widening and extension of runways at a bid of \$7,-821,923.

A. Teichert & Son, Inc., was low bidder or Highway 50 at the city limits 13 miles east for grading and paving this busy section. Bid was for \$931,422. This company was also low bidder on the levee realignment on the American river. Two pumping plants and new levee construction will be done on this \$1,696,861 job. In addition to these jobs, this company has a \$203,440 resurfacing project on 36 miles of various highways in Sacramento, Yolo, El Dorado, and Placer counties. None of these jobs have gotten underway yet.

On the Rocky Ridge road from Roseville to Auburn-Folsom route Stecker and Scott will soon start operations on this \$389,896 "rocky" strip.

J. R. Reeves Company were awarded two contracts; one for \$140,187 for widening and paving Fair Oaks boulevard; the other for grading and surfacing streets at Parker Ave. district, amounting to \$123,815.

Highway work in the foothills of the great Sierras has started rolling. By the end of this season there will be many yards of dirt moved on these heavy grading projects-both routes 40 and 50. Weather has held them back, but they'll be getting in some good production soon.

Around the Lake Tahoe area some of the contractors have begun to stir a bit now that most of the snow is gone. Much activity is anticipated this coming season, Clements construction company are putting in a rock plant, batch plant, and hot plant at the north end of the lake near Truckee. Plans are in the making for a batch plant at the south end of the lake. The potential for this area is improving and we are ficiently recovered to be released happy to see some union contracfor work some time this month. tors moving in to this forgotten

Wrecking of the old labor temple wrecking contractor, will have this completed. Homer Arons, local site available for proposed parking facilities soon.

Thanks again to the brothers for suporting the best blod bank in

Local 3. Here are the donors for the months of April:

Howard B. Green Mrs. Gertrude Couch Eddie Teves C. E. Hutcheson Benny Lovett



A. L. PHILLIPS Wheatland, Calif., April 3, 1957

DONALD H. KING Rio Vista, Calif., April 6, 1957 ANTONE F. RAPOZA, Jr.

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Santa Rosa, Calif., April 30, 1957 WAYNE E. WOOLLEY Sonora, Calif., April 1957 ROBERT I. FADEL Vacaville, Calif., April 24, 1957

WALNUT CREEK, Contract awarded to Williams & Burrows, Inc., 500 Harbor Blyd., Belmont. \$1,448,770 for const. treatmen plant enlargement to increase design average flow capacity from 4/2 to 11 million gals, per day.,

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$931,422 fo abt. 13.9 mi. grade & pave w/pltmx, surf. on cem. tr. base, betw. Brighton & 0.5 mi. E, of Alder Creek, SACRAMENTO COUNT'

BERKELEY, Contract awarded to Ransome Co., 4030 Hollis St., Emeryville, \$109,111 for const. underground steam line Campanil Way Tunnel to Heart Mining, Berkeley Campus.

SACRAMENTO, cntract awa-1ed to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1. Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$136,662, for 23.6 mi. pltmx. surf. over exist. surf. var. locas., SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

Observe Safety Rules.

Cascade Wonderland

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

Activity is the by-word in the slowly moving in on the 11-mile summer. They were recently Cascade Wonderland District. With a variety of sizable jobs getting

underway as good weather sets in. However, more people are out of work in Shasta, Trinity, Tehama and Siskiyou County than ever before.. The cause of the wide-spread unemployment is the Trinity River Project. Letters and phone calls continue to pour in from all parts

of the United States, inquiring about work on the Trinity Project. New faces are showing up every day, seeking employment. The situation is alarming! After, the Project levels off there will only be about 1,000 men employed. At the present time we estimate there is enough men here to build four

Shea, Kaiser and Morrison are

projects of this kind.

Tunnel Project and it looks from here that they will be going underground in another-month or six

J. C. Compton Company of Mc-Minnville, Oregon, are moving in on their 27 miles of re-surfacing and black top job, reaching from Alturas to the Oregon Border,

W. H. Darrough & Son, of Yuba City, California were the successful bidders on the Bureau of Public Roads job at Willow Creek, Tehama County. The job is situated 26 miles West of Corning. There is approximately 700,000 yards of rock and much to be moved on the Project. Their bid was \$368,443.

It looks like Morgan Construction Company will be busy this and E. A. Turley.

awarded Contract by the S. Highway Dept. to improve Loadometer and Scale Stations at 12 locations; Shasta, Siskiyou, Te hama and Trinity counties. Dorman Construction Company

of Vancouver, Washington, are moving in on their road job, H way 99 between Yreka and Gazelle. The firm has signed our Master-Agreement!

Work is picking up in the s. northern counties. Also there are a number of New Projects to be

It is with deepest sympathy regret that we of the Reding office report the bereavement of two of our Good Brthers, Al Walter

What's Doing in the Oakland Area

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

The Alameda County and Contra Costa County area has wrecking the Holy Names School, had all kinds of weather during the last month. Most of it bad and as a result of this condition, the Brothers' working on jobs that have been opened up are getting some short work weeks. We have quite a variety of work in the two counties such as pipe lines, highways, dredging and the construction of numerous Industrial buildings and warehouses that have kept a good many Engineers employed. Johnson, Drake and Piper Co. of San Leandro, who was awarded the \$4,935,599 contract for that portion of the Eastshore Freeway between Fallon St. and Market St. in Oakland, have started to work. East Bay Excavators is the sub-contractor on this job and they will do the excavating. The Equipment shops are beginning to show signs of life again and we hope they will be in full swing again.

Grove, Shephard, Wilson & the double deck over-head freeway distribution structure on Cybrother's steadily employed for a period of two years and the brother's are proud of the job which they were a part of.

Ben C. Gerwick was awarded the contract from C. F. Braun for a \$300,000 job. This job consists of driving 370 pre-stress concrete piles which are 16" by 20" in diameter. They run between 60 and 70 feet long. The piles are being jetted 50 to 55 feet into the ground, This job is to be finished sometime in June. Fletcher Steele is Supt. Brother Leslie Peterson is on driver, Brother Virgil Idle as Fireman, Brother Jess Schneider is on the pumps and Brother Cliff Bakewell on a D-8 dozer. The P & Z Drilling Co. are drilling the holes for Ben Gerwick to set the pre-stress piles. Brother Glenn Gourly is on Boring machine with Brother Larry Peterson as his helper. This is the new Ethyl Plant being built between Pittsburg and Antioch.

Browne's Drilling Service is digging all the foundation pier holes for Bevilacqua Homes on Grant Avenue in San Lorenzo.

Brother Cliff Gray has moved his Fordson Backhoe in and is digging all the gas lines for the Auasumson Church in San Leandro. Brother Art Anderson is doing the oiling for him. He has approximately 800 ft. left to dig.

McGuire & Hester was awarded the \$43,807 contract for District 9 El Monte in Concord. There is 8000 ft. of sewer line to be put in with approximately 60 days time limit, Brother Al Fogt is loader operator, Brother C. E. Wilson is Klingman is the operator with on a trencher and Brother Frank Brother Bill McInturff as oiler. Dias is the oiler.

building a tank for Dow Chemical vision of Highways in Sacramento. in Pittsburg. Brother Eugene Roberts is operating equipment for the Boilermakers who are building the

Brother Frank Szendre and Brother John B. Lundgren are working for the P & Z Drilling Co. who are doing the drilling for Hilp & Roades. This is for the new shopping center that is now being built in Concord. Hilp & Roades are building a new Kahn's Department store and a new J. C. Penney's

Al Pereira has sub-contracted from Farry Granzatto all the dirt fill which is approximately 400,000 cubic yards to be placed at the end of Grant Avenue in San Lorenzo. This land will be developed for an Industrial Park. They are using M. J. B. Construction's Model 6 NW shovel to load the trucks, and are getting their dirt from the pit located at the corner of Castro and Jackson Sts. in Hayward.

* * * Brother Stan Price is digging all the foundation pier holes for Braddock, Logan & Valley Developers on Washington Avenue in San Leandro.

OAKLAND SKYSCRAPER

Oakland's Tribune Tower will soon be in a shadow as the steel continues to rise on the new 19th ing Co., who has the contract for Bragg, MENDOCINO COUNTY.

story First Western Bank build-Kruge have finished their job on ing at 14th and Broadway. The general contractor is Swinerton & Walberg. Brother Sam De Malt is press Street in Oakland. This job the Engineer on the material hoist has kept about twen'ty of the and Brother Bill Larsen is taking care of the compressors and welding machines for the "general." Bethlehem-Pacific Steel Co. is erecting the steel and furnishing the major part of entertainment for the sidewalk superintendents. Brother Tommy Thompson and Brother Bill Kaleb are operating the two Guy derricks that keep the steel moving from 14th Street to the 15th floor, while Brother Bill Karns keeps the Bethlehem compressors and generators in order.

> Pacific Coast Building is building a new elementary school on Happy Valley Road in Lafayette. This is one of many schools that are being built in the Contra Costa area to try to school the children. Brother Dare Everidge is the operator on the job raising the lumber in place for the school.

> Rose & Matoza have really been moving dirt in their job on the Bayo Vista Tract in Hayward. At the present time they have about twelve pieces of heavy equipment on the job working. Besides this job, they have started to place 200,-000 yards of fill dirt for a new housing tract which will be located at the end of Lewelling Blvd. in San Lorenzo.

> Brother Joe Muren is digging all the sewer ditch with his B. G. trencher for the San Lorenzo recreation park. Brother Ernie Basurto is oiling for him. There is 1500 feet left to dig.

Bigge Rigging has moved in Walnut Creek with a Bay City truck crane setting structural steel for the new Walnut Creek American Trust Company. Brother Jack

Antioch Paving Co. was award-Consolidated Western Steel are ed a \$86,751 contract from the Di-The job is for 61/2 miles of grading shoulders, constructing drainage and place road-mix surface on import. The job is near Walnut Creek on the north approach road to Mt. Diablo State Park. Brother Harry Leighton is foreman, Brother Edward Mestek is the loader operator, Brothers John Hartman and "Red" Bosley are the blade operators with Brother Robert Parker on a roller. There is 80,000 sq. yds. of compacted road-mix to be put in and 63 culverts. There is no time limit on this job.

> Ace Excavators is doing all the excavation for Bevilacqua Homes. This extension of the tract will need about 150,000 cubic yards of dirt placed. Brother Albert Dix is operating a D-8 Dozer and sheepsfoot with Brother Wes Cravens doing the grade setting for him.

> S & Q Construction Co. have just about completed their drain ditch contract for the Alameda County Flood Control. This ditch is a mile and a half long and there was approximately 134,000 yards to move. Brother Cliff Jorgensen is operating a Model 6 NW dragline and Brother John Smithart is doing the oiling for him. This job started at Mt. Eden and ends at Alvarado.

The Charles Campenella Wreck-

is rapidly doing away with that LOCAL 3 WINS old land mark, preparatory to making way for the new Kaiser ELECTION AT building that is to be erected on that ground.

Bo-Son, Inc., was awarded the \$341,397 contract from Conta Costa Flood Control and Water Conservation District. This work consists of relocating a channel and setting a concrete storm channel 81/2 ft. deep and 32 ft. wide. John A. Carstensen from Castro Valley is sub-contractor for the dirt moving. The sub-contract is for \$10,000 and the time limit is about 40 days. Brother George Atton is foreman, Brothers R. C. Johnson and Jess Pierson on dozers, Brother Arlin Snyder is on a Model 8 N.W. drag-

Independent Construction Co. is making a fill on the shore of Lake Merritt for the Harrison Street widening project in Oakland.

Quite a few homes in the vicinity of the proposed MacArthur Blvd. Freeway are being wrecked for the clearing of the freeway right of way. This project should get started some time soon.

Brother Morris Fredrickson has 2000 feet of ditch to dig for the San Lorenzo Recreation Park. This will be used to place the new electric conduit pipe. Laurence Mc-Inery is oiling for him on his Jeep trencher.

Prodanovich, Inc., has started demolition of the old Emeryville baseball park that will probably be replaced with an industrial plant.

RICHMOND PIPELINE

Baldwin Contracting Co., Inc., located at 9th and Yuba Streets in Marysville, have 13 miles of 6-inch welded steel petroleum products line for the Union Oil Co. of California from their plant at Oleum to their new storage yard and packaging plant at 1300 Central Ave. in Richmond. Donald Jorgenson is project manager, Brother Andy Emmons is the country spread superintendent and Brother George Beck is city spread superintendent. Brothers Charles Asby, Gordon Hodgkinson and Lyle "Red" Smith are the foremen. This job should be finished in about eight or ten weeks.

Fredrickson, Watson & Ransome, joint venture, are working on the San Pablo Dam Road on a reconcostruction and re-alignment job from the San Pablo Dam to Wild moved plus 200,000 cubic yards and an overpass to erect. Project tracts in the history of Redwood to the rains. They are now grading and putting in place all the import and sub-base material which will be finished May 15th. They expect ard, Sanjines, Gingery, Charleston, to have this job completed and the Harrison, Robinson, Wooldridge, road open in early July. We have Daniels and Heavy Duty Mechanthe following Brothers working on this job under the foremanship of Brother Roy Christman. The DW 20 operators are Billy Burns, Roy Chamberlin, Frank Colloms, Dave Faria, Claude Jordan, Bob Rigglesford and Merle Saunders. The D-8 and D-9 catskinners are Bud Everett, Paul Fields, Riggie Garcia and Dewey Morgan. The Blade operators are Earl Davis, Everall Smith and Mike Manco, Paul Greney is the loader operator. Walter Rogge as roller operator and the grade setters are Dick Ballinger and Barney Castillo. Sammie Richardson is on grease truck, Ralph Hillhouse is crane operator with Fred Bennage as master mechanic and C. W. "Steve" Stephenson and Marlon Perry.

WALNUT CREEK, Contract awarded to Paul W. Wasson, 800 Pinedale Court, Hayward, \$123,440, for const. of sanit. sewers in Local Impv. Dist. No. 33.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarder to Baldwin Contrg. Co., P. O. Box 269, Marysville, \$143,985, for 24.6 mi. pltmx. surf. on exist. surf. betw. Albion & Boonville, & in Ft.

METAL PLANT

In January 1957, the employees of the Metal Disintergrating Plant in Berkeley, California, contacted the representative of Local 3 requesting us to represent them for the purpose of collective bargaining. On January 25, 1957, a petition was filed by the Local Union with the National Labor Relations

Due to the complication, namely that the firm was a member of a multiple Employer bargaining unit, the case dragged on until election was ordered held on Monday, May 6, 1957, which the Union won by a majority vote of 16 to 10.

The contract was negotiated with the Company by Local Union 3 with the aid of a committee of the employers of the Metal Disintergrating Plant and the members approved it as of May 10, 1957.

Hensley Equipment Signs With Local 3

fore making final payments to a health and welfare fund. The trustees of the fund sued Carter and the bond company for contribu-

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tions due. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, California, held that unpaid contributions were not wages and therefore not covered by the bond. The U.S. Supreme Court decision has reversed this ruling.

Earlier test actions had found that health and welfare contributions were recoverable against bonds under California law. The Supreme Court decision means that under both federal and state

News About The Brothers

Brother Fred Wright took off a month after spending 18 months in Thailand. He is now on another 18 month job on road construction out of Bangkok as a shovel opera-

Brother Frank Szendre and his wife had a new addition to their family April 18. The stork delivered a baby girl weighing 7 lbs., 9 ozs. by the name of Cherry Lynn. Everyone is doing fine.

Brother William "Chuck" Randall has been in the Brookside Hospital in Richmond. "Chuck" had an operation on his leg in April and should be back to work soon.

Brother Don Meifert, a member of Local 3 for many years, is now writing for the "Drag News" for Northern California and has been since last September.

* * * Brother C. Francis Webster is at home recovering from an automobile accident after having been crowded off of the road into a culvert-abutement on Lake Cha-

Brother Ralph Lister of Peterson Tractor Co. has under-gone a very serious eye operation, Brother Ralph is at home and we wish him a very speedy recovery.

Brother Walt Medinas is in the Brookside Hospital in Richmond recovering from a disc operation on his back. Lots of luck Walt and we hope you're home soon.

bonds on public works projects.

The health and welfare funds were represented in the U.S. Supreme Court case by attorneys law health and welfare contribu- Charles P. Scully, Gardiner John-tions are covered by payment son and Thomas E. Stanton, Jr.

San Mateo—Hub of the Peninsula Edgemar Freeway Project Is Awarded to McCam., Wunderlich

By CHET ELLIOTT & BILL RANEY, Business Representatives

The McCammon & Wunderlich Co. of East Palo Alto were awarded the contract by the State Highway Department, to Cat Canyon Creek, a distance of build two miles of Freeway extending from Skyline Blvd. to 5.6 miles. They have all of the Edgemar on the Coast, at a total cost of one and one half 1,800,000 cubic yards of muck million dollars. There is one million yards of earth to move

> Superintendent Brother Ed Martin and foreman Brother Hamas with operators Hust, Bloomquist, Bedics Frederickson and Scott, all cleared from this office for this work which will keep all the aforementioned brothers employed for the rest of this year and long-

Bids will be opened on May 7th, by the County of San Mateo, for the reconstruction of La Honda Road, near La Honda. This job will consist of clearing the right-ofway, moving 300,000 yds. of earth, demolishing and re-aligning the old road and paving of the new highway. Due to the rugged charfor several months.

The date for the opening of the bids for the widening of El Camino in San Mateo has been postponed until May 15 on account of the nature of this project, which consists of moving the underground facilities, widening the highway to six lanes, grading, paving and constructing curbs, gutters and sidewalks. This work will last for quite some time and will keep many of our brothers busy.

BIG REDWOOD STREET JOB

City was awarded on April 30th to the E. T. Haas Co. of Belmont. The project includes the reconstruction of Kentfield, Palma and Valota Roads, and other streets in this vicinity.

The Bay Area Pollution Control Board and the San Mateo County Refuse and Garbage Disposal District are now formulating plans to change all the garbage dumps to the fill and cover system. If, and when this comes about, it will provide work for several of our engineers.

During the past month the local contractors in the San Mateo Area have been awarded many miscelleaneous contract's such as the L. Smith Co. for reconstruction and paving streets in the City of acter of the area, this project will San Mateo, the Lowrie Paving Co. employ many members of Local 3 for paving California Drive in the City of Burlingame, the O. C. Jones Co. for street work in Menlo Park, Douglas and Woodhouse for the grading in the schools in Redwood City and the Lowrie Paving Co. for improvements in Smallcomb Industrial Park, in Burlingame.

Although the San Mateo Office still has some members on the cutof-work list, the clearance business has picked up considerably in the past few days. The outlook is very good and if the call for men con-One of the largest street paving tinues the list will be completely and street re-construction con-depleted in a very short time.

Questions Are Answered on Jobless Aid

Following is the fifth in a series of questions about California's employment security system and authentic answers supplied by the Department of Employment. In the last issue, discussion pertained to eligibility for and procedures relating to unemployment insurance. The following takes up the "availability" provisions of the California Unemployment Insurance Code,

Q. I know that in order to be President Clancy eligible for unemployment insurdoes that mean?

A. This is an individual matter and the decision in each case is Brother Boardman dependent upon the facts of that particular case. Generally, "able to think some of you know that I tally able to accept full-time emices are offered."

stances remain the same,

for unemployment insurance is have a better contract. Thanks, that the claimant be able to work President Clancy and available for work which may be offered to him at any time, The Attorney General has ruled that in Brother Metz order to meet this requirement the claimant must be available each should be said has been said beday of his normal work week. he is considered unavailable for the whole week.

Q. What shifts do I have to be able and willing to work to be available?

A. It depends on what shifts are customary in your occupation or What is legal and illegal on the industry. If you are not in a position to accept any one of these not have enough seniority with shifts, then your reason for this your regular employer to be asinability becomes important, as well as your prospects of becoming employed during the shifts you can work.

A. If I am unable to do some able to work and available for

that you could do, a reasonable

Q. If I usually work for one employer and there is a layoff but "available" for work?

A. Yes, if you are willing to accept and seek temporary work available for work? until you are recalled. Generally, if you are just looking for temporary work, you would expect to you would be if you were looking

to have the slight suspicion that he is planning on sticking me for the

next lunch, Good luck, Frank. Brothers, there is another election coming up in June-an elec-

years. I especially request the Sacramento district engineers help me to turn out a near perfect score in regard to the number of votes voting. When you receive your bal-

lot, mark it! Mail it! See you around.

Report of Last Meeting

(Continued from Page 3) Committee. I have never sat in a meeting where we sold you down notion gave me a lot of pleasure down-graded in this thing. that gave the Negotiating Committee full power to represent you and take what economic action was necessary. I hope to live to see the day that the operating engineer gets the money it is entitled, I do not expect to live that long. Christ knows I won't be here for ever. For the rest of my life I am going to represent you to the best of my ability.

Brother Foss-I want to straightance I must be "able to work and en you out. The motion did not available for work" (Section give the committee full power to 1253(c)) of the Code). Just what act. I just wanted to straighten you out, Brother Al Boardman wants the floor.

Mr. President and Brothers: I work" means physically and men- represent the technical engineer in From the Floor the field. I have quite a few of ployment in your regular occupa- them here tonight and I would like President Clancy tion. If you are not physically or to tell them that for the first time mentally able to work you should in the history of our negotiations Regarding availability, a general doing nothing but discussing and How can I entertain it? rule used by the California Unem- trying to negotiate the clause govployment Insurance Appeals Board erning the technical engineer. We is: "We have defined availability met for a full day. I don't think for work as requiring that a claim- we accomplished too much but the ant must be ready, willing and able mere fact that we are meeting is to accept suitable work which a big milestone in our negotiations. there is no good cause to refuse, I would like to say this-that these and for which there is a potential contractors-their game is that labor market in the geographical they like to write clauses that noarea in which the claimant's serv- body understands. They are pretty good at it. I am attempting-our The period of ineligibility if you committee is attempting to negoare unable to work or not avail- tiate a clause in which we can able for work begins when you understand what our jurisdiction become unable or unavailable and is so that we do not have to spend | President Clancy continues as long as the circum- our time fighting with other crafts and contractors over what this Q. Why would I be ineligible to thing or that thing means, I just receive insurance for the entire wanted to tell you brothers who three month leave of absence when week if I am ill for only one day? came tonight. I want to thank you, A. One condition of eligibility and I am sure we are going to

Anyone else on the negotiating

committee?

Brothers -- Everything that fore. You have all received a copy Hence, if he is not available for of the proposals we made, You any day of his normal work week, have heard what the Laborers got. You have seen what the Carpenters got. We are on the right track. I think we will come up with something good.

Brother from the Floor

I realize we have a dead line.

sured of recall, you would be exwork if you were claiming unemployment insurance

Q. If there is more than one to say a few words. of my former work because of age kind of work I can do (for exam- Brother Jack Goldberger

lowed a reasonable length of time around. A. Yes, if there is other work to look for work which would use work you can do.

I am unemployed in order to be

expected to do whatever is necesfor full-time work. Also, if you do in good standing by getting a withdrawal or whatever is needed for you to use the union placeed as a non-union worker,

Q. If I am not a union member and move to an area where work tion to select the men you want in my usual occupation is highly to represent you for the next two unionized, would I be available for work?

A. Not unless the union would permit you to join or would give you a work permit. On the other hand if you were able to do and cast from this area. Don't put off looking for some other kind of work which was not entirely unionized you may be considered to be available for work.

hiring clause? I have been a memresenting you on the Negotiating ber in the Union only three years. I have to be in four years before I get the same rights of employthe river, or sold you short. That ment as anybody else, I am being

President Clancy

Just a technicality. Don't worry about it at all. You are not being down-graded but up-graded a little bit. Anyone else want to say anything on the negotiations?

Brother Mathews

The proposed Agreement has been pretty well gone over by previous speakers. We are still in negotiation. I have no way of knowing what we will get for you. I see no reason to waste your time further by my report. President Clancy

I am not going to take up any time. The Negotiating Committee already reported. We are going in there and get the best we can. Tomorrow morning they will know what you fellows did.

I make a motion to adjourn,

I am sorry-I want to tell you that the motion is not legal while file a claim for disability insurance, we have a sub-committee which is anybody is standing on the floor.

Brother Swanson Just a minute Brothers.

resident Clancy Brother Swanson wants the floor.

Brother Swanson

For the first time in my life I am going to ask a favor of the membership. It seems that human strength can only go so far and I am asking for a three month leave of absence after the negotiations with the Associated General Contractors have been completed,

I believe that calls for a motion. Motion was made and seconded, Brother Swanson is asking for a negotiations are over. Anyone on the question

Brother from the Floor

I would like to ask who is going to take over when Mr. Swanosn is away.

President Clancy I don't know-you will have to

ask him. Brother Swanson, The matter will be taken up

with the Executive Board when the time comes.

President Clancy Anything further on the question? Those in favor say Aye. Ayes. Contrary minded? No. Ayes have it. So ordered.

Brother Swanson I want to thank you Brothers. President Clancy

Before we leave here we have a gentleman in the hall-Brother pected to look for other permanent Goldberger-I could tell you a little story about him but I won't. I will call on Brother Goldberger

or health (the work is too heavy ple, I can drive a truck and also Brothers and Sisters—the mike or I can't climb any more, for work as helper), do I have to be is too tall for me. I will have to example) could I be considered available for both kinds of work? stand on a ladder-you can see I A. Generally you would be all am no engineer. I push papers

I want to compliment you felyour highest skill, if such work lows on the way that you handle chance that you will be able to get existed in the area at the time you yourselves on a matter of unions such work and you are willing to were out of work, However, if you sticking close together. One thing accept and are seeking this other remain unemployed for a long that can be said about western work without any unreasonable time you would also be expected states labor unions-there is auto look for the other kinds of tonomy-local autonomy. For years we know what that pressure was. Q. If I usually work in an occu- I want to say furthermore that I will be recalled soon, can I be pation that is highly unionized, do you have shown many times to the I have to pay my union dues when rest of the labor movement how to conduct a fight when you were in a fight. I hope that you are suc-A. If you customarily get work cessful in your new contract. I through your union, you would be hope you can settle peacefully. Your Officers, I am sure, are fully be somewhat less particular than sary to enable you to be dispatched aware it is an easy thing to put by your union. If you do not keep people out in the street and tough to put them back, and sometimes gain nothing. I want to compliment you and your Officers on the ment service, you would be treat- democratic way you conducted this meeting. God be good to you, Good luck in your new contract.

(Members applauded) President Clancy

Anything else to come before the meeting? If not the meeting will stand adjourned.

Resectfully submitted,

C. F. MATHEWS, Recording-Corresponding Secy.

More than 90 per cent of the world's molybdenum is produced in the United States.

Utah News Roundup A SURVEYOR'S

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

Mother Nature has been very changeable this past month with a mixture of sunshine, clouds, heavy rains, a little snow in the valley and as a result cold temperatures, muddy wet ground and consequently a slow down in construction. However, the past few days we have enjoyed mild weather, and we believe this will be the beginning of Springtime here in

reau of Reclamation people were encouraging especially so after the recent reports on the delay of appropriations for the Flaming Gorge project. Mr. Walton, project engineer and Mr. Mitchell, Labor Relations man for the Bureau, informed us that appropriations are now coming through. The prime contract which includes the diversion tunnel and the dam itself will all be bid together and should come early in 1958, probably about January 15. Present plans call for bid openings on the next nine miles of road down to Dutch John Flats, where the townsite is to be built. This road job will be considerably larger than the last section, as it will go over some pretty rough considerable requiring blasting and much heavier cuts,

On June 4, bids will be opened for construction of eighty homes to be built along with streets, water lines, utilities, etc., which in itself will be a good sized job and will provide jobs for Local 3 men.

Sometime after July 1, 1957, the pumping plant, storage tanks, etc., for the culinary water system, which is quite a problem, will be let. In addition to all of this work, the Bureau of Public Roads plan an extensive building program on the Vernal to Manila Highway which probably won't start until after July 1, due to the high country over which this road must go.

During the past few weeks we have seen quite a bit of activity at Standard Oil Refinery, Standard has been doing some remodeling, etc., and have let the work out to the alteration and addition to the several different companies. At one time Enoch Smith Company, Stearns Rogers, Fluor Corporation and Hammond Tank Company were all working No. 3 men in the plant. Most of the work being done is short shutdown spurts. Fluor Corporation will be the only company there for any length of time. Word has come of a new platformer to be built at Phillips Petroleum in Woods Cross, work to start in the very near future. As Rogers Mfg. Co. This remote conyet we have been unable to find struction site was dictated by its out exactly when or for how much. proximity to the ore supply, avail-The Pro Con. Co. from Texas is to ability of water (San Juan River) be the contractor.

bids were opened April 9, 1957 with of these services were at a prelow hids going to Enoch Smith mium when Texas Zink Sons, Wheelwright Construction of site on the Navajo reservation Ogden and Tiago Construction Co. of Denver and Salt Lake. At this a 69,000-volt transmission line from writing the bonds have not been Blanding to supply the energy sold and the work is still pending needed in the operation of such a but should go one way or another

The Salt Lake to Rangely pipeline company will do 100 miles more work this summer similar to what they did two years ago over sections of the line where the size of pipe is not adequate. Another line will be laid next to the old line and an additional three pumping plants are to be built. Engineers Ltd. have started the pumping plants and the contract for the line work will be let in June.

Northern Area

After considerable discussion on a controversial subject regarding On July 1, 1958, another 24 million the inclusion of the Bear River Water into the Weber Basin Project, the final word has been received and bids are scheduled to be opened on May 24 for the construction of a preliminary dike 7 miles long with a maximum height of 6 feet and a crest width of 45 feet, in the Williard Bay Reservoir project. The purpose of the preliminary dike is so the reservoir area can be dewatered, and will Summit, Beaver County. This road become part of the larger permanent dike. Also included in the pre- face. Another job from Utah-Ariliminary work will be the excava- zona State line to Mexican Hat, tion of about 11 miles of open ditch Utah, will be let on May 7th. This by the end of the year you have with a bottom width of 3 to 20 job was advertised earlier this a refund of \$14 coming. Because MEDA COUNTY.

Recent meetings with the Bu- feet. The bids for the permanent dike are scheduled to be called for next Spring and the overall estimated cost of the project is \$8.8 million. When the major dike is completed it will enclose an area of 10,000 acres and have a water storage capacity of 200,000 acre

> Bids are scheduled to be opened on May 10 for the furnishing and erecting of steam generator units complete with auxiliary equipment and controls to be used at the Marquardt jet engine testing laboratory at Ogden. Bids are also scheduled to be opened within the next few days for a water cooling tower and storage vessel on the same

The Central Weber sewer improvement district management has set May 20 for the opening of bids on the Ogden Sewerage treatment plant to be built west of Ogden.

The State Road Commission has called for bids to be opened on May 7 for the construction of 3.67 miles of road and a concrete bridge on Highway 162 between Pineview Dam and Eden which includes 240,-000 cu. yds. of unclassified excava-

Davis and Butler Construction Company submitted the low bid of \$1,355,937 for the construction of the North Davis County Sewerage Treatment west and south of Syra-

M. Morrin and Sons Company was low bidder and has been awarded a \$440,952 contract for the construction of the new Lewis Elementary School.

Wayne A. Jensen Const. Co. submitted the low bid of \$279,980 for Roy Municipal School.

Even though the past month has been rather damp our out of work list is reasonably small and the work situation should improve with the weather.

Southern Section

Utah's newest uranium mill is rapidly taking shape at Mexican Hat in San Juan County. The mill is being constructed by Stearnsand ease of transportation (after The South Cottonwood Sewer building 34 miles of roadway). All Utah Power and Light has strung mill. The road between the Mill and the Happy Jack Mine is nearing completion. Stripping operations by Isbell Company are due to start soon at the mine.

The controversy between the Utah State Road Commission and the Utah Highway User's Association, may result in Utah losing a portion of the Federal allotment. The shock of this may create the condition to get the program rolling. The State has been allocated \$19,348,770 for the year beginning July 1, 1957. Construction using that money must actually be started within 3 years from that date. dollars will become available. This amount also must be used within 3 years. We can only say that someone is dragging their feet. To date we have had only a few secondary road jobs. A couple are advertised now for letting on May 7 in our section.

A 31/2 mile job of 78,000 yards of unclassified excavation between Wah Wah Springs and Wah Wah will be a 2-inch bituminous sur-

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

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

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

Construction, Sand and Gravel Membership Meeting, 2nd Friday of each Month, Labor Temple, Provo, Utah.

Kennecott Copper Mine, Midvale Library Auditorium, Called

Cedar Iron Mines Membership Meeting to be called.

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

ing to see how they fare this time.

Apologies to Bro. Arnold Sawyer, who was neglected in the write-up in the last issue. Arnold is doing a fine job on the old 24, blazing a trail so the rest can follow. Bro. Earl McKenzie as repairman and Brothers Blaine Ingram and Reed "Lovy" Dahlman as skinners have been added to the aforementioned spread.

Mines, Sand-Gravel, Bingham, Kennecott

During the past thirty days, we have been spending a great deal of time negotiating for a number of new contracts, namely, Lang Company Shops, the Sand and Gravel industry, and most recently the Iron Mines in the Cedar City area. A settlement was negotiated and accepted by the membership which accorded them increases ranging from 121/2 cents per hour to 171/2 cents per hour, the amounts on the basis of the increases becoming effective May 1st rather than July 1st, the expiration date of the old agreement.

Several meetings have been had with the Sand and Gravel Association, with very little progress to

Most recently we have held several sessions for the Iron Mines at Cedar City in which reasonably good progress was made on the Iron Mine agreement. A change in managership of the mines appears to be to the good. Tony Mecia in charge of all Utah's mining properties was in, along with Mr. Selway, the new company attorney, also congenial Supt. Ed DeMoss, and Ollie Hale, An attitude was

spring, but the bid rejected as to arrive with the negotiating combeing far above the state engi- mittee, at a fair settlement. There neer's estimate. It will be interest- is none of the old malarkey present, which we have put up with over the past several years. A new era in labor management relationship appears to be in sight at the Cedar Mines. On the stripping, about all we can report any improvement in at this time, is the weather, the change of the past few days to Spring, will help considerably up on the hill; we have had bad weather the past month or so. This much must be said in favor of the job, about one hundred and thirty men have had a reasonably steady winter income which has helped Local 3 men in these parts considerably. Fair progress is being made at the Tunnel under the guiding hand of Bro. Paddy O'Dowd, Super; Whitey Walker and about thirty other good Brother Operating Engineers. The concreting is going along good, all things considered. We know the boys there are welcoming this good weather.

> At Kennecott our problems are being held to a minimum. We are receiving good co-operation from management and reports indicate that the word has been channeled down to the supervision on the hill, because a better attitude prevails there. We appreciate that fact, and we also appreciate Mr. Petts efforts to hold production, he has indicated to us that tremendous pressure has been brought to bear for Kennecott to cut production.

> At Western Phosphate, shipping appears to be pretty well completed, and with the exception of a few minor problems, tranquility prevails there.

At Vitro Uranium, the expansion and remodeling program is indicated which leads this writer well under way and we will see to believe that a good effort is the new extension in operation in going to be made by the foregoing the not too distant future.

YOU HAVE STATE TAX REFUND COMING?

If you worked for more than one employer last year and earned more than \$3,000 you are more likely than not entitled to a refund from the state. Many fellows believe that the process of getting a refund is more trouble than it is worth. The truth of the matter is this: Go to the State Employment Service and ask for "Claim for Refund" form, Fill

in the form according to directions on back of the form and mail. Then just sit back and wait for the money. It's just like getting money

Each pay check that an employee receives for wages has a one per cent deduction for State Disability Insurance as required by state law. This one per cent deduction is assessed on his wages until he has earned \$3,000. That is the maximum wages on which he must pay S.D.I, If you work for just one employer he will cease deducting the one per cent from your check for the balance of the year when you reach the \$3,000 mark and you will enjoy the additional one per cent on your check as long as you continue to work for this same employer.

But if, as often happens in our work, you go to work for another employer and you earn another \$1,400 with this second employer,

the next employer doesn't know how much you have earned with your previous employers, he deducts the one per cent as though you were just beginning the year. The employer must deduct no matter how much you earn previously. However, if more than \$30 is deducted from your check (that is one per cent of \$3,000) during the year you are entitled to a refund for the amount over \$30. But, you MUST file a claim to get the refund. The claim for 1956 must be filed previous to June 30, 1957. If a claim is not filed before June 30th the money will remain in the fund and you will not be entitled to any further claim to the overpayment.

to Galbraith Const. Co., 995 Blossom Way, Hayward, \$42,736, for const. of Santa Maria Ave. & Lor- 0.4 mi. North of Fernbridge & 0.7 ena Ave. storm sewers in ALA- mi. North of Hoodton Road, HUM-

By AL BOARDMAN, BILL MIN: HAN and ART PENNEBAKER. Business Representatives

The following letter to the editor of Engineering News-Record struck us as a shot that hit the mark. "Sir-In your recent editorial titled A Gem from the Or tory,' a quote by George S. Trimble, Jr. - 'We are engineers because it is fun' just about made my blood boil.

"I wonder if I am the only wife who has listened to her husband say, 'My son will never be an er gineer.' 'Why did I spend four years in the best engineering school in the U.S. only to come out and, after six years, make less than a bricklayer?

"Engineers are supposed to be professional men, but I, for one, see no glory in being the wife o one who was on the dean's list through four years of college and who wracks his brains for a company that probably doesn't even know he's here. Everyone will say in 15 or 20 years he'll make \$10,-000, but by that time he'll be dead. I for one agree with my husband Engineers are not recognized as professional men, they are just slaves who can't even afford two

"I read the Engineering News-Record to see if any other wives write in; maybe this letter will prompt them to do so. I hope you will print this, as this is America and freedom of speech still exists. May I also add, if engineers were paid as they should be, there would be no engineering shortage, and it's about time they woke up and did something about it."

The editor withheld the name of the writer out of fear that her husband would be fired.

The United Auto Workers have made a new bid for professional and technical members. The new U.A.W. program will give direct representation on collective bargaining committees at the loca and national levels. They plan to supplement their master agreement with special contracts tailored to meet their own problems. According to current estimates U.A.W. has between 70,000 and 80,000 engineers, technicians and office workers among its 1,385,000 members.

We call your attention to the proper method of obtaining work. Get your name on the out of work list. Be certain that the phone number you leave is the correct one. Many times we call for a man and the phone has been disconnected or the person never heard of the man being called. Be certain that you have a clearance before going on a job. There is an office near you wherever you are. Some of you have been on a job for some time and misplaced your copy of the clearance. Fold your copy and put it under the cover of your dues card then it will always be available. When a new man comes on your job ask to see his clearance. If he hasn't one, then your Business Agent can check on it immediately.

Many men are going to have to travel for work. The biggest out of work list is in San Francisco. The jobs coming in are out of town. If you can travel-let your office know. There is still no boom but we are busy.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 1118, Stockton, \$278382, for street & storm drn. const. in San Joaquin Co, Imprvt. Dist. No. 12.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to J. R. Reeves, P.O. box 1072, Sacto., \$123,815 for grade, surf., drain, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, etc., Parker Ave., Assess. Dist., SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Mercer-Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$659,-OAKLAND, Contract awarded 028, for abt. 4.6 mi. of prev. graded road to be surf. w/pltmx, surf. on cem. tr. base & untr. base betw. BOLDT COUNTY.

ACTIVITY IN THE REDWOODS

By H. A. "KEN" BROOKS & DANNY "O" DEES, Bus. Reps.

Yes, Brothers, it sure looks like we are on the move at last, after a long hard winter. We were beginning to wonder if we were ever going to get under way again.

Actually there isn't very much to say that wasn't said in the last issue. We have only had a couple of small bridges and

a little paving to come out since

then, but we are most happy to say

that they are all on the go now,

and practically all contractors have

work to keep them hopping 'til

To give you a run-down and not

Granite Const. Co., about another

month on Hiway 299; H. P. Hast-

ings, most of the summer at Bluff

Creek, Hiway 96 realignment, near

Orleans, small spread; James

Clack, all year on the timber ac-

cess road in the same area all pi-

oneering; Wallace Logging has a

couple more months clearing in

that area; C. V. Kenworthy a few

months for about 3 cats on Hiway

96 north of Willow Creek; Kuck-

enberg Const. Co., have to really

go with a fair size spread to make

it this year, west of Willow Creek,

Work in this area is opening up

pretty well for the small opera-

tors. The larger one, Peter Kiewit,

has his job under way again on

the jetty; Marlin Tryon has the

dirt work on Osborne-Bowies'

bridges at Minot and High Prairie

creeks; Raymond Pile will drive

the piles; Norman I. Fadel, Inc.

rolling the muck with a big spread

of cats and rubber at Big Lagoon.

They'll have to roll if they beat the

Mercer-Fraser as usual really

get the work when they go after

it, they have equipment all over

the area; Arthur B. Siri have been

sort of on the unlucky side so far-

the time but that doesn't count in

bidding. They have some work but

can use much more; Humboldt

Constructors are doing the dirt for

Mercer-Fraser on the Willits job,

All our operators seem to be on

Of course the big noise up here

is the Guy F. Atkinson Hiway job

at Dyerville on 101, between Red-

crest and Weott. They are using

mostly rental equipment, J. O.

Archibald, C. V. Kenworthy, Phil

Allen, Vic Guynup, Foster Dray-

age, Perry Brooks, Wayne Hau-

sauer to name a few who have

their equipment in. This is only the

sub-let the clearing. All Union

Brothers, Raymond Concrete Pile,

better known as "Snider" dirt "Su-

that big 3 button he wears on the

front of his cap, for all to see.

Brothers, Roy Ruffner and Dan Clancy are the first two "Snap-

That's all we can dig up this

STOCKTON, Contract awarded

to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., P.O.

Box 1118, Stockton, \$406,477, for

reconst. of runways & taxiways at

Stockton Airfield SAN JOAQUIN

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to

A. J. Raisch Co., 900 W. San Carlos

St., San Jose, \$42,133, for pltmx. surf., etc. on 10th St. from Tully

Rd. to Phelan Ave., San Jose, Calif.

ed Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.

O. Box 7001, Perkins, \$110,061, for

const. ARDC access road, at Ma-

REDWOOD CITY, contract

awarded to E. T. Haas Co., Box

95, Belmont, \$433,306, for reconst.

of Kentfield, Palm & Valota Ave-

SACRAMENTO, contract award-

ed to Granite Const. Co., Box 900,

Watsonville, \$25,968, for widen,

etc. takeoff ramp gr. & pltmx.

S. Roseville Overcrossing.

nues & vicinity, Redwood City.

MATHER AFB, contract award-

time, Brothers, more next month.

We want to extend our good

driving the piles.

pers."

See you then.

COUNTY.

ther AFB.

the move around town.

IN AND AROUND EUREKA

AROUND CRESCENT CITY

sound like a cracked record we'll

late fall or even for 1958.

WILLOW CREEK & EAST

put it as follows:

Hiway 299.

winter.

Hiway 101.

SOUTH

MAN SURPLUS NOW NOTE UKIAH AREA

By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Business Representative

This area got off to a good start this spring but we still have quite a number of men on our Out of Work List. In February, at the height of the rainy season, we had 280 members on the Out of Work List; during March we dispatched 105 men, and during April we sent out 252. That is a total of 357, and right now we have 223 remaining on the list. This would indicate that things are very slow in other sections of Local 3. We have members on our Out of Work List from Fresno to Eureka. It also seems that things are very slow in other sections of the country. This year is the first time that we have had so many men from other states. Our Out of Work List looks like a roster of the nation.

The Mercer Frazer Company of Eureka was awarded the Highway 101 job 13 miles north of Willits and have sub-contracted the dirt to the Humboldt Constructors, Inc., who are just getting started again after the heavy rain which we had during the week of April 14th. This job is a continuation of the work on Highway 101 which the Humboldt Constructors just completed. Brother "Alaska Joe" Bertrand is the superintendent for Humboldt. This will make him his second year in this area and an honorary citizen of the community. I have heard from good authority that Joe has joined the PTA and is taking considerable interest in local activities. Who knows, maybe he intends to quit the dirt moving business and enter poli-

The Guy F. Atkinson Company's Santa Rosa Freeway job is trying to get started but is having trouble with too much rain. This will be a good job when they finally get

On April 22nd the Russian River was diverted into the tunnel at the Coyote Dam. The fishing was beginning. There is lots more commighty good behind the diversion ing. Coleman Logging Co. have dam, that is if you did not mind getting in mud up to your ears.

During the month of April there was better than fifty members on our Out of Work List who, upon wishes to Brother Limon Snyder, being called had already gone to work and failed to notify this of- per" for Atkinson on this job. We fice with which they had registered. This is an oversight on the him for his 100 per cent support of part of the members which they should correct. It is very important that our Out of Work List be dependable and as long as this practice continues we will never know exactly how many men we have available.

Brothers John Armbrust and Otis Brookin were thoughtful enough to donate blood to our Blood Bank. Thank you my broth-

We deeply regret to report to all our local members the death of Brother Charles Allen on Tuesday, April 30th. Only the day before he brought to this office a beautiful bouquet of iris. It will be a long time before we will become accustomed to his absence. We wish at this time to extend our deepest sympathy to his brother and sister.

FRESNO, Contract awarded to W. M. Lyles Co., 3306 Winery, Fresno, \$41,697, for const. of Sanit. sewer fm. No. Millbrook along E. Gettysburg Ave. & N. on N. Cedar to 875' N. of E. Shaw Ave. Fresno.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$138,621 for 27.5 mi, surf, w/pltmx, surf, over exist, surf. at var. locas, SAN JOA-QUIN MERCED & STANISLAUS COUNTIES.

Construction Lags in San Jose District

By A. J. HOPE, H. T. PETERSEN and T. J. STAPLETON, Business Representatives

Due to the recent rains and the cut back in Sub-Division work in this area, we still have many of the Brothers on the "Out-of-Work" list. Several good-sized contracts have been let this Spring, but until work begins on these projects, the demand for men has been slow.

Most of the Local Underground Contractors are busy with varied sewer jobs located throughout the County. P & E Construction Company have started their two sewer jobs on Stevens Creek Road. A. J. Raisch Company are doing the paving and grading on one job and R. Bressani are doing the paving on the other. A. J. Peters have completed their Telephone job on Grant Road and have started work nearly completed their Hiway 101

complete on the I.B.M. Plant. Associated Engineers have started work on their storm sewer job on Almaden Road and have another sewer job on El Camino Rl. Brother John Coelho is the Foreman and Brother Jack Wiginton is the General Superintendent.

Piazza Paving Company have on another on Foxworthy and project and Hiway 5 in Los Gatos

along the Southern Pacific track.

They have run into some difficulty

as water from the rice fields has

been running into the right-of-way.

They have ninety days to complete

the job from Stockton to Roseville.

right along on their Mokelumne

Hill job. They have lost a few days

because of rain. They have five

rubber tired rigs and seven dozers

Rice Bros., Stanfield and Moody

and Claude C. Wood have started

their county road jobs. They have

six roads in northern San Joaquin

County to widen and resurface.

These jobs will keep a few of the

The rock plants in this area are

all busy building up their stock

piles for the summer run. Pacific

Coast Aggregates recently pur-

chased the Clements Construction

Co. Hot Plant which is set up in

the P.C.A. yard. P.C.A. keeps about

forty men working all year. Broth-

er Hap Frerichs is steward there

We are waiting for the Ione to

Jackson Highway 8 job to be ad-

vertised. This is a \$1,200,000 job.

Brothers Ed and Earl Williams are

doing the fence work on this job.

They have a D2 dozer and a Ford

and does a good jb.

brothers busy for some time.

and carry-alls on the job.

Claude C. Wood 'Co. are moving

Curtner. They still have work to | but still have some work in several sub-divisions around San Jose.

J. C. Bateman, under the supervision of Brother Hank Middleton, are working on two school jobs, a Sub-Division and several other smaller jobs in this area;

At the present time the firm of Ed Keeble is fairly inactive, having nearly completed their section of the work on the I.B.M. plant. Cliff Hutton, who rents some of Keeble's equipment, is working on three jobs; two are located on Prospect Road and the other in East San Jose.

Wm. Vierra Company have about completed their job at the Valley Fair and are working on a Sub-Division off Toyon Ave.

Kleinsmith, Inc. have about a month's work left to complete their road job, leading to the Guided Missile site of Almaden Road. PALO ALTO

L. C. Smith Company have started grading on the Clover-leaf at Bayshore and Moffett Field; Floyd Butler is the Supt. on this job. E. T. Haas and Geo. Emith are doing the re-alignment work on the water and gas lines on this same job. Import materials for this job will come from Neary's Quarry at Los Altos.

McGuire and Hester Company have holed in on their Santa Clara Sewer job contract, extending from Alviso to the Treatment Plant. The company have moved in two draglines, pumping equipment and trac-

Fredrickson & Watson have started sub-grade operations on their highway job at Moffet Field and will continue with a fair-sized spread until both contracts are completed.

There is some activity starting on the coast in South San Mateo County, with Barrett Construction Company and Granite Construction Company busy on the Campbell Soup job; also 6 miles of Highway coming up for bids early in

Brandon Construction Company have opened up another unit of work in the Lakewood Village and have their equipment busy on the grading and P & E Construction are doing the underground work.

Freeman Paving Company are still working on their Sub-Division in Los Altos Hills, also on several other jobs in the area.

SOUTHERN AREA

Work in the Monterey, Salinas and Hollister areas has been unusually good this spring; while in other parts of the territory construction has lagged, this section of the district has had a lot of activity. Piombo Construction Company has resumed work on the Uvas Dam, with Mr. Bud Kerr as Supt. and Brother Johnnie Scales as Foreman. Lee Stevens of Stockton is making good progress on their road job at Paicines, which is 13 miles out of Hollister. Huntington Bros. of Napa will furnish the base material and black top on this project.

M. J. B. Construction Company are busy on their road job at Chualar and at the present time are employing 4 Pulls, 2 Dozers and 1 Blade.

Granite Construction has jobs scattered through the vicinity of Monterey, Greenfield, Salinas and Santa Cruz, They recently were awarded another 11 miles on their road job at Greenfield. This project is under the supervision of Brother Cecil Smith of Fresno and at the present time they are using 4 M.R.S.'s, 8 Cats, 3 Cranes and 2 Blades. They are also setting up a Hot Plant at Gilroy, which will service San Benito and Santa Clara ting up a Gravel Plant, which will

furnish material for this Hot Plant. O. Holmes of Palo Alto are making fair progress on their road job at Ben Lomond, but have been delayed somewhat due to the recent rains. Brother John Matus is the Super on this project.

We are happy to report that Brother Ed Keeble, who was rehama ordinance. Thomas L. Pitts, both the organizing committee cently confined to the hospital, is home and greatly improved.

STOCKTON WORK

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

Here in Stockton we are having a hard time placing the members on jobs. With the interference of the late rains and the lack of big jobs in this area, the employment situation here looks pretty slow. Also, another factor contributing to our slow start is the lack of land levelling contractors calling

for men. In this area the business of land leveling, although distasteful to some, has been an important factor in keeping many of our members employed during the winter months. However, with the exceptionally long dry spell we had prior to the late rains, all the land for the season has been leveled with no prospects of much more until after harvest time.

Mr. J. Ruddy & Son have started their Tuolumne Road job above Sonora with Brother Warren Shields as shifter and Brother C. W. Lloyd as superintendent. However, the late rains are hampering them in making too much prog-

Paul Woof from Fresno has started his road job at Tuolumne in the Indian Reservation. This job went for \$77,000 and will be in the rock.

A. Teichert & Son will have all the concrete poured on the Mossdale job by the time this hits the press. They were also the low bidders on the Airport job here in Stockton in the amount of \$406,-577, which is scheduled to start the 15th of May. Along with the district improvement work and various resurfacing jobs in the county, A Teichert & Son have the bulk of the work that has been let in this area.

M. Margues Jr. of Hayward has a trenching machine and side-boom cat working on water mains in

Archie Tompkins was low bidder on'a small job on Highway 4 near Farmington in the amount of \$15,-

engineers employed at the John Mansville Plant and the subcon-

land was successful in winning a \$91,000 job at the Port of Stockton to dredge out for piers which will be needed for the expansion of the ore docks under consideration for the near future.

nally started their pipeline job



"Er . . . this union of yours could they get me a raise?"

State Labor Sets 'Wreck Law' Battles In Tehama County, Palm Springs

Tehama County this week as the state AFL prepared to repel the newest

Local, state and international labor officials met this Wednesday in Red Bluff to counteract compulsory open shop activities in Tehama County. By a 3-2 margin, the county board of supervisors two weeks ago adopted an ordinance outlawing the union shop and restricting labor's right to

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor, said the state AFL movement was determined to in the campaign to nullify the Tesuf., why. ltg. & illum. signs, near

ticipated in Wednesday's policy

cil has filed an appeal with the U.S. Supreme Court on the Superior Court injunction forbidding the community from enforcing a "right Counties, Howson Brothers are setto work" ordinance passed by the council.

Haggerty pledged the continuing

they have been coming close all ress.

H. K. Ferguson Co, have seven tractors have as many or more.

Hydraulic Dredging Co. of Oak-

S.P. PIPELINE JOB

Hood Construction Co. have fi-

Local "right to work" fights centered attention on Palm Springs and

anti-labor drive on union rights.

State Federation president, par- and "wreck" law.

session in Red Bluff. In Palm Springs, the city coun-

support of the State Federation to the Palm Springs organizing committee which has enjoyed state AFL backing for the past year. He also urged all affiliates now parprovide all possible legal assistance ticipating in the Palm Springs effort to step up their support of

THE NEVADA ROUND-UP

By H. L. "Curley" SPENCE & JOSEPH "Joe" MILLER, Business Representatives.

Isbell Construction Company is well along on their Highway job on Spooner Summit, or Clear Creek, ond Highway 50. However, there is lots of muck yet to be moved, but they still have lots of GOOD Operating Engineers LEFT ON the job. Brother Clarence Wibel, Brother George Conley, Brother Audra C. (Jimmy) Blair, Brother Bert Fernandes, Half-Brother Maurice Layton, and Ex-Brother John Covello: That's a fine crew of men on a job, and they really get the work done.

Of course, Bro. George waves his arms and hands sometimes, and it's a bit confusing just what he would like the Operator to do, but that's part of a Foreman's duties, I guess. Maybe, that way, everyone knows he is the man to take orders from. There are some outstanding Operators on this job: Brother Dan Avery, Brother Carroll "Bud" Berg, James Mott, Gray "Cadillac Frenchie" Azparren, Neil Johnson, Nick "Lefty Fat" Lemich, and Brother Lawrence "Dipper Lip" Ferguson. That's a fine lot of Operators.

Brother Bill Ponton hurt his back and has been off the job for a few days. Hope you get back soon Bill. Brother Eli Lundy got hit on the head with a rock, but he is back to work. You can't keep a good man like Eli, down. Brother Manuell "Chief" Bender is on the Blade. The Chief is right at home: No worries, stays home nights and sleeps late in the morning. Now, there is another Blademan on the job, but I don't dare mention his name for I think the Law is looking for this Dear Brother. Did I say Law????? Over in the Shop busy keeping everything running, you'll find Half-Brother Harry Mill, the Shop Foreman, Brothers Jack Colvin, Tony Moline, Harry L. Simmons, the V & T Kid, and the outstanding Welder, Brother Gilbert Redmer.

Now I don't want to leave out the Town Boys, Brother Alvin Shay is doing some work around Reno, but his real brother, Brother Frank "Kenny" Shay, gets in and really pitches and gets the work done. Even if he has to roll that "hot stuff" by the light of the moon. The Hot Plant Crew over on East Second Street in Reno are really going good. Brother Ronald Hoover and Brother Peter Finn have everything steamed up. Brother Clinton Green and his fat partner, Brother Martin Rosso are hard at it most of the time. And we don't mention Brother Bill Boegle anymore. . . .

U.S. 40 PROJECT

Gibbons and Reed have really begun to move the muck on their four-lane Highway job on U.S. 40, and so far, they really have a good crew. Mr. Afton Bohn is the Superintendent on the job and Shir- districts. I believe that we are ley Craig is the Assistant. They are doing some job. Brother L. H. Roper is the Foreman on the Cats, Euc Scrapers and DW-20 Spread. Brother A. E. "Boots" Potash is the Foreman on the Northwest Dragline and trucks on the channel changes on the A.M. Shift, and Brother Deward Stringham is on the P.M. Shift. With two Foremen like that, the whole River may be changed.

Brother James N. Hall and Brother M. C. Christian are doing the Blade work, such as it is, keeping the Highway clean, and the slopes and haul roads up. Brother Don Gordon and Brother W. R. Skinner are on the Dozers. Brother Harold "Pineapple" Lewis is the head pioneer boy. This is one job Pineapple likes. Not much talk, all work, no play, with a TD-24. And Pineapple is just the Boy that can do it. And low and behold, the Great Blademan, Brother James "Fernley" Smith, has gone back to pulling a sheepfoot. His name has been changed from "Sheepfoot "Fernley Smith" to Smith."

Dear Brother Berl "Fingers?" Johnson, has found a real home on a DW-20. You would think he was driving a Hot Rod. He scares the tourists and the Flagman out of their wits. Man he really flies low with that DW-20. Gibbons and in the tunnel, and our outstand- DOCINO COUNTY.

HDRM. Brother George Mahe, Brother F. L. Campbell, Brother Phil Hanson and his welding truck, and Brother Hugh Bodam and his A-Frame Truck: These boys really keep all the equipment rolling. The one and only Brother Bonnie Bustos is on the Rock Crusher. One thing for sure, the Gibbons and Reed Company is really going all out for new Equipment; a brand new 1201 Lima Shovel, a new 71B Bucyrus Shovel, and a new D-8 Cat, and a new Compressor.

Holcomb and Saxton have the sub-contract for the Concrete Box Culverts for the whole Gibbons and Reed job. Brother Frank Jakowatz is on the truck crane on the job and is wearing a big smile these days for everyone. Seems mighty pleased about that job.

George Grifall had his Backhoe on the Gibbons and Reed job, but maybe Brother Parlanti couldn't cut it, too tough for the old boy. However, Grifall is doing O.K. around Reno. Brother Cal Scolari kinda keeps things going to level off for the other one. Brother Roy Nielson keeps his part up O.K.

SPARKS, A NEW CITY

George E. Miller has set up his Hot Plant east of Vista, Nevada on Highway 40 at the old Morrison-Knudsen Gravel Pit, and it looks as if he is ready for a big summer. George has most of the Tank Farm leveled off in Sparks, Nevada, It's almost ready for the storage tanks. Understand that Brother Matt Greve, who is on a Finish Scraper for Miller, found the only rock out there and bumped his head on it.

The Old Round House is a thing of the past, all torn down and moved out. Things are really changing around Sparks, Nevada. New Housing Projects, new parking lots and space for the new Nugget site, The Sparks, Nevada, that used to be the old "Rail" City is really coming to the front.

The J. K. Thayn Construction Company from Utah, is almost finished in Hawthorne, Nevada. Just a little work left on the Black Beauty Reservoir for the Hawthorne Naval Ammunition Depot.

Lagrange Construction Company, better known as Johnny "the Little Man" DeLagrange has finished his big Sewer line job, and expects to move in on the new Reno, Nevada, Airport Terminal site in the near future. The Yard Boss for Brother Johnny is back to work and things are again moving smoothly around Lagrange Construction except for Gruesome Imelli. He has spring fever, and Brother John keeps him too busy for him to do anything about it.

SEASON WORK KICKS-OFF IN EASTERN NEVADA

The Eastern end of Nevada has finally come out of its shell, and the jobs have begun to roll in all going to have one of the best years that this area has seen to date in the construction field,

Jack Parsons Construction Company, from Smithfield, Utah, has several machines working on their job at Jack Creek, in Elko County, that is about 50 miles north of Elko. The following Bros. are on this job: Brothers Dan Olmstead, Arnold Auger, Ross Bingham, Eli Gibson, George Schwarz, Paul Meikle, Ray Baker, Don Poulsen, Bill Young, Cliff Stevens, Douglas Eames, and a couple of other brothers who are going to arrive shortly. The weather is a little cool in the mornings yet, but it should be an ideal summer job. It also happens to be in the best fishing country in the State. No foolin'.

Utah Construction Company has started their tunnels at Palisade, Nevada. Most of the original crew is still with the outfit, but a few of the old hands have changed their place of employment. They have about 1100 feet of concrete lining to put in.

Bob Harles is the Supt. on the job with Bro. Kenny Clinkenbeard pushing the operators and HDRM. Utah has a very good crew of men on the job and it appears that they

work like one big happy family. Brother Larry Bashaw left the chane and is operating the "horse"

Reed really have a good crew of | ing prother from Elko, Brother Frank Fernango, is on the crane now. A good job for a Good man, Bro. W. O. Kilpatrick is the helper for the HDRM, and the only one that does any real work, and the brothers are giving him a hard time, as usual, since he is a new man on tunnel work, Bro. Holley is oiling for Fernango, Bro. Thompson, tractor, Shean, mixed operator, Donley and Shultz, Orn, Childers are the mechanics, Brothers Lyle Mumford and Jack Childers are the welders, Brother Webber on the mucking machine and Brother Bartley on the pumpcrete. I expect to have these brothers here for quite a spell as there is supposed to be more of this work coming up after they complete this job, sometime this winter.

Hoops Construction Co. is rapidly building grade on their job between Beowawe and Gold Acres, Nevada. This job is right out in the flate and the Brothers are really building grade with Electric pulls and blades. This is a tough job for the brothers, as it is so far from civilization and quite a drive across dusty roads. Brother Emray Warren is doing the repair vork for Hoops and doing a top notch job of it.

Brother Russell Kite is keeping the pulls in line and doing a fine job of grade setting. Brothers Larry Guisasola, James Zunino and Everett Flint are on the pulls. They are aided by the capable push cat operator Richard Bengoechea. Brothers Howard Rodman and H. B. Hurst are on the Blades for Hoops and these brothers keep the dust boiling.

Brother Eli Priest is on the job for Hoops, but he is such a universal operator and mechanic, that I don't know just which title to give him.

Morrison and Knudsen Const. Co. have started their job at Austin, Nevada, and should be in high gear by the tenth of the month. They have had some difficulty in getting their equipment in from the factory. It is almost all new stuff that they are starting this job with and when they get it all going, the dirt should really fly. Brother Robt. Pulsipher and Brother Robt, Boyer are doing the HDRM work on the job. Brother Oral Diamond is on the D-9 and this Brother seems to be trying to move the whole job himself or trying to find out just how much dirt a D-9 can move before it is overworked if possible.

Brothers Wm, Bacus and Norman Hallock are on the dozers at present and Brother John Ault is doing the blade work for "Toughy" Jones, the Supt. Dean Straw is the grade foreman for Jones and with the crew that he will have, I know that this will be a good job.

There are still a couple of jobs that aren't started yet, but by the time that this paper comes out, should be underway. There also more work coming out for bid soon, so we are looking forward to a very busy season for the good brothers in this area this year and I hope that it will continue for years to come.

I won't go into the mining picture of this area for this time as there seems to be some things of interest shaping up and I am waiting for further information on them before I write them up. Good luck to all and best wishes for a very prosperous work year.

CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, Inc., 344 High St., Oakland, \$14,626 for const. an extension to Roche Dr. in Gregory Gardens in Pleasant Hill CONTRA COSTA CO.

SANTA CRUZ, Contract awarded to Griswold Engrs., Inc., 9415 Cortada St., El Monte, \$204,900 for const. apprx. 800 lft. 36" centrif. spun RC on steel cyl, conc. pipe in rock trench on ocean floor, etc.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Mercer-Fraser Co. & Mercer-Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$1,803,911 for 4.2 mi. graded & surf. w/pltmx, surf. on cem, tr. base abt. 9 mi. N. of Willits, betw. 0.5 mi. N. of Hilvilla & 0.7 mi. S. of Irvine Lodge, MEN-

FRESNO AREA JOBS BELOW NORMAL

By G. LYNN MOORE, JAS. D. MONROE, B. F. "TINY" HELLING **Business Representatives**

Since our last report, work has picked up some in the Fresno area, but is still much slower than normal for this time of year. Some of the jobs are now slowly building up their spreads, as the weather outlook from now on shouldn't be any problem.

The City of Merced have let about half of what will eventually be a \$1,000,000 sewer job. The North Bay Construction Co. are busy on an addition to the sewer plant. Kovick Bros. have started their section of the outfall line from the disposal plant to a point near the Municipal Airport. The Joe D. Miller Co. of Bakersfield have a contract for installing the line from the airport to the packing plants in east Merced. Gordon H. Ball Company have moved their batch plant and paving spread to are now under way on the Atwater Freeway.

Standard Materials Company are laying the black top on this job and also on various sections of Highway 99 south of Merced. Westbrook - Morrison & Knudsen are getting their concrete spread warmed up for a small paving job at Castle Field Air Base. John Delphia Co. have added several cats to their spread on their Yosemite Highway job near Mariposa, They have quite a traffic problem on this job, they have to work without stopping the flow of traffic, which poses quite a problem, as this is the main highway into Yosemite Park from the north.

Fredericksen & Kasler have resumed paving operations at Chowchilla and have moved their euc and cat spreads to Madera where they got off to a flying start on their 99 Freeway through the City of Madera. Stewart & Nuss Inc. W. M. Lyles Co.; Rogers Material Company, all have sub-contracts on the Madera Freeway. Ted Baun Construction Co. are busy black topping at various locations in Fresno and Madera Counties. Volpa Brothers have started their widening job on 41 Highway from Shaw Avenue to Pinedale, Linton & Kilgore putting in the fill and getting subgrade ready. There is considerable import on this job. Harris Construction Company have started excavation for the new addition to the Fresno Community Hospital, west of the old one. Fresno Paving doing the excavation and clearing.

Stewart & Nuss Inc. were awarded a contract to widen and pave Olive Avenue from Abby Street to First Street, Subdivision work remains very slow in this area. The Kings River Project is again back 500 Bragato Rd., Belmont, \$42,000, to normal operations after heavy snows over the Easter week-end Sequoia Hosp. which shut down all operations at UKIAH, contract awarded to on excavation and fill rock; three age treatment plant. shifts in the shop; two shifts on placing of the rock.

Basin to complete their job of right Basin to complete their clearing job. Haas Tunnel job is going three shifts and work on the Haas underground Power House has progressed to the stage where they are starting to dome out the room where eventually the generators

will be placed in solid granite. Consolidated Western Steel Company have put up derricks and are getting ready to install penstocks to the Haas Power House and the new addition to Balch. Thomas Construction putting in the penstock footings. L. C. Smith Company from San Mateo have their ing the aggregate. Harms Brothers making aggregate for that part of the job.

Griffith Company have started clearing operations with one cat and a blade on Highway 198 out of Visalia. Should be going good in about two weeks. This job has been slow starting due to a dismoving dirt on their Central Val- COUNTY.

ley Highway job south of Hanford, with the Gerald Brewster Company moving in their DW 20s on the south end and will start in about a week. Consolidated Steel Company have two tanks up on their job at Coalinga and still have about four to go. This will keep them busy until August or September. Gordon H. Ball Company will be done on their freeway job at Kingsburg in about two weeks. Rice Bros. will be through on Highway 41 at Stratford in about two weeks. This company also has Atwater where paving operations a job at Bishop and will take most of their crew with them,

The bid opening for Success Dam has been postponed until May 24th. A small group of "Large" farmers are trying to prevent the building of the Lemoore Air Base, claiming too much noise and not getting the price they are asking for their land. Of course we know that they are afraid of having a project there that will pay the working man a decent living wage instead of the low farm wages and

No donations to the Blood Bank during the month of April, Brothers, please let's do something about

conditions.

CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

ALAMEDA, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520-14th St., Berkeley, \$27,210, for const. parking lot & access rd. for new Munic, Golf Course, city of Alameda.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Howard B. Folsom, P. O. Box 722, Westwod, \$119,950, for abt, 15.0 mi. pltmx, surf. on exist, surf. betw. Plumas Co. line & 3.2 mi. E. of Fredonyer Summit, LAS-SEN COUNTY.

TRACY, contract awarded to Hayward Pipeline Const. 26789 Castro St., Hayward, \$27,996, for const. of asb. cem. water dit, mains in Grant Line Rd. betw. East St. & Bessie Ave. city of Tracy, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Stewart & Nuss, Inc., P. O. Boy 886, Fresno, \$52,614, for 10.5 mi. surf. w/pltmx. surf. over exist. surf. at var. locs. in TULARE COUNTY.

REDWOOD CITY contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., for const. parking plaza at the

Wishon and Courtright Dams, Fred J. Early, Jr. Co. Inc., 369 Pine Both dams are on a two-shift basis St., S.F., \$844,774, for const. sew-

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, Inc., The Dreisbach Box & Lumber 1520-4th St., Berkeley, \$72,035, for Co. have moved back in to Wishon abt. 0.3 mi. grade & pave w/pltmx surf., etc., traf. sig. & hwy. lgtg. clearing. Byers Company from inst. in Richmond, on Hoffman Redding will be back in at Court- Blvd. at S. 37th St. & Meeker Ave. CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

> WALNUT CREEK, contract awarded to Halbach Pipeline Const. Co., 3552 Audrey Dr., Casto Valley, \$113,259, for const. sewers in Local Improvement Dist. No. 37.

> SAN JOSE, contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$73,733, for resurf, & const. 2 addl, traffic lanes on Union Ave., betw. Camden Ave. & Branham Lane, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

RENO, NEVADA, contract awarded to LaGrange Const. Co., P. O. Box 1487, Reno, Nev., \$245,rock crusher at Black Rock mak- 991, for const. drnge, facils., grade parking apron access taxiwys., have their crushing plant at Balch auto. park. lot area, road, terminal bldg. area & plc. subbase matls. on same for new Terminal Area at Reno Municipal Airport & pave access road to control tower, city of Reno, Nev.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to John W. Lemon Co., 1352-98th Ave., Oakland, \$10,742 for a pute over the removal of trees, bridge to be reprd. across Salinas Stewart & Nuss, Inc., have started River at San Ardo MONTEREY

Daily report of awards for construction

(Compiled by P. E. Vandewark & R. F. Swanson) APRIL 5, 1957

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, Con-"act awarded to Gibbons & Reed o., P. O. Box 2429, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$80,256, for 1,325 mi. 3½" pltmx. bit. surf. SR No. 152 betw. 27th S. & 35th S., SALT LAKE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Griffith Co., 1060 S. Broady, L. A., \$1,233,296, for abt. 4.8 4-lane div. hwy. w/frontage roads & conn. gr. & paved w/PCC etc. betw. Visalia Airport Interchange & Mooney Blvd., in Visalia, TULARE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awardto Lee J. Immel, 13555 San ablo Ave., San Pablo, \$212,369, for abt. 24.4 mi. place plantmix surf. over exist. pave at var. locations in ALAMEDA & CONTRA COSTA COUNTIES.

SACRAMENTO, Contract award- | SAN JOAQUIN OUNTY. ed to G. W. Ellis, 8240 Länkershim Wivd., N. Hollywood, \$139,755, for Lot. 17.5 mi. of pltmx. surf. betw. 5.0 mi. S. of Willows & Willows, etc., GLENN & BUTTE COUN-

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Guido O. Ferini, P. O. Box 402, Santa Maria, \$186,902, for abt. .5 mi, surf. w/pltmx. surf., vari. locations MONTEREY & SAN

BENITO COUNTIES. SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, Rt. 6, dens N. 2. Box 1419-A, Modesto, \$164,619, for

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MERCED, Contract awarded to Kovick Bros, Const. Co., \$166,695, for const. of outfall sewer line,

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Barrett Const. Co., 1800 Evans Ave., S.F., \$1,775,000, for const. hangar & paving at S. F. International Airport.

SACRAMENTO; Contract awardded to Stecker & Scott, 7843 San Fernando Rd., Sun Valley, \$389,-896, for abt. 5.5 mi. grade & por. surf. w/pltmx. surf. & penetr. tr. & seal coat applied on Rocky Ridge Rd. betw. 0.1 mi. E. of U.S. 40 at Roseville, & Folsom-Auburn Rd., etc., PLACER COUNTY.

STOCKTON, Contract awarded to Claude C. Wood C., P. O. Box 599, Lodi, \$73,795, for reconst. of Harney Lane from S.H.U.S. No. 99 E'ly 4.46 mi. to SH No. 88,

APRIL 9, 1957

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to C. Williams Lance, P. O. Box 12, Moraga, \$15,254, for Arlington Blvd. realignment betw. Loring & Monterey, in CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

APRIL 10, 1957

SALINAS, Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P. O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$43,145, for const. of curbs, gutters, walks, street paving & storm sewers in Sherwood Gar-

FRANCISCO SAN Contract abt. 3.0 mi. grade & pltmx. surf. awarded to Assoc. Pipeline, Inc., P. etc. on Tuolumne-Sonora Rd. betw. O. Box 66, So. S. F., \$12,734, for

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Payne Const. Co., 689 Louisiana St., Oakland, \$266,992, for shift slot rail & inst. spec. work on Calif. St., Powell St. to Van Ness Ave., S. F.

MENLO PARK, Contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520-4th St., Berkeley, \$12,920, for const. conc. gutters in Oakville Terr. city of Menlo Park.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to J. R. Reeves, P.O. Box 1072, Sacto., \$140,187 for widen Fair Oaks Blvd., Unit No. 4, Watt Ave. to Eastern Ave., 1.36 mi. in length SACTO. COUNTY.

APRIL 11, 1957

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Mercer-Fraser Co. & Mercer-Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$469,862, for const. 3 RC grdr. brdgs. & appr. to 2 of the brdgs. graded, betw. 0.4 mi. N. of Fortuna, & 0.4 mi. N. of Fernbridge, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

TIBURON, Contract awarded to Healy-Tibbets Const. Co., 411 Brannan St., S.F., \$31,560, for maint. dredging aprx. 40,000 cy. matl., Naval Net Depot, Tiburon.

BENICIA, Contract awarded to Engrs. Ltd. Pipeline Co., 2128 San Pablo Ave. El Cerrito, \$20,197, for repl. por. of water lines at Benicia Arsenal.

BENICIA, Contract awarded to Engrs. Ltd. Pipeline Co., 2128 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito, \$16,122 for repl. por. of water lines, Benicia Arsenal.

CONCORD, Contract awarded to Olympian Dredging Co., 525 Market St., S.F., \$65,840 for maint. dredging, etc., Naval Magazine, Port Chicago.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Paul E. Woof, 2203 N. Fruit Ave., Fresno, \$185,987, for conc. bin-type retain. walls const. & restore rdwy, by graded & surf, wpltmx surf. on untr. base, betw. Hot Springs Canyon & Big Sur River, abt. 35 mi. S. of Monterey.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to John P. Stegge, 1150 Point San Pedro Rd., San Rafael, \$158,-385, for abt. 6.7 mi. surf. wpltmx. surf. on untr. base on Weaverville-Minersville Rd. betw. Brown's Min. & Buckeye Creek Rd., TRIN-ITY COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Volpa Bros., 3763 No. Arthur Ave., Fresno, \$288,223, for abt. 2.7 mi. graded & surf. wpltmx. surf. over cem. tr. base & exist, pvmt., on Blackstone Ave., betw. Shaw Ave. & 0.8 mi. N. of Herndon, FRESNO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Baun Const. Co., P.O. Box 4057, Fresno, \$126,572 for abt. 26.6 mi. surf. w/pltmx. over exist, surf. at var. locas., FRESNO & MA-DERA COUNTIES.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awardna, TRINITY COUNTY.

APRIL 12, 1957

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$10,282 for const. rdwy. at Sacto, Muni. Airport SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S.F., \$15,966 for grade, pave, const. curbs, sewer, 16th St., betw. Roosevelt Way & E'ly, termination.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina, S.F., \$29,872 for grade, pave, sewers on Boylston St. betw. Gaven & Sweeney Sts.,

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to C. V. Kenworthy, 2037 E. Harding Way, Stkn., \$53,846 for abt. 0.4 mi. gr., untr. base & apply dbl. seal ct. betw. 0.9 mi, & 1.3 mi. S. of Hoopa, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

APRIL 15, 1957 CARSON CITY, NEVADA, Contract awarded to Morrison-Knudsen Co., 900 W. 15th N. Salt Lake City, Utah, \$589,948, for apprx. 10.963 mi. const. por. of PHS on U.S. No. 50, betw. 2.3 mi. NW jct.

Summit, LANDER COUNTY. SAN FRANCISCO contract awarded to Scott - Wheelon - Mc-Sweeny & Menary, 382 "G" St.,

SH No. 8A 7 W. ft. of Hickison

Rds., Smith River & Resighini, grade, base crs. & bit. trmt., Smith River Rancheria & Resighini Indian Reservation, DEL NORTE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Johnson, Drake & Piper, 9009 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$4,935,-599 for widen por, of 1 s eel beam ridge & const. 3 RC box girder bridges & abt. 0.5 mi. roadbed gr. & surf. w/PCC & pltmx. surf. in Oakland on Eastshore Freeway, betw. 0.25 mi, E. of Fallon St. & 0.22 mi. W. of Market St., ALA-MEDA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Hansen & Carstensen, P. O. Box 2037, Castro Valley, \$59,871, for 1.8 mi. rdwy shoulders const. by grade & pltmx. surf. on untr. base betw. San Mateo-Hayward Bridge & Eden Landing Rd., ALAMEDA COUNTY.

APRIL 16, 1957

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Paul Woof, 2203 N. Fruit Ave., Fresn, \$77,848, for const. grade, drn. base crs. & rdmx. surf., loc. aprx. 11/2 mi. N. of Tuolumne.

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to A. G. Raisch Co., P. O. Box 458, San Rafael, \$84,902.50, for reconst. of Mission Ave. betw. Lincoln Ave. & Court St., Court St.,

O. C. JONES & SONS GENERAL CONTRACTORS Cedar and 4th St. BERKELEY LAndscape 6-3424

Member A. G. C.

SH No. 13 & 0.7 mi. E. of Standard lay 8" CI main in Delano Ave. & Crescent City, \$94,523, for 2.012 mi. betw. Mission and 5th Aves., Irwin repl. exist. 14" & 2" mains. | const. Proj. Calif. Indian Service | St. betw. 3rd Ave. & Mission Ave., city of San Rafael.

SAN MATEO, Contract awarded to L. C. Smith, P. O. Box 610, San Mateo, \$146,181 for reconst. major city streets & resurfing streets, city of San Mateo.

SALINAS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P. O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$15.946, for const, Shippers Development storm sewer.

BURLINGAME, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., 174 San Bruno Ave., So. S.F., \$35,987, for reconst. of California Dr., betw. Palm Ave. to Broadway & Hillside Dr., betw. El Camino Real to Alvarado St., city of Burlingame.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Osborne & Bowie Engineering Const., 658 "J" St., Crescent City, for 0.7 mi. graded & surf. w/pltmx. surf. on cem, tr. base & untr. base & const. 2 brdgs., betw. 0.1 mi. S. of Minot Creek & 0.1 mi. N. of High Prairie Creek, DEL NORTE COUNTY.

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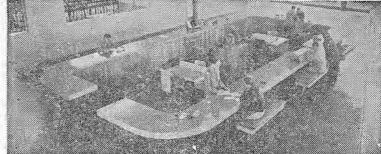
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Work has picked up considerably, and the demand has increased the last couple of weeks. Our out-of-work list is tapering off slowly but surely.

Brothers, may we again remind you to please call or drop us a card letting us know you have gone to work. Your co-

operation will be appreciated. Thanks to those who are cooperat-

ing in this matter.

Change of Hours in the San Rafael Office: Thursdays: Open to 7 p.m. Napa Office: Starting Thursday, May 16th, office hours will be: 8 a.m. to 12 noon; 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. This is Thursday only. Napa Office phone number is BAldwin 4-7671.

Basalt Rock Construction on April 19th had five barges brought into Kaiser Yard in Napa for complete overhaul. These barges are being extended from 130 feet to 147 feet in length, They will hold 1400 to 1500 tons of material. Barge No. 8 is in for complete overhaul from stem to stern, Operotor is Bro. Dave Howard; Oiler is Bro. Elmer Gray and Deck Engineer is Bro. A. V. Hale. Barge No. 8 has a 3500 Manitowac. This barge will go to Ryer Island at Rio Vista for eight months work around the middle of May, Bro, Ralph Glover is the foreman on this barge,

Peletz Construction Co, has a \$250,000 water line job at Sonoma State Hospital, started April 15th. Five thousand lineal feet, 8" to 10" cast iron pipe. Two 200,000gallen steel water tanks, they are Chlorinator and Aflocculator. They will purify water at the Eldredge State Home, seven months work. Bix engineers are on the job.

M, & K. Corp. & Stolte are going full blast on Mare Island sewer job with 25 engineers employed.

Ben C. Gerwick will wind their job up about October on Mare Island.

BIG VALLEJO JOB

Syar & Harms & Erickson, Phillips and Weisberg have started on their Highway 40 job at Vallejo with 15 engineers on the job at job. present. This job will have about 60 or 70 very shortly.

Matich & Sundt are going along with their small job on Travis A.F.B. Brother Ed Morris, the superintendent, has been moved down in Southern California on a big job they have started. Bro. Ross Maynard is the wheel on the Travis job.

Darkenwald on Vacaville Canal

making good progress.

Vinson Construction by the time this goes to press, will have started the ling of the Canal, Spears Construction doing structural work,

Inland Empire Builders, Inc. were low bidders on Travis & Capehart homes which will start about the 27th of this month. This job will take quite a number of men of all crafts. They are going to build five hundred homes,

Brother Robert Fadel, working on the Truck Crane for Spears Construction was killed on April 24th. The boom was being taken apart and fell on him, breaking his neck. His dad is Supt. on the Spears job. We extend our condolences to the family.

Brother Cliff Hubbard broke his wrist in three places, falling from his Truck Crane on April 17, working for Moore Dry Dock.

J. O. Archibald received contracts at Hamilton Air Base for moving, grading and landscaping disposal dump for the amount of \$13,495. They have started their job last week with four Cats and a Motor Patrol on this project.

BLACK POINT BRIDGE

Ben C. Gerwick and J. H. Pomeroy Co. have started work on the high level bridge near Black Point on Petaluma Creek at a cost of \$2,309,498. They have Associated Dredging in there with a suction dredge working and Paul Vincilione doing the dirt excavating and filling for the approaches and abutments, Brother Yates Hammett is Koreing Operator on Pomeroy job, and Brother Wm. Manka, oiler. On the job at Black Point for Vincilione are: Brothers W. H. Brown on 20; Bro. Ray R. Schunk, D.W. 20; Calvin Hall, 20; Lott Hackney and Jess Booth, Operators: Calvin Denham, 20; James W. Tovatt,

oiler; Walter Zaner on Dozer; Jan Zaner, Otis Wilbor, Cat & Can; Bill W. Cooley, Drag Line.

Associated Dredge with an 18 man crew will be at Petaluma Creek for the balance of week of May 4th and from there will be heading for Corte Madera Creek at Greenbrae by Monday, May 6th. Members on this Dredge 27 "Crescent" are: Brothers H. Albright, P. Baldetta, J. Baldetta, D. Busa-lacchi, J. Del Zompo, S. Del Zompo, U. Del Zompo, R. Hinkley, V. Menge, J. Mills, E. McElroy, J. Ritter, S. Salonius, L. Worri. Super on the job is Jim Peterson, Associated Dredging will also enlarge Commodore Sea Plane Base at Richardson Bay.

F. W. Case has resumed operations on a small scale on Highway 101 at Greenbrae with a shovel crew consisting of Brothers Orin Montgomery, Operator N.W. 80: Fred L. Montoya, Oiler; Frank W. Zachary on Dozer; Robert E. Desimone, Grade Checker; Charlie McCaffray, Operator with his equipment; Brother Bennett Murray has charge of the job.

J. P. Soto has 3 units-all T.D. 24-Scraper and Rippers, etc., putting in the golf course at the present time in Indian Valley, and probably will be there 30 days. From here are moving to Sacramento and vicinity, specializing in this type of work, been doing it in the South Pacific and make a for many years. Comes from San Jose where everything is peaceful and coming into a country where a long time. it is worse! At present, members on this job are: Brothers Wm, G. and J. D. Chastine, John Price. Bro. Stew Thompson also on this

At Pullman Co. located at Ring Point: Bro. Guy Slack has taken over as new foreman.

Congratulations to Brother Bill Connors-baby boy, 8-1 ouncemaking a total of 3 boys for Bill. Bill is mechanic at present for Pullman Co.

As this goes to press, we hear that E. T. Haas has a brand new Loader and Buckeye Trencher.

Brother Harry Waggoner with Hutchinson Quarry for about 30 years has blossomed out in a brand new N.W. 6-we think he is deserving of this. However, there is doubt whether he will be competent to take care of this-after all, he has only been with Hutchison for 30 years-will have to investigate after another 10 years. MOURN "PUMPHANDLE"

We are deeply sorry to learn of the sudden passing of Brother Charles Allen, known to many as "Pumphandle." Bro. Allen passed away on May 1st. He will be missed by all who knew him.

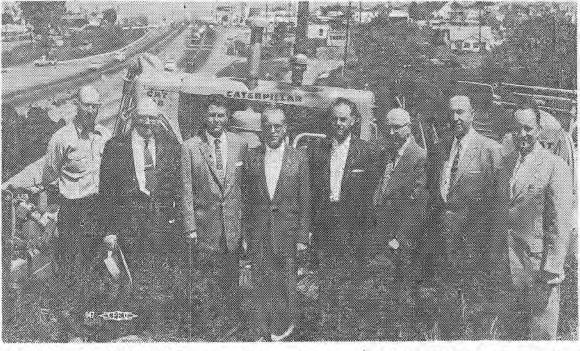
Brother Fred Jensen, Councilman for City of San Rafael, dropped in to say "hello." He and couple of good friends on the Council, Bud Baar and Sauer are doing a good job as far as the taxpayers and construction are concerned; we like to see these boys in the position of being everybody's friends.

Best wishes go to the following Brothers confined in the hospital as this goes to press: Earl Whitmore at Fort Miley V.A. Hospital, San Francisco and Frank Brooks at Ross Hospital, Bro. Brooks, oiler on Charles Hover's Dredge, slipped and has ruptured side.

Blood donors for month of April: Lloyd Cowen, Pauline M. Bradley, Carl Warner.

There must be more "red-blooded" members who can donate. How about it, Brothers? Call in so we can make the necessary appointment for you, or any member of your family. In San Rafael, donations can be made on 1st Friday, San Rafael General Hospital from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and on the 3rd Friday at Elks Club, from 12 noon

We have much construction west



VALLEJO FREEWAY GROUNDBREAKING -Work started early this month on a \$4 million freeway project from Carquinez bridge through Vallejo. This photo was taken at Reis ave., near the bridge, looking north, Included are six overpasses, In picture, left to right: Contractor Phillips, Solano Supervisors Chm. Raymond Church, Contractor C. M.

Syar, Bus. Rep. Aaron Smith of Local 3, Bus. Reps. Frank Conley and James Broton of Laborers 326, Bldg, Trades Bus, Rep. Lowell Nelson, and Vallejo Mayor Will Hewitt. Contractors on the job are Harms Brothers-C. M. Syar, Erickson, Phillips, and

OPERATING ENGINEERS

By OTTO E. NEVER, Regional Director

News from the islands continues to improve. Each month brings us more members who are employed at the various naval installations, and in the construction industry. Very few of our members in construction work are now unemployed. We have been fortunate in making contacts with contrac-

tors who are doing government Midway. With the exception of Midway, these jobs pay stateside scales. The result is that whenever men are out of work, they have the choice of going to some islands stake. Conditions here, therefore, are better than they have been for

We now look frward to a Capehart building program amounting to aproximately \$160 million that will last for a period of approximately 5 years.

A new project, known as the Sears project, is to be built by the Hawaiian Dredging & Construction Co., Ltd., which is a building program near Waikiki, that will exceed \$20 million, This, together with Territorial and City & County work, makes the work program look excellent for the future. We must now make every effort to secure wages comparable to those received by our members on the west coast, as well as the fringe benefits. Only now have the contractors and members of the "Big 5" here begun to realize that organized labor is going to be heard. In an attempt by one contractor to secure a \$6 1/2 million tunnel job without a competitive bid, organized labor appeared before the Territorial legislature and did such an excellent job that it has been decided to put the job out for competitive bid, and invite mainland contractors to bid on the job.

In our efforts to organize the various contractors, we find that the employer makes capital on the

of San Rafael, starting at the Greenbrae Hill. It is your writer's observation that these surfacing jobs are finished at their present state. God pity the traveling motorist. From one bump to another, you hit the jolts and you drop into the hole-then you recover your equilibrium. Upon a little fog entering the area the following morning, the "dock ponds" are created, and we would wonder what they words, let us make it plain, members, I have never seen a construction job in my life with as many detours or secret passages put in and you fall in and try to climb out.

We hope with the present the blind inspector that he is now the machinists and Brother Dan "seeing the light."

work on Kwajalein, Eniwetok, and fact that if the union member is fired from a job or is active in union work, he can very well be blackballed and be unable to secure any further construction work. With the joint effort now being made here by all building trades and directed by experienced organizers, many of whom are International representatives, excellent progress is being made.

"BEASTS OF BURDEN"

The recent lockout affecting the lathers, effecting a small group of 35 men, has been terminated in favor of the lathers who secured all that they had requested. They refused to accept a written contract, stating they would be back later for further increases in pay and possibly, fringe benefits. This also affected the plasterers and hod carriers. The Contractors Association found they were unable to cope with this situation and imported help from the mainland for their negotiations.

To show how bitter the feelings of the employers towards labor, Mr. Scruton, representing the employers, referred to organized labor as those "beasts of burden" who never held together before, now conditions to which they were entitled to.

Our membership in the islands has increased in the last 4 months. We are still showing progress.

At the Pearl Harbor and Federal employees meeting on April 26th, Brother Solomon Maunu won the round trip to Hilo and return, with a stopover at Kona, He elected to take Brother Harry B. Robins with him, as Brother Robins had helped him in securing nearly 70 new members at Pearl Harbor. The balance of the organizing committee will be rewarded in a different manner to be announced by the Regional Director at the next meeting. Also at this meeting, Brothers Edward W. Hoopii, David Kalili, Walter K. H. Ching, Anthony J. Camara and would charge for decoys to rent Joseph P. Medeiros, Jr. were out for the "starving hunters" who, elected to serve on the Sick Commight be in the area. In other mittee. At a meeting held April 29th, they were briefed by the Director on the duties of the Sick Committee and how to assist a member in distress. Also elected that is equal with temporary fills at that time were vice-chairman for the Shipyard divisional meetings, Brother Solomon Maunu; Secretary Harry B. Robins and weather conditions that these great Conductor David Perry. Brothers contractors will iron out some of Timothy Byrne remains as chairthis stuff and we do hope that man, Robert K. Naipo as Sergeantpresent surfacing is a completed at-Arms. Eight new members were job, they will be able to convince initiated. Brother Carriera from

Barnes of the Operating Engineers

Mail Bag

Richmond, Calif. Mar. 21, 1957

Mr. Victor Swanson, Dear Sir:

I want to thank the Operating Engineers for all their help and kindness during Mr. Nelson's illness. Thanks to all the operators for the blood donations.

As you all know Joe's union meant so much to him and when he was told he couldn't operate heavy equipment any more it broke his heart.

I do hope I can still get the Operating Engineers news. We enjoyed it so much. I want to thank one and all for every kindness and help they gave me. I know Joe will still be building roads and running equipment up there,

Thank you. sincerely,

MRS. GRACE NELSON, 1332 - 24th St., Richmond, California.

from Phoenix, Arizona, were visitors at our meeting.

WAIWAIOLE RESIGNS

The regular district meeting of Local 3 was held on April 20th, at which time Brother Joseph Waiwaiole announced his resignation. During the meeting it was suggested that a regular apprenticeship program for the Operating Engineers be set up and offered to the Territorial Apprenticeship Program, so that in the future the Operating Engineers could claim units in the various airplane and airline industries here in the islands. It was also agreed that the making a united front for working hiring for outside islands that preference, and if there were any members of Local 3 be given available jobs after that time, then it would be offered to new members, provided their initiation is paid in full and dues paid one year in advance.

It was also decided that it would be advisable to hold a luau for all of the members of Local 3 and their families; and at that time, the governor and other public officials would be invited to attend, An invitation would also be extended to Local 3's Business Manager, Brother Swansen, and other officers to attend the luau and to hold a regular meeting for the benefit of those members who have never met our officers.

At the present time, we are in need of heavy duty mechanics for Eniwetok, Any member of Local 3 interested in signing a one-year contract with stateside wages on an average of 48 hours or better, should write to the Operating Engineers office here in Honolulu for information, Address is 208 McCandless Bldg., Honolulu 13,

SACRAMENTO Contract awarded to Harms Bros., C. M. Syar, Erickson, Phillips & Weisberg, 5261 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$4,-118,053 for 3.5 mi, grade & surf. w/pltmx. surf. on cem. tr. base & const, 7 cone, brdgs., betw. 0.2 mi. N. of Vallejo Wye & 0.4 mi. N. of Redwood St., SOLANO COUNTY.