

# Preference Must Be Given Service Men

## Employment Agent Leonard Blood Checking; 850 On Payrolls

CARSON CITY, Nev., Nov. 30. (U.P.)—Boulder Dam construction has given many ex-service men jobs and contractors who do not show sufficient ex-service men on their payrolls will be warned that they are in violation of contract.

Leonard T. Blood, superintendent of the federal-state employment service, under William Royle, state labor commissioner, in a letter to his superior, made the above statement.

Blood said that there are about 850 ex-service men employed at the dam at the present time and that one week this month 265 more men were added.

"The contractors who do not show substantial numbers of ex-service men on payrolls will be contacted and an explanation of the condition demanded," the letter states. "If they cannot show that they are doing the class of work that there are not available ex-service workmen, then Walker F. Young, chief engineer for the government, will be asked to investigate the violation of the contract."

Recent figures from the dam show that there are 2,414 employed; 2,357 are American citizens and 57 are foreigners.