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WHICH IS THE OLDEST? The report from the Marysville area in this issue of Engineers News tells of an ancient steam shovel being run by Bro. Ed Neff at Kaiser Sand & Gravel in Oroville and bills it as "the oldest shovel in Western America." Well, the shovel shown above is certainly no youngster. It's an Erie Steam-Shovel, first used by Bro. Herbert Lindsay of Local 12 in 1926 and still being operated by Brother Lindsay. Right now it's digging out the basement for the new Mormon Temple being erected in Los Angeles. They boast that there isn't a Diesel shovel that can keep up with it.

New California Wage Scales, Working Rules

These are the wage scales and working rules contained in the new Master Agreement between Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 and the Associated General Contractors, Northern and Central California Chapters.

WAGE SCALES

On all work performed on May 25, 1953 and thereafter during the term of this agreement (regardless of when said work was bid or let) the wage scales and classifications shall be as follows: CLASSIFICATIONS PER HOUR

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| | Apprentices (oilers, firemen, watchmen) (7 Bay Counties-San Francisco, Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Marin Solano | \$2.38 |
| | Apprentices (oilers, firemen, watchmen) (all other counties) | 2.27 |
| | Asphalt Plant Engineer | 2.77 |
| | Box men or mixer box operator (concrete or asphalt plant) | 2.44 |
| | Brakeman, Switchman and Deckhand | 2.38 |
| | Fuller-Kenyon pump cement hog and similar types of equipment | 2.82 |
| | Compressor Operator | 2.38 |
| | Compressors (more than one) | 2.71 |
| | Concrete Batch Plant Operator | 2.77 |
| | Concrete Batch Plant Operator (Multiple Unit, four or more) | 2.93 |
| | Concrete Mixers (up to one yard) | 2.38 |
| 1 | Concrete Mixers (over one yard) | 2.71 |

This is the Real Story-* * * * * Truth About the AGC Lockout; Malicious Slanders Exposed

Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3, has just concluded—successfully —one of the most important struggles in its history, the fight for a fair and workable Health and Welfare Plan to embrace the entire construction industry.

During the course of that struggle there was much misinformation—and even some deliberate falsehood—spread about.

To set the record straight, Local Union Manager Victor S. Swanson has written a statement setting forth the facts, and it is herewith reproduced in full.

Next Meeting September 12

Attention of all members is called to the action of the last regular meeting in postponing the next regular meeting to Saturday night, September 12.

This was done because the first Saturday in September is part of the Labor Day week-end.

Acknowledge Local 3's Gift Of Respirator

The gift of a Mulliken portable respirator—a breathing device for polio patients—by Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 to the San Francisco County Hospital has been gratefully acknowledged by that institution.

Local 3 received the following letter from Dr. T. E. Albers, superintendent of the hospital:

tendent of the hospital: CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO Department of Public Health San Francisco Hospital

July 14, 1953 Local Union No. 3, IUOE FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CHAPTERS OF THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA—AND ALL OTHERS WHO WISH TO KNOW THE FULL TRUTH IN REGARD TO THE RECENT LOCKOUT BY THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS:

In May, 1952, a Master Agreement was signed between the Northern and Central California Chapters of the Associated General Contractors of America, and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3, which contained the following provision:

"SECTION NO. 24—HEALTH & WELFARE—A Sub-Committee of an equal number of Associated General Contractor members and Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3 will work out a health and welfare plan under which contractors payments of seven and one-half (7½) cents per hour, for each and every hour worked by employees covered by this agreement, shall be paid into a fund starting February 1, 1953. The benefits of such plan shall become effective at the earliest practicable date after February 1, 1953, but not later than May 1, 1953. This Committee shall conscientiously go to work not later than September 1, 1952. This Committee shall provide a trust into which the payments shall be made."

It Took 5 Months To Get a Meeting

Although EVERY EFFORT was made by the Local Union Committee from September 1, 1952, to January 21, 1953, the Operating Engineers were not able to get the Associated General Contractors Committee to sit down to discuss and set up a Trust Fund into which the payments could be made.

Finally, on January 21, 1953, the first meeting was held between a Committee from the Associated General Contractors and the Operating Engineers, Local No. 3, at which the

| Concrete Mixers (over one yard) |
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| Concrete Pump or Pump Crete Guns |
| Derricks (including Chicago Booms) |
| Drilling Machinery Engineers (not to apply to water liners, wagor drills, or jackhammers) |
| Dual Drum Mixer (apprentice engineer required) |
| Euclid Loaders and/or similar type of equipment (apprentice engineer required) |
| Fireman in Hot Plant |
| Fork lift or lumber stacker (on construction job site) |
| Handi-Crane (no oiler required) |
| Heavy Duty Repairman |
| Heavy Duty Repairman, Helper (7 Bay Counties-San Francisco |
| Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Marin Solno |
| Heavy Duty Repairman Helper (All other Counties) |
| Heavy Duty Rotary Drill Rigs (such as quarry master, joy drills) |
| (apprentice engineer required) |
| Highline Cableway |
| Highline Cableway Signal Man |
| Locomotives |
| Locomotives (steam or over 30 tons) |
| Material Hoist |
| Mechanical Finishers (concrete or asphalt) (airports, highway, street work) |
| Mixermobile |
| Motorman |
| Mucking Machine |
| Pavement breakers, Emsco Type and similar types of equipment |
| Portable crushers |
| Power blade loader |
| Power grader, power planer, motor patrol or any type power blade |
| Power shovels and/or other excavating equipment with shovel type controls (7 Bay Counties—San Francisco, Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Marin, Solano) (up to and in |
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| type controls (7 Bay Counties-San Francisco, Alameda, Contra |
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474 Valencia Street 2.93San Francisco 3, Calif. Gentlemen: 2.77 This will acknowledge with 2.82 grateful appreciation your presentation to this institution of one 3.10 Mulliken Portable Respirator. 2.38 This came at a very opportune 2.66time because we were required to 2.82 lend our only portable respirator 2.77to a child patient who was transferred from this institution to pri-2.38vate care. 2.27 Gratefully yours, T. E. ALBERS, M.D. 3.00 Superintendent. 3.10 * * * 2.75**But It's Still** 2.492.77**Starvation** Pay 2.66Washington (LPA) - Florida 2.77 sugar cane producers must pay 2.82 field workers a minimum of 10 2.49cents more an hour than last year 2.90to get subsidies under the Sugar 2.822.77Act, the Agriculture Department has announced. 3.00 Adult tractor drivers, and those 2.93 who operate other mechanical equipment must get at least 70 cents an hour, and other adult workers 60 cents. Workers 14 to 16 3.10 must get at least three-fourths the adult rate, ranging from 45 cents to 52½ cents. Last year the rate-

was a flat 48 cents.

Welfare Trust Agreement was discussed.

Subsequently there were 25 meetings held, in all. At each and every meeting when the Welfare Fund was discussed the Committee from the Associated General Contractors IN-SISTED that the Union agree that a Mr. Segal & Co., a New York firm of insurance consultants retained by the A.G.C. solely on its own initiative and without consultation with the union, be paid \$4,500.00, and that this sum be charged to the Engineers Trust Fund for purported services performed by this company up to April 1, 1953; further, that this sum was to be payable to the Associated General Contractors.

AGC Sought to Burden Fund With Charges

The records show that SEGAL'S FEE WAS A MUST FROM WHICH DEMAND THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS WOULD NOT DEVIATE. . . Also, that Segal & Co. demanded \$3,600 per year, plus \$750 for expenses, to be paid each year out of the Engineers Trust Fund. In addition to the above fees, the Associated General Contractors Committee insisted that two attorneys be paid a retainer fee of \$400 per month each from the Engineers Trust Fund, and that when the attorneys were required to do any work the additional fees should also come from the Trust Fund.

Their Committee insisted that both the Associated General Contractors and the union should have an absolute right to engage attorneys without the approval of the Board of (Continued on Page Three)

EDITORIALS

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OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION No. 3

New California Wage Scales, Working Rules

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type controls (All other Counties) (up to and including one 2.93 yard)

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| Pumps |
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| LeTourneau pulls (Jeeps, Terra Cobras, LaPlant Choate, and similar types of equipment) |
| Refrigeration Plant Operator |
| Rollers |
| Ross Carriers (on construction job site) |
| Scoopmobile (when used as a hoist) |
| Scoopmobile (when used as a loader), |
| Screed Man |
| Self-propelled elevating grade plane |
| Spreader Machines (Barber Green, Jeager, etc.) (Engineer and screed man used in operation) |
| Soil Stabilizer Operator (P & H or equal) |
| Surface Heaters |
| Towermobile |
| Tractors |
| Tractor (boom) |
| Tractor (tandem) |
| Tractor-type shovel loader (scale not to apply when used as blade or bulldozer) |
| Trenching Machine |
| Truck Type loader |
| Truck crane |
| Chief of Party |
| Instrumentman |
| Head Chainman, Rodman, Grade Setter (not guinea chaser) |
| Rear Chainman |

Employees working in tunnels, shafts, stopes or risers shall receive \$0.125 per hour over and above the regular rate.

When members of the Union are employed to service a specialty craft exclusively they shall receive the same working conditions as the specialty craft. The wages for the Operating Engineer shall be \$3.00 per hour on all hoisting equipment when servicing said specialty craft. Regular employees on the particular project and assigned to work with a specialty craft temporarily shall not be entitled to the above mentioned conditions, except for overtime, then the members of the Union so assigned shall receive double time if the specialty craft is receiving it.

WORKING RULES

1. Five (5) consecutive days of eight (8) consecutive hours (exclusive of meal period) Monday through Friday, inclusive, shall constitute a week's work.

2. On single shift jobs, eight (8) consecutive hours (exclusive of meal period) shall constitute a day's work, the regular starting time of the single shift being at 8:00 o'clock A.M.

3. When two (2) shifts are employed (on specific unit of the job) for five (5) or more consecutive days, seven (7) consecutive hours (exclusive of meal period) shall constitute a day's work, for which eight (8) hours straight time shall be paid. Shifts shall run consecutively with not more than one hour break between shifts. On two shift operations the first shift shall have a regular starting time not earlier than 5:00 o'clock A.M. and not later than 8:00 A.M. Once such starting time has been established it shall be maintained to completion of the job unless changed by mutual consent. Shift differentials shall apply whenever shifts are worked under the above conditions, including Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

4. When three (3) shifts are employed (on a specific unit of the job) for five (5) or more consecutive days, seven (7) consecutive hours (exclusive of meal period) shall constitute a day's work, for which eight (8) hours straight time shall be paid. On three (3) shift operations, the first shift of the day and of the work week shall start at 8:00 A.M. Mondays and such work week shall end with closing of the third or graveyard shift at 8:00 A.M. Saturday. All work performed between the hours of 8:00 A.M. Saturday and 8:00 A.M. Monday shall be compensated for at the applicable overtime rate. Shift differentials shall apply whenever shifts are worked under the above conditions, including Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays.

Pipe, Highway **Projects Boom** Penincu By CHET ELLIOTT

Business Representative

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During the month since the July issue of the Engineers News, The Piombo Construction Co. under the able supervision of Project Manager Phil Dunne have begun operation on the four million dollar Bayshore Freeway Project, near Belmont. Assisting Brother Dunne on the supervision of this job, are foreman Brothers Kerr, Piombo and Hawkins, who have operator Brothers Freeland, Anderson, Scarbrough, Young, Cherry and Carse blades.

Brother Al Litton, the experienced general superintendent for Peter Sorenson Company of Redwood City, with assistance of foreman Brother George Singer and a crew of old-time engineers comprised of operators Miller, Frye, Mundell, Hoover and Day, and oilers Sorenson, Sharpe and Warner, were successful in getting their large pipeline construction job underway the first of this week. This work consists of installing a 60-inch pipe line from Baden to Millbrae, where it connects with a similar line which has been under construction for some time.

Due to the nature of this work these engineers and many others will have steady employment for the remainder of this year.

After quite a lengthy delay on account of legal procedure the J. O. Archibald Co. of Redwood City are preparing to start a half million dollar grading and paving job awarded to them some months ago on Industrial Road, in San Carlos. This work is scheduled to start in one or two days which consists of constructing a 100-foot wide boulevard through the entire industrial area. This company and their affiliate firm, the S.A.E. Construction Co., also have a highway job in progress at San Gregorio.

While visiting this project your representative contacted Superintendent Brother Ebright, Foreman Brother Eitner and operator Bros. Forcellini, Bagley, Leek, Syliva, rubber tired compactors for sale Inman and Campostrini who all seemed to be happily engaged in their work.

The Portable Welding Service, located at Hillside Blvd, and Ches- plete track service. Assisting Bro.

highest paid classification on which he has been employed for the full day or shift.

Report of Last Meeting

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The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., President Clancy presiding. Rollcall showed all officers present, with exception of Local Union Manager V. S. Swanson, who was excused by reason of being away on Union business.

A Synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 11 was read, and by motion approved as read.

A Synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of July 29 was read, and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

A letter was received from the Construction and General Laborers, Tunnel, and Aqueduct Workers, Local No. 324 of Contra Costa County, thanking the membership for the splendid cooperation received in their recent dispute with the Associated General Contractors. Received and filed.

Cards of thanks were received from Mrs. Glenn Blakeley and daughter Lynn; the Gibson family, and the Isbell family. Received and filed.

The following Brothers were reported ill: Raymond Agnew, Fred Adams, Milo S. Barringer, LeRoy Bryant, Bernard Budde, Harold K. Beaman, James E. Burke, Dwain Bowman, A. Julius Burke, Stanley Brown, James E. Burke, T. D. Cain, Cleo Caswell, Chas. Cartmill, Thomas F. Craig, V. Dirmeyer, Thomas Draper, Gaston DuBos, Alfred E. Fagundes, J. J. Finney, F. D. Garrison, Leland D. Hurd, John W. operating the shovels, cats and Hunsaker, Ira F. Hein, Lloyd T. Lancaster, Deryl E. Ling, Claud A. Logan, John McCracken, Henry Murphy, Jack I. Mayes, Geo. R. Miller, W. E. Morton, Ruey Moles, Joe Pedro, Wm. D. Pacheco, Dee C. Reynolds, Antone F. Rapoza, Wm. A. Savage, Edwin K. Sharp, G. R. Stevens, Vincent Selich, R. S. Seuberth, Dall Turner, Peter Teresi, Rolla Tanner, Robert Trowbridge, Ernest Vargas, Harry Wilson, Albert L. White and Ernest K. Wurth.

The following Brothers were reported deceased: Theodore M. Silver, Glenn Blakeley, Sidney McDowell, W. R. Greer, Lawson Russett, F. W. Arent, LeRoy J. LaBarge, B. T. Payne, Archie B. Suer, Oran B. Merritt, George LaVier. The membership stood one minute in silence in respect to our deceased Brothers.

TRIAL OF THEODORE EPPERSON

Brother Theodore Epperson, cited before the membership for trial for going through a picket line and violation of the working rules, pleaded guilty. President Clancy placed a \$250.00 fine upon Brother Epperson

TRIAL OF JOSEPH CORRIE

Brother Joseph Corrie, cited before the membership for trial for violation of the working rules, plead not guilty. After hearing the testimony, tellers were appointed, and ballots passed out, resulting in Brother Corrie being found guilty. President Clancy stated he would take the case under advsement until the next regular meeting.

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

The General Secretary-Treasurer's Report was read by President Clancy.

It was regularly moved and seconded that since Labor Day fell on September 6, that the next regular meeting be postponed until September 12. Carried unanimously.

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

Respectfully submitted. C. F. MATHEWS, Recording Secretary

ter St. in Colma, and which is own-| Wright in his expansion program ed, managed and operated by Bro. Ed Wright, who has had 50 years' experience in welding and heavy duty repair business, some months ago crected and moved into his new shop and has been catering to his extensive clientele in this area along with the building of 30-ton and for rent, is pleased to announce that he has acquired a portable track press for turning pins and bushings and can now give com-

and maintenance service are Bros. E. P. Anderson, C. A. Edwards and Ed Donald, who are all happy in doing a first class job.

Brother Ed Keeble, San Jose contractor, was the low bidder on the State Highway job today on Skyline Blvd., near Colma. This project extends from Alemany Blvd. Extension to Edgemar Road, and consists of moving over 600,-000 yards of earth and paving the road bed which will be a four-lane highway. Due to the perfect texture of the earth for Carryalls, this job will more than likely be a cat and carryall or rubber tired

5. The following rates shall apply on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays and on all work before a shift begins and after it ends:

(A) Double the regular hourly rates shall be paid in all counties for all work performed (including repair work) on Sundays and the following Holidays: New Year's Day, Decoration Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Admission Day, Armistice Day (or one day of greater national importance), Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Holidays falling on Sunday shall be observed on the following Monday.

(B) Double the regular hourly rates shall be paid for all work (other than repair work) performed on Saturday and before a shift begins and after it ends in the following counties: San Francisco, Alameda, Contra Costa, San Mateo, Marin and Solano.

(C) One and one-half times the regular hourly rates shall be paid as follows:

(a) For all work performed before a shift begins and after it ends and for all Saturday work, in all counties not mentioned in Paragraph 5 (B) hereof.

(b) For all repair work and all field survey work in all counties performed before a shift begins and after it ends, and for Saturday work.

6. (a) The hours of employment shall be reckoned by the day and half-day, the fraction of a half-day to be paid for as a half-day, except overtime, which shall be reckoned by the hour and half-hour.

(b) Whenever a man is called out to work on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays, he shall be paid at least four (4) hours at the applicable overtime rate. All time worked beyond the first four (4) consecutive hours on Saturday, Sunday and Holidays shall be reckoned by the hour at the applicable overtime rate. The above shall apply to men called out to work on the day shift when the project is on shift work basis, provided, however, should men on the second and/or third shifts be called out, then men on all shifts shall be compensated in accordance with Paragraph 3 or 4 of Section No. 20.

or kind of work in any one day of shift, he shall receive the rate of the the lunch period at the applicable overtime rate.

7. Where in any locality existing traffic conditions or weather conditions render it desirable to start the day shift at an earlier hour, such starting time may, with the mutual consent of the individual employer and the Union be made earlier. In such event, the starting time agreed to must continue for the duration of the job or until changed by mutual consent.

8. Except in emergency, no employee shall work more than one shift in any consecutive twenty-four (24) hours and not less than four (4) hours shall be worked in any one shift. No arrangements of shifts shall be permitted that prevents any member from securing eight (8) consecutive hours of rest in any consecutive twenty-four (24) hours.

9. Where there is work to be performed before the shift begins or after it ends or on Saturdays, Sundays or Holidays, the engineer operating the machine shall be allowed to do the work.

10. When the engineer on any piece of equipment requires assistance in the operation of said equipment, an employee covered by this agreement (apprentice, oiler or fireman) shall be employed. The above shall not change the established practice regarding employment of oilers or firemen.

11. It is agreed that the asphalt plant crew shall consist of the following: plant engineer, boxman, fireman, oiler. The plant engineer shall be in charge of the entire plant.

12. As to any classification not herein mentioned, including tunnel or work under air pressure, the Employer and the Union agree to negotiate immediately a wage scale to apply thereon.

13. The individual employer agrees to furnish suitable shelter to protect the operators from falling material and from the elements.

14. No-repairman or operator shall be required to furnish transportation within the job site for tools or equipment needed in the performance of his duties. The employer agrees to furnish a safe and from San Mateo bridge to Skyline suitable storage place for tools.

15. No foremen or shifters shall be allowed to operate any mechanical equipment.

16. Where it is necessary to operate during lunch period such machines as compressors, refrigeration plants, pumps, cement or pump-(c) In case an employee works on more than one classification crete guns and etc., the operator of such machine shall receive pay for

rig and carryall job which will provide employment for many engineers.

The Parkside Development Co. have resumed operation on the large fill job at the site of the former San Mateo airport. This project when completed will accommodate some three thousand homes. The L. C. Smith Co. of San Mateo have the contract for the earth moving, and foreman Bro. Schall with a large crew of engineers are industriously engaged in this work.

During the past month, the L. C. Smith Co. were successful bidders on several jobs throughout this area including the paving and grading between Route No. 68 and the S. P. railroad in San Mateo county.

Added to the many subdivision, highway, pipeline and building projects now in operation in this district, plans are under way for many more construction jobs. Some of these are: continuance of Bayshore Highway to the South County Line; building new highway Blvd. along 19th Ave.; improvements on El Camino Highway; reconstruction of highway from Edgmar to Thornton, and many others which will keep the worthy brothers employed for a long period of time.

Local 3 Members **Help Win National** Safety Award

By P. E. VANDEWARK

We are proud to have taken part in a safety program wherein Pacific Coast Aggregates at their Eliot plant, producing rock, sand and gravel, have won the highest award for safety issued by the U.S. Bureau of Mines' for the year 1952

Members of Operating Engineers Local 3 are the great majority of employees, 45 in fact. We extend our congratulations to the members of Local 3 and Pacific Coast Aggregates in establishing such an enviable record.

Following is the official citation for this achievement:

United States Department of the Interior **Bureau of Mines** Washington 25, D.C. June 23, 1953

Mr. A. K. Humphries, Pres. Pacific Coast Aggregates, Inc. **400** Alabama Street San Francisco 10, Calif.

Dear Mr. Humphries:

It is my great pleasure to inform you that your Eliot No. 104 plant has won the highest safety honors in the pit group of the 1952 Bureau of Mines Safety Competition for sand and gravel plants, and the "Rock Products" trophy in the large-sized plant group of the 1952 National Sand and Gravel Association Safety Competition. This recognition and award is made for the outstanding safety accomplishment of not a single lost-time injury to an employee during a total work-time of 161,664 man-hours at the plant during the year.

All employees and officials of your plant merit heartiest congratulations for the part each had in preventing accidents and establishing such an excellent safety record in this nation-wide competition. My best wishes for continuation of your success in promoting safety in the Sand and Gravel industry of this country.

Sincerely yours, J. J. FORBES Director. * *



LAWSON RUSSETT Oakland, Calif.; July 10, 1953

S. L. (Sidney) McDOWELL Oakland, Calif., July 11, 1953

GLENN BLAKLEY Napa, Calif., July 13, 1953

F. W. ARENT Sacramento, Cal., July 14, 1953

W. R. GREER Seaside, Calif., July 15, 1953

LeROY J. LaBARGE Oroville, Calif., July 16, 1953

REAL STORY OF THE DISPUTE WITH A.G.C

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Trustees, all to be charged to the Engineers Trust Fund. the position that only such fees for consultants and attorneys as the Board of Trustees approved could be paid out of the Fund. Further, the Engineers Committee demanded that the Trust Agreement be set up with five members from the Associated General Contractors and five members of the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3, with EQUAL RIGHTS, and that they, the Board of Trustees, should have the power to set up and operate the Trust Fund without any interference from either the Associated General Contractors or the Local Union. This the Associated General Contractors fought!

We Refused to Allow Fund to Be Drained

The Union held steadfastly to this demand up to the meeting held July 16, 1953, and at each and every meeting the Engineers Committee stated that they would never consent to allowing any part of the Engineers Trust Fund to be DRAINED by the Associated General Contractors through the employment of attorneys or Segal & Co.! We insisted that the money in the Fund which was in effect the money of the members should be used for their benefit and stated that neither insurance consultants nor attorneys should have any right to this fund. Further, that only legitimate expenditures majority of your members were not familiar with the issues to carry on the Trust Fund AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES should come from said Fund. The Committee from the Associated General Contractors disagreed, and the fight was on!

We challenge anyone to deny the above, since the records of all meetings held between the two groups will bear out the above statements.

During the time our meetings were being held a dispute developed between the Associated General Contractors and the Laborers' organization, and FOR THAT REASON the jobs of a large number of contracting firms, members of the Associated General Contractors, were picketed by the Laborers.

This continued for some time, but never once did the Engineers refuse to furnish men to the A.G.C. contractors who desired men. It is true that our members recognized authorized picket lines where they existed. However, a large number A.G.C. contractors, employing several hundreds of our members on jobs which were not picketed or where there were no Laborers involved, continued to work.

AGC Deliberately Locked Out Our Members

While Local No. 3 was still in the midst of negotiations, on June 18, 1953, the Associated General Contractors, Northern and Central California Chapters, sent the following telegram to its members:

BECAUSE OF THE POSITION TAKEN BY THE LABOR-ERS' UNION IN DECLARING THAT ITS MASTER AGREE-MENTS WITH THE TWO A.G.C. CHAPTERS HAVE TER-MINATED AND ARE NO LONGER IN EFFECT, AND THE STRIKE AND OTHER DISRUPTIVE ACTION TAKEN BY THE LABORER'S UNION AGAINST BOTH THE MULTIEMPLOYER BARGAINING UNIT AND ITS INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS, IT IS HEREBY DIRECTED THAT ALL EMPLOYERS WHO ARE A PART OF AND REPRESENTED BY THE A.G.C. CHAPTERS, FOR THEIR OWN PROTECTION AGAINST SUCH ACTION, ARE HEREBY CALLED UPON TO TERMINATE ALL JOB OPPERATIONS EFFECTIVE WITH THE CLOSE OF WORK ON TUESDAY, JUNE 23rd, AND TO REMAIN SHUT DOWN UNTIL ALL EMPLOYERS IN THE BARGAINING UNIT CAN PROCEED WITH NORMAL OPERATIONS.

(signed) "J. R. MITSCH-DIRECTOR OF LABOR RELATIONS NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CALIFORNIA CHAPTERS THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA, INC.

Consequently, on July 14, 1953, the members of Local No. 3 refused to man jobs of members of the Associated This the Engineers would not be party to! The Union took General Contractors or any other contractor who refused to pay into a Trust Fund 10 cents per hour for all hours worked on and after July 6, 1953. During the three following days 32 additional contractors, members of the A.G.C., signed with Local No. 3 and resumed their operations.

Finally, on July 16, 1953, the negotiating committee of Local No. 3 and the Associated General Contractors met, and we were told by the Association that they no longer insisted that insurance consultants or attorneys picked by the A.G.C. have an absolute right to be paid from the Engineers Trust Fund; that they were satisfied now to allow the Board of Trustees to conduct the welfare operation without interference. THIS WAS EXACTLY WHAT THE ENGINEERS HAD REQUESTED IN THE FIRST MEETING HELD IN JANUARY 1953. The agreement, as a package deal, was accepted by both parties and signed, and our members were back to work July 17, 1953.

Whether the A.G.C. will live up to its agreement is still a question. Only time will tell whether the A.G.C. will attempt to sabotage the Health & Welfare Fund. We will stay on our guard!

We now ask the Association in all sincerity, WHY DID YOU PUT US ON THE STREET? Was it because the great involved? Certainly something was wrong-could it have been simply an attempt to assert the principle that wealth and power must forever rule?

All the Fighting Was Not Fair; Scurrilous Attacks Made

These are the facts as they are, and I will stand behind them. I know that during the LOCKOUT many scurrilous misstatements of fact were made. I realized, of course, that in a fight some people believe "all is fair," and we took these things in stride.

We read some paid advertisements in newspapers that contained the most infamous lies; the signers of these statements either knew they were falsehoods, or else they were miserably misinformed.

I quote from one paid advertisement in a newspaper which read, in part, as follows:

"THE ONLY BASIS OF DISAGREEMENT IS WHO WILL ADMINISTER A WELFARE PLAN ... UNION NEGOTIATORS INSIST UPON A ONE-SIDED HANDLING OF THIS FUND. THEY WANT THE WELFARE FUND TO BE ADMINIS-TERED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE UNION . . . NOT FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE WORKERS, (signed) RICE BROS .-ARCHIE TILL-H. EARL PARKER."

What a misstatement of fact! The truth of the matter was exactly the reverse, as the records will bear out.

I, personally, have the greatest respect for the large group of fine and outstanding contractors, members of the A.G.C. among whom I am privileged to consider many as my friends. But I am greatly discouraged and disappointed over the actions of certain gentlemen, members of the Associated General Contractors, who saw fit to make personal attacks on me and my family.

It was said openly and frequently by some that my son. and I were staging a fight to get control of the Engineers Trust Fund for our personal benefit. Let me inform those gentlemen that my son, while he has a broker's license, has never been connected in any way with our Welfare Trust Funds-nor would he, under any circumstances, accept any part of them, even if it were offered!

As for myself, I have never accepted ONE CENT from any one of our four Welfare Trust Funds, and furthermore shall never accept one cent from any Trust Fund! I challenge anyone, now or at any time in the future, to contradict this Local No. 3 Now Has a Welfare Plan to Be Proud of

ARCHIE BENJAMIN SUER Napa, Calif., July 21, 1953

ORAN B. MERRITT Stockton, Calif., July 25, 1953

GEO. LaVIER Newark, Calif., July 28, 1953 * * *

PULLED HIS LEG

A young married helper dropped into the plant's first aid room, and while there, decided to try for a little free advice.

"Doc," he said, "My little boy twisted his ankle and now he has te limp a bit. What would you do if it were you?"

"Why," answered the shrewd attendant, "I imagine I'd limp, too!"

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Accordingly, on June 23rd, a large number of A.G.C. contractors DID LOCK OUR MEMBERS OUT, and on every job the Associated General Contractors was able to put enough pressure on, the contractors locked out our men through no fault of our own, whether Laborers were employed on the job or not. Our only "sin"-if it can be called that-was that we refused to allow the Associated General Contractors to drain the Engineers Trust Fund dry.

The entire construction industry was paralyzed for some time: apparently some of the finest and largest contracting firms in this country were satisfied to sacrifice without limit to compel Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 to allow the A.G.C. to milk the Engineers Trust Fund with unnecessary insurance consultants and attorneys.

Individual Contractors Saw Justice of Local 3's Position

However, there is an end to everything, and within a few days a large number of A.G.C. members saw through the proposed raid on the Welfare Trust Fund and commenced to recognize the justice of Local No. 3's position. Having done so, they signed an agreement with Local No. 3 to pay into an Independent Trust Fund already established between the irresponsibly repeating malicious lies sought to defame my Independent Contractors and Local No. 3, and proceeded to honesty and integrity, YOU OWE ME AN APOLOGY. It recarry on their work.

This made it possible for Local No. 3 to return a large number of its members to useful employment. Others had left to seek employment in other areas, so the unemployment problem was almost solved insofar as the Engineers were concerned.

It has long been my hope, and my dream, to help in a small way to establish a Health and Welfare Trust Fund for all the members who contribute, honestly administered for the benefit of the members. As I see it, this is what Local No. 3 now has, if the A.G.C. does not sabotage it, and we are justly proud of our efforts and the results of this last fight!

I have written this with great care, since it was necessary that I deal in fact only, and that is just what I have done.

Were I a contractor or a businesman I would say, "Let us examine the record so that never again will such a blunder happen!" But since I am an elected representative of Local Union No. 3 I say only, "Thank God that Local No. 3 possessed the strength, and its elected officers the fortitude and wisdom, to fight to establish a Welfare Trust Fund for the Operating Engineers . . . a Welfare Plan that is not loaded with unnecessary costs and that will stand as an example to all organized labor in the future!"

In conclusion, may I say to those who deliberately or by mains to be seen whether you will be manly enough to come forward and make amends, or whether you will allow yourselves to be branded forever by your own actions as something less than a man!

VICTOR S. SWANSON Local Union Manager.

ENGINEERS' NEWS

San Jose Vicinity Jobs Go **On Extra Time to Catch Up**

By M. G. ("Mickey") MURPHY and A. J. ("Buck")' HOPE, Business Representatives

Well, Brothers, again we have the pleasure of giving you the news for the past month and we are happy to say it is a brighter picture on this issue than the last.

All of our contractors seem to have four or five jobs in operation, and many of them have seen fit to extend the work day and increase the work week which we are sure that

no one objects to. Two. or three of the jobs have gone on a double shift basis, namely Los Gatos Construction and Malfitano's Quarry which, incidentally is loading the 300,000 yards of fill for the Ford project. L. D. Hart Co. of Long Beach is doing the hauling. Granite Construction, who have the 7.8 miles of the Eastshore Freeway, are on a three shift basis. We hope that this will continue.

Four

J. H. Pomeroy Co. were the lucky bidders on the Main Assembly Plant, consisting of 11/2 million square feet of floor space, and two railroad tracks running the length of the plant, plus a two-story office building, and other facilities, such as a hospital, fire department, etc., to the tune of about 9 million bucks.

Just received word that A. J. Peters will be winding up his \$275,-000 Underground project on this plant. However, they always say that there is compensation for all losses, and this happens to be that 9-hour shifts. Manuel Smith will be going to work very shortly on his underground unit, which is in conjunction with local asset. McGuire & Hester of Oakland have put in a to the sidehill footwork involved. favorable bid on another unit of underground work in this area and expect to start operations very shortly. Stolte was awarded \$66,000 underground job at Campbell. Bebek & Brkich were the low bidders on District 8 unit at \$90,000 from Highway 17 to Coyote River.

All of our subdivisions in this area have resumed operations and are going full blast, plus our street improvement program and Stevens Creek Highway which is under the thumb of Piazza Paving Co. Then we have P & E Construction Co. with a unit. of underground work at Campbell, District 4; another unit went to Prodanovich & Rodriques of Oakland for \$86,000.

Granite Construction have started'operations on their Sunnyvale highway job, running to Alviso. Sylvania Electric have started groundbreaking on their \$500,000 plant at Mt. View. Eastman Kodak are trying to speed up operations on their \$2,000,000 unit in Palo Alto. This, brothers, will give you a brief on what is going on around San Jose and vicinity.

SANTA CRUZ AND VICINITY

Dinwiddie Construction Co. were the lucky bidders on a \$3,000,000 contract on the Wrigley Chewing Gum plant. Work on this project will start very shortly and will offer employment to many of the brothers around Santa Cruz. Gran-Construction hav leted their bridge job on Water Street. Ed Keeble has just recently started work on his state highway job near Davenport. Brother John Matus will be the superintendent on this project. Leo Cardwell has several jobs in this vicinity. Ted Baun will wind up his road job between Santa Cruz and Watsonville in the next few days. Goforth & McGaw are working on their subdivision in Watsonville, and the P & E Construction have the underground work on this project. Brewster Construction is making good progress on its Warner Hill job in Watsonville, and also on its job in Salinas. A small pipeline job will be let within the next two weeks near the Kaiser Aluminum plant at Moss Landing. There is not much activity around Fort Ord at this writing due to the picket line of the Plumbers' union. Haas & Haney and Dinwiddie's Navy School job have been affected by the strike.

Inaugurate New Hot Mix Plant in Ukiah Area

By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Business Representative

Eaton & Smith of San Francisco have started clearing on their Monte Rio job. This job was held up several weeks due to the labor dispute.

Their job at Rattlesnake Creek, south of Cummings, is making progress. They are working six 10-hour shifts. Everyone on the job is happy except for

Perry Webb, the superintendenthe wants more dirt!

Construction has begun on the-41/2-mile stretch of the Mendocino County road between Dos Rios and Covelo.

The road builder is Cecil Moore, contractor from San Leandro. At the present they are working five

Nealey Folger, the superintendent, won't be surprised to find one leg shorter than the other when he gets through with this job due

Contract was awarded to Allied Paving Santa Rosa, for extension of Pacific Ave. between Mendocino Ave, and Slater St.

The work, part of an ultimate extension to Humboldt St., is expected to be started shortly after the first of next month.

Pile driving operations have been started for the city's new Talbot Ave. bridge.

The job was delayed about a month. It is being done by San Jose contractor Charles S. Moore.

Harold T. Treacy, San Francisco, submitted the low bid for construction of water mains in Grace Subdivision. The work will start immediately.

Contemplation-Two Mendocino jobs bids open. One for the construction of a bridge across the Russian River east of Ukiah which will be a reinforced concrete slab and welded steel girder with about .9 mile of approaches to be graded and surfaced with plant mixed surfacing and cement treated base.

The other bid for construction at the Mendocino State Hcspital will consist of site grading, plant mixed

lowing engineers are working under his supervision: C. W. Schmitz and Marion Morgan on the Blade, J. H. Mefford, G. V. Mahan, Les Hodge and Manuel Rose operate the Cats: George Beaner, Obie Hall, Keith Chesney, John Seago and Elmer Schnaible are on the Pulls; Wm. Smets, C. H. Davis and C. R. Busby are operating the D.W. 20's; James McMullen is the foreman, Vernon Bright, the crane operator, Fred Card, the mechanic, and G. Ternahan is the oiler.

paving, removal of trees, storm drainage work and concrete work.

The Coyote Dam is still in the running! A \$67,266,000 flood control budget request, including \$1,-000,000 for the Russian River Coyote Valley Dam project, is before the State Water Resources oBard. The Board will study the proposal, make what changes it con-

siders necessary, then adopt a final recommendation. The money requested is for the

first phase of the dam's construction which probably will start early in 1955.

Antioch Paving Company have set up their portable crushing plant on their job seven miles north of Willits on Highway 101. This is a resurfacing job and at present they are ripping up the shoulders; consequently traffic is controlled.

Rosa will supply the black-top for this job from their new hot plant they have just established at Calpella.

HOT MIX PLANT

together with 125 guests, attended the formal dedication of Arthur B. Siri, Inc., new crusher, screening and hot mix plant, located on the west branch of the Russian River a mile and a quarter north of the junction of highways 101 and 20.

Gravel for the operation is taken

Extra Shifts as Stockton Jobs Try to Catch Up By ED. DORAN, M. W. GRIFFING, W. M. TALBOT and

C. L. CASEBOLT, Business Representatives

As this issue goes to press, we here in the Stockton office are happy to say the brothers are back at work. We also would like to express our thanks to the members for the cooperation that we received during the Laborers strike and our own no-contract no-work lockout which followed.

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The AGC jobs have resumed operations in this area and cleared our "out of work" list.

Ball-Simpson & Irvine are working approximately 20 engineers on a 10-hour day, 6 days a week basis on their road job and the rush is on to complete before bad weather comes.

M. J. Ruddy & Son at Burson will have the sub-grade finished by the time this article is published. They also are working on a small street job in Ripon with Brother Frank Molarius doing the shifting. M. J. B. Construction Co. have

started their freeway job between Manteca and Ripon with three cats clearing right of way and the blade doing a little bond plowing. Bro. Henry Linkert is superintendent and Bro, Les Nedrow doing the shifting. The bulk of the 350,000 yards of borrow will be hauled by trucks so the most we can expect for the engineers will be about 15 members on the job.

Macal Improvement Co. who are subbing the dirt work from Claude Wood Co. on the road job at Wallace are progressing nicely, with three DW-10's, pushcat and ripper cat. When they complete the subgrade on this job they will move up to Markleville and work until the weather drives them out.

Munn & Perkins is moving their hot plant at Modesto to finish the Old Oakdale Highway, and then to the Palmdale job.

Old Trucking Co. moved in with Tom Connolly's Northwest to clean the channel at the Cherry Valley Dam Site.

Bill Harris is naving trouble at the diversion tunnel on this job. U. P. K. Co. is pouring concrete at Delhi and expect to be finished

within the next 60 working days. The land leveling operations have picked up lately with four con-

tractors busy in the Dixon area. Although not too many men have been called for through this office. E. H. Rider & Son, Akslands, Jeneche's and Clint Collingswood are the conractors.

H. Spencer from Patterson is

THE WIFELY VIEWPOINT They were to be married and he

She-Bolt Housing

Experience on several of the biggest dam jots in the West was what made an nventor of Brother W. A. Seemani, a member of Local 3, who has patented and is now marketing the "Seemann She-Bolt Housing."

Brother Seemann, whose home is in Stockton, Rt. 4, Box 646-T, noticed how often the ordinary she-bolt, which protrudes from the wooden form, would be struck by concrete buckets or tangled in lines.

When this happened, the shebolts would be bent and sometimes torn out. All too often everything had to stop while concrete was mucked out and a new bolt set in place.

Finally Brother Seemann designed a steel plate she-bolt housing which sits flush with the form and doesn't allow any part of the bolt to stick out. The secret is a recessed, or countersunk, housing in the face plate which completely shields the nut and the end of the she-bolt.

The housing has been endorsed by engineers not only for its cost savings, but as a safety factor, preventing accidents which sometimes happen when the ordinary she-bolt ends are bumped by equipment.

moving three of his rigs down to Fort Ord to do a litle construction work for a change.

At the Pacific Coast Aggregates plant, near Tracy, Calif., the employees have made quite an inviolable record for themselves and the plant. There we have 32 men employed that have operated 416 days without a single lost-time accident. During that time the plant has produced approximately 750,000 tons of aggregates of top quality. These brothers are like a big family with Mr. Earl Williams as plant superintendent, looking after their welfare as only a fond father would look after one of his very own. He has a personal interest in each of his beys that goes well beyond the point of just another hired man.

Now that the labor situation has been pretty well ironed out in most instances, this office has most of its members back on the job they left. Pacific Ave.-A. Teichert & Son's job is going 10 hours, 6 days a week, according to word reaching this office, A gesture on the part of the company that will be greatly appreciated by the brothers, in that they will be able to make up a. portion of their time lost, and by the residents of the district north of Stockton as Pacific Ave. is the only arterial coming in. This will be a four-lane divided highway, reaching 5 miles north, serving a district of about 50,000 besides the traffic from as far as Rio Vista. We hope to have parallel road to Pacific Ave. within the next year. Lord & Bishop will have poured the deck on the Center street bridge by the time you read this. Raymond Concrete Pile are driving the cases (350 of them for a rice cleaning plant at French Camp. McDonald Engineering is the prime contractor on this jobthey hope to be ready for the Fall harvest. Brother Albert Stadler is in the San Joaquin General Hospital here in Stockton. Any brother who has an hour or more spare time should drop in and say hello and give him a handshake to wish him well.

Arthur B. Siri, Inc., of Santa

DEDICATE NEW

Friday, July 17th, the writer,

After a fine buffet lunch served by Ted Siri, brother of Arthur B. Siri, the president of the corporation, the entire group was taken for an inspection trip through the plant. We found the 20 employees busy turning out the various products of the plant and were surprised to learn that the "Hot Mix" is turned out at the rate of 3000 pounds every 40 seconds.

SALINAS

Granite Construction have been awarded a contract by the state for widening the streets in Salinas. They also are working on two small subdivisions. Ed Keeble has about a month of work left to com- Morgan Hill to Gilroy. plete his state highway job here. Bro. John Matus is the superintendent on this project and the fol- boy, born July 27th.

Granite Construction expect to start on their Greenfield job very shortly.

HOLLISTER & VICINITY

Engineers Limited have resumed activity after being shut down for approximately five weeks by the plumbers' strike. They have just been awarded a 4-mile extension on this pipeline. Gordon Ball Construction Co. are progressing nicely on their bridge job at Hollister. Raymond Concrete Pile have two rigs on the Gordon Ball job and one on the Keeble job in Salinas.

Radke & Renz have several small jobs in this vicinity. E. T. Haas and Heringer & Richards are working at top speed on their cross-county canal job near Coyote. Lowrie Paving are making good progress on their telephone job on Highway 101. Ratke was awarded a 10-mile strip of this job extending from

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Don Yetz on the arrival of a baby

om that part of the property on which the plant is located and extends some 3500 feet along the river, thus giving an ample supply of gravel.

Presently the plant is operating one 8-hour shift. However, because of the great demand for the material being produced, company officials are now contemplating two shifts on the crusher plant starting next week.

Bro. William F. Brown is the superintendent of the plant and in talking with "Bill" we found that he constructed the plant and more or less feels that it is his 'baby".

There was a definite need for such an operation in the Ukiah area, as this is the only plant of its kind between Healdsburg and Eureka. This writer congratulates the Siri corporation and wishes them every success in their new venture.

At this plant on the day shift-Bros. Chas. Norton, the crusher operator; Bob Archibald, the oiler, and V. T. Lindsey on the Cat.

Operating the Hot Plant, Bros. Kelley Kirksey the Box Man, and Jess McDonald, the Fireman. V L. Duncan, the operator and D. F.

Collins on the Cat. Operating the Reed, operating, with R. Silva his Hough Loader-Bro. J. E. Tuso. On the night shift-Bros. Ray Bleu.

was relating his adventures in Africa.

"I had to hack my way," he said, through almost impenetrable jungle, chopping, slashing at thick undergrowth and trees-"

"Oh, George," said she delightfully, "you'll do fine when you have to weed the garden!"

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Lonely baby chick taking a look around the electric incubator full of unhatched eggs:

"Well, it looks as if I'll be an only child. Mother has blown a fuse."

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SOX REARS ITS HEAD

Daisy - "Why are you wearing your socks inside out?" Crazy-"My feet were hot, and

mother told me to turn the hose on them."

POINTS OF VIEW

Husband-"What extravagance! You have two hats to match that one dress."

Wife-"Oh, no, I haven't. I've only one dress to match the two hats."

oiler. On the Cat-Bro. Ted. Le-

What's Doing in the Oakland Area

Finally Hit the 'Jackpot;' Clear 514 During Month By AL CLEM, T. D. BRYSON, LOUIS SOLARI, L. L. LAUX and

JOE RILEY, Business Representatives

At long last it looks like the engineers in this area have hit the "jackpot" insofar as the work is concerned. There is practically no one on the out-of-work list at this report period. and we sincerely hope that it continues this way for some time to come.

'feast' or 'famine' in the con- for this work. He is employing Roy struction industry, but we would Kemmitt, who is at this time far rather see conditions where all sloping with a D-8 Dozer, and is of the members are working than doing a good job on the 1 to 1 where we have so many on the outof-work list.

We realize that it has been rather trying times for many of you fellows-for after the rains the good weather came, and then due throughout this year. to the Laborer's difficulty with some of the members of the A.G.C. there was a lockout by the employers. Next, due to the stalling tactics of the A.G.C., it became necessary for Local No. 3 to take such action as it is not accustomed to taking.

all it was the proper thing to do, for we are certainly in hopes that now we have a Welfare Plan for those members employed by contractors who are members of the A.G.C., equally as good as that plan in effect for the members who are employed by the independent contractors.

During the past month we cleared 514 men to the various jobs in His company is equiped for the area. There is some overtime being worked by the contractors, so perhaps that will make up in some small measure for some of the days you Brothers have lost.

Getting Around The Jobs

GALLAGHER AND BURKE. have started another new project at Orinda Corners-20,000 yards of excavation for the new Catholic Church site. Brother Carl Hood is Foreman on the job; Brother Clarence Bruce is riding herd with a DW-10, and Brother Larry Mehaffey is operating the same kind of 'critter'. Brothers George Evans and M. B. McDaniels are Tractor Operators on this spread.

GALLAGHER AND BURKE'S Avon-Concord junction job; Mar-tinez-Arnold Highway; Walnut-Creek-Danville; and the Holbrook Heights projects are in full swing at this time with many of Local No. 3 members at work.

The CARLES HUGHES CO. HOT Plant reopens after a lengthy legal battle with Walnut Creek Fathers.

As we all know it is either a Robert Malloy has the sub-contract slope; and Joe Motta who is operating the Carryall.

Elmer J. Freethy has other projects under way in this area and

The Pittsburg-Antioch freeway was opened to the public July 2nd. The contract was let February 1, 1952 to Peter Kiewit & Sons.

The cost of this four lane, divided highway was \$2,500,000.00. George Premo, Superintendent; However, we believe that all in and Jack Sneed, Master Repairman, handled the three top jobs on this project. Many Brothers were employed on this job and enjoyed good conditions for the past 11/2years.

> BROTHER GLEN DAYTON is now in business for himself and operates from Danville. He has a C-12 license and good equipment. handling paving and excavating. The spread consists of a No. 212 Cat Blade; D-6 Dozer and C'all, Sheepsfoot, Tamper, and Ripper; a Ford Scraper and Loader; and a Roller. The phone number is Vernon 7-7003, Danville. Good luck Glen.

M. MALFITANO & SON, INC. are starting their road contract south of Brentwood, on Walnut Avenue, between Camino Diablo and Marsh Creek Road, This job will keep many Brothers busy through the summer.

GALLAGHER AND BURKE were awarded the contract to place cement-treated base, widening, and resurfacing of the highway between the Monument and Martinez. The total length being 5.3 miles. This contract amounted to \$278,-314.00. The above company has many projects under way in Contra Costa area.

A road contract was awarded to the JOHN A. CARSTENSEN CO. to resurface Hop Yard Road near Pleasanton. This job is just starting-more work for the members.

1952, covering 161,664 man-hours, without a loss by injury. The plaque was presented to the company by the Pitt & Quarry Magazine. The figures are run for the Mining Bureau, then the National Sand, and Gravel Association makes a thorough check of these figures and the awards made accordingly. There are three awards made accordingly. There are three awards-first, one from 20,000 to 50,000 man-hours; secondly, 50,000 to 100,000 man-hours; and third, 100,000 and over manhours, with P.C.A. won. This, we believe, is an outstanding record.

ORINDA EXCAVATING AND PAVING CO. have started clearing and excavating on the Orinda High School site near Moraga. There are approximately 60,000 yards of dirt involved on this project. Bud Wells has his rigs going many Engineers have worked on this spread. Wayne Morris is the Superintendent for the Orinda Excavating and Paving Co., and we know many of the old timers will remember Wayne.

> ROBERT R. MURDOCK is the general contractor on a new bridge to run across Wildcat Creek on Vale Rd., in Richmond. When this bridge is completed it will open a new road and give a two-way entrance to the new Richmond Hospital now being built by Parker-Steffens and Pierce. One entrance will be from Richmond, while the other will be from San Pablo. The piledriving and excavating work for this job is being handled by the Western Construction Co.

KEVRY CONSTRUCTION has started their large sewer job in San Pablo, on Road 20. This sewer line will be approximately three miles long and will anticipate about four months work. We have 12 Brothers employed on this job, with Brother Blackie Hunt as 'pusher'. Brother A. O. Penrose is handling the boring on this job; which will consist of boring holes under the railroad for this particular sewer job. Brother Freeman Haas has his grane busy on the crane and clam work.

The STONE & WEBSTER job at Standard -Oil is progressing very well with Brother Ray Post as Foreman on this job. Brother Arnold Butterfield is running the crane, with Earl Moore employed as his oiler. Brothers Travis Price and Amos Cherryholmes are on the Handi-Cranes and Brother Roy Cameron on the compressors and welding machines.

LEE IMMEL has several large jobs going, with the one on the Sacramento Street Freeway, in Steve Mohawk, dozer. This is a Berkeley, near completion. When forty hour a week job, and will this street is finished it will give have approximately fifteen to a through street from Berkeley to Oakland; running from Sacra- started, which will put McQuire Oakland; running from Sacramento St., Berkeley to Market and Hester employing about eighty Street, in Oakland. The removal of Engineers by August of this year. the Santa Fe tracks on this job McGUIRE & HESTER'S, \$100,was handled by the Ransome 000.00 storm drain job on the new Company. Immel's job in North Richmond, freeway of Highway 50, Castro putting in curbs and gutters, is Valley, started July 15th. The job begins at Strobridge Avenue and just about completed; however, their big job on Cutting Blvd, is ends at Foothill Blvd. There will just getting under way. Brother be 10,000 feet of storm drain, with Ray Ferdig is the Superintendent the pipe ranging from 12 to 42-

Thanks, Brothers, for Your Help

We want to take this opportunity to thank the members in this area for the excellent cooperation they gave us during our recent difficulties with those employers who saw fit to go along with the policy as laid down by the A.G.C.

We realize that it worked certain hardships on many, but we want to commend those, who through their untiring efforts, kept the Oakland office notified of jobs that were going, whereby we were able to ascertain whether they should be working or not.

As long as we have this kind of spirit and cooperation in Local 3 we know that we have nothing to fear from a handful of contractors who are trying to dictate a policy that is detrimental to the membership of this organization.

on these jobs, while Brother Hans inches. This will be a forty hour Enge is employed as master mechanic in the shop. We have at this time about fifty Brothers working for this contractor.

EUGENE ALVES has a \$78,000 job for the reconstruction, grading, and paving of a county road. The job will be on Heyer Avenue, between Redwood Road and Central, in Castro Valley. It is a forty hour a week job and they have seven Engineers employed on this project. This job will entail the widening of Heyer Avenue approximately six feet and is about a two months job.

-STOLTE has the job at Calavares Dam Rd., which is a \$380,-000.00 job. It is called the Alameda Creek Siphon No. 2, for the City of San Francisco. They are laying a steel pipe thirty feet long and 91 inches in diameter. The job is 3,000 feet long. It started May 27th, and will be completed some time in November. It is a forty hour week job. Superintendent on the job is Brother Bob Bradley. Shovel Operator, Brother Ernie Miller, with Brother Herman Crowe as oiler. Dozer operator is Brother Paulus Craig. They will have approximately eight employees be fore the job is completed.

The McGUIRE AND HESTER job, located at Doyle Way, is Hayward, is a \$651,000.00 job, and goes to Oroloma District Place, San Lorenzo. It is five miles long and is called the Oroloma Sanitary District job. They are using pipe from 21 to 39 inches on this project. The job started July 20th, and will be completed January 30, 1954. The following Brothers are on the job: Carl Cole, supt.; Harold Vain, oiler; Al Foft, loader; Ralph Underwood, tr. Crane operator; William F. Dyer, oiler;

a week job, but they will be working through the rain, for although this is approximately four months' work, it will be a year before completed, due to the off-and-on excavating and grading work to be done on the highway. The following, Brothers are employed on this job: Floyd King is supt.; Guy Skuse, foreman; William Merrill foreman; Elmer Dunn, bay city hoe; Harry O'Burke, oiler; Barney Budde, truck crane; Edwin Johnson, oiler; Carl Booth, trencher; Jack York, oiler; Frank Snow, Hough Loader; Percy Hauck, Hough Loader; William Blaw, boom cat.

FREDRICKSON BROTHERS have 401,200 cubic yards of dirt to move on their Highway 50 job, from Crowe Canyon Rd. to Foothill Blvd. This is a \$1,200,000.00 job, and will last about eighteen months. This road will connect into the freeway. Employed on this project are the following: Foreman, Gordon Johnson, Woodrow Johnson, stake puncher; 'Pee Wee' Russell, dozer; Bill Bishop, mechanic; Ed Hart, blade operator; Robert Stratton, dozer; Hank Raling, NW 80 shovel; Elmer Burkett, oiler; S. C. Richardson, grease truck; Guy Conyers, grease truck; R. C. Isaacson, jeep; D. Beier, jeep; R. Lauglin, jeep; Tony Maniz, dozer; Kenneth Corbett, sheepsfoot; Jess L. Bohanan, sheepsfoot; W. W. Wildoner, ripper; J. Bagley C'all; Tim Atkinson, jeep; Foy Mayo, dozer; Joe James, Stake Puncher; E. M. McKinnon, master mechanic.

STAHL & SHATTUCK, ocated at 2979-A- Street, in Hayward, have various work scattered in the district of Alameda and San Mateo County. The majority of their work consists of a 40-hour work week and quite steadily, as they also handle equipment rental. Brothers Ben Stahl, Charley Shattuck, who are owne and m embers ploying Bros. William Valente, mechanic; Pete Hayes, cat; Richard Farrell, dozer; James Hamilton, foreman; and Ray Farrell who is also a part owner and employed as superintendent. They have a new rock crusher and are hoping to get an O.K. from the County so they can work this new pit which is located at Marsh Creek Road between Alvarado and Newark. They will have enough work to keep about 17 Engineers employed throughout the year.

This Plant has reopened under the name of 'Walnut Creek Asphalt Company' and is delivering 2,200 tons of Lee Immel's job on Oakland Avenue, Walnut Creek. Chris Immel is the Foreman on this job. Brother Bob Enge, Virgil Taylor and Clarence Porter are the operators.

The above Hot Plant is prepared to give service to contractors around the Walnut Creek area. The nearest plant mix available is at Kaiser's Radum Plant, Pleasanton, or P.C.A. Plant, Concord.

Six members of Local No. 3 are employed at this modern air-conditioned plant. ,

MARTIN BROS., Concord contractors have many new jobs in have the three major contracts on Contra Costa County. They have contracts to grade and pave streets at the following sub-divisions:-Gregory Gardens, Concord: Vine Hill Manor, Martinez; and the Wildwood Estates, Concord. Brother Jack Kruger is running the new 'Cat-No. 12' Blade, and Brother Oliver Atkins is operating the other 'Cat-No. 12' Blade.

ELMER J. FREETHY was awarded the contract to build a so it looks like things should be Prestressed Reservoir (5 M.G.), good for some time to come. near Orinda Corners. They have 50,000 yards of excavation work

STANLEY H. KOHLER AND JAMES H. HILL COMPANY were awarded contracts to build seven new bridges in the Concord area.

BROTHER G. FERRABEE was awarded a contract to pave 15 school yards in the Concord area. In addition to 'these jobs the above company has many other commitments.

The P.G.&E. Steam Generating Plant, at Antioch, is almost finished. Just a few Engineers are left on this project at the present time. Many Brothers were transferred from this job to the new P.G.&E. Steam Generating Plant at Pittsburg.

The Bechtel Corp., Consolidated Western, and C. C. Moore Co., this project. Many Brothers are now on the payrolls of the above companies.

Eastern Contra Costa County and Eastern Alameda County are buzzing with activity - many streets, roads, bridges, sub-divisions refineries, electric plants, underground work, Army and Navy projects are now under way. Many small jobs have been let recently.

P.C.A., Elliott Plant, recived a to be done on this project, and safety award for the full year of

'FREE RIDER'S CREED'

(Author Unknown)

The dues-paying union member is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He provideth me with paid holidays and vacations.

So I may lie down in green pastures beside the still waters. He restoreth my back pay;

He guideth my welfare without cost to me,

Even though I stray in the paths of unrighteousness - - for my money's sake.

Yea, though I alibi and pay no dues from generation to generation.

I fear no evil, for he pays my way and protecteth me. The working conditions he provideth they comfort me. He annointeth my head with the oil of seniority:

He solaces my soul with a contract that protecteth my salary and provideth me with merit increases.

He fighteth my battles for pay raises and, even more, he speaketh strongly for my rights.

Yea, my cup runneth over with gratitude.

Surely, his goodness and loving kindness shall follow me all the days of my life - - - free of cost.

And I shall dwell in the union house he hath built forever and allow him to pay the bill AMEN

BROTHER RAY SMITH, President of Bay Equipment Co. reports that business has started to pick up again after a considerable slowdown of about two months. Bay Equipment maintains quite a large rental fleet of air equipment, shovels, and cranes. They are also Northern California distributors for Manitowoc Shovels and Cranes; Bay Cites Shovel, and Cranes; Harris Four Wheel Drive Tractor Loaders and Clyde Handi-Cranes. Brother s Dave Houck, Tom Aydelotte, and Cliff Johnson are permanent employees in Bay

Equipment service operations, under the direction of Brother Al Gavillet, who is service manager. Al reports that service work has been consistently heavy all year. Brothers Dick Wilshusen and (Continued on Page Seven)

Fresno Short of Welders, Mechanics and Blade Men By H. T. PETERSEN and LYNN MOORE,

Business Representatives

Employment conditions in the Fresno area have improved in the last two weeks in view of the renewal of our agreement with the AGC and also settlement of the Laborers' strike, and the outlook for the rest of the season is very bright. In fact, at the present time there is a shortage of mechanics, welders

and blade operators.

There have been several new bes set in the past month, as Blood Saved My jobs set in the past month, as follows: Clement & Co. of Hayward submitted low bid to the Bureau of Public Roads for 14.8 miles grading and paving with oil mix in the Mammoth Sierra National Forest in Madera County, between neer who was saved by donations Chiquita and Rock Creeks. This company will be moving in right neers Blood Bank tells its own away and expect to start within the next two weeks.

Granite Construction Co. have moved in on their job in Merced County for street paving, including curbs and gutters. This job will 631 Kearney Blvd. be good for more than one year and the company anticipates setting up a batch plant in town and a crushing, screening and hot plant on Bear Creek, just east of Merced.

M. J. B. Company have started operation on their storm drain system contract in Merced and will be busy there for the next four months.

Volpa Bros. were awarded two contracts - one by the city of Chowchilla for paving within the city limits of that town; the other by the State Highway Dept. on Highway 152, resurfacing and shoulder work. These jobs will keep this company busy for the rest of the season.

River Rock and Concrete Supply Co. in Merced have several jobs and do not anticipate a let-up for the balance of this year.

Union Iron Works of Los Angeles will start hanging steel on bid of \$2,606,000.00 to the Bureau the hangar job at Castle Air Force of Reclamation for the laying and Base. This job is good for approximately four months.

Stolte & Pacific Co. have about two months work left on their u of Reclamation job at Ber-

enda and by that time anticipate bidding the next section of this canal.

H. Earl Parker have just about completed work on the first contract on the same project and have started to work on their second contract.

We have about completed negotiations with the Stewart & Nuss and Pacific Coast Aggregates for their distribution agreement and we expect these agreements will be retroactive to July 16th.

The general outlook in the gravel production industry is very good, and we anticipate most of the producers to be enlarging operations consistent with the construc-



ceived from the wife of an Engiof blood from the Operating Engieloquent story:

Fresno, Calif. July 29, 1953 **Operating Engineers**

Union No. 3

Dear Engineers:

I wish to thank you for the blood that you furnished for me when I had my recent operation. The four pints of blood saved

my life, and I will be forever grateful for the blood from the Engineers Blood Bank.

Some of us don't realize the need for blood until we have to have it for our own families.

So I think it's a wonderful thing for all of us to give blood when we can to the Engineers Blood Bank.

Thanks again to all Engineers for the blood.

Sincerely.

MRS. ROY E. MCHANEY (Wife of an Engineer).

tion work now in progress.

In Tulare County: R. V. Eloyd & Co. of Coachella submitted low manufacturing of 58 miles of pipeline; this job is near Earlimart.

Frederickson & Kasler-submitted low bid of \$594,000.00 to the Division of Highways for the grading separation and interchange at the Visalia Airport on Highway 99.

Guy F. Atkinson Co. are busy on their paving of the Freeway job through the City of Tulare.

United Concrete Pipe Co. are manufacturing pipe for their Bureau of Reclamation contract of some 68 miles of pipeline and will start laying operations within the next three weeks. Both of the above-mentioned jobs will carry the pipe crews for a period of approximately two years.

Pine Flat Contractors are still busy dismantling equipment and putting the finishing touches to the structures. They expect to clean up within the next three months. -

Rechtel Co's Vermillion Valley

ENGINEERS' NEWS

ARMY BACK IN PACIFIC DREDGING By J. K. WAIWAIOLE

Business Representative

Bids will be called for Kalihi Tunnel bore in August. The single bore two-lane tunnel is estimated to cost between 31/2 to 4 million dollars. Overall cost around 6 million dollars. Ching's Construction should complete its windward approach road to the tunnel some time in September.

Western Builders has just started its Peninsular homes job. Only one engineer needed now.

Nordic Construction was low bidder on the "Reef" hotel job for Mr. Kelly of the Edgewater Hotel units. This structure facing the ocean will cost a little over \$300,000.

Kalihi Valley homes being constructed by Hawaiian Dredging Co., Ltd., is now 90 per cent completed. Their dredging operations now move to Korea on a U.N. job. Assistant Engineer Ben Wun is still in Japan awaiting arrival of levermen from stateside, as Captain Rosabo is now in San Francisco recruiting men who have worked with him. Captain Rosabo has also requisitioned veteran Hawaiian dredging tug master Peter Wong and others to work with him.

Oda & Town Construction have just started the Barbers Pt. school job which will cost \$500,000.

Len's Construction is still processing for sub-contracting bids before they break ground on their Wherry housing project.

From Okinawa comes word that the Army Engineers will be back in the dredging business again come September 1st, by taking over dredging operations now being done by Pacific Dredging Co., Ltd., of Paramount, Calif.

Many of our men employed there now formerly worked for the U.S.E.D. in Hawaii at similar classifications. Old-timers would be Jim McCandless, leverman; Tom Wills, leverman; Frank Soares, leverman; Wallace Kunukau, leverman; Masao Yoneoka, formerly mate and deck captain, now yard superintendent; Peter Joaquin, formerly oiler fireman, now watch engineer; George Tong, tug operator, and Roy Hu, fireman and oiler.



Stockholm.-The free world need not fear a depression when peace comes, AFL President George Meany told the third world congress of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions.

The notion that present prosperity depends upon expenditures for military production is spread by

Field Survey Report-Membership Votes to Accept New Bay Counties Wage Scale By AL BOARDMAN, Business Representative

At the regular meeting of the Technical Engineers Division of the Operating Engineers on July 24, 1953, in San Francisco, the membership voted to accept the new wage rates negotiated with the Bay Counties Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors Association, Inc. The new wage scales effective Aucovered by the plan. Booklets are

gust 1, 1953, are as follows: Per Hour

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A new section No. XXII-Welfare Fund, replaces the old provision and reads as follows:

The Employer agrees to contribute seven and one-half cents (7½c) per hour, effective August 1, 1953, for each hour worked, including overtime hours and for the equivalent hour of paid-vacation time to the Trustees of the Welfare Fund, such funds to be used in accordance with the terms of a separate Trust Agreement dated .. It is further agreed that the parties to the collective bargaining agreement shall select a Welfare Fund to which the Employers shall participate and make their contributions; the Employers shall be entitled to appoint one (1) Trustee to serve on the Board of Trustees which Board shall be composed of equal representation by employer and employees.

The Welfare Plan will be effecthereafter will be paid for sickness at 8:00 P.M.

available at the present time describing benefits covered by this plan. Any member wishing one will receive same on request.

News from Local 12-D, the Los Angeles Technical Engineers division, shows progress to the extent of a 5% wage increase. New wage rates in the L.A. area are: Rodman-Chainman Apprentice, first three months \$1.70; second three months \$1.90; Rear Chainman \$2.09; Head Chainman \$2.33; Instrument Man \$2.59; Party Chief \$2.85. New vacation plan calls for 40 hours paid vacation after 1 year, 60 hours after three years, 80 hours after five years, and vacations to be pro-rata basis after the first year.

Meetings with the Santa Clara Civil Engineers & Land Surveyors Association show little progress but we expect better results in our Tuesday afternoon meeting.

PERSONALS

Friends of Bill Minahan will be glad to know that he is on the mend and expects to be back in the office in about a week. Howard Adams continues to improve and also hopes to be back on the job soon. Bro. George Devaney is in charge of the engineering on the new Ford plant for Pomeroy.

There will not be a Technical Engineers meeting in August, as your representative plans a vacation at that time. The next meeting will be Sept. 25, 1953, at 474 tive Sept. 1, 1953, and all claims Valencia St., San Francisco, Calif.,

Oakland Area News

(Continued from Page Five) Louie Burrell are on Bay's Sales Staff, under the direction of Brother Charles Robinson, who is general sales manager. Brother Ray Smith states that if any of the Brothers desire any type of information, help, or assistance, on their Bay Cities, or Manitowoc machines, just let them know as their service force and sales force are always glad to help.

We would like to point out that all the employees of this Company are members of Local 3, from the operators to the salesman, and as you will note, even the President of the Company.

News About

The SAN FRANCISCO BRIDGE CO. has just about completed it's Point Molate job, and expect to finish about August 6th. They are pretty well finished on their Moss Landing job, with the Dredge 'Pronto.' There are some rumors that they expect to send the 'Pronto' down South for a job in Local No. 12 territory.

The ASSOCIATED DREDGING CO. has not started their San Mateo job as yet, they expect to use the Dredges 'Sucker' and 'Palo Alto' on the job, and are working a few men in their Sausalito yard getting the Dredges ready. There is some small clamshell work to be done before they move the Suction Dredges on the job.

The LESLIE SALT CO. is still using five small clamshell rigs on their salt development work in the Napa River and South Bay areas.



REPORT FROM SAN JOSE, SALINAS WATSONVI

(Continued from Preceding Page) pressed with a considerable demand or request for strike sanctions. Some have not been granted, due to the fact it was deemed inadvisable.

I have had and am having some difficulty with the Salinas Freezer Storage plant, Salinas. The company feels that excessive time is being put in. It was all good and well as long as Brother Vosburgh served them gratuitously. Since Brother Vosburgh took over a plant in San Jose, his successor has found it necessary to put in a considerable amount of time to 'teep the old plant running. Who cares? The employer, and how!

Brother Phillip Moss is on the sick list and has been taken to San Francisco. We hope for a speedy recovery.

The cannery strike necessitated the idling of some of our engineers. We're glad that is settled.

Thanks to Brothers Leo Derby and Smith for their assistance in the Ice Industry negotiations at San Jose. This at request of Brother and Manager C. C. Fitch. Please remember your meetings

and attend.

job is going like a house afire and Communist propagandists who we expect calls for additional men some time this week.

In the same general area Eaton & Smith have started their Bureau of Public Roads job and the Hess Construction Co. are busy finishing their current contract.

We were recently invited by the employees of the Ivory Pine Co. to represent them in negotiations with this company, so far as the logging operations are concerned. There are approximately 50 men involved and we have already made arrangements to meet with the owners this coming Monday. If we are successful on this deal we will have an opening wedge for other logging outfits throughout the Sierra area, in view of the fact that we have many members now employed by these companies but not protected by a contract.

There are many smaller jobs in progress too numerous to mention and we have highway jobs in the making, of which we will report on later.

The usual reminder to please donate that pint of blood; we need it badly. Don't forget this is for the benefit of yourself, your immediate family and for your brother members and their immediate family. Make it a point to do the next week.

hope to enlarge their domain if an economic collapse occurs, Meany declared.

In discussing his report on the "Economic and Social Tasks of Today," Meany told the delegates: EXPANDED MARKETS

"Let us assume for a moment that the enduring and endurable peace for which we all yearn and hope has finally been attained. We would then be in a better position to raise the standard of living and improve the working conditions of millions of our people. This would mean expanded domestic markets, an extension of the people's capacity to purchase as well as produce consumer goods.

"But there are also other means that can be employed for expanding economic activity in the democratic world. These are entirely peaceful in character. They are divested from all military undertakings. We must meet the basic needs of society the fulfillment of which, has been slowed down or postponed by the requirements of rearmament.

"We refer to the task of meeting the vast housing needs, the construction of schools, hospitals and roads, the development of rural electrification, reforestation projects and the conquest of drought something on this matter within and flood by creating facilities for adequate storage of water.

The Brothers

The Brothers who have registered on the out-of-work list without phone numbers, should contact your local office, also those men who have not removed their name should do so immediately.

Brother Bill Salsman, a Local No. 3-A man, had some tough luck while oiling on C. C. Moore's Manitawac. He fell off the rig and broke his foot. Bill will be out of circulation for some time.

Brother George Harrison was in the hall visiting this past week, and although he will be using crutches for awhile he is recuperating quite rapidly.

We wish to extend our sympathy to the family of Brother George LaVier who passed away this past week. George had been ill for some time with cancer.

Dredger News

Dredge work has slowed down considerably since the last report period. There are a few jobs let, but none have started as yet. A few jobs have been completed, which gives us some members on for all our members working for the out-of-work list.

The OLYMPIAN DREDGING CO, was low bidder on the Sacramento job, but it probably will be several weeks before they get started. They are getting the dredge 'Palmer' ready and have put a few men to work in their Rio Vista yard. There is very little work being done by the large clamshell dredges, just an occasional small job. They are all tied up at this writing.

SIMPSON BROTHERS have put their clamshell rig to work for the Army Engineers doing maintenance levee work on the Sacramento River, near Meridian.

HEALEY TIBBETTS and PACI-FIC BRIDGE CO. each have a clamshell Derrick loading barges at various locations around the Bay Area.

The IDEAL CEMENT CO. successors to PACIFIC PORTLAND CEMENT are busy with their two suction dredges loading shell for their Redwood City cement plant. We have just completed negotiations with them and got a 10 and 11-cent per hour wage increase them.

ENGINEERS' NEWS

Utah News Roundup

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

July has been a long and very busy month for the Utah offices with negotiations, the lock-out, etc., and now getting the men all back on the job. Work seems to be plentiful at the present and more advertised to be bid in the near future.

Enoch Smith is well along on the State Street job, which will be a great improvement with six lanes to help the congestion from 9th South to 21st South. Gibbons & Reed are finishing up farther on south on

ing. 219 around Salt Lake.

W. W. Clyde has started the being (they claim) a roadbed overpass approaches to Becks which is impervious to sub water. Sp ings in North Salt Lake, and The operation should get a fair Gibbons & Reed are finishing up the north end of Redwood Road. low country which is quite wet. Work elsewhere around Salt

Lake is very good at this writing, and in the eastern part of Utah Young Co. from Salina, Utah, has construction work is really booming. Jensen & Reed Co. were low bidders on the Randlett Road and \$513,751.00. Whiting & Haymond expect to start just as soon as they | Construction Co., Springville, Utah, finch the grade work on Reynolds jot at Myton.

Eleter Kiewit is in what you country, high up in the Uintahs of these being a 2%-inch bitunot in of Vernal, where the fishing imnous road mix job in Washingperfect place to spend the summer; being 2.226 miles, and the amount co. ntry.

Another good job is the Reynoids job at Mirror Lake, and still another job to complete the final ling to the lake was bid Tuesday, July 28, 1953. The American Jap out of Ogden was low bidder an! have joined forces with K. C. Construction Company to do the job.

Out at Dugway a little more activity has started with the letting of bids for the chapel, theatre, gyinnasium and post exchange; low cidders being the R. E. McKee Cc. for \$639,700.00. Work is to commence soon and more to be bid soon. Also, more Igloo work is to be bid at T. O. D.

All in all, the work picture is hopes for some good jobs coming up that will run well into the witter.

fellow to be.

State Street, widening and repay- to see the kick-off. Thorn has pur-Olof Nelson is finishing up chased a Seamons Paver mixer the South Redwood Road job. Ad- which will be used on this job. vertisements are out for bids on This machine picks up the dirt, South through Sugarhouse. and as it passes through the ma-So, maybe will get some relief chine it is ixed with dry cement from the heavy traffic in and and is deposited behind, where it is laid and compacted. The result

test on this job, the road being in

There are two jobs scheduled to start this week in our area. L. A. a new alignment from Salina to Vermillion, Utah, at a cost of are going to start their Salina Canyon job this week.

There are three jobs to be let might call a dirt man's dream in the near future, the principal is good and the weather cool. A ton County the length of the road an deer season is coming up, and of excavation being 240,000 yards. everyone knows that is real deer This job is to be let August 18, 1953

31, 1954. Most of the clauses of Another job is a 3-inch road the old agreement are about the mixed bituminous surfaced road on same; others, it was agreed, need-Highway 91 at the junction of ed clarifying and an understand-State Road 15, the length of the ing was reached on those. road being improved is 1.8 miles, 32,000 cu. yards of unclassified exholidays, it was agreed that when cavation, 34,200 tons of gravel, and a holiday falls during an employee's 105,500 gallons of bituminous mavacation he is entitled to receive terial. an extra day on his vacation or

NORTHERN AREA

Several new jobs have been ceive the holiday pay providing he awarded and several other jobs works his regular scheduled shifts advertised for bid in the past few before and after the holiday acweeks, which should keep the felcording to the rest of the clause on lows busy the rest of the season. holidays, vacation considered as

Gibbons & Reed Co. has been time worked. The part pertaining awarded a job in Weber Canyon to pay for time worked on a holivery bright at the present, with on realigning and building new day was understood to mean that retaining walls along the Weber that the rate prevailing for that River. The guard rail and clean- day shall be paid and also the up work has been completed on holiday pay of 8 hours at straight It this time we would like to the Brigham-to-Mantuana road by hourly rate. stress the importance of belonging Gibbons & Reed, and they have to this organization. The import- started on the widening and reiority clause. The Laborers objected ance of paying dues on time to surfacing of Highway 91 from the keep your insurance in effect. Bamburger underpass through will support our proposal. The Doa't wait for the B.A. to visit the Bountiful. This company is keepcompany felt that the clause should job to pay your dues. It would ing several members busy on the be worked out between the three smake you late. Be the kind of a crusher and hot plant in Ogden locals. This we intend to get taken member that you like the other and on the surfacing of roads and care of immediately. In the meanstreets in this area. time, the system we have been

The J. B. Parsons Co. has

Morrison & Knudson Co. has

started on the new railroad switch

keep a number of members busy

Two additional road jobs have

The Bauer & Lesser Co. has con-

been advertised for bid on August

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

Cedar City Iron Mines: Friday, August 28th, 1953, 8:00 p.m. El Escalante Hotel.

Thursday, September 10, 8:00 p.m.; Sand, Gravel & Construction members, Engineers Hall, 1969 South Main, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Labor Temple, 165 West 1st North, Provo.

Friday, September 18, 8:00 p.m.: Sand, Gravel & Construction members, Labor Temple, Ogden.

SCHEDULE OF STATE ROAD MEETINGS

Cedar City, Thursday, August 27, 8:00 p.m., El Escalante Hotel. Logan, Friday, September 11, Cache County Court House, Logan, Utah, 8:00 p.m.

Price City meeting-Will call by mail/

MINES & MILLS

During the past month nego-

tiations were engaged in with Utah

and the new wage scales arrived

at, also the contract rewritten for

the year June 1, 1953 until May

On the section pertaining to paid

the holiday pay. If the holiday falls

the day before an employee's va-

cation starts, he is entitled to re-

We discussed the proposed sen-

the winter.

3. Holidays: The present holidays work already in progress makes the employment picture look very good provision shall be amended to proalthough there don't seem to be vide for two additional holidays many jobs scheduled to go through per year.

> 4. Sick Leave: To be amended to provide fourteen (14) days sick leave per year with no limit as to accumulation.

> 5. Contract Duration: Contracts to be of one year's duration with a provision for re-opening on wages only in the event the work week is reduced to 40 hours.

6. Wages: A general increase of 25c per hour and the increment between job grades to be increased from 42c to 48c.

7. New additions to the contracts: (a) Health and welfare plan, cost of which to be borne by the Company, for dependents.

(b) Severance pay on the basis of one week's pay for each year of service.

8. Four (4) days off with pay in the event of a death in the employee's immediate family.

9. One day off with pay when an employee is required to do pallbearer service.

10. Jury Duty: Employees to be paid at straight time rate for each day of service as juror.

11. Union Shop.

12. Vacations: Vacation awards to be increased as follows:

Two weeks vacation after one year of service. Three weeks vacation after ten

ears of service. to our proposal. The Teamsters y Four weeks vacation after 20

years of service.

There are some issues which have been discussed in the past membership meetings which will be considered on a local basis. Anusing during the past few months other meeting with the company is scheduled for the week starting August 3, and we may be optimistic, but we feel that the outlook is good for an early reasonable settlement.

them straightened out before they get to be a big thing. UTAH CONSTRUCTION CO. SHOPS

Through long and tedious negotiations we have come up with a 171/2-cent raise of which 10 cents is effective back to June 1 and retroactive pay will be paid; but the 71/2 cents which will be in effect on January 1, 1954 has been held open, and negotiations will continue immediately on a vacation plan for this shep. We hope that the membership will bear with us, but the company is very determined to charge extra for a vacation plan.

SAND AND GRAVEL COMPANIES

At this writing we have all our sand and gravel agreements signed with the exception of the Thorn. Co. in Provo. This company does not want to sign an agreement for the 10-cent increase which has been put into effect in other plants. They are only paying 71/2 cents increase to our operators at this time. We are in hopes that we may get them on an agreement within the next few days.

STATE ROAD

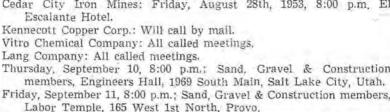
We are pleased to learn that the merit increase granted by the Commission effective July 1st has been quite generally put into effect in most districts. However, we have encountered some-rare interpretations of the meaning of merit in District 1 and the Salt Lake Shops; but we are at the point, with the assistance of Commissioner Corleissen, of getting the matter straightened out.

The Commission has indicated to us their idea of what they consider merit: (1) Interest in the job; (2) Care of equipment and general cooperation with the crew. They further indicate that they observe a few employees who come in just the opposite category; they abuse equipment and lack interest in the job, and they are the ones who were not slated for the increase until they show improvement in their efforts. You know which category you fit.

Willingness to do all they can to bring your scale on a par with comparative industry has been indicated to us by the Com-This can only be done i, their budget will allow, but the feel that consideration should be given to a number of other quite liberal conditions which you receive which are better than those granted outside industry employees.

For instance, 12 paid holidays. 12 paid vacation days after one year worked, 12 days paid sick leave is needed, 15-minute rest period morning and afternoon, double time if you work a holiday. We well realize that it takes money to live on, and we shall not relax our efforts until your wages are where they should be. We need your loyal support to Local 3 to make that goal.

Unfortunately, there are a fewin your ranks who are not willing to give us a chance to resolve their problems such as this increase has created in some areas. These individuals run hot and cold. In this business you have to be consistent. We wonder who those few will turn to for help to get their problems squared away. Perhaps they want to be free riders. We have held some grievance meetings and have others set up. particularly to take up this increase matter, and hope by the them adjusted. During July, Governor Lee appointed your business representative, Charlie Cockayne, as employees representative of the State Employment Security Review Board for a two-year term, until June 30, 1955. * * * Breathes there a man with soul s dead Who's never turned his head and



replaced W. W. Clyde Co. as the as soon as possible. The Hot Plant No. 1 employer of Operating En- and oiling crew for Parsons have gineers in this area, the cause being Clyde Co. finishing three of 2nd Street Depot job before movtheir jobs here in the past week ing to Smithfield. and Thorn Co. being low bidder on a pair.

Clyde's Red Narrows job is now Smith Co. This contract in the running a 10-hour shift, since it amount of \$258,000.00 involved the was found impractical to run two river change and approaches to the shifts on account of difficulties new bridge just completed and will ditions. with the railroad company in the sure eliminate a dangerous section protection of their property. This of road. job has been quite a headache for everyone concerned on account of its proximity to the railroad right- yard and river channel in South at the moment as we had expected of-way; but they are wearing it down and will soon be crushing bucket on the 4500 Manitowoc to July 20, an opening meeting on the base course to hide the boulders. (It will make the tourists hanov.)

Thorn Construction Co. at Soldier Summit are moving lots of for the rest of the year. diri. They have encountered very little rock that is too tight to move, and consequently have made 13. The Plain City road and bridge very good time on their grade, job west of Ogden and the road They have the crusher set up and and bridge between Devils Slide working two shifts to catch the and Croyden. grade.

Thorn's job from American Fork tracted to build 53 additional housto Pleasant Grove is scheduled to ing units for the Federal Housing start within the next few days. Administration on the Ogden Gen-Their brush crews have cleared eral Depot. the right-of-way and are waiting

awarded a contract for \$285,000.00 will continue to be used.

on a new section of road at Ply-On Friday, July 31, meetings in the past week Thorn Con- mouth and expect to move the were held; one at 12:30 P.M. and struction Co. of Springville has equipment from Malad to this job another at 8:00 P.M., at which time the proposed new scales were presented to the membership and about a week left on the Ogden were accepted by about 2 to 1 majority in a secret ballot.

Certain elements entered the The Haws Corner-to-Deweyville negotiation picture this year which job has been awarded to Young & made it difficult to maintain the wage differentials which previously existed; but it's our feeling we did pretty good under existing con-

KENNECOTT COPPER CORP .--BINGHAM MINE

This article will be brief because we do not have so much to report Ogden. They are using a six-yard to have. However, on Monday, load the bottom dump Euclids. If negotiations was held with the the balance of the work on this Kennecott officials, representatives job is let out on contract, it should of the Operating Engineers, Broth-

erhoods, Electricians, Machinists and Office Workers being present, at which time our submissions for amendments to the working agreement were discussed.

Following are the amendments we have proposed:

employees shall be eight (8) consecutive hours.

2. Shift Differential: Increase the present shift differential premium from 4, 6, and Sc per hour to S, These additional projects and the 12, and 16c per hour.

We shall call a meeting for you to consider any reasonable offer made by the company as soon as we get it.

LANG COMPANY

We have had very few complaints from the Lang Co., jurisdictional or otherwise; and at this time your representative would time you read this article to have like to compliment the stewards along with the engineers employed by the Lang Co. for their fine consideration and cooperation during the last few months. I feel that our stewards on this job are doing a wonderful job in settling all grievances while they are still hot and hope that this condition will continue in these plants.

VITRO CHEMICAL CO.

There is very little to write about on the Vitro Chemical plant. We have had a few grievances at this plant, but have had the cooperation from Mr. Hall, the manager, and have been able to sit down with 1. Basic Day: Basic day for all our stewards and the management and get them straightened out immediately. Grievances are something that should be taken up immediately with your representative so that in turn he may call a meeting with the company and get 'my eyes."

said, "Not bad!"

"What would happen if I cut. off our ear?" the doctor asked.

"I couldn't hear," answered the warehouseman.

"And if I also cut off your other ear?" he asked.

"I couldn't see," answered the patient.

"Why?"

"Because my hat would fall over

Marysville: Building Booms; Natomas, Yuba, Gladding McBean Pacts Signed

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

After the Laborers strike was settled, the work in this area started with a bang, and we are in the best shape of the year. The out-of-work list is clean and that is when the representatives can smile again.

·Rice Bros, have two crushers set up and are running a 10-hour shift on the highway job below Chico. The hot plant was being moved in and set up at this writing, with Bro. Al Vercruyssen in harge, who said he would start slurry on the road about August 10 and then pave the city part of the job about August 15.

Richter Bros. Have a large crew, attempting to get all the sub-base ready for Rice Bros., with four blade men on the job and Bro. Vic Stromer in charge. Bro. Will Richter was on the job in Cadillac the other day and said he sure fooled the men without a pickup.

A. R. Smith Co. is doing a good job on the grounds of the new Junior High School in Chico. The Butte Creek Rock Co. have just about gotten back on an even keel too, and have a good steady crew. A. A. Edmonston will be just a little longer on his bridge job east of Butte City. J. H. Shaver Co. of Yuba City, has a large landleveling job near Butte City.

Browne & Krull have their job at College City about half done, and it sure is a hot place for anyone to work. E. V. Curtis has had a landleveling crew out of Colusa for the past month, Lester L. Rice & Sons of Yuba City have been busy in the Oilfields.

Midvalley Utility Const. Co. who signed the Welfare Agreement with this concern, have their regular operators on the payroll. A. Teichert & Sons, have a \$204,-000 contract in Yuba City, Western Assessment District, The job is to start on August 3rd with a foreman coming in from Sacramento. Lacasella Pipe Co. and Walt Hogg will sub some of the work.

Geo. Reed Co. is starting a new housing project in East Marysville and Elmer Self is subbing the footings.

The Rice Bros, job on Hiway 20 in Yuba City should be completed about August 31. Their hot plant and gravel plants are back in high gear once more with Bro. Walt Boatwright in charge at Beale Air Force Base. Stolte - M & K Co. are still at Beale with a few of our boys on the payroll. Archie Till has four rigs on the rock piles. at Hammonton.

Kaiser Sand & Gravel in Oroville, are putting out the gravel in large gobs as they do every summer. Ed Neff is still running the oldest shovel in Western America. New York Machine Shop is keeping busy during these sunny days.

Butte County Rice Growers, are an addition to storagee bins in Richvale, California.

PERSONAL

Bro. S. E. Dingey, one of our old members. passed away Monday morning at 4:20 a.m. from a heart attack. He had been well on his way to recovery after having been out of work for over a year, when the fatal attack took place. We of this office, wish to express our heartfelt sympathies to his widow, Mrs. Dingey.

GLADDING, MCBEAN CO.

Tuesday, July 9th, the membership employed at the Gladding, McBean Lincoln Plant in the largest meeting ever held of the membership, in a secret vote accepted the results of the recent negotiations with the Company by a large majority. Duration of the agreement will be two years with a wage and insurance reopening next year.

Details of the agreement were discussed on our last issue, which article was prepared before the above meeting, and it will not be necessary to touch upon them, however, we would like, at this time, to commend and thank Bro. P. E. Vandewark, Assistant Business Manager of Local 3, and Bro. Ray Flynn, Business Representative of Teamsters Local 150 for their advice and assistance during the negotiations.

We would also like to commend and thank Bros. Rich and Pozzi, stewards at the plant, for their advice and assistance during the long sessions with the company. Without their intimate knowledge. of the plant and technical advice the negotiations undoubtedly would have taken longer, and the resulting agreement may not have been as satisfactory.

Now that the contract negotiations are completed and the agreement signed, many members may feel that the need for meeting attendance is over. Such is far from the case. Meeting attendance is far more important now than ever before, because in our meetings we bring together our experiences under the agreement, discuss and evaluate them, and make decisions, either as to the problems arising in dealing with management from day to day, or as to future changes desired in the agreement.

-You are therefore urged to make attendance at our regular general membership meeting a ."must." Only one meeting a month is held and every effort will be made to make them as brief, without the danger of "gagging" the membership, and as business like, as possible. These meetings will be business meetings, and any business pertaining to welfare of the membership employed at the plant or

If you have any questions be taking bids on August 6th from sure to ask your representative on a selected list of Contractors for his visits to your job; that is one of the things he is there for, or attend your meetings. Attendance at your meetings is one of the best ways to become acquainted not only with your agreement, but with your Union, and the Labor Movement. We also urge you to read the special statement addressed to the membership employed by the Natomas Co. and the Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields. It is important.

For your information the next meetings of your unit will be held as follows:

Tuesday, September 1st, at 10:00 a.m. in the meeting hall at Natoma for the night workers.

Tuesday, September 1st, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting hall at Natoma for the day workers.

YUBA CONSOLIDATED GOLD FIELDS

The agreement has been completed, accepted by the membership and has been signed. As soon as possible, copies of the agreement will be prepared and placed into your, hands. You are advised to read and study the new agreement as several changes have been made, changes that we are sure are for your benefit. The agreement is effective June 1, 1953, and runs to May 31, 1954, with a wage reopener December 1, 1953.

The new agreement provides for the Check-off of dues and initiation fees, provided you voluntarily sign an authorization, authorizing the Company to do so. Authorization cards are now available in the office, and as soon as possible, copies will be sent to you. If you care to do so, you may sign them and return them to this office and thereafter each month your dues will be deducted out of the last payroll period of each month.

Below is a statement addressed to the membership employed by the Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields and the Natomas Co. as if affects both Companies the same. You are urged to read this statement as it is important.

If you have been reading this column you have noted what we have been saying about meeting attendance, and there is no use repeating it, except to say that it goes for our membership employed at Yuba. For your information the next meetings of your unit will be held as follows:

Wednesday, September 9th, at 10:00 a.m. in our new office at 10th and I Streets, Marysville (we hope). Watch for announcement. This meeting will be for the benefit of the night workers.

Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m. for the day workers. This meeting we also hope will be in our new building, and we will let you know as soon as possible if

They're Really Busy **Out Nevada Way**

By H. L. ("Curley") SPENCE and J. W. ("Bill") BARR, **Business Representatives**

Everyone is really busy down Yerington, Nev., way with the J. A. McNeil Co. putting the finishing touches on the job for Anaconda Copper Mining Co. Bro. B. V. "Bill" Hall, the shop foreman, Bro. Wes Carlson, the shop steward, and believe me, Carlson is a real steward. He keeps things lined up in good shape. Bro. Manuel "Popeye" McCloud, the head

blade man is still loafing. He really has a position, not a job. Brother Robert Cawelti has quite a time with his pots, but he manages to keep the tar hot for the boys. Bro. Gene Dorsel has his troubles on the truck crane, but we think he has everything kicked around in shape now. Bro. Miguel Pantoja has a helper now, Brother James Duncan, and they are all happier with their greasing job. However, Miguel has tire trouble but Duncan can eliminate some of his troubles.

The "Breakfast Food kid," Bro. Jack Kellogg has lots of worries with his boom truck, but they may be able to finish the job, that is if the watchman doesn't catch up with him any more. The Audette family is getting along fine. Wm. Audette on a crane and Junior Audette on a truck crane, and the rest of the family, consisting of Brother Say Smith. Now he's the roustabout man. He does most anything around the job and does it very well. It was real rough on Brother William Audette and Bro. Smith when the company moved them in from Wabuska, Nev., for they all had a racket out there.

Vinnell Steel Company on the Yerington job for Anaconda Copper Mining Co. has raised lots of steel, but they should with such brothers as Al Messersmith and his oiler, Bro. Jack "Cowboy" Kennedy on the Northwest, and none other than Bro. Ed Du Bos and his oiler, Bro. Robert Zook, on the truck crane. Now those are some real steel lifters. And don't forget Bro. Earl Andereason on the boom truck, and that's another real boom truck operator.

Wells-Cargo has the hauling of the Sulphur from the Leviathan Mine in Alpine County, California, to the mill site in Yerington, for Anaconda Copper, They are really moving.

The George E. Miller Co. has just finished a road job near Yerington. Miller has quite a bit of work at Hawthorne, Nev. Brother Wayne Roberts is in charge of the batch plant down there with Bro. C. L. MacBride the batch plant operator and Brother Roy Nielson on Miller's new T. D. Nine. Bro. Frank McVitty is doing some repair work, welding and flunking, for Mac is a real man. He can do anything in the line of construction. He even makes a good water boy. Brother Richard 'Chief' Kingston is head blade man and part-

the restricted area of the U.S. Naval Ammunition Depot at Hawthorne, where business agents are not too popular or welcome.

However, when I go down to Hawthorne and put out the word that the office at the El Capitan will be open, all the dear brothers show up just to say hello or talk over the things that are going on at the depot jobs. They are a fine bunch of fellows and very cooperative.

The Macal Improvement Co. job out of Markleeville, Calif., in Alpine county is going right along. Brother Therman "Snuffy" Smith is bossing the job. Really keeps things moving. Let's just not get mixed up with any more deer. He's got a mighty fine crew out in the mountains with him. Brother Mitchell White and Brother Robert Rice all busy with a dozer. Bro. Halvor Skjold is on the blade. And, of course, Bro. Johnny Holmes, busy oiling on the Northwest 6.

The eastern part of the Nevada area is one big cloud of dust right now, with Silver State Construction Co. right in the middle of it. We have engineers and equipment stretched out for 26 miles in all stages of highway construction from brush clearing to hot stuff. Highway No. 93 is getting a full treatment.

Silver State is also starting their job south of Wells on Highway No. 11, at Ruby Valley. That job should be fully underway as soon as some of the equipment is released from Highway No. 93 job.

We have a few members at the Lead Mine, north of Dunphy, stripping and setting up the crusher for Brother Zane Hunt, who has contracted to supply the ore.

Pyramid Construction Company has started their job repairing the landing strip at Battle Mountain Airport, with Brother John Thomas in charge of operations.

Brother Bob Vicks and his mighty crew of cat "jockeys" on the Dodge Construction job Palisades -have punched out 11. miles of road in record time, and now they are hoping that the next one will be at Lake Tahoe. Enough desert, they'll try the mountains for the rest of the summer.

Dodge Construction Co. recently completed a series of test holes at the Iron Mine at Lovelock. The test holes show high grade ore all the way and the future looks prom-

| | Have been saving M & K Co. at Greenville and Utah Co. at Keddie for the last, on account of some not day I'll have to get up there when the thermometer gets to about 106°—it will give me a cool place to spend a day. Condich Co. has a bridge job on Deer Creek with Bro. Jim Cummings in tharge. NEW WORK IN THE AREA D. Zelinsky of San Francisco were low bidders on a \$22,230 con- ract, cleaning and painting Hiway bridges in Plumas & Butte Counties n Feather River Canyon. Owner- taking bids for paving work for Princeton, Calif. High School, by the district; bids to be in Aug. 4th. James P. Morton Co. of Placer- ville bid of \$95,000 for the Dis- bensary buildings at Beale Air Force Base. The Paradise High School Dis- trict Bond Election for \$500,000 on July 29th, failed to carry, and an- other election will be held at a tuture date. Paradise Irrigation District will hold a \$400,000 election on August 8th to install a 42-inch pipeline from the Magalia Reservoir. The Bureau of/Public Roads, re- lected all bids on the road job near Gold Lake in Sierra County. Hess Co. of Long Beach were low at 595,376.10. | Meetings will be announced by the posting of bulletins in the plant on the bulletin boards, and in this column. The next meetings will be as follows: Joint Board, Tuesday, September 1st, at 4:15 p.m. in the office of the Lincoln In- dustrial Council, Lincoln. General Membership Meeting, Tuesday, September 8th, at 4:15 p.m. in the City Hall, Lincoln. NATOMAS COMPANY Complete agreement has been reached on all points at issue and the agreement, in accordance with your instructions, has been signed. The agreement is effective May I, 1953, and runs to April 30, 1954, with a wage reopener as of Novem- ber 1, 1953. As soon as possible, copies of the agreement will be made and made available to all the membership. When you receive your copy, you are urged to read it carefully, as several important changes have been made, changes for your benefit, and the only way that you can be sure you are re- ceiving those benefits is to know your agreement. The Company is also being urged, and has indicat- ed it will do so, to be sure that its super isors are acquainted with | them. Special Statement To the Mem- bership employed by the Yuba Consolidated Gold Fields and the Natomas Company. The new agreements provide that the Company shall post a seniority list twice a year and each member has 30 days after posting to protest his seniority or the posted list stands. This is very important to the older employees employed before the war as the amount of your vacation pay will be determined by the posted dates. As you know, the Gold Dredg- ing Industry was closed down by governmental order during the war and all employees under 55 were forced to seek employment else- where, and immediately following the cessation of hostilities the Companies resumed operations. For this reason it has been agreed with the Companies, that any employee employed just prior or before the close down, who returned to the Company's employment within 6- months after the start-up shall be considered CONTINUOUSLY EM- PLOYED. Therefore if you worked for the Company before the war and re- turned after the war within 6- | Hawthorne, Nev. The 'Chief' really has a good thing with Miller. Brother Don Bruner is the general foreman for Miller down there, and that's a foreman that can really keep things moving. He doesn't fool around a bit, he just gets the job done in short order. The main office of George Miller Co. in Reno has some work that Bro. Howard Johnston looks after. He keeps a few Brothers working, also the shop going. Brother Hershel Walker, one of Miller's Welders, saw fit to return to his old home in Nevada City, Calif. Good luck, Hershel. Looks like Brother John Livingston is the only one left around the Miller shop to keep things going. Down at Hawthorne, Nev. where McDonald, Young and Nelson, Thayn Construction Co., Morrison-Knudsen, M. J. Ruddy and the Dinwiddie Construction Co. all have a lot of work going on within hiring in date before the war, be sure to report this to your Business Representative immediately upon the posting of the seniority roster. If you don't, you may lose your earlier date and the additional rights as to vacation pay and seniority that this earlier date | Brother Charley Rowe and his crew at H. Earl Parker's Iron Mine are hard at it, stripping and mining. Brothers Ike Spears, Floyd Parker, Jim Ellison, Maxey Perry and Roger Haric make a fine bunch of engineers. These are the fellows that make the wheels go around. Brother Randy Booth and his Isbell road crew have another side hill job on Slide Mountain. This is a mighty rough go—it is rocky and Slide Mountain, you don't know steep and until you have been on what "wind" is. Unless you've read |
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Daily report of awards for construction

Compiled by P. E. VANDEWARK and HARRY METZ

JULY 7, 1953

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to L. C. Smith Co., P. O. Box 610, San Mateo, \$7,020 for furn., deliv. and placing 1,300 T of plantmix surfacing on 0.5 mi, of Ringwood Ave., San Mateo County Road No. 34, from Coleman Ave. to Bay Road, SAN MATEO COUN-TY.

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to L. C. Smith Co., P.O. Box 610, San Mateo, \$19,405 for 0.65 mi. grade and surf. on County Road No. 15 (Black Mt. Road) from Skyline Blvd. St. Hwy. Rt. 55 southerly to city limits of town of Hillsborough.

BERKELEY, contract awarded to Ransome Co., 4030 Hollis St., Emeryville, \$8,367 for recondt. Allston Way betw. Shattuck Ave. and Oxford St

OAKLAND, contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 66th Ave., Oakland, \$917,808 (Schedule 1) for construction outfall storm water conduit from San Francisco Bay to 34th and Helen Sts., Oakland.

WILLITS, contract awarded to Arthur B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa, \$29,910 for grade, const. subbase, import. base, bitum. surf., conc. curb, gutter, sidewalk and driveways and storm sewers in City of Willits.

OGDEN, UTAH, contract awarded to Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., Box 450, Boise, Idaho, for grading for expansion of east yard at Ogden, Utah, for Union Pacific Railroad Co., Ogden, Union Railway & Depot Co. and Pacific Fruit Express.

JULY 8, 1953

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to St., Berkeley, \$2,768 for const. ac-J. C. Bateman, Inc., 650 Stockton Ave., San Jose, \$3,075 for addl. paving-pltmix, at National Guard ft. wide). Armory, San Jose.

ed to Humboldt Const., Inc., 125 Fallon, Nev., \$99,372 for 7.333 mi.

roadway betw. Alton and Bridgeville at Yager Creek, Grizzly Creek and Grizzly Creek State Park, HUMBOLDT COUNTY.

YUBA CITY, contract awarded to A. Tiechert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$207,-081 for paving streets, curbs, gutters, sidewalks in Western Addition Assessment Dist.

CLOVERDALE, contract awarded to Peletz Co., 1948 Belmont Court, Santa Rosa, \$4,251 for const. storm sewer w/conc. catch basins on Jefferson St.

BERKELEY, contract awarded to Malott & Peterson-Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., San Francisco, \$743 for surf. basketball court, Berkeley High School,

JULY 9, 1953

MERCED, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$812,493 (Sched, A), and to M.J.B. Const. Co., Elks Bldg., Stockton, \$169,840 (Sched. B) for street surf. and const. sewers in City of Merced.

MODESTO, contract awarded to Standard Materials, Inc., 1411 9th St., Modesto, \$968 for const. traffic island at Maze Blvd., 5th St., L St., Washington St.

MODESTO, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$47,878 for const. sanitary trunk line, Granger Ave., betw. Tully and McHenry Aves.

CENTERVILLE, contract awarded to Martin & Dias, P. O. Box 91, Decoto, \$10,920 for const. 2,019 lft. of 15-in. vitrified clay pipe sewer and three manholes on Walnut Ave

LIVERMORE, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Son, 1520 4th cess road to main shop bldg. (road to be approx. 250 ft. long and 20

CARSON CITY, NEV., contract SACRAMENTO, contract award- awarded to Dodge Const., Inc.,

W. 5th St., Eureka, \$40,056 for const. por. of PHS betw. Nevada- sewer in Broadmoore Ave. and Sir 7th St., B St. & Southwest portion const. two bridges and portion of Calif. state line and ¼ mi. N. of Francis Drake Blvd. Cave Rock, DOUGLAS COUNTY,

JULY 10, 1953

Parish Bros., P.O. Box 6, Benicia, \$30,976 for site improvment, demolition of bldgs., grading and at Lawton School. fences.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, Inc., 344 High St., Oakland, \$196,380 for reconst. Park Blvd. betw. Excelsior and Greenwood w/plantmix surf., conc. pave, etc.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to M&K Corp., Financial Center, San Francisco, \$434,265 for const. of 34th St. Storm Sewer Pumping Station.

CAMPBELL, contracts awarded as follows, for const. of sanitary sewer mains: Unit 1, to Stolte Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$66,633; Unit 2, to P&E Const. & San Leandro Const. Co., 1620 S. 7th St., San Jose, \$27,697; Unit 3, to P&E Const. & San Leandro Const. Cc., 1620 S. 7th St., San Jose, \$93,921; Unit 4, to Prodanovich & Rodrigues, 750 S1st Ave., Oakland, \$85,866.

JULY 13, 1953

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Gordon H. Ball & San Ramon Valley Land Co., Camille Ave., Danville, \$620,917 for 2.5 mi. grade and pave with PCC and const. two RC bridges betw. Rt. 6 and 0.5 mi. north of Woodland Wye, SOLANO and YOLO COUNTIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Geo. R. Patterson Const. Co., P.O. Box 2004, Stockton, \$321,581 for 2.576 mi. grade, surf, etc. Proj. Calif. FH 2-L, Klamath River (Cade Creek to Cade Mt, Summit), Klamath National Forest, SISKIYOU COUN-TY.

JULY 14, 1953

HANFORD, contract awarded to C. F. Oliphant, P. O. Box 250, Hanford, \$45,177 for const curbs and gutters.

RICHMOND, contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 3030 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$112,719 for reconst. Cutting Blvd. from Carlson Blvd to east city limits of Richmond.

OAKDALE, contract awarded to Standard Materials, Inc., 1411 9th St., Modesto, \$7,133 for grade and surf. on Bryan Ave.

CERES, contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, 922 J St., Modesto, \$4,431 for grade and surf. on Magnolia St., Railroad Ave. to 3rd St.

AGNEW, contract awarded to Pat Barkeley, Rt. 1, Box 1557, Sunnyvale, \$13,560 for const. new outfall sewer at Agnew State Hospital. SANTA CRUZ, contract awarded

to Leo Cardwell Const. Co., P.O. Box 294, Santa Cruz, \$5292 for const. Unit 8 of East Cliff Sanitary District.

JULY 15, 1953

A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos St., San Jose, \$23,460 for

JULY 17, 1953

SAN FRANCISCO, contract BENICIA, contract awarded to awarded to Malott & Peterson-Grundy, 2412 Harrison St., San Francisco, \$26,742 for yard paving

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 873, Sacramento, \$70,923 for improve roads, drives, etc., Southland Park Estates.

JULY 20, 1953

REDDING, contract awarded (General) to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, \$396,821 for const. of Dist. 11 Office Bldg., Division of Highways.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Stephen L. Vistica, 70 N. El Camino Real, San Mateo, \$19,900 for ground improvements, Headquarters Bldg., Dept. of Motor Vehicles & plant at New Office Bldg., Calif. State Highway Patrol.

CHOWCHILLA, contract awarded to Volpa Bros., 233 Nielsen, Fresno, \$14,537 for 0.5 mi. grade & pave 5th St. from Robertson Blvd. to S.P. R.R. tracks.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Lord & Bishop and M.J.B. Const. Co., 322 Elks Bldg., Stockton, \$1,081,046 for 4.3 mi. two addl. lanes graded & surf. with PCC on cem. tr. subgrade, resurf. exist. pave w/pltmix surf. & const. two reinf. conc. overcrossings to provide 4-lane divided hwy. betw. Ripon & 0.7 mi. W. of Austin Road, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Erickson, Phillips & Weisberg, 350 Market St., Concord, \$850,063 for constructing a reinforced concrete girder bridge across Petaluma Creek and over the Northwestern Pacific Railroad tracks about 1 mile east of Petaluma, SONOMA COUNTY.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, contracts awarded as follows:

(1) Morgan & Weber Cos. - To Gibbons & Reed Co., P.O. Box 1113, Salt Lake City, \$57,037 for 4.007 mi. const. 3-in. plantmix bitum. surf. road on U.S. 30-A & U.S. 89.

(2) Sevier County - To Whiting & Haymond, P.O. Box 232, Springville, Utah, \$177,003 for 6.583 mi. const. 21/2-in. roadmix bitum. surf. on SR 10, Salina Canyon Forest Boundary, easterly to tunnel.

(3) Salt Lake County-To Gibbons & Reed Co., P.O. Box 1113, Salt Lake City, \$6295 for 0.08 mi. const. plantmix bitum, parking area for the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Bldg. on the State Capitol Grounds.

(4) San Pete County-To J.M. Sumsion & Sons, Springville, Utah, \$32,250 for const. grav. stockpile (15,000 T grav. surf., "A") at Summit of Fairview Canyon on SR 31. (5) Utah County-To Whitney Bros., 2164 Arbor Lane, Salt Lake City, \$38,488 for const. retaining walls on U.S. 189 betw. Olmstead SAN JOSE, contract awarded to & Vivian Park in Provo Canyon. JULY 21, 1953

OAKLAND, contract awarded to MILPITAS, contract awarded to

of the city (Scheds. A, B & C),

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to E. J. Treacy, 452 Dewey Blvd., S.F., \$9709 for inst. 6 in., 8 in. and 12 in. cast iron mains in Skyline Blvd. from Lakeshore to Fort Funston.

VISALIA, contract awarded to Kaweah Const. Co., P.O. Box 1021, Visalia, \$20,070 for const. 2 reinf. conc. slab bridges acr. Mill Creek about 3 mi, W. of Visalia, & 3 reinf. conc. box culverts across Persian Ditch, TULARE COUNTY.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to Independent Const. Co., 741 - 50th Ave., Oakland, \$64,992 for resurf. East 15th St. betw. 2d Ave. and 14th Ave.

SAN LEANDRO, contract awarded to Oliver DeSilva, 2333 Eden Rd., San Leandro, \$9338 for const. parking lot at Washington Ave. & W. Juana.

JULY 22, 1953

MONTEREY, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$14,164 for resurfac. Franklin St. in City of Monterey,

TRAVIS AFB, contract awarded to Parish Bros. & Harms Bros., P. O. Box 1019, Benicia, \$492,332, Sch. A, for extend NE/SW Runway No. 1 at Travis AFB.

TRAVIS AFB, contract awarded to Parish Bros. & Harms Bros., P. O. Box 1019, Benicia, \$128,919 for const. West Travis Ave. entrance road, Ragsdale St. connec. & stormdrain at Travis AFB.

SELMA, contract awarded to Gene Richards, Inc., P.O. Box 1349, Fresno, \$10,519 for resurfacing Mill, High, 1st, 2nd and Front Sts. CASTRO VALLEY, contract awarded to L. C. Jensen, 20330 Forest Ave., Castro Valley, \$2192 for relation of sanitary sewer on access road to John Street.

BERKELEY, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th St., Berkeley, \$3770 for fence, grading & paving at Burbank Jr. High Sch. SUNNYVALE, contract awarded to Leo F. Piazza Paving Co., Rt. 1, Box 500, San Jose, \$42,569 for grade, pave, etc., on Taafee, West

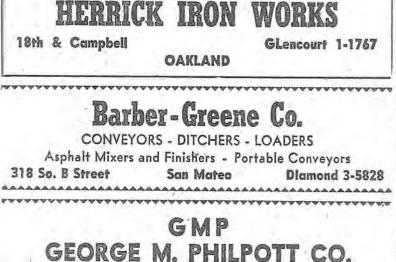
Olive, Iowa & Booker Aves. SUNNYVALE, contract awarded to Joseph McFadden & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 915, Palo Alto, \$44,547 for grade & pave, sidewalk, curbs and

gutters on Arques, America, Lastreto and Taylor Aves. CASTRO VALLEY, contract

awarded to Domingos Balanco, 550 Hathaway Ave., San Lorenzo, \$49,-457 for reconst. sanitary sewers on Baker Rd., Castro Valley Blvd., Anita Ave., William St. & Santa Maria Ave., in Eden Township.

MOUNTAIN VIEW, contract awarded to P & E Construction Co., 1620 S. 7th St., San Jose, \$33,-651 for const. of Independence Ave. trunk sewer.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 873, Sacramento, \$51,973 for pave, curbs, gutters, etc., in South Land Park Terrace.



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| SALES RENTALS | Streets. SACRAMENTO, contract award- ed to L. C. Smith, 225 - 19th Ave., | Oakland, & Gallagher & Burk, 344 High St., Oakland, \$99,538 for const. pipe culverts on State Hwy. Rt. | J. H. Pomeroy & Co., Inc., 333 Montgomery St., S.F., for const. a 1,500,000 sq. ft. main assemly plant of structural steel frame, precast |
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| LEARN ABOUT ABOUT Help Your Employer Make Profits, so You Will Make Money EASY TO OPERATE | grade & surf. betw. Rf. 68 & S.P. R.R., SAN MATEO COUNTY. SACRÀMENTO, contract award- ed to M. W. Brown, Box 222, Red- ding, \$21,709 for 0.2 mi. widen & untr. rock base and plantmix surf. | 227, in Oakland betw. Park Blvd. & Ascot Drive. SAN PABLO, contract awarded to Aguiar Bros., 1716 Broadway, San Pablo, \$26,330 for grade, pave, etc., on 23d St. from Costa Ave. to Wildcat Creek. | concrete panels, at Milpitas, Calif. MODESTO, contract awarded to Geo. Reed, 529 Covina, Modesto ₂ \$22,595 for reconst. Tuolumne Ave. betw. Merced and Sutter Sts. TAHOE CITY, Calif., contract awarded to Midwest Contracting |
| Big Red TD 24 Power - Performance - Profits | to be placed on Eureka Way betw. 11th & Court Streets, SHASTA CO. MARTINEZ, contract awarded to M. Malfitano & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 750, Pittsburg, \$72,959 for re- const. por. Walnut Ave. betw. Ca- | awarded to M. J. Murphy, Inc., P. O. Box 100, Carmel, \$11,280 for grade, surf. fence & drainage for site development for Tularcitos | Co., 3210 Fulton Ave., Sacramento, \$116,996 (vitr. clay pipe) for con- structing collection system, two pumphouses, lift station and treat- ment plant. MOUNTAIN VIEW, contract |
| THE MERRILL - BROSE CO. 2792 Cypress St., Oakland Phone TEmplebar 2-4873 | mino Diablo & Marsh Creek Road, 2 mi. S. of Brentwood, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY. | EMERYVILLE, contract award- ed to McGuire & Hester, 796 - 66th Ave., Oakland, \$173,644 for const. storm & sanitary sewers in Emery- | awarded to L. C. Smith, P.O. Box 610, San Mateo, \$26,363, for const. pavement, curbs, gutters, side- walks, driveway aprons, storm wa- ter catchbasins, etc., in Villa St. |
| STOLTE, Inc. General Contractors | Diablo Blvd., Walnut Creek, \$50,- 365 for grade & drain at new high school plant loc. on Moraga Hwy. approx. 2 mi. S. of Orinda Cross- roads. MARTINEZ, contract awarded to Frank Beach, P.O. Box 276, Concord, \$3410 for const. water mains in Panoramic Drive, Thomas Drive & betw. Panoramic Drive & | LOS GATOS, contract awarded to C. M. Langford, 57 Budd Ave., Campbell, \$1082 for grade & pave approx. 50x100 ft. at the Daves Ave. School. WEST SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. D. Schader Co., 164 Spear St., S.F., \$23,997 for const. standard gauge railroad track, incl. grading & paving, from exist. Port | Improvement Dist. FRESNO, contract awarded to R. M. Madsen, 4775 Madison Ave- nue, Fresno, (\$1.10 per ft., total \$687.50) for construction of con- crete gutters on West Norman |
| TRinidad 2-1064 8451 San Leandro St. Oakland 3, California | Way. SAN ANSELMO, contract award- ed to Baldwin Contracting Co., Inc., 26 Francisco Blvd., San Rafael, | Belt R.R. to Farmers Rice Grow- ers Cooperative Elevator, in West Sacramento. HAYWARD, contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., Box 95, Belmont, \$116,340 for inst. water mains in | UKIAH, contract awarded to Ukiah Gravel & Cement Co., P.O. Box 187, Ukiah, \$2,400 for drill |

SACRAMENTO LACKS MEN IN SOME CLASSIFICATIO By W. V. MINAHAN, H. S. CLARK and E. M. NELSON,

Business Representatives

Happy days are here again! The demand for skilled help has increased considerably since our last report. In fact, this office has run out of certain classifications.

The Folsom Dam contractors are putting on more shifts. Savin Corp. is running their concrete pour around the clock, three 8-hour shifts. Atkinson is also on a three-shift basis on terville Road, Sacramento, \$163,844

tunnel work. H. Earl Parker is progressing rapidly with the clearing and Mitchell Drilling is on the finish of their diamond drilling contract.

Winston-Johnson, contractors on the Nimbus Dam, are also going to hift work now. This company has many yards of concrete to pour on the project. Brother Curly Larson does the bossing.

McCollum & Cypher are doing the road overhaul between Folsom and Auburn and are at the finishing stages. Another three weeks should see this job sold.

U. P. K., with three jobs in progress at this time, picked up the balance of the Roseville freeway, which consists of seven miles of grading, etc. from Sacramento to Roseville. This job should be under way in the very near future. Stewart & Squire are doing the dirt work at Roseville for U.P.K., with Brother Oren Cobb doing the gaffing.

Gordon Ball moved into Davis on the Highway 40 access road. Brother D. F. McAdam is running this spread.

Fredrickson - Watson and M - K Corp. have started shift work at Sly Park Dam with practically all equipment on two shifts of nine hours each. Wixson & Crowe are well on the way to completion on their clearing contract at this dam. The Tri-Con Construction Co. has completed the administration buildings and also an access road on this project and has moved elsewhere. To date there are 100 engineers on this dam.

Joe Vicini has started his road alignment job at Grass Valley with Brother Emmett Allen in charge. This job runs five days, nine hours, and looks like about three months' work.

Thomas & Sullivan are finishing a job on Highway 49 near Auburn. Another two or three weeks ought to see this one sold. Herringer Bros. are well on the way with a pipeline and reservoir job at Foresthill. The brothers are working six days there.

John Mehren, with Brother Jim Kelly ramrodding, is well on the way with a road job at Nevada City. This job also will run through the summer.

Lee Stephens, who has the levee job in West Sacramento, is working two shifts at this time. They have a lot of work yet facing them.

The gravel plants in this area are all running at capacity now. P.C.A. at Fair Oaks has begun two shifts in order to keep up

ART looking for equipment; JER-RY ALDRICH back to work: JERRY WALDE vacationing for 30 days; BILL SNIDER leveling spoil pile; FRED WILLIAMS paying dues; LEE ROBERTS getting a clearance; BOB WAGNON getting ready for coast deer season; JACK DUNDEE looking towards Santa Rosa; JOHN BLAIR inquiring: JOHN HYDE looking for a helper; TEX DURHAM watching the lights; SMOKEY BOEHM pushing rock; HAROLD JOHN at State College; W. VAN OSDEL changing; BILL MORSE mucking rock; ED HARRIS fixing brakes; CLYDE KEMP looking over the job; MARSHALL WHITE loading rock from heading; BILL YOCK trenching in the Elvas area; DON MORRIS welding golf wagon; RAY COCHRANE having gear trouble; DON ALBRECHT waving from a pick-up; NICK GAV-RILKO likewise; HARRY WELCH drinking ice water; JIM CARGILL watching ice machine; CARL JOHN having tense moments; LEE YOUNG pumping wind for drills; BILL LAMOREAUX waiting to go on shift; PAT CALDWELL on a new cat; E. J. (WHITEY) RESH taking an afternoon nap; RED PINE COUNTY. STEWART on a new job; ERNIE FLINT nut busting; "BLACKIE" BLACKBURN changing rigs; ART JONES pump operator; NORMAN HARRY pushcat; ED BRIDGES grade technician; CECIL JOHN-

SON draglining at Mather Field; IRWIN SILVERBERG feeding a plant; BOB KELLY on a DW-20; MIKE ROBERTSON braking. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs.

Doug Butler, who recently announced their marriage. We all wish Doug and his wife the very best for a happy future.

Best wishes for a brighter future to Dewey Thurman, who is convalescing from pneumonia and should be back to work soon; to Al Bowling, who is recovering from an appendectomy; and, of course, to Bill Minahan, who sustained injuries in an automobile collision July 11 and is still in Mercy Hospital in Sacramento. The office staff and all of Bill's many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Brother and Mrs. Wm. Gavrilko, whose son was drowned at Auburn during the past month.

BLOOD BANK

Many, many thanks to this

EUREKA, contract awarded to Tom Hull, 930 Carson Street, Eureka, \$3,786 for inst. of sewage trunk lines on Madrone Avenue.

EUREKA, contract awarded to Mercer-Fraser Co., 2nd & Commercial Sts., Eureka, \$34,805 for resurfacing on "H" Street.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Lentz Const. Co., 2416 Sutfor grade, pave, curbs & gutters at Arden Oaks Vista No. 2.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Clements & Co., Box 328, Hayward, \$361,640 for 14.870 mi. grade, Proj. FDR 0400-Al, B3, Cl, Mamoth Sierra National Forest, MADERA CO.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$79,-460 for 1.9 mi. border trenches to be excav. & backfilled & pltmix surf. placed on traveled way & shldrs, 2.5 mi. E. of Tracy, betw. Banta Rd. & Grant Line Road in SAN JOAQUIN CO.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to Harold T. Treacy, 48 Sotelo Avenue, San Francisco, \$7,765 for const. water mains in Grace Addition, Subdivision No. 5.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Olympian Dredging Co., 525 Market St., San Francisco, \$117,-105 for maintenance dredging in Sacramento River, "M" St. Bridge to "Y" St. Bend, & American River to "I" St.

CARSON CITY, contract awarded to Gibbons & Reed Co., P.O. Box 1113, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$383,152 for 2.374 mi grade, surf., etc., por. of Primary Hwy. Sys. betw. 2.4 mi. W. & Major's Station, WHITE

EUREKA, contract awarded to Tom Hull, 930 Carson St., Eureka, \$39,840 for const. Second Slough sanitary sewer line.

JULY 28, 1953

WILLITS, contract awarded to Arthur B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Santa Rosa, \$29,910 for grade, const. subbase, import. base, bit. surf., and storm sewers.

FOLSOM, contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel Co., P.O. Box 2604, Sacramento, \$18,333 for grade & pave adj. to Receiving Warehouse, Calif. State Prison.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, \$102,-141 for 10.8 mi. to be surf. w/pltmix surf. & 4 bridges to be widened. betw. Winters & Madison, YOLO COUNTY.

REDWOOD CITY, contract awarded to Bahr & Ledoyen, Inc., 3291 - 3rd St. Palo Alto, \$6,327 for pave at Selby Lane Elemen. School, Selby Lane, Atherton.

VISALIA, contract awarded to Wm. E. Thomas Const. Co., Box 3400, Sacramento, \$28,010 for const. two triple box culvert type bridges across Elk Bayou about 6 miles southeast of City of Tulare, TU-LARE COUNTY

JULY 29, 1953 SANTA CRUZ, contract awarded to Johns Manville Sales Corp., 116

(Continued from Preceding Page) | awarded to Gibbons & Reed Co., well at Mendocino State Hospital. P.O. Box 1113, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$383,152 for 2.374 mi. grade, surf., etc., por. of Primary Hwy. Sys. betw. 2.4 mi. W. & Major's Station, WHITE PINE COUNTY.

Construction Awards

JULY 30, 1953

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, con-tracts awarded as follows for:

(1) SEVIER CO. - 8.089 mi. const. 3" plt mix bitum, surf. road & one 64.67' span conc. bridge on U.S. 89 betw. Salina & Vermillion: To L.A. Young Const. Richfield, Utah, \$513,751.

(2) BOX ELDER CO.-2.537 mi. const. 21/2" rdmix bitum. surf. road on SR 102 betw. Haw's Corner & Deweyville: To Young & Smith Const. Co., Beason Bdgs., Salt Lake City, Utah, \$247,656.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to Arthur B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Clevel-and Avenue, Santa Rosa, \$35,769 for grade, pave & widening on 4th St., betw. "E" St. & Pierce St. about 0.37 mi. in length.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Wm. S. & Bruce F. Rodgers, Box 509, Madera, \$24,438 for const. curbs & gutters in city of Susanville on Main Street, betw. Pine & Pacific, LASSEN COUNTY.

Member A. G. C.

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SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Chas. MacCloskey Co., 112 Market St., S.F., \$651,648 for widen bridge & 0.5 mi. appr. grade & surr., between Spring & 1st Sts., near Dunsmuir, SISKIYOU CO.

HAYWARD, contract awarded to Vincent Rodrigues, 202 Jackson St., Hayward, \$5,242 for const. sanitary sewer in portions of Clay & 5th Streets in the city of Hayward.



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nonth's donors to our Blood Bank: with the concrete pour at Nimbus Donald E. Morris, Howard Green, New Monterey St., San Francisco, Dam. Wm. S. Edwards, C. E. Hoffmeyer (1) \$2,863; (2) \$2,925; for furn .6" The smaller contractors mostly and Estel Hoffmeyer. Your sincere "GET IT FROM & 10" cement asbestos water pipe. are working six days to catch up interest and cooperation in this MENLO PARK, contract awardwith the work that was tied up Blood Bank should be an example ed to Sondgroth Bros., 318 Sierra for a month. Looks like the brothto all who have not as yet do-Vista Avenue, Mountain View, \$3,437 for resurf. Cambridge Ave. ers will have plenty of work in nated a pint of blood. Thanks town for the balance of this year. again! betw. ElCamino Real & University J. E. Myhren keeps Brother Kissel Remember, this office is open Drive. busy on his earth boring machine. every Thursday evening from 7 GILROY, contract awarded to He does all types of boring, call to 9 for your convenience. Wm. Radtke & Son, Drawer J-1, HU 4-7434. * * * Gilroy, \$11,298 for site improve-George A. Fuller is starting a FORTUNATE MEETING ments of Eliot School, Maple St., job at Campbell Soup plant but "Please, I tell your fortune?" & Old Gilroy Road. we'll have more on this next "No, thanks, I've just had it CONCORD, contract awarded to month. told." the following for yard paving at Brother Mel Newman dropped in "But I tell you a better one!" 15 schools within the District: to say hello. Brother Mel has been (1) To Winton Jones, P.O. Box in the State of Washington with COME AGAIN ... ? 34, Walnut Creek, \$2,835 for Oak Hasler, D&H on a dam job. He 0 A man got off a train one day, Park School. claims the job is about completed green in the face. A friend who met (2) To G. Ferrabee, 2507 Wooland they are moving out the equipment. The crew up there inhim asked him about what was sey St., Brkeley, \$73,483 for 14 wrong. "Train sickness," said the Schools But your work in place with equipment cludes Bros. Dick Keller, G. Keller, traveler. "I'm always deathly sick SAN FRANCISCO contract Don Goble, Bob Goble, George when I ride backwards on a train." the best from Erbco. You can place your confidence in awarded to Pacific Pavements Co., Coons, Jack Alexander, Bob Wood-"Why didn't you ask the man Ltd., S5 Barstow St., S. F., \$18,046 en, H. Hamilton and Hugh Sutton. the equipment and the service with which the Edward sifting opposite you to change with for channelize West Portal Drive Congratulations to Brother and you?" asked the friend. Mrs. Jack Boles, who have an-(Ulloa-15th). R. Bacon backs each sale. "I thought of that," said the SACRAMENTO, contract awardnounced the birth of a son. Could traveler, "but there wasn't any-GET IT FROM ed to Macco Corp & Morrisonbe another future engineer! body there." Knudson Co., Inc., 14409 S. Para-Edward R. Bacon Company * * * mount Blvd., Paramount, \$161,478 HERE AND THERE MORE IMPORTANT, TOO! for 0.3 mi. reconst. embank & pl. CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT WITH THE BROTHERS 1st Observer: "Look at that girl, slope protection along Smith River, LON BANKSON, portable weld-Folsom at 17th Street, San Francisco 10, Calif. HEmlock 1-3700 pretty as a picture!" betw. 22 mi. & 23.6 mi. NE of ing, any type, light machine work, 2nd Observer: "Yeah, nice frame, Crescent City, DEL NORTE CO. Socramento Oakland . Fresno call HU 6-5291; GEORGE STEW- too." CARSON CITY, Nevada, contract الماساعداف الما _1

August 15, 1953

All North Bay Humming; Travis Air Base Busiest

By FRANK LAWRENCE and H. O. FOSS, Business Representatives

Travis Airbase is about the busiest place in this area at the present time. Altermatt & Creasy of Santa Maria just started their job consisting of sanitary and storm sewers. Cost \$294.034.

Parish is well represented on the base, has enough work to last them for some time to come. Awarded \$12,768 for

paving and street work, \$492,332 for runway extension. Harms will be in on joint venture on this job. Parish and Harms, another joint venture for street and road work. were awarded \$128,919, and another for paving and storm drains for \$128,589. These two companies have about 40 pieces of equipment working at the base.

Ed. Jarvis is knocking off his share of work at the base, has been expanding . . . several new pieces of equipment. Just awarded \$64,-754 for replacement of gas mains.

Goold & Son will construct the access railroad at the base, \$258,-381. Nomellini moving dirt on this spread.

Coast Pipeline Contractors were awarded a contract from Vallejo Water District for water mains and have just received delivery of two new cranes to start the job.

V. Maggoria have finished and sold their interest in big disposal Pyle. and sewer job at Sausalito. Picking up other jobs until they hit another big one.

Watkins & Sibbald, landscape and nursery supplies on 6 Bridge St., San Anselmo, working several members of Local 3 all over California. Request if you want supplies of this nature, drop in. Courteous treatment. Let 'em know you're a member of No. 3 ... maybe pays off.

Cunningham & Smith from Sonoma now strung out for the season. These boys have big new transport for hire. Haul anything anywhere.

Have held two meetings of three counties B.T. re: Monticello Dam. It is the desire of all parties to establish Solano County wage scales. We understand Peter Kiewit and Parish put their heads together and came up with the low bid on same, \$7,000,000 plus. Glad to see this joint venture, both companies very cooperative in past jobs in area. The bid to be awarded the latter part of August. This job will be handled through this office.

J. O. Archibald spread should be gone from fill job at Corte Madera as this goes to press, unless pick up something else in the county. Espinosa spread still busy Corte

Madera way with down hill haul . . moves lots of dirt.

Bro. Brockhoff on levers driving few piles with Bigge rig on the Blackfield Housing job.

McCaffrey Brothers, Tom and Charlie, picked up D.W. 10 each to add to their spread . . . busy boys always.

Attention: all members T.A.B.

All contractors are going top gear with jobs that will not be finished this year . . . something to start on in '54.

Bros. Shaffer & Madsen, Sausalito way, now have three loaders and adding cat 6 two yards . . other equipment that goes with it. More work ahead than can do this year. Good luck . . . keep goin'.

Parish Bros, have moved into their new shop at the rock quarry. The building is 40 by 120 with radiant floor heat. The boys can throw away the crutches this winter as they can sleep on warm floor under the equipment while the boss is not lookin' . . . won't be able to complain about rheumatism. Bro. Gene Wagner is shop super, with the following brothers as H. D. Mechanics: Jack Gray, Bob Bowers, Wes. Mitten, Wm. Anderson, Jack Brown and Russ

Delphia on Carson Dam now working two 9-hour shifts, started July 27th, making rapid progress. Earl Bernard super on day shift and Bro. James Briggs on nights. Day Foreman Bro. J. J. Woods sharing honors with Bro. "Pop' Foster. Bros. Soden and Seymour on nights as foreman. M. Mech. Bro. Chas. Cox. Ted Hopkins, timekeeper. Bro. Dan Boone in charge of requests, complaints and general info. This spread keeping between 40 and 50 members busy.

Bros. S. Cervantes and Pozzi Redi Mix in Novato took a fast trip to Mexico over the 4th of July . . reason, bullfight; result, Pozzi had the hide in his possession and Cervantes the "Tail of Honor."

Bro. Bill Russell, super for Raisch Co., took advantage of the labor situation last month and took a trip to New London, Conn., attended his son's graduation from U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Covered 11,000 miles. Now back at work . . . wandering around all projects.

Bro. Ray Watson been in the country too long . . . going to Peru. .. 200 miles south of Lima. A twoyear stretch for Utah Const. as foreman in the mines. See ya in a couple of years, Ray.

Glad to see Bro. Ted Hicks back in the area . . . dropped in the office to say hello and we got his signature on that line . . . Ball Simpson job in Petaluma.

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Construction **Resumes** in San Francisco By PAT CLANCY and PAUL EDGECOMBE **Business Representatives**

Construction in San Francisco has taken an upward trend the past two weeks. Negotiations with the AGC are completed and most of our members are back on their jobs.

New building construction on a large basis hasn't developed yet, but all jobs that were in the process are continuing, including the U. C. hospital, Children's hospital, San Miguel school, Metropolitan building and Permanente hospital.

Clinton Construction is the general contractor at U. C. hospital and this job has advanced now to the position where the sub-contractors who are placing the terracotta tile over the outside of the building; Frank D. Smith, plasterer, the other. Consequently, with this situation several hoisting engineers are employed steadily.

Dinwiddie Construction has completed the bulk of their work at Children's hospital. While at San Miguel school M & K Corp. has a major portion of the concrete poured. Metropolitan Life Insurance building job is under alterations on the upper floors and Cahill Construction has a crew of engineers on this building.

Louis C. Dunn, at Permanente hospital, has two more floors to be poured on this job.

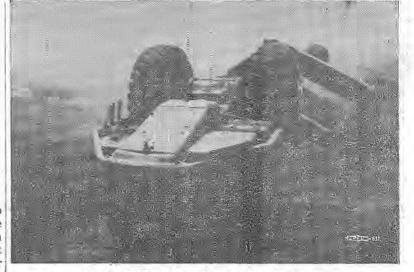
Dirt moving hasn't amounted to time, although a few of the smaller dirt contractors have numerous jobs going on within the city.

Track removal and street repair work have been a major item for the past 6 or 8 months and will humming. continue for some time hence.

Contracts were awarded this last week to Lowrie Paving Co. for track removal and street repair on Ellis street, from Market street Divisadero street, Eaton & Smith received the award for reconstruction of tracks and pavement on Market street, from Third street to the Embarcadero. At the present time, Lowrie Paving is busy on Clay street and Eaton & Smith doing the same on Powell street

Walter Lenkeit's pipeline job on Columbus is moving along fine, now that they have advanced through the hard rack.

The job opportunities at this time are much brighter and should continue for some time. * * *



Fallen Giant-DW-21 on Its Back

Here's what can happen to a DW-21. Don't jeopardize your life and the safety of others by an occurrence such as this. It shows what can happen to an operator who thinks he has the qualifications and finds out by sad experience that DW-21's can be easily turned over.

EMPIRE ME By A. R. McCAFFREY, Business Representative

We are happy to report that all the available engineers in the Redwood Empire are working. There is more work going on and slated for this year than there has been since I have been in this office.

Mercer-Fraser Co., alias Ralph wood and Paradise Park-\$115,298. Brown, has the bulk of the work, be surprised.

their fill material and are now job, Mercer-Fraser are setting up their hot plant and Brother Ray Gilbert is keeping the crusher a

Over at Essex, they have their permanent installations-hot plant, crushers, screening plant, and at times three or four draglines loading out river-run gravel.

The following are some of their other jobs, either started or just getting started: Alliance Road , 1.4 miles grade and surface-\$50,453; Ryan Slough, resurface, \$32,635; construct reimbankment and repair bridges between Arcata and county line on Highway 101, and east of Blue Lake, \$289,653; surfacing "H" street in Eureka, \$34,-805. These jobs are besides all their other work which includes private work for the different mills around this area.

Humboldt Constructors, another local contracting firm, also have their hands full. They are rushing to completion their \$182,203 high-They also subbed some of the work along the coast. on the Arcata Freeway from Mercer-Fraser, Over at Grizzly Creek they have two bridges and portions Rocca, Gilbert Creek Bridge 18 State College at Arcata they have a \$65,00 grading and paving job. Up at Klamath, they have 1.8 miles grade and resurface job which they are now doing the clearing on. This job was let for \$179,985. Burman & Sons also are now in high gear with cleaning up their Patrick Creek job and getting ready to start on their highway job at Crescent City which consists of grading and seal coat. They were also low bidders on the Bull Creek Flat job which consists of grading. Their bid was \$53,710. Frederickson Bros. are pouring on the coal from Alton to Myers Flat. They have a hot plant and crusher set up at Alton, getting ready to surface their Freeway job at Scotia. At the present time they are getting their base rock ready on this job. They are also doing some work for the Pacific Lumber Co. at Scotia. Down at Myers Flat they have another hot plant set up and ready to go. Hallwood Sand & Gravel Co. of Marysville are doing the crushing on this job and they are doing all right. This job consists of 9.9 miles sur-The out-of-work list is just facing between Stephens Grove about exhausted and we are in and Weott. Their bid was \$152.732 on this job. They also have 1.7 miles of surfacing between Pepper-

Macco-M.K.'s jetty job at Creswhich runs into the millions. They cent City is now rolling. They are have everybody and everything working six 9-hour shifts on the working overtime. If somebody told rock while the shop is on a twome he had the night watchman shift basis. Macco-M.K. was also working a double shift, I wouldn't awarded a \$161,478 State Highway job 22 miles northeast of On their \$1,168,686 Freeway job Crescent City. This job consists at Arcata they have finished with of resloping and slope protection. Kenworthy & Patterson's highworking on approaches and slides. way job at Weitchpec is still rollmuch in this area at the present Fred J. Maurer & Sons are also ing five 10's and one 8-hour shift working some of their equipment per week. For a while they were on this project. On the Bridgeville held back on account of the lack of stakes. That's been taken care of and everything is now going smooth.

C. V. Kenworthy's highway job at Berry Summit is progressing rapidly. They now have the traffic going over part of the new rightof-way. This job is working six 10-hour shifts per week.

Brother Tom Hull is busier thana cat on a roof. He is now working on Fred J. Early, Jr.'s job at Fernbridge, driving piling. He is also working on a grit chamber for the city of Eureka; also a sewer pipe job for the city. Tom was just awarded another \$39,840 sewer job. Now he is going to start logging. He should be twins.

John Petersen has all his rigs busy on various jobs around the area. Most of his work has been up on Tompkins Hill for the Texaco Oil Co. Somebody must think there is oil in these here hills. They are drilling for oil out on the Elk River Road; also over at way repair job at Shively Bluff. Petrolea. They are also blasting

The following contractors are lso working in this area. Carr &

vicinity . . . the Wishbone Cafe on Highway 40, Vacaville, sets a fine In North for No. 3 members; a good deal; investigate, a union house.

J. R. Armstrong again starting Valley Ford job. Bro. Ralph Knight is pusher. Los Gatos Const. Co. sub on grading. Bro. Miller in charge.

McGuire & Hester finishing on Blackfield Housing job sewer, etc., Tiburon way. Mel Lutz super on job. Peck doing the ordering. Bro. S. Orchard on Dozer. Bros, Barney Budde and Ed. Johnson on crane with Bro. James Fugitt, foreman.

Norcal spread down to normal ahead on filling; entire spread of 20's, cats, etc., for hire; fine equipment, top operators. Beautiful tract of new homes, selling like hamburgers.

Bro. Chas. Hover taking delivery of new 80 D. . . . Bro. Freeland to wear it out . . . busy galivanting. Chas. bought nice piece of property for housing development with yacht harbors, etc., smart boy.

Ball & Simpson double shift on Petaluma job, Bro. Andy Webster super. Bros. Art Ostrom and Stanley pushing. Thelma, the gal on her toes, keeps the correct time for the operators. Mrs. Webster, that is.

Alto Bldrs. finishing grading on project . . . De Velbiss venture . . nice lookin' homes.



By E. A. HESTER **Business Representative**

Shasta, Tehama, Modoc, Lassen, and all the other northern counties started out after the shutdown in a big way. It reminds you of when you read about the gold rush days back in '49. Everything is humming and the muck is flying. More and more jobs are opening up every day.

The Pacific Gas & Electric Co. has announced plans for another hydroelectric project on the Mc-Cloud River near the upper end of Shasta Lake. The project is to be known as Pitt No. 7. Their estimates are \$16,250,000. We expect to see this project under way by the time the autumn leaves begin to fall.

Market St., San Francisco, submitted the low bid on the bridge to be built across the Sacramento River at Dunsmuir, Calif. His low bid was \$651,648. Work is expected to start on this project right away. George Patterson was also the successful bidder on a good size need of men in most all classificahighway project near Happy Camp. tions.

Laws Fail to Pass

'Right to Work'

Since January 1, 1953, the phony "Right to Work" laws have been introduced in 11 states, mostly western. All 11 states refused to pass these union-busting laws.

For the moment the surge of anti-labor "Right to Work" laws seems to have been halted. This is in part due to the effective political education work of the unions. It is in part due to the increasing awareness of the American public that strong unions are as much a part of our free enterprise system as are the employers with whom they bargain.

Judson - Pacific - Murphy Corp. of Oakland, Calif., was the low bidder on the bridge to be built crossing the Klamath River at Happy Camp. There are several other projects under way on the Klamath River. We have a large bunch of engineers down there. Jess Hoops, the old-timer superintendent on the powerhouse project at Big Bend, Charles MacClosky Co. of 112 Pitt No. 4, has started.

We regret to report that Brother M. E. Montgomery was seriously injured while working for J. H. Trisdale, Inc., at Shasta Dam. He will be laid up for a long time.

of highway to repair. Over at the miles north of Crescent City; Barrett & Hilp, St. Joseph Hospital in Eureka; Associated Engineers, water mains in Eureka; Manuel Smith, sewer at Ferndale; James H. McFarland, Bluff Creek bridge; Fred J. Early, Jr., Ferdale sewage treatment plant; A. C. Johnson, Hoopa school: Ausland & Dodson, Fort Dick school; L. H. Leonardi, Eureka traffic signals; Bishop. Younger & Bradley, Eureka office buildings.

All of the local contractors are busy and it looks like they will keep busy till the rains come.



