## Fair Housing Bill Set

AB 1240, the Rumford Fair Housing Bill, has been set for hearing before the Assembly Committee on Governmental Efficiency and Economy on Wednesday, March 27th at 1:30 p.m.

This is the "target" civil rights bill of the 1963 session of the California Legislature. It extends the ban against discrimination in "publicly assisted" housing to include all private housing except a single dwelling occupied by the owner, and provides for administrative enforcement of the anti-discrimination law by an expanded Fair Employment Practices Commission.

The Rumford bill is being actively supported by organized labor, working in cooperation with minority and civic unity groups through the California Committee for Fair Practices.

The CCFP is calling upon all supporters of fair housing legislation to write their Assemblyman urging action to secure approval of AB 1240.

# JFK Flays Waste Of Unemployment

President John F. Kennedy urged Congress this week to recognize that the nation's "greatest waste today is that of unemployment" and he called on the legislators not only to support his proposed tax cut but also to provide broader unemployment insurance and minimum wage coverage, expand worker-training programs, eliminate racial discrimination, and devise methods to provide work experience for young people.

"Ours is a rich nation," the president said, "but not inexhaustibly so. There are 32 million Americans still on the fringes of poverty and worse. A nation can waste its resources as surely as an individual can. (Our) greatest waste today is that of unemployment."

President Kennedy said the unemployment problem involved "not only the job security of the individual but in a broader sense, the question whether man will be the master or the servant of the machines he creates."

His views were contained in his manpower message to Congress which was accompanied by a Labor Department report on the manpower crisis. The chief executive said that there have been only pious (Continued on Page 4)



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# Mounting Unemployment Sharpens Need To Revitalize Jobless Benefits; Create Jobs

"It's time to put aside loose and misleading talk about new employment records and other 'California firsts,' and to seek action to increase job opportunities and ease the desperate plight of California's half-million jobless citizens," Thomas L. Pitts, State AFL-CIO Secretary-Treasurer, declared this week in commenting on the latest reports on State and national unemployment.

The State jobless rate hit 7.4 percent last month, approaching the unemployment level that existed in February a year ago when there were actually 5,000 fewer workers without jobs in California. Nationally, the seasonally adjusted jobless rate jumped to 6.1 percent in February — its highest level in fifteen months. (California unemployment rates are not seasonally adjusted and, therefore, are not to be compared directly with the seasonally adjusted U.S. figures.)

Pitts noted that the worsening unemployment picture is a "national problem," but said that there is "plenty that California can and should do to promote full employment as well as help jobless workers."

"Revitalization of jobless benefits is in the hands of the State Legislature," Pitts said, pointing out "that a system which is compensating unemployed workers for less than one-third of their loss in wages is failing in its purpose both for the unemployed individual and society." The State AFL-CIO is supporting a series of bills sponsored by Edward Elliott (D) of Los Angeles which would provide for a meaningful level of wage-loss compensation in keeping with the needs of our advanced industrial society.

"Besides alleviating the plight of the individual jobless worker," Pitts pointed out, "these bills will contribute substantially to increasing purchasing power at the low and moderate income level where it is

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# Meany Sees Organizing Advances

Labor is "going to do better this year than last year" in organizing the unorganized, AFL-CIO Pres. George Meany said recently in Florida, scene of the AFL-CIO Executive Council meeting.

Commenting on a report by Organization Dir. John W. Livingston on the development of the Los Angeles "pilot" organizing campaign and on National Labor Relations Board election figures, Meany made these points:

- NLRB figures show "we're beginning to make some progress." AFL-CIO organizing efforts, he said, had been affected in past years both by exposures before the McClellan special Senate committee and by federation support of the Supreme Court's decision on school desegregation. The impact of these issues is "not as important now as a year or two ago," he said, adding that "the effect is wearing off."
- The Los Angeles campaign is reflecting a sense of cooperation among AFL-CIO affiliates and holds the possible pattern for future organizing campaigns. The experience and success gained in Los Angeles "will point the way" in other areas, Meany said.
- There has been a net gain in AFL-CIO membership with nearly every area growing except industry where automation is taking its toll of jobs of union members.
- There has been definite "progress" in the white collar area but no real breakthrough on the "resistance" to organization by white collar workers.

• The organizing campaign planned by the Industrial Union Dept. is based on the Los Angeles pattern and is "all to the good. The more effort we have the better," Meany said, if the Los Angeles pattern is followed.

• There is no evidence that failure to organize in past years has been caused by disputes between AFL-CIO affiliates. Meany said experience under the In-

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## COMMITTEE HEARINGS Assembly

#### Monday, March 18

Education, Room 4202, 3:45 p.m.

AB 144 (Moreno) Workmen's compensation in school districts. Watch

AB 87 (Dymally) Cultural enrichment program. Good

Judiciary, Room 2117, 3:45 p.m.

SB 134 (Rattigan) Contracts of minors.

Municipal and County Government, Room 2133, 3:45 p.m.

AB 894 (Petris) Housing authorities' powers.

Good

AB 1109 (Zenovich) Employment of aliens.
Watch

AB 1208 (Burton) Human relations commissions.

Good

SB 295 (Rattigan) Contractor's licenses.

Good

Public Health, Room 5168, 1:30 p.m.

AB 949 (Waite) Radiation control.

Good

Ways and Means, Room 4202, 1:30 p.m.

AB 49 (Elliott) California Commission on

Manpower Automation and Technology.

Good

## Tuesday, March 19

Fish and Game, Room 2170, 1:30 p.m.

AB 272 (Thomas) Commercial sardine season.

Good

## Wednesday, March 20

Finance and Insurance Subcommittee, Room 4164, 10:00 a.m.

AB 270 (Carrell) Automobile sales financing.

Bad

Governmental Efficiency and Economy, Room 2170, 1:30 p.m.

AB 985 (Bane) Barber college instructors.

AB 986 (Bane) Barbering. Good AB 987 (Bane) Barbers: qualifications for

licensing. Good
AB 988 (Bane) Barbershops. Good

Industrial Relations, Room 5168, 3:45 p.m.

AB 642 (Elliott) Relating to wages: state employees.

employees.

AB 706 (Knox) Safety devices and safeguards.

Watch

AB 718 (Williamson) Farm labor contractors.

AB 821 (Elliott) Relating to employment.

Watch
AB 927 (Knox) Lie detector tests for employees.

Good

AB 619 (Elliott) Relating to wages. Good

### Thursday, March 21

Education, Room 4202, 3:45 p.m.

AB 404 (Winton) Certification qualifications for school personnel. Watch

Government Organization, Room 2133,

1:30 p.m.

AB 812 (Danielson) Alcoholic beverages.

Bad

## Monday, March 25

Education, Room 4202, 3:45 p.m.

AB 559 (Ryan) Curriculum research and development. Watch

AB 620 (Garrigus) Dismissal of probationary certificated school employee. Watch

**Judiciary,** Room 2117, 3:45 p.m.

AB 1288 (Dannemeyer) Liens; construction payments. Good

AB 1328 (Willson) Mechanics' liens. Bad SB 106 (Petersen) Administration of estates. Good

AB 1087 (Cologne) Apportionment of mechanic's lein and prior encumbrance. Watch

### Tuesday, March 26

Fish and Game, Room 2170, 1:30 p.m.

AB 792 (Kennick-Deukmejian) Fish nets and districts.

Watch

# Firemen's Right To Organize Is Upheld In Palo Alto

Palo Alto Local 1319 of the International Association of Fire-Fighters, AFL-CIO, won its case against city hall last week when the First District Court of Appeals ruled that a state law granting firemen the right to organize and join unions applies to chartered as well as non-chartered cities.

The City of Palo Alto had contended that chartered cities were autonomous and therefore not subject to Sections 1960-1963 of the State Labor Code.

Not so, the court said. The provisions of Sections 1960-1963, which were initiated by the California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO, and adopted by the legislature in 1959, preempt the field for the state.

The court directed the City of Palo Alto to comply with the law and to end any policies or practices that tended to discriminate against firemen engaged in union organizational activities.

The case was similar to a case finally won by Merced County fire-fighters last January.

## Senate

#### Monday, March 18

Business and Professions, Room 4040, 9:30 a.m.

SB 486 (Stiern) Apprentice embalmers.

Watch

Bad

Judiciary, Room 4203, 8:00 p.m. SB 600 (Regan) Condominium housing.

#### Watch

## Tuesday, March 19

Agriculture, Room 3191, 1:00 p.m.

SB 345 (Quick) Plant quarantine inspection stations.

Good

SB 488 (Stiern) Meat inspection. Good SB 489 (Stiern) Eggs. Good

SB 157 (Rattigan) Poultry.
Insurance and Financial Institutions,

Room 4040, 1:45 p.m.

SB 704 (Sturgeon) Nonprofit organization.

Bad

Local Government, Room 4040, 9:30 a.m.

AB 317 (Elliott) Probationary employees of schools.

Good

Transportation, Room 4203, 9:30 a.m. SB 321 (Rodda) Highway construction. Bad

#### Wednesday, March 20

Education, Room 5007, 9:30 a.m.

SB 171 (Grunsky) Classification as a permanent school employee. Good

SB 287 (Grunsky) Certification of school personnel. Bad

SB 152 (Cameron) Certificated employees of school districts. Good

SB 417 (Rodda) School personnel licensing.

Fish and Game, Room 3191, 1:30 p.m.

SB 503 (Cameron) Commercial fishing gear.

Bad

## IWC Sets Executive Session on Minimum Wages March 20-22

The California Industrial Welfare Commission will meet in executive session on March 20-22 in San Francisco to reach a decision on the revision of the State's minimum wage orders covering women and minors.

The Commission's deliberations will focus on wage board recommendations and evidence received at public hearings held in San Francisco and Los Angeles in January. At that time, the State AFL-CIO called for a \$1.50 per hour minimum wage, combined with more effective penalty pay provisions on overtime.

IWC orders up for revision include: 1-57, Manufacturing; 2-57, Personal Service; 3-57, Canning, Freezing and Preserving; 4-57, Professional, Technical, Clerical, and Similar Occupations; 5-57, Public Housekeeping; 6-57, Laundry, Linen Supply, Dry Cleaning and Dying; 7-57, Mercantile; 8-57, Industries Handling Products After Harvest; 9-57, Transportation; 10-57, Amusement and Recreation; 11-57, Broadcasting; 12-57, Motion Pictures; 13-61, Industries Handling Products After Harvests on the Farm.

These include all of the Commission's outstanding orders with the exception of 13-61, covering women and minors in agricultural field work. The Commission had voted against reopening this order, which was issued in 1961.

At the present time all of the Commission's orders covering women and minors provide for only a \$1.00 per hour minimum wage.

Following the scheduled executive sessions, the Commission is expected to meet publicly to promulgate its revised orders.

Governmental Efficiency, Room 4203, 9:30 a.m.

SB 172 (McAteer) Payment of state employees. Good

SB 368 (Arnold) Conservation center. Bad

## Thursday, March 21

Natural Resources, Room 2440, 1:30 p.m.

SB 643 (O'Sullivan) Fire prevention and control.

Bad

#### Monday, March 25

Business and Professions, Room 4040, 9:30 a.m.

SB 570 (Stiern) Barbers.

Good

### Tuesday, March 26

Local Government, Room 4040, 9:30 a.m.
SB 664 (Bradley) Construction of subdivision

improvements. Good SB 679 (Bradley) Public works: prevailing

## IGEST OF BILLS

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Recreation

Industrial Safety

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Unemployment Insurance Workmens Compensation

Water and Power

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No bill may be taken up until 30 days after date of introduction indicated in Digest, except by 3/4 vote.

## ASSEMBLY BILLS

- \*AB 1531 Williamson (Jud.) Jury auty. Provides that all employees shall be allowed time off for service on juries without loss of pay, but permits deduction of per diem pay received for jury duty. Feb. 27.
- AB 1537 Danielson (Elec. & Reap.) Elections. Provides in counties which have population exceeding 300,000, polls shall be open from 7 o'clock a.m. to 8 o'clock p.m. on any election day. Feb. 27.
- AB 1538 Stevens (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. Eliminates provision permitting Industrial Accident Commission, on own motion, to grant reconsideration of any matter decided by a referee or commissioner at any time within 60 days after filing of order, decision or award made by referee or commissioner. Feb. 27.
- AB 1539 Stevens (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. Modifies provision requiring full amount of an order, decision or award for compensation shall be increased by 10 percent when payment of compensation has been unreasonably delayed or refused, to limit the requirement to payment of 10 percent of the full amount of compensation due, owing and unpaid by terms of the order, decision or award. Feb. 27.
- AB 1540 Stevens (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. Prohibits allowance of any percentage of permanent disability for subjective complaints. Prohibits consideration of evidence of subjective complaints as evidence of permanent disability except in specified instances. Feb. 27.
- AB 1541 Stevens (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. With specified exceptions, provides that "injury" does not include disability or death due to (1) cardiac or vascular disease or any aggravation or exacerbation thereof, (2) cancer, neoplasm or leukemia, or (3) emphysema. Feb. 27.
- AB 1542 Stevens (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. Provides that where permanent disability rating is based in whole or in part on subjective complaints, no commutation of payments can be ordered of portion of rating based on such complaints until one year after last payment of temporary disability or one year after return to work following injury, whichever is first, and not earlier than two years from date of injury WC---Bad Feb. 27.
- AB 1559 Cusanovich (Ind.R.) Smelter and underground employees. Permits longer hours of labor during continuance of any emergency, rather than only in emergency where life or property is in imminent danger. Feb. 28. LC-Bad
- AB 1654 Burton (C.S. & S.P.) Public officers and employees. Changes from discretionary to mandatory the provision for deductions from wages, by public agencies, of dues of employee organizations. Feb. 28. PE--Good
- AB 1567 Waldie (G.O.) Industrial Accident Commission. Provides the Chairman of Industrial Accident Commission shall hold office at the pleasure of the Governor rather than for term of four years. Provides that Governor, rather than chairman, shall determine the panel on which members appointed shall serve; and requires that on each panel one member shall be appointed from labor, one from industry, and one from the public. To become operative on January 15, 1964. Feb. 28. WC--Watch
- AB 1568 Waldie (G.O.) Industrial Accident Commission. Provides that Governor shall appoint chairman of Industrial Accident Commission with the advice and consent of the Senate to serve at the pleasure of the Governor rather than for four-year term, Feb. 28.
- AB 1581 Meyers (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. Includes State Police, State Harbor Police and University of California Police within those persons to whom certain presumptions concerning hernia, tuberculosis, heart trouble and pneumonia apply with respect to injuries on the job, and who are entitled to leave of absence with pay in lieu of temporary disability payments when disabled on the job. Feb. 28. WC-Watch
- AB 1584 Meyers (C.S. & S.P.) State employees: polygraph examinations. Prohibits lie detector examination of any state employee unless the lie detector operator can show to the satisfaction of the State Personnel Board that he meets certain specified standards of education, experience, and knowledge. Provides that the State Personnel Board shall certify as qualified to examine state employees those who meet the stated requirements. Feb. 28.
- AB 1585 Meyers (Fin. & Ins.) Workmen's compensation. Includes State Police and State Harbor Police within those persons to whom certain presumptions

- concerning hernia, tuberculosis, heart trouble and pneumonia apply with respect to injuries on the job, and who are entitled to leave of absence with pay in lieu of temporary disability payments when disabled on the
- AB 1599 Meyers (G.E. & E.) Schools of cosmetology. Forbids the State Board of Cosmetology to issue a certificate of registration and license to conduct a new school of cosmetology unless the applicant offers proof satisfactory to the board that there is in the county where the school is to be established a population of at least 500,000 for each school of cosmetology in existence in the county and an additional 500,000 for the new school. Prohibits the board from issuing certificate and license for new school in city where the ratio of the population of the city is less than 150,000 for each school. To take effect immediately. Urgency measure. Feb. 28.
- AB 1600 Meyers (G.E. & E.) Cosmetology. Provides for licensing of managercosmetologists. Requires that, generally, cosmetological establishment shall be under direct supervision and management of a licensed managercosmetologist. Limits time in which junior operator must secure license as cosmetologist. Feb. 28. LS-Watch
- AB 1579 Waldie (G.O.) Public employees' political activities. Repeals provision permitted in county ordinance respecting political activities of county employees; repeals provisions to be included in city ordinance respecting political activities of city employees; declares legislative intent to pre-empt field of regulating political activities of public employees and under provisions applicable to all public employees, except employees of school district, provides for exclusion of political activities in public buildings occupied for governmental purpose and prohibits public employees from engaging in active political campaigns. Feb. 28.
- AB 1601 Meyers (C.S. & S.P.) Political activities of state employees. Authorizes state officer or employee to engage in political activities not prohibited by statute or federal law. Prohibits Personnel Board, its executive officer, and appointing power from adopting rules prohibiting political activities or declaring such activities to be incompatible with duties of officer or employee. Feb. 28.
- AB 1602 Meyers (Agr.) Poultry. Extends exemption for New York dressed fowl from poultry plant sanitation, inspection, and classification marking requirements from November 1, 1964 to November 1, 1965. Feb. 28.
- AB 1611 Knox (G.E. & E.) Cosmetology. Revises qualifications for membership on the State Board of Cosmetology. Deletes necessity for approval of Director of Professional and Vocational Standards in order for board to prescribe duties of its officers and employees and establish offices. Grants board the power to appoint its own attorney at a salary fixed by board. Requires board to employ examiners to conduct examinations for licenses and authorize board to establish the qualifications therefor. Requires that schools of cosmetology be in charge of a cosmetology instructor, rather than a cosmetologist. Revises qualifications for obtaining license as instructor. Deletes requirement that the 1,600-hour school term extend over a period of not less than 9 months. Requires applicants for license to operate a school of cosmetology to present to the board 25 applications for enrollment as students. Requires that a student in school of cosmetology complete 300 hours of instruction in school in which he is enrolled before he may work on a paying patron, rather than completing 200 hours of instruction before he may so engage. March 4.
- AB 1614 Garrigus (Ed.) Authorizes counties to establish, by majority vote of the electorate, technical, agricultural and forestry schools to give vocational training to students who have completed the eighth grade and who have the aptitude. The county board of education is to serve as a governing board and the county superintendent of schools would operate the school. Admission to the school is by approval of a board of admissions and requires parental or guardian approval or referral by the court as to its wards. Permits provision of board and lodging for students and faculty. Costs to be borne by the county, the student's school district, and student's parents. Appropriates to and provides for apportionment from the State School Fund of an unspecified sum for the purposes of the act-March 4. TR-Bac

## SENATE BILLS

- SB 844 Lagomarsino (Jud.) Mechanics' liens. Requires contractors, subcontractors and materialmen connected with certain grading and street, sidewalk and public utility installation on any tract of land to commence suit on mechanics' liens not less than 90 nor more than 270 days after the last delivery of materials or performance of work, rather than requiring commencement of such suits within 90 days after expiration of the period within which a mechanic's lien may be filed. March 4. LI—Watch
- SB 845 Rattigan (B. & P.) Sunday selling. Makes it a misdemeanor for any person to sell nonessential articles, as defined, on Sundays in specified areas of the State. March 4.
  LS—Watch
- SB 847 Lagomarsino (Ed.) Technical, agricultural, forestry schools. Authorizes counties to establish, by majority vote of the electorate, technical, agricultural and forestry schools to give vocational training to students who have completed the eighth grade and who have the aptitude. The county board of education is to serve as a governing board and the county superintendent of schools would operate the school. Admission to the school is by approval of the board of admissions and requires parental or guardian approval or referral by the court as to its wards. Permits provision of board and lodging for students and faculty. Costs to be borne by the county, the student's school district, and student's parents. Appropriates to and provides for apportionment from the State School Fund of an unspecified sum for the purposes of the act. March 4.
- SB 856 Rees (Gov. Eff.) Regional planning districts. Creates regional planning district in each of nine regions of State as determined by State Planning Office. Provides district becomes operative only if the legislative bodies of two-thirds of the counties and cities in the district by resolution approve thereof or if the voters of the district approve by a majority vote. The method and composition of the governing body of the district is faulty and does not provide for adequate representation by interested segments of the public, including labor.
  - Defines purposes and establishes powers and duties of districts. Authorizes levying of annual ad valorem property tax. Repeals existing provisions for regional planning. March 5.
- SB 857 Farr (Ed.) School teachers exchange program. Provides for exchange and recruitment of teachers to teach foreign languages. Provides for credentialing of foreign language teachers. Provides for payment of travel expenses, salary differences and refresher courses of such teachers. Appropriates \$171,200 for such purpose. To be operative when funds from federal government or private foundations for such purpose are made available on a one-half matching basis. March 5.
- SB 861 Nisbet (L. Gov.) Local agency annexations. Creates a local agency annexation commission in each county, except a county with one city or no cities. Requires each commission to review and approve or disapprove all proposals for the annexation of territory to cities and special districts within the county.
  - The method and composition of the Commission is faulty in that it does not provide for adequate representation by interested segments of the public, including labor. Also no adequate review procedure is provided from a decision of the Commission.
  - Prescribes procedure for such review and factors to be considered. Suspends annexation proceeding until commission reviews proposal and terminates proceeding if commission disapproves annexation proposal. March 5.
- SB 866 Bradley (Gov.Eff.) Fair employment practices. Exempts inquiry as to applicant's place of birth in a form of application for employment by the State or any political subdivision thereof from general prohibition against such inquiry on employment application. March 5.
- SB 868 Bradley (L.Gov.) County property. Provides that in any county, instead of only those counties containing a population of 500,000 or over, it shall be a misdemeanor to willfully separate into smaller work orders

- any public work project to evade the provisions requiring public work to be done by contract after competitive bidding. March 5.
- SB 869 Bradley (L.Gov.) City public works. Prohibits splitting or separating any public works project into smaller work orders or projects in order to evade provisions re letting contracts for city public works. Makes person willfully doing so guilty of a misdemeanor. March 5.
  LS—Good
- SB 877 Short (Ins. & F.I.) Workmen's compensation. Makes deputy sheriffs who are subject to County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 who sustain disability eligible for leave of absence without loss of salary, in lieu of temporary disability payments, if any, which would be payable, for not exceeding one year or until such earlier date as they are retired on permanent disability pension. March 5.
- SB 878 McAteer (Gov. Eff.) Increases the maximum number of bar pilots for San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun Bays from 25 to 35. March 6.
- SB 883 Grunsky (Ed.) Public school finance. Revises present formulas for computing foundation program levels of support for elementary schools and high schools, other than for necessary small schools, to base computation on average daily attendance—classroom teacher ratios and standard amounts of support per full-time equivalent classroom teacher for salary and essential services. Eliminates present system of alternate foundation programs for elementary and high schools. Incorporates as computation standards for elementary schools and high schools, respectively, 33:1 and 28:1 average daily attendance—classroom teacher ratios, \$6,300 and \$7,200 average classroom teachers' salaries, and \$1,500 and \$1,750 per-classroom teacher expenditures for essential services, and provides for adjustments in computations for failure to meet standards. Provides supplemental state support for low-wealth elementary school districts and high school districts. Places State School Fund apportionment formulas on current basis, requiring use of current levels of attendance, expenditures, and assessed valuations, rather than those of preceding fiscal year, and eliminates present system of allowances and apportionments for current growth in enrollments. Makes numerous related changes. In effect immediately, urgency measure. March 6.
- \*SB 889 McAteer (Lab.) Hot cargo, secondary boycotts. Removes provisions declaring "hot cargo" and "secondary boycotts" unlawful and providing for injunctive relief therefrom. March 6.
- SB 892 O'Sullivan (Gov. Eff.) Alcoholic beverages. Grants every person, or his heirs, who is killed or injured in person or in property by an intoxicated person, a right of action against anyone who by illegally selling or giving alcoholic beverages to the intoxicated person caused the damage or injury sustained. March 7.
  LS—Bad
- SB 898 Rodda (Ed.) County boards' school functions. Removes from county board of supervisors and vests in county board of education numerous functions and powers of approval and review in matters of school district organization and reorganization. March 7.
  ED—Watch
- SB 906 Bradley (Ins. & F.I.) Requires copy of inspection report of rating organization for workmen's compensation insurance to be furnished to insurer on request or to member upon authorization of insured at a reasonable charge. March 7.
  WC—Bad
- SB 910 Dolwig (Ins. & F.I.) Includes psychologists licensed by State within the term "physician" for purposes of workmen's compensation provisions. March 7.
  WC—Watch
- SCA 12 Rattigan (L.Gov.) Counties and cities: regulations. Declares under what conditions local, police, sanitary, and other regulations shall be deemed in conflict with general law, and therefore may not be enacted and enforced by any city, county, or city and county. Makes other technical changes. March 5.

## FISHING BILLS

- AB 272 Thomas (F. & G.) Commercial sardine season. Extends from October 1, 1963 to October 1, 1965 sardine season for reduction plant or packer uses established in 1961. Jan. 21.
- AB 583 Young (F. & G.) Authorizes refunds by Department of Fish and Game of funds erroneously collected without requiring approval of the State Board of Control or requiring payment through State Controller. Jan. 29.
- AB 792 Kennick (F. & G.) Revises boundaries of Districts 19 and 19B. Provides that bait nets may be used to take fish for bait only in Districts 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 19A, 19B, 20A, 21, 11B and 118.5; and that such nets may be used to take specified fish for live bait only in District 19B. Feb. 4.
- 1 AB 818 Thomas (F. & G.) Defines and prohibits use of "long line" to take salmon. Specifically prohibits use of set lines to take salmon in Fish and Game Districts 6, 7, 10, 17, 18, and 19. Feb. 4.
- t AB 1508 Davis (F. & G.) Provides for the appointment of the Director of the Department of Fish and Game by the Fish and Game Commission. Feb. 27.

  LS—Watch
- CACA 25 Hinckley (F. & G.) Provides for election of Fish and Game Commission from designated areas every four years commencing with the 1966 election. March 4.

- SB 135 Farr (F. & G.) Fish handling privilege taxes. Extends privilege tax on handling of designated fish from December 31, 1963, to December 31, 1965. Jan. 17.
  LS—Good
- SB 413 Farr (Jud.) Provides forfeiture of bail constitutes conviction for purposes of suspending fishing and hunting license privileges and forfeiture of apparatus used to illegally take fish or game. Feb. 4.
  LS—Watch
- SB 491 Geddes (F. & G.) Prohibits any person engaged in business of purchasing or selling fish to sell, offer for sale, or possess in any place of business where fish are purchased or sold any undersize salmon. Feb. 4.
  LS—Good
- SB 503 Cameron (F. & G.) Commercial fishing gear. Authorizes the Fish and Game Commission to authorize use of any type of net, trap, line, spear, or other appliance not authorized by the Fish and Game Code if the commission determines such use will not endanger any fish resource and will aid in proper utilization of the fish resource. Provides that authorization is to be in effect for period designated, but not longer than 91st day after next general session of the Legislature. Feb. 5.
- SB 652 Cameron (F. & G.) Extends the general regulatory powers of Fish and Game Commission for two years. Feb. 11.
  LS—Good

## **Mounting Unemployment Sharpens Need**

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needed to help stimulate the economy."

The State AFL-CIO leader indicated, however, that the basic unemployment problem must find its solution in providing enough jobs to go around and smoothing out adjustments to automation and other technological changes.

"It is also wrong," Pitts said, "to look upon the current high level of unemployment as a matter of merely matching men and jobs through expanded job training and retraining programs."

Pitts warned against over emphasis on the "structural" aspects of unemployment and thinking of training and retraining programs as a "panacea."

He elaborated as follows:

"We need a vast expansion of training programs, and we need to secure the immediate passage of AB 49 (Elliott), before the Legislature, which would create a California Commission on Manpower, Automation and Technology with statutory authority to direct labor market surveys and project future skill requirements in a meaningful manner so that broad-based and planned community job training programs may be undertaken on a fully coordinated basis. This is essential if we are to avoid floundering in California in the implementation of the federal Manpower Development and Training Act.

"At best, however, this is only 25 percent of the problem. Model training programs for matching men and jobs will not create the new jobs necessary to secure employment for all those who are entering the labor market or being displaced by technological advancements. Only an expanding economy can do this job.

"We look to the federal government for the needed stimulus to our private enterprise economy, but California has a vital role to perform also in taking the action that is necessary to satisfy our mounting public and social needs.

"This extends to the whole field of health, education and welfare where many of our pressing unmet needs are social in character requiring governmental action to satisfy them directly or through stimulating private initiative. It extends also to some of our most pressing urban problems requiring the employment of state resources to help find solutions in cooperation with the federal government as well as cities and counties."

Pitts singled out for special emphasis the urgent need in California for state housing programs, supplementing federal activities in this area, "to break up the pattern of decay in our core cities and vastly expand the availability of low and moderate income housing in non-stratified and non-segregated communities."

"The State Legislature must move with boldness along the lines recommended by the Governor's Commission on Housing Problems," Pitts said. "The State's credit must be made available at low interest rates to increase the supply of low and moderate income housing, help eliminate our 'trap ghettos,' and permit the development of balanced new communities so that the 'problem-creating' pattern of urban sprawl may be brought to a halt in the provision of housing for our mushrooming population.

"This is the kind of State action that is needed to come to grips with our social needs and at the same time contribute to the wholesome expansion of the private sector of our economy."

## Unemployment Figures

The latest jobless figures in California in February show that unemployment rose seasonally by 59,000 from 441,000 in January. The rate of unemployment jumped over the month from 6.6 percent to 7.4 percent with a total of 500,000 unemployed in February.

California civilian employment was 6,213,000 in February, as compared with 5,991,000 a year earlier. This over-the-year increase of 222,000 jobs, however, was not enough to absorb increases in our labor force. As a result, there were 5,000 more unemployed persons last month than in February a year ago when the rate of unemployment was 7.6 percent.

On the national level, the seasonally adjusted jobless rate of 6.1 percent in February reflected unemployment totalling 4.9 million—400,000 more than a year ago. About 50 percent of the present jobless are adult men, the family breadwinners.

Long-term unemployment showed a seasonal increase of 150,000 in February to a total of 1.3 million. The long-term unemployed consist of those jobless fifteen months or longer. This means that more than

## Labor Dept. to Set Up Apprenticeship Equal Opportunity Body

Undersecretary of Labor John F. Henning has announced that the establishment of a high-level national committee to be known as "The Advisory Committee For Equal Opportunity in Apprenticeship and Training" has been approved by the Secretary of Labor.

The Committee, patterned after California's existing Statewide Committee for Equal Opportunity in Apprenticeship and Training for Minority Groups, will be composed of outstanding representatives of labor, management, education, minority groups and the public. Henning, in his capacity as Manpower Administrator for the Department of Labor, will serve as chairman of the body.

The order establishing the Committee assigns to it responsibility for advising the Department of Labor with respect to the development, review, and promotion of more effective programs and policies in the broad area of equal opportunity in both apprenticeable and other occupations requiring high skill levels.

California's statewide committee on which the federal body is modeled was launched on the initiative of the California Labor Federation. Just recently a summary booklet on "The California Plan for Equal Opportunity in Apprenticeship and Minority Groups" was presented to Governor Edmund G. Brown by Industrial Relations' Director Ernest Webb.

The document, prepared and published by the Department's Division of Apprenticeship, is a comprehensive blueprint of California's approach to assuring members of minorities of equal opportunity in apprenticeship and training. Governor Brown had disclosed at the time the California plan was presented to him that it would soon become the basis for a federal action program.

one-third of the nation's unemployed have been without jobs for more than three months.

Commenting nationally, A F L-CIO President George Meany said that the rise in joblessness represents "bitter poverty and human dispair," for the victims and demonstrates that immediate action is vital to "prevent 6 percent misery from becoming 100 percent catastrophe."

## Meany Sees Organizing Advances

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ternal Disputes Plan shows that the number of persons involved has been "inconsequential."

Livingston's report said the Los Angeles project is now "an operating entity" and that as of Feb. 25, 39 of the 56 participating AFL-CIO unions have paid their allotted share for the first quarter's operations. At present participating unions have an organizing staff of 158 persons on the project.

The campaign was launched Jan. 2 with 400 non-union plants as the initial targets. Franz Daniel, AFL-CIO assistant director of organization, is heading the drive in the sprawling two-county area which has some 750,000 unorganized workers.

The Los Angeles-Orange Counties Organizing Committee, Livingston reported, has been involved in 25 organizing situations involving decisive NLRB elections or card checks. Eighteen involving 1,500 workers have resulted in union victories. Four involving 250 people were lost and three election results involving 850 workers are still undetermined.

Among the undecided elections is the biggest held to date—at the Weston Borg-Warner plant in Van Nuys, long an unorganized stronghold. There the NLRB tally was 165 for no union, 161 for the Auto Workers, with eight ballots challenged. Six of the challenges were made by the NLRB representative and a UAW spokesman said the outcome could be reversed if the disputed ballots are counted.

counted.

"The program," said Livingston, "has had a generally favorable beginning. The high degree of cooperation that has marked every step of the project continues on the local level. . . . The campaign is well underway but it will be spring at least before there can be any sustained showing of substantial results."

Livingston reported also that unofficial but complete NLRB figures covering the period from July 1, 1961 through June 30, 1962 show that:

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AFL-CIO unions won bargaining rights for units having 190,858 employes. "That

# Support Urged for Hotpoint, Shell Oil Strikers

The AFL-CIO, in resolutions adopted recently by the Executive Council, voiced strong support for strikes by the Sheet Metal Workers at General Electric's Hotpoint Division and the Oil Workers at the Shell Oil Co.'s Pasadena, Tex., plant.

The resolutions called on AFL-CIO affiliates to give all possible support to the two unions in their efforts to win satisfactory settlements.

Declaring that Hotpoint "has forced its employes to strike" for basic security and working conditions, the council accused the company of "a sham and a fraud" in expressing "alleged concern" for the welfare of its employes in the Chicago-Cicero area.

The SMW struck the company for an initial contract covering some 2,500 workers. Forty bargaining sessions had failed to budge management from its refusal to provide "a single penny" in immediate wage or fringe benefit improvements or to agree to grievance arbitration, the council noted.

The Oil Workers' six-months-long strike against Shell is one of a series of walkouts in the industry over the past four years brought on, the council charged, by a major management drive to wipe out job security guarantees.

OCAW Local 4-367, representing about 2,500 workers, struck Shell's Pasadena installation last Aug. 19 to protect contract provisions in effect for as long as 25 years. The council noted that the walkout has continued without a single defection despite difficult conditions, with management maintaining much production in the highly automated plant through use of supervisory personnel.

The resolution accused Shell of a "concentrated effort" to break the strike and force an agreement giving management "full unilateral control over job assignments, manning of equipment, scheduling of work and other items which are vital to the workers."

is the largest number won by AFL-CIO unions in any full NLRB fiscal year since the merger."

AFL-CIO unions filed 6,036 petitions for collective bargaining elections during the period, "the highest such number of the last five NLRB reporting years."

## JFK Flays Waste Of Unemployment

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statements about curbing unemployment for too long, and he said:

"We have committed ourselves to a national policy designed to provide all Americans with the opportunity to develop and use their talents and energies to the maximum of which they are capable."

Among other things the manpower report disclosed that:

- Unemployment and underemployment, consisting of involuntary part time work, resulted in a waste of one billion work days in 1962. This is equivalent to shutting down the nation's entire economy for three weeks.
- Between 1947 and 1957 private non-farm industries created 700,000 new jobs each year. But in the five year period, 1957-1962, these same industries created less than 200,000 jobs each year, a decline of half a million jobs during each of the past five years.

## New Duties for Henning

Under Secretary of Labor John F. Henning has been appointed to head the newly created Manpower Administration in the Labor Department. In announcing the appointment, Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz explained that the new bureau would encompass the work of three existing departmental agencies: the Office of Manpower, Automation and Training; the Bureau of Employment Security; and the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training.

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