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With the first of September, schooldays return. Once again children will mob our vehicles without the foresight of lining up. Once again they will rush heedlessly in front of traffic, trying not to be late to classes. Once again the cars will be filled with noise and confusion.

In other words, once again "kids will be kids." And it will be up to the trainmen to remember that Caution—and Courtesy—Save Lives.

THE STREETCAR ON THE ROOF

The model is an exact duplicate of a streetcar in all its dimensions. The two seats provide resting places for the invalids after their climb into the car—an arduous task for some, requiring as much as fifteen minutes.

Attendants assist two patients with broken legs in their rehabilitation program, directing them how to handle crutches and where to grab for support. An average of 185 patients per month are treated in the department.

THAT WAS NOT a flying streetcar that you noticed when you went by the County Hospital. That big red and yellow job up on the roof of the hospital building did not wander up there during a re-route, nor was it knocked up there as the result of an accident. That streetcar on the roof (it's really only a quarter of a streetcar) is the result of several weeks of planning and work on the part of Chicago Surface Lines employes and members of the hospital staff.

The occupational therapy section of the hospital occupies one wing of the seventh floor of the hospital. The "Cook County Special"—"CSL Streetcar 016"—has been installed on the sun deck there to help train paralytics and cripples to cope with the problems of everyday life.

FRONT COVER—An 80 year old patient learns to use the model streetcar presented by Chicago Surface Lines to the Cook County Hospital occupational therapy department.

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Constructed in the West Shops carpenter shops under the supervision of *Joe Gasser*, foreman, the model bears the exact dimensions of an operating streetcar. Both hospital officials and patients are enthusiastic over the possibilities of the equipment.

According to Miss Fay, director of occupational therapy, "The patients learn the right way to get on and off a streetcar according to their individual handicaps. In that way they gain more confidence and actually come to represent less of an accident hazard when they ride the Surface Lines."

After the model had been completed at the West Shops it was completely dismantled for the trip to the hospital. Foreman *Joe Gasser* supervises the removal of the front of the model by *Peter Wilp*, *Anthony Wiaters*, *Carl Bajko* and *Joseph Gillen*.

The final paint touches were supplied by *Johnnie Danloe* of the West Shops paint shop. The model bears the CSL red and cream and is complete to a signal bell that rings, and a dummy retriever.



WHAT WOULD YOU DO

IF SOMEONE GAVE YOU \$5,000?

ASKED BY INQUIRING REPORTER

EARL FERGUSON, AT BURNSIDE

CONDUCTOR HARRY BURDELAK

—I think I'd salt it away in Government bonds. Five thousand in ten years from now will, I think, buy a whole lot more than it would right now, what with the high cost of everything. Then too, by that time (ten years from now) I expect the money will come in handy for the education of my family. Vacation? No! not for me. Uncle Sam gave me all the vacation that I'll need for a long time.



"Home-builder"

CHARLES DENNIS

CONDUCTOR CHARLES DENNIS—

I'd probably put it into Government bonds till things get a little more settled, then buy a home. Right now even the so called G-I homes cost more than I think they are worth. Then too I have a couple of youngsters that will need an education someday.

"To Be Alone"

JOHN LASKY



MOTORMAN JOHN LASKY—That would make a swell down payment on a home of our own. We are now living with my in-laws, and while they are fine folks, still I guess everyone hopes to someday have their own place. Also my son wants to go to Armour Tech, so the money would really be put to good use either way.

MOTORMAN JOHN CERVENKA—I am a camera fan. Although I already have a lot of equipment there are a lot of things I would like to be able to afford. Then I believe I'd put most of the money in some good conservative securities so that they would form a backlog for future use.

"What a Vacation"

LOUIS ANCHOR



MOTORMAN LOUIS ANCHOR—

First I'd pay off the balance on my home, then fix up the family bus and take a long planned vacation. We have made quite a few trips but there are a lot of places I still want to see. Mountains, oceans, fishing places and perhaps, if the money lasted, even Europe might prove very interesting.

CONDUCTOR OTTO HIBMA—It would be hard to say right off the reel just what I would do. I'd probably faint. I've never given much thought to such a problem. I guess I'd keep it a while till I got used to having it and then would probably buy a home. That or some sound investments for future security seem to be the only sensible thing to do. Go on a spending spree?—none of that for me. I'm just too conservative, I guess.

Most Confusing

BECAUSE OF the number of trainmen transferring from one nation to another early in the year, some names were omitted from the "Safety Supplement" which was published as part of the May issue of SURFACE SERVICE. The following list contains the names which were omitted and the number of years each individual has been without a chargeable accident.

ARCHER: 3★—S. Radaszenski; W. J. Fahey.
ARMITAGE: 1★—W. DiGioia. 2★—R. Hendrick. 3★—E. Guedel; and S. Abbinanti.
7★—R. Gabrielsen. 10★—M. Fiorita.
BLUE ISLAND: 3★—T. Cusack. 6★—E.
BURNSIDE: 20★—J. O'Connell.
COTTAGE GROVE: 4★—W. Schweinfurth;
M. Frejlack; G. R. Goulden. 20★—C. J.
Powers.
DEVON: 3★—R. Prentice. 4★—E. Miller.
10★—R. T. Wornstedt. 19★—C. Joerger.
ELSTON: 2★—K. H. Hanneman.
KEDZIE: 4★—S. Engelhardt. 8★—E.
Swanson; W. J. Kremske; T. Whelan; M. Mc-
Donald; D. J. Lyons; P. Mulvihill; P. Duffy;
C. Gustafson; C. Seebeck; F. Courney; J. J.
Stack; P. F. Kerwin; G. Cveton; P. Golden
#1; M. Coughlin; J. J. O'Connor. 9★—K. C.
Schultz; A. Bourdreau; E. Langel; F. Beggs.
NOBLE: 6★—E. Steckel.
NORTH: 4★—P. Gill. 5★—L. Czaja. 7★
—O. Johnson. 20★—E. Miller #2.
77TH: 1★—John H. Butler #2; R. K. Wise.
4★—C. H. Lammon. 6★—C. T. Funk. 20★
—C. F. Keeler.
69TH: 3★—G. Bachelder.

Trapped Between the Tracks

*(A Few of the Employees who Have
Been Giving Extra Service to the Public)*

MOTORMAN W. KAUFFIN — Cottage Grove

"This morning, about 7:40 A.M. a man was trapped between the tracks. While there appeared to be plenty of room in the curve for cars to pass him in safety, the northbound car continued to approach and the pedestrian became confused. Motorman W. Kauffin reversed the power, slackened up and waved him to cross," wrote C. T. Pope, 4828 N. Kildare Avenue.

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MOTORMAN J. PACULA—Noble

"I always regard it as a bit of genuine good luck, whenever I am privileged to ride with this ideal employe of yours because of the cheer and good-will he radiates," wrote Miss Elizabeth Lambert, 2003 S. Racine.

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CONDUCTOR L. SCHATZ AND MOTORMAN E. BURK—Lincoln

Mr. Kenneth L. Jackson, 229 N. Mayfield, "wishes to compliment the crew of car No. 4139 for their handling of the car and the public. Throughout my ride the motorman handled this car as it should be handled—smooth starting, acceleration, deceleration, and stopping—careful attention to traffic and pedestrians, and courtesy in letting people off the car."

Conductor Schatz was also praised by another rider as being the "most thoughtful and careful conductor I've ever seen. He makes sure all women are off the step before he starts. He gives the impression that he really cares for the safety of his passengers."

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CONDUCTOR A. ABEL—Lawndale

"Driving south on Pulaski, a man attempted to run in front of me to catch

a streetcar which was about to start up. As it had the green light your conductor called to the man to stay where he was that the car would wait for him," reported Mrs. George Schuster, 3917 N. Leavitt.

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CONDUCTOR JOSEPH J. GINGRAS—77th

Mr. Gordon E. Walter, 4355 Milwaukee Avenue, wrote, "I believe he is the best conductor I have met in some 12 years of Chicago car riding. His appearance is neat, his disposition sunny, his conduct of business firm and efficient. He called every street clearly and distinctly. He showed that he realized "Thank You," "You're welcome," "Yes, sir," and "Yes, ma'm," are not merely empty phrases in the etiquette book. More important he



realized that the passengers are human. He is an asset to your organization.

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CONDUCTOR H. LUSTER — Cottage Grove

"Car No. 2706 suffered a broken door glass due to a heavy man losing his balance, but not injured. Conductor Luster carried most of the glass to a city rubbish box to be taken away and thus saved accidents and also foot wear," wrote an individual.

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OPERATOR C. WASER—Lawrence

Frances Clair, 5635 Washington Blvd., wrote "There were three small children, all crippled, and Waser got off the bus and put the three of them on. It does not make any difference to him if you are old or young he is the same courteous young man."

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CONDUCTOR WILLIAM JONES—77th

The courtesy extended by Jones, according to Mrs. Frances Sachs, 4633 Kenmore, was very noticeable. "The first instance was a woman who had torn her hose upon a seat. He took her name and address and made the report. Another instance was in giving directions and taking time out to tell the person when his transfer point arrived. He was very helpful in assisting an old lady to the platform."

REMOVE STREETCAR SERVICE FROM 55TH

AS OF AUGUST 1, street car operation was removed from 55th street between Cottage Grove and Lake Park avenues. At the same time supplementary bus service was added to the 51st-55th line.

This change has been contemplated as part of the Chicago Surface Lines' improvement program, but was put into effect at this time because of the city's repaving program. The streetcar tracks on 55th street will be removed.

During the period of the repaving, buses will temporarily operate on 56th street.

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Around the Car Stations



THE BIGGER THE LINE, THE BIGGER THE FISH

ARMITAGE

THE OTHER DAY we saw *Art Denton* longingly eying a huge coil of one inch rope. Later we learned that several very large fish had snapped his fish lines and made a get-away. We wonder if *Art* is thinking of using this rope to fish with. Probably using an anchor for a hook and a whale for bait.

On a recent fishing trip *Joe Montgomery* told his side kick *Art Denton* that his worms were singing. *Joe* claimed he could distinctly hear them. After enjoying the bewildered look on *Joe's* face for awhile *Art* explained that a wandering cricket had got into the bait can.

We at *Armitage* offer our sincere sympathy to *Motorman Pat Skahill* in the loss of his wife recently, and to *Conductor Eugene Colum* and *Supervisor Carl Larson*, each of whom lost their mothers.

Foreman Joe Webber has been back on the job after a six weeks illness.

If *Conductor Joseph Ranalla's* chest seems to be a trifle larger than it used to be, blame it on *Sir Stork*. Yep, it's a big bouncing boy for the *Ranalla* family born on June 27.

If you have any surplus string around, bring it in for *George (Ball Point) Demco*. He is trying to emulate *Harry Eisenlohr*, whose monstrous ball of string was pictured several months ago.

The Dove of Peace which has hovered over the domicile of *Ye Scribe* for the past twenty years is rapidly transforming itself into a mocking bird. Believing that one should marry before they are old enough to have sense enough not to, your scribe went and did it Saturday, August 16. Now begins World War III. *Fred Shippy* please note.

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Have any of you fellows noticed the cute Sinatra bow tie that *J. B. MacHale* is wearing these days. Better not wear it to Los Angeles Mac, for I'll be there watching you. Otherwise hope you have a wonderful time. I know I will.

We have just learned that *Conductor Richard Hendrick* has been on the sick list for quite a while. He is now home from the hospital and would appreciate visits.—TED SHUMON

THE LYDON TECHNIQUE REALLY STUNS THEM

BURNSIDE

WE HAVE LONG KNOWN that *Conductor Mike Lydon* has a way with the ladies, it has even been said that *Don Quixote* or *Beau Brummel* wouldn't have had a chance if *Mike* had been around. His gracious manner and soft musical voice hand the feminine sex a thrill that really sends them. For instance, two belles got on *Mike's* car one day and one of them handed *Mike* a dollar bill. *Mike* in the best approved manner, turned on his famous Celtic smile and exposed his beautiful dentures as he inquired, "Two?" The lady whose mind was on anything but the transaction came to with a start and said, "Huh?" "Two," repeated our hero. "Oh! yes," came from the damsel, "but not out of that, she pays her own!"

Strange happenings around *Burnside*:—No more streetcars on the East side. . . . *Eddie Butler* working a day car on *South Deering*. *Ernie Fifer* a relief run on *Windsor Park*. . . . *Ernie Hawkins* left *Cottage Grove* to pick on *Stony Island*. . . . *John Trinan* remarked after trying out a sedan on his run, "I'll never take my pension now till I am at least 106."

Motorman Ben Crawford, one of our real old-timers, retired the first of July after 47 years and four months with the Company. We wish him many happy years in which to enjoy his well-earned leisure.

Conductor J. Gerbar and *John Downey* are still on the sick list. We hope that by the time you read this that both will have fully recovered.—FURGIE

EVERYBODY LOSES IF THIS BET IS WON

COTTAGE GROVE

THE OTHER DAY before sending a suit to the cleaners, I went thru the pockets and in one of them found a dollar. Now, being

a shrewd business man, I would like to double that dollar by making a bet. Do I want to bet on the *White Sox—Cubs* series? No! There is a remote possibility that the *Cubs* may win. Do I want to bet on the *All-Star* game? No! One of these years the *National League* may get lucky. Remember, I said I was a shrewd business man, so, naturally, I want to bet on a sure thing. I want to bet a dollar that this year twenty-five men will receive personal injuries due to accidents. *Cottage Grove* depot had approximately fifty personal injuries last year, but as I mentioned previously, being shrewd, I'm betting on half that figure.

Some of us are under the impression that safety rules are just another means of turning a man in if he's caught breaking them. Well, they're not—they're enforced to protect not only us, but also the *Missus* and all those little *Eddies* and *Tommies*, *Donnas* and *Virginias*, whose whole life might be changed if their *Daddy* were no longer to provide for them. So fellas when you're tempted to put up your pole from the outside, put in a ribbon fuse without pulling your pole, run out in the street to make a relief without looking if traffic is bearing down on you and numerous other hazards, ask yourself: Is it worth taking this chance? You answer it!

Each month the names of four men who are "tops" on and off the job, neat in appearance, and 100% trainmen will be published. The four aces for July are: *Tom Guerin*, *Pete McCahey*, *Tom O'Hara* and *E. J. Lesniewski*. —THE LAMP-LITER

A HOLE IN ONE— EYE! EYE!

DEVON

MOTORMAN L. HENDRICKSON is quite a golfer, they say, but he took part in one game that wasn't scheduled. While working his run on *Western* avenue he was hit by a ball which came sailing in the car from the links at *Western* and *91st*. Evidently he didn't hear the golfer yell "Fore" in time to duck. His right eye was injured but I'm happy to report that *Hendrickson* is back at work. . . . *Motorman James Sullivan* fell and broke his hip. He will be laid up for quite some spell.

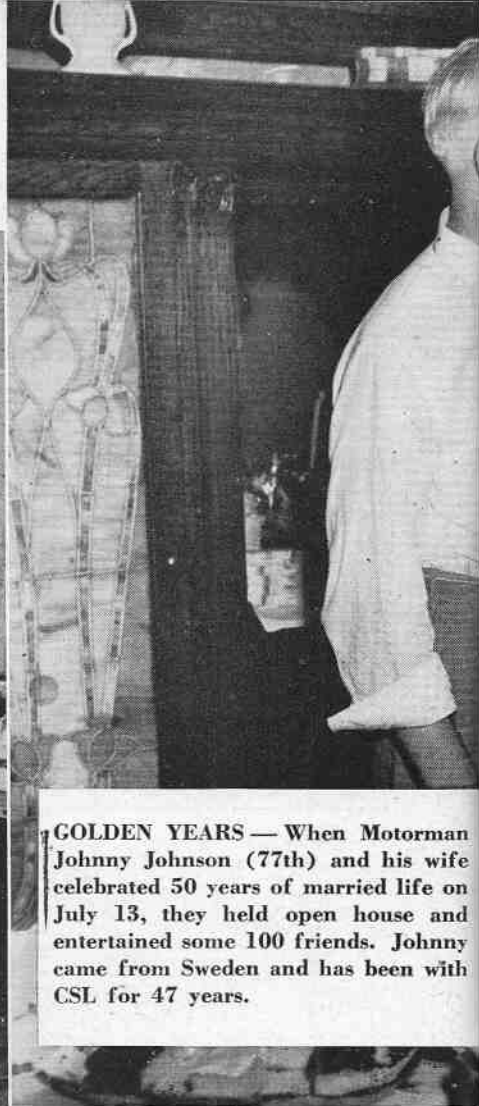
Supervisor P. Kennedy was up to see retired *Motorman Bill Creedon* at *Pine Crest Lodge*, *Deer River*, *Minn.* *Bill* was very sick last month but is feeling much better now.

They say anything can happen on *Broadway* (and it usually does). One day my conductor

CSL IN THE NEWS



NURSES AID—Because of the drastic shortage of nurses, various groups have been staging recruiting campaigns. At the open house held by the Chicago Visiting Nurses Association a large map of the Surface Lines was displayed, as well as a model streetcar and photographs of the various types of public transportation.



GOLDEN YEARS—When Motorman Johnny Johnson (77th) and his wife celebrated 50 years of married life on July 13, they held open house and entertained some 100 friends. Johnny came from Sweden and has been with CSL for 47 years.

HANGOVER—During the state VFW Convention held in June, what at first was taken to be a hangover from the 19th century turned out to be the pride of the Chicago Surface Lines VFW Post #9114—Horsecar No. 8 floating down Chicago's proud and famed Michigan boulevard. The old-timer had seen its best days on State street in 1859. The national convention will be held in Cleveland, September 3-9. There will be an election of delegates on Friday, Aug. 22, at 9:00 P. M.



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NAMESAKE—During the convention of the Kiwanis International photographers were on hand to record the trip made by Harrison Wood, a trustee of the organization, on CSL's "Harrison-Wood" bus.



THEATRE SCENE—A new playground opened at Central Park and Fifth and a new movie, "It Happened on Fifth Avenue," came to the theatre. So 100 youngsters celebrated by riding a specially decorated trolley down Fifth Avenue and Madison to the Loop to attend the



JUNE GROOMS — Mike Castiglioni, armature room, West Shops (above) and Mary Jane Ripoli were married June 7 at Holy Rosary Church in Gary, Indiana. They honeymooned at Niagara Falls. . . . Conductor Elmo Cummings (Noble) and his bride took their vows at St. Jerome's Church on June 21. Their reception was held at the Edgewater Beach hotel.



was talking to a passenger and mentioned that he figured he was the only "Rose" on Broadway. The conductor's name is *Grover Cleveland Rose*. The passenger looked at him rather quizzically and said that he could go one better and told Rose that his name was *George Washington*. Thinking he was being ribbed, Rose told him he didn't believe him. The passenger thereupon pulled out his Army discharge papers and sure enough, the name on that discharge was *George Washington*!

Quite a few of the conductors at Devon have received letters from vacationing Conductor *Mike Sheridan*. He flew to Ireland to see his folks and intended to stop off at London for a week, then on to Paris before returning to the States.

Motorman *Mike King's* daughter won third prize one Sunday last month by singing on the *Morris B. Sach's* program. We have two more musicians who are making their mark. *Mary Knorst*, daughter of Motorman *Walter Knorst* and Conductor *Walter Voss's* daughter *Linda* played at the recital given by the piano students at the American Conservatory of Music June 28.

Did you notice Conductor *Whitey Johnson's* strut the other day? He had become a grandfather that day, July 10.

Conductor *William P. Meisel* recently had one of the nicest things happen to him. His mother came over from Denmark to visit him. Meisel hadn't seen her for over 20 years.

Conductor *R. Warnstedt* found a briefcase containing \$300 on his car. He turned it in and later received a letter from *Mr. Herman B. Centz* with a \$10 bill enclosed. *Mr. Centz* said, in part, "The enclosed is not a reward, but only a way of saying 'Thank you' for a duty well done, right in line with the best traditions of the men who serve us day by day on the Chicago Surface Lines."

The following motormen took their pensions as of August 1: *B. Carver, Robert Smith, Thomas Diver and John Hyland*.—CHARLES SAKLEM

THE REAR PLATFORM HAS ITS UPS AND DOWNS

KEDZIE

JERRY BLAKE'S DAD (who works at North) tells the story of the accommodating conductor who proceeded to wind up the handbrake when a woman passenger complained about the step being too high. After several turns she boarded the car and said, "Thank you, conductor."

Observed Along The Main Line: *Bill Brennan* lending a sympathetic ear to everyone else and their troubles, but never complaining about the number of people that he carries.

Our sympathy has been extended to *Ben Richardson* in the loss of his father.

A note to ex-Kedzie correspondent, *Joe Smith*: How are you doing? It sure looks like you left me at least a double, if not a triple, street.

"Smiling" *Eddie Gleason* and *Joe Pochman* are back after several months of sick leave. "Sandy" *Seamann* is also back, after licking a sprained wrist in a couple of weeks.

Ralph Carpinelli and *Johnny (What-a-man) Johnson* became proud papas of baby boys. We have not seen *Ralph*, but *Johnny* appears to be recovering rapidly. . . . *John Carr* reports that his new son is to be another *Patrick Carr*.

For the "Man-of-the-Month": "Tony" *Rizzo, Dan Enright's* motorman. Recently *Dan* was the victim of a brutal attack, but *Tony* really squared the match with fast thinking and courage.

Bob Martin and *Dan Shanahan* have picked over in the "Patch" this time. Could that be the reason things are running smoother on that street now?

Bill Behnke is bragging already about spending his vacation in Florida. Could it be that raise in pay?

As the poet once said, "Let me live in a house by the side of the road, where the race of men go by. The men who are good, the men who are bad—as good and as bad as I. I would not sit in the scourner's seat, nor hurl the cynic's ban. Let me sit in a house by the side of the road, and be a friend of man."

Is everybody pitchin'?—JIM McCABE

THEY NEED A MAP TO SHOW THE BOYS AROUND

LAWNDALE

THINGS ARE CHANGING so rapidly around the depot that it is hard to keep track of them. In the last few months the office has been changed around, a snazzy new system of florescent lights installed, doors sealed off here and other doors made there and the receiver pushed over in the corner. It is getting so a man doesn't dare take a vacation, because he might not be able to find his way around when he gets back.

The bowlers are already making plans to avenge the one game defeat they suffered last year, which was *Lawndale's* freshman year in the league. We really should have two teams this year. Last year's team, led by *Captain Eddie Svoma* (who hopes to be as good as his father "Teddy Bear," some day), *Maury "Brown Eyes" Barrett, Chester Nails*, whose 267 led the League for most of the season, *Art Kunch, Teddy Broman* and *Joe Cieczek* who was sidelined last year with a twisted ankle will be back, but we could use another team. See *Captain Svoma* if you are interested.

Motorman *Harry Gilbert* has lost 35 pounds this summer and claims that he has a good diet, although we happen to know that his wife has been spending the summer in the country and *Harry* has been going around with a hungry expression on his face. . . . The new bus instructor's name is *Pat McCarthy* and he is doing a fine job at breaking in the new steering wheel jockeys.

Elmer Hane managed to spend ten days of his vacation away from the barn and then he couldn't stand it any more and had to drop around to see the boys.—BILL FEILER

THE HIGH COST OF MAKING AN IMPRESSION

LAWRENCE

OTTO CARLSON gave the neighbors an eye-full when he drove up in a 1947 Buick sedan. No one on the block knew that *Otto* had rented it to go on his vacation. Later *Otto* was fretting he hoped that the landlord didn't see it. . . . The *Jensens* are packing up their furniture and china in preparation to move to their new home in North Desplaines, Illinois. *Gene Marin* our French professor had been teaching *Jensen* how to pronounce the name of the street *Golf Du La Sac*. According to *Gene* in English or Gaelic it means *Golf Road*. . . . *George Stillwell* our board member will be down in California next month right in Hollywood's back yard, so if any of you fellows want your favorite movie star's autograph, put the buzz on *George* before he leaves.

Dropped in on *Eddie Schmidt* over on the Burma Road. Looks like they were laying down block busters. *Eddie* predicted the name would be changed to the Magic Carpet when the new pavement and equipment are put in service. . . . Somebody lighted the fuse and the ball team took off and at this writing the team has taken three straight games and looks good enough to grab the remaining games.

Heard the word that *Vince Kurgon* is doing a little advance press agent work for the coming Bowling season. If you have the urge to do a little kegling mention it to *Vince* and he will take care of the details.—MICKEY LOFTUS

SOFTBALL TEAM IS OF CHAMPION CALIBER

LIMITS

THE BALL game between *Limits* and *Lincoln* in which the *Limits* won 9 to 6 was a well-played game with plenty of action and it gives one the assurance that *Limits* has what it takes to win a pennant.

William H. Krueger, foreman at *Limits* repair, retired after nearly forty-six years of service. He came to work for the Chicago Surface Lines, as an extra car cleaner back in 1901. Throughout the years of his service he fulfilled the jobs of repairman and night foreman at *Blue Island* and later as day foreman at *Blue Island, Kedzie, Armitage* and *Limits*. Now that his time is his own he and *Mrs. Krueger* are planning to visit *Akron, Ohio, Detroit* and *New York*.

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On July 1st *A. Peterson*, receiver at Limits, retired after forty years of service with the company. Our good wishes are with him as he enjoys his well-earned pension. . . . On July 25 the talented daughter of *Conductor Austin* was married. Miss Austin had just recently completed a course in dramatics at Northwestern University and is well known for her beauty and modeling.

It was good to see our *Chief Clerk Riedel* on the job after being absent for some time due to a broken finger he received while playing ball and while trying to stop one of those hot ones. . . . A bowling team is being formed and judging from the past we will be right there in bowling.—C. E. RITTER

“WHEN LEAVES OF BROWN COME TUMBLING DOWN”

LINCOLN

LEAVES are beginning to be a hazard. It has been noticed rather early this season that the leaves are falling. It is just a reminder to you old timers to be alert when approaching them. To you new men who have not experienced the thrill of sliding thru space when making contact with said leaves: Be very cautious, make sure you have plenty of sand and know how to use it.

If anyone has to be directed to the points of interest of our fair city, see “*Utility Man*” *Bill Gehrke*, he was noticed the other day giving a woman directions, after a few seconds of his usual pointing and hand waving someone of a kindly nature told Bill the lady was carrying a white cane and was blind. Bill was last seen in a cloud of embarrassment.

Congratulations to *Conductor Vince Taylor* and of course to his wife, they became the proud parents of a baby boy Saturday, July 26. He weighed in at seven pounds, eight ounces. Another baseball player for Vince to teach the fine points of the game.

Motorman George Stephen is also the proud daddy of a baby girl. He welcomed her home to a brand new house trailer.—LARRY HIPPERT

BUT THE QUESTION IS— WHO GETS THE EGGS?

NOBLE

MAKING it a foursome on the 4th of July was no trick at all for Mr. Stork with the arrival of a new boy, *John Harry*, weighing in at eight and three-quarters pounds. The score now stands, three boys and one girl at the *Charles Anderson's* home.

It was *George Kuznick* who turned in with a live chicken he and *Eddie “Slugger” Schultz* had chased all over Cortland and Ashland.

George's problem was how was he going to keep it fed, etc., for the thirty days allowed in “Lost and Found.”

Yes, we finally heard from one of our fellows on vacation. *Roy Hammerberg* dropped a card from Nebraska, the land where the buffalo roam, at least that's the picture on the card. All cards from you fellows on vacation will be posted on the bulletin board. So come on let's hear from you.

Noble put up a darn good fight to win the ball game with Lawrence. It was neck and neck all the way into 11 innings. Noble being nosed by one run. But we did the same thing to them beating them by one run in nine innings. So now we are even, at least with Lawrence Garage.—C. GREER

DON'T LOOK FOR COURTESY IN CELLAR

69TH

IF WE REMEMBER correctly, it was only a few months ago when 69th was proudly heralded as one of the most courteous stations in the system, but look at us now—we are almost in the cellar of the courtesy list. Perhaps, we have been resting a bit too long on the bed of past laurels. . . . The first hundred years are the hardest, it seems. *Retired Conductor Arthur E. Taylor* celebrated his Golden Wedding anniversary on July 27, at the home of R. W. Kelso of Culver, Indiana. To the happy couple the gang from 69th extends sincere congratulations and many happy returns of the day. . . . We also tip our topper to *Motorman John M. Rohl* of this depot, who on July 12, reported at Columbus Hospital for a blood transfusion in behalf of a sick brother-trainman from 77th. . . . On July 19, *Motorman Charles W. Krassel* went and got himself a cute little bride. Congratulations kids, and may your spats be small. . . . The following families were made happy by the arrival of little ones at their homes during the month of July: *Conductor and Mrs. R. G. Warner*, a boy; *Conductor and Mrs. J. G. Steinback*, a girl; *Motorman and Mrs. D. T. Serritella*, a boy; *Conductor and Mrs. A. M. Kopay*, a girl; *Motorman and Mrs. C. J. Nelson*, a boy; *Operator and Mrs. C. L. Lunsford*, a girl; *Motorman and Mrs. J. Connelly*, a boy; *Conductor and Mrs. W. J. Blanton*, a girl. As you can readily see the score is tied-four boys and four girls. Let's have a winner!—THE GHOSTS

NINE ADDITIONS TO ACCOUNTING

ACCOUNTING

CHERYL DAWN HOLZLE is the name of the new baby girl born on Saturday, June 28 at Roseland Community Hospital to *Mr. and*

Mrs. Richard Holzie. . . . *Arthur Bresin*, who is convalescing at home after an operation, was remembered with a gift and “Get Well” cards from his many friends and associates. . . . *Helen Gerke* is back at here desk after an absence due to an operation.

The department extends a hearty welcome to *Dolores Belgarbo*, *Sue Christopher*, *Jean Herbert*, *Marlyn Morton*, *John Lally*, *William Timmons*, *Helen Woods*, *Margaret Woods* and *Margaret McIntyre* as the latest additions to our personnel.

Helen Wallace, formerly of the Material and Supplies Department and *Otis Gilbert Murty*, were married on Wednesday, July 2, at Cheyenne, Wyoming. Her office associates remembered her with a very useful wedding gift.—THOMAS F. COAN

KELLY LOSES HIS FISH BUT CATCHES IT

ELECTRICAL

THE STORK has visited the homes of *Albert Fennems*, apprentice, with an eight pound boy, and *James Gormley*, line department, with a baby girl.

Chief Operator Archie Smith, 63rd street, is back at work after having a major operation. *Foreman Harry Lauer*, of the conduit gang is back after a long illness.

Timothy (Joe) Culnan, emergency lineman, met with a serious mishap while at work and is confined in the Swedish Covenant hospital. He will be there for some time, so why not call and pay him a visit or drop a card in the mail?

VACATIONS—*Dan Kelly*, chief operator of Argo, motored to Spooner, Wisconsin to go a fishing. Dan was disappointed when a good size muskie got away, hook and all. As he continued fishing he caught a 32-inch muskie along with several others. When the 32-incher was butchered he found the hook on the inside! . . . *Tom Johnson*, 63rd, enjoyed fishing at Birch Lake, Minnesota, also visited friends and relatives at Colfax, Iowa. . . . *Chief Operator John Wood*, Broadway, enjoyed the scenery along the Mississippi, via the “Hiawatha” to Minneapolis. . . . *Operator Roy Walsh*, Western, and *Apprentice Roy Walsh, Jr.* vacationed at Delavan Lake, Wisconsin. Postcard from *Operator C. McMakin*, Western, indicates he had one grand time at Three Oaks, Michigan. . . . *Apprentice Dan Crogan* enjoyed star-gazing at the Adler Planetarium. also visited the Rosenwald museum. . . . *Dan Darcy*, chief operator, chose to spend his time in Chicago. . . . *George Nelson*, supervisor of personnel, reports having driven 3,000 miles to Minneapolis and the Black Hills. *Tester Frank Jones*, came back with a good coat of tan. . . . *Roy Rogers* also of the testing department vacationed at Cable, Wisconsin.—ANDY



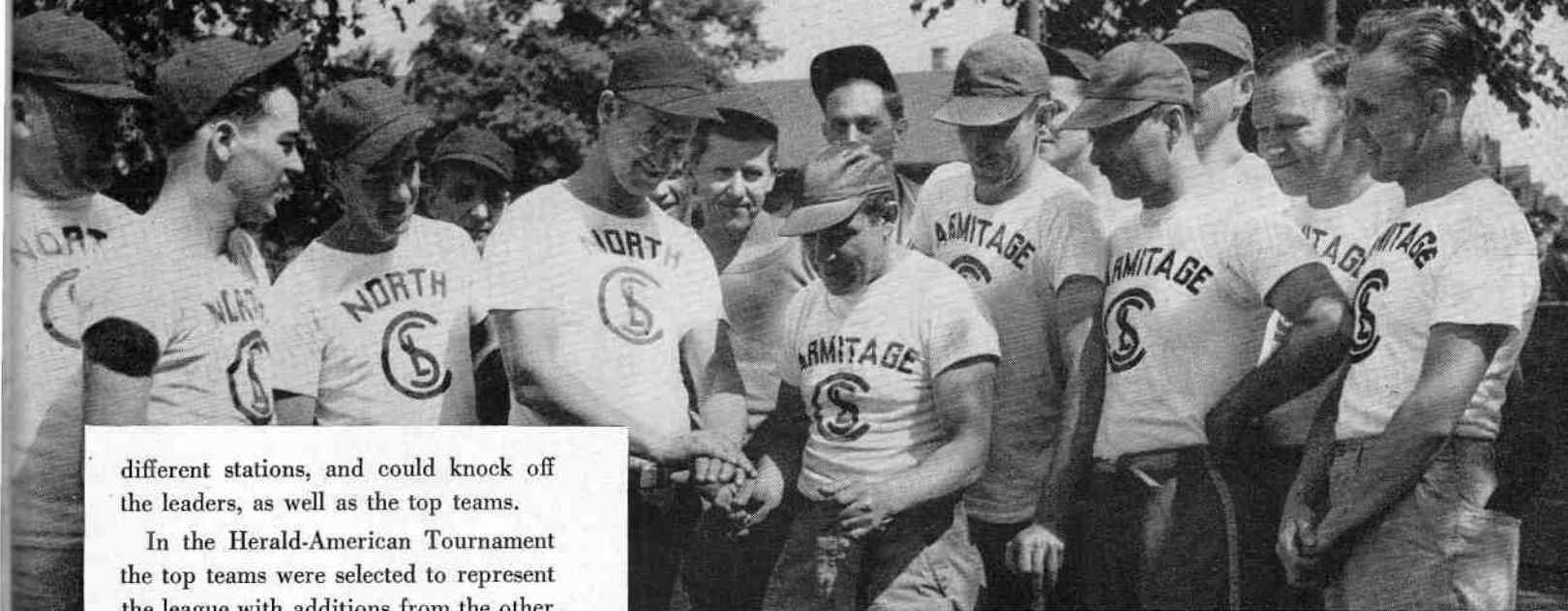
Some Sports!

SOFTBALL NOTES

SOUTH SECTION		NORTH SECTION	
	W L		W L
Kedzie	7 1	Limits	8 1
Blue Island	5 2	North	7 2
Archer Garage	4 2	Armitage	7 2
69th	3 4	Noble	4 5
West Shops	3 5	Lincoln	3 6
Archer	2 5	Lawrence	3 6
Lawndale	2 7	Devon	2 7
		Elston	2 7

GOING INTO the final month of our schedule there was a three way fight for first place in each section. In the South Section Kedzie built up a slight lead over Blue Island and Archer Garage. In the North Section Limits led, with North and Armitage hot on the leader's heels. The weaker teams were considerably strengthened by the new material at the

Pictures on these pages were taken at a couple of hot games (at least the players were hot) during July. . . . Some climb the bat (above, left) . . . While others prefer to flip (above, right) . . . But it takes a real good slug (right, center) . . . To make a home run (left) . . . And not be counted out (right, bottom).



different stations, and could knock off the leaders, as well as the top teams.

In the Herald-American Tournament the top teams were selected to represent the league with additions from the other teams. In the South Section, Kedzie and Archer Garage were chosen to represent the south side with *C. Cooke* to manage the Kedzie team and *F. Pelgman* to manage the Archer Garage team. The Kedzie team will be an all star aggregation from Kedzie, 69th, Blue Island, Lawndale, and Archer stations, while the Archer Garage will be composed of players from West Shops and Archer Garage.

In the North Section, Limits and North were chosen to represent the section, Limits station will have the pick of the players from Limits, Lincoln, Devon, and Noble depots, while North, Lawrence, Elston and Armitage will represent North Avenue.

The best players will represent these teams from the CSL League. In the first round of games, North Avenue station played the Gas Company, north shop, and Limits station, the Oak Manufacturers Company. Archer Garage played Johnson Suture Corp. while Kedzie station drew a bye in the first round.

C. Weber is managing the North Avenue men and *Bob Geiser* manages the Limits team.

The season ends on August 27, and then the championship and round robin series will be on the way, with the champions being crowned by the end of September. Our championship series will be played on Sunday mornings with a "home and home" series between the North and South Section. The "round-robin" series will be played during the week.—WALTER ZELIS

AUGUST, 1947



In Memoriam

A List of Recent Deaths Among Employees

AMIL E. DIDTLER, 65, motorman from Devon, passed away 6-21-47 after a short illness. He started work 8-17-14 with the company. His service would have been 33 years in August.

TOM RUZIC, 63, laborer from the Track Department, died 6-23-47 after an illness of a year and a half. Upon his death he had 22 years of service with CSL.

JOSEPH WYNN, 58, flagman from Burnside, died 6-30-47. At the time of his death his service amounted to 31 years.

MARTIN SLATTERY, 55, flagman from Burnside, passed away 6-30-47. Upon his death he had 27 years of service with CSL.

JAMES KNUDSEN, 56, conductor from Archer, died 6-28-47 from a brain hemorrhage. At the time of his death he had 34 years of service.

ALBERT KOZAK, 58, conductor of Lawndale, passed away 6-30-47. He had 38 years of service with CSL.

ANTHONY HRDALO, 50, motorman from Armitage, died 6-30-47. He was ill over a period of two weeks. His service with the company amounted to 27 years.

HAROLD CARSTON, 47, conductor from Archer, passed away 7-1-47 from internal hemorrhages. He had started work for the company 6-23-26.

CHARLES HANRAHAN, 56, car cleaner from 69th, died 7-4-47, after an illness of a year. At the time of his death he had 18 years of service with CSL.

WILLIAM E. SMITH, 58, motorman from Archer, passed away 7-8-47. He had 37 years of service with the company.

JOSEPH A. MARISKA, 42, conductor from Lawndale, died while on duty 7-11-47. Upon his death he had 2 years of service with CSL.

ANDREW DOMIYANIC, 54, laborer from the Track Department, passed away on 7-12-47. He came with our company in 1929.

JOSEPH RALINOVSKY, 65, a painter at West Shops, died 7-12-47, after a month's illness. At the time of his death he had 25 years of service.

GEORGE GALLOWAY, 73, motorman from Limits, died 7-14-47. His service with the company amounted to 44 years.

JOSEPH BOZIN, 59, a laborer from the Track Department, passed away on 7-15-47. He was with CSL three years.

TERENCE KENNEDY, 87, conductor from Lawndale, died 7-11-47. He was on inactive service since 11-27-38, having joined the company on 1-6-83.

FILIPPO BUXXONE, 60, laborer from the Track Department, passed away on 7-17-47. He passed away while he was on duty. He came to the company 7-20-27.

THOMAS TARPEY, 67, conductor from Kedzie, died while on duty 7-20-47. He worked for CSL 26 years.

in a couple of good plays in Chicago. *Al Pisors* must have enjoyed his golfing and loafing at Deep Lake. *Evelyn Kaross* did a lot of fishing at Post Lake, Wisconsin, but we haven't had any of the fish. *Eddie Thompson* looked the states of Minnesota and Wisconsin over. From all reports though it looks as if Chicago is the favorite vacation spot from the number of fellows who stayed here to see the sights.

The Department extends its sympathy to *John Bernbom* whose mother recently passed away.—L. C. DUTTON

GOERING TAKES HIS RETIREMENT

SOUTH SHOPS

GEOERGE LINDELL became the proud grandfather of twins. They arrived at the home of his son and daughter-in-law. . . . A little bundle of joy was dropped at the home of *Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kiselus* answering to the name of *Donald Joseph*.

VACATION NOTES: *Minnie Stoffle* spent her vacation in Michigan. . . . *Pete Poska* stayed in the city but came back to work looking like he had a Florida tan. . . . *Bob Dietz* chose Wisconsin. . . . *Joe Hecht* did his fishing in Grass Lake, Wis. *Joe Jardin* had an enjoyable time in Silver Lake, Wis. *Fred Mueller* had fun visiting the west. *Faulkner McCrea* fished in Canada and *Axel Johnson* went to Springfield.

After working with the CSL for 53 years, *William Goering* has retired. He will be missed by all who came in contact with him and our best wishes for a life of leisure are extended to him. He was honored at a banquet recently and was given a lovely Parker pen and pencil set.

The lovely sparkler on *Jeane Krauledis*, third finger, left hand was placed there by *Jack Hughs*. Congratulations *Jeane* and *Jack*.

At present *Charles Hall* is enjoying the sunshine in California.—ANNE M. YERCICH.

VACATION REPORTING

HURT BY HEAT

GENERAL OFFICE

SITTING HERE in 92° heat, it is harder'n hard to write about someone else vacation, but here goes: *Art Doyle* (information clerk) spent a glorious two weeks fishing and swimming at Scituate, Mass. . . . *E. J. Burke*, *Eddie Coates* and *Mary Ranahan* (Purchasing), and *Thomas Callaghan* (Information) enjoyed the comforts of home. *Marge Rochford* (Transportation) went west to Colorado, while *Minetta Connors* (Transportation) went east to New York. . . . To hear all about a super-duper lake trip, ask *Mary Roach*, *Jane Garrity* and *John Fisher*.

Myra Booth (Purchasing) was given a send-off with a dinner at the Piccadilly Restaurant and a farewell gift. . . . The new member over in Purchasing is *Martha Seymour*.

Congratulations are in order for *Clarence Grube* (Paymaster), who was the proud daddy of a boy, *Edward*, born July 27.—BRENDA and COBINA

DIDN'T ANYONE

GO WEST?

MATERIAL & SUPPLIES

VACATION NOTES while rambling through the department—*J. Y. Guinter* recently

returned from an extensive tour of the East which took in visits to the capital, New York, Philadelphia, Boston, and Canada. *Dorothy Stenbridge* viewed Mother Nature at her prettiest in the Wisconsin Dells and Ludington, Michigan. *Jack Harty* left Ford Motors in tears when he returned from Detroit still grimly hanging on to the steering wheel of his venerable V-8, "Mahitabelle."

George Linden passed out cigars to announce the arrival of *Alan George* on July 22. Congrats to the happy parents and also to *Grandpa A. Stanley Walik* of the Carpenter Shop.

We extend best wishes to a couple of our "youngsters," *Matt Benach* and *Frank Johnson*, who retired recently after 27 years and 39 years service respectively.

Recent new additions to the M&S family include *Ed Martynowski*, *Stanley DeLeshe*, *Chas. Lenhart*, and *Dio Redman*. *John Kurgan* has also returned after his sojourn with Uncle Sam.—"DJ" McMAHON

TRAPS AND TRIPS GET

LOTS OF ATTENTION

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC

VACATION NOTES: "Pete" *Donahue* is putting a lot of mileage on that new Hudson, since the postcards are now coming in from California. *Bob Boal* is now well acquainted with all the traps in the St. Charles Golf Course. We understand *Frank Misk* took

FURTHER EDUCATION

OR JUST VACATION?

WAY & STRUCTURES

TRACK DIVISION: *Messenger "Boys" John Adamczyk* and *Otto Schumacher* from the Northern Division sent us post cards while on their vacation trip and from the scenes we gather that they went to Wisconsin Dells, Minneapolis, and the high school at Glencoe, Minnesota. We wonder if at their "young" age they have decided to further their education.

Harry Safford informed us that when he takes his vacation at Tomahawk, Wisconsin it will be just to rest. We all say it, but we never do it.

"This is a funny world,
Its wonders never cease;
All 'civilized' people are at war
All 'savages' are at peace."

We hear that *Charles Manthey*, welding foreman, decided to visit some friends in Kankakee, Illinois, who are bakers by trade. We wonder if he intends to learn another way to make dough.

At first we thought *John Flynn* received his deep tan from a vacation in the South, but we found out that he acquired it around South 115th street.

We extend our sympathy to *William McCann*, grinder helper, in the recent loss of his wife.

UTILITY DIVISION: *Wreck Wagon Helper Harry Lynch*, who is 70 years young, rode his bicycle from Blue Island, Illinois to Crown Point, Indiana and from there to *Supervisor Otto Kruger's* farm in Lake Village, Indiana.

The *Leo Drewniakowski's* annexed a bundle from heaven recently. Leo, a wreck wagon helper, stood up very well throughout this trying ordeal after being assured by the doctor that he hadn't lost a father during his career.

The visitor paid his green's fee and went out to the first tee. Taking his stance he made a wild swing and missed completely. "Wow," he said to his opponent, "It's a good thing I found out early in the game that this golf course is at least two inches lower than the one I've been playing."

BUILDING DIVISION: *Bill Cameron* informs us that the flies at Fish Creek, Wisconsin are dense this year. What does he expect—educated ones?

L. Boisvert went to visit his daughter in San Francisco, California and enjoyed himself riding cable cars.—**BETTY LHOTAK.**

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STORK AND CUPID KEEP REPORTER BREATHLESS

WEST SHOPS

BABIES, BABIES, and more babies. Whew, it has me all out of breath trying to keep up with Old Man Stork. It seems, he's showing a little partiality towards the bus overhaul shop. The *Andy Barrs*, bus overhaul, are proud to announce the arrival of a new baby girl, *Gale Louise*, while *Glen Ronald Horelica*, and *Matthew George Spatzek*, became the new alarm clocks in their respective parents' homes. Twin boys were left with the *Jerry Tollman's*, bus overhaul, on July 12—*Jerome Allen* and *John Bruce*. But, that's not all, as he stopped on the way back at the *William O'Brien's*, leaving another baby girl, *Linda Irene*. *Dolores Nelson* and the *Dan O'Briens* are doubly proud over their new little niece. Word was also received that *Kay Scescke*, formerly of the office, became the proud Momma of a baby girl, also *Patricia Ann*.

Out in the armature room and the machine shop, it seems old Dan Cupid is really going to town. *Mike Castiglione*, armature room, and

his bride spent their honeymoon at Niagara Falls, and *Norman Rogers*, spent his honeymoon at Yellowstone National Park. *Charles Star*, and *Laverne Feisling*, armature room, and *J. Franili*, machine shop, took that fatal step, also, but, didn't say where they spent their honeymoons. Dan Cupid, shot another arrow over in the bus overhaul shop, thus uniting *Dolores Nelson* and *Steve Unterfranz* in marriage. Dolores made a lovely bride wearing a gown of white satin with a fingertip veil, and carrying a bouquet of white *Stephanotis* with a white orchid in the center.

Well, vacation time is in full swing, now, at the West Shops and there are plenty among the missing. *John Burke*, drafting room, tells me he is taking the Missus on a second honeymoon for a few days, but, the remainder of his vacation will be spent at his summer estate. (Ahem!)

Joe Hecht, paint shop, took his family up to Shawno, Wisconsin. *John Schwartz* and *Tony Vihnanek*, spent their vacations up in Lac De Flambeau, Wisconsin. *Jo Flack*, office, spent the most of her vacation in good old Chicago with the man in her life. *Gen Shea*, office, is spending her vacation in and around Chicago, just taking life easy.

If you have any old wooden crates that you're not going to use, bring them into the drafting room and leave them at *Irving Ptashkin's* desk.

We extend our sincerest sympathy to the family of *Joseph Ralinovsky*, paint shop, who passed away after a brief illness. Our sympathy also goes to *Frank Mortello*, paint shop, in the death of his mother, and *Irving Ptashkin*, drafting room, whose father-in-law passed away suddenly.

Hearing her cheerful voice and seeing her sunny smile once again, reminded us of the days when she, too, had to work for a living. The pleasure was ours, when *Betty Beesley Nelson* dropped in to say "hello."

That's all until next month, folks—**MARY CROSBY.**



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