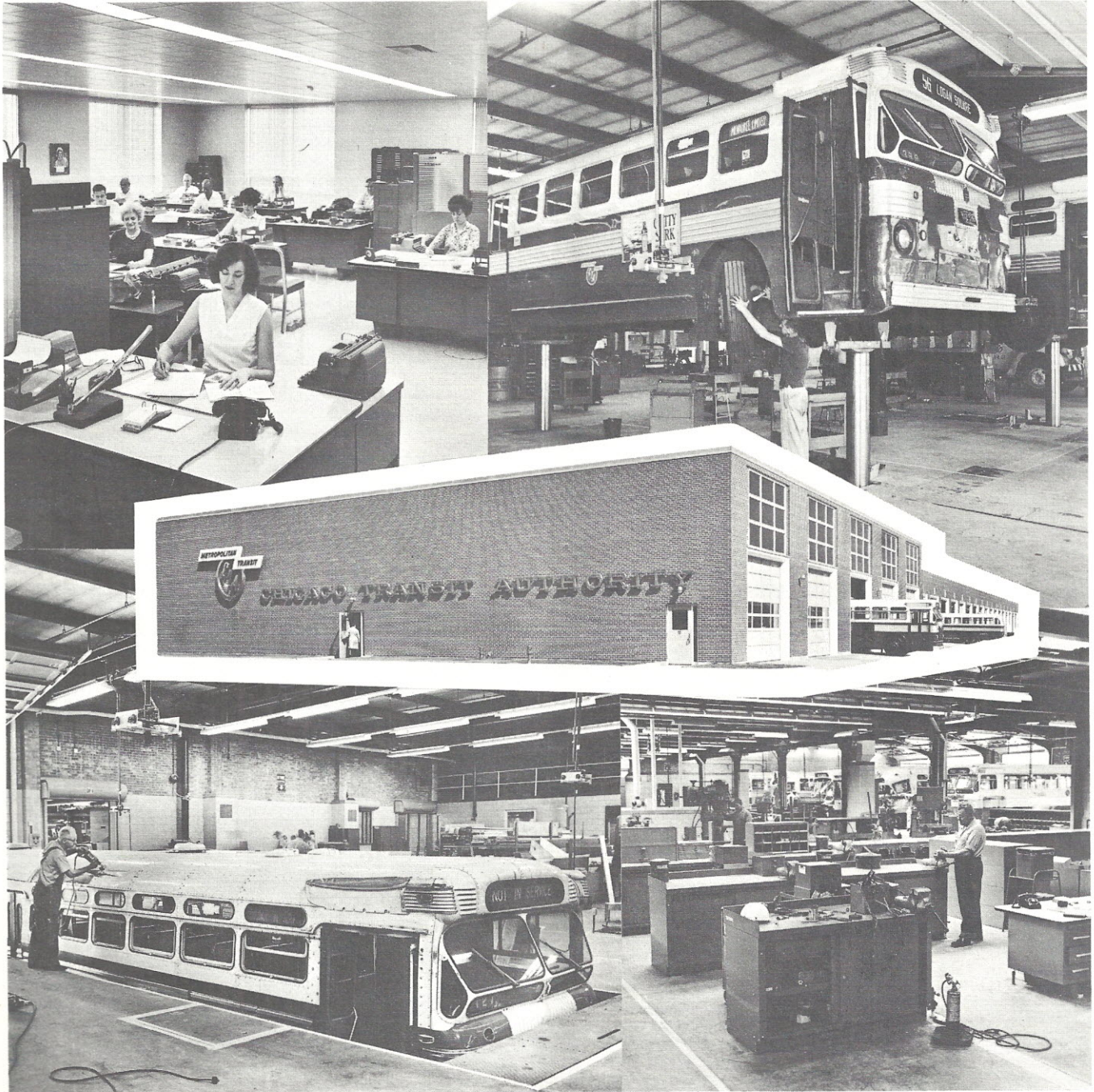


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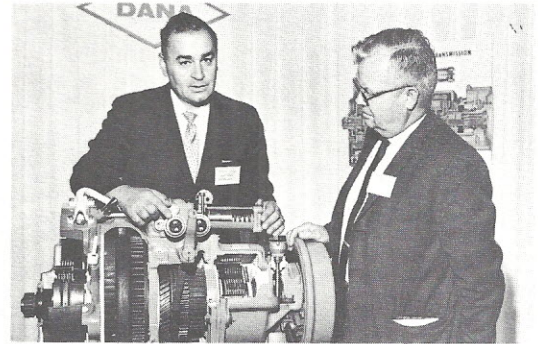
# CTA Host to 4,000 at

AN ESTIMATED 4,000 visitors attended the "open house" preview of CTA's new \$4,000,000 bus overhaul shops at 78th and Vincennes on the evening of October 1 and received an impressive demonstration of what it takes in man-power, machinery and methods to keep CTA's bus fleet operating at the high efficiency required to meet the demands of daily service.

SPECIAL CTA buses transported visitors to and from nearby parking areas to the doors of the new shops building, where the tours started. Groups, such as shown here, were unloaded every few minutes during the early part of the evening as attendance reached its height.

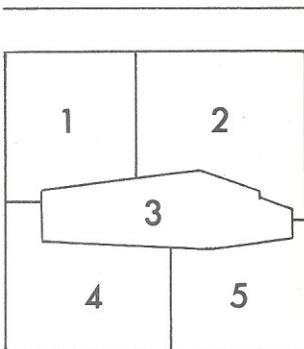
They went away convinced that CTA had indeed made another major advance in its modernization and replacement program by the construction of the new facility. Completion of the project marked the final step in the consolidation of two surface system shops, the South Shops and the West Shops at 3901 West End avenue.

Represented in the crowd that toured the building were a goodly number of CTA employees and their families. For the most part, however, the attendance consisted of guests who responded to public "open house" invitations extended by management.



AMONG THE exhibits that attracted much attention among operating and maintenance personnel was a Spicer Model 184 Turbo-matic Transmission, similar to those used on Flxible buses operated by CTA. Explaining some of the new features of the transmission mechanism to L. Gordon Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment, is Myron M. Schull (left), representing the Dana Corporation of Toledo, Ohio, manufacturing company.

MODERNIZATION OF methods incorporated in the new shops is nowhere more symbolized than in the paint shops. Ultra-modern in design, it is equipped with a traveling paint booth and a traveling infra-red dryer to serve three painting locations. Three drop tables lower buses to convenient heights when roofs and eaves are being painted.



OUR COVER: Now in full operation, the South Shops, CTA's newest addition to its improvement and replacement program, is rated among the most modern facility of its kind in the transit industry. The cover pictures show the bright and clean working areas, planned and geared to provide for more efficient operations in all phases of equipment maintenance: They are: 1-Modern offices; 2-Hydraulic hoist in chassis shop; 3-Exterior view of paint shop; 4-Drop table in body shop; 5-Work and machine area in body shop.



# South Shops Open House

Earlier, in the afternoon, a special "open house" inspection was arranged for members of the American Transit Association, which was holding its 82nd annual meeting at the Edgewater Beach hotel. The meeting attracted leaders of the transit industry from all sections of the nation and Canada. Several hundred of them took advantage of the occasion to make the trip to the South Shops for a tour of the new installation and to acquaint themselves with the methods and procedures used by CTA in the inspection and maintenance of its bus fleet, one of the largest in the country.

Another feature was the display by manufacturers and suppliers serving the transit industry of their products and services. There were 33 exhibits and booths set up in the shops area which attracted the attention of "open house" visitors.

The pictures on this and following pages highlight some of the activities and events at both the "open house" and the ATA convention.



AN EXPERIMENT that could result in improved service on surface routes during heavy snowfalls was a demonstration of an auxiliary side plow. This can be used to clear the sidewalk at passenger boarding and alighting points after street plows have opened the traffic lanes and pushed snow against the curb lines. The side plow attachment was developed in South Shops where further tests are being made prior to trial operation during snow storms this coming winter.



CTA'S MOBILE medical unit No. 2, used in physical check-ups of employes, gave everyone a chance to see the facilities provided for making on-the-job examinations of personnel. The unit is fitted out with all the necessary equipment for complete examination procedures, including vision and electrocardiogram tests.



TAKING A peek into the engine compartment of a new Flexible propane bus seemed to be an enlightening experience for many visitors to the chassis shops. The bus was elevated on one of the 28 hydraulic bus hoists which are used when major underbody components are being replaced.



## South Shops Open House (Continued from Page 3)

IT SEEMS that everyone who came to the "open house" sooner or later ended up at the refreshment counter for free coffee and rolls or other snacks. A look down the jam-packed aisle indicates that whatever else they might have missed on the tour of the building, the visitors certainly didn't overlook the chance to get "something on the house."



MANY FAMILY groups turned out for the "open house," including among them Thomas Kman Jr., apprentice carpenter, South Shops, and his three children, who found their way through the milling crowds to the refreshment area. Enjoying soft drinks while dad takes custody of the balloons are Jimmy, 2½; Christine, 3, and Catherine, 4.



## ATA MEETING ATTRACTS INDUSTRY LEADERS TO CHICAGO

MEMBERS OF the American Transit Association, in Chicago for the 82nd annual meeting, who made an inspection trip of several general office departments, show interest in the new collating machine in the Stenographic-Duplication Department. It is on this machine that CTA TRANSIT NEWS is assembled, stitched, folded and made ready for mailing each month.



SEATED AT the speaker's table at the opening session of the ATA annual meeting at the Edgewater Beach hotel are, left to right: George Anderson, ATA executive vice-president; James E. Lash, executive vice-president, Action, Incorporated, New York City; CTA Board Chairman George L. DeMent, a speaker at the session; Mayor Richard J. Daley, who made the welcoming address, and Robert Sloan, general secretary, ATA.



OFFICERS, DIRECTORS and staff members of ATA assembled for a meeting on the opening morning, September 30, of the annual meeting. Approximately 1,200 representatives of the transit industry registered for the three-day session.



## "Queen Mary" Goes Into Retirement

CTA's ARTICULATED trolley bus, the Queen Mary (No. 9763), is now in the hands of a private owner having been retired after 17 years of service.

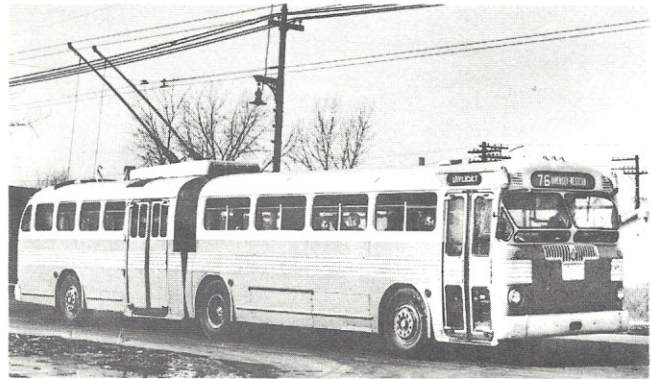
The bus was bought by Glenn Johnson, 3709 N. Kenneth avenue, a member of the Omnibus Society of America - a non-profit organization founded in 1961 for the study of mass transportation. The bus was towed to a storage location, pending the construction of a site where historical buses will be stored and operated.

The Queen Mary was built by the Twin Coach company, of Kent, Ohio, and was longer, taller and wider than any other CTA bus, but it can negotiate sharp corners like smaller 45-seat buses. The Queen has seating capacity for 58 passengers.

The flexible rubber-covered joint that characterizes the unit permits the bus to conform to changing street grades. The bus bodies are vertically hinged beneath the floor in the mid-section. Both the front and rear wheels of the bus are synchronized to turn in opposite directions and pivot the entire unit on the center four-wheel axle. Because of the unusual operating characteristics, only about 100 bus operators had been qualified to drive the bus in recent years.

The Queen Mary operated as a trolley bus from CTA's North and Cicero station since January, 1949, and has covered about 200,000 miles. It ran on the Diversey route for a short time, but operated until recently on the Belmont line.

Before it became a trolley bus, the Queen came to Chicago on loan as a gas-powered unit in late



LARGEST BUS ever operated by CTA, the Queen Mary saw service on the Archer, Diversey and Belmont routes prior to its recent retirement and sale to a private owner.

1946. It operated on a test basis for about a year on the Archer express route and then left to run as a demonstrator in several other large U.S. cities. The bus was converted for electric operation during 1948 and was leased to CTA by the builder. In December, 1954, CTA purchased the bus from Twin Coach.

Chicago's Queen Mary was not the only one of its kind, at one time about 20 similar units were in operation in the country. Fifteen gasoline buses still operate in Omaha, Nebraska.

Along with the Queen Mary, members of the Omnibus Society have purchased two other CTA buses, a 1937 trolley bus and a 1939 diesel bus. Their assets also include a Milwaukee, Wisconsin, trolley bus, a Cleveland, Ohio, trolley bus and sufficient trolley wire and overhead switches for a mile of operation.

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## New Lake Terminal Project to Cost \$583,178

CONTRACTS AMOUNTING to \$583,178 were awarded recently for the construction of a substation to be built at Harlem and Circle avenues, Forest Park, terminal of the Lake rapid transit route.

The contract for the substation-office building was awarded to Taheny Brothers company for \$244,000. The establishment of a transportation headquarters at this location and the eventual construction of yard facilities will permit the abandonment of the present facilities at Lake and Hamlin. The building of face brick will be about 85 feet by 53 feet.

To equip the new substation, a contract for \$339,178 was awarded to Allis-Chalmers Manu-

facturing company for a power rectifier and switch-gear equipment.

The new substation will relieve overload conditions at CTA's present Lombard substation and will provide additional capacity required by the establishment of a new yard.

This work is in conjunction with the modernization of the Lake rapid transit route which was elevated to the embankment of the North Western railway between Laramie and Harlem. Trains began operating in the new right-of-way on October 28, 1962.

The proposed projects will increase the efficiency of CTA's Lake route operations.

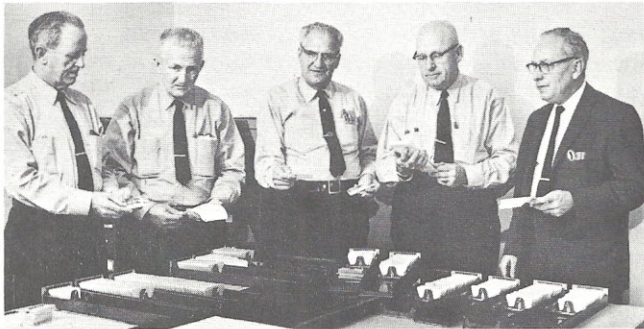


# NEW BADGES ISSUED TO OPERATING PERSONNEL

NEW IDENTIFICATION badges were distributed October 1 to some 7,500 Chicago Transit Authority Transportation Department employees.

The new badges are of laminated plastic and carry out the color scheme of primrose yellow and holly green. They replace brass metal badges, inlaid with blue numerals, which have been worn on their caps by bus operators, rapid transit conductors and motormen and station porters since shortly after CTA took over the operation of local transportation properties on October 1, 1947.

Of a modernized design, the new badges measure three inches at the top, tapering to two and one-half inches at the bottom and are two inches in depth. The upper portion carries the CTA emblem printed in green on a solid yellow background, and



**SORTING OF** badges for distribution to the various operating stations was handled by (left to right) Supervisors Al O'Shaughnessy, Fremont R. Snyder, William L. Kennedy and John Shaw, under the direction of James Tucker, chief clerk, Transportation Department.



**MODELING THE** new laminated plastic CTA badge in the above picture is Instructor James J. Lahey. Also pictured here are badges formerly worn by CTA employees, including the CSL and CRT badges which were in use when CTA acquired those properties and the brass CTA badge that replaced them and was recently, in turn, replaced.

the lower portion shows the employe's number in yellow numerals overlaid on a green panel.

The new badges are reduced in size and weight from the all-metal badges they replace, and are detachable for use in identification of employes when off duty.

Prior to the issuance of the CTA metal badges, which now become obsolete, employes used the badges of the former Chicago Surface Lines and the Chicago Rapid Transit company for identification.

## Seven Named to New Job Assignments



**Elmer Milz**

**SIX APPOINTMENTS**, affecting Transportation Department supervisory personnel, were announced effective October 1 by D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation.

They were: E. G. Milz, superintendent of rapid transit operations and operations control; H. A. Wilson, district superintendent, District "C"; John Stanton, district superintendent, operations control, Raymond Dagenais, district superintendent, Central District; V. A. Lauletta, district supervisor, Central District, and T. A. Hildebrandt, district supervisor, District "D."

Also an announcement affecting the Shops and Equipment Department was made effective October 1. J. A. Rosendhal was named industrial engineer with offices at the South Shops.

General Manager Walter J. McCarter and T. B. O'Connor, general superintendent of transportation and equipment maintenance, approved the Transportation Department appointments, Mr. O'Connor and L. Gordon Anderson, superintendent of Shops and Equipment, signed the bulletin announcement of Mr. Rosendhal.



# Proposal to Buy North Shore Line Property Approved

PURCHASE OF North Shore right-of-way and related property that would be required for the proposed test operation of rapid transit train shuttle service between Howard street, Chicago, and Dempster street, Skokie, was authorized October 3 by Chicago Transit Board.

The negotiated price for the five-mile stretch of property is \$2,000,000. Net cost to the CTA, however, will be \$1,700,000, since the Commonwealth Edison Company, which has power transmission lines along the property, will pay \$300,000 to CTA for converting its easements into perpetual rights.

In addition, Commonwealth Edison will pay rental on the easements of \$700 per month for a period of two years. These payments can be applied against the operating costs of the proposed shuttle service.

Chairman George L. DeMent was empowered by the Board to proceed immediately with the formalities attending the transfer of ownership. The property being acquired includes right-of-way, track, power conversion and distribution facilities, other operating equipment, and leases and easements negotiated by the North Shore.

The purchase was recommended by Walter J. McCarter, CTA general manager, who pointed out that CTA ownership of the property would serve two major purposes, as follows:

1. Provide continuing rail access to and from CTA's main rapid transit shops at 3701 W. Oakton, Skokie. Presently CTA has only a temporary, limited-period right to use the North Shore tracks for moving cars to and from the Skokie shops.

2. Permit inauguration of the proposed rapid transit shuttle service between Howard street and Dempster street on a two-year demonstration basis, if, in the judgment of the Board, conditions and circumstances warrant.

"We are pleased that the way is now cleared to formalize Skokie's co-operative participation in and substantial financial contribution to the service demonstration project," Mr. DeMent continued. "Skokie has agreed informally to provide and maintain facilities adjacent to the Dempster terminal for parking 500 or more automobiles of users of the transit service.

"The next step will be for CTA, with approval of the Board, to file an application for Federal aid," Mr. DeMent said. "Under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1961, Federal aid in defraying operating expenses may be granted to approved transit service demonstration projects.

"Objective of the proposed project," Mr. DeMent concluded, "is to determine whether a rapid transit extension, with convenient nominal-rate all-day parking at its outer terminal, will induce a substantial volume of motorists to travel by grade-separated rapid transit for that part of their trips through heavily populated areas."

Under the purchase procedure recommended by Mr. McCarter and approved by the Board, CTA will make an immediate down payment of \$50,000, and will have the right, prior to final closing of the transaction, to proceed with detailed studies of the operating equipment that would be used in the demonstration project. At the closing, CTA would pay the remaining \$1,950,000.

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## CTA Adds to Howard Parking Lot Facilities

THE SOUTH parking lot at CTA's off-street bus-automobile-rapid transit passenger interchange terminal at Howard street and Hermitage avenue, the north terminal of the North-South "L"-subway route, was opened under CTA management with coin-operated gates starting October 7.

Since CTA purchased the land for the parking lot on Hermitage avenue between Birchwood and Rogers avenues, the lot has been operated by a private concern. Improved with lights, paving and stall markers, the parking lot accommodates 155 automobiles.

Entrance and exit to the lot is controlled by automatic coin-operated gates. There is a ten-cent entry fee for all cars. Upon exiting non-CTA riders are required to pay a 25¢ exit fee. The special exit fee for CTA customers is a 15¢ token

purchased from the agent in the Howard terminal station before entering the parking lot. This token operates the exit gate.

Entrance and exit to the lot is on Hermitage, mid-block between Birchwood and Rogers avenues. For the present time until Hermitage avenue is widened, a temporary asphalt driveway has been installed.

As part of the over-all plan for the Howard-Hermitage passenger interchange terminal, a roofed-structure over the bus loading area is under construction now. The roof, constructed of steel columns and green vinyl panels, will cover 9,500 square feet of the bus loading area. Ten buses will be accommodated under the roof. In the future, the roof will be extended to include the walkways leading to and from the parking lots.



# Four Retirees Roll up 157 Years of Service

FOUR LONG-TIME transit employees with a combined record of 157 years of service were among those who retired on CTA pensions on October 1.

The men, all of whom were in supervisory capacities, and the number of years completed by each, are: John J. Ruberry, 43 years; John F. Higgins, 41 years; August E. Johnson, 37 years, and E. V. Essington, 36 years.

Mr. Ruberry, senior in service of the group, a statistician in the Accounting Department, commenced his employment with the former Chicago Surface Lines on May 4, 1920, as a clerk in the Payroll Department. He served successively in the mileage, statistical, bookkeeping and traffic departments, and at the time the surface properties were acquired by CTA in 1947 he was chief traffic clerk. He subsequently became an accountant in the General Accounting Division, and in 1954 was appointed to the post he held at the time of his retirement.

Mr. Ruberry was an organizer of and active for many years in the General Offices Credit Union. He served since its inception on March 5, 1951, until April 30, 1963, as its treasurer.

Mr. Higgins, superintendent of rapid transit operations for CTA, began his transit career on September 21, 1922, when he was employed as a student engineer with the former Metropolitan West

Side Elevated Railway company, and subsequently was assigned to the vice-president's and general manager's staff. On June 1, 1934, he was appointed superintendent of the Chicago Rapid Transit company's bus service at the Century of Progress.

After a series of other supervisory assignments, Mr. Higgins became superintendent of transportation for the South Division in 1944, and early in 1950 was appointed assistant to general superintendent of transportation for CTA. He later was named assistant superintendent of rapid transit operations and on July 1, 1957, was appointed to the post he held at the time of his retirement.

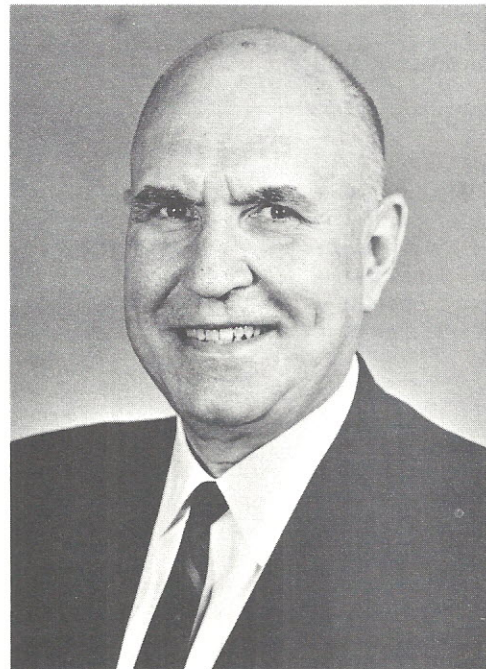
Mr. Higgins has an extensive military record including service in Europe with the U. S. Marines during World War I. From 1921 to 1924 he was a 2nd Lieutenant of infantry in the Officer's Reserve Corps, and from 1924 to 1940 was successively 1st lieutenant, captain and major of engineers with the Illinois National Guard and the O.R.C. During this latter period he served as captain of Company "C", 108th General Engineers, consisting entirely of Chicago Rapid Transit company employees, and as Commander of the 1st Battalion of the engineer's unit.

Mr. Johnson, who was secretary of CTA Division 241, A. A. of S. E. R. and M. C. E. of America, at the time of his retirement, started with the Chicago Surface Lines as a conductor at the Kedzie

John J. Ruberry



John F. Higgins





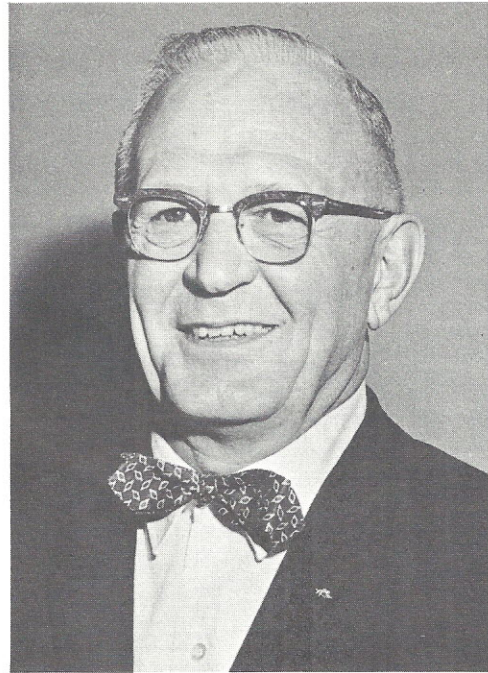


August E. Johnson

station on April 7, 1926. He was one of 10 employees who was selected to start surface lines bus operation on Diversey avenue in August, 1927, which was the first bus route placed in operation by that company.

He became a board member of Division 241 in 1929, when he was assigned to North avenue depot, and was elected vice-president of the Division in 1951. He has been its secretary since 1954. He has a son, Frank, employed in CTA's Training and Accident Prevention Department.

Mr. Essington began his transit career on October 24, 1927, as a traffic checker in the Schedule



Earl V. Essington

Department of the Chicago Surface Lines. From 1928 to 1935 he served as a power clerk, and from 1935 to 1941 as assistant estimator in the Electrical Department. He became chief estimator in the latter year and from 1943 to 1945 held the position of valuation engineer.

From 1945 to 1948 he was chief clerk, and 1948 to 1962, industrial engineer, in CTA's Shops and Equipment Department. He was advanced to assistant to superintendent of shops and equipment, the post he held at the time of his retirement, in 1962. He was graduated from Northwestern university, Evanston, and saw army service in World War I.

THE ALMOST champs of the National League, the St. Louis Cardinals, who missed getting into the World Series by a narrow margin, were not as happy as they might have been when they arrived in Chicago by plane for the season's closing games with the Cubs. But "Sad" Sam Jones, pitcher (right), the great Stan "The Man" Musial, second from right, and "Red" Schoendienst (coach) standing behind Musial, still managed smiles as they boarded a CTA bus at O'Hare Field. The Cardinals club used CTA Charter Service, as did most other major league teams, throughout the season for transportation to and from the airports, hotels and ball parks when scheduled to play in Chicago.





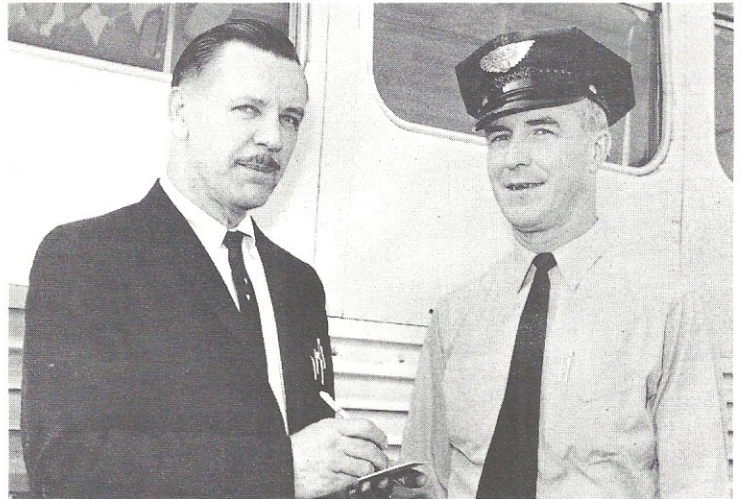
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**LOCATION:** North Avenue Station

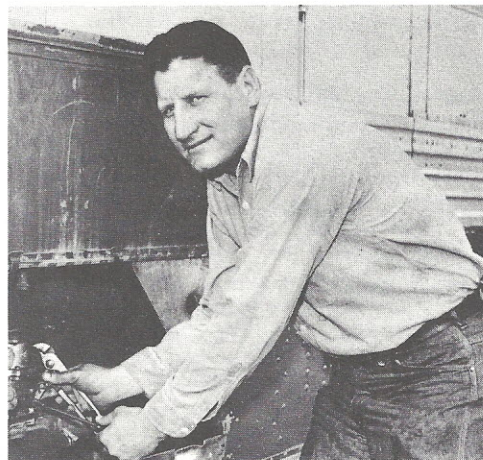
**QUESTION:** What do you recall as the happiest experience of your life?



JERRY BLAKE SR., collector: "My happiest experience happened right here at this station. During my 11 years as a board member of Division 241 I always felt that if I could make my fellow workers happy it made me happy, too. No matter what their problems, I tried my best to help them. A personal sadness came along with my happiness when I was told I could no longer drive a bus because of a cataract on my left eye."



ROBERT G. ANDERSON, operator (with Inquiring Reporter William Miedema): "The happiest experience of my life was last December 13 when my then five-month old baby son underwent open heart surgery and was spared to my wife and I. It was only through prayer that this miracle happened."

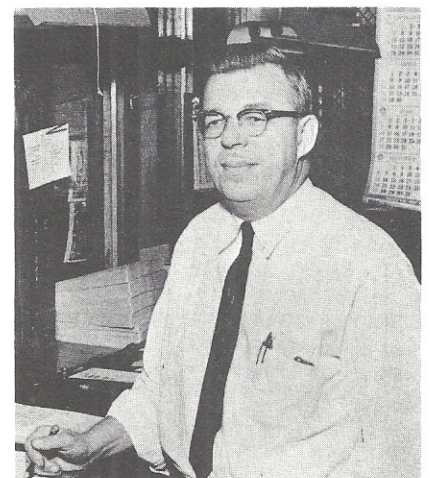


STEVE SARA, repairman: "One of the happiest experiences of my life was when I became the father of twin girls. Being a twin myself, it was a very unexpected event."



FELIX ROBINSON, operator: "When my wife, Myrna, gave birth to a boy and they both were in good health after the birth."

RUSS GUNDERSON, clerk: "As I recall, my happiest experience was the day I married my wife, Orrel, 23 years ago last September. We have both enjoyed many happy years together and are fortunate to have two sons who are now 15 and 16 years of age, respectively."





# CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF APPLICATION OF REVENUES TO FIXED REQUIREMENTS  
MONTHS OF AUGUST 1963 AND 1962, EIGHT MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31, 1963 AND 1962  
AND TWELVE MONTHS ENDED AUGUST 31, 1963

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

	Month of August		Eight Months Ended August 31,		Twelve Months Ended
	1963	1962	1963	1962	Aug. 31, 1963
Revenues	\$11,077,027	\$11,388,910	\$89,254,514	\$92,281,404	\$134,814,059
Operation and Maintenance Expenses	<u>9,465,612</u>	<u>9,417,170</u>	<u>76,750,778</u>	<u>75,876,319</u>	<u>116,034,680</u>
Available for Debt Service	<u>1,611,415</u>	<u>1,971,740</u>	<u>12,503,736</u>	<u>16,405,085</u>	<u>\$18,779,379</u>
Debt Service Requirements:					
Interest Charges	311,905	328,171	2,552,971	2,692,736	
Deposit to Series of 1947 Serial Bond Maturity Fund	166,667(1)	166,667	1,333,333	1,333,333	
Deposits to Sinking Funds (2) -					
Series of 1947	156,045	144,887	1,181,410	1,103,053	
Series of 1952	33,333	31,250	266,667	250,000	
Series of 1953	<u>10,146</u>	<u>9,510</u>	<u>81,159</u>	<u>147,610</u>	
	<u>678,096</u>	<u>680,485</u>	<u>5,415,540</u>	<u>5,526,732</u>	
Balance Available for Depreciation	933,319	1,291,255	7,088,196	10,878,353	
Provision for Depreciation	<u>886,162</u>	<u>911,113</u>	<u>7,140,361</u>	<u>7,382,512</u>	
Balance Available for Other Charges or Deficit in Depreciation Provision (3)	47,157	380,142	52,165 r	3,495,841	
Accumulated Deficit in Depreciation Provision at Beginning of Period	99,322 r	-	-	843,082 r	
Appropriated for Revenue Bond Amortization	-	-	-	633,427	
Deficit in Depreciation Provision or Balance Available for Other Charges at Close of Period	<u>\$52,165 r</u>	<u>\$380,142</u>	<u>\$52,165 r</u>	<u>\$2,019,332</u>	

r - Denotes Red Figures.

## PASSENGER STATISTICS

Originating Revenue Passengers	<u>39,697,587</u>	<u>41,200,700</u>	<u>326,904,703</u>	<u>337,565,415</u>	<u>494,250,265</u>
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### NOTES:

- (1) Equal monthly installments to retire \$2,000,000 principal amount of Series of 1947 Revenue Bonds maturing on July 1, 1964.
- (2) Equal monthly installments to currently retire Series of 1947, 1952 and 1953 Revenue Bonds by purchase in the open market, after invitation for tenders, or by call on next interest date.
- (3) 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.

## P. J. Meinardi Named Treasurer of ATA

P. J. MEINARDI, CTA comptroller, was elected treasurer of the American Transit Association on October 2 at the association's 82nd annual meeting held at the Edgewater Beach hotel.

Taking an active part in the convention sessions were a number of other CTA officials and department heads. These included: Board Chairman George L. DeMent; General Manager Walter J.

McCarter; John Baker, director of training and accident prevention; G. J. Clark, equipment engineer; J. T. Harty, superintendent of stores; R. L. Manville, superintendent of purchasing; C. W. Ricker Jr., chief specifications engineer; Charles E. Keiser, general superintendent of engineering; H. L. Polland, director of public information; John H. Finch, assistant comptroller, and E. J. Healy, general superintendent of investigation and claims.



## ARTHRITIS - AMERICA'S NUMBER ONE CRIPPLER

THE WORD Arthritis is the medical term for inflammation of the joints. There are many different and associated forms of arthritis, but generally most of the cases fall into two large groups, namely Rheumatoid Arthritis and Osteoarthritis. Many people who say they have rheumatism actually have rheumatoid or osteoarthritis. Rheumatism often affects muscles of the body such as the lumbar muscles of the back, extremities and also heart muscles. Other associated forms of arthritis include gout, bursitis, myositis, fibrositis and traumatic, or arthritis due to injury.

Statistics vary but nevertheless we can say with certainty that arthritis cripples more people in this country than any other known disease. Many authorities agree that there are at least over 10,000,000 persons over the age of 14 who suffer from some form of arthritis or rheumatism. Of these about 4-1/2 million have rheumatoid arthritis. It is estimated that about 200,000 or more are totally disabled and 5 to 6 million are partially disabled.

Economically, the loss is terrific, perhaps up to three quarters to one billion dollars. Of course, the inability of the individual to work because of pain is the most important loss.

Only the two main types of arthritis will be discussed here because lack of space prevents a description of all types.

The specific causes of rheumatoid and osteoarthritis are unfortunately not known. Suspected causes include allergic reactions and either a virus or bacterial infection. Contributing factors to the disease are prolonged emotional tension, infections, fatigue, injury, shock and exposure.

Rheumatoid arthritis is the most common type of arthritis and also the most crippling and disabling. It is characterized by pain, swelling and stiffness of the joints. The fingers, hands and knees are most frequently involved in the rheumatoid type. It is found most often in the young and middle-aged group.

Osteoarthritis is the next most common type. It is almost exclusively confined to the older age group. Overweight, curvature of the spine, flat feet, wear and tear on the joints are the most common contributing causes of this illness. It attacks the bones and cartilage of the joints producing degenerative changes of the affected parts. The

spine and knees are common locations for this form. The onset is more gradual, but as time goes on pain and stiffening of the joints are bound to develop. X-rays help to diagnose the various types of the affliction.

The aim of treatment in all types of arthritis is to control pain and inflammation to maintain the best range of motion and to preserve the strength and use of muscles. The treatment of arthritis also depends somewhat on the type or form of the disease. Therapy and care must be individualized. There is no sure cure for arthritis, but early and modern treatment reduces the extent of suffering and disability.

Frequent or regular physical examinations by your physician help to discover and eliminate hidden sources of infection. Control of body weight, proper diet, exercise and good hygiene are very important.

Physical therapy including heat and massage in most cases is helpful in reducing the stiffness of joints and resulting disability. Most physical therapy treatments are given in the hospitals, but the patient may carry out some individual therapy at home. Warm climates help a certain number of cases. Drugs are very beneficial in selected instances. Aspirin is one of the old and helpful remedies. When it comes to the newer drugs such as cortisone and their derivatives, gold injections, steroids and hormones, your physician should be consulted regarding their use.

Just a word of warning about "quack" doctors and arthritis. This is a fertile field for quacks. This is due to the fact that arthritis lasts a long time and patients become discouraged. Also some people are not helped by the prescribed scientific methods. Therefore they turn to the quacks who promise or guarantee good results. Do not be led astray by these promises.

In the proper management of this disease, it is most important to have complete cooperation and understanding between the doctor and the patient. There are certain types of deformities which require special rehabilitation and reconstructive surgery.

In conclusion, remember that arthritis tends to run a long drawn-out course. There is no miracle cure. Select the physician in whom you have faith and follow with courage and persistence the recommendations he outlines for you.





# OUR PUBLIC SPEAKS

COURTESY AND patience are two words which appear often in commendations received from CTA riders. These seem to be the characteristics of on-the-job conduct which most impress our customers. People react favorably to a courteous and pleasant attitude. CTA transportation department employes, who are constantly in contact with the public, have a great opportunity to win friends for themselves and for our service.

A cheerful disposition and an ability to cope with the trying situations that develop during the day's work in a tactful and patient manner are personal attributes that are favorably noted by many riders who recognize and appreciate a job well done and express their commendatory opinions to CTA's service section. This is emphasized by two letters, selected from among many, received recently.

"This evening when I was coming home from work I got on a Jeffery express bus driven by an operator whose identification was Badge No. 4238 (Douglas Price, 52nd). He was truly an exceptional employe. He greeted every passenger with a 'good evening' and gave change with a polite 'thank you.' He also had a cheerful remark for every passenger leaving the bus, and several riders commented on his pleasing and courteous manner. I have worked as a public servant and know how hard it can be to please people. It is a pleasure to meet this type of person representing the CTA. I hope he never loses this quality."

Another rider makes this favorable report:

"Recently the quick thinking of one of your drivers saved my life. He is Thomas E. Sims, Badge No. 5119 (North Park). Just as I was about to step off the bus, a speeding cab approached. I did not see it, but he did and quickly shut the bus doors to prevent my being hit. On occasion I have had drivers pass me up, and other times shut the door on me when I was trying to get on, but this man really takes an interest in his passengers and their welfare. He is unusually alert. I can never thank him enough for his quick action on my behalf."

HOW NOT to win friends for our service is related in this letter from a new resident of Chicago, whose first experience as a rider left an unfortunate impression of our personnel:

"We are strangers to the city, having just been transferred here from out-of-town, and are not familiar with streets or transportation facilities. When my wife and I boarded a northbound bus at Michigan and Chicago avenues, I was very displeased and upset by the attitude of the driver. We merely inquired if the bus would take us past an address we were seeking. The operator was most discourteous and closed the door in my wife's face, leaving her standing on the street and me in the bus. I insisted the driver stop and let her on. He then flew into a rage and was very rude, raising his voice and lecturing us on how to properly board a bus. This is not conducive to making a CTA rider out of me. It costs nothing for your driver to be polite."

COMMENT: In a large city like Chicago there are many visitors as well as old and new residents who need aid in traveling about Chicago by CTA. It is the duty of our operating personnel to answer their questions about service courteously, accurately and concisely.

SHOWN HERE is a comparison of commendations and complaints received by Chicago Transit Authority for the months September, 1963, August, 1963, and September, 1962.

	September 1963	August 1963	September 1962
Com- mendations	137	109	74
Complaints	1,082	960	832



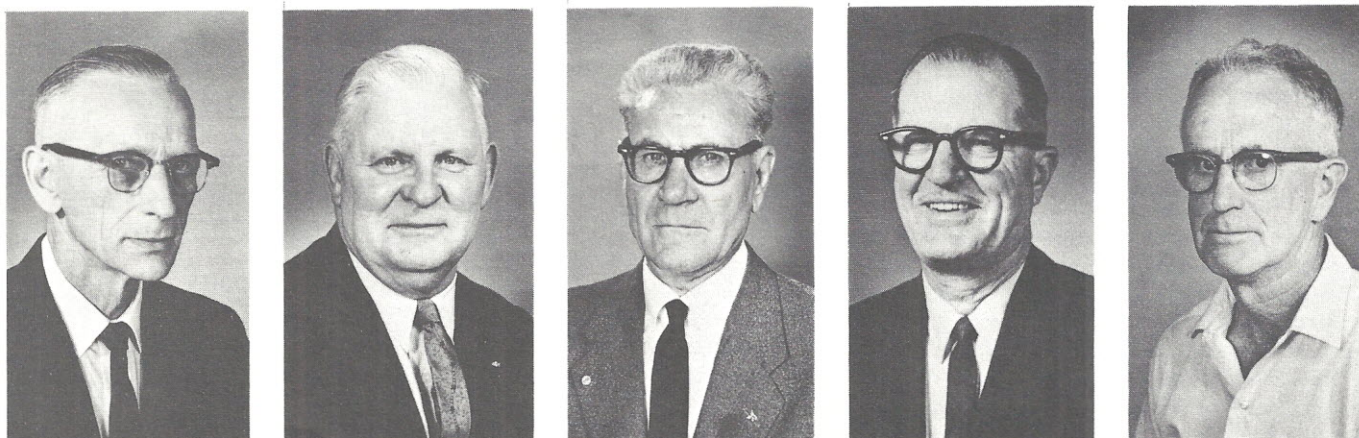
# NEW PENSIONERS

J. D. BURK, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 2-06-43  
S. J. CEARING, Machinist,  
South shops, Emp. 4-14-47  
SIGURD EGELAND, Supervisor,  
Douglas, Emp. 9-11-23  
E. V. ESSINGTON, Industrial Engineer,  
South shops, Emp. 10-24-27  
H. W. FOSTER, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 11-22-27  
ANTHONY GRANAHAN, Collector,  
North Park, Emp. 8-02-17  
E. F. HASS, Carpenter,  
Const. & Maint., Emp. 5-06-37  
THEODORE HELLAND, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 1-30-29  
J. F. HIGGINS, Supt. of RT Operations,  
Transportation, Emp. 9-21-22  
G. H. HITTERMAN, Janitor,  
77th Street, Emp. 11-05-25  
WILLIAM JAKOUBEK, Operator,  
Lawndale, Emp. 9-13-23  
A. E. JOHNSON, Operator,  
North avenue, Emp. 4-07-26  
M. J. KOHUT, Machinist,  
Skokie, Emp. 6-03-42  
ANDREW KOTOWICZ, Car Cleaner,  
Wilson, Emp. 8-13-23  
C. A. KRAUSE, Operator,  
69th street, Emp. 10-07-22  
A. L. LUTTRELL, Operator,  
Limits, Emp. 1-23-23  
JOHN MILITELLO, Operator,  
Limits, Emp. 5-25-25  
C. M. MORRIS, Statement man,  
Claim, Emp. 2-25-41  
MICHAEL NILAND, Trackman,  
Track & Struct., Emp. 7-19-28

ANTOINETTE O'BRIEN, Invoice clerk,  
General Office, Emp. 1-06-43  
J. J. REZNICEK, Truck Operator,  
South shops, Emp. 4-10-45  
E. E. RICH, Mail Clerk,  
Mail room, Emp. 3-02-21  
J. J. RUBERRY, Statistical Assistant,  
General Office, Emp. 5-04-20  
A. A. SMITH, Motorman,  
Howard, Emp. 4-21-20  
T. J. SMITH, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 10-10-23  
C. J. STAHLE, Lineman's Helper,  
Electrical, Emp. 6-03-32  
HAROLD THOMPSON, Carpenter,  
South Shops, Emp. 9-16-37  
M. F. TUIITE, Watchman,  
Track & Struct., Emp. 1-25-24  
J. M. TOUHY, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 10-14-25  
FRANK URBAN, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 10-24-24  
J. A. WATT, Agent,  
South Section, Emp. 8-13-26  
R. E. WINGER, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 10-04-26

## DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

A. G. EBERLEIN, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 2-26-37  
PATRICK FEENEY, Conductor,  
Howard, Emp. 5-28-45  
J. Y. GUINTER, Supervisor,  
General Office, Emp. 7-03-18



PICTURED HERE are five CTA employes who retired October 1 with 40 or more years of service. They are, from left to right: William Jakoubek, Charles Krause, Arnett Smith, Les Luttrell, and Anthony Granahan.



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—AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

## ACCOUNTING -

JOHN RUBERRY, statistical assistant, Accounting Department, retired on October 1 after completion of 43 years of service. He was affectionately known by his multitude of friends as MR. "CREDIT UNION," due to his pioneering efforts on behalf of our General Office Credit Union. His legion of friends will miss his financial counseling and credit union assistance. John will enter retirement with complete satisfaction in knowing that he did much to establish a sound and solvent institution for all his friends and members to utilize if necessary. Mr. Ruberry held open house on Friday, September 27 where he greeted many of his co-workers to tasty refreshments and was the recipient of a substantial cash gift. To John Ruberry and his wife, we wish upon them, God's gift of good health for many years to come and this sentiment is the echo of hundreds of his fellow associates . . . Good news is that OLIVE BATTERSBY, now on the sick list, is on the way to recovery from her recent operation . . . That good old army bugle called MARK PIZZA to service. When he left he was surprised with a wallet and a check from his fellow workers.

ANN O'BRIEN also retired on October 1. She was feted with a luncheon at the M & M Club. Her many friends presented Ann with a check and wished her good health and good luck on her retirement . . . JEANEEN BAKER resigned to attend college in Chicago . . . MARIE FOLZ spent her vacation in Wisconsin visiting relations.

- Marie Coari & Eileen Neurauter

## BEVERLY -

MR. and MRS. EARL PETERSEN announced the marriage of their son, ROBERT, to KAREN SEILOFT. Bob took his dad's advice and finished his hitch in the army so he would be in good shape for the rocky road ahead. . . HAROLD BRADSHAW is the last of the big money spenders and he's a real sport when it comes to taking his relations out. He recently took all the girls to White Sox Park on ladies nite . . . We express our sympathy to JAMES, ED and Supervisor JOHN O'SHAUGHNESSY on the loss of their father . . . We wish a speedy recovery to HARRY SCHOFIELD's wife, who is in the hospital for an operation.

- Tom Daniels

## CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE -

JACK O'REILLY, office engineer, is presently recuperating at home after a three-week stay in St. Bernard's hospital . . . RON SWINDELL, design draftsman, and his wife, MARILYN, became proud parents for the first time when a son, CRAIG ROBERT, was born September 12 at Oak Park hospital . . . PETER, son of GEORGE P. SULLIVAN, surveyor, recently earned four pistol meet trophies as a patrolman on the Wilmette Police Pistol Team. His team captured all three police marksmanship trophies at the national pistol matches in Camp Perry, Ohio. The police team won the .22 caliber, .38 caliber, and .45 caliber team events for their

first clean sweep in their division. An individual honor was won by Peter in the .38 caliber slow-fire match.

- Marianne Koly

## ELECTRICAL -

WILLIAM EGAR, lineman, celebrated his birthday on Friday, September 13. It may be an unlucky day for some but not for Bill. He had cake and coffee and received many happy returns of the day from all . . . ED DURAL, lineman, recently returned from a vacation in Canada. He commented on a fine trip and beautiful scenery along highway 61. Ed went fishing and caught some big ones but didn't bring any back . . . JOHN FRIEDMAN, lineman helper, returned to work after his recent operation. Everyone is glad to see you back, John . . . J. McANDREWS, lineman, has been at home recovering from a recent illness. We wish him a speedy recovery . . . Lineman Helper CHARLES SALVATORE and his wife celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary September 28. Our best to both of them . . . S. LUKASZEWSKI, lineman, is still walking around with a big smile after he purchased a new '63 Ford Galaxie, loaded with extras. Who can blame him? . . The following men are on vacation at this writing: E. FRANK, W. DUNN, C. SALVATORE, J. ULANSKI, D. RYAN, P. CAGNEY, and C. NOLTE.

Your reporter on the "L", DON CRANDALL, is on his vacation taking in the sights around Chicago and would like to thank AL ROACH for gathering the news. . . FRANK PIONKE, retired foreman, dropped in to Chicago avenue shop to say hello to all the boys. He is looking very good . . . We were all sorry to receive the news of the death of MRS. ROBERT BOSCHERT, wife of one of our linemen. We extend our deepest sympathy. . . On August 25, DAVID JOHN MANKOWSKI, a first child, was born to VIRGINIA and JERRY MANIKOWSKI. He was born at Resurrection hospital and weighed eight pounds, six ounces. Jerry works in our radio repair room . . . Linemen ROBERT MONSON and GEORGE UNWIN SR. have joined our "Grandfathers Club." The Monson's daughter presented them with a seven pound, three ounce granddaughter, DENISE LYNN EDWARDS, on September 6. The baby's parents are MR. and MRS. HAROLD EDWARDS of Bossier City, Louisiana. MICHAEL GEORGE UNWIN, weighing in at 6 pounds, 11 ounces was born on September 7 to CHRISTA and GEORGE UNWIN JR.

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

## FOREST GLEN -

OPERATOR and MRS. RONALD MOROWSKI are the proud parents of a baby boy born August 24. May the new addition fill their lives with many years of happiness . . . OPERATOR GEORGE BENSISH vacationed in Florida and visited an old friend, NORGE ANDERSON, who manages his motel in Lauderdale By-The-Sea . . . OPERATOR and MRS. EDWARD KACZMAREK enjoyed a pleasant vacation in New York . . . JULIAN GOLNIK III, son of OPERATOR GOLNIK, received an honorable men-



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tion award at the St. Paul Dispatch-Pioneer press fishing contest on July 14. He caught a crappie (15" length, 12" girth, 2 lbs.) at Caudry Lake, Hayward, Wisconsin . . . We learned of the following deaths during the month: THELMA GREEN, sister-in-law of INSTRUCTOR JAMES BROGAN, mother of OPERATOR ALEXANDER BISSING and PENSIONER JAMES RAFTER of the repair department.

OPERATOR JOE SCHULTZ, of Harlem avenue fame, took his pension on September 1. Joe had over 38 years of service and decided that it was time to relax and take life easy. Those of you who worked with him, or would come down an hour or more before reporting time at Lawrence garage to join in the fun we had, must admit that there was never a dull moment. Joe, we wish you the best of luck in your future years . . . OPERATOR STANLEY GRENLESKI also retired on September 1 and we wish him many years of "happy pension" . . . Received a card from OPERATOR JACK CLARK, who is vacationing in Mountain Home, Arkansas. He is visiting PENSIONER BLACKIE NELSON, who sends his regards to all the boys at Forest Glen.

Nuptial bells rang merrily for RUTH JEAN BAILEY, daughter of Station Superintendent REGINALD and MRS. BAILEY, who offered her hand to DONALD JOSEPH BRAUNEKER. The couple were married Saturday, September 7 at St. Ferdinand's church. The reception was held at the Garden Terrace . . . CLERK LOUIS TIGNAC has a new hobby. He is transporting cars to the West Coast when vacation time comes around. He travelled in style this time, a '63 Pontiac Grand Prix—nothing but the best for Lou. Who knows, this may be a jumping off point for stock car races. Anyway, we are glad to hear that he is enjoying himself in California.

SUPERVISOR GUS VANDERMEIR became a grandfather for the 21st time when his daughter, RAMONA, presented him with a granddaughter on August 21. Ramona was formerly employed by the CTA in the Employment Department. The baby's father, RAY EVANS, was formerly a mechanic at South Shops. The paternal grandfather, A. R. EVANS, is the retired foreman of Limits' mechanical department. The baby was named JANICE LYNN and tipped the scales at 6-pounds 13-ounces. LAURIE, Supervisor Vandermeir's other daughter, was godmother at the baptism on September 15 in St. Monica's church in Carpentersville.

- Frank Carpino

### GENERAL OFFICE (Transportation) -

Radio dispatcher ROBERT TALBOT's only child, DIERDRE, has left her home in Bartlett, down Elgin way, and has taken up residence in the vicinity of the Chicago Teacher's College, where she has enrolled as a first year student . . . Line Supervisor RUSSELL ELDERKIN's son, DAVID, and SANDRA BUEKER were recently united in holy matrimony. A reception was held at the Country Store on Wabash avenue. After a honeymoon, the couple returned to Chicago, where SANDRA is an employe of the First National bank and David is a student of psychology at DePaul university . . . The Flying KRAUSES, WANDA and JACK, have finally decided to come out of the clouds and settle in Miami on a permanent basis. JACK will take an early retirement on

November 1, and he and WANDA have their home purchased and are completely "boxed up" and ready to start rolling. Best of luck to Wanda and Jack on their glorious adventure . . . Our sympathy is extended to ALICE MILLER, her sister, DEANNA, and her mother in the unexpected death of their husband and father, ARTHUR MILLER, a rapid transit instructor.

### (Stenographic-Duplicating) -

ADELE MONSON and her son, JIM ARNOUX, climbed aboard Adele's car and drove around Lake Michigan. At Mackinac Island they enjoyed a boat ride which brought them in contact with the beauty of the island. And of course, it was a "must" to have luncheon at the famous Grand hotel. Their trip took them over the new bridge at Mackinac. A trip to Sault St. Marie was also included . . . The much-traveled JOAN FITZGERALD and two of her girl friends drove to Phoenix, Arizona, where they visited with DOROTHY WILHELM's sister, PAULINE ROBERTS, a former CTA employe, now residing in Scottsdale, Arizona. A lovely time was had by all.

### (Insurance) -

BARBARA JOEFFREY and MIKE KOFSHUR exchanged marital vows on a recent Saturday at Immaculate Heart of Mary church. They spent their honeymoon in and around the Chicago area . . . NANCY OBERLE left the Employment Department to join the ranks of the Insurance Department.

- Julie Prinderville

### KEDZIE -

Congratulations to CLERK VERNON and MATHILDE RAGE who were married on August 31. May you have many happy years of wedded bliss . . . OPERATOR STEVE LAWLOR transferred to the Schedule Department as a traffic checker. Good luck in your new job . . . OPERATOR JOHN TUOHY retired on October 1. We wish you many happy and healthy years of retirement. . . The following pensioners passed away recently: JOSEPH MARVIN on Sept. 6, JAMES GARVEY on Sept. 7, SAMUEL MILLER on Sept. 10, GEORGE DEVLIN on Sept. 18 and EDWARD SCHAK on Sept. 19. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved families.

Retired Janitor GEORGE WILSON and his wife, ANNA, of St. Petersburg, Florida, paid us their annual visit and both were in the best of health and spirits . . . Assistant Superintendent OTTO BRUEBECK and his wife spent their two week vacation at Lake Geneva and Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

- C. P. Starr

### KEELER -

WILLIE McCANN reports one of the highlights of his vacation was attending the annual National Amvets convention in Detroit, Michigan. The convention was held in the Sheraton-Cadillac hotel. Other friends stopping at the hotel were OPERATORS LUCIUS BANKS and ERNEST CARTER from Keeler station. Also attending the convention was OPERATOR WILLIE CARTER of Lawndale station, who is the commander of Greater Lawndale Amvet Post #247. The second week of his vacation Willie got a chance to enjoy household chores by baby sitting



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with his three children, WILLIAM, 7, VALERIE, 5, and LORIE, 4 months old, while his wife attended the National Baptist convention at Cleveland, Ohio.

GEORGE GRAFER celebrated his birthday on August 29 and on September 8, his wedding anniversary. He was seen sporting a new Ford Galaxie . . . ED STROH, while deep sea fishing at Florida Keys, caught a mess of red snappers weighing about 25 pounds each . . . DAN DALEY took a tour through Mammoth Cave, Kentucky, and on the bottom level took a boat ride on the Green river. The temperature was 54 degrees . . . ROY SHORES painted his house on his vacation . . . WALTER JONES reports good fishing on the Rock river in Wisconsin . . . EDGAR JEFFREY motored to Starved Rock, Illinois . . . LUB KUCZYK enjoyed his stay at the Wisconsin Dells . . . WESLEY HAYNES flew to Cincinnati, Ohio, visiting relatives . . . DON FREY enjoyed the scenery and points of interest at Daytona Beach, Florida . . . We extend our most sincere sympathy to OPERATOR HORACE BROWNING on the loss of his mother . . . OPERATOR MYRON GANSKI and his wife announced the birth of their daughter, MICHELLE, born September 12.

- Elmer Riedel

### LIMITS -

DAVID, son of OPERATOR O. S. BENSON, was united in marriage to JACQUELINE PORTER at Humboldt park Baptist church on August 31. There were 200 invited guests at the reception. Another son, JOHN, announced his engagement the same night to ELIZABETH BYRNES . . . OPERATOR CONRAD JOHNSON went to Canada on his annual deer hunt. His wife, JEANETTE, visited with Conrad's sister in Hartford, Wisconsin, while Conrad bagged the deer.

All of us were saddened by the sudden death of OPERATOR CHARLES SPIEGEL, who passed away on September 12. He was number one man at Limits with 42 years of service . . . OPERATOR JOHN KANE closed his Butternut Lake, Wisconsin, lodge in September and the family returned home after spending the summer there . . . OPERATOR LOU DANIELE decided to vacation in ole Chicago.

Our sympathy is extended to BUS PLACER L. O. BILLISTEN and his wife whose newborn son died 48 hours after birth . . . WAYNE, son of OPERATOR WILLIAM HARVEY, has entered the University of Illinois for his fourth year. During the summer he interviewed new students for the fall term. He also travelled to Washington, D.C., and Los Angeles on school business.

OPERATOR JOE PELLE and his wife vacationed in Miami Beach and report nice weather and a good time . . . CLERK LAWRENCE MILLER recently was an honored guest at the Conrad Hilton hotel. A dinner was served there for Moose members who recruited 25 or more members. Lawrence is a member of the Portage Park Lodge. He and his wife were also guests at a dinner in Peoria, Illinois, given by the local Peoria chapter. Lawrence spent his vacation at home at Lake Zurich helping his wife can tomatoes and put corn in the deep freeze. He had a bountiful harvest. We will all be out this winter, Lawrence, when the snow flies.



TICKET AGENT SHARON MURPHY recently left CTA to join the Extension Lay Volunteers and is stationed in Gillespie, Wyoming, at St. Mathews, where FATHER BRADY is her spiritual director. Sharon will be assigned there for one year and will take census and teach catechism. She is the daughter of North Section Agent EARL MURPHY.

OPERATOR FRED NELSON spent two weeks at Mayo Bridge Resort in Wisconsin. He reports the pan fishing was terrific and they only hit on night crawlers . . . We extend our sympathy to OPERATOR IRVING METZGER, whose wife died very suddenly . . . OPERATOR LES LUTTRELL, who started his career with the Chicago Motor Coach company in 1923, retired on October 1. Les and his wife plan to make Allendale, Illinois, their future home.

Yours truly and wife spent Governor's Day at the State Fair in Springfield, attended a wedding in Bloomington, Illinois, watched the balloon ascension in Cullom, Illinois, on Homecoming Day; attended the old settler's reunion at Cessna Park, Illinois, the old threshermens reunion at Pontiac, Illinois, travelled to Arthur, Illinois, where they still farm with horses and finished vacation at our home in Loda and our spot at Bayles Lake, Illinois.

OPERATOR CLARENCE BUTHMAN's son, CLARENCE JR., was united in marriage to KATHY PFLAGE on September 28 in Waterloo, Illinois. A reception was held at the V.F.W. hall in Waterloo. Clarence Jr., is employed in CTA's I.B.M. section in the Merchandise Mart.

- George Clark

### LOOP (Agents) -

MARGARET WHITE spent her vacation at the Wisconsin Dells and had a most enjoyable time sightseeing . . . Little CATHLEEN CONLEY, part time ticket agent, has returned to Rosary college for the fall term. Good luck, Cathleen, and we hope to see you back with us when vacation time rolls around again . . . AGENT LYNN CHRISTY flew to Atlanta, Georgia, via jet to visit her husband PETER CHRISTY, who is serving in the armed forces near there. Peter is a West Section towerman on military furlough.

AGENT DAVID GRAFMAN recently spent his day off by driving the old folks and orphans to their annual outing in Lincoln Park. Dave said he enjoyed every minute of the day . . . AGENT MARY STANCZYK is all smiles these days. Mary is the proud grandmother of an 8-pound 1-ounce baby girl . . . AGENT MARY HEADRICK and Logan Square Motorman REGINALD BURROWS were married October 5 . . . AGENT MARY MORGAN as of



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this writing is still recuperating from her recent illness. . . AGENT MARY OHNESORGE is on the sick list. Come on girls, let's get back in the swing of things.

For a most enjoyable vacation AGENT EDITH ED-BROOKE left Chicago via jet to Seattle, Washington. After a one-day stopover, she then continued to Juneau, Alaska. While there she visited Mendenhall Glacier. The following morning she had a sourdough breakfast served with choice wild strawberry jam. Thence onward by air to Anchorage, Alaska, and Matanusha Valley, which is called the breadbasket of the North. Vegetables of all kinds are grown there and reach enormous size. After that the next step of her tour was by rail to McKinley National Park, where she saw beautiful Mount Glacier, the highest glacier in North America.

The countryside and hillsides of the glacier were covered with a profusion of yellow, white, blue and pink wild flowers. There were also many wild animals in this area, consisting of carabou, grizzly bears and red foxes. The next stop was at Fairbanks, for a ride on a stern-wheeler, and a visit to an Indian village. From there to Nome which is the same today as in the days of the gold rush, for a ride on a dog sled and a visit to a real Eskimo village.

The return trip to Fairbanks over the Alcan highway presented a thrilling sight. While there she visited the home of the original Dan McGrew, took a most interesting ride on the scenic narrow gauge railroad, which is used by the miners down to Skagway. While there she was able to see how the salmon are unloaded from the boats, cleaned, canned and the pressure cooking process through which they are finally boxed for shipping. After a visit to a native village they were thrilled to see a destroyer, an oiler and a submarine of the United States Navy which had come in for shore leave.

It was a most interesting tour which they were permitted to take of the Navy ships while the boys were on shore leave. From there they boarded a passenger boat for a cruise down the glacier lines fjords at Tracey Arms. Whenever the ship's whistle would blast, various pieces of the multi-colored glacier would break off and slip into the water. After a most vivid experience they left for Vancouver, B. C., thence on to Victoria, B. C., Seattle, Washington, and finally back to the Windy City.



ALL DRESSED up in a little leaguer baseball uniform and ready for a tryout with the World's champion Los Angeles Dodgers is STEVEN STREDLER, one-year old grandson of R. L. HILL, revenue accountant. Steve's proud father, a graduate and former star soccer player from Michigan State University, is already touting the youngster as the athlete of the year.

Our "Porters of the Month" are J. JORDAN, W. REYNOLDS, E. BUNTON, A. SIMMONS, J. COSBY. Thank you for the good work, Boys.

- Mildred Doyle

### NORTH AVENUE -

Let's all join the Courtesy Caravan club. Make passengers feel welcome, stop at all stopping places, keep passengers informed and be tactful when passengers are unpleasant. Also remember safety precautions. School children are crossing at busy intersections, leaves are falling and streets may be exceptionally slippery when wet.

The international convention for transportation workers took place at Minneapolis, Minnesota. Those who attended from our division stayed at the Leamington hotel. They are OPERATORS WILLIAM REDMOND, WALTER STRAUBING, BILL MORAN and JULIUS TEDESCHI. . . INSTRUCTOR WILLIAM KENNEDY joined the grandfathers' club for the seventh time when his daughter CAROL, gave birth to a 7-pound 3-ounce baby girl on September 14. Baby's father is JOSEPH WARNER. Baby, mother, father and grandpa are doing well. Congratulations to them, and to OPERATOR MAX JANOWSKI and his daughter, son-in-law and grandson, KEVIN LYDON, born September 1.

OPERATOR EDWARD SCHNEIDER reported 24-degree weather and bad fishing until OPERATOR HERBERT LINDEMANN joined him to show him where the fish were. . . OPERATOR HENRY RICHTER and his wife, JOSEPHINE, won a free trip to New York on United Air Lines to see three White Sox games. The Sox lost all three. Henry and his wife won the all-expense paid trip from Radio Station WCFL, the Voice of Labor. They stayed at the Roosevelt hotel. . . Collector JERRY BLAKE and his wife, FLORENCE, spent their vacation at Michigan City, Indiana, where they have a summer home on one of the lakes. Jerry reports that the fishing was terrific and he kept Florence busy every day frying fish for their visitors. What lake are you on, Jerry? It's the kind of lake all of us fishermen would enjoy. . . OPERATOR BENJAMIN GERACE was way out west visiting Mammoth Springs, Arkansas. He tried to teach the natives to sing his version of "O Solo Mio." Ben stayed at PETER STURM'S ranch. He also visited FRANCIS MUSCZYNSKI at Viola, Arkansas. . . OPERATOR MARTY DEL CONTE and SUPERVISOR EDWARD WOLSKI rested up at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. . . SUPERINTENDENT GEORGE MAY left September 8 and headed toward San Francisco.

Chief Receiver TONY ARNIERI returned from visiting relatives in San Diego. . . Relief Receiver JOSEPH GASKEY also made California in his Imperial. . . Congratulations to OPERATOR JOSEPH LAZZARA and his wife, JOSEPHINE, on their 35th wedding anniversary which they celebrated on October 7. We also congratulate OPERATOR VALENTINE KREISEL and his wife, who celebrated their 24th anniversary on September 14. They had a good dinner at Kirie's, then drove to his home town, also Jack Benny's, and visited the priest who married them. . . OPERATOR ANTHONY GRISCH and his wife, PEARL, are very proud of their daughter, CONSTANCE, who has joined the WACS. . . OPERATOR JOHN CRAIG and his wife, GRACE, announced the marriage of their daughter, JANET, to WILLIAM SCHOBEL.



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The ceremony took place Saturday, September 14, at St. John Viany church in Northlake. The reception was held at the Flying Carpet Inn.

OPERATOR MICHAEL PAWLICKI, retired on September 1 after 40 years of service. His immediate plans are to rest up at home. Sanitary Engineer WILLIAM ENGELMANN retired after 40 years of service. His immediate plans are to see all of the things he missed. We wish the very best to these two friends . . . GEORGE "SINATRA" KUENSTLE, repair department, takes his granddaughter, LAURIE ALLISON, for her daily walks and is teaching her to say CTA. George won another merit award for one of his suggestions and good thinking . . . We received a letter from PENSIONER BILL ECHOLS and were sorry to learn that he has been hospitalized. He has a nice air-conditioned room, good meals, and fine doctors and nurses but Bill is anxious to get back to his hotel in Hot Springs. He asks to be remembered by all his friends at North. We all wish him a speedy recovery . . . LUCILLE OLSEN, wife of Assistant Chief Clerk ART OLSEN, has been confined at home convalescing. We hope that she will be in the best of health again soon . . . Our deepest sympathy to OPERATOR LOUIS PARADISE on the loss of his father on August 23; to the family of SUPERVISOR TOM SHANAHAN who passed away on August 25; to the family of PENSIONER RALPH NORRIS who passed away on September 7; to OPERATOR CHARLES PANDOLA who lost his sister on August 30 and to the family of THOMAS O'SHAUGHNESSY, who passed away on August 19. Tom was the brother of Transfer Instructor AL O'SHAUGHNESSY . . . OPERATOR FLORIAN DWIEL recently caught a large musky at Lake Arbor Vitae, Wisconsin. The fish was 46 inches long and weighed 25 pounds. To my knowledge, this is the largest fish caught by any of our North avenue depot fisherman this year. Anyone who has topped this, let us know where, when and how.

- Bill Medema

### NORTH PARK -

Back in print again. Wonder how many of you fellows missed this column the last two editions? Some of this news is back dated, but I have been on vacation and will do the best I can now.

RAY KENAELEY and his wife, ANGELA, went to Colorado on his vacation to visit their son, RAY JR., who is in the air force and has just returned from Formosa. Ray Jr. has been in the service since 1943 . . . Sorry to hear that MOREY LEIBERT has a broken leg. Let's hope that by the time this column goes to print he will be back working with us again. If not, some of his buddies could call him at OR 6-1935 . . . PAUL GUNTHER wants everyone to know that on the 24th of August he had completed 40 years of service with the company. Paul's wife moved to Hollywood, Florida, at the beginning of October. I guess it won't be long before Paul will be moving out there with her. We may visit you some day, Paul.

SAM POSNER's wife, ETHEL, was given an office party at Allstate Insurance company in honor of 10 years of service. Sam and his wife had just returned from their vacation in South Haven, Michigan. Sam's son-in-law, JOEL COTTON, was discharged from the army

after two years of service and will come home just in time to become a proud father in the middle of October. This makes Sam and his wife Ethel, grandparents. Grandpa Sam said he will have cigars for all his friends and acquaintances. Does this mean I get two cigars, Sam? Congratulations grandpa.

To MR. and MRS. CHESTER DAMIAN we extend congratulations on your 23rd wedding anniversary on September 7 -- to ALVIN and BETTE BLOOMQUIST, 25 years on September 10 -- to ALBERT and BERTHA MEISTER, 30 years on August 15 -- to ARTHUR and VIRGINIA STERN, 27 years on September 2. A hearty and cheerful congratulation on your anniversaries. May you all enjoy many, many more . . . I know most of the fellows received quite a shock last month at the sad news of ROBERT WALTON's death September 10. I am sure that all of us who knew him offered to his family our most heartfelt and deepest sympathies . . . To CHARLES WEBER's family, the shock of his passing away was as great to us as it was to you. May we also offer our deepest condolences.

I, myself, am a little proud of the fact that my son, STEPHEN, is now a U. S. Marine. He was rugged before; now I think I will be a little afraid of him. He enlisted July 23 . . . I was just thinking how pleasant it would be to look at the bulletin board and see just commendations and no complaints. How pleasant it would be to hear compliments from our passengers and not complaints, such as, the other driver passed me up; or that driver on the other street was so rough. Just think how enjoyable a day could be if we could smile while working and not frown.

If everybody did their share of the work and didn't try and pass it on to the next fellow, and it's so simple. All we have to do is be polite and remember that these people whom we carry are paying our salaries. Try it for a day and see if it doesn't pay.

In closing keep this thought in mind. The size of the man can be measured by the size of the things that make him angry.

- Leonard Lohm

### NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to LUTHER WAKEFIELD, for being the first member in the new Courtesy Caravan on the North Section. Luther was commended for his efficiency and clarity in making station announcements . . . CONDUCTOR THOMAS GREENE said the highlight of his vacation was the wedding of his cousin at the Ambassador hotel . . . BARNEY REGAN and his wife, EDITH, drove up to Milwaukee to visit Mrs. Regan's folks. While there he did some fishing and trap shooting. Barney told me confidentially that everything he knows about fishing was taught to him by J. C. SMITH . . . MOTORMAN E. MICHAELIS toured through the eastern states from one end to the other. It was the best vacation he said he ever had.

A happy event in the lives of JAMES and ALICE BRYCE. A 4-pound 13-ounce baby boy arrived at Resurrection hospital early on September 13. He has been given the name of ROBERT . . . CONDUCTOR and MRS.



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GEORGE VANDERHAGEN stayed at their summer home at Wonder lake and did some fishing . . . CARL GESBECK went camping with his son, EUGENE, one week of his vacation and then took his daughter, DAWN, up camping the next week. They enjoyed the fishing in Wisconsin but Carl said he fell in the lake while riding a bicycle . . . P. M. Superintendent DICK MEISNER, his wife, and daughter took a motor trip along the St. Lawrence river, enjoying the scenery of the Gaspé Peninsula, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Every one loved the New England states.

Retired Conductor WILLIAM STIENER dropped in at Kimball to see some of his old friends and said he meets many old timers at the Pensioners club . . . SUPERINTENDENT K. L. MANAUGH and his family traveled from Chicago through Canada to the East Coast and down to Key West, Florida, in his Volkswagen . . . MISS JUDY SOMOGYI, daughter of extra man JOE SOMOGYI, just returned from Alabama, where she was godmother for her cousin's first child.

- O. J. Menteucci Jr.

### NORTH SECTION (Agents) -

ALBERT CARLSON and his wife boarded a jet for New York then went on to Sweden. As they flew over Scotland they encountered air turbulence and had to tighten their seat belts. Lived mostly on fresh water fish and plenty of mountain air. Heard four different languages through the P.A.S. The European appetites are somewhat different from ours. There were fish, cheese, salami and three different kinds of breads for breakfast. Dinner included Iceland beef, Irish potatoes, French cognac and Swedish Al Norsk Brus. Their sports are soccer, volley ball, horse racing, swimming and all classes of mountain sports. Skiing and hunting were also on the agenda.

Evenings were long, transportation fair, trains twice a day, buses every 20 minutes, streetcars were old relics, which will be replaced by buses shortly. Politics, Socialistic Labor Party; monarchies kept down. Taxes, pensions run by the government. TV programs two or three times a day, only on two stations. People were very friendly. The Carlsons had a grand time.

WARDEN C. MARKS and his wife took a belated honeymoon to Spencer, West Virginia, where they enjoyed southern food and mountain scenery. The Wardens were married June 6. Congratulations! . . . Congratulations also to MARIE SCHULTZ and GEORGE PASS who were married June 28 . . . GRACE LESLIE enjoyed visiting her folks in South Haven, Michigan, and friends in Indiana.

THOMAS O'NEILL spent his vacation in and around good old Chicago . . . JOHN ELLIS busies himself helping his friend out at Fox Lake where he also relaxed . . . EDWARD PLATH and his wife drove to the Black Hills, then around to Boulder, Wisconsin, where he ended up fishing . . . Your scribe, MARY CASSELLS and a friend visited St. Paul's Indian Mission at Marty, South Dakota, and Mt. Rushmore in the Black Hills. In Spearfish, we saw the passion play, which was one of the highlights of the trip. After visiting Deadwood and Lead, next was Yellowstone, where we witnessed Old Faithful

geyser erupt. On Sunday it erupted in pink, because someone had thrown a gallon of food coloring into it as a prank. It was a beautiful sight. Ended our trip at the Wisconsin Dells.

SHIRLEY KNIGHT took her daughter to Niagara Falls then on to Clarkside, Kentucky . . . JANICE ROGERS, who recently retired, passed away September 5.

- Elizabeth Hawkins

### PURCHASING & STORES (Stores) -

MARTIN J. HARTY, son of J. T. HARTY, superintendent of Stores, entered Georgetown university, Washington, D. C., this fall, where he is taking a course in Law . . . Before MARY COURTNEY resigned her position as Stenographer I to attend Rosary college in River Forest, Illinois, her friends and co-workers took her to dinner and presented her with a cash gift . . . MARY FLANAGAN transferred from Insurance to replace her.

### (North Division)-

BEN CUTRERA gave Storeroom 42 cause for celebrating when he became a grandpa for the very first time September 1. His daughter gave birth to a 6-pound 3-ounce baby girl named DENISE MARIE GULLO.

- D. Jane Bell

### SKOKIE SHOPS -

Proud parents are CALVIN VALENTINO, carpenter, and his wife, and MATTHEW MASCARI, carpenter, whose children participated in the accordion solo contest at the Illinois State Fair. Calvin's son came in second playing against 11 others. His song was Miami Beach Rhumba. He also participated in an all-accordion band group which took third place over a group of nine other bands. The Valentinos are very proud of DOUGLAS. NICK MASCARI, son of MATTHEW, also played in an accordion solo contest and came in fourth in a group of 15. His song was "Oh Susanna." The average age group of the contestants was 14. It was a very happy and proud day for these parents . . . CATHERINE ANN HARNETT, typist, is again bowling this season. Let's hear some good scores . . . HAROLD TAIT, electrical worker "A", recently bought a 40-foot trailer which he is planning to keep in Michigan, using it for his summer vacations.

CHARLES KING, electrical apprentice, flew by jet to London, England. He also spent time at the Isle of Man, the seaside resort of Blackpool, and a day in Scotland . . . CARL HERBERT LINDQUIST (HERBY), electrical worker, and his wife spent their vacation visiting their son and daughter-in-law in Norfolk, Virginia. Herb got in quite a lot of ocean fishing and is really looking forward to going back again next spring . . . JOHN MILAS, carpenter, and family spent their vacation at Powers Lake, Wisconsin.

- Everett E. England

### SCHEDULE - TRAFFIC -

LEROY DUTTON, superintendent, and MRS. DUTTON enjoyed the fall scenery on their motor trip to Maine to visit Mrs. Dutton's mother . . . BILL DEVEREUX,



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### RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

HENRY ANTONACCI, 79, Track  
Emp. 7-06-27. Died 8-30-63

R. A. ASHTON, 75, 77th Street  
Emp. 12-26-23. Died 8-09-63

D. F. BRANNIGAN, 70, 69th Street  
Emp. 6-11-20. Died 8-19-63

W. T. BRAUN, 84, North Section  
Emp. 6-29-05. Died 8-23-63

JOHN BURKE, 81, Cottage Grove  
Emp. 2-21-06. Died 8-01-63

B. J. CARBERRY, 77, North Section  
Emp. 5-21-08. Died 8-22-63

E. J. CHAMBERLAIN, 85, Archer  
Emp. 4-24-17. Died 8-18-63

MARKO DADICH, 70, Track  
Emp. 7-08-27. Died 8-12-63

PATRICK DARCY, 82, 77th Street  
Emp. 3-09-15. Died 8-27-63

MICHAEL DONOHOE, 62, West Section  
Emp. 5-25-26. Died 8-31-63

HARRY EDMINSON, 72, West Section  
Emp. 4-10-15. Died 8-29-63

J. T. ENSWORTH, 85, North avenue  
Emp. 8-24-18. Died 8-16-63

FRANK ERJAVEC, 68, Track  
Emp. 11-09-20. Died 8-12-63

P. P. GIREEK, 80, Lake street  
Emp. 10-13-20. Died 7-01-63

KENNETH M. GILLESPIE, 26, West Section  
Emp. 8-1-60. Died 9-16-63

J. A. GIRDVAINIS, 76, Lawndale  
Emp. 1-16-14. Died 8-11-63

MARTIN GODVIN, 73, 77th Street  
Emp. 1-09-18. Died 8-18-63

MARTIN HARNEY, 83, Cottage Grove  
Emp. 10-05-06. Died 8-13-63

W. H. HATTENDORF, 79, South Section  
Emp. 6-26-24. Died 8-08-63

H. F. HOGER, 68, General Office  
Emp. 12-11-16. Died 8-29-63

A. H. JOHNSON, 82, South Shops  
Emp. 8-26-07. Died 8-19-63

ARTHUR L. MILLER, 45, Instruction  
Emp. 10-8-41. Died 9-13-63

J. R. MURRAY, 74, South Section  
Emp. 1-07-24. Died 8-26-63

K. R. OLSEN, 70, Devon  
Emp. 10-19-16. Died 8-24-63

THOMAS O'SHAUGHNESSY, 60, West Section  
Emp. 10-15-25. Died 8-20-63

TODOR PJESCICH, 70, Track  
Emp. 4-01-25. Died 8-19-63

J. J. RATTIGAN, 63, South Section  
Emp. 10-13-26. Died 8-18-63

J. J. ROBINSON, 53, Loop  
Emp. 5-01-42. Died 8-10-63

W. O. SCHULTZ, 76, Cottage Grove  
Emp. 7-09-14. Died 8-14-63

JOSEPH J. SERRITELLA, 49, West Section  
Emp. 10-10-41. Died 9-2-63

THOMAS P. SHANAHAN, 57, District B  
Emp. 4-30-29. Died 8-25-63

CHARLES SPIEGEL, 64, Limits  
Emp. 7-27-21. Died 9-11-63

SAM STRYKER, 72, West Section  
Emp. 11-14-29. Died 8-08-63

J. M. WALSH, 75, 69th Street  
Emp. 3-23-10. Died 8-18-63

ROBERT G. WALTON, 57, North Park  
Emp. 12-12-42. Died 9-10-63

FELIX WENSLOW, 75, Cottage Grove  
Emp. 5-02-24. Died 8-19-63

schedule maker, attended the Division #241 convention in Minneapolis. Bill reports a new granddaughter, AIMEE McGARRY DEVEREUX, who arrived August 30. The score is now 10 granddaughters and one grandson. . . CLARK JOHNSON and his wife enjoyed their September vacation by driving around Lake Michigan. . . RICHARD GOLDSTEIN, assistant superintendent, is back at work after a stay in the hospital for a sprained back. . . We express our sympathy to RAY PRIMEAU, in the loss of his brother, ARMAND. . . We welcome STEVE LAWLOR from Kedzie station to the Schedule Department as a traffic checker.

- Gertrude Anderson

#### SOUTH SECTION .

Your reporter and her hubby, ROLAND, have finally gotten rid of our old car which was falling apart, and we now are sporting a 1962 Chevrolet. It's just like being on cloud nine driving the new car. . . AGENT RUTH LOVELL and her family vacationed at Mackinac island which is a lovely vacation spot. She said crossing the Mackinaw bridge is really an impressive sight. . . Be-lated congratulations to AGENT JOHNNIE ATKINS and MOTORMAN LANEY MCDONALD who became Mr. and Mrs. recently. May you have a happy life together.

Greetings and salutations to our new TRAINMAN ANDRE NETTERVILLE and to newly transferred AGENTS HENRY FALLEK, FREDDIE REED and JAMES MIDDLETON. . . Congratulations to CONDUCTOR LES RACKER who was appointed clerk on the North Section on September 1. All your friends on the South Section will miss you, but are happy about your appointment. . . It is good to see MOTORMAN AL GRABE, who recently was struck by an automobile and injured, back at work from the sick list.

AGENT ANTOINETTE STIPATI took life easy on her vacation at a resort up in northern Wisconsin. . . Best regards to CONDUCTOR DANIEL DOLAN, who took his pension on September 1. . . MOTORMAN DELMUS ALLEN received a passenger commendation for his quick thinking and action in stopping his train when there was a woman on the tracks. . . We were saddened to hear that AGENT MICHAEL DONOHOE, who was on the sick list, passed away recently. . . District Superintendent TERRY MCGOVERN just returned from a visit to Ireland and is praising it as a wonderful trip.

AGENTS MARIE PETERSON and LEONARD DUNN, who have been on the sick list for some months, went on disability pension September 1. All of us hope you both



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will regain your health soon . . . Our 61st street and Loomis street baseball teams did real well for themselves this summer and all the fellows will probably turn their thoughts to bowling for the winter.

TOWERMAN PATRICK HICKEY and his wife vacationed in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and had an enjoyable time . . . On the sick list at this writing are AGENTS LAURA PEPPERL and NICHOLAS ROGERSON. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery . . . MOTORMAN FRED BANKS and CONDUCTOR MICHAEL CONAGHAN resigned to accept other positions. Our temporary trainmen, WAYNE MILOS and ROBERT WARDA, resigned to go back to school . . . Congratulations to AGENT ANN O'CONNOR and MOTORMAN ROBERT MULCAHY, who both became grandparents recently.

The Agent's Pension club held their autumn dinner and meeting at Nielsen's restaurant on September 8 and all 60 who attended enjoyed the dinner and get-together. The pensioners keep getting younger looking all the time . . . Congratulations to Retired Switchman FELIX LIENAU and his wife, BERTHA, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently. The Lienaus live in Florida.

Retired Motorman, DANIEL CATE paid a visit to 61st street to see all the boys. He said he hadn't been around work for a long time and was glad to see everybody . . . Retired Work Train Conductor JAMES R. MURRAY and PORTER JAMES RATTIGAN passed away recently . . . Retired AGENT TERESA FOLEY was out in North Platte, Nebraska, visiting with her daughter . . . Met Retired Conductor WILLIAM MANNICH recently and he says he is in tip-top shape and enjoying his pension.

Condolences to Retired Motorman PETER LAGERSTEDT, whose wife passed away recently. He makes his home in Indiana . . . Retired Motorman FRANK VOSMIK was in the hospital for a few weeks but is home now and out and around. He says he is recuperating nicely . . . A former employe who was a clerk, VINCENT HANEY, is in Chicago from Arizona for a visit. While here he is renewing old friendships . . . Retired Conductor JOSEPH WARSHAW, who just recently became a pensioner, visited with us the other day and says that he really is enjoying life being on pension.

- Verna Hartney

### SOUTH SHOPS -

A surprise homecoming on Friday the 13th of September was enjoyed by RAY and SOPHIE MATHIS when their son KENNETH returned home after being stationed with the army in Italy for two years. A get-together by the family on September 15 officially welcomed Kenneth home. Ken plans to continue his education in electronics, the field of his choice while in the army. Ken's dad, Ray, works in the Upholstery Department . . . The highlight of CLARENCE PIPOWSKI's two-week vacation in Ft. Meyers, Florida, was the purchase of a brand new six-room home.

JOE and MARY REPPLINGER enjoyed a fun-filled week's vacation in and around Chicago. Their activities included: golfing, going to the beach on Lake Michigan, boating on the Chain-of-Lakes, and a night at the Martinique restaurant where they danced the Cha-Cha and

the Twist. Joe and Mary are also proud grandparents of COLLEEN MARIE, born to their daughter, PATRICIA CADY. Colleen Marie made her grand entrance July 29, weighing in at 7 pounds 10 ounces. This is their second grandchild . . . STANLEY EISEN became a proud grandfather for the first time with the birth of KATHLEEN MARIE, born to his daughter, MARY, and son-in-law, GREGORY, on September 8. She tipped the scales at 7 pounds 2 ounces.

ROBERT DAIN, son of JULIUS, recently tied the wedding knot on August 24 with LOUISE URQUIZA. The wedding took place in St. Patricia's church. Afterwards, a reception was held at Samecs for 300 people. Robert is a repairman at our 69th street garage . . . Congratulations to CHARLIE and MARY SHREEVE, who celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary September 8. The Shreeves whooped it up over a week-end on Rush street taking in the sights and scenes . . . Two exciting weeks of vacation were enjoyed by BILL DONALDSON and his wife, ELSIE. Bill and Elsie stayed at a resort with three other couples in Baudette, Minnesota, where they fished, wined, dined and danced. All are looking forward to another trip as enjoyable as this one was. Bill is the foreman of the Printing Department.

We would like to welcome BILL SCOTT, foreman, back to 77th street after being ill for such a long time . . . Would like to hear from the men of 77th street garage. You are now being included in this column, we hope to see it grow. Hoping to hear from you in our next column.

- Kay Guzovich & Diana McLenore

### TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

At this writing, E. R. HENDRICKSON, general foreman of inspection terminals, is recuperating at home after surgery . . . Repairmen at Wilson who had extra leisure hours to spend with family and friends were JOHN ORANGE, DAN BRODIE, LOUIS COLLINS, CLAUDE DUNLAP, THOMAS BASKIN, PATRICK McHILL, MILTON DRIVER, MARTIN GALLAGHER, and MIKE FELTON . . . Milwaukee, Wisconsin, received a visit from EDWARD SCHROEDER, repairman . . . HAROLD ROSE paid a visit to Canada . . . CLERK CLIFF VANDERVEST, saw the sights of Wisconsin . . . Pensioners from 61st street are in the spotlight this month. CLAUDE CONLEY, now the commander of the American Legion Post #1254 of Phoenix, Illinois, took over his new office on August 24. Retired employes CHARLEY BOOS and RUSSEL PLUMMER missed their former place of employment so they stopped in for a short visit. Sorry to report that former Assistant Foreman GEORGE JOHNSON and CLARENCE LUND, pensioners, are under the weather. Wishes are sent their way for a speedy recovery . . . Getting back into the "groove" after their vacations are Assistant Foreman JOHN MOLLOY, REPAIRMEN FULTON NEALY, JESSE CROSS, BILL SPARKS and CONNIE RIORDAN and CLEANER DELL ABRAHAMSON . . . While others toil away, CLERK JIM DALY, REPAIRMEN PAUL SZABO and BEN NEALY, and CLEANER THEODORE DAGEN were out having a good time during their vacations.

For those who did not know as yet what all the excitement was about, the motor shop at 61st is in top con-



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dition after the installation of the new car hoist jacks. A warm welcome was extended at Congress to DAVID DEFINA, cleaner, who transferred from the North Side . . . Our sincerest sympathy is sent to the family of JOSEPH SERRITELLA, who passed away September 2. . . Cleaner ANDREW PASSERO took his pension on September 1 after 37 years of service. REPAIRMAN CASEY WIECHOWSKI's mother passed away. Deepest regards are sent to him on his great loss . . . FOREMAN PAUL LORIMER, REPAIRMEN ADOLPH KUNZ, JOHN CAPACCIO, LARRY MONAGHAN, WILLIAM ECHOLS and CLEANERS L. TURNER and ANGELO COSENTINO were the lucky individuals who enjoyed some time off from their work routines.

Lake street CLERK JAMES DURR had a very busy month. He had a chance to visit Wisconsin and on September 5 became a grandfather for the sixth time . . . ANTHONY ODROWSKI spent his time off doing the chores around his home . . . SIDNEY NETTLES, repairman, enjoyed his vacation by fishing . . . Visits to relatives in Indiana are how REPAIRMAN JOHN NASH spent his free days . . . Cigars and hand shaking were in order for CLEANER HENRY ROSINSKI, whose wife presented him with a seven and one-quarter pound baby boy . . . REPAIRMAN MIKE VASQUES spent his vacation in and around the city . . . CLEANER MAX NETZEL spent his leisure time in the wilds and lakes of Minnesota . . . Congratulations to RALPH DANIELSON and his wife on their 37th wedding anniversary.

- Ray Bryczek

### WEST SECTION (Agents) -

The young lady with the flaming red hair flowing in the breeze in her new Chevrolet convertible is none other than AGENT FAYE CAPRIO, who celebrated her birthday on October 14 . . . AGENT MARION STANZYK has double reason for being overjoyed at this time because of the arrival of her first grandchild September 8 and the celebration of her own birthday September 15 . . . Many happy returns to AGENT FRANK ZIMA who reached another milestone in September and to AGENT VICTOR BROWN who celebrated his in October . . . Retired Agent MOLLY SHIELDS has returned from a recent trip abroad where she visited Ireland and Lourdes, France. Before returning to Chicago she visited New York and Boston . . . Many happy returns of the day to PORTER GRANT GREEN, who celebrated his birthday anniversary September 18.

Many more happy wedding anniversaries to AGENT and MRS. ARNOLD CARLSTROM who celebrated their 27th on September 15 . . . One of my spies reported seeing a very distinguished looking gentleman driving a Cadillac and added that his face seemed vaguely familiar. Investigation has disclosed the party in question to be AGENT LOUIS BECK, a potential member of the Millionaires club . . . The communion breakfast of the League of the Little Flower was a big success, but those in charge would be very pleased to have more members . . . All were grieved to learn of the sudden death of INSTRUCTOR ARTHUR MILLER and sincere condolences are offered to the bereaved family.

- Gordon Kelly

### 77TH STREET -

Since 77th station has not been represented in TRAN-SIT NEWS for such a long time, we accepted the assignment to write a bit. But since we have not written in news style for so long, it's rather difficult, so bear with us as we try.

OPERATOR FRED PERRAULT suffered injuries on his way home from work September 19 and a few stitches were needed to help get him in better shape for healing. Here's our best wishes for a speedy recovery, Fred . . . OPERATOR SCOTT BROWNLOW signed the sick book September 3, and was hospitalized for observation and tests, but we're glad to say that he came back to work September 19, looking as hale and hearty as ever . . . To all who are away from work on account of sickness, here's our wishes for a speedy recovery . . . Our good friend who keeps our trainroom and office so clean during the afternoon, JANITOR GEORGE HITTERMAN, was making a "count down" of days until he retired on October 1. He told us that this came after 37 years and 10 months of service. Our wishes are for all the best things in the future. We hope that you will get that motor scooter you've talked about, so you can ride all over the desert.

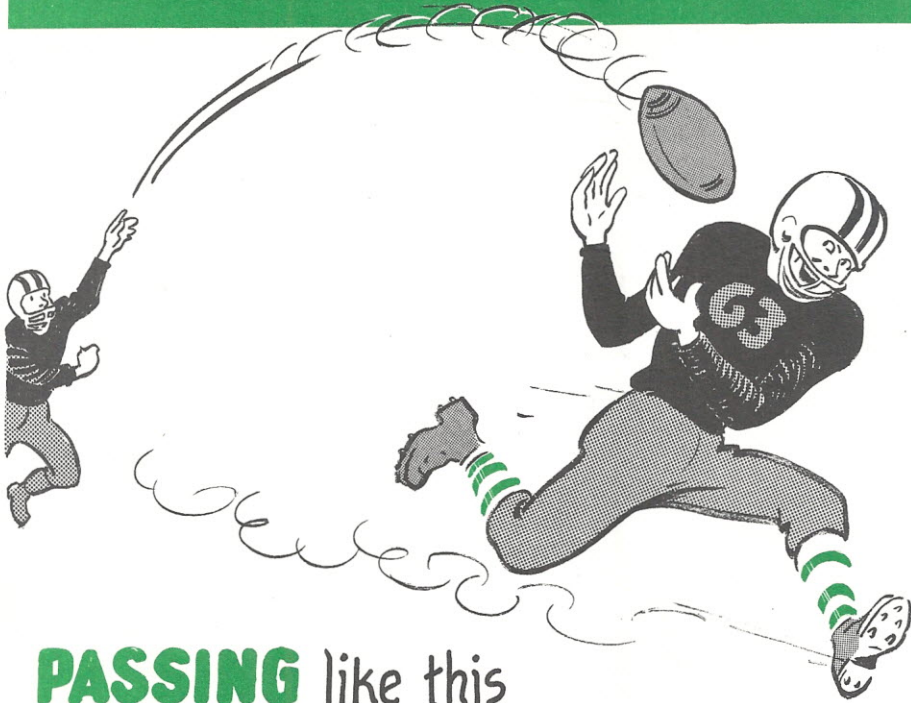
Our District "A" superintendent, ANGELO TAGLER, started his vacation in September and although we do not know what territory he intended to cover, we understand he was last seen headed toward California. We do know from experience that to travel in any part of that country means a vacation to be long remembered . . . District Clerk JOE ROSSBACH and his wife left for a vacation trip to Las Vegas. They expected to be enroute on October 3, which is, by the way, their anniversary of 32 years of wedded life, and is also Joe's birthday. He tells us that they married on his birthday so they could not forget the dates . . . OPERATOR MARSHALL DODD related some of the highlights of their vacation travels to California -- a nice day's visit to Disneyland where they saw all of the wonders there, then a trip to Knott's Berry Farm, where they had a ride on a real old Western Stagecoach, which operates for tourists . . . Also on vacation during September was Assistant Superintendent JOHN KNERR. He told us over the phone that most of his time was spent working around their house. He failed to mention whether he spent any time weeding out his "north forty" or not. Perhaps we'll apply for the job of farming that land when we retire.

Word comes to us that OPERATOR CHESTER BIEGANOWSKI was elected Illinois Commander of the Polish Legion of American Veterans, July 28, at the windup of their group's three-day convention. Congratulations, Chester . . . Now please, all of you at 77th street, help by giving us news items. Remember -- If man bites dog -- THAT'S NEWS! And thus our first column closes. So until next time we leave you with these thoughts: "If you were busy being kind, before you knew it you would find you'd soon forget to think 'twas true that someone was unkind to you. If you were busy being glad and cheering someone who was sad, although your heart might ache a bit, you'd soon forget to notice it."

- Roscoe Wakefield



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