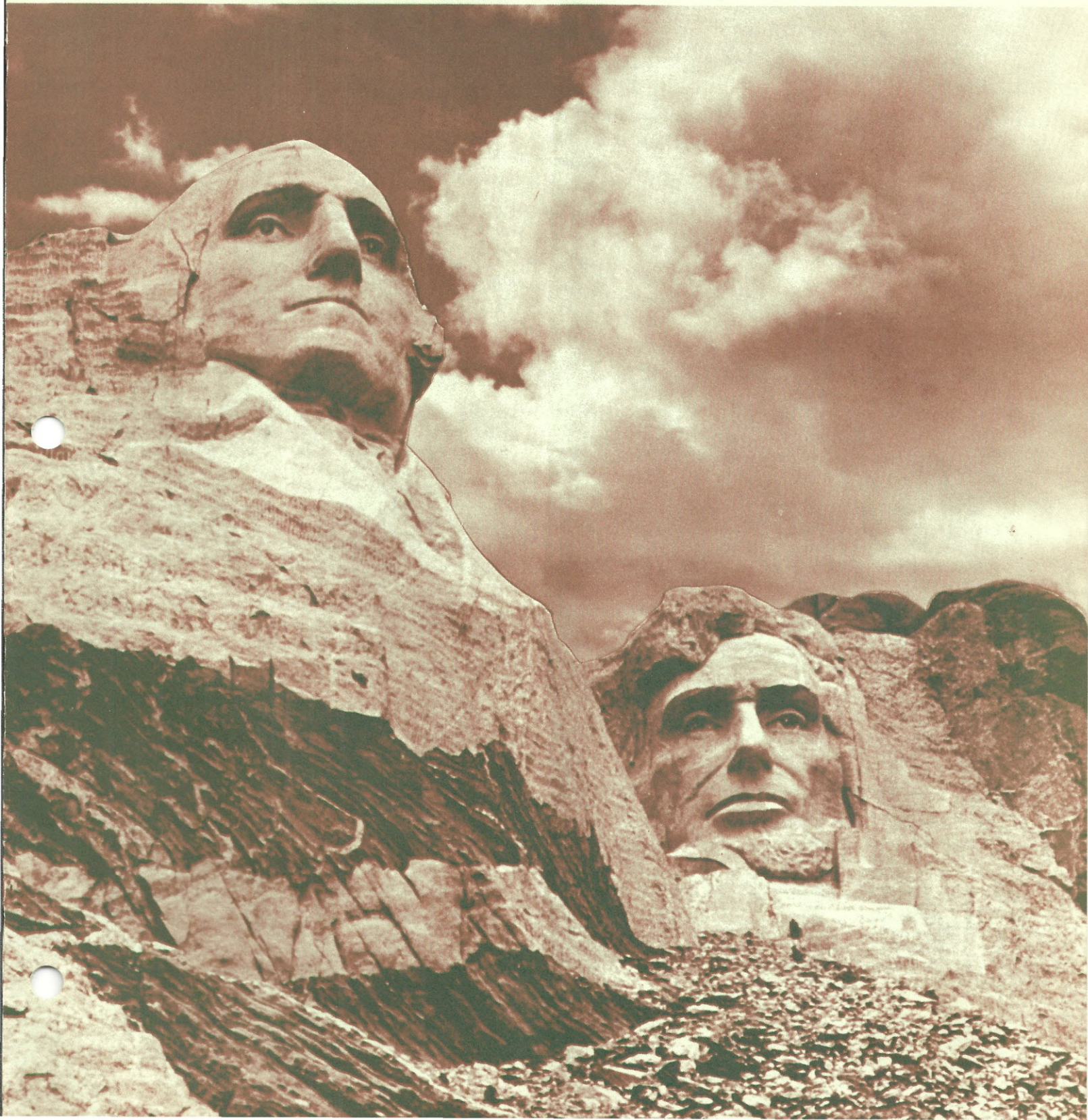


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## 393 Pensioners Join Retired Ranks in 1963

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PENSION APPLICATIONS of 393 CTA employees were approved by the retirement committee during the year 1963, according to a recent report by Secretary H. B. Storm.

That total included 214 applicants who had reached the normal retirement age of 65 years, 119 who were in the age group of 58 through 64, and 69 disability retirements.

Taking into account the 393 who became pensioners and the 456 who died during the year, a total of 5,479 retirees were drawing benefits at the end of the 1963 plan year.

Employees contributed \$3,292,232, and the CTA contributed \$6,584,464, for a total of \$9,876,696 during the year. The committee approved payments totaling \$7,469,180 covering benefits paid to

retired employees, refunds to employees who terminated their services and to a deceased employee's beneficiary, and expenses of administration.

The assets of the fund increased \$3,502,439 during the 1963 plan year, making total assets of \$33,643,088, as of December 31, 1963, held by the Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company, trustee for the plan.

Of these funds held by the trustee, \$33,501,975 are invested in U.S. government securities, and \$121,017 in Chicago Transit Authority revenue bonds.

Twelve meetings were held during the year by the retirement committee consisting of C. E. Keiser, chairman; Daniel J. McNamara, Peter W. Flaherty, and W. J. Moran, representing Division 241; Robert Parilla, representing Division 308 of the Amalgamated; and T. J. Murray, representing all other unions; P. J. Meinardi, J. E. Hastings, T. B. O'Connor and H. B. Storm, representing the Chicago Transit Authority.

During April, report cards showing each employee's credit in the retirement fund as of December 31, 1963, will be distributed. A facsimile of the card is shown above. These cards are valuable for ready reference at all times and employees are advised to keep them for their records.

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# 127 EMPLOYEES SHARE SUGGESTION AWARDS

CASH AWARDS totaling \$1,700.00 were shared by 127 CTA employees whose ideas paid off when submitted for consideration by the Employee Suggestion Committee during 1963.

The awards were given to 114 employees whose original suggestions were selected and placed in operation during the year, and 13 employees received supplementary awards for suggestions adopted previously which had been tested in actual operations for one year and, after revaluation, proved worthy of an additional award.

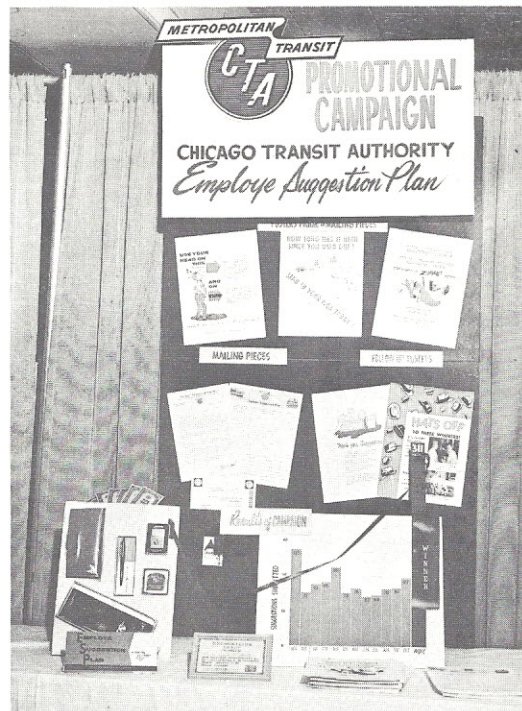
Winners of the original awards received \$1,350.00 in cash grants and \$350.00 was divided by winners of supplementary awards, averaging out at \$24.91 each for original award and \$14.91 each for supplementary award.

Of the total of 1,314 suggestions submitted during the year, 542 were accepted, or 41.2 per cent.

Shops and Equipment personnel again received a major share of the awards, collecting 56 for a total of \$1,065.00. General Office employees were credited with winning 28 awards for a total of \$220.00. Surface Transportation employees were third high with 18 awards totaling \$125.00.

It is estimated after evaluating the merits of the 114 suggestions adopted during the year that savings to be expected during the first year would amount to a total of \$11,440.00. Since October 1, 1952, when the present Employees Suggestion Plan was established system-wide, to December 31, 1963, a total of 1,282 suggestions have been adopted. Total savings realized since the plan went into effect amount to \$871,550.00.

The report pointed out that of the 1,314 suggestions received during the year, 1,282 were found worthy of consideration and were given incentive prizes consisting of their choice of a Park-

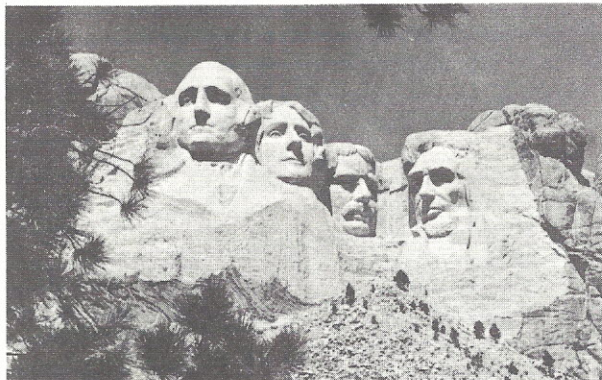


WINNING HONORS for CTA's Employee Suggestion Plan, this display of promotional materials was awarded a blue ribbon at a conference of the National Association of Suggestion Systems held at Chicago's Sherman House last October. Displayed were promotional pieces and incentive prizes used to stimulate interest in the suggestion plan.

er pen, men's or ladies' wallet, or a Zippo lighter. In addition many will win a cash award if their idea proves workable.

The standards for evaluating the suggestions are: (a) do they improve or simplify present methods of job procedures and reduce cost of operations? (b) do they suggest more practical ways of reusing or salvaging old material? (c) do they reduce the amount of supplies required for specific operations? (d) do they propose ways and means by which substitute items can be used more economically?

Administering the Employee Suggestion Plan is Francis C. Knautz, executive secretary, assisted by Russell Warnstedt.



OUR COVER: Two national holidays fall in the month of February - Lincoln's birthday of February 12 and Washington's birthday on the 22nd. Their immortal careers as presidents of the country has been commemorated - along with two other notable men in American history, Theodore Roosevelt and Thomas Jefferson - by the Mount Rushmore National Memorial in the Black Hills of South Dakota. Rushmore is the largest work of art in the world, with each head 60 feet, each twice as large as the great Sphinx. Over 400,000 tons of granite were removed in carving the colossal figures. The granite of which Mount Rushmore is hewn is extremely hard, will last more than 100,000 years. The complete monument showing the four massive heads is shown in this picture. It has truly been called America's Shrine of Democracy.



# Plan April Start for New Skokie Service

ANNOUNCEMENT OF plans for operating the high-speed Skokie rapid transit line was made at a press conference following approval of a federal grant to finance two-thirds of the cost of operating the two-year demonstration project. Presiding at the conference were Mayor Myron Greisdorf of Skokie (left), CTA General Manager Walter J. McCarter (right), and CTA Superintendent of Planning and Operations George Krambles, who is serving as project manager.



WORK IS underway on the rehabilitation of facilities preparatory to operation of a high-speed, non-stop rapid transit service between Dempster street, Skokie, and Howard street, Chicago, over the recently acquired section of right-of-way of the former North Shore Line.

Start of service on the new line has been set for early April or mid-April, when all the necessary facilities are expected to be ready for operation, said General Manager Walter J. McCarter.

Work started immediately after approval of a federal grant of \$349,217 was announced by the Federal Housing and Home Finance Agency in Washington to finance two-thirds of the net cost of a two-year operation of the Skokie demonstration project. The remaining \$174,608 will be provided by the CTA and the Village of Skokie. Under this arrangement, Skokie will contribute \$37,193 in cash and services. The application presented to HHFA was prepared under the direction of Chairman George L. DeMent of Chicago Transit Board, CTA General Manager Walter J. McCarter and Mayor Myron Greisdorf of Skokie.

In conformance with the terms of the project application, CTA will provide and rehabilitate the right-of-way and related facilities, provide the high-speed cars, operate the service and participate in comprehensive studies to determine the project benefits. Skokie, as co-sponsor of the project, will provide, maintain and operate a modern, lighted and paved 380-space park-'n'-ride lot for customers using their cars to get to and from the new service, promote use of the new service, and participate in comprehensive "before" and "after" studies and surveys to measure the public benefits derived from the service.

Purpose of the demonstration is to determine the public necessity for and the economic feasibility of linking a fast-growing, medium density suburb, the Village of Skokie, with Chicago, the central city of the metropolitan area, and with Chicago's vast transit network. The results that would be achieved here are expected to serve as invaluable guidelines for a number of other cities that are contemplating rapid transit improvements.

Other participants in the project are the Chicago Area Transportation Study; Department of City Planning, City of Chicago; the recently organized Transportation Co-ordinating Group consisting of public agencies charged with planning highways and other transportation facilities; The Northeastern Illinois Metropolitan Area Planning Commission, and the Commonwealth Edison Company. All of these participants, excepting the Commonwealth Edison Company, are to provide services for the extensive studies of project results.

Commonwealth Edison is to contribute \$16,800 over the two-year period in the form of rent for the part of the project right-of-way occupied by its transmission lines. In addition to this sum in rental payments, Commonwealth Edison is paying CTA \$300,000 for permanent easement rights, thus reducing the cost of the right-of-way to CTA from \$2,000,000 to a net of \$1,700,000.

The work of rehabilitating the properties includes such activities as scraping rust from the rails, building two passenger platforms at Dempster terminal, installing new crossing gates at two locations, reactivating the automatic block signal system, restoring the substation operation at the west end of the line and reactivating the power distribution facilities.



CTA will operate one-car, high-speed, high-performance trains at 10-minute intervals during rush hours and at 20 to 30-minute intervals in off-peak periods between the Howard street "L" terminal and Dempster street from 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

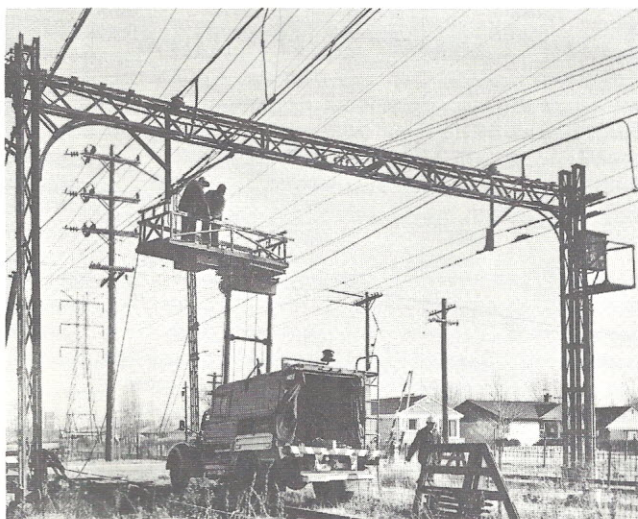
Trainphone equipment will be installed to provide continuous communication between Skokie train operators and CTA's operations control center at the Merchandise Mart. Automatic train dispatching equipment at the control center will also be installed to insure close control of Skokie service.

The five-mile run will be made in six and one-half minutes at a scheduled speed of 46 miles per hour as compared with the 25 to 30-minute scheduled running time of CTA's bus route now serving Skokie, which operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Coordinating bus schedules with train service, the Skokie bus service (No. 97) will be extended about a mile northward to Old Orchard Shopping Center, with alternate trips between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, going to the shopping center. Saturday service will also be operated on the same basis between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. All Skokie buses will operate through the Dempster station facility.

Rates of fare will be 45 cents for adults and 29 cents for child or students for each one-way trip. This includes the privilege of transfer to and from CTA Evanston Express trains and the North-South "L"-subway route trains at Howard street, and to and from CTA bus routes at all established transfer points.

OVERHEAD TROLLEY power transmission facilities on the former North Shore Skokie Valley line were inspected by CTA Electrical Department crews in preparation for the inauguration of service on the five-mile line. In this picture, linemen are renewing the trolley wire dead-ends on the first catenary bridge, at East Prairie road.



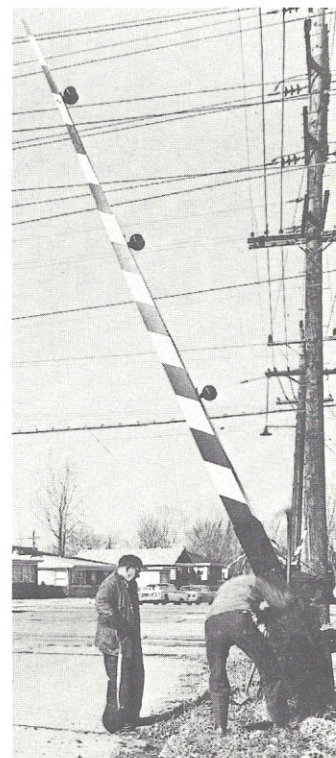
At the Dempster station parking lot a fee of 25¢ is to be charged for parking. Exit from the lot is to be controlled by a coin-operated gate. There is also to be free parking for a limited time only for Kiss-N-Ride patrons who are being delivered and picked up at the station.

A new feature of the car equipment to be used in Skokie service was announced by George Krambles, superintendent of planning and operations, CTA's Transportation department, who is manager of the demonstration project. He disclosed that CTA is ordering five pantograph overhead electrical contact systems to enable the fast trains in the Skokie service to switch from third rail to trolley operation without stopping. The changeover must be made at Crawford avenue, because the two miles from that point to Dempster is energized by trolley, while on the three miles between Crawford and Howard the power comes from the third rail.

Krambles said the maximum speed of the project trains would exceed 60 miles per hour and pointed out that the six and a half-minute running time from terminal to terminal would be the fastest scheduled speed offered by any urban rail rapid transit line in the North American continent, and would be twice as fast as the scheduled speed of CTA's "L"-subway trains.

A test run of the new service was held February 12 for members of Chicago Transit Board, newsmen and photographers. This will be covered in full by a story and pictures in our March issue.

REHABILITATION OF the existing crossing gates on the Skokie line includes restoring the operating mechanisms to operating condition and installing flashing warning lights. In this picture, at East Prairie road, signal crews are preparing the ground for pouring a flasher light foundation.





## Supervisor Awarded Police Department Citation

A CTA supervisor who intervened in a subway station altercation between a man and his wife and saved both from possible death was lauded recently by top police officials and presented a citation by Police Superintendent Orlando W. Wilson.

He is Rudolph Dillen, an employee of the rapid transit system, whose heroic conduct and quick action during the incident was observed by Superintendent Wilson's aide, Minor K. Wilson, and reported in a letter to General Manager Walter J. McCarter.

The letter, which gives all the details, follows:

"Last night - December 19 at about 5:20 p.m. I had occasion to be on the Roosevelt Road platform of the State Street subway when I witnessed an heroic act by one of your uniformed CTA employees. From the newspaper account his name appears to be Charles Dillen.

"A man by the name of Lopez attempted to kill his wife by pushing her off the platform onto the tracks. Lopez followed her down and apparently tried to electrocute her and himself by grappling with her on the tracks and trying to touch the third rail.

"Without a moment's hesitation Dillen jumped down on the tracks and with the assistance of another hero, a bystander by the name of Clarence Golden, they separated Lopez and his wife and got them both back on the platform and out of danger.

"I wish I had that kind of courage. From the safety of the platform I assisted them by pulling the woman back up on the platform. Not only is Dillen a hero but he is quick-thinking and decisive and a great credit to the CTA."



A CITATION in appreciation for assistance given the Chicago Police Department was presented to CTA Supervisor Rudolph Dillen by Police Superintendent Orlando W. Wilson. Watching the presentation are Dillen's mother, Ellen, and his wife, Winona.

Later Supervisor Dillen was notified that he had been nominated by the Awards Committee of the Chicago Police Department to receive a Citizen's Award of Appreciation for his outstanding assistance in Chicago's crime prevention efforts. The presentation was made in Superintendent Wilson's office at 1121 S. State street on February 10 with members of Dillen's family in attendance.

Dillen, a CTA employee for 11 years, started as a conductor on the North Section. He also served as a motorman and was selected as a member of the supervisor's pool in 1961. He had only recently been appointed a full-time supervisor.

## Test Being Made of New Type Platform Heaters

IN ANOTHER experiment testing the effectiveness of overhead heaters for "L" platforms, three electric infra-red heaters have been installed on the northbound platform of the Fullerton avenue "L" station.

In the past, CTA has tested both gas-fired and electric heaters at the Fullerton "L" station. The new 5,000 watt electric heaters will replace five smaller models that were being tested on the north end of the northbound platform. The infra-red units reflect the heat downward to warm objects that come within the range of the rays.

The heaters are thermostatically-controlled and time-controlled to provide heat only when the tem-

perature dips below the 32 degree mark during non-rush hours. During these cold periods, the heaters operated at all times of the day and night except during the morning and late afternoon rush hours when headways between trains are frequent.

Fullerton station platform was chosen for the test because of the heavy transfer traffic between passengers of the Ravenswood and North-South rapid transit lines and Fullerton avenue buses.

CTA is planning also to install the infra-red heaters, with three-sided windbreaks, at the Dempster station of the new Skokie service which is scheduled to start operation in April.



# Tell Plans for Remodeling of 35th Street Station

FIRST STEP in the permanent repair and complete remodeling of 35th street station of the North-South "L"-subway route, which was seriously damaged by fire October 17, 1962, was authorized by Chicago Transit Board at its February 6 meeting.

Work is tentatively scheduled to start May 1 and to be completed by July 1. Fire damage to the structure and station building was estimated at approximately \$500,000 at the time, and depreciation reserve funds were earmarked for rehabilitation.

The action authorized the taking of bids on the first stage of the work which covers fabrication and erection of structural steel to replace the temporary timber shoring of the fire-damaged structure; construction of a new center platform serving 35th street station and the 34th street auxiliary entrance-exit; and construction of a new-type canopy and windbreaks.

For the second stage, which consists of construction of a new station building at 35th street, platform-level passenger control facilities at 34th street, and installation of an automatically controlled two-way escalator at 35th street station. Board authority to call for bids is to be sought early in March.

CTA engineers have designed an ultra-modern canopy for the new station. Translucent vinyl plastic, supported on steel, will completely cover the tracks from outer edge to outer edge of the track structure in two-thirds of the station area. The sidewalls of the canopy will form the platform windbreaks. However, alternate sections of the side-wall area will be open.

It is hoped that this experimental canopy will become the prototype of CTA station canopies in the future. The advantages of the design are obvious. Passengers can board and alight in the canopy area with complete protection from inclement weather.

The Board also awarded a contract for an escalator to the Montgomery Elevator company, of Moline, Illinois, for \$36,626 for labor and materials for the installation of an escalator leading to the southbound platform of CTA's Howard "L" station at Howard and Hermitage.

The escalator is part of the overall modernization in progress at the Howard terminal. The escalator will replace the present southwest stairway extending from the station to the southbound platform. When the installation is completed, the escalator will serve patrons transferring between the rapid transit and bus services, and patrons using the CTA Park-'N'-Ride lot adjacent to the terminal.

Another contract awarded was to Moore Associates, of San Carlos, California, for \$12,130, for a control-indicating system to control the interlocking signal and switching system at 59th street junction of the Jackson Park and Englewood legs of the North-South rapid transit route. The equipment will, by a lighted panel board at 61st street tower, give continuous indication of the track conditions and the train movements at the 59th street junction and will provide the 61st street towerman with finger-tip control of the 59th street junction.

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## SPEED RAMP AT 63RD-LOOMIS DISCONTINUED

TERMINATION OF CTA's speed ramp experiment at Loomis station of the Englewood branch of the North-South "L"-subway route was announced recently by General Manager Walter J. McCarter.

Coincident with this announcement Mr. McCarter outlined plans for improving passenger facilities at Loomis station, which include further extension of the tracks to the alley west of Loomis, and the installation of an escalator and another stairway serving the auxiliary station on the west side of the street.

The ramp equipment is to be removed and a new and additional stairway connecting the street-level station with the platform is to be built in the vacated space.

The speed ramp has been inoperative for several weeks due to a broken handrail. Use of the ramp way as a walkway pending start of removal of the

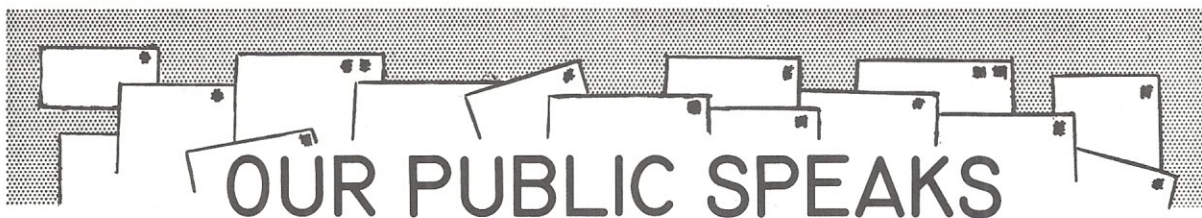
ramp machinery had been prohibited by the city department of elevator and escalator inspection.

The speed ramp went into service February 7, 1957. Installation costs, including the speed ramp machinery and equipment, and preparation of the space, totaled \$51,445. Repairs and maintenance costs since that time have totaled \$40,931.85.

Regarding the proposed improvements at Loomis station, Mr. McCarter said, engineering work will be completed by the end of the year.

Presently the north track has been extended to the west side of Loomis and serves a platform and auxiliary passenger control facilities in that location. The proposed additional facilities will substantially increase the capacity of the main and auxiliary stations. Loomis station is now the second heaviest point of transfer interchange between CTA's rapid transit and bus systems.





# OUR PUBLIC SPEAKS

THE FIRST step in establishing a sound business is the policy of maintaining a reliable and trustworthy reputation. Good customer relations are essential if a company is to increase public approval of its operational standards.

In the transportation business, the attitude of the operating personnel towards those who patronize our service is a major factor in winning better public acceptance for that service. Because it is a job that requires direct contact with our riders, the element of personal salesmanship involved takes on added importance.

In recent years, public relations has become an ever increasing factor in the conduct of business. More and more emphasis has been placed upon the part the employee plays in building good will for a product or service.

Letters to this department reflect the reactions of our customers to our service. Good or bad, they measure how successful our efforts have been to win their good will.

Printed below are a few expressions recently received which illustrate rider-reaction to the personal side of our operations:

"On a recent morning I was waiting at your stop on 30th and South Parkway for a No. 1 bus going south and needless to say, as the temperature was near zero, I stood freezing in the bitter cold and strong winds for about 10 minutes. Shortly thereafter a No. 3, South Park bus, Operator No. 5837 (J. C. Wharton, 77th) made his regular turn going south, kindly opened the door and asked me to stand in his bus 'before I froze to death.'

"I sincerely believe he should be thanked for such a thoughtful courtesy. To me it was a real lifesaver and I am most grateful."

A bit of extra service brought this commendation for Operator Carl Nelson, badge 11268, Lawndale:

"Recently I had occasion to use one of your buses in the Douglas Park area. Being a stranger in your city, I had to inquire for directions frequently. After boarding a bus and watching street numbers, I discovered I was going in the wrong direction to begin with. About this time the driver was nearing the end of his run, I explained my predicament to him, and he was kind enough to refer to his street directory and

draw me a map directing me to my destination, and making certain that I clearly understood it.

"I wish to commend this driver for his courtesy and attention, and to add that the map he drew for me directed me to my destination without any further trouble. In all my travels I will say that it has been a long time since I have had the pleasure of riding in a public conveyance where the driver was so courteous and understanding and further willing to take the time to explain directions as this man did. Through you I ask that you again convey my thanks to this man."

Customer reactions can become unfavorable when our service and personnel do not measure up to a good performance rating. Here's a letter that proves that point:

"As the bus my husband and I were riding approached the stop where we were to alight, we walked to the center of the bus and pulled the cord. When we saw that the operator was not going to slow down, we pulled the cord again. Since the operator made no attempt to stop, my husband shouted to him that we wanted to alight, but to no avail. Finally, we walked to the front of the bus. The driver was totally indifferent towards us and acted as though we didn't exist. When we were able to alight, we not only had to walk four blocks back to our intended destination, but also were told by the operator that we should think of the next passenger and alight through the center door."

COMMENT: CTA vehicles are operated to provide service for the convenience and accommodation of our patrons. To deliberately ignore a patron's request to board or alight at a designated stop is a distinct violation of operating rules and regulations. Such action is inexcusable.

SHOWN HERE is a comparison of commendations and complaints received by Chicago Transit Authority for the months of January, 1964, December, 1963, and January, 1963.

	January 1964	December 1963	January 1963
Commendations	376	138	133
Complaints	1,190	1,461	1,281





WINNERS OF the Interstation Safety Contest for the fourth quarter of 1963 received their plaques at presentations made early in February at the respective stations. In the photo at the left, taken at Beverly, D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, hands the surface system trophy to J. J. O'Connor, station superintendent. They are flanked at the left by J. S. Farris, assistant station superintendent, and Chairman George DeMent of Chicago Transit Board, and at the right by T. B. O'Connor, general superintendent of transportation and shops and equipment. In the photo at the right, Mr. Flynn is presenting the rapid transit plaque to J. R. Blaa, superintendent at Lake station.

## CTA Sets Safety Record For 9th Year in Row

FOR THE ninth consecutive year, Chicago Transit Authority in 1963 established new safety records.

During the year, CTA operating employees were involved in fewer reported accidents than in any previous year of CTA operations, and the frequency rate for all CTA traffic and passenger accidents was 9.8 accidents per 100,000 miles operated, one per cent below CTA's lowest frequency rate for the two categories combined.

Compared with 1954, when the present intensive Safety Training Program was inaugurated, the 1963 frequency rate of 9.8 shows a decrease of 38 per cent. The frequency rate applies to all traffic and passenger accidents involving CTA vehicles, regardless of liability or severity.

"This steady improvement in CTA's public safety record over the past decade dramatically demonstrates the value of a safety training program," General Manager W. J. McCarter commented. "With continuing emphasis on defensive driving and improved passenger relations, we hope to make 1964 another 'safest' year for our riders."

For eight years, from 1954 through 1961, CTA employees sharply reduced public accident rates each succeeding year. The low rates attained in 1961 have been held the past two years despite difficult weather and operating conditions.

## Five New Appointments Affect Office Personnel

FIVE NEW appointments affecting administrative personnel in the general offices were announced effective February 1 in bulletins approved by General Manager W. J. McCarter.

Bulletins signed by T. B. O'Connor, general superintendent of transportation and shops and equipment, effected re-organization of the Job Classification Department, which is now designated as the Employee Relations Department, and announced the consolidation of employment and training functions for administrative purposes.

F. C. Knautz was appointed superintendent, and W. C. Platt, assistant, of the Employee Relations Department, and John A. Baker, who has been serving as director of training and accident prevention, was named as superintendent of employment and training.

In another bulletin, signed by E. J. Healy, general superintendent of investigations and claims, E. F. Weingartner was appointed assistant superintendent.

An executive order signed by Mr. McCarter announced the appointment of P. J. Meinardi controller, as a member of the Claims and Settlement Committee replacing W. H. Hamilton, retired, and Mr. Weingartner as an alternate member of the committee.



**QUESTION:** What was your most outstanding personal experience in 1963?

**INQUIRING REPORTER:** Ann Golding

**LOCATION:** General Office



**RALPH UMSTOT**, statistician, Insurance Department (with Reporter Ann Golding): "For me there were two important events in 1963. My older daughter was graduated from the University of Illinois on June 15 with the degree of bachelor of science in education, and two weeks later on June 29 she was married to her high school sweetheart in a beautiful ceremony and reception held in our church."



**JAMES MADDEN**, industrial safety analyst, Insurance Department: "My most thrilling experience in 1963 happened on May 25 at 11 a.m. in St. Edmund's church. That was the day I left the ranks of bachelors and joined the legion of the married. A most memorable occasion not only for 1963 but for a lifetime."

**PAT BARRETT**, dictaphone typist, Stenographic Department: "Receiving a diamond engagement ring in the summer of 1963, and making plans for my wedding which took place on February 8, 1964, were my outstanding personal experiences of that year."



**REGGIE DAREN**, secretary, Medical Department: "My most outstanding personal experience in 1963 was a dream come true. My husband and I became proud owners of a home and have enjoyed every minute of it working in and around the place."



**ALICE MILLER**, clerk-steno, Transportation Department: "My most outstanding personal experience in 1963 happened when I found my diamond engagement ring in a fortune cookie while having dinner at a Cantonese restaurant."





# MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin  
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## TO SMOKE OR NOT TO SMOKE

THIS SUBJECT was selected for "Medically Speaking" this month because it is very timely and one of the "hottest issues" before the American public today. Because so much has been written on this controversial topic, it is very obvious that all of the aspects cannot be covered in this article. Only a few highlights will be mentioned.

We all know that this is not a new subject or problem but the recent "Surgeon General's Advisory Committee Report" has brought it forcefully to the public mind. It is my opinion that much of the importance, significance and impact of this report will be, generally speaking, a dead issue within a few months.

In one of the late National Weekly publications, Dr. Charles Mayo, a friend of mine, is quoted as saying "You can't legislate against sex, alcohol or smoking." It is up to each individual whether to quit or not. The failure of the Volsted Prohibition Act is a good example of this.

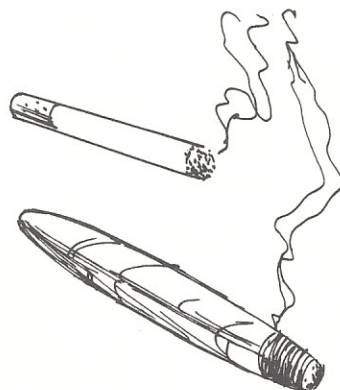
The foregoing remarks are not meant to detract in any way from the value and importance of this report. I think it has served well to emphasize that there is a definite relationship between cigarette smoking and one's general health. Moreover, the report stated that there is a tie between smoking and cancer.

There are, to be specific, several systems in our body which may be affected by excessive cigarette smoking. The most common are the respiratory system, cardio-vascular or circulatory, the digestive and the nervous systems.

The respiratory system seems to be the most outstanding example of systems affected by smoking. Cancer of the larynx (voice box) and the lungs is commonly, although not always, associated with cigarette smoking. Bronchitis and emphysema, non-cancerous conditions are more common in heavy smokers.

Cancer of the lips seems more prevalent in pipe smokers. Malignancy of the mouth is common in smokers. It must also be remembered that cancers in these locations are found also in non-smokers. Among causes, other than smoking, we find poor oral hygiene, improper fitting dentures, abnormal liver functions and avitaminosis (deficiency in proper vitamins) ranking high in causing cancer in the mouth.

In the cardiovascular system we find more coronary heart disease, hardening of the arteries and



circulatory diseases of the extremities in heavy smokers than in non-smokers.

In the gastro intestinal system it is a matter of record that more stomach ulcers occur in smokers.

The nervous system is affected by the tranquilizing effect of smoking. After long periods of smoking the tranquilizing effect becomes very deep rooted. When the individual stops, increased nervousness and irritability set in.

In conclusion, a few remarks seem pertinent. According to Dr. Annis, A.M.A. president, a "strong evidence against smoking has been amassed in this report. However it seems unrealistic to assume that the American people are suddenly going to quit smoking."

It is also important to remember that other bad habits, such as over-eating or over-drinking can also be injurious to health. Once any habit is well established it becomes self-continuing unless the individual becomes master of the situation and stops it.

Continued medical research and education are two important means of bringing the true facts before the public. Education of teenagers is very important. Once this information is in the hands of the individual it is up to him or her and no one else as to whether smoking is stopped or not.

Personally, I think motivation of the mind is the important factor. If a person's emotion such as fear of cancer of the lung, for example, is stronger than the emotion of pleasure derived from smoking, he will stop. If the emotion of pleasure is the stronger he will not stop. Everyone who smokes should carefully take into consideration all the facts both good and bad, study and evaluate them in relation to his own health and make up his own mind and stick to the decision to the end.



# CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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

(Revenues Applied in Order of Precedence Required by Trust Agreement)

	Month of December		Twelve Months Ended December 31,	
	1963	1962	1963	1962
Revenues	\$11,244,689	\$11,169,297	\$134,080,218	\$137,840,949
Operation and Maintenance Expenses	<u>9,876,751</u>	<u>10,084,386</u>	<u>115,211,157</u>	<u>115,160,221</u>
Available for Debt Service	<u>1,367,938</u>	<u>1,084,911</u>	<u>18,869,061</u>	<u>22,680,728</u>
Debt Service Requirements:				
Interest Charges	309,996	325,469	3,795,833	3,998,963
Deposit to Series of 1947 Serial Bond Maturity Fund	166,667(1)	166,667	2,000,000	2,000,000
Deposits to Sinking Funds (2) - Series of 1947	156,045	144,887	1,805,590	1,682,600
Series of 1952	33,333	31,250	400,000	375,000
Series of 1953	<u>10,145</u>	<u>9,510</u>	<u>121,738</u>	<u>185,653</u>
	<u>676,186</u>	<u>677,783</u>	<u>8,123,161</u>	<u>8,242,216</u>
Balance Available for Depreciation	691,752	407,128	10,745,900	14,438,512
Provision for Depreciation	<u>899,575</u>	<u>893,544</u>	<u>10,726,417</u>	<u>11,027,276</u>
Deficit in Depreciation Provision or Balance Available for Other Charges (3)	207,823 <sup>r</sup>	486,416 <sup>r</sup>	19,483	3,411,236
Appropriated for Revenue Bond Amortization	—	—	—	<u>1,266,854</u>
Balance Available for Other Charges or Deficit in Depreciation Provision at Beginning of Period	<u>227,306</u>	—	—	<u>843,082<sup>r</sup></u>
Balance Available for Other Charges or Deficit at Close of Period	<u>\$19,483</u>	<u>\$486,416<sup>r</sup></u>	<u>\$19,483</u>	<u>\$1,301,300</u>

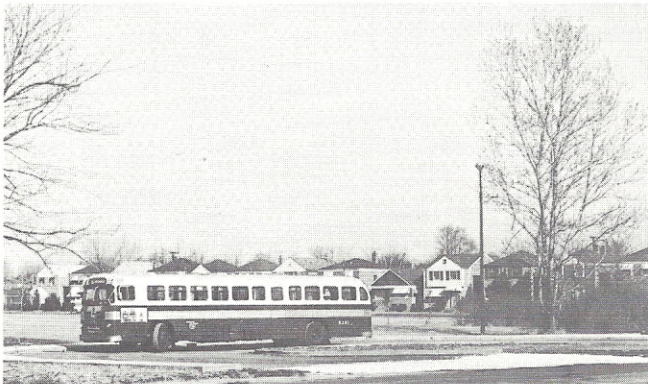
<sup>r</sup> - Denotes Red Figures.

## PASSENGER STATISTICS

Originating Revenue Passengers	<u>41,576,275</u>	<u>41,234,004</u>	<u>492,231,532</u>	<u>504,910,977</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.



PICTURED IS a new off-street terminal for CTA's North-Narragansett-Irving Park buses (No. 86) on Irving Park west of Pueblo which was placed in service January 24. The new turnaround is located 150 feet west of the old terminal. Relocation of the bus terminal will permit the highway agencies to proceed with plans to construct channelized traffic control facilities in the intersection. Paving, lighting, concrete curbs and sidewalks at the new terminal cost about \$10,775. North-Narragansett-Irving Park buses operate west in Irving Park to the new terminal, counter-clockwise through the terminal and then east in Irving Park over the regular route.



# Former CTAer Tells of Life in Peace Corps

LIFE AS a Peace Corps member assigned to the island of Mindanao in the Philippines is depicted in a letter sent to her former co-workers by a young lady who was employed in CTA's general offices.

She is Joyce Muellner, who worked in the revenue accounting and purchasing departments as a typist, and left CTA in 1956 to attend Chicago Teachers College. After her graduation she enlisted in the Peace Corps. She is the daughter of John W. Muellner, day foreman, bus repair, Lawndale station.

Joyce became interested in the Peace Corps after she heard Sargent Shriver, its director, tell of the organization when he was commencement speaker at the graduation exercises of her class. She received her training for the Corps at San Jose College, California.

We print some excerpts from her letter as enlightening commentaries on her assignment.

## THE EDITOR

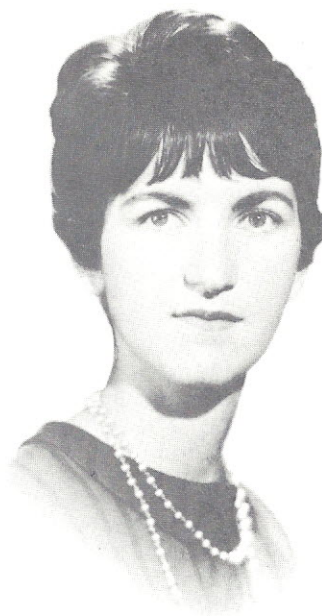
"Mindanao is one of the largest islands, about the size of Indiana. I'm inland, in Cotabato, which is generally swampy. Rice, corn, abaca and coconuts occupy much of the land that is cultivated, but it is still a frontier area, with much untapped land and resources. Water is a problem because of contamination, but we use rainwater which we channel into two big tanks at the back of the house; typical of the lush green tropics, it rains almost every day, so we rarely lack water.

"Teaching presents interesting episodes daily because of the language problem. There are 87 different dialects in the Philippines. English is supposed to be the medium of instruction in the intermediate grades, but this is very difficult after only a couple of years of English as an isolated subject, 30 minutes a day. The teachers quickly revert back to the vernacular of their particular barrio. Filipinos have no f, v, th sound in their language, and it's a tedious process for the children to form them. It takes a great deal of repetition and drill before a sentence pattern becomes automatically engrained. Besides introducing the pattern itself, the words in the sentence, intonation and stress are very different in their language, and to make what they say sound truly English, all these factors have to be worked on. So it's a very slow process. Many children still have trouble, after a year of listening to me, detecting the difference between 'How are you?' and 'How old are you?', and often reverse the answers.

## RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BARBEE, EUGENE T., Operator, 77th street  
BOWEN, CHARLES I. JR., Operator, North avenue  
GARMON, JERRY, Operator, Lawndale  
HAASE, JAMES C., Clerk, North Park  
HORNE, JOHN D., Operator, Kedzie  
LANGDON, LARRY B., Operator, North avenue  
MORRIS, VERNON R., Conductor, West Section  
NAPLES, JOSEPH R., Extra Guard, North Section  
TYSON, ROBERT J., Bus Repairman, 69th street

Joyce Muellner



"The people on the whole, are friendly, gracious and lighthearted. They are very poor, and maintain an attitude of readily accepting their fate or destiny, and sometimes will not try to overcome their situation. All have been very good to us. Hospitality is a distinctive and much-admired trait of the Filipino. I especially enjoy working with the children. They've been very excited about Xmas, making Xmas lanterns from bamboo sticks, Japanese paper and candles. Some are decorated with seeds and paints. These are hung everywhere, in the churches, in the homes, in the schools. There have been Xmas programs, religious processions, and much caroling. One important Xmas tradition is the Misa de Aguinaldo, a Mass that begins every morning at 4:00. The band goes around town at 3:00 a.m. waking up all the people who will go to the Mass. It also plays as they return home.

"We live as much like the people as we can, and we actually enjoy this more, and gain many insights into the people and their culture. Our daily diet consists pretty much of rice, fish and bananas. Lunch I eat in the barrio, but a pig is killed daily in Midsayap, and on market days we can get beef, so we have meat every day. The majority of the people prefer fish, maybe because they can get it themselves in the many swamps, and because they can't afford to buy meat."

## RECENTLY RETURNED

CLARK, WILLIE L., Operator, Kedzie  
HOLZAPFEL, JAMES E., Motorman, West Section  
MACK, ANDREW, Operator, Kedzie  
McGUIGAN, TERRANCE, Bus Repairman, Limits  
O'CONNOR, THEODORE J., Clerk, Job Classification  
WHITE, CLEVELAND JR., Operator, Lawndale



# NEW PENSIONERS

GEORGE A. ANDERSEN, Bus Cleaner,  
North avenue, Emp. 8-18-43  
GERTRUDE F. ANDERSON, Stenographer,  
General Office, Emp. 9-07-39  
BERNARD J. CALLAHAN, Foreman,  
North Avenue, Emp. 5-13-25  
JOSEPH P. CARNEY, Instructor,  
District "A", Emp. 10-18-22  
PASQUALE COLOSIMO, Laborer,  
South Shops, Emp. 2-22-44  
JOHN DROBENA, Carpenter "A",  
South Shops, Emp. 3-30-37  
WILBUR HAMILTON, Claims Adviser,  
General Office, Emp. 5-19-30  
LEROY A. HARPER, Conductor,  
69th street, Emp. 2-26-23  
CHARLES R. HILL, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 5-09-27  
MELVIN E. JONES, Operator,  
77th street, Emp. 12-08-26  
GEORGE B. KATTER, Investigator,  
General Office, Emp. 7-06-43  
JOSEPH LEE, Operator,  
77th street, Emp. 12-08-26  
JOSEPH F. MALIK, Porter,  
West Section, Emp. 12-31-45  
LAWRENCE H. MANNING, Bus Cleaner,  
52nd street, Emp. 10-19-28  
JOHN J. McKEON, Operator,  
77th street, Emp. 12-07-26  
JAMES MORROW, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 4-15-29

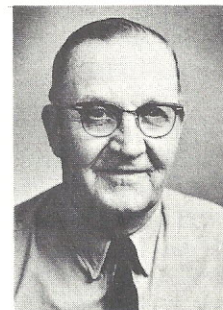
IGNATIUS O'SHAUGHNESSY, Chief Operator,  
Electrical, Emp. 3-08-18  
EDWARD B. PARDELL, Chief Operator,  
Electrical, Emp. 5-02-22  
VINCENT P. PIECHOCKI, Bus Repairman,  
Archer, Emp. 9-17-41  
JOSEPH A. PORTEN, Bus Repairman,  
Archer, Emp. 2-12-36  
LALA S. SMOOT, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 5-17-26  
HARRY A. STEVENSON, Supervisor,  
Douglas, Emp. 5-25-23  
MARGARET M. TIMMONS, Machine Oper.  
Accounting, Emp. 11-10-43  
CLARENCE WESTERMAN, Collector,  
Archer, Emp. 1-08-20  
WILLIAM F. WHITE, Watchman,  
Track & Struct. Emp. 6-25-20  
ARTHUR H. WRAAS, Laborer,  
Skokie, Emp. 3-30-34

## DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

PETER J. MESSIN, Plant guard,  
General Office, Emp. 11-28-28  
ANTON PAVLETICH, Painter,  
Const. & Maint. Emp. 5-26-41  
MICHAEL P. WALL, Laborer,  
Const. & Maint. Emp. 11-05-42



FOUR 40-YEAR men who re-  
tired February 1 are (from left  
to right): Harry A. Stevenson,  
William F. White, Clarence  
Westerman, and Leroy A.  
Harper.



THREE EMPLOYEES in the  
General Offices were feted  
recently by their friends and  
co-workers who joined with  
them at the time of their re-  
tirement. Pictured at the left,  
is Margaret M. Timmons,  
bookkeeping machine operator,  
Accounting Department, who  
was presented a gift by  
Comptroller P. J. Meinardi.  
At the right, are George B.  
Katter (second from left), in-  
vestigator, and Wilbur H.  
Hamilton (far right), manage-  
ment advisor to claim settle-  
ment committee, who were  
presented watches by Claims  
Department Assistant Super-  
visor E. F. Weingartner (left)  
and General Superintendent of  
Investigations and Claims  
E. J. Healy (second from  
right).





# THE INSIDE NEWS

—AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

## ACCOUNTING (Voucher) -

JOAN GEORGESON had a reprieve from "Old Man Winter" when she flew by jet to San Francisco to visit her sisters and their families and to enjoy her midwinter vacation in sunny California . . . KARL GAEGER, resplendent in his new army uniform, came in during the holidays to say "hello" to his many friends and give a report of his activities in the army.

## (General) -

MIKE VERDONCK and MRS. VERDONCK flew to the southland, namely Miami Beach, Florida, to bask in the sun, do some deep sea fishing and enjoy the beauty of the southern state. Mike writes the temperature is 79 and the fishing is great . . . ROBIN HEFFERNAN, young daughter of RODIFER HEFFERNAN, passed away November 30 after an extended illness. MRS. ELLA FISH, mother-in-law of BARNEY KANE, succumbed after a lingering illness on January 4.

- Mable Potthast

## (Material & Supply) -

EMMA WEBER luckily chose a winter vacation to escape Chicago's zero spell and is basking in the sunshine in Miami, Florida, where she is also enjoying a visit with her sister who lives there.

- Clara Lawrence

## (Payroll) -

That slim, handsome soldier with the cute crew cut who had all the girls in a dither during the holidays was really MARK PIZZA, visiting us on his first furlough home from the service. After seeing him and the transformation, all the men were ready to make a mad dash to the nearest recruiting center!

Other visitors were DORIS STAHL and MABLE MAGNUSON - both looking well for their retirements, and ARTHUR JOHNSON, suntanned from the Florida sun . . . Congratulations to CHRISTINE CAMERON, who assumed the duties vacated by ART JOHNSON, and to ERNA KARGE who took over Chris' job. Good luck, girls . . . We thank RUTH BUSSE and ROGER TORBIK's wife for some delicious Christmas cookies. They were well appreciated calories.

- Eileen Neurauster

## (Revenue) -

We are glad to welcome back JIM ROCHE, who returned from the service after two years. On January 6, Jim transferred to the South Shops . . . ALICE CLEARY is now awaiting the arrival of her fifth grandchild . . . HAROLD DONOHI is the proud grandfather of his second granddaughter. We welcome PAT POLIC back as a key punch operator . . . We would also like to welcome TINA KIRK to our Key Punch Department and JAMES BROGAN, transfer counter, to Division and Western.

- Mary Kay Curtin & Betty Suhr

## (Tabulating) -

KAY McALISTER was contemplating a trip to Memphis on her two week's vacation period in the end of January . . . CARMELLA PETRELLA and MARGE DORGAN, two of our girls on the CTA bowling team, finished in first place at the half-way mark recently. Keep up the good work . . . BOB RISE returned to "recuperate" after a short stay in Grand Rapids. He came back with a fractured index finger, and slight lacerations on his wrist. An unfortunate skiing accident?

- Marion Sutherland & Edward O'Rourke

## CLAIMS -

Our deepest sympathy is extended to EDWIN HAYS, coordinator of claim procedures, whose mother passed away on January 11 and also to Chief Investigator EDWARD WEINGARTNER, on the sudden loss of his brother on January 20 . . . Congratulations are in order for HERMAN WIRTH, on his promotion to chief vault clerk and to JOHN BOSACKI on his promotion to supervising statementman. Also to DORIS SULLIVAN and LOIS POTTS, index clerks II, on the acceptance of their ideas by the Suggestion Award Committee . . . GEORGE B. KATTER, investigator II, was feted by his fellow employees at the Millionaires club on January 30. He retired on February 1. Another retirement on February 1 was WILBERT H. HAMILTON, management adviser to claim settlement committee . . . JULIA LELLINGER, former law clerk in the Law Department, who retired on June 30, 1956, passed away October 31, in Santa Paula, California, where she made her home with her sister. Services were held in Santa Paula.

- Barbara Mika & Sylvia Nepal

## BEVERLY -

RECEIVER RUDY ALBRECHT received a post card from Chief Clerk PERCY ATKINSON, who is retired and staying in Arizona. Percy's only complaint about the climate is that he can see snow on the mountains but he still has sand in his shoes . . . FRED HAGEN and his wife had big plans for a holiday dinner until the frigidaire went out of order. Fred saved the day by remembering that it was zero outside and he fixed up a portable icebox on the back porch like he had when he was a boy . . . Retired Instructor JOE BRADY is staying in Lake Worth, Florida, at the home of INSTRUCTOR WALTER BAYER. Walter received a letter from Joe saying the kitchen light was burned out. Walter, who is a ham radio operator, called one of his buddies in Florida on the radio and told him to go over and wake Joe up and see if he needed an electrician to put a bulb in . . . CLERK JOHN KIRBY bought a new Ford and is breaking it in by making mysterious trips to South Bend, Indiana! Don't worry, John, you can always tell the boys you are making a retreat at Notre Dame . . . BOB STEWART, of south Halsted street, is a great guy to follow. He'll give you last week's newspaper anytime . . . FRANK DUCZMAN recently boarded



## INSIDE NEWS

my bus and is getting along fine. Frank is from the repair department and has been off two months with a crushed heel. . . We express our sympathy to INSTRUCTOR JOE CARNEY in the loss of his wife, to the family of SUPERVISOR SAM GENENDER, and to COLLECTOR JOHN DOLAN in the loss of his brother, the REV. T. L. DOLAN.

A speedy recovery to the wife of BERNIE SESCH, who recently returned from the hospital. We hope HARRY SCHOFIELD's beautiful wife is also making a speedy recovery after her trip to the hospital. . . JERRY GLEASON, our Union Leader scribe, celebrated his vacation by taking the little woman out for her birthday. . . Welcome to our new chief clerk, CHARLES KARSCHNIK, who is an old friend of ours from Archer. Charlie is a good man to see when you need any help.

**SAFETY HINT OF THE MONTH:** When you are working an express run, check your bus thoroughly before you pull out in the morning. Be sure to check left and right rear view mirrors to see that they are tight and focused properly. When you get on the Dan Ryan expressway, the wind will twist your mirror out of focus, and you will not be able to see when you want to turn from one lane to another.

*- Tom Daniels*

### CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE -

We are happy to report that DAVE McCAULEY, Assistant to superintendent of Track & Structures, is doing fine though he is still in the Illinois Masonic hospital recuperating from surgery and, as would be expected, is giving all the nurses a rough time. . . GEORGE CLARK, equipment engineer, has just returned from the hospital and a bout with pneumonia. We have missed you, Mr. Clark, and it's good to have you back. . . Congratulations to PAUL SWANSON, our new student engineer, and MISS INGE OTTO, on their marriage which took place on December 28, 1963, at the Bethany United Church of Christ. Best wishes to you both. . . Welcome to GUST CHRISTOFIDIS, another of our new student engineers. We hope you will be very happy with us, Gust.

Also, welcome back FRED PETRINO. Mr. Petrino has been working out at Wells street for the past six weeks substituting for vacationers. . . Our sincere sympathy goes to THOMAS POPEK on the loss of his mother, MRS. LUCILLE POPEK; to JULIUS BOCCIO on the loss of his mother, MRS. MARIE BOCCIO; to MR. KELLY on the loss of his mother, and to BRUNO ROSKUSZKA on the loss of his father, WALTER ROSKUSZKA. . . We are happy to see our newlywed, CATHY MANGON, is no longer limping as the result of a broken toe incurred one morning on her way to the office. . . Congratulations to FRANK and DIANE BALICE on the birth of their daughter, LAURA JEAN, on January 20.

*- Carmella Gargano*

### ELECTRICAL -

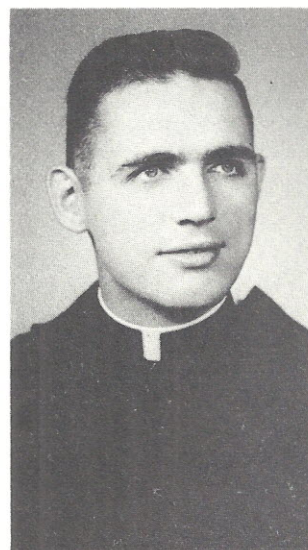
January was a busy month for the stork. The HEINRICH LAURICH family was blessed with a little girl, MICHELLE, on January 8. The HOLIBAUGH KURT family with CAROL CHRISTINA on January 5, and the COYLE

family with a boy, EDWARD ANTHONY, on January 8. . . December 8 was the birthday of NICOLAS RICHARD, whose proud father is RICHARD NICOLAS GRISSETO. . . January also brought the termination of employment for three of our friends, Electrician SYLVESTER ROLNIKI who left January 1, Chief Operator BUDDY PARDELL and Chief Operator IGNATIUS O'SHAUGNESSY who retired on January 31. . . RAY SIERS is vacationing in Houston, Texas, and enjoying the delicious shrimp. . . The REGAL family is basking in the sun at Miama Beach. . . Florida appeals to our pensioners also, AIDEN KENNY and TOM CALLAHAN are keeping young riding bikes in the Florida sun.

We enjoyed visits from pensioners GEORGE NELSON, GEORGE BECKER, CHARLEY STAHL, GILBERT ANDREWS and ED BRECKLE. . . Sickness and accidents have caused us much concern. Those affected are FRANK RUSNAK, chief operator at State Street substation; EDWARD KEATING, Utility man; CLARENCE HOSANG, "B" electrician, and FRANK DORSCH, chief operator at Illinois substation. . . Chief Operators JOHN WEGL and FRANK RUSNAK have both returned after sickness absences. . . Congratulations were in order to Line Maintenance Foreman FRED KOSS, who became a grandfather for the first time when his daughter, MRS. FRANCES RIEGER, gave birth to a baby girl on December 31. The proud parents named the new arrival KAREN MARIE. . . H. D. WILSON, design engineer, recently returned from his vacation during the Christmas holidays. He spent an enjoyable time with his family and friends. Chief Testing Engineer JIM STEWARD spent his vacation doing some necessary decorating around his home. . . FRANK PIONKE, retired light maintenance foreman, along with his wife stopped in recently to pay us a visit. Both Mr. and Mrs. Pionke are enjoying the best of health. . . EBON FRANK, third rail maintenance foreman, is still convalescing from his illness at home; we all wish Ebon the best and hope that he will recover completely from his illness soon. As of this writing, LINEMEN JIM McANDREWS, and E. WHITING are on vacation.

*- Don Crandall & William Rehder*

THE ORDINATION of REV. EREND EDWARD W. NOVAK took place in Chicago on February 1 in St. Clare of Montefalco church. The following day, Father Novak offered his first solemn mass in St. John Fisher church. Father has returned to the Augustinian College in Washington, D.C., to continue his studies, but will return to the Middle West for assignment in June. Parents of the new priest are MR. and MRS. EDWARD W. NOVAK of 10400 S. Whipple. Mr. Novak is relief district superintendent, Districts "A" and "B."





## FOREST GLEN -

We had two operators join the list of pensioners at Forest Glen. They are MILES COLEMAN and ELMER GNECH. We wish them many years of leisure living. . . OPERATOR GEORGE and MARY SPORLEDER motored to Nashville, Tennessee, to see their new-born grandchild. . . OPERATOR ED KRUSER and his wife, EMILY, celebrated 38 years of wedded bliss on January 23. They have three children and seven grandchildren. We wish to extend our congratulations to the happy couple and hope they have many years of continued happiness. . . Received a card from OPERATOR JOE LA BIANCA, who was vacationing down in Tampa, Florida. Joe, I can visualize what you were enjoying, as I had a taste of it not too long ago. . . Received a Christmas card from PENSIONER HAROLD LIZARS, who resides in St. Petersburg, Florida, but I was sorry not to have received an address. Harold, if you read this article please send me your address. In the near future I would like to publish the names and addresses of pensioners in Florida, this may bring together a couple of fellow workers. FRED BARTZ is in St. Petersburg, Harold, maybe you can look him up.

I am sorry about having to report numerous deaths in the past month. OPERATOR HAROLD SCHOLLE reported for work on December 30 and was stricken with a fatal heart attack. Other deaths: the son of OPERATOR MITCHELL COLQUITT, the brother of OPERATOR WILLIAM KVIZ, the mother-in-law of OPERATOR JIM COBURN, the mother of OPERATOR BOB BUSAM, the father of OPERATOR DICK FINGAL, and PENSIONER CHARLES WITKOWSKI. . . It is rumored through the grape-vine that RECEIVER ED STENZEL hauled in his boat from Michigan and has it in dry dock. He is in the process of sanding and preparing it for the coming season. He has promised to take Relief Superintendent JACK MORRIS fishing and is anxious to have the boat in tip top shape. I'm sure Ed and Jack will have a good time. Attended the annual Forest Glen credit union meeting, which had a very good attendance. OPERATOR MARTIN CAREY won first prize (A new uniform) and OPERATOR R. MELGAARD won second prize (\$25.00 savings bond). Your scribe attended the January meeting of Local #241 at Ashland and Vanburen (Forest Glen did very well) and witnessed OPERATOR CLEVEN WARDLOW Badge #1972, Limits depot, receive recognition from PRESIDENT DAN McNAMARA for his exceptional courtesy record. Operator Wardlow spoke to the large group and did very well. He impressed me as having a good train of thought and a psychological approach, which pays off when performing duties in serving the public. I'm sure this is a big boost to our Courtesy Caravan. Let's all get behind the Courtesy Caravan and give Chicago something to be proud of.

This is an announcement I am happy to make. Your scribe's number one daughter, BEVERLY ANN, received an engagement ring on December 20 from DENNIS W. POWELL, master sergeant Illinois Air National Guard, stationed at O'Hare Air Force Base. The wedding date has not been set as yet. CLERK HADDON PHILLIPS and his wife are getting ready to go to Florida, but a few days prior to the starting date they didn't know whether they were driving or flying. It seems Haddon made arrangements to drive a Cadillac down there. Incidentally, Haddon bumped your scribe off a day job, so

I am back on what I call a night and day relief. That was one of my favorite songs, but I never dreamed of it staying with me so long. Getting back to Haddon's transportation, I overheard part of a phone conversation regarding the auto and it seems as though the trunk is to be fully occupied with various household items, that leaves the back of the car for their luggage, unless last minute arrangements by the owner of the vehicle are made for that space this would prompt Haddon to make up his mind in a hurry. Then there was the question of having to pick up the auto in Berwyn, that's when he did a take-off! He was up in the air all afternoon. We will not know until they get back from Florida whether they travelled by land or air. We hope they enjoy themselves while down there.

- Frank Carpio

## GENERAL OFFICE (Transportation) -

BOB QUETSCHKE, his lovely wife, JUNE, and their two sons, PHILLIP and ROBERT, left Chicago the day after Christmas and drove to Florida where they were the guests of JACK and WANDA KRAUSE, former CTA employees. They were warmly welcomed and royally entertained by Jack and Wanda and enjoyed the trip to the fullest. . . Switchboard Operator EVA TESSAROLO is showing a beautiful diamond placed on the third finger of her left hand by EMIL MARCIN. They plan to be married this fall.

## (Stenographic-Duplicating) -

Congratulations to STANLEY CHRISTENSEN and his wife, COLLEEN, on the birth of their son on January 8, who they named SCOTT DOUGLAS.

## (Insurance) -

The welcome mat was out for RONNIE BRUCKER, who transferred to the Insurance Department from Staff Engineering. . . GERRY LO COCO is at home recuperating from a recent stay in the hospital for surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope she will be back soon. . . Congratulations to CHARLEY SMITH. His daughter, CAROL, presented him with his third grandchild on January 23. It was a boy, and makes two boys and one girl for the family.

- Ann Golding

## KEDZIE -

OPERATOR LUDVIG GUST retired on January 1 with 35 years of service. His three daughters, JEANNE POINTES, DOROTHY BIDIER, and MARTHA DYE, and a few of his 13 grandchildren met him at the station on his last day and they had coffee and cake for the office force. May you have many happy and healthful retirement days. . . JOHN TOMS, who had been on the sick list for some time, retired on February 1. Hope you have better health and many happy retirement days. . . Retiring on March 1 is our No. 1 man, EDWARD COLBERG, with 44 years service. We wish you many happy and healthful years to come. . . Our sympathy is extended to the families of COLLECTOR OLDRICH HOVORKA, SALVATORE MONTELOONE, and JOHN CHAMBERS, who died recently. . . OPERATOR FRED REED became a ticket agent. Good luck, Fred.

- C. P. Starr



## INSIDE NEWS

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### CTA TRANSIT NEWS

#### KEELER -

The coffee and rolls furnished the station recently by management in recognition of the good effort made in accident reduction in 1963 was well received by all. Lets show our appreciation by making everyday a safe driving day. Keep a safe buffer zone around your bus at all times . . . The game of chess has become very popular in the trainroom at Keeler. The rivalry is great among the boys as they are seen daily check-mating each other during their swing time . . . A victim of the love bug early this leap year is Bus Cleaner BILL MIEDEMA, who announced his engagement to MISS JACKIE KEELING . . . Bus Cleaner DICK HARTMEN was recently promoted to "B" repairman and transferred to Forest Glen . . . We extend our sincere sympathy to JIM HALL on the loss of his father, JIM HEATH on the loss of his father, RICHARD WILSON on the loss of his father, LUBOMYR KUZYK on the loss of his father and LUCIUS BANKS on the loss of his mother . . . We are sorry to report the death of PETER ROBACK, retired Repair Department foreman. Our condolences to his family.

- Elmer Riedel

#### LIMITS -

OPERATOR CHARLES GREER and his wife spent four weeks in Jacksonville, Florida, at the home of the latter's mother. They report temperatures in the 70's by day and cool nights. Charlie said they had a lot of fish but needed no bait as they enjoyed them in those wonderful eating houses overlooking the ocean . . . RECEIVER GEORGE SINGER vacationed during December and January . . . OPERATOR CLEVEN WARDLOW, who has received 200 commendations during his eleven years as an operator, was interviewed on the JERRY HARPER TV show recently. Cleven was a perfect guest . . . Yours truly and his wife became grandparents when our daughter, MRS. PAUL MURRAY, introduced JANICE ROSE to the world on Christmas eve. Janice has two sisters, JEAN and JILL, and a brother JOHN. The newest member of the family was baptized by her uncle, FATHER ROBERT CLARK . . . OPERATOR FRED CROCKETT's son, DR. FRED CROCKETT JR. of Danville, Illinois, his wife and four children spent the holidays with his parents in Chicago. The doctor and his wife went to the Bahamas for a two-week vacation leaving the four children with their grandparents . . . OPERATOR CLARENCE BUTHMAN is still on the sick list and at home as of this writing. . . OPERATOR ELMER BRIESKE has transferred to North avenue depot as a collector. . . OPERATOR ROY MEYER has returned to work after a two and one-half month siege of illness. Roy was in the hospital for nine days. During his illness, his wife also became ill and spent two weeks in the hospital. Upon returning home, she was cared for by her daughter-in-law, MRS. ROY MEYER JR. of Bloomington, Illinois.

RECEIVER JOHN SMINKO was in GEORGE SINGER's place during George's vacation . . . OPERATOR RICHARD STEPHENS went to West Frankfort, Illinois, by train and purchased a car which he drove home . . . OPERATOR ROY KLINGENMAIER submitted to surgery and is in the hospital at this writing. His wife is also confined as a medical case . . . OPERATOR WILLIAM ALBRO has returned to work after surgery and is now on his picked vacation . . . Coffee and donuts were served all day on January 16 at Limits depot by the management for a good accident record in 1963 . . . We extend our sympathy to Chief Clerk and Mrs. ROGER WARD on the death of her sister . . . At the recent pick of clerks and receivers LEE CUMBER came to Limits from Kedzie as a combination clerk . . . CLERK GIOVANNI is dividing his time between Limits and North Park. ROLAND HEAD and EARL McLAUGHLIN went on relief jobs . . . OPERATOR STANLEY TUREK and his wife celebrated the 25th anniversary of their wedding on January 25. Their daughter had a surprise party at their home and many friends and relatives attended . . . MAUREEN CRONIN, daughter of OPERATOR PAT and EMILY, is majoring in physical education at the University of Illinois in Urbana . . . The annual meeting of the Limits Federal Credit Union was held on January 19 at the Waveland club. We had a very fine attendance and it was good to see MICHAEL J. COLLINS, who retired from Limits in 1953 as a motorman. We were glad to see O. W. KITZ, who retired after 38 years service on the rapid transit. Also former OPERATOR McPHEE, who retired in 1963 from Limits.

It was nice to see our former credit union president, BRUNO KARP, and his son, KENNETH . . . Retired Operator LOU MONCKTON retired as president of Limits credit union and was replaced by CHARLES HEROLD. All other officers remained the same . . . Delicious refreshments were served and many beautiful prizes were won by both children and adults. It was voted a four percent dividend be paid. We ask all members of our credit union to turn in their books for the annual audit and be credited with your dividend . . . Remember you can borrow and save with your credit union, now payable by a payroll deduction.

- George Clark

#### LOOP (Agents) -

AGENT ARLENE SWANSON's son, BARRY GLASGOW, was married to MISS CATHERINE CLACHER on January 25 in Sacred Heart church in Lombard. The reception was held at the Pheasant Lodge in St. Charles. The couple spent two weeks in Sunny Florida. They are now living at the King Arthur apartments in Addison, Illinois . . . I would like to welcome back MRS. DELORES BERO, who was at one time our agent known as DELORES BURNS. Welcome home! . . . We are glad to see AGENT MARY BROWN back to work after four weeks at home because of illness. Keep well, Mary. We missed your pleasant smile and cheery hello . . . As you go through

### TRANSIT AD

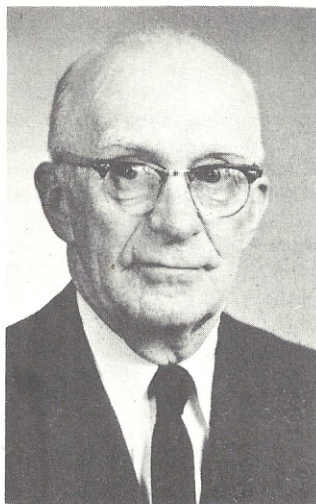
FOR SALE: Hand made hats - flower, veil and straw. Call Retired Agent Ann Fay, FOrest 9-9043.



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A YOUNG fellow who always wanted to be a streetcar man and got his wish, closed out a 42-year career as a transit employe with his retirement on February 1.

Joseph P. Carney, District "A" instructor since 1951, started out as a conductor at the old Burnside car barn of the Chicago Surface Lines on October 18, 1922, and for the next 20 years worked as conductor, motorman and one-man operator. In 1942 he was appointed a supervisor, and in 1951 he was named an instructor.



Practically all his working hours since that time have been spent in breaking-in new men on streetcars and buses and he estimates he has instructed about 3,000 men over that period. Carney liked the job and he has a host of friends who hold him in deep regard as a real "nice guy."

Since his Burnside days he has worked at Beverly, 77th and 52nd, where he was stationed at the time of his retirement.

Clark and Lake outer station you will see a new look. The windows sparkle and the booth is so clean and orderly. Thanks to AGENT ANN WASTIER . . . Good luck and good health to AGENTS J. MORROW and C. HILL as they start their pension on February 1. Be sure to come around every so often and say hello.

- Mildred Doyle

### NORTH SECTION (Agents) -

My spies report that GRACE LESLIE has been seen driving around in a brand new Chevrolet. Grace's two daughters were in town for the Christmas holidays, and they had a wonderful time being chauffeured in a new car . . . PAT ROSENGARTEN's mother and daughter came up from New Orleans to spend the holidays with her. While enjoying our severe winter weather they missed New Orleans' first snowfall in over 50 years . . . WARD MARX has been released from the hospital and is at present recuperating at home. He asked me to thank everyone for their thoughtfulness for those phone calls and all the get well cards. We all hope that he'll be back to work soon . . . Several agents got together after the union meeting for some post election celebrating. BETTY HAWKINS sent MINA KING, MARY CASSELLS, FEDELMA HENRY, MIKE O'CONNELL and myself, into complete hysterics with her story about the amazing effects of gooseberry pie. Mary also had a rather interesting tale about a certain lady in pink . . . DARLEEN WALSH is back to work after a long stay on the sick list. Everyone was glad to see her back.

MINA KING and FEDELMA HENRY gave an "Olive Drab" dinner party for BOB ALLIE. Bob is going into the army next month. CATHY PODLASEK, MIKE O'CONNELL, MARGE and DALE POTTER, PAT EGAN, BILL GILL, GAYLEE HILDBOLD, JEAN HAMILTON, ANNABELLE DREW, and your reporter all joined in on the fun. However, it seemed that no one there was able

to sing in harmony, although several tried . . . At this writing, RICKY FOSTER's dad, DICK MERCER, is in the hospital. We all wish him a speedy recovery . . . Our beautiful p.m. agent at Loyola, ELIZABETH DONAHUE, is so popular with the Loyola students passing through her station, that they want to put her up for football queen . . . FRED BLONIARZ had a wonderful Christmas present this year. His son, Sergeant JOHN BLONIARZ, was discharged from the army . . . Former Agent SHARON MURPHY, daughter of EARL MURPHY, was back in Chicago over the holidays . . . As of this writing, R. PEARSON, H. SIEBERT, and HAROLD HAWKINS are on the sick list. We wish them a speedy recovery.

- Ted Brennan

### NORTH AVENUE -

The North avenue credit union party was held January 10 at LaFollette Park. Prize winners were Dan Heafey, Ray Spakowski, Mike Bystrek, Burton France, Elsie Schmutzler, Phyllis Neugebauer, John Jacoby, A. W. Noble, Florian Dwiell, John Craig, Bill Woebel, Frank Norlock, Paul Christino, Charles Munsig, Connie O'Shea, Helen Pawlicke and Al Rohde. Pensioner Art Halek and his wife, Clara, joined the festivities.

Congratulations to DENNIS SHALLBETTER, repair department, and his bride, the former PATRICIA FROLICK, who were married January 11; and to OPERATOR ANTHONY KEMP and his bride, the former ANN JOYCE, who were married recently. SUPERVISOR WILLIAM YOUNGLOVE's daughter, EILEEN MARIE, is engaged to PHILLIP R. SHERRY of Des Plaines, Illinois . . . OPERATOR JERRY SCOTT and his wife, SHERRON, announced the birth of ANITA DAWN, born on Christmas Day at St. Mary's hospital. REPAIRMAN MICHAEL CHRUPICK and his wife, MILDRED, became grandparents when JAMES MICHAEL HARTER was born on December 30 at Lying-In hospital. OPERATOR ROGER AYOTTE and his wife, HALINA, announced the birth of a baby girl on December 29. OPERATOR JOSEPH LAZZARRA joined the grandfather's club for the eighth time when his daughter, ANGELA GRZESIK, gave birth to MARY JO on January 9 at St. Joseph's hospital. He has four granddaughters and four grandsons. OPERATOR JOHN HARTMAN and his wife, ANNA, became the grandparents of PAULA ANN, born January 11 at Augustana hospital. The parents are PETER and DONNA HAYDEN. Congratulations to all . . . PENSIONER FRED HANSEN and his wife, MARIE, celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary on January 23. Congratulations from all members of the instruction force. Congratulations also to Switchboard Operator JOE SMITH and his wife, who celebrated their 29th anniversary on February 6; INSTRUCTOR JAMES BROGAN and his wife, who celebrated their 25th anniversary on January 18, and OPERATOR CLARENCE VOSS and his wife, who celebrated their 36th anniversary on February 15.

Many happy returns of the day to Switchboard Operator EDWARD LEE, who celebrated his birthday on January 9 and treated all to cake and coffee; to CLERK RUSS GUNDERSON whose birthday was on March 7; to CLERK JOSEPH DILLON - March 19; SUPERINTENDENT GEORGE MAY - February 28, and SUPERINTENDENT FRAND BEUTOW - February 29. We expect a big cele-



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bration with cake and coffee, Frank. When a man has a birthday only every fourth year it's really cause for celebration . . . OPERATOR WILLIAM REDMOND was informed on New Year's Eve that he was the winner of a prize from Barry Council of K. C. He receives \$50 a month for 12 months . . . The son of SUPERVISOR THOMAS MACE, TOM JR., is home from the service. He served his country at Alameda, California, at the ranger base. Switchboard Operator JOHN STICH's son, JOHN, is stationed at Beale Air Force Base in California . . . OPERATOR JOSEPH LYNCH joined the ranks of street collectors. OPERATOR ARTHUR BASEDOW started as a collector on January 1. Former Operator LAWRENCE SHALLBETTER, now a ticket agent on the elevated, has a son, DENNIS, working in the repair department at North avenue. Welcome, Dennis . . . INSTRUCTOR CLARENCE LEMKE has been on the sick list and is recuperating. Hurry back, Clarence. OPERATOR MICHAEL CARPINELLI's wife, HELEN, is in South Chicago hospital convalescing. We wish her a speedy recovery . . . OPERATOR MARTIN KEHOE is at home recovering from a fall on the ice. Get well soon, Martin.

SUPERVISOR JOHN BARK was appointed instructor on January 5. Congratulations . . . GEORGE "Sinatra" KUENSTLE, North avenue repair department, is getting a patent for one of his ideas. George says the CTA has the best transit system in the country. He recently returned from his vacation at Houston, Texas. Houston is finally getting CTA type buses. Theirs are air-conditioned which they need down there . . . Night Foreman ERNEST PEARSON, repair department, has been ice fishing at Lake Geneva and Lake Como. He reports fishing is poor . . . Five friends stopped by at North avenue for visits, PENSIONERS ARTHUR KRAFT, JAMES SAMPEY, JOSEPH TILL, FRED HALE, and KELLY LUSSEM. Following Kelly's visit he took sick and is recuperating at home . . . GEORGE BAEHR, repair department, took his pension on January 1 after 21 years of service. OPERATOR JOHN ZIEMBA is taking his pension on March 1 after 38 years of service. Our best



A RETIRED Chicago policeman who served as a conductor with the former Chicago Union Traction company in the early 1900's submitted this picture of a U. S. Mail car. He is HENRY NEBELSIEK (arrow), who worked on the extra list out of Lawndale car barn, where this picture was taken in 1908. Henry joined the police force in 1912, retired in 1940, is now 75 years old, and a resident of Miami, Florida.

wishes to both . . . OPERATOR HOWARD HANCOCK lost his son, GARY, when a fire swept through his home. We extend our heartfelt sympathy. Our condolences to the family of SUPERVISOR AL HAVORKA, who passed away on December 25. Al was terminal man at Lake and Austin. Our condolences also to the family of PENSIONER JOHN KIDNEY, who passed away on January 6; to OPERATOR REGINALD BARRON, who lost his mother, EMILY, on December 31; to OPERATOR CHARLES KARAFOTAS, whose mother passed away on December 31; to SUPERINTENDENT GEORGE MAY, who lost his brother, THEODORE, on January 18, and to REPAIRMAN JAMES GORCZYNSKI, whose mother passed away suddenly on January 23 . . . OPERATOR CHARLES BOWEN is being inducted into the armed forces.

- Bill Miedema

### PURCHASING & STORES (Stores) -

Before MARY MAHER resigned from Stores to become MRS. GEORGE LEUBSCHER, her friends and co-workers gave a dinner in her honor at the Italian Village and presented her with a lovely imported Damask tablecloth. Mary and George were among the first to be married in 1964 . . . The new gal in our office is BETTIE BROOKS RYAN, who replaced Mary Maher . . . Our wishes for her happiness go to BARBARA ROCHON, who received her diamond engagement ring as a Christmas gift from LAWRENCE JACOB. They plan to become Mr. and Mrs. sometime in June . . . This reporter and her husband recently changed their whole way of living when "WIMPY," a little German Schnauzer, came to live with them. After the first initial shock of adjusting to this little mischief maker, they are proud to be his owners and are enjoying him very much.

### (Blue Island) -

It's a granddaughter for MR. and MRS. ED BRUCKNER! They became grandparents for the second time when NANCY ANN was born to their daughter and son-in-law, MR. and MRS. ALBERT HUNSAKER, of San Diego, California.

- D. Jane Bell

### SCHEDULE - TRAFFIC -

HAROLD HIRSCH, engineering assistant, MRS. HIRSCH and their son, DANNY, age 1-1/2 years, vacationed in Tampa, Florida, where Harold's parents reside. Little Danny had the opportunity to get better acquainted with his grandparents and also a great grandfather who resides there . . . CLARK JOHNSON and MRS. JOHNSON drove to Huntsville, Alabama, where they visited with friends . . . EDWARD BENNIS, son of JOHN BENNIS, traffic clerk, left for army service and will be stationed at Ft. Knox, Kentucky . . . JOSEPH RITROVATO, traffic checker, was inducted into the military service . . . LAWRENCE VANCE, traffic checker, is the proud owner of a 1964 Oldsmobile . . . This is my last column for the TRANSIT NEWS, and I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their cooperation and also to bid all my good friends of the CTA a fond farewell as I start a happy retirement . . . LAURA SCHRECKE is going to continue the column for the Schedule-Traffic Department and I know she will appreciate your help in giving her news.

- Gertrude Anderson



## RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

EDNA BELL, 69, 61st street,  
Emp. 7-18-22. Died 12-18-63

THOMAS BRADLEY, 75, Kedzie,  
Emp. 6-11-20. Died 12-05-63

ERNEST CHAMBERS, 37, Kedzie,  
Emp. 2-21-52. Died 1-03-64

V. E. COLSON, 76, North avenue,  
Emp. 7-25-23. Died 12-08-63

M. J. CROFTON, 72, West Section,  
Emp. 8-10-25. Died 12-08-63

EDWARD DOYLE, 59, South Section,  
Emp. 6-05-40. Died 1-12-64

EVANS DRAPER, 64, South Section,  
Emp. 1-06-47. Died 12-29-63

A. J. DUFFY, 48, South Section,  
Emp. 7-10-46. Died 12-15-63

CARMINE FALBO, 74, North avenue,  
Emp. 4-06-43. Died 12-30-63

EMIL GAGLER, 76, District "C"  
Emp. 10-03-07. Died 12-18-63

HENRY GALLOIS, 59, South Section,  
Emp. 11-22-28. Died 1-02-64

JOHN GARTNER, 79, West Grand,  
Emp. 5-25-18. Died 12-12-63

J. W. GEBIS, 68, West Shops,  
Emp. 5-24-37. Died 12-29-63

HUGO GLASING, 65, General Office,  
Emp. 5-08-28. Died 12-05-63

LEROY W. GOERING, 61, South Shops,  
Emp. 7-15-17. Died 1-06-64

HENRY HARDEN, 53, South Section,  
Emp. 5-15-46. Died 12-25-63

LOUIS HECHLER, 70, 61st street,  
Emp. 6-04-25. Died 12-26-63

E. H. HEMPEL, 79, West Section,  
Emp. 5-08-08. Died 12-30-63

SYLVESTER HENNESSY, 80, Noble,  
Emp. 8-10-08. Died 12-04-63

R. T. HINTZ, 65, 77th street,  
Emp. 4-08-26. Died 12-10-63

OLDRICH HOVORKA, 47, Kedzie,  
Emp. 9-06-45. Died 12-25-63

JAMES KASTNER, 77, Lake street,  
Emp. 1-26-27. Died 12-27-63

G. H. KING, 73, 77th street,  
Emp. 1-18-23. Died 12-30-63

E. L. KLEWIN, 66, North avenue,  
Emp. 6-09-20. Died 12-09-63

J. T. KUBES, 66, Lake street,  
Emp. 9-24-37. Died 12-29-63

W. J. KUEHL, 75, Devon,  
Emp. 7-19-20. Died 12-24-63

JULIA LELLINGER, 70, General Office,  
Emp. 4-24-11. Died 12-31-63

P. A. LEXIN, 70, Wilson,  
Emp. 5-17-20. Died 12-29-63

G. R. LISKA, 81, CTA Police,  
Emp. 10-16-39. Died 12-01-63

A. J. MADDEN, 70, 61st street,  
Emp. 7-16-25. Died 12-27-63

JOSEPH MALINOWSKI, 46, West Section,  
Emp. 10-25-45. Died 1-10-64

WILLIAM McDONAGH, 74, Track,  
Emp. 5-24-37. Died 12-29-63

MARGARET McDONALD, 87, 61st street,  
Emp. 5-21-23. Died 12-29-63

R. H. McDONALD, 62, Kedzie,  
Emp. 4-30-24. Died 12-13-63

D. B. MURPHY, 64, Beverly,  
Emp. 5-01-26. Died 12-14-63

SALVATORE MONTELEONE, 53, Kedzie,  
Emp. 9-18-42. Died 12-28-63

JAMES MORAN, 65, Wilson,  
Emp. 6-12-41. Died 12-13-63

MICHAEL NEMLAHA, 58, West Shops,  
Emp. 12-04-22. Died 1-08-64

FRANK NICASTRO, 80, Way & Struct.,  
Emp. 5-16-21. Died 12-26-63

D. J. O'CONNOR, 81, Kedzie,  
Emp. 3-04-05. Died 12-14-63

WILLIAM PASKVAN, 75, Track,  
Emp. 7-16-43. Died 12-13-63

AXEL PETERSON, 59, Wilson Shops,  
Emp. 2-18-29. Died 12-21-63

M. T. REZAB, 76, Loop,  
Emp. 5-16-44. Died 12-30-63

HAROLD SCHOLLE, 60, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 2-28-28. Died 1-02-64

C. B. SCHWARTZ, 86, Kedzie,  
Emp. 12-24-01. Died 12-26-63

O. J. SIMPSON, 81, West Section,  
Emp. 2-23-18. Died 12-31-63

RAYMOND C. STANG, 63, 69th street,  
Emp. 3-17-43. Died 1-11-64

JAN STANKIEWICZ, 70, North avenue,  
Emp. 5-03-26. Died 12-18-63

V. I. VERDIS, 69, Cottage Grove,  
Emp. 1-04-29. Died 12-04-63

L. C. VICK, 80, South Shops,  
Emp. 3-08-23. Died 12-13-63

G. J. VRBA, 82, Lawndale,  
Emp. 5-16-44. Died 12-30-63

J. O. WEAVER, 91, Lincoln,  
Emp. 9-30-01. Died 12-14-63

HENRY WORKMAN, 66, 77th street,  
Emp. 4-18-17. Died 11-25-63

CHARLES ZELVIS, 79, Archer,  
Emp. 1-19-24. Died 12-30-63

### SKOKIE SHOPS -

Welcome back to ALPHONSE SCHMITZ, carpenter, who recently returned to work . . . CATHERINE ANN HARNETT, typist, recently had her name in print when she "Beat the Champs" at bowling. Congratulations, Catherine Ann. I wonder how many copies of the Sun-Times Catherine Ann has? . . . PAUL EHMKE, machin-

ist, who recently had a heart attack while on vacation, is now recuperating at home. Hurry back . . . HOWARD JENSEN, clerk, will be undergoing surgery at Lutheran General hospital. Hurry and get well Howie . . . DAVID GREIG, electrical apprentice, tells us his son, DAVID JR., is getting along fine after having his finger cut off. Fortunately the doctors were able to sew it back on and David will have full use of his finger . . . ROBERT MET-



## INSIDE NEWS

ROW, painter, is sporting a '64 Classic V8 Rambler and HAROLD TAIT, electrical worker, has a Cadillac with air conditioning and all power equipment. Good riding, boys.

- Everett E. England

### SOUTH SECTION -

Well, boys and girls, we are not doing too badly in the weather department so far this winter. After the bitter cold spell of below zero temperatures we had in December, we're having a pretty good winter. . . CONDUCTOR RONALD HOWARD was beaming from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of a baby daughter, RHONDA, born December 8. This now makes a boy and a girl for the Howard family. . . Best regards to AGENT JOSEPHINE MEYER, who went on pension January 1. She worked the PM at 61st street station for years. It will seem funny not to see her at her post. . . Part-time Agent WEINNARD SPRINGER was transferred to the Shop Department, Surface Division, on December 31. We all wish him good luck. . . We were all so shocked to hear of the sudden passing away of CONDUCTOR EDWARD DOYLE on January 12. He worked at Loomis street. Our sincere condolences to his family. . . We are glad to see our sick list people coming back to work and feeling good again: MOTORMAN EARL WINTER, CONDUCTORS JOSEPH KOLMAN, ROBERT HARPER, and WILLIAM HUNNIFORD, AGENTS LORETTA POTVIN, JOHN DUNDON, and PORTER WILEY STEWARD.

Two more new members of the "Courtesy Caravan Club" are CONDUCTORS WILLIAM ROWE and JAMES DORSEY, who each received passenger commendations for their distinct calling of stations and polite and courteous manner. . . Welcome to transferred agents from other sections who just came over on the new agent pick that became effective recently: AGENTS JAMES HARRINGTON, HARRIET BONDS, ILA McELROY, THERESA DIXON, TOMMIE CLARK, and ODELL THOMPSON. AGENTS JAMES HARRINGTON and THERESA DIXON are currently on the sicklist. Transferring to other sections from the South Section are: AGENTS JUANITA BYARS, KAY SMITH, and CLIFFORD HERCHENRODER. . . Our newest hero is MOTORMAN FRED KLOCKLING, who was instrumental in the apprehension of a bandit who robbed a drive-in food and liquor mart in Calumet City recently while Fred was in the store making purchases. He and two other store employees identified the man when he was later captured by the police. . . Another item of sadness, AGENT HENRY GALLOIS passed away on January 2. Our sympathy goes out to his family. . . Congratulations to AGENT JEAN GUSTAFSON, who was married recently. May you have much happiness. . . AGENT JACQUELINE THOMAS is a happy girl these days. She transferred from a part-time agent to a full-time agent. . . Another newpappa is MOTORMAN PAUL WEST Jr., who announced the birth of his first child, a baby boy named PAUL EDWARD, born January 16. . . AGENT RUTH TURNER received a \$5.00 award for a suggestion that was adopted by the CTA recently. . . Two of our porters passed away during the holidays. HENRY HARDEN passed away on December 24 and EVANS DRAPER, who was on the sick list for many months, passed away on December 29. All of us send our sympathies to their families.



A 37-YEAR career in transit was brought to a close on January 1, when 77th street Bus Repairman PETE HENRY (second from right) retired. After coffee and rolls were served, friends and co-workers gathered to wish Pete a long and happy retirement. Pictured here are (from left to right): Foreman WILLIAM SCOTT, JIMMY BRENNAN, Pete, and JOE KACMARSKI.

A gay time was had by all who attended the South Side "L" Credit Union annual meeting and get-together which was held on Sunday, January 19 at Viking Temple. The refreshments were real good. We saw and talked to many of our pensioners there: Retired Conductors MATT GALLAGHER, JOHN MORLEY, DENNIS BARRY, RAY DOUGHTY, AGENTS LULU HAMANN, ROSE HEIDENBLUT, and PATRICK WALSH, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS and Retired Vice-President of Amalgamated International PATRICK GANLEY. Everyone was looking well and having a good time. Speaking of the credit union, it is so easy to save now. Just sign up for payroll deductions. See FRED GRONEMEYER, treasurer; as the old saying goes "Save something, it's better than nothing." . . We were sorry to hear that two of our retired agents passed away recently: MARGARET McDONALD and ANNA GORMAN. . . Retired Supervisor CHARLES SPIELMAN was in recently to see all the boys at 61st street and he says he is enjoying his retirement very much. . . Received a letter from Retired Motorman JOHN LOUGHLIN and he says that he and his wife are living out in Buena Park, California, and they just love the West Coast. They send their regards to everyone. . . Just heard that Retired Agent BRIDIE MULDOON is in the Rosary Hill Convalescent home. Retired Agent MARTHA ENNIS is in the same home. How about sending them each a card. . . Retired Motorman CHARLES McMORROW and his wife have bought a home out in Arkansas and they say they enjoy living out there.

- Verna Hartney

### SOUTH SHOPS -

Paying us a surprise visit during the Christmas holiday was GERRY MROZ, former booth clerk and reporter for this column who is currently stationed with the army in Fort Hood, Texas. Gerry is enjoying his enlistment and in view of the extra pounds he is carrying around, the food was enjoyed even more. Gerry asks to say "hello" to the friends he missed while here and he promises to keep us informed from time to time on his ac-



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tivities . . . CHARLIE BUZA, S & E Department, and his lovely wife, RENE, spent their Christmas vacation at the home of CHARLIE's sister, EDNA ANDERSON, her husband, BRUCE, and their five children, BRUCE JR., TERRANCE, JOHN, LAWRENCE, and SHEILA in Angola, Indiana. Everything went fine until time to go home when the battery spewed acid and nothing but replacing it with a new one would do. After that was done the Buza's were on their way and thus ended a memorable Christmas holiday spent at their favorite retreat . . . Best wishes to PAT COLOSIMO, laborer, on his retirement which began February 1 after 20 years with CTA. Pat plans to do quite a bit of travelling around before he chooses a spot to sit back and relax in. After purchasing a new car, Pat plans travelling to such places as Florida, California, and Arizona. Best of luck on the long road ahead.

The PIPOWSKI's - CLARENCE, Upholsterer, and his wife, MARIE, had a double celebration in January. Their son, ROBERT, returned home on leave for 48 days after three years away and is now a specialist 4 with the First Cavalry stationed at Fort Sheridan. Their second celebration was their 25th wedding anniversary which they waited to celebrate until Robert could be there. The gala occasion took place on January 7 twenty-five years ago... Sympathy is extended to the family of LEROY GOERING, Electrical Worker "A," who passed away January 6 at Wesley Memorial hospital after a short illness. He compiled 47 years with CTA last July.

- Kay Guzovich & Diana McLemore

### TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Wilson Car Cleaner GEORGE KLEIN became a father for the fifth time when his wife presented him with a bouncing baby boy. Congratulations to the parents . . . LOUIS CORTOPASSI, HENRY DICKERSON, HENRY HUGHES, repairmen, and GUY LePORE, car cleaner, were the few lucky individuals who enjoyed days of rest and relaxation . . . THOMAS PERTEE of 61st enjoyed a warm vacation and good fishing when he was in Florida while fellow workers CONNIE RIORDAN and FRANK CLARK, repairmen, spent their vacation seeing the sites of Chicago . . . REPAIRMAN HENRY CARTER spent his holidays in his old hometown of Philadelphia . . . PENSIONER CLAUDE CONLEY, who now resides in Phoenix, Illinois, paid us a visit and is in the best of health . . . After 17 years of service, Lake street Repairman LUTHER WARRICK retired. The boys gave him a going away present and extended their best wishes for future happiness . . . Sorry to hear that Car Cleaner MAX NETZEL is off with a broken knee cap and REPAIRMAN LLOYD ROBINSON suffered a broken leg. Hope you boys weren't fighting with each other.

- Ray Bryczek

### WEST SECTION (Agents) -

On February 1 AGENT JAMES MORROW joined the ranks of the retired after 35 years of service in transportation. All join me in wishing Jim many years of happiness and good health . . . AGENT MARIAN ZYCHAL started out the new year by being the recipient of a diamond engagement ring given her by CONDUCTOR HARRY FILIP. While we do not wish to mention names,

there is one agent who is wishing those well known bells will be ringing before his retirement effective early next fall . . . Hearty congratulations to AUSTIN YOUNG, member of the porter staff, who celebrated his birthday anniversary on December 24. While he dislikes having his birthday so close to Christmas he considers himself fortunate that he wasn't born during leap year thereby receiving presents every four years.

PORTER DAN CAWTHON enjoyed a few days over the New Year's holiday visiting relatives and friends in Memphis, Tennessee. While he was there cold weather records were being broken and he was glad to return to the North and milder weather . . . Retired Porter LOUIS THOMPSON is out of the hospital and feeling fine. He plans to attend the Fair in New York later this year . . . Glad to see AGENT STEVE GIBBONS back on the job after an absence of two weeks due to illness . . . AGENT LOUISE DREWS underwent surgery on January 3. She is coming along nicely and hopes to be able to return to work in the near future . . . JOHN BARRETT, member of the porter staff, is back on the job after being off a week as a result of the flu bug . . . AGENT ED SEGERSON was slightly injured in a fall on the ice and I am happy to report he is back on the job.

- Gordon Kelly

### 69TH STREET - -

OPERATOR RALPH FRALE had himself the fastest Florida tan on record recently. He motored to Miami, spent a half day on the beach of the Atlantic Ocean and then took a jet back to Chicago, all in three days . . . Your 69th street Federal Credit Union held its annual meeting January 17 at the station. Among the items announced by Secretary JOSEPH HAUG in his report to the membership were an increase to four per cent on share dividends, and an increase to \$2000 in free insurance and insured savings. A new automatic posting system was installed and other outmoded machinery was replaced. All officers of the Credit Union were re-elected in their same capacity . . . Our station did not win the top spot in the Interstation Safety Contest, but was only a few percentage points behind the winner. Both MR. SCREEN and MR. GIBES are proud of the effort the men have put into the campaign and urge us to keep pitching. Another year, another opportunity . . . On the sick list at this time are OPERATORS JOHN NOVAK and JAMES HAWORTH, also BRUNO BILEK of the Repair Department and our retired Station Superintendent ERNEST TOCCI. We wish them all a speedy recovery . . . To the families of the late INSTRUCTOR SAM GENENDER and OPERATOR RAYMOND STANG we extend our sympathy in their time of sorrow . . . We also extend our sympathy to District Superintendent J. KELLY on the death of his brother-in-law, ALBERT JUSTI, and to COLLECTOR R. OLSON on the death of his mother.

JAMES AHERN, our voice from the pits, reports that Assistant Foreman NEIL SCOTT transferred to 52nd street garage and MIKE KELLY of 52nd street transferred to 69th street . . . Good luck, to both men at their new locations . . . BOB JONES, retired repairman, recently paid a visit to the repair department and looks well and hearty after his recent illness.

- William J. Donahue



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