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EASTBAY EXPANSION - Shown above is the Carl N. Swenson job at the General Metals Foundry at 9200 Edes avenue, Oakland, a typical scene in the rapid expansion of industry now underway in the East Bay region. The San Jose contracting firm is erecting a sizeable addition to the foundry, which was begun last October but held up by rains. Bethlehem has steel work on the building and Biggs Drayage has contract for all sand bins, pattern shop, and coke bins. In background can be seen the Oakland-San Jose Freeway.



The entire AFL building trades group in the state of Utah has been locked out by the Inter-mountain branch of the Associated General Contractors, creating one of the most serious situations encountered in that region in years.

It is impossible to predict whether or not this will be a long fight. Some 650 of our members are on the street in the state of Utah, as this issue of the News goes to press. They are locked out only because we ask for a fair wage adjustment.

(For more details on the Utah situation, turn to the Utah news report on page 8.)



HUGH L. ADDISON Belden, Calif., Jan. 26, 1953 DAVID THOMPSON Castro Valley, Calif., April 23 EORGE M. GREGORY Klamath Falls, Ore., April 24 FREDERICK THOMAS PLUMB Concord, Calif., May 4, 1953 B. L. BENNETT Oakland, Calif., May 5, 1953 GLEN ATKINSON Kamas, Utah, May 6, 1953 A. M. FRENCH Lincoln, Calif., May 2, 1953 SAM PENNER San Francisco, Calif., May 15 O. R. GREENE Oakland, Calif., May 15, 1953 DANIEL S. FOLEY Redwood City, Calif., May 19 MAURICE NOLAN Oakland, Calif., May 18, 1953 WM. CHURCH San Francisco, Calif., May 21 HOWARD B. LUZIER Reno, Nev., May 26, 1953 ALBERT HUDMAN Brentwood, Calif., June 2 EDWIN WATKINS Felton, Calif., June 2, 1953 GEO. D. ROBERTS Sacramento, Calif., June 3 FRANK C. COWAN Lincoln, Calif., June 8, 1953 ELMER WOOTEN Lincoln, Calif., June 8, 1953

Health, Welfare **Negotiations** With AGC Concluded

For the information of all members concerned, we have met with the Northern and Central Chapters of the Associated General Contractors and have come to an agreement regarding the Operating Engineers Health and Welfare Plan.

The wage question is still in the process of being negotiated. However, your negotiating committee feels that a satisfactory settlement will be arrived at within a few days.

AGREEMENT ON NO-RAIDING PACT REACHED BY AFL-CIO

(AFL Release)

AFL and CIO unity committees agreed on all the essential elements of a no-raiding pact which, when ratified, will go into effect Jan. 1 and extend for two years. The agreement provides for the appointment of an impartial umpire to make final and binding decisions in cases where a dispute cannot be solved by intermediate steps.

A subcommittee was authorized to draft the actual language of the pact which will be submitted for approval to the

AFL Executive Council and the CIO Executive Board in August and then presented for ratification to the conventions of both organizations next fall.

Both AFL Pres. George Meany and CIO Pres. Walter Reuther expressed full confidence at a press conference that such ratification will be forthcoming.

The next step before the agreement goes into effect will be for all affiliated national and international unions of both organizations to sign up.

place in 1951 and 1952. There were 1,245 cases of raiding in those two years, it was found, involving 350,-000 workers. The net change in all those cases was a gain of 8,000 , members by the AFL, an insignificant number by comparison with the total involved. In the vast majority of the cases, the raiding union did not win.

When the no-raiding agreement is ratified and goes into effect, the large sums of money and the energies hitherto expended in raiding will be released for the big of organizing unorganized job workers, Meany and Reuther said. In answer to questions on details by newsmen, Reuther said: "Everyone here is acting in good faith. We are not standing on technicalities."

Field Surveying ____ News Items on **Ruling on Survey** Party Aids Union By AL BOARDMAN

Business Representative The arbitration decision on control points, that gave the survey party back to the union, has already begun to have its effect. The employer can no longer hide behind the superintendent crassification or claim that the superintendent can do all of the survey work. The Survey party must be 100% union at all times. This should increase our membership and give steady employment to our members. It also defines, without doubt, our jurisdiction in the building trades field. We might add here that this union has never wished to take any work from any other craft. Our only goal has been to establish wages and working conditions for the Technical Engineer members of the union.

New developments of interest have been the refusal of the National Labor Relations Board to take jurisdiction over the election between the Operating Engineers' Union, Local No. 3, and The Associated Civil Engineers and Land (Continued on Page Twelve)

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Most Water, Sewer Jobs

California led the nation in the number of water and sewage projects approved by the government in the first quarter of this year. The state had seven sewer and 41 water projects with aggregate value of \$12.3 million.

Meany declared the agreement to end raiding will have "a very good effect on progress toward eventual organic unity of the AFL and CIO."

He said the unity committees will proceed with merger negotiations. Their next hurdle, he explained, is to survey the jurisdictional conflicts existing between present affiliates of CIO and AFL unions and to tackle "the real, knotty problems."

COMPLETE HARMONY

Meany and Reuther, displaying complete harmony and friendliness, explained the elements in the agreement to the press conference in an informal manner.

They said the pact provides that unions of both organizations shall agree not to conduct organizational raids against each other in every case where a union has been certified as a collective bargaining agent or has been recognized by the employer as a collective bargaining agent through the negotiation of a contract.

In such cases, they said, "the other union must stay out."

They said no thought has yet been given to candidates for the job of impartial umpire to decide disputed cases.

The committees acted, explained Meany and Reuther, after studying data on actual raids that took

Agreeing with this statement. Meany added:

"We are taking a practical approach to the solution of one of the most aggravating problems before us. It will provide us with a breathing spell during which the unity committees will continue to meet for the purpose of trying to achieve organic unity."

Meany added that the plan involves voluntary arbitration, not compulsory arbitration.

Both the AFL chief and Reuther told the newsmen that the unanimous conclusion of the members of the unity committees was that "raiding does not pay" and should be ended.

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SERVICE WITHDRAWALS

NEIL CLEM JOHN DAVIES RICHARD GAROFOLO RICHARD OYAMA ROBERT SEWARD BILLY WILLIAMS

EDITORIALS

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION No. 3

COMMENT

Ads for Alaska Workers Exposed as Sucker Bait

Current magazine advertise- eron W. McKay. Questioned, Mcworkers to Alaska where there is no work for them, were branded as "sucker bait" in a warning received here last week.

A copy of an Alaska paper, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner forwarded by a union member there exposed the current racket with a front page story.

The story under a banner headline, charged an advertisement in the June issue of Saga magazine, was announcing a construction boom and sending workers on a wild goose chase after non-existent work in Alaska. A copy of the advertisement was reproduced in the paper and its announcement of employment in Alaska at \$180 to \$300 per week was labéled "sucker bait." The advertisement urged readers to send \$2 for "information and advice on Alaska working conditions.

"While hundreds are out of work in Fairbanks, and skilled workers are vainly seeking to find employment, a local citizen has placed an advertisement in a nationally circulated magazine urging people to come to Alaska to take advantage of a 'boom' in employment," the Fairbanks paper said.

"Labor halls here have already encountered men who read the advertisement and rushed north without any investigation of conditions here," the paper stated, "most of them are now stranded."

The advertisement, as reproduced in the newspaper said: "Employment in Alaska, Construction Boom this season and next. Over 55 gigantic construction contracts. Pay ranges from \$180 to \$300 per week. Big demand for skilled and unskilled workers now. Send for latest information and advice on working and living conditions direct from Alaska Construction job sites. Now is the time to make that stake."

Below was a coupon to be filled out and sent with \$2.00 to "Arctic Circle Trading Post, 637 Filths Ave., Fairbanks, Alaska."

The newspaper story said the address was misprint for 637 Fifth Ave., the address of a hotel and of a message service which had instructions to hold "Arctic Circle Trading Post" mail for one Cam-

Hatred Breeds (

ments attracting construction Kay refused to divulge nature of pamphlets being mailed and gave no explanation for the advertisement.

Union officials in Fairbanks pointed out that even if the pamphlets mailed to Stateside workers tell the truth about acute shortage of jobs there, many will still be tricked since they rush north without obtaining the offered information.

A number of \$2 money orders and checks made out to Arctic Circle Trading Post were said to have been cashed in the area.

The Daily News-Miner, dated May 23, said the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce had that day condemned the magazine advertisement in a letter to McKay. The letter, signed by E. D. Lewis, manager, was reproduced in the paper. The Chamber of Commerce let-

ter declared the SAGA magazine advertisement by listing big demand for workers would result disastrously, "Unfortunately many Stateside workers will swallow that bait and spend their last dime making the long, expensive trip to Alaska," the Chamber of Commerce letter pointed out, only to wind up "in the hands of charitable organizations for transportation back home."

Check of the local labor organizations shows no big demand for workers, and in fact considerable unemployment exists, the Chamber of Commerce letter added. The letter asked that the advertising be rephrased to reflect a more accurate picture of the actual job situation in Alaska.

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Protest Buying Prefabs For Army Overseas

American manufacturers of prefabricated housing are protesting the Armed Forces' announced intention to purchase European-built pre-fab units for housing U.S. service and civilian personnel abroad.

The proposed move is based on indications that the units bought broad will cost less than units made here and then shipped overseas.





Three California trench accidents in seven days almost meant three in a row at the morgue. "Every one of these accidents was preventable," states the California Department of Industrial Relations.

One worker survived only because he managed to breathe by making a small airspace between his fact and some boards against which his head and face were jammed. Another is alive only because of the speed of fellow workmen who rescued him a few seconds after he was buried alive. The third, buried up to his neck by a sudden cave-in, was freed by fellow workers, who worked furiously for ten minutes to extricate him.

. It so happens that last-minute rescue efforts were successful in these cases. But hurried efforts of this type are sometimes themselves hazardous, and often lead to injuring others.

"These three serious cave-ins within a week," says the department, "give further proof that even experienced men cannot determine in advance whether an unsupported bank of earth will stand or collapse. Why not treat every trench as a potential source of death and injury unless properly shored and braced as required by California's Trench Construction Safety Orders?

The orders call for sets of uprights and braces to support trench walls at intervals of no more than eight feet, even if the soil seems hard and firm. If the soil is less stable, additional support is required. But the specified minimum applies in every case where the trench is five feet deep or more. Don't dig your own grave! * * *

Bulldozer Landed

Pole

Report of Last Meeting

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

A Synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 2, weas read and by motion approved as read, with the exception of that part dealing with the casting of a white ballot, which was referred to Unfinished Business.

A Synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of May 13, and of June 3, and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

Cards of thanks were received from Mrs. Leona Greene; Gladys Penner and daughter; the family of Anthony J. Peters, Jr. Received and filed.

The following Brothers were reported ill: Eric W. Adams, Herman Albright, Atha Burns, Cecil Bailey, Wm. G. Campbell, W. A. Cornelius, John Daly, Gaston DuBos, A. T. Dufloth, Leo W. Ely, Ben Faucher, James D. Farrell, Ivan C. Gardner, Bruce Gould, Adolph E. Hansen, Yates Hammett, Lewis Harbin, Fred Herbert, G. A. Hardmeyer, Lester E. Hunt, Harold Jennings, Oswald M. Johnson, Geo. LaVier Angus E. Longson, Claud A. Longan, Geo. E. Middleton, Jr., Walter O'Brien, Charles Overman, Aage Patersen, Frank Pimentel, John W. Redmond, A. Earl Smith, Edwin V. Silva, N. L. Sevedge, Noel Thurber, Robert Trowbridge, W. R. Tate, Ernest Vargas, Oscar Winkler, Edwin J. Watkins, Earl Wortman, J. Warren Whitehead and Harvey L. Young.

The following Brothers were reported deceased: Hugh L. Addison, David Thompson, George M. Gregory, A. M. French, Sam Penner, O. R. Greene, Glen Atkinson, B. L. Bennett, Wm. Caruch, Albert Hudman, Thomas Frederick Plumb, Maurice Nolan, Daniel S. Foley.

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

The Trustees Report was read. It was regularly moved and seconded to accept the Trustees Report as read. Carried.

Report of the General Secretary-Treasurer was read by President Clancy

Brother Frank Lawrence, Industrial Accident Commissioner, gave a short talk regarding industrial accident cases. He said there were more claims and requests for reconsideration now, than ever before in the history of the Commission. His remarks were well received the membership.

Third International Vice-President, Brother J. J. McDonald, gave a short talk and brought greetings from Local No. 248, Phoenix, Arizona. His remarks were well received by the membership. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A white ballot was cast by the Recording-Corresponding Secretary, electing the following as officers for the term beginning July 1, 1953, ending June 30, 1955:

PRESIDENT, Pat Clancy; VICE-PRESIDENT, H. O. Foss; RE-CORDING-CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, C. F. Mathews; FINAN-CIAL SECRETARY, R. F. Swanson; TREASURER, P. E. Vandewark; CONDUCTOR, Les Collett; GUARD, Glenn Dobyns; TRUSTEES, J. A. Carahoff, Charles Davenport; AUDITORS; E. A. Hester, H. L. Spence; EXECUTIVE BOARD, Harry Metz, Chet Elliott, Ed Doran, Alton Clem, C. L. Casebolt, E. A. Park, A. G. Boardman.

These Officers were declared elected by President Clancy.

In accordance with the Constitution the Financial Secretary made a motion that Perry Rankin be expelled from the Union. Carried unanimously.

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

Respectfully submitted C. F. MATHEWS Recording-Corresponding Secretary



"people's lobby." L. O. Thomas, editor of the Machinists' Monthly Journal, in a full-page statement in the June issue, proposed formation of a "National Organization for Social Security" to fight for the 60 million people now covered by the Social Security Act. Thomas pointed out that Congress is considering proposals to wreck the Social Security system, declared the unions are doing a good job of exposing the scheme, but that more needs to be done to thwart "the clear and present danger that threatens the Act's very existence."

The present world situation in which we find million and millions of people still suffering under the mental and physical torture that goes hand in hand with totalitarianism should give all advocates of human freedom real cause for deep concern.

By GEORGE MEANY

President, American Federation of Labor

Here in free America, those who subscribe to the doctrine that God intended all men to be free and equal should, with ever increasing vigilance and determination, see to it that those things which contribute most to the destruction of human freedom are eliminated from our national life.

Religious bigotry and intolerence have, from the dawn of history, accompanied practically all forms of oppression. The economic welfare of workers everywhere depends, to a large extent, on their ability to take concerted action to raise and maintain their standards.

History teaches us beyond question that workers cannot have or hold freedom to help themselves in a land where racial or religious discrimination is allowed to flower and flourish. If we, as workers, are to preserve our freedom here in America we must of necessity keep our minds and hearts ever alive to this danger. Group hatred breeds hatred and smothers the democratic way of life. The most outstanding form of group hatred against which we must guard is anti-Semitism,

This scourge has always-when allowed to go unchecked-been merely the forerunner to the persecution and oppression of other groups. Surely here in America, where people from every land have joined together to build the most succesful democracy in history, we must be especially vigilant against the termites who preach intolerance.

The record of the American Federation of Labor over the past 70 years is one of incessant battle not only for the improvement of the economic lot of the worker but also against the poisons of bigotry. Today there are 8,000,000 men and women in our organization who, with the picture of recent European history clearly before them, are determined to fight even more vigorously than the pioneers of organized labor against those who try to weaken our nation by formenting prejudice.

The workers of America must fight anti-Semitism at every turn of the road, not only because it leads to subjugation and slavery for those who toil but more basically because it is wrong and a contradiction of every civilized philosophy for human good which recognizes the existence of a Divine Rule. Anti-Semitism is not only anti-labor, anti-democratic and anti-social-it is anti-Christian and anti-God.

Near North

A huge cargo plane with an eight-ton bulldozer has landed on the Air Force's floating ice island near the North Pole, it was announced May 16 by Gen. John K. Cannon, head of Tactical Air Force. A Douglas C-214 from the 62nd Troop Carrier Group at Larson Air Force Base, Wash., made the delivery. The dozer is to be used in improving the runway on the ice island and keeping the strip clear of snow.

* * * \$1,000 More Per Home

Boosting interest rates on veterans' home loans from 4 to 412 per cent would be equal to charging the veteran \$1,000 more for his home, Rep. Patman (Texas) told Congress recently.

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Declaring millions should rally to meet the threat, Thomas has offered his office in the Machinists Building, Washington 1, D. C., as a temporary clearing house.

Just a 'Minor' Accident-It Cost Contractor S17,400

Eye-opening facts that should convince any employer who thinks he's saving money by short-cutting safety precautions that he is wrong have been made available by the National Safety Council.

The Construction Section of the National Safety Council recently described the following case history of a seemingly minor construction industry accident and showed how much it really rost:

A workman, while using a wrench with sprung jaws to tighten the clamp bolts securing the drum end of a housing cable on a stiffleg derrick, let the wrench slip and received severe abrasions of the knuckles of his right hand. Direct cost of the accident (first aid and physician's fee) was \$4.

But the complete cost for the contractor was \$17,400. The workman left his work to get to the doctor, the derrick with its loose clamp unobserved began lifting a 20-foot I-beam, the cable pulled out of its clamp and the beam fell, knocking down a scaffold, dislodging a piece of cornice stone which fell through the roof, ruptured a fire main, flooded two floors and damaged electrical and power equipment.

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ENGINEERS' NEWS

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You're the one who told me to vote for that --- company union! *

Labor, Others Rap McKay's Giveaway Of Hell's Canvon

Portland, Ore. (LPA) - Labor and other organizations — 56 of them from five states-have banded together here in an as yet unnamed organization to fight Interior Secretary Douglas McKay's giveaway of Hell's Canyon to the Idaho Power Co.

Meeting here May 23, the group threatened to condemn and seize the Oregon portion of any lowlevel dam that the private utility might build on the Snake River in place of the high-level dam contemplated for years by the Federal Government.

In the Washington-Oregon-Montana area several federal hydroelectric dams have been built by private contractors, increasing the production and consumption of electric power and reducing its cost. In the same area some private utilities have also developed projects. The one exception has been in the area monopolized by Idaho Power, where the Hell's Canyon dam was planned. McKay's withdrawing U.S. opposition to Idaho Power's plans permits that firm to build its own dam in exactly the spot reserved by the U.S., thus killing all hope for the Hell's Canyon dam in the future. In a protest to President Eisenhower, to the Federal Power Commission, and to senators and representatives from the affected states, the group said junking the federal high-level dam "would be one of the most colossal blunders ever committed by any administration" and would mean "junking

the whole comprehensive development program for the Columbia River and its tributaries." It added that piecemeal development by private interests would "reduce the potential power capacity of the region from 33 million to 15 million kilowatts, would eliminate the possibility of harnessing these rivers for adequate flood

control, irrigation, navigation and other watershed conservation func-"tions" and would delay or pre-

High Water Slows Sacramento

By W. V. MINAHAN, H. S. CLARK and E. M. NELSON, **Business Representatives**

High water still prevails in the Sacramento area. Folsom Dam contractors replaced the coffer dam but high waters washed it out the day after completion. The company intends to rebuild the coffer dam whenever the weather conditions will permit them to do so. The Savin Construction Co. are working on a limited basis because of a fault found in the

rock formation in the river bed. This project will remain this way until a decision is forthcoming from the Army engineers, which should be in the near future.

The Nimbus Dam contractors are working a small crew on replacing their coffer dam and preparing to complete the south monolith. Winston-Johnson, contractors for this project, are still working but this is primarily on concrete. The dirt work on this job is at a minimum and will stay that way to completion. There will be approximately 30 engineers on this job at the peak of production. Otherwise the work status in this area remains about the same as our last report. We still have a large out-of-work list.

on their North Sacramento freestruction at this time. This company will be starting their West sometime. There were also low bidders on the Roseville freeway job should also be underway this month. This should help our outof-work list.

Frederickson & Watson and M-K Corp., "contractors at the Sly Park Dam, have been trying to get started for the last month. The rain, sleet and snow have kept the job shut down to date. There have been 23 clearances issued so far but these brothers have worked only three days in three week's time, Brothers D. H. Shirts and Dave Hanny are doing the bossing with Brothers George Freeland, C. L. Jenkins, Bob Morgan, Mat Mattingly Harding, Ed Sharp, C. E. Everett, W. J. Bishop, R. H. Watson, Frank Groblebee, Chet Peer, Lee Young, Clyde Stephenson, P. D. Adams, Bill Ulm and Bro. Lambert giving the assist.

The plant crew has started to site. Brother Claude Smalley is in charge of this operation. Brothers Red Stewart, Ted Rife, Bill Hens-Shingle Springs.

are doing the clearing at Sly Park. This company uses the iron ball to mow down the brush, Bro. Whitey Fields is ramrodding this spread with six cats working. Brothers Ben Shinn, Kenny Bertham, Kenny Stewart, Fred Edgeman, Bill Landrum, Harvey Stancil, Danny Furrer and Buck Pelton doing the brush piling. The Tri-Con Co., who have the ouildings and a small road job at the Sly Park Dam, have also had bad weather to contend with lately. The work on this project has been hit and miss, too. Brother Vic Nelson bosses this spread with Jack Jaquish doing the operating. The Elmer Warner Construction Co. has moved back into Nevada City to finish the road job which started last Fall. This company also faced adverse weather, Bro. Bill Waite is doing the bossing here with Brothers W. E. Tracy, Norman Harry, Ed Bridges, Eugene Duncan and Roy Hamilton operating the rigs. Brothers Jay Harris and H. Ferris are on the blades and Bill Edwards is on the roller. * * *

Chas. Burgin and W. W. Huntington are engineering.

The Hughes-Vertin Lime Co., located at Auburn, are erecting another burner which should be ready this early summer. This will increase the employment by at least one-third at this plant. Bro. Vaughn Stone does the gaffing at this plant with Brothers Harold Snider, Frank Vierra, Tony Nicholis, Ernie Ring, T. Scott, Mel Hovett, Roy Gulley and Ernie Ritchie assisting.

News About The Brothers JIM WITHROW monkey wrench-

ing; DON FOX with a Fordson and attachments at Davis; HARRY U.P.K. is working on structures LAWLEY with a ½-yard Osgood a their North Sacramento free- at Woodland; TOMMY DOYLE way job with the grade under con- back to work; H. R. (Sailor) COURNOYER running a N.W.; ED RANKIN writing from Aden; Sacramento paving job this month BILL McDOUGAL too tired; PAUL McNEELY fixing a car; LOUIS REEDER using a beater; ED job with a bid of \$1,277,501.30. This | HUNTER, welding shop at Placerville; BOB HALL, taking it easy; BOB CALLENDER likewise: NOT-LEY BYRD signaling traffic; JERRY FREEMAN watching grade; MARVIN REED telling a fish story; TOM EATON looking; LAWRENCE KEYTON filing a claim; JACK SHAFFER drinking so much coffee; COURDIS WIL-LIAMS looking for that fourth ace; E. B. HOWELL and BILL PARKER loading eucs; FRED SALAS hoeing; GLEN ECKERT craning; HAROLD HUSTON, VERNON MINKOWITZ, B. A. CAMERON and JOE FRIEDMAN, double end eucs; GEN DECKER riding a 20; FRANK SALAS working an oil can for CHICK SEVER-ANCE; JACK BOLES just walking; G. R. McFARLAND considering a mustache; WHITEY ADAMS breaking in a new 202; FREW move equipment to the Sly Park LEWIS at Foresthill; LONNIE DUBOCE going to Cisco; GEO. SCOTT paying dues; JIM WHITE waiting; JOHN (Boomer) TREDley, Woody Holmes and Brother ENNICK pushing rocks; HOWARD Baker are doing the unloading at GREEN backfilling; CLAUDE YOUNGS giving blood; WHITEY Wixson & Crowe, from Redding, RESH running a power house; CAL LOHR setting grade; ANDY FOOTE jeeping; RED GORHAM clearing borrow pit; ED DUNCAN hauling muck.

PERSONALS

Better luck and health in the future to' Lee Hurd, who is in the is on a Tournarocker. He is about house, drop in to see Bro. Mason. U. C. Hospital at San Francisco, half truck driver, I think. Brothers I am sure that he will give you a and to Brother Kirkland, who was James A. Smith and A. E. Potash injured while putting up a television aerial.



ENGINEER AND RAG-HEADS-Here is Operating Engineer Fred Jackson, employed near Casablanca, French Morocco, shown with two of his very helpful native helpers, known as "Rag-Heads." Bro Jackson, for recreation, shoots wild pigs, says they are very good barbecued.

Reno Boys Smoothing Road For California Gamboleers By H. L. "Curley" SPENCE and J. W. "Bill" BARR.

Business Representatives

Andy Drumm and Dodge Construction Company are making big headway on the joint venture highway job north of Wells, Nevada. They have a good camp. The food is excellent, I know that because I tried it. They have a fine trailer court for the trailers. Wilkins, Nevada, store, service station and bar are just up the road a couple of blocks, which is very handy for groceries, gas, etc.

They have most of the same crew: Charles "Red" Melendy, Matt Greve, Nathan George, Ber-nard "Shorty" Smith, and Elmer Strange are on the Cats. Brothers Joe Solaegui, Chip Montrose and Jack Chatelle are grade foremen. Bro. Leonard Miller is the culvert, pipe, and labor superintendent. Brothers Henry "Hank" Kiechler, Dave "Windy" Howard, James Street, and Marvin "Timber" Renken are on Pulls. Bro. H. R. "Red" Watts has his hands full doing the welding. Bro. Ed Jones is the Heavy Duty Repairman. He spends most of his time keeping the Super Cs rolling. Bro. I. J. "Toby" Tobler is back with Drumm, repairing shovel and operating.

Isbell Construction Company's highway job from the California and Nevada State line to Verdi, Nevada, has its traffic problems, but George Conley, the foreman, has it under control. Now that Conley is quite the highway builder. Bud Clem is on the North West. W. R. "Skinner Bill" Sherwin, George Sharrah and Slim Cubberness are on the Cats. Now, that is a "Catty" bunch. Bro. Ellis Jordan

job on Highway 20, north of Eureka, Nevada, is under way and going strong, with Brothers Lou Gates. Bud Jacobsen and Devear Kendall on the "Cans." Brothers Dell Frenzi and "Link" Harris are on Elades and Bro. Bill Snodgrass is the . Sheepfoot "jockey." Bro. Bob Vicks is grade foreman.

The brothers at Leviathan Mine will welcome spring and sunshine. Those fellows have had a rough go this winter, on top of the world and nothing to stop the wind. They are a hardy lot, and wind nor weather stops production when those fellows are on the job.

Clarence Dieterich has most of the alleys in Reno blocked off or Brothers Al Parlanti and Ivan Woodford have them dug up. Ero. Woodford does much better work since he has a good oiler.

Bro. L. W. Mason has left the employment of Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. near Fallon, Nevada, and started in the trailer house business. He has a trailer sales park just went of Fallon, on Highway 50. If any of you fellows want a good deal on a trailer good deal, because he does have all

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"Failure to treat the Columbia River and its tributaries as a unit," they said, "would forever prevent the Pacific Northwest region from achieving its full destiny as a balanced economy, a market for goods, a source of tax revenues, a self-supporting entity -or its maximum contribution to the national defense."

They protested also the "abdication to an absentee-controlled private power monopoly" and urged the President to recommend intervention before the FPC.

Labor representatives at the session were Chester C. Dusten, CIO regional director for Oregon, and James Marr, Oregon AFL secretary.

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He was one of those tourists who like to brag about the number of miles covered in a day. As the evening wore on they passed motel after motel with the "No Vacancy" sign out. Finally the little woman remarked, "I know we'll find one soon, dear. . . . Peo-ple are starting to get up."

Pete says that men who try to understand women usually succeed only in marrying them.

Thomas & Sullivan are going good on their highway 49 job at Auburn. This project is just about ready for road rock, Brother Doug Simmons is pulling the levers on the dragline and Smokey Sutherland is blading.

Huntington Bros. with Luce Huntington in command, are at Georgetown on a road project. This job will be completed in approximately one month, barring Youngs, Ruth Clark, and Harold Bill finds that he is too wide, so rain. Brothers Ray Blakely, Sid Clark. Thanks again for the time there will probably be a "jeep" for LeVos, Joe Lovely, Jack Gardner, and interest which you have taken sale. Jim Humphreys, Glen Blakely, towards our Blood Bank. Do

Congratulations to Brother and Mrs. Bill Squibb on the birth of a 9½-pound engineer.

Our deepest sympathy goes to the wife and family of Brother George Roberts who died recently. Brother Roberts was well liked by everyone and will be missed by all.

The following are in business for themselves: George Moritz, M & M Welding & Machine Works, located at Placerville, all types of welding, steel nails, bolts, pipe, bearings, etc., call Placerville 754-J; Smokey Sutherland, dozer, backhoe, farm tractor - call Auburn TUrner 5-4263; M. C. Jackson, Fordson, loader, ripper, scraper - call Sacramento WA 5-0083; Leroy Wallin, hauling, tractor work, excavating, roto tilling, plowing, etc.-call Sacramento GI 3-4003; Clay Cook & Oroville Smith, Suburban Sanitation Co., custom drilling; septic tanks, cesspools, etc-call Fair Oaks 541Y4.

We wish to express our appreciation to the following for their donations to our Blood Bank: Sickles found himself getting too Ernest Roberts, Jack Foss, Emery Loyd, Herman Davis, Claude it off on Bro. Adamson and now

are on the Blades and doing a really smooth job.

Bro. Clarence "Bill" Boegle and his East Second Street operation is going along fine between showers. Boegle will be ready to crush some rock before long, Bro. Herman Petersen and his Hot Plant on East Second Street is a bit slowtoo much rain. Maybe when spring comes, if it comes, he will be ready.

The brothers at Isbell's copper pit jobs in Ely have had a little vacation due to a slide at Kimberly that closed the mine road for a shroto time. We hope that by this time everyone is back to work and happy. We are happy to see Bro. Hugh Gaensforth back on the job, Utah Construction Company's job at Ruth. Bro. Hugh says that the hospital is no place for an engineer to spend his vacation.

The brothers on Foley Brothers' job at Deep Ruth and Kellenski have finally gotten into the "bonus notch" and they happily report progress. Bro. Ken Holthus is "machine doctor" in the shop and Bro. Juan Leon rules the "gang" in the blacksmith shop, Bro. C. O. long for his "jeep" and has wished

kinds and sizes for you to choose from. Lots of luck, Mason.

We are all happy to know that Bro. Embick's wife is home from the hospital and on the road to a speedy recovery.

Bro. Ben Faucher has been released from his plaster of paris girdle. Bro. Ben says that his back is improving.

We are very, very sorry to report that Bro. Howard Luzier was killed when a storage tank on which he was welding blew up at the Leviathan Mine in Alpine County, California.

Bro. Abe Collins is back on the job again after having severe burns on his legs.

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Bay Yards Can Bid

Private shipyards in the Bay Area will be eligible to bid on 22 repair and overhaul jobs on MSTS vessels in the next month, the agency announced last week. Rear Admiral Howard L. Collins, USN, commander of MSTS-Pacific, said 18 of the ships need voyage repairs, including 15 transport and three cargo, and four others need annual overhaul. Largest job in the past month, he said, was a \$315,323 overhaul on the USS Gen. A. E. Anderson, by Triple A Machine

Dodge Construction Company's Shop, Inc.

ENGINEERS' NEWS

SOME STOCKTON BOYS ON BENCH, WAIT JOBS

By ED. DORAN, WALTER M. TALBOT, M. W. GRIFFING and C. L. CASEBOLT (Modesto), Business Representatives

So far this year, the supply of engineers has been greater than the demand, which makes it a poor condition for the brothers sitting on the bench. We hope that as soon as the Laborers go back to work, some of the new work that is scheduled for this area, will put most of the brothers to work.

One of these jobs will be for the Plainview Water Irrigation District, distribution system on the Delta-Mendota Canal which will entail construction of 11 miles of 12 to 30 inch diameter concrete pipe lines including 12 gravity turnouts and 15 turnouts with pumping plants of 9 to 2 cfs. capacities.

Another will be the construction of about 41/2 miles of freeway between N. Ripon and the Austin Road on Highway 99 which is estimated to run approximately one and a half million dollars.

Ball & Simpson were low bidders for 4.2 miles of road at Niagara Creek above Strawberry on the Sonora Pass road. The bid was for \$856,972 and will get started when the snow melts.

Larry, Ernie and Henry Aksland have all their rigs busy leveling land near Ripon, Modesto, Turlock and Dixon. These are fortunate contractors as most of the land levelers are shut down or are working only one or two rigs.

U-P-K at Farmington have nearly completed their cross channel job and are about half done on rip-rapping the inside face of the dam.

M. J. Ruddy & Son, who have approximately 15 engineers on the job. job at Burson, will be nearly completed with their job when this item is published, but on the 24th of this month, another contract

work on the west end of their job which they may get.

Nomellini Const. Co. have three D-W 20's back in this area on a housing project, called Lincoln Village, but we are told they are going back to Travis just as soon as they complete the street work for 90 new homes. Brothers Carrol Airola, Bill Brocco and Doc Bacigalupi are on the D-W 20's, Herman New on the push-cut and Glenn Hogard is foreman. Claude Wood & Co., and Macal

Improvement Co. were low bidders on a road job in Alpine and Mono Counties. This job involves quite a bit of rock in Alpine County and mostly surfacing and road mix in Mono which is in Local 12's jurisdiction. The brothers at Coleville in Mono County Macal's men will probably stay at Markleeville in Alpine County whenever they get going.

L. Biasotti & Son is finished with the grade and borrow in the Tracy Annex job and will move in with the surfacing after the buildings are completed which will be about July 1st.

Johnson-Drake & Piper are about finished with the Boys School at-Tracy and are moving most of their equipment to their Vacaville

A. Teichert & Son are doing the grading in the residential area on the above contract. Work has been very scarce in

will be let by the state for more the Stockton area with but very

few small jobs coming up in the near future. Our Tri-dam project, which we had hoped would be under way by this time, has run into difficulties and there is nothing definite on it as of this writing.

The employees of Kaiser Magnesium Corp., Manteca, have been officially notified of the closing of the plant, which will take place around June 30th. This action will put about 500 people of this vicinity out of work and there are not many jobs to be had at this time.

The Independent Iron Works job at the Tracy Annex is moving ahead in a synchronized operational manner that could be compared only to the movements of timed piece of machinery. We have Bro. John Spikula operating and Bro. Joe Gomez oiling the P & H Truck Crane, and Bro. Clarence Enos, operating and Bro. George Whitby oiling the Lorain.

On the Forklifts we find Bros. Nick Spikula, Charlie Curtiss and Henry Swartout. On the carrier is Bro. Chet Miller. These brothers, under the careful direction of Supt. Chet Ghiorso, are doing an exceptionally good job. The forklifts sort out the several parts of steel and place them on carrier-blocks in the storage area. From there they are taken to the building site and stacked in order, near the spot at which they are to be erected. The cranes are required to make but very little movement in order to hoist any piece of steel to its final location in the building. Congratutions, brothers, on a beautiful job being expertly done.

At this time we wish to thank two dispatchers of the I.L.W.U. here in Stockton for their sincere assistance in giving about 25 of our brothers part-time employment during the past winter and spring. It is indeed gratifying to know men like McNair and Davenport who unhesitatingly gave a helping hand to our brothers when they really needed it. The brothers have requested the writer to extend their esteemed thanks and the best of luck to two mighty big men who deserve the best things in life for their generosity and good fellowship.

S.F. Naval Shipyd. In Safety Record

The San Francisco Naval Shipyard topped all other Navy shipyards for safety during 1952, was the good news received from the National Safety Council last week. The council sent an award to the Bureau of Ships which forwarded it to Capt. W. L. Turney, vard commander.

Bureau Ships Chief R. Adm. H. N. Wallin extended his congratulations to "the military and civilian personnel . . . for their achievement in industrial accident prevention" and added: "It is also a on driving the concrete pilings this pleasure to convey . . . the con- next week. This job got off to a

Army World Radio Station Is Opened Near Clear Lake By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Business Representative

Work on a new 310-Foot concrete bridge and 940 feet of approaches has begun now that the water level in the creek has fallen enough to allow construction of a detour.

The contract was awarded to Victor Weidemer of Penryn. At the present, Bro. Roscoe Collins is operating the crane with Bro. Ed Flaherty, his oiler.

The narrow steel bridge over Putah Creek five miles north of Middletown will soon be only a memory.

The old steel bridge, built in 1914, has been a landmark in the Coyote Valley district for so many years. to old-timers its replacement by a modern new 2-lane bridge will be somewhat like turning the tried and true jallopy in on a new model family car.

The old bridge has seen many a flood, when its curvey approaches have become part of the river and swirled with waters too deep for traffic. It has also seen many a narrow squeak, when two cars try to pass and find it impossible if one happens to be a wide one.

The north end of the bridge has a sharp curve for an opproach, and if you are one kind of a driver. you whosh onto the bridge boldly, hoping to bluff somebody into backing off the other end; if there's a car coming from the south.

If you're another kind of driver. you cautiously poke your front bumper around the curve, ready to apply the brakes and start backing.

Dozens of motor boats are towed across this bridge every week-end on the way to Clear Lake Resorts, besides the house trailers and camping trailers of every size, and the new bridge is certainly needed and long overdue.

When the St. Helena canyon road from the Napa County line to the Mirabel is improved and Fuller's Corner straightened, the roads in that district will be in fair condition.

A Forestville dairy operator is preparing to turn a 5-acre marsh into another man-made lake which will be planted with rainbow trout. This new pond is being excavated by dragline in a spring-fed portion of the ranch. Helwig Construction Company of Sebastopol is doing the work. Bro. Francis Millerick is operating the dragline with Bro. James Sanders his oiler. The plan calls for installing a concrete spillway and a run-off ditch to carry surplus water into a stream that drains the property.

L. L. "Red" McCulla, superintendent for Transocean Construction Co. reports that they have completed the detour for the construction of the bridge across the North Fork of the Navarro River, 17 miles northwest of Boonville. They plan gratulations extended by the Chief bad start due to weather condi-

each capable of carrying 12 teleall over the world. The facsimile circuit simultaneously from points al lover the world. The facsimile ciruit is designed to transmit and receive photographs.

A recently developed radio set which, together with carrier equipment, provides for 16 voice channels to the Presidio of San Frakcisco. Microwave terminal equipment, similar to that used in transcontinental television transmission, which also provides 24 talking circuits to the Presidio.

An emergency power plant, capable of providing power for the entire installation in the event of a commercial power failure. And a radio repair shop using the newest electronic measuring equipment and machine tools for fabrication of parts needed immediately at the station.

Sonoma County's quicksilver mining industry, for the first time since the beginning of World War II, has become an important topic "pan of conversation among the and shovel" brigade who have taken millions of dollars from the crevices of the mountain regions of the nation.

Twelve years ago two young men moved in with mule packs and took over the properties of the old Culver Bear mine in the vicinity of Mercuryville, on Geyser Road, about 15 miles northeast of Cloverdale, and then things began to change from what seemed to be a worthless waste into a single operation that is "coasting along" at the rate of about \$96,000 per year. At the present time the mine is producing about 40 flasks monthly. Under full production it is capable of producing five to six flasks daily, which would mean, considering present price of \$200 a flask, that it could run into a much higher percentage of the national production.

Farther down the river, six miles west on Geyser Road, things are humming on a new development. Elaborate milling machinery has been installed by the Tennessee Laboratories, and approximately 1000 feet of mining railway trackage has been installed and trains are hauling the ore-laden dirt from operations 900 feet back in the mine's tunnel, where workmen along the ore vein believe it will lead to the main deposit.

Train crews haul out six to seven carloads of tailings to be dumped into the canyon. All cars loaded with ore are switched out and placed at the chutes where they are dumped into crushers and prepared for conveying to recovery only able to get in two days of furnaces. It is believed that, if and when they hit paydirt, it will be one of the largest producers of quicksilver in the country.

Fresno Gets Going on Edison, Bur.-Rec. and Road Jobs By H. T. PETERSEN and G. LYNN MOORE, Business Representatives

The work outlook in the district is considerably brighter this month than last although we have been having some very unseasonable weather which has held up the starting date on several jobs. Bechtel Corp. has finally started the Vermillion Valley-Southern California Edison job and will go on a twoshift basis as soon as camp facilities have been completed to

house the men. This job will carry approximately 80 operators and mechanics and will be strictly a seasonal job due to shut down at the first fall of snow.

United Concrete Pipe Company were awarded a Bureau of Reclamation contract in Tulare County that will take approximately two years to complete, between manufacturing and laying the pipe. There is another bid due this month for 63 miles of pipe line and it is anticipated that either American Pipe & Construction or Con-

throughout the summer.

We have received word from the Army Engineers that they expect bids to be called for \$600,000.00 for apron and taxi way work at Castle Field Air Base sometime in July and there is also a possibility of a much larger contract after the beginning of the fiscal year entailing an extension of the existing runways and taxiways.

P. G. & E. expect to receive permission from the Federal Power Commission to start development power houses and dams in the Kings River. At the present time the company have several survey crews busy in the area and work Eaton & Smith Co. have started is expected to start late this Summer. We also have a very extensive public building program under way: schools, hospitals, etc. This of course creates work mostly for the boys in aggregates however each job has a certain amount of grading. J. Henry Harris Co. of Berkeley have a grading and paving job at Porterville Hospital which will keep a crew busy most of the Summer. Guy F. Atkinson Company at Tulare have started paving operation on the freeway job. There are many small jobs throughout the district too numerous to mention however these jobs do take care of a considerable percentage of the membership in the district. We have had a heavy drain on our blood bank and consequently we need some donations immediately, please step up brothers and take care of this obligation for yourself, your family and your fellow brothers, Next regular meeting of this district will be June 25th at 631 Kearney, Fresno, California. H. T. PETERSEN. By G. LYNN Moore, Bus. Reprs.

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their Bereau of Public Roads job above Sheaver Lake and at the present time are busy on clearing, anticipate starting dirt moving about the 15th of this month. Their highway 180 job is good for this summer for quite a few of the Brothers. They expect to complete the job sometime in October.

In the Northern part of the district U P K Company will start concrete operations about July 1st on the Delhi job.

Karl Harmeling Co. are mixing road oil on Santa Fe Avenue at Castle Field and P. J. Moore Co. is doing the grading on their contract on the same road near Merced. Bids will be taken this month by the Highway department for an additional 9 miles of plant mix surfacing and shoulders on the Los Banos Highway.

Macal Improvement and Mc-Gouran Construction have completed their job at Castle Field Air Base and this spread will be moving to a road job at Markleyville near Lake Tahoe.

Hess Company and W. C. Smith have each individually started their jobs at Shaver Lake and North Fork respectively and will be busy

of Industrial Relations."

The yard's 1952 safety record of a lost-time accident frequency rate of .88 represented the third time the yard has achieved a frequency rate of less than one lost-time accident per million man hours worked. It represents a record among Naval Shipyards.

Praise for the yard's recent work on several major ships was received by Capt. Turney last week and read at the Shop Committee meeting by him. Letters from ship commanders told of good work done on these ships.

The splendid safety record represents good background for the new, big job on the carrier Ben Homme Richard now getting underway and on which all yard employees are enthusiastically determined to break records not only in safety but also in speed, efficiency, and economy.

Multiple Contracts

Contracts, covering more than 1,200,000 employees are on file with the California State Division of Labor Statistics. More than half of these are contracts with more than one employer, and these cover two-thirds of all the employees.

tions. Some weeks the boys were work.

Eaton & Smith of San Francisco are moving along with their job at Rattlesnake Creek, one mile south of Cummings.

The latest members dispatched on the cats are: Bros. "Curley" Larson, Cecil Harms, W. L. Ferguson and "Red" Bennett. Bro. J. L. Clay, oiling.

This company has again this year been awarded the job to grade and surface one-half mile on Sign Route 12 in Sonoma County from Monte Rio going north.

Perry Webb, the superintendent on the Rattlesnake job, is keeping his fingers crossed, hoping that he will be transferred to the Monte Rio job-me thinks he likes the resort area.

NEW ARMY RADIO

Formal dedication of the Army's powerful new radio receiving and relay station near Middletown took place last week. This milliondollar facility, which is a vital link in the globe-girdling Army Command, was started in September, 1951, by Erbentrout and Summer's Const. Co. Following the dedication. visitors were allowed to view special equipment.

Multichannel radio receivers,

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Seated next to a famous astronomer at dinner was a 17-year-old student with a breezy manner. She asked him: "What do you do for a living?"

"I study astronomy," the great man told her.

"What? At your age?" ex-claimed the girl. "Why, I finished astronomy last year."

Matrimonial ties often result in legal tangles.



"A man we all know and love, Mr. Uh, Uh

June 15, 1953

What's Doing in the Oakland Area

The Job Situation is Just Fair In the Oakland Area

By AL CLEM, T. D. BRYSON, L. L. LAUX, L. SOLARI and J. RILEY, Business Representatives

We would like to be able to start our usual monthly report to the members with a really optimistic statement, but circumstances do not warrant our doing so. Most of the orders received during the past month have been for jobs of very short duration; 409 members were cleared to jobs in the 30 days just past, with approximately 165 men currently regstered on the out-of-work list. | lic Dredging Company has pumped

Parker, Steffens and Pierce are the general contractors on the new School of Public Health to be erected on the University of California Campus, at a cost of \$873,-800, Excavating for the new building was begun during the past month by Ace Excavators, Inc., who have three engineers on this job at present, McGuire and Hester have moved in a trenching machine, and are digging foundations holes for the new building.

A company new to the Bay Area, the Atwater Construction Company is installing the sanitary system at Shore Acres Housing Project, Port Chicago, with Bros. Fred Lauderdale, Roscoe Wise and C. V. Hazelwood, mechanic, and C. Willard Kelly working on the project.

Coast Pipeline Company and Kevry Construction Company were awarded contracts by the Bureau of Reclamation to install laterals in the Antioch Area. These laterals will be an addition to the Contra Costa Distribution System, and will extend the water facilities for the Antioch agricultural area. Eight miles of concrete pipe, varying in size from twelve inches to twenty-seven inches in size will be used in the completion of this network. On the Coast Pipeline Company payroll are Bros. V. A. Brechtel, foreman; Joe Hollister, Howard Fox, W. J. Barker and John Williams, Bros. Carl Haley, Mike Corey and Joe Sunderland are working for Kevry on this job.

Cecil Moore has kept seven members of the local busy on an excavating job for the Antioch Jr. High School playground area and stadium. 37,000 yards of dirt have been removed, and at present the men are replacing the 15,000 tons of top soil which will complete the job. Bros. Earl Brown, Neely Folger, John Hall, Fred Clayburn, Fred Finley and Clarence Smith have done the dirt moving.

John Evola has kept his blades, roller and loader busy on grading and paving work on the El Dorado Heights Housing Project, Pittsburg on the Hill Crest Terrace Project, Concord, Highland Terrace in Anti- Bay Excavating, who have the and Sunset Gardens in Antioch, with Bros. George Bena- Eleven members of our local are dom and Vincent Evola operating at work on the spread. A railroad the equipment.

in approximately 800,000 cubic yards of hydraulic sand fill. Also completed at this time are the following phases of the work: grading for detours, placing of cove rock and rip-tide on the slope of the fill; construction of the first half of the Pabco Undercrossing; construction of drop inlets and other small structures, and the laying of 12-to 24 inch reinforced concrete pipe. Working for Kiewit on this job are Bros. J. O. Kaufmann, grade foreman, Peter Janopaul, grade engineer, H. P. Vogt, master mechanic, A. O. Lloyd and J. G. Burns, shovel operators; J. L. Haner, D. L. Booth, H. J. Shiflet and C. E. Shirts, tractor operators; E. Bahr, H. Steeves, J. E. Crawford, and C. D. Mulock, oilers.

A \$509,999 contract for the construction of a chemical laboratory at the U. C. Radiation Plant was awarded to Swinerton and Walberg. The Ariss-Knapp Company, who will do the excavating work for the new laboratory, have employed Bro. Jim Clay as foreman for this project.

Ferrabee and Company have a contract to do the stripping, grading, and paving of the new Marsh School Playground in Antioch, and will probably keep Bros. Richard. Masefield and Earl Woble busy on this job for the next six weeks. Other contractors who are also working on this project are Jordon and Feuerhelm and Winton Jones.

Last month's issue of the Engineer's News carried a very brief mention of American Pipe and Construction Company's new plant being built at Alvarado. Besides having a new location, this company is also greatly expanding their facilities, and will be equipped to manufacture concrete pipe ranging from 12 inches to 9 ft-six inches in diameter; lock-joint pipe ranging from 3 feet to 12 feet, and line-steel pipe. Fifty-seven acres were purchased as a site for the new plant, of which thirty acres are to be filled in. To do this 150,-000 tons of dirt are required, with approximately 6,000 tons of dirt being brought in each day, by East contract for the dirt-hauling. spur-line is now being put in across the property. Plans call for work on the main building to be started next month, with the entire plant to be completed by January 1954.



HONORED FOR LENGTH OF SERVICE-Bro. Hans. W. Olsen (right), member of Operating Engineers, Local 3, was one of 18 employees of Henry J. Kaiser industries honored recently at a diamond award dinner at the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco, Brother Olsen has been a crane operator at

cranes at \$1,300,000 per crane. The 100 ton cranes, at a radius of 80 feet, can pick up 125 tons of After a quick look at South joyable days in Lima, Peru, a material, which is 25 tons over the America, Bro. Virgil Bowerman is amount called for. The 60 ton cranes pick up 84 tons at a 73 foot again back in the Bay Area. Bro. Bowerman spent the past four radius. The cranes made a complete revolution at this radius in months working for Utah Construction Company on a dock this two minutes and 30 seconds. Work on this project was begun January company was building on San Juan 1952, under the general supervision Bay, Peru. Six of the twenty-three of Cy Joyce, superintendent, and J. R. Cantrall, project manager. men who were sent to Peru for the construction of this dock were members of Local 3. A company The whirley crane, operated by camp provided good living accom-Bro. Wesley Warner, used in the modations for the men; however, erection of the floating cranes, made lifts up to 46 tons. The testthey were located in country which was largely desert, and were over ing of the booms has been done 200 miles from a city of any size. by Bro's Harvey Knauer and Stanley Sipes. Only one accident oc-The dock was finished on schedule, and on their return trip to the cured during the entire operation, this being when Bro. Daryl Ling. states the men spent two very enoiler, received a broken ankle. All

> this phase of the work has been temporarily discontinued until the pile driving work catches up with the excavating. They have pulled the dredge, the Holland, up the river to their Rio Vista yard, expecting to return to the Richmond job in August. Their dredge Neptune is out on a fairly large job at Freeport on the Sacramento River, and from all reports it looks like they will be kept busy for the next six months at that location. The Golden Gate and The Monarch are tied up in their yard. The San Francisco Bridge Com-

> pany has their dredge The Hinds pumping on the Naval Air Station job in Alameda. The Pronto is leaving for Mose Land ig on June

the Kaiser Radum-sand and gravel plant for 31 years, Industrialist Kaiser is shown congratulating him and Alonzo B. Ordway (left), a vice president and director of several Kaiser companies with 40 years' service.

(Photo Courtesy Oakland Tribune.)

News About the Brothers

definitely recommend. An old-timer who has been absent from the local scene for the past several months put in an appearance recently sporting a very fine sun-tan, none other than Bro. Mike Hathman, who has been

"wintering" in Arizona.

South American city, they can

Our first indication that vacation time is again at hand came from Bro. Morris Hughes who is planning to spend three weeks in the Olympian Mountains, Washington, in June and July. The Hughes's plan to pack back about 18 miles into the real rugged country, and hope to get in some good fishing.

From riding and roping steers to roping bulldozers sounds like quite a change to us, but that's just what Bro. Charlie Sweet claims he did when he became a Local 3 man. Before coming to California Bro. Sweet spent eleven years riding in rodeos, and then ten years promoting rodeos and shows in the state of Washington. We were glad to hear that Bro. Sweet prefers the life of an engineer to that of a cowboy.

One of our old-time leverman, Bro. Christian Anderson had the very good fortune recently of being reunited with a son whom he had not seen for 34 years. This very welcome meeting took place in Burlington, Washington, where Bro. Anderson has been working for the past year as leverman for the Sierra Dredging Company. While making a brief visit to the moved it into their Sausalito yard. Bay Area, Bro. Anderson dropped in to the hall, and related withconsiderable enthusiasm the story of his wonderful meeting with his family.

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Parrish Brothers have moved in on a mole fill portion of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. This company has 500,000 cubic yards of dirt to move for the development of this approach, with plans calling for the dirt moving to be completed in four or five months. Bro. Bill Madsen, who will be the superintendent of this project, finished up a job at Port Chicago, just in time to get this one started. Bro. Thomas J. Stampleton is employed as foreman, Bro. Merrill Weekley as mechanic, Chas. V. Companey is on the grease truck, Bros. H. R. Maguire, William S. Muller, Lawrence Pienovi and Cecil Price are on dozers. Operating jeeps are Bro's W. O. Gardner, Lester G. Stultz, R. H. Adamson and Orville H. Schmidt,

A look at the present phase of the work on Peter Kiewit's Eastshore Freeway contract with the Division of Highways reveals that some 30% of the contract to construct 1.5 miles of the Eastshore Freeway has been completed. Some 200,000 cubic yards of bay mud have been removed by Healy-Tibbits, who hold the sub-contract for this phase of the work. Hydrau-

Gallagher and Burke have been going full blast on a number of jobs throughout Contra Costa Co. Among the contracts now under way are the relocation, filling, widening and resurfacing of the Avon intersection; and the widening and resurfacing of both the Industrial Highway, Martinez, and Walnut Creek-Danville highway.

McClean and Sons of Concord, who have several of the brothers employed on various jobs, would like to sell their Model 12 Buckeye wheel trenching machine. Anyone interested in this equipment can obtain additional information about it by calling MUlberry 5-7513.

The testing of the eight large floating crane, which have been under construction by McDowell Company at the Oakland Dock and Warehouse yard during the past year, has brought forth very satisfactory results. The six 60 ton cranes were built at a cost of

mas are driving piling for foundations on which the pipe-line will set. Bro, Don Davis and his oiler R. Miller are driving sheet piling to keep the ditch from caving in, and are also doing some clam work. This job will furnish work for these brothers for the next four months.

but two of these floating cranes

have now been partially dismantled,

have been reinforced and prepared

for overseas shipment, and have

been preserved for long time stor-

age. All critical services and elec-

trical equipment have been pro-

tected against corrosion by a

strippable coating. About a month's

more work remains to be done

in preparing the last two cranes

Healy-Tibbetts have moved in

on their sewer job along the foot

of 7th street, where approximately

a mile of sewer line is to be in-

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Dredge News

Dredging work continues to be good in the Bay Area, with enough Dredges working to keep our members busy.

On May 15th, an unusual accident occurred which luckily didn't end with serious misfortune to the men involved. Brothers Virgil Delzampo and Guy Ferreira, while working for Olympian Dredging Company on the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge job, were taking the barge to the dumping grounds near The Brothers, off San Pablo Point, when the barge capsized because of heavy seas. Bro. Delzampo walked the barge over and stayed on top, but Bro. Ferreira was thrown into the bay. Through some miracle when the barge came up it had picked him up and he too was saved.

The Olypian Dredging Company has finished digging for a number of foundations on the \$750,000 each, and the two 100 ton Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, and Alaska Sockeye Salmon."

8th, to start a job which will last 30 days. We have experienced some difficulty in getting Levermen for this dredge.

The Associated Dredging Company has completed their job on the Emeryville freeway with the dredge The Sucker, and have It is reported that this company was the low bidder on a fairly large job to be done near Palo Alto, with plans calling for this new job to be started in two or three weeks.

The Leslie Salt Company has their two clamshell dredges busy. The Mallard is off Moffitt Feild, and The Edwards is woking on the Napa River Delta project. This company also has Associated Dredging Company's dredges, The Liberty, and The Curlew working on the same project.

Ed Lippstreu's dredge The Pacific is building levees for a duck club off Cordelia. The Solano is working for the Leslie Salt Company on Bear Island off the Port of Redwood City.

The Delzompo, Ferarri, Papetti, Oliveri, Baldetta, and Busalachi families are planning to leave, by airplane, sometime during the middle of June for Bristol Bay, Alaska where they will spend the next 15 days fishing for the famous "Red

Bro. E. L. Thomas was dispatched out on a job seven years ago, and has just now got back. In fact, he had a hard time finding us, as we were downstairs when he picked up his last clearance. Too bad more of the jobs don't turn out to last as long as Bro. Thomas's did!

Bro. Lewis Bellinger took time to get a letter off to us this month from Subic Bay, in the Philippines, in which he gave us some interesting information about work in the Islands, He is Heavy Equipment Foreman for Pomeroy, who have a \$10,000,000 contract for a dock and other facilities for the Navy in the Philippines. There are 50 Americans and approximately 1,000 Filipinos working on this project. Another Local 3 man, Bro. Een (Continued on Page Seven)



"Due to the large number of commercial announcements, we are going to dispense with the entertainment."

REDDING By E. A. HESTER

Because of bad weather conditions the work situation has been sort of a hit and miss proposition. Some jobs have been compelled to shut down because of the unusual weather which includes rain, hail, and snow fall in the altitudes above Redding. However the overall employment situation in the district is good, and it will be even better as soon as the old weather man gets squared around with his activities. He has been unfair to us this year by handing down to us January weather in June.

The Walsh Const. Co. were the successful bidders on the Power house at Pit No. 4, and work is expected to start on the Power House by July 1st. B. S. McElderry is making preparations to start his bridge jobs at Litchfield and Tulelake.

Harms Brothers of Sacramento were the successful bidders to furnish the aggregates for the tunnel and Power House projects. I understand that there is 600,000 tons of rock to be crushed and washed. They are now engaged in setting up the plant. The job is expected to last about 2 years. This concern is also setting up a plant near Horse Creek — in all they will have three goodsized jobs underway in the very near future.

M. W. Brown of Redding and R. E. Hertel of Sacramento have started preliminary work on their bridge and road job between Douglas City and Weaverville, Brown was also the successful bidder on the Brown Creek job. Transocean has recently started on their job at Whitmore.

Reed and Tuttle have started work on their two bridge jobs near Happy Camp. There is quite a lot of work on the Klamath River this season, A Teichert & Son are going full blast on their freeway at Dunsmuir, The big plant is in operation and everything is summing. Clements Co. of Hayward are picking up several paving jobs in the district and it looks from here as though they will be here with us until the snow chases them out. Brother Andy McCathney, Supt. for Eaton and Smith, in Palo Alto and Campbell, two reports that everything is going

Start Big Ford Plant At San Jose

By M. G. "Mickey" MURPHY and A. J. "Buck" HOPE, **Business Representatives**

At last brothers, we can say that the Ford plant has begun to show activity, and we can assure you that this news is quite welcome. Swinerton & Walberg were the lucky bidders, however the contract price is withheld. Los Gatos Construction Co. (Bro. Bob Nichols) has a major portion of the grading and excavation and at the present time has nine D.W. 10's, three Dozers, and two No. 12 Blades in operation.

found it necessary to go on a double shift basis, which has contributed materially to - reducing our out-of-work list. This operation on the fill and excavation involves approximately 400,000 yards of material. A. J. Peters were the lucky bidders on one of the underground units, and at the present time have two Whirlie Rigs in operation, a Drag & Clam, and expect to enlarge on the operations very shortly. At this writing we do not know who has the steel on this job, but we understand it will be Bethlehem Steel.

Granite is still running a double shift on the cat spread and triple shift on their shovels. They have been delayed slightly, however, in recent weeks, due to unexpected rains. There is a possibility that this firm will put on another shovel in their pit in the near future, as there is still considerable borrow to be placed before the seasonal rains come. The Warm Springs unit which consists of overhead and underpasses is beginning to take on the regular appearance of a construction unit. Brother Bud Wells, who has four units on this project expects to complete his contract within the next three weeks. Raymond Pile is still fully occupied on this section and expects to be there for some time.

Frederickson & Watson, who have the first unit on the Freeway job, expect acceptance from the state within 10 days. We understand Brother Brown, who performed such an excellent supervisory job will be moving to Oakland very shortly.

Engineers Limited are making good progress on their new Eastman Kodak plant at Palo Alto, with the assistance of some of our well-known firms namely, P & Z Foundation Co. of Berkeley, who are doing the foundations and Bahr & Ledoyen, who have the grading and excavating.

Moffett Field is showing as much activity as ever and recently have let two small underground jobs. Pisano Brothers and E. T. Haas were the lucky bidders on these projects. Chicago Bridge & Iron, Eichleay Steel, Pittsburgh - Des Moines, Carl Swenson and M-K Corporation are still fully occupied on this base. At this writing we have heard nothing new on the Runway Extension.

We have considerable work coming up in the near future, such as cross-country canals, sewer lines dock construction.

Francisco Bridge Company was awarded a dredging contract at Moss Landing Harbor for \$97,-191.60. Stolte, Inc., of Oakland, were the low bidders on a \$93,-781.00 contract for constructing a swimming pool.

MONTEREY AND FORT ORD

The Army has awarded several contracts in the past week. Stolte, Inc., was awarded the contract for the building of 17 classrooms; Granite Construction will do the excavating on this project which will amount to the moving of about 100,000 yards of dirt. Del Webb was awarded the contract for the building of two administration buildings. This firm expects to complete the pouring of concrete on their present project about the middle of July.

Granite Construction have completed their work on the Parking area at Ford Ord. Hampshire and Keeble were awarded the contract for building a rifle range at Fort Ord. Work will begin on this project in a couple of weeks, approximately 600,000 yards are to be moved. Condick Co. and McCann & Webber are making good progress on their Highway No. 1 job. Webber & McCann have only about a week's work left on this project. H. H. Anderson has had difficulty getting started on their bridge jobs in this area. Granite Construction was awarded a \$139,-380 contract for constructing a parking area at the airport for the Navy.

SALINAS

Ted Baun Construction Co. was awarded a \$162,423.00 contract for the paving of Old Stage Road, near Salinas. Ed Keeble has only about 150,000 yards left to complete his Freeway fjob, but has been awarded another small paving job in the vicinity. Brother John Matus, superintendent on this project informs me that it will take about a month to complete the dirt work on this job and then hopes to begin

OAKLAND News About The Brothers

operations on their jobs in Santa

(Continued from Page 5) Phylan, is superintendent of the

After a stay of three years in

has a small job constructing a rifle range at Hunter Liggett. At this time there is very little activity in the oil fields.

HOLLISTER

Gordon Ball has already begun operations on his \$335,151.00 bridge project, near Hollister. At the present time he is using five cats. on this job. The Associated Engineers have started their work on a 15-mile 34-inch pipe line job. This job is 35 miles out of Hollister and will take about 21/2 months to complete. Work around Gilroy and time.

PERSONALS BRO. HAROLD FICKE, who away this week,

Cruz and Fort Ord. Hampshire | was confined to the hospital last month with a major operation, is quife jubilant over the receipt of a check for \$205, from the Welfare Plan. We received a very interesting letter from BRO. JOR BOW-LING, who is now in Arabia. He says that it is very warm there, but that the food is excellent. He wishes to extend greetings to all

the brothers. We would like to thank Brothers ALBERT BERG and HAROLD LOCKETT for informing us that they have obtained work elsewhere. We may in clos-Hollister is slow at the present ing extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Brother EDWIN WATKINS, of Felton, who passed

Northbay Jobs Picking Up Speed As Late Rains Taper Off

By H. O. FOSS and F. L. LAWRENCE, Business Representatives

E. A. Forde Company has moved into new offices at yard in Greenbrae, nice setup. Starting the season busy as usual. Has fine crew of operators. Doing spillway on the Carson Dam at present. We find the same conditions with Ike Ely and Johnson & Nelson in that location also.

Norcal still busy tearing down hills and filling, paving and building at old Santa Venitia Airport, Keeps the 20s and the spread rolling. O'Connor says put his crew up against anybody's when comes Bodega grading job. Structures to moving the earth. I'll agree . knowing these skinners. Planning Commission finally out of his hair.

Brown Ely is going good. You can see their equipment bobbing around everywhere. San Quentin . . . Hamilton Field . . . here and there.

Hein Quarry keeps rolling along like Ol' Man River.

Petaluma Ready Mix expanding . new plant near El Verano . . . getting their share.

Camgros Gravel Co, in high gear.

McPhail with three ready-mix rigs added to the spread. To furnish mud on Carson Dam under E. A. Forde contract.

Pozzi, in Novato area, spinning like the button on the three-holer. Ghilotti Bros. putting on new hands . . . got their pencial sharpened. I guess.

Lee Thompson in Novato area, picking up a few now and then. It seems somebody has to beg Bobo to go to work these days. Basalt Mc'Near's Point off to

summer run with same crew.

Hutchinson Quarry at Greenbrae busy. Getting in more Antioch sand than a greyhound can jump over . . . so watch the black stuff fly.

Brother Mark Ammonds with his truck crane in Petaluma area all the survey crew on the project. over like stuff horses scatter.

present Brothers Jess Booth, Calvin Demain and Tom Passmore on the spread.

J. R. Armstrong, with his bouncing pay checks, on Valley Fordand grading subbed . . . our information. Brothers L. Musselman and Johnson on truck crane, Hilton on crusher, and Stanley as foreman.

Renati Bros., from the Novato area, report they have enough work to keep them busy. Primary interest . . . building. Brother Paul Renati keeps the cat running on spread

We are again calling to your attention that this office is open on Thursday evenings between 7 and 9 o'clock, for your convenience.

Brother Karl Elze reports doing fine . . , busy enough to be two people.

Seems hard luck is following "Doc" Brother Sherman these days. Working for Norcal . . . flipped the cat and came out second best with a broken leg. Hope you're up and at 'em soon.

Brother George Bates, working for the City of Corte Madera, back on the job after a serious operation last month.

Brother Joe Pedro, operator for Maggoria, is on our sick list this month. We hope for a speedy recovery, Joe.

Zoss Const. Co. of Hollywood moving in at T.A.B. Has job of \$2,290,765 for the erection of a maintenance hangar, paving, and utilities. At present we have just

Peter Kiewit Co. has moved back

fine on his job at Ft. Jones. Said	Wiew We have hide to be colled		Amaral Co. doing some street	to T.A.B. to finish the fighter
that he had a fine bunch of	View. We have bids to be called,	he is getting ready to come nome,	work Petaluma way.	apron started last fall also
engineers out there and the muck	for widening and grading the Bay-	and that he will probably be	Gerwick's Petaluma yard cleaned	brought back equipment for the
is really moving.	shore consisting of 21/2 miles be-	putting in an appearance at the	up looks much better. Getting	hot plant at Suisun to finish pav-
Just to give you a little idea of	tween Rt. 2, El Camino Real and		strung out on pole casting for	ing Highway 40.
the contractors that are carrying	Rt. 68, Bayshore highway in Santa	has spent his time in Alaska work-	Richmond-San Rafael bridge and	
on work in this district: R. M.	Clara. There are many other small	ing on the Navy Petroleum project	other projects.	H. A. Crocker, of San Rafael,
Kennicott, Stolte, Inc., Robert W.	jobs too numerous to mention. All	at Pt. Barrows.	A. G. Raisch Co. in high gear	has just about completed the con-
Stanley, C. O. Bodenhammer &	of our local contractors have a	Another Local 2 man, who had	finishing up 101 South, Petaluma	tract for constructing a livestock
	huge backlog of contracts, for	been out of the country for the	all points of compass. Picked	building at the Solano Fairgrounds
R. G. Clifford, M. W. Brown, Han-	sewers, streets and sub-divisions.	past year, Bro. Charles Ensey,	un nice ich trech slipperst	\$40,252. We had several owner-
cock Const. Co., Fredrickson &	All of our production plants, such	checked in last week to go on	up nice job track alignment	operators digging foundations and
Watson, D. B. Stutzman, Dan	as gravel pits, loam pits, hot plants		and grade N.W.P. at Petaluma.	footings.
Morgan, Transocean Eng. Co.,	and ready mix plants are running		Thanks Bill for the off-ramp pav-	The contract, \$78,560, for erec-
Walsh Const. Co., W. B. Jones,	at top production.	been working as grading and ex-	ing.	tion and construction of mechan-
R. E. Hertel, Geo. E. Brown,	SANTA CRUZ AND VICINITY-	cavating foreman for Brown-Paci-	Harp & Shannon (now is that	ical and electrical utilities at the
Glidden Paint Co., Morrison &	P.C.A., Kaiser Sand and Santa		not a chunk of the old sod?) have	Eldridge State Home was awarded.
Knutson, Geo. Patterson, J. H.	Cruz Aggregate are all working at		quite a project installing large	to W. L. Hickey and R. Goold &
Trisdale, A. Teichert & Son, Gib-	top speed. B & R Construction Co.		cement pipe at Hamilton Field.	Son a joint venture.
bons & Zick, N. R. Jesse, Eaton		This was Bro. Ensey's third trip	Brother L. Nicholsen operator	E. E. Lowell of Vallejo moved
& Smith, Reed & Little, Judson-	are progressing nicely on their	to Guam, and he was quite im-	and Bob Theron doing the oiling.	all the dirt for the construction
Murphy-Pacific, Harms Bros.,	Felton high school job. Webber &	pressed with the tremendous	Ball & Simpson starting on their	site of the elementary school on
O'Connors Bros., Lee C. Hess,	McCann, who have the excavation		Petaluma job 150,000 yards	the Fleming Tract J. A. Bryant
Clements & Co., B. S. McElderry,	contract on this project, expect to	previous visits years ago.	excavation, 300,000 imported bar-	is the prime contractor. Founda-
and Condick Co.	be through within the next two		row \$361,000 plus. Under-	tions have been poured and are
In my last report I said that our	weeks. Ed Keeble was the low bid-	been doing a little traveling lately,	stand Brother "Andy" Webster to	now ready for the structures.
Out-of-Work list was large-since	der on the Laguna Creek highway	although he wasn't able to get as	be in charge.	The State just let a contract for
then we have put a lot of Brothers	job. Work on this \$316,057.00 con-	far as some of the other brothers.	Fred Drayer, who had big clear-	\$40,265 for redecking the bridge
to work and now our list is small	tract will start in the near future.	His work for P. and Z. Drilling	ing project on Carson Dam, now	crossing over the Napa River and
again. We still have a few oilers	Granite Construction Co. are still	Company has taken him as far as	finishing up. We hope he gets an-	was awarded to Al Erickson & Co.
and welders, but this time we are	busy on several small jobs in this	Fairfield, Palo Alto and Modesto!	other big one soon. Did a fine job.	of Napa. The job consists of pre-
scraping the bottom of the barrel	area; same can be said for Rober-	We were also glad to hear that	Now doing some brushing out near	fabricated concrete slabs laid end
for catskinners and blade men.	son Brothers and Leo Cardwell.	Bro. Hamblin is the proud owner	Tocaloma on Papermill Creek,	to end on top of the existing pil-
* * *	WATSONVILLE	of a new seven-room home in	Joe Espinosa, Garman Land-Lev-	ing.
He: "I want to know if I have	Ted Baun Construction Co. of		elers from Visalia way, moving in	* * *
grounds for divorce."	Fresno, were the low bidders on a	Another member who has de-	on the United Housing in Corte	~ ~ ~
Lawyer: "Are you married?"			Madera , filling in for housing	Many a man now wishes he had
He: "Of course,"		not for him, Bro. Earl Moore, was		saved money during the depression
	ville. Work on this project will			so he could afford to live through
grounds."	begin in a couple of weeks. San		Six rigs to be brought in. At	
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ENGINEERS' NEWS

Utah News Roundup

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

UTAH AGC STOPS ALL JOBS WITH A

As this edition goes to press, we are right in the middle of negotiating new contract and wage increases. The A.G.C. Bargaining Committee is taking a very determined attitude and at the present time have stopped all work in this area in a lock-out. Strong Company kept their jobs going a few days after the lock-out deadline, but are all stopped at present.

New work is still being bid and there is more to come. Vic Newman and Ed Huber were low on the Heber City sewer.

Faulson was low on the City Creek water purification job.

Inoch Smith started the 9th South to 21st South State street the 64th South job only to shut them down until negotiations are OVEN.

Surfacing of the new airport runways and the Salt Lake county sever project are still indefinite but should be advertised in the neor future.

Seynolds Construction Company of Springfield were low bidders on the Bredgeland to Myton job and are getting started despite the loc cout, using R. M. Jensen's D.W. 10%. Our understanding is that Jim Miller, of Springville, will be surerintendent.

Cermer, Abbott & Waldron are still working on the Bonanza job. A typical example of how their organization (the AGC) stick together and more proof of why we of No. 3 stick closer together at this time especially.

We made our proposals two months before the deadline and they (the AGC) wouldn't even meet with us until the latter part of May.

We bargain as fair and in as good faith as possible and are now fighting for what we think is right. We wonder what they are fighting for and in what spirit when they make us the offer they have made, especially the part where they want our contracts to run out January 1, when most of their jobs. are already shut down.

So the theme now is hang together and fight for what you think is right so that in years to come we won't look back in this contract as the one where we sold ourselves down the river.

NORTHERN AREA

the work situation in this area in and must be from people who the past month. Most of the jobs are still in the process of getting lined out to go full speed. A few smaller building and water and sewer jobs have been bid and should be started in a week or so.

because of their selfish attempt to keep us working for peanuts.

Strong's valiant attempt to keep his equipment working on his Silver Creek job finally succumbed to the stronger will of the Association. The attempt by some of the members of AGC to keep their equipment working has struck job and Gibbons & Reed started plenty of discord among their ranks.

> We have signed some independent contractors to retroactive agrements which will keep them working and our union furnishing them men. These contractors, who are generally smaller than members of the AGC and who could least afford a boost of wages, are generally sympathetic to our cause. Our members should remember this when they are called for these contractors.

We know from what has happened thus far that the AGC here in Utah will stoop to almost anything to further their cause, I would like to point out the deceit with which the contractor who issued this statement intended to proclaim to our people and the public. The statement issued was this: "Due to the strike by the sheet metal workers, it has become economically inadvisable for us to continue work on this project." This project happened to be a road job, where not a single craft is employed but Operating Engineers. It is instances of this sort which acquaint us with the characters of some of the people with dous job of dirt moving and iron whom we have to deal for work.

STATE ROAD

Action was taken at a general meeting of State Road Employees, held Saturday, May 24, 1953, in the Salt Lake Labor Temple, to set up the machinery for soliciting the necessary number of signatures required to obtain a referendum vote in the 1954 election on our proposed Job Security Legislation.

There are approximately 28,000 There has been little change in These signatures must be notorized signatures which must be obtained. voted in the last general election and must be obtained throughout the counties of the state in proportion to the ratio in which the ballots were cast.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR CONSTRUCTION. LANG CO., SAND & GRAVEL, IRON ORE MINES, VITRO CHEMICAL CO., AND KENNECOTT COPPER

Cedar City Mines: Friday, June 26, 8:00 P.M., El Escalante Hotel, Cedar City.

Kennecott Copper Corp.: June meeting will be called by mail.

Vitro Chemical Company: All called meetings.

Lang Company: All called meetings.

Thursday, July 9, 8:00 P.M .: Sand, Gravel & Construction members, Engineers Hall, 1969 South Main, Salt Lake City.

Friday, July 10, 8:00 P.M.: Sand, Gravel & Construction members, Labor Temple, 165 West 1st North, Prove.

Friday, July 17, 8:00 P.M.: Sand, Gravel & Construction members, Labor Temple, Ogden.

SCHEDULE OF STATE ROAD MEETINGS

Salt-Lake City, Tuesday, July 7, 8:00 P.M., 1969 South Main. Ogden, Friday, July 10, 8:00 P.M., Ogden Labor Temple Logan Friday, July 17, 8:00 P.M., Cache County Court House Cedar City: Meeting will be called.

NEWS FROM THE MINES AND SHOPS

well on its way, we find a much mines. We again express our apprecation to you for your vote of confidence. We will do our best to justify your faith in us. Many promotions have been made and many new faces are to be seen, and those of you who are newcomers into the Operating Engineers Unit, we bid you a hearty welcome and hope to make your membership in this great local union one which you will take pride in.

-The work at Burk appears to be going along smoothly under the capable supervision of Boyd Poulson. At Comstock, Harry Williams has things moving along in fine shape-building access roads, railroad siding, power lines and ground clearing for the shops and all the other preparations for a tremenore mining. By the time you receive this edition of the news, we expect to have a report on our negotiations for your new agreement. We will make said report at the next regular meeting.

At our last meeting, Julius Dennis was elected to succeed Howard Arns as Steward at the Iron Springs, so effective immediately, he is the boy to take your troubles

A word on the Burial Fund assessment. We note a number of one-half for Saturday. The Clarbrothers at the mines have not ence Waterfall Company settled on paid the No. 4 assessment, which is the basis of a 10c blanket raise. past due. Your card may be paid for the current month, but if the long drawn-out affair with the assessment has not been paid, your breaking up of the Sand and Gravel survivors are not eligible for benefits from the fund, should the grim reaper get horsing around with you. So, in fairness to those loved ones, let's check and see if we are amongst those who may have neglected this important matter.

Now that tranquility is again garding the value of his union to restored after the recent disruption him, he should take five and reand with the expansion program flect back over those good old days when it was worth your job if the brighter picture exists at the boss found out that you had even so much as talked to a union representative.

> The older members took a lot of the bumps and spilled some of the blood along the way in building up the fine structure you now enjoy. You younger fellows will do well to protect what has been built at such great costs in human suffering. We sincerely hope you get full enjoyment out of your vacations.

Attendance at the meetings has slumped. No doubt you fellows want to get home and plant the garden and mow the lawn. However, we would like to see you in the meetings as often as you can be there. It's really important business and we all can benefit from the opinion of others. Let's try and make the next one.

SAND AND GRAVEL

We are still having difficulty in trying to get our negotiations completed with the sand and gravel companies. We have finished with the Utah Sand and Gravel and Clarence Waterfall Companies but still have the J. B. and R. E. Walker and Thorn companies to complete.

Our increase at the Utah Sand and Gravel Company was a 10c blanket raise along with time and

These negotiations have been

EUREKA BRE

By A. R. McCAFFREY **Business Representative**

Work in the Redwood Empire has been very slow during the month of May due to heavy rains. We had six inches of rain. That's more than we have had here in the month of May for 57 years. The brothers have been complaining about losing so much time. but the weather is one thing the B.A. can't do anything about.

Frederickson Bros. decided to start work on their freeway jobyat Scotia on the 18th after being down all winter, figuring the rains were over, just like the rest of us. We rustled up a crew for them and they started all right. They worked three hours, then-more rain.

Brother J. L. Conner started clearing on his highway job at Kneeland. Said every time they pulled out a stump it looked like an artsian well spouting.

C.º V. Kenworthy's job on Berry Summit has been down most of the time . . . rain and snow.

Kenworthy and Patterson, at Weitchpec, have also lost quite a bit of time.

Mercer Fraser Co. has been at work on small jobs around the area between storms. They sent a crew to Oregon Mountain yesterday to tear down their hot plant and move it to Bridgeville. Brother Tom Hull has a pile driver and dragline working at Fields Landing. The dredge Jupi-ter, owned by LaMone Call, also is operating there. Brother Don Dillon, operator on Tom's dragline, became a proud father on April 20; a daughter, Donna Mae.

Tighter than hell-no cigars. Fred J. Maurer & Son have been doing some work at Shively trying to complete their rip-rap job.

W. S. Selvage keeps a crew busy at the Dolbeer-Carson mill, driving piles and putting in a retaining wall.

The Aho-Box Equipment Co. at Crescent City is working on a housing project clearing when they can.

John Burman & Sons have started up their job at Patrick Creek, which put some of the brothers back to work. They are also rolling at Garberville.

Fred Korthase, at Crescent-City, has taken most of his crew over to Hornbrook to build a large mill.

The following jobs were let during the month of May but have not started yet:

Associated Engineers, Eureka, 12-inch water mains.

Mercer Fraser Co., Alton to Bridgeville, 9.9 miles base and surface.

Manuel Smith, Ferndale, outfall sewer.

Fred J. Early, Jr., Ferndale, -



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Larsen Construction and Engineering were low bidder on a new school on 7th street in Ogden.

Aikins Company has completed his project on boiler room and foctings for the school west on 6th street, and has started excavating for the school in Washington Terrace.

The McKee Company job on the 2nd street depot is progressing fast. The steel is all erected except the balance of the canopy. The fill has been completed and most of the outside surface area is ready for black top. The floor area in the building is ready for the concrete slab. This has been a very good job for Local 3 men and has kept a number of them busy most of a year.

This is about all the news for this month. Hope by the time this article reaches you, negotiations have been completed and work is back in full swing.

Southern utah

At this writing there is very little activity on our jobs in Southern Utah. The members of the AGC

The bill we intend to place before the Legislature will cover all State employees except those covered by existing legislation; and a committee, which was elected at the meeting is now making contact with all other state groups seeking their support in the endeavor. Your business representative was instructed to organize committees consisting of three men each in each of the districts which were not represented in the meeting. Their job will be to contact all other state employees in their district and enlist their support of the program, Brother Richard Braegger of District No. 1 and Brother Murray Kesler from District No. 5 attended the meeting. They were authorized to choose two members from each of those districts as committeemen for those districts.

There will be a moderate cost involved to each person who is willing to assist. We don't know state agencies are surveyed and try to get their interpretation of we can determine how many will volunteer to assist.

assure you of job security for as increase and we are trying to get have seen fit to close their jobs long as you want to work for the it for everyone.

BINGHAM COPPER MINES-KENNECOTT COPPER CORP.

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At the present time most everyone seems concerned with vacations. It's quite a throw back to the good old days when we were required to work seven days a yeek year in and year out with no thought of a few days vacation to look forward to. Progress has been good along these and other lines and when a fellow is in doubt re-

state. It therefore is to your benefit to get behind the effort with your wholehearted support.

We have been informed by the commission that an increase in the maximum rates will take effect June 1, the increase to be given on a merit basis. We will meet vet how much until the various with the commission shortly and

their meaning of merit. It's our opinion that very few of the main-The success of this venture will tenance employees don't merit an in the morning."

treatment plant.

Association in-so-far as wages are concerned. It means that each individual company will negotiate with us separately. We hope that we will be able to complete these negotiations within the next few days.

LANG COMPANY

We have been negotiating with the Lang Company for the past two weeks and have not received an offer or a counter offer from the company.

It is very urgent that our membership attend all meetings so that your business representative can keep you informed of these negotiations.

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VITRO CHEMICAL

Our new agreement with the Vitro Chemical Company is finally finished and the back pay and increases have been put into effect. If there are any of our members at this plant who want a copy of the agreement, contact your steward or the company and you may obtain one.

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"The older generation thought nothing of getting up a 6 o'clock

"The younger generation doesn't think much of it, either."

Robert H. Douglas, Cutten, school.

Carr & Rocca, Gilbert Creek, bridge.

J. H. McFarland, Bluff Creek, wood and steel bridge.

On June 3 bids were to be opened for two more jobs: 9.9 miles base material and surfacing at Weott, and base material and surfacing on the Burns Freeway at Arcata. On June 9, bids were to be let for the Crescent City breakwater,

With the work we have now, plus this new work and more to be let, it looks like we will have a good busy season after all. We have taken our out-of-work list down considerably in the past few days. In our next report we have hopes of not having any out-ofwork list to report.

女女女 **Kubber** for Roads

The rubber industry will push a campaign for greater use of natural rubber power in road surface mixes this year. Stretches of pavement using rubber have been laid in 19 states and four Canadian provinces.

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The man who follows another never gets ahead.

Kindness will open a door when all other keys fail.

Marysville Bothered by Continuing Freak Weather

By LES COLLETT and C. R. VAN WINKLE, Business Representatives | He had come home, it is reported,

The June report is now in and the weather is still misbehaving in this area. We may have to do as Nevada and New Mexico and blame all the freak weather on the atom that he had died. Death, according bomb blasts. However, there are a few bright spots in the district. M. & K. Co. Inc. are moving in the equipment on the tunnel daylighting jobs above

Greenville, Calif. for the W.P. Railroad and Mr. Robbins, the superintendent, will have about 20 of our members on this project. Utah Const. Co. has moved from

Greenville to Keddie, Calif. on another tunnel relining job for the W. P. and Brother Bob Harles will have about 11 members busily employed on the work.

Richter Bros. of Oroville have 40 Engineers on their Oroville Wye job and have about two months to go yet before the grading, is finished. Then Rice Bros. of Marysville will move in on their \$384,000 paving job on the same project.

Butte Creek Rock Co. of Chico has a crew up in Stirling City batching the concrete for the Hendricks tunnel job for M&K, Inc. M&K Co. has a few motormen and compressor men on this job and it should go for about six weeks yet. Butte Creek Rock keeps the plant busy all the time.

Archie Till has a good-sized crew out on the levee at Hammonton and will be there until September. Wilbur Smith's rigs are only doing a little farm work now and then. The same for Harold Shaver.

Rice Bros. have just about finished their highway job on No. 24 near the Sutter by-pass; ditto on their Yuba City Highway 20 job. They still have a small amount of work at Beale Air Force Base. NEW WORK

Browne & Krull were low bidders on a road job in Colusa Coun-ty at \$97,872. Work should start soon.

Glen Passmore of Yuba City has started his building for \$55,000 for the Plumas School District.

Yuba County is calling for bids on 5,000 tons of one-inch-minus crushed rock, due June 15.

Wheatland, Calif. is calling for bids on a small job of street work. Colusa County is taking bids on a new Administration Building.

Modern Builders, Chico, received a \$124,235 contract for a multi-use building in Portola, Plumas County.

Operating Engineers Local 3 let a contract on its new office building in Marysville for \$40,947 to Donald Cameron, Inc., of San Francisco. Work has started and is making good progress at this time. Eleven sets of plans were let out but only four bidders showed up at the bid opening: Mc-Const. Co., Marysville, Daniels \$46,600; Burrows & Sons, Marysville, \$48,000, and Jay Bailey Co. of Woodland, \$48,000, in addition to the low bidder.

NATOMAS COMPANY AGREEMENT ACCEPTED niority clause, although the details have not been entirely worked out and there still remain two working rules agreed to in principle but as yet not reduced to writing satisfactory to both parties.

Provisions also were agreed upon permitting the union to reopen the agreement in six months for wages only, and, of course, the reopener in case of an increase in the price of gold remains. Considering the obstacles facing us in the gold dredging industry (increased costs and frozen price of gold), we consider this agreement to be a distinct advancement.

Meetings: Now that the hurdle of next year's agreement has been passed, don't forget that attendance at the meetings of your unit is more important than ever. Remember, the finest agreement in the world would be so much waste paper if not lived up to and enforced. So attend your meetings, report any violations, bring up for discussion any items in the agreement or happenings on the job so that the agreement can be made to bring its benefits to all the members.

Announcement of Next Meeting: The next meeting of your unit will be held Tuesday, July 7, 1953, in the hall at Natoma. A meeting for the night workers will be held at 10 o'clock in the morning. The regular meeting for the day and graveyard workers will be held at 7 o'clock in the evening.

YUBA CONSOLIDATED

It would be nice to be able to report to our membership at Yuba the same as we have to the Natomas membership, but the truth of the matter is that the negotations have not progressed, at this writing, far enough for us to report any great progress to date. The any great progress to date. The hit Failure to posed by the membership have been presented to the company and we are awaiting its reaction. Enforce Fair and we are awaiting its reaction. Needless to say, your officials will vigorously insist on the company meeting these changes, and we have hopes of doing as well as we have with the Natomas Company.

Meetings: As we have said before, attendance at the meetings of your unit at this time is a "must" if you want to keep correctly informed and to have a voice in any decisions made. The next meeting of your unit will be held Wednesday, July 8, 1953, at the Teamsters Hall, 321 E Street, Marysville. The first meeting, for the benefit of the night workers, will convene at 10 a.m. The regular meeting for the day and graveyard workers will convene at 7 p.m.

DDING, MCBEAN

about midnight, and sat down in an easy chair in the living room. At about 3 a.m. it was noticed to the report, was caused by acute coronary occlusion and occurred suddenly. He was 53. The funeral was held Saturday, May 20, in Lincoln, and was conducted by the Loyal Order of Redmen. Interment was at the Live Oak Cemetery. Brother French is survived by his widow, nine children, several grandchildren and, we understand, two brothers and three sisters. May we take this means of extending to his family the deepest sympathies of the officers and

members of Operating Engineers

Local Union No. 3. News was received as this was being prepared of the death of Brother Frank Cowan at the Napa Veterans Home. Brother Cowan suffered a mild cerebro vascular accident on or about last Dec. 30, and although unable to work since then was thought to be recovering until recently, when it was discovered that residuals had been left and his recovery was unlikely. He died Saturday, May 30. He was buried at Deer Creek, Wash. We are sorry, but we have been able to find out but little of Brother Cowan's family. We have been told that he has a half-brother and perhaps other relatives in the State of Washington. Perhaps, no matter where they are, we may through this medium extend to them our heartfelt sympathies.

Brother Arthur Schwartz, mechanic in the mine at Gladding, McBean, found out May 15 that you'd better keep your eye on a truck wheel, especially after taking it off the axle. It seems he had removed the wheel, laid it against the truck and turned his back to it, and the darn thing fell on him, breaking the small bone in his leg. Brother Schwartz will have a month in which to contemplate that "you can't trust. a wheel."

* Labor Standards

Criticism of lack of enforcement of the law governing fair labor standards on government construction has been expressed by a U.S. Senate committee.

A report recently issued by the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare said the Davis-Bacon Act is "not being fully enforced."

The Davis-Bacon Act provides hat employees of private contractors working on government contracts must be paid in accordance with minimum rate schedules issued by the Dept. of Labor and considered part of the contract.

The committee said that eve



CAT ON A BIAS - In order to build the required 2:1 slope of new Eagle Rock reservoir, near Los Angeles, this method of slide and grunt was devised, with a Cat d-8 holding up a No. 12 Cat motor grader, with Operating Engineers Robert Wright and Robert Sherif running the rigs.

Job-Accident Deaths Reach 60 in March

killed in on-the-job accidents recorded during March. Eleven of these workers met death as the result of falls, eight died in motor vehicle accidents, and six were killed in the crash of an airplane.

Explosions or fire brought death to six workers. When a fire broke out in a cotton gin, the bookkeeper was overcome by smoke as she tried to call the fire department. Two brothers who were using an inflammable mixture to remove linoleum from the floor of their employer's farm house were killed when the water heater pilot light ignited the explosive mixture. Two maintenance workers died in an explosion which was believed to have been caused by a butane tank. A driller who was helping to redrill an old well was killed when gas which had accumulated around the drilling equipment ignited.

Cranes were involved in two fatal accidents. An equipment operator was testing a load when the swing of the load started to tip the crane. He set the load down and the boom came to rest on the ground with the crane at a 30degree angle. The operator stepped out of the cab. He then went back to release the load, which caused the crane to become overbalanced. The operator was thrown from the overturning machine and crushed beneath the cab. A second crane operator was standing beneath a ry about the cost, and with defla-

Sixty California workers were when the boom hoist line came loose, allowing the boom to drop on him.

> Two workers were killed in encounter with criminals. A cab driver died as a result of being slugged by two holdup men and a store clerk was shot in the back by a robber.

> A few of the remaining fatal accidents recorded in March are briefly described below:

> A laborer was dipping wrought ron furniture into a rust-proofing bath when he slipped and fell into the solution, sustaining fatal burns. A cotton gin lint cleaner was standing on top of a flat dryer cleaning cotton out of a separator that had become plugged. The hinged door of the dryer vacuum box was open and the belt was in

motion. The worker fell or was dragged into the box, and his head was crushed by the revolving parts.

An oiler was killed while cleaning a mixing machine. The grating which was ordinarily placed over the top of the machine had been removed to facilitate cleaning. The worker, who was standing on top of the machine while it was in operation, was pulled into it and two mixer blades penetrated his chest and abdomen.

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The cost of living is always a problem. With inflation, you worcrane boom watching repair work tion you worry about the living.

At a specially called meeting Tuesday, June 2, 1953, the negotiated offer of the Natomas Company was accepted by the majority present, by secret ballot. The meeting was one of the largest ever held of the members employed by this firm. The offer involved a health and welfare program covering the members and their dependents, financed entirely by the company, and a contributory disability plan. This plan will give the membership as full a coverage against the expenses of death, accident and sickness and the loss of time from sickness and accident as can be obtained at present for the amount of money involved. Payments into the plan start this month, based on the May payroll.

In addition, an improved vacation plan was negotiated increasing vacations to three weeks after 15 years of service with the company and protecting more fully the vacation rights of younger employees leaving the service of the company. Some improvement also was made in the paid holiday provisions. Improved working conditions were agreed upon and provisions were made for a safety committee and for periodic safety inspection. Agreement has also been reached on an improved se-

By the time this reaches you, several meetings will have been held with the company on the agreement for the coming year. As this is being prepared, no definite decisions have been reached, although the changes suggested by your union have been fairly thoroughly explained and discussed with the company. However, it is too early as yet, and probably it wouldn't be too wise, to make any predictions as to the outcome. The place to be informed as to the progress is at your regular meetings, and you owe it to yourself to attend them regularly.

Your next meetings will be held as follows:

Lincoln Industrial Council Joint Board meeting, Tuesday, July 7, 1953, at 4:15 p.m. in the Lincoln Industrial Council office in Lincoln. General Membership meeting, Tuesday, July 14, 1953, at 4:15 p.m. in the City Hall, Lincoln.

About Our Members

This month's news we end on a rather sad note, having to report the passing of two of our brothers during the past month, both of Capitol that I can show you?" whom were employed by Gladding, McBean. Brother Andrew M. French died suddenly on May 13. I've read so much about."

after offending contractors are caught violating this law they are allowed to pay up the difference and then go ahead on other government jobs, without any penalties and as though no violation had occurred.

It recommended that the federal agencies should reject the bids of contractors whose bids were low but who have "repeatedly violated the specifications on previous federal jobs."

Tug Hull Launched

Pacific Coast Engineering Co. has launched a 144-ton, 111-foot twinscrew tugboat hull at its yard at Clement and Oak streets, Alameda. The vessel is being built for the Star and Crescent Boat Co. of San Diego. It is of all-welded steel construction and has seven water-tight compartments. Beam molded is 26 feet, depth, 14 feet, and design draft, 11 feet. Steel work will be completed at the dock, and vessel will be towed to San Diego for machinery installation and outfitting.

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Congressman (to visitor): "Now, is there anything else around the Visitor: "There is. I'd like to have a look at that 'pork barrel'



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Daily report of awards for construction

(Compiled by P. E. Vandewark conc. road on U.S. 91 (State St.) Co., 2100 Oakdale Ave., San Franand Harry Metz)

MAY 1, 1953

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Eaton & Smith, 1215 Michigan St., S.F., \$96,367 for channelization of Main Drive in Golden Gate Park & Panhandle, San Francisco.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to L. C. Smith, P.O. Box 610, San Mateo, \$179,756 for, 2.4 mi. grade & plantmix surf. on untreated rock base on Whiskey Hill Rd. & Portola Road, near Woodside, SAN MATEO COUNTY.

MAY 4, 1953

CENTERVILLE contract awarded to Oakland Sewer Const. Co., 9915 Walnut St., Oakland, \$86,869 for const. approx. 6,000 lft. of 36 in. sanitary sewer betw. Dumbarton Slough & Union Dist. Treat. plant, W. of Newark.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contract awarded to W. W. Clyde & Co., Box 231, Springville, Utah, \$67,387 for 0.851 mi. plantmix bit. surf. on U.S. 50, 89, 91, betw. 5th N. St. & Provo River Bridge (5th West St. in Provo) UTAH CO.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contracts awarded as follows:

(1) Utah Co. 5.171 mi. 2 in. plantmix bit. surf. on U.S. 6 & 50, betw. Gillily & Soldier Summit: To Thorn Const. Co. Inc., Box 111, Springville, \$401,955.

(2) Wever & Box Elder Cos., 7.342 mi. 3 in. plantmix surf. on U.S. 91 betw. Utah Hot Springs & Alameda de las Pulgas (Jefferson Five Points in Ogden: To W. W. Clyde & Co., Box 231, Springville, \$621,640.

betw. 6400 South St. & Midvale Jct. To Gibbons & Reed Co., P.O. Box 1113, Salt Lake City, \$130,327.

CARSON CITY, Nevada, contract awarded to Dodge Const. Inc., Fallon, Nev., \$248,083 for 11,496 mi. const. portion of Secondary Hwy. Sys. (30 mi. to 18.5 mi. S. of Palisade), EUREKA COUNTY.

CARSON CITY, Nevada, contract awarded to Young & Smith Construction Co., 206 Beason Bldg., Salt Lake City, Utah, \$155,864 for 8.523 mi. const. portion of Secondary Highway System, betw. Lovell Wash & Mountain Springs Summit, CLARK COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Rothchild, Raffin & Weirick and James I. Barnes, 274 Brannan St., San Francisco, \$90,-400 for const. new shop service bldgs. at the San Francisco Naval Shipyard.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., P.O. Box 450, Boise, Idaho, approx. \$100,000 for 300,000 to 400,000 cu. yd. grading for elimination of Tunnels 7 & 8 near Greenville, Calif.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Utah Const. Co., 1 Montgomery St., S.F., approx. \$225,000 for concrete lining existing Tunnel No. 1 at Keddie, Calif.

REDWOOD CITY, cotract awarded to Peter Sorensen, P.O. Box 790, Redwood City, \$74,223 for surface to Vera Aves.)

MAY 6, 1953

SAN FRANCISCO, contract (3) Salt Lake Co., 1.454 mi. bit. awarded to S. J. Amoroso Const.

of Fire House Training College & Drill Tower.

FERNDALE, contract awarded as follows for const. outfall sewer lines & sewage treatment plant for city of Ferndale, HUMBOLDT CO .: (1) Outfall sewer lines-Manuel Smith, Rt. 1, Box 352, Winton, \$50,205; (2) Treatment Plant-To Fred J. Early Jr. Co., Inc., 369 Pine St., San Francisco, \$62,476.

MAY 7, 1953

FERNDALE, contract awarded to Manuel Smith, Rt. 1, Box 352, Winton, \$50,205 for outfall sewer lines, & to Fred J. Early Jr. Co., Inc., 369 Pine St., San Francisco, \$62,476 for sewage treatment plant. MAY 8, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Transocean Engrg. Corp., 7807 Russell City Road, Hayward, \$207,675 for 4.0 mi. grade, import. base, matl. & apply seal coat and const. reinf. conc. bridge across Cow Creek, betw. 0.3 mi. W. of Cow Creek & 0.7 mi. W. of Whitmore, SHASTA COUNTY.

MAY 12, 1953

NAPA, contract awarded to Basalt Rock Co., P.O. Box 538, Napa, \$0.22 per sq. ft. for 10,000 sq. ft. pave at Napa Junction School.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Walsh Const. Co., 785 Market St., San Francisco, \$235,806 for const. 2 steel girder bridges and approaches across Middle Fork, Feather River & over W.P. R.R. tracks in Portola, PLUMAS CO. MAY 13, 1953

MOSS LANDING, contract

awarded to San Francisco Bridge Co., 140 Montgomery St., San Francisco, \$97,191 for dredge in Moss Landing Harbor, Moss Landing.

BENICIA, contract awarded to Greuner Const. Co., 430 - 40th St., Oakland, \$35,000 for const. new Govt. R.R. bridge, reconst. highway & repair S.P. R.R. trestle at Benicia Arsenal.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to M&K Corp., Financial Center Bldg., S.F., \$183,663 for widen Laguna Honda Blvd. from Clarendon Ave. to Dewey Blvd., S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Eaton & Smith, 1215 Michigan St., S. F., \$165,311 for track removal on Powell St. and others, S.F.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Rice Bros., Inc., P.O. Box 1489, Marysville, \$348,424 for 9.0 mi. pltmix, surf, on untr, rock base betw. jct. Rt. 87 and Chico Ave., BUTTE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S. F., \$2,167,744 for 1.7 mi. grade and pave with PCC on cem. treat. subgrade and pltmix. surf. on cem. treat. base, and const. 7 bridges, 2 pedes. overcrossings, and 2 pedes. undercrossings, and furn. and inst. or modify hwy. lighting and traf. sig. system, on Bayshore Freeway betw. Hester Ave. and Alemany Blvd.

cisco, \$521,448 for general const. awarded to Bernal Const. Co., 2124 in. City of Santa Clara. Anza St., S. F., for yard paving as School, \$7,985.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Barton Const. Co. and B&B Steel Erectors, 7708 Crest Ave., Oakland, \$139,667 for redeck bridge across Sacramento River at Gianell. 8.5 mi. W. of Chico, BUTTE and GLENN COUNTIES.

FRESNO, contracts awarded as follows: (1) to Grey & Kossian, Box 691, Rt. 1, Fresno, \$2,709 for const. conc. curbs, walks and driveways on Brown Ave. betw. Delmar and Glenn; (2) to Grey & Kossian, Box 691, Rt. 1, Fresno, for const. conc. curbs, gutters, and walks and driveways on Pine Ave. betw. N. 1st and Fisher; (3) to L. B. Wells, Box 287, Visalia, \$37,895 for bitum, surf. treat, on various streets.

FRESNO, contract awarded work) to Trewhitt-(general Shields & Fisher, 926 Parallel Ave., Fresno, \$314,550 for const. Armory and Exhibit Bldg. for National Guard and 21st Dist. Agric. Assn. SACRAMENTO, contracts awarded as follows: (1) to J. R. Reeves, P.O. Box 1072, Sacramento, \$71,-411 for grade and surg. Watt Ave., Marconi to Auburn Blvd., 11/2 mi. in length; (2) to A. Tiechert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$51,652 for grading Florin Road, Franklin Blvd. to 24th St. Road; (3) to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 873, Sacramento, \$20,744 for pave Campbell Lane, Grant Ave. to Rel Rio Ave., adj. to South Land Park, Unit 7.

MAY 18, 1953

DELANO, contract awarded to United Conc. Pipe Corp., Box 425, Baldwin Park, \$2,589,202 for const. earthwork and structures, Unit 2, Delano-Earlimart Irrigation Dist., Friant-Kern Canal Dist. system, Central Valley Proj.

MONTEREY, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$139,380 for pave east aircraft parking apron and access roads at Naval Auxil, Air Station, Monterey.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Morgan Const. Co., Box 904, Redding, \$33,506 for 1.1 mi, widen roadway at 5 locations and portion surf. with pltmix. surf. on untr. rock base, betw. Lamoine and Cas-

tle Crags Park, SHASTA COUNTY. SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to B. S. McElderry, 2355 Virginia St., Berkeley, \$42,869 for remodel por. of overhead struc., steel girders to be strengthened and raised and new reinf, conc. abutments, deck slab and appr. spans to be const. and appr. and detour to be graded and surf. acr, tracks of S.P. Co., 21.4 mi. SE of Tulelike, MODOC COUNTY.

BERKELEY, contract awarded to Parish Bros., P. O. Box 6, Benicia, \$268,787 for bridge mole fill for Richmond-San Rafael Bridge. MAY 19, 1953

PETALUMA, contract

SAN FRANCISCO, contract, sanitary sewer N, of Kifer Road,

SANTA CLARA, contract awardfollows: Edison School, \$19,435; ed to C & N Pump & Well Co., LeConte School, \$17,435; Marshall 1901 Washington, Santa Clara, for drill & case water well at corner of Saratoga - Prunedale Aves., \$17,500.

PORTERVILLE, contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2657 - 9th St., Berkeley, \$184,525 for completion of roads and walks, Phases 1. and 2, Porterville State Home.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Clements & Co., 775 Jackson St., Hayward, \$135,915 for 4.0 mi. surf. with plantmix surf. on cem. treat. base betw. Adin & Rush Creek, MODOC COUNTY.

MAY 21, 1953

LOS ANGELES, contract awarded to Bechtel Corp., 220 Bush St., San Francisco, and Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., Box 450, Boise, Idaho (joint venture) for const. of Vermillion Dam on Mono Creek, FRESNO COUNTY, about 7 mi. N. of Florence Lake.

TRACY, contract awarded to Western Well Drilling Co., P.O. Box 47, San oJse, \$18,360 for drilling a water well in city of Tracy, OAKLAND, contract awarded to Silva Bros., P.O. Box 492, Centerville. \$206,228 for grade & plantmix surf. on Castro Valley Orchards Road, ALAMEDA COUNTY. MAY 22, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to J. R. Armstrong, 400 Central, Box 212, El Cerrito, \$48,250 for const. reinf. conc. pipe culv. and reinf. conc. bridge & detour to be graded & surf. & later obliterated, at Albany Drain & across Stege Drain in cities of Albany & Richmond on Hoffman Blvd., ALAME-DA & CONTRA COSTA COS.

MAY 26, 1953

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contracts awarded as follows:

(1) Summit Co. (FASP S-290(2) 7.250 mi. 2 in. rdmix. bit. surf. road on S.R. No. 133 betw 3 mi E of Coalville & Upton: To Sorensen Bros Co. & D.W. Brimball, 1330 W. 4200 South, Murray, Utah, \$336,706. (2) Salt Lake Co. (FAP U-122 (9)-1.680 mi. 3 in. bit. conc. surf. road on U.S. 91 betw. 9th So. St. & 21st So. St.: To Enoch Smith Const. Co., 1441 Becks St., Salt Lake City, \$528,927.

SACRAMENTO, contract awardto Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., San Francisco, \$2,165,364 for 1.7 mi. grade & pave with PCC on cem. treat. subgrade & plantmix. surf. on cem, treat. base & const. 7 bridges, 2 pedes. overcrossings & 2 pedes. undercrossings, and furn. & inst. of modify hwy. lighting & traf. sig. sys., on Bayshore Freeway betw. Hester Ave. & Alemany Blvd.; SAN FRANCISCO CITY AND COUNTY.

RICHMOND, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 4th St., Berkeley, \$73,968 for asph. conc. pave, traffic signal system, curbs, gutters and sidewalks at intersec. of 23rd St. & S.P. R.R. (main line) por. of Carlson Blvd. R



Reclamation Bureau Jobs Reduced in Calif.

in force orders from Washington, in accordance with Washington jobs of 359 employees of Region 2 directives, the jobs terminated repof the Bureau of Reclamation will, resent a cross section of Bureau of be terminated by June 20, it was, Reclamation employees, ranging announced today by Regional Rec- from clerks and draftsmen to adlamation Director Richard L. Boke. ministrative officers and engineers. Included in the reduction order are employees in district, field and those being terminated as follows: project offices from Klamath Falls, Ore., south to Santa Barbara, Calif., as well as the regional headquarters in Sacramento. Mr. Boke structural and civil engineers; ademphasized that no offices are being completely closed at this time.

clude: Regional Headquarters, Sacramento, 86; Sacramento Valley District, Chico, 41; Delta District, Stockton, 77; San Joaquin Valley District, Fresno, 89; Klamath Project, Klamath Falls, Ore., 27; and Cachuma Project, Goleta, Santa Barbara County, 24.

As a result of recent reduction | Regional Director Boke said that

He listed the job categories of stenographers, clerks, engineering aides, draftsmen, geologists; hydraulic, mechanical, electrical, ministrative officers, accountants, economists, construction inspectors, Job terminations by districts in- purchasing agents, supply officers, auto mechanics, photographers, chemists, position classifiers, placement officers, realty assistants and appraisers, agriculturists, soil scientists, information specialists, safety officers, diamond drill operators, equipment supervisors, truck drivers, and carpenters.

Barber - Greene Co. CONVEYORS - DITCHERS - LOADERS Asphalt Mixers and Finishers - Portable Conveyors 318 So. B Street San Mateo Dlamond 3-5828	CITY AND COUNTY. MAY 14, 1953 CARSON CITY, NEV., contract awarded to Wells Cargo, Inc., P.O. Box 430, Las Vegas, Nev., \$200,111 for 14.582 mi. const. por. of sec- ondary hwy. system betw. jct. U.S. 6 near E. foot of Connor's Pass	Const. Co., 407 N. Main St., Sebas- topol, \$186,403 for const. sewage works enlargements at exist. Muni. sewage treatment works of the City of Petaluma. SAN FRANCISCO, contract	awarded to Michael Murphy Jr., 308 Upper Terrace, S.F., \$18,365 for lay 6 in. cast iron mains in
G M P GEORGE M. PHILPOTT CO. SAN FRANCISCO — OAKLAND Compressors - Pumps - Ball and Roller Bearings Rock Drills - Steel and Bits - Wire Rope SALES RENTALS	and Cleeve Creek, WHITE PINE COUNTY. SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Walsh Const. Co., 785 Market St., S. F., for const. Pit River No. 4 powerhouse. LOS ANGELES, contract award- ed to Bechtel Corp., 220 Bush St., San Francisco, for const. earthfill Vermillion Dam, for secondary storage, for Big Creek Project, FRESNO COUNTY. MAY 15, 1953	Michigan St., San Francisco, \$558,- 526 for 4.192 mi. clear, grade, etc. Huntington Lake, Sierra National Forest, near South Fork of Tama- rack Creek, 10 mi. E. of Shaver Lake, FRESNO COUNTY. OAKLAND, contract awarded to W. H. Wisheropp Co., 856 34th	awarded to Pacific Paving Co.; Ltd., 85 Barstow St., San Francis- co, \$112,395 for paving has been removed for S.F. water dept. for fiscal year ending June 5, 1954. SACRAMENTO, contract award- ed to Mercer Fraser Co. & Mercer Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$139,914 for 9.9 mi. surf. w/plantmix surf. over imp, base matl. & inst. drainage facils. betw. 11 mi. E. of Alton & 3.5 mi. W. of Bridgeville, HUMBOLDT
LEARN ABOUT CO., AND CO., AND	SACRAMENTO, contract award- ed to Karl C. Harmeling, 1710 Mt. Diablo Ave., Stockton, \$53,525 for emergency levee repairs, on right bank of Sacramento River, 65.9 to 66.4 mi. NW of Sacramento 8 mi., under Spec. 1796. SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., 1755 Evans Ave., S. F., \$216,314 for const. utility extension in Terminal Area at S. F. Airport. MILPITAS, contract awarded to Swinerton & Walberg, 1723 Web- ster St., Oakland, for all site grad- ing and storm sewers at Ford	MAY 20, 1953 PETALUMA, contract awarded to North Bay Const. & Helwig Const. Co., 407 N. Main St., Sebas- topol, \$186,403 for const. sewage works enlargements at exist. Mu- nicipal sewage treatment works of City of Petaluma. MILLBRAE, contract awarded to Sperry & McCue, 304 El Camino Real, Millbrae, \$2775 for moving approx. 5000 cy. of dirt from Lo- mita Hills Subdivision No. 4 to City Playground.	COUNTY. SACRAMENTO, contract award- ed to M. W. Brown & R. E. Hertel, Box 222, Redding, \$361,628 for 2.3 mi. grade & surf. with plantmixed surf. on cem. treat. base & const. reinf. conc. bridge betw. 4.0 mi. S. of Weaverville & Douglas City, TRINITY COUNTY. SACRAMENTO, contract award- ed to Johnson Western Gunite Co., 4430 Clement St., Oakland, \$99,685 for repair por. of bridge across S.F. Bay betw. San Mateo & Hayward,

Awards For Construction in May and June

ed to Gordon H. Ball, San Ramon MENTO COUNTY. Valley Land Co., Camille Ave., Danville, \$335,151 for const. reinf. follows for inst. water mains, 14,000 sq. ft. area adjacent to Club conc. girder bridge & 0.8 mi. approaches to be graded & surf. with plantmixed surf. on cem. treat. base across San Benito River, 1 mi. W. of Hollister, SAN BENITO CO.

BURLINGAME, contract awarded to McCammon & Wunderlich, P.O. Box 1023, Palo Alto, \$14,594 for street improvements, Kenmar Terrace.

FRESNO, contract awarded to Gene Richards, Inc., Box 1349, Fresno, \$96,650 for grounds improvements, 1st Phase, at Fresno State College.

SAN MATEO, contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., 1650 Old County Road, Belmont, \$14,006 for paving & drainage at Borel School & Baywood School, San Mateo.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Meyer Rosenberg, 2124 Anza St., San Francisco, \$22,765 for yard paving at Geary School.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Love & Haun, 395 Collingwood, San Francisco, \$685,000 for const. conc. sidewalks on Greystone Terrace.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 873, Sacramento, \$71,971 for grade & pave Broadway from Stockton Blvd. to 55th St.

MAY 25, 1953

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Coast Pipeline Constrs., 580 Bragato Rd., Belmont, Sch. 1-\$4721 for install. approx. 2040 lft. 8 in. cast iron & approxi. 1000 lft. 17.8 in. welded steel pipe in ALAMEDA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to LeBoeuf & Daugherty and Erickson & Pierson, 3rd & Cutting Blvd., Richmond, \$9300 for remove swing bridge across San Leandro Bay betw. Bay Farm Island and Alameda, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

MAY 27, 1953

RIPON, contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, 922 "J" St., Mcdesto, \$25,241 for 57,500 sq. ft. pltmix. surf. & 220,090 sq. ft. rdmix. on Orange St. and others.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Malott & Peterson-Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., San Francisco, \$13,944 for yard paving at Sarah Cooper School.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Malott & Peterson-Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., San Francisco, \$15,717 for yard paving at Raphael Weill School.

BERKELEY, contract awarded to Kevry Const., Inc., 655 Peralta Ave., San Leandro, \$33,271 for const. Derby St. storm sewer from Telegraph to College Ave.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Malott & Peterson-Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., San Francisco, \$3729 for yard paving at Candlestick Cove School.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to M. J. Lynch, 2251 Revere St., San Francisco, \$1690 for ley Park, Stockton. const. access road, Morrell Place to Hyde St. in vicin. of Broadway

(Continued from Preceding Page) | for surf. Dry Creek Road, SACRA-

valves, etc.:

Unit 1-To Jerry W. Nunn, P.O. Box 68, Santa Maria, \$29,890 for inst. mains, etc., grade & inst. booster pump station, etc.

Unit 2-To Baldwin & Mangs, 207 San Juan Road, Watsonville, \$1643 for foundations & assemble storage tank.

CARSON CITY, Neveda, contract awarded to Silver State Construction Co., 859 S. Main, Fallon, Nevada, \$186,193 for 16.310 mi. grade, surf., etc., on Second Hwy. Sys. betw. Smith Ranch & Jct. U.S. 93 (near Warm Springs) ELKO COUNTY.

JUNE 1, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Baun Const. Co., P.O. Box 1281, Fresno, \$162,423 for 12.2 mi. place Cl. B double seal coat on imported base matl. on Alisal-Old Stage Road betw. Bardin School & 1.6 mi. S. of Iverson Road, MON-TEREY COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Baun Const. Co., P.O. Box 1281, Fresno, \$250,385 for 1.6 mi. grade & surf. with plantmix surf. on untr. rock base, betw. Loma Linda & Watsonville Junction, MONTEREY COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 2604, Sacramento, \$23,403 for grade & pave streets & avenues in Colonial Village No. 8.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 2604, Sacramento, \$94,870 for grade & pave streets & avenues in Colonial Village No. 7.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Joe Vicini, P.O. Box 206, Placerville, \$131,328 for 0.7 mi. grade & surf. wit huntr. rock base & sealcoat, betw. 3.4 mi. & 3.7 mi. E. of Yuba County Line, 12 mi. W. of Grass Valley, NEVADA COUN-TY, CALIF.

WILLITS, contract awarded to A. B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa, \$16,150 for site development & drainage at Baechtel Grove School.

JUNE 2, 1953

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Coast Pipeline Contractors, 580 Bragato Road, Belmont, \$217,804 for laying 36" steel transmission main from Lake Merced Pumping Station to 23rd Ave., & Sloat Blvd.

NAPA, contract awarded to Pat Jenks, 1709 Sutter St., Vallejo, \$9,753 for const. curbs, gutters & walks on N. Main St. betw. Central & Pueblo Sts.

SAN MATEO, contract awarded to Frank W. Smith, Box 726, San Mateo, \$16,824 for grade, pave, Indian Ave. et al, Unit 2. STOCKTON, contract awarded

to J. L. Webster, Box 43, Galt, \$3,-277 for const. conc. slab at McKin-

SAN MATEO, Contract awarded | 90, south side of Islais Creek San Leandro, \$185,416 for const. to F. W. Smith, P.O. Box 726, San Channel, San Francisco. APTOS, contracts awarded as Mateo, \$1,740 for pave & grade House at San Mateo Municipal Golf Course (Hot dense graded plantmix surfacing).

SAN LEANDRO, contract a- No. 1146. warded to Lee Const. Co., 1575 Lake Chabot Road, San Leandro, \$12,117 for plantmix surf. on Estabrook St., Cherry St., Ross Avenue, and 2nd Ave and Warren Avenue.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Coast Pipeline Contras., 580 Bragato Road, Belmont, \$4,-664 for laying 6" and 8" cast iron water mains in Lawton Heights Subdivision.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Harold Treacy, 48 Sotelo Ave., San Francisco, \$3,257 for laying 6" cast iron mains in Charter Oak Ave. betw. Industrial & Helena.

SALINAS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$22,981 for const. curbs, gutters, sidewalks & street paving within & adj. to Laguna Hacienda Housing Project.

HAYWARD, contract awarded to E. T. Haas, Box 95, Belmont, \$6,-209 for relocation of 12-cast iron water line in Jackson St., ayward.

HAYWARD, contract awarded to Close Building Supply, P.O. Box 29, Hayward, \$5,613 for const. of å reinf. concrete pressure reducing structure on Dean Street,

OAKLAND, contract awarded to J. H. Fitzmaurice, 2857 Hannah St., Oakland, \$22,059 for resurf. por. of San Pablo Ave., betw. 19th St. & W. Grand Ave., and Grove St. betw. 19th & 22nd. Streets,

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Bell & Simpson, 685 Deleware St., Berkeley, \$856,972 4.233 mi. grade, surf., etc., for Proj. Calif. FH 38-1, Sonora Pass, Stanislaus National Forest, TU-OLUMNE COUNTY, Calif., begin. at a pt. 15 mi. NE of Strawberry Lake Rd. jct. & extend. NE 4.2 mi to jct.w/Clarks Fork Hwy.

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to Douglas & Woodhouse, P.O. Box 908, Redwood City, \$17,-848 fr asph. conc. surf., sewers, etc., on Alameda St., De Anza St. & Alameda de las Pulgas.

JUNE 3, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Eaton & Smith, 1215 Michigan St., San Francisco, \$76,990 for 0.5 mi. grade pltmx. bit. surf, betw. 7.0 mi. NW of Monte Rio & Monte Rio (por.) SONOMA COUNTY.

MARE ISLAND, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520-4th St., Berkeley, \$8,839 for repairing roads, walks & pavements at Naval Hospital, Mare Island.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Antioch Paving Co., Onc., Rt. 1 Box 535, Antioch, \$181,089 for 4.8 mi. surf. betw, 0.6 mi. S. of Outlet Creek and Reeves Creek, 6 mi. N. of Willits, MENDOCINO CO.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract a-

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Malott-Peterson & Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., San 2087, Stockton, \$136,272 for const. Francisco, \$23,835 for yard paving sanitary sewers in Emerald Avenue & Woodland Ave. at Dudley Stone School, contract

SAN FRANCISCO, contract aed to Brown-Ely Co., P.O. Box 474, Corte Madera, \$90,549 for 1.3 mi, warded to M. J. Lynch, 2251 Revere, San Francisco, \$8,400 for const. 20th Ave. & Lincoln Way sewer transition structure.

SALINAS, contract awarded to Assoc. Enginrs., Inc., 3606 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, \$24,318 for landscaping work for new Salinas Valley Memorial oHspital.

EUREKA, contract awarded to Tom Hull, 930 Carson St., Eureka, \$4,322 for const. 6" & 8" water line in "H" St.

MONTEREY, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$4,407 for const sewer extension in Josselyn Canyon Road from exist, manhole 600 ft. S. of Fremont St. to a point 1,010 ft. S. of Fremont St.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to A. Arras & Son, 855 Treat Avenue, San Francisco, \$35,-031 for misc. improvements to City Corporation Yard (second Contract).

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, contract awarded to Reynolds Const. Co., Springville, Utah, \$467,538 for 9.015 mi. const. 3" pltmx bit. surf. road & 2 conc bridges over 20' span, on U.S. No. 40 betw. Bridgeland & Myton, DUCHESNE CO.

SONOMA, contract awarded to Southwestern Welding & Mfg. Co. P.O. Box 1128, Richmond (2) \$11,-027 (2) \$7,724 for const. a steel water tank to be erected on Cityprepared base.

FALLON, NEVADA, contract awarded to Silver State Const. Co., 859 S. Maine St., Fallon, Nevada, \$40,036 for improvements at Municipal Airport.

FRESNO, contract awarded to Thomas Const. Co., P.O. Box 683, Fresno, \$3,220 for raise canal sides at Municipal Farm.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded as follows for const. Coyote-Alanitos Canal: Unit 1- To E. T. Hass Co., Box 95, Belmont, \$32,314. Units 2 & 3-To Heringer & Co. at Richards, Box 606, Rio Vista, \$123,325. SAN PABLO, contract awarded

to Kevry Const. Inc., 655 Peralta,



interceptor sewer, Contract No. 1,

Stockton Conts. Co., Ince. P.O. Box.

MODESTO, contract awarded to

SACRAMENTO, contract award-

A 13' x 13' reinf. conc. culvert betw. 1 mi. SE & .6 mi.NW of Laguna Creek, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY. SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Fredrickson Bros., 1259 -

65th St., Emeryville, \$1,176,448 for 2.2 mi. grade & pave with Port. cement conc. pave on cem, treat. subgrade & const. four reinf. conc. bridges & A pedestrian undercrossing betw. Crow Canyon Road & 0.1 mi. E. of Foothill Blvd., ALAMEDA CO.

CARSON CITY, NEVADA. contract awarded to Whiting & Haymond, Springville, Utah, \$12,085 for 5.5 mi. const. access road from 9.5 mi. W. of Garrison, Utah & A point below the Big Wash mine WHITE PINE COUNTRY.





Tunnel.

SACRAMENTO, contract award-ed to Claude C. Wood Co., P.O. 699, Lodi, and Macal Improvement Co., Rt. 1, Box 535, Antioch, \$492,-238 for 3.5 mi. grade & 10 mi. surf. betw. Rt. 24, 4 mi. SE of Markeleeville & Mono Co. Line, in ALPINE CO. and 7.6 mi, surf. betw. Alpine Co. line & Jct. Rt. 95, MODOC CO.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to B. S. McElderry, 2355 Virginia St., Berkeley, \$57,424 for const. bridge and grade surf. with imported borrow & apply bitum, surf. treatment to approaches, at Susan River, 0.5 mi. west of Litchfield, LASSEN COUNTY.

MAY 28, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Lord & Bishop, P.O. Box 812. Sacramento, \$18,425 for widen bridge, Walsh Station Road, SAC-RAMENTO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$64,-762 for laying vitr. clay sewer lines in County Sanitary Dist. No. 2.

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to James I. Barnes Const. Co., 940 Spring St., Redwood City, \$97,300 for furn. & drive reinf.conc. piles for Hall of Justice of San Mateo County.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Lentz Const. Co., 2416 Sutterville Road, Sacramento, \$29,985

Contract Review Won't Stop Road Program

The federal-aid road program will not be greatly affected by the orders to hold up large-scale federal construction projects for review.

A Bureau of Public Roads official explained that the federal-aid road program actually is a contract for the government to spend a certain amount each year to help states build roads and would not be subject to review.



warded to Lowrie Paving Co., 1755 Evans Avenue, S. F., \$4,915 for resurf, Broderick St. betw Lombard & Beach Sts.

TURLOCK, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$20,408 (items 306) for const. Walnut Ave. Trunk sewer. SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to Arthur B. Sirri, Box 497, Santa Rosa, \$6,950 for addl. paving at National Guard Armory, Santa Rosa. SAN FRANCISCO, contract a-warded to Malott & Peterson-Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., San Francisco, \$6,834 for resurf. various tennis courts in San Francisco. ALAMEDA, contract awarded to J. Henry Harris, 2657 - 9th St., Berkeley, \$31,848 for seal runways 3-21 & 7R-25L, Naval Air Station, Alameda.

ALAMEDA, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, & Gallagher & Burk, 344 High St., Oakland, \$8,365 for Supply Annex Area access road repair. TREASURE ISLAND, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1855 Evans Avenue, San Francisco, \$38,275 for 120,000 sq. yd. paving w/bit, tack coat application and const. hotmix surf. & min. aggreg. bit, seal coat at U. S. Naval Station.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Hart & Hynding, 389 Clementina St., San Francisco, \$32,860 for repairs to Shed A, Pier

Twelve



SKY-HOOK DOWN DIEGO WAY - Sutherland dam, a big water project in the hills 42 miles east of San Diego, has lain dormant for 25 years, but now is being resumed, with the need for water. The big concrete buttresses have stood like memorials thru the years. To facilitate carrying of materials to the job, this skyriding buggy on two, 2-inch cables was set up, will carry 20 tons, go 30 miles an hour. Pushing the sky buggy in this picture is Engineer Paul Addison.

PIOMBO AND ATKINSO **BIDS ON BAYSHORE FR** By CHET ELLIOTT, Business Representative

During the past month the Piombo Construction Company of San Francisco was awarded the contract to construct five miles of Bayshore Highway extending from 16th Avenue in San Mateo to Branston Avenue in San Carlos. This work consists of importing two million yards of fill, the construction of four overpasses, and paving with cement base with asphalt top.

The Guy F. Atkinson Co. of South San Francisco was low bidder on one mile of freeway grading across a part of San Francisco Bay near Brisbane, in San Mateo County. This work calls for one million yards of imported fill to be hauled from the Crocker Estates property and construction of a haul road and overpass across the Southern Pacific tracks.

The contract for construction of the Seal Slough drainage project, consisting of dredging, constructing roads and levees, and installing tide gates and pumping stations. Cost of this project is over one-half million dollars.

The S. A. E. Construction Co. of Redwood City was low bidder for the one-half-million-dollar grading and paving of Industrial Way at San Carlos. Brothers Archibald and Ebright will have supervision of this work which, along with other projects the firm is about to start, will provide employment for many members of Local 3.

Foreman Brother Boyd Gable and a large crew of cat operators are very industriously engaged at Baywood Park in San Mateo on a large real estate development project. All of these worthy brothers are employed by contractor R. "Pete" Farish. "Pete" has the A. distinction of being the oldest tractor operating contractor in this area. With the advent of the tractor into the construction industry, taking the work formerly done with horses and mules, "Pete" Farish was one of the first, if not the first, to engage in this phase of the work. He was also the first cat operator to operate both tractor and scraper, which was formerly a two-man operation! Pete, incidentally, was co-inventor of the hydraulic operated bulldozer and scraper about 30 years ago. It is interesting, as well as gratifying, to note that Pete's operators today are the "oldest" in the business. While visiting this job your representative contacted Brothers Bill Trimble, "Boots" Trimble, Glenn Ward, "Red" Haley, Lloyd Durst, and several others. Bill and "Boots" Trimble started in the business with Pete when the tractor took over the mules' job! Local contractors in this area, including Bragato Paving Co., Douglas & Woodhouse, Frank W. Smith, Pisano Bros. and several others, all have been awarded many street grading, paving, and pipeline jobs in every city on the peninsula, which looks good from the employment standpoint for members of the Engineers Union. A. A. Snyder and Dick Wetherell just went into business and bought \$207,334,000.

a new NW clam, drag, and hoewill work anywhere. The phone number is DIamond 4-7304. Lots of luck, brothers, we wish you success in your new venture!

Ruling on Survey Party Aids Union

Surveyors of Santa Clara County. This is a radical departure from past policy and in effect takes the land surveyor groups from under the Taft-Hartley act. It opens the way for future contracts to have make for a stronger union organ-

The Bay Counties Civil Engineers & Land Surveyors Association, Inc. has notified the union that a number of its East Bay members have withdrawn from the ON FOREIGN FRONTS Association. These ex-members are Edward W. Dutra, John A. Mancini, This group has formed an associa- Utah Construction has hired two ment covering the Civil Engineers \$2.50). & Land Surveyors. All members In a recent article in the Denver by the union shop and conditions of the Master Agreement. No negotiations have taken place between any Technical Engineering Employer groups and the union. We expect meetings with employer groups very soon. It has been the custom of the employer to wait until the last minute before meeting.

San Francisco Report-Work Gradually Improving

By PAT CLANCY and PAUL EDGECOMBE, **Business Representatives**

For the past month work in San Francisco has gradually taken a trend toward a more pleasant outlook. Several of the jobs that had been awarded have started, for which this office has cleared some of our members.

Walter Lenkeit and Western Plumbing are laying the pipe on Broadway and Kearny to Columbus and Bay Streets. This pipe is a 30-inch steel line. Excavation for the first few blocks is a slow process, with hard rock

cles.

The 36-inch sewer line job on Parnassus Ave. is under way. Fay Improvement is doing this work and it is necessary to put in lagging as they go.

Out around Stonestown and the Park Merced area there has been a lot of activity. Piombo Construction has had four Jeeps and two dozers out there removing sand from around the buildings on the new campus for the State College. This crew, under the supervision of Brother "Bud" Kerr, has been rolling steady for the past month and will finish soon. The landscaping will be done by Watkin & Sibbald, landscaping contractors from San Anselmo.

Fredrickson & Watson will be finishing their job on top of Twin Peaks within the next few days.

Operations on the track removal and street repair jobs continue, with Eaton & Smith starting removal of the tracks on Powell Street from the Embarcadero to Broadway. Lowrie Paving Co., on the 8th Avenue and Clement Street job., and Piombo Const. on their Eddy Street job, have only the asphalt to spread.

Work on the Presidio Housing Project is expected to be finished this next month. Several of our members have been employed on this job for quite some time. It is a Wherry Bill housing project for Government personnel and Government civilian employees. Baker's Beach Builders are the constructors.

The repair shops in this area a closed shop clause. This should have kept their full crews steadily employed.

Overseas Department By RUSS SWANSON THERE'S LIMITED ACTIVITY

Brothers, in the past few months there have been a few brothers go J. W. Wilson, C. C. Young, Charles on overseas work. In a general P. Martin and Edward H. Marjig. outline of the work, we see that port. tion known as the Alameda & Con- or three shovel runners to work tra Costa Civil Engineers & Land in Peru. Atlas Const. has need Surveyors. This group is bound as for blade operators and also screed individuals to the Master Agree- men in French Morocco (scale is

> told of need for dozer and scraper mechanics, H.D. equipment operators. So, if you are interested, please write to Mr. Charles Kopald, Personnel Director, North Atlantic Constructors, P.O. Box 1049, Minneapolis, Minn. Location of the work is Greenland.

and many service lines as obsta- year. M&K sent a few mucking machine operators to Canada. Guy blood lately are H. L. McHaffey F. Atkinson has work in the Philippines but so far the only ones going are those brothers who have H. Watson, Frank Sueuga, Jack had a number of years of experi- Davis, Fred Wright, Eugene Kilence with Guy F.

There has been talk of work in Venezuela and a few of the brothers are there. But there have been no new hires lately. Brown-

Island Bosses **Open a Strong** Safety Program By J. K. WAIWAIOLE **Business** Representative

record of construction in the islands, a safety committee of the General Contractors Association of Hawaii is going to try and get all bosses safety-minded and employees safety-conscious beginning McKay Cool to June 15.

Pearl Harbor Navy Yard will trim its force by 526. These no doubt, will infiltrate our ranks in construction.

About \$3,000,000 is earmarked by the C. & C. for water supply development over the next two years in Waihee Valley, Aiea Heights, Maunawili, Ewa Beach and Waiawa. This will be let out for bidding and construction by local contractors.

Hawaiian Dredging gets more than its share of jobs. They have just received the "go" signal on the \$626,859 conversion of a drill barge into a 20-inch hydraulic dredge for the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency.

They were also low bidders on a seaplane dock contract that will cost \$600,000 for the Navy which will be at the present seaplane landing area at John Rodgers Air-

Walker & Moody moves to the Island of Kauai to do the Kealia-Anahola belt road as they were low bidder this week.

Contractors Mid-Pac at Kaneohe Ltd. of Paramount, Calif. Marine Corp Air Station is grad-

Pacific-Maxon are holding their own in the Pacific Islands and for some time have not contacted us for men.

We Still Need Blood

As you know, we are still in need of BLOOD. Some of the members have been very generous and have donated blood as often as possible.

The brothers who have donated (who has been out on withdrawal card since 1946), Joseph Armas, R. lean and Ronald Erickson.

We are very grateful to these brothers as they have saved a number of lives. One does not realize how important this is until they need blood for someone who is dear to them.

It can be seen from the above list of anames why we make the request of the rest of the membership to make every effort to donate blood. Please help build up our reserve at the blood bank. Do this, please: Make an appointment either at the dispatch office or directly with the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank. If you should contact the blood bank directly, please make sure that they credit your Due to the very poor safety donation to the account of Operating Engineers Local 3. Thanks again to those brothers who have donated.

Public Power

Policy of the new Secretary of Interior, Douglas McKay, will be for reduction of government power developments.

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McKay stated recently ne did not think the government should get out of the power business entirely, but he said he was cutting \$6 million of the 1954 budget earmarked * for power transmission lines and that he felt the people should have "the final say" on whether power should be developed and distributed by private or government means.

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The gambler read the sign on the doctor's door, "Nine to One," shook his head and turned to go, muttering, "I gotta get better odds than that."

scheduled to leave for the Philippine Islands project now run by Pomeroy for Mid-Pac.

Twelve levermen, Brothers Soares and Wills have been hired for Okinawa by Pacific Dredging Co.,

Brother Thompson Kilauano has ually trimming their work force just returned after an 18-month working for this group are covered Post, North Atlantic Constructors now. It is hoped that the Navy will stint in Turkey for Byrne Org., Inc. grant them the additional 24 build- There's gold in them thar hills, I reckon, as he can't wait the 30 days

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Friends of Howard Adams will be pleased to know that he is doing fine, and is moving soon to the Hassler Health Home on Whipple Road, in Redwood City.

The old-timers in the survey business will be sorry to hear of the sudden passing of Dan Foley. He worked for many years for Edwin Smith and was a longtime union member.

The next Technical Engineers meeting will be held on Friday, June 26, at 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, at 8:00 p.m.

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Approve Trinity Project

The California State Dept. of Public Works, with approval of Governor Earl Warren, has approved the Trinity River project and recommended to Interior Sec. begin at the earliest possible date. Estimated cost of the project is

Alaska has been very slow this

The Only Laggards

Construction and mining were virtually the only non-farm industries in which employment did not expand during the past year, the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports.

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The best way to keep up with the Joneses is to take it easy for a while and in a few years you'll meet them coming back.

Jed Somers says the only thing that kept him from going to college was high school.

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Dot: "What's the matter with you, Dora?"

Dora: "I'm terribly worried. I wrote Jack in my last letter to forget that I had told him I didn't Douglas McKay that construction mean to reconsider my decision about not changing my mind and he seems to have misunderstood me."

ings contemplated.

Seven heavy duty mechanics are before going back to Turkey.



NEW CONCRETE SAW - Operating Engineer Wm. Cobb Jr., is shown above operating a new type of concrete saw on one of the big freeway jobs in Los Angeles. Chief purpose of the machine is to cut into the concrete to control cracks, an experiment being conducted by the State Highway Departments. Cuts made do not take the place of expansion joints but serve to control cracks that appear as concrete contracts. The machine is set at an angle of less than 90 degrees by means of a turn-table on the travelling carriage. Cuts are made as soon as concrete is dry enough to take the machine's weight, with a two-inch cut about every 60 feet. Later, additional cuts are made 20 feet apart.