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98 Pct. of AFL-Endorsed Candidates Win on June 5

Ninety-eight percent of AFL-endorsed candidates either won their own party nomination or carried both tickets in the California primary elections of June 5.

The AFL took no position in the presidential primary, which was swept by Adlai Stevenson on the Democratic ticket. Estes Kefauver ran a distant second. President Eisenhower took the Republican nomination without opposition.

The primaries were featured by the following labor highlights:

1) AFL-backed Richard Richards captured the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate and will face incumbent Senator Thomas Kuchel in November;

2) Of 23 AFL-endorsed candidates for Congress, 20 won nomination of their own party and three won election by taking both party nominations;

3) Of 15 AFL-endorsed candidates for the State Senate, eight won nomination, six were elected and one failed to win nomination;

4) Of 63 AFL-endorsed candidates for the State Assembly, 45 won nomination, 17 were elected and one failed to win nomination.

AFL candidates were endorsed at the California Labor League for Political Education's Pre-Primary Convention held April 6 in San Francisco.

State AFL headquarters issued almost one million pamphlets in half of the chosen candidates.

The election of AFL candidate Carl L. Christensen, Jr. in the Third Senatorial district brought the Democratic party close to control of the State Senate.

The Democrats now hold 19 seats in the upper house and the Republicans 21.

California's party identification law, adopted by constitutional amendment in 1952, resulted in more legislative run-offs than in any other primary in the modern history of California politics.

Under the 1952 law, candidates identified by party on the official ballot, thus reducing in part the non-partisan aspects of the cross-filing system which permits candidates to seek two or more party nominations.

The California State Federation of Labor in 1952 placed a constitutional amendment before the people calling for complete elimination of the cross-filing system. The proposal lost by a narrow margin, but the party identification amendment won by a substantial vote in the same election.

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ADLAI IS ON THE WAY!

LABOR WINS PREVAILING WAGE PROVISION IN U. S. ROAD BILL

The Senate passed and sent to a House-Senate conference committee a huge highway-building bill after labor scored a major victory in Senate adoption of a Davis-Bacon "prevailing wage" section.

The effect will be to allow the Secretary of Labor to determine prevailing wages on road construction projects in every area and to require that every contractor offering a bid agree to match this minimum wage for workers.

DAVIS-BACON 'IN'

Defeat of the Davis-Bacon section would have allowed roving contractors, planning to undercut wages with "imported" labor, to underbid fair-wage contractors in many areas.

The situation was somewhat complicated, however, by approval of an amendment by Sen. J. W. Fulbright (D. Ark.) authorizing "judi-

cial review" of prevailing wage measure failed when the House findings. A similar amendment to the Walsh-Healey Act controlling minimum wages on government purchases has handicapped enforcement.

At a press conference, Sec. of Labor James P. Mitchell said he opposes the Fulbright amendment and favors the determination of prevailing wages by the Labor Dept. In the field of highway construction, the Fulbright amendment would be "administratively impossible," he said.

A motion by Sen. Paul H. Douglas (D-Ill.) to reconsider the Fulbright amendment was tabled by a 36-to-33 vote. The conference committee will decide whether the amendment remains in the final measure.

A committee section dealing with prevailing wages was knocked out by a voice vote on the Senate floor last year. The provision was restored in House Public Works Committee, but the whole

bill, revised the financing program and overwhelmed a Republican attempt to have prevailing wages set according to "states' rights" pattern by state highway or labor commissioners instead of the U.S. Secretary of Labor.

In the Senate this year Sen. William F. Knowland (R-Calif.), the GOP floor leader, offered an identical "states' rights" amendment and this was tentatively approved by a 39-to-39 vote, with Vice Pres. Nixon casting his ballot for the Knowland amendment to break the tie.

Sen. Dennis Chavez (D-N.M.) later offered another amendment authorizing the Secretary of Labor to determine the wage standards and this was approved by a 42-to-37 vote. The parliamentary situation was such that the later action eliminated Knowland's amendment.

PARTIES SPLIT ON VOTE

Twenty-seven Democrats and 15 Republicans voted for the Chavez amendment; 12 southern Democrats and 25 Republicans voted against it.

Principal differences between the Senate and House versions now involve the distribution of federal aid to the several states and the length of the authorized program. Bulk of the funds will be raised by "users" taxes, including a 1-cent a gallon gasoline tax increase and higher levels on heavy duty trucks and tires.

ports reflect the vast amount of leg-work and head-work needed to police our jurisdiction extending from the Rockies to the Pacific and on out to Hawaii.

We recommend your perusal of all these reports but we offer also herewith a digest of them for a quick glance at the situation, as follows:

San Francisco: At season peak in industry, freeways, subdivisions. Short of good men in some classifications.

Oakland: Cleared 900 men in May, now hitting full stride on industry, freeways, housing, shipyards. One Eastbay aggregates firm is turning out 1,000 tons a day.

Utah-Nevada: A big year for the mining industry in both states. Highway improvement in all directions, industrial growth. A \$30 million uranium mill for Mexican Hat, Utah. Reno gambling palaces booming.

Fresno: Finally underway after late rains. Work heavy in valley, in mountains.

Stockton: No waiting list, no chance to loaf in this area. Tri-Dam at full steam, mountain roads, subdivisions.

Sacramento: Houses popping up like mushrooms in all directions, much flood control, highway work.

San Jose: A new home for the Engineers, to be built at 680 Emory, just off Stockton Ave. Housing, industry expansion. Big plants going up in Moffett Field-Sunnyvale area.

San Mateo: The city continues to spill into this fast-growing region.

Northbay: Big highways up both sides of Bay, plus the new Northbay bridge, to boot, nearly finished. Airbases, housing, dams.

Redding: Ran out of operators up here, can use some good ones. The Shasta area is booming, with industry, reclamation.

Ukiah: Coyote Valley dam on the Russian river, a three-year job, finally underway.

Eureka: Summer in the Redwoods finds them busy as beavers squaring up after the winter's disastrous floods, work on highways, homes, harbors.

CLPE Convention Set for Sept. 14

(State Fed. Release)

The pre-general election convention of the California Labor League for Political Education will be held September 14, in San Francisco, it was announced this week by C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the state AFL political organization.

Haggerty said the September convention will be held in California Hall in downtown San Francisco.

The political session will follow by one month the California State Federation of Labor's annual convention set for August 13-17 in Long Beach.



More New Local 3 Members

There's a reason for the membership of Operating Engineers Local 3 climbing steadily, month by month—the reason is that this union is on the ball, gives its members fullest protection, and has active, capable leadership. This picture shows another

group of happy employees who recently joined Local 3, employees of the A. J. Lavino Company, a refractory plant at Newark, south of Oakland. In an NLRB vote the 41 members in the unit cast 30 votes for Local 3 and 11 for the Brick and Clay Workers. Welcome to IUOE No. 3, brothers.

IN MEMORIAM

FLOYD B. WAGAR

May 14, 1956, San Francisco

LARRY MESSA

June 12, Pleasanton, Calif.

EDITORIALS

ENGINEERS' NEWS

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION NO. 3

COMMENT

The City by the Golden Gate

SKILLED OPERATORS ARE NEEDED IN S.F.

By PAT CLANCY, HARRY METZ
Business Representatives

We are pleased to report in this month's news that work, in general, has had a decided pickup and there is a much brighter outlook for the future. We have consistently been short of skilled operators in many classifications.

We wish to remind the members that on all construction work, as of June 1st, 1955 the hourly scale was increased 12½¢ per hour. If you haven't received this increase on your pay check, please contact the dispatch office.

There is a good deal of work going on at Hunters Point. M & K Corporation has the largest contract in the Navy yard. A good many members are working there. There are also several housing projects and sewer jobs in that vicinity.

Utah Construction Company are temporarily held up while the overall pass at Grant Avenue is being erected. A special 6600 feet long haul road, for the fill material will be built across privately owned property.

Guy F. Atkinson's job at Serra Point has slowed down to a walk pending the replacement of the Southern Pacific's tracks and the completion of the M & K Corporation's pipeline at Brisbane so the trucks may cross the road again.

All of the hot plants around town are busy and streets are being repaired at a fast pace.

MacDonald, Young & Nelson have several jobs in San Francisco and are keeping a good many of the boys busy.

Cahill Construction Company are doing a good many remodeling jobs in the downtown area.

Bethlehem Steel Company are erecting two large steel buildings at the U.C. Hospital. This company's shipyard is also busy on ship repair employing about thirty-five members of Local No. 3. The yard will start a \$10 million expansion soon.

NEW FREEWAYS

The following new freeways to be built in San Francisco are not out of the blueprint stage as of this issue . . . The Southern Freeway to cost \$1,425,000 . . . the Crosstown Freeway to cost \$1,250,000 for land acquisition and planning . . . The Geary Street Expressway will cost about two-million dollars and there is not estimated cost as yet on Hunters Point Expressway.

The San Francisco Planning Commission are contemplating the expenditure of \$10,527,000 to expand the San Francisco International Airport and another \$24,440,000 for a long range water department program involving pipeline extensions and reservoirs.

Piombo Bros. are now doing the excavation work on the South-basin reservoir in the Sunset District.

Buzz Haskins has a job of building new roads, and levelling lots, in the Sutro Forest Hills for Standard Home Builders.

Rollingwood, Westview, and Westlake Tracts are also employing a good many of our brothers. In most instances, these homes are sold before the house is erected.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Lentz Const. Co., 2416 Sutterville Rd., Saeto, \$23,555, for const. storm sewer, vic. Hollywood Park School.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Bos Const. Co., 1035 Grayson St., Berkeley, \$57,815, for repair bridge across McCoy Creek, 59 mi. N. of Willits in MENDOCINO CO.

LODI, contract awarded to Claude C. Wood, P.O. Box 599, Lodi, \$6260, for pave the 400 block of E. Lockeford St., in City of Lodi, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

SURVEY MEN SIGN JONES

By AL BOARDMAN and BILL MINAHAN
Business Representatives

Calvin M. Jones, Civil Engineer, of 550 College Ave., Palo Alto, signed a collective bargaining agreement with the Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3, effective June 15, 1956. Jones, a former associate of James & Waters, has been in business in partnership with Channing W. Cathcart on sub-division reports and surveys in the Palo Alto area for the past year. His firm has taken over much of the work done by James & Waters, who recently closed their Palo Alto office. We welcome this firm to the growing list of independent civil engineering firms to do business with Operating Engineers Local No. 3.

The first meeting of the negotiators representing the Operating Engineers Local No. 3 and the Bay Counties Civil Engineers & Land Surveyor's Assn. will be held Tuesday, June 12. The contract covering Party Chiefs, Senior Inspectors, Instrumentmen, Inspectors and Field Assistants Class I and II expires August 1, 1956. An early agreement is expected to be reached on all issues.

Of interest to all engineers should be the recent passing of the Federal Highway Act by the Congress of the United States. This multi-billion dollar program will keep engineers busy for the next ten years. Included in the bill is the Chavez amendment providing for prevailing rate of wage under determination of Secretary of Labor for same type or work on similar construction in the immediate locality as determined under the Davis-Bacon Act. This amendment was much desired by labor and great effort was made for its passage. The main opposition to this legislation came from Vice-President Nixon and Senator Wm. Knowland of California. They succeeded in forcing through an amendment providing for a judicial review of all prevailing wage rates established by the Secretary of Labor. Thus, any wage rate is subject to court ruling and labor gains little in the courts.

Next 3E meeting will be held on June 22, 1956, 8:00 p.m., at 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, Calif.

Construction Awards

MAY 22, 1956

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th St., Berkeley, for rem. street car rails & repave streets, approx. 4½ mi. as follows: San Pablo Ave. from Aileen St. So. 59 36th St. Grove St. from Berkeley city limits to 57th, Piedmont Ave. From Randwick St. No. 59 41st St. Grand Ave. from MacArthur Blvd. No. to Mandana.

VALLEJO, Contract awarded to Syar & Harms, P.O. Box 1431, Vallejo, \$10,868, for reconst. of Bay St., betw. Lemon Dr. & General Mills, city of Vallejo, SOLANO COUNTY.

BURLINGAME, Contract awarded to The Lowrie Paving Co., Inc.,

HAWAII BUSY ON HIGHWAYS

By J. K. WAIWAIOLE
Business Representative

When the 3-ton plaster ceiling dropped onto the 40 by 80 foot work shop class room at Roosevelt High School a few weeks back, it was only fortunate that class was out two hours before it happened. Now, the city fathers are trying to fix the blame on the architect, contractor and inspectors. Others, especially school principals are clamoring to have their school buildings inspected immediately for any unsafe conditions.

The second, a 1000-foot tunnel at the Nuuanu Pali lookout site broke through on the Kailua side the past week-end. The concrete lining of the first 500-foot tunnel has been completed and cars go through the tunnel daily carrying workers to the 1000-foot tunnel beyond. J. M. Tanaka, contractor, expects to have the tunnels and bridges ready for services a year from this summer.

The much controversial Wilson tunnel is a gain on 3 shifts. Approximately 11 men to a shift. Two drift tunnels have already been driven through to the Kalihi Valley side. Now, they are mucking out the center portion. E. E. Black, Ltd., contractor, is happy with their findings that the "jumbo" presumed to be a total loss as covered up at the last disaster is salvageable with a minimum cost for repairs. The employees gripe for transportation to and from the job site and more money, yet they are reluctant to make the initial move towards organization. The engineers, ironworkers and laborers unions have a few men working on the job. They find it hard to convince the great majority to join them.

A vehicular and a pedestrian overpass over the Mauka Arterial will be ready for service this month. This trend will be extended to various traffic bottlenecks in the city to help eliminate our present traffic problems.

Brother George Maliikapu, a stationary engineer employed on Canton Island by C.A.A. for the past 6 years, is back in town for a much needed rest with his family. He returns this month and his family will be following him shortly as a home will be made available to him. Brother Eugene Ai, leverman on the dredge Norfolk at Subic Bay, P.I., was also reported back in town. Brother Lamont Laffoon, employed by C.A.A. on Wake Island was called back hurriedly due to the death of his wife. He leaves for Wake sometime this month by company plane.

After many hearings and interventions by interested parties, our City Board of Supervisors have finally approved a Building Code that is workable and accepted by all parties, especially craft unions.

A traffic code was also approved which should be of some help to the citizenry of the City of Honolulu.

1755 Evans Ave., S.F., \$31,455, for storm drainage improvements, Unit No. 2, Mills Creek Realignment, Burlingame.

DAVIS, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$20,515, for grade & pave approx. 1 mi. of Hutchinson Rd. on the Davis Campus.

REDDING, Contract awarded to Ke-Ston Const. Co., 215 "C" St., Davis, \$50,380, for const. sewage pumping & treatment plant.

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 13555 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$230,943, for reconst. of Ygnacio Valley Rd. from Walnut Creek, to Oak Grove Rd.

MAY 23, 1956

BELOMONT, Contract awarded to Bragato Paving Co., 500 Bragato Rd., Belmont, \$112,787, for grade, pave, water & sanitary sewers in Coronet Blvd., Winding Way, Semeria & others, in city of Belmont, Calif.

Attend Meetings!

Report of Last Meeting

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

A Synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 4 was read and by motion approved as read.

A Synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of May 16 and of May read and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

Card of thanks received from Francis Walsh and children. Received and filed.

CASE OF ROBERT ROLICHECK

It was brought out that Brother Rolicheck had been notified of the charges and complaint against him and that the date set for filing answer to these charges was at this Regular Meeting. Since Brother Rolicheck did not answer these charges, it was regularly moved and seconded that Brother Rolicheck be cited to stand trial before the Union at the Regular Meeting of July 7. Carried.

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

REPORT OF THE SICK COMMITTEE

The following Brothers were reported ill: Kenneth Allen, Floyd M Avery, Geo. Bruce, Albert E. Bryden, John Birdwell, John H. Collingswood, A. R. Childress, Henry N. Clowers, Glenn Cochrane, Cody Deaton, F. C. Edwards, Bradford Grimm, F. Gaumer, Gerald A. Green, Wm. R. Hoffman, Thomas L. Hewitson, Earl E. Hill, David Hamm, Clifford Henderson, Bobby G. Hickman, Raymond Hail, Francis L. Jackson, Lee Jenkins, G. L. Moyer, Alibino L. Melendrez, Fred L. Montoya, W. W. Morse, Hiley Owen, Eugene Peters, John Prindible, Stanley E. Parmenter, F. Pimental, Claude A. Robertson, Clyde E. Son, Joseph Steven O. J. Skinner, Pete Vadedori, J. Veloza, Dannie Watts, Herschel Wilson, Selen B. Welton, Lawrence H. Wixon, Earl Wilson, Geo. F. Young.

The following members were reported deceased: Charles G. King, Floyd B. Wagar. The membership stood one minute in silence in respect to our deceased Brothers.

The Business Representatives gave their reports which were accepted as given.

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

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

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

Employment for Engineers Is Stable in the San Mateo Area

By CHET ELLIOTT, Business Representative

Although nothing startling such as large new jobs being started, has happened during the past month, the out of work list in this office remains about the same, at least it has not grown to any extent, and a great many Local No. 3 members are employed in this district.

Some changes have taken place on the Peter Kiewitt tunnel job at San Mateo. The change over from a two-shift job to a one-shift basis is now taking place, and the job will now operate from each end, both the North Portal and the South Portal. At the present time Master Mechanic Brother Smith, mucking machine operators Brothers Joe Bush and George Bush, compressor operators Brothers Brown and Walters, and mottormen Brothers Campbell, Ford and Williams are happily employed on this project.

The Eichler Homes project at Eichler Highlands on Skyline Blvd. in San Mateo, is the scene of much activity at this time. The J. O. Archibald Co., L. C. Smith Co., E. J. Tobin Co., Eichler Homes Co., Todd Cement Co., and others, are now employing a large group of operating engineers on the grading of lots as well as the grading and paving of streets at this point.

Contractors Stecker and Scott of Sun Valley, Calif., were low bidders on the State Highway job at La Honda. This work consists of clearing the right of way, the grading and straightening of the prevalent curves on the present highway. This will keep many engineers in this area employed for several months.

The Bragato Paving Co. of Belmont are now active at various points in this area. In addition to being the successful bidders on the large paving job for the City of Belmont, this firm has many other projects located in San Carlos, San Mateo, Redwood City, Pedro Valley, Hillsborough, and Millbrae. Foremen Brothers Farrel, Bragato, Hensolt, Pina and Bywater, assisted by a crew of 24 engineers, will be assured of employment until the rainy weather sets in.

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At Eichler Highlands, the G & J Paving Co. have contracted for the

He Invents a Time-Saver and Gets Cut in Pay

Trenton, N.J.

Charles Kinkade, a tinsmith at the New York Shipbuilding Co., has learned a lesson he's not likely to forget soon.

He invented a time-saving method for installing bunk beds in troop ships which resulted in less work and a pay cut for himself and other workers. He sued the company for \$5,000 compensation to make up for the pay cut and loss of work but the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled against him.

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North Bay Manpower Supply at Lowest Level

By H. O. FOSS, FRANK A. LAWRENCE, LOUIS C. SOLARI and AARON S. SMITH,
Business Representatives

Our out-of-work list is the lowest it has ever been. All of the members in this area are working and the prospects look as though they will continue to be busy for quite some time.

We are happy to report an addition to our staff. Brother Aaron Smith, serving the Vallejo area. He can be contacted at the Building Trades, located at 316 Virginia St., Vallejo, telephone number is: Vallejo 3-5608. Members may reach him at night by calling his home one: Vallejo 2-9634. Brother Louis Solari will continue to serve the Napa and vicinity areas.

Work in the Vallejo and Napa areas is beginning to pick up and all signs point to a busy summer ahead.

Fredrickson-Watson & Ransome Co. have started their job on Hwy. 40, between Carquinez Bridge and Vallejo underpass as of May 28th. The cost of this job is \$1,875,000 with 1,000,000 yards of dirt to move within 335 working days.

The first phases of this job is for 5,000 cubic yards to be moved by November 1, 1956, or a penalty of \$7900 per day! But with the crew this company has consisting of Supt. Robert Calou, Foremen Johnny Owens and Lyle Engel, plus the 15 operators who are now working on this job and approximately another 20 men to be added within a short period of time, they should meet this deadline without too much difficulty, for they have a very reliable crew.

We might also add that we are pleased to see Tom Bond, a former member, in charge of the office.

Syar & Harmes are still plugging along on their frontage roads between Alhambra and Sequoia Streets, paralleling Hwy. 40, and have completed approximately 90 per cent of the dirt moving of the Magazine overpass.

Stockton Construction is still lung along fairly well with their storm sewer in the vicinity of Vallejo.

Schall & Farrell, with another 100,000 yards and possibly more, on their fill between Sacramento Street and Napa Highway, with Jim Kane as superintendent.

They are nearing completion on the subdivision in Fleming Town, with Dallas Wilson, Inc., crowding them with sewer line.

Anderson & Kerber on the Nike Site on Hwy. 12 out of Suisun, are making nice progress with the exception of fighting knats!

Bro. Jack Bean with Syar & Harmes at Cement Hill is hard to catch lately, as this job covers several acres.

Glanville Pipe from So. California are finding bay mud rather hard to cope with on their storm sewer job in Suisun.

TRAVIS AIRBASE JOB

We have a \$4,000,000 job coming up in the near future on Travis A.F.B. which will take a good number of men.

We are barely holding our own by scraping the bottom of the barrel for men to handle the jobs now in existence.

Numerous bids have been awarded this month to contracts in the North Bay area.

Ince Bros. of Sunnyvale has been awarded a contract of \$63,350 at the Glenwood Subdivision, San Rafael—sewage force main.

Associated Dredge of Sausalito awarded a contract of \$53,525—dredging Petaluma Creek.

Contract awarded to Syar & Harmes, A. F. Parking Areas at Travis AFB at a cost of \$5967.

Contract awarded to Stockton Const., amounting to \$70,683—storm drainage project in Solano County.

Contract awarded to Syar & Harmes, city-grade, asph. conc. surf., Vallejo, cost \$10,868.

Contract awarded to Valley Engineers, cost \$11,100—Dist.-Inst.

& Iron & Steel Mains at Greenbrae subdivision, San Rafael. Also to Valley Engineers at a cost of \$14,945 for cast iron water mains at Alto Wye Intersection. Bros. F. L. Dunigan on the Trencher, Thos. W. Roach, Oiler, and Fred B. Whitley on the Boom Cat.

Contract awarded to Glanville Plumbing Co. of Bakersfield at a cost of \$575,282 for const. of a sewage pumping plant and trunk sewer in Fairfield-Suisun Sewer Dist. located in Solano County.

Contract awarded to Peter Kiewit Sons Co. for 3/5 mile grade with plantmix surfacing on cement treated base and construct two bridges between 0.7 mile N. of Greenbrae Intersection and 0.2 mile N. of Alto intersection near San Rafael.

Peter Kiewit & Son and F. W. Case starting Hwy. 101 on May 21. Bro. Bennett Murray has sub on dirt, bringing in nine 8's, six 21's, N.W. 80 on job. A pre-job conference was held here on the 16th of May with all parties concerned. Associated Engineers to do all the pipe work. Bro. Murray advises Maxam Trucking to do hauling. Moore Dry Dock, the structural steel, Kiewit to do structures. The job will probably work five 9's. Contract is \$2,711,000. Raymond Concrete to drive piles.

Job conference held with Ball & Simpson on May 29th on their San Quentin road job, amount of contract award \$861,959. George Dropbos is Supt., Paul Pratt, Chief Field Engineer on all projects, Brother Whitey Haver is foreman. Dozers starting on this job on the 31st of May, shovels, 20's, etc., on the 5th of June.

Fredrickson Bros. Const. County Road job at Monticello—19 engineers employed, job 25 per cent completed, to be completed by December 1, 1956—\$600,000 job.

R. A. Farish Const. road job from Route 128 to Rt. 37 by Capell Valley, 4 9/10 miles long, 28 feet wide—370,000 yards excavating, 43,000 tons road rock, 11,000 tons plantmix. Completion of job by August. Supt. is E. L. Williamson; Darrel Hall, sub-grade foreman; George DeSpain, finish grade foreman; Frank Kerbenes, master mechanic; Don Marion, rock crusher foreman; C. Williamson, crusher run foreman. There are 25 Engineers on this job.

MONTICELLO DAM

The Monticello Dam job, where we have 30 Engineers employed, is going full blast after being shut down from the damage done last winter. This damage has set this job back a good three months in work. Completion of dam is expected in February, 1957. They are pouring 9500 yards of concrete in five days—swing shift and graveyard. The day shift is doing the repairing on equipment. They started working on the dam as of April 15, 1956.

A. Teichert & Son from Sacramento awarded \$1,147,921 canal job in Winters—Recl. Earthwork concrete lining, working five days, two shifts starting as of June 7th, 1956. Twenty-seven Engineers are employed and completion of this job is contemplated for the latter part of the year.

Supt. Bro. Moddy with Carl N. Swensen Construction Co. advises he is lifting latch as of May 25th, going home and will be Supt. for Piazza in San Jose. Bro. Moody and this office had a rough time keeping this job straight. Sorry to lose him. Bro. Buck Hope gained on us.

Blount Bros. Const. of Los Angeles was awarded a contract in the amount of \$942,084 for Engr-Nike Installation at Travis AFB. A pre-job conference will be held with all parties concerned.

Brother Ray Dillard who has been many years with A. G. Raish Co. has been in San Rafael General Hospital resting for 30 days. His doctor has sent him home to lay in shade a couple more months. Hope he gets out soon, as we need motor patrol finish men bad. Good luck, Ray.

Bro. Fred E. Schultz, master with Sea View Lumber Co. at Fort Ross, dropped in, doing okay and happy.

Bro. Earl Leach is in grading and excavating business—owns D6 Dozer and is ready to put it to work. His home phone is: Glenwood 4-5289.

Bro. T. J. Davis has 3 water wagons, 2500 gallon capacity for hire and will go anywhere. He may be reached in Sacramento, telephone is: Ivanhoe 9-3408.

Four and a half million dollar

hotel will be under construction within the next two weeks. There will be a terrace of cabins and rooms built on the side of a hill overlooking Richardson Bay. The excavation will cost about \$800,000 which has to be contracted out to Schall & Farrell of Vallejo.

Carey Bros. is stripping top soil off another unit at Terra Linda getting ready to excavate streets and sites for another group of homes. They are also working on a new tract south of the railroad tracks at Bell Aire for several hundred new homes.

Marin Rock & Asphalt Co. are working like a colony of bees installing new crushers, conveyors and rock bins up at old Rock Plant north of Novato. The new installation will double the output of the old plant.

Some time in the near future, a new 6000-pound Hot Plant will replace the present small existing plant. We have about 15 Brother members on the job.

A reminder to those who have not purchased their watch fobs or lapel pins as yet. We have a fresh supply in, fobs are \$1.00 each, pins 75c. Have you bought yours yet?

This is all from this end. See you next month!

Warning Given on Health Insurance

Mineola, N.Y.

Major medical expense insurance sold by commercial companies is falsely described as "health insurance," a prominent medical authority has warned trade unionists here.

Dr. George Baehr, president and medical director of the Health Insurance Plan of Greater New York told the Nassau-Suffolk Central Trades and Labor Council that "cheap insurance is a poor bargain for the family of moderate means." He charged that it was "good business" for insurance firms but not for families insured under these policies.

"During the last few years, the commercial insurance companies have been enthusiastically selling this new type of insurance," the H.I.P. official said. "Why not? The premiums come pouring in from every insured person while very few of the insured ever receive any benefits during a given year. Many will not collect a cent during the entire wage-earning period of their lives.

"And after retirement, when in their old age they might use major medical expense insurance they cannot have it," Dr. Baehr asserted. "Or the premium is increased so that it is prohibitive and the benefits are decreased so that they are negligible."

MAY 16, 1956

LINDSAY, contract awarded to Volpa Bros., 3763 N. Arthur Ave., Fresno, \$44,100, for surf. operating road, Madera Canal, Central Valley Proj., loc. near Madera, in MADERA COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Pacific Pavements Co., Ltd., 85 Barstow St., S.F., \$34,600, for yard paving at Bayview School.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Pacific Pavements Co., Ltd., 85 Barstow St., S.F., \$9710, for resurf. Washington & Groves Streets, San Francisco.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$359,593, for 1.8 mi. grade and surf. w/pltmix surf. on cem. tr. base and const. reinf. concrete bridge, betw. 0.5 mi. S. of Cache Creek and 0.5 mi. N. of Yolo, YOLO COUNTY.

LIVERMORE, contracts awarded for work at Junction Avenue School, Livermore: (1) to J. R. Armstrong, 5741 Central, El Cerrito & Redwick & Banke, Hayward, for grading (2) to J. R. Armstrong & Redwick & Banke, Hayward, for const. & asph. paving.

SUMMER IN THE REDWOODS

By K. A. "KEN" BROOKS and DANNY O. DEES,
Business Representatives

Sunshine and work to be done have all the Brothers in a good state of mind these days. It looks like it will take Old Man Winter to stop us now.

IN, AROUND EUREKA

Mercer-Fraser Company under full steam again as usual working every place, it seems.

Brother Arthur Burman has his spread of Cats, a rubber on the go on various grading jobs.

Brother Tom Hull, local contractor, is busy as a bee these days on many different jobs. Brother Tom had a very unpleasant thing happen a short time back. His complete crusher plant near Willow Creek, which had been idle for some time, had vanished from the site when Tom went to look it over in preparation for bidding on a rock and gravel job for Peter Kiewit at Hoopa. Some real enterprising person had torn the whole works down mostly with torch and hauled it to the junk yard. We are happy to say the culprit has been caught, and will be a sorry man by the time the smoke clears away.

Brother "Louie" Conner has his entire spread on the move, mostly county and Corps of Engineers work.

Norman I. Fadel Inc. of North Hollywood is finally getting underway on the Loleta Freeway. We sure sympathize with this company for the delays they have had in getting their Dw 21's in by rail, they have four of them in the dirt at this writing. Brother Fred Stokdale and "Blackie" Sherman doing the "snapping."

The smaller local jobs are too numerous to mention.

WILLOW CREEK, EAST

Harold Hastings getting underway at Martins Ferry on a Federal Bureau road, likewise J. W. Briggs on one at Bluff Creek. Peter Kiewit making good progress on the bridge job at Hoopa. Kuckenberg Const. Co. "chewing on the bit," to get underway on their million yards on Highway 299 west of Willow Creek. They have three Cats in but no stakes, fine situation.

J. Ira McNutt just about completed on their section of 299, Lillebo Const. moving back in to finish the two bridges on sub-contract from McNutt.

Humboldt Constructors putting the fills back on their section of 299 that the flood took out. Brother "Alaska Joe" Bertrand "super" on this one. We are sure he'll do a fine job of this one as usual if he doesn't try to burn his "puss" off again. Stay away from those fires "Joe," then I can get you on the radio.

TO THE NORTH

Peter Kiewit have their batch plant nearly ready to go and are about ready to start casting tetrapods for the jetty. The rock work will get into full swing when the tetrapods are ready as the two must work hand in hand. Pelican Bay Construction, at Smith River, has their new rock plant ready to roll. A real asset to the area, they can supply any type of material you can ask for. Marlin Tryon keeping some of the Brothers working here and there. Nat McDougall Const. Co. making good progress on their realignment and bridge on Highway 101 at Wilson Creek. Nice company to work for, we welcome them to California in the coming fiscal year.

No funds, however, for jobs on Humboldt Bay or in Humboldt County, were earmarked in the committee vote at Washington, D. C.

K. A. "Ken" Brooks
Danny O. Dees

SALINAS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$72,617, for const. curbs, gutters, sidewalks, street paving and storm sewers in Blanco Estates, Salinas.

SALINAS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$35,957, for const. curbs, gutters, sidewalks, street pave & storm sewers in Fairfax Estates, Salinas.

STOCKTON, contract awarded to Nomellini Const. Co., 939 Marengi Rd., Stockton, \$109,626, for const. shop hangar bldg. w/pxt. utility connecs., Stockton Army Nat'l. Guard site.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Fredrickson & Watson Const. Co., 873-81st Ave., Oakland & Ransome Co., 4030 Hollis St., Emeryville, \$1,785,555, for 1.2 mi. grade and surf. w/pltmix surf. on cem. tr. base, a haul road undercrossing to be const. and widen exist. bridge, betw. Carquinez Bridge and 0.5 mi. N. of Vallejo.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to V. Rodriguez, 226 Jackson St., Hayward, \$8901, for Alameda County Flood Control & Water Conserv. Dist., for const. on Line A in vic. of Mohrland School, Zone No. 4, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

What's Doing in the Oakland Area

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

The "Sunny" month of June is already upon us and the Oakland office is anticipating another month of activity which will be pretty much of a repetition over last month. During May we cleared in excess of 900 men from this side of the Bay to fill the various jobs in the Eastbay area.

Work in this area is very good and we are confident that it will remain that way throughout the summer barring any unforeseen rain storms. Most of the jobs are already manned by our brothers so our dispatching consists mostly of replacing the brothers who want to move on. We are managing to keep our out-of-work list down to a bare minimum, but are still in need of good finish blade men who are skilled at operating dozers and rubber-tired equipment.

The past month has shown an increase in activity in the shipyards of Oakland and Alameda.

The dredgers are working steadily in this area and are keeping a good number of the brothers steadily employed.

The Equipment Dealers' shops are very busy and most of the dealers seem to be looking for ways to expand their shops, and we know that they are expanding their personnel.

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The Gallagher and Burke Company is finishing the excavating and grading on the Mormon Church job at the top of Lincoln Avenue in Oakland.

Fredrickson and Watson Company is making fine progress on the Holy Names School job.

O. C. Jones & Sons have moved off the Joaquin Miller Road and Paris Brothers are putting in the sewer mains.

On the McCammon-Wunderlich job for the Oddstad Homes Company on Skyline Blvd., the excavation is rapidly nearing completion and Brother Cal Barnett who is in charge of the underground work such as the water mains, storm sewers and sanitary sewers is making good headway with the very able support of such members as Les Davis and Dwane Scott on the backhoe, "Tex" Barker and Vernie Fuller on the Trencher, Don Nugget on the DW 10 and last but not least Clarence Heidner as the jockey on the backfill cat and Corbie Easterly doing the grade checking. Brother Ed Brown is setting all the steel structure for the new St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic School being built on Foothill Blvd. in San Leandro. Bro. Ernie Jones is operating the crane and Charles Crabtree is doing his oiling.

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Ball & Simpson Freeway job in Alvarado. Their job on the Bay Fair Shopping Center in Hayward has been slowed down due to dirt excavation that has to be completed first.

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Johnson Western Gunite Co. has moved their compressors in on the San Mateo Bridge and started to remove all the old concrete, sandblast and replace with new concrete.

Brother Donald Atkinson is foreman on the job with Jack Armstrong and Dale Atkinson operating the compressors. The bid on this job was \$444,555 and should take about one year to complete.

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The Moore Dry Dock Crane is setting all the steel structure for the new St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic School being built on Foothill Blvd. in San Leandro. Bro. Ernie Jones is operating the crane and Charles Crabtree is doing his oiling.

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Ace Excavators has rented their $\frac{3}{4}$ -yard Lorain backhoe to Peter Kiewit & Son on the Highway 50 Freeway job to dig all the pier holes for the bridges. Brother Harvey Lopez is operating and Joe Correa is oiling.

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P and E Construction Company has moved their equipment in and started to work on Cooks Road and Driscoll Road in Irvington. There are 46,000 feet of 10' sewer line which they will lay for the County of Alameda. Brother Romeo Grassesschi is operating the 407 Buckeye trencher with Jim Elam doing the oiling for him. On the 160 Buckeye, Jean Ball is operating and Leamon Harness is oiling. George Dorsa is running the HD-5 loader, and Rod Sohn is on the Huff Loader. Kenny Sohn is foreman.

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Baldwin Construction Company from Marysville have their B G Trencher busy on Main Street in Niles working on their job which is to dig 1300 feet of 8 inch water line for Citizen Utility Company of Niles. They also have 19 fire hydrants to dig and install. Brother Bill Cole is operating and Cliff Simmons is doing his oiling.

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NEW LUCKY STORE

Work for the new Lucky Store on the corner of Bridge Street and Foothill Boulevard has been started by the Hayward Rock Company.

Their work on this store consists of placing 35,000 cubic yards of fill. Brother Ben Souza is general foreman and George Fagundes is the paving foreman working with him. George Placido is operating the paving machine. Working with him is Monroe Phillips. Vic Alves and Don Santos are on the dozers and James Sanders is running the blade. When this job is completed they have the bid to do all the excavation for the new Eldridge School located off Underwood in Hayward.

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Gordon Ball has moved in on the Eastshore Freeway and started pouring the last 16,500 cubic yards of concrete that will link Highway 50 Freeway to the Eastshore freeway in Hayward. They are using a Koehring twin drum to pour the concrete and are keeping 15 members of Local 3 busy on this job.

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The Raymond Concrete Pile Company now has three jobs going in Alameda County. They are driving all the piling on the Peter Kiewit & Son Freeway on Highway 50, and all the piling on the

Orinda Excavators sub-contracted all the dirt excavation from Underground Construction Company's 180 acres located at the end of Neal Street in Pleasanton. They still have about 55,000 yards of dirt excavation left to do. L. C. Jensen is digging and laying all the sewer pipe in this tract, which will amount to about 8000 feet of 10" pipe in all. This tract when completed will have over 500 homes ranging in price from \$17,000 to \$35,000.

J. D. Wall is digging all the foundations for the elementary school on East Avenue in Livermore. Brother John Wall is operating the Oliver trencher with Ray Chenault doing the oiling for him.

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Elmer Wendt, sub-contractor from Blake Brothers are working on Ryer Island. They are busy sloping the banks so Blake Brothers can put the rip ramp on. Brother Clyde Grundon is operating a 25 N.W. Dragline. The contract was let for \$39,000 and includes about four miles of sloping. The job will be completed in about 90 days.

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Blake Brothers have the contract of laying and setting the rip ramp on Ryer Island. The levee will be widened and a 2 to 1 slope for approximately four miles will be done by the following brothers working on the job. Reno Cairo will be operating the clam on a scow, Brother Walter L. Wise is deck Engineer and Brother James L. Hester is fireman. Approximately 50,000 tons of "B" class rock will be used for rip ramp.

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ENGINEER IS MAYOR

The town of Pleasanton has a brand new mayor — none other than Brother Reno Cairo, a man we all know and like. Reno was elected last month. Congratulations, Reno, we all know you'll do a great job.

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The J. E. Alldrin Construction Company from Ripon, California, has the sub-contract from Orvel Jones of Brentwood, California, to do the \$19,000 job of moving 60,000 yards of dirt for the subdivision at Altarinda in Orinda. Brother Manuel Machado will be the mechanic on the job and the following members of Local 3 will be: Roy Brawley on the sheepsfoot, William E. Morton on the Cat and Can, Al L. Daniels on the D18 dozer and ripper, Leslie P. Jones on the Cat and can as well as Walter M. Gibson. They plan on approximately 30 days to complete this job.

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The Pacific Coast Aggregates plant in Concord is working full swing, working 10 hours a day and doing their repairing on Saturdays. The plant is putting out over a thousand tons a day. Most of the hot stuff is going to Buchanan Road in Pittsburg, where Martin Brothers are doing the paving on the four mile stretch which will be completed in about two weeks. Brother Monte Petrie is foreman on the P.C.A. hot plant. Brother John and Erickson is the fireman and Bill Dillon is boxman. Oilers are E. C. Barb and Jack O'Bryant. Brother Steve Stinson is on the Michigan loader and Ed Gomez is the material man.

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Eugene Alves from Pittsburg, California, has a \$252,000 contract for a 2.8 mile stretch on Bancroft Road, of Ygnacio to Geary Road in Walnut Creek, which is a reconstruction and extension job that will tie in with Gallagher and Burke's freeway in Walnut Creek. One bridge is two lanes and in the future will be a four-lane road. There is approximately 20,000 tons of import and 16,000 tons of crusher run base being used. The following members of local 3 are busy on this project: Ora Elliott, superintendent; Al Alves, foreman; Tom Ferguson and Allen Florence on DW 10's; Ben Blackman, D-8 dozer; Floyd Head on the blade and Glenn Keeton, oiler. At this point the job is about 15 per cent completed and should be finished by September, 1956.

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Lee J. Immel was awarded the contract of \$46,060, which involves

reconstruction, widening of streets and construction of storm sewers which begins at Concord Blvd., Galindo Street to East Street from Concord Blvd. to Willow Pass Road in Concord. The job is scheduled to be completed in approximately 30 days. Members working on this project include Bob Enge, foreman, Richard Avilez, D-7 loader, Lewis Lively Michigan truck crane clam, and Sam Kuckenthal, oiler.

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RICHMOND FREEWAY

The McCammon and Wunderlich Contracting Company is in full swing on their Highway 40 Freeway job from Road 24 in Richmond to Willow Road in Rodeo. This five mile portion of the freeway ties in on the south end with the Frederickson and Watson section which runs through Richmond. The north end connects with the new portion of the freeway at Rodeo which is being constructed by Ferry Brothers & Crow Company. The grading and paving for this project will be cement treated sub-base. This company has already moved some 500,000 cubic yards of dirt of the 5,300,000 yards they have to move altogether. Most of this has been moved off the Hercules Hill cut.

The Raymond Concrete Pile Company is busy driving the pilings for the seven reinforced concrete bridges for the crossing over the Franklin Canyon Road and the Santa Fe tracks at the Pinole Y.

They have already driven 1730 lineal feet of concrete piling.

Local 3 Engineers busy on this project are Floyd Helm who is the project manager; Brother Sam Martinelli, superintendent; Brothers Jim Kelly, Pat Stewart, Art Stewart, and Harold Skeans as grade foremen. Brother Orville Dillman, Master Mechanic; Edmund Halliburton and John Davis as mechanic foremen. The following equipment is being used on this project: 18 DW 12's, 4 D-8 dozers, 1 D-6 loader, 9 D-9 Cats, 6 TD 24's, 4 motor patrols, 2 Lorain truck cranes, 1 grade-all, 1 22B Bucyrus, 1 Northwest 78, 3 grease trucks, 1 compressor, 2 Southwest rubber-tired rollers and 3 sheepsfoot tampers. As well as the operators and oilers for all this equipment we have fifteen heavy duty mechanics who are keeping all this equipment on the go and two grade setters busy setting all the grade on this busy project. The job is moving along at a good clip on a 40-hour week basis.

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NEWS ABOUT THE BROTHERS

Brother Pat Collins, a long-time member of Local 3, recently wrote us from Isshiki, Hayama, Japan of all places, that he is enjoying a fine trip. He sailed on the U.S. Naval Ship General Hugh J. Gaffey, which, according to the pictures of the ship, must have been a wonderful crossing. We'll look forward to seeing you home again soon, Pat.

We are happy to report that Brother Bud Lamplie is back on the job for the C. J. Woods Company after recovering from serious burns he received when he removed the radiator cap from the loader he was operating.

Brother John Perdue, who has been off work for the past year with a serious back injury, will soon be operated on again. We certainly hope this time they'll fix you up John, and that you'll be up and around again real soon.

Brother Clyde York has been a resident of the Brookside Hospital in Richmond for the past several months. He had his leg broken by a runaway pick-up truck when he was working for the Malitano Company.

George Johnson of the Utah Dredge Company is also in the hospital nursing a bad back.

Joke, Son, Joke

There was a little girl in Barcelona, Spain, named Carmen Cohen. Her mother called Carmen, course, but her father, for reasons only he could explain, always hailed her by her last name, Cohen. As a result, by the time the unfortunate little girl had reached the age of 12 she didn't know whether she was Carmen Cohen.

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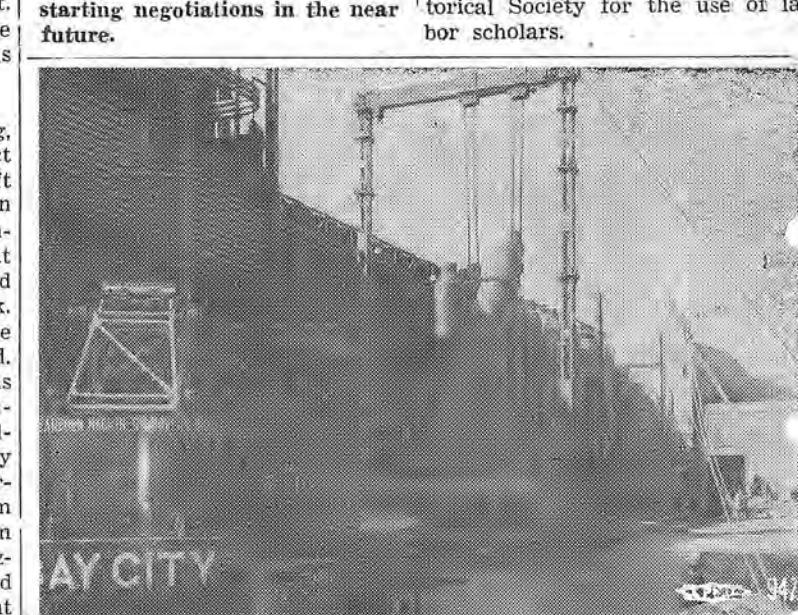
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Labor Archives

The Archives Committee of the American Labor Education Service has announced that the records of four pioneer projects in workers education have been presented to the Wisconsin State Historical Society for the use of labor scholars.



85-TON BOTTLES. — This shows an accumulator station being erected for Harvey Aluminum Co. in Torrance by Dearborn Machinery Movers. Accumulator bottles are 52 feet high and weigh 85 tons each. The station supplies power for a 12,000-ton capacity Lombard extrusion press.

Engineers to Have New Building in San Jose

By A. J. HOPE, H. T. PETERSEN, A. R. McCAFFREY, Business Representatives

We are very happy to report that before too long the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3, will be moving into their new home, located at 680 Emory, just off from Stockton Avenue. For a long time we have looked forward to having our own building and hope that if work progresses on the building according to schedule, we will be moving the latter part of July.

Work has been good consistently this spring and we do not have too many men on the "out of work list." Brother Ed Keeble is making good progress on the I.B.M. job. He recently purchased 10 new trucks, also two new cat 12 blades. This job is under the supervision

Brother Barney Bell, Haas and Haynie were the low bidders on a \$1,900,000 contract for the construction of the building on this project. A. J. Peters, C. Swenson, Bros. Ray and Buck Wall, all local Contractors, are also busy on this same project.

L. C. Smith have finally overcome the obstacles on their Freeway Job at Los Gatos and are making good headway. This firm has started work on their highway job from Cupertino to Sunnyvale. We are happy to report that brother James McCowan, who was seriously injured last week on the freeway job at Los Gatos is improving as well as can be expected. He will, however, be in a cast for several months, due to a back injury.

J. C. Eatman Company has plenty of work in this locality, as does Piazza Paving Company, who are still busy on their Bayshore Freeway job.

A. J. Peters have started work on their 60-inch storm drain sewers on Almaden Road but have run into difficulty breaking through the concrete culvert which has been there for years.

MOFFETT FIELD

Work at Moffett Field has picked up during the last month with Fred J. Early, Chas. Harney, Eaton & Smith, A. J. Peters, and Engineers Limited, all with small spreads busy on the field. We were informed by the Public Works Officer that plans are proceeding and bids will soon be advertised to lengthen the runway by approximately 3000 feet. This job will involve dredging as well as import material, also concrete paving the new as well as the existing runways.

Work is nearing completion on the Disposal Plant at Sunnyvale. A. J. Peters is working on the outfall line and Williams-Burrows is doing the clean up work.

At the Lockheed-Sunnyvale job, we have Hilp & Rhodes constructing the buildings, John Carstensen doing the paving, Pisano Brothers doing the underground work and P & Z Drilling Co. on the rotary work.

The General Motors Company are busy drafting plans for their new plant in Sunnyvale and expect to advertise for construction bids in July, with work to start in August.

Although sub-division work has slowed down somewhat, there is still plenty of activity on existing lots.

McNeil Construction Company have started work on two more buildings at the Lockheed Experimental Plant at Stanford, on the same site is L. C. Smith doing the general grading, Sondgrot Bros. have the paving contract, Pisano Bros. doing the underground work and Bahr & Ledoyen doing the grading for the Hewlett Packard Co.

SOUTHERN TERRITORY

Santa Clara Paving Company are installing a Crusher Screening plant at Coyote. This is a permanent installation, with Dan Caputo doing the work. Wentworth and Stedley have completed the grading on their sub-division in Hillsdale and are working on the sub-division in Gilroy. Granite Construction have all their culverts

on their highway job south of Gilroy. They have moved most of their equipment to Santa Cruz, where they are working on their freeway job.

SALINAS & MONTEREY

Butler and Fox are doing the clearing on their new highway job the San Miquel Canyon Road north of Salinas. Granite Construction have started the grading on their new sub-divisions in Salinas. Four more sub-divisions are

to be started in the near future in this locale. Diani Construction Co. of Santa Maria are rolling nine hours a day, five days a week on their grading contract at the Soltadad Prison. At the present time they are using 3 Super "C's" and 2 cats.

Now that the detour on the Moseman Highway job at King City has been completed Los Gatos Construction can continue with their dirt moving project on this job. Volpi Brothers are doing the paving.

Valley Paving and Grading Co. have paved one detour on the

Stecker & Scott Highway job at San Ardo and are now demolishing the old bridges replacing them with an earth fill. Jess Harrison has completed his highway job at Carmel Valley and has moved his equipment to the Oil Fields.

Allen Construction Co. have begun work on their bridge job at Lime-Kiln bridge on Highway No. 1, south of Big Sur. At the present time there are four Engineers on the job.

Granite Construction were low bidders on \$301,000 sewer job at Watsonville.

SACRAMENTO BUSY ON SUBDIVISIONS

By PAUL EDGEcombe, ERNIE NELSON, ED HEARNE and BOB SORENSEN
Business Representatives

All phases of the construction industry—dirt moving, concrete pouring, steel erection, and pile driving have increased considerably this month. The main activity is in the grading of housing sites on the many subdivisions in the area surrounding Sacramento; naming a few—Rancho Cordova, Cordova Meadows, Lincoln Oaks, Arden Bluff, North Gate, Foothill Farms, Golf Course Terrace and Parkway Estates, along with several more, too numerous to mention. All these projects require engineers to do the grading of lots, streets, sidewalks, digging for the sewers, and finally laying the pavements. None of these projects are of vast proportions but they are numerous enough to keep quite a crew of operators and oilers busy.

Judson - Pacific - Murphy have completed erecting the steel on the new J. C. Penney store, and Dindwiddie has moved in their crew to do the concrete construction. M & K are making fine progress on the new State Veterans' Affairs Building. Raymond Concrete Pile has started driving piles on the new addition to the telephone building. Continental Const. will do the building. Stolte Inc. are planning on getting the County jail completed in time for the new Fall crop. Erickson Const. has a good start on the new Sears-Roebuck store located off Highway 40 at Arden Way. This will be one of their largest stores in the west with ample parking facilities.

Other companies in the area have kept busy constructing many of the new type tilt-up buildings, mostly in the warehouse variety. McClellan Field is a busy place since the weather situation has cleared up so that good compaction can be obtained. The contractors having work in the field have all extended their operations.

Heller-Campbell-Erikson & Lawrence are busy continuing their work on the large warehouse contract as is Robert McKee who is getting a good start on his large hangar job.

A Teichert has equipment scattered all over the area working on some sub-contract work along with their own contracts. Van Valkenburgh is doing the underground for McKee's project.

Aerojet keeps expanding as each week passes and new contracts are awarded. According to their plans additional work will be forthcoming in that area. There has been recent news that Aerojet has released 2,000 acres to Douglas Aircraft for a plant to be erected nearby but there is no official word on this to date and all sorts of rumors are in the making.

Air Products new four million dollar liquid oxygen plant is getting well underway and will add to facilities as it is put into operation. Many contractors are in this vicinity and are employing several of our brother engineers.

Thomas Const. has the major portion of the concrete poured on the structures at Auburn and now have begun to pull in the fill for

FRESNO FINALLY GETS INTO HIGH

By G. L. MOORE and J. D. MONROE, Business Representatives

The best news in this area is the let-up in the late spring storms in the high country, which has kept jobs in the mountain area at a minimum. Eaton & Smith have moved a few rigs back in to finish their job on the Stump Springs Road job above Big Creek. H. Earl Parker has a small crew clearing in preparation for an early start on the final section of this project.

Bechtel Company have a very small crew working at Vermillion Dam on repairs and have resumed work on the power house at Huntington Lake.

The PG&E power project on the Kings River has picked up considerably since our last report.

The Dreisbach Lumber & Box Company of Oakland

have taken a contract with the PG&E for clearing the Wishon storage area, they have four Cats

on the job at present. The Morrison Walsh & Perini Company

have started work on the remaining 1 1/2 miles of road to Courtwright Dam site. As soon as this road is finished they will move materials in, set up a camp and drive the diversion tunnel and prepare the dam site.

There will be very little actual construction on this dam this year due to the short working season at this altitude (8170 ft.).

The Courtwright Dam will be 290 feet high and will contain 1,450,000 cubic feet of rock.

Work is getting underway on the Wishon Dam, which is some three miles downstream from Courtwright, at an elevation of 6550 feet.

This dam will be 250 feet high and contain 3,700,000 cubic feet of rock.

Moving to the valley floor, work has been considerably slower than last year. The Frederickson & Kasler Company are getting a good start on their 99 Freeway job near Chowchilla. The Richardson Rock Company have set up a crusher on Pinoche Creek and are making rock for the Bureau of Reclamation near Firebaugh.

Granite Construction Co. are keeping several of the brothers busy on subdivisions and school work in the Merced and Atwater dist.

Standard Materials Co. are keeping a large crew busy at Castle Field Air Base, building and paving access roads and aprons.

Clarence Ward Construction Co. were granted a contract for relocating railroad spurs on the base.

They have subbed all the grading to Standard Materials Co.

Lee Arnold Inc., D. D. Daldernatt and Stolte also have jobs on the base.

Ted Baun Construction Co. have resumed work on their Highway 140 job near Mariposa, after having been shut down several weeks due to weather.

Subdivision work has slowed down somewhat in this area but from all indications it is due for better times.

Rhea Tractor Co. keeps a steady crew busy mostly repairing farm equipment. Surprising as it may seem, a Local 3 mechanic is a number one hay baler repairman.

PERSONALS:

Brother H. R. "Ray" Jacobus is now a distributor for Acme Supreme vegetable and fruit juice extractors. If any one is in the market for such an extractor, call Ray at GL-2-2370.

K & W EXCAVATORS, owned and operated by Brothers Joe Kortuem, John Wise and W. B. Apted, do all types of excavations.

Anyone in need of their services are asked to call them at GA. 8-2040.

BLOOD BANK:

Since our last writing, the following have donated to our Blood Bank: Pete Ekberg, W. B. Apted, Joe Kortuem and John J. Wise. We extend our sincere thanks to each of you for your donations.

Remember that this office is closed Saturdays but is open every Thursday until 8 p.m. for your convenience!

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Ball & Simpson, 685 Delaware St., Berkeley, \$861,659, for 2.2 mi. const., grade, untr. base matl., cem. tr. base, surf. w/pltmx surf. & const. bridge at San Rafael betw. Tiburon St. & Pt. San Quentin.

time of year but Avenal and Coalinga are looking forward to new appropriations from the oil companies.

Quite a bit of news appearing about the proposed new air base at Lemoore, but from information we have, this will not start for at least another year.

Stewart & Nuss, Inc., were low bidders of \$99,442.00 on surfacing job out of Hanford and in Tulare County on several sections of surfacing, a low bid of \$91,275.00.

A low bid of \$164,000.00 was submitted by Stecker & Scott for a road job at Johnsontown.

May we again remind you that the ENGINEER'S BLOOD BANK is in need, please let's do something about it.

G. L. Moore, and

J. D. Monroe, Bus. Reps.

Jokes, Etc.

Engineer Ernie says there is nothing as useless as a letter opener to a married man.

Two tourists were driving across the maple syrup district of Vermont. Noticing the shiny tin buckets hung low on the trunks of trees, one of them exclaimed in astonishment:

"My goodness, they certainly have a sanitary bunch of dogs around here."

It took the early settlers months to cross the country. With today's traffic, that's still good time.

Glasses may have an amazing effect on a person's vision—especially when they've been filled and emptied many times.

A bachelor never quite gets over the idea that he is a thing of beauty and a boy forever.

Never lose an opportunity of seeing anything beautiful. Beauty is God's handwriting.

"They say he married her because her uncle left her a million dollars."

"Oh, I don't think Jack's that kind of boy. I think he'd have married her no matter who left it to her."

Poverty is the only load which is the heavier the more loved ones there are to assist in bearing it.

—RICHTER.

is law, but because there is right.

A law is valuable not because it is in it.—Beecher.

ALL AFTER HIM

A fellow asked his boss for a raise. He told the boss that he must have one, as several other companies were after him. It wasn't until weeks later that the boss discovered that they were the gas company, the electric company, and a clothing company.

SUNNYVALE, contract awarded to John W. Mauck Co., 625 E. Taylor St., Sunnyvale, \$7440 for const. cast iron water mains for Walnut Villa, Tract No. 1482, City of Sunnyvale, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1755 Evans Ave., S.F., \$4384, for landscaping and paving and other misc. work at Broadway Tunnel west ventilation Bldg., S.F.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Baldwin Const. Co., Inc., P.O. Box 269, Marysville, \$848,840, for 1.3 miles grade and surf. on cem. tr. base and on untr. base & const. 2 bridges, betw. 18th St. in Marysville & 0.4 mi. N. of Shimerly Slough, in YUBA COUNTY.

In the oilfield area it is the slow

Big Marysville Tunnel Jobs Awarded

By LES COLLETT and C. R. VAN WINKLE,

Halvorson Company has a few men on the 40-A job at Spring Garden, Calif.

Delphia Williams and Burrows are making progress slowly on the Mosquito Creek Dam above Paradise.

Archie Till has a bunch of rigs on the channel change on the Yuba River above Hammonton.

Lester L. Rice & Sons has rigs scattered around the area.

Ben C. Gerwick has a good gang on the Western Pacific Bridge over the Feather, between the Twin Cities, Marysville and Yuba City.

A. Teichert Company has quite a bit of work in the Chico area. Ken Fox is in charge.

Butte Creek Rock Company keeps a pretty steady crew in the airfields, plus their shop and their construction jobs in the Chico area.

NEW WORK IN THIS AREA

The City of Chico is taking bids for street work on East 1st Avenue, June 5th.

Schell and Farrell were the low bidders on the subdivision work in Wilows, \$72,907.80.

Robert M. Merion was the low bidder on the street and sewer work in Oroville, \$40,802.

California Division of Highways is taking bids June 13th on 17 miles of plant mix surfacing near Spring Garden, Calif. Budget allocation, \$121,000.

Butte Creek Rock Company was the low bidder on the levee job on the Sacramento River emergency work, \$3,800.

California Division of Highways is taking bids June 6th, on 1.2 miles of road work in Sierra County. Budget allocation, \$106,000.

C. S. Phillips Company of Petaluma was the low bidder on 900 acres of clearing in the Sutter Bypass, for the U.S. Corps of Engineers, \$128,000.

That's all the dirt for this month.

—LES COLLETT,
Business Representative.

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GOLD DREDGING COMPANIES:

Report on the Negotiations: The negotiations have been completed, except for the details of the Welfare Insurance Plan. At this writing, we are ready to bring the negotiated offer to the membership for their consideration.

This year we will have the best offers by the companies, in our not too humble opinion, and we think they will be acceptable. These offers do not represent all that we had wanted or hoped for, but they never are, as you and I well know.

The Welfare Insurance Plan, which will be effective July 1, 1956,

ENGINEERS' NEWS

Bus. Reps.

New Address For Engineers In Santa Rosa

As of July 1, 1956, the office address for Operating Engineers in Santa Rosa will be changed to:

546 Farmers Lane
Montgomery Village

at the Natomas Company, and August 1, 1956, at Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields, represents in itself a sizeable gain. It will give you the best plan, we think, enjoyed by the members of Local 3, and any members of any other unions, or employees of any other companies.

The wage settlement marks a big step on the way to equalizing the rates between the two companies, actually considering the different methods of operation, it is surprising how close the "average rate" will be. While there still will remain differences which we hope another year will see eliminated, we think a big step has been made in the right direction.

Two additional holidays (the actual days are yet to be decided upon), are for all practical purposes made paid holidays. They will be worked, and this means additional income for our members. Also the question of a paid holiday falling in an allocated vacation period has been clarified so that there will be no doubt that this holiday shall be paid for.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Natomas Company: A special meeting has already been called for Wednesday June 13, 1956, and will have been held before this issue reaches you. However, we are of the opinion that the regular meeting of Monday, July 2, 1956, due to the closeness of the above meeting and July 4th, will be unnecessary. Unless the membership objects, that meeting will be cancelled, and the next meeting will be held on the regular date in August.

Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields: As we have been writing this we have been seriously considering when to call a special meeting to act upon the negotiated offer of the Company. No matter what date we pick, we run into some obstacle; either some other Union has the hall or other commitments interfere.

As we want to get the matter to the membership as soon as possible (we suppose you want to spend the money) we have decided to call the meeting for Tuesday, June 12, 1956, in the Engineers' Hall, 1010 Eye Street, Marysville, at the following times:

10:00 a.m. for those members unable to attend the night meeting.

7:30 p.m. for those members unable to attend the morning meeting.

We do not think it is necessary to reiterate the importance of this meeting, but how about letting a substantial majority of the membership decide the issue this year? We think it would be a good idea. Incidentally, each one of you will be notified personally and notices will be posted at the places of work.

CONCRETE PIPE COMPANIES:

With these companies we are sorry to report that we cannot tell you of substantial gains made during the negotiations. To be truthful, and we try to do this, we have as yet to meet with the companies.

There is a reason, and before you say "If there wasn't one they would probably think up a good one," read on a little farther. The situation in the concrete pipe industry is a little different than the gold dredging industry. It is a state-wide industry with some companies operating over large territories and others operating in more restricted areas.

Competition is controlled only by method, buying power, wages, and other costs incidental to wages, but also by the cost of handling. The strategy has been to meet with the company that has the widest operation first, and try to negotiate a settlement that would be fair to the rest of the companies, considering the competitive factor.

The above mentioned negotia-

STOCKTON KEEPING

THE MEMBERS BUSY

By ED DORAN, WALT TALBOT, C. L. CASEBOLT,
M. W. GRIFFING, RENNY BURROUGHS

Business Representatives

We are happy to say that the time has arrived when we do not have a waiting list. What few men come in from jobs that finish from time to time are sent out again with very little lost time between jobs.

The Tri Dam Project is moving along rapidly now, and we are told that they are ahead of schedule on almost all phases of their work.

Three more contracts have been let by the Oakdale Irrigation District and South San Joaquin Irrigation District, owners of the Tri Dam Project. One is a clearing contract to Wixson and Crowe of Redding in the amount of \$592,000 which will be done in the Donnell's

tions have been held, so far, in Los Angeles, and we have not been attending these meetings. However, we have been kept informed. We wish we could tell you that these negotiations have progressed to the point where some light could be seen, but, sorry to say they haven't.

As soon as they do progress or we are able to meet with the companies, you can be sure we will hasten to inform you. In the meantime, attend your meetings, as you can be sure we will let you know everything there is to be known at them.

SPECIAL NOTE TO MEMBERS WORKING FOR THE NO-JOINT CONCRETE PIPE COMPANIES:

June 1 you had a 12½c an hour increase in rates due you if you were working on construction work. If you are on agriculture work, any changes due will not be made before July 1 and will depend on the results of the negotiations with the Concrete Pipe Companies. If you are entitled to the above increase and haven't received it, report it to your office immediately. Attend the following meeting or other scheduled meetings to keep informed.

MEETING NOTICE:

The next meeting, unless a special meeting is called before that date, will be a joint meeting with the Laborers and the Teamsters. This will be held Monday, July 9, 1956, in the Teamsters' Hall, 818 Wall Street, Chico, California, at 7:30 p.m.

GLADDING, McBEAN CO.:

Negotiations have commenced with the Company and your demands have been presented as you drew them up in the special meeting, and, surprise—a difference of opinion developed. Seriously though, the Company asked for time to consider the demands of your Union. More meetings have been scheduled, at which time the Company will undoubtedly make a counter offer.

We are a little at loss as how to proceed on the question of pensions. The other clay plants have extended the present plan for one year, or until July 1, 1957. We have asked the Company for certain information regarding the present plan, which they have promised to supply, and when that is received we will be in a better position to proceed.

Under the circumstances, all we can advise you is to attend the meetings, where we will report upon the progress. When negotiations have gone as far as possible with the Company, we will call a special meeting for you to make the necessary decisions.

REGULAR MEETING DATE:

The Joint Board of the Lincoln Industrial Council's next meeting date falls on Tuesday, July 3. This may be inconvenient to some of the Board, and so unless you are informed differently this meeting will be called on another date.

GEN. MEMBERSHIP MEET:

This meeting ordinarily would be held on Tuesday, July 10, and is postpone, unless you are otherwise notified, because there will be a special called meeting sometime between now and that date. This special meeting will make the regular meeting unnecessary unless an emergency arises.

PERSONAL NOTES:

We are pleased to report that,

Dam Reservoir. The second contract goes to Fred Teubert of Lawndale, California, for \$118,404,

which consists of the clearing behind Beardsley Dam. The third contract which is for relocating the Pickering Lumber Company railroad, as the present grade will be filled, went to Harms Bros. and under water when the reservoir is Andrew Gladney of Sacramento in the amount of \$331,606. Brother Ernest Frost, who was formerly with Ball and Simpson, will be the superintendent on this job.

Another project for the near future to be let by the Forest Service, in conjunction with the Tri Dam Project, will be a new bridge across the Middle Fork of the Stanislaus River to be known as Hell's Half Acre Bridge, situated about one hundred yards upstream from the Donnell's power house.

R. A. Farish Co. was the successful bidder on 4.9 miles of roadwork on the Mariposa Road between Collegeville and the Skiff Road near Escalon for \$240,583.

HILL ROAD JOBS

Fredrickson Bros. have almost completed the grade on their Valley Springs job and will start hauling import June 11th. This has been a good job for several of the Brothers in Stockton. Beerman and Jones of Sonora are making good progress on the Altaville Murphys' Road with Mittry Bros. grubbing the dirt.

H. Earl Parker Co., of Marysville, are at the halfway point on grading the Hwy. 49 job at Carson Hill. His job is going a 10-hour days with 18 pieces of equipment rolling. Walsh Construction Company have another two weeks and they will be complete on their job at the Calaveras Cement Plant in San Andreas.

George France, Inc., have moved their crusher from Columbia to their Sonora Quarry to crush out 25,000 tons of limestone for the kilns at Sonora.

H. K. Ferguson Company have started on the Johns-Manville pipe plant. This job will employ a good number of Engineers and is scheduled for completion December 31, 1956.

This is about all for this report except to make an urgent appeal to any Brother than can possibly do so to please donate a pint of blood to our blood bank. It might save a life, possibly your own.

—Thanks.

MAY 24, 1956

SAN RAFAEL, Contract awarded to Ince Bros. Pipeline Const. Co., 616 E. Taylor, Sunnyvale, \$59,500, for const. sewage force main, Glenwood Subdivision, San Rafael.

MODESTO, Contract awarded to Wm. H. Schallock, 217 Daniels Lane, Bakersfield, \$65,382, for const. of Miller Ave. Sanitary trunk sewer in city of Modesto.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Walter H. Lindeman, RFD 1, Box 740 Red Bluff, \$29,218, for const. of Hat Creek Bridge No. 252 on Lassen Nat'l Forest SHASTA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Walter Lindeman, RFD 1, Box 740, Red Bluff, \$14,975 for exist. bridge to be repaired, across Big Lagoon about 10 mi. N. of Trinidad, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

at this writing, no deaths among the membership in the industrial units have been reported. To those members who have been ill or have suffered accidents or who have had such happenings occur in their families, we offer our sympathies. To those of our members who have married or have had babies we extend our congratulations. In the meantime, take it easy, drive carefully, stay well and watch out for wooden nickels.

Local 39 News

REPORT BY THE SECRETARY

By JAMES T. RIVERS

Engineers must be getting healthier for it has been a long time since we have had an assessment to build up the Good Standing Fund. We now have an assessment of fifty cents payable with your July dues, and I hope all engineers remain in the best of health and never have to use the Fund. However, if you are ill and unable to work for at least one month, please let your Business Representative know, so that we can pay your dues. A doctor's certificate stating the onset of your illness and the possible duration is necessary, according to our By-Laws. The Good Standing Fund is one method for all of us to assist our sick brothers in time of need.

Compared with the politics of last year's union election, this month is relatively and satisfactorily quiet with all your representatives doing their best to negotiate the best possible raises and conditions. Elections and the opportunity to express our thoughts is a necessary requisite for good union management. Since our early turbulent years, your officers and representatives have learned our labor laws thoroughly and because of the number of contracts negotiated yearly, have, through experience, become experts in this

NOTICE

Oakland Members

As July 4th falls on the next scheduled Oakland meeting, there will not be a meeting in Oakland in July.

Please bear in mind that the next Oakland meeting is AUGUST 1, 1956, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, Calif., at 8 p.m.

The above mentioned negotia-

Utah News Roundup

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

We have now completed our negotiations with the Associated General Contractors for the state of Utah. The new agreement is written on a four year basis with a package increase of forty-five cents, along with a clause which calls for the re-opening of wage negotiations in case of a National Emergency. Following are the terms of the agreement as they apply to wages and the new Health and Welfare Plan.

June 1, 1956—10c Wage Increase.

Sept. 1, 1956—5c to Health and Welfare.

Jan. 1, 1957—2½c to Health and Welfare.

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June 1, 1958—10c Wage Increase.

June 1, 1959—5c Wage Increase.

UTAH NEWS

Aside from a little lost time, due to rain, during the past month, Local No. 3 men have been working at full capacity and making very good paychecks.

Even though some of the "close to town jobs" are finishing up, there are still a few new ones on the agenda to be bid soon.

The 39th South project from 9th East to the foothills was bid May 29th, but was rejected and will be re-bid June 19th. Because this job is close to town, it has aroused some sharp competitive bidding. Another job close to town, perhaps a little too close for some, was let May 29th on State Street from 350 South to 9th South. The low bidders were W. W. Gardner and Rex Moss; however, this job could be a toughie right in the middle of heavy traffic.

Enoch Smith & Sons were low bidders on 47 miles of resurfacing of the torn up County roads where the Suburban Sewer System has made such a mess of streets for the past two years.

Peter Kiewit Son's have finished with most of the D. W. 21 and scraper work on the Parley's Canyon job, and have moved some of the machines and men to Idaho; however, the shovel work is still progressing very fast with three 80 D's on a two shift basis. Bro. Gayle Nye has been advanced to Grade Foreman, and with the able assistance of such top notch operators as Denton Parker on the finish blade, Jack Leydens still doing a little scraper work, Harold Dalton and Vern Wright on the dozers along with the rest of the good No. 3 men on this job, we expect to see a real finishing job. "Sully" Willis, Super on the job, has expressed several times his appreciation for the fine cooperation No. 3 men have given him on this job. Says he, "this is as good a crew of operators as I have ever had." In fact he will probably take some of these top operators with him when he leaves.

Brother Wm. Garner is having some troubles which require surgery and all that goes with it. We hope the brothers are back in good shape by the time this issue reaches you. We regret the troubles and worries which are hounding Brother Tracy Blood and sincerely hope the future is brighter for him.

Up on the Bingham Stripping job above the Kennecott Mine, Isbell's crew appears to have become pretty well stabilized, at least it looks that way. Taking all things into consideration, we are inclined to say that it's a pretty good job. We all acknowledge that the Canyon traffic is a measly problem, we all know it's there and we can not move the job down into the Valley, but we still believe that on the basis of year round work, a member will see considerably larger figures on his W2 form than most of the brothers in construction jobs will see at the end of the year. There have been a minimum of real problems on the job, and we feel that Bob has tried to give a pretty fair shake to the crew and we are glad to have Isbell in the State.

At the Kennecott Mine we are entering negotiations for the forthcoming year and are hopeful for a substantial increase and some improvement in the Health & Welfare, sick leave and vacation program, along with correcting some phases of the present agreement which are not clearly enough defined, so that they may be better understood by all. We want to put out this information in case there should be the annual shut down. By all means be sure to register for unemployment benefits with the State Unemployment Compensation Department, it is your right to register and if any of the interviewers try to tell you that it will not do you any good, insist on registering anyhow, and don't miss at any time. The counter man is a long ways from a final decision on the matter. In case you are refused that right, immediately get in touch with our office or your steward, and if possible get

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

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

Construction and Sand and Gravel Membership, 3rd Tuesday of each month, Labor Temple, 165 West 1st North, Provo, Utah, 8 p.m.

Construction and Sand and Gravel Membership Meeting, 3rd Friday of each month, Labor Temple, Ogden, Utah at 8 p.m.

Vitro Uranium Membership meetings will be called meetings.

Lang Company Membership meetings will be called meetings.

Kennecott Copper Corp., Membership meetings will be called.

Cedar Iron Mines Membership meetings will be called.

State Road and all others will be called meetings.

started off for the big job ahead.

W. W. Clyde is also laying asphalt on highway No. 40, east of Vernal; ahead of schedule as usual. Bro. Lefty Rigrup is operating the hotplant, along with Mack Olson and Chester Flanders. Que Nelson as pushers on job; a full crew of good No. 3 men.

Most of the jobs over the State are working 48 hours or more per week, so things are going pretty smooth for awhile.

SOUTHWEST AND WEST

On Friday May 4th the long disputed vacation problem at the Cedar Iron Mines of Utah Construction Co. was finally resolved and a few days ago we had the pleasure of a visit at the Salt Lake office of Brother Erwin Walker who was enjoying the fruits of that effort, and we expect the rest of the brothers involved will be heading for vacation spots as the months of June and July move along. It beats this writer why a company insists on stirring up so much resentment over a problem such as the vacation problem, which has been very well discussed and understood by all parties to the agreement, over the years during negotiations, but they seem to want it that way.

Brother Erwin was limping around as a result of a foot injury but still had that contagious smile for everyone.

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Living Cost Hike Ups Pay For Million

About one million workers are due for a 1-cent-an-hour wage increase as a result of climbing living costs.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics announced that its Consumer Price Index jumped two-tenths of 1 percent in April. This was enough, added to increases in earlier months, to give wage raises to auto, aircraft and farm equipment workers whose contracts have escalator clauses tied to living costs.

The index now stands at 114.9 percent of the 1947-49 base period. This is six-tenths of 1 percent higher than a year ago and only one-half of 1 percent below the all-time high of October 1053.

on Warehouse, Gibbons and Reed Co. on runway extensions, parking aprons, and supporting facilities. Peter Kiewit & Sons Co. on runway's and supporting facilities. Hansen Neidehauser on Storm Sewer, Cowntain States Constr. Co. on Storm Sewer, outfall line and settling ponds. Nelson Bros. on Steam Distribution lines. There are also several sub-contractors using engineers, including Cache Valley Electric, Fife Constr. Co., Wanggaard Constr. Co., Hilton & Carr, Plant and Dardell, John Purcell, P. W. Larsen, Jarman Steel Co., Shurtliff & Andrews, and Steel Erection & Rigging Co.

The Thiokol Chemical Corp., has satisfactorily completed negotiations for the purchase of land in Box Elder County, west of Corrine and construction on the Rockefuel Plant is expected to start in the near future.

Sub-bids are asked for the street work, surfacing, water main extension, and sewer main and services on a large housing sub-division in Sunset.

Mountain States Constr. Co. has been awarded a \$458,587 contract by the Bureau of Reclamation for the construction of the Slaterville Diversion Dam and Layton Pump intake Channel.

Enoch Smith & Sons Co. have crews busy on the three Water Distribution System contracts in Clearfield, Farmington and Bountiful.

Several Engineers are employed by the Davis & Butler Constr. Co. on the water treatment plants in Ogden and Bountiful, also on the Layton sewer job, and Ogden sewer pumping plant.

The first phase of the preliminary work on the Morrison & Knudsen Constr. Co. Lucine Cut-off fill project for the Southern Pacific Railroad Co. (one of Utah's largest construction jobs) is well under way. The construction of a camp to house some 600 employees is nearly completed, with several H type barracks, a trailer park that will accommodate 300 units, warehouses, shops and office buildings already being occupied.

At this time there are 10 rigs, 15 tractors, and several other smaller machines already in use and additional material and equipment arriving daily.

The first dredge is already in operation and dredge No. 2 is in the process of being assembled. Chicago Bridge and Iron Co. is starting to assemble the first of six 55x250 ft. barges that are being shipped to the job from the Kaiser Steel Fabricating plant at Napa, Calif. Ben Gerwick has two pile driving rigs on this job driving pile for the loading dock.

More about this project as the work progresses.

CHICO, Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$17,415, for widen Mangrove Ave. in Chico, BUTTE COUNTY.

MENLO PARK, Contract awarded to Freeman Paving Co., 220 Lambert St., Palo Alto, for grade, pave, conc. curbs & gutters, on Olive St., Menlo Park.

MENLO PARK, Contract awarded to Bauman Bros., 699 Industrial Rd., San Carlos, \$62,976, for improvement of streets & storm water sewers in Felton Gables, city of Menlo Park.

THE NEVADA ROUND-UP—

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

To all Members working in the State of Nevada—Don't forget that increase in your paychecks for all you Brothers working in Construction—12½ cents per hour raise effective June 1, 1956 in all classifications.

Gibbons and Reed's highway job north of Winnemucca, Nevada, on Highway No. 95, is in full swing. Brother Shirley Craig is the "super" on the job and he is doing a good job. All the brothers seem to like him. Brother "Link" Harris is the grade foreman, and believe me, that Link has all the brothers on the ball. Brother Bert Roark is on the finish blade and doing his usual fine job. Really does look as if Brother Bert intends to stay reformed. Hope so. Everyone likes Bert. He sure is doing a good job for Gibbons and Reed. Brother Lloyd Burger and his favorite oiler, Brother Dale Morlan, are on the Northwest Shovel digging the rock for Gibbons and Reed. Dale and Lloyd are on the "Lemonade" nowadays, no more hooch!!!! Brother Dan Jeklin has a full time job doing the heavy duty repair work for Gibbons and Reed. Brother Bert Haynes is on the Euclid Scraper but has lots of trouble. One of his very dear friends borrowed all of his clothes and forgot to return them. Brother "Jiggs" Williams is on the DW-20. Now jiggs is right at home on a 20. He moves more dirt than all the brothers put together. Brother Bill Martin is on the Push-Cat, and that Bill is a real "pusher." He has a couple of side jobs with his pick-up too.

Dodge Construction, Inc., have started crushing rock for their highway job out of Winnemucca, Nevada, on Highway No. 95. Bro. Reggie Fields is on the Crusher making little ones out of big ones. Lew Peck is getting the hot plant steamed up for hot stuff. Brother Jack Chatelle is on the grade making it smooth. Brother Edward Higgins is pounding stakes. Bro. Howard Westendorf and Brother John Walker are on the finish blades, and believe me, those two brothers are real blademens. Bro. Ralph "Jughead" Stephens is on the rock. Jug has had a tough job all this winter with the rock, but Jug is tough and gruff and he can handle the rock. Brother E. C. "Curley" Hildebrand is fooling around between the Winnemucca job and the Golconda job, not doing much of anything. Brother Ed "Squirrel" Jones is making up for lost time. He is really working now trying to keep all of the rigs rolling. That "Squirrel" is really the boy when he gets going.

DODGE AT LOVELOCK

Now, out at Dodge Construction, Inc., Iron Mine at Lovelock, Nev., where Brother George Eckman is the General Super, and Brother H. W. Pardick Jr. is the Manager at the Loading Ramp, things are really in fine shape. Brother M. D. "Doctor" Mello, the Head Weigh Master and his helper, Brother Daniel R. Ellis, keep everything running smoothly. No overloads or troubles with the cars with these two brothers working together. Dodge Construction, Inc., has no worries at the Loading Ramp. Brothers Mick Whalen, Ray Seibert, Gene Akins and Perry Thommen are up at the Iron Mine doing a bit of stripping. These brothers have lots of iron ore stripped. Bro. T. C. "Alabama" Bottoms and Bro. Frank W. Chico are on the Shovels. Brother Miguel "Mike" Pantoja is the outstanding greaser in the mining industry. Now that Mike really gets the job done any place he works.

Hoops Construction Company at Eureka, Nevada, is finally beginning to get under way again after being shut down by a flash flood in the area. Many of the brothers left the job because of the layoff, and now, we are in the process of

Charles Stevens, Bro. Kenneth Hille, and last but not least, Bro. Hank Kiechler, on the job. Weather permitting, all will be well.

Lee Construction Company is getting ready to put the roadmix on their job at Diamond Valley, between Markleeville, Calif. and Gardnerville, Nevada. Working for Mel Schwake, we find Brothers Charles Ouilette Sr. and Jr., Edwin Haase, Roy Hellwinkle, George Jepson and Johnnie Costa. The brothers are hard at work in the rock and are working 40 hours at the present time.

ANACONDA STRIP

Wells Cargo is back at the Leviathan Mine out of Gardnerville, Nevada, again this season, stripping the slide material off of the sulphur ore deposits for the Anaconda Company. They have a few Cats and DW-21's on the job that are really humming all the time. Brothers Gray Azparren, James Lilly, Dan Avery, R. Travis, Neil Johnson, Bob Johnson, Charles McComb and Bob Greer are operating the rigs. I wish to thank Brother Azparren for the use of his jeep while checking the job. It is pretty rough in the pit area for a car, so the jeep came in right handy.

The Anaconda Company is getting their operation in shape and should be moving sulphur ore by the time this paper comes off the press. Brother Bob McCullom and Brother Gerald Luke are on the job, and Brother Luke gives his regards to the many brothers who know him in the area. Mrs. Luke also says hello to everyone and would like very much to hear from friends in the Ely area.

The sulphur haul should start soon, and we expect to see more of the brothers working at Leviathan Mine. This will be a two-shift operation as soon as possible as there is a lot of slide to move in order for the Anaconda Company to mine sulphur ore for use at the Yerington, Nevada, Copper Mine operations.

C. H. Leavell Company at Fallon, Nevada, have increased their operations at the Air Base. Most of the Engineers work is being subcontracted to other contractors. Leavell has one crane of their own on the job pouring concrete, etc., and it is being operated by two expert Operating Engineers, Bro. "Buck" and his oiler, Bro. Loris Andreason. Independent Iron Works have two cranes setting steel on the hangers. Brothers John Solburn and Roy Tucker are the operators and Brothers Joe Gomes and Don Jeakins are their respective oilers. The steel erection is rapidly taking shape under the capable hands of these brothers. George E. Miller Construction Co. has many of the brothers working all over the area at Fallon. Brothers Leslie "Red" Warren, John Siri, C. T. Cline, Frank "Mac" McVitty, Chas. Gillum, Russ Rockett, and Brother Thompson are all hard at it on their individual jobs. Brothers Dan St. Angelo and Dan St. Angelo Jr. and Billy Rexon are on the concrete paving crew at the Base. Things are picking up and a few more brothers are going to work at the Air Base right along. We hope to see a large crew going out there before many weeks go by. Reca Construction under the supervision of Brother Joseph Benbow is back to work on the Base, and they have three pulls moving dirt with some high speed action, and adding their fine work to the progress at the Naval Air Station at Fallon, Nevada.

ISBELL AT RENO

Isbell Construction Company is very busy in the Reno area this season with work on the South Virginia four lanes, south of Reno, work at Airport Road on new sewage installations, and the Petylne Road area with another sewer project. All of these jobs along with numerous smaller jobs are keeping a lot of the brothers busy and are keeping the Reno shop crew busy as beavers. All through the Isbell jobs, we find the good work of Brothers George Conley

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and Bert Fernandez (Bossmen) who are expertly assisted by Bros. Jim Crossman, Bill Ponton, Clint Green, Martin Rosso, Ray Barber, Bud Berg, James Howe, G. C. Brown, "Tex" Brown, "Toby" Tobler, Jim Blair, "Curley" Higgins, "Ernie" MacAllister, the Shay Brothers, Roger Heric, James Mott, Andy Antunovich, T. C. Ainsworth, Ronald Hoover, Carl Hector, J. H. Cox, Frank Breeding and other outstanding brothers we have not mentioned here. All of these brothers are doing a "whale of a job" for Isbell, and I know that it is appreciated by the supervision over them. Brother Bill Boegle is keeping up his share of the operations and hasn't had any pick-up troubles lately.

At the Isbell Reno shop, negotiations were completed on the first of June, and the brothers working there are now under agreement. They received a 12½ cent increase along with fringe benefits and working conditions that were needed in the shop. We wish to take this opportunity to thank all of the brothers who were on the negotiating committee for their efforts is getting the job done, and also, all of the brothers working in the shop for their cooperation and support in the contract negotiations, and their attendance at the meetings.

At the Ammunition Depot at Herlong, Calif., things are going along very well, and the brothers are very busy. Isbell Construction Co. is putting gravel down on the Approach Road and getting a new bridge set in that was washed out during the Christmas flood. Brothers Clarence Wibel, Matt Greve, Tony Moline, Howard Luzier, Kendall Scow and Al Potash and Aldo Marriotti are the operators and doing a good job for Isbell. These brothers will be coming into Reno soon. We expect to see them on the South Virginia job in a couple of weeks.

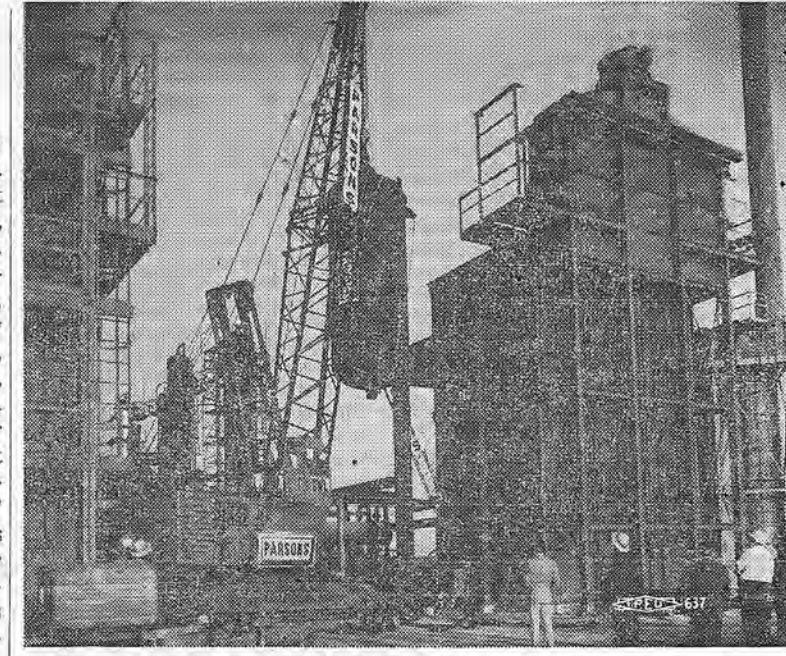
George E. Miller Construction Company is busy inside of the demolition area at the Depot at Herlong, Calif. Brothers John Garnier and his brother M. A. Garnier, Harold Hawn, and Harold Lewis are keeping in stride with the dirt work for Miller. This group of brothers get along very well together and are very happy with the job at Herlong even though the dust condition gets pretty rough in the middle of that lake bed. If the equipment keeps up with the men the brothers will do a good job in record time, as they are among the top hands in this dirt moving game. They are also being supplied with gravel by that outstanding crusher crew. Brothers Anderson, Biale, and James Obester Jr. and Sr.

Many jobs are now under way and more work is coming up very soon in the state of Nevada. We expect some big jobs on the Truckee and Carson Rivers and on Donner Summit later this year. It appears to be one of the largest and most active work seasons in this state in quite some time. Not only is there increased activity in the road work, but also in the building construction, and the mining industry is rapidly growing with new projects. We are looking forward to a busy season this year and also, for a few years ahead in the Silver State for everyone, contractors and brother engineers alike. We are very happy to report on such conditions as it is beneficial to everyone in the state, big or small, and helps our state to grow, bringing prosperity to all. Of course, we anticipate a growth in industries which will add to the increased activity now under way. We hope to see the unemployment rolls vacant, and everyone in the Great Silver State working and enjoying many prosperous seasons, not only this year but many more.

"Brothers, while we are working and moving dirt,

Let Safety First be our motto and not get hurt."

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to R. E. Hertel, 2904 Regina Way, Sacto., \$100,906, for 0.1 mi. grade & surf. w/pltmix surf, and const. a bridge, 8 mi. S. of Doyle at Long Valley Creek, LASSEN COUNTY.



HOT AND HEAVY.—This shows a 109-ton reactor being engineered into place via a Manitowac 4500 crane with 87-foot boom, at Richfield Oil Co. in Wilmington. The gadget is 32 feet long, 11 feet in diameter and has 4-inch plate. It goes on a 17,000 BPO reformer. Stoney Brock was operator and Vernon Garten, oiler.

REDDING IS SHORT GOOD OPERATORS

By E. A. HESTER

Business Representative

The work situation in and around Redding, in fact the entire northern section of the state, is increasing so rapidly that it really has us jumping to keep track of it all. Almost everyone is working and, of course, the out-of-work list is merely a shadow of what it has been, we're glad to say.

There is an acute shortage of qualified operators in this district, at present. Particularly cat skinners, blade men and similar types of equipment operators. Most of our road jobs are in the nearby hills where there is rather rough terrain to battle, so . . . experience is a necessity here.

Since our last report, there have been several new jobs awarded. Lester Rice, of Marysville, was the low bidder on the Lookout-Adin job. This project lies on the border of Lassen and Modoc counties and involves about 16.1 miles to be surfaced.

Valley Engineers, of Fresno, were the only bidders for the job of constructing water distribution lines, reservoir pump, etc., at Clear Creek, Lassen County, about four miles from Westwood. The contract has not been awarded to date.

In Shasta County contracts have been awarded recently to Ke-Ston Construction Company, of Davis, for the construction of a sewage pumping and treatment plant at Redding, and to Walter H. Linderman of Red Bluff, for the construction of Hat Creek Bridge No. 252, approximately 60 miles east of Redding.

Peter Kiewit Sons, of Medford, Oregon, won the channel restoration project on the Klamath River at Seiad Valley and Rett Company of Sacramento came out on top in the bidding for the bridge to be constructed across Swillup Creek, about 20 miles south of Happy Camp in Siskiyou County, Calif. Bids are also being taken on three other bridge jobs in this county.

O. K. Mittry & Sons, of Gardena, have moved in on their job site on the Corning Canal in Tehama County, and are swinging into action with R. N. Mittry as superintendent. Bids are due on June 20 for highway improvements in this same county at three locations, a net length of 18.8 miles in all.

Gates and Fox, of Burlingame, have finished their bridge across the Sacramento River and are all set to go on the facing of the piers. They have subbed this to John Allum, known as the J. & B. Construction Company.

J. R. Lovett, of Hydesville, also has several small channel jobs in this vicinity.

There are several large road jobs in Trinity County in the very near future, with over two million dollars to be spent this season involving about nine miles of new construction and quite a few resurfacing and repair jobs.

We are sorry to report that

UNIONISM TEST— ARE YOU GUILTY?

Charles L. Parrish, a veteran member of Lodge 634 Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, has come up with a list of 17 ways the members can hurt their union and discourage their officers.

Read them and decide how often YOU are guilty:

1. Don't attend meetings, but if you do, arrive late.
2. Be sure to leave before the meeting is closed.
3. Never have anything to say at the meeting—wait until you get outside.
4. When at the meetings, vote to do everything. Then go home and do nothing.
5. The next day, find fault with the officers and your members.
6. Take no part in organization affairs.
7. Be sure to sit in the back, so you can talk it over with a member.
8. Get all the organization will give you and don't give the organization anything.
9. Never ask anyone to join the organization.
10. At every opportunity threaten to resign. Try to get others to do the same.
11. Talk cooperation but don't cooperate.
12. If asked to help say you haven't time.
13. Never read anything pertaining to the organization.
14. Never accept an office since it is easier to criticize than to do anything.
15. If appointed to a committee never give any time or service to it.
16. If you receive a bill for dues ignore it.
17. Don't do any more than you have to, and when the others willingly and unselfishly use their ability to help the good cause along, then howl because the organization is run by a "clique."

CHICO, contract awarded to Robert M. Merian, Rt. 1, Box 750, Oroville, \$40,802 & Valley Pipe Co., P.O. Box 510, Chico, \$54,500 for const. streets & sewers in Canyon Highland Subdiv. Unit 1, near Oroville, BUTTE COUNTY.

STOCKTON, contract awarded to S. M. McGaw, P.O. Box 757, Stockton, \$7038, for reconst. of Stanislaus St. betw. Hazelton Ave. & Taylor St. in city of Stockton.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to J. L. Connor Jr., Box 835, Eureka, \$2900, for levee repair on Lorenzo Belli and Rose Perenin properties, Eel River on Mosley Island, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

PALO ALTO, contract awarded to C. J. Gahn Paving & Grading Co., 346 Oakwood Blvd., W. Redwood City, \$12,335, for const. of 3 picnic areas, sand box-play area, catering area, headers and 35,204 sq. ft. redrock paving in Mitchell Park.

Hester Carnes and Sidney J. Olson, both on the Somers & Stacy job at Callahan, were hospitalized following an automobile accident recently and expect to be laid up for several months.

Daily report of awards for construction

(Compiled by P. E. Vandewark and Russell Swanson)

MAY 4, 1956

PIEDMONT. Contract awarded to Independent Const. Co., 740 50th Ave., Oakland, \$95,470, for grade, surf, curbs, etc., on Highland Ave. from Moraga Ave. to Mountain Ave. in Piedmont.

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awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$139,655, for grade pave, curb, gutters, sidewalks and sewers, within and adj. to Golf Course Terrace Unit No. 6.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to The Lowrie Paving Co., Inc., 1755 Evans Ave., S.F., \$8,665, for reconstr. Hamerton Ave. betw. 100 feet and 325 feet S. Bosworth St., San Francisco.

ELK GROVE. Contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 1, Perkins, \$5,660, for surf. exist. roads at Central Valley Hatchery, near Elk Grove, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to C. S. Phillips Co., P.O. Box 758, Petaluma, \$138,600, for clear Sutter By-Pass, Fremont Weir upstream to Nelson Bend, SUTTER COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to John R. Lovett Const. Co., P.O. Box 23, Hydesville, \$1,700, for emergency flood control work at Canyon Crk., Junction City, TRINITY COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to A. B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa, \$3,047, for levee repair at Salt River near

Ferndale, HUMBOLDT COUNTY. SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to J. R. Lovett Const. Co., P.O. Box 23, Hydesville, \$10,500, for restore channel by rem. gravel fill and pl. in embankment and rem. and dispose of debris, South Fork Trinity River, TRINITY COUNTY.

WALNUT CREEK. Contract awarded to Martin Bros., P.O. Box 5, Concord, \$19,928, for office site preparation for the District.

MAY 7, 1956

McCLELLAN AFB. Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., \$29,787, for repairs to airfield pavements at McClellan AFB.

SAN LEANDRO. Contract awarded to J. W. Lee, 1575 Lake Chabot Rd., San Leandro, \$6,560, for const. of sanitary sewer in Grand Ave. betw. Hwy. 65 and sewage plant.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Harold P. Hastings, Box 546, Lakeport, \$70,000, for repairs to roadway, grade, ditches and struc., on 16.6 mi. of Klamath River Rd. and other roads on the Hoopa Indian Reservation, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

MAY 8, 1956

SAN MATEO. Contract awarded to L. C. Smith, 225-19th Ave., San Mateo, \$8,329, for resurf. 5th Ave. betw. S.P.R.R. and Bayshore. SAN MATEO Contract awarded to L. C. Smith Co., 225-19th Ave., San Mateo, \$49,147, for reconstr. Pacific Blvd. betw. 38th Ave and southerly city limits, et al.

SAN MATEO. Contract awarded to L. C. Smith, 225-19th Ave., San Mateo, \$18,296, for resurf. Hillsdale Ave. betw. El Camino Real and Bayshore Blvd.

SAN MATEO. Contract awarded to L. C. Smith Co., 225-19th Ave., San Mateo, \$49,417, for resurf. major city streets in San Mateo.

SAN RAFAEL. Contract awarded to Ghilotti Bros., 629 Francisco Blvd., San Rafael, \$24,745, for reconstr. "A" St. betw. 5th and 3rd Aves., in City of San Rafael.

PETALUMA. Contract awarded to Reichhold & Jurkovich, 13550 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$5,792, for grade, pave, curb, set meter stanchions and lighting on city-owned lot for off-street parking.

PETALUMA. Contract awarded to Reichhold & Jurkovich 13550 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$5,495, for reconstr. Upham St., Unit No. 2 betw. Western Ave. and English St., city of Petaluma.

SAN JOSE. Contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$3,323, for reconstr. 19th St. betw. St. James St. and a point 235.5 feet southerly city of San Jose.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to A. B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa, \$2,410, for levee repair at Mad River Slough in HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

REDWOOD CITY. Contract awarded to Oscar C. Holmes, Inc., P.O. Box 790, Redwood City, \$187,854, for const. Parking Lot IV, Parking Dist. No. 1 Redwood City.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contracts awarded to (1) John R. Lovett Const. Co., P.O. Box 23, Hydesville, \$3,000, for rem. and disp. debris and chann. clearing, E. Weaver Creek near Weaverville, TRINITY COUNTY; (2) Peter Kiewit Sons Co., 208 W. Main St., Medford, \$16,435, for restore channel, const. barrier, new chann., Klamath River, Seiad Valley, SISKIYOU COUNTY.

MARTINEZ. Contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1540-4th St., Berkeley, \$40,555, for const. of San Pablo Crk. Bridge (Bear Crk. Rd.).

MARTINEZ. Contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 13555 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$24,989, for resurf. Santa Rita Rd.

MARYSVILLE. Contract awarded to Souza & McCue Const. Co., P.O. Box 325, Yuba City, \$49,784, for const. streets, water and sewer lines in industrial tract No. 1 near Yuba City Airport, approx. 87 acres, near Olivehurst.

MAY 9, 1956

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S. F., \$15,292, for reconstr. connect. road betw. State Hwy. Rt. 56 and 25th Ave. and Fulton St. Golden Gate Park.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc.,

575 Berry St., S. F., \$132,295, for track removal and street widening, Stockton St. betw. South portal of tunnel and Columbus Ave., City of San Francisco.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Lord & Bishop, Inc., P. O. Box 812, Sacto., \$6,990, for replace piles, pile caps, planks and wall blocking of wooden trestle.

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Wms. & Burrows, Inc., 500 Harbor Blvd., Belmont, \$928,830, for const. of college bldg. on new campus, loc. at 35th Ave. and Mountain Blvd., Oakland.

PORTERVILLE. Contract awarded to Wm. H. Shallock, 217 Daniels Lane, Bakersfield, \$25,657, for const. of sanitary sewer in Grand Ave. betw. Hwy. 65 and sewage plant.

RIVERBANK. Contract awarded J. D. O'Brien, 2121 N. "F" St., Stockton, \$22,500, for furn. and erect. truss span and 205-foot length of suspension span to replace struc. destroyed by flood.

MERCED. Contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, Rt. 6, Box 1419-A, Modesto, \$60,212, for reconstr. various city streets in Merced.

WATSONVILLE. Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$301,206, for const. of storm drain on Hushbeck

and Tuttle Aves., city of Watsonville, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

SANTA CRUZ. Contract awarded to Valley Engrs., Inc., P. O. Box 412, Fresno, \$14,675, for inst. 2-16-inch weld. steel water mains acr. San Lorenzo River in Tait St. and connection into exist. water system.

SANTA CRUZ. Contract awarded to Granits Const. Co., P. O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$5,983, for const. roads in St. Francis Subdiv. in SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

SANTA CRUZ. Contract awarded to Roberson Bros., 3122 Glen Canyon Rd., Santa Cruz, \$5,131, for grade, rem. trees and exist. strucs. and const. pavement and drainage facil. on State Hwy. Sign Rt. No. 9, about 1 mi. N. of Felton, Lazy Woods Road, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Rose & Matzoa Const., 20830 Rutledge Rd., Castro Valley, \$20,424, for grade, pave, strucs., etc., on por. of the Public Health Center parking lot, Foothill Blvd., and 150th Ave., ALAMEDA COUNTY.

MAY 10, 1956

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$31,424, for 0.2 mi. grade & surf. w/pltmix surf. on untr. base, about 5.6 mi. N. of Boulder Creek, SANTA CRUZ CO.

Here and There

And Now There Is One

The first convention of the California State Federation of Labor was held in 1901. There is no record of any survivors of that brave little group. Up until two weeks ago when the veteran, Tim Reardon, died, there were two survivors of the second convention. Now there is but one, Andrew Gallagher, recently retired member of the U.S. Conciliation Service and a member of the Photo Engravers Union. The second convention was held in Vallejo.

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Believe It or Not

The impossible in labor-management relations has happened in Fresno—an employer group asked local unions to demand higher pay scales. The Central Valley Electrical Contractors Ass'n made the proposal to thunderstruck union leaders as a means of attracting more workers to the area.



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For Union-wise Ulcers

Unionists vacationing at Lake Tahoe will find their milk easier to digest this year. Union milk and dairy products will be available for the first time, because the Minden Co-op Creamery, selling Windmill products, has been organized by Reno Teamsters.

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They Need Help

Although Shell Oil workers in California came up with a nice contract recently, they're still arguing with the other face of the company. They're supporting a strike in Anacortes, Washington, where 309 workers have been striking since March for their first negotiated agreement against the lowest wage of any Shell refinery in the U. S.

The Martinez local asks California unionists to write the company, urging it to bargain in good faith in the Northwest.

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Decontrols Cost Money

California cities were included in a rent survey made by the NJ State Council for Rent Control Legislation, and they didn't compare too well. Listed among cities which have ended controls, Los Angeles rents have gone up 22.7% since July 31, 1953 and SF's are up 11.6%. In New York and Philadelphia, where tight local controls were maintained, rents increased 4.6 and 3.9%.

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TV Strike?

TV writers in Hollywood figure if the screen writers can have contract protection, they can, too. The video scribes say they will strike major networks unless they get a contract agreement soon.

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Acres of Jobs

Workers within reach of the Stanford Industrial Park are rubbing their hands at the prospect—Ampex Corporation in Redwood City, manufacturers of magnetic tape recorders, have announced that they will build a multi-million dollar plant in the development. They'll use a 20 to 30 acre site.

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Plans for building 51 new plants in N. Calif. were announced in the first quarter of this year, including 35 in the Bay Area.

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Nothing Came of It

Seems too bad that Frank Goodban didn't accomplish much by resigning as manager of the Modesto office of the State Department of Employment. The commercial press studiously avoided publishing his charges that "civil service procedures have been relegated to a new low through rigged examinations, and that State Director H. W. Stewart is a pensioner from Shell Oil who did not know the first thing about the department." Goodban asked for an investigation, was told the Department had no money for investigations. And that was that.

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Catching On

It's a good idea, and it's spreading — that idea of working out an agreement with doctors to set standard fees in line with welfare plan benefits. This time it's the Sonoma County Building Trades Council that has met with the MD's. The San Joaquin Building Trades Council is considering the problem, too.

Construction Awards

MAY 18, 1956

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Asta Const. Co., 33 N. Front St., Rio Vista, \$91,420, for 5.8 mi. borders and shdr. to be const. & plm. pltnix surf. over exist. pave. & new borders, betw. 2.3 mi. N. of Contra Costa County line and 2.0 mi. N. of Rio Vista.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Carl R. Fiedler, 2231 "S" St., Sacto., \$3316, for reconst. alley I & J betw. 23rd & 24th Sts., Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$3293, for reconst. alley F & G betw. 9th & 10th Sts., Sacramento.

TRAVIS AFB, contract awarded to Syar & Harms, P.O. Box 1431, Vallejo, \$5967, for pave Parking Area Platin No. 2, etc., Fairfield AFS. Travis AFB.

MAY 21, 1956

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to John W. J. Petersen, Rt. L, Box 83, Loleta, \$20,825, for levee repair on the Eel River at Loleta, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Harms Bros., 5261 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$157,245, for abt. 6.4 mi. exist. roadbed surf. with plant-mix surf. on untr. base betw. Willow Creek Valley abt. 17 mi. N. of Susanville & Stone Ranch, LASSEN COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Theo. E. Mitchell, Faircaks, \$24,237, for grade, fill, surf. & dbl. box culverts, Hoffman Acres, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

Answers to Questions About Insurance

Personnel officers, foremen, shop stewards, union business agents and other representatives of both labor and management frequently are asked questions about the public employment service, unemployment insurance, and disability insurance. Here are some typical such questions and authentic answers.

Q. Is there a waiting period for disability insurance?

A. Yes. If you are NOT hospitalized, there is a seven-day waiting period for each uninterrupted period of disability under the state plan. (Voluntary plan waiting periods vary.) If you are hospitalized, the waiting period is waived beginning with the day you enter the hospital.

Q. If I have a relapse of the same disability, do I have to serve another waiting period?

A. No, not if the relapse occurs within 14 days of the ending of the original disablement.

Q. When do I send in my first claim?

A. If you are not hospitalized, mail your first claim on the ninth day of disability. If you ARE hospitalized, mail your first claim on the second day of hospitalization. Your first check will be for only ONE day of disability, but by following the above instructions, the period required to process your claim and establish an award will be completed at the earliest date possible.

Q. Is it possible to backdate a claim; will it be retroactive to the time I became ill?

A. Claims can be backdated a maximum of 27 days from the postmarked date of mailing if you are not hospitalized, or 20 days from the postmarked date of mailing if you are hospitalized. However, backdating more than seven days from the date first examined by or under the care of a physician is not possible.

Q. Do I have to report to an office each week while sick, or send someone, in order to receive disability insurance?

A. You do not report in person. Any disability insurance to which you may be entitled will be mailed to you, with a continued claim form attached which you complete and return by mail if you remain disabled.

Q. Must a doctor sign my disability insurance claim?

A. Yes. Doctors authorized to sign the medical certificate include a physician and surgeon, osteopath, chiropractor, optometrist, dentist or chiropractor who holds a valid license from the state in which he is practicing; or an authorized

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Rose & Matoza Const. Co., 20830 Rutledge Rd., Castro Valley, \$16,733, for grade & pltnix surf. a portion of County Rd., known as Carlton Ave., extension from Sta. 1300 to Stanton Ave., Eden Township, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

MAY 25, 1956

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 1, Perkins, \$53,351, for grade, pave, sewers, curb, gutters, etc. in & adj. to South Land Park Hills Unit No. 9, Row 3121.

TRAVIS AFB, Contract awarded to Syar & Harms, P.O. Box 1431, Vallejo, \$8,289, for const. park area, Recreat. Area, Fairfield AFS.

SAN JOSE, Contract awarded to Haas & Haynie, 275 Pine St., S.F., \$1,857,000, for const. of Advance Research & Products Buildg., S. of San Jose, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

SAN RAFAEL, Contract awarded to Valley Engrs., Inc., P.O. Box 412, Fresno, \$11,100, for inst. cast iron & steel mains in Greenbrae Subdv., San Rafael, MARIN COUNTY.

SAN RAFAEL, Contract awarded to Valley Engrs., Inc., P.O. Box 412, Fresno, \$14,945, for inst. C.I. & steel mains in vic. of Alto interse- & S.H. No. 101, MARIN COUNTY.

MAY 28, 1956

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, Contracts awarded as follows. (1) **MILLARD COUNTY** — Wilkinson Const., Morgan, Utah, \$104,099 for 2,630 mi. of const. 2½" rdmix bit. surf. road, on a sec. of U.S. No. 6, betw. Hinckley & Servier River

MARTINEZ, Contract awarded to Greuner Const. Co., 430 - 40th St., Oakland, \$445,950, for const. 3-story R.C. Co. Health Bldg. in Martinez, Calif.

VALLEJO, Contract awarded to Basalt Rock Co., P.O. Box 538, Napa, for resurf. & patch streets in Vallejo as required during fiscal year, July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957.

RENO, NEVADA, Contract awarded to Isbell Const. Co., P.O. Box 2351, Reno, \$238,072, for grade, place gravel or sel. matl. base erse., pltnix bit. paving and inst. curbs, gutter and walk on certain designated streets within City of Reno, Nevada.

ATWATER, Contract awarded to Atwater Underground Const. Co., P.O. Box 26A, Milpitas, \$17,546, for install. storm sewers and aparts., in city of Atwater, Calif.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, 575 Berry St., S. F., \$9,146, for repair taxiway "C" and por. of Bayshore Hwy., S. F. International Airport.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Wm. G. McIntosh & Son, 635 Texas St., \$8,450, for const. of parking area at S. F. Zoological Gardens, San Francisco.

SAN LEANDRO, Contract awarded to J. W. Lee, 1575 Lake Chabot Rd., San Leandro, for street reconstr. projects in San Leandro: W. Joaquin from San Leandro Blvd. to Washington and Clark from Davis to W. Juana, \$41,110; W. Juana from Washington to E. 14th, \$7,207; Eastabrook St. from Washington to E. 14th, \$16,530; Williams St. from Washington to E. 14th, \$8,600.

SAN LEANDRO, Contract awarded to Lee Const. Co., 1575 Lake Chabot Rd., San Leandro, \$94,361, for street reconstr. Estudillo St. betw. E. 14th St. and MacArthur Blvd., San Leandro.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Paris Bros., 2752 Park Blvd., \$327,393, for const. of Line C betw. Ashland-Washington Drainage Canal and Canterbury Drive and const. Line D betw. 162nd Ave. and 170th Ave. in Ashland, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

MARYSVILLE, contract awarded to Joe Chevreaux, P. O. Box 65, Sta. A, Auburn, \$8359, for net distance 0.3 mi. restore embkt. and shoulders abt. 8 mi. NW of Pacer ville, EL DORADO COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to J. L. Conner Jr., P.O. Box 835, Eureka, \$2750, for levee repair on Neuhart Ranch at Mad River, in HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

SALINAS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, (a) \$17,600 and (b) \$9193, for seal coating certain roads in MONTEREY COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, Contract awarded to Mercer-Fraser, Inc. & Mercer-Fraser Gas Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$187,065, for about 6.6 mi. surf. w/ pltnix surf. on untr. base, betw. Willow Creek & 0.1 mi. E. of Burnt Ranch P.O., HUMBOLDT COUNTY & TRINITY COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract

awarded to Fay Improvement Co., 101 Caroline St., S. F., \$22,908, for street resurfacing Ocean Ave. et al, City of San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S. F., \$8,787, for grade pave, sewers etc. Burnham St. betw. Elizabeth and 24th Sts., San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to E. J. Treacy, 452 Dewey Dewey Blvd., San Francisco, \$8,059, for grade, pave, sewers etc. Bradford St. betw. Cortland and Mojave.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to M. J. Lynch, 2251 Reverie St., San Francisco, \$11,200, for const. effluent by-pass sewer and influent channel gates at the Richmond-Sunset sewage treatment plant, San Francisco.

JUNE 1, 1956

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Carl R. Fiedler, 2231 "S" St., Sacto., (A) \$3335 & (B) \$3158 for (A) grade & pave alley "D" & "E" from Ely line of 8th St. Wly line of 9th St.—(B) grade and pave alley betw. "X" & "Y" Sts., from Ely line of 3rd St. to Wly line of 34th St.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Ghilotti Bros., 629 Francisco Blvd., San Rafael, \$31,849, for widen 3 bridges and approaches, betw. 4 7 10 mi. NW of Sebastopol, SONOMA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Thomas Const. Co., P.O. Box 683, Fresno, \$19,244, for 0.2 mi. retain. walls, drainage improvements & roadway widening to be const. 8 mi. E. of Springville nr. Tule River Powerhouse, TULARE COUNTY.

JUNE 4, 1956
CARSON CITY, Nev., contract awarded to Silver St. Const. Co., 359 Maine St., Fallon, Nev., \$130,-824, for 15.487 mi. pltnix surf., Proj. Nev. Indian Serv. Rd., WASHOE COUNTY.

MATHER AFB, contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 1, Perkins, \$33437, for resurf. parking areas and streets at Mather Air Force Base, approx. 11 mi. E. of Sacramento.

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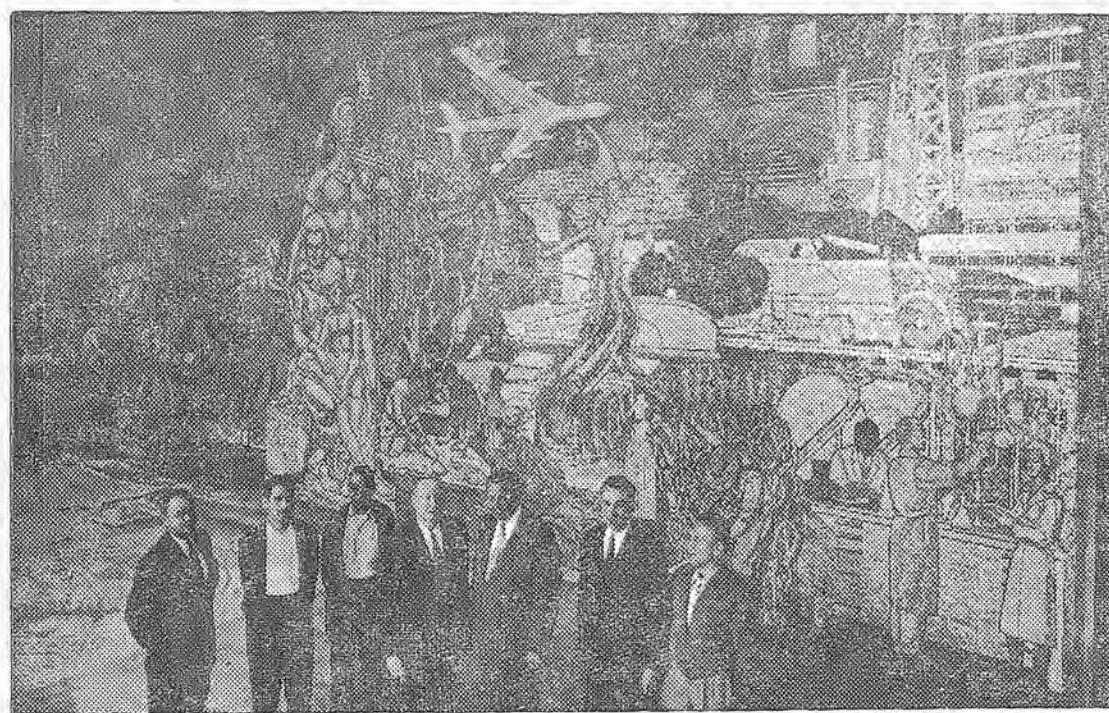
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MOSAIC MURAL TELLS LABOR STORY: The lobby of the newly dedicated AFL-CIO Building in Washington, D.C., is dominated by the symbolic mosaic occupying the entire east wall. Pictured with it are some of the men who helped create and set it in place. Left to right, are John Niero, business agent of Bricklayers Local 3, Washington, D.C.; Sam Italiano, financial secretary of 3, who aided the

mosaic workers; John Tersi, Local 31, Washington, who also worked on the project; Harry C. Bates, president of the Bricklayers; William F. Schnitzler, AFL-CIO secretary-treasurer, Arno Heuduck, Bricklayers Local No. 2, St. Louis, and Dominic Girolami, Local No. 2, who installed the mural for Ravenna Mosaic Co. of St. Louis.

AFL-CIO Headquarters Is Dedicated; Neighbor Eisenhower Participates

Washington

A gentle breeze, a warm sun, a gala crowd of well-wishers and the President of the United States all joined forces to dedicate labor's new home, the AFL-CIO Building, in the heart of the Nation's Capital.

The ceremonies were brief but satisfying to those who have devoted their lives to the labor movement.

On a specially constructed platform in front of the imposing eight-story structure, were President Eisenhower, Secretary of Labor James Mitchell, AFL-CIO President George Meany, AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer William Schnitzler, AFL-CIO vice presidents, department heads and wives.

The dedication was news which went around the world. Three radio networks carried the speeches. TV cameramen filmed the event for their news shows. More than a hundred newspapermen and women—some of them representing foreign newspapers—and still cameramen kept busy.

MURAL STORY

The story was that American unionism had brought the American working man to new heights of dignity, self-respect and security. The steel and stone and glass of the AFL-CIO headquarters were a symbol of this. The President of the United States said he was "delighted" to have the leaders of labor as his neighbors.

Meany set the theme of the ceremony as he dedicated the new structure to the past, the present and the future:

"First of all, it is dedicated to the founders of our movement, to those pioneers of long ago whose courage and sacrifice helped to establish and build the free trade union movement. It is they to whom all Americans are indebted for helping to develop the high standard of living which is the nation's greatest wealth and resource today."

"This headquarters of the AFL-CIO is likewise dedicated to its real owners—the 15 million Amer-

Japanese Unemployment

Japan's unemployment reached a post-war high during March when the jobless rolls hit 1,060,000. The rise in unemployment was attributed to a large number of high school and college graduates entering the labor market.

TULARE, contract awarded to W. M. Lyles Co., 3306 Winery St., Fresno, 36936, for const. sanitary sewers and water mains in Nefford Subdiv. No. 2 in City of Tulare.

SALINAS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$12,251, for const. parking lot at Monterey Co. Hospital, Natividad Rd., Salinas, MONTEREY COUNTY.

ENGINEERS' NEWS

98% of AFL-Backed Candidates Win

(Continued from Page One)
Here are Northern California candidates endorsed by the State AFL who won nomination of own party or of both parties and were thereby elected:

UNITED STATES CONGRESS

Dist. Name

1. Clement W. Miller (D)
2. Clair Engle (D) Elected
3. John E. Moss, Jr. (D)
4. James L. Quigley (D)
5. John F. Shelley (D) Elected
6. H. Roberts Quinn (D)
7. Laurance L. Cross (D)
8. George P. Miller (D)
11. John J. McFall (D)
12. B. F. Sisk (D)
13. William Kirk Stewart (D)
14. Harlan Hagen (D)

STATE SENATE

Dist. Name

1. Stanley Arnold (D) Elected
3. Carl L. Christensen, Jr. (D) Elected
5. Edwin J. Regan (D) Elected
7. Harold T. (Bizz) Johnson (D) Elected
11. Nathan F. Coombs (R)
15. Luther E. Gibson (D) Elected
17. George Miller, Jr. (D)
21. Harold G. Robinson (D)
23. William L. Mathson, Jr. (D)
25. Fred S. Farr (D) Elected
27. Robert I. Montgomery (D)
29. Ursin (Perk) Perkins (D)
31. John J. Hollister (D)
33. James J. McBride (D)

STATE ASSEMBLY

Dist. Name

1. Tom E. Blair (D)
2. Pauline L. Davis (D) Elected
3. Lloyd W. Lowrey (D) Elected
5. Samuel R. Geddes (D) Elected
6. Paul J. Lunardi (D)
7. Richard H. McCollister (R)
8. Thomas J. MacBride (D) Elected
9. Roy J. Nielsen (R)
10. Donald D. Doyle (R)
11. S. C. Masterson (D) Elected
12. William Biddick, Jr. (D)
13. Carlos Bee (D) Elected
14. Robert W. Crown (D)
16. William M. Freeborn (D)
17. William Byron Rumford (D) Elected
18. James G. Whitney (D)
19. Charles W. Meyers (D)
20. Thomas A. Maloney (R)
21. Casper W. Weinberger (R) Elected
23. John A. O'Connell (D) Elected
24. Edward M. Gaffney (D)
25. W. Howard Hartley (D)
27. Glenn E. Coldridge (R) Elected
29. William J. Harris, Jr. (D)
30. Ralph M. Brown (D) Elected
31. Gordon H. Winton, Jr. (D)
32. Wallace D. Henderson (D) Elected
33. Charles B. Garrigus (D)
34. Alan G. Pattee (R) Elected

Labor Opposes Loosening Control On Atomic Power

A pending bill to loosen regulation of private power companies which operate atomic power reactors was opposed by the AFL-CIO on grounds that it "would make possible combinations which would carry out regional monopolies in the development of the atomic heat industry."

"This bill represents the first serious attempt to weaken the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and would make possible recurrence of the abuses which led to the passage of this law," Andrew J. Biemiller, AFL-CIO legislative representative, declared in testimony before the Senate Commerce Committee.

BACK GORE PROPOSAL

He charged that a provision of the bill would "provide an incentive for the establishment of a new layer of corporate structure—one producing heat from nuclear reactors for sale to the utility industry." He said that organized labor supports instead the proposal by Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) for the immediate construction by the federal government of six of the most promising designs of atomic reactors.

In this way, he pointed out, all the power producing industry in this country would benefit from the experience which would be gained by the immediate testing of the various recommendations of scientists concerning the production of electricity from atomic energy.

"If we wait, instead of progress under the kind of proposal pending before this committee," Biemiller declared, "it is likely that we will bring only further delay until all of the conditions laid out by some advocates of this bill as a basis for progress in the development of the atomic power industry have been met."

Gardeners Covered

If you hire a gardener, handyman, or someone to just look after the lawn this summer, don't forget that he's covered by social security if you pay him as much as \$50 cash wages in a calendar quarter of the year.

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Has the Miss before your name changed to Mrs.? Then now is the time to get the name on your social security account number card changed. Call at your social security office for assistance in completing a "Request for Change in Records" form.

DANGER ZONE

When you're following another automobile, stay at least one car length behind for each ten miles an hour on your speedometer, cautions the California State Au-

COYOTE DAM BIDS ARE IN

By GLENN L. DOBYNS,
Business Representative

A \$319,000 chunk of the Coyote Valley Dam will be manufactured separately, probably in a large steel plant or shipyard, for shipment to the dam site north of Ukiah. Bids were called last month for the first step in construction of the Coyote Dam, for the gateways. The gateways consist of three giant gates which eventually will control the flow of the river through the dam outlet works. The contract was awarded to the Guy F. Atkinson Construction Company of South San Francisco, which was also low bidder on the dam project at \$4,467,750. This will be a 3-year project.

The three gates will cut the river to less than a trickle immediately below the dam during floods. Through the same gates, during dry periods of the year, will be released the water.

When the three gates are wide open, some 47,000 gallons of water per second will rush into a tunnel 12 feet in diameter and roar up into the channel about 1000 feet downstream, on the lower side of the dam.

Each of the three huge gates actually will consist of two—a service gate and an emergency gate installed in tandem, one before the other.

Only the service gates will be used normally, controlling three inlets which will join beneath the dam to form the single outlet tunnel.

They will be operated hydraulically and by remote control from an office at the top of the 180-foot intake tower.

The gate machinery will be in a concrete room about 130 feet below the office and actually under water, and will be reached by an elevator and series of ladders inside the tower.

The gateways to the dam will require a 300-day construction period.

A 250-foot bridge with a 12-foot roadway will connect the crest of the dam and the tower.

When the reservoir is full the tower will seem to be standing far out in the water. Actually it will join the dam structure which, as an earth fill, will slope gradually three or more feet out for each foot down.

On June the 6th Guy F. Atkinson was again the lowest of ten bidders on the main portion of the dam.

The dam itself, 160 feet high and 2800 feet long, will contain 5,000,000 cubic yards of material tapering from a maximum width of 1000 feet to a 20-foot crest. It will create a lake five miles long and one mile wide covering 2000 acres and containing 122,500 acre-feet of water.

Regarding the channel revetments, the pilot works will be put in as soon as right-of-way is acquired. If this is completed, by next fall, it will represent an advance of one season on the schedule for that portion of the work.

The channel works are to be built at various points all the way down the river below the dam. Most of them will be in Sonoma but some will be in the Mendocino district. The plan will be to put in a few pilot works at key points in one season, then let them ride out a winter to see how they hold up, and do the final building the following season.

Bridge repair work across McCoy Creek, 5.9 miles north of Willits on Highway 101 was awarded to Bos Construction Co., Berkeley.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to The Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S.F., \$153,484, for extension of aircraft parking apron and related work, S.F. Int'l. Airport.

RENO, Nevada, contract awarded to Malott-Peterson & Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., S.F., for resurfacing tennis courts in Wingfield Park, Reno, Nevada.

plies such as drinking water and otherwise making ready of the hard-driving, continuous operation of pouring concrete.