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### New "L" Service Aids Sight-seeing Groups

A new Rapid Transit Lines' service is now available to adult and children's groups desirous of making trips to museums, industrial plants and places of unusual interest in Chicago. Through this new department, complete arrangements may be made for tours about the city including suggested itineraries and transportation details.

Clubs contemplating organized trips of any character are urged to contact the Rapid Transit Lines Traffic Division either by letter at 79 W. Monroe Street, or by telephone on Randolph 8200, Local 347, for assistance in planning attractive tours.

# Regular Boxing Shows At Four Fight Arenas

Regular fight shows staged at four athletic centers served by the Rapid Transit Lines provide boxing fans with a variety of bouts from which to choose.

Leading amateurs fighting under C. Y. O. colors are seen in action at the weekly shows held each Thursday evening at the C. Y. O. Athletic Center, 31 E. Congress street (Congress "L" station), while other amateurs mix it in the boxing shows taking place each Wednesday night at the 124th Field Artillery armory, 52nd and Cottage Grove (51st street "L" station transfer to 51st street car).

Every Monday evening sees a full card of professional bouts at Marigold Gardens, 817 Grace street (Grace street "L" station). Cicero Stadium, 20th street and 52nd avenue (52nd "L" station) is the scene of other shows.

# Free Transfers to Motor Coach, Surface Lines for "L" Riders

For the first time in history, Rapid Transit Lines passengers originating in the city of Chicago can transfer without payment of additional fare to lines of both the Chicago Motor Coach Company and the Chicago Surface Lines.

On payment of a 10-cent cash fare in Chicago "L" riders may now travel anywhere in the city by using fast elevated transportation to the transfer station nearest the point they want to reach and then going by street car or motor bus to destination.

A total of 70 elevated stations in the city proper have been designated by the Illinois Commerce Commission as transfer stations—52 as interchange points with the Surface Lines and 27 for transfer to Chicago Motor Coach Company routes.

Transfers are issued at all elevated stations within the city limits of Chicago at the time of payment of the regular 10-cent fare. To avoid confusion and save time, passengers are urged to ask for transfers by color yellow for Surface Lines and green for Chicago Motor Coach Company lines.

A handy reference guide to the transfer stations is provided in the map printed on inside pages of this folder. Passengers will find this map helpful in acquainting themselves with the convenient connections afforded through use of the "L."

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# Polo, Midget Autos Offer Thrills Galore

Indoor polo, game of fast-stepping ponies and daring riders, is a featured Saturday night attraction at two arenas on the "L." Nationally known stars are scheduled to play in games at the 124th Field Artillery Armory, 52nd and Cottage Grove, and the Chicago Riding Club, 333 E. Erie Street.

On Wednesday evenings at the Riding Club and on Sunday afternoons at the Armory, midget automobile races featuring outstanding drivers of the middle-west, are also being staged.

The Armory may be reached by free transfer from South Side "L" trains at 51st Street to eastbound cars for Cottage Grove Avenue, one block north of the entrance.

To get to the Riding Club transfer from any North Side train to eastbound Chicago Avenue car for Fairbanks Court. The Club is one block south.

### Easy Way to Shop: Use "L"-Store Connections

-The popular way to shop is by the "L" if the extent to which shoppers are using the direct platform connections to Loop department stores is any indication.

More and more women are using these convenient store to "L" facilities according to a survey made recently. And no wonder, for in a great many instances it saves extra trips a cross the heavily-trafficed Loop streets and eliminates unnecessary exposure to the elements in bad weather.

And we'd like to remind shoppers once more that they'll find "L" trains less crowded between the hours of 10 and 4.

### Films Depicting City's Attractions Available to Public Audiences

Outstanding events and attractions in Chicago and the development of local transportation are the subjects of three interesting motion pictures available to school and adult organizations through the Chicago Rapid Transit Company.

"Colorful Chicago," an all-color picture, and "Let's Go Places," are titles of two films featuring places to visit in the city, while the third, "From Trails to Rails," traces the historical development of transportation from its earliest forms.

All films require approximately 30 minutes for showing and are offered by the company without charge. If you're interested in arranging an attractive program for your school or your club, call Randolph 8200, local 235, for detailed information.

## "L" Loop Crossing Is World's Busiest

With a train passing every 15 seconds during the morning rush hour, the Lake and Wells street intersection on the elevated lines has come to be known as the "world's busiest railroad crossing."

In a representative day of 24 hours, normal traffic, a total of 2,098 trains, made up of some 6,400 cars, pass this junction. Coupled together in one continuous string, these cars would make a train 59 miles long.

### **Rush-Hour Time Savers**

During rush hours, when every second counts, passengers can help to keep service at its peak by:

 Having exact change ready when paying fare and thus avoiding delay at the ticket window.

(2) Moving up in the car so as not to block doorways while other passengers are boarding or leaving trains.

(3) Staying back from the edge of station platforms until ready to board train and thereby facilitating loading and unloading of passengers on other trains.



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## "Old Fashioned" Winter Proves Boon to Skaters

Outdoor sports enthusiasts, kept inactive by mild temperatures the last few years, are welcoming the return to the city this year of real ice skating weather. Thousands are making daily use of the frozen surfaces of Chicago park lagoons:

The "L" affords the best service to all of the city's larger parks, and eliminates winter driving problems. Humboldt and Douglas Park lagoons are served directly by elevated branches and stations bearing those names; Hamlin Avenue, Lake Street Division, is but a stone's throw from the Garfield Park rink; and Jackson and Washington Park skaters will find the Stony Island and 58th Street stations, respectively, convenient to their favorite sites.

### Stadium Games Rated Tops by Hockey Fans

Hockey-minded Chicagoans are getting plenty steamed-up these days over the engagements being staged at the Stadium by the city's two classy puckchasing aggregations—the Blackhawks and the C. Y. O. Shamrocks.

The former team is out to place in the Stanley Cup playoffs in an attempt to repeat its achievement of two seasons ago, when the Blackhawks won the world's championship professional hockey title. The Shamrocks are the city's representative in amateur competition, and they, too, have titular aspirations.

Only a few more weeks of the regular season remain, but the closing rounds of the schedule should bring some of the hottest games of the year. The Hawks' final home game is March 12. Then come the cup play-offs. You'll get a thrill a minute watching this "fastest of games." No "Don't Touch" Signs at Science and Industry Museum

Whenever you get tired of sitting home and listening to that "music goes 'round and 'round" thing on the radio —that's just the time to board an "L" train for the Museum of Science and Industry.

There you may satisfy that urge to see how it feels to navigate a big ocean liner or to pilot one of the great pulsing locomotives of a transcontinental flyer. For many of the technical exhibits at this institution are arranged so you may operate them yourself.

The museum is free to the public at all times. The quickest way to reach it is to ride the "L" to Jackson Park terminal and transfer in the park to a northbound No. 1 bus of Chicago Motor Coach Company.



Most of the best movies are near the "L" ... when the show's over you don't have to wonder whether or not your auto's still there, or if you've got a parking ticket, or if the motor will start... just take the "L" and you're home in a few minutes.



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#### This, That and T'other

Spring arrives early at the Garfield Park Conservatory where the current show features an extensive display of the flowers usually regarded as harbingers of spring . . . Hyacinths, tulips, narcissus and primroses lend bright color to the gloomy atmosphere of midwinter and visitors always come away from this park attraction feeling more cheerful for going there . . .

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The annual Chicago Artists' Show is packing 'em in at the ART INSTITUTE... More than 300 local painters have contributed examples of their work to this year's exhibition . . . Nine galleries have been set aside for this display by "home talent" . . . Another Institute feature is the five Saturday matinee performances of "Rip Van Winkle" which will be presented in the GOODMAN CHILDREN'S THEATER starting February 29 . . . This dramatization of the popular legend should make a hit with the youngsters . . .

On Mondays to Fridays, inclusive, of each week the Field Museum of Natural History sponsors officially conducted lecture tours through its various departments . . . More and more visitors are taking advantage of this free guide service when setting out to "do" the museum . . . The public is admitted free on Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays . . . An adult admission charge of 25 cents is in effect on other days . . .

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Burton Holmes Travel Talks share the spotlight at ORCHESTRA HALL during February and March . . . Music lovers have the weekly Thursday evening and Friday afternoon concerts by the orchestra to look forward to, as well as the bi-weekly Saturday evening and Tuesday matinee programs . . . Burton Holmes starts a series of 15 illustrated lectures on far-away places on February 19 . . . The series runs through on specified dates until March 21.

# Large Public Ballrooms Easily Reached by "L"

If you like dancing there's no better place to spend an evening than at one of the several large public ball-



rooms located directly on the "L." At the Aragon, Trianon and Merry Garden ballrooms there's always music by nationally-famous

orchestras and a gay, enthusiastic dancing crowd.

You can stay as late as you like, for all night service on the "L" assures you of a train at your convenience. Going to the Aragon, ride any Howard Street train to Lawrence station, and for the Merry Garden, take any Ravenswood or Howard Street "L" to Belmont avenue. Cottage Grove station on the Jackson Park branch is right at the door of the Trianon ballroom.

Embryo Champs from 13 States Fight for Golden Gloves February 24-26

Wild punching youngsters, champions at their respective weights from 13 states, will trek to Chicago February 24, 25 and 26 to fight in the Tribune's Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions to be held at the Chicago Stadium.

Fans by the thousands are expected to flock to this greatest of all amateur boxing shows which has produced such outstanding professional fighters as Joe Louis, Barney Ross and others.

Madison Street station on the Humboldt Park-Logan Square branches is within two blocks of the Stadium.

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