VOL. 6-No. 8

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.



AUGUST 15, 1948

'48 Building Lags Behind Cost Values

United States construction employment during June increased by 133,000 to reach a total of 2,182,-000, the highest since November 1942, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reports. And in terms of dollar volume for new building, expenditures hit \$1,605,000,000, an 11 per cent increase for June and the highest since monthly data became available in January 1939.

Compared to the same month of 1947, the total was greater by \$443,000,000, or 38 per cent. The number of workers on construction jobs was 225,000 more than for June of last year and 75,000 above the previous postwar peak registered last September.

Private construction accounted for \$1,238,000,000 of the June expenditures. Of this \$625,000,000, or 51 per cent, went into new nonfarm house building. This was an increase of \$50,000,000 over May and a hike of \$220,000 above outlays for June, 1947.

Commercial building also rose sharply in June, jumping from S1,000,000 to \$117,000,000. The bu- Frank P. Fenton, reau said this reflected construction of community shopping centers to serve expanding residential

Yet, in contrast to the volume of new home building, activity in the idustrial field continued to decline, "Expenditures for industrial building, which have been declining steadily during the past year, dropped again by \$2,000,000 to \$110,000,000," the bureau report state.

But public construction outlays advanced to a postwar high of \$387,000,000 in June, a gain of 14 per cent over May and of 40 per cent over the same month of 1847.

By the end of June, \$7,700,000,-000 had been spent for new construction in 1948, the bureau said. This was 35 per cent more than expenditures for the same six months of 1947. More than half the increase was accounted for by house building.

The two main tunnel power projects, on Mokelumne River to the south and Feather River to the north, are going strong, with Engineers contributing plenty of sweat to these big jobs.

Local 3 is Proud of Fine Boys' Team in Marysville District



Bangor, Wheatland, Hallwood,

Loma Rica, Marysville, most any

of the upper valley or foothill

towns that support teen-age ball

tems will see these youngsters in

Local 3 uniforms giving their best

and fighting every inch of the way.

that these lads can become a part

of. They play free lance. Howard

Bishop, of Loma Rica, handles the

business of the team and if ever

you see this gang in your home

town, talk to them, tell them

you're an engineer and watch them

swell up. They too, are engineers

at heart, as proud of their uni-

forms as we are of them. They

have played seven games, won 4,

lost 3. Their ages, 14 to 18 years.

AFL Leader, Dies

San Francisco.-Frank P. Fenton, international representative of . At the present there is no league the American Federation of Labor, and well known internationally, died of a heart attack in his office at 5 p.m. Monday, August 10. The funeral was held on Thursday, August 12, from St. Matthews Cathedral, Washington, D. C.

The passing of Brother Fenton is one of the most severe blows the labor movement has suffered, and leaves a gap which will be felt by organized workers throughout the world.

leaders sent condolences to the bereaved family upon receiving the sad news. * * *

Parish Bros. of Benicia got a million-dollar contract for the much - needed highway improvement out of Fairfield, the bottleneck to the Bay.

* * A 1600-mile pipeline will be built to bring 400 million cubic feet of natural gas daily to northern California from major fields in Texas and New Mexico.

Front row, left to right: Phillips, Local labor unions and labor utility; Dickenson, field; Clark, field; Meyer, second; Neighbors, utility; Meyer, short. Back row, left to right: Higgens,

and pitcher; Finley, field; Day, third; Baker, catcher; Hoxworth,

3 Engineers Killed

pitcher; French, first; Rose, field

The hazardous work of the Engineer continues to take its toll and to remind us of the continuing need for caution. Brothers who lost their lives in the past month were Joe L. Ray of Benicia, Geo. C. Brown of Santa Rosa, and Leonard Henderson of Oakland.

IN MEMORIAM

Officers and members of the union express their sorrow on the passing of these brothers and sincere sympathies to those bereaved.

GEO. C. BROWN.....Local No. 3 ...Local No. 3-A JOE RAY .. FRED H. THOMPSON

Local No. 3 ZERN E. SCOTT, Local No. 3-A LEONARD L. HENDERSON

Local No. 3 CARL H. TANKSLEYLocal No. 3-A REINHART HEIB Local No. 3

Utah, San Jose Busy, Some Areas Slack

Business agents' reports this month indicate a rush season in most areas of Local 3's jurisdiction, altho in some cases work has dropped off. Utah offices of the union report a great amount of work and a need for men in all classifications. Any brothers interested in spending the summer and fall over there please get in touch with one of the union offices. San Jose reports considerable work, as do the valley areas, and Eureka, the latter experiencing one of its busiest seasons in years. San Francisco is having a slack period at

Map Year's Plans For Valleys

Expenditure of \$41 million during the new fiscal year, with chief emphasis on the Friant-Kern and Delta-Mendota Canals, the Tracy Pumping Plant, and added power features at Shasta and Keswick dams, was outlined in Bureau of Reclamation announcements last

The aim continues to be an overall completion of the Central Valleys Project's major works by 1951, the Bureau stated.

Friant-Kern will carry San Joaquin river water 153 miles from Friant Dam to Bakersfield. Excavation has been completed for 74 miles to Kaweah river, with some 10 miles of concrete lining yet to be done on this stretch. Contract for another 14 miles was recently awarded. Two more are to be let this year, for 27 miles between Lindsay and White River, and for 17 miles from the river to Poso creek.

DRY WEST SIDE

On the valley's west side 26 miles of the Delta-Mendota canal are now under contract, with 13 miles finished. Bids are in for another 13-mile stretch, and two more contracts, for 15 and 17 miles, will be let during the fiscal year.

First concrete was poured last month at the big Tracy Pumping Plant, which will pump 4600 cubic feet a second from the Sacramento river into Delta-Mendota canal for use on the dry westside of San Joaquin valley. Two more 75,000 kilowatt gen-

erators will be put in at Shasta Dam, and switchyards will be completed at Shasta and Keswick dams. Two 25,000 kilowatt gener-

(Continued on Page 2)

To All Unions of the International Union of Operating Engineers, who May Have Members Working in the Hawaiian or Pacific Islands, as Well as to All Members of Local No. 3:

At a special called meeting of Local No. 635, at Honolulu, the Union voted to request affiliation with Local No. 3, and so notified our General President, William E. Maloney, who in turn notified Local No. 3. At the Regular Meeting on August 7th, this Local Union voted to accept the affiliation of Local No. 635, with their jurisdiction to be added to that of Local No. 3.

The Charter of Local No. 635, Honolulu, which was issued by the International Union of Operating Engineers in 1941, whose jurisdiction was the Hawaiian and Pacific Islands, is now the jurisdiction of Local No. 3.

Local No. 3 will continue to operate a branch office in Honolulu, will supply organizers, and will make every attempt to organize the Islands wherever it is possible. We ask all Unions who may have members working in this territory, as well as such members, to lend every assistance possible to the end that better wages and better working conditions may be had. We hope to establish a steward system on several of the Islands in the Pacific.

In our next issue we hope to outline a more complete system of organization.

In closing, the members of Local No. 3 extend a hearty welcome to the members of former Local No. 635. VICTOR S. SWANSON.

Official Notice to Members

SPECIAL MEETING-EUREKA LABOR TEMPLE

For the good and welfare of the membership in the Eureka area, a Special Meeting has been called for Saturday, August 28th, at 7:30 P.M., in the Eureka Labor Temple. Members are respectfully requested to attend.

TECHNICAL ENGINEERS MEETING:

The next meeting of the Technical Engineers-Local No. 3-E, will be held Friday, August 27th, at 8:00 P.M., in the union offices at 1095 Market Street, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

ARE YOUR DUES PAID FOR THE CURRENT QUARTER??? Members whose dues are not paid for the current month are not in good standing in the burial expense fund, and in the event of death the beneficiary would not be entitled to any benefits.

VOLUNTARY DONATION of \$1.00 has been requested of the membership to be used for legislative purposes in the campaign to repeal the Taft-Hartley law. Members who have not donated may still send in their contribution to any office of the Local Union.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO

EDITORIALS

OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCALING ON N.

This Congress, Our Own Fault

"Labor Has a Date in '48" is a familiar slogan in the nation today. It is to be hoped that ALL union members and voting members of their families and their friends will keep the date which they have at the polls on Tuesday, November 2. But you cannot vote unless you are registered, so make sure that you are thus qualified. Last day to register is September 25!

The members of organized labor have a big stake in this election. On the results of this vote will hinge the future of the American labor movement and its many millions of members and their dependents, as well as the rest of the country.

The sad fact is that we members of labor failed our friends in the general election of 1946 when we either neglected to vote or voted for the "wrong" candidates because we wanted a change. The effect was that for the first time in years, the foes of labor grew bold and predominated in Congress and in many state legislatures, which follow the social and economic trends set by our lawmakers in the nation's capital.

T-H AND MUCH MORE!

Anti-union legislation such as the Taft-Hartley Act represented only a minor portion of the harm which the reactionary 80th Congress inflicted upon the common people of America. It did virtually nothing to arrest the ever soaring price inflation deliberately manipulated by big business monopoly and bigtime speculation. As a result of this inflation, in spite of wage and salary increases, the savings of altogether too many of the workers were used up and many families went into debt just to maintain a decent living standard which they could not keep up on their present take-home pay.

This same Congress which came into office because of our neglect, because of our failure to be vigilant, refused to relieve the desperate housing shortage that plagues millions of families. It refused to pass any legislation whatever to keep down prices. It did nothing to enact needed social legislation such as expanding social security, raising the minimum pay rate to at least 75 cents an hour, passing a public health law and aiding the hour present of the health law and aiding the hour present of the law and aiding the health law

ing the hard-pressed school systems of the states.

MAKES THE RICH RICHER

Instead Congress whittled down the appropriations of the Labor Department and many other useful federal agencies serving the people. And it enacted a "phony" income tax reduction which benefits the rich and well-to-do by far the most.

Moreover, the 80th Congress has greatly aided the phenomenal concentration of power in monopolistic corporations and the families controlling them. Great wealth is preserved in certain families through their control of tax-free foundations. Congress has aided this tendency through its tax policies, income tax reduction, sharp reduction of the rates on gift and estate taxes. And it intends to bring about further reductions and to raise revenues through sales taxes rather than income taxes. Thus, those who attained vast fortunes during and after the war, fortunes which are lying dormant in the form of undistributed corporate reserves, will gradually be distributed to the new crop of millionaires as well as the old crop.

THE "POWER TO COMMAND"

With this concentration of wealth, the economic "power to command" will become greater than ever. It showed itself plainly in the 80th Congress.

The reactionaries in power are just marking time hoping that the election will go their way through the deception, disunity and apathy of the common people, who have the votes. Then they will really go to town by enacting laws penalizing the common people and benefitting the corporations and the

This is why it is so important for the working people to keep their date at the polls this year and vote for their friends and sweep their enemies out of office. This year responsible officers in the labor movement have made a sincere and thorough effort to determine what candidates can be recommended and what candidates should be rejected on their records. Union members should unhesitatingly accept these recommendations and vote accordingly as they show their preference for the Democratic or Republican ticket.

IT IS UP TO US!

Only in this manner can we undo the damage we inflicted upon ourselves and the nation generally through our failure to intelligently use our votes in 1946.

So, Brothers and Sisters of Organized Labor, show the politicians and our foes that there is such a thing as the labor vote by helping to elect every labor-approved candidate and defeating every labor-rejected candidate running for public office.

Let's make it a clean sweep.

ENGINEERS' NEWS

Managing Editor, V. S. SWANSON
Published Each Month by Local Union
No. 3 of the International Union of
Operating Engineers
Northern California, Northern Nevada,
State of Utah

Office 1095 Market St., San Francisco, California Subscription Price: \$2.50

per year
Mail all news items in to editor not
later than the 5th of each month.
Entered as Second Class Matter September 9, 1943, at the Postoffice at San
Francisco, California, under the Act
of August 24, 1912.

Members Overseas

Local 3 members continue to wander around the world, and we hear from them by letter or by personal appearance in the union offices. Bro. Chas Morrow of Berkeley is en route to Arabia. Bro. M. B. Booker of San Jose is en route to Malaya, says for the boys to drop in to see him sometime, it's only 12,000 miles. Bro. L. L. Oldaker of San Rafael is in from Guam, will soon be off again.

* * * Bee.
Register now—Vote November 2 Cole.)

Crisis Covers Up Attack on Labor

In our June issue of the Engineer's News, my column entitled 'Don't Let It Happen Again,' I tried to warn our membership and friends of the dangers that lie ahead.

Let us not get confused by the propaganda that is being shoved at us today by the Daily Press, trying in every way to cloud the real issue which is confronting all Labor both organized and unorganized, for after all it is organized labor that must fight the battle for all labor.

Our 80th Congress in session at this time is as useless as a grease gun without grease. They are trying in every way to distract our minds away from the real needs of labor and our returned veterans and cover up the acts they so willingly committed against the real American Citizens — the Common People.

A crisis exists today which is very vital to all the people of the world. Created by the money interests, fighting for world power and domination over the labor market of all nations. There is no dispute between labor anywhere in the world, so why continue to allow this situation to exist.

Money-Created Crisis

Every day we read of the actions of our so-called law makers which are disgraceful, unethical, and unjust. Father Walsh, of the Georgetown University, several years ago coined a very simple and effective formula for Revolution, which was as follows: 'Discontent, plus distress, plus opportunity, plus leadership, plus a crisis, equal Revolution.' — That crisis has arrived and now time for action, March to the Polls

We, as labor, should march to the polls this fall and give that crowd such a kick in the pants that could be heard around the world. We are sick and tired of their alien actions. Surely this can't be the government founded by our forefathers guaranteeing us free speech, free assemblage, free press, decent housing for the real heroes of combat and productionthe working people of this U.S.A. We fought for it now let's have our just reward. Labor all over the world wants peace. Vote the war mongering, manufacturing labor-hating associations and bankers out of Washington and state governments, and let's have peace, prosperity and a real American way of life.

Yours fraternally, M. G. EISENHART, Assistant Int'l. Representative.

The Best Years

* * *

The idea that a worker begins to slip at 40 has been pretty well dropped into the ash can of fallacies. But it is just as well the federal bureau of labor statistics has come along with some information bearing upon the point.

On the basis of a survey of 18,000 workers of all ages, the bureau reaches the conclusion that those in the 45 and over age group offer more highly developed skills and more mature judgment.

These have been stock arguments for those who contend the best years begin at 40. Equally interesting, however, are the labor bureau's report that those over 45 have more settled work habits and the statistics to prove it.

The older worker is less apt to be absent. For the 45 year age group the average rate of absenteeism is 3.4 out of 100 work days. For those under 20 the average is 5.8. Moreover, the survey reveals the worker of 45 or over is less likely to be injured.

It is hoped the labor bureau's report will end, once and for all, the foolish idea that a worker is ready for the scrap heap when he reaches his forty fifth birthday. It just is not so. (From Sacramento Bee. Sent in by Bro. Harry S.

Report of last meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m., President Clancy presiding. Roll call showed Vice-President Foss, Conductor Riley and Guard Edgecombe absent. Brother Petersen served as Vice-President, Brother Park as Conductor and Brother Dobyns as Guard. There were approximately 110 members present.

COMMENI

A synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 3 was read and by motion approved as read.

A synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of July 14 and of August 4 read and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read, with the exception of that part of the minutes pertaining to Honolulu Local No. 635 which was referred to New Business.

A letter of thanks was received from the San Francisco Lodge of Elks for the contribution to the Oregon Flood Relief Fund. Received and filed.

Cards of thanks were received from the Atkins family; the family of Carl H. Tanksley; Albert A. Marty and children; the family of Paul Burg; the family of Fred H. Thompson; Mrs. Cassie L. Moreland and family; Mrs. Rex Bostic, Mrs. Irma Bostic, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bostic, Jr.; Mrs. Zern Scott and son and Lydia Graham. Received and filed.

The following Brothers were reported ill: Jim Areggar, C. Alumbaugh, Miguel Archuleta, O. L. Asher, Nicholas Backovich, Kenneth Bird, Ray Brown, Julius Cable, Clarence W. Cavender, Harold Cholcher, Jess W. Cole, Ernest Covington, George A. Cutler, Hollis Dewing, Angus Funk, Howard Grimm, J. K. Graham, William R. Graham, Bonifiaco Gonzales, Robert I. Gwyn, Louis Hansen, Paul M. Hamby, John Hartman, J. E. Houghton, Manuel L. Herrera, Paul Hodges, W. H. Jarvis, Glen F. Jensen, Robert Jinkerson, Vernon L. Jolly, J. S. Kone, Carl Lowman, A. L. McCool, Walter L. McGary, Joe A. Mancebo, Joseph C. Miller, Amos R. Parker, Verne Pickrell, L. D. Pollock, Timothy Quinn, Hubert Ranson, Peter Rodrigues, Charles Ross, Paul B. Ryder, G. A. Schmidt, Ned E. Shurtliff, Lynden M. Smith, Wm. Summers, O. B. Tolloday, E. J. Thompson, Fred W. Wagoner, J. W. Watters, Clifford Welch, William W. Whiting, Harvie Lee Young.

The following members were reported deceased: M. Moreland, Geo. C. Brown, Joe Ray, Fred H. Thompson, Zern E. Scott, Leonard L. Henderson, Carl H. Tanksley and Reinhart Heib.

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

The Business Agents gave their usual reports which were accepted as

Under New Business it was reported that the Honolulu Local No. 635 had voted to amalgamate with Local No. 3. The history of this Local was related by Brother Swanson. After considerable discussion it was regularly moved and seconded that we concur in the recommendation of the Board that we

accept the amalgamation of Local No. 635, Honolulu. Carried.
There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,

THE SHOVEL

By MARJORIE FREELAND

The shovel is a human mass of iron-

He reaches out his giant hand for loads—

Huge loads—too heavy for ten to lift.

His engine has a mighty depth within. A chest that's full of oily breath.

Thus, when The engineer makes life belch forth

from this Most powerful of robots, the great

beast Makes all the earth about him fear-

fully agast. He puffs thick smoke into the clear, Pure air, and roars with loud com-

plaints to all
The mountains, trees and streams.
He has a job

To do when man decides to change a scene Created by himself or nature. Vet

Created by himself or nature. Yet
No task looms bigger than the
shovel to

Himself or to his master's guiding hand,

His engineer. Sometimes there is a rock

To lift — too big for brawny men.
Of course,
The mighty engine groups and are

The mighty engine groans and answers man's

Command, A mountain often

To build highways wide. Again this man

Of steel moves in, and tears the mountain down.

In all his work, his powerful arms
—the boom
In building parlance now — is

moved this way

And that by muscles called the
hoist lines or

The cables, so the arm can guide his hand.

His hand may be a bucket filling

trucks
Awaiting hungrily with open
mouths;

Or sometimes it's a hook with which to life Steel girders for a bridge. At all

his tasks The tracks hold firm. They are his feet

And legs. They move his cumberous form about,

As need arises or his master wills.
Oh, Conqueror of construction jobs! You tow'r

Above tall men. You dare to change the face Of nature's shrines for mankind's

ease and joy.

Central Valleys Program Mapped

C. F. MATHEWS, Recording Secretary

(Continued from Page 1) ators will go in at Keswick.

Westside transmission line from Shasta will be installed as far as Cottonwood, and the eastside line will be extended to Tracy via Oroville and Sacramento.

Drum gates will be finished at Shasta, making possible storage of 800,000 more acre feet of water.

Various canal distribution systems and the Contra Costa power substation will aso get attention during the year.

* * *
Considerable highway work in the Northbay area.

As they came to the monkey cage, however, our friend paused for only a moment, then hastened away.

"What's the hurry?" asked his companion, who loved to watch the monkeys.

"I didn't mind a-lookin at the el'fants and sech," he explained, "but these—wal, they were a-lookin' at me!"

A local small retail dealer in refrigerators wrote to a large manufacturing outfit ordering a carload of refrigerators.

The manufacturer wired him immediately: "Cannot ship refrigerators until you pay for your last shipment."

"Unable to wait so long," wired the retail deaeler, "cancel order."

New Clerk: "What shall I do if a customer forgets his change?" Manager: "Tap on the counter with a dollar bill."

"I am keeping a record of all the good times I have had with Dorothy."

"Oh, a diary?"
"No. The stubs in my check-

book."

* * *

"Why don't you marry her?"

"She has a slight impediment in her speech." "How sad. What is it?"

"She won't say 'yes'."

* * * *

"Pop, what was the army like?"

"Well, son, first they swore me

in and then they cussed me out."

* * *

A dominating personality ain't

much use if the other guy is driving a ten-ton truck.

NEW HIGHWAYS TAKE SHAPE IN NORTHBAY; OTHER JOBS MOVING

By H. O. FOSS Business Representative, Local 3

San Rafael-The Utah Construction Company's 37-mile road project at Ukiah, which should go for many months, is starting slowly as this goes to press with a few of the brothers

Hein Brothers Quarry at Petaluma has all it can do to take care of orders for this season.

Huntington Brothers are scattered all over Point Reyes like bids will be called for at this shot, with General Superintendent Jim Humphreys losing weight from worry, work, or what? Jim just returned from vacationing at Kings Canyon with A. H. Huntington and family-he's a pretty good partner on a camping trip, doesn't forget a thing except the groceries, beds, cooking utensils, but tells us the roots are good.

The Marin Gravel Company, Point Reyes, is busier than the proverbial bee, with Brother H. C. Phillips sleeping there.

Brown-Ely Company of Corte Madera has plenty of work lined up on the construction end and also is keeping busy in the quarry at Greenbrae.

ROSA FREEWAY

The Stolte-Harrelson project at Santa Rosa with Superintendent Ed Elliott is beginning to look like a real freeway through the city.

Parish Brothers, Benicia, right now are too busy to even growl, with all their projects on Highway 40 and every one ticking like grandpa's clock.

Harms Brothers of Sacramento are stringing out on their Vacaville project on Highway 40 with operators and equipment coming in from their other projects.

The Johnston Rock Company at Navarro - by - the - Sea bridge road alignment project with Brother "Slim" Seymour in charge is now making a good showing and running smoothly.

Piombo Brothers' project at Bon Tempe Dam with Brother Bill Pierce in charge is working three shifts trying to beat the rains, with the jetty job at Jenner about com-

pleted. HOUSING PROJECT

DeLucca & Son of San Rafael are keeping several of the brothers happy at Strawberry Point in the opening of another housing project.

Marin Equipment Company of Greenbrae, with Brother Jimmy Hewitttson as master mechanic in charge, is keeping busy repairing and selling equipment; as is the Masterall Company of Greenbrae.

The Healty-Tibbetts bridge job in Petaluma with Superintendent Hugh Tennant and Brother V. A. Smith (Smitty) on the Link Belt doing the driving (the same rig on which we think he was born) is going along smoothly, with Brother John Crotty keeping the oil coming.

Brother Tom Plumb of Plumb & Hinton Pittsburg Shops, are starting their logging venture at Cazadero with stockpiling at Forrestville for winter shipping to Sacramento.

Brother V. F. Capin on the Forrestville end with Brother Charles Plumb on the Link Belt loading in the woods-these fellows are going right along with four new White trucks to haul five years of cutting in their present set-up, with two new cats ordered.

Stout of Merced, who has been in Lake County on a road job where Brother W. D. Janetzky was superintendent, have picked one nearer home, leaving Brothers Perry Lane and son on the finishing end here.

Brother W. S. Hoover is in charge of the O'Connor Fair Grounds project at Lakeport,

which is apathetic.

Brothers Oldharn and Bullard have a new N.W.-25 and a %-yard istration, September 23, labor will Bay City rig for which they are cast a minority vote in the finals. looking for contracts-call Lakeport 314-J.

Brother Pug Hastings seems to have an "in" with the "powersthat-be" in Lake County and apparently is a permanent fixture. NAPA RIVER BRIDGES

Erickson, Phillips & Weisberg going strong on bridges over the Napa River near Imola. This will by-pass the city of Napa but no

time as the bridge job will take about a year and will run around \$360,000. Brother Frank J. Fanger is the driver and Roy F. Fredricks is foreman of the pile driving crew.

Brother Clark Stowe is running McGowan's rig testing pipes, etc., on Napa Sewage Treatment Plant on the F. J. Early contract, with Dick Verbrugg as foreman of the pile driving crew and Brother Cecil Moore on the sub-excavating and Brothers Waldo Ozen and K. Harbert on the cats. Early has the D.L. trimming up on this job and Brother Tom Rager is the operator, with Brother Tom Meadow, Jr. oiling.

BACK FROM GUAM Brother L. L. Oldaker, recently returned from a second hitch at Guam, has been flying around the country visiting family and friends and will probably be taking off soon on another flying trip. A "tip of our hat" to this brother.

Jensen & Pitts, popular San Rafael contractors, are keeping their crews working - grabbing off a bite here and a bite there.

Johnston & Nelson, San Rafael, are keeping every one happy, themselves, the brothers, and your business representative.

J. J. Ongaro of Ross seems to be doing all right with buying new equipment and gradually expanding. Good luck!!!

Shaffer (the lunch-lifter) and Madsen of San Rafael are busy in the southern tip of the county at present.

A. G. Raisch of Ignacio has contracts lined up to keep everyone happy until the rains at least.

The Guy F. Atkinson Company's

Ukiah-Calpella road project is on a one-shift basis as the State can't keep out of the way on the grading stakes.

Brother Steve Zappentini's repair shop at 1192 Second Street, San Rafael, is always busy repairing construction equipment.

It is with deep regret that we announce the accidental death of two of our members-Brother Joe L. Ray of Benicia and Brother George C. Brown of Santa Rosa. Our deep sympathy to their families.

BIG HIGHWAY JOB

Parish Brothers, Benicia, were recently awarded the \$1-millionplus contract for grading and paving between Ledgewood Creek and east of Fairfield.

The Pacific Coast Builders of San Francisco were recently awarded the \$%-million contract for construction of an academic building, Napa.

Only 56 Pct. of Labor Registered

San Francisco. - A check on the registration of members of Organized Labor in San Francisco indicates that 56 per cent of the members are registered voters, reports Cameron King, Director of the Union Labor Party.

"The registration should be 100 per cent or labor ought to quit fooling itself about being interested in government," King told a meeting of the ULP of San Francisco.

"If registration isn't stepped up between now and the close of reg-Based on the expected 80 per cent of the total registered voters actually voting, this would mean that only 40 per cent of labor in this state would be voting." Register now-today-so that you can spend the ensuing time before September 23 getting your friends to register.

* * * Support your LLPE Register and vote.

Power, Canal Jobs Keep Boys Busy In Stockton Area

By ED DORAN and RENNY BURROUGHS Representatives, Local 3

Stockton - There isn't much to report on this month . . . no one we know of got married . . . no new arrivals . . . the members who were in jail are all out now and work-

If we mention some of the members' names in the news we catch hell from those that we did not mention, and the ones that we do we usually misspell . . . and catch hell anyway . . . so life goes

Morrison & Knudsen, Walsh, and the Utah Construction companies have completed their part of the P. G. & E. job at Jackson and are rapidly moving the equipment to other jobs.

Tom Connelly is working one shift and is nearing completion.

John Delphia is going along with his canal job back of Tracy . . there is approximately one million yards of gravel to be moved, maybe

Here is a message that the Federal Security Agency asks us to pass along to our members:

TO ALL WORKERS WHOSE JOBS ARE COVERED BY FED-ERAL OLD-AGE & SURVIVORS INSURANCE:

When an insured wage earner dies, whatever his age, monthly benefits are paid to his family . . . to his young children . . . to his gineers busy, plus an additional widow at the age of 65, or at any age while she has a child of his in her care . . . to his dependent parents if he leaves no widow or child.

The amount of the benefits depend on the worker's past wages in jobs covered by Federal oldage and survivors insurance, and are paid to them regardless of any savings or property the worker or his family may have.

DOES YOUR FAMILY KNOW THIS? Tell your family:

THAT if you should die they must file their claims for monthly benefits at the nearest social security office before any payments can be made.

Tell them to file the claims promptly, otherwise they may possibly lose some of the benefits.

This report was started with the intention of covering all the jobs in this area, but with the phone ringing and other interruptions it stops right now. Good luck everybody, you will hear from this area next month.

Register now! Vote Noember 2. SEEING DOUBLE?



This is not a mirage, it's beach belles Toni Gaines and Jean Nathey basking in the Florida sun,

News From The San Francisco Office

By PAT CLANCY, P. E. VANDEWARK and CHET ELLIOTT Business Representatives, Local 3

San Francisco-A slack period in construction work has resulted in a large unemployed list at the present time.

Stone & Webster's job on the PG&E standby power station on Evans Avenue is still under full construction, with several of the brothers steadily employed.

Eaton & Smith has several track removed and street repaving jobs n progress at the present time.

M. J. Lynch has a large sewer job in progress on Haight St., with two rigs, pumps and compressors in operation.

Swinerton & Walberg has a considerable number of the Brothers employed upon an addition to the Standard Oil Building on Sansome Street.

M. &. K. Corporation has a pipe line job at Lake Merced and a new building for the Sailors Union in progress.

Clinton Construction Company's job at Mission Rock is in full progress with all of the rigs working

NEW BUILDINGS

Chas. Harney Company have several jobs in progress, including the excavation for the new Ice Arena at Duboce & Market Streets.

Ben C. Gerwick has one pile driver working on a new Bekins Warehouse at 20th & Harrison Streets, along with compressors and pumps.

Lowry Paving Company has several small jobs in progress laying underground conduit for the phone company, and PG&E, thereby keeping all of their regular encompressor operator now and then.

Associated Engineers have about completed their jobs at Lake Mer-

Standard Building Company's cats and shop is still in operation making additional room for more

Smith Rice & Haviside derrick barges are busy most of the time along the waterfront, and around the rest of the bay area water-

Cahill Bros, have two new building jobs under way on Florida St., with Devencenzi Bros. doing the excavation work.

Arnold Trucking Company is doing the excavating work for the new Standard Oil Building addi-

Ship repair work along the waterfront at General, Todd, and Bethlehem remains about the same, with an occasional call for an additional Engineer.

The junk yards are all busy, keeping the Brothers steadily employed.

PENINSULA DISTRICT

Bids were opened on the PG&E pipe line job August 6th; this project consists of twenty-two miles of twenty-four and thirty inch pipe starting at Geneva Avenue, San Francisco and terminating west of Belmont. This operation will employ many engineers due to the rough country over which the right of way travels, at the present time no information seems to be available as to who was the successful bidder on thise work.

Over on the coast in the Southern end of the district, Eaton & Smith are working on the finished grade and paving of their State Highway Contract.

Peter Sorenson is well started on the county highway project at San Gregorio. Several cats are employed on this work and Brother McClure who is in charge of operations informed me he will start some Tournapulls the first of the coming week.

At Half Moon Bay, L. C. Smith plans to begin work on the State Highway work awarded his firm any day now. This is a realigning and paving job.

On a visit to the various quarries along the Coast, they were found to be operating at full capacity and all the members of Local No. 3 employed there seemed to be happy.

The local contractors in this area, consisting of Guy F. Atkinson, L. C. Smith, Peter Sorenson, California Constructors, J. O. Arch- no accounting for tastes.

ibald, and many other are all busy on highway and subdivision work, which employs many engineers and results in our out of work list being reduced to a minimum. -HOUSES, AIRPORT

The major building contractors such as David Bohannon, Conway & Culligan, M. J. King, Williams & Burrows, Brentwood Company, and Standard Builders are also busily engaged on housing projects and the erection of many buildings.

In closing this report we have just received the information that the Morrison-Knudsen Company were the low bidders for the construction of the new runways at the San Francisco Airport.

Green Warns on Back Pay Suits Under Overtime

Washington-AFLPresident William Green, in a letter to all affiliated national and international unions clarifying the issues raised by the recent Supreme Court 'overtime-on-overtime" decision in a case involving longshoremen, has urged the AFL affiliates to refrain from filing court claims for back wages which may be due as a re-

sult of the decision.

Declaring that "only in a few cases will the Supreme Court decision affect existing overtime practices," Mr. Green said:

"It would seem particularly wise to avoid taking the matter before the courts and to work out instead, where necessary, whatever collective bargaining arrangements seem desirable."

The AFL leader warned that anti-labor forces may seize upon the court decision as an excuse to tear down the standards which have been maintained for many years under the Fair Labor Standards Act. He said:

"At the present time, management interests are supporting the Goodwin-Wiley bill which was introduced in the closing days of the last session of Congress. This bill purports to restore the conditions which existed before the Supreme Court decision, but would actually go much further and establish conditions under which unscrupulous employers might evade basic requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act."

Mr. Green said that an interpretation issued by the Department of Labor has dispelled most of the union and management fears concerning application of the court's decision.

"Most collective bargaining contracts with clauses concerning premium pay for Saturday, Sunday. or holiday work," he said, "will not have to be modified if the parties wish to continue existing practices." The basic question in the long-

shore case was whether the "overtime" rates set forth in the contract between the East Coast longshore industry and the International Longshoremen's Association constituted an "overtime" payment under the Fair Labor Standards Act. The court decision in favor of the employees immediately created a certain amount of confusion among unions and managements since they did not know to what extent the decision should be applied to their particular collective bargaining situation.

* * * After Tony Zale knocked out Rocky Graziano the other night, he remarked that prize fighting was easier than working in that Gary, Ind., steel mill. On the other hand, Benjamin Fairless would much rather be in the steel business than in the prize ring. There's

SACRAMENTO SHIP CHANNEL AND FOLSOM DAM ARE READY TO GO

By FRANK LAWRENCE and ED PARK Business Representatives, Local 3

Sacramento-Here in Sacramento the Deep Water Channel moves another step toward becoming a reality. The Port Commissioners are proposing a loan of \$500,000 to the U.S. Engineers to supplement the Government's appropriation of \$250,000 for initial work on this project.

If this is approved by Secretary | e let out on contract.

Ground breaking ceremonies for he Folsom Dam will be held early n September and the first contract et some time in the same month. The initial appropriation was only one million dollars so the first hase of this job will not be too arge, but will furnish some work or the members of Local No. 3.

Work on the 12th street subway vill be under way sometime this nonth. This job will not employ large number of Engineers but vill be a fairly steady job for the oys who do land on it.

George Pollock's job at Folsom as opened up with Brothers Ted Cox and Art Root doing the shift-

Superintendent, Brother Earl Baker of Excavators Inc., with the elp of Foreman Brother Jack Rutherford, is finishing up that outfits job on the levee and will e moving on to the Pollock job n the near future.

OUT-OF-TOWN JOBS

Raymond Concrete Pile Co. have Driver out at Sloughouse with Brothers Frank Pala and Al Bowing making up the crew for the Engineers, Brothers D. F. Marshale nd R. D. Brawley were also on his job with a George F. Casey Company drill rig. Brother Bill Covington is taking care of the Brighton Sand Co. end of the job. The Clyde Wood job at Michigan Bluff with Brother Harry Schueltze s foreman is still rolling along. The turn over on this job has een quite large but we believe his is due largely to the remote rea in which the job is located nd the fact that it is a camp job. Fredrickson Bros. have a crusher etup on their Grass Valley job with Brother Andy Setting in harge, Brother Butler and Keeler ave the bulk of the dirt moved nd are busy on the sub grade.

Fredrickson & Watson have comleted their job at Auburn and ave moved most of the boys orth. This outfit spent almost two ears in that neighborhood and o-operated very well with Local

MERICAN RIVER JOB

H. E. Parker has wound up his ob on Loomis but still has several igs working on the American liver levee under the supervision f Brothers Johnny Brown and eorge White. They should be noving in on their job on Putah reek in the near future.

Valley Trenching Co. started heir sewer job in West Sacramenlast week and have five of the rothers on the job at the present

ime, MacDonald Construction Co. ave another unit at the Rice Iill in West Sacramento and hould be getting this job underay soon. A lot of the boys had ome nice hoist jobs on the last nit built there.

Brothers Tom Gunter and Bill ass are running the cats on T. I. Montgomery job in Roseville. Brothers H. F. Gibson and Walt outsch working for Jones & Day

the Nevada City area.

EWS OF BROTHERS

Brother Larry Swenor is enjoyig a cool summer while running Elade for Winkle around Lake ahoe.

Quite a few of the boys are out or themselves now and we wish nem a lot of luck

Brother L. R. John has a Ford erguson and is picking up small rading jobs. Brother John is loated at 42nd Ave. and Sacramen-

Boulevard. Brother Hank Dunsing has a lade and roller of his own and an handle any job requiring this

ind of equipment. He can be eached at Rio Linda 83.

Royal, the construction of the have two draglines of their own parge canal will be under way in now which they keep busy in the he near future. This work is to Woodland area. Call Woodland 1792-W.

Brother Orval Martin is in the landleveling business down at Walnut Grove.

Brother Carl Ashman has invented a new drill wrench and we hope it is a big success. You can contact him at Box 278, East Sandburg Drive, Sacramento, Calif.

Quite a few of the Brothers have had tough breaks the past month and to them goes our hope for better days ahead.

the last month in Oregon taking care of his mothers affairs after she passed away July 2nd. We extend our sympathies, Dean.

We extend our wishes for a speedy recovery to the wife of Brother Jack Houver as we understand from Jack, she is quite ill.

Brother Art Dockter has been laid up with a broken ankle and a couple of fractured ribs which he received in an auto accident.

Brother D. F. McAdams has been laid up the past couple of weeks because of a back injury. Brother Bob Strickland still recuperating from an operation that has laid him up for several months. Brother Pat Billingsley made a

trip to the Mercy Hospital for an operation this past month. Brother George Zimmerman also spent part of the month in the

hospital. Brother Arthur Jones has been ill at home for some time. Brother Leo Wright is just recovering from injuries received when a Pull upset with him on

the Fredrickson Bros. job. UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THIS OFFICE WILL REMAIN OPEN ON WEDNESDAY EVENING FROM 7 P.M. UN-TIL 9 P.M. FOR THE CON-VENIENCE OF THE BROTH-ERS WHO CANNOT GET IN DURING THE REGULAR OF-

FICE HOURS.

Drive to Register 400,000 Persons On

(Release from State Fed. of Labor)

San Francisco,-Between today and September 23-final date for registering as a voter-a state-wide search will be made for 400,000 persons of voting age.

That's the estimate placed on those missing from the lists of registered voters-which is expected to exceed 5.000,000 in California

The registration for the June primary election was 4,632,129. And the percentage of vote cast was 54.8. Which means that 45 out of every 100 registered voters didn't go to the polls.

Out of the possible 5,000,000 voters, it is estimated that between 80 and 85 per cent will vote in the general election on November 2. This would mean a total of 4,000,-000 to 4,250,000 voters.

Important to these 4,000,000 or more voters is Senate Reapportionment, No. 13 on the ballot of propositions to be submitted to the voters. Senate Reapportionment means more equal representation in the State Senate and does away with the great inequality by which the larger counties are restricted to one State Senator. Inyo-Mono Counties senatorial district had 6519 registered voters for the June elections, with 3166 voting. Los Angeles County had 1,943,679 registered voters with 986,517 voting, Yet Los Angeles County has one senator "equalized" by Inyo-Mono's representation in the State Senate.

Register to return the government to the people and vote "Yes" on Proposition No. 13.

士 士 女

The oldtime ferry slip landmark at the foot of Broadway, Oakland, is being remodeled to accommo-Brother Lambert and Evans date a fireboat.

Paying, Surfacing Main Jobs in **Redding District**

By E. A. HESTER Representative, Local 3

Redding—Harms Brothers and N. M. Ball have been awarded the highway job out of Adin, Modoc County, about 15 miles in length, the bid being \$307,020. They have started moving equipment in on the project.

They are also working on the Churn Creek road job, about five miles south of Redding. Their big job at Shasta and Keswick Dam is near completion, and this has been a nice job. The excavating on the Frederickson and Watson job, between Anderson and Cottonwood is almost near completion, but have a lot of paving and surfacing to do.

Their job in Hornbrook seems Brother Dean Ketcherside spent to be going along in pretty good shape, although we have had some complaints from this job, and believe that it is because the business agent does not show up on the job every day. Just be patient, brothers, he will be there.

Work has slacked off a little in this district-not many men going out these days, and not much turnover on the jobs, due to the fact that all of the men seem to be satisfied on the jobs in this district. However, we do have a Federal road job coming up in Trinity County, and probably another highway job.

KESWICK POSTPONED

It was previously reported that the big job at Keswick Dam would be coming up for bid in July, but it has been postponed until September. The Bureau of Reclamation Engineers hope to have the plans completed by that time.

Clements and Company have been awarded another 27-mile surfacing job in Plumas County, beginning about a mile east of Chester. They are also well underway on their surfacing job out of Gazelle. We are having a little difficulty in obtaining certain type of men on certain classifications, such as box men, crusher operators and screed men. Also we can use an Adams paver operator.

Tyson and Waters are well underway on the new Anderson Fairgrounds, in Anderson. This is going to be quite an improvement, including a small race track. This is good for those that like that kind of sport. The fair will be started September 9, 1948.

Due to my two week's vacation I have been unable to visit the jobs to see just how things are developing, but hope to be seeing you boys a little more often.

ou boys a little more often.

Had a good vacation trip—made RECORDS Reno, Las Vegas, the Grand Canyon, Verdia Hot Springs (boiled APE) out). San Diego, showed one night and one day in Tijuana, Mexico, up the coast to San Francisco and then to Redding. The first vacation I ever had in my life-and I am feeling fine and thanks to all concerned. * * *

The very earliest stages of the Democratic Convention were spiced by Sen. Pepper pouring salt into other people's wounds.

Got Labor's Vote —And Remembers

Sheboygan, Wis. - Because secretaries of the chambers of commerce but not secretaries of labor organizations were invited to attend a meeting of mayors of a section of Wisconsin, Mayor Willard Sonnenburg of this city refused to attend.

"If we are to invite secretaries of chambers of commerce. then we should invite secretaries of labor organizations in these communities. It is my opinion that it is unwise to invite one and not the other," Sonnenburg wrote to Manitowoc's Mayor Herbert Schipper.

Sheboygan's mayor, a Democrat, was re-elected with the backing of both the AFL and CIO two years ago.

DAMS, CANALS, HIGHWAYS KEEP SOUTH VALLEY BOYS ON MOVE

By H. T. PETERSEN and G. LYNN MOORE Representatives, Local 3

Fresno-N. M. Ball Company submitted the low bid to the State Highway Department on the section of highway extending from Tipton north to the Tulare Airport, bid price \$593,-661. The company sublet the structures to Trewhitt, Shields & Fisher. This job should start operations as soon as contract is awarded.

GEO. FRANCE CO. started his secondary road job in Tulare County and during the next few weeks will have several pieces of equipment moved in.

OILFIELD CONSTRUCTION CO. submitted low bid on a section of highway at Stratford in Kings County and will start operation within the next two weeks. This job amounted to about \$200,000.

TED BAUN was low bidder on secondary highway job in Madera County and will work right away.

TREWHITT SHIELDS & FISH-ER submitted low bid to Highway department for a bridge located in Tulare County and have already moved in to the job. CITY STREETS

The City of Fresno recently announced that \$500,000 will be spent in this fiscal year for street and road improvements, mostly resurfacing work.

Word from the Army Engineers is that three and one-half million dollars appropriated for the Pine Flat Dam project will be expended for dam abuttments, construction of the balance of the highway relocation and clearing of timber from the lake side.

MORRISON AND KNUDSEN COMPANY making good progress on the Army Engineers contract on this project.

EARL PARKER will probably finish the north abuttment within the next two months.

A. TEICHERT SONS on the Mariposa Creek Dam are coming right along, will finish up in about November. FRIANT KERN CANAL

ARIZONA-NEVADA COMPANY are rolling along on their lining operation on the Friant Kern Canal and are doing other incidental work on their contract.

MARSHALL & HAAS subcontractors on the Ashbach & Steenberg section of the Canal have brought in the McBride & Britton spread, this job will soon be operating on the shift basis.

W. A. BECHTEL COMPANY have completed the Dry Creek siphon for the Bureau of Reclamation and are now working at Big Creek for the Southern California Edison Co. We have quite a few engineers on this job.

We have been in negotiations with the Pacific Coast Aggregates and Steward & Nuss regarding renewal of agreement for distributing yards and have been successful in receiving a 121/2c per hour increase, however, the new agreement is not signed as yet because of legal technicalities over other sections of the agreement.

Generally speaking the boys working in the rock and sand industry in this district, are all busy and probably will remain so throughout the year.

GUY F. ATKINSON CO. are starting paving operation soon on the Fresno City overpass and are making good progress on the highway job north of town. They have also started right of way clearing in the Taugus Ranch-Visalia Y highway job. This company will be in the market for more engineers in the near future.

Word from the Bureau of Reclamation is that 26 miles of the Friant Kern Canal will be submitted for bids, to be opened sometime in September also a call for bids on another section of the Delta Mendota Canal, which will be in this district.

Don't forget and send in your change of address. When mailing in your dues for the third quarter please send in your dues card too in order that the new one may be issued. Regular meeting August 26th, 8 p.m., at 1035 Broadway, Fresno, California.

Assets of 48 Firms Equal 1/2 Nat'l Debt

Washington-The 48 richest U. S. firms have total assets of \$114 billion, equal to nearly half the national debt, the Peoples Lobby Bulletin for July stated.

The 48 firms are members of what the bulletin called the Billion Dollar Club. Each has assets in excess of a billion dollars The Bell Telephone System heads the lists with assets of \$8.8 billion. Some 19 banks and 11 insurance companies are among the financial giants.

Register now-Vote November 2

New York.—The prewar 5 cents hamburger selling at 20 cents at a low-priced restaurant here July 14 was upped to 25 cents July 15. This boost was typical of the consumer price gouge throughout the

country as industry took advantage of a control-free economy to raise prices all along the line. With the Dun & Bradstreet wholesale index of 31 foods in general use soaring to a record-breaking level, still higher retail prices loomed before the food reaches the family table.

Flour, lard, cheese, sugar, cocoa and egg price rises were reported. Retail trade experts predicted that groceries and canned goods will continue to rise, keeping pace with zooming wholesale costs or outdistancing them.

Feed canning company spokesmen echoed the warning of retailers, blaming expected higher costs of raw vegetables and fruits for the rise.

A spot check of meat prices in 10 cities showed increases on all cuts the last two weeks. From spare ribs to T-bone steaks the story was the same. Housewives just had to pay more money-if they could afford to buy. In Miami lamb chops were selling at \$1.50 a pound. In Kansas City butchers were wrapping them up at \$1.39. Two weeks ago the average price was \$1.01.

Even the big business-controlled Natl, Industrial Conference Board admitted consumer prices were at a record high, releasing a June index figure of 164.4, compared with 100 in January 1939.

Recognizing the difficulty of buying meat on the average budget, the New York city market department recommended that housewives boycott meat and substitute fish. Immediately after this announcement, fish prices went up.

In June 1947, according to U.S. government economists, the minimum weekly budget to maintain a family of four in New York was \$64. A recent AFL survey shows most workers-who need much more money today—receive weekly wages far below that. Hotel, laundry, tobacco, cleaning and dying industry workers average \$40. Leather workers make \$42.40. In the metal trades the average is \$56.94.

The New York City Welfare Dept. estimates that at least \$20 weekly is needed for food. With rent and other items rising, the only conclusion is that workers are being forced to abide by Sen. Robert Taff's

advice of last spring-to eat less.

What's doing in the Oakland office

By Al Clem, Glenn Dobyns and T. D. Bryson, Business Representatives, Local 3

Oakland-We notice by glancing at the calendar that it is the first of the month again and time for us to write our portion of the news letter. Since our last report we have been busy negotiating agreements for members employed in the shops and various related industries in the East Bay area. With the assistance of Brothers Vic Swanson, Pat Clancy and C. F. Mathews we obtained a 10-cents-per-hour increase in wages for members employed by the Peterson Tractor and Equipment

Company, Buran Equipment Company, and Bay Cities Equipment Company, making the wage scale for Heavy Duty Repairmen in these shops \$1.95 per hour, with a paid vacation.

While perhaps this was not as much as we would have liked to receive, we believe that in taking conditions of the surrounding area into consideration, and the wages paid to secure men by some of the competitors of these fair firms, this increase was a satisfactory one for all concerned.

The members employed by the Rock, Sand and Gravel industries in this area also received an increase in wages, and during the past month we received a communication from the secretary of the Steel Erectors' Association informing us that they have notified all members of the association to put into effect a 15-cents-per-hour increase for all members of Local 3 in their employ, thus increasing the wage scale for engineers employed in steel erection to \$2.40 per hour and oilers to \$1.90.

The work situation in this area is still holding up well with 381 men cleared during the past month, and if nothing unforeseen happens we expect approximately two more months of good working conditions.

Getting Around the Jobs

The Fredrickson & Watson Company has 11 Engineers employed on the freeway job at the present time. This is one job that we believe everyone in Oakland is vitally interested in and are looking forward to the time when it will be completed, due to the traffic conditions in traveling to the East Oakland and Hayward area. This same company, which was the successful bidder on the Franklin Canyon project, has employed an old-timer on the job as superintendent, namely Bill McKinley. formerly with Macco Construction Company. It has always been a pleasure to do business with Bill and we wish him and this firm every success on the job. They are moving the equipment and operators in from Redding and by the time this goes to press we anticipate the job will be going full

Many of you who have traveled on Highway 40, from the Bay Area, no doubt have wondered about that curve on the three-lane highway just beyond Pinole, and we are happy to report that at long last the State of California has decided to do something about it. The J. Henry Harris Company, of Berkeley, has at the present time several pieces of equipment on the project extending the shoulders and widening the cuts, making this "death trap" into a four-lane highway. This is another project which we feel sure all will be glad to see completed.

Upon checking the S.U.H.B. job at Tracy, we find everything progressing as usual with a 10hour shift employed on the project at the present time.

The J. H. Pomeroy Company's job at the Columbia Steel plant at Pittsburg is drawing to a close and this is one major project which we are all sorry to see wind up. This company was in charge of the major portion of the expansion project at this plant for the past several months and has furnished employment to quite a number of our brothers. We would also like to add, at this time, that

for the Engineers that has been in this area for quite some time. To give you an idea of the magnitude of this job, we will endeavor to point out some of the accomplishments made thereon: one million yards of excavating; 7,000 tons. of reinforced steel, 7,000 tons of red iron; 11,000 tons of heavy machinery set in place; 105,000 yards of concrete poured; and 500,000 feet of conduit. However, for such a large project the Engineers employed, at the peak of the job, numbered only 66. Several of the brothers employed at the present time are putting equipment in condition and anticipate being finished in October. Brother George Germain, steward on the job, says that he is hoping to find another job as good in the near future.

Another newcomer in the aggregate industry is Mr. Soldini of the Inland Aggregate Company, who is busy building a plant just out of Niles, from which he anticipates on furnishing aggregate for the various building projects in the lower end of Alameda County and adjacent territory. Mr. Richard W. Gellerson is their public relations

WATERFRONT LANDMARK

Another of the old landmarks of Oakland is having its face lifted. We speak of the ferry slip at the foot of Broadway. This is being done to accommodate a new fire boat, which was recently obtained by the Board of Port Commissioners to protect the city's waterfront from fire hazards. This ferry slip was formerly used as a berthing place for the old "nickle ferry," which many of the oldtimers of the Engineers' Union will remember, for it was on this boat that many of us were forced to cross in the days of the depression. While this ferry offered not the best of service at that time available to the city, it offered the best of service that many of us could afford.

Brother James Noel is employed by the Los Gatos Construction Company on the dozer at the new P. C. A. plant at Elliott.

Brother Herb Gladrow has returned from the Middle West and is now operating the ditching machine for Underground Construction Company.

Brother Leon Taddie, who did such a fine job as steward at the Bethlehem Alameda plant, is now employed in ship repair work at Moore Dry Dock.

Brother George Harrison was in the other day and took a clearance for Alameda Crane Service to operate a crane.

Louis Biasotti & Sons have moved in their equipment on the Crow Canyon job. Al Regalia is the superintendent, with Brother Roy Copley as foreman on the job at the present time.

As you drive out Highway 50 you will pass the .Conduit Construction Company job where Brother Merle Barton has a crew of men jacking a pipe under the highway.

Many of the brothers in this area are interested in watching the horses run at Golden Gate Field and can feel well assured that the track will be in first-class shape, as Brothers Frank Grear and William "Ben" James are at the present time preparing this for the September meet. Brother Louie Solari, who was formerly steward at Bay City Equipment also like to add, at this time, that Company, is keeping the equip-it has been one of the fairest jobs ment in "A-1" condition.

Brother Nick Estok was in during the past month and deposited his withdrawal card as he is now operating a ditcher for E. J. Tobin Company.

Brother Harry E. Dick is employed with Thomas Rigging Company on the telephone building setting tile and hoisting frames for the windows.

Brother Troy Manzer is working in the Pittsburg area for the Bundelson Company and expects to move onto their larger job at Farrar Park within the next few

Brother Floyd Greiner is now shifting for Stanley Koller.

Another of the old timers, Brother Paul Beauchamp, is employed on the Roller for Independent Construction Company.

Brother Walt Medinas, having completed getting all of his crops in on his ranch at Farrar Park, is now running a cat on the Fredrickson and Watson job on the freeway.

Brother Bill Petschauer is on that shiny new trenching machine for Underground Construction Company.

Brother Jerry Thatcher controls the clamshell on John Petana's job on the outfall sewer in San Lorenzo Village.

J. O. Archibald Company has approximately eight members working on the Walnut Creek sewer disposal plant, which is located off the industrial highway just out of Concord. These boys came over with the equipment from San Mateo County.

The Stanley H. Koller Construction Company has completed one tunnel and is in 170 feet of No. 2. They are opening the heading on No. 3 also. Carl Brosmaner is the Superintendent on the job. Brother Harry James Drew is the Tractor Operator on the job, and on the Crane we have Brother Robert W. Speed as the Operator, with Brother Harold Root as the Oiler. Brother Ernest A. Rider is operating the Hoe and Brother Jack E. Bentley is the Oiler.

Earthmovers Inc., who have been working at the Sugar Refinery in Crockett, will have charge of the excavation for four 28th and Telegraph Avenue, in additional large sugar storage tanks on that job.

Stolte, Inc. is getting started this week on its new sewer job in the Walnut Creek area. This contract calls for 22 miles of sewer laterals, and all sides of the sewer pipe runs from six to 15 inches.

O. C. Jones and Associates of Berkeley were awarded the \$24,-321.50 contract for straightening and resurfacing the four-tenths mile of roadway on the highway leading from Martinez to Port Chicago, and it is estimated that this project will be completed by November 1st.

The Underground Construction Company has quite a large water line (20-inch pipe) job on 105th from Edes Avenue to East 14th Street.

The L. A. Young Spring and Wire Company is erecting a large modern factory building on the old Utah Bechtel yard site at 107th Avenue and Russell Street. Frank Evaldi did the grading on this job and Summerville Co. did the truss erecting.

McGuire & Hester have two rather large jobs going on at this time; a sanitary sewer job on Bay Farm Island, which they figure

Associated Iron and Metals' yard. job on 14th Avenue, which consists chiefly of 75-inch concrete pipe and numerous laterals. They are using about 15 engineers on

What the Brothers Are Doing

As we go along in our every day life we come to realize more and more that old saying-"one part of the world doesn't know how the other part lives"-for we have told you about all the good things which have been happening to our members in the different construction firms in this area, but there is one very unpleasant item that we have to report; that is, the passing of Mr. Rex Bostic, head of the Independent Construction Company. We would like to say. in his behalf, that we had always found him very fair and just to those who worked with and for him, and we feel that the officers and members of Local No. 3 have lost a true friend in his passing. To his family and friends we take this opportunity to offer our condolences.-It seemed as though God in his infinite wisdom seen fit to call another person connected with his firm who we all enjoyed working with; namely, Roy Bostic, who passed away the following week. To his family and many friends we also take this opportunity to extend our wholehearted sympathy in their bereave-

During the past month Brother 'Zeke" Scott, an old time member of Local No. 3, and a former member of Local No. 59, passed away suddenly. "Zeke" was Plant Foreman for the Heafey-Moore Com-

Brother Leonard Henderson also lost his life through an accident while employed by the P. & J. Artukovich Company, on the 19th Avenue job, and we wish to offer our heartfelt sympathy to his fam-

Brother Troy Taylor, Foreman for Pacific State Steel, is now taking a well-earned vacation.

Brother Charles Wray, who formerly worked for Underground Construction Company as an oiler, has purchased a gas station and is now open for business. It is the Signal Oil Station, located at Oakland. The station is open from :30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Should any of you members be passing the Herrick Memorial Hospital in Berkeley, drop in and see Brother Art Whitlock. Art was recently operated on and would enjoy seeing his friends. Also, while visiting, stop at the Merritt Hospital and see Bro. H. E. Schmidt, who has been confined there after an operation.

GOING OVERSEAS

A number of the boys have dropped in to bid us farewell before taking off for different parts of the world, among those leaving we have, Brother Charles Morrow, formerly employed as a heavy duty mechanic for N. M. Ball's shop, at 3rd and Delaware Sts., in Berke-Avenue, in Oakland, extending ley, who is now on his way to Arabia where he is going to be employed as a mechanic for Bechtel International. Well on their way to Greece, land of sunshine and olives, where they will act as Field Supervisors for Atkinson, Drake and Parker, we find Brothers Frank Booth and Clifford Dilley, who embarked on August 4th, by air for New York. Preceding them was Gilbert Tucker who will act in the same capacity and for the same firm.

Although we do not find Brothers Paul Harper or Paul Pebley will last four or five months. They going so far or flying so high,

Brother Kenneth Avery is now have ten Engineers employed on nevertheless they are leaving this sorting the scrap with a magnet at this job. Also, a large storm sewer area and are loading F. E. Young Company's Lorain 75 to go to work above Placerville for approximately seven or eight months.

> We are sure that many of you remember Brother Jerry Miller who was formerly steward at the Fairfield air base for M. &. K. and went to work for Asta Construction Company in Rio Vista. Jerry has now left the cats for a while under doctors orders and is working in the shop for Asta Construction Company. We wish Jerry a speedy recovery.

Brother Vernon O'Hare is the proud possessor of a new bride, and we extend our congratulations to

San Leandro's 4th of July parade consisted of many beautiful horses, but it was Brother Mel Sevey who nonchalantly, or maybe we should say-trotted away-with the first prize. In his spare moments Brother Sevey is out at the Hidden Valley Ranch putting his three horses through the paces.

Is this the season for fishing? If so, there are some people who don't believe the fish like it; namelv. Bro. Jacob Wilkerson. Brother Wilkerson went fishing in San Francisco on the beach and, mind you, the one that got away broke his fishing pole. That was on July 22nd and on July 23rd Brother Wilkerson went back. We haven't seen him since and are wondering if he was carried away? ? ?

Brother Claude Byrne returned recently from the Phillipine Islands where he had been working on a government dredge. He was gone nine months and has been back now for approximately four weeks.

Brother Stanley Sipes dropped in for a visit recently and after hearing "Stan" tell of his Crosley automobile and the roads in Alaska we're beginning to compare it with "Mighty Mouse."

Brother "Stubby" Walker and partner Brother George Landis, have purchased a Truck Crane with all attachments from the AI Williams Company. "Stubby" states that they are ready to go to work any time, and anticipate on buying another crane soon.

To You Brothers!

We hope that you and your friends have registered to vote. Those who have not may do so by coming into the office at 1444 Webster Street, Oakland, where we have a registrar to serve you.

DREDGE NEWS

The situation has not changed much on dredges during the past month. The Olympian Dredging Company has their dredge "Golden Gate" on a short job at the Bethlehem yard in San Francisco and they expect to finish by the end of August, unless they decide to do more work than at first anticipated.

The "Monarch" and the "Neptune" are still tied up in Rio Vista with prospects of going out soon,

The Hydraulic Dredging Company has finished their job at Hunters Point and tied the "Papoose" up. Their last report was that they had nothing in sight for the immediate future.

The San Francisco Bridge Company still has their dredge "Mac-Mullen" working at Mare Island Navy Yard. They have not as yet started pumping on the San Leandro Bay job. Charley Hover has two draglines on the job building levees around the disposal area and the Bridge Company is working a few men getting the pipeline ready and building spillways.

The Associated Dredging Company was the successful bidder on the Oakland sewer disposal job at San Leandro and are going to use the suction dredge "Sucker" and

(Continued on Page 11)

REDWOOD EMPIRE IN HIGH GEAR ON ONE OF ITS BUSIEST YEARS

By OTTO E. NEVER Business Representative, Local 3

Eureka-The Redwood Empire greets you brothers with news of one of its busiest years.

Basalt has just about finished the jetty contract. Although another \$500,000 has been appropriated, no one knows when or how it will be used. The entire amount will probably be

used to develop a new quarry site and a road between the jetty and tor and local politician, keeps sevthe quarry.

Underground Construction Company is making good progress on their b ridge and approach job on the south fork of the Smith River,

about 12 miles east of Crescent

We were present recently when a rigger at Basalt's quarry was fatally crushed by a heavy piece of A-rock. We wish you all to to know that Bros. Scotty Jenkins and Alonzo H. Crawford showed perfect presence of mind in directing the rescue work and recovery of the injured man. We take pride in our members who show their willingness to help their fellow man and who know how to take

other's life. Baldwin and Straub are well along on their high school job at Arcata, and if they strained themselves a little they could finish it in another 30 days, but they won't strain. They have joined with Art Siri in building the bridge and approach at Turwar Creek. Oldtimer Bert Toohig is operating for them, with Scotty Jenkins, Jr.,

charge in an effort to save an-

PLANTS ARE BUSY

as oiler.

Mercer-Fraser is running several jobs in different parts of this territory. They have finished their cement plant mix surfacing at Orick and have started the job between Little Red Hen and Orick. With another job to be let on the Del-Norte-Humboldt County line, the Orick plant will be busy all season. The Barber-Greene crew keeps fairly busy on mill jobs and spot work for the State, while waiting for some of the cement base to be completed. Brother Clyde Phillipsen (the overgrown "Temperamental Artiste" Hender- next issue. son runs the hot plant. Ellery "Heavyweight" Marsh is running interference as mechanic. Some find Brother N. G. Cole with a beaut of a shiner, and cut lip, and Oiler Henry Meadows with a pair of dark lamps. It seems that a screen door in the local gin mill Folsom Dam, two big Central Cal. slammed on them.

Lumber Company have started playing the leading role. their logging road north of Klamath. Their road will ultimately be out 30 miles long and accessi to two billion feet of timber.

Mercer - Fraser's hot plant at Essex is still busy with Brother Ed Gilmore in charge. This same of the fish this season, from the company keeps one or two piledriver rigs busy. Brother Gene beach, up the rivers and to the Brown is superintendent on their Scotia-Fortuna job.

Brother Louie Conner has six rigs going at Dolly Varden and Hammond Lumber companies. Brother Harry McVey is on the Hammond job.

Brother Tom Hull is doing a little work with his crusher plant at Hoopa with Brothers Jackson Howard on the dragline and Lou McConnell on the crusher. C. A. Dunn is finishing up his job at Weitchpec, Brothers V. M. Simmons and G. C. Barker are doing the catskinning and teaching the boys from Local 701 what Local 3's rules are.

BRIDGE, DREDGE JOBS

Fred Maurer & Son were low bidder on the job at Pearch Creek above Orleans to include a bridge and nine-tenths of a mile to be graded. Maurer also has 1/2 job on the Eureka High School gym.

The Associated dredge, Jupiter, is working again at the M. & M. Plywood Company, next to Hammond's Bayside mill.

Carlin Bros. have several rigs working. Part of them are at Fortuna for Mercer-Fraser, and some are at Dolly Varden in Arcata. Ex-brother C. E. Johnson, contrac-

eral of the brothers busy and in extreme cases will work six days. The extreme case would have to be a maternity case.

Phoenix Construction Company is still working at Piercy. They'll be done some day. H. W. Ruby is moving along on the job at Rock Creek with Brother Pete Ekberg the job at Longvale and should be done in 30 days.

Malfitano & Sons, Inc., and Macal Improvement Company were low bidder on the job at Whittmore State Park of 2.5 miles of road to be graded. They started work August 9th. Burman Bros. have moved on to their job at Bull Creek. They have bought two new jeeps. They are also well along on their job at Virgin Creek near Fort

Most of McEwen's equipment is rented to Atkinson, although Bergstrom manages to keep a little work scared up around town and in the woods. Evans Construction Company has started their bridge across Chamberlain Creek west of Willits.

Pomeroy is hooking up and laying steel at Noyo Creek, Fort Bragg, with a sub-contractor doing the concrete work. Plenty of work going on and more to be let.

Brother Pat Furnish dropped in the office the other day to say really going to town doing that hello and let us all know that he job. Crushing lots of rock, and got a truck crane for Dolly Varden Lumber Company and doing okay.

Our members in the woods are increasing and we have two elections coming up shortly. Brother Louis Morse is one of the brothers who is working in the woods. Many of the brothers in San Francisco muck. Snoosehound) is running crusher will remember him. Will have at Orick, while Brother George more of this information in the

For the good and welfare of the members in this area there will be a SPECIAL MEETING in the Eutime ago I drove up on the job to reka Labor Temple, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, August 28th. Members are requested to be present. * * *

Sacramento ship channel and projects, are ready to go, will be I noticed recently that Stimson under way soon, with Engineers

> * * * Corporate profits rose 90 per from 1945 to 1947, while cent wages rose only 30 per cent.

> * * Engineers are getting their share big run of striped bass on Frisco trout pools in remote mountain streams.

'Eat Less' Taft Invited to Eat Words

Cleveland. - Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.) was invited to "eat his words" by Chester Bowles, who proved that it costs too much to eat almost anything

"In June 1946 I said that if controls were destroyed, prices would rise between 25 and 30 per cent to the discomfort of the public," the former federal price administrator told an Americans for Democratic Actions meeting. Taft called his prediction "absurd" and said "I would have to eat my words," Bowles recalled.

"Records show that prices are 25 per cent higher than they were when Sen. Taft and his associates killed price controls in the stated belief that 'natural economic forces' would bring prices down. And prices are still going up," he warned.

Plant and Highway Work Are Chief Nevada Projects

By H. L. SPENCE Representative, Local 3

Reno - Hunt & Frandsen Construction Company is well along the way on the Hickison Summit highway job, between Austin and Eureka, Nevada. I understand the super, Brother Ding Turner, will be on the job soon, for he has almost finished the Hunt & Frandsen job in Newark Valley, east of Eureka, Nevada. I think "Ding" will have his new son on the No. 11 blade, for he has had lots of trouble keeping someone on that blade. I think Ed Duncan is about as pusher. Syar is well along on as good as the rest of the boys. However, Little Elmer Heenan! runs a close second to Ed.

Dodge Construction Company at Baker Junction is getting well along with their highway job, l the dear brothers the go-ahead signal. Dodge has a real nice camp, and very good eats; I know, for I have eaten there. The best pie, and home-made bread I have ever eaten. Dodge's job at Wells, Nevada, is progressing nicely, with two shifts on the rock crusher and shovel. The electric LeTourneau pulls are going strong, especially after Gordon "Skinny" Young came back to work. He was off for a few days with a bad "snoot." The cable broke, and "Skinny" banged up the cab a bit with his "snoot." "Skinny" has to set a pace for Brother Bud Jacobsen. Brother Bob Vicks and Brother Al Henderson, but they are all dirt movers . . . believe me!

Gibbons & Reed on the Pequop Summit job in Elko County is setting up the hot plant. They will start laying hot stuff this month. Roy Cram will be finished with the Cat work, but he has more Pull work to do. He has three Super Cs and three Cobras going strong every day moving lots of

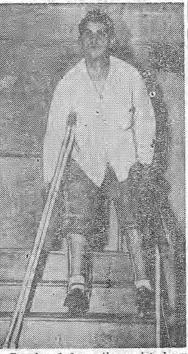
Silver States Construction Company, better known as Andy Drumm, is pretty well finished on most of his jobs, except his Carson City job and it is well along on its way.

H. Earl Parker Construction Company was low bidder on the Mt. Rose road job; will be moving in soon.

Isbell Construction Company is going along in fine shape on their Austin job. Isbell will start the street paving in Reno soon. * * *

Late in 1863 the Working Women's Protective Union was formed in New York City.

REHABILITATED



Paralyzed from the waist down as a result of a mining accident, Everett Boggs of Cumberland, Ky., shows how he learned to walk up and down stairs with the aid of leg braces and crutches. He was one of 400 miners treated in New York under the United Mine Workers

(unaffiliated) rehabilitation pro-

NORTH VALLEY AREA BUSY ON DREDGE, POWER, ROAD PROJECTS

By L. M. COLLETT and WM. C. WAACK Business Representatives, Local 3

Marysville-All of the gold dredge activities are centered about wage and contract negotiations. It is not a pleasant chore, by a jugfull, to haggle the merits of a wage increase. We know of the increases in all commodities, especially the essentials of life, but to convince the operators of these firms

that comparable increases should a new contract, and negotiations be effected in the wage structure is are coming along O. K. another story. Many of you oldtimers know of this condition. We do, however, report some headway and it is possible that by the time this is published and delivered we will know the answers. "I see by the papers," that Yuba

Consolidated is going to put a couple of rigs in the Yuba River "for a 25-year dredge program" to dig a 600 foot channel to a depth of 126 feet.

The gang at Snelling and La-Grange are asking again: "What with Brother Jack Chatelle giving | can the union do for us?" The answer is "When they join the union we shall see." Brother H. T. "Pete" Peterson and myself started on the Thurman and Wright "Doodle Bug" at Hornitos. It is possible that this rig will be signed up onickly

The big job of the union is to see that its members and their families are registered voters. You have until September 13th to get this into your system. On November 2nd you will have the opportunity to get some of these reactionary representatives in Washington out of your system. If you are a resident of Yuba Coun-

ty you can register at your union office, 312 E street, Marysville. Register now to vote in Novem-

MOUNTAIN PROJECTS

Feather River Canyon work is almost on full blast now for Al Huntington of M. & K. is moving in tunnel equipment to start the last phase of that kind of work. M. & K. are rapidly getting up their high lines and derricks on both dams and will start pouring concrete as quickly as possible.

Some of T. E. Connolly's crew are coming over from Jackson to start their Grizzly Creek adit and there is a bit of preliminary work to do ere they get started in full

Walso Company are going ahead with their tunnel and also on the foundation of the Rock Creek powerhouse. Brothers Gene Tufts and Ford Ferris are in charge of this job with Brother Mac Mac-Aroy as master mechanic.

Dixon and Arundel are doing the best they can and under trying conditions to get going full blast. They also have a locomotive at their Jackass Creek adit and I'm telling you that this office has been deluged with requests from various brothers wanting to try their hands at being amateur Casey Jones.

Brothers Red Hicks, Jack Doyle and Earl Crawley are the shop foremen for this outfit. Mr. Simpson, the general superintendent and I have had several meetings regarding wages and everything has come along O. K., but slowly.

Piombo Construction Co. just finished their project on the Rock Creek powerhouse and Brother Phil Dunn took part of his men to Marin County with him. We hated to see them go for our relationship has been most pleasant. Piombo road job is a tough one and Brother A. J. MacRae has moved in a Model 6 Northwest to help out there.

Delta Construction Co. and Sheldon Oil Co. have a job at Westwood on a state contract and have a full union crew.

Nevada Construction Co have a road job at Sierraville and this representative together with the Teamsters' Agent has spent a lot of time in there trying to straighten it up in shape. A real

with a couple of Local 3 members on the payroll.

We have had two meetings with Richter Bros of Oroville regarding tons-an-hour capacity.

News About The Brothers

During the past month Brothers M. L. Atkins and Carl Tanksley, both 3-A members, passed away and this office extends heartfelt sympathy to their families.

Brother Bill Clark is still on crutches suffering a broken leg, and will be off indefinitely.

Little Brothers have opened their shop and service station in Canyon Dam at the lower end of Lake Almanor and are ready for business. If you are in that country drop in to say hello.

Brother B. L. Smith has an interest in a sand and gravel plant in Quincy and will run union.

McGillivray Construction Co. has moved their hot plant seven miles north of Chico and Brothers Bill Hogue and Johnny Walling are doing a good job as foremen.

Dept. Reveals **Disabling Industry Accidents in May**

San Francisco.-During May of this year, reports of 43 fatal and 10,699 non-fatal disabling industrial injuries were received by the Division of Labor Statistics and Research of the California Department of Industrial Relations.

The decrease of approximately 1500 from the previous month in the number of reported disabling injuries reflects in part the long holiday week-end at the close of the month.

Manufacturing accounted for the largest number of fatal and nonfatal lost-time accidents, representing 28 per cent of the total, Food processing, lumber and timber and wire and steel contributed more than one half of the disabling injuries in manufacturing. Although almost all manufacturing industries reported a decrease in the number of disabling injuries in May, food processing, lumber and timber, petroleum products, and non-ferrous metals were an exception.

Trade ranked second among the major industry division, with 8 fatal and 1968 non-fatal disabling injuries in May. Three-fourths cf these were sustained by employees in retail trade establishments. Eating and drinking places reported the largest number (325) of disabling injuries in the retail trade group. Construction was the next largest with 8 fatal and 1825 nonfatal injuries. All of the fatalities and 89 per

cent of the non-fatal injuries were sustained by men. The largest number of injured men was in the 20-29-year age group (29 per cent); three-fourths were between 20 and 49 years old. The age distribution of women disabled in work accidents was generally similar to that of the men except that the largest number was in the 30-39 year age group. Eighty-eight minors under 18 years of age, 78 boys and 10 girls, were disabled in non-fatal work accidents. Six hundred and forty-seven workers 60 years old or over were injured, including 567 men and 80 women. Seven of the 567 men over 60 years were fatally injuried. * * *

Completion of the world's larg-Chittenden and Chittenden have est rock, sand and gravel plant a small bridge job out of Graegle this fall at Elliot, near Livermore, will shape out a \$7 million expansion program of Pacific Coast Aggregates, Inc., providing a 1700-

San Jose Area Busy On Highway Jobs And Dam Building

By M. G. MURPHY Business Representative, Local 3

San Jose-There is quite a little work in and around San lose. To start, in San Jose, Leo Piazza was the low bidder on the first unit of the Airport at a figure of approximately 314,-000. He expected to be started on this job by the time this report went to press—work to begin probably about the 10th of this month. This company also received another paving

Iniversity. In short, we can say Raiseh was low bidder on the Colenan Avenue job between Polhemus 52,000. This company also has everal other jobs and are mainaining a staff of about 20 opertors counting their hot plant and Less Walker, and Gus Anthenien, hops. . . . The Underground Contruction have moved in on a job hone company with Brother Pete pipeline job at Morgan Hill for he water company. Brother Laws s the "pusher" on this job. Howver, they expect to complete this n short time and will possibly nove to Monterey where they ave another good-sized project. Union Paving have discontinued onstruction operations on their Coyote Creek Hot Plant where Brother Bailes worked so hard nd so long to put it in operation. I understand Brother Bailes has

irst Street and are progressing bout as good as can be expected. onsidering all difficulties that they ave encountered. . . . Remmet construction Company has rented Northwest Model 25 from Rosenerg to do a ditchline off South irst Street. Dick informs me hey will not be here very long nd are going to move back to he city where he enjoys a cooler tmosphere. (Hope he's speaking f the weather).

The Atlas Pipe Company of

say.) This company, as you know,

akland has a sewer job at 17th nd Rosa, and Brother "Pappy" aws is the "pusher". He informs ob in Willow Glen District which ney intend to start, immediately. ... MacDonald, Young and Nelon moved in on their office buildig job on Lenzen Street, which in the neighborhood of \$500,000. aymond Concrete Pile is drivng the piling which consists of round 300 piles. Brother Potter nd Brother Marquess are on the hirly-Crawler rig. Brother Jerry othwell and his brother have loved in a Northwest Hoe and re doing the excavating work on nis job.

ANTA CRUZ

also moved in loving dirt. Granite Construction re driving some piling on this job, nd Ed Keeble and Heple still have full spread of Cats and Pulls on ieir setup. This job, as you know, ill not be completed until some me early in the spring of '49. . . F. C. Stolte are progressing their sewer disposal plant for is city. . . . Pacific Coast Aggreates and the Kaiser Company are inning their sand plants to capacy. Mr. Hill, who operates the old hodes and Robinson Quarry at alo Alto, have reopened the old eatherstone Quarry out of Felton nd is employing three (and exect to employ more) of our broths steadily, and are doing a good

ATSONVILLE OSS LANDING ASTROVILLE

W. W. Bird Construction have uble-shifted their rubber tire and t spreads on the levee job. Broth-Harley Davidson, superintendit, informs me they are now well lead of schedule and are proessing nicely and have high pes of completing this project October 15. . . Granite Conruction were low bidders on the

Alto which is adjacent to the pect to start operations immediately. . . . Ed Keeble is progressing hat Piazza has enough work to fairly well, also, with his bridge reep him busy for almost, if not, job on the Chittenden Pass road. ix months with a staff of about Raymond Concrete Pile drove the 20 or 25 engineers. . . . A, J. piling for this bridge job with Brother Alexander at the "hammer". We also have some welland the city limits-contract price, known brothers on the shovel, namely, H. M. Giovanetti and Fields. On the other euipment

there is Brother Charles Marines,

QUARRY JOBS Granite Rock of Aromas are n Alum Rock Avenue for the maintaining a high production schedule in their quarry at pres-Madrir as "pusher." . . . Martin ent. How long this will last is Brothers of Oakland are doing a not certain. This quarry is one of the most modern that I have seen and I'm sure it is capable of grinding out about 1000 tons per hour-base rock, screenings and concrete rock. Both of the Bucyrus Electrics are in steady operation and sometimes the Old Marion-and loading 15 and 20 yard trucks. Of course, this record is made possible only by the ability and efficiency of the present management and the help of a number of old-time operators on the 75 ccepted a job near Half Moon and 100B shovels and the locomotives, crane, and plant. Most of vorking on the widening of South these brothers have been at this plant for a decade or more, namely, the three Fly brothers (Bert, Owen and Sanford) and Brothers Totten, Sallow, Hardy, Mathews, Lewis, Cole and Hopper, on the locomotive crane-Williams, Balla, Wood, King and Bishop on the plant. There has been a vast change in the appearance of this place in the last few months while under the supervision of Lee Purtell. Roads have been widened, curves removed, grades reduced to a minimum, old shacks and cabins torn down and the accumulation of years of old worn-out parts and scraps removed from sight. It cerne they have another good-sized tainly is a neat looking quarry. MOSS LANDING

Macco Construction were low bidders on the rip rap job on the North and South Jetty at Moss Landing. The bid was \$138,000 and the job consists of 20,000 tons of stone. I understand there must be five and six-ton pieces placed on this job and that most of it will be imported from their Brisbane Quarry. I was informed recently by Mr. O. H. Tucker, superintendent on the Los Padres Dam, that they have not as yet received the "go" signal put it is expected momentarily. . . . As N. M. Ball and Baker Bros. have a matter of record, I would like puble-shifted on their highway to inform the brothers at the Moss Landing Permanente plant, that everal Ukes and are now really Brother Edgar L. Armstrong has been duly elected to act as steward at this plant until further notice. If any difficulties arise on the job which cannot be peacefully ironed out, please take them up with Brother Armstrong and he in turn will inform me at this

> I have been informed F. C. Stolte Company were the low bidders on the Castroville sewage line project. I do not have the contract price on this job. However, the Charles MacClosky company of San Francisco were awarded the contract for the sewage disposal plant. Contract price, a little over \$100,000. C. K. Moseman, general superintendent, informs us they will be using three or four operators in the near future. . . . Brother Henry Baker has just received his excavating and grading contractor's license and has several small jobs in operation. Henry is well known in this territory for his ability as an engineer and a fine fellow. He should do very well for himself. I'm sure we all wish him the best of luck.

SOLEDAD - KING CITY -

SAN ARDO

in Juan-Watsonville highway job pipeline job at Soledad. Brother to the network of power lines serv- tra plant replaces a veteran plant from this river. They are shown

Granite Construction have their ba and Jack McCune, for sending Hot Plant going to capacity at King City and for the same project—the highway stretch between San Ardo and King City. They have three or four blades and rolleis and a Barber-Green paver in operation. Needless to say, in this southern territory, you will always see a piece of Granite's equipment

in operation somewhere. CARMEL - MONTEREY Granite also have several jobs going in Carmel, Monterey and Salinas. . . . M. J. Murphy, Inc., and Johnson & Butts Co. manage to keep a number of engineers employed between the hot plants and their sand plants. Monterey Sand Company, Prattco & Lapis plants are also running to capacity. Space will not permit the mention of all small jobs. . . . Now, for some highlights on the Los Padres Dam. The contract price was \$848,-000-the yardage on this job is in the neighborhood of 800,000 yards (so far, they have moved around 70,000) - concrete to be poured, 5,000 yards. The general superintendent is O. H. Tucker, the assistant superintendent, Brother A. J. "Buck" Hope - the excavation foremen are Brother M. E. "Pappy" Schmidt and Brother Trace Baker. Brother Lex Hobson is the master mechanic. Now then, on the equipment-one N.W. 80, one Lorraine dragline, 10 D8's, six 16yard carryalls, one model 12 blade, a grissly, a screening plant, a batch plant and eight 20-yard (rock body) dump trucks. Manpoweron the 15th of July there were approximately 100 men which number will be increased to approximately 200 when they reach full capacity. They just recently double-shifted the cats and shovels and they intend to start the batch plant rolling before very long. There is a nice camp on this job

NEWS OF THE BROTHERS

Brother Ed Ninn, shovel mechanic for Macco at Las Padres Dam and who suffered an injury on the job, has been released from the hospital and has returned to his Chiang Kai-Shek dollars to buy \$1 former duties. . . . Brother Jim Aregger (reported in last month's issue) has also recovered sufficiently to take on a foremanship job of New York appointed a commitwith Macco on the dam. . . . Thanks to two brothers, Jack Bar- in the trade.

and the food is good and at a

nominal price-\$3.00 a day, board

and room. This job should be

complete some time in December.

add that Ferguson Bros. have just

about completed their job at Big

. While in this district, I may

us a penny postcard asking us to remove their name from our "outof-work" list after they secured employment in another district. That's the kind of courtesy that really helps to make a better organization, give better service, and distance phone calls. Thanks again and let's hope more brothers will follow your example.

Sorry to say that Brother Fred Thompson, who was reported seriously ill in our last issue, passed away July 18th. Many of the oldtimers remember Fred and I'm sure all who knew him will greatly miss him. . . . One of Keeble's men, Brother Albert Erickson, had an ankle broken and was cut up pretty badly recently when his motorcycle collided with a car on his way home from work. . . . Brother Floyd R. Wick is such a trusting fellow. He sends me a blank check with which to pay his dues. It's a good thing it was right after pay day. Floyd is with Fredricksen & Kasler at San Luis Obispo.

Upon reporting to the office for work last Tuesday, I found that someone had forcibly entered the office during the night. Both the outside and the inner doors had been pried open, also both desks. Nothing was taken, however. What little money we did have was in the safe and it wasn't molested. ... Brother M. B. Booker (formerly with L. C. Smith) was in the office and took out a withdrawal card. He is going to the Federation of Malaya tin mining. Says if any of the brothers feel in the mood, to drop over and see him some week-end—it's only 12,000 miles. . . . Mrs. Thomas (Lydia) Graham, secretary in the San Jose office, wishes to express her deep gratitude to the officers and members of Local 3 for the beautiful floral offering and kind expression of sympathy over the loss of her

Chinese Strike

Shanghai.-Workers at Tientsin, North China port held by Chiang Kai-Shek's government, have struck for a three-fold increase in wages to meet skyrocketing inflation. It now takes 10 million U.S. currency.

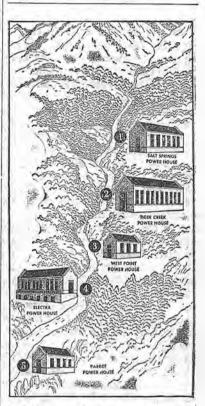
Early in 1850 the Printers Union tee to investigate labor conditions

Sacramento Local 39 (Continued from Page 6)

Brother R. Odom, who a couple of years ago took some good advice and went to work at the Crystal Dairy, is doing a nice job save the Union's money in long and is well liked by the chief and the owners of this plant. Brother Arch Orr, chief engineer at the Baker Linen Supply, seems to be very well satisfied, but has a habit of paying his dues and then running off without his book. He has too much confidence in this office; he knows he will get his book back. Brother Glen Orr, holding down a watch, at the Bercutt Richards Cold Storage Plant, is anxious to hear what kind of a party we are going to have at our September meeting of the Sacramento District.

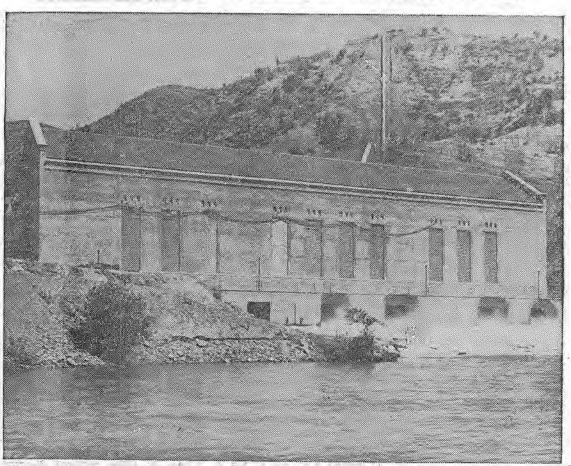
> During the month of June and July we have placed six engineers on steady jobs, signed up four new engineers, and placed 13 engineers on temporary work. * * *

> During 1947, 2,700 deaths resulting from accidents occurred in the manufacturing industry.



Mokelumne River water is used five times in the production of 270,000 electric horsepower and not a drop is consumed. It is borrowed momentarily then returned to the streambed for irrigation, domestic water supplies and other economic and natural purposes.

Mokelumne River Harnessed to Produce Power



In the heart of the Mother Lode, California's most famous gold field, the waters of the Mokelumne River have been harnessed to pour E. T. Haas has about a month's 133,000 horepower of electricity in-

nia. The new Electra plant, shown above, is now in service. Members of Local 3 have figured importantly in this and other big power projects now under way. The Elec-

site which has been in continous service since 1902. The old Electra served San Francisco its first hydroelectric power. Electra is one of five power houses taking water a figure of \$128,000. They ex- Ed Steele is the operator. . . . ing Northern and Central Califor- of the same name on an adjacent in the accompanying diagram,

UTAH IS VERY BUSY, SHORT OF EN IN ALL CLASSIFICATIONS

By C. L. CASEBOLT, J. E. RILEY and C. R. VAN WINKLE Business Representatives, Local 3

Salt Lake City-During the past month so much has happened in Utah it would be impossible to enumerate it all. Perhaps the most outstanding event was the Eleven Western States Conference of Operating Engineers. The meeting was held in Seattle and we believe a great deal of good will come

from those meetings. However, the full details will be presented by try and the additions to the presthe San Francisco office. Person- ent industrial facilities in this state ally, we deeply appreciate being able to attend this meeting and the Operating Engenieers. The hope to attend many more such work this year is distributed over conferences in the future.

SHORT OF MEN

tremely short of skilled mechanics in our line of work and who would it has been in the past. like to spend the balance of the summer and fall in Utah, should get in touch with one of our offices immediately. Supplying competent INCUSTY REPORTS engineers to the contractors has become a major problem and is WOINCIS OUTDUI causing us great concern.

Another one of our larger problems at the present time is enforcing the A.G.C. agreement. We find a great number of contractors inclined to chisel. We have a number of meetings scheduled with fording industry additional sources contractors' signatory to the agreement. We hope to iron out these difficulties around the table, however, if that is impossible we will force arbitration and perhaps civil suits as fast as we are able to get to them. This involves a great deal of delay and expense, but nevertheless Local No. 3 will live up to

its obligation to the letter and intend to see that the other parties do the same. NEW AGREEMENT

Since the last article was published we have concluded several agreements, leaving the Pacific Bridge Company at Park City, Utah, and the Rock, Sand & Gravel wage question yet to be settled. plant layouts, more efficient mate-There also will be some further discussions regarding money for our members employed in the quently in explaining reasons for Iron Mining Industry at Cedar City, the increase in production. Utah. These we hope will all be cleared up within the coming

The large number of new indus- Taft, Stassen and Martin?"

give promise of a rosy future for the entire state and not as usual in the vicinity of our three largest At the present time we are ex- towns. Those familiar with Utah can readily see the difficulty for in all of our classifications. There your Business Representative to be are several more large jobs to be everywhere at once, but thanks to let this month so we are assured the good efforts of our membership of steady work until the weather the problem of policing each indishuts us down. Anyone experienced vidual job is not near as great as

New York .- Worker productivity, which increased sharply during the war, is still on its way up, of of profit, according to a survey by the Natl. Industrial Conference Board, big business-sponsored research outfit.

Two-thirds of all companies cooperating in the survey reported an increase in productivity, 10 per cent reported a decline and the rest said there was no change.

Among companies which said they are getting more out of their workers than a year ago were automobiles and equipment, industrial machinery, machine tools, office equipment, paper and steel.

New and improved equipment and tools, decreased labor turnover, better production methods and rial handling and adoption of incentive plans were cited most fre-

Question asked by a wishful thinker: "What ever became of

STEADMAN & POWELL

CONTRACTORS D-2 LOADER - HOURLY OR VARDAGE BASIS

ANdover 1-0883 Oakland, California 1034 - 45th Ave.

WIRE ROPE @ BLOCKS @ CABLE CLAMPS @ SHACKLES J. R. FEENEY

WIRE ROPE SPLICING AND SOCKETING ALL WORK MADE TO ORDER, GUARANTEED AND INSURED Office: 5822 Shattuck Shop: 5817 Shattuck Ave. OLympic 2-8789

GARFIELD

SAN FRANCISCO 3 1232 HEARST BLDG. SUtter 1-1036

BAY CITY Power Shovels, Cranes, Draglines, Truck Cranes SMITH Truck Mixers, Tilting and Non-Tilting Concrete Mixers



A. F. of L. Headquarters

805 E. WEBER STOCKTON

AIR CONDITIONED CLUB ROOMS IN BASEMENT OPEN 8 A.M. TO 12 P.M. Under Management of Harry W. Metz OPEN SUNDAYS



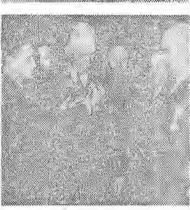
HERE'S THE Sign of the Finest SERVICE

HALF MOON BAY Half Moon Bay 4443 BRENTWOOD

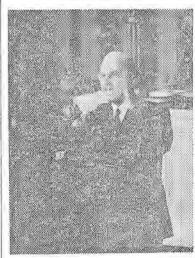
PICTURE NEWS OF THE YEAR

that has passed since Labor Day, 1947 is one of the most momentous in labor history. These 12 months are most famous as the year in which the Taft-Hartley law went into effect. Much violence and rule by injunction was due to the spirit and letter of that law. Other things happened last year which might, in the long run, mean more to the American labor movement than the temporary setbacks suffered under Taft-Hartley. The Marshall plan was put into











Washington (LPA) - The year operation and labor extended its alliances with large parts of the activities in the international field. At home, there were new political

(Left)

A forerunner of the '48 election campaign came almost immediately when Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, new GOP candidate for the Presidency, made passes at a cow in an effort to woo the farm vote,

Secretary of State George C. Marshall impressed the CIO Convention with one of his first public speeches on the European Recovery Program, now being administered by ECA. CIO Secretary-Treasurer James B. Carey pins a badge on Marshall while President Philip Murray looks on.

In Chicago, the Intl. Typographical Union-AFL went on strike, starting a series of legal battles against the Taft-Hartley Act.

President Truman called Congress into session and asked for many of the things which he was still asking for at the beginning of the special session in July. European aid funds were passed but housing, price controls and other anti-inflationary measures were not provided for.

At the convention of Americans for Democratic Action (l. to r.) AFL President William Green, Mayor Hubert Humphrey of Minneapolis and President Walter Reuther of United Auto Workers-CIO agreed that labor must unite to fight for a liberal Congress in this election, (LPA),

(Right)

High prices, which were news all year, were dramatized by Congresswomen Helen Gahagan Douglas (D., Calif.) who went shopping in the Capital's lowest priced chain store and displayed her purchases in Congress the next day.

New York cops displayed brutality which brought a storm of protest in the Wall Street strike of United Financial Employees-AFL. Pickets were clubbed and beaten even after they were lying helpless on the ground.

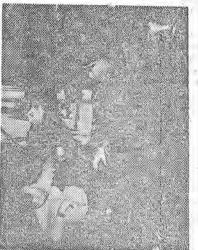
In South St. Paul, Minn., the National Guard was called out to 'restore order" on a picket line of United Packinghouse Workers-CIO. Guardsmen armed with machine guns forced peaceful pickets aside as scabs were brought into the Swift & Co. packing plant.

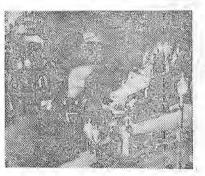
Strikers at the Chrysler Corp. look at a paper bearing news of the General Motors wage settlement which broke the third-round resistance of big industry for wage increases. GM and United Auto Workers-CIO signed a pack which for the first time recognized labor's right to share in the profits of increased production.

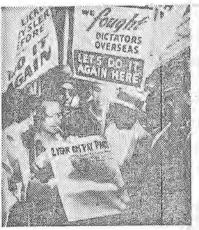
Local President James Price was shot through the face when a machine-gun blast interrupted a peaceful strike meeting in the home of a member of Nat'l Farm Labor Union-AFL, on strike at the Di Giorgio ranch near Bakersfield, Calif. Price surprised everyone by recovering and announcing "takes more than that to kill an Okie." (LPA

labor movement wavering at times in their traditional support of the Democratic Party. Every branch of the union movement now has its own "political arm." The Communists were singled out and rallied to the support of Henry Wal-lace and the new Progressive Party. Union pressure broke the employers' "united front" and won third round wage increases. But the average worker is still suffering under ever-mounting prices.











Permits for Workers U.S.Accepts State Age

California as a state in which state age, employment or working certificates or permits shall have the same force and effect as federal certificates of age under the Fair Labor Standards Act (federal wage and hour law) has just been renewed by the U.S. Department of Labor.

This was announced here by John R. Dille, regional director for the Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions, U.S. Department of Labor, in the eight western states.

Effective for a year beginning July 1, Director Dille said at his the progress of arbitrary power." headquarters, 150 Federal Office wrote a Jeffersonian in 1797, "is Building, such certificates or per-

San Francisco.-Designation of mits issued by California will continue to be accepted as proof of age by the Divisions in inspections of establishments for compliance with the child labor provisions of the federal wage and hour law. He advised employers to obtain proper certification for all young workers, to avoid penalties the law provides in cases of illegal employment of boys and girls under 16, generally, and under 18 in occupations declared to be haz-

"Every attempt to restore the liberties of mankind or to check now styled Jacobinism."

Shoe Workers Strike At Wage Cut Proposal

Chicago.-A pay cut proposal by the Shoe Manufacturers Association here was answered by a strike of more than 1,000 members of Joint Council 25, United Shoe Workers. Instead of meeting the union demands for a 15-centshourly wage boost and a raise in the minimum rate to \$1 hourly, the manufacturers countered with a 10-cents-hourly reduction offer and a lowering of the minimum wage from 80 cents to 70 cents.

A Philadelphia cordwainer was fined five dollars for contempt of court in 1806 when he arose during a labor trial and shouted, "A scab is a shelter for lice."

Daily report of awards for construction

(Compiled by P. E. Vandewark) JULY 7, 1948

SEBASTOPOL. Contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., P.O. Box 411, San \$30,288 for resurfacing. Mateo, \$46,209 for laying steel mains in Sebastopol.

GILROY. Contract awarded to Grannite Const. Co., Ltd., Box 900, Watsonville, \$11,971 for resurf. Eigleberry St., betw. 7th & 9th streets, betw. Eigleberry and Monterey.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded as follows for vitr. sewers:

(1) Carleton Tract. To: L. G. Lentz,

Sutterville Road, Sacramento, \$44,520.

(2) City Farms #4-To: A. Teichert & Son, 1846 37th Street, Sacramento, \$68,205.

(3) Fruitridge Park-To: A. Teichert & Son, 1846 37th Street, Sacramento, \$88,611.

WATSONVILLE. Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Ltd., Box 500, Watsonville, \$15,959 for grade & surf. Wall Street, betw. Main & Walker.

GILROY. Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Ltd., Box 900, Watsonville, \$6277 for resurfacing Carmel St., betw. 1st & 5th streets.

SAN LEANDRO. Contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, P.O. Box 96, Elmhurst Station, Oakland, \$11,944 for const. curbs, gutters and sidewalks on

Contract awarded ANTIOCH. Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., & M. H. Hasler, Room 203, American Trust Bldg., Tracy, \$4,418,810 for constr. of earthwork, conc. lining & struc., Sta. L-774-00 to Sta. 686-00, Delta1Mendota Canal, Central Valley Proj., Calif., 3 mi. S.W. of Tracy to 9 mi. S.E. of

JULY 8, 1948 SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Miller & Henkle, 930 Monte St., Fresno, \$19,755 for rental of equipment & furn. & place & detonate explosives for examin, & sampling stream gravel & foundation matl. at & near proposed dam site, San Joaquin River Basin under Spec. No. 516-0.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to L. Biasotti & Son, Box 587, Stockton, \$203,371 for 1.8 mi. grade & surf. with plantmix surf. & conc. pavement on cr. run base, on Crow Canyon Rd., betw. 0.2 mi. S.W. of County line and State Hwy. Rte. 107 near San Ramon, ALAMEDA AND CONTRA COSTA

COUNTIES. UKIAH. Contract awarded to Kenneth Whited, 5816 Mendocino Ave., Oakland, \$15,740 for const. two span reinf. conc. bridge across Thornton Creek, 2½ mi. N.W. of Potter Valley

in MENDOCINO COUNTY. WATSONVILLE. Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Ltd., Box 900, Watsonville, \$26,746 for water services

at 14th Dist. Agricultural Assn. SAN JOSE. Contract awarded to E. A. Hathaway & Co., San Jose, \$97,901 for const. of addnl. school facil. at the Lincoln. Glen Elem. School, at 2175

Lincoln Avenue. MODESTO. Contract awarded to James L. Singleton, Modesto, \$12,259 for furn. one 46 and one 35 passenger

Junior College school buses. SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to Cleveland Wrecking Co., 2800 3rd St., San Francisco, \$3130 for wrecking the McAllister St. car house.

JULY 12, 1948 Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$116,732 for const. sanitary sew-

erage, outfall and collection system in the District, MONTEREY COUNTY. SALINAS. Contract awarded to Charles MacClosky, 112 Market St., S.F., \$111,210 for const. bifiltration treatment & pumping plant in the District, MONTEREY COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to S.F. Water Dept., 425 Mason, S.F., \$86,721 for laying 12" and 16" C.I. mains in Steiner, Franklin and Green Streets, under WD #480.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded & 21st Streets. to Charles L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S.F., \$7220 for const. bus pits at Elkton Yard, under Munic. Ry Contr.

SAN FRANCISCO, Contract awarded to Charles L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S.F., \$15,179 for grading & paving

south portion of Elkton Yard, under Mun. Ry. #301. JULY 14, 1948

SALINAS. Contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oak-land, \$116,732 for const. sanitary sewerage, outfall & collection system in the District, MONTEREY COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Nevada Constrs., Inc., P.O. Box 313, Reno, Nevada, \$112,810 for 5.6 mi. grade & rdmx. surf., betw. Sierraville & 5.6 mi. N., SIERRA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1846 37th St., Sacramento, \$111,868 for grading & paving & sewers in Sierra Oaks #2

SAN FRANCISCO. Contracts awarded as follows for the following: (1) N. Point St., betw. Mason and Improvement Co., Phelan Bldg., S.F.,

ALAMEDA. Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 66th Ave., Oakland, \$196,617 for inst. Bay Farm Isl. Interceptor Sew. Sys. & Force Main from S.W. corner of Golf Course to San Leandro Channel.

JULY 15, 1948

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to E. C. Braun Co., 2115 4th St., Berkeley, \$6642 for improvements to berthing facilities, Navy-Marine Corps Reserve Training Center, Oakland, under Spec.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Malott & Peterson, 2412 Harrison St., S.F., \$54,867 for flangeways along track & crane rails & new wearing surf. on N. Marginal Wharf, U.S. Naval Supply Center, under Spec. #20378.

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, \$19,441 for R.R. track & pave, Spec. # 20379.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Tyson & Watters Co., P.O. Box 1914, Sacramento, \$13,440 for grading and paving at the Preston School of Industry, near Ione.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to Eaton & Smith, 715 Ocean Ave., S.F., \$24,400 for paving & repairing of various areas at Marine Corps Depot of Supplies, Islais Creek & Central Depot Area, under Spec. #19717. NORTH SACRAMENTO. Contract

awarded to Downer Corp., P.O. Box 638, Sta. "A" Stockton, \$650,069 for const. vitr. sewers in the district.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Theo. B. Lindblad, 1923 12th Ave., Sacramento, \$9952 for snagging job in Sacramento River, Knights Landing to Colusa, under Spec. #517-0.

NAPA. Contract awarded to Pacific Coast Bldrs., 2530 18th St., S.F., \$726,-476 for const. Academic Bldg., Jefferson St. & Lincoln.

OAKLAND. Contracts awarded as follows:

(1) Schedule #1. Contra Costa County-To: Assoc. Electrical & Mechanical, 223 Clara St., S.F., \$50,825 for installing 20,400 1 ft. 2" to 12" C.I. & Asbestos Cement water main in CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

(2) Schedule #2. Alameda County To: John Pestana, 16411 E. 14th St., San Leandro, \$38,913 for 20,100 1 ft. 4" to 8" C.I. & asb. cement water mains in ALAMEDA COUNTY.

LOS GATOS. Contract awarded to E. A. Hathaway & Co., 1095 S. 5th, San Jose, \$100,990 for const. two new elementary school classroom bldgs., on S. side of Los Gatos-Almaden Rd., ½ mi. W. of Union Ave., SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

JULY 16, 1948 IRVINGTON. Contract awarded to John Pestana, 16411 E. 15th St., San Leandro, \$117,371 for const. additional sewers in Irvington Sanitary District.

DINUBA. Contract awarded to Valley Paving & Const. Co., Inc., 165 N. "H" St., Fresno, \$21,655 for resurfacing

DINUBA. Contract awarded to Gene Richards Co., P.O. Box 1349, Fresno, \$2621 for aprox. 6500 sq. yd. grading & oiling, Vermont Tract and 1280 sq. yd. grading & oiling, North "O" Street.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded SALINAS. Contract awarded to \$3549 for asph. conc. pave on Keith St. to Fay Impr. Co., Phelan Bldg., S.F., (NW1/2), betw. Armstrong & Carroll ives., under Spec. No. 20.

> CARSON CITY, NEVADA. Contract awarded to J. M. Sumsion, Springville, Utah, \$186,186 for 26.60 mi. grade & apply liquid asphalt, on Rtes. #11 & #43, ELKO COUNTY (FAS Rd. 571, from Elko to Wold Horse Reservoir, under State 571.

JULY 19, 1948

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to E. F. Hilliard, 834 56th St., Sacramento, \$2296 for concrete pavement of Alley betw. "O" & "D" Sts. and 20th

FAIRFIELD. Sontract awarded to P. J. Moore & Son, P.O. Box 504, North Sacramento, \$33,382 for 1.6 mi. grade & surf. County Road #67, near Vaca-

JULY 20, 1948

SANTA ROSA. Contract awarded to C. S. Phillips, 139-A Redwood Hwy., Petaluma, \$34,591 for reconst. Montgomery Drive bridge across Santa Rosa

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Parish Bros., P.O. Box 6, Benicia, \$1,179,479 for 4.7 mi. grade & concrete pave & const. 2 R.C. bridges betw. Ledgewood C. & 3.5 mi. E. of Fairfield. SOLANO COUNTY.

SAN MATEO. Contract awarded to Eugene D. Badger, Box 232, Redwood City, \$31,973 for const. a levee from San Mateo Creek to Coyote Point, under R.I. #46-18B.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1846 37th St., Sacramento, \$3448 for asph. conc. surf. on 44th St., betw. "G" & "H"

JULY 21, 1948

(2) Portola Drive, betw. Teresita Modesto, \$24,776 for grading, pave-bridge & 2 R.C. culverts at Redwood Oakland, \$232,156 for const. sanit. & Blvd. & St. Francis Circle—To: Fay ment widening, const. curbs, gutters, & Slough, Deep Slough & Tidal Slough, storm sewers in Kifer Road & Stockton drainage facilities, on State Hwy. Rte. #4, from E. Olive St., northerly along Hwy. Rte. US99, N. Front St., & on diagonal Street to N. Center St. & Geer

> STOCKTON. Contract awarded Heringer & Co., P.O. Box 606, Rio Vista, \$44,507 for const. a conc. & steel ford & 1.8 mi. N., KINGS COUNTY. bridge across Littleiohn Creek near Farmington, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

ALAMEDA. Contract awarded McGuire & Hester, 796 66th Ave., Oakland, \$15,207 for const. storm water sewer in Fountain St., south of Calhoun Street.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to M. Malfitano & Sons, Inc., P.O. Box 750, Pittsburg, & Macal Improvement Co., Rte. 1, Box 99, Antioch, \$73,247 for 2.5 mi. grade, betw. W. boundary of Whittemore Grove Park & 2.5 mi. west, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

EL CERRITO. Contract awarded to E. J. Tobin, 1000 Carleton St., Berkeley, \$28,692 for const. vitr. sewers in Dist. #6, Navalier St. & Dist. #8 Arlington Manor.

JULY 23, 1948

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 66th Ave., Oakland, \$16,882 for const. of conduits on

Snell St., betw. Lion Creek & 73rd Ave. BERKELEY. Contract awarded to Carrico & Gautier, 365 Ocean Ave., S.F., \$559,399 for general work on construction of Units 6 & 7 California School for Deaf.

JULY 26, 1948

SAN JOSE. Contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose, \$13,207 for excavating & asphalt conc. surface on Willoughhurst Ave., Hurst Ave. & Birch Ave. in Supervisor's District #4, SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

MODESTO. Contracts awarded as follows: for grade, surf. roads in Stanislaus County.

(1) East Ave., 4.5 mi.-To: Standard Materials Co., 1411 9th St., Modesto, \$21,697.

(2) Keys Road, 4.5 mi.—To: Geo. Reed, 430 Laurel, Modesto, \$19,998. (3) Claribel Road, 2 mi.-To: Geo. Reed, 430 Laurel, Modesto, \$7583.

(4) Whitmore Road, 3.75 mi.-Geo. Reed, 430 Laurel, Modesto,

(5) Murphy Road, 1 mi.—To: Geo. Reed, 430 Laurel, Modesto, \$4312. (6) Patterson Road, 1.208 mi.-To:

Geo. Reed, 430 Laurel, Modesto, \$4409. SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to John Burman & Son, 2750 Harrison Ave., Eureka, \$161,863 for 7.3 mi. grade, betw. W. boundary of Bull Creek Flat State Park & 7.3 mi. westerly, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

JULY 27, 1948

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Harms Bros., 5261 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, & M. W. Brown, Box 222, Redding, \$295,020 for 13.1 mi. grade, cr. run base & prime & seal coat, betw Hayden Hill Road & State Rt. 28, near Adin, LASSEN COUNTY & MODOC COUNTY.

BERKELEY. Contract awarded to Underground Const., 75th Ave. & San Leandro Blvd., Oakland, \$43,430 for inst. high pressure water sys. from Bowles Hall to Life Science Bldg., U. of C., Berkeley Campus.

SAN JOSE. Contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Pav. Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose, \$42,357 for A. C. surf., Coleman Ave Prop #57

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1846 37th St., Sacramento, \$16,283 for grade, drain & pave on No. "B" St., betw. 16th St. & Auburn Blvd.

LAKEPORT. Contract awarded to Ferguson Bros., 8923 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$9449 for water and sewer services at 49th Dist. Agric. Association, LAKE COUNTY.

JULY 28, 1948
PROVO, UTAH. Contract awarded to United Concrete Pipe Corp., Box 425, Baldwin Park, Calif., \$439,330 for const. tunnels No. 1, 2 & 3, Salt Lake Aqueduct, Aqueduct Division, Provo

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to L. C. Smith, 1st & Railroad Ave., San Mateo, \$88,627 for 2.7 mi. widen & plantmix surf., betw. 3 mi. R. of Half Moon Bay & Half Moon Bay, SAN

MATEO COUNTY. SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Ted F. Baun, 324 Princeton Ave., Fresno, \$76,791 for 5.5 mi. widen & reinf, with imported subgrade material & bitum, treatment salv, surf. & surf. with plantmix surf. on Robertson Blvd., betw. Lincoln Road & State Hwy. Rte. #23, MADERA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$82,645 for const. bridge across Soquel Creek, in the City of Soquel & 0.1 mi. grade, surf. & apply pene. treatment to approaches, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

Taylor.—To: Eaton & Smith, 715 Ocean TURLOCK. Contract awarded to to Emsco of S.F., 1020 Harrison St., SANTA CLARA. Contract awarded Ave., S.F., \$3836 for asph. conc. pave. Standard Materials Co., 1411 9th St., S.F., \$13,657 for repairs to reinf. conc. to McGuire & Hester, 796 66th St.,

near Redwood City, SAN MATEO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Oilfields Truck Co., & Phoenix Const. Co., Box 906, Bakerfiefild, \$188,731 for 1.9 mi. grade & rdmx. surf. on cem. tr. base & conc. R.C. bridge, betw. Strat-

SAN JOSE. Contract awarded to A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$4642 for revamping & realigning intersection at Park Ave. & Meridian Road.

BERKELEY. Contract awarded to E. C. Braun Co., 2115 4th St., Berkeley; \$101,032 for underground steam const., Wheeler Hall-Library Tunnel to Le-Conte Hall & Mining Bldg., U. of C., Berkeley Campus.

JULY 29, 1948

STOCKTON. Contract awarded to Healy Tibbitss Const. Co., 411 Brannan St., S.F., \$4140 for const. timber pile dolphins for exist. bridge, across Potato Slough, at Terminous, SAN JOAQUIN

REDDING. Contract awarded to Sheldon Oil Co., Suisun, \$15,120 for furn. & stockpile mineral aggregate at Devil's Corral, near Susan River Bridge, LASSEN COUNTY.

REDWOOD CITY. oCntract awarded to Peter Sorenson, 927 Arguello St., Redwood City, \$45,683 for 1 mi. realignment of portion of La Honda-San Gregorio Road, from 0.2 mi. N.E. of San Gregorio to new coast Highway, SAN MATEO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Clements & Co., P.O. Box 277, Hayward, \$152,157 for 3.4 mi. grade & plantmix surf. on cr. run base on Jarvis Road betw. Dumbarton Road & State Highway Rt. #69, ALAMEDA COUNTY

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$9101 for laying 2150 ft. 4 in. & 6 in. coast iron water mains in Tract Eden Township, ALAMEDA 859. COUNTY.

JULY 30, 1948 SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to Charles L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., San Francisco, \$252,118 for remov. tracks & reconst. pavement on streets South of Market St. that are occupied by street car tracks on #22 line.

AUGUST 2, 1948 SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Lentz Const. Co., 2416 Sutterville Road, Sacramento, \$2425 for grade, pave, etc. Alley betw. W & X, 20th to 21st Sts. SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded to Healy Tibbitts Const. Co., 411 Brannan St., S.F., for const. foundations for substation "B," Oakland, Calif. OAKLAND. Contracts awarded as

follows for: (1) 45,000 sq. ft. grade, pave & fence playground at Glen View School To: Independent Const. Co., Ltd., 46th & Clement, Oakland, \$15,795.

(2) Grade, excav. & pave at Mont-clair School—To: Heafey-Moore Co., 344 High Street, Oakland, \$21,659.

SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to C. M. Syar, Box 1431, Vallejo, \$15,377 for roads and paving at Calif. Maritime Academy, near Vallejo.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. Contract awarded to W. W. Clyde & Co., Springville, Utah, \$117,941 for 5.708 mi. 2" roadmixed bitum. surfaced road, SR #65, betw. Morgan-Summit County Line & Henefer, MORGAN & SUM-MIT COUNTIES.

AUGUST 3, 1948 SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to Johnson, Drake & Piper, 1736 Franklin St., Oakland, \$1,487,710 for construction 42nd Ave. Interchange, consisting of two railroad underpasses, port. railroad overhead, two highway undercrossings, two highway overcrossings and 0.7 mi. grading, concrete paving and plantmix surfacing on cement treated subgrade or crusher run base, on East Shore Freeway, betw. 50th Ave. and 38th Ave. in city of Oakland, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

River Project, Utah, 10 to 12 miles Sonville, \$171,378 for 6.7 mi. widen 2206. SACRAMENTO. oCntract awarded to base & portions to be surfaced with plantmix surf. placed over existing pavement & crusher run base, betw. Centerville & San Leandro, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

SAN MATEO. Contract awarded to Peter Sorenson, P.O. Box 790, Redwood City, \$62,434 for const. sewers (Bay Meadows Interceptor Sewer) under R.I. #48-2. Ref. 7-20.

SAN MATEO. Contract awarded to L. C. Smith, 1st & Railroad Ave., San Mateo, \$191,527 for grade, drain, surf., etc., in San Mateo Village, #2, under R.I. #48-8. SAN JOSE. Contract awarded to Leo

F. Piazza Paving Co., 175 S. Montgom-ery St., San Jose, \$314,421 for runway oquel Creek, in the City of Soquel & paving at San Jose Airport.

1 mi. grade, surf. & apply pene treatment to approaches, SANTA CRUZ COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contract awarded & Barneson Ave., under R.I. #48-17. Ave., incl. R.R. & Hwy. crossings.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Clements & Co., P.O. Box 277, Hayward, \$21,092 for plantmix surf. portion of County Rd. (Bancroft Ave.) from S.E. San Leandro City Line, southerly to 136th Ave., Eden Township, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Ransome Co., 4030 Hillis St., Emeryville, \$3740 for grade, surf. gutter, etc., Medau Place, betw. Mt. Blvd. & Moraga Ave. & port. Mt. Blvd. adjacent, Medau

EUREKA. Contract awarded to Reed & Tuttle, Redwood Valley, \$8286 for redeck with R.C. slab & expose metal surf. to be cleaned & painted (3 cts.) exist. steel truss bridge, across Bull Creek, in Humboldt Redwoods State Park, about 5.4 mi. west of Dyerville, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO. Contracts awared to S. F. Water Dept., 425 Mason St.,

to S. F. Water S.F.; for the following: (1) W.D. #489—\$27,029 for lay & 8" C.I. mains in Fillmore St., from Hayes to Bush Streets.

(2) W.D. #487—\$16,008 for lay 4" & 8" C.I. mains in Clementina, Shipley, Clara, Arkansas & 22nd.

AUGUST 4, 1948

BURLINGAME. Contract awarded to Malott & Peterson, 20th & Harrison, S.F., \$1600 for asph. resurfacing of 4 tennis courts at Washington Park & 2 tennis courts at Laguna Ave., near Grove Ave., Burlingame.

OAKLAND, Contract awarded to Swinerton & Walberg Co., 225 Bush St., SC.F., \$1380 for const. San Leandro High School.

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Heafey-Moore Co., 344 High St., Oakland, \$1150 for conditioning High School athletic fields.

SANTA ROSA. Contract awarded to Arthur B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa, \$28,584 for widening College Ave., Glenn St. to N.W.P.R.R., Santa Rosa.

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, P.O. Box 96, Elmhurst Station, Oakland, \$21,686 for plantmix surfacing portion of County Road (Bancroft Ave.) from S.E. San Leandro City line, southeasterly to 136th Eden Township, ALAMEDA Ave. COUNTY.

SANGER. Contract awarded to Ke-Ston Const. Co., P.O. Box 109, Maywood, \$161,579 for const. sewage treatment plant, pipe lines & effluent beds. SACRAMENTO. Contract awarded to

N. M. Ball Sons, P.O. Box 430, Berkeley, \$593,661 for 7.9 mi. grade & const. 5 reinf. conc. bridges & misc. structures, betw. 1 mi. south of Tipton & Tulare Airport, TULARE COUNTY.

OAKLAND. Contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, P.O. Box 96, Elmhurst Sta., Oakland, \$12,495 for grade & pave portion of San Leandro High School yard, estimated cost, \$9000.

SANTA CLARA, Contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 66th Ave., Oakland, \$232,156 for const. sanit. & storm sewers in Kifer Road & Stockton-Ave., incl. R.R. & Hwy. crossings.

OAKLAND. Contract recommended to Minton & Kuban, 1045 Sansome, S.F., \$14,384 for rem. exist. bridge & const. new R.C. bridge across & on banks of Simbad Creek and on County Rd. #2867 (Foothill Road). Pleasanton Township, ALAMEDA COUNTY. * * 4

Report From

(Continued from page 5) the clamshell dredges "Curlew" and "Liberty" to begin work approximately August 15th.

The Construction Aggregates Corporation has started laying pipeline and are getting ready to bring in sand for an extensive fill between the Key Route Track and the Oakland Army Port. This work is being done for the East Bay Municipal Utility District in connection with the Oakland outfall sewer project. They are using the Hopper Dredge "Sand Craft" to import the sand from somewhere near Belvedere. We have quite a crew of men doing the shore work. Brother Walt Thacker is in charge of the job.

Tony Dutra has the dredge "Mallard" working near Alviso for the Leslie Salt Company. The "Edwards" is tied up near Alvarado for a major repair job.

It appears that there is considerable dredge work in prospect for the near future, but they seem to be slow in starting on it. All the Rock, Sand, and Gravel plants are running at full capacity, and there is a new plant starting up at Niles.

Operating Engineers -- Local Union No. 3 - DIRECTORY

Local Union Manager	Victor S. Swanson
President	Pat Clancy
Vice-President	H. O. Foss
Recording Secretary	C. F. Matthews
Financial Secretary	T. M. Bynon
Treasurer	P. E. Vandewark
Conductor	Joseph Riley
Guard	Paul Edgecomb
Trustee	Ernest Miller
Trustee	J. A. Carahoff
Trustee	A. E. Whitlock
Auditor	Chet Elliott
Auditor	John DeLagrange
Auditor	E. A. Hester.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

LixeCulty	1, 1,0,11,1
Pat Clancy	M. G. Murphy
H. O. Foss	Ed Doran
C. F. Mathews	Chester Elliott
T. M. Bynon	F. A. Lawrence
P. E. Vandewark	Victor S. Swanson
Al Clem	

OFFICES AND BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES

2 Y A Y	N OFFICE
	4th floor-Grant Building
	1095 Market Street,
- 0	San Francisco 3, Calif.

Tele.: HEmlock 1-1568.

OAKLAND, California 1444 Webster Street. Tele.: TWinoaks 3-2120.

STOCKTON, California 805 E. Weber Ave. Tele.: 9-9793.

EUREKA, California 840 E. St. (Labor Temple) Tele.: EUREKA 452.

FRESNO, California 1035 Broadway Tele.: FRESNO 3-1368

MARYSVILLE. California 321-E. Street

Tele.; MARYSVILLE 2030 REDDING, California

1508 Tehama Street Tele.: REDDING 159

SACRAMENTO, California Labor Temple 8th & Eye Streets Tele.: SACRAMENTO 3-7304

SAN JOSE, California 40 N. Morrison St.

Tele.: COLUMBIA 6748.

SAN RAFAEL, California 1533-A 4th Street Tele.: SAN RAFEAL 4616.

RENO, Nevada Lunsford Building 129 North Center St.

Tele.: RENO 2-2673. SALT LAKE CITY, Utah 151 South Second East St.

Tele.: SALT LAKE 3-3706.

PROVO, Utah 165 W. 1st North Tele,: PROVO 630.

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES Pat Clancy P. E. Vandewark Chester Elliott Chas. Dees Al Boardman (Technical Engineers).

> Glenn Dobyns T. D. Bryson. (Dredgemen).

Ed Doran B. R. Burroughs.

Otto E. Never.

H. T. Petersen Lynn Moore

Wm. C. Waack Les Collett.

E. A. Hester.

F. A. Lawrence Ed Parks.

M. G. (Mickey) Murphy.

H. O. Foss.

H. L. (Curly) Spence.

C. L. Casebolt Joe Riley.

C. R. Van Winkle.



Engineers Architects Draftsmen

By AL BOARDMAN

Business Representative, Technical Engineers Division No. 3-E San Francisco-Another important NLRB decision has been handed down regarding the professional and supervisory clauses of the Taft-Hartley law. This is in the case of George A. Fuller Company of New York, and the ruling is 100 per cent in our favor, as follows:

Surveyors employed by large construction company are not professional employees within the meaning of the amended Act-64.557 - 64.515.

The employees sought as a unit by the petitioning union are engineering employees engaged in survey work on a large construction job, and include chiefs of party, instrument men, transit men rodmen, chainmen, computers, draftsmen, detailers, estimators, coordinator of utilities, and assistant field engineer. "We find that none of the employees involved is a professional employee within the meaning of the amended act."

The assistant field engineer is in direct charge of the surveying for a large construction company relating to approximately 50 buildings. He is in charge of all the chiefs of surveying parties in that area and he instructs them accordingly, also transmitting all orders concerning that project to the supervisors of the various

(text) "The record discloses that he may, and has in fact, effectively recommended the discharge of subordinate employees working on the project. His rate of pay is comparable to that of the coordinator of utilities and is higher than any other employees working on the project. We find that the assistant field engineer is a supervisor within the meaning of the Act. Accordingly, we shall exclude him from the appropriate unit."

The State of California is finally going to enforce the Civil Engineers Act and has appointed a local man to police this area. The following letter was received by Local No. 3 in response to certain questions we had asked on the interpretation of the Law.

State of California Department of Professional and Vocational Standards

Sacramento 14, California July 23, 1948 Mr. J. D. Vanderlaan, Business Representative

International Union of Operating Engineers-Local No. 3 1095 Market Street San Francisco, California Dear Mr. Vanderlaan:

This is in reply to your letter of July 1, 1948, addressed to Mr. Edgar W. Craine, Investigator of this Department.

Under Section 6730 of the Civil Engineers' Act, it is unlawful for any person to practice as a civil engineer in this State unless he has been duly registered as required by the provisions of the Act, or specifically exempted therefrom. Under Section 6739 of the Act, a subordinate to a registered civil engineer insofar as he acts solely in that capacity, is exempt from registration under the provisions of the Act. Section 6705 defines a subordinate as any person who assists a registered civil engineer in the practice of civil engineering without assuming responsible charge of work.

The extent to which a registered civil engineer is required to be physically present on a project in order to exercise independent control and direction is highly variable. His non-registered subordinate may perform any work of a routine nature if so directed or may carry out his superior's standard operating procedures. But he may not perform work requiring him to make independent engineering decisions. This is the case in either the supervision of civil engineering construction or in topographical mapping as these

civil engineering.

engineer, may not replace grade stakes.

Whether registered or not, the subordinate of a registered civil engineer is not in responsible charge of work (see Section 6705.

Under Section 6736-d, a nonregistered person may be a partner in a firm if he was a partner in that firm on September 30, 1947, whether or not his name is contained in the firm's title. The name of a non-registered person may not be used in the firm's title if the non-registered person became a partner of that firm subsequent to September 30, 1947.

Under the conditions listed in Section 6736-a and providing he does not violate Sections 6734 or 6787-g, a non-registered person may become a partner in a civil engineering firm subsequent to September 30, 1947.

Section 6739 provides that a subalty for violation of this

Very truly yours (s) Pecos H, Calahan PECOS H. CALAHAN Executive Secretary.

After many months of negotiations an agreement has finally been signed with Consolidated Malone, represents 277,000 regis-Chemical Co. of San Francisco in which one of our members there received a substantial increase retroactive to January 1, 1948. After such a long wait this check will be well worth getting.

Another election has been won at the Pacific Manufacturing Co. in San Francisco-this time by a vote of 4 to 0. As long as we keep getting this kind of support we are certain to achieve excellent benefits for the members involved. This should be a good lesson to draftsmen elsewhere on how to get the most out of union-

For those loyal members employed by the P. G. & E. who are wondering what efforts are being made to get them the union scale, we have little progress to report. The main delay can be laid at the door of the Taft-Hartley Law.

A preliminary hearing was held in May at which time Local No. 3 officially petitioned the National Labor Relations Board for any election among the engineers. The P. G. & E. and the I.B.E.W. 1245-B, which the present contract objected to the election.

The only real issue at stake is whether the unit we seek is appropriate for purposes of an election. This matter has been referred to the Washington, D.C. office of the N.L.R.B. for a ruling, which has yet to be made.

Local No. 3 contends that engineers are a separate group from the rest of the P. G. & E. Employees in their General Construction Department. The company and the electricians contend that only a unit that includes the entire General Construction Dept. from Bakersfield to the Oregon Line is appropriate. . . Waiting for a ruling on this question has caused the delay. In the near future some decision should be handed down. Then we will be able to take appropriate action within the law, + + +

Morrison-Knudsen Co. were low bidders for construction of new runways at San Francisco Airport, another big project in the development of what is to be the world's finest airport. Cost will be around \$4 million.

Thanks, for dropping a card to your business agent to tell him are both statutory branches of you've taken work in another district, so he can take your name The non-registered employee of off his list. So reports one business a general contractor, unless he is agent. If you move, do this; it subordinate to a registered civil helps keep the records straight.

Reminder-

Register, Vote For Prop. 13

San Francisco.-A challenge to the democracy of organized labor has been placed squarely before the professional, craft and skilled and unskilled workers and their families by the California State Chamber of Commerce.

Organized labor is attempting to destroy the democratic principle of "checks and balances" by proposing and supporting Initiative Measure No. 13, for the re-apportionment of the State Senate, says the California State Chamber of Commerce. Simultaneously, the Chamber is sending speakers into all counties to influence opinion against No. 13.

This challenge can be met only by REGISTERING before September 23-the last day of registration -and VOTING on November 2-YES on Proposition No. 13.

The use of the expression "checks and balances" is taken out: of the original purposes of checks and balances in the establishment: of the three divisions of governordinate may not practice civil ment - administrative, legislative engineering in his own right and and judicial. Its use in opposing Section 6787 establishes the pen- Proposition No. 13 is a distortion of fact by the State Chamber.

The San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee, on July 26, has already unanimously repudiated the State Chamber by adopting a resolution endorsing No. 13. Members of the committee, headed by Chairman William M. tered Democrats in San Francisco.

Members of organized labor should make their answer by REG-ISTERING immediately, and VOT-ING Yes on Proposition No. 13 in November.

Firm's Rules Bar lobs to Older Men

Albany, N.Y .- A survey of industrial firms in New York state has revealed that 39 per cent have rules barring the employment of older workers.

Half of all firms queried by the Joint Legislative Committee on Problems of the Aging have set age barriers at 55 or lower, 25 per cent refuse to hire workers over 45 and a few revealed to the committee age limits as low as 35.

The study showed that older workers have a greater chance of employment with small firms than with large ones. Although Committee Chairman Thomas C. Desmond (R.) evinced concern at the facts established by the survey, he told newsmen he is "reluctant at present" to suggest legislation prohibiting age barriers in employment. * * *

The average profit after taxes and other costs was 7.8 cents per dollar of sales in 1947, compared with 6.7 cents in 1946, the Federal Reserve Board reports.

★ ★ ★ An indication of how high living costs are is the fact that Americans are surrendering life insurance for cash at a rate almost 23 per cent faster than last

