TRANSIT NEWS





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Bond Issues: An Investment in Chicago's Future

CHICAGO VOTERS, on June 14, will be asked to approve a bond issue that is of utmost importance to the city and to its expanding needs for the future.

It will be a capital improvement bond issue proposal amounting in the aggregate to \$195,000,000 for a wide range of city improvements. The Mayor has pointed out that these bonds will not cause an increase in tax burden since older bond issues are being retired concurrently. Furthermore, these investments in transit and other facilities would be returned many times over by enhanced property values and better living for the people of Chicago.

As a part of the total improvement proposal is a request that the City of Chicago provide \$28,000,000 which will be matched by \$50,000,000 in federal funds, for the expansion and improvement of mass transportation facilities to meet the transportation needs of our growing metropolis.

This contemplates extensions of rapid transit facilities in the Kennedy and Dan Ryan expressways and modernization of stations all of which are previously proposed projects and part of a well-planned comprehensive capital improvements program of many different facets.

Both the Kennedy and Dan Ryan Expressways were constructed to provide right-of-ways for high speed rapid transit to neighborhoods without this convenient service. Extensions will contribute directly to the reduction of congestion in the expressways and arterial streets. It is estimated that more than a million and a half people will benefit from these improvements.

KENNEDY EXPRESSWAY EXTENSION

It is proposed to expand the rapid transit from Logan Square via a subway along Kedzie Avenue or Kimball Avenue to the Kennedy Expressway and within the median strip northwest to Milwaukee Avenue and Central. This five mile expansion is estimated to cost \$45,000,000. For greater convenience and to assist the aged, stations will be provided with escalators and located at Belmont-Kedzie, Addison, Irving Park-Pulaski, Montrose, Lawrence and at Milwaukee-Central with an enclosed interchange with the Chicago and North Western Railway.

OUR COVER: An electronic computer to help cut costs for CTA was placed in operation recently at CTA's general offices in the Merchandise Mart. Installed in a special office in the Accounting Department, called the Management Information Center, the GE-415 computer was leased from General Electric company for a period of five years at a total rental of \$530,400. It will be used for revenue accounting, store accounting and inventory control, responsibility reporting, payroll, engineering studies, and other administrative operations.

The computer system includes a central processing unit with 64,000 characters of memory, six magnetic tape units capable of reading or writing 42,000 characters per second, a punched card reader operating at the rate of 900 cards per minute and a high speed printer which will print information at the rate of 1,200 lines per minute.

Through the use of modern, efficient methods such as those centered around the electronic computer, costs will be lessened through better control information for management.



EXTENSION OF CTA's rapid transit system can become a reality if Chicago voters approve the capital bond issue proposal at the polls on June 14.

The proposal contains a request that the City of Chicago provide \$28,000,000 which will be matched by \$50,000,000 in federal funds to install rapid transit facilities in the median strips of the Kennedy and Dan Ryan expressways.

The two pictures appearing on these pages illustrate (left) a rapid transit train in service in the median strip of the Eisenhower expressway, a scene that can be duplicated on the Kennedy (right) and Dan Ryan expressways if the bond issue proposal meets with favorable action by the voters.

DAN RYAN EXPRESSWAY EXTENSION

It is proposed to provide a north-south rapid transit route in the median strip of the Ryan Expressway from 95th generally to 22nd Street and to the present elevated and subway system via a connection somewhere between 18th Street and 25th Street. This facility will eventually connect with the new downtown subway now under study. The estimated cost of the Ryan extension with stations generally at one mile intervals and also equipped with escalators is \$27,000,000.

STATION MODERNIZATION

A \$6,000,000 program of improving rapid transit line stations is recommended. The improved stations would include longer, wider platforms; modern passenger controls; escalators, and fluorescent-lighted passageways and platforms. Radiant-heated waiting areas would be provided on the platforms. Stations to be remodelled, as yet undetermined, will be selected on the amount of traffic using the facility, general physical condition of the station, and conformity to overall community improvements in the area.

These improved stations will offer better passenger service as well as contribute to the attractiveness of neighborhoods.

CTA employes as a group have a special interest in voter approval of all these projects. It will result in more jobs being made available. The extent of CTA's services will be broadened by reaching out into areas which do not at present have rapid transit facilities. Travel time to and from the central business district will be reduced for many who live in outlying sections of the city. Traffic congestion on city streets will be lessened.

The bond issue has been endorsed editorially by newspapers and other media, by business, civic, labor and neighborhood organizations which have hailed approval of the bond proposal as vital to Chicago's future progress.

Transportation has always been in the forefront in Chicago's pattern of development and transit service has become a major factor in building up outlying areas within the city boundaries. More and more local transit has become a necessity in urban living.

It is most urgent that CTA employes give their full support to these bond issues by voting their approval when they go to the polls on June 14.

Scale Model of RT System Viewed by Bank Visitors

"HEY, IT runs!" "It's in the tunnel." "Look, there's the station where I board every morning."

- Strange statements to be echoing from the corridors of one of Chicago's largest and busiest banks? - No, not really. Continental Illinois National Bank recently featured a display of CTA - past, present, and future.

CTA's scale model rapid transit system was the highlight of the display. This was complemented by large photos illustrating CTA history, recorded messages on eight conveniently placed telephones, and holders containing both free Chicago Transit Maps and See Chicago Guides.

The model, operated from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each weekday during the month of May, is a representation of the Congress rapid transit route. It includes two HO gauge trains with cars of the airconditioned 2000 type, two "New Look" buses, a cutaway of subway operation, a station made to the likeness of Western avenue, street lights that actually light, automatic signals that change with the passing of trains, buildings, automobiles, people, shrubbery, and so on. The entire model is authentic in every respect.



The taped message given on the telephones relates the story of local transit from the time of the horsecars to the present. It gives the dates of important events in CTA's history, amount of rolling stock purchased and in operation, and other pertinent material. It also makes reference to the new City of Chicago bond issue proposal and plans for the Englewood extension.

The photos in the background portray transit service as it once was, a striking contrast to the model in the foreground.

The purpose of the display, operated by members of CTA's Public Information Department, was to show the progress made by CTA over the years. Judging by the response--"Mission Accomplished!"

Student Named to Honorary CTA Post During Youth Week



A 17-YEAR old junior student at Crane High school, with an outstanding record in youth activities, was selected as honorary Junior General Manager of CTA for 1966 during Chicago Youth Week, April 25 to 29.

He was Virgil Jones, whose qualifications included membership in Crane's VIP club, Student Council, Spanish Club, Kiwanis Key Club International, and as a player on the school's football team.

Other honors for which he had received recognition were as winner of the Chicago Tribune "Boy of the Month" contest and as a finalist in the "Young Citizen of the Month" contest sponsored by the Chicago Junior Association of Science and Industry. He represented Henry Horner Chicago Boys Club during the Youth Week program, and with other representatives of youth organizations was sworn in at special ceremonies in the City Hall on May 10.

As part of his assignment, Virgil visited the General Offices where he was briefed on CTA departmental operations and posed for this picture with General Manager T.B. O'Connor.



Transit News Scribes Meet and Eat at Dinner in Their Honor

"INSIDE NEWS" reporters for CTA Transit News were guests of honor at a "get together" dinner held May 5 in appreciation for their contributions to the magazine throughout the year.

While some of them were unable to attend, 26 of the scribes appeared for the occasion and in true reportorial tradition exchanged notes on news gathering and got acquainted with others who round up the personal items printed in their columns each month.

A highlight of the evening was the presence of CTA Board Chairman George L. DeMent and General Manager T.B. O'Connor, both of whom congratulated the reporters on the fine job they were doing in covering and submitting the news items in their respective areas. It was pointed out that this was strictly a voluntary effort on their part and was done on their own time. F. C. Knautz, superintendent of public and employe relations, was chairman for the proceedings.

Special guests for the dinner were two longtime reporters who are now retired, Julie Prinderville, General Office scribe for many years, and Gilbert Andrews, who covered the Electrical Department news over a long period.

Since it is not very often that our reporters have their pictures in Transit News, the dinner served as an opportunity to take a group photograph. To identify them for our readers we list their names and the departments or locations they represent. Front row, seated, from left: Julia Brousek, West Section, RT; Marian Sutherland, Tabulating; Joanne Paris, Revenue; Verna Hartney, South Section, RT; Marie Coari, Payroll; Mildred Doyle, Loop Agents; Helen Pallister, West Section, RT; Mable Potthast, General Accounting; Clara Lawrence, Material & Supplies.

Rear row, standing, from left: Ray Brzeczek, RT Terminal Inspection Shops; Edward O'Rourke, Tabulating; Frank Carpino, Forest Glen; Raymond Graham, Kedzie; William Donahue, 69th; Kathryn Batina, Schedule-Traffic; Tom Daniels, Beverly; Sandy Majewski, Claims; Melvin Horning, North Park; Kathy Ashley, Claims; Everett England, Skokie Shops; Kathleen O'Brien, South Shops; Mary Clarke, General Offices; Bill Miedema, North Avenue; Frank Jasch, North Section, RT; Amos Foster, 77th; Ernest Carter, Keeler.

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G. J. Schaller Named as CTA General Attorney

APPOINTMENT OF Attorney George J. Schaller as general attorney for Chicago Transit Authority was announced May 5 by Chicago Transit Board.

Mr. Schaller succeeds William J. Lynch who retired March 31 upon his appointment as a Judge of the U.S. District Court for Northern Illinois.

"We are extremely proud that Mr. Schaller has accepted this position with Chicago Transit Authority and know that his legal competence will be a great asset to our organization," commented George L. DeMent, chairman of Chicago Transit Board. As General Attorney for Chicago Transit Authority, Mr. Schaller will advise and consult with the Board and Management on legal matters.

For 23 years Mr. Schaller has practiced law in Chicago and presently is a partner in the law firm of Schaller, Reilly, and Cassidy, 33 N. LaSalle street.

Mr. Schaller was graduated from St. Sabina Grammar school, Leo High school, and DePaul Iniversity Law school.

Space Age Motif for Clean-up Bus

A CTA bus decorated with spacemen scrubbing, sweeping, scouring, and shining while soaring through the skies is CTA's reminder to keep Chicago clean. The elf-like figures adorn CTA's freshly-painted clean-up bus that made its debut in the All Chicago Clean-up parade on May 7.

The bus, primarily blue in color, is a sharp contrast to CTA's standard mint green and alpine white buses. The bus carries the slogan, "It Only Takes a Little Effort . . . Keep Chicago Clean."

After the parade, the bus was placed in regular service on CTA routes throughout the city as a daily reminder to help keep Chicago clean.





During World War II, Mr. Schaller served as a private in the European Theater in five campaigns with the Fifth Armored Division.

He is a former Master in Chancery of the Circuit Court of Cook County, past president of the Southside Bar association, and former general counsel of the Cartage Exchange of Chicago.

Extending congratulations to Mr. Schaller (left) on his appointment to his new post in the photo is George L. DeMent, chairman, Chicago Transit Board.



PRESENTATION OF the highly-coveted American Transit Association Bronze Certificate for accumulating 250,000 or more man hours without a lost time or disabling injury was made on April 27 at South Shops. The certificate was awarded in recognition of the safety record of 256,532 injury-free man hours established during the period from August 14, to November 22, 1965. Presentation ceremonies took place at the new bus overhaul building and were attended by foremen, supervisory personnel, safety committee members, and Insurance Department representatives. The certificate was presented to J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops, by P. J. Meinardi, manager of finance. Displaying the certificate from left to right in the photo are E. E. Olmstead, assistant superintendent, surface shops; L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment; Mr. Repplinger, and J. T. Burke, coordinator, Fire and Safety.

Retiring Transit Veterans Honored by Co-Workers

TWO TRANSIT veterans, whose combined service records totaled 92 years, were among the employes who retired on pensions May 1.

They were Thomas F. Moore, superintendent of operating stations, who completed 49 years and 10 months of service, and M. R. Johnson, superintendent of police, who had 43 years of service.

Mr. Moore began his transit career on June 21, 1916, as a clerk and telephone operator in Chicago Surface Lines Accident Investigation Department. His salary at that time, he recalls, was \$25.00 a month. On April 6, 1920, he was promoted to dispatcher and held that post until December 1, 1938, when he was appointed chief instructor.

On April 16, 1945, he stepped up to relief district superintendent in the Transportation Department and on June 24, 1951, he was appointed superintendent of operating stations, the position held at the time of his retirement.

During his varied assignments, Mr. Moore recalled that as dispatcher and relief district superintendent he was responsible for the operation of streetcars and buses to the Century of Progress Exposition in 1933 and 1934, and to the Railroad Fair in 1949. Because of the attendance at these events it was frequently necessary to press additional vehicles into service on short notice and schedules had to be revised frequently according to traffic demand. He recalls that he was kept busy almost 24 hours a day at that time.

Mr. Moore was educated in Chicago schools and he and his wife, Jessie, have been lifetime residents of the north side of Chicago. They are long-time members of St. Hilary church, California and Bryn Mawr. They are the parents of Thomas F. Moore and Mrs. Patricia Hanna. They also have three grandchildren, Kenneth Hanna, 10, Susan, 9, and Jill, 4.

Mr. Moore was honored by more than 400 fellow employes at a retirement dinner in the Merchants and Manufacturers Club in the Merchandise Mart on April 28. At the dinner, he was presented with two round trip airline tickets to Florida for himself and his wife and funds to cover vacation costs. After vacationing, Mr. Moore plans to return to Chicago to spend his retirement years where he will just "sit back and take it easy."

Mr. Johnson became a CSL employe in November, 1922, as an investigator and was appointed superintendent of police on June 1, 1939. He and his wife, Violet, are the parents of a daughter, Mrs. Valeria Bowman, who is employed in CTA's Accounting Department.



CLOSING OUT a transit career that extended over a period of just two months short of a half century, Thomas F. Moore, superintendent of operating stations, was honored at a dinner attended by some 400 friends on the eve of his retirement. Flanking Mr. and Mrs. Moore at the event are (left) General Manager T. B. O'Connor and D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, long time associates of Mr. Moore.

AN OPEN house and reception held for M. R. Johnson, superintendent of police, who retired on May 1, enabled the photographer to get this family portrait. At the left are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bowman, son-in-law and daughter, and, at right Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Bowman (Valeria) is employed in CTA's Accounting Department.



MAY, 1966





61st, 69th Take ISC Awards in 1st Quarter

AT THE end of the first quarter in the Interstation Safety Contest, CTA operating personnel was off to a good start in the system-wide effort to reduce accidents by better driving practices.

This was evidenced in the statistics for the first three months which showed that there were 213 fewer traffic and passenger accidents reported than in the first quarter of 1965.

Tops in establishing this substantial reduction was 69th street station with 58 fewer accidents than in the first quarter of last year. This performance enabled 69th to win the surface system pla-

que for the first quarter of this year with a score of 60.78.

A perfect score of 75.00 points was registered by 61st street to win the rapid transit plaque for the first quarter. Presentation of the plaques was made at the winning stations early in May.

In the picture at the left, D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, presents the rapid transit system plaque to Superintendent R. W. Meisner at 61st station. Right: Mr. Flynn enjoys coffee and rolls with some members of the surface system winning operators at 69th station.

Suggesters Now Get Free Baseball Tickets for Ideas

FREE TICKETS to White Sox and Cubs home games are the newest awards offered for ideas adopted by the Employe Suggestion Plan Committee as a stimulant to increase participation by employes during the summer.

All ideas accepted for adoption before September 2 will entitle the persons who submitted them for consideration to two box seats for games at either of Chicago's major league parks on the day of their choice. The tickets will be substituted for the hams which recently have been given as incentive awards to employes.

To qualify for the tickets, the employe's suggestion must be approved for adoption by the Executive Decision Committee of the plan. Two such approvals within a 12-month period will bring him a cash award of \$25.00 or more, plus the honorable mention awards. Issued certificates can be exchanged for box seats at the ticket offices at White Sox and Cubs parks for the date requested.

Since the last issue of Transit News, \$190.00 in cash awards have been distributed among seven employes as follows: William Rohe, \$40.00, William E. Lyke, \$25.00, and Irvin L. Krauledis, \$25.00, all of South Shops; Marian Filip, \$25.00, West Side; Herman Wirth, \$25.00, Claim Department; Paul Whitemon, \$25.00, 52nd street, and Charles Banser, \$25.00, Logan Square.

Other suggestors received honorable mention awards which can qualify them for cash prizes if they submit another idea which is adopted within a year. These were: Joanne Brady, Walter Hallford, Margaret Hanson, Paul Wallace, Joseph O'Sullivan, Emil F. Derma, all of General Offices; George Digiore, S & E, North Avenue; John Marasovich, Stores, South Shops; Minnie A. Dikeman, R. T., West Side; Warren S. Koerner, Engineering, Blue Island; James Nagel, Engineering, West Shops; William Rehder, Electrical, Blue Island; Melvin L. Stoldt, Pensioner; James Marron, S & E, South Shops, and Walter Mangero, Utility.



TO ALL CTA EMPLOYES:

Each year about this time you, as a CTA employe, are offered the privilege of investing in U.S. Savings Bonds. In so doing, you will not only benefit yourself but also be adding to our strength as a nation as well.

The money you set aside through the payroll deduction plan will earn you a bigger return because the interest rate has been increased from 3.75 to 4.15 per cent, compounded semi-annually, when held to maturity. The maturity period of Series E Bonds under the new terms is now only seven years.

This provides an opportunity to develop the habit of saving regularly and to provide for financial security for you and your family in later years.

The year 1966 marks the 25th, or silver anniversary, of the Saving Bonds program, and it completes a quarter century of star-spangled security for Americans. At the start of 1966, more than 486-million individual Saving Bonds were being held by Americans. By allocating part of your earnings to the purchase of U.S. Saving Bonds you are doing yourself and your family a favor.

This idea is not new for many of our employes who have been buying Saving Bonds for many years through the payroll deduction plan. It is encouraging to note that CTA was rated among companies throughout the country which distinguished themselves for high levels of participation during 1965. We hope we can win that recognition again this year.

Participation in the payroll deduction plan is voluntary, of course, but I recommend that you give serious consideration to this great saving program when you are contacted by a fellow employe during CTA's Bond Drive from May 16 to June 17.

There is no easier way an individual, by himself, can save in the present to build up a fund for the future.

T.B. O'Connor General Manager



MARTIN CAREY, clerk: "Last January I spent three weeks in the southern part of California and the northern part of Mexico."





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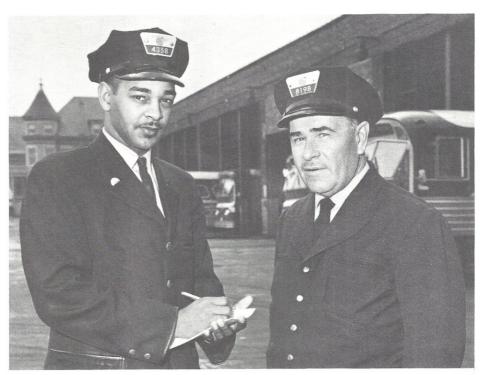
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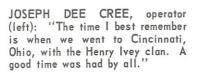
What do you remember as the best vacation you ever had?



HENRY IVEY, operator: ''The best vacation I had was when I went to Niagara Falls the long way-from Chicago through Kentucky and Cincinnati, Dayton, Columbus, and Cleveland, Ohio. I spent three days in each of these cities and didn't want to leave.''

JOHN KOCHER, operator (with reporter Loid Brown): "The last vacation I spent in the Dells, it was a wonderful summer experience."

HAROLD W. THOMAS JR., bus cleaner (right): "The one I best remember is the three weeks I spent in California."





MEDICALLY SPEAKING CTA Medical Consultant

STOMACH AILMENTS are very, very common. They really include too many different disorders to discuss in this month's article, but we will try to

First, for a concise and better understanding, a short description of the anatomy and physiology or how the stomach works will be given.

cover some of the essential problems.

The stomach is a large, hollow bag located in the upper abdomen which connects the mouth and esophagus with the small intestine.

The stomach does two main jobs. First, it acts as a temporary storage place for food that has been swallowed, and second, it mixes the food together and begins breaking it down so the body can use it. This phase of digestion is done by the stomach juices, the most important of which is hydrochloric acid. Normally, the stomach only becomes active and does its work at special times (meal times). The rest of the time it is inactive and rests. Activity starts in the stomach as a result of certain signals or stimuli. These come to the stomach in three ways: (1) by way of the nervous system, (2) in the blood, (3) directly to the lining of the stomach.

Remembering the above statement, one may then reason that the causes of stomach ailments may come from or be triggered by nervous system disorders, blood disorders, or the ingestion of improper foods including excessive eating, drinking, and smoking.

The clinical picture or symptoms of stomach ailments can be covered by one word--"indigestion." This word holds too broad a meaning and is too often used indiscriminately to describe a host of symptoms which seem to be related to the digestive system. However, they can be related to other systems, such as the heart. Indigestion may indicate some serious trouble, such as an ulcer, cancer, or it may be due simply to nervousness or faulty eating habits. To help round out this idea of "indigestion," let me say it may mean heart-burn, nausea, gas-bloating, belching, vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea or constipation, poor appetite, and loss of weight.

Some of the more common stomach ailments include (1) ulcers (including those in the stomach and also in the duodenum), (2) cancer, (3) polyps, (4) gastritis (inflammation of stomach), (5) nervous indigestion, (6) stomach allergies, (7) drop-

By Dr. George H. Irwin,

ped stomach (ptosis), and (8) faulty eating habits (eating too much or too little at the wrong time). The deceptive thing about the above disorders or illnesses is that any one of them can produce the typical picture of indigestion.

Because of this complex and deceptive picture of indigestion, the minor ailments and the serious ones must be quickly differentiated and diagnosed. This can be done by your physician. The examination usually includes a careful history, examination of the blood, gastric analysis for acid and blood, etc., and a complete X-ray of the gastro-intestinal tract. Often it is necessary to have X-rays of the gall-bladder and electrocardiograms to arrive at the proper diagnosis.

Prophylactic measures which will help prevent the stomach ailments which come from improper eating and nervous tension are as follows:

- 1. Get enough sleep.
- 2. Put some relaxation into every day and every week-end.
- 3. Choose the right foods for your digestive tract to handle easily - don't gulp them.
- 4. Lie down and rest for a short time before and after your evening meal.
- 5. Smoke and drink moderately or not at all.
- 6. Take a real vacation once or twice a year.
- 7. Stop worrying about your job. Take it easy and do your best and what you do will be good enough.
- 8. Find outlets or antidotes for the emotions which cause nervous indigestion or ulcers, such emotions are resentment, frustrations, hurt, and inadequacy. Blowing your top once in a while sometimes helps, but you can often get the same effect by talking things out.

Instead of going to the doctor to find out the truth, far too often the indigestion sufferer takes some medicine he has read about or one which some friend claimed helped him with similar symptoms. By doing this you may aggravate the condition or delay the cure. So, if you have persistent indigestion don't rely on old remedies. Don't follow nonprofessional advice, don't trust guesswork, but go to your physician and find out for yourself what the trouble may be. Fortunately, almost all stomach ailments can be helped if recognized and treated early. So do not neglect your health. See your physician early and regularly.

New Supervisory Assignments Affect Three Departments

NEW ASSIGNMENTS affecting supervisory personnel in three departments were announced recently.

April 1 appointments marked a shift of responsibilities at South Shops, as follows: S. J. Eisen was appointed general foreman of the body shop, replacing J. G. Hecht, deceased; T. E. Pietrus was named foreman of the paint shop, Area 313; Robert Nord was appointed foreman of converter-rebuild, Area 342, and Charles Karko became general foreman, unit overhaul section, Area 340.

May 1 appointments affected two General Office Departments.

In a bulletin signed by L. C. Dutton, superintendent of Schedule and Traffic Department, R. N. Goldstein was named senior assistant superintendent, and H. R. Hirsch was appointed assistant superintendent.

Announcement also was made of the appointment of A. J. Dinnella as superintendent of CTA Department of Police; Norman Graver was named assistant superintendent of security; L. J. Calus was appointed assistant superintendant of personnel investigations, and R. H. Miller became chief investigator.

NEW PENSIONERS

AUGUST BROUSEAU, Foreman, Track & Struct., Emp. 5-13-40 GEORGE BURNS, Janitor, 77th Street, Emp. 1-03-45 BERNARD CURRAN, Bus Cleaner, North Park, Emp. 10-21-26 CARLO DESIMONE, Laborer, Building, Emp. 2-07-41 HAROLD J. GOTTSTEIN, Operator, Limits, Emp. 2-07-41 EDWARD B. HUTTEN, Supervisor, District "C", Emp. 11-23-22 JOHN A. IVANIC, Welder, Skokie, Emp. 12-20-45 MARTIN R. JOHNSON, Sup't of Police, Police, Emp. 11-11-22 ROLAND W. LAWSHE, Supervisor, West Section, Emp. 11-19-27 MICHAEL J. McGROARTY, Repairman, 69th Street, Emp. 2-07-24 JOHN A. McINTOSH, Instructor, Keeler, Emp. 1-15-26

THOMAS F. MOORE, Sup't. of Oper. Stations, Trans., Emp. 6-21-16 BLOYCE F. SPARKS, Ticket Agent, South Section, Emp. 11-26-40 FRANK P. STRUCK, Motorman, North Section, Emp. 4-16-25 WILLIAM THOMAS, Operator, Archer, Emp. 3-09-34 HARRY S. TISHLER, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 6-13-27 STANLEY S. WESLEY, Motorman, North Section, Emp. 5-05-24 MERRITT F. WOOD, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 1-17-28 RALPH J. WRISKA, Motorman, South Section, Emp. 8-22-41

DISABILITY RETIREMENT

GEORGE V. GREANEY, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 11-22-46











FIVE EMPLOYES who retired May 1 after completing 40 or more years of service with CTA and predecessor transit companies are pictured above. They are, from left to right: JOHN McINTOSH, FRANK STRUCK, MICHAEL McGROARTY, EDWARD HUTTEN, and STANLEY WESLEY.

THE INSIDE NEWS

-AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Revenue) -

We would like to welcome YOSHIKO KINDAICHI. "Yo" is our new key punch operator . . . St. Patrick's Day greetings were received from RUTH HUGHES, retiree, who is convalescing at Oak Forest hospital. Ruth reports her condition is improving with therapy . . . Monsieur ALBERT LATHOUWERS has found out the hard way that it's not easy playing basketball with the youngsters. Al received a bruise on his nose from his daughter to prove it . . . Yours truly went on a charter flight to Montreal and Boston to watch the Black Hawks play their last two games of the season. They lost both games, but as it turned out, they were not the only losers that weekend. The charter group lost their plane to the government on all three legs of the flight. I've never spent so much time in airports waiting for planes as I did that weekend. . . Mr. F. C. PALILUNAS, revenue accountant, had his office changed due to the addition of the computer room . . . A new arrival is nearing: As the saws are buzzing and the hammers banging, our computer room is almost completed. No one but the people from Accounting will enjoy the noise elimination more.

-Joanne Paris

(Payroll) -

ROSEMARY and PAT KENNY, cashier's office, drove to "you know where" for their vacation - Florida! Doesn't everyone?) They both are nicely tanned. This year they attended a family reunion held in Fort Lauderdale. While relaxing on the sand in Miami Beach, Rosemary noticed that this year the sea gulls are people-watching! This is indeed a changing world - nothing stops progress . . . We welcome MARY GRACE BREMER as a file clerk . . . We are so happy to hear that retiree CLAIRE KOCH has left the hospital and is home and feeling pretty chipper after her long illness.

That shining light surrounding DORIS YOST was created by a cablegram from a U.S. Naval Base hospital at Wokosuka, Japan! Her daughter, PEGGY PARISEAU, gave birth to a boy. Sorry, you will have to wait 'til next issue for his name. On navy pay -- that's all her son-in-law could afford at this time. Welcome to the Grandmother's Club, Doris!

-Eileen Neurauter

(Tabulating) -

EMIL RUSINAK, perennial "most valuable player," was recently elected vice-president of the Merchandise Mart softball league -- these added duties, plus the fact that he will again lead his "Mart Motor Bombers" in the coming season. JOHN ECKEL, popular captain of the Bombers, and a heavy favorite to repeat again this year as a member of the all-star team, was heard commenting, "if you want something done, ask a busy man." Emil has been most reticent regarding the financial arrangement of his new league contract . . DAN PROFITT transferred to the Methods and Procedures Department as a programmer II . . JOHN BOLAND returned from a short vacation bronzed and virile looking. His only comment - that he spent time south - south of St. Charles Road in Villa Park.

- Marion Sutherland & Edward O'Rourke

(General) -

MARIE MOULDER, formerly MARIE BRANKIN, and husband are the proud parents of a baby boy, RICHARD ANDREW, who joins five little sisters to complete the happy family. Marie was formerly in the Accounting Department Payroll Division . . . We extend our sympathy to GEORGE TRIUNFOL, senior accountant, whose mother, MARY TRIUNFOL, passed away April 4 after an extended illness of many months . . . DUANE BURDA, former member of the Accounting Department, came in to say "hello" to his friends. Duane is in military service and is still located at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

- Mable Potthast

(Material & Supply) -

The home of TIM McGRATH Jr. was gladdened by the arrival of a boy, TOM SCOTT, on Easter Sunday, and, of course, TOM McGRATH Sr., supervisor of M. & S. Accounting, couldn't be a prouder or happier grandfather . . . We are pleased to welcome ED CHAPLESKI, the famous concertina wizard, into our department and hope he enjoys working with us . . . Your scribe enjoyed the flight to Phoenix, Arizona, in a 727 Astrojet, in spite of the turbulent weather over Albuquerque, New Mexico. It was most relaxing to sun-bathe at the pool in 90° temperatures in Scottsdale with Camelback Mountain in view, and then to enjoy visiting the many interesting places in Scottsdale and Phoenix.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

Spring is here at last, and in case you don't know it the little woman will remind you. After sitting around all winter watching TV, you should be full of pep and ready to start housecleaning and wash those dirty windows . . . If you feel blue in the morning and don't think you will make it, walk over to the corner and listen to Operator JACK "Night Car" FALSEY cashing in his \$10. Jack is sure to make you laugh with some of his tall tales and the way he tells them . . . The operators on 87th street are sure glad to see Supervisor FRANK McGLYNE back to work after his recent trip to the hospital. Frank knows how to get along with the men and can straighten out those C. V.S. schoolboys by being tough with them if he has to . . . Pensionier JOHN MANION, after 43 years, is going to make a trip to Texas and take a long rest... Union Leader Scribe JERRY "Iron Man" GLEASON is home after another trip to the hospital, and is under the tender care of his beautiful wife, VIVIAN . . . We will all miss Operator JOHN McMULLEN who was recently laid to rest. We extend our sympathy to his family. He was also our assistant treasurer of the credit union, and was always ready to help you with a loan when you needed one. Father PAUL HOBAN of the Little Flower Society expressed his sentiments and praised him for his hard work. There are a lot of young priests who will remember John in their prayers because he helped raise money for their education . . . Congratulations to MAUREEN TROST who was recently married and hopes to continue her career as one of the lovely airline girls. Maureen is the daughter of our No. 1 man, Operator ED TROST.

- 70m Daniels

CONGRESS (Agents) -

When the organ played the wedding march at St. Catherine of Sienna church on Saturday, April 14, Agent SHEILA CARMODY walked down the aisle in her beautiful bridal gown and veil to become the bride of THOMAS MURPHY. Her sister, Agent MARY BREDIN, was her maid of honor and wore a lovely green dress and matching picture hat. We wish the lovely couple many happy and prosperous years . . . Congress Motorman JOHN FITZGERALD and his wife left for a two-month visit to County Limerick, Ireland. They made the Atlantic crossing by boat . . . Agent JOSEPHINE DILLON took part of her vacation the week after Easter and had a wonderful time . . . Agent G. M. BURGE used part of her vacation to get rid of a case of early "spring fever," for which rest and recreation are sure cures... Motorman FRANK GARRITY received a celebrity welcome from his co-workers and passengers when he returned to work after his misfortune. . . Two of our co-workers retired - Agent WILLIAM MAHONEY, 41 years of service, formerly of Kedzie and Devon Stations, and Agent STELLA CEPA. We wish them many happy years . . . Agent OPAL YORK and her husband, FENTON, recently celebrated their first year of marital bliss . . . Instructor BOB SUTA is happy again. His wife is home from the hospital after a severe case of pneumonia . . . Former Agent BEATRICE SCHEWE is now able to walk again and is getting along fine, thanks to the efforts of her sister, MARGUERITE, and her brother, CARL, and many friends. Beatrice says that a mere "thank you" to all her friends is not enough for the many ways in which they expressed their kindness and friendship to her. Beatrice forgets the old saying, "how you sow, so shall you reap." She and her sister, Marguerite, were always our very good friends, indeed.

Services were held for former Gate Foreman JOHN GUZIK on April 14. He was retired from his job for 15 years and is survived by a widow and two sons, CHAR-LES GUZIK, motorman on the Lake Street, and EDWARD GUZIK, conductor on the Douglas. . . We were sorry to hear of the passing of Yardman JOHN NASTI's wife. Services for Mrs. NASTI were held April 14 . . . Retired Porter JOHN DODD passed away April 4. He is survived by his widow and son . . . We also lost a wonderful co-worker when Agent MARCELLA BRYNES died March 27. Father JOHN MULVIHILL, the son of Agent MARY MULVIHILL, led the mourners in prayer. The family of Marcella Brynes wishes to thank the CTA agents and Division 308 for their many kindnesses, flowers, and masses. They were deeply appreciated . . . We extend our sympathy to Agent FRANK SLATER and his family on the loss of their beloved mother, who passed away in Detroit, Michigan . . . We were also sorry to hear that Lake Street Porter JOHN BARRETT's brother, PETER, passed away . . . Student Agent DAVID JUDY is going to meet his new sister-in-law in July. Former Agent MICHAEL JUDY took a teaching post in Liberia, where he married a girl from Wilmette. He and his wife are returning to the States to await the arrival of their baby. Good luck! . . Retired Agent CATHERINE MAHONEY was in Loretto hospital recently for surgery. We are happy to hear she is doing well... Retired Agent ANNE DOWLING was in St. Anne's hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery . . . Because of the death of Porters MAYS and JOHN DODD, the Porters' Club is calling a special meeting for election of officers. They also take this time to invite new members. A program of interesting activities is now in the planning stage. Meetings are held the last Friday of the month . . . Agent LAW-RENCE FRICOT's wife is now home recovering from

surgery... Agent LOUIS GOLDBERG is in St. Joseph's hospital after a heart attack, and Agent LOUIS BECK is also in the hospital... Some of the agents hired recently, whose names I was able to get are: GEORGE STANEK, from Archer. His father, JAMES, is retired from the CTA and lives on a farm in Kansasville, Wisconsin. He and his son are avid skaters but he also loves good, old-fashioned waltzes. We understand he may return to Archer. STANLEY BOUDREAU and MICHAEL HEAFEY from Kedzie, B. T. JEFFERSON from Lawndale, and MAURICE COHEN from New York... There is still time to get your tickets to that gala dinner which is being given at the Conrad Hilton on Sunday, June 5, honoring Father PAUL HOBAN.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL -

Substation Operator JOSEPH PIENTO became a father for the first time when his wife gave birth to a baby boy on March 31. The new arrival was named JOSEPH PAUL . . . "B" Helper PAUL STAHULAK became a proud father for the third time when his wife, JANICE, presented him with a baby boy on March 24. The newest addition to the Stahulak family was named MICHAEL JAMES . . . Many happy returns of the day are extended to Cable Maintenance Foreman FRED KOSS who celebrated a birthday on April 9... Received a post card from Lineman Helper MIKE DOLL who is spending his vacation enjoying the sights in San Francisco. Mike informs us that he is having a wonderful time . . . Retired Cable Maintenance Foreman BOB CONROY paid us a visit recently at the shop. Bob, we are happy to report, is looking hale and hardy . . . General Maintenance Foreman BILL SHEAHAN is currently spending his vacation doing some spring cleaning around his house. Lineman BOB PAOLICCHI is taking Bill's place while he's away . . . Enjoying their spring vacations at this time are: WALLY BARBOUR, JOHN FRIEDMAN, HOWIE GOBERNATZ, RON NELSON, and TONY RIGLER . . . Our deepest condolences are extended to Lineman JOE NASTI on the loss of his mother who passed away on April 11.

Mr. and Mrs. JULIAN CICHON are very proud of their son, ALLEN. He has been stationed in Viet Nam since September of 1965. He is a Sp. 4th Class in the 1st Cavalry Air Mobile . . . Our sick list still remains quite large. Cards and calls are always appreciated. Among those recuperating at home are HAROLD KRAMP, JIM GIBBONS, Operators CASTRIE, REGAL, and O'DON-NELL . . . BOB BOOTH's daughter, BARBARA is feeling much better now that she has had her "Bendix Spring" removed . . . ANDY BOURNE is relaxing on a spring vacation, and BRUNO CZANSTKOWSKI is going to treat all of us to some delicious bacon he is bringing back from Virginia. . . Pensioner GILBERT ANDREWS came in to share a cup of coffee with us. We enjoyed visiting with him. We are looking forward to more visits from our retired friends.

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

FOREST GLEN -

Clerk LOUIS and Mrs. TIGNAC took to the air again and had themselves a flight to the west coast to visit their children. "Nice work if you can get it." . . I would like to thank all those who attended the Little Flower Communion Breakfast which was very successful. I was sorry about not being present, but you know in this busi-

ness, someone has to work . . . RAYMOND "Friendly Bob" GRAY must have subscribed to Esquire magazine, because of late, he has been seen at Forest Glen looking like Beau Brummel... There are quite a few operators from Forest Glen who have been off sick for a lengthy period: WALTER AHERN, JOHN SCHODORF, WILLIAM SCHIESTEL, TONY RESZOTKO, JOHN KAIN, TOM BU-ONGIORNO, and LEONARD MALICKI. We hope that each of these men are on the road to recovery and that their illness will not be prolonged to a lengthy session . . . In the event I should ever forget someone, believe me, it is not intentional. Several issues back, when welcoming the new personnel to Forest Glen Station, I neglected to mention STEVE PALLADINO, the afternoon clerk. Steve, welcome to Forest Glen, and it's good to have someone around that can make that job look easy . . . Congratulations to Vacation Relief Clerk BILL and JOYCE GERRESH who were blessed with a baby girl, ANN, on April 20.

- Frank Carpino

(Engineering) -

We wish PATRICK GILL, painter foreman, bon voyage on June 9. He will leave Chicago for a trip to Ireland, to visit his 89-year old father, his sister who owns the Central Cafe in Kiltimagh, County Mayo, and another sister who owns a bakery. Pat came to this country in 1930 and this is his first trip back. He will return July 23.

- Jean Hensen

GENERAL OFFICE (Insurance) -

The announced engagement on Easter Sunday of DEANA MIKRUT and JOSEPH TUNZI, who is employed in the Transportation Office, was a happy surprise for coworkers and friends. Congratulations were extended to these two nice people. No plans as yet have been set for their wedding... ANN GOLDING was congratulated on being elected as president of the Elmhurst Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. Ann will be installed on June 4 and take over her duties as president on July 5... Sympathy was extended to the family of BILL NOTT who passed away March 30. Bill was employed as workman's compensation clerk, and his death saddened his many co-workers and friends. JAMES MADDEN, who has worked in Industrial Safety, will take over the compensation work.

(Training) -

LAWRENCE HIRSCH, son of ELIOTT HIRSCH, supervisor of program development, was among those honored by the University of Illinois at the 42nd annual Honors Day convocation. Lawrence, who is in his second year, has been on the Dean's List since entering Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch attended the convocation held at Champaign, Illinois, while their daughter, BETSY, who is a CTA summer employe, listened to the ceremony which was broadcast over the university's radio station, WILL.

(Public Information) -

ELEANOR WEBER of the Service Section, Public Information Department, resigned recently. JEAN FITZ-GERALD has taken Eleanor's place... LINDA GIER-LASINSKI, a graduate of Lourdes High school and Moser Secretarial school, is working in the Public Information Department for the Transit News.

(Research & Planning) -

MICHAEL DALEY, civil engineering graduate of Northwestern university, was welcomed to the department. Michael has been with CTA since May, 1965, and has completed the training tour in Transportation, Rapid Transit, the Shops, and Construction and Maintenance.

- Mary E. Clarke

KEDZIE -

Now that summer is around the corner, the children will be riding their bikes, roller skating, and playing in the streets. Some will be running into the streets without warning. Now is the time to be extra alert and watch out for these youngsters . . . Pfc. ED ROONEY, son of Operator ED ROONEY, is presently stationed in Viet Nam with the Office of Public Information attached to the 25th Infantry Division . . . Operator JOSEPH PECHEK retired, leaving behind him 40 years of service. Operator BILL ERWIN retired on April 1 with 40 years of service behind him also. To these men, "God bless you and many happy years of leisure in your retirement." . . From our repair department we send our congratulations to FRANK GRIMALDI who was made night foreman at 69th, and to JOE RITROVATO who made night foreman at Lawndale. Both of these men were formerly out of Kedzie . . . Congratulations to Instructor of Mechanics ADAM FIORITA who became a grandfather. On March 28, his daughter, CAROL McLAIN, presented him with a grandson who was named SCOTT PHILLIP. Congratulations to you, Mr. and Mrs. R. McLAIN. This makes your reporter an uncle again, as ADAM FIORITA is my brother-in-law...Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. PETE BARRET whose husband, PETE, passed away on April 16. Pete was a street collector in District "C" . . . Retired Conductor CLIFFORD GAYLORD passed away March 18. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved family . . . International Executive Board Member ROB-ERT STACK and MAMIE were married 45 years on May 10. They celebrated with a week's vacation in Las Vegas, Nevada. Wish you many more happy years of wedded bliss . . . Retired Conductor JOE KRAUSE and his wife, LILLIAN, of Phoenix, Arizona, send their regards to all . . . Retired Janitor GEORGE WILSON and his wife, ANNIE, of St. Petersburg, Florida, will be in Chicago sometime in July. They send their regards to all. George was elected to office in the CTA Retirement Club . . . Retired Operator JACK MULHOLLAND is in Phoenix, Arizona, and planning to make this his home. Jack saw HAROLD who used to have the restaurant across from Kedzie Depot. Harold sends his best to all.

- Raymond Graham

LOOKING AS though she just came out of hibernation is NATALIE ANN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. BRZECZEK, Natalie, granddaughter of RAY BRZECZEK of the Terminal Inspection Shops office, was only three weeks old at the time of this picture.



KEELER -

Greetings gang! Well, spring has finally sprung. The birds are whispering things to the bees -- well, maybe I have my quotations slightly goofed up . . . For once your scribe is at a loss for words. I just can't put into words the many heartfelt wishes for many happy years of retirement to Station Instructor MacINTOSH. Mack, we tried to show you in a small way that we all think you are a grand guy and we will miss you. You know I never really realized 'til now the big job you had. On those bad slippery winter days, we only had one bus to worry about, but you had to worry a bit about all of us. So now, Mack, live it up a little for all of us . . . A proud papa is Operator PATEREK, along with the Missus, of course. Inspiring this justified pride is their daughter, Miss PAT-RICIA PATEREK. Miss Paterek has been nominated to "Who's Who" in American Universities and Colleges by a student and faculty committee at Marian college, Indianapolis, Indiana. She was chosen on the basis of academic performance and leadership abilities . . . Another proud papa is Operator G. FELS, our top courtesy caravan man, whose son, MICHAEL was confirmed May 1 at St. Alexis in Bensenville, Illinois... Night Clerk JOHN DAVIS' daughter, LINDA, made dad very happy by winning a one-year scholarship at Northern Illinois university.

Operator JOHN JARECKI's brother entered the U.S. Marine Corps. Consequently, John is shopping around for non-combatant Green Beret . . . Our sick list is regrettably too long. So hurry and get well wishes to Operators R. WOODS, ED WHITE, R. VAUGHAN, and F. PERRONE . . . Glad to welcome back from sick bay Operators E. CADJA and H. MEDFORD . . . Our sympathy to Operator OLIPHANT and his sister, Mrs. CARL-TON, on the loss of their brother . . . Did you fellows know that Operator BARTNICKI is an amateur photographer. Say, Bart, I hear there is some good subject matter these windy days along Michigan Boulevard . . . The new tax exemption for Operator MIKE CAMPANELLA arrived on March 28. A real bonny lass . . . Happy birthday wishes to wife GAIL KNUDSEN, April 24, from Operator "Big" BILL KNUDSEN . . . The Anniversary Waltz is being played for Engine Cleaner ED McDON-NELL and his wife, AGNES, their 13th on April 19 . . . The same date, April 19, marked the 27th anniversary for Mechanic CHARLES BOWMAN and his wife, HAR-RIETTE... Your scribe and his Missus, VIRGIL, have slugged it out for 28 years as of April 27. She's still winner and champion over me . . . Operator CLIFFORD PETERSON and his wife, HARRIET, are celebrating 38 years of wedded "blitz," I mean bliss . . . Repairman PARRILLO is celebrating making the day shift after 15 years of owl service . . . Seriously though, I don't know whether to send congratulations or expressions of sympathy to managers Eddie Stanky of the White Sox and Leo Durocher of the Cubs . . . See you next month.

- Ernest C. Carter

LIMITS -

Operator GEORGE LOPEZ celebrated his 40th birth-day on April 20, and the most wonderful present was the arrival of his wife's father, Mr. ALVAREZ, from Cuba. Mr. Alvarez, who has been separated from his wife and family for five years, was amazed to see his grandchildren. George's son, ALEX, was only nine months old when he last saw him, and a new grandson, WILLY, who is four, is making his grandfather's acquaintance... Welcome back to Operator STEWART after a long illness.

Hope you keep feeling well . . . Operator LEONARD URBAN became a grandpa for the first time when his son presented him with a granddaughter, ANDREA CATHER-INE. Incidentally, Leonard informed me that his son just received his wings at Pensacola Air Base and will go to Corpus Christi to complete his air school training . . . Operator PETER COLUCCI and his wife, MARIA, were presented with their fifth grandchild by their daughter. It was a girl. Pete bowled with the Fraternal Order of Eagles at Fort Wayne, Indiana, on April 23. This was a national tournament . . . JOE GUINAN, son of Operator TOM GUINAN, and a sophomore at Lakeview High is pitching on the baseball team. As reported before, Joe has been scouted by the Dodgers . . . The medical bus is at Limits Depot to give all our operators a clean bill of health . . . Night Superintendent MILES DeWITT is sojourning in Hot Springs on a well-earned vacation . . . We were sorry to hear of the sudden death of Operator JOHN McMULLEN of Beverly Credit Union.

Best wishes to Operator GOFFSTEIN who, on the first of May, joined the ranks of retirees . . . The annual Uniform Inspection was held at Limits and Superintendant GEORGE MAY said all his men looked handsome . . . We at Limits extend our congratulations to Mr. TOM MOORE on his birthday. His retirement party on April 28 at the M & M club was an overwhelming success, crowded by his many friends and well wishers... Let's all help by assisting our summer students. Many of them are returnees and helping them will create a better image of CTA service . . . Had a short visit from Operator C. C. JONES, formerly of Limits. Homesick, eh? . . Board Member CHARLES HEROLD wishes to thank all the men at Limits for the 100 per cent COPE donation . . . Ran into SCOTTY HAMILTON, former Motor Coach driver, recently. Scotty is retired and in the best of health . . . Don't forget the celebration of Father PAUL HOBAN's Silver Jubilee on Sunday, June 5. Mass will be held at Old Saint Mary's -- 9th and Wabash -- at 5 p.m. Dinner will follow in the Conrad Hilton at 7 p.m. If you still wish to obtain tickets, see CHARLIE HEROLD.

- George Clark

LOOP -

Congratulations to former Agent KATHLEEN JOYCE and her husband. They are expecting the stork in a few months. Kathleen has left her job and is getting the nursery all prettied up . . . Think twice before you ask Student Agent DAN KARNICKI to do anything for you. Dan has a very short memory. Haven't you, Danny boy? . . Student Agent PAT SPAK bought a car for traveling back and forth from her new home in Elk Grove Village. Not only can she tell you its a '62 Rambler, she can also rattle off the serial number, horsepower rating, how many miles to the gallon of gas, and other vital statistics. All she needs now is a driver's license. Good luck and many happy miles in your little Rambler . . . Congratulations to Student Agents PAT GRITIS and RICH WEEKS who are among those graduating from Loyola . . . We welcome back Superintendent E, HEATER of Lake Street office. He spent a nice quiet week's vacation in the Smokey Mountains... Porter L. C. SMITH's son was home for a few days from the army. He left Easter Sunday from camp in Newport, Rhode Island. We all wish him good luck and good health . . . Agent J. FILIPEK's daughter will graduate in June from Sacred Heart school and in August she will enter Our Lady of Good Council school. She hopes to become a Felician Nun. John's younger daughter is thinking along the same lines . . . Former Agent JOHN CUMMANE will be back in the states in about two months. Let's all wish him luck and a safe return from Viet Nam . . . Student Agent JERRY McCAN took a course in ticket agenting. Now that doubled his knowledge on the subject. The course was offered at a near north side school and Jerry only lasted one day. If you have any questions on this course, just ask Jerry - he has all the correct answers . . . If you see Agent WIL-BUR STRASSER walking about with a flashlight, it's because he has a good reason. The other evening Wilbur entered the hallway of his apartment building -a wild cat leaped on his head. Wilbur sure had quite a time explaining how he got all those scratches on his face and head. Did your wife believe you? . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of Agent MARCELLA BYRNES who passed away so suddenly . . . Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. LEONA STUBER, wife of retired Porter STEVE STUBER, who passed away on April 17 from head injuries received on March 25 when he was hit by a car while crossing the street near his home.

If Trainman W. HAWKINS has a worried look on his face and keeps looking back as he drives the train very slowly and carefully to the #2 marker at Harlem Avenue, it's because he wants to be sure there are two cars there, not four. How about that? . . It's so nice to see Porter CHRISTMAS with a big smile again. He says his dear wife is feeling real good now after her long illness. Hope everything goes well for you both . . . Carpenter J. WASHINGTON had a birthday March 29. He was going to treat his co-workers to some nice pie and coffee. But poor Joe found out he was all out of money. Well, hope you had a nice day anyhow, Joe . . . Student ED WIN-KATES bought a brand new car, so he says. Well, it's a 1960 Ford and has four wheels and back and front seats. Now he thinks it would be a good idea to get a driver's license. One of his buddies says, "Pray before you ride with Ed." Well, good luck and enjoy your car, Ed . . . Awards were given to the cub scouts at Sacred Heart parish hall a few weeks ago. Cub Master D. STEGVILAS Sr. and Agent JOHN FILIPEK, assistant cubmaster, presented the awards to the boys . . . We are very glad to see Agent MARY JOE back to work after her fall off the chair. Take it easy, Mary Joe . . . Another agent, VIRGINIA CASHION, is welcomed backafter her bad fall on the ice. Virginia was off for quite a long while and wishes to thank all the Loop agents for their phone calls, cards, and gifts. It sure helped to make the time shorter. Thanks again to one and all . . . Porter W. HARRIS is coming along quite well. We hope to see him back on the job soon . . . Let's hope Agent MORA HAAS will be back with us soon. We hear she is coming along slow but sure.

- Mildred Doyle

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

We want to wish KATHERINE BURNS JOYCE all the happiness. Katherine left to await a little bundle from heaven. We have known Katherine since she first started working for CTA and feel very happy for her... SHIELA CARMODY was married to THOMAS MURPHY on April 16. The wedding mass was held at St. Catherine of Sienna church on Austin and Washington Boulevard. May the happy couple have many years of bliss... Our condolences to Porter JOHN BARRETT and his family on the death of his brother... Sorry to hear Agent JOHN MATAZEWSKI is on the sick list. He suffered a fall some time ago and at this time is recuperating at home... Agent E. J. DILLON, who so ably handles the West Side

Agent's Club, is on vacation at present. She is having a restful time visiting friends... Agent MARTIN BEGLY departs for Wales in June on the Queen Elizabeth. We wish him "bon voyage.".. Agent JACK JOYCE enjoyed Easter with his family, including the two darling grandsons... Loop Agent VIRGINIA CASHION wishes to thank her many friends for being kind in so many ways during her recent illness... We want to extend our sympathy to the family of MARCELLA BYRNE. We who knew her grieve with you... Everyone please enjoy the Memorial Day holiday, but take care of yours. We want to see you all back to work "rarin to go."

- Helen Pallister

NORTH AVENUE -

At the April meeting of Division 241, North Avenue won the attendance plaque for number one spot for the eighth year in a row. President DANIEL MC NAMERA congratulated the winners and thanked members from all locations for their attendance . . . Congratulations to proud parents Operator JOHN F. CURRAN and his wife, MAUREEN, on the birth of KEVIN MICHAEL, March 8, at St. Anne's hospital . . . Many happy returns to DEN-NIS JEROME HARRIS who celebrated his first birthday April 20. He is the son of Operator WILLIE J. HARRIS and his wife, DELORES . . . April was a special month for Operator HENRY JOHNSON and his wife. On April 16 they became the parents of a baby girl. Their son celebrated his second birthday on April 26. April 24 marked Henry's third anniversary with the CTA. On March 8 they celebrated their third wedding anniversary. Congratulations all around . . . The Repair Department congratulates two proud men who have been strutting around since they became the owners of new Chevrolets. They are JOE LAURIE and MATTHEW SPATZEK . . . Supervisor EDWARD HUTTEN took his pension May 1 after 43 years of service. He would like to live in Florida. We wish him the best in everything . . . We welcome new Operators WALLACE WHITE Jr., RALPH BERTONCINI, RICHARD LONG Jr., WILLIE WORD and HOWARD TAYLOR. The Repair Department welcomed back from military service WAYNE MATAJA, and new men JOSEPH BYRNE, RANDY HART, and JOHN MAY-FIELD . . . Division 241 was well represented in the annual parade sponsored by Mayor Daley and the Committee for a Cleaner Chicago on May 7... We wish a speedy recovery to Operator MITCHELL BYSTRIK who has been on the sick list . . . From GEORGE "Sinatra" KUENSTLE, Repair Department: "It takes a man to op-

BAD KRUZNACK, Germany, since October 5, 1965, has been home for Pfc. JAMES E. LARSON, a former repairman at 77th Street. The 22-year-old soldier received his basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, before being sent to Germany.



erate a bus, and our CTA operators are the best." His friend, RUSTY STAUB, is now outfielder for the Houston Astros. . . Pensioner WALDO STARR visited the depot, tanned, sunburned, and looking better than when he retired. He and his wife have just returned from a threemonth trip to Arizona. They rented a trailer here, traveled and stopped wherever and whenever they chose. They visited places like Tuscon, Phoenix, Yuma, etc. They traveled 3,000 miles. At numerous points they could see Mt. Lemon covered with snow and people skiing. They saw a lot of desert, cactus, and ate a lot of sand. They enjoyed the meals which they cooked out in the open or in the trailer. They enjoyed every minute of the trip, and he looked it . . . On June 4, my son, BILL MIEDEMA, Forest Glen Depot, will wed JACQUELINE KEELING. The wedding will take place at the North Side Gospel church, and the reception will be at the Lions Club. When they return from their honeymoon, they will live in Streamwood, Illinois. My son, WAYNE MIEDE-MA, North Avenue Repair Department, will be best man. Bill is a corporal in the Army National Guard . . . Supervising Instructor EDWARD WEHMEYER spent his vacation doing the housework at back porch, Illinois . . . Operator JOHN BEAUREGARD was happy to have his son home on furlough from the navy . . . Our sympathy to the family of Collector PETER BARRETT who passed away April 15; to Supervisor THOMAS MACE who lost his mother-in-law, ALMA DOUGLAS, March 22; Operator ENIX MASON who lost his father March 27; Repairman JOHN O'BRIEN who lost his mother, MARGARET, April 8; PETE BARRETT, claims clerk, who lost his cousin; Operator JERRY HURT who lost his mother April 17, and Operator LOREN O'ROURKE who lost his father April 16.

- Bill Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The North Park Credit Union is standing by for loans with strictest confidence for autos, dental and medical, household furnishings, real estate improvements, clothing, taxes, tuition, vacations, etc. Your savings have added insurance features. Membership - one share, \$5.00. See JOHN, TONY, or DALE for information . . . Operator GEORGE KRINKE and his wife, PEARL, motored through the State of Florida. The Krinkes visited George's ex-conductor, BOB KNIGHT, from Lincoln Depot, who resides in Jacksonville, Florida. Highlights of their trip were visits to the Busch Gardens, Weeki-Wachee, Silver Springs, the dog tracks, and a great fishing excursion off Key West . . . Clerk JOE DiGIO-VANNI and his wife, CONNIE, vacationed in and around Miami Beach, Florida. Joe and Connie spent a day with Pensioner HERMAN ERICKSON, former Superintendent at Limits Station, who sends his regards to his many Chicago friends. Joe and Connie chartered a boat to do some fishing off Key West, but Connie had trouble with the rough sailing and had to turn back to the mainland. Joe caught a 10-pound kingfish and many red snappers ... Operator ELMER PETERSON and his wife, HELEN, spent their vacation at Clearwater, Florida. The Petersons were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT VALLIET. Elmer played several rounds of golf in Clearwater. The Petersons also visited Cape Kennedy to see how the Astronauts take off . . . Operator ART OLSON and his wife, LENORE, relaxed in St. Petersburg, Florida, where Lenore's father, Mr. ERIC GOR-ANSON, resides. The Olsons also spent considerable time in Miami, Key West, and Fort Lauderdale . . . Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, spent another week fishing at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas, where

they encountered cold windy weather, but still managed to catch 20 bass ranging in size from one and a half pounds to four and three quarter pounds. Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, drove down from their new home in Forsyth, Missouri, a trip of 90 miles, to spend a day with Roy and Marion . . . Operator DON STACY, playing lead guitar, and Operator BILL LINVILLE, a guitar player and singer, are working with the Night Riders Combo. The boys are engaged in many social affairs and entertaining servicemen at veteran's hospitals . . . Mrs. MADELYN SMITH, wife of Operator P. J. SMITH, has started a new career as a Chicago crossing guard. Madelyn is stationed at Kedzie and Grace streets and loves her work. . . Operator EARL HENRY has added a new addition to the family with the purchase of a German Shepard dog named Queenie. Queenie's ancestry dates back to Rin Tin Tin, and Earl expects to win a few ribbons . . . Operator BILL SEIFERT has purchased a '66 Volkswagen Fastback sedan, and will soon be breaking it in with his annual trip to the West Coast... Mrs. SHIR-LEY PAOLI, wife of Operator GINO PAOLI, was reelected superintendent of the Kimball Avenue Evangelical Church Sunday school. So Gino will have his job of running to the bank with the receipts for another year . . . KEN POSNER, son of Operator SAM POSNER, resigned as a ticket agent due to the pressure of school work at Roosevelt university . . . Operator FRANK WEISHAAR received a Johnson nine and a half horsepower outboard motor from the Mrs. for his birthday. Frank is so proud of his new gift that it is being stored in their front parlor where all visitors are expected to admire it . . . JAMES ANHALT, son of Operator FRED ANHALT, was promoted to 2nd lieutenant in the Tuley High school R.O.T.C. James is chief officer of the Tuley Color Guard, which is one of Chicago's finest . . . Operator JOHN EISELT fell off a ladder while washing walls at home and fractured his ankle. John will be off for two months and says he is going to leave that work for his wife from now on . . . The North Park Pin Busters won the A.M. bowling championship at Habetler's Bowl. Members of the winning team were Captain FRANK VON SCHWEDLER, SAM MUSCARELLO, CECIL ANDERSON, and CHARLES MAC CAPLIN... FRED FRIEB returned to work March 27 as a ticket agent after being on disability pension for two years. We're all happy to see you back again, Fred. . . JOE RANELLO is back on disability pension again but is regaining his strength and expects to be back to work soon . . . Miss AUDREY BEN-NETT, daughter of Supervisor LARRY BENNETT, is now working for the CTA Public Information Department in the Charter Section. Audrey is also attending DePaul university, evenings, which makes her an ambitious young lady.

Operator GORDEN and EDITH RICE are quite proud of their oldest son, GORDEN JR., who will graduate in June from St. Patricks High school. Gorden is in the upper third of his class and has had many fine college offers including the service academies for his football talents. Gorden was selected on the Illinois All-State group as an offensive halfback. This fall he will attend Northern Illinois university in De Kalb where he will major in math . . . North Park won another second place plaque in the union attendance contest. Board Members SCHOLL and LASKE extend their thanks to everyone who helped make this possible. Operators TONY BRUNO and DON PITTRO won cash awards in the drawings on the door prizes . . . Operators NICK GASPER and IRVING ECKERT, due to physical ailments, have begun work as street collectors. Good Luck in your new field, fellows . . . North Park is now fielding a softball team and will

be known as "The Green Berets." Operator CLARENCE VAN MIDDLESWORTH will manage the team. They will play their games at Welles Park. Any competition among other depots will be considered . . . Operator CLAR-ENCE VAN MIDDLESWORTH and his wife, SHAREN, celebrated their first anniversary on April 6. The Van Middlesworths had dinner at the Black Hawk restaurant and took in a movie . . . Operator THOMAS WILSON and his wife, BONNIE, celebrated their eighth anniversary on April 16. The Wilsons dined at the London House restaurant and then were entertained by the Judy Roberts trio . . . Operator ALBERT NEGELE and his wife. ANNA, celebrated their 30th anniversary on April 22 with a dinner at home attended by their children and grandchildren . . . Operator P. J. SMITH and his wife, MADELYN, celebrated their 13th anniversary on April 30. The Smiths dined out at the Empire Room in the Palmer House where they enjoyed the floor show featuring Phyllis Diller . . . Happy anniversaries are also extended to Operator PETE DOLAN and his wife, ROSLEEN, 8th; Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, 14th, and Operator JIM RENTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, 26th... Operator BOB KESSLER and his wife, KATHERINE, became grandparents for the first time when their daughter, Mrs. BARBARA GARVIN, gave birth to a daughter named JENNIFER MARIE on February 19 at Indianapolis General hospital . . . Operator JOHN MILLER and his wife, ROZAN, became grandparents for the 15th time when their daughter, Mrs. WAYNE MILLER, of Herrin, Illinois, gave birth to a daughter named TERRY KAY on March 27. The Millers also had another granddaughter named DEANA KAY born to Mrs. JACK ALEXANDER, of Hanford, California, on March 21. The count is now 11 grandsons and four granddaughters for the Millers. . . Operator GREGORY ANTHONY became a father for the fourth time on April 12 when his wife, ANGELINE, gave birth to a son at Swedish Covenant hospital. This was Gregory's fourth boy in five years, so we can expect some fine bus drivers in the near future. . . Happy birthdays are extended to the following: AGNES ERICKSON, April 7; Operator BRENDON WALSH, April 7; MARY KIRKWOOD, April 12; Operator JOHN MEDINA, April 15; DON KA-ZAK, May 11; Operator SAM POSNER, May 15, and ETHEL POSNER, May 22 . . . Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Supervisor and Mrs. TOM MACE on the loss of Mrs. Mace's mother, Mrs. DOUG-LAS. Also to Operator NEGELE on the loss of his wife, LORETTA, and to the family of Pensioner JOHN BUSH-MAN . . . Repairman DAN PRISBLE flew to Los Angeles, California, to visit with his son, RICHARD, a lance corporal in the U.S. Marines, who had just returned from Viet Nam. Dan is now trying to find a pair of topless coveralls which are in style out in California . . . Clerk HAROLD ENWRIGHT and his wife, IRENE, traveled to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where they bowled in the Fraternal Order of Eagles bowling tournament . . . Relief Foreman FRED SCHMIDT has started the season by turning on the water at his summer home in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. All of the men of the repair department will be invited for a cookout at a later date with Smitty picking up the tab for the outing . . . Repairman ED CORDA received a surprise visit when his brother, Pensioner JACK CORDA, former yard foreman at Logan Square, came in from Cumberland, Wisconsin, for a visit . . . Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN and his wife, DOROTHY, spent a week around Niagara Falls and Buffalo, New York, where Dorothy has relatives . . . Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE spent his vacation doing all his housecleaning chores... Repairman ROBERT GUY-SSENS has been off sick, and at this writing is convales-

PICTURED HERE on the deck of the Ariadne, a completely air-conditioned luxury steamship, is COLETTE SZCZEPANEK, stenographer, Transportation Department. The ship left from Port Everglades, Ft. Lauderdale. There were calls at Nassau with shopping, swimming and time to enjoy Bahamian night life.



cing at home... Bus Cleaners GARY WITKUS and JOHN MOUNT are breaking in as repairmen and will be missing Repairman "Lightning" CANTWELL, who keeps all the lads in cheerful spirits.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Sunny skies, vacations, and flowers in full bloom, surely the best part of the year is finally here. I wish you all a most enjoyable spring and summer season. Now down to business. . . Would you believe Agent PAT ROSENGARTEN has taken up the task of learning the fundamentals of golf? FORE . . . As of this writing, Motorman CHARLIE KOPP, and AXEL PETERSON have signed the sick book. Get well real soon fellows . . . Back in service after a longillness is Motorman-Switchman LARRY JELINEK. Happy to see him back at the grind, working as hard as ever ... To Mr. T. MOORE, superintendent of operating stations: On behalf of all the employes in this section, I wish you the very best of happiness and good luck in your pension years. . . Wedding bells: Motorman ED WHETTER was married May 7 in Green Bay, Wisconsin, to the former BONNIE BOYCE. Also, Motorman VIC ROSDAHL will be wed in early June to Miss CHARLENE WHOLHART. The best of luck and many years of wedded bliss and happiness to all . . . I understand Motorman HUGH HEGARTY is going steadily with a young woman from Ireland. True or False? . . Agent HELEN MACKASKIN and Motorman MIKE LEAVY have both been sick for quite a spell, but a little bird has told me that both will be back to work very shortly, and in great shape . . . Have you noticed Motorman J. J. O'CONNOR lately? He has given up cigarettes for a pipe. He sure is a dignified looking gentleman . . . Congrats to newly qualified Motormen H. NORMAN and G. TUCCIO . . . FLORENCE, the wife of Motorman PAUL KAROW-SKY, is doing fine after an operation and stay in the hospital. She is now home and being cared for by Paul . . . Does Ann Margaret really ride the North-South route?.. Visitors About Town: Pensioned Motorman BILL MES-CHER and Pensioned Platform Man GEORGE KOEHLER paid a little visit to Kimball a few weeks back. Both looked like they were ready to start another 20 years with the CTA . . . Joke For The Sick List: There was a girl who thought she was a chicken and went around the house clucking, scratching, and trying to fly. This embarrassed her family to no end, and they were going to have her sent to an institution. But they were poor and they needed the eggs. Maybe next month's joke will be

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better? . . On a personal note, I would like to remind all the employes of this section who enjoy or have enjoyed this column thus far, that it cannot be without your help. Any news items will be appreciated. Please contact me personally or leave a note for me with one of the clerks. I would like to thank Conductor ED WOJCIK for his help in gathering information this month. Be talking with you next month.

- Frank 7. Jasch

PURCHASING, STORES & SPECIFICATIONS (North Division) -

Storeroom 42 is sporting a new grandpa these days and it's none other than WALTER E. MILLER, better known as "Curley." He proudly passed out cigars marked "It's a Boy" when, on March 25, little MICHAEL WAYNE was born to his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. TOM MILLER... It was an especially happy Easter this year for Mr. and Mrs. SAM INGRAFFIA because their son, SEBASTIAN, came home on furlough. Buddy had been in Viet Nam for a whole year... All good wishes for a speedy recovery go to the following ladies who have been recent surgical patients: Mrs. CHUCK SCIMECA, Mrs. NICK LaCORCIA, Mrs. JOHN DUNNE, and Mrs. DAVID STETCHER. Also out of the hospital and off the sick list is MARVIN CASTLE.

(South Division) -

Good luck and best wishes to PAUL SUNBLAD, who recently began a four-year hitch in the U.S. Air Force . . . Mr. and Mrs. MIKE KORZEN just returned from an enjoyable four-week stay in sunny California . . . Welcome to THOMAS DUNN who joined the Stores Department as a stock clerk I . . . Congratulations to Miss DENISE ANNE SPRINGER on her recent engagement to Mr. JAMES PATRICK CANNON. A fall wedding is being planned.

- D. Jane Bell

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

W. SCHARP and J. KELLY are back to work in full swing after their illnesses... PAT McBRIDE, son of JIM McBRIDE, traffic checker, was married on April 16 to JO ANN DEVORE at St. Francis Borgia church. We wish the happy couple good luck... DOYLE PATRICK DEVEREUX is the 14th grandchild of W. P. DEVEREUX... Pensioner GEORGE BRYAN, who lives in



IN A recent candlelight service, SHEILA SUNDQUIST was united in Holy Matrimony to Air Force Lieutenant MEHLIN SMITH. Sheila is the daughter of WALTER SUNDQUIST, South Shops electrician. After a honeymoon in Aspen, Colorado, the young couple set up residence in Omaha, Nebraska.

California, sent a letter to the department saying he is going to Phoenix for a vacation . . . EDWARD JURIC's daughter became engaged recently. The father of the bride is practicing for that long trip down the aisle.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

CLYDE HAYES, electrical worker in the Armature room, and his wife, KATHY, moved into their new home in Westmont. Lots of luck and happiness . . . LEON KAJPUST, electrical worker, also in the Armature room, is the proud owner of a new Chevrolet. Now for a smooth rolling vacation . . . BENJAMIN LUCIA, electrical worker in the Motor room, suffered the loss of his father who lived in Louisiana. Our sympathy, Ben . . . HOW-ARD JENSEN, clerical at Skokie Office, just returned from a two-week vacation. He enjoyed some short trips around the countryside . . . JOHN IVANIC, welder, is on retirement at this posting. All of us at Skokie Shops will miss you, John. Lots of luck on your retirement... GEORGE ARENDT, electrical worker, is a newcomer to Skokie Shops. We welcome you to Skokie, George . . . GENE JANKOWSKI, upholsterer, is now serving a term on jury duty. Gene says it is different and exciting. . . JOHN MILAS, carpenter, just completed his tour of jury duty and enjoyed every day of education received as a juror . . . ROBERT G. BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife are enjoying a Florida vacation. Lots of sunshine to both of you . . . ROY LUNDQUIST, truck foreman, is enjoying a spring vacation in the Eastern states . . . CLARENCE GOLZ, carpenter foreman, is enjoying his late vacation in West Virginia . . . STEVE YER-GOVICH, welder-blacksmith foreman, was welcomed back to work after a hernia operation . . . Soon is the time for the 1966-67 vacation to start. I do hope it will bring some interesting stories of travel to our magazine. Please send in a little story for our readers.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

Good luck to both our Cubs and White Sox baseball teams this year. We have quite a bit of news this month so we'll start right in . . . We are mighty proud of our men at 61st Street and Loomis. For the first quarter of 1966, 61st Street lowered its traffic and passenger accident par, and in March had no traffic and passenger accidents. Loomis also lowered its par. It was the first time that an entire section broke a par for the same quarter. Free coffee was served to all. Keep up the good work! . . Three cheers for Assistant Station Superintendent MICHAEL O'CONNOR who is back on the job after a recent illness. He wishes to thank everyone for all the cards and calls he received while on the sick list . . . The spring Agents-Pension Club dinner was held on April 3 and the committee decided to try a new restaurant so the Beverly Woods was selected. Everyone was elated over the place. The dinner of chicken and beef was very tasty and my hubby, ROLAND, got his doggy bag of chicken, as usual. It was nice to see all the pensioners looking so healthy and full of life . . . Back working and off the sick list are: Motorman WALTER JOGERST, Agents CLEO NEWSOME, FRANK MARTIN, AMY GRANT, and Porter JAMES STRONG. . . Our sincere condolences to-Switchman JAMES CALDWELL whose mother passed away recently; to Towerman ALBERT RAKESTRAW on the loss of his father, and to Motorman GEORGE ROSS on the loss of his brother. . . We were surprised to see

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

PETER BARRETT, 63, North Avenue Emp. 7-24-45, Died 4-14-66 PHILIP E. BROWN, 70, Inspection, Emp. 2-09-31, Died 3-06-66 JOHN G. BUSHMAN, 77, Devon, Emp. 2-05-25, Died 3-28-66 MARCELLA BYRNE, 55, West Section, Emp. 11-01-34, Died 3-27-66 OAKLEN CLARK, 46, Keeler, Emp. 7-12-48, Died 3-23-66 ALFRED E. DAKER, 67, Const. & Maint., Emp. 10-10-35, Died 3-20-66 WESLEY E. DAVIS, 81, North Avenue, Emp. 6-01-23, Died 3-24-66 EDWARD DeSTEFANO, 47, Stores, Emp. 4-20-46, Died 4-13-66 JOHN L. DODD, 72, West Section, Emp. 6-22-22, Died 4-04-66 JAMES J. ECKLES, 72, Forest Glen, Emp. 2-01-17, Died 3-10-66 FRANK FALCONE, 61, North Park, Emp. 5-22-43, Died 3-24-66 EDWARD J. FITZGIBBONS, 66, Utility, Emp. 4-15-27, Died 3-01-66 WILLIAM G. FLEISCHMAN, 65 Transportation, Emp. 8-11-26, Died 3-17-66 MICHAEL P. FOLEY, 66, Building, Emp. 9-03-42, Died 3-10-66 JOHN E. GASTREICH, 87, 77th Street, Emp. 7-29-09, Died 2-18-66 PATRICK J. GAVIN, 83, Kedzie, Emp. 7-17-13, Died 3-30-66 JOSEPH HECHT, 59, South Shops, Emp. 6-25-23, Died 3-19-66 GEORGE H. HITTERMAN, 64, 77th Street, Emp. 11-05-25, Died 3-30-66 AUGUST JANNUSCH, 61, Utility, Emp. 7-23-41, Died 3-30-66 ANTHONY JASINOWICZ, 83, South Shops, Emp. 1-04-24, Died 3-23-66 JOSEPH JIGANTI, 61, South Shops, Emp. 4-09-42, Died 4-12-66 WALTER A. JOHNSON, 74, Way & Struct., Emp. 3-08-10, Died 3-21-66 CHARLES JUNG, 57, Stores, Emp. 5-17-25, Died 4-13-66

ARTHUR E. KIRK, 80, West Section, Emp. 11-20-24, Died 3-23-66 PHILIP LIJICH, 76, Track, Emp. 7-16-27, Died 3-06-66 PERCY MAY, 70, West Section, Emp. 4-01-26, Died 3-22-66 ANNA F. MEERS, 81, North Section, Emp. 2-06-33, Died 3-20-66 THOMAS J. McCORMICK, 48, Treasury, Emp. 12-24-45, Died 3-26,66 JOHN McMULLEN, 54, Beverly, Emp. 4-10-46, Died 4-16-66 DOE NEWBY, 62, 77th Street, Emp. 1-30-45, Died 3-13-66 WILLIAM S. NOTT, 57, Insurance Dept. Emp. 10-01-41, Died 3-30-66 WILLIAM NYBERG, 68, West Section, Emp. 9-13-16, Died 3-30-66 MARY O'CONNOR, 90, West Section, Emp. 6-14-16, Died 2-21-66 WALLACE O. PERKINS, 82, South Section, Emp. 10-18-09, Died 3-03-66 EDWARD H. RANK, 78, Kedzie, Emp. 7-27-21, Died 4-09-66 JOHN P. SCANLON, 58, West Section, Emp. 1-12-42, Died 3-16-66 RUDOLPH W. SEILHEIMER, 66, North Park, Emp. 12-20-43, Died 3-03-66 MICHAEL SORRENTINO, 58, Kedzie, Emp. 2-27-43, Died 3-18-66 ANTHONY STEPONAITIS, 81, North Avenue, Emp. 5-19-24, Died 3-21-66 JOSEPH E. TARABA, 88, Lawndale, Emp. 6-05-17, Died 3-28-66 GEORGE UDING, 57, Equipment Research & Devel., Emp. 4-23-35, Died 3-30-66 CHARLES E. VANDEVEER, 80, Elston, Emp. 11-24-20, Died 3-20-66 ERNEST L. WALTHERS, 67, Beverly, Emp. 11-03-26, Died 3-20-66 HARRY L. WEEKS, 72, Kedzie, Emp. 6-22-21, Died 4-10-66 FERDINAND WOEHLER, 70, Howard Street, Emp. 4-02-42, Died 4-08-66 STEPHEN WOJCHOWSKI, 82, Lawndale, Emp. 11-10-09, Died 3-21-66

Switchman JAMES LLOYD resign to accept another position. Our best wishes to James . . . Agent JOSEPH WALINCHIUS, who had been on the sick list for several months, went on disability pension April 1. Here's hoping that Mr. Walinchius' health improves rapidly . . . "Hello" to newly transferred agent from the Surface Division, STANLEY BOUDREAU; and to newly hired Parttime Agent WILLIAM SUNDIN . . . Retired Motorman JOHN BURKE visited with the boys at 61st Street recently. He said that he had been in the hospital, but is ok once more.

Congratulations to Clerk JOHN BARRY who became a grandpa for the seventh time when a boy was born to his son, GENE BARRY and his wife. Gene, a former parttime Agent, is currently serving his country in military service in Viet Nam... Good luck to Agent JAMES WIVINIS who went on pension April 1. He wishes to thank all the agents for the token of remembrance he received. Everyone will miss his charming smile and personality

. . . Relief Superintendent JOE TVRDIK took a spring vacation and he, along with his father, son, and daughter went fishing in the Arkansas Ozarks. You should have seen the nice trout they caught . . . Our bowling champ, Retired Supervisor ED MUNRO, has done it again. He won a trophy in the "Beat The Champs" contest. Ed is so good that he should be giving lessons . . . Our southsiders have really been getting the passenger commendations lately. Three more have come in - one for Motorman ANTHONY JAGLA, who retrieved a girl's jacket from the tracks; one for Conductor CHARLES OWENS, who held the train while a man retrieved his lost shoe on a stairway, and one for Conductor ROBERT E. LEE for handling himself in a capable manner . . . Sincere sympathy goes out to Retired Supervisor ROBERT BROWN whose sister passed away recently . . . Back to work from a sunny winter Florida vacation is Supervisor DON MURPHY. He said that while in Florida he and his wife visited with some of our pensioners: Retired Supervisor HUGH KELLEY, Retired Towerman PAUL ZOSEL, and

Retired North Section Motorman ED VON SPRECHEN. They all sent their regards to their friends back in Chicago . . . On the sick list at this writing are Conductor RONALD HOWARD, Agents DOUGLAS NELSON and LEO DILLON. A speedy return to work is wished all of them . . . Retired Assistant Superintendent of Operating Stations GEORGE ROESING had a sick spell and was in the hospital recently. He is out now and feeling good as new . . . Motorman JIMMIE COLLIER sure had a nice vacation in San Francisco, California. He took in all the sight-seeing, including a ride on the cable cars. He also went to Reno, Nevada, on his way home.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

The Luckey Circle Riding Stable will never be the same again. KAREN HOFFMAN, LYN LAWLOR, KATH-LEEN O'BRIEN, SANDY PFUND, and CAROL BUEGEL tripped the light fantastic and haven't been able to walk without pain since. Karen has already become a "trick" rider . . . TED WOSS, Machine Shop foreman, spent a week visiting relatives in Sherman, Texas . . . JOHN CASSIATO, I. E. D., is sporting a brand new Oldsmobile, and DON TARNOWSKI, I.E.D., is working toward a dealer's license. He sold his 1956 Continental and purchased a 1964 Corvette. He's promised to drive to work if it doesn't rain . . . CAROL BUEGEL, KAREN HOFF-MAN and your scribe held a splash party at the West Community Y.M.C.A. (There is nothing like a boat.). . Plans for the annual South Shops picnic are well underway. Surprises, gifts, games, and good eating are scheduled. Let's support our hard-working picnic committee . . . AL HAAS, Body Shop, and his wife, and daughter, DEBRA, attended a Junior Achievement dinner given at McCormick Place. Debra is with the Canteen Company . . . The annual Twilight League begins May 5 at Hickory Hills. All golfers will tee off between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. The league will run for nine consecutive weeks. Reigning champion JOHN JANKUS is the man to beat. For information, contact JIM LaMONT or AL SAMASKA . . . GEORGE LINDELL, BILL MAHER, JERRY PAGE, and JIM BURNS, retired employes, recently visited the Shops.

- Kathleen O'Brien & Al Haas

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. R. OCLON, Congress, on the birth of their daughter, WENDY MARIE. The little princess was born on March 26. . . Right now the happiest man in the world is JOHN CAPACCIO, Congress. After spending three months on a liquid diet, John now has a pair of perfect fitting store teeth, enabling him to enjoy everything from soup to nuts . . . All the boys at Congress bid farewell to one of their ace trouble shooters, PETE SABADOSA. Pete is now an asset at 54th Street... It is good to hear that H. LOVE-LESS, Office, is at home and doing fine after undergoing major surgery . . . ANTHONY ODROWSKI, Kimball, spent two weeks showing his family the sights of the old southland, including a stay in Jacksonville, Florida. FRED A. ODROWSKI, Anthony's son, joined the army. He is presently stationed at Camp Polk, Louisiana . . . CTA Post No. 1225 ran a charity bazaar at the Veterans North Side Research hospital. Among the visitors who claimed to have played bingo were Commander PETER SABADOSA, JOHN CANNELLA, and other post members and shopmen. . . At the first sign of warm weather, the Lake Street athletes come out of winter hibernation.

The first four to exercise their flab, I mean muscle, were S. RITA, J. CANNELLA, R. FLOWERS, and C. MYERS. These golf pros played the greens and fairways at the Fresh Meadow Country Club. Only John Cannella will tell that he shot a 100. I guess the other three lost count when they reached 100 . . . Spring brings many things - birds, and blossoms, cleaning and vacations. Those who had a chance to enjoy the spring vacations were M. Buchanan, G. Lepore, H. Finley, J. O'Toole, E. Mizerocki, J. Orange, M. Gallagher, A. Mischke, J. Antonucci, L. McKee, T. Vinton, F. Rakstis, H. Young, V. Savage, M. O'Malley, M. Cronin, F. Velinske, H. Dickerson, G. Davis, and J. Williams . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families of HER-MAN IZZO, Congress, on the passing of their brother; to J. JONES and L. C. JONES, Congress, on the passing of their grandmother, and to JOHN FOLAN, Kimball, on the passing of his father. At present John is on furlough so he can fly to Ireland to attend the services for his father.

- Ray Brzeczek

WEST SECTION -

A Western spectacular happened one morning at the Lake Street terminal. Motorman SAL "Chester Good" DETOMASO and Conductor JAMES "Matt Dillon" LUD-WICK ambushed the singing trio of Lake Street. Conductor JAMES NEWMAN, Motorman MARK FIORE, and myself were shot down without even getting a few bars of our song out. The complaint being that we sang terribly. We have now enrolled Jim and Mark for singing lessons, and maybe that will help . . . Conductor JOSEPH PRO-CHNIAK really knows how to hurt a guy. He keeps moving his hat every morning in front of Conductor JAMES HOWLETT and shows a full head of hair . . . The sons of Supervisor JAMES ROBERTS and Shopman WALTER McKAY were picked for their league's all-star teams. Watched young JIM ROBERTS play one night and he sure was good. I will not side with his excitable dad anymore for I came home black and blue. My son, GEORGE, made the all tournament team in grammar school and it made me mighty proud. No one wants to sit next to me either . . . Now that Conductor JOHN BRIGHT picked at Logan Square, our lunch time has become dull without our great conversationalist. Our loss is the other line's gain . . . Sorry to report that Yard Foreman CHARLES SCHULTZ is back at Oak Park hospital. Remember him in your prayers for his quick recovery . . . Agent LOUIS BECK has been ill for a good while and we are hoping that he returns soon. Our good friend, Motorman C. J. JONES, was off sick for a while and is now back looking as good as ever. It must be his wonderful wife's nursing that did it . . . I would like to give Motorman RAY ROB-ERTSON's wife, GLADYS, an orchid for her kindness and thoughtfulness for everyone. And thank you again for cleaning the snow off my car.

Our thanks to LOIS HEATTER, wife of Superintendent EDWARD HEATTER, for all that cleanup work she had him do while he was on vacation. He came back to work in great shape and glad his vacation was over with . . . Blood donors are needed for Trainman T: ROPA who is in the Alexian Brothers hospital. Anyone caring to donate blood please call GR 7-5800. Motorman WALTER FITZGERALD is at St. Anne hospital for a check-up and is coming along just fine . . . Porter WALTER HARRIS has been home sick for a couple of weeks and seems to be coming along well. The other porters can't wait for him to get back for he sure is a hard worker . . . Our sympathy to the GUZIK family on the death of their father

who was a former Gate Foreman on the Congress... Condolences to Yard Foreman JOHN CLARK on the sorrowful death of his grandchild... Condolences to Motorman TOMMIE BRADFORD and his family on the death of his father... Hear this men, "Send in your sick claim to the Mart right away and it will save you plenty of grief later on.".. Our commendations are improving, so keep up the good work... Since the baseball season is here and I have the last word I say, come on Cubs, win that pennant. The Sox, well, they might finish in sixth place. Come on fellows, I was only kidding.

- Santo Siciliano

69TH STREET -

Well, we've done it - we've taken first place in the ISC accident prevention standings. Let's keep up the good work and duplicate this record again and again. Congratulations, men . . . Our credit union officers and directors attended the annual Credit Union League Convention at the Hilton hotel on April 15-16. Needless to say, they came out better informed as to the workings of credit unions all over the state and the new and different methods of operations. Former 69th Treasurer JOE HAUG, now retired, was their guest and had a great time renewing old friendships . . . It is our understanding that JOE CURRAN almost had to go on the sick list. He was bitten by his own dog, and rumor has it that it was the dog who got sick following the act. Joe, however, says the dog was sick before he bit him. So who knows? . . Our sympathies are extended to PAUL VASILOPULOS on the death of his mother; to GEORGE ERIKSEN on the death of his father-in-law, SAMUEL ALLEN, and to Collector MARTIN RIEDY on the death of his wife. Our sorrow and sympathy also are extended to the family of JOHN McMULLEN, Assistant Treasurer of the Beverly Depot Credit Union and to the family of SYLVESTER STUBER. Mr. Stuber was also a member of La Rabida Council, K of C, and the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division 52 . . . News from the pits by JIMMY AHERN, who, with the rest of the boys, wish the best of everything to the following young fellows on their promotions to "B" repairmen: RONNY JOY, JACK WILSON, C. NOGA Jr., C. SWETLIK, and T. SAURIOL. All these lads remain here at our depot, and are augmented by these new appointees. From 52nd comes ALEX JOHN-SON, 77th sends us TOM GODFREY, and fresh from Uncle Sam's service comes BOBBY TYSON . . . Retiring at the end of March with 39 years of service was PADDY FITZGERALD. Needless to say, everyone here wishes him a long and happy life of ease . . . In the way of changes, and with a deep feeling of regret, we report

AFTER 37 years as a chauffeur in the Utility and Emergency Service Division, EUGENE BOSCO (front row, second from the left) retired on April 1. Eugene has two sons employed with CTA--ANTHONY BOSCO, a lineman with the Electrical Department, and ROBERT BOSCO, a bus repairman with the Shops Department.



the transfer of our golfing partner, JIM HOPKINS, to Beverly as Assistant Foreman, and in his place we put out the welcome mat for DOUGLAS HEALY from that depot. May the changes work out to their mutual satisfaction... Our congratulations go to JOE DITROVAT on his promotion to night foreman and to BOB DAIN on being upped to relief foreman; also to ALEX VALA on his transfer from p.m. foreman to day assistant foreman.

- William J. Donahue

77TH STREET -

Well fellows, another month and your reporters are pushing for news. We know that a station as big as 77th shouldn't be short of "news" by any means. So please, let's have less "jaw" in the station and give up some of those happenings for our column, such as, new additions to your family, sons going into the service, weddings (that's if you are old enough), and so on . . . Now for some reports on coming events. The 77th Street operators picnic on July 24 is shaping up to be something else. So bus drivers, bring your wives and children and be on the safe side. All committee men report to BEN GULLY, May 26, with your dust in hand, PLEASE! . . Attention all operators, this is a list of some of your friends who are off sick: D. Miele, Wm. Hill, T. W. Hines, R. Crawford, F. M. Christenson, O. Meyers, C. Huck, H. Johnson, Booker Minor, and C. Griffith. The following men are back with us again after being sick: Marty Glynn, J. Lenihan, and J. Rye . . . Former 77th Switchboard Operator ED LEE is confined to the Walther Memorial hospital, Kedzie and Division, Room 347, Bed No. 1.. Sorry to hear of the passing of JOHN McMULLEN. He will be remembered as a man among men. John was a union man with "just" ideas that have enriched all of us in 241... SYLVESTER STUBER, formerly of 77th Street Station, passed away. Stuber had been working as a loader and various other duties on the elevated before his passing . . . To all dry dock anglers: "please don't confine your remarks on your big catches to one corner of the train room. I am sure that your friends would like to know where they are biting, and how big. Please take note, JUDGE CARTER, DAN BOWEN and SAM GRA-

The bowling league at 77th will have gone another year with fun and sportsmanship displayed by all operators on the teams. So have fun and report to work on May 12, fellows . . . Report on birthdays and anniversaries: Wives, sons, and daughters of these men, take note. In case you forgot, the old man passed another year as your keeper, so make him feel good with a kiss or card. Happy birthday to the following men: GARFIELD "goose", 52 years young, Superintendent J. KNERR, so, so, so many years young, J. GILLIAM, April 18; J. SMITH, April 6; R. DYLE, April 13; J. THOMAS, April 10; H. KOSCHNITZKI, April 25; J. JAMES, April 16; A. HART, April 11; K. LYMAN, April 5; A. WILLIAMS, April 29; A. SMITH, April 1; D. ALLEN, April 21, and L. C. WOOD, April 23. Mr. and Mrs. JOHN GARRETT wedded for ??? years . . . Sir LAWRENCE WILSON, please pull in your chest. You're not the first one to have a baby boy. What, no cigars? . . To Mr. EVANS' wife, JANE: "Glad to hear that your operation was a success. Hope that when you read this issue, you will be well on the road to recovery.". . Will report on Superintendent F. KRAUSE's vacation after the tan wears off. . . P.S. Operator MARINO, coffee goes with do-nuts.

- Amos Foster

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