



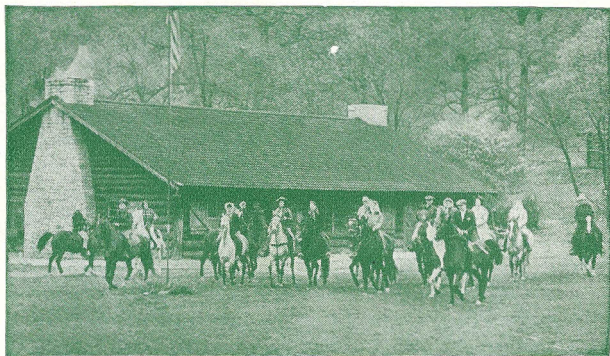
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It's Spring . . . Enjoy It

SPRING is here—and summer isn't far away.

Yes, old man winter with his heavy overcoats, fur coats and extra clothing has left for another year and practically no one was sorry to see him go.

To thousands of Chicagoans and suburbanites, the arrival of warm weather means spending Saturdays and Sundays and other holidays out-of-doors, enjoying the sun and spring breezes. This healthy and wholesome fun is available to all at our city parks and county forest preserves where beautiful surroundings promise an interesting day.

There are 135 city parks and approximately 35,600 acres of forest preserves in the Chicago area providing activities to suit every member of the family.

For the active family members there are golf, tennis, archery, horseshoe pitching, cricket, shuffleboard, horseback riding, swimming, boating, and many other sports. For the hot weather enthusiasts who prefer a less active day, there are fishing and many interesting scenic sights to view. And for the family there is that all-time favorite—a picnic.

Buckingham Fountain



MAJESTIC Buckingham Fountain will make its 1949 debut on May 20 at approximately the same date as the opening of "Blossomtime in Grant Park," an annual spring festival of flowering crabs, lilacs and hawthorns. Both of these presentations will be feature exhibits during the celebration of National Park and Recreation Week, May 21-30. Other attractions in Grant Park are the Art Institute, Chicago Natural History Museum, Shedd Aquarium and Adler Planetarium.

Lost and Found Departments

IN case the children, or yourself, leave a sweater, jacket, etc., on a CTA vehicle during "picnic" day, Chicago Transit Authority maintains lost and found offices at all streetcar depots and bus garages and on each section of

the elevated system. Telephone numbers of these locations are listed in the city telephone directory. If in doubt as to the proper local lost and found office to contact, call DEarborn 2-6100 and every effort will be made to help recover the lost article.

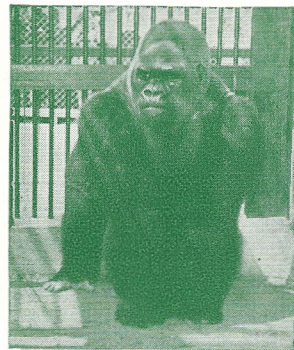
Transit Map Will Get You There

TO help our transit passengers in their travels throughout the city and suburbs, Chicago Transit Authority recently published a pocket-sized map showing all CTA lines and connecting suburban routes.

We all like to be sure of our destination and how to get there, particularly when the family is along for that all-day outing. This CTA map will do the job for you and it's available, free of charge. Just write, telephone or stop in at the Public Information department, Room 1226, 79 W. Monroe street. Your copy will be waiting for you.

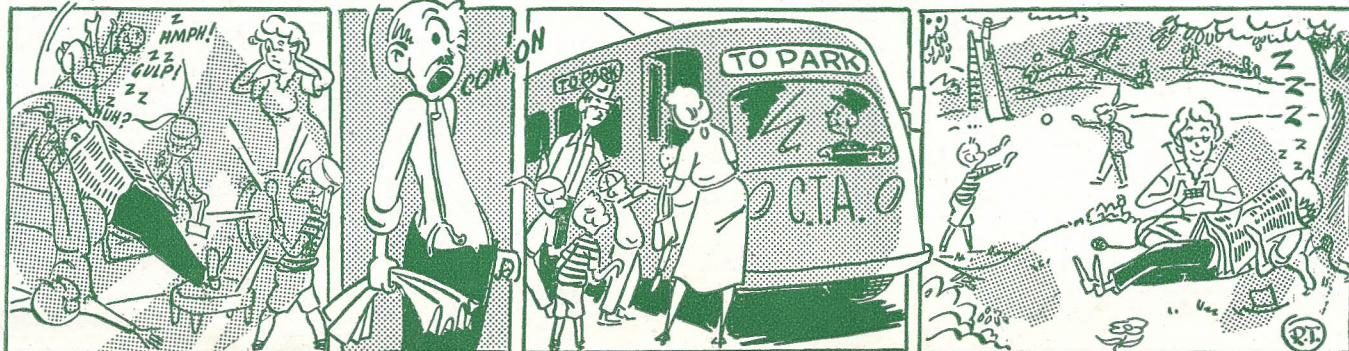
And just in case you neglected to pick up a map and find yourself and the family lost, but good, on that picnic day, call Chicago Transit Authority, DEarborn 2-6100, and ask for Information Service. The employee on duty will be able to answer any question you might have.

BUSHMAN



WHAT catches a youngster's eye more than animals? And where in Chicago is there a better place to show children these interesting creatures than the world-famous Lincoln Park Zoo, where over 2,600 animal, bird and reptile specimens frolic every day, including "Bushman," the largest and most perfect gorilla in captivity. A visit to the Zoo is always a memorable day for children, so plan to take them soon. CTA vehicles operate direct to Lincoln Park and they are always ready to serve you.

WEEK END PROBLEMS? LET C.T.A. HELP SOLVE'EM



HEADLINE EVENTS

served by CTA LINES

Baseball—*Chicago Cubs home games, Wrigley Field, Clark and Addison.*

Chicago White Sox home games, Comiskey Park, West 35th and South Shields.

Money—*Chicago Coin Exhibit, Public Library, Randolph and Michigan; and the Museum of Science and Industry, Lake Front at 57th street. April 22-29.*

Art—*"From Colony to Nation" masterpieces of American Painting, Silverware and Architecture, from 1650 to 1815. April 21-June 19. Art Institute of Chicago, Michigan and Adams.*

Take a Tip from the Saver Family

A CURRENT advertising campaign of Chicago Transit Authority introduces "Bill Saver and His Family," a typical American family group which rides CTA vehicles for work and play.

Experience has taught the "Bill Savers" that wherever they're going, parking worries, fuel costs and hazardous driving can be left at home by using the relaxing, convenient and safe means of transportation — CTA streetcars, buses or "L" trains. Why not be a "Bill Saver" family when you take your family to the park or forest preserves?

National Park and Recreation Week— May 21 to 30.

CITY parks and county forest preserve districts of the Chicago area will actively participate in the first annual celebration of National Park and Recreation Week, May 21-30, which is being observed throughout the United States and Canada. Purpose of this special week is to present to the public the beauties, services and facilities of these locations, and to show their influence on travel, sport and wholesome recreation for all classes of people.

Chicago and suburban residents will find our parks and forest preserves ideal locations to spend an enjoyable day outdoors, so why not plan celebrating National Park and Recreation Week by taking the family to their favorite park or forest preserve for a picnic?



"I never knew that anything stuffed with hay could be so hard."