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HEFTY TUNNEL JOB—There's a 34,000-foot hole in the ground being dug on the big Feather Poe power project by Operating Engineers and it is keeping the tunnel stiffs well occupied. The 24-foot shaft will cost \$15 million and last 30 months. This picture shows Utah-Bates, Rogers yard at Oroville where Poe job equipment is repaired, received, and shipped out. Included is a 25-ton Koehring crane with Bro. Tommy Kennedy, as the operator and D. J. Elston, "newly married man," as oiler. Also shown is a Conway 100 mucker.

Water-Power Projects Moving on Five Rivers

This year will be remembered as a big one for start of major water-power projects on white-water rivers of California's mountain hinterlands, although the daddy of them all, the billion-dollar Feather River project, is still to get under way.

Some \$300 million in projects are starting, and peak of activity on them will hit during 1956 and 1957. They range from rugged Trinity on the north to Kings River on the south—all of them providing new power and water sources to this fast-growing state.

Biggest of the five is Trinity, a \$225 million job of tunneling water through the coast range into Sacramento River and tapping several times en route for a sizable collection of kilowatts.

Only preliminary work will take place on Trinity this year, bulk of the load hitting in '56 and '57.

BIG TUNNEL PROJECT

Moving down the valley we come to another tapping process, a six-mile tunnel utilizing Feather River water for new power. Utah-Bates, Rogers has the \$15 million, 30-month contract for this gopher job, and the power plant will run that much or more.

One more jump down the valley we come to a \$31 million MK-Macco-Kiewit-Stolte project, the Tri-Dam, which will harness tumbling waters of the Stanislaus river. Near by is another large project, Cherry Valley dam.

East of Fresno on the Kings River is now getting into high gear the long-awaited Wishon dam and power project, another good-sized undertaking.

The fifth dam project OK'd and getting under way in '55 is Coyote on the Russian River, north of San Francisco.

FEATHER PROJECT LAGS

These jobs will keep Operating Engineers pushing Mother Earth around for a couple of years. Meanwhile, there is still controversy but great interest in the huge Feather River project which would take

this water as far south as the Mexican border—down to the arid section of the state with two-thirds of the population.

The state two weeks ago awarded Bechtel Corp. of San Francisco a \$250,000 job of reviewing the huge Feather project as an independent analysis of the report of State Engineer A. D. Edmonston, who

recommends start on the job. Atty. Gen. Pat Brown, as a member of the state Water Project Authority, said that the report should be directed primarily to the economic feasibility of the plan.

Brown questions whether the cost of pumping water over the hills and mountains will make the project an unsound business venture for the state.

State officials in general, however, are faced with the tremendous problem of supplying water for a state bursting with new population.

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Official notice to all members of Local Union No. 3 who participate in the Burial Expense Fund. Assessment No. 6 is due and payable on October 1, 1955. Protect your good standing by being paid up. THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL NOTICE

In Memoriam

- EDWARD P. HACKMAN
Aug. 10, 1955, Washington, D.C.
- FRANK J. SILVA
Aug. 15, 1955, Rodeo, Calif.
- J. C. RANDALL
Aug. 15, 1955, LaPorte, Ind.
- ROBT. L. PATTERSON
Aug. 19, 1955, Citrus Heights, Calif.
- CHAS. H. ERICKSON
Aug. 21, 1955, San Francisco, Calif.
- FRANK ROSE
Aug. 22, 1955, Jefferson City, Tenn.
- FRANK C. WRIGHT
Aug. 23, 1955, Oakland, Calif.
- HARRY WILSON
Aug. 25, 1955, Santa Clara, Calif.
- WM. J. ELLIS
Aug. 26, 1955, Weimar, Calif.
- CHAS. E. SHOFFNER
Aug. 26, 1955, Lovelock, Nevada.
- LOUIS F. GIL
Aug. 28, 1955, Campbell, Calif.
- CHAS. CRAFT
Aug. 30, 1955 (Craft), San Jose, Cal.
- JOHN S. WOOD
Sept. 10, 1955, San Mateo, Calif.

State Opens Study Of Feasibility on Feather R. Project

An independent engineering and economic analysis of the plan for state construction of the vast Feather River water and power project has been started by Bechtel Corp., on decision of the Joint Legislative Committee on Water Problems.

The step was taken amidst criticism on delayed action in finding a solution to the state's overwhelming water problem.

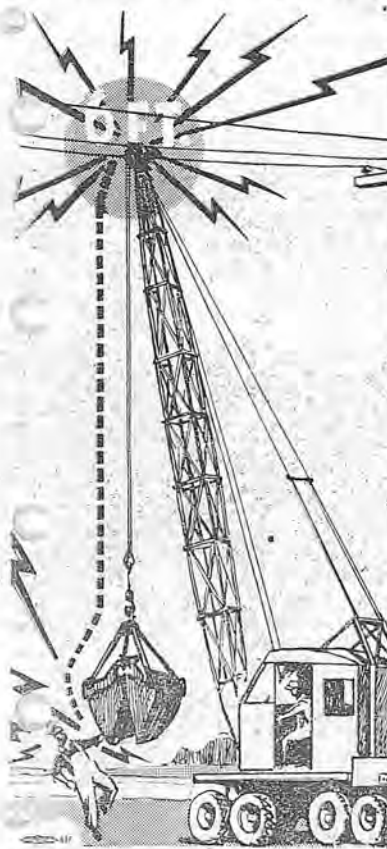
Atty. Gen. Pat Brown, a member of the State Water Project Authority, urged that the study be directed primarily to the economic feasibility of the plan.

Retiring State Engineer A. D. Edmonston strongly urged state (Continued on Page Two)

DROUGHT AND FIRE POINT UP STATE'S BIG WATER NEEDS

Dryest, hottest season throughout the state in many years in the past two weeks strongly emphasized the need for quick action by state government in seeking solution to pressing needs for water conservation.

Power Lines--Stay Away



While enough fresh water flows each day out the Golden Gate and out of other north-state rivers to supply the entire state and two or three others besides, indecision marks the actions and attitudes of those charged with solving the state's water problems.

Recent forest fires up and down the 1000-mile golden state have wiped out invaluable watershed and increased the problem.

Meanwhile, though there are several major power projects under way, most of them are for power, not for water conservation, and the need for such undertakings as the billion dollar Feather River Project grows painfully more obvious with each 24 hours (a period in which 1000 new residents move into the state and start using water).

A poor snow year would knock down both Sierra and Rocky mountain water supplies to the point of extreme danger.

Supplies must be built up now, because the need will never diminish.

This state is a self-contained unit. With its length stretching from wet zones down into desert zones, and with most of the people living in the south, the solution is obvious—bring the water to the people the quickest, cheapest way possible.

loader, hay stacker, pile driver, or similar apparatus, any part of which is capable of vertical, lateral or swinging motion, unless there is posted and maintained in plain view of the operator thereof, a durable warning sign legible at 12 feet, reading: "Unlawful to operate this equipment within six feet of high voltage lines."

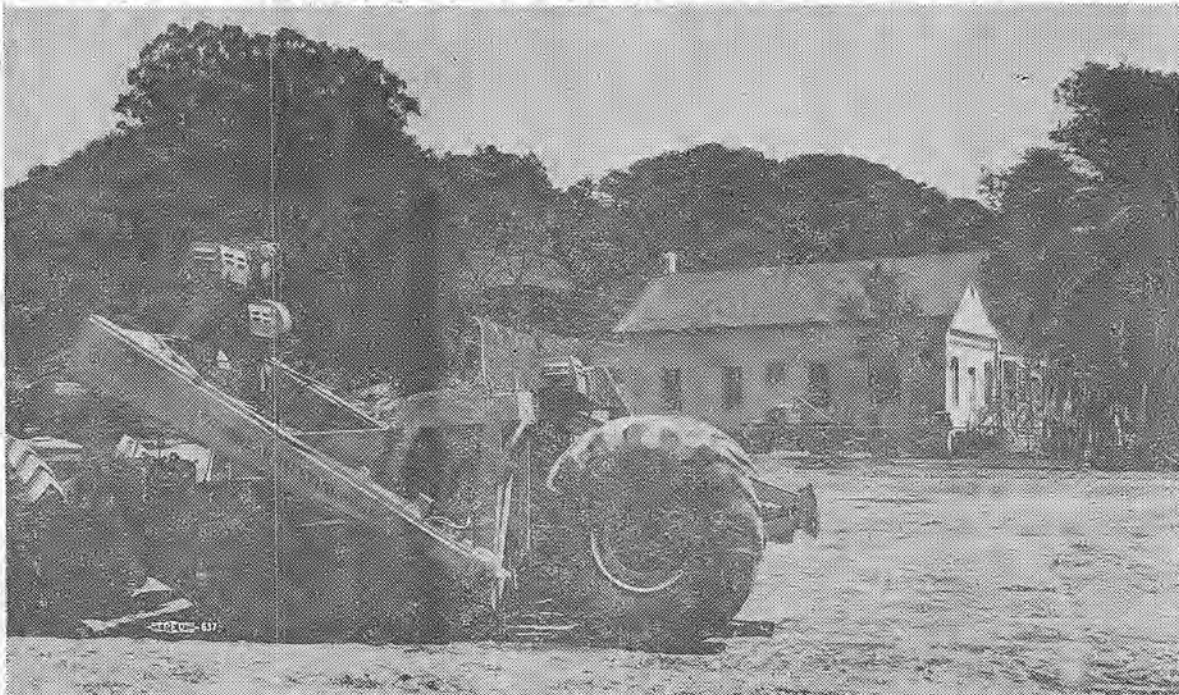
Each day's failure to post or maintain such sign shall constitute a separate violation.

State Penal Code, Section 385:

(b) Any person, who either personally or through an employee or agent, or as an employee or agent of another, operates, places, erects or moves any tools, machinery, equipment, material, building or structure within 6 feet of a high voltage (750 volts or more) overhead conductor, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(c) It shall be a misdemeanor to own, operate or to employ any person to operate, any crane, derrick, power shovel, drilling rig, hay

\$100 Million, 6,000-Home Project Rushed in Northbay



One of the biggest of many big Bay Area home-development projects is that now underway in high gear at Glenwood, near San Rafael. It is an undertaking of John P. Stegge, young Bay Area builder, who is racing against the approaching wet season to get the big job in shape. Some \$100 million will be

spent in the 2440-acre, 6000-home project. At press time 16 pieces of equipment were at work moving 450,000 cubic yards of earth in Unit One. Above picture shows some of the equipment. Old school in background is being converted into office for the project.



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Bay Area Drive to Aid Flood Victims

The Red Cross announced and the United Bay Area Crusade endorsed, a special campaign to raise money for flood relief in the North-eastern states, where thousands of families are already homeless.

The special drive, which will not affect full Red Cross participation in the October United Crusade appeal, has been made necessary by the tremendous size of the disaster, Frederic B. Whitman, Crusade president said.

"The Red Cross had budgeted \$4,000,000 for disaster relief in 1955-56," Whitman said. "Even before the cloudbursts which trailed hurricane Diane, an extraordinary number of relatively minor disasters—Hurricane 'Hazel,' then 'Connie' had reduced the disaster reserve.

"Now relief for thousands of families left homeless by Diane's stupendous floods has wiped it out plus \$1,000,000 more, and the end is not yet in sight. We have placed all the facilities of the Crusade at the disposal of the Red Cross in order to be sure that desperate human needs will be met.

"The flood which hit New England and the Middle Atlantic States was far worse than what engineers call a 'hundred-year flood,' meaning that such a deluge can be expected something like once in a century.

"Our great Sacramento floods of 1937 and 1940, when millions of acres in the valley counties were covered with water, were minor compared with this one. It's something so big you can't budget for it, but only hope against it.

"So we feel that there is every justification for a special campaign to relieve this disaster. Contributions should be sent or taken to local Red Cross chapters, marked 'Disaster Relief Fund.'"

In the flood area the Red Cross has more than 100 shelters open, and is housing and feeding more than 12,000 people. More than 400 Red Cross volunteer nurses and 150 physicians are serving the area. Staff disaster experts, now numbering 260, have been flown in from all parts of the country, including five from San Francisco.

Red Cross funds are used on disaster scenes to feed and house people, then to repair homes and replace furniture, food, clothing, tools for earning a living. These rehabilitation expenditures are gifts, not loans, and are made on the basis of individual family needs, not on the size of their losses.

S. F. Social Security Office Has Moved

After 10 years in the Federal Office Building, the Social Security district office has moved to private space at 1266 Market Street which is between 8th and 9th Streets. The office opened at the new location on Monday, September 12th and the office hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Charles H. Shreve, District Manager, stated in announcing the move, that nearly 2000 people call at the district office each week to file claims, secure information, obtain social security cards, etc., and adequate space to accommodate the growing activities of the office could not be obtained in the Federal Office Building. He hopes these people will not be inconvenienced by the move since the new office is only a block and a half from the Federal Office Building and is easily reached by all types of transportation.

The office serves residents of San Francisco and Marin County except those living in San Francisco postal zones 7, 10, 12, 14, 24, and 27 who are served by the district office located at 2747 Mission Street.

Observe Safety Rules!

Report of Last Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m., President Clancy presiding. Roll call showed all officers present with exception of Treasurer Vandewark, who was excused.

A Synopsis of the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 6, read and by motion, approved as read.

A Synopsis of the Executive Board Minutes of August 24 and of September 7, read, and the acts and recommendations of the Board were by motion approved as read.

Cards of thanks were received from the family of William John Ellis; Mrs. Erickson and family; Mrs. Frank C. Wright; Wesley Wright and family; Mrs. Lela Shoffner and family; Mrs. Frank Silva and family; Dorothy Glass, George Kelly, Jr. All were received and filed.

The following were reported ill: Leo Baker, T. C. Battoms, Aaro Becker, Bert L. Clem, John C. Cave, P. D. Casida, Louis Devincenzi, Jack Dodson, Acie Dunlap, G. M. Dunn, Floyd L. Dearborn, Frank De-Rosa, Harold E. Fitzgerald, Anners A. Gini, Ralph Guthrie, T. Hildebrand, Frederick Hultgen, G. A. Hardmeyer, N. A. Jacobson, Jerry Krohn, Otho Lines, Charles McKelvey, Clayton Morris, Thomas K. Moore, F. L. Patterson, U. A. Rice, Wm. Reynolds, James D. Rich, L. D. Stepp, Robert Silva, Edgar D. Vest, Fred Von Roeder, L. E. Warren.

The following brothers were reported deceased: Harry C. Cleveland, Frank J. Silva, J. C. Randall, Robert Patterson, Chas. H. Erickson, Frank C. Wright, Harry Wilson, Edward P. Hackman, Wm. J. Ellis, Frank Rose, Louis F. Gil, Chas. E. Shoffner, Chas. Craft, John S. Wood. The membership stood one minute in silence in respect to our deceased brothers.

The trustees report was read and accepted as read.

Regarding the case of Brother Rodney W. Sohn, who pleaded guilty at our previous meeting of violating the working rules, and which case President Clancy had laid over for further investigation. President Clancy at this time stated a fine of \$250 would be placed against Bro. Sohn, with \$150 of the fine suspended, reducing the present fine to \$100.

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

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

It was regularly moved and seconded that Brother Vandewark be excused for the balance of time necessary for him to complete the course at Harvard University. Carried.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the subject of pick-up trucks be referred to the Executive Officers and that they be instructed to report back at the next meeting.

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

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

GOVERNOR KNIGHT GIVES MESSAGE ON LABOR'S ROLE

In a special Labor Day message to AFL members Governor Knight has said:

"Sixty-two years have passed since a day dedicated to Labor was added to our list of statutory holidays in California. Ours was among the first states to recognize and salute the men and women who have contributed in such full measure of their strength and skills to our continuing progress and prosperity."

As we see another Labor Day pass it is fitting that we reflect upon the important place which Labor fills in every phase of our economy, our social life, in industry and in promoting the public welfare."

"Operating within the framework of our Constitution and supporting the principles of free enterprise, Organized Labor has been a most effective partner with management in increasing productivity and achieving a standard of living which is the envy of the rest of the world and provides our most effective bulwark against the threat of those who would crush democracy."

"On this Labor Day of 1955, I join with the grateful citizens of our State and Nation in commending the organized American working men and women for a job well done."

Goodwin Knight, Governor

Soviet Buys Sugar

HAVANA — The Cuban Sugar Stabilization Institute announced the sale of 200,000 tons of sugar to Russia at a price of 3.5 cents a pound

Union Security In Two-Thirds Of Contracts

The great majority of labor-management contracts around the country provide for some form of union security, with nearly two-thirds setting up a union shop.

The Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics surveyed over 1,700 major agreements in effect in 1954 covering almost 7½ million workers. They found that about 80 per cent of the agreements have some requirement for union membership.

The most common provision is for a union shop—all employees must be union members and all newly hired workers must join in a specified time, usually 30 days after hiring.

The percentage of AFL agreements calling for a union shop ran higher than the two-thirds figure, coming nearer to 77 per cent.

About 14 per cent of the agreements had maintenance of membership clauses requiring that workers who join the union must maintain their membership for the duration of the contract.

Of the 20 per cent having no union security provisions many are in "right-to-work" states.

Reservoir in Use

Valves were opened at Richmond reservoir last week, placing in service the world's largest tank type reservoir, by E. Bay Muni. Utilities Dist. The 11¼-million gallon tank is on a hill near Point Richmond. It took two years and more than 5,000 steel scaffolding frames for the erection. The tank is the first prestressed concrete tank in America to use the method developed by Eugene Freyssinet of France. Elevation is 301 feet, and the tank rests on solid rock.

Shasta Water Low

Shasta dam water storage is down 600,000 acre feet below normal, to a present total of 2,500,000 acre feet. Reclamation officials say it is not serious until "we find out what kind of a year we have coming up."

POLITICAL DIALOGUE

Stubborn citizen: "I wouldn't vote for you if you were St. Peter himself."

Political candidate: "If I were St. Peter, my friend, you wouldn't be in my precinct!"

Disabled Helped by Social Security

Recent amendments to the social security law protect the Old-Age and Survivors Insurance rights of people who have sufficient work covered by social security and who become totally disabled and unable to work for a long period of time, according to Charles H. Shreve, manager of Civic Center Social Security Office in San Francisco.

Old-Age and Survivors Insurance payments are figured from worker's average monthly earnings. Under the old law, the average monthly earnings had to be figured over the entire period from a certain starting date until the worker became 65 years of age or died. It was possible because of a long continued disability to lose the right to any payment at all.

Under the new law, if you become totally disabled and it is expected to be of long duration you can apply to have your earnings record "frozen" while you are unable to work. When your earnings record is "frozen" the period of low or no earnings need not be counted at all in figuring your average monthly earnings.

A person can have his earnings record frozen if he becomes totally disabled for work before he reaches 65 and his disability is expected to last indefinitely provided he meets the following two requirements:

1. Be totally disabled—Only a disability severe enough to keep you from doing any substantially gainful work can be considered. The disability may have been caused by injury, sickness, mental illness, or blindness—anything that can be medically determined. After you have been disabled for six months and it appears that you will be disabled for an indefinite period, then your earnings record may be "frozen."

2. Earnings before disability—In order to have your earnings record "frozen" you must have social security credit for both:

Five years of work out of the ten years before you were disabled, and

One and one-half years of work out of the three years immediately before you were disabled.

More than 40,000 Americans now living will at some time develop cancer. Strike back—give to the American Cancer Society.

Open Survey on Feather River Job

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action on the plan for a huge dam and power plant on Feather River above Oroville. Involved in the project would be the largest dam and pumping plants and longes transportation of water, akin to the famed "canals" on planet Mars.

Subsurface test drilling operations have begun in the Delta region under state study of a plan advanced by Dutch Engineer Cornelius Biemond for a Sacramento salt water barrier and series of master flood control levees. Drilling is under way at Grand, Brannon, and Twitchell islands.

From the delta region, huge pumps would divert the water to a storage reservoir on San Luis Creek in western Merced county from where it would travel to the west and south valley area and over the Tehachapis into Southern California via canals, siphons, and pump lifts. A lateral system would carry new water to Southern Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Benito counties.

Panel to Rule On Grievances

NEW YORK — AFL Teamsters Local 707 and long distance motor carriers affiliated with the Empire State Highway Transportation Association have set up a union-employer panel to rule on grievances arising under union contracts.

The unique plan calls for a panel of four regular members and four alternates from each side with the power to rule on all labor controversies, disputes and grievances. The impartial chairman of the trucking industry, Hugh E. Sheridan, will cast the deciding vote if the secret ballot of the panel shows a deadlock. If either side fails to abide by the decision it will forfeit its rights and the other side can seek redress in the courts.

The agreement setting up the panel provides there shall be no strikes or deadlocks pending arbitration of a dispute.

The legitimate object of government is to do for a community of people whatever they need to have done but cannot do for themselves.—Abraham Lincoln.

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What's Doing in the Oakland Area

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The Oakland office experienced an extremely busy month during August with all the contractors getting ready for the final push prior to the starting of the rainy season. During the month we cleared in excess of 600 men to the various jobs throughout the area. We are still finding ourselves short of finish blade men, in fact, dirt moving hands of all types, with the exception of crane operators and shovel men.

In August we wound up negotiations with the equipment dealers in the area, receiving substantial wage increases in the various shops. The scrap industry agreement, which was opened this year for wages and other benefits, was closed satisfactorily for the members employed in that field. We are signing a number of the short term agreements with the various contractors performing construction work in this area.

All in all, everybody has been extremely busy; however, the most gratifying part of it is the fact that we were able to furnish employment to practically all the Brothers in the greatest majority of classifications. We hope it stays this way for some time to come.

The William H. LaDew Company of El Paso has been awarded the contract for the automatic sprinkler system at the Oakland Naval Supply Center. Brother Bill Heffley is operating the hydro-lift crane and Brother B. Y. Norton is the compressor operator.

McGuire and Hester Company is subs on trench excavating under S.P. tracks, E. C. Braun and Company have the water mains and Paris Brothers have the sanitary and storm drains.

At the Alameda Naval Air Station Swinerton and Walberg have the general contract on one building and the Ace Excavators are doing the excavating. Shaw and Estes are the general contractors on one building and the Bigge Luggage has been doing the excavating.

Some Company has the sewer job on West Grand Avenue and McGuire and Hester has 1400 feet of 78-inch storm sewer from 18th Street to West Grand Avenue on Cypress Street.

J. Henry Harris has a demolition job on Cypress Street clearing houses and buildings on the right-of-way for the new freeway.

Grove, Shepherd, Wilson and Krueger, Inc., is the general contractor on the double deck freeway structure from 16th Street to the Bay Bridge. Distribution structure has moved in and is ready to go to work. This promises to be a good steady job for a number of members. Brother Troy Manzer is operating and Dean Branscum is oiling the Lima backhoe. Vince Hunt is doing the monkey work operating and Carl Haley is the foreman.

The Eastbay Equipment shops have slowed down some in the past thirty days due to a lack of machinery, material and parts that are held up in the East—there's a lot of work to be done, but nothing to do it with.

The scrap yards are holding steady and work on the waterfront is beginning to pick up again.

Man Wrecking Company has a contract for removing buildings at Bethlehem Pacific Steel Company's erection yard in Alameda. These buildings were erected prior to World War I and they are to be removed and replaced with new, modern buildings.

Ben C. Gerwick is repairing piers at the Oakland Dock and Warehouse Company replacing stringers and finger piling. Brother Earl Van Etten is the operator and Elmer Sandahl is the oiler.

Brother Merle Barton is on the Works for Oakland Dock and Warehouse and doing a bang up job there.

McGuire and Hester has a sizable sewer job at the foot of Adeline

The Walsh Construction Company job on the approach to the Richmond San Rafael Bridge is nearing 75 per cent completion.

Members of Local 3 operating the equipment on this job are: Ross Petty, Fred Stratton and Lew Shannon on the dozers; B. Blake on the loader; Roger Landrum is running gradall with Fred Bennage doing his oiling. Brother Harry Shields is running the Lorain Truck Crane with Thane Clark as his oiler. Brother Phil Freed is on the DW 20 and Chuck Randall doing the nut-busting. Brother Bill Barrett is on the Grease Truck and Dale Blinco is the grade foreman on this job.

PAVING JOBS

The Lloyd Cornelius Company has a number of concrete grading and paving jobs going on in this area at the present time. They have completed the grading and will do the paving on the Hillcrest Terrace in El Sobrante. They are also doing the grading and paving for the Grant School in Richmond and the Montalvin and Riverside Schools in San Pablo. They expect to begin the excavation for the Pedro Valley Elementary School within the next few days. Plans are under way to start excavation on a housing tract located in the Pleasant Hill road area near Concord as well as a 150 home tract in the vicinity of Pinole.

They recently completed several large commercial jobs, American Trust Bank and Bank of America in Concord as well as several commercial parking lots in the Richmond area.

This company presently has \$300,000 of work under construction with an added \$400,000 under contract to start in 1956.

Brother Dana C. Anderson is the superintendent and the foremen are Ed Festner and Bill Dial. Brothers E. C. Pugh, Chet Morris, Ray Bowers, Donald Essary, W. A. Rogers and Earl Cravens are the operators for this company with Donald Medford doing the oiling. They have some 5500 foundation to dig.

The Ball and Simpson Company are a little over one-half completed with their Castro Valley Freeway job. They still have 160,000 yards of dirt to go. They have 22 Engineers still on their payroll.

Fredrickson and Watson Construction Company have already laid about 5000 tons of blacktop on the Dublin Freeway job and still have approximately 10,000 tons left to put down.

Brother Vic Cochrane is operating the Adnun and Jack London is the screedman. Jim Zumwalt is taking care of the rolling and Ed Carey is the grade man. There is only about 15,000 cubic yards of dirt still to be moved.

The Domingos Balanco Company, Sewer Contractor, was awarded the contract to dig through the Castro Valley district a total of 12,000 feet of sewer line. This company is using a Parson 310 ditching machine which is being operated by Percy Laws and oiled by Antonio Gomez. John Jordan is operating the loader and doing all the back-filling.

John A. Carstensen from Castro Valley has enough work all lined up to keep a lot of the brothers working all winter. His road reconstruction job on Stanton Avenue in Castro Valley is a \$65,000 job. He is also doing the paving work for all the roads and parking lots at the Hayward Union High School. This will be a \$35,000 job. They also have the bid from the Alameda Flood Control for \$38,000 to reline the canal in Irvington. The tract on Center Street is a \$44,000 job. Another job on the Cartensen calendar is the contract from the Army Engineers to do all the paving for their Lake Chabot Road which is a \$53,000 job. The job they sub bid from the Clements Construction Company at Tennyson Village in Hayward is just completed.

Brother Paul Travis is superintendent and the following brothers on the payroll: Clarence Toscona, Cat 12 Blade; D. Patterson, A. C. Blade; H. Jennings, Gallion 101 blade; C. Feley, three-legged roller; D. Hendricks, D-6 Cat; Ed Swan, Hough Loader and Red Guild, Tandem roller.

BUSY DITCHERS

The Galbraith Construction Company is keeping their ditching machines in high gear to keep up with all the ditching work they have to do. They have 85,000 feet of sewer lines, water and storm drain to dig on the Oliver Rousseau Tract on the Hayward-Niles Road in Hayward. This tract, when completed, will have 1200 homes. Brother George Chaves is running the job with the following men working with him: On the 406 Buckeye ditching machine is Ted Hallback. Doing his oiling is G. Warner. Vic Tyler is operating the 407 Buckeye and John Kelly is his oiler. Troy Carrigan is operating the 250 Parson and Billy Dooley is oiling. Bud Dooley is running the road grader.

Burt Haywood is taking care of the Branden tract for Galbraith which will have 800 more homes constructed. This will take 60,000 more feet of ditch to dig. George Sa is operating the D-9 cat, Ralph Underwood is on the Northwest 25 backhoe and Jack York is oiling for him. On the 406 Buckeye ditching machine Jack Carrigan is operating and William Angelsberg is doing the oiling. Operating the 407 Buckeye is T. K. Billingsly and H. L. Craig is doing his oiling. Bro. Pete Hansen is also working on the Branden Tract for Galbraith. This tract is also called Palma Ceia Village.

Galbraith will also do the ditching work on the tract in Centerville behind the Glenmoor Shopping Center. This should be getting under way in a couple of weeks.

The M.G.M. Construction Company is winding up their work on the Goforth Tract also on the Hayward-Niles Road in Hayward. They have 65,000 feet of 12 inch pipe to put in and 22,000 feet of 6 inch plus 1350 services to do.

Brother Mickey Morgan is the superintendent on this job and is really doing a fine job. W. L. Hensley is operating the Cleveland Trencher and Robert Taft is oiling. On the backhoe they have Roy Frazer and Tom Foster, oiler. A. W. Swanson is operating the D-4 Cat.

Jibson Brothers have the following jobs under construction at the present time: Subdivision, Glenmoor Homes, Centerville, \$25,000; Subdivision, C. P. S. Homes, Inc., Centerville, \$11,000; Subdivision, R. H. Lincoln, Mission San Jose, \$6000; R. H. Lincoln, Livermore, \$6500; Lumber Yard Forest Products in Newark, \$6200 and miscellaneous parking areas, etc., \$8000. They have two of the brothers on their payroll besides the two partners being active members of the Engineers. They are Calvin Jibson who is operating the Blade, John W. Jibson, loader and blade operator, Joy R. Jibson on the roller and paver and John James cat and carryall operator.

Close Building Supply Company has lots of small jobs going now which are keeping lots of our brothers busy. "Pop" Day is general superintendent for Close and Lyle Green is yard superintendent. Al Greeno is shop foreman. Brothers Johnny Williams and Martin Willey are the mechanics in the shop and Charlie McMullin is the field mechanic.

On the Niles Crest Development tract, Tony Silva is foreman and the following men are working with him: Al Bellini, D-6 Cat; Glen Huffman, Blade; Pete Hayes, DW 10.

On the Leonardo Tract in Centerville we have the following men working: Harry O'Brien, foreman; Paul Young on the Blade and Anthony Silva on the DW 10.

Busy on the Groom-Moyer tract in Hayward are Brothers Bill Marke, foreman; Loyd Bosely,

blade; Bob Bacon, roller; James Jenkins, Cat-Dozer, and Bob Cooper, Grade checker. Brother Ronnie Willey is doing the oiling for this equipment.

News About The Brothers

Brother Vern Bushgens writes from Fairbanks, Alaska, that he's been doing quite a bit of fly fishing in his spare time on his job there. He's running a Lorain Crane for the P.K.E. Company and expects to be back to the Bay Area around the first of the year.

Brother W. L. "Bill" Frerking has temporarily retired from the Engineers to become a salesman for the Bearings and Parts Company at 13851 San Pablo Avenue in San Pablo. Good luck on your new job, Bill.

Brother Wayne Ohl recently was in the hospital to have an operation on his back. Wayne's back at work now and we're all happy to see him on the job again.

Charles Campbell was working for Gallagher & Burke on a D-6 loader when the radiator blew up and Charlie was badly burned. He's out now and will be for some time.

Bill Lance and Red Cambra went on a fishing trip to La Paz, Mexico looking for Marlin. The fishing was great. Bill caught two 228 pound marlin while Red only caught one "little" 219 pounder. What's the matter, Red, are you going to let William out-do you?

Bro. Larry Shaw recently went deer hunting at Montecito and bagged a forked horn.

Brother Therman Smith went fishing the other day and while he was fishing someone asked him if he'd had any luck. He laid his pole down to show off the string of fish he'd caught and another big one came by and took his pole and all. Brother Smith told the boys the fish took his stick, line and crank.

There is lots going on around the Asta Construction Company job in Rio Vista these days.

Brother George Williams and Brother Gerald Miller have been getting a lot of time in running the cans on land-leveling.

Brother Fritz Bohlman is sporting a new Buick—surely does run like a charm.

Brother LeRoy Lilley is doing a fine job running the Hough Loader in a sand pit supplying Paris Brothers trucks for the Travis Air Base.

Tom Shaw, mechanic for Asta, is all smiles—all the equipment is working fine and there's nothing to do but take it easy!

Brother Paul Davis is kept busy picking up loose ends for Asta. Manuel Asta says there's lots of work for all.

CONSTRUCTION AWARDS

ROSEVILLE, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$48,976, for widen & impr. Douglas St. from Ely city limits to Dry Creek, in Roseville.

ROSEVILLE, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$127,786, for grade, pave, curbs, gutters & storm drains, Shearer St.

ROSEVILLE, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$15,386, for const. of storm sewer & appurts. on Douglas St. in city of Roseville, Cal.

SAN CARLOS, contract awarded to Douglass & Woodhouse, P. O. Box 908, Redwood City, \$53,010, for const. of Dartmouth Avenue, et al, in city of San Carlos.

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SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Kaweah Const. Co., P.O. Box 867, Visalia, \$23,626, for two conc. bridges to be widened at Elbow Creek & Cottonwood Creek, 7 mi. S. of Dinuba.

\$100 Million, 6,000-Home Project for Northbay Area Speeds Ahead to Beat Rains

By H. O. FOSS, FRANK LAWRENCE and LOUIS C. SOLARI, Business Representatives

Machinery and skilled workers versus the weather! That's the title event being staged at "Glenwood"—newest Marin County development on the beautiful 2440 acres of the historic McNear Ranch.

Grading operations in the first unit at Glenwood call for the moving of 450,000 cubic yards of earth in the next few weeks so that construction of eight model homes and 250 ranch style homes may be well under way before the rains begin.

This colossal earth moving job is being done by the Stegge Development Company of Vallejo in cooperation with Local Union No. 3, Operating Engineers. John P. Stegge recently acquired the Ranch upon which he intends to build some 6000 homes. The vast project is a \$100,000,000 over-all planned community development embracing a 10-year building program.

Since present plan calls for construction on level ground, on hillside sites, and along five miles of waterfront property, much of which will have to be filled in, the part to be played by excavators and grades will be a very important one.

While acquisition of the choice property was only announced less than a month ago, 12 pieces of equipment already are at work in the first unit which is located immediately north of Main Avenue and San Pedro Road, a few minutes from the heart of San Rafael and only a short thirty minutes drive to downtown San Francisco. Application for annexation of the area by the city of San Rafael already has been filed.

In the race against the rain, equipment will be augmented to sixteen pieces and double shifts, under the superintendency of Al Bannon, will shortly be in operation.

Personnel on the job at the moment include: Babe Marsh, Clarence Weaver and Richard Wertz, pull operators; Clyde Keeters, Clarence Walker, Bill Johnson and Harvey Clark, cat operators. The mechanic is Art Kusler and the clearing foreman Lyle Bonner.

Installation of water service for the first unit is also being rushed, according to Jack Kearney, Marin County agent for the Stegge interests; and plans for erection of the first huge storage tank adjacent to the first unit are well under way.

KEEP NATURAL BEAUTY

Because of the great natural beauty of the land to be developed, dirt movers will face a constant challenge as the long-distance work proceeds. Mr. Stegge has declared that he will bend every effort to maintain the natural beauty of "Glenwood." Every tree that can be spared on this thickly wooded acreage, will be spared, and highways and their feeder roads will be laid out, he says, so as to accentuate the rare beauty of the terrain. Large and ugly excavations and scarred hills will be taboo.

The initial homes to be constructed will be of ranch type with three and four bedrooms, two baths and large family rooms. Each living room will have a fireplace; each kitchen a barbecue pit and rotisserie. Conventional joist and hardwood floors will be featured throughout. Prices will range from \$16,950 to \$25,000.

Mr. Stegge is an experienced builder, young in years (he is 36) but long on "know how" in the construction business, having come up the "hard way." He is well known in union circles as the builder of several thousand homes in Vallejo, Oakland, Lafayette, Danville and San Leandro. He sees an opportunity at "Glenwood" to give home buyers the finest living in a country atmosphere, yet only a few minutes from San Francisco and but a very short distance from Richmond, Oakland, and Berkeley when the new bridge is completed 1-1 months from now.

CREWS BUSY ON 1 AND 101

By GLENN L. DOBYNS, Business Representative

Arthur B. Siri, Inc., and the state are having their troubles with the slip out on highway 101, 11 miles north of Ukiah, which halted heavy traffic between Salpella and Willits. Road crews worked all night building additional roadway to allow one-way control traffic. Bro. Henry Pacheco is in charge of the project.

This has been a very busy year for Rapp Construction Company. They have several jobs going in Santa Rosa and the Ukiah area.

This year Peletz Company has had all the work that they could take care of. They bid on every job from Eureka south. It is a great pleasure to watch this company grow.

Huntington Brothers Construction Company of Napa have finished the Stewart's Point job, on highway No. 1. This was a tough job to place men on because there was absolutely no place for the men to live, consequently, the ones that did work there had to have a trailer house. This company, working on the Bodega Bay project has it about 85% completed and will be open to traffic before the rains start.

Bro. Herbert Whiting, superintendent for Granite Construction Company, informed us that they have completed excavation for the approaches to the Elk Bridge, on highway No. 1, in Mendocino county. However, the bridge itself will not be completed this year. Several engineers will be employed through the winter months working on the bridge.

W. H. Darrough & Sons are just getting started on their portion of the Willits to Fort Bragg road. Bro. Pete Peterson is on the pioneering cat.

Bro. Archie Edmonds, the general superintendent for Frederickson Bros., informed this office that they have completed all the excavation on their job out of Willits on highway No. 101. This company rented a new Cedar Rapids crusher from Burman and Sons. Brother Ray Miller is the operator with Brother Ralph Williams his oiler.

BEAUTY SPOTS LISTED

Anyone in the vicinity of Anderson Valley in southern Mendocino county has an opportunity to see one of California's most beautiful groves of redwoods without facing the heavy traffic or the distracting commercial features of the better-known redwood areas.

Hedy Woods, located on the Navarro River, just north of Philo, is recognized as one of the thickest stands of redwoods in California.

Hedy Woods is near the MacDonal highway, part of State Highway 128, which branches off from the Redwood highway toward the northwest, just north of Cloverdale and joins the coast highway at the mouth of the Navarro river.

One precaution—this is a mountain road with many curves; so anyone inclined to be car-sick should go prepared with whatever the doctor ordered.

There is always green in the redwoods which seem to predominate on the western side of the valley and in the live oaks which are abundant on the eastern hills. These provide a background for the beauty of each season.

Where the highway branches off to Hopland, near the northern boundary of Sonoma county, the actual beginning of the MacDonal-to-the-Sea Highway, you'll pass the Mountain House, which was an overnight stop in the horse and buggy days.

After you pass Philo, you will see the little church built in the early 90's, which more than one passer-by has identified as "The Church of the Wildwood."

year siege of polio. We send our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

It's a boy for Brother Claude Odom—seven pounds. Erik is the name of the pride and joy! Congratulations to Bro. Odom and his Mrs.

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

SACRAMENTO AREA HITS SEASON PEAK

By PAUL EDGEcombe, HAL CLARK and ERNIE NELSON, Business Representatives

During the month of August construction work here in the Sacramento area seems to have reached a high point, reducing our out-of-work list to a minimum. This office has a steady influx of members traveling through seeking work or information as to the work possibilities in the immediate area. We have been able to accommodate several of the brothers with the rising increase of employment. Almost all phases of the construction industry are being carried on at this time.

Activity in the concrete pouring operations has taken a tremendous jump since Richards Engineering Co. started pouring the 16" slabs for the giant warehouses, 400' x 2,000' at McClellan Field. They have approximately 115 acres of this 16" slab to be poured. Campbell, Erickson, Heller & Lawrence are the contractors for the buildings. Stolte, Teichert and H. Earl Parker all have various jobs going on at this base in accord with the expansion program that is being carried on.

The Baldwin Contracting Co., contractor for the paving of the Roseville freeway, have the largest soil cement stabilization (cement treated base) operation in the world, according to the Pettibone Wood Manufacturing Co. of North Hollywood. Three Pettibone Wood Roadmixers, operating together is a simultaneous operation, are mixing the full 25-foot width and eight inches in depth in one operation, two model 54 mixers pulled by 8's, and one model 42 self-propelled on the shoulders. These rigs are mixing on calibrated windrows and are averaging 900 lineal feet an hour, mixing time. Their normal day's mixing averages 6,500 feet with about 7,000 ton a day. Allowing for the laying out and curing it averages about 11 hours a day, working time. It is to be remembered that in this operation the rock is handled but once in laying and compacting operation. This entire job was set up by superintendent W. N. (Bill) Stanley, who is to be commended for his ability to calibrate and time this operation to the "Nth" degree.

The Baldwin Co. also have a batch plant set up on the Roseville freeway that is second to none. According to the Madsen Co. there are only four of these units manufactured and this district has one of them. This plant mixes at the rate of 6,000 pounds every 30 seconds. Brother Oney Tucker is the plant engineer with Wesley Walker on the box. Roy Criten doing the firing, and Joe LaMontagne taking care of the oiling.

Miles & Sons own and operate the mixers and also handle the cement delivery on this project with bulkers to lay it on the windrows. Bro. Paul Menefee is the cement treated base foreman and Bro. Bud Obnoskey is in charge of the equipment for this company. Bro. Fred Potter is the technical engineer; Ray Webb, mobile mixer; H. B. Webb and Marvin Withrow on the cats, and J. A. Tabor and Jim Johnson on the 54 mixers. Brothers E. E. McNutt, Sam Hunt, and Harry Mathwig are on the blades; Brothers Benny Lovett, Irl Shaver and Glen Bowers are on the rollers, and Bro. Paul Darnell in on the rubber compactor.

C. V. Kenworthy is progressing on their Lotus road job with about two months to completion. These brothers are working 6-10's on this job.

A. Teichert & Son have only to lay the hot stuff on the Shingle Springs job, and these boys will be finished. This project will be a tremendous improvement for traffic traveling east as it eliminates a series of bad curves from Shingle Springs to a point five miles west.

Harms Bros. are progressing rapidly on their hot stuff paving job at Placerville. Another six weeks should see it completed and sold to the state. This also will be a great improvement for the Placerville traffic problem. Try to get through this town on any holiday or weekend and you'll see what we mean.

Piombo have their highway job at Applegate pretty well under control at this writing. We hope to see this strip opened for traffic this fall.

Granite Const. Co. have moved into a small widening job on highway 40 at Newcastle. This project is a preliminary operation to the main job of widening from Newcastle to Auburn, which will be in operation next spring. This company also has several other jobs scattered throughout the district.

All of our other contractors are holding their own with very little turn-over in help. We believe the brothers working for these companies will be steadily employed until the rains begin.

HERE AND THERE WITH THE BROTHERS

John Hartman, flying through the air; Fred Salas, leaving for Guam; Harry Welch driving a Capri; A. C. Warnke operating a D-9; H. Allee heading for Woodland; Bennett Murray watching the nags; Henry Staas cutting grade; E. B. Loyd, going to the State Fair; Lee Young, having coffee; John Kaufman, Sr., promoted; John Kaufman, Jr., chasing trucks; Art Dockter, loading bob tails; Jack Hutcheson, watching wires; Jack Bachi, setting grade lines; Jim Fine, lowering pipe; H. L. Stephens, hauling clay; Lon Dubose, making mud; Cal Gentry feeding a dragline; Bob Hall, watching a rock wall; Bob Callender, separating boulders; Steve Morell on the levee; Bob Soderlund, leveling a service station; Gene Frazier, building a road; Mike Mitchell, watching a feed; Jess Freels, running a Hopto; Geo. Knight, in the shade; Jim Johnson, traveling 17 feet a minute; Marvin Withrow, likewise; Jack Wolsey tamping rocks; Bill Gavrillo, erecting a storage tank; W. R. Tate calling in; Baldi-Hilliard, depositing a withdrawal card; Ray Aust home over Labor Day; Howard Hilton signing the out-of-work list.

BLOOD BANK

Sincere thanks to the following who have donated to our Blood Bank since our last writing: John B. Martin, E. C. Larsen, Mrs. Mildred Cargill, Harold S. Clark, Howard B. Green and Walter T. Hays.

Incidentally, we only have two credits in our account at this time. So come on, fellows, and help us build this account up again. Remember that you or a member of your family may be the next to call upon it for help.

SAFETY NOTE:

Always keep at a safe distance when working in the vicinity of high voltage lines. Remember that this office is open every Thursday evening from 7 to 9 for your convenience!

Auto Life Belts

An automobile salesman was demonstrating a car to a customer. The customer lost control of the car and ran into a pole. The salesman was thrown out and seriously injured. A look at the newspapers will disclose that a high proportion of all auto injuries result from being thrown from the car. The use of safety belts can cut down the heavy toll of injuries from this cause. Any field representative of Industrial Indemnity will demonstrate the use of safety belts. All Industrial Indemnity cars are equipped with them. For instructions on the proper manner to install safety belts in your auto, truck, bus, or tractor, send for our Bulletin No. 271.

The Department of Motor Vehicles last year revoked 252 drivers' licenses on the ground of physical disability.

Work Remains Firm in the San Jose Area

By "BUCK" HOPE, "MICKEY" MURPHY and "PETE" PETERSEN, Business Representatives

While some of the projects have come to a completion in this district, new contracts have been let that have absorbed most of the Brothers on the out-of-work list. In view of the new jobs coming up in the near future it looks like the Brothers will be kept busy until the winter rains set in.

I. B. M. Company have recently purchased 160 acres of ground south of San Jose on the Monterey road, and will soon start construction on a new plant which will employ approximately 5000 people. This plant will call for extensive grading operations which should make for a winter's job. Sears Roebuck Co. will soon start construction on their large store to be located on San Carlos and Race street. Haas & Haynie have started the foundation work on the Macy store, and at the present time are using only 4-pieces of equipment but as work progresses we will be placing additional operators.

Walsh & Lane Company have started pouring operations on the sedimentation tanks at the San Jose Disposal Plant at Alviso. This job will continue throughout the winter and most of next summer. Williams-Burroughs are also pouring concrete on the Sunnyvale Disposal Plant with Brother Ireland as the superintendent. The grading work and piping have been let to the firm of Souza and McCue.

Carl Swenson Company have completed the over-pass bridge at Los Gatos and at the present time are taking down the temporary bypass structure — in the meantime, their highway job at Coyote is nearly ready for the paving that will be done by the Volpi Brothers of Fresno.

L. C. Smith Company are keeping a pretty steady crew on their freeway job at Los Gatos and should start concrete operations on the channel change within the next two weeks. This firm has plenty of work with the paving of the shopping center in Palo Alto—their street work and the construction of the overpass on the Bayshore.

Granite Construction have started work on their freeway job at Santa Cruz, with Bro. Harney Bell as the superintendent. At the present time there are only two pieces of equipment on the job, of course, this will change as equipment is assigned from other jobs. This same firm has been awarded a contract for approximately \$500,000 for construction of a section of the freeway at Monterey. Brother Russell

Kamp is the superintendent for all of Granite's jobs in the Monterey area. Bro. Benson is the superintendent on the freeway at Monterey with the assistance of Brother Harley Davidson.

Bids will be let on September 19 on the Naicemento Dam, although the dam proper is in Local No. 12 territory, through an agreement with our sister local we hope to place a number of the brothers on this job. The dam is an earth filled structure which will involve 4 million yards of dirt. At the present time Jess Harrison, of San Ardo is building the access roads to the dam site.

KING CITY BRIDGE

Raymond Concrete Pile have completed their portion of work on the King City bridge and at the present time there are only four engineers on the job.

Los Gatos Construction will not move their equipment on this job until late in November as they are still fully occupied on their job at Sacramento. This firm is making good progress on their telephone line job, near San Arno, but have run into trouble on the rocks and rough terrain.

Work has been completed on the Chesbro Dam, at Gilroy, and the N. Fadel Company have moved their equipment back to Los Angeles. The survey work has been completed on the Arvis Dam but construction of the dam proper will not start for some time.

PERSONALS

We wish to take this opportunity to extend our sympathy to the families of Brothers Charles Craft, Louis Gil and Harry Wilson who passed away last week.

We are happy to report that Bro. M. G. Murphy, who has been ill for the past month, has returned home from the hospital and is showing much improvement. Bro. Murphy wishes to thank all the brothers who sent him "Get well" cards, which have helped to speed the days during his convalescence.

We would like to remind the brothers that the 6th Assessment of \$6 is due and payable with the 4th quarter's dues. This is your Burial Insurance and Good Standing Fund.

NO NEED ON TRINITY JOB UNTIL 1956

By E. A. HESTER, Bus. Rep.

The road building boom and other phases of construction is still moving on in the Redding district.

Shasta, Trinity National Forest is asking for bids on a timber excess road off of highway 99, at Salt Creek. Bids are to be opened Sept. 12, for this job, Sept. 15 bids will be opened by the bureau of public roads, about seven miles west of Callahan. The McDougall Construction Co. of Portland, Oregon, is finishing a job there now, and it is my guess they will be moving in on this one.

Marion V. Allen, of Redding, was awarded a concrete curb and gutter job in Alturas. His low bid was for \$42,881.

H. B. Folsom Company, of San Rafael, is still going strong with his sealed coat project through the northern part of the state, and expects to keep a number of our brothers busy until the snow falls. Osborn Construction Company has a bridge job, ten miles north of Sames Bar, in Siskiyou County; Frederickson and Watson was recently awarded another road job in Tehama county; Barton Construction Company is now moving in on his highway improvement and bridge job in Trinity county, near Weaverville; Cathey and Miner Company was awarded the five small bridges to be reconstructed. The job is located about 25 miles south of Paynes Creek, Lassen National Forest in Tehama county.

The John C. Gist Company, our old friend of Sacramento, was awarded the span bridge across the Sacramento River at Dunsuir, Calif. Also the Richter Bros. Construction Company is making good progress on their auto court road in Shasta county, south of Redding.

Work has started on the big \$225,000,000 Trinity hydro-electric project. The Bureau of Reclamation has a crew of engineers looking over the situation and doing a little surveying. We don't need any men for this project until next year. However, we are short of engineers in this district at the present time.

The \$25,000,000 PG&E hydro-electric project at Big Bend, known as Pit 4, has been completed by the Walsh Construction Company, and is in operation. I was delighted to be one of their guests at the dedication, which took place Aug. 26, 1955. I also had the pleasure of meeting and renewing my acquaintance with such honorable men as Norman R. Sutherland, president of the PG&E company, Arthur J. Swank, chief engineer of construction, O. W. Peterson, retired chief engineer of construction, Jack Coney, resident engineer of the project, and other high officials of the company.

These are all fine people and I wish them good health, happiness, and success in all of their undertakings.

tion Company are starting a sewer and water job at Hammer Lane and Lower Sacramento Road that will be good for two months or more.

Stanfield and Moody are grading out a subdivision north of Oranges Airport. Western Construction Company are placing the storm sewers on this job, which will be good for a month.

All the gravel plants are rolling at full capacity with considerable overtime and Saturday work for the brothers employed in the rock, sand and gravel industry.

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Baked pears make a nice fruit change at breakfast time. Serve them with light cream, if you like, and a sprinkle of cinnamon.

MARYSVILLE BUSY ON 6-MILE TUNNEL

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

We will call this column homecoming and get together news for tunnel stiffs and if you don't get all the news regarding tunnels here, please refer to the Stockton Office Report, as the rest will be in there.

Utah, Bates & Rogers are making good progress on their Poe tunnel and are getting more and more operators on the job every day. To begin with, we will give you a few facts regarding the job:

The tunnel is 34,000 ft. long, with 24-ft. driving diameter. It will take about 30 months to complete and will cost approximately \$15,000,000. This, of course, does not take into account the dam and powerhouse, to be let at a later date. At the intake portal, we have Bros. Okie Hammond, Walt Mortensen and Bob McLelland on the muckers; Red Dorman, Paul Krugh and Blackie Griffiths on motors; O. D. Sickels, mechanic; Leo Burke, Ira Johnson & Morley Davis mechanics; Lester Kloss, Pop Quiett and Otho Nelson, compressors; Berl Blem on outside mucker; Lloyd Wilcox on cat; Bro. Jack Lloyd as outside foreman, and Bros. Joe Franklin, Joe Sullivan and George Harrison on the hoists. Carter Fore is tunnel commander at the Intake Portal.

At Adit No. 1, Harry Grashek, the well known "Mad Russian," is tunnel commander and Bros. Al Hunt, Blackie Harmon and Joe Halverstedt are the walking bosses. Earl Wallace is on a mucker, and George Spence on a compressor; Bill Weeks and Bill Strickland are the pilot and co-pilot on a 25 Northwest. Bro. Red Hicks is the mechanic foreman. This adit has about 400 ft. to go to the mainline of the tunnel and after making the turn will put in Conway muckers and motors. This crew made 123 feet last week.

At Adit No. 2 Heavy Holman is commander with the following Engineers as mucker operators: Geo. Tucker, Millard Finlay, Patty O'Dowd (the wild Irishman), Bill Newkom, and Sammy Prelorn. Amos McCoy, Clyde Austin, Tom Rabon, Elmer Brown, R. V. Rich, and Jiges Jameson are on the motors with Bro. Red Konders as the mechanic foreman; Tom Simpson, Ben Webster and McCourry on compressors. Bro. Bill Brown is foreman on the road job from the bridge to outlet and he has Bros. Cal Relyea on the dozer, Eddie Rankin and Charlie Childers on a Northwest 25; John Brown, welder, and Danny Rice better known as cannonball, on the compressors.

On Utah's tunnel lining job at Belden, Chuck Phillips is commander, with Joe Swicegood, Johnny Webber, Paul Collett and Oakie Tom Bartley on a Northwest 6. Tom Casada, Larry Bashaw, Bill Gordon and Kenny Klinkenbeard are on the job also. I may have missed a few names, but I'll get them next month.

H. Earl Parker has jobs here and there with a lot of Local 3 men on the payroll. Baldwin Constr. Co. has a lot of work around the area, also, and Al Regalia says he needs no more contracts until he can jar some equipment loose from other jobs. L. L. Rice & Sons are back at work in the gasfields around Glenn and are busy in their yard, also. Ted Baun is doing very well on the Oroville Freeway job, Thomas Const. Co. is winding up on the small bridges, between Oroville and Chico. Butte Creek Rock Co. are busy around Chico, and also down around the Glenn area with Bro. Rudy Clay in charge. Ace Excavators are doing right well on their Glenn job ditto for Harms Bros. Brown-Ely have the hot plant set up on their Yuba Pass road job at Bassett's Station. O'Hair Co. is just about winding up their job in lower Colusa county. Downer Corp. is doing a good job on the Olivehurst sewer job.

NEW JOBS TO START AND TO BE LET:

H. Earl Parker Co. awarded a \$333,333 contract for sludge drying beds in City of Wheatland. Bids were called for August 22nd for outfall line, Chico Drainage Improvement District. Bids were due

September 6th, for street re-surfacing the City of Gridley. City of Colusa called for bids September 6th, for street work.

G. G. Williamson Co. of Chico, low bidder on Chico Drainage job for \$77,094.00. John Stephens, low bidder on bridge repair on Pine Creek, north of Chico, for Division of Highways.

Pyramid Co. of Reno, Nevada, low bidder on 0.5 miles of highway work in Greenville, Plumas county, for Calif. Divis. of Hiways.

Baldwin Contr. Co., low bidder for \$28,795 job on Woodruff Lane, near Marysville, for Calif. Division of Hiways—work to start on September 12th.

Yuba City Elementary School District taking bids September 8th, for about \$400,000 school building.

I am happy to report that everyone is working in this area with the exception of a few tunnel hands. We have been short of cat, blade and paving men for quite a while, now.

On page one of this issue, you will find a picture of Utah Co's Oroville yard, where they handle equipment for their Poe Project.

INDUSTRIAL REPORT—CONCRETE PIPE PLANTS:

Due to vacations, illness in the official family of the Valley Concrete Pipe Co. and other delays beyond our control, we cannot report at this writing, upon the final completion of the negotiations, however, we can report considerable progress.

It seems that we allow our natural optimism to run away with us in our last month's report (based upon some mis-information), but we can report definitely that the final settlement will be about as follows:

A welfare program commencing as soon as it is practical to put it into operation. Another paid holiday (Washington's birthday). An improved agreement incorporating an improved vacation clause, the interpretation agreed upon last year and other matters that we are sure will meet your approval. The agreement will be effective July 1, 1955, and will run to June 30, 1956, and will include an increase in wages that we think will also meet your approval.

Even to the extent of letting our above mentioned natural optimism run away with us we think the developments in Northern California in the last three months in the concrete pipe industry are very encouraging. First, the competing firm that was causing all the trouble and which we have reported upon occasionally at the meetings has been signed to an agreement.

As we expected, other plants are falling into line and the employers are now talking about a Master Agreement to cover the entire industry in Northern California. Whether or not the employers are over optimistic or not, and they are talking about next year, we are sure that the result will be a uniform agreement, whether negotiated with an association or not. This development, which is a natural one and is following the pattern set in other industries, will eliminate the unfair competition caused by low wages and poor working conditions paid and given by some companies.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Before this has reached you, we should have completed our local negotiations and have held a special called meeting to present it to the membership. As our schedule of meetings has been upset, at that meeting we will reschedule our meetings. Announcements from then on will appear in this column and be posted on the bulletin boards.

GLADDING, McBEAN COMPANY

It is encouraging to report that the last few months have seen a

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STOCKTON SLOWS

By ED DORAN, C. L. CASEBOLT, RENNY BURROUGHS, WALTER TALBOT and M. W. GRIFFING, Business Representatives

The work in the Stockton area is beginning to slow down considerably. The Guy F. Atkinson job at Cherry Valley is nearing completion with several crews already laid off—and more to come. Tri Dam Constructors have their crews pretty well lined up for the present and are not calling for enough men to take care of those being laid off by the Atkinson job.

The valley work is well along, with most of the jobs in the paving stages, which does not require many engineers.

The Tri Dam project has reached a slag stage with the access road into Beardsley and the diversion tunnel being completed, leaving the cats to do a little stripping in the borrow pit area. Donnell's Dam will not have the access road to the river completed until about the 15th of October. The canyon road, connecting the two jobs, is getting along to the point where they have laid off three of Red Craft's rigs, a sub-contractor, and are working their own cats on a two-shift basis. This road, known as Elevation 4700 Road, is vital to the tunnel work as the adds will go in from this road.

Rice Bros., in Lodi, are very busy with small jobs, as well as approximately 50 miles of seal coat in the Mother Lode counties, and about nine miles of new work. This is keeping their gravel and hot plant at Clements turning in high gear with the brothers getting in all the time they can take.

99 JOB MOVING

M.J.B. Construction Company is progressing nicely on their Highway 99 job, north of Lodi. The first concrete strip should be finished by the time this goes to press, and

the job should finish around November 1st, barring difficulties.

A. Teichert & Son is one of the busiest contractors in the district, with a multitude of small jobs and their two sections of 99 Freeway at Manteca.

Utah Construction Company has finished the silos at the Rice Storage Plant at Port Stockton and are shifting some of the Local 3 members to their operation at the Walnut Plant.

M & K Corporation have about completed the State Corporation Yard and offices on Charter Way and are driving piling on the PT&T building on Lindsay street. This job will be good for about four months.

JOBS AT IONE

Darrough & Sons from Yuba City are getting on nicely with their job at Ione and should start laying base rock around the 20th of September. Bro. Bob Darrough is pushing the spread on this job. There are four pulls, two dozers, and two blades moving clay formation.

Standard Sewer & Water Service at Ione should finish out the sanitary sewers within another month. This has been a good job for the brothers.

Atwater Underground Construc-

Report on Oakland Apprentices Program

The Stationary Engineers Apprentices Program is progressing slowly but surely in the East Bay Area.

Recently, Teagarden Products Company, a division of Safeway Stores, has taken on an apprentice. There are three to four other companies giving serious consideration to employing an apprentice under our training program.

Let's not forget that it takes each and everyone of us to make a success of our apprenticeship program. Your help is vitally needed. The Engineer's Evening Class is open for registration now. There are a few openings still left. This class is held each Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. The subject is welding for the coming semester. It will be followed by Blueprint Reading and Mechanical Drawing. You may register at the Berkeley Evening Trade School, Bancroft Way and Grove street, Berkeley, Calif.

The will to learn is the way to advance in your chosen trade!

—HERBERT H. SIMS,
Business Representative.

REPORT FROM OAKLAND

By HERBERT H. SIMS
Business Representative

The following contracts were completed during the months of July and August: Oakland Downtown Building Owners and Managers Association, Baxter Pole Company, Red Star Yeast, Vacuum Dry Company, East Bay Ice Rink, U. C. Campus, U. C. Hospital, City of Oakland.

The following contracts are in the process of negotiations with many near completion: East Bay Laundries, Breweries, National Biscuit, Flintkote and Standard Brands. Letters regarding the opening of contracts for negotiations have been sent to the following companies: Mills College, General Foods Corporation, Cottage Bakery, East Bay Hotel Association and Kahn's Dept. Store.

I had a vacation a while back and went to Fresno, Las Vegas and Los Angeles. I wish to thank Jim Rivers for pinch-hitting for me while I was gone.

Your union is making steady progress on wages, night differential, sick benefits, Health and Welfare Plan and many other fringe benefits. One of the latest is a pension plan. Your business manager and business representatives are working hard as a unit on your behalf. We are part of the team—you as members of Local 39 and our advisors on conditions you want—are the other part of the team. It takes all of us (the whole team) to really go places. As an example let's take the Red Star Yeast Company, Chet Miller and George Harris are members of Local 39 employed here. They wanted the various items improved in their contract. They also wanted a pension plan. They told us and gave us a full picture of the company they work for and what conditions they worked under. Armed with this information Jim Rivers and myself along with a full backing of Chet and George were able to get a contract in which the company agreed to pay into a pension plan and where we had members who would participate in such a plan. Your Business Manager, Mr Fitch, worked out and wrote up such a plan with Mr. Gil Hayes, who is a consultant on such matters.

I am very happy to report that the engineers employed by the City of Oakland received an increase of \$30 per month, and the chief engineer received an increase of \$40 per month.

Remember your problems on the job are our problems. Your union office will endeavor to help you in all matters. Give us a chance!

Sign up now for the Stationary Engineers Welding Class—starts September 19th, 1955. You better hurry as the class is nearly filled!

DETROIT—Only about 12 percent of passenger automobiles produced today are painted black.

We Must Avoid All Punitive Labor Laws, Knight Tells Cal AFL

(EDITORS NOTE: High point of the recently-concluded San Diego convention of the California State Federation of Labor, in the opinion of most delegates attending, was the address by Gov. Goodwin J. Knight, which served to show the effective job done by the state AFL this year in Sacramento. Because of its importance we reprint herewith excerpts from the Governor's speech.)

By GOV. GOODWIN J. KNIGHT

Just one year ago I had the pleasure of appearing before your delegates in convention at Santa Barbara . . . On that occasion, as well as many times before and after, I promised that I would work to increase respect, courtesy and fair play toward the working man and woman, and that I would oppose any attempts to belittle or punish workers, either through legislation or by any administrative procedure.

Organized labor is entitled to representation on the various official state agencies because of the major contributions that labor has made and will continue to make to the welfare of California . . . allow me to recount a few of the major appointments which I have made to various state agencies from the ranks of the AFL.

. . . In my annual message to the last session of the Legislature, I brought forcefully to the attention of that body the conviction I expressed to you last year, of firm and complete opposition to discriminatory legislation against labor. I stated in that message that . . .

"The history of the free world in our times has made it clear that stable Labor-Management relations are essential to the well-being of our society. . . I believe that State Government has an obligation to encourage harmony and to discourage controversy. . .

"As your Chief Administrator, I believe I have the duty to discourage any form of punitive legislation which shackles Labor or Management, and pits one against the other in economic and social warfare, often at considerable expense and inconvenience to the general public."

The Legislature was guided by these statements in my message and no detrimental legislation of this type was enacted. When an amendment to a bill, dealing with the question of right-to-work, was proposed on the floor of the Assembly, it was resoundingly defeated.

In cooperation with your President and Secretary, I strongly urged the passage of legislation which would correct the abuse of the so-called Jurisdictional Strike Law. This law permitted employers to harass organized workers through the guise of the Company Union. The corrective legislation was embodied in AB No. 2121, sponsored by your organization . . .

Turning now to the field of so-called social insurance, I can report with genuine pride that as a result of amendments proposed and adopted, which I sighed into law at the last session of the Legislature, the State of California now stands foremost among all of the states of the Union in this vital form of economic safeguard for working men and women.

In the field of workmen's compensation, through enactment of AB No. 510, sponsored by your organization, workmen's compensation benefits have been substantially improved. Commencing within the next few weeks, an injured workman in California, who sustains an industrial injury, will receive a maximum of \$40 a week, instead of the present \$35 weekly, for temporary disability payments.

Now when an industrial worker on the job is killed, a surviving widow or a dependent child may receive as much as \$10,000 in death benefits. This is increased to \$12,500 if the worker leaves a widow and one or more dependent children.

In this field alone, the changes made at the recent session of the Legislature are the most far-reaching of any enacted at any single session of the Legislature in the history of the State of California. . . .

In the area of unemployment-disability insurance . . . through the enactment of AB No. 602, another measure sponsored by your

organization, substantial improvements were enacted at the recent session of the Legislature. The benefit amount was increased from a maximum of \$35 to \$40 a week.

An individual workman who is receiving part pay while unemployed and disabled, will now be permitted to receive up to 100 percent of his regular wages, either through the form of pay or benefits, or both, compared with the 70 percent maximum that formerly prevailed. . . .

The maximum weekly benefit amount for unemployment insurance was increased from \$30 to \$33. The increase makes the second hike in benefits during my two years in office, and together they represent an advance of more than 32 percent since I became governor. . . .

I intend to support legislative changes necessary to implement any recently negotiated so-called guaranteed annual wage programs. I will promptly recommend to the Legislature the adoption of any such changes, in order that the benefits derived from free and voluntary collective bargaining between Labor and Management, can be enjoyed completely by the workers of this state.

Much other additional legislation of significance to labor was adopted at the last session of the Legislature. . . .

AB 1670, sponsored by your organization, was aimed at removing certain reprehensible practices by unlicensed contractors in the building trades. I approved this legislation in order that competition between employers could be free and equal, and to insure the best possible type of workmanship in home construction.

You have helped materially to achieve a standard of living which is admired by all the world, and one which provides all of us with our strongest bulwark against any force seeking to undermine or destroy our vaunted democratic system.

It is generally assumed that Organized Labor, represented by the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations, will merge membership during the final months of this year. By this action you will unite more than 15,000,000 working men and women of the United States. . . . By this merger Labor will become a tremendous political force, since it is estimated that the members of the two organizations, along with their families and well-wishers, will constitute 75 percent of the entire population of registered voters in the United States. . . . With this great political power at your command, you can do much to advance the welfare of all of the people of the U.S.

I desire to express to your officers and to your members my sincere appreciation for the cooperation I have received from the State Federation of Labor and its officials during my administration. . . .

With the probability of the grim shadow of a cold war lifted, it behooves all of us to turn our collective attention to the problems and the challenges of long-term peacetime endeavors. . . .

It is likely that we can now concentrate on eliminating disease, improving our educational standards, developing our natural resources for peacetime purposes, and otherwise devoting our intelligence and our strength to projects which will increase our standard of living.

'Don't Buy These Brands Of Struck Apple Products'

Special Issue—California State Federation of Labor, AFL, "We Don't Patronize" List.

CANNER: SEBASTOPOL APPLE GROWERS UNION, Sebastopol (Brand Names and Distributors)

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| Lady's Choice — Applesauce Lady's Choice Foods, San Francisco, Los Angeles. | Highway — Regent Canfood Co., San Francisco. |
| Sebastopol (Brand) California Gravenstein Applesauce — Sebastopol Apple Growers Union, Sebastopol. | Leadway — Sliced Apples Leadway Foods, San Francisco. |
| Palmdale — Apple Slices S & W Fine Foods, Inc., San Francisco. | Del Haven — Federated Foods, Ins., San Francisco. |
| Apple Land — Sebastopol Apple Growers Union, Sebastopol. | Sun Blest — Tiedemann & McMorran, Inc., San Francisco. |
| Wellman's — Sliced Apples Wellman-Peck & Co., San Francisco. | Hotel Foods — Applesauce Hotel Foods, Inc., Los Angeles. |
| Lakemead — Regent Canfood Co., San Francisco. | Richmore — California Grocery Co., Los Angeles. |
| Dietreat — Tiedemann & McMorran, Inc., San Francisco, Sacramento. | S. E. R. — S. E. Rykoff & Co., Los Angeles. |
| Valley Bloom — Globe of California, San Francisco. | Table Queen — Smart & Final Co., Los Angeles; Arizona, Nevada. |
| | Golden Key — S. E. Rykoff & Co., Los Angeles. |
| | Windsor Hills — A. S. Miller Brokerage Co., Los Angeles. |

CANNER: SEBASTOPOL COOPERATIVE CANNERS, Sebastopol (Brand Names and Distributors)

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| Appletime — Sebastopol Cooperative Canners, Sebastopol. | Lady's Choice — Lady's Choice Foods, San Francisco. |
| S & W — Palmdale — S & W Fine Foods Inc., San Francisco. | Wellman — Wellman Peck & Co., San Francisco, Oakland. |
| Del Haven — Federated Foods, Inc., San Francisco. | Monarch — Monarch Fine Foods Division, Consolidated Food Corporation, S. F. |
| Highway — Regent Canfood Co., San Francisco. | Valley Bloom — Globe of California, San Francisco. |
| Home Garden — Redwood Wholesale Co., Redwood City. | Stokely — Stokely-Van Camp, Inc., Oakland. |
| Sun Blest — Tiedemann & McMorran, Inc., San Francisco. | |

CANNER: O. A. HALLBERG & SONS, Graton

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| Royal Pride — Applesauce O. A. Hallberg & Sons, Graton. | Iris — Haas, Baruch & Co., Los Angeles. |
| S & W — Applesauce — Palmdale S & W Fine Foods, Inc., San Francisco. | Pay Day — Klauber Wangenheim Co., San Diego, Los Angeles, El Centro. |
| Luca's — Applesauce Cheney Bros., Oakland. | Sun Blest — Tiedemann & McMorran, Inc., San Francisco. |
| Leadway — Applesauce Leadway Foods, San Francisco. | Home Garden — Central Valley Groceries, Modesto. |
| Del Haven — Applesauce Federated Foods, Inc., San Francisco. | Lancaster Wholesale Grocery Co., Sacramento |
| Monarch — Apple Juice Monarch Fine Foods, San Francisco. | North Coast Mercantile Co., Eureka. |
| Point Loma — Applesauce Klauber Wangenheim Co., San Diego, Los Angeles. | Redwood Wholesale Grocery Co., Redwood City. |
| Smart & Final — Smart & Final Co., Los Angeles; Arizona, Nevada | Sonoma Valley Wholesale Grocery, Santa Rosa, Vallejo. |
| | Open House— Pacific Coast Grocery Co., San Francisco. |

CANNER: MANZANA PRODUCTS CO., INC., Sebastopol

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| Home Garden — Redwood Wholesale Grocery Co., Redwood City. | Dietreat — Tiedemann & McMorran, Inc., San Francisco. |
| Market — Standard Wholesale Grocers, Inc., Oakland. | North Coast — Manzana Products, Inc., Sebastopol. |
| Fills The Bill — Louis T. Snow & Co., San Francisco. | Sun Blest — Tiedemann & McMorran, Inc., San Francisco. |
| Mono — Manzana Products Co., Inc., Sebastopol. | Westlake — Briardale Co., Des Moines, Iowa; San Francisco, Los Angeles. |
| Sauce for the Goose — Sebastopol Fruit Growers Ass'n., Sebastopol. | |

The Labor Press

"Were it not for the labor press, the labor movement would not be what it is today, and anyone who harms a labor paper is a traitor to labor's cause."—Samuel Gompers, AFL founder.

THE NEVADA ROUND-UP—

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

Dodge Construction, Inc., is off to a real good start on their Highway job, north of Winnemucca, Nevada, on Route No. 95. Brother Jack "Sandman" Chatelle, the Grade Foreman, has lots of trouble keeping those Electric Pulls going in that sand. However, he has a good helper, Half-Brother Joe Ripoli. But they are doing a good job for Vern Wilson, the "Super," and that's a Super that really keeps them on their toes. Dodge has a good crew on the Electric Pulls, Brothers Kendel Scow, Daniel Ellis, Ray Miller and Gene Aikens.

Now that is a real Pull Spread. They keep Half-Brother Ripoli jumping to keep the stakes set for them, but Ripoli can do it for he's a real stake-setter. Edward Higgins has the Cat and Scraper Spread for Dodge. He has a fair crew, Brother W. "Tex" Rogers, the ex-mining man; "The Man," Bro. Ferguson, Brother Sheldon Homer, the ex-Keno Dailer and the MAN around the Sonoma Inn; Bro. Anthony "Tony" Maderios, the ex-Bay Area kid with a brand new wife, a new GMC Pick-up Truck and a Trailer House. Man oh Man, that Tony is really living it up out in the wide open spaces of Nevada. Brother Richard J. Bell is back in the dirt after a long serious sick spell. Good luck, Richard, on your come-back. Brother Ralph "Jug-head" Stephens is really on the ball on a Dozer. "Jug" comes from the old school of Cat Skinners. He does a real job as a Dozer Man.

Now that Heavy Duty Repair Crew from Dodge is O.K., believe me. Brother Ed "Squirrel" Jones can keep those rigs running with the least effort of any Heavy Duty Repairman I have ever known. However, he has co-worker, One Fourth Brother Tracy Horn, giving him lots of good advice on Cats and it's good advice because One-Fourth Brother Tracy Horn has had lots of experience on Cat Repair work for Horn has owned a few Cats of his own at times.

DODGE AT ELKO

Dodge Construction, Inc., at the Elko, Nevada, Airport job has come to a complete finish. They have completed the job and buttoned it up. The Hot Plant and Rock Crusher Crews will be moving to the Winnemucca Highway job in the near future.

At Lovelock, Nevada, at the Dodge Iron Mine, things just aren't the same. The Brothers out there and all of us have lost a good friend and member. Brother C. E. "Gene" Shoffner was killed on the job when a chain broke and a bulkhead fell on him. Brother Gene had done a fine job out there and when an accident has to happen, it's rough that sometimes we must lose someone. It will be hard to stop there and not see him. We'll all miss him. Not just the Brothers at the mine, but all of us over here in the Silver State that have worked with him or known him. We've lost a friend and brother that can't be replaced.

Back in Reno, Nevada, Condor Construction, better known as Harold Nielson, has Bro. Roy Tucker on his Bucyrus Backhoe and has One-Fourth Brother Roy W. Grisom oiling for him. They have a tough job digging Sewer Lines on the Meyers Subdivision on Kietzke Lane in Reno, Nevada.

Brother P. W. Burge has gone on a short, but well earned vacation. However, Brother V. McCold is carrying on for the outfit. Bro. C. B. Nichols is on the Backhoe for Brother Burge. Brother Burge has built up to a real outfit in the last few years. Lots of luck to you and keep up the good work.

AT LAKE TAHOE

Up at Lake Tahoe at Bal Bijou, McGuire and Hester are putting in a Sewage Disposal and pipe line. Brother Centerline Arvin is on the Skip Loader back-filling the trench that is dug by the trenching machine that is operated by Brother Harold Reynolds and Withdrawal Charles DuBois, his oiler. Brother Lloyd Burger is on the dragline. Brother "Quickway" Slim Cubberness is operating the Quickway, and that Slim is really quick. We know!!! There is about 22,000 feet of trench on the job, and the

Brothers are moving along very rapidly between stalls caused by trees and roots which happen to be very abundant at the job site. This is a good job and is running along very well with the great aid of Brother W. H. Arvin who keeps everything in line (centerline)...

Schwake Construction Company is doing very well on the half mile of road at Markleeville, Calif. The sub-grade is in and they will be laying gravel by the time this issue comes off the press. Bro. Charles Ouillette is the foreman on the job and Brothers, there is a real fellow. He does a good job and runs it according to the book. Brother Charles Ouillette Jr. is on the Dozer with Winklemann and Helwinkle on the Scrapers. Mel Schwake, the superintendent, believes that they are all fine men and is very happy with the work. A satisfied crew makes a good job.

Wells Cargo of Reno are rapidly moving the big slide at Anaconda Company's Sulphur Mine at Leviathan, Calif., out of Gardnerville, Nev. They have three DW-12's and a D-8 Pusher on the job. Brothers Dan Avery, Ray Travis and John Green and Neal Johnson are the operators on the spread. Mr. Hyde, the "Super," says that he has a good crew, but every now and then they fall off the wagon and get their whistles a little too wet (awful dusty and besides the sulphur doesn't taste good). Brother Fred Martin is on the swing shift, loading the sulphur with an A-6 Skip Loader, the best racket of them all. This is a good crew for such a fine job. Hyde could never finish the job without this group of outstanding men, especially Brother Dan Avery.

PYRAMID LAKE JOB

Isbell Construction Company has been busy paving the 21 miles of road between Sparks and Pyramid Lake. Brothers Jim Blair, H. H. Sanford and Half-Brother John Tyler were very busy on my last job check; the watermelons taste better on the desert. Brother Jim Crossman will be needing a new set of tires on the Blade right soon if he has to go to from one end of the job to the other as often in the future as he has in the past. Isbell Construction has a new Madson Hot Plant on the job and Bro. Martin Rosos is the proud Mixer-Man. The only thing wrong with Martin's job is that the fan behind him isn't big enough to keep the air conditioned. Brother Carl Hector is the operator and Brother A. P. Snook is the fireman. The Madson is a good plant and is on a good job, but what in ...ll happened to the shade and the cool, cool breeze. I think that Brother Bill Ponton has it all covered up in the stock pile, real busy with the Dozer, you know. Brother Aldo Mariotti is laying oil on the shoulders and Brother T. C. Ainsworth is his finish screed man. Brother Tom "Tex" Brown is on the Barbergreene. Now that "Tex" is living up the Lone Star Standards. Tain't nothing that us Texuns can't do. He runs them all. Bro. Tony Moline is the fix-it man on the job. Tony says that he likes the HDRM work, but when it comes to doing a small bit on trucks, "NIX."

After a number of very productive and exciting years at the Copper Pits in the Ely area, Isbell Construction Company's work has been reduced to small scale stripping. The Kennecott and Consolidated Copper Companies have begun to do their own mining and stripping work. Some of the Brothers have been transferred to the job that Isbell is doing for Kennecott at Bingham Canyon, Utah. Brother Ed Weiser is the Master Mechanic at the Bingham job. Bro. Ed Clifford has taken over his former position in the shop at Ely. Brother Charles Dory has also been transferred to the Utah job, which will be under the supervision of Bob Hoover.

Brothers C. M. Alexander, Nick Andreason, Joe Sertic, Lester Wilbur, Jack Colvin are still holding things together at the shop. Brothers Lou Buckmaster, Robert Piccinnini, William McQueen are taking care of the repair work and working as hard as usual. (H-m-m-m-m!!)

SHIFT TO CONCOPPER

A great many of the Brothers have left Isball and gone to work for Consolidated Copper Company at the Morris Brooks Pits. Brothers Ordie Lee and Frank Bernd have gone over from Isbell to Concopper as foremen. They feel at home there as they have almost the same crew as they had for Isbell. Brothers S. M. Barnson, E. E. Ford, Robert Pulli, R. L. Robinson are operating the P & H Shovels for Consolidated. Brother Ed Mabry is the first class greaser and Brother Earl Beckham is on the Blade. Brothers Vic Heenan, Art Billett, and Leonard Wood are on the Cats. Several more of the Brothers are on the Concopper payroll. Oh, Brother Fat Boy "Slim" Ricketts is also on the payroll. He has lost a few pounds and he's all muscle now!!!!

Stewart and Hitchcock finished at Ely and are moving south to Pahrump, to the job they were awarded there. They were a very cooperative outfit and did a very good job at Berry Creek, north of McGill, Nevada. They had one of the best crews in the State. Brothers Erick Smith, Manuel McCloud and Earl Wosnum did a very fine piece of work on the job. Brother Derald Robinson worked very well with them even though they had a temptation to give him a bad time, all in fun, of course. Tom Stewart, the superintendent of Stewart and Hitchcock was a very cooperative and easy to get along with "Super." Best of luck to him and the crew on the next job.

Redwood Jobs Holding High

By K. A. BROOKS, Business Representative

Construction work in the Redwood Empire reached its seasonal peak some time ago and was expected to level off, but to the satisfaction of all concerned, the work is holding to that level, due to several small jobs being let around the area.

Highway 299 has been and still is a great source of employment for the brothers. H. C. Spencer, of Patterson, has a number of cats and rubber-tired equipment on state rental, near Willow Creek.

Berry Summit is buzzing with activity. Ira J. McNutt Construction Company of Portland, Ore., John Delphia Company of Patterson and Humboldt Constructors of Eureka, all in a line. These jobs have been prolonged to a great extent by continual heavy slides that consist of many thousands of yards of rock and dirt.

A number of small jobs in the Crescent City and Smith River area are keeping the brothers going along. Carr & Rocca will soon be ready for steel on their Myrtle Creek bridge; Paul Woof is doing a cribbing job on Highway 199, using a few of the brothers; Beresa, Inc., going full blast on their housing project in Crescent City, with Pelican Bay Construction doing the street paving and Marlin Tryon furnishing the sub-base material.

Coast Concrete Company of Crescent City doing a land office business with concrete going in all directions on different jobs.

Arthur B. Siri, Inc., have several jobs running throughout the area, which are managing to keep a number of the brothers busy.

Ben C. Gerwick, Inc., are still driving piling on their bridge job on the Eureka Slough, with Mercer-Fraser Company doing the dirt and street work.

MERCER & BECHTEL

Mercer-Fraser Company, as usual, are going like mad in all directions, with jobs scattered over about five counties. They are continuing to add many new pieces of equipment to their already large spread. This company has moved in on the job of daylighting the railroad tunnel at Eel Rock.

Bechtel Corporation are continuing their good work on the PG&E steam plant. This firm is conducting an extensive survey in this area for a dam site to supply water to Humboldt County. The survey was ordered to find the best location for a dam site to provide industrial, residential, commercial and agri-

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reduction in the number of grievances. This, we attribute in part, at least, to the monthly Labor Management meetings between the Company and the Union. These meetings are composed of the top managers of the plant, including the General Superintendent, the members of the Grievance Committee and the Union Representatives.

At this meeting, reports are had, and discussed, from all departments. In some cases, the foremen involved are brought in, are questioned and required to explain any questionable actions and, if found to be wrong, are corrected by having the agreement and the correct procedure under the agreement explained to them.

The Company has also held meetings of the foremen to explain the agreement to them and this too, has had a good effect. Human nature being what it is, no man, not even a foreman (sic) likes to be called upon the carpet and told he is wrong. He, naturally, would rather be right than on the carpet. **THE MATTER OF DUES**

All of you know about the increase of dues by \$1.00 per month. Many of you, but not enough, attended a special called meeting where this matter was explained and discussed. Many of you expressed displeasure with the type of benefits being provided. At that meeting you were told that efforts would be made to see what would be done to change those benefits to the type that would be more satisfactory.

We quote excerpts from two letters received that explain our dif-

iculties, at least in part. "Pacific Mutual will not quote (a price for disability insurance) at all and New York Life Insurance Co. advises us that the cost would be prohibitive..." This from our Union's insurance advisor.

From Pacific Mutual: "I am sorry that we will not be able to offer a quotation along the lines we have discussed." And again from our insurance adviser: "The program which has been instituted, namely \$1,000.00 life insurance and an additional \$1,000.00 accidental death and dismemberment insurance anticipates that any surplus funds which develop from this benefit will be used to provide life insurance as well for the spouse and children of the members. It can be seen from the above that efforts are being made along the lines suggested by the membership and we are sure that every member will, in the not too distant future, receive benefits far exceeding the small amount of the increase in dues. An increase, which, by the way, the Union could easily justify because of the increased wages obtained for our members and increased expenses of operating the Union."

NOTICE OF COMING MEETINGS

Lincoln Industrial Council Joint Board, Tuesday, October 4, 1955, at 4:15 p.m. in the office of the Lincoln Industrial Council, Lincoln. General Membership meeting, Tuesday, October 11, at 4:15 p.m. in the City Hall Auditorium, Lincoln.

THE GOLD DREDGER COMPANIES

We are extremely pleased to report that, except for some minor beefs, all seems to be peaceful and harmonious with the dredger companies as far as our members have informed us, at least. Here again it is gratifying to be able to report that both companies seem to be determined to meet their obligations under the agreement with the best of good will. Or as the head of one of the companies put it: "We entered into this agreement with good faith with the Union. We expect the Union to live up to their part of the agreement and the Union has a perfect right to expect us to do likewise."

DREDGER COMPANIES NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

YUBA CONSOLIDATED GOLD FIELDS: Monday, September 26, 1955, in the Engineers Hall, 1010 "I" Street, Marysville.

NATOMAS COMPANY: Monday, October 3, 1955, in the Veterans Hall, Folsom.

Both of these meetings will be held at the following times:

10 a.m. for those members working nights.

7:30 p.m. for those members working days.

OF A VACATION:

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Bro. Collett and myself for the members' understanding and consideration to, not only us, but the Marysville office, during my recent vacation. Such consideration made it possible for the office to carry on and continue giving the members service.

Sometimes personal family matters require vacations to be taken when they are not too convenient for all concerned. This occurred to me. The results were that I enjoyed (sic) some very hot and sticky weather (the humidity ran three or four degrees higher than the temperature) and had the dubious pleasure of being caught in the tail end of a hurricane (Connie). For two days we watched it rain and blow, it rained eight inches in one hour, and that's a lot of rain in any man's country. But being with the family, especially the grandchildren, was well worth it and I returned far more satisfied to live and work in California than I ever was before.

See you on the job or at the next meeting.

—C. R. VAN WINKLE.

The well-known Australian, Bob Fitzsimmons, held the world's middleweight, light heavyweight and heavyweight boxing championships all at one time.

Political Activity --A Good Citizen

By Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.)

My personal greetings to the members and officers of the American Federation of Labor on this 1955 Labor Day. Your organization is an alert and effective force for good in our nation. I am proud to consider myself a friend of the AFL. Labor's value to our democracy is not only because of the economic strength which it provides to the working men and women of the United States. I believe that labor's greatest contribution to our society comes from its increased political activity.

The essence of good citizenship, in my judgment, is participation in the political process. This responsibility is being dramatically and effectively performed by increasing numbers of labor unions and union members. The future of world peace and the future prosperity of our country depends on that political activity. I encourage you to perform it well.

Donate to Blood Bank!

Utah News Roundup

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

Construction work in Utah is still at its peak; a few new jobs starting, some finishing and the rest going at a break-neck pace in anticipation of the winter that is coming.

Pipe Linings, Inc., have once again moved into the Heber City area to start setting up their somastic coating plant in readiness for the 87 miles of Salt Lake to Rangely Pipeline.

The contracts have not been let as yet to the contractors who will dig up and replace the newly treated pipe, but will be bid in four sections and probably to four different contractors early in September. We understand Engineers Limited, along with some other local contractors are really figuring on the job; also, the job is to be completed by December of this year. That probably explains the cutting it up into four sections.

Isbell Company has not started its job of stripping at Bingham as yet, but they do have some equipment out there and should be going by the time this news reaches you.

F & S Construction Company on the big housing job at Kearns has reached a temporary lull and cut to 40 hours per week for the time being but expect to open up again full speed this fall.

This job has been going since June, 1953, and most of the time on a 60-hour basis, and has been a good job for quite a number of our members. We hate to see it slow down but all good things have to come to an end sometime. Don't get us wrong, we don't mean this job is coming to an end. We expect to see a lot more activity there yet. Since this project started they have built between 1500 and 2000 homes and expect to start on a huge shopping center this fall.

Reynolds Construction Company of Springfield is still going ahead on the Emigration Canyon job with deadline of October 1, 1955 drawing near. It looks like they will make it on time and a fine job they are doing, too. The company should be congratulated as it hasn't been an easy job.

Also, we were sorry to hear of the passing of H. T. Reynolds on September 3, 1955. Harry, as we all called him, has been a prominent figure in the construction industry in Utah for many years, especially around Springville. His death comes as a shock to us as he has been on the job many times this summer, right up until his death. We understand he has had a heart ailment for some time.

Flour Job

We held a pre-job meeting with representatives of the Flour Corporation prior to the starting of their job at Utah Oil Refinery. We always have good relations with this company and are sorry this job is not a larger one. It is around a million dollar job and completion date is to be in February. The company indicated that due to late delivery on some of the vessels, etc., they plan to use a crew of between 35 to 50 people of all crafts combined, in order to keep going through the winter. About four Local No. 3 men is probably all that will be employed on this job.

J. B. Parsons Company is still going at a fast pace at Grantsville, with an October 1st deadline on the one job and November 1st on the second. The company now has two hotplants and four crushers on the two jobs on a two shift basis and we are happy to say we are having good relations with this company at last.

Whiting & Haymond Company, of Springfield, has a section of forest service road in the Mirror Lake Area and as fast as they finish at Duchesne they are moving on to this new job. This job is in the high country and will probably run well into next summer.

Reed & Jensen are rapidly finishing up their job at Mirror Lake. They have started the gravel and expect to be out of there real soon.

As we mentioned earlier the work has been and is still good in almost any section of the state. We wish we could have some of it for the winter months.

Plan to attend these meetings and help us work out these prob-

lems that arise each fall as the work starts slowing down for winter.

Southern Section

Activity is still the word in the construction industry in Utah. Things are generally booming in the state, locally we have not enjoyed such activity, until recently. The dismantling of a blast furnace at Geneva has doubled the Cons. Western Steel Co's Crew in the past two weeks. The same job, brought to Utah a very fine and cooperative company in the A. E. Anderson Con. Co., who will re-line the furnace. The only thing they seem concerned with in such an undertaking is to get it back into operation. They now have in excess of 80 laborers, 21 masons, and 6 operating Engineers working two 10-hour shifts, seven days a week. The operators doing the hoisting on the job are, Brothers Clyde Snedegar, Elmer Young, Leland Anderson, Jim Wilson, and Dell Bunnell, a very competent crew. To add to this confusion, word was received today that the big blast furnace at Ironton had blown up, and the same procedure would be necessary there. We have reliable information that the small diameter mill at Consolidated Western's Pipe Mill is due to start within the week. This will not afford a lot of work as the building was completed while the mill was under construction. The Grading and setting of machinery will comprise most of the work.

We are still awaiting definite word on the starting date for the ammonia plant. It is amazing to note the amount of gossip and the lack of action on this project so far.

Some of the boys who have been away all summer are beginning to trickle back, and it is most pleasing to send them out without much wait.

A local contractor with whom we have fair relationship, depending on the supervision, was low bidder on a good federal road job recently. Strong Co., a Springville contracting firm, has been awarded a \$1,377,686 road and bridge contract by the Dept. of Interior.

This project entails the building of two bridges and grading and surfacing of 20.7 miles of the new east side highway in Grand Teton National Park, Wyo.

L. S. Young Con. Co., nabbed a job in his door yard. Mr. Young was low bidder on 7.4 miles of U.S. highway No. 89, that goes through the center of Richfield. We have no qualms as L. A. is a fair operator and enjoys a top crew. Working for L. A. on the Panguitch lake road are: Bros. McHenrie Miller, Harold Ward, Joe Sterner, Neff DeLeeuw. Finishing up at Gunnison is the old faithful, Brother Cliff Jones, on the blade.

Prospects are for a banner year right up until the snow flies.

Northern Area

Construction work is still at a peak in this area. The majority of the jobs are going six days, with some of the employees working in excess of 8-hour shifts in order to complete their jobs on schedule, or get as much finished as possible before winter.

Morrison and Knudson Co., have started on the lining of the canal job in Morgan County, and are keeping a full crew busy on the excavation and grading, ahead of the liner.

The A. S. Horner Construction Co., has started the Stoddard Diversion Dam and have subcontracted the additional canal excavation, and lining to the Morrison and Knudson Co.

Young and Smith are getting in full operation on the Davis Aqueduct with six rigs and six cats working at present, and additional

Schedule of Meetings for Construction, Lang Co., Sand & Gravel, Iron Ore Mines, Vitro Uranium Corporation, Kennecott Copper Co.

CONSTRUCTION, SAND & GRAVEL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, 2nd THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH, Engineers Hall, 1696 South Main St., Salt Lake City, Utah, at 8 p.m.

CONSTRUCTION, SAND & GRAVEL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, 3rd TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, Labor Temple, 165 West 1st North, Provo, Utah, at 8 p.m.

CONSTRUCTION, SAND & GRAVEL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, 3rd FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH, Labor Temple, Ogden, Utah, at 8 p.m.

VITRO URANIUM MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL BE A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING.

LANG COMPANY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS WILL BE CALLED MEETINGS.

CEDAR CITY IRON MINES MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS WILL BE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1955, at Cedar City, Utah, at 8 p.m.

KENNECOTT COPPER MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1955, at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. at the Bingham Civic Center.

Schedule of State Road Meetings

STATE ROAD MEETINGS—All called meetings.

equipment on the way as soon as it is available from other jobs.

United Concrete Pipe Co. is the prime contractor on this job, and are making and delivering the pipe to the job. United also has a crew busy jacking pipe under the road and railroad crossings.

E. V. Chettle Co. has three draglines busy on the Pilot Drains for the Bureau of Reclamation, west of Bountiful.

On Hill Air Force Base, there is approximately 12 million dollars of construction under way at the present time. McCullough Construction Co., on the overhaul building; Oakland Construction Co. on the waste disposal unit; M. Morrin and Sons Co. on fire station, Montgomery Cornwall and Pacher on maintenance test building; Builders, Inc. on boiler house addition; Jacobsen Construction Co. on hangar; J. W. Bateson Co. on 400 by 400 ft. warehouse, and Peter Kiewit and Sons Co. on 13,500-ft. runway and supporting facilities and several other subcontractors are busy on excavation grading and utilities on some of this work.

Gibbons and Reed are busy with a full crew on their hot plant, surfacing and planning work in Ogden, with Wheelwright Construction Co. crushing the material for the mulch. They have Wall Avenue to complete, Washington Blvd., from 18th street to North street, and 45 blocks of city streets to surface, besides numerous smaller jobs.

There are a number of other jobs underway in this area that should keep the members busy for some time, also some additional work in the process of being bid, or in the lte planning stage.

State Road

Occasionally we receive word from some area within the state where some foreman or district supervisor deems it his privilege to change the rules and regulations regarding working conditions and create some of his own which naturally has an adverse effect upon the State Road Maintenance workers. We can't correct these situations as they occur unless they are brought to our attention, but if you will bring them to our attention we will go to the commission and attempt to get them straightened out. If any of you desire copies of the Rules and Regulations governing your working conditions we will gladly furnish you copies which are made from the official minutes of the Board of Examiners' meetings.

By the way, we again tell you that the Board of Examiners is the only group of people authorized by law to establish such rules. One violation recently brought to our attention was the denial of a holiday last spring. Now these holidays were granted by the Board and are as much a part of your working conditions as are your wages, vacations, sick leave or any other condition. If it becomes necessary to work on a holiday, an employe is entitled to receive his regular pay and also holiday pay for that day and he is not required to lay off at

a future date to compensate for having worked on the holiday. Likewise, where it becomes necessary to work overtime, along with the six extra paid holidays, Operating Engineers Local No. 3 negotiated with the Board of Examiners for time and one-half pay for all time worked in excess of eight hours in any one day or in excess of 48 hours in any one week, and the same thing applies in those instances relative to laying off to compensate for overtime.

If you will inform us of any violations immediately after they happen we can and will help get them corrected.

Kennecott Copper

The long awaited consummation of the new agreement was reached on August 11, 1955, which brought a most welcome end to the shut-down at the mine and other Kennecott properties. By now all who are interested in returning to work for Kennecott are back on the job and the operations have resumed their normal tempo.

Several changes were effected in the agreement, among them the clause regarding bumping. The change will now give bumping privileges every 12-week period commencing September 26, 1955, and will apply in the shovel department, locomotive crane department and pump department. These changes are the result of requests by the different departments mentioned. In the pump department there will be one seniority group. A number of other changes were made and as it is the intention of the company to have the new contracts in print and into your hands very shortly, we will not take the space to relate them here.

This A. M. Brother Bowman, and Brother Cockayne represented you before the appeals referee to present evidence to the Unemployment Security Department, in an endeavor to have its former decision (delaying your unemployment benefits) set aside and obtain a reversal of that decision. Several other locals including the Mine Electricians were present and we hope we have sufficient evidence to warrant a favorable decision by the appeals referee; that, however, we won't know for several days.

Mr. Houston represented the company at the hearing and we could offer no criticism of his testimony.

Cedar Iron Mines

If what we read in the papers is any criterion to go on, then every industry in the country, except mining iron ore, is booming and expanding. There must be lots of new iron properties being developed or else it just doesn't add up. Steel demand is high and everything indicates there should be more activity around the Cedar Mines area but the status remains pretty stagnant; no more, no less than three months ago. We hope it doesn't get worse.

We are trying to get the air cleared on the vacation problem. It seems some people would have it

'Bldg. Trades Bound by Their Board'—NLRB

WASHINGTON — The National Labor Relations Board ruled that an AFL building trades union is bound by the decision of the joint board established in the industry to settle jurisdiction disputes.

The board said its intervention in the case would be contrary to the Taft-Hartley Act provisions "to encourage the voluntary adjustments."

The case involved locals of the AFL Lathers' union and AFL Carpenters, and a dispute in Virginia over installation of aluminum bars at a new plant. The job was assigned by the contractor to the Lathers. The Carpenters protested, taking the case to the National Joint Board for Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes in the Building and Construction Industry.

The board, composed of four employer members, four union members and Prof. John Dunlop of Harvard University, the neutral chairman, found for the Carpenters. The Lathers union struck the job and asked the NLRB to rule on the case.

The five-man board held a full-dress proceeding, including oral argument and ruled "we are without authority to determine the dispute."

that although an employe has qualified for the four per cent vacation and happens to have been laid off for over three months, he should start from scratch when he returns to work and proceed to go through the qualifying procedure again. We want you to know that this was never intended. A certain office manager tried to inject that one into the picture but our agreement is reached by and through the company attorney and no one else has any power to change it. We hope to have it straightened out once and for all, probably by the time you read this article.

The three locals on the mines agreement, Operating Engineers Local No. 3, Teamsters No. 222, and Laborers No. 79 have jointly corresponded with Attorney Peter Jacobson relative to coming to Salt Lake so that we can get the ground work laid for the hospitalization plan so that it can go into effect on November 1. Indications are we will meet him here on that matter in the immediate future.

Consolidated Western is making good headway at Desert Mound on the new conveyors, tunnels, etc. Most of the work, however, primarily involves carpenters and iron workers. It appears that when they start raising steel, Operating Engineers will have only about seven or eight operators on the job.

Germer, Abbott and Waldron have approximately 30 days work left on grade at Buckhorn. Ideal Asphalt Company from Las Vegas is laying the black top and they are making good headway but will probably not complete their phase of the job until 1956. We see where an agreement has been reached between the State Road Commission and the people involved in the water problem at Black Ridge and they indicate a bridge dam has been agreed on. This will open the way to get the road job going from Kanarville to Black Ridge on the contemplated new route on the east side of the valley.

Locked Up

On her way to bed the maid looked into her employer's room. "The master's locked up for the night, ma'am," she said.

Her employer looked puzzled. "Really, Jane?" she said. "He must have been very quiet. I didn't even hear him come in."

"He hasn't ma'am," exclaimed Jane. "The police station just telephoned."

Any car will last you a lifetime if you're careless enough.

Daily report of awards for construction

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

AUGUST 5, 1955

CASTRO VALLEY, contract awarded to Zaballos Bros., 850 Soto St., Hayward, \$2,093,750 for const. new Castro Valley High School.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to McGillivray Const. Co., P.O. Box 1873, Sacramento, \$51,079 for grade, pave, curbs, & gutters & sewers, Gold Course Terrace No. 14.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Cathey & Miner, 3908 Adeline St., Emeryville, \$67,300 for reconstr. 5 bridges 20 to 32 mi. S. of Paynes Creek, Lassen National Forest, TEHAMA COUNTY.

AUGUST 8, 1955

SHARP PARK, contract awarded to Arthur Bros., 29 Vista Ave.,

San Mateo, \$60,660 for const. addl. facils. at San Pedro Sewage Disposal Plant, near Sharp Park.

CLOVIS, contract awarded to Gerald E. Brewster, P.O. Box 96, Avenal, \$10,997 for grade & oil Woodworth St. from 5th St. to Barstow Avenue, & 8th St. from Clovis Ave. to Woodworth St.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., Box 900, Watsonville, \$35,296 for 0.2 mi. gr. & surf. w/plantmix surf. on untr. base & exist. pave & inst. highway lighting at jct. of Rt. 17 & 91 nr. Newcastle, PLACER COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Parish Bros., P.O. Box 6, Benicia, \$47,891 for 1.2 mi. grade & surf. w/plantmix surf on untr. base & exist. surf. betw. Admiral Callahan Lane & extens. of Rt. 208, SOLANO COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S.F., \$68,713 for 0.6 mi. grade & surf. appr. w/plantmix surf. on untr. base & const. R C slab bridge at Eastside Canal, 12.8

mi. E. of Gustine, MERCED CO. **SACRAMENTO**, contract awarded to W. H. Darrough & Sons, P.O. Box 392, Yuba City, \$209,457 for 5.3 mi. grade & drn. facils., betw. 5.3 mi. W. of Willits & Willits, MENDOCINO COUNTY.

REDDING, contract awarded to Howard B. Folsom, P.O. Box 722, Westwood, \$43,974 for seal coat pl. 6 locations on Co. Hwys., a total length of 24.66 mi., all in SHASTA COUNTY.

AUGUST 9, 1955

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to Leo F. Piazza Paving Co., Rt. 1, Box 800, San Jose, \$104,201 for grade, pave, curbs, gutters, etc., on 7th, Commercial & 5th Sts., City of San Jose.

PALO ALTO, contract awarded to Pisano Bros., 1800 Stockton Ave., San Jose, \$9,210 for extend Kellogg storm sewer.

VISALIA, contract awarded to L. C. Clark, 422 Park St., Visalia, \$10,680 for const. rigid fr. RC bridge on pile footings acr. Porter Slough about 1/2 mi. W. of city limits of Porterville, TULARE CO.

VISALIA, contract awarded to Guy L. Munson Co., 275 W. Tulare St., Dinuba, \$9,528 for const. conc. strucs. acr. Alta Irrig. Canal, W. city limit line of Dinuba, acr. Calif. Vineyard Ditch, abt. 2 mi. N. & 1 mi. W. of Dinuba, acr. Horsman Ditch, abt. 1/4 mi. S. & 1 mi. W. of Dinuba & acr. Town Ditch about 1 1/4 mi. N. & 1/4 mi. W. of Dinuba in TULARE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., San Francisco, \$1,744,213 for impr. facils. to Bay Bridge Toll Plaza & Port of Oakland overcrossing in City of Oakland, vicinity of S.F.-Oakland Bay Bridge Toll Plaza in ALAMEDA COUNTY.

AUGUST 10, 1955

SANTA CRUZ, contract awarded to Kester & Son, 218 Mission Road, Santa Cruz, \$19,895 for grade, pave, curbs, & gutters, sanitary sewers, water mains, etc. on Stockton Ave. et al.

GRASS VALLEY, contract awarded to Grady Campbell, 362 Scalding St., Grass Valley, \$7,800 for const. of sidewalks on Brighton Street between MacArthur & Chapel Streets, City of Grass Valley.

YUBA CITY, contract awarded to Baldwin Contracting Co., Inc., P.O. Box 269, Marysville, \$39,660 for const. intercept. storm drains & appurts.

AUGUST 11, 1955

MODESTO, contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, Rt. 6, Box 1419A, Modesto, \$13,610 for reconstr. & enlarge parking lot on 9th St. betw. "I" & "J" Sts.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Howard B. Folsom, P.O. Box 722, Westwood, \$53,460 for about 33.4 mi. apply med. fine & med. seal coats to exist. surf. at various locations, SHASTA & TEHAMA COUNTIES.

AUGUST 12, 1955

SAN JOSE, contract awarded as follows: for plantmix pave, storm sewers, etc.:

(1) BID No. 04835—Booksin & Schallenberger School — To A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose, \$6920.

(2) No. 04836 — Sewer facils., Gardner Elem. School — To Dan Dorsa, 1135 N. 1st Street, San Jose, \$1932.

(3) No. 04837 — Surf. & sewer, Lincoln High School — To A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose, \$13,920.

(4) No. 04838 — Pave, etc., W. Wilson Jr. High School—To A. J. Raisch Paving Co., 900 W. San Carlos, San Jose, \$8970.

DEL REY, OAKS, contract awarded to Granite Const. Co., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$22,994 for const. curbs & gutters within the city limits, MONTEREY COUNTY.

RICHMOND, contract awarded to Lee J. Inmel, 13555 San Pablo Avenue, San Pablo, \$180,000 for site improvement at the DeAnza Jr.-Senior High School.

KINGS BEACH, contract awarded to Faulkner, Inc., Kings Beach, \$60,090 for const. sanitary sewer mains & appurts. within the District.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Erbentraut & Sumners, 696 Pennsylvania Ave., San Francisco, \$18,709 for const. exist ramps for main pavilion, 1-A Agric. Dist. Assn., Cow Palace, S.F.

SALINAS, contract awarded to

Jess Harrison, P.O. Box 315, San Ardo, \$154,880 for access road to Nacimiento Dam.

PORTERVILLE, contract awarded to L. B. Wells Const. Co., P.O. Box 287, Visalia, \$209,300 for grade, pave, drainage & fence, 14 wards, Phase Nos. 3 & 4, at Porterville State Hospital.

MOFFETT FIELD, contract awarded to Harrod & Williams, 290 S. Murphy, Sunnyvale, \$184,375 for const. 3 bdgs., Utils., N.A.S., Moffett Field.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Lentz Const. Co., 2416 Sutterville Road, Sacramento, \$35,424 for const. trunk relief sewer, Unit No. 1, El Camino & Fulton Avenues, SACRAMENTO COUNTY.

MILLBRAE, contract awarded to L. C. Smith Co., 225 - 19th Avenue, San Mateo, \$44,757 for grade, pave, curb, etc., Mills Estates, Millbrae.

AUGUST 15, 1955

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, Rt. 6, Box 1419A, Modesto, \$138,047 for about 5.1 mi. grade & surf. w/plantmix surf. on sem. tr. base, on Madera-Firebaugh Road betw. 3.5 mi. & 6.5 mi. E. of Firebaugh & betw. 9 mi. SW & 6 mi. W. of Madera, in MADERA COUNTY.

AUGUST 16, 1955

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to Brown-Ely Co., Box 474, Corte Madera, \$15,332 for maintenance proj. resurf. various streets, involving approx. 2000 T asphalt plantmix surfacing.

SAN RAFAEL, contract awarded to E. A. Forde, P.O. Box 306, San Anselmo, \$11,240 for surf., curbs, gutters, sidewalks, etc., on "B" St., from 2nd St. to 5th Avenue.

SAN JOSE, contract awarded to P & E Const. Co., 1620 S. 7th St., San Jose, \$80,935 for const. V.C. trunk sewer on Senter Road extending from intersection of Tully Road, So. to right angle bend in Senter Road.

STOCKTON, contract awarded to Stockton Const. Co., P.O. Box 2087, Stockton, \$64,657 for const. conc. storm water sewer to serve portion of El Recado Terrace, El Recado Terrace re-Subdiv., Fremont Terrace Nos. 1 & 2, Fremont Villas, City of Stockton.

SAN MATEO, contract awarded to L. C. Smith Co., 225 - 19th Aves., San Mateo, \$36,188 for Unit No. 1, South Delaware St. extension in San Mateo.

CASTRO VALLEY, contract awarded to V. Rodrigues, 226 Jackson St., Hayward, \$34,015 for reconstr. sani. sewers on N. 5th St., Kipling St., Bell St., Leslie Ave., "A" St. & Castro Valley Blvd.

VISALIA, contract awarded to L. C. Clark, P.O. Box 1045, Visalia, \$16,410 for const. reinf. conc. box culverts, in TULARE COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Independent Const. Co., 741 50th Avenue, Oakland, \$29,697 for approx. 0.3 mi. resurf. w/plantmix surf. on imported subbase matl. on exist. pavement in Cities of Oakland & Alameda, betw. 0.3 mi. & 0.7 mi. S. of Bay Farm Island Bridge, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to M. Malitano & Son, Inc., P.O. Box 750, Pittsburg, \$331,167 for reconstr. Buchanan & Somersville Roads, nr. Pittsburg, CONTRA COSTA CO.

AUGUST 17, 1955

SANTA CLARA, contract awarded to M. L. Raymond, 1268 Gould Avenue, Santa Clara, \$18,270 for const. Pruneridge Ave, storm sewer.

TURLOCK, contract awarded to Kovick Bros. Const. Co., P.O. Box 1323, Fresno, \$43,963 for const. Soderquist Annex trunk sewer.

TURLOCK, contract awarded to Western Const. Co. 639 W. Clay St., Stockton, \$58,376 for const. "F" St. trunk sewer lines.

ALAMEDA, contract awarded to Scott Co., 113 - 10th St., Oakland, \$58,365 for const. irrig. sys. for new golf course in Alameda.

TRACY, contract awarded to Stanfield & Moody, 405 E. Rose St., Stockton, \$20,202 for grade, pave, curb & gutter & 2-inch water line on "E" St. betw. E. 22nd St. & Grantline Road; grade & pave betw. present curbs on "C" St. from SPRR mainline tracks to SP spur tracks; grade, curb & gutters, sidewalk & pave 10-ft. wide strip on McKinley Ave. adj. to Ball Park & Harmon Park; grade & pave park area, Lincoln Park on Eaton Avenue.

AUGUST 18, 1955

MENLO PARK, contract awarded to E. T. Haas Co., P.O. Box 95, Belmont, \$40,612 for const. mains, pumping station, hydrants & appurtenances for the District.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to McGuire & Hester, 796 - 66th Ave., Oakland, \$151,793 for const. conc. pipe conduit in 32nd, Peralta, etc., City of Oakland.

AUGUST 19, 1955

LIVERMORE, contract awarded to George Bianchi, 1850 S. 7th St., San Jose, \$130,000, for const. Computer Bldg. No. 120 at Livermore.

SAN MATEO, contract awarded to C. R. Lund, 808 Rand St., San Mateo, \$137,000, for const. New Elem. School in Baywood Park Tract, Charing Cross & Parrot Dr., San Mateo.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Payne Const. Co., 689 Louisiana St., Oakland, \$110,760, for repair por. of bridge acr. S.F. Bay betw. Palo Alto & Newark, SAN MATEO & ALAMEDA COUNTIES.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to the Fay Improvement Co., 101 Carolina St., S.F., \$19,780, for 0.3 mi. grade & surf. w/plantmix surf. betw. Rt. 55 & Portola Rd., SAN MATEO COUNTY.

AUGUST 22, 1955

OGDEN, UTAH, contract awarded to D. W. Brimhall, 6132 S. State, Murray, Utah, \$103,070, for 31.4 mi. gravel surf. on Big Indian, Yellow Cat & Lisbon Valley Mine access rds., in GRAND & SAN JUAN COUNTIES.

AUGUST 23, 1955

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to A. Teichert & Son, Inc., 1931 Stockton Blvd., Sacto., \$123,539, for 1.5 mi. grade & pave w/PCC on sem. tr. subgrade, acr. Yolo Bypass, YOLO COUNTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Brown-Ely Co., 7360 Schmidt Lane, El Cerrito, \$8,154, for exist. roadway shaped & surf. w/plantmix surf. & metal plate guard rail const. on Tiburon Blvd. at Trestle Glen Dr., MARIN CO.

BURLINGAME, contract awarded to Oscar C. Holmes, P.O. Box 790, Redwood City, \$29,543, for storm drainage improvement, Easton Creek relocation.

OAKLAND, contract awarded to H. M. Anderson, 29700 Niles Rd., Hayward, \$83,137, for reconstr. Co. Road known as William St., betw. Stanton St. & Redwood Rd. in Eden Township, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to Stolte, Inc., 8451 San Leandro St., Oakland, & Gallagher & Burk, Inc., 344 High St., Oakland, \$640,344, for reconstr. of Pleasant Hill Rd. from Diablo View Rd. to Acalanes Ave., CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

AUGUST 24, 1955

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Clements Const. Co. & Ronald D. Coasts, P.O. Box 667, Centerville, \$178,491 for 2 mi. grade & surf. w/plantmix surf. on untr. base on Lincoln Rd. & Dairy Ave., betw. Decoto Rd. & Thornton Ave.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to M. J. Ruddy & Son, Rt. 6, Box 1419A, Modesto, \$75,675, for 12.6 mi. surf. w/plantmix surf. on exist. base on Keystone-LaGrange Road betw. S.H. Rt. 13 & Stanislaus Co. line.

AUGUST 25, 1955

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Robt. L. Wilson, 158 S. Park, S.F., \$148,200 for const. Sunset Branch Library (Ortega St.)

LINDSAY, contract awarded to Robt. Jolly Const. Co., 4565 Tyler St., Fresno, \$173,747, for const. oper. & maint. hdqtrs. at Friant, FRESNO COUNTY, Central Valley Project.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to A. B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa, \$25,977, for const. approx. 9.3 m. pltmx. surf. on untr. base, curbs & gutters, sidewalks & drain facils. on Chanage Rd. betw. Lewis & Lomitas, Santa Rosa, Cal.

SANTA ROSA, contract awarded to A. B. Siri, Inc., 1357 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa, \$20,497, for 0.26 mi. grade & pave w/plantmix surf. on untr. base & const. curbs, gutters, sidewalks & drain facils. on Stewart St. betw. College Ave. & 15th St., City of Santa Rosa.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to MacDonald, Young & Nelson, 351 California St., S.F., \$3,500,000, for the const. of an office bldg. at Laurel & California Sts., City of S.F.

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FRESNO BOYS FIGHT MOUNTAIN FIRES

By G. LYNN MOORE and JIM MONROE, Business Representatives

There is not much change from last month's report. Due to M & K, Walsh & Perini starting their job on the Kings River Projects we have had quite a number of the Brothers requesting information as to the possibility of work. The proposed plan for this year is the building of the camp sites and the 1100-foot diversion tunnel, which has already

started and expect to be completed within 30 days, the clearing and building of roads to the dam site and quarry, they have approximately 10 cats and two shovels working one 8-hour shift.

H. Earl Parker have a road job between the Wishon Dam and Helm with 6 cats in their spread. These jobs are about 85 miles east of Fresno at an elevation of about 6000 feet. Bechtel Corp. is still working on its dam job on the east side of Kaiser Pass and their power house job at Huntington Lake.

Oilfield Construction and Ellis Construction are moving right along on the paving of the Huntington Lake and Shaver Lake road.

Eaton & Smith working on the Big Stump Road between Kaiser Diggings and Big Creek, this is a pretty rough job, having trouble keeping operators.

Macco Corp. has added a few more men to its job at Huntington Lake, have now moved in a shovel. Quite a bit of activity going on in Huntington Lake area.

We have had several large forest fires mainly in the Sequoia National Park and General Grant Park area which has the forestry service asking for all the available cat skimmers and equipment.

Gene Richards Paving Company have completed the Abby Street Freeway, which will be opened to one-way traffic this week, connecting Highway 41 (Blackstone Ave.) but still have work on the connecting approaches from other streets. This company also have the Clinton Street Overpass, approach to 99, and are getting started on structures of their section of the contract of 99 Freeway through Fresno, not much of the grading has been done as yet. Guy F. Atkinson have most of the concrete pouring completed on their Freeway job at the North end of Fresno and have moved their concrete equipment to the Plaza on Highway 99 out of Visalia. Upon completion of pouring at the Plaza they will again move equipment back to Fresno and will have about five or six days more which will then complete the pouring on the Fresno job.

Around the Fresno area some of the local contractors, Saginaw Construction Co.; Petroleum Sales Company; California Fresno Asphalt Company; Fresno Paving Co.; Kovick Bros. and Paul Woolf, are being kept busy on subdivision street work and leveling. Stewart & Nuss have both their jobs at Porterville and Terra Bella under way, setting up a hot plant and rock crusher east of Porterville to make materials for these two jobs. This Company also has numerous small jobs throughout the area.

Griffith Company are still busy on their resurfacing job throughout Tulare and Kings Counties. Have their hot plant set up at P.C.A.'s yard at Lemon Cove.

Gordon Ball and the San Ramon Land Company keeping a steady pace on their highway jobs, which consists of approximately 15 miles, making a double lane highway on 99 from Delano north.

The pipe yards have slowed down and two of them have completed operations in this area. United Concrete Pipe Company are still making pipe for their Delano job and have their pipe laying crews busy.

L. B. Wells Construction Co. have started excavation for their paving job on the Porterville State Hospital.

E. H. Moore & Sons have the Macco Corp. driving pile on their job building the new Visalia Court House.

Work has held up good in Merced County, although work has slackened off at Castle Air Force Base. Stockton Construction have a job on flood control which has taken up some of the slack. They have two Northwest 25s on the job. Wether-

ell and Snyder from the Bay Area have a Northwest 80 on the job. John Carstensen have the sub on the dirt, with two electric pulls and a turnadozer. Dewey Marquess has his two rigs on the job too. J. P. Willis of Planada have 3 cats on the job.

John Carstensen has 4 cats. They are having plenty of water trouble as the ground water level is about a foot above the bottom of the ditch grade.

Stockton Construction have just about finished their work for Santa Fe Railroad in the area. M. J. Ruddy & Sons are busy on their Plainsburgh Road job and have started up their hot plant on Bear Creek.

L. D. Folsom Company are working on their telephone job in Yosemite Park. Clarence Ward Construction also have a small job in Yosemite.

Brothers, we are neglecting our Blood Bank, have had no donations for months. Please help us.

AFL to Sponsor Film on Turnpike

CLEVELAND — The story of the men who built Ohio's "Big Road"—the multimillion-dollar cross state turnpike — will be shown to Ohioans via a 26-minute movie sponsored by Local 18 of the AFL Operating Engineers.

The union movie is attempting to show the triumph of men and machines over bogs, quicksand, rocky terrain and other hazards encountered in the nearly three years that the turnpike has been under construction.

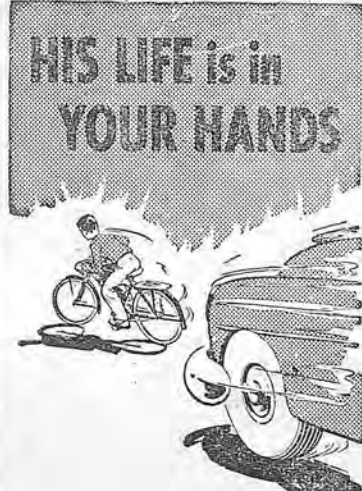
Pit Plant Opens

Dedication of the \$25 million PG&E Pit 4 powerhouse on the Pit River, 55 miles northeast of Redding, took place late in August, with state, local, and labor officers in attendance. A valve controlling flow of water from a four-mile tunnel was opened and set a massive turbine-generator unit to turning. As the turbine began revolving and the electricity fed into the system, a two-foot high, 75,000 watt bulb—world's largest incandescent lamp, began to glow and then reached a blinding intensity.

VALLEJO, contract awarded to Ghilotti Bros., 629 Francisco Blvd., San Rafael, \$17,724, for grade, pave, curbs, gutters, etc., on portions of Butte St. & Louisiana St., Vallejo.

VALLEJO, contract awarded to Harms Bros. & C. M. Syar, P.O. Box 1431, Vallejo, \$29,760, for 700 ft. widen & repave Monterey St., betw. Louisiana & Tennessee Sts., Vallejo.

Next time you are serving boiled or mashed potatoes, cook some extra ones. For a next-day's meal, slice the potatoes thin and douse with melted butter mixed with a little garlic or onion powder and paprika. Bake in a moderate or hot oven.



Construction Awards

SEPTEMBER 1, 1955

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to H. Earl Parker, 12th & F Sts., Marysville, \$115,048, for 3.3 mi. grade & const. drain. facils. on Brunswick Rd. betw. SH Rt. 17 nr. Town Talk & SH Rt. 25.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Granite Const., P.O. Box 900, Watsonville, \$82,437, for 40.7 mi. fine seal coat applied to various locations.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th St., Berkeley, \$17,465, for modify drain. facils. in Richmond at intersection Potrero Ave. with Hoffman Blvd.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Baldwin Contr., P.O. Box 269, Marysville, \$28,795, for 0.3 mi. grade & surf. w/pltmix. surf. on untr. base over imp. subbase matl. at Woodruff.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Krpan Trenching Co., P.O. Box 144, Perkins, \$8,124, for const. storm sewer in 21st Ave. betw. 58th St. & W. line of Tallac Village Subdivision, City of Sacramento.

TRAVIS AFB, Calif., contract awarded to The Pacific Co., 801 Cedar St., Berkeley, \$56,200, for const. of base commun. bldg. at Travis AFB.

MILL VALLEY, contract awarded to O. C. Jones & Sons, 1520 - 4th St., Berkeley, \$54,695, for site development work, Edna Maguire School, Mill Valley.

DUNSMUIR, contract awarded to John C. Gist Co., 1020 - 46th St., Sacramento, \$23,350, for rebuilding exist. 80 ft. thru truss span bridge as a through girder span, acr. Sacramento River on Butterfly Ave., City of Dunsmuir.

STOCKTON, contract awarded to Rice Bros., Inc., 900 Victor Rd., Lodi, \$54,470, for reconst. Washington St. from S.H.U.S. No. 99 E'ly 1.32 mi. to diverting canal in Sec. 55 & 65 of C. M. Weber ranch, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY.

AUGUST 29, 1955

BIG CREEK, contract awarded to Central Valley Leveling Co., 4865 E. Belmont, Fresno, \$24,121, for const. of a new playground, Big Creek Elementary School.

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Pacific Pavements, 85 Barstow St., S.F., \$23,600, for construction of roads, parking areas and utilities, Unit 1, at Medical Center, S.F.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Standard Materials, Inc., 1411 9th St., Modesto, \$24,245, for 0.6 mi. surf. in city of Riverbank, STANISLAUS COUNTY.

EUREKA, contract awarded to J. J. Tracey, 404 Alder St., Eureka, \$9,585, for redeck bridge & widen approach acr. Powers Creek near Blue Lake, HUMBOLDT CO.

OGDEN, UTAH, contract awarded to Whiting & Haymond, 250 W. 2nd N., Springville, Utah, \$230,735, for 5.352 mi. const. Provo River-Haydens Fork, Wasatch Natl. Forest, SUMMIT COUNTY.

OGDEN, UTAH, contract awarded to F. W. Moore, Inc., Ogden, Utah, \$52,045, for 0.759 mi. clear, grade, etc., Veaver-Puffer Lake, Fishlake Natl. Forest, BEAVER COUNTY, Utah.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Brighton Sand & Gravel, P.O. Box 1, Perkins, Calif., \$132,307 for 0.8 mi. grade & surf. w/plantmix surf. on untr. base on appr. to American River Bridge at Fair Oaks.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Granite Const., Box 900, Watsonville, \$447,722, for 1.2 mi. grade & surf. w/plantmix surf. betw. Camino El Estero & Del Monte Junction, MONTEREY COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Pyramid Const. Co., 21 E. 1st St., Reno, Nev., \$37,850, for 0.5 mi. grade & surf. w/rdmix. surf. on cem. tr. base & imp. subbase matl. at Greenville, PLUMAS COUNTY.

AUGUST 30, 1955

OROVILLE, contract awarded to G. G. Williamson, P.O. Box 510, Chico, \$69,755, for const. of drainage sewer & outfall line within the North Chico Drainage Improvement Project, BUTTE COUNTY.

STOCKTON, contract awarded to Winn & Breitmaier, P.O. Box 744, Galt, \$10,837, for pave portions of Port Terminal area in city of Stockton, SAN JOAQUIN CO.

AUGUST 31, 1955

SAN FRANCISCO, contract awarded to Chas. L. Harney, Inc., 575 Berry St., S.F., \$12,057, for re-construction Alpha St. betw. Wilde & Tucker Aves., S.F.

CARSON CITY, Nevada, contract awarded to Stewart & Hitchcock, 210 W. Wyoming Ave., Las Vegas, \$192,008, for const. por. of State Hwy., betw. Calif.-Nev. state line, & jct. of S.R. No. 16, near Pah-rump, NYE COUNTY, Nevada.

REDDING, contract awarded to H. B. Folsom, Box 722, Westwood, \$14,555, for 7.2 mi. apply seal coat to exist. surf. between 2.0 mi. of Stronghold & Oregon State Line, MODOC & SISKIYOU COUNTIES.

SEPTEMBER 2, 1955

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to S. L. Vistica, 70-N. El Camino Real, San Mateo, \$59,497, for 7.5 mi. roadside areas prep. & planted, betw. Rt. 105 & San Leandro Crk., ALAMEDA COUNTY.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Joseph Solomone, P.O. Box 3848, Carmel, Calif., \$15,495, for 8.6 mi. roadside areas prep. & planted betw. Livingston underpass & Turlock overhead, MERCED and STANISLAUS COUNTIES.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to Chas. MacClosky Co., 808 S. Vermont St., L.A., \$61,907 for pedestrian overcross. abt. 0.23 mi. N. of city limits nr. N. end of Sacramento River Bridge.

PIEDMONT, contract awarded to Ransome Co., 4030 Hollis St., Emeryville, \$50,550, for resurf. portion of 16 str. in city of Piedmont.

CRESCENT CITY, contract awarded to Associated Dredging Co., 1702. Bridgeway, Sausalito, \$199,656, for dredge Crescent City outer harbor basin.

SEPTEMBER 6, 1955

FRESNO, contract awarded to Valley Engineers, Inc., P.O. Box 412, Fresno, \$38,234, for laying cast iron mains & trench resurfacing in Belmont betw. Fisher & Phesta.

MILLBRAE, contract awarded to Lowrie Paving Co., 1755 Evans Ave., S.F., \$26,999, for grade, pave, curbs, gutters, walks, sewer & drainage

work on Millwood, Magnolia, Ash-ton Aves. & Calif. Dr., Millbrae.

RED BLUFF, contract awarded to Liston Ehorn, P.O. Box 328, Red Bluff, \$8,100, for surf. operating road, Corning Canal, Central Valley Project.

SACRAMENTO, contract awarded to H. Sykes, P.O. Box 626, Patterson, \$97,298, for 1.9 mi. length, 5 reinf. conc. box culverts & grade approaches, on Cathay Valley-Merced Falls Rd., betw. 1.3 mi. E. of Hornitos & Hornitos & Greeley Hill Rd., betw. Ernst Rd. & 2.3 mi. E., in MARIPOSA COUNTY.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to Gallagher & Burk, Inc., 344 High St., Oakland, \$19,756, for reconst. Veda Dr. & Verona Ave. in Danville.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 13555 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$21,130, for re-construction Cypress Road.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to Transocean Engr. Corp., 7008 Russell City Rd., Hayward, \$20,489, for reconst. Albert Way, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

MARTINEZ, contract awarded to Lee J. Immel, 13555 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo, \$55,828, for reconstruction of Fish Ranch Rd. and Hampton Rd., in CONTRA COSTA COUNTY.

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San Mateo Area Experiencing Temporary Employment Slump

By CHET ELLIOTT, Business Representative

During the past month two of the largest Real Estate Development Projects, operating in the San Mateo Area, temporarily suspended operations. The Joseph Brady Co., who have contracted all the underground installation work and the grading for streets and homes for the Sterling Builders for the past few years, went through a liquidation process whereby all work was stopped for the purpose of taking inventory of equipment. The inventory is now complete and the McCammon & Wunderlich Co. have taken over the underground and grading for Sterling Builders, and former engineers who worked for Joseph Brady are now on their payroll. The Hindry Construction Co. who have been operating at the Mills Estate and have moved over three million yards of earth during the last two years, have completed their portion of this work and have moved out all of their equipment. This firm is now being replaced by the Tecon Corporation of Dallas, Texas, who have contracted to move four million yards of earth at this same location. Some of the firm's equipment has already been shipped and will arrive here in a few days, and within the next two weeks all of the former engineers employed by the Hindry Co. will be working for the Tecon Corporation.

In the Islands OPEN PEARL HARBOR AFL CAMPAIGN

By J. K. WAIWAI, Business Representative

A drive for AFL membership in the Pearl Harbor Navy Ship Yard was started a couple of months back by Harry Ames, Vice President of the Plumbers & Steamfitters International. He instituted a separate charter for them. Now, other crafts are clamoring for the same.

Tom Crowe, International Vice President of the Boilermakers, however, was able to spark added membership for Local 204, one of the oldest unions in the islands.

Some engineer members in the yard are requesting that the AFL organizer intervene for a separate charter.

All indications to date points to an acceptance by the brass and civilian supervisors of the Pearl Harbor Ship Yard to help any visiting International VIP in organizing the men under them.

A \$750,000, 50-unit hotel-resort will be built at idyllic Hanalei bay on the north side of Kauai within 60 days. Bids are now being prepared.

James W. Glover, Ltd., submitted the low bid, \$200,636, to build a bridge over Kihalani gulch on the Hamakua Coast of the Big Island.

The Board of Water Supply has voted to proceed at once with the construction of an \$850,000 public service building. It will be located on the downtown side of the present Board of Water Supply Building in an area now used for a parking lot.

The Hawaiian Dredging Co., Ltd., dredge W. F. Dillingham, now in Japan will be towed back to the islands before the end of the year. The two dredging jobs scheduled for early next year are the Nawiliwili Harbor and a material fill for the Navy.

Dredge Leverman Frank Soares returns from Okinawa after 2 years for a little vacation. This leaves Captain Jim McCandless to spell off Brother's Tom Wills and Wallace Kunukau on the levers, who will be putting in some overtime until Frank returns.

Brother Ernest Chee is again prepared to travel to distant lands, this time to Afghanistan for M-K.

A Country Fair at Menlo Park, Oct. 1

The Democratic Women of San Mateo County are presenting a Country Fair on Saturday, October 1, 1955. Location: The 1600 Block on El Camino Real, Menlo Park, Calif. There will be large signs showing the entry to the grounds.

Food and drinks will be available served by competent caterers. Barrel beer will be served in the German Beer Garden. There will be a drawing for a \$1000 Mink Stole... an auction of personal donations from famous Democrats (a gavel donated and autographed by Mr. Sam Rayburn, a personally donated and autographed book from Mr. Adlai Stevenson, etc.). Flower Booths, Cake Booths, White Telephone Booths, and Puppet shows, Dart Games, Penny Pitch, Pie Eating Contest and games for the kiddies. Dancing and fun for every one from 3 to 10:30.

SURVEY NOTES—AGREE UPON WORK LINES

By AL BOARDMAN and BILL MINAHAN Business Representatives

Big news for "3E" members is the "Agreement of Understanding" between the International Brotherhood of Carpenters in the 46 Northern Counties of California and the Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 as to the jurisdiction on survey work. This agreement signed by J. N. Cambiano, general representative of the carpenters, and Victor S. Swanson, Union Manager of Local No. 3, reads as follows:

(A) "Control points governing construction operations" as used in this Agreement shall be defined as:

- (1) Monuments or stakes marking the elevation of adjacent property.
- (2) Monuments or stakes marking the corners or elevation of a structure.
- (3) On the home building projects, off set stakes or monuments.
- (4) A single line through or a base line immediately adjacent to a structure giving line and grade necessary for the contemplated construction operation.

(B) Such setting of vertical and horizontal controls as must be established before construction work can get under way on buildings, such as dormitories, office buildings, commercial buildings including warehouses, et cetera, shall be the work of the Operating Engineer. The setting of vertical and horizontal controls shall include the setting of same on the various floor levels of a multiple story building and shall be the work of the Operating Engineer. Such controls shall be either, a center line at each floor level or verticle control points on each corner of the building at each floor level. (This interpretation shall not apply to wooden frame buildings.) Measurements and levels established by the Carpenters in the layout of their work within off set stakes or monuments or immediately adjacent to the boundaries of such included structures shall not be considered control points as used in this Agreement, nor shall such lines and grades as the Foreman-Carpenter or Carpenter is required to establish incidental to performing his normal duty or supervising or performing the work.

Lines and grades necessary for the correlation and location of two or more adjacent structures shall

The City by the Golden Gate Is Moving on Many Jobs

By PAT CLANCY and HARRY METZ, Business Representatives

Notice to all members signed up in the San Francisco office: We are attempting to revise our old out of work lists. We know that many men on the list have gone back to work. We are requesting at this time, that all members out of work please notify the dispatcher at 474 Valencia. (This is for just the San Francisco office only.)

The M & K tunnel job is going to be a one portal job, which will involve totally about ten men. The underground part will start in about a week.

Charles Harney's Chestnut and Pierce job was completed ahead of schedule. The bonus for completing this job ahead of time was \$5,000, paid by the City of San Francisco.

Harney's Portola Drive job is making normal progress and on his Skyline Blvd.-Lake Merced job the road has been blocked from the Lake Merced to Doelgers tract, the road is all sand and the brothers are getting 10 hours on this job.

Raynor Construction Company is

progressing normally on their housing project in South San Francisco.

Swinerton & Walberg are doing several jobs around the Bay area. Eaton & Smith, Fay Improvement and Chas. Harney are all progressing nicely on their track removing and street re-surfacing jobs around the city.

Henry Doelger has slowed up somewhat on his housing projects because the sale of houses has fallen off.

Bethlehem Steel Co. is setting the steel at Westview and also at the Burgermeister Brewery.

Guy F. Atkinson Construction Co. has slowed up considerably as new roadway fill approaches South San Francisco's end.

Theodore Meyers still progressing on both his housing projects and on the new U. C. hospital annex.

McDonald-Young and Nelson is showing normal progress keeping a few of the boys busy.

On John Delphia's job it became necessary to work the pumps around the clock as this is a fill job at Candlestick Point, and the seepage was getting ahead of them.

The Joe Brady Co. has been absorbed by the McCammon & Wunderlich Co. All the Joe Brady men were laid off, and all the rehiring will be done by McCammon and Wunderlich.

B. B. Brown is doing the landscaping for Sterling Builders at Rolling Wood.

Standard Builders is working on two subdivisions, one at Sunshine Gardens, and the other at Mid-Town Terrace, at Twin Peaks.

Ben C. Gerwick has the reconstruction of the concrete and the pile driving for piers 15 and 17.

Pacific Paving is doing a lot of hot stuff work on service stations around town.

The next 3E meeting will be held at 8 p.m., Friday, Sept. 23, 1955, at 474 Valencia St., San Francisco.

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Keep Dues Paid Up!

Last Link Set on Joaquin Freeway

Peter Kiewit Sons' Co. was low bidder last week for the 5.4-mile last link of the Oakland-San Joaquin valley freeway, at \$4,275,510, one of the largest such contracts on state records. The four-lane route through Dublin canyon will be underway before the end of October. It will connect with the east end of Livermore Valley freeway and join Castro Valley freeway leading to the Eastshore freeway.

Lafayette Job Due

The state is advertising for bids for 2.6 miles of four-lane divided freeway at Lafayette, Contra Costa county, at an approximate cost of \$2,700,000.



Work is rapidly drawing to a close on the mammoth Waldo grade approach to Golden Gate Bridge, which at the time it was awarded was the largest single highway contract ever made by the state. It includes several giant fills, bridges, underpasses, and a twin to the existing tunnel. Opening of the tunnel took place on Sept. 19. This is an Atkinson job. Double-track on the northern highway outlet for

San Francisco will help greatly in alleviating monster traffic jams occurring frequently there, and it will tie in with double-tracking of 101 just to the north.

This view was taken from the Spencer avenue bridge, just north of the tunnels. It shows one of the largest fills, 500,000 yards, at center foreground, and a healthy shaving job undertaken on the hillside at left. In background is San Rafael and Mt. Tamalpais.