

SEPTEMBER, 1957



TRANSIT NEWS



Fares Adjusted September 1

NEW FARE rates, affecting five rider classifications, became effective on September 1, in accordance with action taken by the Chicago Transit Board at a special meeting held July 15.

The new fares establish a 11¼-cent token fare for Loop shuttle bus riders, for children, for students and for the differential applying to inter-zone and Evanston express riders. These 11¼-cent tokens, which are larger in size than the 22½-cent tokens, are sold in lots of four for 45 cents. Students and half-fare riders are urged to buy tokens instead of paying 13c cash. The cash rate for these two groups formerly was 10c. The cash rate of 13c for Loop shuttle bus riders and the cash fare differential of 13c for inter-zone and Evanston express riders remain unchanged.

With the establishment of these new rates, the 2½c interim token were discontinued, and on and after September 1 were no longer accepted in payment for any part of a ride. This interim token was formerly used with cash in paying a shuttle bus fare, and in paying the inter-zone fare and Evanston express fare differentials.

A program of revising CTA fare boxes to accept and register the units of CTA's new fare structure is presently under way and the rebuilt boxes are being placed in service on surface vehicles as fast as they are converted.

The work of adapting the fare boxes to the cash and token fares, effective September 1, is being done by the

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CTA wants YOU to know what the "YELLOW" means

The "Yellow" on a CTA fare box means that it has been revised to accept and register the units of CTA's new fare structure.

There are four swatches of "Yellow" on each of these boxes—one on top alongside the coin-token slot, and three on the side of the box facing you when you board a bus or a streetcar.

On each of these swatches, these words are imprinted: "Quarters and Tokens Only"



Revised Fare Box


Here's how the fare box with the "Yellow" looks. When you see a fare box all dressed up like this with "Yellow" swatches, here's what to do when paying your fare:

1. **Adult Cash Fare (25¢):** Put a Quarter in the slot.
2. **Adult Token Fare (22½¢):** Put small token in slot.
3. **Child or Student Token Fare (11¼¢):** Put large token in slot.
4. **Child or Student Cash Fare (13¢):** Hand cash fare to Operator who will return large token to be deposited in fare box, and Operator will record 1¼¢ difference.

PLEASE NOTE: Do not put Dimes, Nickels or Pennies in the fare box.
(see other side)

FARE BOX WITHOUT THE "YELLOW"

If the fare box on a CTA bus or streetcar does not have the "Yellow" swatches, this is the procedure for you to follow:



1. **Adult Cash Fare (25¢):** Put two Dimes in the slot and hand Operator a Nickel.
2. **Adult Token Fare (22½¢):** Put small token in slot.
3. **Child or Student Token Fare (11¼¢):** Hand large token to Operator who will record it.
4. **Child or Student Cash Fare (13¢):** Hand cash fare (13¢) to Operator who will record it.

Temporarily the CTA must continue to use some fare boxes that have not been rebuilt.

There are 3,700 fare boxes that have to be revised. Obviously this is not a job that can be done overnight, or even in a few weeks.

This work is underway now, and is proceeding with all possible speed. As fast as rebuilt boxes are received from the manufacturer, the old boxes will be replaced and sent to the manufacturer for processing.

During the change-over period, CTA earnestly solicits your co-operation in observing the procedures outlined for each of the two types of fare boxes, the rebuilt "Yellow" and the old type.

Thank You.

CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Johnson Fare Box Company and is proceeding with all possible speed.

There are a total of 3,700 fare boxes that have to undergo the adjustment so, obviously, it will take some time to complete the job.

The revised fare boxes are identified by four swatches of yellow—one on top alongside the coin-token slot and three on the side of the box facing boarding bus or streetcar passengers. Each of these swatches carries the legend "Quarters and Tokens Only."

As the revised boxes are installed on surface vehicles, a seat distribution is being made of a leaflet explaining to riders the methods of paying fares. The leaflet is reproduced on this page.

The first revised fare boxes were installed September 1 on the Douglas Extension bus route which runs in Cermak road between the "L" terminal at 54th avenue and Harlem avenue. Thereafter, as revised boxes become available, other routes will be equipped with them.

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OUR COVER: September is traditionally the month when schools reopen after summer vacation and in token of this CTA TRANSIT NEWS presents a picture of a far southeast side school located along the route of the 111th street surface lines described in the 33rd in the series on "Know Your CTA Routes" starting on page six in this issue. Shown is the Mendel Catholic high school for boys, at 111th and South Park avenue, which was founded in 1952. Buildings and grounds were once those of Pullman high school.

Clark-Wentworth Route Split; Buses Serve Area North of Loop

CTA's ONLY remaining streetcar route, Clark-Wentworth (No. 22), was split into two parts September 8, and buses were substituted for streetcars between the existing north terminal at Howard street, and a new south terminal at Harrison street, just south of the Loop.

Seventy-one odorless propane (LP-gas) buses are assigned to this route, designated as "Clark," replacing 39 streetcars.

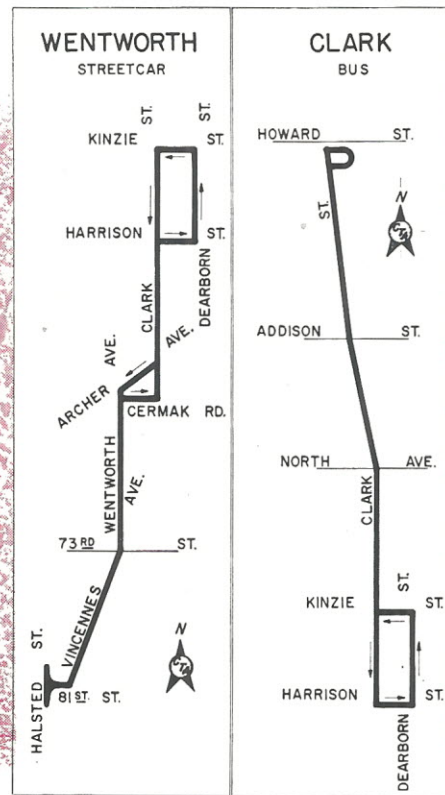
The south part of the former Clark-Wentworth route, now "Wentworth," is being served, Mondays through Fridays, by 48 streetcars, operating between the existing south terminal at 81st street and Halsted street, and Kinzie and Clark streets, just north of the Loop. On week-ends, as in the past, buses will replace the streetcars.

The routing of the "Clark" line is south in Clark street from Howard street to Harrison street, east to Dearborn street, north to Kinzie street, west to Clark, and north to Howard.

The "Wentworth" routing is east in 81st street from Halsted street to Vincennes avenue, northeast to Wentworth avenue, north to Cermak road, east to Clark street, north to Harrison street, east to Dearborn street, north to Kinzie street, west to Clark street, south to Archer avenue, southwest to Wentworth, south to Vincennes, and southwest to 81st, and then west to Halsted.

On the Clark bus route headways during the morning and evening rush hours are reduced from two and one-half minutes to one and one-half minutes. Midday intervals remain at four minutes and evening service will continue at four to seven-minute intervals. "Owl" service operates at 30-minute intervals during the late night and early morning hours.

On the Wentworth streetcar route headways are not changed except during the "Owl" period when 30-minute service is provided.



Splitting of the long Clark-Wentworth route into two shorter lines provides additional service, both northbound in Dearborn street and southbound in Clark street, for riders in the area between Kinzie street and Harrison street where operations of the two lines overlap.

The shorter routes insure more regular service through closer control of operations. Service delays on one of the new, shorter routes will no longer disrupt service on the other new route, as is the case with long through routes.

Southbound in Clark street, the buses make far-side curbstone stops between Wacker and Congress except at Clark and Lake, where a near-side curbstone stop is made. At Clark and Harrison buses stop at the safety island before making the turn. Over the rest of the route nearside curb stops are made.

Transfers between the Clark and Wentworth routes can be made at Clark and Kinzie streets and at Clark and Harrison streets.

Cost-of-Living Increase Granted

APPROXIMATELY 13,750 CTA employes received a cost-of-living allowance of four cents per hour, effective September 1, as a result of the increase in the latest cost-of-living index for Chicago.

Cost of the increase to CTA is estimated presently at the rate of \$105,000 per month, or \$1,260,000 a year.

The cost-of-living allowance is provided for in the new contracts with CTA employes which became effective June 1, 1957, for the period through November 30, 1959.

Under the terms of the CTA contracts, the cost-of-living allowance is computed quarterly, and is based on the percentage change in the cost-of-living index since April, 1957, for Chicago as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor,

Bureau of Labor Statistics. The percentage of increase, or decrease, is then applied to the current base rate of one-man operators.

The base rate for one-man operators presently is \$2.255 per hour. The July index showed an increase of 1.7 per cent over the April 15, 1957, index. This percentage increase applied to the one-man operator's base rate established the cost-of-living allowance at four cents per hour.

This cost-of-living allowance is the second largest allowance ever paid by CTA in any quarter since the cost-of-living provision was first included in CTA wage contracts in 1951. The highest was 4½¢ per hour, effective September 1, 1956.

ANNUAL FIRE INSPECTION STRESSES

Prevention



Smoking in bed is deadly!



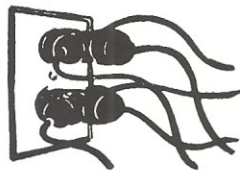
Replace your frayed electric cords!



Keep matches away from children!



Remove cellar, attic & closet "junk"!



Avoid overloading electric outlets!



Beware of kitchen fires!



Be careful with oil stoves!



Use non-flammable cleaning fluids!



Be a careful smoker!

WITH THE objective of eliminating fire hazards and improvement of system-wide "good housekeeping" practices, the fourth annual fire inspection of CTA operating properties will be held during the week of October 4 to 11 under the direction of the Insurance Department.

Keyed to the observance of National Fire Prevention Week—October 6 to 12—the annual inspection tour supplements the fire prevention program which is carried out regularly throughout the year with periodic safety inspections.

A special committee made up of supervisory personnel, CTA officials and representatives from various departments will conduct the inspection, and visits will be made to all CTA operating stations and facilities to determine that fire regulations are being followed and safe procedures being practiced at all locations.

The special committee, which will function only until the system-wide inspection is completed, will be concerned primarily with checking basic fire prevention practices. Carrying the program into effect throughout the year rests fundamentally with specially trained and appointed personnel at the respective stations and locations.

Following the inspection, a report on findings and recommendations will be issued by the Insurance Department, of which *H. B. Storm* is superintendent.

Accenting the celebration of Fire Prevention Week in Chicago also is the program being sponsored by the Fire Prevention Committee of the Chicago Association of Commerce and Industry. This program is aimed at teaching fire safety at all levels in the community, including home and industrial fire prevention.

The committee points out that while the aggregate property loss from fires is increasing steadily each year in the United States, Chicago last year reduced its fire fatalities by 40 per cent. Considerable credit for this decrease is due to the continuing, intensive program of fire safety education through which attention has been directed both to fire safety practices in employes' homes as well as on the job.

Pointing up the tremendous cost of fire carelessness in the United States are statistics released by the National Board of Fire Underwriters. These show that 12,000 American lives were sacrificed and over a billion dollars of homes and other properties destroyed in 1956 alone.

A study of the national figures proves that while carelessness in industry results in considerable fire damage, home fires take the biggest toll. Some of the more common causes are portrayed in the cartoon illustrations appearing on this page. A few simple precautions may well avoid a fire tragedy in your own home.



"I CAN hear you now!" This is the first step toward returning this little boy to normal living. A child who can't hear is left out. Other kids don't want to play with him. The Chicago Hearing Society, a Red Feather service, gives hearing tests, teaches lip reading, and helps the deaf and hard of hearing to fit in with those who can hear. You help, too, with your gift to the Joint Appeal.

"Through your contribution to the Joint Appeal, the Community Fund and Red Cross—together—can help more.

"As good citizens, let's all help them to the best of our financial ability, not only as a responsibility of citizenship, but as a privilege."

In 1957, CTA employes contributed a total of more than \$60,000 to the Community Fund and the Red Cross Fund.

Give Through Joint Appeal and Help Others

CTA EMPLOYEES were urged to be generous in their giving to the Community Fund-Red Cross Joint Appeal in a letter from *General Manager Walter J. McCarter*.

Pointing out the need for continuing support of the 162 Red Feather welfare services and for the Chicago portion of the Red Cross program, Mr. McCarter appealed to all employes not now helping the Community Fund-Red Cross Fund through the monthly payroll deduction plan to enroll this year.

Payroll deduction authorization cards to all those not now participating in the plan will be distributed through supervisory personnel at all stations and locations starting late in September. Employes are to sign these cards, stating the amount of the contribution, and how it is to be divided between the two funds. Return of signed cards to supervisors is asked by not later than October 25.

This year, for the first time, the Community Fund and the Red Cross in Chicago have officially consolidated their drives for local needs. Their joint goal is \$14,000,000.

Joint appeal contributions help support Community Fund clinics, day nurseries, foster homes for children, family service organizations, boys' clubs, settlement houses, youth services, and homes for the aged.

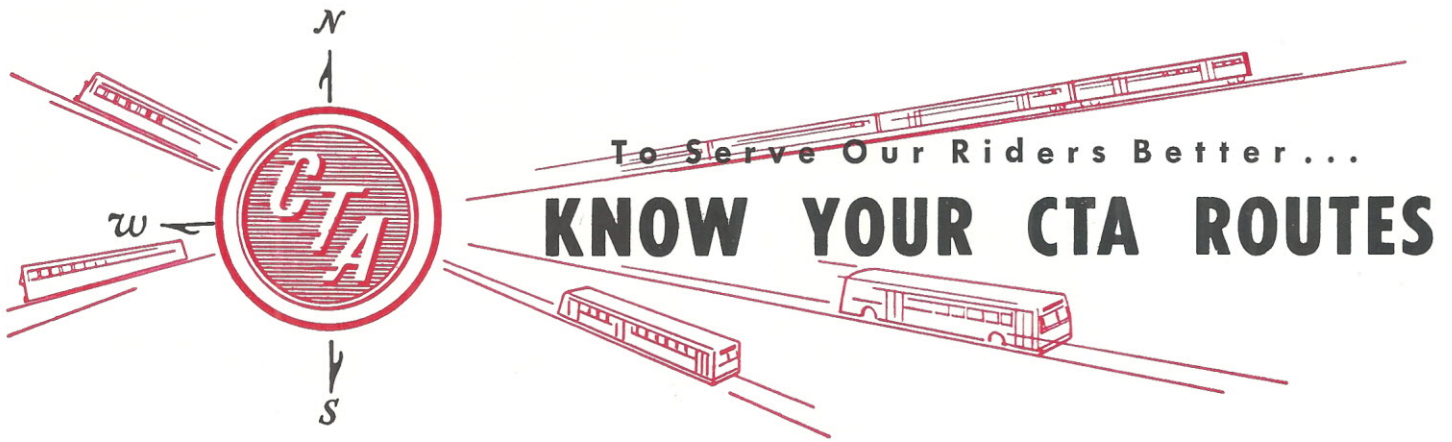
Red Cross services include disaster relief, aid to servicemen, veterans and their families, nursing services, first-aid and water safety classes, and many other volunteer activities.

Mr. McCarter emphasized in his letter that this is the only time for the next 12 months CTA employes, as such, will be asked to contribute for charitable and welfare services in Chicago. Though the joint appeal plan has been in effect on the CTA since 1952, many organizations have held separate campaigns until this year.

In his letter, Mr. McCarter said, "Together we have raised our standard of living over the years, and now it has become necessary to raise our standard of giving. It is my sincere hope that all of you will be as generous as possible in our giving to help these philanthropic organizations carry on their vital activities.



CHOSEN AS a finalist in the 1957 Joint Appeal Kids Contest held recently was *Lois Stevens*, 10-year old daughter of *Lawn-dale Operator* and *Mrs. Willie Lee Stevens*, who represented *Henry Booth House* in the city-wide competition. The contest was held as a preliminary event to Chicago's first Community Fund-Red Cross Joint Appeal campaign, starting October 1, which is seeking to raise \$14,000,000 to support 1958 operations of 162 local Red Feather welfare services and for the Chicago portion of Red Cross needs. Though Lois was not among the six winners selected in the contest she was well up in the running among the 77 youngsters who competed. Finalists were selected from candidates nominated by welfare service agencies and neighborhood activity centers which are assisted financially by the funds raised during the campaign.



(This is the 33rd in a series on CTA routes)

THREE OUTLYING CTA surface lines, which furnish convenient service for residents of 13 far south, southwest and southeast side communities, are Vincennes-111th (No. 111A), East 111th (No. 111) and Vincennes-119th (No. 119).

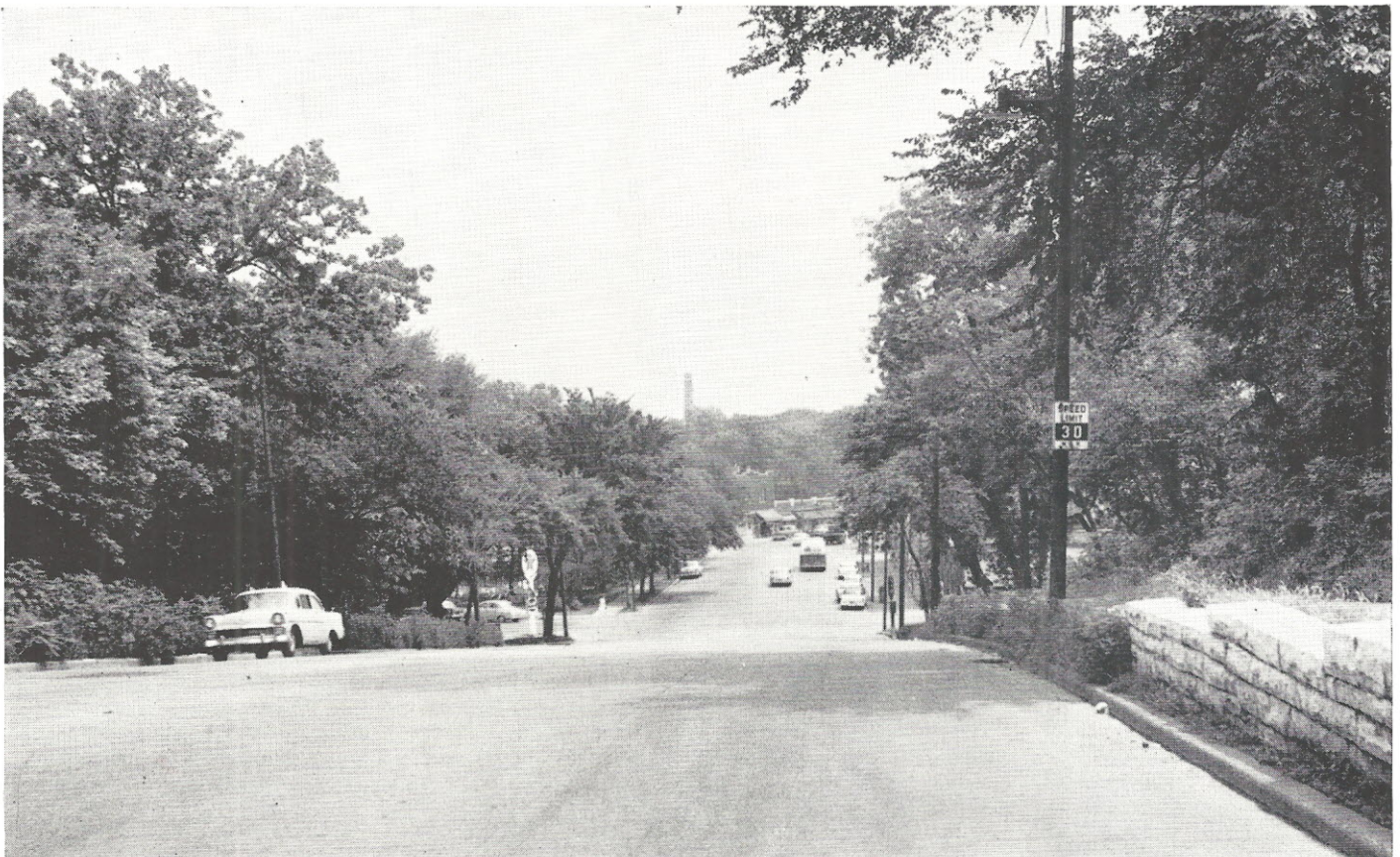
Vincennes-111th route serves the Chicago communities of Mount Greenwood, Morgan Park, Washington Heights, Longwood Manor, Brainerd and Gresham as well as portions of the villages of Oak Lawn and Merrionette Park. Passengers on this line can make convenient transfer con-

nections with surface lines which operate through the Loop area and also have easy access to the Englewood "L"-subway line.

East 111th buses provide transportation through Chicago's Pullman and Roseland communities, and Vincennes-119th vehicles serve West Pullman and eastern Morgan Park as well as portions of Blue Island and Calumet Park. Riders on both these lines can make connections with Vincennes-111th buses at 111th and Vincennes.

The territory served by the three lines is one of sharp contrasts—stately residences along elm-lined streets, farms

FROM THE top of this hill, on 111th street near Hoyne, this view looks east toward the Morgan Park community's business district. In far distance is chimney of Morgan Park high school.





MANY OF the buildings of a "model town" complete with homes, store, church, school and theater, which were built in the 1880s by *George M. Pullman* for employes of his plant, still are in use today. Scene, within this "town," is at 112th and Champlain.



SERVING FAR south side students, Fenger high school in the Roseland community has an enrollment of about 2,400 students. A co-educational institution, it was opened in 1904. Located originally at 115th and State streets, the school moved to its present location at 112th and Wallace streets when the structure shown was built in 1926.

RIDERS OF Vincennes-111th, East 111th and Vincennes-119th buses can make convenient transfers from one line to another either at Vincennes and 111th or Vincennes and Chelsea. Here, at the latter intersection, are (right) northbound Vincennes-111th bus and westbound East 111th vehicle. In Chicago's early days, farmers drove their livestock along Vincennes to the Stockyards.

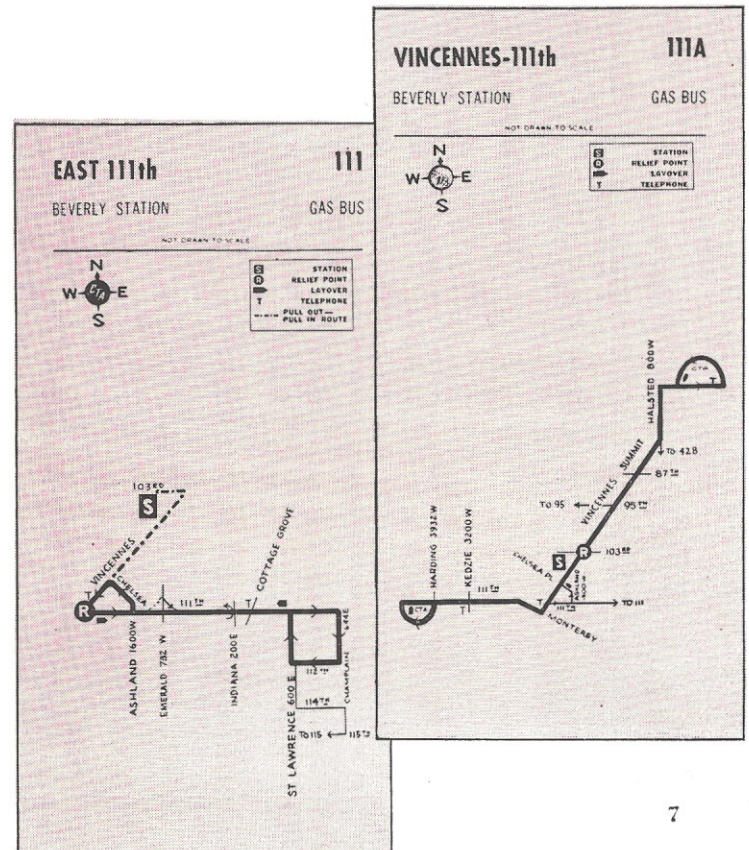


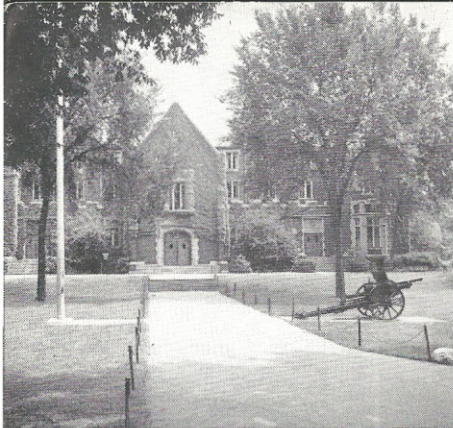
and woodlands, heavy industrial plants and railroad yards, all of which in recent years have shared space with modern dwellings, shopping districts and light industry.

Vincennes-111th buses run on five-minute headways on weekdays during both morning and afternoon rush periods. During midday base periods on these days, intervals are eight minutes and, during evenings, nine minutes. "Owl" service is supplied on a half hour basis seven days a week. On Saturdays, 12-minute headways are in effect during morning rush and during evening periods. They are nine minutes during midday base periods and seven and one-half minutes in afternoon rush periods. On Sundays and holidays, buses run every 15 minutes in mornings and every eight minutes during afternoons and evenings.

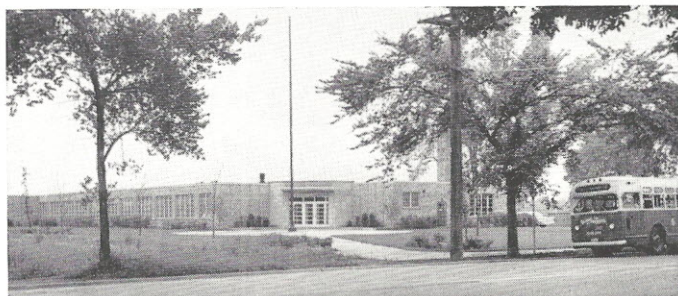
From a northern terminal at 79th and Halsted streets (7900 S. and 800 W.), southbound buses operate south on Halsted and Summit avenue to Vincennes, southwest on Vincennes to Monterey, northwest on Monterey to 111th street and west on 111th to the southwestern terminal at 111th and Harding (11100 S. and 3932 W.), Northbound buses reverse this route.

On weekdays, East 111th buses run every six minutes during morning and afternoon rush periods, every eight minutes during midday base periods and every nine minutes





BOYS FROM all over the United States, as well as from Canada, Mexico and South American countries attend Morgan Park Military Academy, 111th and Bell, which for 84 years has been a southwest side landmark. Both a boarding and a day school, it has an enrollment of 400.



TYPICAL OF the new schools being erected all over the Chicago area to alleviate classroom shortages is Keller elementary school at 111th and Hamlin in Mount Greenwood. Completed in 1956, it accommodates grades one through six and a kindergarten. Enrollment is 278.

in evenings. There is no "owl" service at any time. On Saturdays, buses run at 10-minute intervals in morning peak periods, at nine-minute intervals in midday base and afternoon rush periods and at 12-minute intervals during evenings. Twenty-minute headways in morning and evening periods, and 12-minute headways during midday periods are the rule on Sunday and holidays.

From 111th street and St. Lawrence (11100 S. and 600 E.), westbound buses travel west on 111th street to Ashland and loop north on Ashland, northwest on Chelsea and southwest on Vincennes to 111th. Eastbound buses operate east on 111th from Vincennes (1650 W.) to Champlain (644 E.), and loop south on Champlain, west on 112th street and north on St. Lawrence to 111th street.

Mondays through Saturdays, buses leave 111th and Vincennes between 4:28 a.m. and 2:15 a.m. the following day, and 111th and Champlain between 4:43 a.m. and 2:32 a.m. the next day. On Sundays and holidays, service from 111th and Vincennes is provided between 5:40 a.m. and 2:15 a.m.,

FOR 77 YEARS, the Pullman community has been identified as the center of rail passenger car manufacture. In July of this year, however, the Pullman Company sold much of its property, including this long-familiar clock tower, to a steel firm.

THESE NEAT two-story homes at 110th place and Campbell are representative of the type to be found in the newer sections of Morgan Park. Although one of Chicago's oldest communities, this area has seen substantial gains in building of homes and light industry.

MODERN STORES make up the business district of Mount Greenwood. View is looking east on 111th from Kedzie. At this point, persons wishing to travel to Evergreen Park or points further north, or to Merrionette Park or Mount Greenwood, may transfer to South Kedzie (No. 52A) buses.

and from 111th and Champlain, between 6:00 a.m. and 2:32 a.m.

Buses on the Vincennes-119th line operate every 12 minutes during morning rush periods, Monday through Fridays; every 10 minutes during afternoon peak hours and every 15 minutes in midday base and evening periods. There is no "owl" service.

On Saturdays, buses run at 15-minute headways throughout the day. Thirty-minute intervals are the rule all day long on Sundays and holidays.

Southbound Vincennes-119th buses operate south on Vincennes from 111th and Vincennes to 119th street, east on 119th to Ashland, south on Ashland to 120th street, east on 120th to Halsted and north on Halsted to 119th (11900 S. and 800 W.). From this point, northbound buses travel west on 119th to Peoria, south on Peoria to 120th and thence over the southbound route in reverse as far as 111th and Vincennes where they loop east on 111th, northwest on Chelsea and southwest on Vincennes to 111th. They begin the southbound trip at this point.

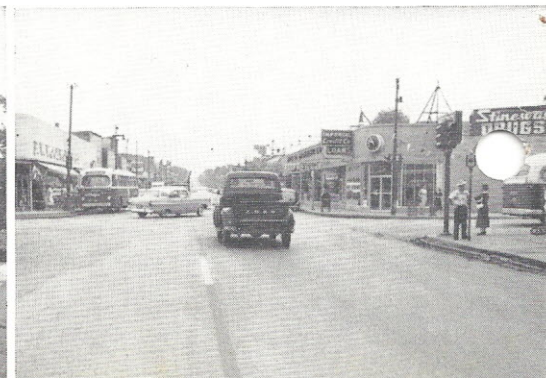
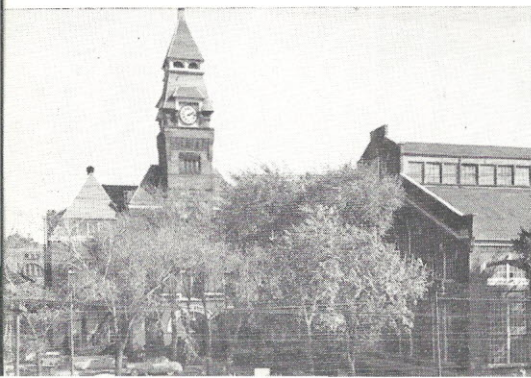
Service is furnished, Mondays through Saturdays, between 5:00 a.m. and 12:30 a.m. the following day from 111th and Vincennes and between 5:15 a.m. and 12:45 a.m. from 119th and Halsted. On Sundays, buses run between 7:10 a.m. and 11:10 p.m. from 111th and Vincennes, and between 7:25 a.m. and 11:25 p.m. from 119th and Halsted.

Seventeen motor buses are used on 111th-Vincennes route, which has a round-trip mileage of 14.72. They make the trip between terminals in from 25 to 32 minutes, depending upon traffic conditions and time of day. East 111th buses require from 12 to 15 minutes to cover the line's 3.04 miles. Nine gas buses are assigned to the route.

Three gas buses operate on Vincennes-119th, which has a round trip mileage of 6.06 miles. They cover the distance between terminals in about 12 minutes.

All buses assigned to the three lines are stationed at Beverly.

Streetcars, as well as cars of the old Chicago and Interurban Traction company, which journeyed all the way from 63rd and Halsted streets to Kankakee, were the rule on Vincennes avenue as far back as 1893. Streetcars appeared on 111th street in 1896 and on 119th beginning in 1904. The Chicago and Interurban Traction company abandoned service in 1927 and, by the end of 1949, CTA had replaced streetcars with buses on all these thoroughfares.



THE INSIDE NEWS

—AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

A Busy Weekend At Niagara Falls

ACCOUNTING—*Marie Hawlik*, Payroll, and her sister, *Ruth*, of the Training Department, accompanied by their mother and two other sisters, enjoyed a week-end railroad excursion to Niagara Falls on July 26. They left Chicago on Friday evening and returned on Sunday.

Ann McAndrews, Revenue, and her mother did some quick sight-seeing in Quebec and Montreal. They also spent two days at the Shrine of Ste. Anne De Beaupre to round out a very crowded vacation week.

William B. Folta, assistant general accountant, his wife and their son took an auto trip to Eureka Springs, Arkansas, where they spent several days with his sister and her family. The Foltas also spent some time in Oklahoma, Missouri and Springfield, Illinois.

Dorothy Glatzel, Revenue, left CTA on August 16 to re-establish a home for her three children and her husband, whose good health is now restored.

Stork Gives Report

Stork statistics indicate that CTA has gained five new riders: *George Laica*, Internal Audit, and his wife, *Lois*, formerly of Payroll, became the parents of a girl, *Mary Jeanette*, on August 15. To former Material and Supplies employe *Dorothy Nyczak* a boy, *Gregory Michael*, was born August 2 . . . *George Triunfol*, General, became a grandfather when *Kathy Lynn Hazell* was born August 4 . . . *Daniel Proffitt*, IBM, and his wife welcomed *Danni Marie*, a first daughter in a family of two boys on August 4 . . . *Harold R. Donihi*, Revenue Accounting, became a grandfather August 21 when his daughter and son-in-law became parents of *Valarie Joan*.

Gene Mocariski, Voucher Department, visited Atlantic City, New Jersey. She went sightseeing in New York City and vicinity.

Astrid Platto, General Accounting, wended her way southward to the Smokies on her vacation. Her itinerary included Clingman's Dome, Mt. Mitchell, Chimney Rock and Cherokee Indian Reservation.



50 WEDDED YEARS

MARRIAGE VOWS they exchanged back in 1907 were renewed July 31 by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Hogan at St. Sabina's church. Mr. Hogan, who served as a conductor for 45 years on the South Section for the former Chicago Rapid Transit company and predecessor firms, retired in 1946. One of the couple's three sons, *Thomas*, is a line supervisor in the Transportation Department's office in the Merchandise Mart. Thomas's wife is the former *Mary Brosnan*, who once worked as a Loop ticket agent. They, Thomas' brothers and the elder couple's 10 grandchildren were among 70 guests who attended the service and the celebration which followed the rites.

Reported by *Julie Prinderville*

Carolyn Naumiak, Billing, bade farewell to her CTA associates on August 23. She received something useful for her new home in Fox Lake as a parting gift.

Josephine Augitto, Revenue, returned to work after recuperating from an illness.

Polly Ann Jessup joined the personnel in IBM. She recently returned from a 14-month stay on Aruba, an island off the coast of Venezuela.

—HELEN A. LOWE and MABLE POTTHAST

A Lot Of Birthday Shopping Was Done

ARCHER—A triple celebration was held at the home of Operator *Jim Contant* on August 24. His daughter, *Jean Marie*, marked her birthday on that day, as did her uncle and cousin.

Judith Schmitz, daughter of Clerk *Frank Schmitz*, recently entered a convent, the Third Order of St. Joseph.

Superintendent *John O'Connor* and his family enjoyed a vacation at Indian Oaks, Michigan. While he was away, Instructor *Joe Will* took over as acting night station superintendent. At the same time *Lester Keag*, regular night superintendent, worked as day superintendent.

Repairman *Tom McCrea* also vacationed in Michigan . . . District "B" Superintendent *Stuart Simms* and his family had a good time in Butternut, Wisconsin . . . Art *Roepeke*, District "B" supervisor, and his family had a good rest in Okee, Wisconsin . . . Operator *John Noga* and his family paid a visit to Miami, Florida.

Clerk *Ernest Potenberg* took his family out west during his vacation. . . . Supervisor *Tom Walsh* of the Loop district traveled to sunny California with his family to visit his father.

Operator *Joe Bushinski* is the proud grandpa of another boy, who was born August 2. On September 15, Joe and his wife celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary.

Supervisor *John Leahy*, District "B," and Operator *A. O'Dowd* are off sick, at this writing.

Operators *Earl Dalton* and *John Fiala* died very suddenly recently. . . . Repairman *Vince Piechocki* suffered the loss of his 21-year-old son, *Paul*.

As of this writing, Archer's softball team still is in first place.

Operators *George Alexander* and *Donald B. Williams* each received \$5.00 in suggestion awards.

Supervisor *Larry Bermingham*, District "B," and his family vacationed at Gilbert lake near Wild Rose, Wisconsin . . . Instructor *Jim Walsh* enjoyed his vacation at Miami Beach, Florida.

Clerk *George Payne*, bus repair, and his wife celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary September 4.

—R. H. FORTIER

Touring The Nation With Beverly Folks

BEVERLY—Let's cover the U.S.A. with Beverly's vacationing families.

Ray *Goodwin* took in the South-west covering California, Wyoming and Colorado . . . Receiver *Ralph Short* and family had an outing at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin . . . *Ted* and *Bess Dexter* took a trip to Canada via Detroit, stopping in Quebec and then traveled to Washington, D. C. . . . Art and *Cecelia Schwappach* visited in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, and Dresbec, Minnesota. They also visited Art's mother in Gillespie, Illinois.

Marinus and *Alice Cooper* took a trip through the South, stopping at Ft. Benning, Georgia, to visit their son, *Capt. Gerald*, and his family. They continued on to San Antonio, Texas . . . *Joe* and *Martha Scheive* took a leisurely trip around Lake Michigan . . . Instructor *Fremont Snyder* and his wife stopped in Mobile, Alabama, to visit their daughter and son-in-law and then went to Florida.

THEY KNEW HIM

EIGHT OF our readers found the identity of the young fellow in the derby hat, pictured in the August issue of CTA TRANSIT NEWS, no riddle at all. Correctly identifying him as *Walter "Tiny" Johnson*, chauffeur in the utility division, Way and Structures, were *Gilbert E. Andrews*, substation schedule clerk, Electrical Department; *Supervisor Sam Spitali*, District "D," and *H. L. Julitz*, operator, North Park.

Also guessing correctly were *Emergency Service Helper Jim Carey*, *Foreman Leon M. Walker* and *Section Foreman G. L. Chuck*, all of Way and Structures, and *Pensioners Swan N. Swanson* and *Alex Allard*.

Mel Stoldt made improvements on his mountainside home near Jasper, Missouri . . . *Walter* and *Gertrude Cassidy* and their daughter, *Joanne* vacationed at Bear Lake near Kalkaska, Michigan . . . *Gus and Swanstrom* visited many towns in lower Michigan . . . *Art Ryan* spent two weeks loafing up

at *Francis Mulcahy's* motel near Eagle River, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Falsey visited Mrs. Falsey's mother up at Park Falls, Wisconsin . . . *Jack* and *Betty Fisher* spent the first part of their vacation entertaining visitors from the East and then took off for a trip to New York, Pennsylvania and other eastern states . . . *Mr. and Mrs. Bud Godding* enjoyed a week of travel through Michigan.

Supervisor Ernie Franks and his wife have spent a lot of time this summer at their Pal Lake estate, northwest of Chicago . . . *Mr. and Mrs. John Nolan* went to upper Michigan and then took a five-hour ferry trip over to the Wisconsin shore.

Douglas Cron is spending the month at his sister's resort near Conover, Wisconsin . . . *George Payton* spent two weeks fishing on Pioneer Lake, Wisconsin, and surrounding waters . . . *Janitor Rudy Koprowitz* used his vacation to put in a new drive at his home and to make several short trips.

John Ryan looked rested up after taking a bus driver's holiday by making a trip every day to some nearby point of interest . . . *Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lull* and son,

RECEIVES PURSE



AFTER A transit career of 38½ years, Anthony Laperuto, car cleaner at Laramie Shops, retired on pension August 1. He is shown receiving a cash purse, presented to him by Foreman Mike Heil (right) on behalf of his fellow workers. They were on hand to participate in a party at which coffee and cake were served.

Reported by *Joe Feinendegen*

Robert, visited Clearwater, Florida, for some deep sea fishing

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zellner and son, *Ronald*, had reservations for this month at the Martinique hotel at Miami Beach, Florida . . . *Karl Schwartz* and his friends enjoyed two weeks' fishing at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri.

Bill McConnell made good use of his vacation by painting his car . . . *John Granville* of the Repairs Department took his family to several nearby state parks . . . *Mr. and Mrs. Dan Murphy* journeyed to Mawa, New York, to visit their daughters . . . *Chester* and *Stella Buckley* made a trip to Minneapolis, Minnesota, to visit their son and his wife . . . *Mr. and Mrs. Mike LaVelle* visited Wisconsin and Michigan . . . *Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vaughn* visited in Wyoming.

Bernard Lazisky had his vacation spoiled by the July 12 rain which flooded his home . . . *Edward* and *Clara Maloney* and their friends fished for 10 days up at Ely, Minnesota . . . *Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burke* loafed and fished at Spooner, Wisconsin.

Harold and *Eva Kaufman* flew to North Hollywood, California, where they visited their two sons. The Kaufmans also spent a week at Las Vegas, Nevada . . . *Fred Rapp* defied anyone to do a better

job of house painting than he and *Fred, Jr.*, did while on vacation. . . . While *Louis Anchor* was at Leech Lake, Minnesota, he visited with *Charles Dennis* and his son who were fishing in a nearby lake.

Receiver Al Browman and his wife, *Marie*, visited relatives in Saugatuck, Michigan . . . Also visiting in Michigan were *Mr. and Mrs. John Pierson*.

Mike Granger of the Repair Department was transferred to 69th street station

Jerry Gleason made his annual pilgrimage to Notre Dame University along with many others of the CTA retreat league.

Operator George P. Goerner received word that his son, *Howard*, formerly of the 69th street station repair department, who is now in the Navy, was in Morocco awaiting his orders to return home.

Art Neff was off 10 days with a painful injury when the blade on his power mower broke and cut his leg . . . *Fred Renn* waited until the last day of his vacation to fall from a ladder and suffer painful injuries . . . Also while on vacation and also while on a ladder, *Val Kauck* fell and broke a leg . . . *Foreman Bob McClelland* of the 69th street station repair department required hospital treatment when struck by a car. Bob's brother, *Sandy*, formerly of 69th, has been transferred to Beverly.

Correction, please. It was not the *John McCarthys* who came home from their vacation with a new car, as reported in a previous column; it was the *John Healys*.

Operator John McMullen has been appointed assistant paymaster and serves in relief at the various garages.

Pat McDonnell of Repairs welcomed his niece and her husband who arrived the first week of September from County Mayo, Ire-

GRANDPA AND HIS GIRLS



RECENTLY, Jack Powell, stock clerk, South Division, Stores Department, became a grandfather for the fourth time as for the fourth time his daughter and son-in-law welcomed a little girl. In picture (extreme left), Jack holds the new arrival, six-week-old *Margaret Mary*. Also in picture (from left) are *Carol Ann*, nine years old; *Teresa Lynn*, five (she's Jack's god-daughter); *Mary Ellen*, two, and Jack's daughter, *Mrs. Marion Beranek*.

Reported by *Dagmar McNamara*

TRANSITADS

FOR SALE — Stoker — Link Belt, deluxe model. New controls. 450 lb. hopper. Excellent condition. Suitable for residence or two-flat. Telephone BEverly 8-4909.

FOR SALE—REASONABLE—Two table lamps, 42 inches tall and with shades with tailored plastic covers; two lamp tables, two upholstered chairs, one torchere lamp. All pieces like new. Call Frank Martello at BRunswick 8-0630 between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

land. They expect to make their home here.

Instructor Joe Carney was our night boss while John J. O'Connor took his vacation. The O'Connors moved into their new home in Jeffrey Manor and also made a trip to Wisconsin.

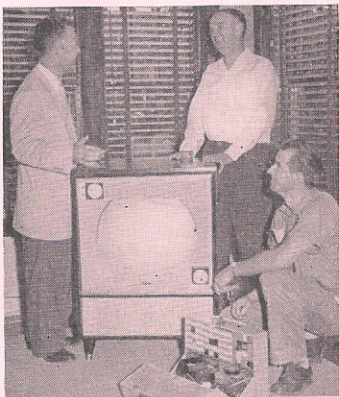
Joe Carney spent two weeks making a few short trips and just resting up.

Repairman Joe Simel of 77th station announced the arrival of his first grandson, Alben J. Stauner, born July 28 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Zimmer are the proud parents of a girl born August 4 and christened Caroline.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ballok spent three weeks at Miami Beach, Florida, and arrived home in time to celebrate their 36th wedding anniversary on September 7. They also celebrated Joe's birthday which was on August 22 . . . Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson marked 19 years of marriage on August 24. . . . Emil and Pearl Beck enjoyed a dinner at Phil Schmidt's July 21 to mark their 36th wedding anniversary.

—FRANK M. BLACK

AWARDED TV SET



A LUCKY trip to the Chicagoland Fair on his day off netted Motorman George Guendling, North Section, a 21-inch color television set from the Allstate Insurance company. Stopping to see the firm's exhibit, he filled out a free ticket with his name and address and subsequently learned that he had won the award. Here, George (center) receives the unit from Bob Kloechner, insurance agent, as (right) John Bongirno, service man, installs it. George, who operates "L"-subway trains on the Englewood "L"-subway line, has 31 years of transit service.

Little Boy A Birthday Present For Two

CLAIM-LAW—The stork decided to help Claude and Ella Worland celebrate their birthday August 20 by arriving with William Joseph. So hereafter three Worlands will exchange birthday gifts on the same day.

Gina Petrin, formerly of the Legal Department, announced the arrival of Dino Anthony on August 16.

Val Nessinger and Mrs. Nessinger, Legal Department, spent a week's vacation with Ernie and Clee Hoskins in Tucson, Arizona.

And if I don't get some news from you all next month, I'll retire at an early age.

—EL-JE

All The News From Dear Old Ireland

ELECTRICAL—A card received from Jerry Waters, operator at Homer substation, read:—"Here we are in Ireland. We made the trip to Shannon in an 11-hour non-stop flight. Drove to Killarney and there kissed the Blarney Stone. Now we are on our way to Northern Ireland."

Harry Donohue, "B" electrician, wrote from San Francisco that he finally got enough nerve to ride up hill on the cable car . . . Joseph Connelly, assistant electrical tester, wrote that he enjoyed himself at Salisbury Beach, Massachusetts.

Herbert Storey, "B" foreman, motored 3,700 miles up through Canada, and then through the New England states. He returned via Washington, D. C. . . . George Nelson, superintendent of substation personnel, vacationed in Monte Video, Minnesota.

Harold Coyne, assistant superintendent of substation maintenance, suffered the loss of his brother on August 1.

—GILBERT E. ANDREWS

Well, How About It? Who's Got Some News?

FOREST GLEN—Where is all the help you men were going to give me? As I said before, if you don't let me know about things of interest, there won't be much of a column from Forest Glen.

Operator Warren G. Wood, Sr., and his wife attended the reunion of the 1st Marine Division held at the Hotel Sherman August 10.

Operator Bill Devitt's oldest daughter presented him with his first grandson July 19.

Don't forget to put your news items in the TRANSIT NEWS box.

—GEORGE H. WILLIAMS

Nuptial Mass Marks 25th Anniversary

GENERAL OFFICE—(Transportation)—Beginning with a nuptial mass celebrated at St. John Fisher church July 20, Instructor and Mrs. Ray Pryor celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. About 100 guests, including a number of instructors and their wives attended the affair.

To mark the retirement of Instructor John Volkart, 18 instructors called at his home and presented him with a \$100.00 bill.

Tommy Stiglic, nine-year-old son of Instructor Tommy Stiglic, recently pitched a no-hit, no-run game for his Neighborhood Boys' Club Little League team.

Jim and Ann Blaa and their children, Jim and Mary Beth, took a trip around Lake Michigan and then traveled over to Mackinac Island. There they visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Clark, parents of George Clark, West Shops.

Mary Ann Tagler, daughter of Angelo Tagler, a district superintendent, was a winner in the class C accordion solo tryouts in connection with the Chicagoland Music Festival, and was rewarded by having her picture appear in the Chicago Tribune.

Power Supervisor John E. Chwisitek passed out cigars after Michael Edward made his first Chicago appearance August 3 to establish residence with his big sister, Virginia Lynn, 2 years old. Mother is Laverne Neubaum, who with her sister, Virginia, formerly worked in General Office.

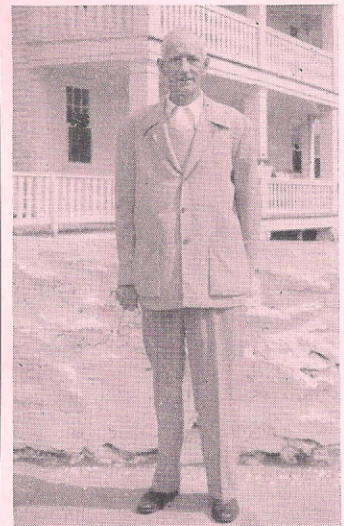
(Telephone) — Ada Gustafson spent part of her vacation visiting Delevan and Lake Geneva.

A card was received from Radio Dispatcher Frank Adams who visited his kin folk in Cleveland, Georgia, far back in the hills.

In addition to Larry Stephens, the radio room annexed James Nelson, former district clerk. They now have been named permanent radio dispatchers.

Florence Roberts, information operator, traveled to Des Moines,

TRAVEL ON AGENDA



A TRIP to California for Repairman Leslie Paine, Beverly, and his wife was in the offing after Leslie took his pension September 1. He retired with a record of 22 years of service with CTA and the former Chicago Surface Lines. After returning to Chicago, the couple expect to make definite plans for the future. The above picture of Leslie was taken at Mackinac Island in September, 1953.

Reported by Frank M. Black

Iowa, to attend the graduation of her grandson from Drake university.

Ruth Soutter's sister, Lillian Burke, who lives in California, flew to New York to join Ruth and three of their Chicago friends on a conducted tour through the New England states.

Tony Calvert spent his vacation at Trout Lake in northern Ontario.

(Stenographic) — Typewriters, zerox and multilith machines were completely forgotten on a recent Sunday when everyone packed their picnic lunch baskets, their children, their kinfolk and their bikinis and set forth for Little Sand Lake for an office outing.

(Insurance)—A very bronzed Zoe Guidolin has blissful memories of her wonderful vacation in Miami. Zoe went on a conducted tour which included floor shows at three famous hotels.

Ralph Umstot, his wife, Jane, and his two daughters, Marcia and Susan, traveled through Michigan. They stayed at Traverse City to enjoy the Interlochen National

music school and then journeyed to Croton Dam on the Muskegon river.

(Engineering)—Dante F. Brunod, with his wife and two daughters, vacationed in New York State along the St. Lawrence river valley. Dante's biggest thrill was to see the construction going on at Massena, New York and Cornwall, Canada, site of a joint Canadian-American hydroelectric power project.

Joseph Marszalek and his family visited the home of John Ringling at Sarasota, Florida, a building donated to the state in which are displays of circus life . . . Herman Smith made a quick visit to Minncapolis. Upon his return he joined his wife and three children for fishing and boating at Lake Como . . . Mr. and Mrs. Chester Rusakiewicz and son, Rodney, vacationed at the Tamarack Flowage in Conover, Wisconsin.

—JULIE PRINDERVILLE

A Nice Surprise After Vacation Trip

GENERAL OFFICE—(Industrial Safety)—Charles Smith became a grandfather August 2 when his daughter, Carol, now Mrs. Eugene Block, gave birth to a boy, Richard Charles. Carol, before her marriage, worked as a part-time CTA ticket agent. Mr. and Mrs. Smith did not know of the happy event until they returned from a vacation

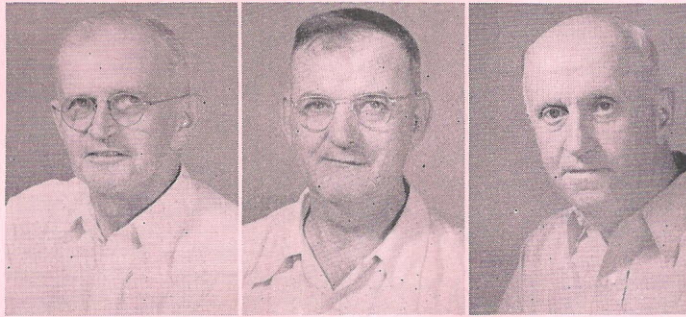
HERE'S PROOF



THE FISH in Diamond Lake, near Mundelein, Illinois, really are big. Here's Carl Lidzbinski, machinist, West Shops, with conclusive proof. These bass weighed in at six pounds, four ounces each.

Reported by John T. Burke

40-YEAR EMPLOYEES RECENTLY RETIRED



Ellis C. Handley, operator, Lawndale, September 1, 44 years.

Herman Leusch, conductor, Devon, September 1, 43 years.

Michael F. Nails, operator, Lawndale, September 1, 40 years.

out west. While traveling through California, they looked up Bill Kendall and Wally Bruff, former CTA employees who are now working in the Traffic Department of the city of Los Angeles. The Smiths returned home through Yosemite National Park and Salt Lake City.

(Employee's Suggestion Department)—Tom Lyons who has been confined to Hines Hospital for the past few months, recently was visited by the fellows in the office. They surprised him with a Zenith FM radio. How about dropping him a few lines at Room 119, Building 54, Hines Hospital?

John Donovan, our State Senator, was appointed recently to serve on the Bi-State Commission, which has to do with the Port Authority. He also was appointed to the Public Aid commission, and was named a member of the Public Aid Advisory board.

(Job Classification)—Stenographer Carol McMahon spent a week's vacation at the Jack and Jill Ranch in Michigan.

(Training and Accident Prevention)—Rose Perry and her husband, Dick, spent two weeks at Barker Lake resort in Winter, Wisconsin, where they enjoyed swimming, golfing and fishing.

The department's baseball team suffered one casualty in their recent game with the Toni team in the Merchandise Mart League. Not being able to put a curl in Bernie Ford's crew-cut, they put a spike through his shoe.

(Chief Engineer's Department)—On August 25, Jean Gagyi and Dorothy O'Connor were hostesses at a surprise shower for Nancy Lapp. Nancy, daughter of Charles

Lapp, Staff Engineering, was married September 7 to James Gibbons. —MARY E. CLARKE

Old Classmates Re-lived Schooldays

LOOP (Agents)—John Cozzens attended the 25th year reunion given by the 1932 graduation class of Belle Vernon high school at Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania. A cocktail dinner dance was held. John was an honor student in his class.

Elizabeth Docherty enjoyed her tour of Montreal and Quebec City, Canada. She also visited the shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre and took a trip up the St. Lawrence and Saguenay rivers.

William Reynolds and his wife went to Michigan for part of his vacation. He spent the rest of it relaxing in his back yard . . . Frank Cosby stayed around Chicago . . . Kathleen O'Donnell vacationed in Plattsburg, New York.

Louise Godby vacationed at her brother's home at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin . . . Lucille Keeley spent her vacation at Hot Springs.

Maintainer Vic Zastera is back on the job after being hospitalized.

Maintainer Chester Shaw and his wife vacationed in and around Chicago . . . Towerman Joseph Varo, his wife and son, Jan, toured Wisconsin and Minnesota. They saw flooded fields and washouts, which were the results of heavy rainstorms . . . Maintainer Walter Messer and his family also experienced flood conditions on an auto trip through central Illinois.

Towerman Richard Barthens' wife is recuperating from serious surgery and his daughter, Dorothy, recovering from an illness.

—EDITH EDBROOKE

Now She's Back In School Again

LIMITS—Among the proud parents of this year's graduates was Joe Pelly, whose youngest daughter, Frances Diane, graduated from the National College of Education in Evanston. She also attended Roosevelt university and the University of Illinois. Frances, who prefers to work with the younger children, is now teaching first grade in the Chicago school system.

Peter R. Colucci, past president of the Eagles, attended a convention in New York. He had many first time experiences, one, an airplane ride . . . Ralph Grat took the same trip by train.

A \$25.00 award was made to Repairman Harry Ruby for his proposal that a screen be mounted in front of heat blower fans on buses. This is his second award.

Let's have more vacation or any other news you have for our column. Please put your items in the office or give it to your reporter.

—IRVING J. METZGER

Here's First Hand Report On Far East

NORTH AVENUE—One lucky fellow who toured Tokyo, Japan; the island of Formosa, the colony of Hong Kong and Manila, Philippine Islands, was Operator R. D. Roy. His trip was made possible by his being voted one of the most outstanding men in the 9th Naval district reserves. He told of the double-decker buses in Hong Kong where the fare is only three cents.

Operator Joseph Sullivan and his wife, Alice celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary August 6. They are the parents of Catherine, John, Thomas and Margaret. Thomas is now Brother Hilary Conrad of the Christian Brothers and is teaching at St. Mel's high school.

Operator Jerry Ring was in Ireland visiting relatives, and Operator Bill Miedema was in Los Angeles, as we wrote this.

Operator Joe Czarniecki spent a restful vacation at his summer home at Fox Lake by frolicking with the kids . . . Operator Tom Kimane reported good fishing at Bangs lake.

Operator William Woebel toured Colorado . . . Operator William Redmond has pleasant memories

of his flight to Florida with his wife and daughter.

Operator *Joe Padour* reported a nice trip which took him through Canada . . . *Switchboard Operator William Echols* came home with a southern drawl after he toured the "you all" country and the Lake of the Ozarks region.

Operator *Jack Papravnik* toured the Pacific coast, stopping off at Long Beach, California, to visit his son . . . Operator *George Tyriver* vacationed in Los Angeles.

Operator *Nick De Fina* spent his vacation waiting for the stork who delivered *James Michael*.

Operator *Henry L. Umlauf* became a grandpappy last month.

Operator *Maurice Ballestro* and his wife celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary September 9 . . . On September 29, *Frank De Notto* and *Fern Fox* and their wives will celebrate wedding anniversaries—the De Nottos, their 20th, and the Foxes, their 29th.

—JOE HIEBEL

Third Place Assured, Also Playoff Slot

NORTH PARK—North Park clinched third place in the CTA softball league with an 18 to 14 victory over West Shops on August 16. This win guaranteed *Manager Ben Kerpen's* fledglings a place in the playoffs.

Baby girls were recently born to Operator and Mrs. *Edward O'Brien* and to Operator and Mrs. *Frank Kostrzewa* . . . On July 26, Operator and Mrs. *Frank Hardy* became the parents of a boy, and on the same date, Operator and Mrs. *Gary Johnson* also became parents of their first child, a boy.

The father of Operator *Herbert Wilson* passed away at Kewanee, Illinois, on August 9.

—EDWARD F. STENZEL and EARL W. McLAUGHLIN

A Moving Story Of Mexico Vacation

PURCHASING AND STORES—*Marvin Castle*, West Division, was vacationing in Mexico City at the time of the August earthquake. All in all, a rather frightening experience, he told us.

Denis Drislane, West Division, passed out cigars to announce the arrival of his second daughter.

Pat Lukes, general office, chose Colorado Springs for her vacation this year.

Theresa Barry, general office, and her daughter, *Katherine*, were

in New York City for several days prior to the departure of *Theresa's* sister, *Alice McLeod*, who returned to Scotland on the *Queen Elizabeth*.

A big welcome to *Nancy Heavey* and to *Ann Farrell*, our latest additions to Stores, General Office. *Joan Unger* has transferred to the Real Estate department.

Gerry Gullery, Skokie, and family took a brief trip into Iowa and then journeyed to the Wisconsin Dells and Devil's Lake to enjoy the rest of their vacation.

A boy, *Francis Joseph*, was welcomed by *John* and *Mary Sheridan* on July 30. The proud father is from our South Division.

Art Eggert, South Division, and his family had a wonderful time at Baraboo, Wisconsin . . . *Bill Unwin*, South Division, attended the Shriner's Convention in Minneapolis and then finished his vacation with his family at the Wisconsin Dells . . . *Tomahawk*, Wisconsin, was the vacation choice for *Stanley Hall* and his family.

Wisconsin lured another South Division man, *Frank Friedl*, and his family, who vacationed at Spooner . . . *Harold Friedl*, South Division, and his family took time out during this year's vacation to explore the sights of Chicago.

Earl Wilcox, South Division, and his family traveled east to visit relatives in Yardville, New Jersey.

Emmons Newhouse is now a Stores Department employe, West Division, having recently transferred from the Transportation Department. *Emmons* recently lost his brother-in-law . . . *Ed Bruckner*, West Division, lost his father-in-law . . . *William Cummane*, West Division suffered the loss of his brother . . . *Denis Drislane's* brother-in-law passed away.

—DAGMAR McNAMARA

They Vacationed, Far And Near

SCHEDULE, TRAFFIC AND BUDGET—(Schedule-Traffic)—Vacation season found *Joe DeGrazia* visiting in California and *Ted Cowgill* inspecting his ranch at Jordan Valley, Oregon. However, *John Franzen* feels that a Chicago area vacation cannot be beaten . . . *Kathryn Batina* also enjoyed the sights near at hand . . . *Marge Rosich* took a week of relaxation at Jack and Jill Ranch near Rothbury Michigan.

Andy DeGrazia took his family to Wisconsin for the fishing.

Pete Mills moved from his house, again to be an apartment dweller.

WANTED: A MOTH



WILL THIS flowering yucca plant produce any more of its kind? That's what Operator *Frank Cisco*, North Park, wondered as he looked over the yucca which he planted as a seed 15 years ago. After *Frank* patiently cultivated it each year since then, it finally bloomed for the first time this summer. Now, if a yucca moth, the only insect that can fertilize yucca flowers, happens by, his yard soon may be full of little yuccas. However, this may not be likely because the plant is a native of the southwestern United States.

Reported by *Edward F. Stenzel* and *Earl W. McLaughlin*

William Worcester and his family tried a trip around Lake Michigan and finished up at the Dells in Wisconsin . . . *Richard Goldstein* and family succumbed to Florida advertising and toured that state.

Bernie Kincanon waited a week for the St. Louis Cardinals to get out of their mid-summer slump in the National League race.

Sam DeSalvo lost his father on August 2.

(Budget)—*W. S. Comstock*, his wife and son, *Bill*, were fishing at Stony Lake, Wisconsin, at this writing.

—L. C. DUTTON

A Story Of A Nautical Vacation

77TH—Conductor *John Blais* spent nearly a full month on a boat off the Florida coast and in and out of the Florida Keys as far as Key West. He caught several deep sea fish, a bonito, a sailfish and a blue marlin, with his equipment.

Joe Rossbach's neighbor, who took his grandson out for a walk, found a \$5.00 bill. Then, *Joe* used all his spare time taking his twin grandsons, *Bobby* and *Billy*, for walks in search of another \$5.00 bill. He also spent a few days in Milwaukee.

Percy Atkinson spent three weeks at his summer home at Ludlow, Michigan.

Bob Elser and his wife kept cool this summer by swimming in their own back yard pool, which is of standard dimensions. Also taking advantage of the pool was *Bob's* grandson, *James Preusser*.

—JOE SMITH

Maybe He Got Lost On The Way

SOUTH SECTION—*Charles Burns*, who had been talking about a vacation in the North Woods, ended up down in Miami.

Porter Frenchie Ellis was most jubilant when he reported for work one day early last month. The reason was that on August 1 baby *Michael* came into this world.

Switchman Ellsworth Wigginton was making arrangements for the wedding which is scheduled to take place in the near future.

Supervisor Hugh Kelley, who is a hardy sportsman, headed north for his vacation, stopping off to fish for some lake trout in Lake Superior.

After your reporter wrote the story about *Charley Southard* catching all those fish in Canada and not being able to ship them in, the question raised was, were any fish caught at all. His fishermen friends said that next time he must produce the evidence or else it will be considered just another fish story.

Switchman Tom Johnston went west with his main stopping-off place being San Francisco.

Towerman Leonard DeGroot and his wife celebrated 30 years of wedded bliss July 16. A reception was held at the Temulac boat club.

Clerk Charles Sasso recently became a grandpa for the fourth time, with the score now even, two boys and two girls.

Switchman Ed McGuire took that long planned trip to Ireland, where he said there were plenty of fish but no time to catch them. There were so many places and people to see making this more or less a belated social visit.

Clerk Jim Martinek, a gentleman farmer, spent 12 days in

LOTS OF FISH



THE RESULTS of a typical day of fishing up in Menominee, Michigan, are shown by *Ollie Lang*, painter-foreman at Skokie Shops. Ollie, who is shown in this picture with his nephew, *Fred Streif*, said his catches ranged as high as 500 of the finny specimens.

Reported by *Dave Gurwich* and *Everett E. England*

Spring Valley down in southern Illinois. While there, he fixed fences, shingled the house, hauled oats and threshed them, and, in his spare time, ran the tractor.

Switchman Van Mims' dad, a very accomplished golfer, entered the All American Open, which was held at Tam O'Shanter country club. Van himself is showing steady improvement in his golf games.

Chief Collector Patrick O'Malley picked a restful spot at Lake Geneva for his vacation . . . *Clerk John Heffernan* traveled to South Dakota and visited some of his boyhood surroundings.

—LEO J. BIEN

Here's Good Way To Spend Vacation

SOUTH SHOPS—*Ernest Nelson*, general foreman bus overhaul, and his family spent their vacation very leisurely — just picnicking, visiting and doing a bit of fishing.

Foreman Richard Bulak, machine shop and his family vacationed at Black River Falls, Wisconsin . . . The vacation choice for *Arthur Beauchamp*, machine shop, also was Wisconsin.

William Koperski, auto mechanic, decided to leave the windy city of Chicago. He and his family plan to make their home in Omaha, Nebraska.

Pipefitter William Stapleton and his family spent a nice, quiet va-

cation relaxing in their summer home at Pell Lake, Wisconsin . . . *Carpenter Frank Bartos*, *Painter Faulkner McCrea* and *Chester Pavlak* all spent a week of their vacations at Lake of the Woods, Canada.

The Ozarks in Arkansas were *Carpenter John Golden's* destination this year. He reported fishing to be only fair . . . *Welder Bill Shaughnessy* and his family vacationed in Miami.

John Loris, upholsterer, and his family visited Florida during his vacation.

Receiving congratulations from many friends and co-workers on their long service were *A. C. Lindquist*, who has 47 years, and *F. E. DeWitt*, 40 years.

Gifts and best wishes were extended to *Vincenzo Nacci*, miscellaneous, who compiled 28 years of service, and *Dominic Stuckis*, machine shop, 33 years of service, when both retired on August 1.

Margaret May, sister of *Frank May*, bus overhaul, and sister-in-law of *Hank Kania*, 77th, recently took her vows at the Convent Ancilla Domini in Donaldson, Indiana, and is now *Sister M. Jo Lise*. She teaches fourth grade at St. Henry's school in Chicago.

—EVELYN CLARK and
FRANCES LOUWARD

Has Memories Of Bucking Broncos

SKOKIE SHOPS—*Machinist Vincent Miller*, is still talking of the most enjoyable vacation he ever had. He visited a brother in Wyoming and witnessed the granddaddy of rodeos at Cheyenne.

Henry Altschuler, electrician foreman, enjoyed the sights of California while visiting his daughter . . . *Electrician Joseph Decker* reported a nice vacation in Colorado's Pikes Peak region and the Royal Gorge. He also partook of some nice chuck wagon dinners in various western towns.

Pensioners' Club Meets

MEMBERS OF a recently-formed CTA pensioners' club in the St. Petersburg, Florida, area will hold their next meeting Tuesday, October 1, at the Odd Fellows Hall, 105 4th street, South, St. Petersburg. All CTA pensioners residing in that vicinity are invited to attend these meetings which are held on the first Tuesday of each month at the above address.

We received cards from *Electrician Louis Kariolich* who, with his family, vacationed in Phoenix, Arizona, and from *Painter Irwin Weismeyer* and his wife who spent their vacation in Tomahawk, Wisconsin . . . Another card came from *Airbrakeman Walter Zakes* and *Electrician Roy Nubie* who traveled together through Wyoming on their way west . . . At this writing, your co-reporter, *Everett E. England*, is vacationing in Denver, Colorado.

—DAVE GURWICH and
EVERETT E. ENGLAND

Collector Of Stamps Also Collects Honors

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS — (*Lake*)—*Assistant Foreman Ralph Danielson* hit the jackpot at the Illinois state fair when his stamp exhibit won five awards, including the fair's grand award, and the Governor William G. Stratton trophy. The awards were presented to Ralph on August 17 at the fair grounds at Springfield. This is the third year that his stamp exhibit has netted prizes.

Repairman W. Williams retired on August 1 after 15 years' service. (*Douglas*) — *Foreman Marty Shannon* spent his vacation visiting around Chicago. He said this was one of the best vacations he ever spent . . . *Repairman Jim Parillo* visited Decatur with his son, while on his vacation.

(*Wilson*)—*Gregory Mont Marquette*, clerk at Wilson Shop, died suddenly August 4, as the result of a heart attack.

Clerk Walter Nowosielski spent his vacation training his racing pigeons . . . *Foreman Mike Heil* traveled to Florida on his vacation.

(*Laramie*)—*Art Redlich* spent his vacation around Chicago. He had the misfortune of suffering an injury just before he left. He presently is recovering satisfactorily.

(*61st*)—*Repairman R. L. Warren* suffered an accident while at home which resulted in his death.

Repairman Nick Suero, *Don Sanduk* and *Elias "Chino" Serrano* are playing on North Avenue's softball team in CTA's softball league. At this writing the North Avenue team is near the top.

Assistant General Foreman Tony Porcaro visited the Wisconsin Dells while on vacation . . . *General Foreman Ed Hendrickson* expected to spend his vacation around Chicago.

—JOE FEINENDEGEN

A Western Vacation For Stenographer

WAY AND STRUCTURES—*Stenographer Mary Pat Heavey*, building division, spent her vacation in Las Vegas, Nevada and in California.

John Retzler, assistant to the superintendent of buildings, and his wife, *Helen*, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary September 3 with parties for their friends.

Clerk Roy Johnson, became the great uncle of *Keith David*, who was born July 18.

Carpenter Clarence Penge, rapid transit division, fell and broke his arm and ankle in a recent accident. He was recuperating at home, as we wrote this.

Carpenter Martin Kennedy, rapid transit division, journeyed to Ireland to visit relatives.

Laborer Peter Jurich, *Blacksmith William Loeser*, and *Trackman Antonino Lazzara*, all of the track division, retired September 1.

Your reporter spent a nice vacation visiting Wisconsin, Iowa, New York City and taking a trip around Lake Michigan. A very interesting boat trip through the Soo locks at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, rounded out the vacation.

Mary Kay Casey, formerly a stenographer in the building division, gave birth to a boy, *Kevin*, on August 8. The baby is her first child.

—MARLENE NEHER

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

- Melvin Erwin* — Transportation (77th)
- W. G. Jordan*—Transportation (North Avenue)
- L. C. Miller*—Transportation (77th)
- D. A. Wilkins*—Transportation (Forest Glen)
- Wilbert M. Allen*—Transportation (South Section)
- L. J. Hampton*—Transportation (Archer)
- William L. Lavender*—Transportation (Forest Glen)

RETURNED FROM SERVICE

- D. H. Armstrong*—Transportation (69th)
- M. J. McCarthy*—Training and Accident Prevention
- J. P. Walter*—Shops and Equipment
- Thomas W. Banks*—Transportation (52nd)

GOOD EATING



A DEEP freeze full of fish, plus many an appetizing meal, are the boasts of *Repairman Harry Swietilk*, North avenue, and his daughter, *Julie Ann*. Harry said he caught more fish during a recent vacation trip to Rice Lake, Wisconsin, than he could eat. Here he shows some of the fish that liked his bait.

Reported by *Joe Hiebel*

**Let's Hope Their
Stays Are Short Ones**

WEST SECTION—*Agents John Fillipek* and *George Pechous* were confined to the hospital at this writing and were scheduled to undergo surgery. John was in Mercy Hospital and George at Hines Veterans Hospital . . . *Agent Cecil Boland*, is presently on the sick list.

Arold Sandin, formerly of Devon station, recently took over his new duties as a ticket agent.

Taking vacations were *Agents Kitty Conroy, Catherine Dee, Margaret Nolan, A. Hogan DeFore, B. Stinson, Loretta Hussey* and *Catherine O'Brien* . . . *Dennis Warfield*, a member of the porter staff, also took his vacation.

Agents Louis Beck, Harry Cotton, Ed Durkin and *Porter L. Harris* returned to their jobs after enjoying their vacation periods in different ways.

Robert Kelly, formerly an agent and more recently of Accident Prevention, paid us a surprise visit. He is now a member of the U.S. Coast Guard and is stationed at the air station in Traverse City, Michigan.

Friends of *Agent Catherine Rice* were saddened to learn of her sudden death on July 21.

—GORDON KELLY

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

- M. V. Abels, agent, South Section. Employed 6-16-45.
- F. W. Cleary, repairman, Beverly. Employed 1-17-41.
- S. F. Dalton, conductor, West Section. Employed 9-30-26.
- W. D. Frank, clerk, Beverly. Employed 12-24-22.
- H. E. Klien, watchman, Track. Employed 10-16-30.
- H. L. Koch, service truck chauffeur, Way and Structures. Employed 8-23-26.
- M. S. McClelland, service truck chauffeur, Way and Structures. Employed 7-6-28.
- T. W. Morgan, special engineer, Way and Structures. Employed 11-12-30.
- Ante Susnyara, trackman, Track. Employed 4-19-21.
- Albert Tomchane, conductor, West Section. Employed 6-5-17.

**Vacationers Find
Wisconsin Attractive**

WEST SHOPS—Wisconsin was the vacation spot for clerks *Ella Rall* and *Pat Horan* and for *Al Baker* and *Joe Bolech*, Technical Services Division; and *Emil Buelow*, machine shop.

Michigan was the choice of *Dick Schneider*, Technical Services Division, and *General Foreman Joe Repplinger*.

Pat Walsh, Brake Department, visited his home in Ardroe, Claremorris, Ireland, after a 31-year absence. He was accompanied by his wife and daughter, *Lilly*, and son, *Bill*.

Machinist Walter Olenick suffered the death of his mother.

Tony Spatafore, Shop Service, and *Ray Murray*, machine shop, enjoyed the sunshine of Miami . . . *Andy Tyson*, office, spent his vacation touring California and other points west, while *John Danloe*, paint shop, took in the sights at Yellowstone National Park.

The following employes spent their vacations in and around Chicago: *Ed Evans, Leonard Del Vicario* and *Jim McCoy*, office; *Mike Pare*, Technical Services Division; *Foreman Jack Harnett*, and *Louie Cosentino* and *Eddie Brach*, Shop Service.

At this writing, *Guy Garro* reported that West Shop's softball team in the CTA league was tied for first place with Archer.

—JOHN T. BURKE

CREDIT UNIONS PLAN DANCE

CTA's 18 Credit Unions will sponsor an informal dance to mark the observance of International Credit Union Day on Saturday, October 5. The affair, to be held at the Ashland Boulevard Auditorium, 1608 W. Van Buren street, Chicago, will begin at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets, which are \$2.50 per person, may be obtained now from Credit Union officers or may be purchased at the door.

A total of \$3,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds will be awarded during the dance—one \$1,000 bond, two \$500 bonds, five \$100 bonds and 10 \$50 bonds. Music for the affair will be furnished by *Johnny Lewis* and his orchestra and by the *Mello-Larks*, vocalists. Other featured entertainers will be *Yonely*, comedy instrumentalist; *Tulara Lee*, *Len Dressler* and the *Sutton Dancers*, all stars of stage, television and radio.

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

- FRANK L. BISHOP, 50, motorman, North Section. Died 7-30-57. Employed 12-5-27.
- MARY BRODIE, 72, retired agent, South Section. Died 7-16-57. Employed 1-15-08.
- EARL DALTON, 61, conductor, Archer. Died 8-8-57. Employed 8-17-45.
- O. P. DEMMEL, 72, retired painter, Skokie Shops. Died 7-8-57. Employed 12-11-34.
- JOHN FIALA, 44, conductor, Archer. Died 8-16-57. Employed 9-2-42.
- LORENZ FRANK, 77, retired conductor, 69th. Died 8-12-57. Employed 3-11-07.
- JOSEPH FURMAN, 46, conductor, West Section. Died 8-16-57. Employed 12-11-45.
- WALTER HARDER, 69, retired motorman, North Avenue. Died 8-1-57. Employed 3-26-14.
- VASILIOS HOULIAREAS, 79, retired car cleaner, Blue Island. Died 7-13-57. Employed 11-9-19.
- JOSEPH HYDE, 67, retired conductor, Kedzie. Died 7-10-57. Employed 10-18-22.
- JOSEPH KLIMA, 59, supervisor, District "B." Died 7-18-57. Employed 3-7-24.
- F. E. LAMBRECHT, 77, retired conductor, West Section. Died 6-17-57. Employed 8-16-07.
- E. J. LUDVIK, 69, retired conductor, Lawndale. Died 7-18-57. Employed 8-8-16.
- PETER MEEHAN, 74, retired motorman, Kedzie. Died 7-4-57. Employed 4-17-23. Employed 6-1-45.
- DOUGLAS MOFFAT, 73, retired agent, North Section. Died 7-4-57. Employed 10-18-43.
- FRANK MOLTCH, 62, retired tinner, Way and Structures. Died 7-25-57. Employed 5-19-42.
- GREGORY MONT MARQUETTE, 47, clerk, Wilson Avenue Shops. Died 8-4-57.
- J. J. MULLARKEY, 75, retired motorman, Kedzie. Died 8-2-57. Employed 4-27-10.
- PATRICK J. O'CONNOR, 60, repairman, Forest Glen. Died 7-22-57. Employed 3-17-25.
- WALTER PLUTA, 75, retired blacksmith's helper, West Shops. Died 7-6-57. Employed 4-6-27.
- CATHERINE RICE, 52, agent, West Section. Died 7-21-57. Employed 4-17-26.
- JOSEPH ROHR, 66, retired conductor, Devon. Died 7-13-57. Employed 7-17-17.
- G. R. ROLSTON, 67, retired supervisor, North-South division. Died 7-23-57. Employed 3-16-20.
- JOHN SADOWSKI, 62, conductor, Devon. Died 7-26-57. Employed 6-28-44.
- WILLEY SYKES, 38, tieman, Way and Structures. Died 8-4-57. Employed 1-9-46.
- ROYAL LEE WARREN, 29, car cleaner, 61st Street Shops. Died 8-10-57. Employed 9-6-51.
- H. M. YOUNG, 84, retired conductor, Noble. Died 7-24-57. Employed 2-20-99.

For And About Our Pensioners

ACCOUNTING—*Ben O. Ratner*, retired supervisor of the Accounts Payable Department, visited the Mart offices July 29. He is now living in California, where he is in the real estate business, after completing a course in real estate law.

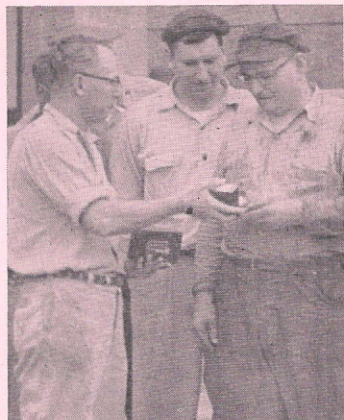
—HELEN A. LOWE and MABLE POTTHAST

BEVERLY—*Oscar Nelson* received a letter from *Charles Hoogstraal*, formerly of Burnside and 77th, who now resides at 11121 E. Adoree, Norwalk, California. He also said that *Roland Thiel*, formerly of Burnside, lives in a nursing home at 14717 Eastwood avenue, Lawndale, California and that in January the Hoogstraals had a visit from *Harry Hacker* and his wife.

While *Ray Goodwin* was visiting in California, he visited a former Chicago Motor Coach operator, *Scottie Fordyce*, who now lives at 2232 Florence street, Aurora, California.

Operator *Art Schwappach* said his uncle, *Gus Schwappach*, for-

RECEIVES WATCH



IN OUR August issue the men in the above photo were incorrectly identified. Actually retiring on pension July 1 after 30 years of service with CTA and the former Chicago Motor Coach company was *Otto Giese* (right), repairman at Keeler station. He is shown receiving a watch from *Day Foreman* *Henry Richter* (left) as *William Hale* (center) looks on. Photo was taken by *Repairman Charles Bowman*.

mer conductor of 77th who retired with 38 years of service in 1955, is now residing at 368 S. Winfield avenue, Kankakee, Illinois.

When *Russell Lull* visited the South last month, he stopped in Lithonia, Georgia, to visit former Burnside conductor *Nathan Abrams*. Nate retired in 1956 and now has a few acres on RR 2 out of Lithonia.

Pat Folliard, retired from Burnside and 77th, and one time janitor at Beverly, is now residing at 649 E. 87th place, Chicago.

Bill Youts, former State Street conductor who retired from 77th in 1952, is now working for a gas company. Working with him are pensioners *Bill Bond*, formerly of 77th, and *Pat Sheehan*, formerly of 69th. Mr. Youts sees *Pat Gartland*, retired from 77th, now and then on his way to his work at Mercy hospital.

Frank Cleary of the Repair Department took a disability pension August 15 after 16 years of service.

Lt. and Mrs. Charles P. Claxton of Dover Air Force base, Delaware, presented *Frank and Jane Claxton* with their seventh grandchild christened *Cheryl Patrice*, on July 31. The elder Claxtons are now residing at 821 E. San Bernardino, Pomona, California.

—FRANK M. BLACK

CLAIM-LAW—The *E. J. Healys* visited with *Otto Geiger* at Paw Paw, Michigan. Otto had a visit from *Ed Hays* and his family earlier this summer.

—EL-JE

ELECTRICAL—*Leo Behrendt*, former chief operator at 20th substation, marched with the Shriners during the National Convention held at Minneapolis, Minnesota . . . *Golbert Vachet*, former chief operator at Van Buren substation, wrote from Vincennes, Indiana, during "watermelon time."

—GILBERT E. ANDREWS

GENERAL OFFICE—*Walter Helmer*, former specifications engineer who recently took his pension, forwarded a letter to his lifelong pal, *Jim Hrubes*, also formerly a specifications engineer, from St. Petersburg, Florida.

Edward Hansen, former radio dispatcher, reported from Sebring, Florida, that he and his wife had a big celebration in connection with their 45th wedding anniversary.

NEW PENSIONERS

G. W. Anderson, motorman, Devon. Employed 8-12-26.

Philip Breit, operator, 77th. Employed 3-21-14.

Michael Brett, plumber-foreman. Way and Structures. Employed 3-26-07.

Philip Casey, conductor, South Section. Employed 11-16-25.

I. A. Cavanagh, agent, North Section. Employed 9-11-29.

J. A. Chmelina, janitor, 52nd. Employed 9-16-19.

W. C. Conrad, plant guard. Employed 8-7-45.

R. F. Daluga, conductor, Devon. Employed 3-16-21.

M. J. Doyle, chauffeur, Way and Structures. Employed 4-30-25.

H. F. Dressler, Stock Clerk I, Stores. Employed 11-29-43.

Hynek Dub, gateman, West Section. Employed 11-28-42.

W. P. Duffy, motorman Devon. Employed 7-11-23.

R. M. Dwyer, superintendent of electrical construction, Electrical Department. Employed 3-2-14.

A. J. Elie, conductor, Devon. Employed 4-3-23.

F. G. Eulberg, motorman, Devon. Employed 1-14-20.

McGarry Fergus, plant guard. Employed 10-1-47.

Earl Frame, motorman, West Section. Employed 1-19-16.

H. R. Galbraith, conductor, North Section. Employed 12-18-18.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rabig visited their daughter, *Menetta Connors* who works in CTA's telephone office, and her husband recently. Joe, formerly of 77th, spent time recruiting members for the CTA Retirement club in St. Petersburg, Florida. Joe is vice-president of the group.

—JULIE PRINDERVILLE

LAWNDALE — *Gustav Macyzewski*, former motorman, is presently in the Veterans' hospital at 820 S. Damen, Chicago, where he recently suffered the amputation of a leg. Gus, who took his pension in 1951, entered the hospital as a diabetic patient August 6. A member of CTA Post No. 1216, American Legion, he would appreciate visits from post members as well as from his former fellow-workers at Lawndale.

LOOP (Agents) — *Charles Claybrook* was reported having a grand time at Harrisburg, Illinois . . .

L. P. Gaspar, stock clerk II, Stores. Employed 4-16-23.

Walter Hogg, laborer, Track. Employed 9-17-30.

H. J. Kennedy, operator, 77th. Employed 2-20-24.

J. A. Kotz, conductor, 77th. Employed 5-28-14.

E. S. Miller, conductor, 77th. Employed 7-17-18.

Vincenzo Nacci, laborer, South Shops. Employed 11-28-28.

Krsto Nikolich, laborer, Track. Employed 7-25-29.

E. H. Olsen, operator, North Avenue. Employed 12-2-22.

S. A. Peters, motorman, 77th. Employed 8-14-17.

D. M. Riordan, supervisor of cleaning, Shops and Equipment. Employed 10-11-21.

Beatrice Schewe, agent, West Section. Employed 5-20-37.

Erwin Schuppert, bricklayer, Way and Structures. Employed 9-11-44.

R. J. Seibert, emergency truck chauffeur, Way and Structures. Employed 6-25-36.

Carl Smith, operator, Lawndale. Employed 7-19-26.

D. J. Stuckis, machinist, South Shops. Employed 4-23-24.

W. J. Trew, trolley tender-laborer, Stores. Employed 12-11-16.

S. J. Wielgus, operator, Limits. Employed 2-11-20.

C. W. Whiting, conductor, West Section. Employed 12-29-11.

Sadie Rowe and her daughter planned to move back to Chicago from St. Petersburg, Florida.

—EDITH EDBROOKE

SKOKIE SHOPS—*Harvey Meeder*, former machinist foreman at Wilson avenue shops, and his wife visited Skokie Shops recently. They live in St. Petersburg, Florida . . . *Gus Hyde*, retired electrical foreman, also visited Skokie Shops recently.

—DAVE GURWICH and EVERETT E. ENGLAND

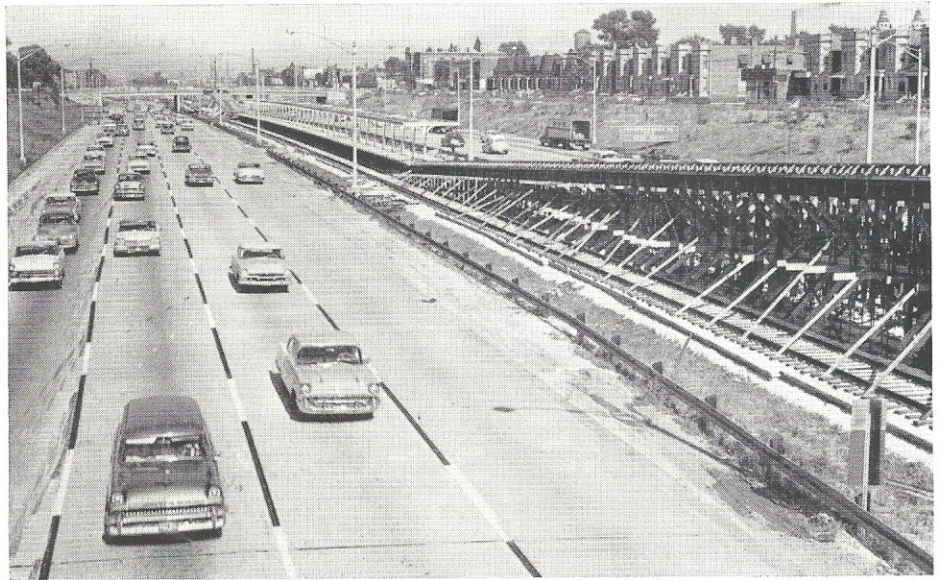
SOUTH SECTION—*Jim Gallagher*, who formerly worked as a clerk at Roosevelt road, dropped your reporter a few lines.

—LEO J. BIEN

WAY AND STRUCTURES — *Tinner Frank Moltch*, who retired on disability pension July 1 of this year, died at home on July 25. He started his transit career with the former Chicago Rapid Transit company on May 19, 1942.

—MARLENE NEHER

AS CONSTRUCTION work continues, the new rapid transit stations being built along the median strip of the Congress expressway begin to take on final form as operating facilities. In this picture showing the Keeler-Pulaski station, the ramps leading to and from the station located at track level between the two streets are already in place. Looking east from Keeler, the Pulaski road overpass across the expressway can be seen in the rear center. The ramps will provide easy access to the station at both east and west ends of the platform.



Student Riding Cards Issued at Schools

SCHOOL DAYS are here again—and so are half-fare identification cards for 260,000 high school and elementary students in Chicago and adjacent suburbs served by CTA.

Students to whom these cards are issued have the privilege of using CTA services at half fare (11¼c token—13c cash) during the school semester which started immediately after Labor Day. These students are divided among 734 private, public and parochial elementary schools, and 145 private, public and parochial high schools in Chicago, Oak Park, Cicero, Evergreen Park, Evanston township and Niles township.

There are two types of students identification cards—the “limited” type for use only between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. in traveling to and from school, and the “unlimited” type for use any time, any day during the semester.

The unlimited type of card bears the student’s photograph and signature and is sold at \$1.00 each per semester. The limited card is issued without charge. Replacement of a lost card costs \$3.00 for the “unlimited” type, and \$1.00 for the “limited” type.

Twenty-six teams, composed of a CTA employe and a photographer employed by Perfecto Photo Identification, Inc., started photographing high school students September 5 and completed the 145 high schools during the afternoon of September 12. Approximately 85,000 high school students have been photographed for “unlimited” type cards.

An estimated 27,000 elementary students will purchase the “unlimited” student identification card. Photographing of these students at 734 elementary schools began September 12, and is to be completed September 23.

SEPTEMBER, 1957

CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF APPLICATION OF REVENUES TO FIXED REQUIREMENTS
MONTHS OF JULY 1957 AND 1956, SEVEN MONTHS ENDED JULY 31, 1957 AND 1956 AND
TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JULY 31, 1957

(Revenues applied in order of precedence required by Trust Agreement)

	Month of July		Seven Months Ended		Twelve
	1957	1956	1957	1956	Months Ended July 31, 1957
Revenues	\$10,621,108	\$9,447,783	\$69,800,938	\$69,782,346	\$120,212,146
Operation and Maintenance Expenses	8,832,498	8,141,741	61,772,678	59,734,635	104,749,350
Available for Debt Service	1,788,610	1,306,042	8,028,260	10,047,711	\$ 15,462,796
Debt Service Requirements:					
Interest Charges	390,535	398,660	2,782,708	2,837,072	
Deposit to Series of 1947 Serial Bond					
Maturity Fund	166,666(1)	250,000	1,666,666	1,650,000	
Deposit to Series of 1947 Sinking					
Fund (2)	95,767	—	95,767	—	
Revenue Bond Reserves (3)	7,000	30,000	187,000	210,000	
	659,968	678,660	4,732,141	4,697,072	
Balance Available for Depreciation	1,128,642	627,382	3,296,119	5,350,639	
Transfer from Operating Expense Reserve to meet deficit in Debt Service Requirements(4)	—	—	313,588	—	
Balance Available for Depreciation	1,128,642	627,382	3,609,707	5,350,639	
Provision for Depreciation:					
Prior Period Deficiency	—	—	223,611	—	
Current Period	849,689	755,822	5,584,075	5,582,588	
	849,689	755,822	5,807,686	5,582,588	
Balance Available for Other Charges or Deficit in Depreciation Provision (5)	278,953	128,440r	2,197,979r	231,949r	
Accumulated Deficit:					
To end of previous month	2,476,932r	103,509r	—	—	
At close of July	\$ 2,197,979r	\$ 231,949r	\$ 2,197,979r	\$ 231,949r	

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Originating Revenue Passengers

PASSENGER STATISTICS

Originating Revenue Passengers	45,415,593	47,675,503	351,120,223	361,275,387	611,127,402
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STATUS OF EQUIPMENT MODERNIZATION PROGRAM as at July 31, 1957

	Delivered to Date	Remaining to be Delivered	Total
1956 Orders:			
El-Subway Cars	58	62	120
Delivered under previous orders		3,464	
Less - P.C.C. Streetcars to be converted to El-Subway Cars		120	
			3,344
			3,464

NOTES:

- (1) Equal monthly installments to retire \$2,000,000 principal amount of Series of 1947 Revenue Bonds maturing on July 1, 1958.
- (2) Equal monthly installments to retire Series of 1947 Revenue Bonds maturing July 1, 1978 by purchase after invitation for tenders or in the open market.
- (3) Available to pay interest on any interest payment dates of Series of 1952 and Series of 1953 Revenue Bonds when amounts set aside for such purposes are insufficient therefor, or for accomplishing the final retirement or redemption of all outstanding Series of 1952 and 1953 Bonds.
- (4) Revenues for the month of January 1957 were not sufficient to make the deposits required in the Debt Service Funds. In accordance with the terms of the Revenue Bond Trust Agreement, such deficiency in revenues to meet the debt service requirements was made up by a transfer from the Operating Expense Reserve Fund.
- (5) Deposits may be made in the Depreciation Reserve Fund only to the extent that earnings are available therefor. The requirements for these deposits, however, are cumulative, and any balances available for Depreciation must first be applied to cover prior period deficiencies which may exist in deposits to the Depreciation Reserve Fund. The Supplemental Trust Agreements covering Series of 1952 and 1953 Revenue Bonds provide for quarterly deposits of \$300,000 and \$16,713.50, respectively (cumulative within any one year) to the "Revenue Bond Amortization Funds" to the extent that earnings are available therefor after making the required deposits to the Depreciation Reserve Fund; also that deposits of \$900,000 are to be made to the Operating Expense Reserve Fund in any calendar year that earnings are available therefor. Deposits to the Municipal Compensation Fund may be made only from earnings remaining in any one year after making all required deposits in the Depreciation Reserve, Revenue Bond Amortization and Operating Expense Reserve Funds.



Our Public

SPEAKS

THE FUTURE of a company depends a great deal on the employes who represent the company. It is no different here at CTA. Employes who perform their duties in an efficient, courteous manner promote our service. Our patrons, recognizing those efforts, write letters to commend these employes.

Reprinted below are a few recently received letters of commendation:

“He Was Very Helpful”



“Recently it was necessary for me to ride the Harlem avenue bus. I rode on the bus driven by Operator No. 2028 (*Fred Baeza*, Forest Glen). He greeted me cheerfully when I boarded the bus and gave me the information I requested politely and courteously.

“A little while later, a woman with two small boys boarded the bus and he was very helpful in directing her. She said she had come from a small town, out of state, and was not familiar with Chicago. He gave her every assistance not only with directions but with helping her alight from the bus.”

“Every Day of the Week”

“This is the first time I have ever written a letter concerning one of your drivers, but there are two whose actions deserve special commendation not for one day, but for every day of the week.

“I ride with these two men almost every day—in the morning with No. 10456 (*Walter A. Loveless*, North Park) and in the evening with No. 1852 (*James Borner*, Keeler). These two men start and finish my work day with a smile. Both drivers are extra-special in courtesy, cheerfulness and care in making the passengers’ ride a safe, smooth one. I think they both exemplify what the perfect bus driver would be.”

“Pleasantly Surprised”

“Congratulations on having an employe like Bus Driver No. 7324 (*Jacob Rusnak*, North Park). I was pleasantly surprised to witness the kindness of this driver last week on Western avenue.

“An older woman had left her umbrella on another bus. Our driver said he would take her back to the Berwyn avenue terminal to try to locate the umbrella and possibly save her a trip to the south side.

“He called to a couple of drivers who were passing to look through their buses and finally the lost umbrella was found and brought over to this woman. Everybody was impressed by the courtesy of this driver.”

OF COURSE, there are some employes who fail to realize the importance of promoting our service and who sometimes “fall down on the job.” Reprinted are a couple of letters that could have been avoided if the employes in question had been a little more conscientious in the performance of their duties:

“I boarded an Ontario street bus at the Union Station recently. I deposited a full fare token and went to sit down. A little later two ladies boarded the bus and deposited 22½¢ full fare tokens. When one asked for a transfer, the operator informed her that no transfers were issued on a shuttle bus. I asked him why he allowed the three of us to deposit the regular fare and he said because we didn’t ask him. There were no signs indicating that this was a shuttle bus.”

COMMENT: There was no excuse for the actions attributed to this operator in refusing to issue a transfer on receipt of a regular full fare.

“When I boarded a bus, the operator refused my transfer because he said it had expired. I tried to explain that in all probability the driver who issued the transfer had mispunched the time, but he would not listen. He was very discourteous and told me I would either have to pay another fare or get off the bus.”

COMMENT: Although invalid transfers should not be accepted, the refusal should be courteous, and with adequate explanation of the reason for rejection. If the patron is not satisfied, he should be advised to send the disputed transfer, together with pertinent facts, to the Public Information Service Section in the Merchandise Mart.

SHOWN here is a comparison of complaints and commendations received by Chicago Transit Authority for August, 1957, July, 1957, and August, 1956:

	Aug. 1957	July 1957	Aug. 1956
Complaints	847	1350	914
Commendations	97	80	103



PRESENTATIONS WERE made during the latter part of July of Station Achievement Award plaques to the three winning stations for the second quarter of 1957. Winners of the traffic type award and the passenger type award on the surface system were Devon and 52nd, respectively. The combined passenger and traffic type award winner for the rapid transit system was Lake station. In the picture at the left *Thomas B. O'Connor* (center), general superintendent of transportation and shops and equipment, makes the presentation at Lake station to *Wallace J. Gillies* (right), station superinten-

dent, Lake and Logan branches, as *Omar B. Wright*, night station superintendent, West Section, stands by. The group in the center picture includes, left to right: *Charles E. Keiser*, superintendent of transportation; *S. J. Farris*, night superintendent, 52nd station; *S. J. Bitel*, south side relief night superintendent, and *Thomas F. Moore*, superintendent of operating stations, at the presentations made at 52nd. The photo at the extreme right shows, left to right: *C. A. Kerr*, night superintendent, Devon; *Mr. O'Connor*, and *G. J. Dorgan*, day superintendent, Devon, as that station received its prize winning plaque.

Garden Helps

SEPTEMBER IS usually the month of glorious weather in the Chicago region with sunny skies in the day-time and cool, dewy nights. It is a wonderful month to prolong the enjoyment of your garden, especially since there is not a great deal of heavy weeding and other work to be done if you have followed good practices in the earlier part of the season.

Your dahlias should be in excellent shape now and beginning to show lovely flowers. It is a good plan to give them a final spraying with DDT of the strength recommended on the package. It is wise also to check the staking, to make sure that the plant is firmly supported against heavy winds, and check to see that the ties or tape that you use to fasten the plant to the stake have not become too tight, thus injuring the stem. If you want large flowers be sure to cut off the secondary buds so that all the strength goes into the main flower. Dahlias like plenty of water and if there is no great amount of rain soak the soil every four or five days.

You can extend your gardening interest and dividends clear through the winter from some of the plants in your garden if you take the proper steps in fall. A few suggestions follow:

If some of your house plants, such as Chinese evergreen, dieffenbachia "dund cane," screw pines, or dracaenas or any other house plants were placed in the garden last spring to keep them outdoors during the summertime, you should begin to plan on bringing them indoors well before frost can injure them. Here are some things to do so that your house plants that have been outdoors will be better for their airing during the coming winter. Give the leaves on both the upper and under surfaces a thorough washing with a moist or wet cloth. This will remove adhering soil or dust. Take up the pot if it was submerged in the soil or even if it has been standing above the soil, and give the outer surface of the

pot a thorough scrubbing, preferably with soap and water. Remember that the pot must be porous. If any dirt or other foreign matter is on its surface it will not admit air to the soil or permit moisture to come out through the pores of the pot as it should.

After the pot and the leaves have dried give the plant a thorough spraying with a complete insecticide and fungicide. Again be sure to follow directions as to the amount of water to be used in mixing the sprays. The best way to cover a house plant is to mix enough of the spray material so the whole plant can be inverted and submerged in the solution. Hold the soil in the pot with your fingers or if a large pot, cut a piece of cardboard with a slot in it to take care of the stem and place that over the soil. With the plant inverted in the solution, "swish" it around so all of the parts are thoroughly wetted. If you will take these precautions before bringing in your house plants they will be healthy and sturdy all winter, especially if you give them a good feeding of a complete fertilizer dissolved in water as soon as they are inside.

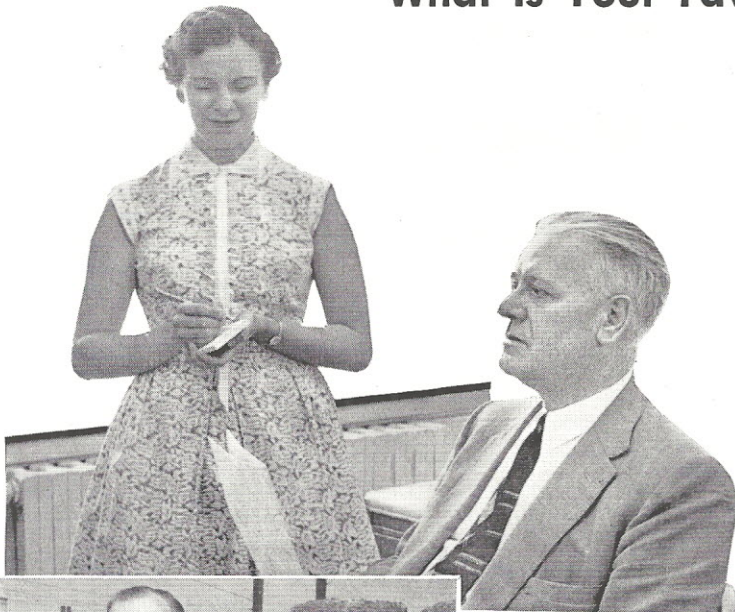
Perhaps you have flowering plants in your garden that can be kept indoors after frost requires that they be protected. If they are biennials or perennials this can be done by placing those requiring sun in a sunny place. Geraniums, perennials like gaillardia or blanket flower, primroses, sweet William, smaller forms or carnation or dianthus, will keep for you in a sunny window and occasionally give you bright flowers. For a shady window you can always move indoors some impatient, wax begonias, or coleus.

The hardy chrysanthemums are now soon ready to bring bright color to your garden. They are shallow rooted and in dry weather they need plenty of water. As soon as the lower leaves are wilting it means the plant wants water. If you have extra plants, or window boxes that have no more flowers in them, put some hardy chrysanthemums in the box. They will withstand frost and some times give you blossoms outdoors as late as Thanksgiving.

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What Is Your Favorite Season?

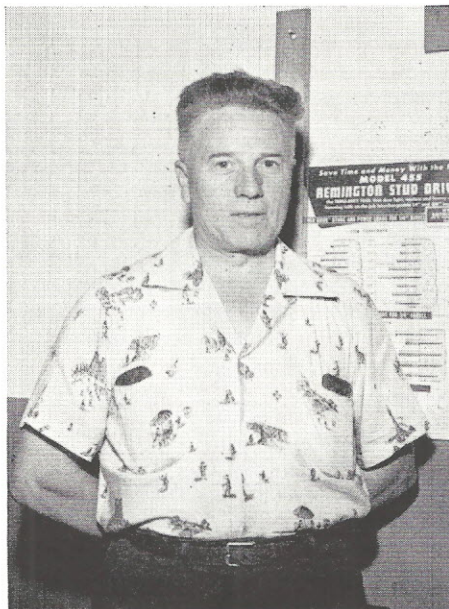


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ROY JOHNSON, Clerk, General Office: "Autumn is my choice season for this is the time of year I can enjoy a good high school football game and cheer my favorite team on to victory, as well as see and hear the bands and cheerleaders and view their formations on the field. I also like to take rides across the countryside, beautiful with its foliage in various colors against the sky."



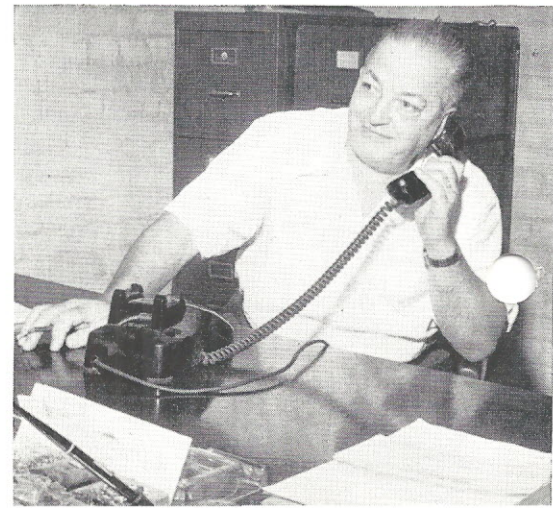
PAUL ANDERSON, Road Clerk, Wilson Avenue, Rapid Transit Division: "After all the dirty snow and slush, and the cold, blustery winter weather, it's a real pleasure to visit the country, see the green of growing things and feel the warmth of the sun in the spring."

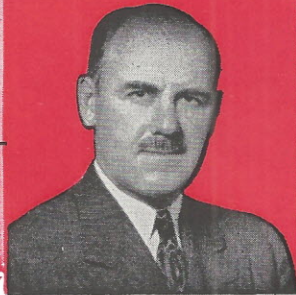
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DAVE McCAULEY, Assistant to the Superintendent of Construction, Flournoy Yard, Track Division: "Spring is my favorite season. After a tough and grueling winter, we come out of our 'cocoon.' The weather isn't too cold or hot, and the air is so fresh and invigorating that it makes one feel alive again. It's wonderful to see the trees and flowers budding and grass turning green."



ROBERT A. GILMORE, Material Dispatcher, Blue Island garage, Utility and Emergency Service Division: "For those who like to travel through the United States, the scenery is the most beautiful in autumn. The days are much cooler, the harvest is in and one, therefore, can enjoy favorite fruits and vegetables while traveling." ↓

LEON M. WALKER, Foreman, 69th and Emerald, South Side, Building Division: "I enjoy summertime with the extra daylight and time to indulge in my favorite outdoor sports. There's even enough daylight left, after one comes home from work, to take the family for a drive or to the beach for a cool swim. And I also have enough time and light to do those home jobs which seem to have a habit of piling up."





medically speaking

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THE PROBLEM OF BACKACHE

BACKACHE is a tremendously puzzling problem and the number of people with back trouble is increasing rapidly.

The complexity of this problem may be better understood when one considers the anatomy and physiology of the human spine. Briefly, the spinal or vertebral column consists of 33 individual vertebra held together by numerous cartilages, ligaments and muscles. The classification of the spinal column is divided into five parts, the cervical with seven vertebra, the thoracic with twelve, the lumbar with five, the sacral with five, and four in the coccygeal.

The human spine, being a part of a two-legged individual, has more to support than the four-legged animal, whose spine is supported at two ends. In addition, the vertebral column houses the spinal cord which carries messages to and from the brain. It also has the property of flexibility or motion. In view of the complicated structure and functions of the spine it is easy to realize why disease or injury of any one of these parts may cause pain.

Time and space permit only a brief mention of the more important aspects of backache. In this article a few of the common causes, symptoms and methods of treatment will be discussed.

Causes of backache may be broadly classified as disease, injury, mechanical strain, disc degeneration and emotional.

Disease may affect the vertebra, the spinal cord or the adjacent muscles or nerves. Some of the more common diseases resulting are arthritis, tuberculosis, osteomyelitis, syphilis and tumors which may be either benign or malignant.

Injuries include strains, fractures of the vertebra with or without injury to the spinal cord.

Mechanical strains may result from any unequal pull on the many muscles of the back. These may be caused by heavy lifting, faulty posture in childhood, faulty posture in work, abnormal forces of gravity or congenital abnormalities.

Disc disease is due to a degeneration of the cartilagenous pad or cushion which separate one vertebra from the other. Sometimes injury is responsible for a portion of the disc protruding against the spinal cord, though in my opinion the disc theory is over-emphasized in many cases.

Emotional factors and prolonged nervous tension also can sometimes produce muscle tension resulting in unequal muscle pull and cause backache.

The symptoms, depending on the cause, may vary from a mild backache to a severe pain which may prevent a per-

THERE HAVE been many reports recently about the Asiatic "Flu" striking in the U. S. this fall.

Some say it will be mild and others say it will be severe.

It is also reported that a preventative or immunizing vaccine for this type of flu will be available soon.

It may be well for you to discuss the problem with your family doctor.

son from getting out of bed. Lumbago, a term used frequently in the past, usually meant rheumatism of the back muscles. It is a broad term and many times is used improperly to describe any pain in the back.

Symptoms of back trouble are in some cases extended to the abdomen or down the legs. Sciatica is a good example of this type of pain. It is well to remember that pains in the chest, abdomen or legs may have their origin in back disease. The most common type of backache is the low back strain frequently referred to as sacroiliac arthritis, lumbago or disc syndrome.

The treatment, naturally, should depend on the cause. Therefore a very accurate diagnosis is necessary and this can only be made following a very careful case history, physical examination and x-rays. Simple bed rest with aspirin and salicylates and boards under the mattress sometimes help. In certain cases immobilization by cast or braces may be necessary. Many people feel they have been cured by manipulation and physical therapy. The latter includes heat in various forms, massage and certain exercises.

Summarizing, it is again emphasized that satisfactory results in backache depend on a very accurate diagnosis. Moreover, allow plenty of time for conservative measures to bring relief before deciding on surgery. People with backache have a tendency to go from one doctor to another. Sound advice is to consult your personal physician for a thorough examination and then follow his suggestions.

A TEAM from Avondale Playground compete in a Chicago Park District "Sand Jamboree" at North Avenue beach. Their instructor as they model an alligator in sand is Mrs. Cecelia Pearson, wife of Operator Bernard Pearson, North Avenue. Some 1,000 boys and girls under 15 years of age participated.





"All-in-the-Roaster" Lamb Dinner

FOR AN EFFORTLESS meal and freedom from last-minute pampering, there's nothing quite like a meal-in-a-roaster-pan. Though everyone may not have such a pan in these days of meat cookery in an uncovered pan and moderately-low heat, here's a favorite style of Lamb Roast with Vegetables, Armenian, which may be cooked in a roaster pan with a tight-fitting cover, in a large Dutch oven. Lacking both, a baking pan with aluminum foil in which snugly to wrap the meal's ingredients serves admirably.

For this meal, lamb shoulder's your meat. And what a juicy, full-of-flavor cut it is. Not so easy on the carver to be sure—we'll get to that later—yet no one seems to mind in the face of its goodness, and its price. Kind to the budget, it provides a meal so good that you'll likely not have any leftovers.

Lamb Dinner, Armenian

Lamb shoulder roast, square cut style, carrots, potatoes, eggplant, onions, zucchini, if desired, fresh or canned whole tomatoes, parsley, bayleaf, garlic clove, if desired. Lamb shoulder, square cut with bone in, will usually weigh four to five pounds. Allow $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ pound per serving.

Place in roaster prepared whole vegetables and quartered eggplant. Sprinkle with some salt and pepper, parsley; add bay leaf. Sprinkle meaty side of lamb with salt and pepper.

Cottons Fashionable Year Around

ONCE UPON a time, the coming of Labor Day meant the disappearance of cottons from the feminine wardrobe. But that was before transition cottons appeared on the scene. Now, fashion-conscious women know that cottons carry on from summer through fall—and are considered by many as year-round dresses.

Transition cottons are usually dark-hued and come in a variety of styles, in fabrics that feature plaids, stripes and assorted patterns. Many are designed along high fashion standards, displaying contrasting trims, detachable collars or self-belts.

With such tempting fare on the fall fashion market, textile experts warn that the shopper should look further than fashion before making a purchase.

Since the dresses need frequent laundering to remain fresh and crisp, the fabric should be completely washable.



LAMB SHOULDER roast with vegetables, Armenian, is an effortless all-in-a-roaster meal that needs no watching.

If using garlic, rub lamb all over with cut clove or insert slivers of garlic in lamb. Place lamb, skin-side up, on top of vegetables and cover. (If using canned solid-pack tomatoes instead of fresh, use only the solid portions. Cut celery or celery tops may be placed on vegetables.)

Place pan in 400 degree F. (moderately hot) oven and cook for about two hours or until lamb is fork-tender. Remove lid of roaster and allow meal to remain in oven for 20 to 30 minutes more to lightly brown top (skin-side).

Place lamb on heated platter or on a carving board. Arrange vegetables in shallow bowl. The liquid in the pan may be poured over the vegetables or thickened with a bit of flour and used as gravy.

An unboned lamb shoulder is difficult to carve because there is a large flat bone inside the roast. Place the roast (for the right-handed host) in front of the carver, with the round bone at his right. First cut off the rib bones. Then cut slices from the round bone. The flat blade bone may be cut out and the meat cut across the grain.

Because most of the transition or "prestige" cottons come in dark colors, the shopper should especially make sure that the fabric is colorfast. If the material is less than high quality, the color may not only fade but may bleed, damaging the fabric as well as any contrasting trim.

The shopper should search for the fabric that has the pattern woven into the material. If buying an ordinary printed fabric, check the back side to see whether the dye has penetrated through. Such fabrics are generally more colorfast than those which merely display surface prints.

Check labels and hangtags to determine whether the fabric is pre-shrunk and to see if the manufacturer has included any special laundering instructions. Hangtags will also tell the shopper whether the cotton has been blended with any synthetic fibers. If so, textile experts advise that this information be passed on when the transition cottons are sent to the professional laundryman.

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