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TRANSIT NEWS



Kedzie Garage Cited for Employee Safety Record

KEDZIE GARAGE has done it again.

For the third time in six years Shop workers at this location have won an American Transit Association award for an outstanding achievement in working 250,000 accident-free man hours without a single lost time injury.

In winning the award, the garage personnel worked a total of 19 months - from July, 1963, to February, 1965 - without an on-the-job injury causing absence from work, a creditable performance which entitled them to a bronze award certificate. At this writing, their safety record was still intact and they were hoping to keep it going until it reaches at least 500,000 hours, which qualifies for a silver award.

During the period from April, 1959, through February, 1961, a period of 34 months, Kedzie garage employes won both bronze and silver award certificates by working over 500,000 consecutive accident-free man hours.

The excellent showing made in recent years is a tribute to the men of Kedzie garage and to the supervising foremen consisting of Robert F. Vance, day foreman; James Ward, night foreman; Phillip O'Connor, p.m. foreman, and Daniel O'Boyle and Joseph Fiorita, assistant day foremen.

Presentation of the award plaque was made by CTA General Manager T.B. O'Connor, who is in the center of the first row in the picture, and is surrounded by Kedzie garage employes, officials of CTA, and supervisory personnel.

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OUR COVER: This is the time of year when golfers turn out en masse to test Chicagoland courses. From early morning until early nightfall the club swinging set engage in the battle of birdies and bogies, putting and par, of tee, fairway and green amidst the magic setting of grass, tree, sky and breeze. They will tell you its the greatest - and most frustrating - game ever devised for the enjoyment - and utter confusion - of mankind. A typical scene on our cover portrays V. F. (Vince) Donohue, Traffic-Planning Department, as he takes a determined swipe to get out of the rough, while the caddy, his son, David, encourages him to "hit it far, dad."

CHICAGO TRANSIT Board on June 3 awarded a \$702,480 contract for the purchase of the most modern type of signaling equipment for CTA's Lake rapid transit route.

The contract was awarded to the General Railway Signal company, of Rochester, N. Y. In addition to the cost of the equipment delivery charges will amount to about \$2,800. The total amount of the project is estimated at \$1,084,000 including installation. CTA personnel will install the equipment both in the cars and along wayside.

The automatic train detection and overspeed control system is of the latest design and provides the maximum in safety of operation. It will be the first installation of an in-cab signaling and speed control system using audio frequency track circuits by any operating rapid transit property in the United States. With this system, visual signals are brought into the cab, keeping the motorman continuously aware of track conditions ahead of him as well as of the allowable speed on the track in use.

By use of wayside equipment, speed commands are transmitted through audio frequencies to coils mounted in front of the train wheels. The coils and car logic interpret the speed commands and actuate the cab equipment. Color signals in the cab indicate to the motorman prevailing conditions of the track ahead and maximum permissible speed. If the motorman does not respond to the visual and audible signals within the allowable time, the train will stop automatically. On curves and in certain

Another First for CTA: In-Cab Signal System Ordered for Lake Route

other areas along a route, the system will restrict the speed of trains to a predetermined maximum which, if exceeded, will result in an automatic stop.

The equipment will be installed in the cabs of 70 two-car units of CTA's "New Look" rapid transit cars which are in operation on the Lake rapid transit route.

In additional action, Chicago Transit Board awarded a contract for \$333,500 to the Gardner Construction company, of 212 S. Marion street, Oak Park, for remodeling the east carhouse at CTA's South Shops, 77th and Vincennes. The modernization project will provide facilities for an engine test laboratory, a print shop, and stationery storeroom.

A contract for \$343,700 was also awarded to Westinghouse Electric corporation for rectifiers, transformers and switchgear equipment at the 20th and Dearborn substation, as part of CTA's plan for updating its substation facilities.

G. L. DeMent Elected President of IRT

CTA BOARD Chairman George L. DeMent was elected president of the Institute for Rapid Transit at its annual meeting in Washington, D. C., on May 18.

On July 1 he will succeed Walter J. McCarter, retired general manager of CTA, who was recently

appointed to be administrator of the National Capital Transportation Agency by President Johnson.

The headquarters office of the IRT is in the Merchandise Mart and is headed up by David Q. Gaul as executive secretary.



Mrs. Van der Vries

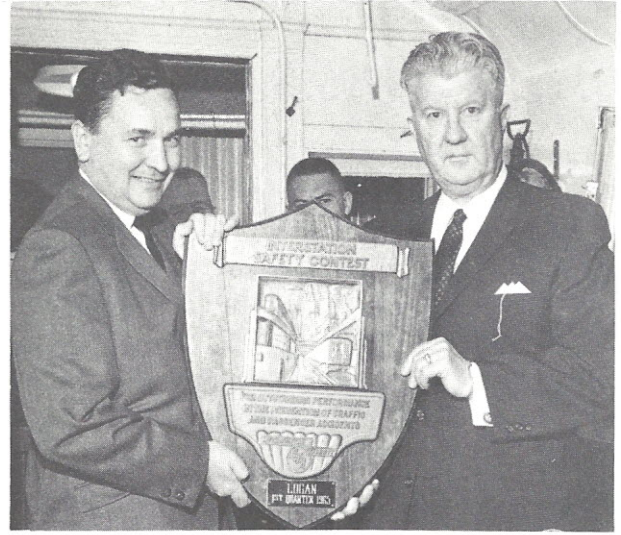
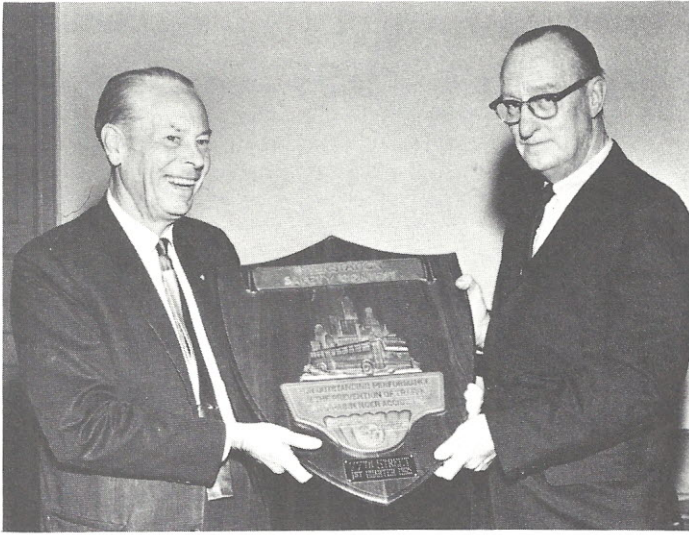
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Transit Board

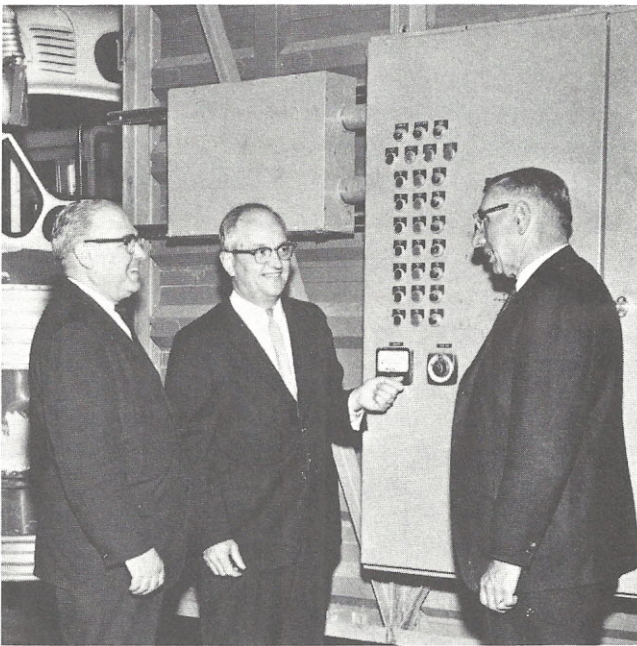
REAPPOINTMENT OF Mrs. Bernice Vander Vries as a member of Chicago Transit Board was announced on May 18 by Governor Otto Kerner. The new term was for a period ending September 1, 1970.

Mrs. Van der Vries has been a board member since January 10, 1957, and is the only woman to serve in this capacity since the inception of CTA.

Prior to her first appointment to the board, Mrs. Van der Vries had served for 22 years in the state legislature, representing the old 7th district in the General Assembly. This district was composed of most of suburban Cook county and portions of five Chicago wards.

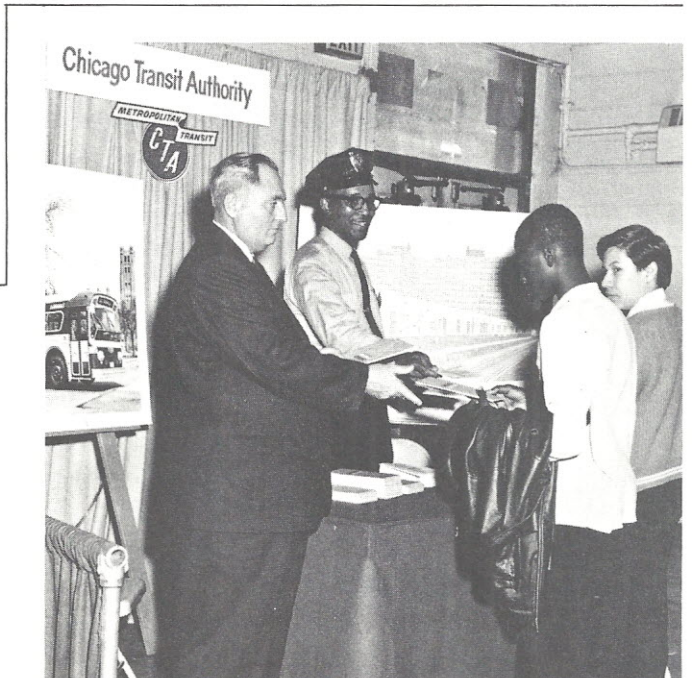


77TH STATION with a point score of 61.82 and Logan with a perfect score of 75.00 were the winners in the Interstation Safety Contest for the first quarter of 1965, and received the surface system and rapid transit plaques, respectively. Kedzie and Howard were runners-up in the quarterly contest. Plaques were presented to the winning stations by (left) CTA Board Chairman George L. DeMent, who hands the surface system award to George E. Evans, 77th station superintendent and (right) by D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, to James R. Blaa, superintendent of Lake and Logan rapid transit routes.



A GROUP of members of the Chicago branch of the Society of Automotive Engineers visited South Shops on May 11 on an inspection tour of equipment and maintenance facilities. They were greeted by Shops and Equipment Department supervisory personnel who explained the shop functions and operations. Heading the group was Robert J. Smith, vice-president of engineers organization (at left in picture) who is discussing an infra-red dryer with (center) J. J. Replinger, superintendent of surface system shops, and J. G. Hecht, general foreman, body shop.

JOINING IN a community betterment project with 37 other participating companies and service agencies, CTA took part in an Employment Development Fair held May 20-22 at Lower North Center, 1000 N. Sedgwick. The Fair brought together representatives of leading Chicago industries and social services with the residents of the Near North Community and was visited by some 9,000 school children from third grade through high school. Representing CTA were (right) E. A. Bole, personnel analyst, Employee Relations Department, and Wilson V. Coleman, instructor, Transportation Department, who were in charge of the CTA exhibit.



Automatic Escalator Installed at Logan Terminal

RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONIES marking the opening of the newly-installed escalator at CTA's Logan Square terminal of the West-Northwest "L"-subway route were held on May 14, with Chairman George L. DeMent officiating.

In attendance with Chairman DeMent and members of Chicago Transit Board on this occasion were public officials of the community, members of civic organizations, and local businessmen.

"Completion of this \$77,000 project marks another advance in CTA's continuing modernization program," commented Mr. DeMent. "By providing this additional facility, we are expressing our gratitude to our customers for their patronage."

The escalator is located south of the main stairway in the station building and serves passengers transferring to or from the six CTA bus routes that provide service to the terminal. This escalator of the reversible, dual-operation type serves both train platforms. During rush periods it operates in the "up" direction in the morning and "down" in the late afternoon. At all other times, it operates automatically.

When on automatic operation, the escalator is actuated by treadle steps located at the top and at the bottom of the stairs. Once the escalator has been set in motion by a passenger, it will operate in the direction the passenger wishes to travel until he alights. A sign informs patrons not to

PUBLIC OFFICIALS, business leaders and CTA Board members were present to mark the placing in service of the escalator at Logan Square terminal station on May 14. A group of them are gathered around Board Chairman George L. DeMent for the traditional ribbon-cutting ceremony.



board when the escalator is operating in the opposite direction.

Logan Square is the terminal for trains of the Congress-Milwaukee and Douglas-Milwaukee branches. About 30,000 passengers board and alight at this station on an average weekday.

CTA Cited for Safety Achievements during 1964



CTA WAS among 16 transit systems who were honored for conspicuous achievement in accident prevention during 1964 at an American Transit Association conference held in Detroit, Michigan, May 25-27.

A special citation award was made for outstanding improvement during the year in traffic and passenger safety among transit companies of the United States and Canada serving urban populations of 1,000,000 and over.

Receiving the award certificate from (right) T. N. Boate, chairman of ATA's committee on awards and associate manager of the American Insurance Association, is John A. Baker, CTA's superintendent of employment and training.

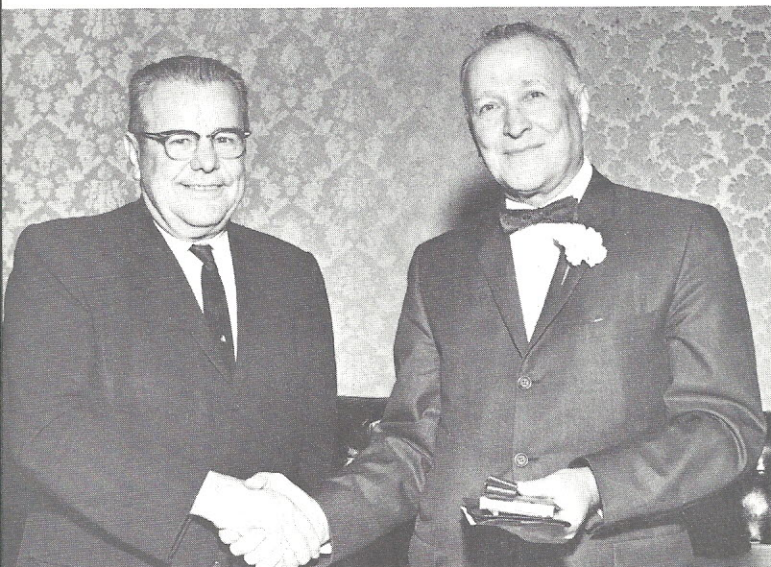
The competition, one of the oldest in the safety field, was established in 1914.

Superintendent, Accountant, Among June Retirees



HONORED BY his co-workers at a luncheon marking his retirement after nearly 42 years of service, W. B. Hornkohl, superintendent, 52nd station, displays the valedictory signed by his CTA friends which was presented to him by Charles E. Keiser, operating manager.

RETIRING AFTER more than 40 years of transit service, Allan E. Krimblebine, comptroller's office, receives a hearty "good luck" handshake from P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance, at the retirement dinner attended by associates.



TWO VETERAN CTA employes who together have served 82 years with local transit companies closed their careers on June 1 and were honored at retirement parties given by their fellow employes.

They were W. B. Hornkohl, who had 41 years and eight months of service to his credit, and Allen E. Krimblebine, whose record was 40 years, six months with Chicago transit properties.

Mr. Hornkohl, who was superintendent at CTA's 52nd station at the time of his retirement, had served in the same capacity at the former Rosemont station, Rosemont and Broadway; at Limits station, and North avenue station during his long career.

He started with the former Chicago Motor Coach company at Rosemont station as a conductor on Sheridan Road double-decker buses. He then became in succession a driver, Loop dispatcher, inspector, and garage dispatcher and was first named superintendent at Rosemont in 1950. He subsequently served as superintendent at the other two North Side stations and at 77th station and 52nd station on the South Side.

Mr. Krimblebine was employed January 15, 1925, as accountant in the Treasury Department of Chicago Rapid Transit company, where he established stock and bond records and acted as stock transfer and dividend disbursing agent. In 1933 he was transferred to the office of the vice-president and financial officer handling various accounting and statistical duties. Upon establishment of the CTA in October, 1947, he was assigned as special accountant to the comptroller.

Mr. Hornkohl resides with his wife, Marguerite, his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Myers, and their two-month old daughter, Corinne Ann. Another daughter is Tomi Thurston, well-known radio and TV personality in New York City. The Hornkohls also have a son, William C., living in Deerfield, who has four daughters, Penny, 13; Pam, 12, and Cindy and Candy, 11-year old twins.

Mr. Hornkohl is a life member of LaSalle Hotel Post American Legion, and attends Immanuel Lutheran church, 1500 W. Elmdale avenue, where his son-in-law is assistant pastor.

Mr. Krimblebine and his wife, Alma, have long been residents of the North Side. He is a member of Advance Lodge No. 1039, A. F. and A. M., Scottish Rite, Valley of Chicago; Medinah Temple, and CTA Post No. 1216, American Legion.

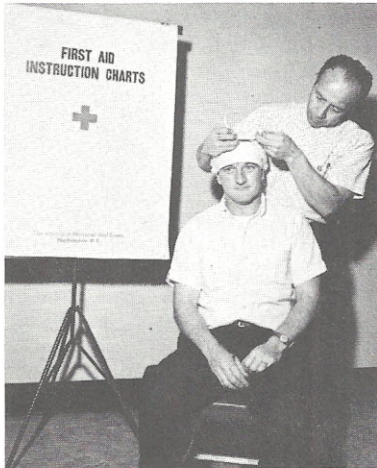
Training Class Completes First Aid Instructor's Course

AN AMERICAN Red Cross first aid instructor's course for employes was held recently at Limits Training Center to qualify selected personnel who will conduct similar training sessions for employes throughout the CTA system.

The instruction comprised 40 hours of class work consisting of standard and advance courses and developing teaching skills. Members were trained to replace former first aid instructors who have retired over a period of the past few years.

A staff member of the Midwest Chapter of the Red Cross, which has its headquarters in Chicago, conducted the training program. J. F. Boyce, fire prevention and industrial safety coordinator in CTA's Insurance Department, cooperated in organizing the program.

The group picture identifies members of the training class, several of whom demonstrated for our photographer first aid procedures recommended by the Red Cross in meeting emergencies when medical care is not immediately available.



R. B. TAUSCH, electrician, Electrical Department, is using a triangular bandage to hold sterile dressing on simulated injury to R. R. Booth, material clerk, Electrical Department.



TOP LEFT - W. L. Kennedy, instructor, Transportation Department, is using a triangular bandage to hold a sterile dressing on simulated chest injury to G. P. Daly, garage instructor, S & E Department, under the watchful eye of Joseph Perez, American Red Cross instructor.

TOP RIGHT - Twedfik Bey, chauffeur, Utility Department (center) is placing a Thomas half ring traction splint on a simulated leg fracture of J. N. Friedman, electrician, Electrical Department, J. H. McNamara, carpenter leader, S & E Department (left), is assisting by applying manual traction.



BOTTOM LEFT - E. R. Swanson, instructor, Transportation Department, administers mouth-to-mouth respiration to W. H. Beckmann, foreman, Electrical Department.

BOTTOM RIGHT - R. H. Buerger, carpenter, S & E Department, is being lifted to demonstrate the five-man carry. On the left, front to rear, are W. H. Lindquist, wireman, and R. H. Dobbertin, garage instructor, and J. P. Tucker, chauffeur, Utility; on the right front is F. J. Vikek, instructor, Transportation Department, and partially hidden in the background is W. A. Wangero, chauffeur, Utility.

THE CAMPAIGN to "Improve CTA's Public Image" is making headway. This is proven by the fact that several operating stations in recent months bettered their previous records by reducing the number of customer complaints. This is an encouraging development. However, there still is room for improvement and the big factor is bringing this about requires a better conception of what good personal service, as demonstrated by employees, means in contacts with the public.

It is always easier to criticize than praise, even though the one who expresses the critical view may not be right in his opinions. But to respond with an argumentative reply or antagonistic attitude does not lessen the tension. It only makes for strained relationships and ill will.

It is the individual who maintains a calm demeanor in any situation that calls for tact rather than a display of temper that wins the respect and approval of our customers and thus creates a more favorable public image.

Incidents which help to build good will for CTA are reported in the following letters of commendation received recently:

"We are two University of Illinois students who ride CTA facilities daily. We board Congress-Milwaukee trains at the Kedzie-Milwaukee station. While we are not in the habit of writing either to commend or complain about employees, we consider this an exception.

"For the last few weeks, your subway ticket agent No. 947 (Edward A. C. Struwe, West Side) has started our school days off cheerfully by being both courteous and friendly. He always greets us with a smile and pleasant manner. We know that this friendliness is not a required thing, which makes it more heartfelt, and we want him to know we appreciate his kindness very much."

Another letter expresses the appreciation of a rider whose experience with CTA personnel impressed him very much.

"It is refreshing to be the beneficiary of the most gentlemanly and honest behavior of a fellow citizen, the driver of bus 156 by the name of O. O. Sanders (Badge No. 506, Limits).

SHOWN HERE is a comparison of commendations and complaints received by Chicago Transit Authority for the months May, 1965, April, 1965, and May, 1964.

	May 1965	April 1965	May 1964
Commendations	186	225	229
Complaints	832	953	1,007

OUR Public Speaks

"When I noticed that I had forgotten a sizeable package of jewelry when leaving the bus, I didn't know where to turn. However, all CTA representatives were very sympathetic and helpful. The people I met at your station made an admirable impression on me. They tried to help me with whatever suggestions they had. I felt that among such people I had nothing to fear.

"And when, at last, I heard that the bus driver had turned in my valuables of his own accord, I felt that life in Chicago can be as good, or better, than anywhere else in the world. I was proud to shake the hand of your Mr. Sanders, and thank all concerned for their kind cooperation."

Among the letters of commendation for employees received by CTA are those from physically handicapped persons, such as this:

"You ask us bus riders to tell you about your good drivers, so here I am to tell you about Operator No. 12770 (Roy Smith, 52nd). I have arthritis and walk with a cane and also just got over an operation. He waited until I got seated before he started the bus and also pulled right up to the curb so I had no trouble at all getting off. He was very courteous and I think he deserves a big credit for being an outstanding driver. You should have more like him."

An example of the opposite viewpoint on CTA service is this letter of complaint:

"Upon boarding a bus, I handed the operator two dimes and 10 pennies for a fare and transfer. The operator gave me a smirking look and said, 'Save your pennies for the newsboy, lady. I don't have to take that change', and refused to accept the coins. Since it was my only small change, I reached into my purse and offered him a \$10.00 bill which was the only other money I had. He became offensive and his attitude was most discourteous. When I told him it was either that or accept the change he finally relented and snatched the coins from my hand with some muttered remark which I did not quite hear."

COMMENT: By simply accepting without comment the fare offered in this case, the unpleasant situation would have been avoided. Pennies are legal tender, and the operator was wrong in refusing them.

G.O. Golfers Take Annual Spring "Tee" Party in Stride

IT WAS a great day for golf and some 55 general office employees turned out to enjoy it. The scene of action was White Pines Country Club on May 15. Since it was the first time out for many of the players, it wasn't exactly an exhibition of championship golf, but there were those who played well enough to take prizes home. The event was the continuation of the series of General Office golf outings which have been held annually for the past several years and it was all in fun.



THIS FOURSOME lined up in tandem formation to add a new wrinkle to the game. No one thought to yell "fore" as, left to right, Paul Hecker, Harold Brown, H. E. Rohde, and M. R. Kotin blasted away in the general direction of the next green.



TIME WAS when golf was a game requiring a lot of legwork, but that was before someone came up with the idea for a golf cart. Seated comfortably in a late model of the golfer's special are CTA Board Chairman George L. DeMent and E. L. Coates, who are taking the game the easy way.

SOMEONE HAD to come out first in the scoring column and it was R. G. (Rod) Daugherty, shown here with Harold F. Brown, co-chairman of the committee on arrangements. Rod received a Westinghouse AM and FM transistor radio.



WAITING TO hole out their putts are, left to right, Joseph O'Sullivan Jr., Bernie Ford, Joseph O'Sullivan Sr., and John Brucker, the latter looking very dejected as he strides along to recoup an errant ball.



FINISHING IN the second spot was Ray Corbel, who was awarded a matching set of three new clubs. Other winners had a selection to choose from as is evident by the assortment of prizes on the table.

EVERYONE IS smiling in this picture which was taken just before teeing off. It was an amiable group as you can see. Out on the fairway, however, it was every man for himself and some of the smiles turned into scowls as a putt went wrong or a drive landed in the rough.





LOCATION: Beverly Station

INQUIRING REPORTER: Tom Daniels

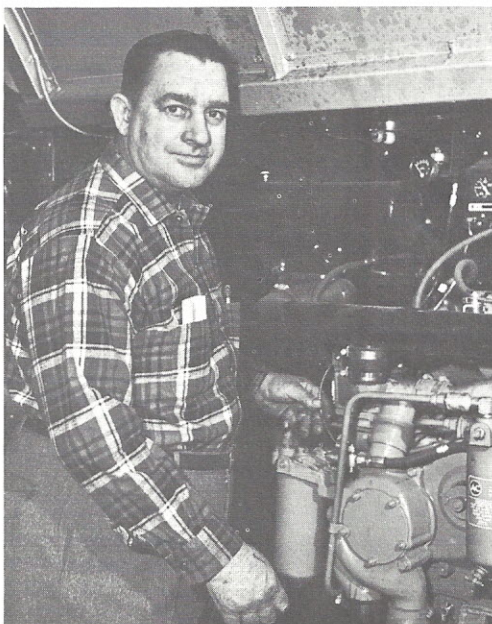
QUESTION: What period of your early years would you like to live over?

LOMER P. ARSENEAU, operator (with reporter Tom Daniels): "The first few years of my married life when I learned to be considerate of others in the family."



CLARENCE D. COWAN, operator: "I would like to live over the first years I became a Christian. Those were the happiest years because of the success I had in getting other youngsters in my parish to church."

F. R. SNYDER, instructor: "I would like to live over the younger part of my life when I was in school. I can see my mistakes in not finishing my education which I now know is a must."



A. J. RELLING, mechanic: "The period of my life I would like to relive is the good old school days, because I think that is the best time of your life."

S. W. WILSON, operator: "I would like to live the period of my life over between the age of 18 to 23. I would make sure I had a college education because I know it would make living much better today."



"OH, MY Aching Back" is a common expression these days. Did you ever have a backache? Almost everyone has back pains some time during their life. They produce more suffering or disability and loss of productivity than any other single injury or disease. The fact that backaches are common and disabling is not surprising when one considers that the back is the main support of our body. The spine is an extremely complicated structure consisting of 33 vertebrae held together by many ligaments and muscles. Then inside of the spine - the spinal canal - we have the spinal cord, a very sensitive structure, which gives off nerves to all parts of the body.

The functions or use of the spine have to do with the support or stability and locomotion of our body. Also, the spinal cord is the transmission line for messages along the nerve pathways between the brain and other regions of the body.

Years ago almost every type of back ailment was called "Lumbago." In reality, this term only means "pain in the back." In the past few decades medical science has done a great deal to clarify the various causes and types of back ailments. Also much has been accomplished in new methods of treatment.

In order to make this complex subject a little more clear and understandable I am going to describe a case history of a patient with a backache.

John Smith has a backache of several days duration so he decides to see his family doctor. The first thing the doctor will do is to determine the cause of the backache. A common approach to the problem is to break down the causes into two divisions, namely, those resulting from disease, and, secondly, from injury.

If disease is the cause of John's backache the doctor will want to consider the following: rheumatism, arthritis, inflamed muscles, nerves, and ligaments due to exposure to cold or infection, tuberculosis, osteomyelitis (inflammation of the bone), various tumors, spinal cord lesions, and emotional stress of certain types.

If none of the above causes are present the doctor will naturally want to know John's occupation and whether or not there is any history of trauma or injury. Injuries include strained muscles, direct contusions or bruises of the back with or without fractures. Mechanical strains may result from unequal pull on the back muscles. Heavy lifting, faulty posture in school or at work, and congenital

abnormalities with abnormal position of one vertebra to another may be possible causes. Sometimes a soft sagging bed or a low soft chair will contribute to backaches. The problem of the "so-called slipped or protruded disc" is being over emphasized as an injury cause for backache. This term should not be used until a very careful and thorough examination and evaluation has been made.

The symptoms of backache depend somewhat on the cause and vary from a mild backache to a severe pain which may prevent a person from getting out of bed. In certain cases, symptoms of back trouble extend to the chest, abdomen, or down the legs. Sciatica is a good example of this type of pain. It is a human trait to believe that back pains are always traceable to one's work. As a matter of fact, many backaches are due to arthritis, temporary inflammations of the back muscles, and other non-traumatic causes.

The proper treatment naturally should depend upon the cause. Therefore a careful history, a thorough physical examination, X-ray pictures, and laboratory tests should be carried out before treatment is started. The important principles in any treatment are:

1. Relief of pain.
2. Decrease muscle spasm.
3. Maintain mobility.
4. Restore function and muscle power.
5. Hospitalization.
6. Traction in certain cases.
7. Brace or supports.
8. Physical therapy, such as heat, massage, etc.
9. Surgery.

Of course, it is understood that all the procedures mentioned above are not necessary in every case. One type of back ailment may be cured by physiotherapy, while traction or surgery will help another type. Because many backaches are of long duration, patients become impatient and have a tendency to see many different physicians. In most cases the best results are obtained by consultation with your personal physician. After a complete work-up he may advise other consultations before the final treatment is started.

By Dr. George H. Irwin,
CTA Medical Consultant

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

CHICAGO'S CLEAN-UP parade has become a fixture in the program to uphold its reputation as the "cleanest big city in America." CTA's cooperation with public officials in this campaign has been a factor in its success. Again this year, CTA participated in the parade down State street by entering its Clean-up bus and two of its newest "New Look" buses.

Suggestion Committee Approves More Cash Awards to Employees

EIGHT EMPLOYEES shared cash awards for ideas accepted by the Employees Suggestion Committee during May.

They are: John Capaccio, S & E, Congress; Patrick J. Doyle, Electrical; Mary Flanagan, G. O., Law; Herbert Lowenstein, rapid transit, supervisor; Richard McCarthy, rapid transit, agent; Charles Qualiardi, S & E, Skokie; Maureen Schram, G. O., accounting, and Frank Sprovieri, S & E, Kedzie.

To further stimulate participation in the suggestion plan, a new incentive award has been added to the list. This is an English Morocco leather pass case, pocket-size, which will be convenient and useful to any employee with a riding card.

Still available also are men's and women's wallets, Paper Mate profile grip pens and Zippo lighters. The choice of these merit awards are given for all ideas accepted for evaluation, plus cash prizes if the idea proves practical and is adopted for use.



AMONG DISTINGUISHED foreign visitors to CTA recently were seven Japanese transportation officials representing a study team from the Japanese Train Operation Association, Tokyo. Their stopover in Chicago was part of a nation-wide tour for observation of current methods and improvements in operation of transit systems. Seated at the table with them at a conference held in the Merchandise Mart are, from left: P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance; L. C. Dutton, superintendent of schedule and traffic, and C. E. Keiser, operations manager.



RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

AGUADO, ROBERT C., Operator, North Section
BOWEN, GEORGE R., Operator, North Avenue
BRUNO, DONALD A., Extra Guard, West Section
BURDA, DUANE H., Accounting Trainee, Accounting
CHODO, JOSEPH P., Clerk II, Public Information
COGGS, SAMUEL T., Operator, 77th Street
FRANKLIN, ROBERT L., Operator, North Park
GRADY, RAYMOND E., Operator, Forest Glen
LARSEN, JAMES E., Repairman, 77th Street
LASKEY, J. C., Repairman, Kedzie
KENNEDY, PATRICK H., Operator, North Avenue
MARCHISOTTO, THOMAS F., File Clerk, Claim
NOONE, STEPHEN G., Trackman II, Engineering
PIKRONE, WILLIAM J., Operator, Forest Glen
PANKONEN, JAMES R., Repairman, Forest Glen
ROUNDS, T. C., Cleaner, 69th Street
SHANAHAN, THOMAS M., Repairman, 61st Street
TURNER, BOBBY J., Operator, Kedzie

RECENTLY RETURNED

BENNETT, ARTHUR, Operator, Kedzie
CHRISTY, PETER A., Extra Guard, West Section
HOFFMAN, J. M., Repairman, Kedzie
MC LAUGHLIN, GERALD M., Cleaner, Forest Glen
MEARA, JEREMIAH, Operator, North Avenue
MAESTRE, LOUIS, Operator, 69th Street
O'STEEN, KENNETH J., Operator, North Park
O'SULLIVAN, U. M., Repairman, 77th Street
PERRY, DENNIS, W., Jr. Draftsman, Engineering
RYAN, DANIEL W., File Clerk, Claim
SIAS, HARRY L., Operator 77th Street
VELCICH, A. J., Stock Clerk, Stores
WADE, CHRISTOPHER J., Conductor, South Section

SET NEW RATES FOR HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE

IN A bulletin issued recently by H. B. Storm, superintendent of insurance and pensions, announcement was made that an increase in monthly premium deductions for Travelers Insurance company surgical and medical services will go into effect on July 1.

The new rates, which will be deducted from pay periods in June, are: Employee only, \$2.25; employee and one dependent, \$9.00; employee and two or more dependents, \$14.00. The previous rates,

which have been in effect since December 1, 1962, were: Employee only, \$1.56; employee and one dependent, \$7.50; employee and two or more dependents, \$11.56.

The increase in the monthly premium rates was made necessary by the overall increase in costs for hospital, surgical and medical services during the period since the former rates were established, Mr. Storm said. He said there would be no change in benefits.



FETED AT the yearly party of the Construction and Maintenance Department Pension and Flower Fund on Thursday, May 20, were pensioners of that department who retired during the fiscal year ending May 31, 1965. Pictured above are retirees from the Track and Structures Division with J. L. RUZICH, superintendent of track and structures. They are (left to right): LOUIS BRICKSE, RALPH VENTURA, JOE BARTUCCI, NICK CORDONE, STEPHEN KOTCH, GEORGE SANFRATELLO, Mr. RUZICH, PETE MICELI, RICHARD BATTLES, CHARLES WRIGHT, MICHAEL MURPHY, and DOMINICK DIMARIA.

PICTURED BELOW with Superintendent of Buildings R. J. SHANKLIN are the following pensioners from the building department (left to right): JIM BRUIN, DAN O'CONNOR, ROBERT BOHLIN, MR. SHANKLIN, TONY LIBERTO, PHIL DI FRANCO, and FRANK GUTTILA.



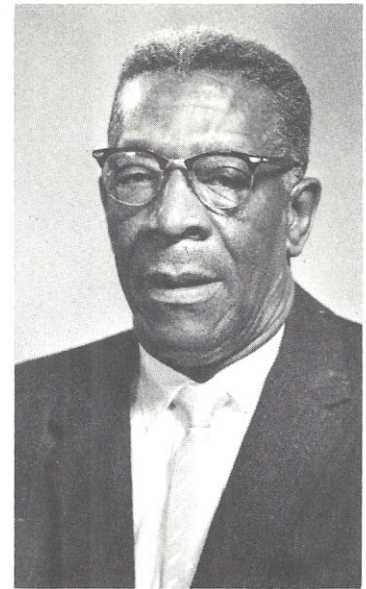
RETIREES FROM the Utility Department pictured here with J. T. WALSH, superintendent of utility and emergency service, are (left to right): EDWARD FITZGIBBONS, MR. WALSH, HERMAN S. CRAIG, and THOMAS LOWRY.



NEW PENSIONERS

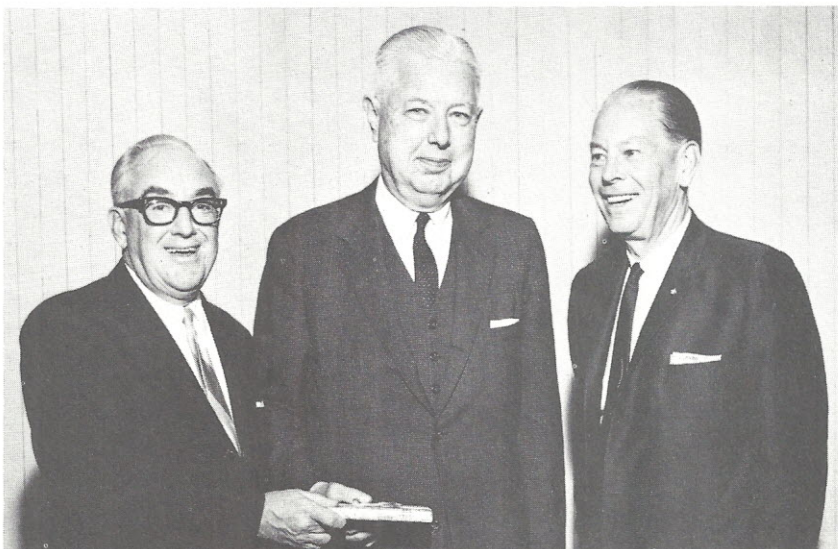
CLARENCE ADAMS, Trainman,
West Section, Emp. 11-29-24
WILLIAM S. ALLEN, Counsel,
General Office, Emp. 5-23-45
VICTOR H. BELANGER, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 10-12-25
THOMAS BYRNE, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 12-03-28
WILLIAM P. CLOW, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 1-09-36
LEONARD P. DE GROOT JR., Towerman,
South Section, Emp. 2-15-26
MICHAEL J. GRIMES, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 12-18-33
ARTHUR A. HEENE, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 11-02-33
WILLIAM B. HORNKOHL, Station Superintendent
52nd Street, Emp. 10-24-23
HAROLD G. JOHNSON, Yard Foreman,
Douglas, Emp. 4-18-44
A. E. KRIMBLEBINE, Special Accountant,
General Office, Emp. 1-15-25
THOMAS LEHANE, Repairman,
Archer, Emp. 7-19-26
DANIEL MC ATEER, Trackman I,
Track and Struct. Emp. 11-04-30
STEWART P. MC INTYRE, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 11-08-26
JOSEPH MINEO, Trackman I,
Track and Struct. Emp. 6-24-28
LEO B. MIOTKE, Clerk III,
General Office, Emp. 1-17-27
ERNEST E. PASCHKE, Collector,
Limits, Emp. 2-01-26
WILLIAM G. SAUNDERS, Extra Guard,
61st Street, Emp. 10-26-29
HAROLD C. SPITZ, Legal Investigator,
General Office, Emp. 5-05-21
LAWRENCE WOLAVER, Repairman,
Limits, Emp. 11-12-40

RETIRING AFTER more than 40 years of service with the CTA and former Chicago Rapid Transit company is Clarence Adams, who joined the ranks of pensioners on June 1.



DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

MULDREW J. NASH, Trackman II,
Track and Struct. Emp. 8-13-42
CHARLES H. NICHOLS, Porter,
West Section, Emp. 7-26-51
BENJAMIN WATTS, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 8-27-52
HENRY WORKMAN, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 11-27-28



BEING PRESENTED a gift at the time of his retirement is William S. Allen, who retired on June 1 as counsel in CTA's Law Department. Pictured here with Mr. Allen are William J. Lynch (left), CTA general attorney, and Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent.

THE INSIDE NEWS

—AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Payroll) -

"Spring is here" - We thank RUTH BUSSE and CHRISTINE CAMERON for the beautiful floral bouquets from their gardens. After the dreary winter, it helped build up our morale. Ruth Busse will be busy on her vacation putting in her new tomato plants and we hope to share in the good results . . . JOSEPHINE AUGITTO spent a pleasant week in Florida getting a nice sun tan . . . MARGE ORGAN spent some time visiting her sister in Northfield . . . MAE BUJNOWSKI had the good fortune to be invited on a trip south with her nephew and his parents. First stop was at Jackson, Mississippi, to view the sights. Their top destination was gay old New Orleans. This time of year Louisiana is in full bloom. The first morning was spent at the French Market for the famous hot doughnuts and coffee. Mae confessed she stopped counting after four -- tsk -- there goes her diet! During their stay they had luncheon at the fabulous Court of Three Sisters. Returning north, a stop was made at the War Memorial at Vicksburg, Mississippi. At lovely Hot Springs, Arkansas, they naturally took a bath! It was then on to St. Louis, and then finally Route 66 home.

- Eileen Neurauter

(Revenue) -

We're happy to see HARRIET KRYZAN and RITA DEAKIN are in the pink again. Welcome back, girls! Rita will be leaving us again to begin her new job in General Accounting . . . LORRAINE KOZLOWSKI returned from a trip to California and Nevada where she visited her grandson. She saw many interesting spots in Nevada . . . KATHY DALY tells us she got her lovely tan while vacationing in New Orleans where she visited the famous French Quarter . . . Transfer Counters JOSEPH ROSSIE and ROGER MC GUIRE recently resigned.

- Betty Suhr

(Tabulating) -

CARMELLA PETRELLA spent her vacation in Florida, swimming and getting a beautiful sun tan. Carm took several boat trips and stopped at the Seaquarium to see the porpoise and the sea lion show. She then traveled on to Hollywood and Fort Lauderdale, visiting the botanical gardens and the alligator wrestler in Seminole Indian village. On the night club tour she saw the Can Can Revue, also, Johnny Mathis and the Young Americans . . . PAULINE TORREY had a double celebration during the month of April. Her son, TOM, was married, and her daughter, PHYLLIS, flew in from California for the wedding. Pauline hadn't seen her daughter in almost two years, so they had a lot of news to catch up on. Incidentally, Pauline's son, Tom, works at Forest Glen . . . HERB ROHDE just returned from a short vacation in Hot Springs, Arkansas. He played a few rounds of golf, preparatory to the regular General Office tournament, one in which Herb generally excels . . . BILL WILLIAMS' vacation plans were somewhat altered, his daughter having undergone surgery recently. Bill will spend his remaining three weeks' vacation baby-sitting and visiting his daughter, who, we are glad to report is coming along nicely.

- Marion Sutherland & Edward O'Rourke

(General) -

PAT LEGENZA, Voucher, chose Florida for her vacation, staying in Halindale, North Miami Beach, and taking various trips from there. She drove to Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale, Miami Beach and the Seaquarium, where she watched the entertaining porpoises. Also, the dog races and horse races were enjoyed. The highlight of her trip was her flight on the plane, which was a "first" for Pat who was fascinated by it all . . . MARY BLACKMORE, Voucher, also flew to the land of sunshine where she relaxed in the sun on the sands of Miami Beach . . . The former HILDUR OLSON, Billing, and her husband, VERNE B. OLSON, bought a home in Sun City, Arizona, and have moved there . . . A "newsy" letter was received from DUANE BURDA, General Acctg., who has been in basic training for three weeks in Fort Knox, Kentucky. Duane is finding army life an interesting experience and sends his regards to friends and co-workers. Any word from them would be welcomed at mail call.

- Mable Potthast

ELECTRICAL -

Record Clerk JULIE WILLEM became a grandmother for the first time when her daughter, Mrs. KENNETH SVATOS, gave birth to a baby girl on May 16. The proud parents named the new arrival KENDRA ANN . . . Many happy returns of the day are extended to "B" Helper, BILL CORSO, who celebrated a birthday on May 12 . . . Cable Maintenance Foreman FRED KOSS recently returned from his vacation. Fred told us that he spent his time cleaning and painting around the house . . . As of this writing, Light Maintenance Foreman SIGMUND DOBOSIEWICZ is on vacation. Sig told us before he left that he plans to spend some of the time spring cleaning around the house. After that he intends to drive up to his summer home near Hayward, Wisconsin, to do a little hunting and fishing. Catch some big one's Sig . . . Retired Foremen TOM CALMELAT, BOB CONROY, and FRANK PIONKE, paid us a visit at the shop recently. They all look great and are enjoying retired life immensely.

A group of almost 300 people attended the annual corned beef and cabbage dinner held at Harrington's on April 29. We enjoyed visiting with the pensioners who were able to attend. We had letters of regret from JOHN BLOOMBERG, CARL HOFFMAN and HARVEY WEBER, who were unable to attend. The committee, headed by HAROLD COYNE and RICHARD DORGAN, did an excellent job of arranging the dinner and a very enjoyable evening . . . This is the time of year we all get vacation minded. CLARENCE HOSANG, LEROY KUTCHINS, BILL LOOS, FRED MARRIANE, JOHN RUSNAK, and ARVIN WILMONT are all enjoying themselves at this time.

We received cards from JOHN RUSNAK in Washington, D.C., and ARVIN WILMONT in Florida. Sure does make you want to get out those maps and start planning a trip . . . MELVIN COOK has another grandchild, RICHARD ALLEN, born May 7 to JANEEN and JOHN DUSEK . . . ROLAND DWYER was injured very seriously in an auto accident on a recent weekend. The accident occurred

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in the southern part of Illinois. We wish him a speedy recovery . . . HARVEY WEBER had eye surgery performed this winter. Hope you can get in to visit us soon Harvey . . . BARBARA BOOTH, daughter of ROBERT BOOTH, is on the honor roll at school.

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

BEVERLY -

Received a very nice letter from Operator STEWART P. McINTYR thanking all the men for their kindness and sympathy following the loss of his wife . . . Operator J. "High-Lift" MAHONEY is now a golf instructor on his days off and for a small fee will show the fine arts of putting . . . Supervisor FRANK McGLYNN's wife was bitten by their dog and it cost Frank a small fortune to get the dog's head examined for rabies. Frank tried to get a day off after the dog died claiming it was a death in the family but this time nobody would bite . . . Pensioner TERRY NICHOLSON danced a light fantastic at the Knight's of Columbus La Rabida council held at the Beverly House. Supervisor BILL FLYNN was in very good voice and was singing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" to his beautiful wife. When the baked Alaska was lighted and the lights went out Operator RAY HAMMERSCHMIDT succeeded in getting a second piece of cake. MARILYN MATTICK and her high-stepping chorus girls were very good and are sure to be stars of tomorrow. Marilyn is the daughter of State Deputy HENRY MATTICK. Deputy Grand Knight BILL MARSH did a fine job as toastmaster and everybody went home singing "Good Nite Sweetheart." . . . We express our sympathy to the following: District Superintendent J. KELLY, on the loss of his sister; CLARENCE COWAN, whose father died; Receiver RUDY ALBRECHT, whose father-in-law passed away, and also, GEORGE ROBINSON of 69th who died and was one of our very good friends at Beverly.

- Tom Daniels

FOREST GLEN -

Pensioner GEORGE HEIDELMEIR, formerly from Elston, Devon, and Forest Glen passed away. Fathers of Operators JOHN KURINEC and L. DEAN passed away . . . Clerk JOHN WATHIER and his wife, MARIE, vacationed in Clearwater, Florida. From all indications John isn't making these annual trips for nothing. He speaks of striking it rich for an "early pension", then retiring in Florida to get away from fighting the cold, ice, and snow . . . Operator and Mrs. CHESTER BACHARA celebrated their 32nd anniversary on May 20 . . . Operator and Mrs. TYBOR SZRAKITY were blessed with a baby boy . . . WILLIAM G. MILLER, son of Operator BOB MILLER, was married to CAROL MILES, Saturday, May 15 at St. Monica church. The couple spent their honeymoon in New Orleans . . . PHYLLIS CLARK, daughter of Operator JOHN CLARK, was graduated from the University of Wisconsin on June 7. On June 12 she married LOUIS JACOBS Jr. in a double ceremony with her sister, LENORE, who married MELTON MAIN, a graduate of Northern Illinois university at DeKalb. Phyllis and Louis will reside in St. Louis, while Lenore and Melton will make their home in Aurora, Illinois. Congratulations to all the newlyweds and may they enjoy many years of happiness together . . . Congratulations to ROBERT VELINSKE, son of Repairman FELIX VELINSKE, (Scoutmaster Troop 940), and DENNIS BURITZ, grandson of Operator EDWARD SCHMIDT; both became Eagle scouts on May 2 at Fenger High school . . . Forest Glen was honored with a visit by Pensioner HAROLD LIZARS from

Florida. I was sorry that conditions did not permit me to talk very much as I was working as receiver during the rush period.

- Frank Carpino

GENERAL OFFICE (Insurance) -

The last week before her wedding was a very exciting one for SHIRLEY RENARD. On May 19, her co-workers presented her with a lovely orchid corsage and took her to the Marina City restaurant for dinner. On May 20, they presented her with some very useful gifts. She received an electric frying pan, an electric coffee maker and most important, two cook books. May 22 was her big day. Shirley and VICTOR JOHNSON (Stores department, Skokie) were married at 12:00 mass at Queen of Angels Catholic church. Shirley's sister, SUSIE, Vic's sister, PAT, and BARBARA KOFSUR of the Insurance Department were Shirley's attendants. The reception at the Harold Taylor American Legion Hall was attended by many CTA employees because this was an all CTA affair. Vic's father is VICTOR L. JOHNSON, instructor at North Park, and Shirley's godfather is JOHN GRACE, an operator out of Forest Glen. The happy couple flew to Shirley's native France on their honeymoon . . . When TERRY LOCOCO's plans for a vacation in Indiana were changed, she treated herself to a new portable Zenith TV and stayed at home to watch it.

CAROL ARNDT's vacation plans were changed also. She stayed home to nurse her husband, ARMIN, who just underwent an emergency appendectomy . . . TONY and KAREN CURCIO attended the Prudential Insurance company's regional business conference, April 25 to April 28, in Hollywood-by-the-sea, Florida, where they stayed at the Diplomat hotel. Tony, a former CTA employee, is an agent in the company's Wicker Park office, and received an award for selling \$500,000.00 worth of insurance in 1964 . . . The business conference was attended by field representatives invited from district offices in the company's Mid-America region of Illinois. After the conference, Karen and Tony went to Miami Beach and spent the rest of the week at the Castaways hotel.

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JUDY WILHELM, younger daughter of DOROTHY and HARRY WILHELM, received her bachelor's degree in elementary education on May 23, when she was graduated from Eastern Illinois university at Charleston, Illinois. Her first teaching assignment will be in the elementary school at Fisher, Illinois. GAIL, the older daughter, received her master's degree in special education on May

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida, was the setting for a small, private and cozy CTA "convention". Participants included, left to right: ROSEMARY KENNY (Accounting), JACK KRAUSE, WANDA KRAUSE, PAT KENNY (Treasury), and LEE DE SUTTER (Specifications). Incidentally, Jack and Wanda are now living in North Miami, Florida.



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26 from the university of Arizona graduate school at Tucson, Arizona, where she has been attending on a scholarship. She is a member of Pi Lambda Theta, a National Honor Society for outstanding women in the field of education. Dorothy and Harry may well be proud of their daughters who have done so well thus far, and who will undoubtedly contribute much to the noble art of teaching in the years to come . . . GEORGE BENSISH's daughter, DENISE, Law Department, purchased a brand new Buick Skylark complete with bucket seats and console dashboard. George has been trying to convince her that he should break it in for her but has met with no luck so far.

- Ann Golding

KEDZIE -

We now have the "New Look" buses at Kedzie; they are on Washington, Madison, and Jackson. They are a pleasure to drive, so let's take care of them. If any of our passengers tell you how nice these buses are, tell them to write to the general office as they'll be glad to hear from our riders . . . Superintendent GEORGE DOBBS and his family were down in St. Petersburg, Florida, on a vacation and fishing trip. This vacation will be remembered for years to come. Master PATRICK DOBBS, 13 years old, caught a black rupiter fish which weighed 7 pounds and was 27 1/2 inches long. They are having it mounted and placed in their den. Good luck, Patrick, in your future fishing trips . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. DU PASS on their 30th wedding anniversary. They were married June 3, 1935. Operator DuPass works a shuttle run downtown . . . If you wonder why Operator FRANK REWINSKI has his chest out here is why. His daughter, NANCY, won the Illinois State Scholarship award and now is one of the finalists for the Star Seniors of Catholic High Schools award. She is also president of the Marianites club, belongs to the press club, math club, chemistry club, school newspaper club, drama club, and French club. Nancy was graduated from St. Mary's high school . . . Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES P. STARR are in Phoenix, Arizona, enjoying their vacation. They're looking up some retired men. Have fun, get plenty of sunshine, and let's hear from you when you get back . . . Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. V. YOUNG whose husband, Operator VESPER YOUNG, drowned in Fox Lake while on a fishing trip in Wisconsin . . . Our sympathy to Mrs. GALLAGHER whose husband, Operator P. GALLAGHER, passed away . . . Operator FRED P. ANHALT can well be proud of his four sons. His oldest son, PAUL, was ordained as a Lutheran pastor at Augustana seminary in Rock Island, Illinois. On June 20, open house was held at the parsonage of Faith Lutheran church in Foreston, Illinois, where Paul was installed as pastor. Fred's second son, FRED JR., will soon be coming home on furlough from Japan accompanied by his bride of six months whom the parents have not yet met. Fred Jr. might make a career of the air force. The third son, ROBERT, has left for an extended tour of the Philippines for the air force, and the fourth son, JAMES, has been promoted to sergeant in the ROTC.

Congratulations to Garage Foreman ROBERT VANCE and all the men in the repair department for their outstanding record of 250,000 man-working hours without injury or loss of time. For this effort they received a plaque and were served coffee and rolls. Good luck to all the men in our repair department. Keep up the good work men.

- Raymond Graham

LIMITS -

Father JOHN W. WITEK, S. J., son of Operator and Mrs. JOHN A. WITEK, was ordained a priest on June 10 by Bishop LORAS T. LANE of Rockford, in St. Joseph's church, Aurora, Illinois. Father Witek's first solemn mass was celebrated on Saturday, June 12, at St. Michael the Archangel church. The assistant was the Rt. Rev. Msgr. PATRICK J. HAYES, pastor of Holy Name cathedral. Deacon was Rev. SAMUEL LISTER-MANN, S. J., pastor of Holy Family church. Sub-deacon was Rev. JOHN T. FRAHEY, S. J., a high school classmate. The Rev. RAYMOND J. TERVERSTEIN, S. J., delivered the sermon. Born in Chicago, Father Witek attended Sacred Heart Elementary and St. Ignatius High school. After a year at Loyola university he entered the S. J. novitiate at Milford, Ohio. He holds a masters degree in history. A reception for the new priest was held in the parish center from 7 to 9 p.m. . . Operator and Mrs. ART MAAS celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary in May. They enjoyed a weekend at the O'Hare Inn. Many happy returns, Art and Ruby! . . . Operator ANDY WENDT, who has been on the disabled list for six years, passed away in May. He leaves his wife, MARY, and one son. Andy was assistant treasurer of Limits Credit Union until his illness. All at Limits extend their sympathy . . . Operator ELMER MALMIN and his wife are the proud parents of a baby boy named DARREL FARLEY. Congratulations . . . Assistant Shop Superintendent PAT HIGGINS transferred to North avenue after 23 years at Limits. Pat is a 38-year veteran. He says he will miss the gang at Limits but lives just 3 1/2 blocks from North avenue depot, thus the transfer. We will all miss Pat . . . Mrs. EMILY GREER, wife of Operator CHARLES GREER, passed away on May 19. All at Limits extend their sympathy.

TONY ARDIUNI, JOE SHERIDAN, ED NORVICKI, and JOHN MC MAHON are doing special work at Limits in the shops. Tony celebrated his birthday in May and informed me that he also celebrated 30 years with CTA on June 30. John Mc Mahon and his wife went to Ireland in May for four weeks and enjoyed their visit to the old sod . . . Did you wonder where that instructor with the contagious smile was? I did! And he has returned to Limits after a sojourn of other garages. His name is JOHN BORK. Glad to have you back and hope you will stay with us, John . . . Operator JOHN KANE and his wife celebrated the 25th anniversary of their marriage on May 18. They enjoyed the day at home with their six children. Many more, John . . . Retired Conductor CHARLES RITTER was in town recently and stopped at the credit union office. He and Operator ART MAAS had lunch together. He is in the best of health and lives in Boulder, Colorado . . . Operator R. S. BENSON and his wife became grandparents for the second time recently when their son and daughter-in-law presented them with a nine-pound grandson. Good luck and many more ROBERT . . . MICHAEL J. KELLY, was graduated from De Paul university on June 9. He received his B.S. degree in mathematics and plans on enlisting in the army reserve . . . Operator CHARLES HEROLD has been made a member of the Courtesy Caravan Club. A passenger wrote that Charles went out of his way to extend exceptional courtesy. We want to extend our thanks to our board member for setting such a fine example . . . Clerk FRED HARDT vacationed for two weeks at home in Chicago. We are sorry to report that his wife suffered a heart attack and is hospitalized at this writing . . . You can save and borrow at Limits Credit Union and have a payroll deduction.

- George Clark

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LOOP -

Agent GEORGE GREANY's young son, MATHEW, received his first Holy Communion on Saturday, May 1, at St. Peter Canisius Catholic church. George's older son, JAMES, was graduated from St. Peter Canisius school in early June, and in September he will attend Quigley North . . . Here is one birthday we forgot to mention. May 8 was Agent DAVE GRAFMAN's birthday. He says he was just 39. We all hope you had a nice day and will enjoy many more happy birthdays. Dave and his family had a cook out on mother's day. He said every year his family gets together on this day and really has a wonderful time . . . It is good to know that Agent MARY RAFTERY is back on the job after her long illness. Keep well, Mary. We missed you a lot . . . Agent MARY BROWN is back after a short stay in the hospital. After one week back at work Mary had a week's vacation. Hope you had a good rest on your short vacation . . . Agent W. STRASSER just announced that on April 22 he became a grandfather. It's a pretty little girl. Her name is CANDIS JEAN (Candy for short) . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of Agent KOSICA who passed away so suddenly . . . Agent ROSE DE MURO took her pension last month. We all wish you good luck, health, and happiness on your retirement. Rose was very well liked among the agents and will be missed a great deal . . . Agent MARY LYONS just returned to work after her vacation. Mary said she stayed home and had a restful few weeks . . . A little bird told us that Porter LOUIE GORDONHAY was on television. We didn't know that Louie was trying to be a TV star. How about that! . . . In the clean-up week parade several Saturdays ago we happened to spot one of our agents marching with his cub scouts. JOHN FILIPEK seemed to be quite proud of these little fellows. And why shouldn't he? John said the first baseball game these little ones played was very exciting and they won 24 to 8 . . . At this time Lake Street Clerk DANIEL DOYLE wishes to thank his many friends, both along the lines and at the Mart, for their cheery phone calls, get well cards, and pleasant visits while he was home on sick leave . . . This month we welcome Agent JUNE B. BAREKMAN as a member of the Courtesy Caravan club. June reports that she has been busy with preparations for a trip to the area where her ancestors originated. She will leave for Trenton, New Jersey, on June 19. From there she will continue to a delightful little town called Mansfield, also situated in New Jersey. It was here that her kin first settled in the early 1700's. She has also engaged in historical research on the background of her ancestors which will be used in a museum soon to be erected on the sight. Keep up the good work June and have a nice trip.

- Mildred Doyle



MARLENE MARMITT, typist in Stores Department, and KENNETH G. WILDI were married on May 8 in St. Benedict church. One of the attendants was Mrs. CAROLINE O'BRIEN, formerly CAROLINE TAMUL, who is a friend and co-worker of Marlene's. Following the reception the newlyweds traveled south on a Florida and Nassau honeymoon.

PATRICIA NOOR, daughter of Kedzie Depot Operator T. NOOR, will graduate from St. Ann's nursing school July 26.



ARYLISS LEE, daughter of "B" Electrician THEODORE WYNCOTT, was graduated recently from Lakeview High school and will attend the U. of I. in Urbana.

NORTH AVENUE -

At the present time there is a campaign going on to improve the image of the CTA. The operators are the only contact the majority of our riders have with the CTA. Let's make a good impression by being neat and clean, and, above all, in the proper uniform . . . Wedding anniversary congratulations to Night Foreman ERNEST PEARSON and his wife, ANNA, May 31; Chief Clerk GENE PETERSON and his wife, June 1; Operator PETER MADIA and his wife, June 2; Operator HARRY MOCARSKI and his wife, June 15; Operator JOHN DE PAULA and his wife, June 6; Operator WALTER WOJEWODA and his wife, June 17; Janitor THOMAS FREI and his wife, June 20; Operator THEODORE SWIDER and his wife, June 25; Supervisor CHARLES OLCIKAS and his wife, June 26; Operator RICHARD SCHOETENS and his wife, June 27; Operator GEORGE MC LELLAN and his wife, June 27; Operator ROBERT KELLEY and his wife, June 29; Operator BON MULLINIX and his wife, June 29; Repairman GEORGE SLADEK and his wife, June 29; Operator HAROLD HIGHTOWER and his wife, June 30; Operator JOHN MC LAUGHLIN and his wife, June 30, and Operator LOUIS URBON and his wife, ESTELLE, June 13 . . . Receiver WILLIAM PINASCO and his wife announced the engagement of their daughter, DIANE ROSE, to MARSHALL J. COLLINS Jr., son of the senior Collins' of Baraboo, Wisconsin, formerly of Chicago. Miss Pinasco was graduated from Mundelein college in June and plans on teaching in the fall. Mr. Collins is a graduate of St. Mary's college in Winona, Minnesota. He is employed by the Jewel Tea company in sales promotion. An early 1966 wedding is planned . . . We welcome new operators RASSIS LEWIS Jr., LOYAL D. MOORE, DONN N. MIELKE, EUGENE KEYS, M. WALKER, and A. THOMPSON. The receivers and clerks have picked. We wish those who left us the best of luck and extend a friendly "hello" to the new men . . . New instructors assigned to North Avenue are WILSON COLEMAN, LARRY JACKSON, and JOSEPH LASINSKI. Pool instructors assigned to North unit are MELVIN LINK, EDWARD WESTON, and EUGENE DIEDEN . . . JOHN BURKE, relief foreman, was transferred to assistant foreman at Limits. PATRICK HIGGINS, repair department, was transferred to assistant day foreman at North Avenue. HENRY DIETRICK was promoted to repairman and transferred to Forest Glen. WILLIAM MILLAR, repairman, was transferred to the North Side. The welcome mat is out for Repairmen JAMES MARTIN, RONALD BEDOE, and JOHN COLLINS.

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Operator RALPH HARTSELL is home recuperating and would like to hear from his friends. EDWARD ROLAND, repair department, fell and fractured his wrist. Instructor CLARENCE LEMKE and Receiver LEE CUMBER have been on the sick list. We wish all a speedy recovery and hope they'll be back soon . . . We are glad to report that JAMES SKONIE, son of Operator AL SKONIE, is back to work after that tragic automobile accident . . . Operator FRANK PONZIO enjoyed his vacation at London, Ontario, in Canada . . . GEORGE "Sinatra" KUENSTLE, repair department, says RUSTYSTAUB is back in the big league but his hitting is not so good. George's mother celebrated her 78th birthday at a party on April 25. She had a happy birthday with cake and sandwiches for all . . . Pensioners ARMIN KOEHN and HAROLD LEMIEUS have beautiful homes and are enjoying life in Wisconsin. They'd enjoy hearing from their old friends. Armin's address is 504 W. Lawrence, Westfield, Wisconsin. Harold's address is Rt. 3, Box 93, Wautoma, Wisconsin . . . Instructor ARTHUR KRICKOW lost his mother, ANNA, April 30. The mother of Operator LARRY CASEY passed away May 17 . . . The following pensioners departed this life: CHARLES W. HAHN, May 16; CARL A SORENSEN, April 20; HUGO M. SCHULTZ, April 28; HENRY WILLIAMS, May 14; MARTIN J. WEST, April 28, and ROCCO SACCOMONTO, April 28. Our deepest sympathy to all of the bereaved families . . . We have another long week-end coming up over the Fourth of July. Have a good time and drive carefully . . . School is out for the summer. Be on the alert for children who may dart out from between parked cars into your path. Use caution in areas where children may be playing.

- Bill Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Operator LYNN and his wife, ANN BUTLER, became grandparents for the 11th time when a grandson named SCOT FABIAN was born April 28 at Columbus hospital to Ann's son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT KOIF . . . Operator CONSTANT SCHMIT and his wife, FRANCES, became grandparents for the first time when a granddaughter named DEBRA ANN was born May 14 at St. Theresa's hospital in Waukegan, Illinois . . . Operator HAROLD "Red" HANSEN and his wife, CATHERINE, became grandparents for the first time when a grandson named MICHAEL was born April 12 at Norwegian American hospital . . . Operator GIBSON STYLES' wife, EVELYN, and daughter, WINDY, spent their vacation visiting Gibson's mother and relatives in Ashville, North Carolina. The Styles then went to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, to visit Evelyn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. JAMES JONES . . . Operator MANEK KURCBAUM spent his vacation in the Virgin Islands where he did a lot of swimming and relaxing . . . Operator ROY BOWLIN spent a week of his vacation painting the outside of his new home in Mundelein, Illinois . . . Operator BOB KESSLER and son, Dr. ROBERT KESSLER JR., spent a week's vacation fishing at Cumberland Lake, Kentucky, where the weather was ideal, but the fishing was poor . . . Operator JACOB RUSNAK and his son, RICHARD, spent a week fishing at Hayward, Wisconsin, where they had good luck and caught a couple of large muskies, plus their quota of walleyes . . . Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSON, his wife GRACE, and daughter, CHRISTINE, spent a pleasant week's vacation on the Gulf Coast. On their way south they stopped in Memphis, Tennessee, at Trinity Baptist church, for a renewal meeting in which they participated . . . Operator ELMER PETERSON and his wife, ELLEN, spent their vacation touring the West. The Petersons

concentrated mainly in California where they have many friends and they were kept busy with numerous visits.

Operator MAURICE MARTENS and his wife, AGNES, celebrated their 29th anniversary June 13. The Martens had a visitor from Burbank, California, Mrs. MILDRED TALLMAN, sister of Maurice, who came to help the Martens celebrate . . . Operator KAZIMIER YAWNSKI and his wife celebrated their 10th anniversary on May 28 with a grand party in their new home in Carpentersville, Illinois, with their four children and a host of friends and relatives . . . Operator TED DIDIER and his wife, MADA, celebrated their 33rd anniversary May 4. The Didier's son, RICHARD, and his wife, JOYCE, took them to George Diamonds restaurant in Antioch, Illinois and then returned to Richard's home for his birthday party . . . Operator DON HEANEY and his wife, SONIA, celebrated their 12th anniversary May 16. Don and Sonja visited Plentywood Farms restaurant and then took in a show . . . Operator CHARLEY KEMP and his wife, HELEN, celebrated their 20th anniversary May 29 with a lost weekend at their country estate at Brookside, Wisconsin . . . Operator CHARLES FOLEY and his wife, ALICE, celebrated their 33rd anniversary June 4. The Foleys spent their anniversary and a one-week vacation at the Wisconsin Dells, renewing their vows . . . Operator RALPH ILLION and his wife, LILLIAN, celebrated their 25th anniversary June 9. Ralph and Lillian held open house for many friends and relatives . . . Operator BILL KNIGHT and his wife, ELKENA, celebrated their 19th anniversary June 15. Bill, who is a deacon at the Church of The Open Door, had a service dedicated to Elkena and himself . . . Operator LOU BIELSKI and his wife, BERNICE, celebrated their 27th anniversary June 25. The Bielski's along with their prize poodle, FIFI, spent a week at Cable, Wisconsin, where the fishing is always great . . . Operator GORDON RICE and his wife, EDITH, celebrated their 24th anniversary June 27 with a big bowling party at Habetlers Bowl . . . Thanks are extended to Operator TED KINDERMAN for his help in gathering information on the anniversary news.

JANICE MOREAU, daughter of Clerk JACK MOREAU, was graduated from St. John Brebeuf school in Niles, Illinois. Janice, who is very active in girl scouting, will enter Maine East this fall . . . DON KAZAK, son of Operator STANLEY KAZAK, graduated from Lane Technical High school and will enter Northwestern university this fall. Don was on the National Honor society at Lane and will major in journalism at Northwestern where he won a state scholarship . . . FRANK COSGROVE, son of Operator JOHN COSGROVE, was graduated from DePaul academy and has won an athletic scholarship to John Carroll university in Cleveland, Ohio. John's younger son, MICHAEL, also graduated from St. Gertrude's Grammar school and will be attending DePaul academy this fall . . . JOHN WEISHAAR, son of Operator FRANK WEISHAAR, was graduated from DePaul academy and in the fall will enter DePaul university . . . Student Agent JAMES DOLAN JR., son of Operator JIM DOLAN, was graduated from Roosevelt university with a degree in science and accounting . . . Operator MARVIN SALMANOFF was married April 11 to ETHELYN ANN AVERSON at Rabbi GRANBARTS home. The young couple celebrated at the Town House restaurant and are taking a delayed honeymoon this summer . . . Operator JOHN CLARK and his wife, MARIE, gave away two daughters June 12 at Nebo Lutheran church. LENORE CLARK married DE WITT MAIN while PHYLLIS CLARK married LOUIS JACOBS JR. The reception was held at Edgebrook Lutheran church with three hundred guests attending . . . Supervisor JOHN ERICKSEN's daughter, MARIANNA, made

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her first communion May 23 at St. Stephens church in Des Plaines, Illinois. Marianna, who is an accomplished accordian player, entertains at different social events. . . Operator ERNEST BUSHANAN has taken up the Catholic faith and is now a member of St. Mary's Church in Des Plaines, Illinois. We will be looking for Ernie to attend the Little Flower communion breakfasts now. . . Operator HERMAN KOWFELDT was confined to Swedish Covenant hospital after suffering serious injuries when he fell from a ladder while washing windows. . . THELMA ROBINSON, wife of Operator CHARLES ROBINSON, underwent minor surgery at Michael Reese and is recovering at home. . . JEAN FOY, wife of Operator GARRET FOY, underwent major surgery at Cuneo hospital and is coming along fine. . . JANET REGAL, daughter of Operator WALTER PETERS, is confined to Columbus hospital following major surgery. . . EDITH RICE, wife of Operator GORDON RICE, underwent minor surgery at West Suburban hospital and is convalescing at home. . . Operator WILLIAM CURTIS and his wife, MARION, spent a day visiting Operator JOE BERGTHAL, who has been on sick leave for a long period. Joe expects to be back to work sometime in July. . . Supervisor ED CHAPLESKI is confined to West Suburban hospital at this writing. We all hope to see him up and around soon.

Operator WILLIAM CLOW retired June 1 after 30 years of service and will be moving to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where he plans to spend his time fishing. Bill may be reached at P. O. Box 4823, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. . . Operator PAT SULLIVAN retired May 1 after 37 years of service and is going to take a trip to Ireland soon. . . Operator HAROLD JULITZ has given up his hobby of fishing and now has taken up a new hobby, namely bird watching. Harold says it is not as strenuous as fishing, but at times it can be more exciting. . . Operator CECIL ANDERSON was commended in Chicago's daily papers for his excellent judgement in preventing a serious accident on Lake Shore drive when he blocked off all the traffic following his bus when an automobile driver lost control of her car and was spinning around on the drive. . . Operator JACK RUSS had a fire in his home that burned out the bedroom and kitchen ceilings. Fortunately, no one was hurt, although the damage to Russ' home was considerable. . . ANDREW ZAHR, son of Operator MEL ZAHR, was graduated from Northern Illinois university where he majored in accounting. . . Operator SAM POSNER purchased a new 65 Chevrolet Impala for his wife, ETHEL, which he presented to her for a mother's day gift. . . Operator DAVE JOHNSON has a new 65 Pontiac GTO which he says will lose anything running. . . Operator LEN LOHN and MEL KARSHNICK have transferred to the elevated lines as ticket agents. Good luck is extended to these fine gentlemen in their new positions. . . Pensioners HARRY BRETZ, C. B. COBB, and DENNIS DONAHUE were around North Park visiting the boys, and they all look great. . . We would like to extend a hearty welcome to the clerks and receivers who are coming to North Park on the new pick. DAN MC FADDEN #4, L. BROWN #4A, W. OLIVER #5, D. FORD #4B, P. TULLY, and M. BUCKLEY, receivers. . . Happy birthdays are extended to the following: JOE EIFFES, May 6; SAM POSNER, May 15; HILLARD DERENGOWSKI, May 21; ETHEL POSNER, May 22, and SUE JACOBY, June 23. . . Our sympathy and condolences to the families of pensioner BERNARD MYLEN; ART EBERLEIN; HANNA KRICKOW, mother of Supervising Instructor ART KRICKOW; and LESLIE BELL, stepfather of Operator GUSSIE JONES.

- Melvin Horning

PURCHASING & STORES (Specifications) -

ED AHLBRAND spent a week's vacation touring Colorado with his mother who lives in Seymour, Indiana. They had a very enjoyable trip!

(North Division) -

After THOMAS J. BOLDT and GAIL LYNNE ANYS became husband and wife on April 24 at a ceremony in St. Gregory's church, a reception was held for 125 relatives and close friends at North Center hall. They honeymooned at Abbey resort on Lake Geneva at Fontana, Wisconsin. . . Our sympathy is sent to Mr. and Mrs. TONY DI GIOVANNI on the recent death of Tony's mother-in-law. . . Our very best wishes for a speedy recovery go to ELMER AUST who is now out of the hospital and recuperating at home. . . Mr. and Mrs. AL BONFIGLIO recently returned from a three-week European vacation visiting London, Paris, and Rome. Al said Paris is a beautiful city but the thing that took his eye was their subway which is fabulous but isn't as fast as ours. After spending a few days in Rome they motored southward to Naples and many other cities taking in such sights as the Ruins of Pompeii and the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Al left his heart in Sarento and hopes that he and his wife can go back there one day soon. Needless to say, they had a wonderful trip going by plane and returning by boat.

- D. Jane Bell

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

W. P. DEVEREUX had a little accident. The window closed on his hand and he had to go to the hospital for X-rays. . . RAY PRIMEAU is convalescing at home at this writing. Hope he will be back soon. . . JAY KELLY is off the sick list. Nice to have you back Jay. . . BILL DENTAMARO, WALLY SCHWEINFURTH and J. LARKIN spent their vacation sightseeing, resting, and having a good time in and about Chicago. . . Superintendent L. C. DUTTON and his wife spent their vacation on the West Coast and had a wonderful time. . . MARGE and AL VIDAL have kept us informed on their trip to Mexico. . . MIKE DORE became a grandfather for the fourth time as his daughter gave birth to a baby girl on May 16. Congratulations! . . Mr. and Mrs. A. BRANDT celebrated 32 years of married life on May 12, and Mr. and Mrs. JOHN URBAN celebrated 36 years of married life on May 10. Congratulations to both couples. . . Happy birthday to our Assistant Superintendent BERNARD O'NEILL and also to THEODORE COWGILL. . . FRANK CORBETT bought a new home on the northwest side. Good luck to the Corbett's. . . PHIL LEAHY has been seen looking at new cars. Is there any reason Phil? . . The traveling pensioner's JIM and GERTRUDE ANDERSON, are back from an extensive tour of the South. . . We received a letter from our Pensioneer, GEORGE BRYAN, from the coast. . . JOHN BENNIS is on a diet and looks good. Keep up the good work John. . . CHESTER URBAN's mother-in-law passed away this last month. . . Congratulations to W. SHARP on his daughter's wedding.

- Katherine Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

WALTER GANDOR, painter, is enjoying a visit in his home country, Poland, with some of his family. Walter mailed a card from Holland enroute, showing the great fields of tulips. . . CLARENCE GOLZ, carpenter foreman, suffered the loss of his mother. Our sympathy. . .

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

G. O. AMUNDSEN, 80, Shops and Equipment,
Emp. 9-11-13. Died 4-16-65
CARL A. BERGSTROM, 76, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 3-06-13. Died 4-19-65
JOSEPH CHVOSTA, 81, West Section,
Emp. 8-02-43. Died 4-22-65
WILLIAM DARCY, 74, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-18-20. Died 4-20-65
EDWARD W. DOERR, 70, 52nd Street,
Emp. 8-03-21. Died 3-18-65
PETER GALLAGHER, 51, Kedzie,
Emp. 2-27-43. Died 5-5-65
PATRICK GALVIN, 81, Beverly,
Emp. 2-09-16. Died 4-03-65
FRANK J. GLYNN, 92, Burnside,
Emp. 7-31-17. Died 4-30-65
PHILLIP GUERIN, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-12-23. Died 4-11-65
GEORGE HEIDELMEIER, 75, North Park,
Emp. 12-08-19. Died 4-28-65
M. B. HULL, 79, Devon,
Emp. 2-20-18. Died 4-04-65
ALBERT A. JOHNSTON, 71, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-26-15. Died 3-31-65
CLAUDE JORDAN, 43, West Section,
Emp. 12-13-48. Died 5-14-65
LAZAR P. KIJAC, 80, Track and Struct.
Emp. 8-07-16. Died 4-20-65
JOHN KLEDZIK, 79, North Avenue
Emp. 3-15-10. Died 4-29-65
ARTHUR KOCSICA, 60, West Section,
Emp. 1-26-44. Died 4-25-65
MAREK KON, 73, North Avenue,
Emp. 8-16-23. Died 4-28-65
EDWARD J. KRAUSE, 75, Archer,
Emp. 12-23-07. Died 4-11-65
FRANK J. KUGLER, 86, South Section,
Emp. 9-29-01. Died 5-02-65
PERCY A. LEGGETT, 85, North Section,
Emp. 10-15-29. Died 4-10-65

ANTHONY LEHRMAN, 55, South Section,
Emp. 5-20-54. Died 5-12-65
W. E. LETZ, 74, North Section,
Emp. 9-06-13. Died 4-20-65
R. MAGNUSON, 77, Limits,
Emp. 1-31-14. Died 4-15-65
PETER MARCINIW, 74, Track and Struct.,
Emp. 4-17-34. Died 4-30-65
B. S. MYLEN, 72, North Park,
Emp. 1-19-15. Died 4-18-65
FRANK NOVAK, 64, Logan Square,
Emp. 5-16-18. Died 4-30-65
J. L. POSUCH, 72, West Section,
Emp. 11-13-47. Died 4-17-65
H. C. REYELTS, 77th Street,
Emp. 3-12-07. Died 4-22-65
WILLIAM F. REYNOLDS, 57, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-8-41. Died 4-21-65
GEORGE J. ROBINSON, 58, 52nd Street,
Emp. 11-5-41. Died 5-6-65
THURMAN RODEY, 76, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 2-02-16. Died 4-01-65
ROCCO SACCAMONTO, 71, North Avenue,
Emp. 2-28-28. Died 4-29-65
HUGO M. SCHULTZ, 73, North Avenue,
Emp. 8-16-23. Died 4-28-65
C. A. SORENSEN, 94, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-01-09. Died 4-16-65
WILLIAM STEELE, 52, District "B",
Emp. 12-28-36. Died 4-21-65
WALTER TERNANDT, 76, Lincoln Avenue,
Emp. 6-22-14. Died 3-10-65
J. C. TURLEY, 69, North Avenue,
Emp. 8-18-26. Died 4-22-65
MARTIN J. WEST, 81, North Avenue,
Emp. 6-11-07. Died 4-28-65
E. F. WEGNER, 74, Devon,
Emp. 7-28-14. Died 4-18-65
VESPER YOUNG, 49, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-8-52. Died 4-25-65

PAUL EHMKE, machinist, and his wife, LILLIAN, underwent medical treatment due to their auto being struck in the rear while stopped at an intersection . . . FRANK OLSZEWSKI, machinist foreman, is home from the hospital and hopes to soon be back on the job . . . CARL SCHNEIDER, retired electrical worker, called to say hello to all his fellow workers . . . GUS ISAKSON, blacksmith, is finishing up last year's vacation with a little fishing in Iowa . . . ROBERT METROW, painter, reports that his weekends have been very good for fishing, but we have not received any pictures yet . . . HOWARD JENSEN, clerk at Skokie Shops, and his wife, ALICE, are celebrating their 35th wedding anniversary. Howie claims it seems like only yesterday. Congratulations to each of you . . . JOHN DWYER, retired clerk from Skokie Shops, called this morning to say hello to all. Jack gets lonesome for the old time friends. Keep calling Jack, as we love to hear from you.

- Everett E. England

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

On May 1, 61st Street celebrated a double retirement party. After 22 years of service, A. ROCHE decided that he had had enough of early to bed and early to rise,

so he retired. The other new pensioner was J. CELANO, who, after 23 years of service took a disability pension. The fellows were sorry to see them go and their best wishes for good health and continued happiness in the future went with each of them . . . A hearty welcome was extended to R. STEELE, who transferred from Forrest Glen garage to Congress Terminal . . . Sorry to see that F. RIO and A. BOLING were on the sick list and that they had to spend some time in the hospital. Wishes for a complete and speedy recovery are sent their way . . . The boys at Congress Terminal want to thank MATT COYLE for doing an excellent job filling in for Assistant Foreman PAUL LORIMER while he was on vacation. On his return all the boys met him with a bouquet of flowers. Wonder if they were trying to tell Paul something? . . . Congress Terminal had another unexpected visit from "General" RICHARD LORIMER. Richard stopped in for a surprise inspection and to let everyone know that he is looking forward to his discharge in December . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. LENNY DAVENPORT on the birth of their second son. Little DAVID DONALD was born on May 3. Daddy just cannot wait until David is older so that he can put him and his other son, LEONARD, in training for the 1980 Olympics . . . Congress Terminal may receive an award for producing the best comedy of the year. It seems that the fellows have or-

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ganized two baseball teams, those under thirty and those over thirty. Managers N. SUERO and C. BURKE promise that it will be the battle of the century. The managers already have warned RALPH DANIELSON of Lake Street that the winners will take on his Lake Street Terrors. Who knows, maybe after this encounter the fellows will have learned enough skill to play little league ball with their sons.

Congratulations to Miss JANET M. CANNELLA, daughter of JOHN CANNELLA, assistant foreman at Congress, who graduated from Morton West High school. Best of luck for the future and may all your dreams come true . . . JOHN DANIELS spent months plotting and planning to find a way in which he could get the three weeks vacation he had coming from last year, together with the three weeks vacation for this year. It seems that someone overheard John saying that he would like to visit friends and relatives in his native homeland, Poland, to pick up a CARE package. Unfortunately, his foreman, PAUL LORIMER, just wouldn't let his prize worker go for six weeks. Paul doesn't think it would be fair and that it wouldn't improve relations with the country if John was to spend that much time there . . . On their trip to vacation with friends and relatives in Nashville and Chattanooga, Tennessee, Mr. and Mrs. MATTHEW BUCHANAN stopped off to see the Kentucky Derby. Hope Matt didn't bet on the horse that came in last . . . Those fellows who got an early start on summer vacation fun were: General Foreman E. R. HENDRICKSON; Assistant to the General Foreman ANTHONY PORCARO; GEORGE BURNS; JAMES LOCKE; JAMES O'TOOLE; EDWARD WISNIEWSKI; RAYMOND JOHNSON; CHARLIE PERI; NEIL MC GILL; RONNIE LAUDANSKI; RALPH ROBINSON; JESSE WILLIAMS; CLAUDE DUNLAP; ANTHONY DRAPP; JOHN HENNELLY; ANTHONY RUANE; AUGUST MISCHKE, and HAROLD LOOMIS.

- Ray Brzezczek

SOUTH SECTION -

Hooray! Summer is finally here and everyone is eagerly awaiting their vacation after that long, long winter . . . Congratulations and best wishes to the happy bridegroom, JAMES GRANAHAN, who was recently married. Much happiness is wished James and his bride. . . Busy beavers these days are Trainman LARRY MEYER and his family who just moved into a nice new home . . . Agent ANTHONY LEHRMAN, who transferred from the Surface Division last December, passed away suddenly on May 12. Our sincere condolences to his family . . . Motorman MARVIN KISSEL took his annual jaunt to Los Angeles, California, on vacation to visit with his mother . . . Agent CHRISTINE EVANS, who recently returned from the sick list, wishes to thank all her friends for the many cards and telephone calls to cheer her up while she was ill . . . Greetings and salutations to these newly transferred trainmen from the North and West Sections to our South Section: JAMES HOLMAN, JAMES FARMER, PATRICK COLEMAN, and PAUL ORLOFF . . . Superintendent of Agents and Porters BOB ROESING, sunburned and well rested, has just returned from vacationing down in Clearwater, Florida, visiting with his father, Retired Assistant Superintendent of Operating Stations, GEORGE ROESING. The Roesings send their regards to everyone back here in Chicago . . . Glad to hear that Retired Switchman FRED MC DOLE and his wife, who both were in the hospital recently, are back at home and feeling good again . . . Porters JOHN TOUSSAS and CLARENCE THOMAS were temporarily trans-

ferred to the West Section until the fall when they will return to our section . . . Our sympathy goes out to Motorman FRANK KLEKOVICH, whose father passed away, and to Motorman MARTIN CUNNANE whose mother passed away in Ireland. I know how sad it is to lose one's parents.

Retired Agent JULIA FILAN stopped in to see us at 61st Street. She looks just wonderful and is getting along fine . . . Relief Station Superintendent JOE TVRDIK likes the Ozarks for fishing so much that he went back there for a couple more weeks of fishing. He also is going to visit with retired Motorman CHARLES MC MORROW and his wife who live in Mountain Home, Arkansas. Hope Joe brings back some more of those delicious trout . . . On the sick list at this writing are: Conductors JOSEPH KOLMAN, WILLIAM HUNNIFORD, and JOSEPH MOYLAN, and Agents MAXINE JEFFERSON and SEBERON HITCHCOCK. Hope they all have a quick recovery and are back on the job soon . . . Retired Conductor MATT GALLAGHER and retired Conductor HARRY ANTONION dropped in to see us. I'll tell you these people on pension look years younger. The pension life really agrees with them all . . . Here is a riddle for you! What conductor at Loomis Street shaved off half of his mustache by mistake and had to go around looking that way until it grew back? Why none other than Conductor STAN ZIELINSKI. Ha! Ha! . . . Some of our employes have left us for other positions: Trainmen EVERETT JAMES, BOBBIE WINSTON and GARY TACHELL . . . Retired Switchman GEORGE LAFAIRE and his wife are up from Hollywood, Florida, to spend the summer here. He was in the hospital for a short stay but is doing fine now. They plan to visit with all their family while here including Switchman RAY and his wife, Agent HELEN.

Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT is flying high these days. He became a grandpappy for the fifth time when his son and daughter-in-law were blessed with a little boy. Also, Leonard's bowling team keeps on winning bowling trophies every year. The big news is that he is going on pension June 1. We all know that he will enjoy his pension . . . Agent LEO DILLON and Porter ED FREEMAN were presented with certificates of commendation and a nice paper-weight for their assistance in the boy scout drive recently. Both are scoutmasters and very active in the scout movement which is a fine organization . . . Retired Conductor ERNEST HARDWIDGE stopped in on his way downtown to the monthly pensioners' meeting. He is 79 years young and has been on pension 14 years. He is living in a mobile home in Blue Island. Also, our condolences to him on the loss of his daughter last winter . . . Going on disability pension June 1 is Agent BENJAMIN WATTS who has been on the sick list for many months. Here's hoping that your health improves real soon . . . Another employe who decided to be a man of leisure is Switchman WILLIAM SAUNDERS, who is taking his pension June 1. He has been with us since 1929 and will be missed by all his co-workers . . . Heard that Retired Supervisor WALTER HILL was elected president of the CTA Pension club in St. Petersburg, Florida. They meet the first Tuesday of each month at 4130-16th St. North. Any pensioners and employes visiting Florida this year be sure and stop in at one of the meetings. The club members would enjoy seeing all their old friends . . . Some happy news! Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT was married to IRENE TACHELL on May 21. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple from all of us.

- Verna Hartney

WEST SECTION -

Mr. and Mrs. BERNARD SOBKOWIAK announced the marriage of their son, Ensign ROGER T. SOBKOWIAK of the U.S.N., to Miss CATHERINE DURKIN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM DURKIN, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on June 19. An 11 o'clock mass was held at St. Anne's church in Castle Shannon, Pennsylvania. After a honeymoon in Paris, France, and Rome, Italy, the couple will reside in Mayport, Florida. Bernard Sobkowiak is a West Side Agent and Roger is a former student agent. . . Former student Agent JAMES SCANLON, whose father is a bus operator from Kedzie Depot, was graduated from the Michigan law school at Ann Arbor, May 13, and he plans to join the Peace Corps. His sister, MARY EILEEN SCANLON, was graduated June 2, and her youngest sister, CONSTANCE RITA, was graduated June 13 from St. Odilo Grade school in Berwyn. . . When some of the former student agents came back to town they stopped in to see attorney JOSEPH RUSSO, former student agent, in his beautiful office in Oak Park. Joe is always happy to visit with old friends. . . Three couples that celebrated their 25th wedding anniversaries on May 18 are: Agent BERNARD and his wife, VICTORIA SOBKOWIAK; Agent CHARLES and his wife, LORETTO VLASAK; and former bus operator, now porter, ARTHUR and his wife, JULIA HUBACZ. To them we extend our heartiest congratulations and many happy returns of the day. . . GEORGE REZMER and his wife, BERNICE, were surprised by friends on their 25th wedding anniversary April 20. Congratulations and best wishes. . . June 30 will not only be a happy birthday for Agent JOSEPH NOVAK, but he and his wife will also celebrate their 34th wedding anniversary on that day. We wish them many, many more. . . Agent LEONARD LOHN had a birthday on May 12 but he and his wife celebrated May 17, which was also their 25th wedding anniversary. Many happy returns of the day. . . Agent AGNES NOONE had a birthday April 15 and her children blew the candles out on her cake. . . Our sympathy to the family of retired Agent JULIA GALLAGER, and also to the family of FRANK NOWAK, retired Logan Towerman. They will always be remembered by their co-workers.

A big welcome to the new agents from the Surface Division: ERWIN STORKE, North Avenue; GENE NOLAN, Kedzie; CLAUDE JORDAN, 77th; MELVIN KARSHNIK, North Park, and LEONARD LOHN, North Park.

Riviera Beach on Sayre Island at Singer, Florida, was Agent BERNADETTE HAYES's vacation retreat. . . Sorry we forgot to mention Agent STEVE KRUEGER's birthday on April 15. . . When JOHN WAGNER, Logan motorman with 47 years of service, retired, the men at Logan Square feted him with a wonderful party, and the fellows at 54th had coffee and cake for him. May his pension years be happy years. . . Porter TOMMY CONLEY went to St. Louis to visit his mother-in-law who was home from the hospital after surgery. It also gave him an opportunity to visit with old friends. . . One weekend Porter JAMES CLARK did all the planting in his garden and then relaxed by going fishing. . . Congress Clerk WILLIAM CHAMERLIK visited Fort Pierce, Florida, and enjoyed himself fishing and swimming. He did not say how large the fish were because nobody believes fish stories anyway. . . Agent STANLEY J. SLOWIK's relatives surprised him with a birthday party on May 14. . . Student Agent DENNIS MATHIEU had to work on his birthday, May 4, but made up for it afterwards by going out with some of the other student agents. . . Porter ARTHUR HUBACZ and his wife were surprised and lavishly entertained by their children on their anniversary. . . Sorry to hear that Agents LARRY FRICOT and

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JAMES KOVANDA are on the sick list. . . MARGARET, the wife of Motorman MAYSCHAK, is home from the hospital and doing well, except that she misses her son, Bro. DAVID MAYSCHAK, who was transferred from the Dominican House of Studies in River Forest to St. Rose's Priory in Dubuque, Iowa. . . Student Agent MICHAEL JUDY was graduated from Beloit college where he majored in math. . . Retired Motorman PAT J. O'BRIEN left for Ireland where he is going to spend the summer. Pat also plans to go to Rome. Agent FAE CAPRIO has a daughter, CAROL, who will graduate from Oak Park high school June 17. For a graduating present, Fae is giving her daughter a trip to Hawaii where she will visit with her sister. Fae might join her later.

Porter OTIS MILER's wife had a surprise birthday party for Otis on May 15. We hear Otis was really surprised and a good time was had by all. . . Agent DOROTHY FORD and her husband, LEO, celebrated their wedding anniversary on May 13. Many more years to them. . . ARLENE SWANSON spent a week of her vacation in Sioux City, Iowa, visiting her sister and family. . . ANN MARIE MC NICHOLS took a trip south on her vacation and had a lovely trip. . . PATTI LYNN PALLISTER was graduated from Prussing Grammar school and will attend high school. Your co-reporter, HELEN PALLISTER, has just returned to work and again would like to thank all the good friends for their well wishes and cards. . . We are getting well into the vacation season, so all you vacationers who would like your friends to know about your trip get in touch with your reporter and we will be glad to write it up.

- Helen Pallister & Julia Brousek

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The celebration on Thursday, May 13, was for the operating personnel, who brought their monthly accident quota to a new low. The coffee was "on the house," and the doughnuts were through the courtesy of our Credit union. These parties can happen more often. It's all up to us. Let's do our part for a fast repeat. . . BILL ERICKSON of the Union Leader, and I, received a very pleasant note from TOM BERRY who wishes us all the best and expresses his pleasure on being one of the gang for almost a quarter of a century. Tom changed positions recently and is now a stationary engineer at the South Shops. Needless to say we will miss Tom and his Irish wit, but we are happy for him in his promotion. . . At this writing Superintendent TOM SCREEN is enjoying beautiful spring weather on his vacation as is Assistant Foreman JIM HOPKINS, and GEORGE ERICKSON. We envy these men now, but our turn will come. . . We understand that TONY KRAUSE's cast was removed recently and that he will be back on the job soon. Hurry up Tony, we miss you. Another of last winter's casualties, PETE VANDA, is at home and would like visitors. A recent accident victim, JIM O'BRIEN, is confined to Hines hospital with a fractured vertebrae and a chipped breast bone, suffered when he fell off the roof of his home on a repair project. We hope he mends quickly. With sorrow we report that A. L. ANDERSON, a former clerk here, and now on disability, is totally blind and confined to County hospital. . . Our sympathies are extended to the family of former operator and recent janitor at 52nd Depot, GEORGE ROBINSON, on his death. Also, to Instructor EDWARD SWANSON on the death of his beloved wife.

- William J. Donahue

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