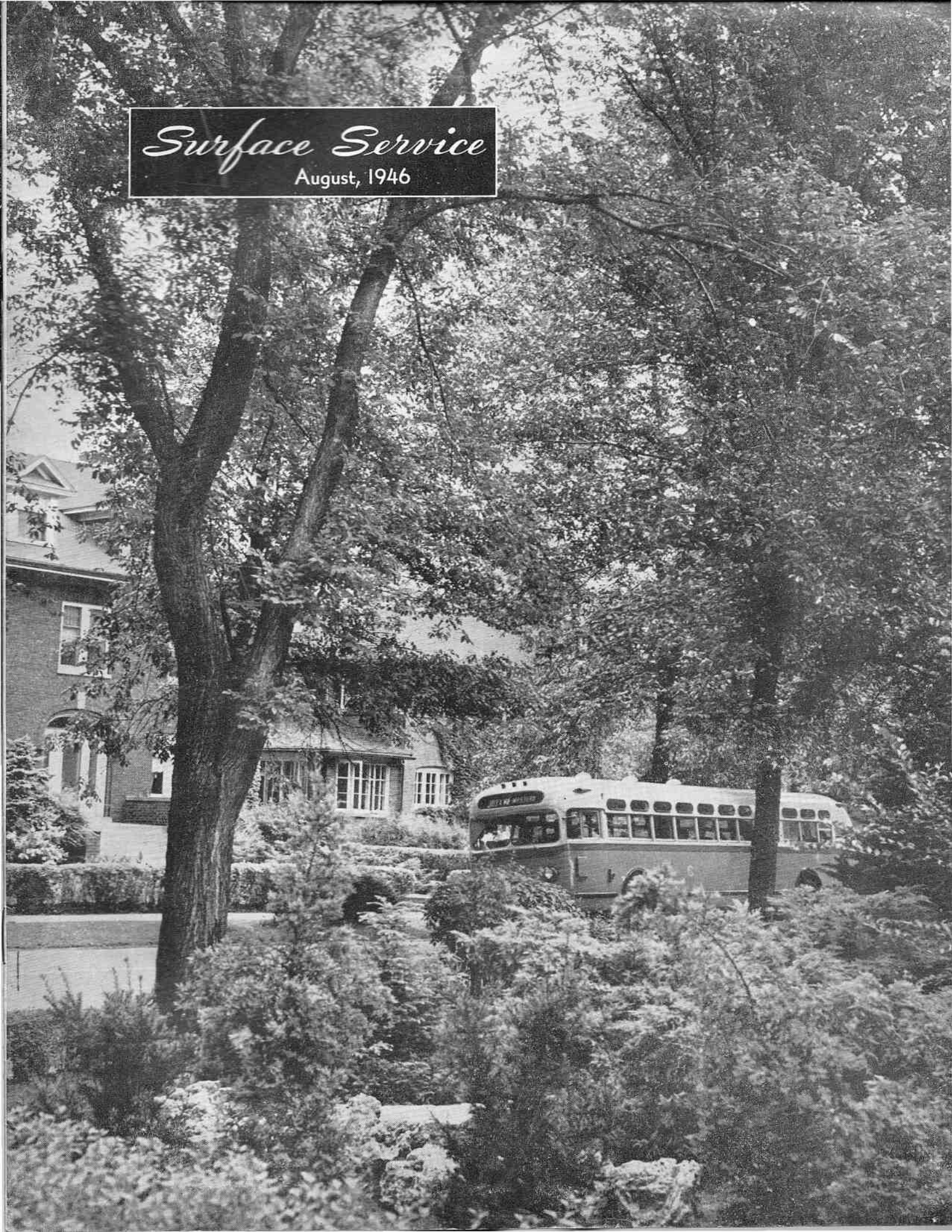


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To

Chicago Surface Lines

For

Transportation Companies Single Newspaper Advertisement on City Subject

in the Better Copy Contest at the Annual Meeting,

June 10, 11, 12, 1946, Atlantic City, New Jersey

This contest was conducted by the Public Utilities Advertising Association to evaluate and reward the best examples of advertising by Public Utility Operating Companies during the period January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945

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THE AWARD

CSL Ad Earns Award in Better Copy Contest

AN AWARD for the excellence of its advertising was made recently to CSL by the Public Utilities Advertising Association. Part of the Association's annual better copy contest, this award was in the transportation companies competition for for single newspaper advertisements on any subject.

The Company's prize-winning advertisement, entitled "You Mean I Can Help?" was part of the series the company has been running in Chicago newspapers. It dealt with the problems of reducing riding peaks and was addressed specifically to women, showing how non-rush hour shopping would speed war production.

Only three awards were distributed among the 57 entrants in CSL's contest grouping. This is the fifth award the company has received in these annual contests.

FRONT COVER—Photo by Fred Chouinard of one of the new General Motors buses recently installed on 103rd street.

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THE AD



"You mean I can help?"

Yes Madam

YOU CAN HELP SPEED WAR PRODUCTION

Every woman who goes shopping can help. What's more, it's easy. Just make your necessary shopping trips between 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., when the Surface Lines aren't crowded with war workers hurrying to and from essential jobs. Every extra rider in other daytime hours slows down service. Your neighbors who operate CSL regard the necessity of making this of ride, but when you understand the reason, we are sure you will be anxious to help.

Due to the emergency, Surface Lines is carrying upwards of 4,000,000 riders every day as war workers go to and from their battle stations. To accomplish this we are operating more routes than ever before. All this in the face of an acute manpower shortage brought about by the disturbing postwar employment situation as well as 2000 of our transit men having been called by the armed forces.

Men in CSL uniforms are doing everything possible to keep transportation moving—working extra hours, working days off, but your help is needed too.

MEN HIRED TO HELP MOVE WAR WORKERS ON TIME
Eight new buses to speed war workers and more speed on the Surface Lines. All the equipment required at each hour is to be kept in operation, there can only be one rule—work hard and steady work. Apply today—1035 N. Clark St. on any car station.



CHICAGO SURFACE LINES
CHICAGO'S CITY-WIDE TRANSIT SERVICE

WITH THE SUBSTITUTION of buses for streetcars on two north-side lines, the Chicago Surface Lines took another step last month in the installation of its \$23 million improvement program.

The changes were announced by John E. Sullivan, chairman of the Joint Board of Management and Operation.

The Chicago Surface Lines on July 9 substituted motor bus service for streetcars on Division Street between Grand and Austin avenues.

Buses were substituted for streetcars on Montrose Avenue on July 29.

These bus substitutions are only two out of twenty-two such conversions planned under the Surface Lines post-war improvement program. Already converted from streetcar to bus operation are carlines on 119th Street, 115th Street, and 111th Street and on Pershing Road between Western and Ashland Avenues.

Trolley Buses Later

The service on Montrose is furnished with large new 44-passenger buses just delivered to the Surface Lines by the White Motor Company.

The substitution is being made temporarily with gas buses pending the delivery of new trolley buses. The gas buses operate on Montrose from Broadway to Milwaukee Avenue where they connect with the trolley bus line on

Montrose and Division Receive New Buses

Montrose from Milwaukee to Narragansett Avenue. When new trolley buses are received, the Montrose service will be a through operation from Broadway to Narragansett.

Faster, more frequent service is provided under the schedule set up for the new service. During rush hours, buses operate as frequently as two minutes apart. Pending completion of a permanent terminal on private property at Broadway and Montrose, the buses turn back a block west of Broadway.

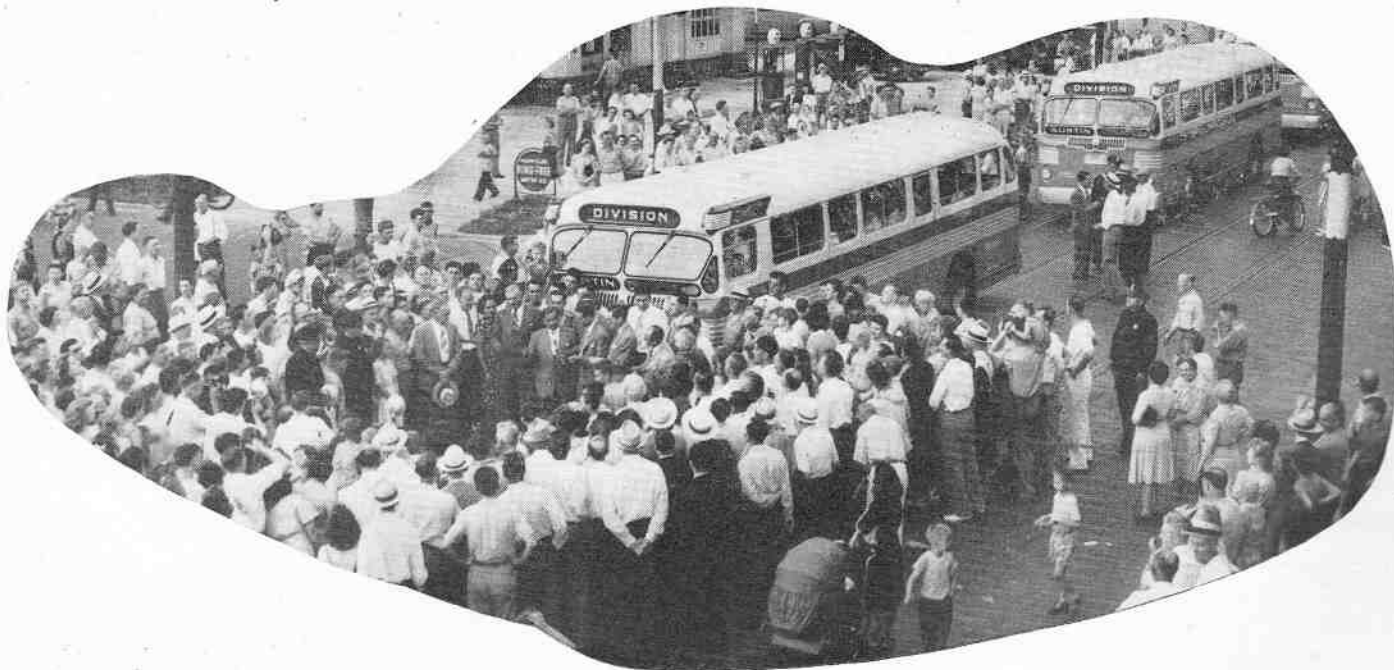
The Montrose car line carries approximately 36,000 riders on an average weekday. The line was built in 1897 and was operated as a two-man line until 1932, when it was changed to one-man.

Twins on Division

The Twin Coach bus used on Division street was enthusiastically labeled "a bus-operator's dream" by one of its admirers. Distinctive in appearance, the bus sets higher than most other types, permitting the engine to be located under the floor.

Most individual feature, perhaps, is the windshield which is specially designed to eliminate glare and also permit the driver to see immediately in front of the vehicle. A special arrangement of the steering mechanism places the driver's seat farther forward than usual, and at the same time absorbs practically all the road shocks.

The entire bus chassis is set in a





On Division — No squeak, No sway, No squint.

cushion of rubber. This special "torsilastic" suspension construction prevents squeaks and provides resistance to a swaying movement of the bus.

The cause of many an operator's dread of "dog" days is eliminated by locating the fuel pump in the gas tank—a design used in modern aircraft which prevents the gasoline from evaporating before it reaches the carburetor.

All stanchions, seat-backs and hand bars in the vehicle are plastic-coated and colored. To soothe the driver's frazzled nerves, the passenger signal is a muted chime rather than a buzzer.

Lines Combined

The new service on Division combines the one-man streetcar route with the bus line operating on Division street between Grand and California avenues, to furnish direct service from California avenue to Austin avenue.

Service was inaugurated with new 38-passenger modern buses just delivered to the Surface Lines by Twin Coach Company. Eight buses are required for the operation.

The Division Street carline, west of Grand Avenue was constructed in 1914 and 1913. Service was inaugurated on

the section from Grand to Cicero Avenue on December 16, 1914, and from Cicero Avenue to Austin Avenue on November 29, 1915. Originally started as a two-man carline, it was changed to one-man operation in 1921.

In addition to eliminating a transfer from streetcar to bus at Grand Avenue, running time on the line has been reduced.

Come to Halsted For Summer Fun

THERE'S NO NEED for Chicagoans to go to the mountains to enjoy snowball fights in mid-summer. Conductor Francis Rauss (Limits) is about to suggest to jaded citizens that they take a trip on his Halsted car instead.

On one of the hottest days of the summer, Rauss heard a commotion in his car—which proved to be the passengers protesting that someone had thrown a snowball! As proof, one passenger displayed a dampened countenance and pointed to a pile of rapidly melting snow on the floor!

Investigation revealed that the car had not wandered into an unseasonal blizzard. But a group of children running from the platform of a neighborhood ice company had mighty guilty looks.

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The Question: During the war, over 14,000 CSL employes purchased War Bonds through the Company's payroll deduction plan. A large percentage of these employes are still availing themselves of this convenient arrangement. What is your opinion of the value of the Payroll Savings Plan as a thrift measure?

THE PLACE:

Car stations at Lawrence, Lincoln, Noble, Burnside, 69th and Lawndale.

THE ANSWERS:

Operator W. E. McMahon, Lawndale: "In my opinion the Payroll Savings Plan is unequalled as a thrift measure. One of its big advantages is that it is sure fire. Choose the amount you save and it is deducted regularly from your check.



W. B. McMAHON

Regularity is the important thing in savings and for a family men like myself, an eye to the future education of my children is of first importance."

INQUIRING REPORTER

Conductor F. J. Herold, 69th: "They are a very good thing to have for a rainy day. I would purchase more if my finances would allow me."



F. J. HEROLD



L. J. BLONDIN

Motorman L. J. Blondin, Lawndale: "I am very much in favor of the Payroll Savings Plan. The money is deducted before you get your check and you never miss it. The most important thing about it in my estimation is that it is regular.

There is nothing hit-or-miss about it. It is taken out every pay day and that is the most important thing."

Motorman Bill Bell, 69th: "The value of the dollar is so low at the present it will not buy anything to speak of, so I feel that the bonds bought now are a very good thing and will pay off when prices return to normal."

Conductor W. Harkness, 69th: "When the pitching gets a little hot, they're a swell thing to have along side of you."

Motorman C. Zachary, 69th: "I think it's the investment anyone could make and should make for the future."

S. J. Pallagi, 69th: "I am buying bonds because, first of all, it is the safest investment in the world. Its value is guaranteed by all of the resources of our wonderful country, the good old U. S. A. It means financial security for me and

my family against unforeseen happenings, and then there is no better way to build up a nest egg that will definitely insure us against the days when our earnings may be reduced by sickness or some other incident."

THE QUESTION:

How do you plan to use the bonds which you have been purchasing?

THE ANSWERS:

Operator John P. Miller, Lawrence:



J. P. MILLER

"These bonds that I have accumulated will provide money for a pleasant vacation in South Dakota, the great state for pheasant hunting. I intend to go along and amass enough to buy a farm upon retirement and have this sport right in my backyard."

Conductor James B. Brennan, Lawrence:



J. B. BRENNAN

"I recently bought a home with the secure feeling that I have a cushion of Uncle Sam's bonds to help if anything goes wrong. I have a yearning to make a trip to the Deep South and I believe with the little nest egg I will realize my ambition."

Conductor John Moriarity, Lincoln: "I never did have any definite plans to put to use. But seeing that my two sons were called into military service, I thought it was also my duty to contribute as much as I could to our several bond drives. I intend to keep these bonds until they mature."

Motorman Frank Wolski, Lincoln:



FRANK WOLSKI

"I have already put the bonds that I have purchased to a use. I had planned from the start. I invested in a home that I have always had as a dream, but now it is a reality. The payroll deduction plan is a very good idea and I am glad I am able to participate in it."



FRED LOHSE

Conductor Fred Lohse, Noble:

"The purchasing of bonds is the answer. It is the most convenient way I know of to promote THRIFT. I think every man should take advantage of this opportunity of purchasing bonds by payroll deduction.

You miss it the least and find you have the most in the end."

Conductor Dick Kempiak, Noble:



DICK KEMPIAK

"Now that my family is grown up I consider it important to set aside 10% of my earnings for my old age. If I were a younger man I would consider it even more important to set aside this much towards the purchase of a home or any other thing that I may have my heart set on in the future."

REFLECTIONS . . .

Your Attitude is Reflected by Those Whom You Contact. These Commendations are the Result of the Courteous Actions of CSL Employees.

OPERATOR FRANK STEINMETZ—69th

Wrote Mrs. E. W. Peake, 7252 Bennett, "A week or so ago I came across the kindest and most considerate motorman I've ever seen. Several passengers were waiting to board the car . . . and before I could hardly realize what had happened, the motorman had one of my two children up on the car. He didn't lose one second in the operation and was on his way much more quickly than if he had waited impatiently for me to get up alone with the two."

OPERATOR CARL PERSON—Lawrence

"He stood the abuse of a passenger and said nothing—even assisted the passenger to get off at her proper stop . . . he was exceedingly gentlemanly," reported Cecelia L. Bredt, 2047 Farragut.

MOTORMAN GEORGE FOSTER —Kedzie

"This man is an artist, so to speak, in operating his car. He starts easily and stops rapidly, but without the snubbing action of unreleased brakes. . . . This man deserves commendation. . . . I understand that serving the riding public in Chicago is a trying chore, but your man in question is as outstanding as 'sterling' on silver." This praise came from Lawrence E. Mason, who supplied no address.

CONDUCTOR JOSEPH GUARISE—Devon

Mrs. Walter O. Chapman, 1624 Carmen, says that "If all streetcar conductors were as unfailingly courteous and

soft-spoken as he, riding streetcars would always be a pleasure. . . . He is an asset to any company."

MOTORMAN JULIUS SIKIS—77th, and CONDUCTOR MILO KREJCA—Archer

In commending these two employees, Mrs. Cora Glover, 4611 S. Wabash, wrote: "The motorman assisted a blind man from the car — the traffic lights were against the car—the fire department was passing and this motorman assisted the blind man across the street. . . . The conductor assisted a blind lady through a very large crowd to the sidewalk. . . . Such courtesies certainly cannot be overlooked as a very effective part of the services rendered by your employes."

CONDUCTOR ELMER HARWOOD—Lincoln

"I would like to compliment this conductor," wrote Mrs. Charles A. Overall, 617 Scranton, Lake Bluff, ". . . by his alertness he caught a passenger that was falling from the platform."

PHOTO WANTED

To complete its picture files of old equipment, SURFACE SERVICE would like to borrow for reproduction a good photo of an open summer car. Picture will be returned undamaged.

CONDUCTOR EARLE BARDEN, and MOTORMAN JAMES CLAIR—69th

Mrs. Peter Pisano, 7226 Cornell, wanted "to express my appreciation for the kindness I received from two of your workers. It was raining very hard when my four year old son and I were about to transfer at 64th and Stony. . . . Both men were very polite and courteous. They gave me newspapers to cover myself, and the conductor carried my son, with papers over him, to a nearby doorway, where we stood until the next car came along."

CONDUCTOR WILLIAM FINN —Kedzie

Just how it happened, A. W. Carter, Major Hotel, 660 W. Madison, never explained, but he "left behind on the streetcar a vacuum cleaner, weighing about 20 pounds. Mr. Finn nursed it like a baby—as indeed it was—and restored it on the return trip."

OPERATOR KENNETH DUNLOP —Lawndale

"For attentive and skillful driving on a rainy night, exceptional patience and helpfulness, and for courtesy and consideration 'above and beyond the call of duty' as the Army would word it, he rates bonuses, promotions, orchids or whatever rewards you have for employes who build up public goodwill toward your organization," commended A. Wesche, 624 Surf.

CONDUCTOR HARRY SMITH—77th

"I have occasion to ride with him several times weekly," stated Mitchell Norton, 648 Buckingham Place, "and have yet to find him in any but a jovial mood."

CSL Golfers to Chase the Little White Ball, August 27

CSL GOLFERS will hold their fourth annual tournament at White Pines Country Club, Bensenville, Illinois, on Tuesday, August 27.

The tournament was discontinued during the recent world-wide conflict, due to the fact that a great number of the trainmen who chased the little white ball over the rolling fairways were chasing the goal of peace over the shell-torn battlefields of the world. But now that they have returned and even more golfers have been added to our lists the tournament promises to reach greater proportions than ever before.

According to Committeeman Ed Foreman (motorman, Kedzie) the tournament is conducted under the Peoria System. There are many prize awards instead of only three or four—golf bags, golf clubs, golf balls, shirts, ties, cartons

of cigarettes, packages of cigarettes—and various pieces of merchandise that have been arranged for by the members of the committee and their well-wishers. The winning of the prizes is a matter of luck. Whether you make an eagle on a hole or shoot ten over par, you are apt to get a prize.

At the last tournament, all the stations were well represented, supervisors and station-masters turned out as well as trainmen. There were nearly a hundred contestants, of whom sixty percent received prizes for their good golf, medium golf, or just dubbing around the course.

The committee: Art Cooper, Ed Foreman, J. Micelli, and Ernie Barrick are anxious to have every division of CSL—the executive and office division, the

shop, track and power station divisions—as well as the trainmen, well represented.

It'll be a great day at White Pines Country Club, Bensenville, Illinois, on the occasion of the CSL Golf Tournament. Contestants should be at the club at 8:00 A. M., ready to play, on Tuesday, August 27th. The fee is four dollars for all day, including dinner, which will be served at 5:00 P. M.

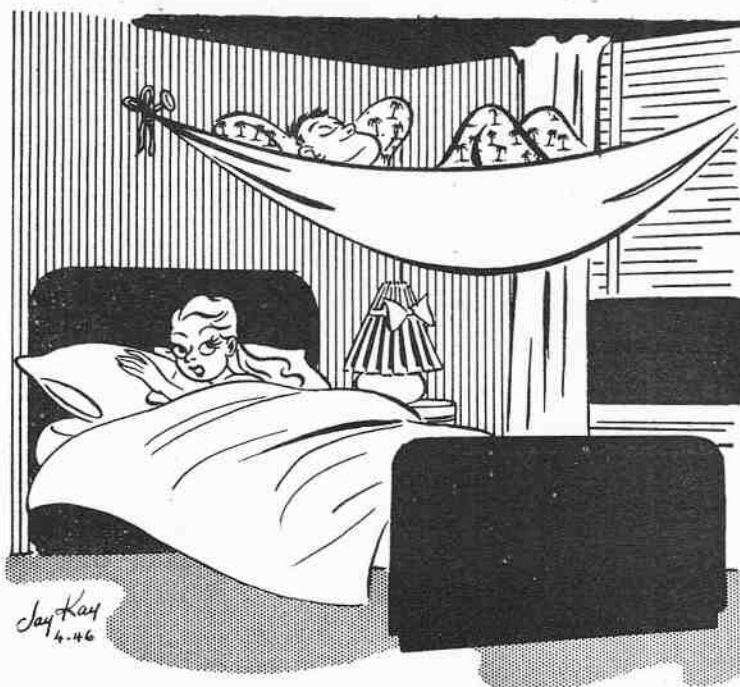
Get in touch with any member of the committee by phoning to Kedzie 2410, or send a postcard with the number of reservations. It's imperative that you let the committee know that you are coming so they will know how many plates to order for dinner.—*Joe Smith, Kedzie.*

Two Films on Transportation Being Distributed by CSL

WITH THE two-fold purpose of promoting traffic safety and better understanding of public transportation, CSL has obtained the two sound films "It's Wanton Murder," produced by the American Transit Association, and "Lifestream of the City," which was produced for the General Electric Company. The films are being made available for public and private showings before various civic groups.

"It's Wanton Murder" features Lowell Thomas and is a dramatic portrayal of the tragic consequences of careless driving. Well-staged and acted, it is being shown at a number of neighborhood theatres in Chicago as a part of their regular performances. It carries a story that should be impressed upon the mind of every motorist.

Of particular interest to civic-minded groups of citizens is "Lifestream of the City." Filmed in technicolor, it graphically demonstrates that good public transportation is indispensable to healthy community life, and that city planning should begin with public transportation. Both pictures are on 16mm. sound film. Showings can be arranged through the Public Relations department.



"JOHN DON'T YOU THINK YOU COULD TRY A BIT HARDER TO READJUST YOURSELF TO CIVILIAN LIFE?"

Around the Car Stations



ARMITAGE *By Ted Shumon*

VACATION time is on, full blast and many are the tales of the big ones that got away. *Conductor Sidney Duke*, who spent his vacation in the wilds of Minnesota, brought back several photos showing himself holding up strings of fish. However, we have seen no fish and it is our opinion that he could not catch one if he drained Lake Michigan.

Menno Bieze says that the report of his death last month was greatly exaggerated. It must have been a couple of other fellows. . . . *Conductor George Demco* is raising one of those instalment plan mustaches. You know, a little "down" each week. . . . We have been informed that *Promoter Mike Jacobs* is having an electric sign erected over Yankee Stadium which reads, "*Billy Conn* slept here." . . . It is not the number of square miles that make a great state, but the number of square people in it.

Have you noticed how the perpetual smile of *Conductor Humer* has broadened lately? He became the grandfather of a grand bouncing boy on Sunday, July 21. . . . *Norbert Papke* came into the trainroom one day last month with all the buttons off his shirt and his chest swelled out like a pouter pigeon. Investigating, we found that he had just become the proud pappy of a fine big girl. . . . The bald fact about *Danny Brown*: hair today and gone tomorrow.

Trolley pilots don't realize how fortunate they are. Science says that a motorman will

never be struck by lightning, because he is not a conductor. . . . After reading "*Fergie's*" column last month, we suggest he be made a member of the "Sesquipedalian Club." Where do you find those \$64.00 words, *Fergie*? . . . We also noticed in last month's issue that "*Santa Claus*" *Shippy* has a keen eye for feminine pulchritude. My convoy said to thank you for those kind words.

Our genial *Janitor Jim Goulden* is back on the job after an operation on his left arm which has kept him in dry dock for the past three weeks. . . . *Motorman Harry Jackson* was seen being convoyed down State street a couple of weeks ago, probably looking for bargains. . . . *Frank Gries* says that while he was in the navy he was chasing Subs, but now that his is a civilian again, he is not so particular. . . . Warning to *Fred Shippy*: talk is the father of trouble, men and fish are safe until they open their mouths. An old Chinese proverb says: "Bragging is only the hammer clicking on an empty chamber."

And now, as Mr. Mason said to Dixon, here is where I draw the line.

BURNSIDE *By "Fergie"*

SO MANY THINGS are happening at this season of the year that either directly or indirectly affect our line of business that it keeps us busy trying to keep pace with them. We are living in what is known as the world's greatest vacation city and believe us it is just that. People not only flock here to spend their vacations in our fair city but tourists from all parts of the country, and foreign lands as well, route themselves thru Chicago when passing across the country so that they may see and enjoy the wonders that surround us. In one day while standing on the corner in South Chicago, we were asked for directions, by people from out of town; for the principal points of interest in the Loop, how to get to the North Western depot, Brookfield Zoo, Marshall Field, the Museum of Science and Industry, the Stock Yards, Lincoln Park, Garfield Conservatory and the Outer Drive. We have so many wonderful places to go that we should never be at a loss for a place to spend a vacation. All streetcar men should visit as many of these points of interest as possible, not only that they may intelligently direct the traveling public, but all of the great sights in our town are inter-

esting as well as educational, if we will only take time out to enjoy them.

Speaking of vacations, so many of our news scouts are out of town or on vacation here, that it is next to impossible to find news items of interest to make up our column. . . . Have seen several of the old-timers looking over the tables on So. Chicago Ave. since the rumors about the new one-man-cars started a short time ago. Looks like this street will be slim pickings for anybody without plenty of whiskers.

Motorman Bill Salmon is spending his weekends at Koontz Lake. He is storing up a lot of energy against the long winter days ahead and at the same time acquiring a very nice coat of tan. . . . *Supervisor Jas. Kane* visited *Conductor Al Bouring* recently. He reports that Al is getting along nicely now and would enjoy visitors. See Jimmy for address. . . . Retired *Motorman Jas. (Sunny Jim) Burgeson* is staying close to his home these days. Jim is not so well and would like to have some of the boys drop in for a chat. . . . Retired *Motorman Henry Wolf* is spending his spare time helping to keep the premises of the East Side Church in neat and trim condition. He has become quite adept as a lawn mower pusher. Atta Boy! Henry, that's a good way to stay young. . . . *Motorman Bill Joike* has been handing out the cigars; the reason, *Frederick Willy, Jr. Grandpa* (motorman) *Elmer Thieben* is also beaming to the very top of his forehead. Mamma, Papa, Grandpa and little "Rickie" all doing fine.

COTTAGE GROVE

By Gale Hruska

MOTORMAN MIKE J. HANLEY was tendered a fine farewell testimonial dinner July 20, 1946, at Faubeles Restaurant, 82nd and Ashland in behalf of his outstanding work in the Cottage Grove Credit Union for many years. If you do not know, Mike is leaving us for a four-month vacation to be spent in Ireland and is travelling as an air passenger all the way over.

Jerry O'Connor, our beloved janitor, celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary in a quiet manner. He did ask the missus if she would want to spend \$75 or \$100 on a regular blow-out, but modestly she declined. . . . *H. Hammergren*, a retired streetcar conductor, says

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he had a lot of resting on his vacation. All the boy did was attend ball games, visit relatives and parks. He says he felt even more tired after the vacation. . . . Talking to *Motorman Ensworth* the other day, better known as "Duke", I asked him if he still lived in Canaryville. He said, "I beg your pardon—not Canaryville but Kenwood," with great dignity.

DEVON *By Charles Saklem*

FOR A SUMMER hobby ask *Conductor Charles Beach* about making and flying kites. He is an expert. For samples of his work you can find any number of them hanging from the light and telephone poles around his home. Guess he has sort of lost his touch since he was a boy. Can't get them in the air these days? . . . *Conductor L. Karnett* big heartedly gave a penny to a small boy at the corner of Devon and Clark streets one day last week. Instead of saying thank you, the kid looked at the penny in his hand, turned it over and over and at last looked up at Karnett and said, "You can't buy anything with a penny, Mister." Karnett laughed and said, "You've got something there, son," and gave him another penny. The kid grinned and ran away to spend them. Learning very early about inflation, isn't he?

Motorman Arleigh Gruetzmacher lost his father on July 4. . . . *Conductor D. Thayer*, who works a night car on Clark street is at St. George's Hospital. On July 28, he was hurt on the cars by an obstreperous passenger. . . . *Pat McKeon*, son of *Motorman Tom McKeon* is at the Evanston Hospital with a skull fracture sustained when his motorcycle swerved and crashed into a tree while he was taking a sailor friend for a ride. It is reported that he is doing nicely. . . . Two of our men have dependents in the hospital. A baby boy was born to the *Fred Lewis* family on July 17 at the Garfield Park Hospital. Baby and mother are doing fine. *Mrs. Robert J. Wittenberg* was ill and at the Norwegian American Hospital for six days. She is at home again and doing nicely.

Don't forget the CSL Golf Tournament at White Pines Club, Bensenville, Illinois, on Tuesday, August 27. The fee is \$4.00 including dinner. Phone Kedzie 2410 for reservations or drop a card to *Art Cooper*, *J. Micelli*, *Ernie Barrick* or *Ed Foreman* at Kedzie depot. Remember the good times you had at the tournament before the war? Get your reservation in and plan the day. . . . The softball team from Devon has won 6 and lost 2, to date, July 28. The last lost was to Limits Depot, 11-7. Come out and watch Devon play.

DIVISION *By Fred Shippy*

NOT MUCH news this time except, that I am on my vacation and having a good rest, hope you enjoy yours, too. . . . *Johnnie Bowe's* two sons married two sisters. May they enjoy many years of wedded life together. . . . Congratulations to *Mr. and Mrs. Dagostino* on the arrival of a son. . . . Our ball team is going strong and we need some sideliners to encourage the boys and root for our team. . . . Have you anything for the Barter and Exchange column? ? ? Drop a note in the box and tell us, we will find someone that is looking for it. More news next month.



Does this "register" with you? Some of the fellows at Kedzie may recall that this is Janitor Alexander Bombicino back in 1910 when he was in charge of handing out registers to the trainmen. Bombicino has been with the company for 42 years and is still going strong.

KEDZIE *By Joe Smith*

AT A REGULAR MEETING of the Credit Union, *Bill Brennan* was elected to fill the office of *Bob Stack*; *Charley Seebeck*, for

the office of *Joe Klima*; *Ed Riley* was elected chairman of the Credit Commerce and *Ed McBride* was elected as a credit committee-man.

John McCarthy, *Ben Tausch*, *Otto Jurew* and *Bill Seeman* are back from their vacations. . . . *Senn*, Seeman's conductor, welcomed Bill with open arms. We thought he was going to kiss him. *Ben Tausch* did some fishing at Paw Paw Lake but refused to be photographed. . . . *Tom Hurley*, the guy that didn't put any towels out for our daily baths, and who has been making with special duty in the interest of cleanliness, spent several days at the farm where his family is vacationing near Cedar Rapids, Iowa. . . . In the reception room where *Charlie Seebeck* waited for his turn to take *Mrs. Seebeck* into the Doctor's office, was the receptionist called *Miss Heffernan*. Charlie sat up and took notice of the pretty young lady, and next day asked *Tim Heffernan* if 'twas his sister. "Nope" says Ted, "'twas my daughter, 'twas." . . . On a sweltering day late in July, *Bill Fleishman* discovered the drink machine had been plugged with a nickel and left running. Bill called all hands and *Tom Powers*, *Dave Kissane*, *Bill Halla*, *Jim Kivilin*, and "Brush" *Huttner* formed a bucket brigade to pass the drinks. The Bucket brigade looked a little green around the gills. It is thought that they drank more than they passed.

The reason for the non-skid surface as the trays slide into the receiver's window: *George Singer* used all the simonize to shine *Louis Sikora's* head while *Jack Cleary* held him down. . . . *Mrs. Blake* told *Jerry* he could take her to the oculist to have her glasses adjusted. When *Mrs. Blake* was finished, *Jerry* decided to let the testing chart have a sample of his scrutinizing glance and was seated at the proper distance for that purpose. After looking all over the room for a second, *Jerry* ups to the spectacle-specialist with: "Well? Where's the chart?" *Jerry* looks real nice with his new gander-glasses.

During an outing with his family, *Fred Langridge* was driving thru the intricate street system of Hollywood, Ill. He was looking for Ogden avenue. School had been dismissed and a number of children volunteered to show him the way. Fred got them into the car and had delivered about three of them to their homes when he happened to look in the rear view mirror and notice a serious mess of elbowing and whispering going on in the back seat. The kids got out at the next corner with Fred's suggestion that they hail a taxi. . . . *Chester Abbott* is feeling better after his recent relapse into the illness that sent him to the hospital early this year. . . . *Cus Winterns*, who has been ill for some time, could use some visitors at his home. . . . When a gent standing on the corner of Madison and Austin keeled over, *Pete Guarino*, that first aid specialist, was on hand to bring him

around and put him on his feet. Pete did the job and left for downtown, ON TIME. . . . *Art Dressler* vacationed in the North Woods with his whole family. A few days before he left he received a letter from his son who was stationed in China that he was coming home to be discharged; something nice is always happening to Art and we know he deserves it. . . . *Little Bill Staunton*, son of *Big Bill Staunton*, is back on the job after a month's illness.

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD: *Sol Gallo* was never allowed to go to sea during his service in the navy because he couldn't swim. We know this because he borrowed *Ray Snell's* waterwings. *Herrick* offered him an inner tube but Gallo wanted to tie the buoyant agency around him. . . . A baby boy came to the *Howard (Buck) Tuttle*s and the Tuttle's are tickled. Mother and Babe are dandy. . . . The *George Mayworms* had a baby girl and the disappearance of *George's* weight is because he's doing his best to make like he's throwing out his chest.

You'll read about the golf tournament elsewhere in this issue. It originated at Kedzie long ago so it's up to you Kedzie golfers to put in a good showing on August 27. See *Ed Foreman*, or any of the committeemen. . . . *Mr. and Mrs. Tom Coglianese* celebrated their two daughters' birthdays, *Judy Ann* and *Camille Joanne* both at the same time. There were two cakes and plenty of presents for both girls. . . . *Cliff Lundin* is celebrating anniversaries and birthdays this month throughout his family. Everything happens in August in the Lundin family.

Pete and *Mary Anne*, they of the punctured foot and hand, son and daughter of *Joe Smith* (Oh, gee whiz, I got my name in this here column), will tear each other apart to see who will get what on their corporation birthday in August. It's anybody's guess who'll win. . . . During the time that the smiling *Lawrence Laurie* was confined in a prison camp in Germany, a package was sent to him. A year or so later while *Laurie* was working as a Parcel Post driver he delivered the same package to himself at his home! Who says our boys never received their packages.

LAWRENCE *By Mickey Loftus*

THE MATTY SHUTTS annexed another bundle from heaven to make it a threesome. Matt stood up very well throughout this trying ordeal after being assured by his doctor that he hadn't lost a father during his career. The rumor persists that *Otto Carlson* will be the godfather.

Jack Werdell is vacationing on Lake Michigan in his palatial yacht, accompanied by his wife and family. Jack prepared himself against motor failures by borrowing one of *Harry Gubbins'* nightshirts to use as a sail. Someone should warn Jack to drag the anchor with that much sail. . . . *Big Ben Mundkowski* is doing a fine job of pinch-hitting—in the office of course. Ben has the advantage of good tutors and a cooperative group behind him.



It must be the early fisherman that gets the fish. At least Joe Vesely (Devon) took his vacation before anyone else, and claims that this was one day's catch. While on his Wisconsin journeys, he saw former Conductor Louis Rollings, looking happy and reporting that his Rolling Transit Line is doing splendidly.

The ball team, one of the best we have had at this depot, is dogged by a jinx. No team in this section can be underrated and with such stiff competition and Lady Luck turning her back on our gang we can still enjoy the sport and recreation. We are admired for our glory in victory and being able to take it on the chin in defeat.

Carl Neiland's wife is speedily regaining her health after a major operation. . . . *Mr. Nassar* and the entire personnel welcome the men who came to our depot with the motorization of Montrose avenue. Getting acquainted will take no measure of time. Everybody at Lawrence is friendly and cooperative. . . . *Chet Pollak* is making up for lost time. As we all remember, Chet lost his voice due to a tonsilectomy and after five weeks of using sign language his wife says Chet even enjoys going to her sorority meetings. . . . *Otto Carlson* called his wife to have the butcher cancel the meat order. *Freddie Meyers* told

Otto a possum was running around wild, so *Otto* started out with a lasso to capture the wild beast. After several hours of chasing the possum got away and *Otto* wound up in a restaurant. I still think it was that big gray cat that *Two-Ton Tony Andrews* left behind.

I tried, oh, so hard, to have the tree surgeons who cut those two trees down on Gettysburg avenue deliver them to *Larry Mount's* house for fire wood. Mount would have had to take his vacation to cut them up. They measured about five feet in diameter and were a ripe 140 years old. . . . *Roy Gray*, the boy with the Ipana smile, is back on the beam after a forced vacation due to an injury. . . . The privilege to use the Barter and Exchange column is available to all. If you have occasion to use it, drop a note in an envelope to me or put it in the box at the window.

LIMITS *By Ray Anderson*

SUMMER is going fast, and still no good vacation stories. Are all you fellows staying home on your vacation or are you bashful in telling your stories? . . . We have a few new fathers in our midst. They are *J. Basgall*, *C. Soleman* and *W. Herron*, but not many cigars. Mothers are all doing fine. . . . We want to welcome all the new fellows into Limits: *Conductors W. Kouvelis, J. Chinovsky, J. Mulschinezky* and *E. Chrisman. Motormen Murphy, R. Henning, E. Biliskov, C. Gerhos*. Any help you need fellows, just ask and you will get it. . . . Honesty pays, is the old saying and it paid well to *Bro. Christian (Bud) Fick* when he returned a wallet he found and received a nice cash reward plus a nice letter. . . . *Conductor Keller* has been in the hospital with appendicitis. We hope he recovers fast and gets back on the job. We will get out that box so you can reach the sign box.

Supervisor Nolan has been sick and we have missed him at the Broadway Loop.

Swede Nelson says to keep an eye on the horse he bought as he is sure to be a winner. He calls it the old dark horse.

We were sorry to hear of the death of *Mrs. Dave Schultz* on July 22.

Softball: Limits has been going great guns in winning ball games and all you fellows that can, should come out and cheer the team on to more victories. In a recent game with Devon, during practice before game time, some Devon player made a remark wanting to know if Limits was still in the league. I wonder what he thought after they got beat.

The batting average list has been posted and we have some heavy sluggers on the team, especially the shortstop. Our catcher is a

lively fellow and he is all over the diamond with a lot of pepper and is worth watching. We get some very classy pitching and all around good ball playing.

Let's have some news, fellows. Jot it down on a piece of paper and give it to me or hand it into the clerk. I want to hear from you fellows for next month.

LINCOLN *By Larry Hippert*

IF I AM allowed, with all your help, I would like to institute starting with this issue, "A Man of the Month" item. Now all that is asked is that any of you that has an outstanding news item about any one of our fellow workers, give me the dope and I will do my best to see that it reaches the proper place for you all to enjoy. . . . To start with this month we have *Motorman George Daum* in the limelight. As you all know, he is one of our old timers who does a very good job of piloting on our main line. As the story goes, he has been married very happily for the past 35 years, which only goes to prove why he is such a successful Pilot. Along with that he has three sons that have all seen overseas service with the Army. They are Paul, Robert, and George, Jr. We are glad to inform you that they are all back home safe and sound and George, Sr. is the happiest person of them all. . . . We are glad to see *Jack Wilkinson* back to work after his fall from the roof of his garage. Jack, leave that ball playing for the kids. Or don't you believe you are getting old? . . . Now when it



"Something fishy!" protest Conductor Sidney Duke's fellow trainmen at Armitage when he shows them this catch from the lakes of Minnesota.

comes to foot work, the reports I have are that *Conductor Fitzpatrick* and *Pilot Vandermier* are no slouches. With not much difference in their age, Fitz had no trouble leaving Van far behind in one of their sprints. We aren't bragging, but it is good to know that someone in our midst is fast enough to get out of his own way. Say Fitz, why don't you get in touch with our new baseball manager, *Gehrke*? Maybe he can use you as a pinch runner sometime. . . . We wish to take this time to wish *Pilot Jimmie Hurley* all the best on his 50th birthday that he enjoyed in the best of health on the 3rd of July.

This is merely a suggestion boys, but besides the two bowling teams our depot has every year, we are going to try and get six more teams just to compete against each other. Now anyone that is interested, whether you have been here twenty years or twenty minutes, see *Ed Fitzpatrick* and he will give you all the dope you need.

We notice that *Conductor Ronald Roy* has acquired himself a brand new jeep painted a bright yellow. To see him in the driver's seat sometimes I wonder if he gets into it or puts it on.

NOBLE *by C. F. Greer*

MOTHER and daughter are doing nicely at the home of *Mr. and Mrs. Augustyn*. And a baby girl arrived to bless the home of *Mr. and Mrs. Middleton*. Mr. Thompson said when he heard the good news, "Oh, Boy, how I love my SIGARS."

Eddy (The Slugger) Schultz spent his vacation at Nanny Goat Hill. That is Eddy's new hole in the wall. It's a secret boys. Did any of you fellows ever hear of Cragin, Illinois.

Vacation news from some of our boys: From way out west where beef is something still on the hoof comes news of the travelings of *Motorman John Rakoczy*. He said to tell his friend Bo-Bo, that the cattle in Arizona have one-man operation. Also from Dallas, Texas, and Old Mexico is news from *Operator John Clarke*. John says they operate with from one and a half to two-minute headways all day through. From *Motorman R. Kempiak* comes news of so many wonderful places he and his family visited. Amongst some of them are Denver, Colorado, and Central City, better known as Ghost City. *Charles Vanek* said, "Oh yeah, I'm going to hunt me a big shady apple tree and sit there the whole two weeks."

New men to welcome this month are as follows. *Edward Small*, *Ernest Mayers*, *Walter Jordan* and *Tom Sorci*. Also returned from the army is *Conductor W. Hanson*.

Fellows, don't forget the vacation news items. Also, any interesting pictures. Send them in to me and help to keep this column going.

"FOUND: One relief receiver." Fellows, I missed this one in last month's line up. He is *R. Simon*. He is so quiet when he is here that it's a wonder I found him at all.

Is it true that "Turn on the Ball Game" *Deckert* has to make a trip in reverse at the end of each day to get back on schedule? . . . *George "Webster" Braham* recently participated in a debate. I hear it ended up in a tie.

So keep that smile on your face, and it will turn your worries away.

NORTH *By Walter Lindberg*

THE MONTH of August and its torrid days are known as "Dog Days". If anyone reading this column knows how this originated he or she will make me very happy by telling me, using a free translation.

William John Gillies is a very important sounding name and well it should be if for no other reason than he is the newest addition to the Gillies clan. His mother, *Ann*, and his father, *Supervisor William Gillies* tell me he is their idea of just what a baby boy should be. (And didn't my father say the same thing?) His day for a birthday cake will be June 26. His weight on arrival was seven pounds five ounces. His weight after his last can of granulated carrots is anybody's guess.

Warren Fuller, ace conductor, is back and has been back since April 20. This isn't news to his motorman, but I imagine he has a lot of friends who will want to know. I asked for a statement and this is what I got, "You can say that the first time I pulled the bell cord it sounded like a symphony by Shostakovitch—and please watch your spelling."

The female of the species who frequent the cars on Pulaski Road don't care if they ever see *Sinatra* or *Van Johnson* (or me) so long as *Conductor Hiller* continues working that line. This information comes from an unspeakable source.

Last week I had the pleasure of working with *Conductor W. Dasher* and I might say here that he is just as fast as his name implies. The one thing I noticed about him was his voice. He could make the announcers on the morning soap operas sound like amateurs and I'm not kidding. He's from Pittsburgh and what with all the smoke and soot that is supposed to be floating around that burg it's surprising he's able to talk at all.

DID YOU REMEMBER?



"LADY, I JUST FOUND OUT THEY'RE WORTH MORE THAN A DOLLAR APIECE!"

Transfer Check Day comes only once a month. Did you pick up all pink and blue transfers on the last check day? Remember, they're worth more than a dollar apiece.

69TH By "Chuck" Herrington

JULY CAME and went in a hurry, and our only remembrance of it is the ghost of the hot days, and the music we had to face when the magazine came out with the unending refrain, "What's wrong with 69th?" Of course nothing is wrong with 69th, but perhaps something is radically wrong with those boys who enjoy reading our column, but never contribute a news item. Now, c'mon boys, the summer is here, vacations are proceeding at full speed, fishermen are lying in bigger numbers than ever before. There is plenty of news material around, but kindly have some of it land in our mail box.

So here we go with the scanty collection that we have accumulated by the sweat of our brow: That elegant master of razz, *Matt O'Callaghan*, has been an acting supervisor at 59th and Racine for the past few weeks, and of course he is getting his usual share of razzberries from the *hoi polloi* around the corner. . . . *Lonnie "Lee Wee" Lyons* is the only man we know who uses an ice pick and a screw driver to open a can of sardines,

after he has been fishing. As a result the cost of bandages has gone up. . . . A musician in embryo is the son of *Oscar Daost*, and the tricks he can do with the accordion give you the impression that the kid really knows his Do-Re-Me. . . . A position as switchboard operator is offered by *Jack Slattery* to answer the calls for his bachelor brother.

Pilot J. J. Durchanek was the winner of a 1946 Dodge Sedan, offered by the McCullough Post of the American Legion, however during the meat shortage, he tried to exchange the crate for a few choice sirloin steaks along Halsted street. . . . Congratulations are in order for *A. W. Ders*, on the arrival of a baby girl at his home on June 5. . . . Those of you who wish to know what happened to Frank Sinatra's bow-tie on his last visit to Chicago, please ask *Art Martin*, he is wearing it, but don't ask us how he got it. . . . Hey! what kind of an addition did *George Wagner* have to his family, boy or girl?

The best story this month, concerns our good friend, *C. J. Crawley*, who is known as the devil of 69th Street. It seems that a couple of weeks ago he was to go fishing with some of his friends, and refused the date. When his friends heard of it, they called *Kenny*, the undertaker, and told him good friend *Crawley* had passed away, and would he come and pick the body up! When *Kenny* arrived with the basket under his arm, who should answer the door but *C. J.*, himself. *Kenny*, seeing the joke, says, "Well, as long as I'm out here, how about you?"

ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

By *Audrey*

THE WELCOME MAT is out at "600" for the following new employees: *Typist Margaret B. Radosevich* and *Statementman Charles J. Jenkins*. . . . By the time the September issue goes to press there should be some tall tales drifting in from our expert anglers! . . . *Stenographer Tony Fiandaca Lojkovic* has resigned her position in the Accident Prevention Department. It's going to be a boy, says *Tony*. Best wishes to the mama and daddy to be.

ACCOUNTING By *Thos. F. Coan*

MARIE HAVLIK and her two sisters enjoyed their vacations in Glacier Park, Montana. They said the scenery, the hotels and the cuisine were wonderful. . . . Congratulations are in order for *B. A. Hall*, for a proud man was he on Saturday, June 1, when he made the announcement that he became a grandfather. . . . With the best wishes of the department, we are looking forward to seeing

George Strickland, who left service Saturday, July 19, for a tryout as a pitcher with the Chicago Cubs. . . . *Frances Pueschel* and *Leonard Neilson*, who left service Friday, June 28, were remembered with farewell gifts from their associates.

Word received from *Shirley Gerken* it that she is having a very pleasant time on her vacation at Green Lake, Wisconsin. . . . We extend congratulations and best wishes to *Ann Gaynor* and *Thomas Meehan*, who were married on Saturday, July 6, at St. John The Baptist Church. Her office associates presented her with a very useful wedding gift, and the honeymoon was spent at Twin Lakes, Wisconsin. . . . The department extends a hearty welcome to *Rocco Iacullo*, *Lois Jahnke*, *Aileen Benson* and *William Dobersch* as the latest additions to our personnel.

ELECTRICAL By *Billy Schenck*

A BIG EVENT at "*Ernie*" *Anderson's* home July 26. His son, *1st Lt. Robert J.*, returned from service after serving eighteen months in the European Theater as a fighter pilot. A splendid program arranged by the parents consisted of dancing and singing and some very clever stunts by *Doris* and *Marvin Anderson*. Also, the daughter of *George Clark, Jr.* (South Shops) was one of the ballet dancers. About 250 friends attended. . . . *Phil O'Grady*, one of our maintenance

Ride 'Em, Cowboy

TALENT SCOUTS for any wild west shows should be tipped off in regard to the latent cow-punching talent of *Motorman Dave Trembley* and *Conductor Thomas McInerney of Archer*.

One night after midnight as they were speeding along Archer a steer charged out from the sidewalk pursued by a half-dozen people. With some neat double-stopping, Trembley clipped the steer with the front of the streetcar and brought to a close an hour's chase.

It only took a moment for McInerney to make a lasso out of the trolley rope and lead the steer onto a side street. Then a quick call to the Dispatcher—and the boys were on their way—with no delay.



Acting Chief Clerk Grace Ann Springer (D.A.I.) was married to Walter R. Johnson, chauffeur, Utility Department, on Saturday, July 20. Her matron of honor was Mrs. Grace Schmude, a former co-worker, and the best man was Edward Lawrence, conductor from Armitage. The reception was at the home of the bride and it certainly was a Surface Lines affair. Everyone had a grand time.—Audrey.

electricians, received severe electrical burns on both hands while performing his work. Phil will be confined to the Swedish Covenant Hospital for several weeks. Our latest report is that he is doing fine. We hope for a speedy recovery.

Fred Hectus spent most of his vacation nursing the after effects of having several lower teeth extracted. Some vacation Fred, better luck next year.

Your correspondent would like to hear of any special event from employes of this department while on their vacation. When these items go to press I will be up in my Michigan abode north of Ludington—no big fish stories as yet.

The following General Office employes spent their vacation in and around Chicago: Miss A. Hogan, Miss M. Kinsey. J. Blomberg went fishing in Wisconsin.

MATERIAL & SUPPLIES

By "Dj" Chapleau

VACATION TALK is certainly in the air these days, and the breeze from the South Shops is filled with the aroma of Earl Wilcox's fish stories about his recent holiday in Eagle River. Earl's finding those lengths of scrap rail mighty handy for measuring the ones that got away. . . . After his vacation trek to a dairy farm, Matt Basso is still trying

to decide which is the better method of getting "Elsie" to give her all—the push button control of the electric milking machine, or the gentle persuasion of a two-handed grip. . . . Rosemarie Meisner took a flying trip to California and came back home just long enough to resign and head west again, and the gal insists she's rushing back to the beautiful climate and flowers. Well, really! Me-thinks the weatherman or the gardner maybe is prettier. Lots of luck, Rose, on your conquest of the West Coast.

Chucking her career gal role and going all out domestic, Dorothy Stenbridge spent her "vacation" cleaning house! But we haven't caught her snatching forty winks on the corner of the desk yet. . . . It's great to see Ed Hoger back on the job after a too long siege with ole dehbil sickness. Take it easy, Ed, and don't lift anything heavier than the bristles on a paint brush. . . . Last, but not least, we're spreading ye olde welcome mat for our newest additions to the gang—Catherine Connolly, of the General Office, and Ray O'Brien of the West Shops. . . . Your Scribe will now vacation amongst the Medics of Fort Sheridan and give a certain sailboat a little competition.

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC

By L. C. Dutton

ED REILLY informs us that Mrs. Reilly presented him with his third son on July 11. The six-pound thirteen-ounce bundle of joy has been named Terrence Patrick. We wonder who picked the name? Thanks for the cigars and candy, Ed. . . . Vacation seems to be the watch word now. The reports come in about the nice driving, good weather, poor fishing, etc. At least we see a new coat of tan every now and then, that proves that the Old Sun is doing its duty. . . . Pete Donahue did a lot of driving and got as far as Baltimore before he turned back. . . . Pat McBride saw the world from the top of the Smoky Mountains and then visited in Ohio and Kentucky before coming back to his desk.

Bill Kendall reports that his hospitalization was a success, but that he must take things easy for a while.

WEST SHOPS

By Eda Laube

ANOTHER CHICK of the West Shops office took off and became a "Mrs." It is none other than Ann Zaksas, with the lucky boy being Jim Ardzeck. The big event took place on July 13. The office gang presented them with a lovely gift and best wishes for lots of luck and happiness. . . . Now let us tell you about the blessed events that have taken place at the Shops lately. Paint Shop vs.

Armature Room: E. Blake and T. Belmonte of the Paint Shop became the proud papas of boys, while Joe Bednarick and Eddie May of the Armature Room became proud papas of a boy and girl respectively. (Mrs. Eddie May is the former Alice Wirth, our former Machine Shop booth clerk). Congratulations to you all.

Quite a few of the "gang" have enjoyed their vacation during the past month. Josephine Kloczkowski and Jean Panek returned from a swell vacation with a beautiful tan. Algonquin, Ill., was their rest haven. Ruth Monahan is enjoying her vacation on a ranch. Mildred Bonomo and Betty Wirth are enjoying the sights of Chicago. Ed Hendricksen is visiting relatives in Pennsylvania. Earl Larsen and Tony Vihnanek chose northern Wisconsin, while Irving Ptashkin spent his vacation partly up North and partly in Michigan. . . . The latest members to join the office force at the Shops is Chester Bartzak, who is taking the job of mail boy, and doing a splendid job, and Johnny Gilla, also a mail boy, who is helping us during the summer months.

WAY & STRUCTURES

By Betty Lhotak

TRACK DIVISION. Andy Flood and Fred Church spent their vacations together in Mercer, Wisconsin. They really had a swell rest combining fishing with sleeping, not mentioning the large amount of time spent eating.

Rita Marie is the name of the seven-pound twelve-ounce baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Qualter of the Western Division. Congratulations to the proud parents and thanks for the cigars, Tom. . . . Carl Johnson, general foreman, spent his vacation with his family in "St. Joe", Michigan, and the Wisconsin Dells. "Andy" says he's going to be a farmer in the "dell" when he retires. . . . A. Micetic, general foreman, is looking over road maps of Mexico. Wonder if Andy anticipates spending his vacation in Acapulco with the higher brackets?

UTILITY DIVISION: We wish a sincere welcome to a couple of new-comers—Chauffeurs Harry Gould and Frank Mendyk. . . . Rudy Mau, is spending his honeymoon in southern Illinois. . . . Chauffeur C. A. Anderson spent his vacation at Hayward, Wisconsin, and as Carl tells it, all he did was carry the old umbrella with him all the time.

Wreck-auto Chauffeur Walter R. Johnson, and his best girl have just signed a contract for life. . . . Motorman John Wagner, who has been off duty account of illness the past few months was in to pay us a visit the other day. We know the old familiar surroundings made him feel better and we hope to see him back on the job soon.



BEFORE

In about 1920 this bunch of fellows lined up in front of the West Shops for the photographer. Approximately 26 years later they lined up again in the same formation, just to check on the results of working for the same outfit all that time. (Standing) Joe Cerny, no longer with the company, Armature Winder "Slim" Bowman, Armature Winder Andy Unicof, Stock Clerk Al Mix. (Kneeling) Armature Winder Carl Schneider, Assistant Foreman Frank Leyrer (Armature Room), Armature Winder "Murph" Steinberger, and Truck Repairman "Shorty" VanWeile. Seems like they've borne up pretty well!

AND AFTER



In Memoriam

Being a list of recent deaths of employees.

Peter Fiffles, 59, car cleaner from Cottage Grove, died 6-25-46 from heart disease.

Denver Worker, 40, conductor at Cottage Grove, died 6-25-46. Death caused by pulmonary tuberculosis, after an illness of over five years.

Thomas Jorstad, 70, died 6-28-46 after an illness of over five years, motorman at 77th, with 41 years of service.

Joseph Murphy, 60, motorman from 69th, died 6-29-46 after 26 years of service.

Anthony Downes, 77, motorman at Kedzie, with 44 years of service, died 6-29-46, after an illness of over 10 years. Death caused from heart disease.

Edward Fritsche, 55, motorman from Burnside, died 6-30-46.

Bozo Kurtovic, 59, laborer from Track, died 6-30-46 from heart disease.

Russell Marsala, 39, laborer from Track, died suddenly 7-2-46 from heart attack.

John Mahler, 56, motorman at North. Died 6-22-46.

Martin Greaney, 53, car cleaner at 77th, died 6-28-46.

Walter Harrer, 48, motorman at North, died suddenly 7-5-46 from heart disease.

Jerry Davis, 64, motorman at Limits, died 7-6-46 with 36 years of service. Death caused from heart disease.

Peter Kosovich, 57, died from heart disease 7-11-46. Laborer from Track.

Andrew Gray, 49, driver for Utility, died 7-12-46 with 26 years of service. Death caused from acute peritonitis.

William Dow, 50, motorman from Devon, died from heart disease 7-9-46.

John Twohey, 60, motorman at Armitage, died 7-15-46 from heart disease. He had 34 years of service.

Joe Bronseil, 61, motorman from Archer, died 7-16-46 with 39 years of service. Death caused from heart disease.

Frank Callina, 64, motorman at 69th, died 7-20-46 after 28 years of service.

Off the Trolley

We can't help thinking about the young boy we saw who slipped a partially consumed popsicle back into its wrapper and then stuffed it into his pocket so that he would have both hands free to board the streetcar!

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Having trouble deciding if a child is young enough to ride free, or should be paying half-fare? Take a tip from the Texas bus operator who asks his questionables to show their teeth. "If they have a full set," he says, "they pay."

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Before our inquiring reporters sent in the replies they had gleaned from this month's question regarding the value and use of savings bonds, we anticipated that some of the men would say they wished to provide for their old age, some planned to buy a home, while others would say that they saved so that they could send their children through college. Few people hoard money for the sake of money itself. . . . Experience over the past few years has taught us that money has value only as long as it can be spent for the things we deem necessary for our convenience, health and pleasure. . . . Soon after shortages made themselves apparent we learned that money in itself produces nothing.

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Many a girl will scream at the sight of a mouse, but think nothing of stepping into a car with a wolf.

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We have been intrigued by the report of a ticket punching championship which was held as part of the London Transport's summer sport festival. The question is, would such a contest be conducted on the basis of quantity

punched, speed of punching, accuracy, or just to see who could shed the most dots of paper over the floor.

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During his speech at the celebration which opened the new Division street bus line, Assistant Superintendent of Transportation R. J. McKinney reminisced about when "I was in business on Division street." In response to questioning looks, he explained: "I was selling transportation from the back end of a streetcar."

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Wonder how many trainmen realize that they actually are in business—and that the success of the company depends a great deal upon their success in making people want to use the services of the company? Perhaps a drive should be started to call them "salesmen" instead of trainmen.

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The head of a family rounded up all the umbrellas in his house and took them downtown to be repaired. Three days later on his way to work, he got ready to leave the bus and picked up the umbrella at his side. The woman to whom the umbrella belonged yelled, "Stop thief!", and snatched her umbrella away. He withdrew in great confusion.

Later that afternoon he stopped at the repair shop and picked up the umbrellas he had left there. Boarding the bus he saw the same woman, who stared at him icily for a moment and then said in scathing tones: "Well, you certainly had a good day, didn't you?"

A streetcar transfer may be just a transfer to us in the business, but according to a young veteran who was stationed overseas, a CSL transfer could be a "magic carpet home." "The fellows from Chicago gather around and point out where they live on the transfer," he said. "Wherever I went, if I just took out one of those transfers I was mobbed. They offered me all sorts of items, trying to tempt me to trade in my precious transfers."

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Conversation between two of our great sportsmen:

Fred: "I played some golf yesterday, and what do you think I made the eighteen in?"

Clarence: "About twice?"

Fred: "Twice what?"

Clarence: "Twice what you're going to tell me."

Barter and Exchange

FOR SALE

BABY BUGGY: English coach, good condition, \$5.00.

GAS BURNER: Laundry three burner gas plate, \$4.00. Nick Mootz (Elston), Badge 7425, 3940 N. St. Louis Ave., Keystone 2612.

TRUMPET: Silver-finished Conn brand, good condition, \$65. Contact Miss Eldora Freeberg (West Shops) M & S Dept.

WHITE SHOES: One pair, practically new, worn twice, size 11-C of a very good make, reasonable. Larry Hippert (Lincoln), Badge 7067, 1809 Lawrence.

CAPS: One summer cap, size 6 $\frac{7}{8}$, one winter cap size 7—both new. J. Nelson No. 1 (Lincoln), Badge 5678.



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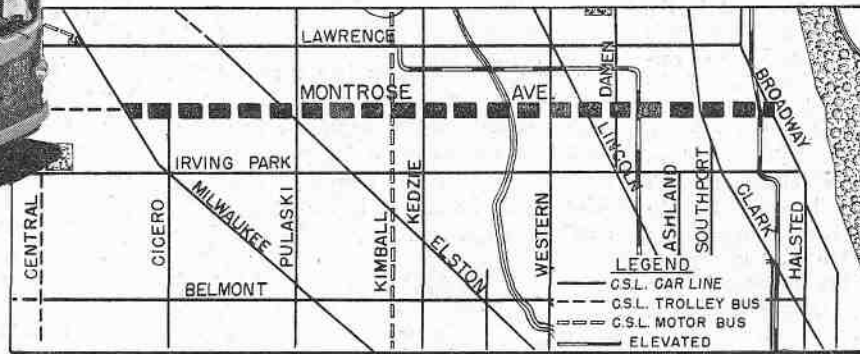
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