



TRANSIT NEWS



JUNE, 1966

APPROVAL OF BOND ISSUE PAVES WAY FOR EXPANSION, IMPROVEMENT OF R. T. SYSTEM

VOTERS OF the City of Chicago gave their approval by a better than two to one margin in a referendum June 14 to a property-tax-supported bond issue of \$28,000,000 to improve and extend rapid transit facilities.

The rapid transit bond issue was one of six issues totaling \$195,000,000 submitted to voters by Mayor Daley's administration with extensive support by civic organizations. All six of the bond issues were approved.

Commenting on the successful result of the intensive campaign to inform the public of the need for the proposed program as vital to Chicago's future progress, George L. DeMent, Chairman, Chicago Transit Board, said: "At no time since the public transportation bond issue was first proposed have I doubted the good judgment and progressive spirit of the people of Chicago who have overwhelmingly supported the bond issue that will enable us to effect tremendous improvements in rapid transit for the benefit of the people of the entire Chicago area.

"The \$28,000,000 bond issue which the voters supported and the federal matching funds will enable the City of Chicago and Chicago Transit Authority to proceed immediately to provide rapid transit extensions, modernizations, and improvements so that Chicago can continue to be the most progressive city in the nation."

OUR COVER: The month of June brings the beginning of summer and the release of youngsters from schoolrooms. Many will head for streams, hidden in the woods, shouldering a pole in the hope that the fish are biting. Such is the scene posed with the help of Daniel Adelizzi, 10-year old son of Phil J. Adelizzi, assistant title and rental agent, Real Estate Department. The setting is the Salt Creek Forest Preserve.

Volume XIX **CTA TRANSIT NEWS** Number 6

Published monthly by and for employees of the Chicago Transit Authority, under the direction of the Public Information Department.

David E. Evans, Editor

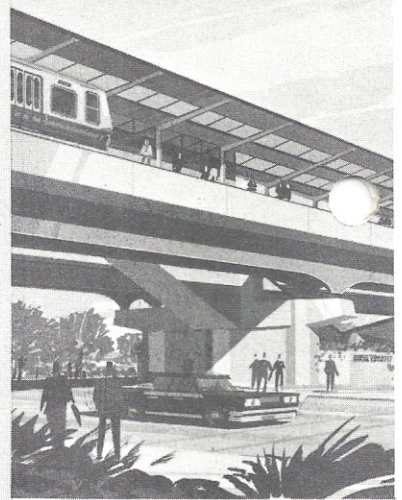
Robert D. Heinlein, Assistant Editor

Thomas P. Kilcoyne Jr., Editorial Assistant

F. C. Knautz, Superintendent of Public and Employee Relations

Annual subscription price: \$2.00. Distributed free of charge to all active and retired CTA employees. Address communications to CTA TRANSIT NEWS, Room 742, Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

DESIGN BREAKTHROUGH is expected to be achieved in the "New Look" Englewood transit terminal. To be operated by CTA as part of its North-South rapid transit route, the project would extend the service one-quarter mile from the present end of line at Loomis to Ashland. This will be the first completely new, fully-integrated bus-train-auto interchange terminal in Chicago and the first rapid transit line extension within the city since 1908.



Federal Grant Advances

THE U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on May 4 announced that \$3,901,000 has been granted to the City of Chicago to extend CTA's Englewood rapid transit route from 63rd and Loomis to a new terminal at 63rd and Ashland.

The grant, under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, represents two-thirds of the cost of the project. The balance of the \$5,851,300 project, amounting to \$1,950,300, is to be financed by the City of Chicago.

The Englewood transit terminal plan was developed by close cooperation of the City of Chicago and Chicago Transit Authority engineers and planners. CTA will operate the improvement as part of its rapid transit system.

The Englewood transit terminal will: 1. Replace the present outmoded and overloaded rapid transit train-bus interchange terminal at Loomis near 63rd street; 2. Relocate the terminal and extend the train service to better serve the public; 3. Correct the operational deficiencies of the present facility, and 4. Provide off-street parking for transit users.

The new terminal will consist of an extension of the Englewood branch of the North-South rapid transit route from its present terminal at Loomis westward along the alley south of west 63rd street to about the east line of south Hermitage avenue.

The passenger platform will be generally centered over a station area on the east side of south Ashland avenue and extend between Justine street and a point east of Marshfield avenue.

Adjacent to the south side of the station will be an off-street terminal for buses beginning or ending their trips there and a Park 'N' Ride lot for transit riders.



Englewood Terminal Project

The rapid transit car storage tracks which now end at Loomis will be extended westward, tapering into a connecting track. Bus routings will be modified to contact the new station. The present station building, platform and stairways at Loomis are to be dismantled after the new facility is placed in service.

The new passenger platform will be about 22 feet wide and 520 feet long. These dimensions, which are comparable to those of the subway stations below State street, will comfortably accommodate 10-car trains and the number of people such trains may be expected to bring to the station.

A canopy extending well out over the cars at the new platform will protect passengers from the elements. Translucent skylight panels and fluorescent lighting will provide illumination for the area. During rush periods, all train departures will take place from the south track, while arrivals will be at the north track, thus reducing interference between passenger movements.

The vertical columns supporting the station platform and track structure will be of reinforced concrete spaced on centers of about 70 feet, nearly doubling the span of typical existing "L" structures. The reinforced concrete columns will follow a modern styling of diamond-like, compressed hexagonal cross-section, the architectural motif of the terminal.

Outside each track, throughout the full length of the platform, there will be a baffle panel, railing high. This panel will conceal the chassis of rapid transit cars from the street. The train-side of the barrier will be coated with sound-absorbent material.

Two escalators will provide effortless passage between the control area at ground level and the

train platform. Fares will be collected in a passenger control building just south of the escalator and stair landings. Following the project's compressed hexagon theme in its floor plan, the station building will be largely glass-walled with a multifaceted roof canopy extending out to protect and shade in all directions.

A secondary platform access will be located on the west side of Ashland avenue to eliminate crossing a busy street at grade. A booth and turnstile will be provided for fare collection so that this stairway may be used as a rush hour entrance.

A Transportation Department office and control center will be constructed in an upper level structure above the east end of the passenger platform. This building will again follow the jewel motif, with compressed hexagonal floor plan and largely glass-walled sides.

For those who wish to use private automobiles in combination with a fast, traffic-free rapid transit ride, there will be a 250-car Park 'N' Ride area immediately south of the station and bus terminal. This will occupy the land between Ashland avenue and Justine street as far south as 64th st.

The parking lot will be constructed so that existing trees are retained or new ones planted to create a pleasant atmosphere and screen the view from the adjacent residents.

A strip of the parking area adjacent to the bus terminal will provide about 30 parking spaces for drivers waiting to pickup passengers arriving by train. This Kiss 'N' Ride traffic will thus stand off-street where it will not obstruct through traffic, as it now does at the Loomis terminal.

The bus terminal will have a skylighted, canopy-covered boarding and alighting area immediately south of the main station entrance. A walkway, adjacent to the driveway, will accommodate pedestrians walking between the station and points to the northeast and southeast.

A landscaped buffer strip between the transit extension and adjoining properties to the south will be provided. The planted buffer, which is to be maintained by the Department of Forestry, will parallel the south side of the elevated structure.

To assure maximum compatibility with the immediate community, noise from transit operations will be reduced to the greatest extent possible, utilizing modern methods and materials. The tracks will be rubber-cushioned, and a baffle panel treated with sound-absorbent material will extend the entire length of the new construction.

The Englewood transit terminal will be an attractive asset to the Englewood community. It will provide convenient and efficient transportation service to Englewood residents.



FOUR SURFACE system operating stations were cited for reducing their vehicle accident experience in 1965 as compared to 1964 by the Greater Chicago Safety Council on May 12. The stations honored were Limits, Archer, Beverly, and 77th.

Plaques symbolic of their outstanding safety performance were presented at the Council's annual award dinner held at the Sherman hotel.

Displaying one of the plaques presented at the dinner is (center) G. A. Riley, superintendent of operating stations, who is flanked by the superintendents of the winning stations. They are, from left, G. E. Evans, 77th; J. J. O'Connor, Beverly; G. T. May, Limits, and M. F. Harrington, Archer.



G. A. Riley Named Superintendent of Operating Stations

APPOINTMENT OF G. A. Riley as superintendent of operating stations succeeding T. F. Moore, retired, was announced recently by D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation. The appointment was effective May 1.

Mr. Riley, whose service record spans 30 years, started as a motorman with the CSL on February 20, 1936, at Cottage Grove station. On June 17, 1936, he qualified as a one-man streetcar operator, and on March 7, 1936, he became a conductor. He qualified as a gas and trolley bus operator on July 16, 1941, and subsequently worked as line instructor, clerk, and receiver.

On November 23, 1942, he became a junior supervisor, and on February 4, 1943, he was named as a junior instructor. From September 23, 1944, he was a job relations trainer for the U.S. government job training program. On the latter date he became a senior instructor and on December 27, 1947, was made supervising instructor. Mr. Riley was advanced to superintendent of instruction on November 7, 1955, and was appointed assistant superintendent of operating stations on January 1, 1960.

Grandmother Feted on 100th Birthday

JUNE 3, 1966, was a memorable day for Mrs. Mary Ellen Fordyce and her family, for on that date she celebrated her 100th birthday.

It also was an eventful day for some 300 friends, most of them from her home town of Gilman in downstate Illinois, who attended the birthday party commemorating the notable occasion.

The party took place in the Elmhurst home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Finch. Mr. Finch is assistant comptroller of CTA. Among the guests were Charles Weigel, mayor of Elmhurst, who proclaimed Mrs. Fordyce "Elmhurst Lady of the Day" and William Cox, mayor of Gilman, who named her honorary "Mayor of Gilman" for the day. President Johnson and Pope Paul VI also sent greetings.

During her lifetime, Mrs. Fordyce has followed the administrations of 19 presidents. Andrew Johnson was president when she was born on June 3, 1866.

Mr. and Mrs. Finch appear with Mrs. Fordyce in the accompanying photo.



CTA: Its Organization and Operations -

SEVENTH IN A SERIES

ONE OF the busiest facilities in the city as well as on the CTA system is the Operations Control Center located in the Merchandise Mart adjacent to the Transportation Department main office and other CTA administrative offices.

Known as the nerve-center of CTA's internal communications network, it is from this installation that the movement of in-service vehicles on both the rapid transit and surface routes can be regulated at all times and delays or emergencies minimized to provide efficient, safe, and reliable service to the riding public.

The center is comprised of radio-telephone operators, line supervisors, and power supervisors. The radio-telephone operators and line supervisors are under the direct supervision of a coordinator who also works closely with the power supervisor in the handling of emergencies.

Operations Control is on a 24-hour schedule every day of the year. The objective is to speed rapid transit trains and buses on their way, regardless of weather conditions, traffic tie-ups, or other delays which may hamper their progress. Twenty-three employees are regularly assigned to the staff, with a minimum of three or up to nine employees on duty simultaneously as traffic requires. In addition, one of the four coordinators is also on duty at all times.

The Operations Control center initiates service correction measures whenever the normal scheduled operation of trains and buses or the safety and comfort of passengers has been interfered with or interrupted. It detects the occurrence of problems, assigns field personnel to give assistance, and takes other independent actions to cope with the situation. Its restorative steps must be commensurate with the gravity of each specific problem.

The three sections of the center work together as a closely coordinated unit, often under stress and urgency. The office also provides liaison with other CTA departments, with other transportation companies, and with municipal services in Chicago and suburbs.

Because each of three sections is of extreme importance, though closely allied in their functions



WEATHER CONDITIONS can affect CTA operations, so a constant check on forecasts must be maintained. In this picture, D. M. Flynn (left), superintendent of transportation, and James Roche, superintendent, Operations Control, are consulting the U. S. Weather Bureau teletype machine for the latest weather report.

and objectives, it would be difficult to include all in one issue because it would require considerable shortening of descriptive details of each phase of their operations. Therefore, this article will be limited only to the radio-telephone operator's office. In following issues, the duties of line supervisors and power supervisors will be presented separately.

The radio-telephone office is a communications center to which are directed reports of any type of trouble which may interfere with service and from which are dispatched supervisory and emergency services to restore the transit operation to normal.

The central feature of this office is a large operating desk divided into six operating positions. Each of these has access to a telephone key cabinet connecting to the CTA and general telephone systems. There also are direct private lines to the line supervisor, power supervisor, the Chicago police complaint office, and the Chicago fire alarm office.

One of the operating positions is also equipped to operate CTA's private radio station, KSA-977,



THE RADIO-TELEPHONE office is alerted when any type of trouble which may interfere with service is reported. In the photo at the right, Kenneth Williams, radio-telephone operator, is receiving a report that a bus has developed mechanical trouble while in service on a CTA route. Taking immediate action to remedy the situation, the report is relayed over CTA's private radio station, KSA-977, dispatching a traffic supervisor and mobile bus mechanic to the area. Thomas O'Callahan, radio-telephone operator, is at the "mike" in the picture at the left.

CTA: Its Organization and Operations (cont'd. from page 5)

which transmits on a frequency of 44.54 megacycles, frequency-modulated. The principal transmitter is located at Madison & Austin, about eight miles distant from the office. An emergency auxiliary transmitter is located at 78th & Vincennes, approximately nine miles away. The base station transmits with a power of 250 watts which gives dependable contact with mobile receivers within a radius of 25 miles inclusive of all CTA's present operating areas.

About 100 vehicles assigned to supervisors, emergency crews, and officials are equipped to receive this station. Practically all are also equipped with mobile transmitters operating on the same channel, with which they maintain contact with the radio-telephone operator. Four receivers are strategically located about the city to insure dependable reception from the mobile units to the center.

Two rapid transit work trains also are equipped with mobile units and report their movements when in certain areas.

Three portable transmitter-receivers, commonly called walkie-talkies, are assigned to the Central District, and one of their many uses is the dispatching of buses from North Western Station. These small portable receiver-transmitters are also used during parades, special events, or emer-

gencies, such as fires or traffic delays, to facilitate the movement of buses.

The Shops & Equipment Department has two walkie-talkies used by their employes for receiving information at 77th Station and 69th Station.

Station KSA-977 handles about 780,000 transmissions in a year. In December, the message load will average about 2,000 per day. In Chicago, only the Police and Fire Departments have busier radio rooms.

Personnel in the office also are informed of situations that may affect transit service through the following equipment: A fire alarm box sounder which indicates by tape and bell signals the location of any fire alarm box pulled in the city; a fire alarm monitor loudspeaker over which announcements of fires and accidents are made and a teletypewriter which carries weather reports. In winter, a private meteorological service also is used to obtain the supplementary details of weather warnings which might affect our services. Also located in the radio room are two visual and audible alarms which operate in the event of a fire at Skokie Shop or at the West Shops storage area.

A number of plans are readily accessible to the radio-telephone operators to assist them in understanding problems and in developing plans of action. These plans include snow operation, flooded via-



OPERATIONS CONTROL maintains a direct connection with the Chicago Fire Alarm office. Radio-telephone operator Lawrence Stevens, in the picture at the left, is scanning the tape from the sounder which shows the number of a fire alarm box that has been pulled. A numerical card file of fire alarm boxes, giving the corresponding street location of each box, is checked by Fred Limmel (above), radio-telephone operator, to determine what CTA services may be affected.

ducts, emergency procedures, restoration of service, and serious accidents. A large map of the city on which the districts in which each supervisory car works are superimposed is used in the assignment of vehicles. Magnetic tabs can be readily affixed to the map to show that a vehicle is on a special assignment.

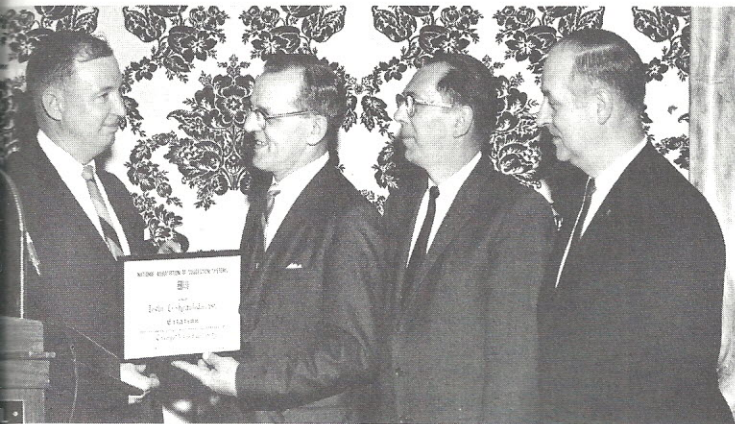
Work in the radio room pertains to both the bus and rapid transit systems. Any bus operator, trainman, or other operating employe in trouble is instructed to contact the Radio Dispatcher for instructions or assistance. The dispatchers in the radio room will summon the necessary help if the situation requires additional assistance.



AT SESSIONS held recently in the CTA Board Room, rapid transit Transportation Department supervisory personnel reviewed and discussed the preventive program carried out monthly during the first six months of the year. Included in the group were traffic supervisors, district superintendents, district superintendents of operations control, radio-telephone operators, and line supervisors. In the accompanying photograph, James Blaa, superintendent of rapid transit operations, is conducting one of the sessions.

A GARAGE Instructor's training course conducted by Shops and Equipment Department supervisory personnel was completed recently at the CTA Training Center for six South Shops trainees who qualified for the surface system instructors pool and assignment as needed. Following the five-day sessions, the trainees received certificates. To congratulate them on finishing the course were, at right, E. E. Olmstead, assistant superintendent, S. and E. Department, surface system; F. J. Cihak, supervisor of garage instructors, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of Shops and Equipment.





NAMED CTA'S suggestor of the year at a luncheon meeting of the Chicago Chapter of the National Association of Suggestion Systems was Irvin Krauledis Sr. (second from left), machinist, South Shops, who is being presented a citation by Ed Piper, past national president of the association. Looking on at right, are Ernie Nelson, general foreman, South Shops, and Russ Warnstedt, suggestion coordinator. Krauledis has collected \$160.00 in cash awards for six out of seven suggestions submitted.

10 Employees Share \$360.00 in Suggestion Cash Awards

TAKE AN idea, find a practical way to use it either to increase production, reduce costs, or simplify existing methods or practices and you could become the winner of a suggestion cash award.

This was achieved by 10 CTA employees who shared \$360.00 in recent weeks for submitting their ideas which were accepted by the Executive Decision Committee of the Employees Suggestion Plan.

Top winner was Joseph Christoi, West Shops, who received a supplemental award of \$100.00 as a bonus for a suggestion for he already had received a check at the time the original submission was made. Second high was a \$50.00 award to Albert Brandt, signal maintainer, Electrical Department.

Eight others received \$25.00 each for sending in two honorable mention suggestions. They were: Edward Henry, General Offices; Irvin Krauledis, South Shops; Warren Koerner, Engineering, Blue Island; Lee Lampley, Beverly; George Kuenstle, S & E, North Avenue; William Lyke, South Shops; Walter Hallford, General Offices, and Paul Wallace, CTA Police.

The eight also qualified for a plus award of two box-seat tickets to either the White Sox or Cubs home games of their choice.

Another cash prize winner was Melvin Horning, operator, North Park, who was awarded a \$10.00 prize under the rules of the old plan which the present plan replaced.

Eight other employees received incentive awards of two Cubs or White Sox tickets in the Honorable Mention category. They were: John Sullivan, General Offices; Robert Young, retired; John Finlay, Electrical, Blue Island; Cyril Schindler, Beverly; James Dolan, North Park; Norbert Piecyk, General Offices; Ralph Gronlund, S & E, Forest Glen, and Bing Apitz, General Offices.

Employees who have submitted ideas are advised to watch the suggestion bulletin boards for the action taken by the committee which rules on the acceptance or rejection of all suggestions. Each suggestion is given a number which appears on the stub of each suggestion blank. This number is to be retained by the employee for identification purposes. Reports are made by number as the suggestions are processed.

Schedule Department Veteran Retires After 43 Years

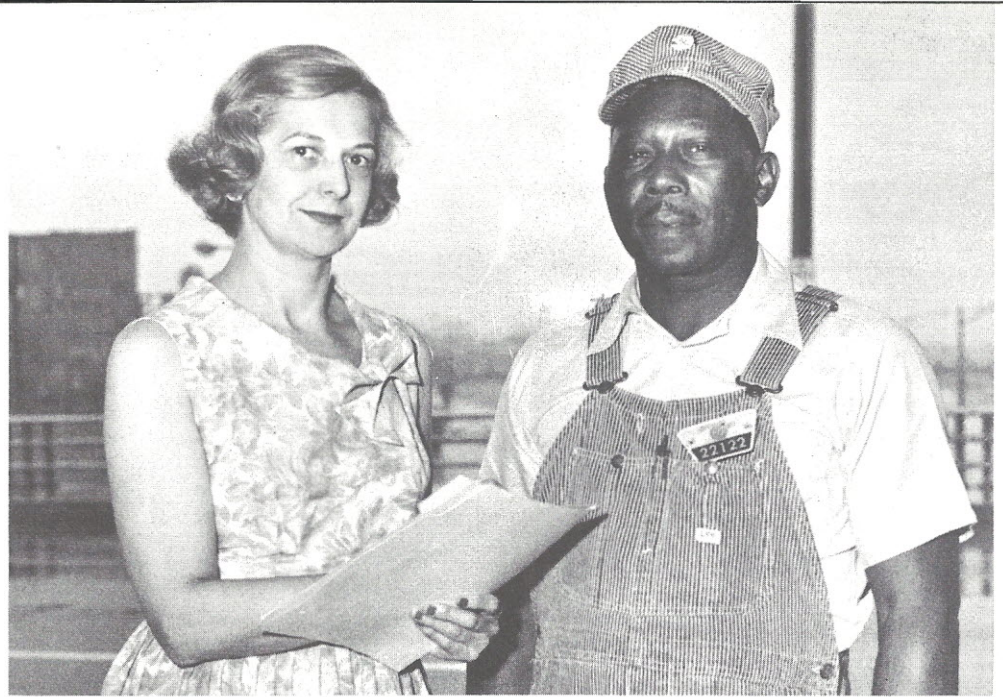


A LENGTHY career as a transit employee ended June 1 for Michael B. O'Neill, assistant superintendent, Schedule Department, for C.T.A. who retired on pension after 43 years of service.

Mr. O'Neill started as a depot clerk at the Devon station of the former Chicago Surface Lines in August, 1922. He joined the Schedule Department as a clerk in April, 1924, and in January, 1929, he became a schedule maker. He was advanced to assistant superintendent of CTA's Schedule Department in August, 1950.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill are the parents of two daughters, Mrs. Marie Jioia and Mrs. Dolores Ebbert, and two sons, Donald G. and George F., and are the grandparents of 11. All family members live in the Chicago area.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill attend Our Lady of Victory church, where Mr. O'Neill is a member of the Holy Name Society. He also belongs to the Third Order of St. Francis.



JAMES CLARK, porter (with reporter Julia Brousek): "I have fished in the South Pacific and nearby lakes and streams. On my vacation I plan to fly into the Canadian wilds. But if I could I would like to sail the Seven Seas and try for the big ones."

INQUIRING REPORTER:
Congress



ROY MONGOI, switchman (top left): "If the day ever comes when I have the time and money to travel extensively I would like, with my wife, to spend a happy year visiting my native land, Italy. There are so many places to go and so much to see that I would enjoy just wandering around."

LOCATION:
Julia Brousek

MARY ELLEN NOLAN, ticket agent (left): "I would like to revisit the Pacific Northwest also our 49th and 50th States. Then take a plane to Mexico and after that a nice long boat trip across the Atlantic to Ireland, Spain, Italy, and many other European countries."

QUESTION:
If you had the chance to
travel extensively, do you
have any special place
you would like to visit?



MARY DOYLE, ticket agent (right): "The vacation I liked best was going up to Wisconsin where I took a boat ride at the Dells and saw the Indian dancers, and then spent some time at Eagle river. If I had a chance to travel extensively, I would like to visit California and the Rocky Mountain states."

WALTER MAJCHRAK, motorman (left): "I would like to go to Dubuque, Iowa, to see my son, Brother David Majchrzak, being ordained as a priest in the Dominican order in about two and a half years. Secondly, I would like to go to a little town in Germany named Schwarzenaw, the place where I was born."



MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin
CTA Medical Consultant

GALLSTONES

THE SUBJECT of gallstones should be of interest to most of us. It is a fairly common disease, so you, your family, or one of your friends may have gallstones during their lifetime. It is much more common in women than men, and particularly in women with children. Furthermore, a large percent of women first develop stones or calculi during pregnancy. This is because metabolic changes accompanying pregnancy play an important part in the formation of gallstones. Obese persons, especially over 40 years of age, are predisposed to this disorder. Having these stones is frequently the penalty for living the good life with too much rich food, fats, and other luxuries in the diet. Recent estimates are that after the age of 40, gallstones are present in 50 percent of all women and 20 percent of men.

In the upper right quadrant of our abdomen under the liver lies a small pouch called the gall bladder. It is a temporary storage "bin" for bile and is part of our digestive system. When we eat, the bile is released and mixes with our food. One of the main functions of the bile is the part it plays in the digestion of fats.

Gallstones actually are lumps of solid material composed of bile pigments and salts which form in the gall bladder or in the bile ducts leading to it. Many stones are composed of cholesterol. They may be large or small and single or multiple - sometimes several hundred. It may seem strange to you but it is frequently the smaller stones which cause the most trouble. This is because the small stones can migrate out of the gall bladder and become stuck in the bile ducts leading to the liver or to the intestines. When the stones become lodged jaundice frequently develops. On the other hand, when the stones are very large they have to stay in the gall bladder because they can't get out. It is true that they cause a local infection of the gall bladder but they don't produce the colicky pains that the small ones do. Exactly why we get gallstones is still somewhat of a puzzle. They are generally thought to be the result of changes in the composition of the bile, or stagnation of bile or infection. Poor eating habits may be a factor.

The symptoms and signs of gallstones are dependent to a certain extent upon their size and location. If the stone or stones are lying loosely in the gall bladder one may have no pain or symptoms at all. Stones causing pressure or obstruction in the gall bladder or bile tracts produce symptoms. These may vary from a feeling of vague fullness or distress (common indigestion) in the epigastrium, especially after eating, to a severe colicky pain in

the upper abdomen. Frequently, pains are referred to the right shoulder blade. In the severe type, nausea, vomiting, gas formation, fever, and increased blood count are present. In cases where the stones cause obstruction jaundice is noted along with light colored stools and dark urine.

The diagnosis is usually made promptly and easily in a patient who has the above symptoms, especially when the examination is supplemented by X-ray of the gall bladder. There are several conditions such as stomach ulcers and tumors of the colon which have to be excluded. As stated before, however, X-ray examination helps to make a positive diagnosis.

Treatment of gallstones depends somewhat on the patient's general condition, such as age, and status of heart and lungs. Surgical removal of the gall bladder is the procedure of choice in gallstone, providing the patient is not an undue risk. Prophylactic measures, such as proper diet, eliminating fats and greasy food and reduction of weight in the obese are important. The restrictions will not prevent gallstones but certainly help in attaining good physical condition which is essential to successful surgery. Self diagnosis and treatment of gallstones is to be avoided. Call your family doctor early and he will make the correct diagnosis and recommend the proper treatment.

Dependency Status of Employee

Insurance Policy Defined

THE INSURANCE Department reports that there has been some misunderstanding recently regarding the status of certain dependents, and in order to clarify this important matter for employees, requests that the following explanation be printed in TRANSIT NEWS:

The insurance policy limits dependent to: (1) Wife or husband, and (2) Unmarried children over 14 days, but under 19 years of age residing in the United States or Canada.

A child going to school after attaining age 19 does not extend the coverage.

It is the sole responsibility of each employee to notify the Insurance Department of any change in dependency status, such as adding or removing a spouse, adding a new child or removing a child who has reached age 19. Coverage for premium cannot be adjusted retroactively.

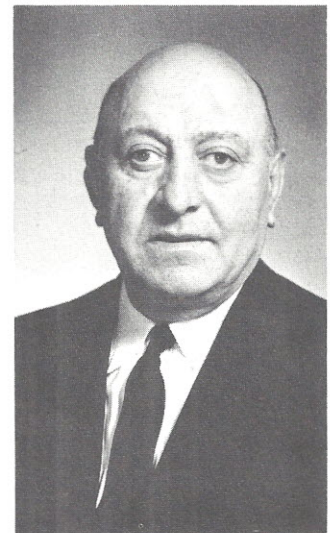
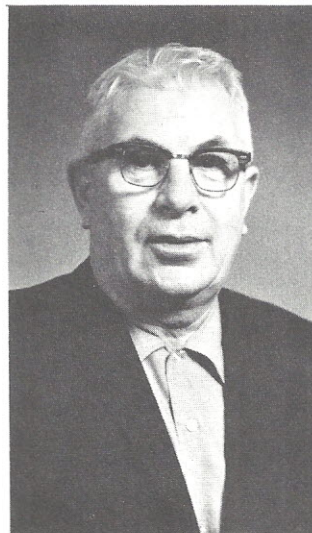
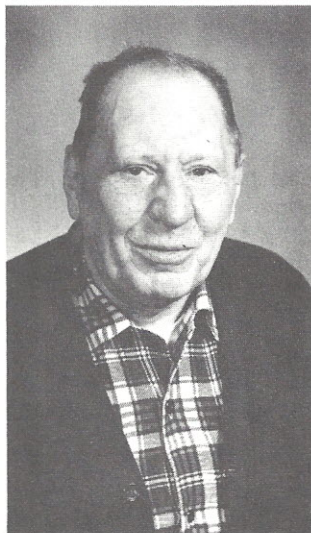
NEW PENSIONERS

WILLIAM J. BLISS, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 12-29-49
JOHN L. BRUNELLI, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-22-27
JOHN B. CAMERON, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 6-26-45
ROBERT J. CARROLL, Cleaner,
Beverly, Emp. 4-06-44
HAROLD G. GRIEBEL, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 4-03-34
CARL A. HIRSCHNER, Lineman,
Electrical, Emp. 4-01-48
JOHN W. KERNAN, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 5-21-45
PETER M. KUSEK, Collector,
Archer, Emp. 12-17-26
GEORGE F. LAPHAM, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 8-01-23
JOSEPH MARCHESE, Laborer,
Track & Struct., Emp. 5-03-21
EDWARD W. MATTHIAS, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 10-10-24
THOMAS McGRAIL, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 7-30-45
JOSEPH G. MULVANEY, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 11-19-25
WILLIAM E. O'DWYER, Operator,
Keeler, Emp. 9-09-43
MICHAEL B. O'NEILL, Assistant Superintendent,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 8-23-22
PETER J. O'REILLY, Repairman,
69th Street, Emp. 5-12-42
GEORGE J. REIDY, Chauffeur,
Utility, Emp. 7-20-29
VERNON C. SEAVER Jr., Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 1-26-63

ALBERT P. SHERECK, Laborer,
Building, Emp. 11-07-22
FRED G. SPOERI, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 6-29-28
SAM TRIFUNOV, Laborer,
Track & Struct., 10-28-30
JOHN VIDAS, Machinist,
Track & Struct., Emp. 8-21-26
JEREMIAH J. WATERS, Chief Operator,
Electrical, Emp. 11-10-31
THOMAS WELSH, Foreman,
52nd Street, Emp. 4-19-30

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

STANLEY A. BABINSKI, Porter,
West Section, Emp. 1-18-44
CHARLES E. GRAFF, Clerk,
Kedzie, Emp. 1-13-27
ISAAC HARRIS, Trackman,
Track & Struct., Emp. 5-26-48
JOHN S. JARRELL, Foreman,
Track & Struct., Emp. 7-29-26
MICHAEL E. MICK, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 2-06-36
BERNARD T. SOBKOWIAK, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 8-17-43
EDWARD STEPNIKA, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 8-15-41
IRWIN J. WAGNER, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 9-21-36
ROBERT W. WIRKUS, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-15-43



JUNE 1 retirees included the four men pictured above who completed 40 or more years service each. They are, from left, EDWARD MATTHIAS, ALBERT SHERECK, JOSEPH MULVANEY, and JOSEPH MARCHESE.

THE INSIDE NEWS

-AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Payroll) -

JEANETTE KELLY received a beautiful engagement ring from MARCEL SCHROEDER. The wedding date has been set for October 1 . . . When MABEL MAGNUSON, retiree, came for the retirement parties in the Mart, she informed us that on her trip south she met W. S. COMSTOCK in Florida, and visited ART JOHNSON in his new home in St. Petersburg, Florida . . . OLIVE BATTERSBY, also a recent retiree, spent some of her spare time attending church school conferences in and around Kansas City, Missouri . . . Well, here it is--the name you have waited for--KEITH ROLAND PARI-SEAU. It belongs to DORIS YOST's new little grandson born in Japan last month at a Naval Base hospital to her daughter. She proudly tells everyone she even heard him cry over the telephone!

-Eileen Neurauter

(Revenue) -

JOE KLEIN became a grandfather on May 2. CHRIS-TOPHER JON KLEIN becomes Joe's fifth grandson. You've got a basketball team with no cheerleader, Joe! . . . TINA KIRK has been riding around on cloud "nine". Why not, she's driving a 1966 midnight blue Rambler Classic! . . . ANTHONY ANDRES left for military service on May 9. BOB TUMA received his orders for induction to the armed forces finally for May 25. Good luck to both! . . . ANN WEINSTOCK's husband, ED, is convalescing at home after leaving Edgewater hospital . . . ALICE CLEARY, like most grandmothers, misses her four grandchildren, daughter, and son-in-law who have moved out to Stockton, California. Does anyone bet where Alice is going on this year's vacation? . . . Transfer Counter GREGORY PAPALEO has been promoted to the Reproduction Services Department . . . Welcome to ANTHONY CAMERON, our new transfer counter . . . FRANCIS HADDIX spent her vacation moving into a four-room flat. Fran had six rooms of furniture, and it was not easy for her to decide what to really part with . . . JIM VERTELKA also moved, but Jim made it easy on himself. He moved into a two and a half room furnished apartment with maid service.

-Joanne Paris

(Tabulating) -

PAULINE TORREY welcomed a new grandson March 28 . . . ROSEMARY DeSTEFANO and her family had a joyous reunion with her brother who had a short leave from Viet Nam . . . The clatter of bats and the rattle of spikes reminds us that the 1966 Merchandise Mart Softball league starts May 26. Game time is 5:30 p.m. Grant Park has again been chosen as the place because of its spaciousness, so necessary to accommodate the "overflow crowds" that generally watch these contests. EMIL RUSINAK will again lead the Mart Motors, a team comprised of CTA personnel, who finished in third place last year, but were in contention up and until the last week of the season. Emil confided that his dream outfield would consist of DENNIS McFADDEN in left field, ROD HEFFERNAN in center, BILL REVOYR in right field, and JOHNNY POPE in short center. The status of those mentioned is doubtful--McFadden is committed to a team on the West Side. Heffernan says "No, not as

long as Batman remains on television." Revoyr claims he will play as long as the team needs him. Pope was unavailable for comment. Emil added this reminder, one need not be an employee of the company, or a relative of an employee in order to attend these games. "Savings Bonds -- Buy and Hold them."

- Marion Sutherland & Edward O'Rourke

(General) -

ROD HEFFERNAN's, Accounting, grandmother passed away April 16, 1966, after a short illness. She had reached the age of 88. . . GEORGE TRIUNFOL, senior accountant, and his wife wended their way southward to Florida, the land of sunshine, for their vacation. They enjoyed the drive, the many interesting sights on the way down and then relaxed on the sands and surf of the Atlantic Coastal City, Miami. . . A number of employees from the Transit Authority attended the Assumption Church Dinner held in the M & M Club, Tuesday, April 26. A group from two tables shared a birthday cake with TOM MOORE. The cake was baked by Mrs. NEWLAND and sent to the dinner as a surprise . . . RITA DEAKIN, Accounting, spent an enjoyable four days in Springfield, Capital City of Illinois, and stopped at Charleston on her return home. She then stopped over long enough to pack a second bag, and along with MARIE COARI, Payroll, and SHIRLEY GUERTIN, Comptroller's Office, took off for Louisville, Kentucky, for the Kentucky Derby. The girls had a lovely trip. The weather was perfect, the people hospitable, and the horses profitable . . . ANN ANGST, Voucher, left by airways May 16 for Europe to tour 12 countries and also to visit relatives in Switzerland and Germany. Details of her trip will be in the next magazine . . . The 15th Annual Officers Dinner of the CTA Credit Union was held at Younkers restaurant on May 12. The dinner and the festivities of the evening were enjoyed by the directors and officers . . . RAY SCHRAMM, supervisor in the Voucher Section, was in seventh heaven when his daughter, JOYCE, and husband presented him with his seventh grandchild. The wee one was born May 4 at St. Ann's hospital.

- Mable Potthast

(Material & Supply) -

On April 29, our department was saddened by the passing of HAROLD LEE, who had joined us in June, 1963, from Job Classification Department. His quiet, pleasant way endeared him to us all and he will be missed by his co-workers. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his widow, PAULINE . . . While on a few days vacation in his summer home in Burlington, Wisconsin, TOM McGRATH, supervisor, fell from a ladder, tearing the ligaments of his left leg and chipping a bone in his foot. The doctor advised him to get into an easy chair with a foot stool in front of it and watch T.V. It sufficed for a while, but Tom soon tired of that routine and is back in the office sporting a cane . . . ED CHAPLESKI is now the proud grandfather of a darling baby girl, DIANN LOUISE, who arrived in Boise, Idaho, May 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. GREG CHAPLESKI. Of course, "Grandpa Chap" was delighted to serve candy from Diann Louise.

- Clara Lawrence

INSIDE NEWS

ARCHER -

A couple of Casey's went on vacation last month--Operator JOHN MOTTEN and Operator NABOR MILES. Operator Motten spent his vacation preparing a room for a new addition to the family which is due next month. Operator Miles thinks that he is now the "King of the road." He put over 2,000 miles on his car in one week . . . Operator JOSEPH SCOTT is a student at the Chicago Baptist Institute; he is studying Christian Education . . . Operator HANK MOSLEY is all smiles this week because he is 40 pounds lighter on his feet. Remember, Hank, I said this week . . . Television has Batman, but I think Archer has his match in the Yamaha Kid, who we unmasked and found to be JOHN MITCHELL. John is looking for some more cycle buddies to form a touring club; anyone interested, contact him at Archer station . . . Operator BILL BYRD finally replaced the gym shoes on his car with new tires. Now he is able to drive over 20 mph on any street . . . Congratulations to the families of Operators ROY ROGERS and ROBERT HAMB. Roy's wife gave birth to a boy and Robert's wife also gave birth to a boy.

- Loid W. Brown

BEVERLY -

Hats off and a cheer for our Editor DAVE EVANS for the wonderful banquet that was given for the reporters at the M & M club in the Merchandise Mart. Toastmaster was Mr. KNAUTZ of Public Relations who kept us laughing all the way through the evening. General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR gave a fine talk, and hopes the budget will allow us the pleasure of having the dinner next year. GEORGE DE MENT, a very fine speaker, told us some very tall stories. Mr. DeMent and Mr. Evans talked to BILL DONAHUE of 69th and your scribe throughout the dinner, which made the evening a pleasant one, and made us look forward to next year with renewed interest . . . Operator BOB HOLTMAN and his lovely wife, CAROLE, celebrated their second wedding anniversary, and they walk hand in hand yet, so you know this will last . . . Operator CALVESTER SANDRIDGE and his wife were blessed with a baby boy. He is passing out cigars, which is a rumor, as I'm still waiting for mine . . . Pensioner GEORGE JOHNSON is sun bathing in Florida and watching the scenery at the beach . . . We express our sympathy to the families of the following: Pensioner HARRY SCHOFIELD on the loss of his wife; ERNEST TROST, whose mother died; Pensioner ART RYAN, whose sister passed away; Pensioner GEORGE STRUPE who died; Pensioner JOHN McKEOWN who died; Operator AL GALVANAUSKAS who died; Supervisor JOHN CROSSEN who passed away; Pensioner HENRY BOCKWOLDT who died, and Pensioner BILL CAWLEY of Archer, who also departed from us . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Operator LOUIE CONTANT who is at Christ Community hospital . . . We had ten fewer complaints in April, and Superintendent JOHN O'CONNOR is treating us to coffee and we hope the operators will keep up the good work.

- Tom Daniels

CLAIMS -

Congratulations and good luck to KEN CEROTZKE on his new job in Storeroom 61. It was nice having you in our department, Ken . . . Since June is cap and gown month, we would like to wish the best of luck to the following graduates: THERESE MARIE SHANAHAN, daughter

of MICHAEL SHANAHAN, and a graduate of the Academy of Our Lady; TIMOTHY JAMES O'ROURKE, a graduate of Mount Carmel High school and the son of TIMOTHY O'ROURKE, and JOHN BERNARD DALY, son of JOHN DALY, a graduate of Evergreen Park High school . . . JOHN DuPERE and his wife, CLARE, went "south of the border, down Mexico way" on a holiday. They toured Mexico City, Cuernavaca, Taxco, and Acapulco. The most impressive sights they saw were the Aztec Pyramids, the silver mining town of Taxco (their hotel was built directly above one of the mines which has been in operation for 300 years), and the old Spanish missions throughout the country. While in Acapulco, the DuPeres went deep sea fishing and didn't come home empty handed. John caught a 9-foot sail fish after a half hour of reeling in the 110 pounder . . . EDWARD HAYS and family spent 10 wonderful days in Treasure Island, Florida, sunning, swimming, and fishing. Another vacationer to the sunshine state was HERMAN WIRTH, who spent his time relaxing and sunning in Miami Beach . . . HARRY BONESS and his wife, ANNE, recently motored to Aurora, North Carolina, where they visited relatives . . . EDWARD O'CONNELL and Pensioner NORMAN WHITE-LY also took to the highways and byways and went to St. Joseph and Coloma, Michigan, where they visited Mr. Whitely's son . . . On May 7, wedding bells rang in St. Columbanus church for JANICE MARIE MIMMS and ELMAR STRINGFELLER III. Janice is the daughter of Locator CECIL MIMMS and is planning to obtain her teaching degree from the Illinois Teachers college . . . We're all glad to see MARGE LYNCH back on her own two feet once again after recuperating from a broken ankle . . . We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the families of the following who recently lost loved ones: ROY SWANSON, FLORENCE GRAY, MARK GIER, and VINCENT MOORE . . . Two members of our department won awards for suggestions. HERMAN WIRTH received \$25.00 and his second honorable mention; while MICHAEL SHANAHAN received a cash prize of \$10.00 . . . EDWARD SULLIVAN, EDWARD COMAN, and WILLIAM UHL became new home owners. We bet their wives have all their work cut out for them . . . Your scribes would like to express our appreciation to those who hosted us at the annual dinner recently held for the Transit News staff.

- Sandy Majewski & Kathy Ashley

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Agent JULIA MATTRAN and her husband, RAYMOND, were surprised on their 25th anniversary, May 22, by their children, BRUCE and JILL, and 50 friends at Man-

SHOWN RELAXING around the old homestead is HARRY POLLAND, retired director of Public Relations. Standing with Harry is RICHARD GOLDSTEIN (left), assistant superintendent of Schedule-Traffic. Incidentally, the old homestead now is Sun City, Arizona.



INSIDE NEWS

gam's Chateau. Julie's husband presented her with a diamond wedding band and an Autumn Haze mink stole. Their daughter, Jill, is going to be married October 15, and their son, Bruce, on June 5, 1967 . . . Our sympathy is extended to the family of Motorman JOHN WALSH who passed away suddenly . . . Some students recently hired are RUSSELL GRIFFIN, JAMES SCHUMP, and JOSEPH ROSSIE. Joseph's father is a supervisor . . . Congress Motorman CHARLES OTIS and his wife, ELIZABETH, were two very happy people when their son, RAY TERRELL OTIS, was born on May 19 at Passavant hospital. Their little girl, TRACEY, was delighted when she was told she had a baby brother . . . Agent DOROTHY DISMANG's sister feels that every boy should have a tree house. One beautiful Spring day she got out the old step-ladder and some lumber and made one for her favorite nephew, JOHNNY.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL -

The 20th annual dinner in honor of the retiring personnel of the Electrical Department was held on April 28. The honored guests were THOMAS J. CURRAN, WILLIAM B. MORAN, and RALPH A. WHITE. The traditional menu of corned beef and cabbage was delicious. The retirees were well represented. Those present were Oscar Ohman, Dennis Shannon, Stephen Gecan, Lars Rasmussen, Fred Henningsen, Arthur Raddatz, Arthur Schmaehl, Harry Geier, George Nelson, F. L. Knoerr, Daniel Griffin, Joseph Bourne, Charles Stahle, Edward Pardell, and John Michnick. The committee, headed by HAROLD COYNE, did an excellent job. Members of the committee were Elmer C. Tegtow, Toastmaster; R. Dorgan, R. Booth, K. Mikota, C. Malottke, J. Lamb, H. Anderson, R. Bieniasz, W. Kopke, S. Charleton, R. Ferguson, M. Cook, and B. Jauman . . . Pensioner ED BRECKLE and his wife sent a card from Europe. They are on an extended tour of the continent . . . AIDEN KENNY, a pensioner, living in Weeki Wachee Springs, Florida, was visited by vacationing ARVIN WILMONT. . . Retiree CHARLES STAHLE visited friends at Blue Island . . . BENNY KIRCHENS and wife spent a lovely vacation at Montego Bay, Jamaica. . . Our sympathy is extended to the family of ROBERT CORBETT who passed away on May 10. . . ROY G. ROGERS, pensioner, was named to the Mayor's Hall of Fame for Senior Citizens. Mr. Rogers and his wife are the only husband and wife that have shared this honor. Mrs. Rogers had the honor in 1964. Their philosophy of life is "to keep mentally and physically alert and active; to be a good mate and parent, a good friend and a good neighbor, and to live from day to day in such a way that we may be worthy of the love and respect of everyone."

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

FOREST GLEN -

For openers, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all persons responsible for the wonderful dinner given in honor of all who have a part in the production of the CTA Transit News. I was one of the fortunate ones able to attend, due to the fact that it was my day off . . . Operator EMMETT KANE became a grandpa twice: KRISTIN A. CARDINAL, born on May 1, and TERENCE PAUL KANE, born on May 3. But the granddaddy of them all has to be Operator SYLVESTER "Slim" PATELSKI and his wife, CHARLOTTE. They became the grandparents of a granddaughter born to daughter, VICTORIA,

and son-in-law, HERBERT IWER. This makes number 14 for Slim and Charlotte. This guy makes a good Santa Claus, even if he has to round himself out with a couple of pillows. Congratulations to the grandparents and may the newborns bring added happiness in their future years . . . Garage Claims Man BILL MIEDEMA Jr. was married to Miss JACQUELINE KEELING on June 4. They spent a honeymoon in Hawaii for two weeks . . . Operator and Mrs. CHESTER BACHARA celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary on May 20, and Operator and Mrs. JULIUS GOLNIK celebrated their 25th anniversary the 22nd of May at 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Hyacinth's church. A reception was held at the Wonderland Ballroom . . . Board Members ANDY KOHLER and ED STOBART would like to thank all those who contributed a buck for "Cope", making it possible for Forest Glen to be well represented in this annual drive . . . Operators who went on pension June 1 were EDWARD MATTHIAS and HAROLD GRIEBEL. We wish them many years of "healthy and happy retirement". We express our sympathy on the death of Mrs. BERG, wife of Operator TRYGVE BERG, and also the death of HAROLD LEE, a former operator at Forest Glen and later employed at the Merchandise Mart.

- Frank Carpio

ENGINEERING -

Welcome back to J. B. O'REILLY . . . The annual retirement party, held May 5 honoring 45 retirees of the Construction and Maintenance Department, was a great success. More than 350 attended and a good time was had by all.

- Jean Hansen

GENERAL OFFICE (Research & Planning) -

The marriage of RON GANCARCZYK and FLORENCE FLOREK, formerly employed in CTA's Law Department took place on Saturday, June 4, at a nuptial mass celebrated at 4:00 p.m. in St. Michael's Catholic church on Chicago's south side. DENISE BENSISH of the Law Department was one of the bridesmaids and Ron's co-worker, JIM ROCHE, was an usher. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Driftwood, 4300 South Pulaski Rd. Ron and Florence honeymooned at Miami Beach, Florida . . . GRACE IACONO was welcomed as a permanent employe after working as a temporary.

(Insurance) -

SHIRLEY (RENNARD) JOHNSON, formerly of Insurance and her husband, VICTOR JOHNSON, of Skokie Shops, recently announced the birth of their first born. A baby boy was born on May 11 and named KEITH ALLEN. Paternal grandpa is VICTOR L. JOHNSON of the Instruction Department. Mommie's godfather, JOHN GRACE, is an operator at Forest Glen Station. Congratulations to all . . . JOHN MC MAHON transferred recently from Electrical and was welcomed as industrial safety analyst . . . Sympathy was extended to NANCY OBERLE whose mother passed away May 10 . . . LEROY Q. SIMPSON, retired fire inspector, visited the department recently on a return trip to New York where he visited his son. Leroy said he had recently moved from Hector, Arkansas, to Springfield, Missouri. CHARLIE SMITH, also retired, met up with Mr. Simpson and they had a great time discussing the "good old days."

(Employment) -

KAY THOMPSON and MAUREEN SCHRAM of Property Accounting vacationed recently at Fort Lauderdale, Flo-

INSIDE NEWS

rida. They also enjoyed a boat trip to Nassau and, while aboard, the girls were guests at the Captain's table during mealtime . . . ARTHUR STAHL, superintendent of employment, recently vacationed with his wife in Miami, Florida.

(Training) -

The three Supervising Instructors WALTER PYPER, ED WEHMEYER and ART KRIKOW vacationed recently so as to be in good shape to handle the "Over 700 F.T.T.O." summer training program . . . WALTER PYPER had a great time fishing down at Melbourne, Florida, where he intends to retire someday. His place is near Cape Kennedy, which is very convenient in case Walter wants to take a trip to the moon . . . Mrs. WEHMEYER kept ED busy doing chores around the house, and that, coupled with all the rain that fell in the latter part of the month dampened his vacation spirit to the extent that he said he was glad to get back on the job . . . ART KRICKOW had a gay old time in St. Petersburg, Florida. He looked over his estate at Lehigh Acres where he intends to retire. Art raved about the famous 99¢ dinners at St. Petersburg. Did you say steak at that price, Art, or was it bull from Texas?

- Mary E. Clarke

KEDZIE -

Vacation time is here, so let's drive carefully. Enjoy yourselves and then let me hear about your vacations - where you went and what you've done, so we can put it in our column . . . Operator JOHN LOCACIUS is vacationing in Soces Lark, Ontario, Canada. He is visiting with his sister . . . Operator E. MICIK had two sons graduate in June. One from Maternity B.V.M., the other from Kelvyn High school . . . Our deepest sympathy to Operator ED BARRY, whose mother, Mrs. MARGARET BARRY, passed away May 11 . . . Our Chief Clerk PHILLIPS observes that wise people believe only half of what they hear, and the wiser ones know what half to believe.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Ho hum fellow--guess I've gone from spring fever to just plain summer laziness, but the old column must go on . . . Our condolences to Janitor SY GOLDMAN on the loss of his wife, PEARL. Pearl seemed as much a part of the Keeler Depot as the drivers themselves . . . Operator BILL KNUDSEN's wife, GAIL, underwent minor surgery and was hospitalized for several days. Bill lost three pounds every day she was laid up . . . Operator BOB O'NEAL says he has a new car, but you'll have to contact his wife, SADIE, in order to see it . . . FRANK CALDERON got himself a new '66 Plymouth. Somebody said it was a police auction special, but we don't believe it . . . Operator IRVIN SCHANK became a grandpa for the fourth time. A big welcome to baby DENISE MARIE. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM BATAKA . . . Belated birthday greetings to Operators C. ALLEN, B. ZENTMEYER, and W. KUGELBERG . . . Special birthday greetings to Operator R. POWELL's daughter, CAROL . . . Many happy returns to a real swell guy, Operator L. BANKS, who had a birthday June 6 . . . Operator A. JANITO and his wife, HELEN, celebrated 25 years of wedded bliss. 25 years heh--that's silver, and Janito says, "please give the old silver coins fellows, none of those new brass ones." . . . Congratulations to Operator GEORGE DEARMAN who was installed recently

as commander of his Canadian Legion organization . . . You'd never know that Operator CLARENCE COLVIN is a comparatively new man, not by the way his follower talks about him.

Car Cleaner WILLIE B. NAUDEN had a week's vacation to rest up a bit--rest from what? . . . We haven't received a vacation card from Day Foreman HANK RICHTER as yet . . . Guys, can you feature this? Operator DAVID LEE CARDE is painting his living quarters. The puzzler is that Carde isn't even married, so who is making him paint? . . . Clerk R. MILLER's son was two years old May 15. The entire family celebrated with colds. The huge birthday cake was decorated with aspirin . . . Calling Dr. Kildare: It seems that more than a few of our fellows don't realize that they are not eligible for medicare yet. Nevertheless, get well wishes to Operators: Perrone, Bennett, Taylor, McKennie, Graham, Peterson, Gilbert, Pankow, Kumbera, and Clerk Davis. With a list like this maybe we should ask for the medical bus to come back to Keeler and stay here . . . Oh yes, happy, happy birthday to my wife, VIRGIL, June 24. I forgot which one--I'm no fool . . . See you next month!

- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

Hi fellas! I am attempting to write this column, but please give me a helping hand and supply me with some news about the goings' on at our station. A column has to be fed or it will starve to death. Without your help I will have to refer to Joe Millers' Joke book for news . . . A big hand to the White Sox Management for giving the employees of CTA free admission to the night game on Wednesday, May 25, and the day game on Thursday, May 26. I took in the day game on Thursday and they had a good crowd there, but the way the game turned out my ticket should have read "The Comedy of Errors." All apologies to the White Sox Management . . . We are on the verge of getting some new busses on 16th-18th Streets. We all took instructions on them, and believe me, they are swell. I am anxious to get a chance to drive one. "STASH" HYERCYK is going to wear a green buttonaire in his lapel the first day he drives one, and he said it is because he is Irish that he is wearing green, bit I think it's for Go-Go-Go. Instructor ED HAVLICEK tells me that Stash was held up one morning and he said he forgot all about the judo that SHAKEY FRANK taught him. It happened too fast . . . On Sunday, June 5, Father PAUL HOBAN, Director of the Little Flower Society, celebrated the 25th anniversary of being a priest by saying Mass at 5 p.m. at Old St. Mary's church. We walked over to the Conrad Hilton hotel for a banquet after Mass . . . I met BILL MOSER the other day and he is also on vacation. He tells me that with his family he went to visit his daughter in Crown Point, Indiana. One day he sat outside the courthouse and watched the happy couples going in one door and coming out another, even looking happier since they were attached, and then some grouchy looking couples were going in another door and coming out with a big smile on their faces since they were unattached. Everyone leaving that building has a smile on their face, except the taxpayer . . . In our last issue of Transit News, a picture of our Chief Clerk HERB BEYER was shown with his dad. Believe me he doesn't look a day older . . . I don't have much more news for now as I am on vacation, but when I come back, I will try with your help . . . See you later.

- Larry Keating

INSIDE NEWS

LIMITS -

Assistant Superintendent MILES DEWITT and his wife spent two weeks in Hot Springs, Arkansas, during May. He reports that it rained thirteen days but enjoyed the trip and the baths very much. His brother, FRANK, who works in the South Shops office, accompanied them . . . Supervisor HENRY GOETZ and his wife have purchased a home near Lake Winnebago, Wisconsin, and expect to have lots of fun on their vacation and days off. They celebrated the 38th anniversary of their marriage in June with their two sons. Lots more, Henry and wife . . . Operator ART MAAS and his wife, RUBY, enjoyed a four-week vacation. Art caught up on some work around his home in Schiller Park and took some short jaunts. They also attended the graduation of their granddaughter, LINDA, from Luther South High school. Linda was in the school orchestra and will make a career in music . . . Operator ALBRO had 41 years of service on May 15. He is number one man at Limits . . . Operator W. SCOTT's daughter graduated from Douglas Elementary school and will attend Tilden High . . . Receiver RICHARD PENNY is a medical patient in the hospital at this writing. JOHN WISE is replacing Richard . . . Operator R. S. BENSON has a son, DAVID, who is an operator at North Park. He was recently made a deacon in the Evangelical church at Des Plaines, Illinois . . . Board Member CHARLES HEROLD thanks all who subscribed to Cope, and those who missed can always look up Charley . . . Retired Motorman J. KILLEN, formerly of Limits and Lincoln Depots, passed away in May. Our deepest sympathy to his family . . . Our very congenial Sanitary Engineer ED FEDERAWITZ is in St. Mary's hospital at this writing. We hope to see you back soon, Ed . . . Operator JOHN BRENNAN lost his brother, JAMES, in May. He was on his way to work from Tinley Park and passed away very suddenly. Our deepest sympathy, John . . . CTA employees and their guests were invited to the Sox games of May 25, evening game, and May 26, day game. It was from the White Sox Management as a token of esteem for the Courtesy afforded to White Sox Fans. A large number from Limits attended and enjoyed it very much . . . Operator PETER COLUCCI attended the Fraternal Order of Eagles Convention at Springfield, Illinois, as a delegate for the 10th straight year. He was accompanied by another operator from North Park, Secretary RALPH Groat, who has held office for 10 years.

Operator EDDIE CHRISMAN spent two weeks with his mother in Russell Springs, Kentucky . . . Coffee was served on May 11 by the management for courtesy during April with 23 commendations. We also had fewer complaints than 1965. Sweet rolls were on the credit union. Superintendent GEORGE MAY thanks all . . . Operator JOHN KANE and his wife opened their Butternut Lake, Wisconsin, spot during the Memorial Day weekend. The family will spend the summer there. John still thinks there are fish in that lake. Their daughter, KATHLEEN, who graduated from the School of Nursing at Illinois Masonic, is now an army nurse in El Paso, Texas . . . Operator JOHN BRENNAN left O'Hare Airport by jet for Ireland on May 29. The trip was under the direction of the Columbian Fathers. His plane arrived at Shannon Airport May 30 and he will leave Ireland with the good Fathers on July 15. After arrival he will be free to travel where he pleases and he will visit in Dublin, Tubbercurry, and Tralee. John has one brother living in Ireland, three nephews, three nieces, and eight grandnieces and nephews. Two of his first cousins are priests over there. His last visit was 30 years ago and he hopes it will be the same happy, golden land of his youth. Kiss the Blarney Stone for us, John . . . A belated "Birthday

Good Wishes" to DAN J. McNAMARA on his 80th birthday . . . I received a note from the City of Miami Police informing me of a violation on November 22, 1965, for overtime parking. The identification was accurate enough --same name and license number, except the car was a 1961 Cadillac and I own a 1961 Chevy. I wrote a nice letter informing them that on November 22 I was driving a bus on the streets of Chicago and had never had the pleasure of visiting their sunshine city but hoped I could some day. I received an apologetic reply thanking me for my courtesy and hoping that I would be a guest of their city some day. I was happy. Then I thought--Whose guest? . . . Thanks to our Editor DAVE EVANS for the invitation to the Scribes' dinner at the M & M Club, which I was unable to attend due to illness. Glad all enjoyed the evening . . . You can save and borrow at Limits Credit Union and have a payroll deduction.

- George Clark

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

As of this writing, ANNA DOWLING, former agent now on pension, is in St. Anne's hospital recovering from a hip injury. She is in room 236. I'm sure she would like to hear from her friends on the 'L' . . . HELEN LYNCH, pensioned ticket agent, is in Little Company of Mary hospital. She would like to receive cards from her Logan line friends . . . Sorry to hear that Agent EUGENE BEEBE is in the hospital at this time. We hope to see you on the job soon, Gene . . . Agent RAY MAPLE is out of the hospital and convalescing at this time . . . Porter JOHN MEEHAN and his wife are flying to the old sod for their vacation . . . Agent MARTIN BEGLEY is sailing to Wales on the Queen Elizabeth to visit his brother. While there he will give his niece away in marriage . . . Vacations are really in full swing. ARLENE SWANSON and her husband, GEORGE, went to Iowa in May to visit her sister. They were gone over the Memorial Day weekend. Our number one Agent LEONE NELSON stayed home and enjoyed a two-week vacation around Chicago. Agent DOROTHY FORD took a week in May, just to rest up . . . Agent ELEANOR HASBROUCK is a very proud and happy mother these days. Her son ROBERT, graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in aeronautical engineering. He has accepted a position in Sunnyvale, California, in the flight department of the missile division of Lockheed. Eleanor's

IN WHAT was described as an unusual example of the spirit of Ecu-
menicism, six Masonic lodges were the guests of Knights of Columbus
La Rabida council 980 on April 20. TOM DANIELS (far right), Transit
News scribe, and MARINUS COOPER (second from the left) are shown
with others participating in the session.



INSIDE NEWS

daughter, CATHY, is a June graduate of Harrison High school. Mother certainly has a right to brag a little. We wish both of these young people good luck in their new endeavors . . . My grandson, BILLY PALLISTER, is a June graduate of Prussing elementary and will attend Lane High school in September . . . On May 28, JO-ANNE RINI, daughter of Officer SAM RINI, was united in holy matrimony to DANIEL LINET. The wedding was held in St. William's church. The young couple went on a honeymoon, but it was still a secret at this writing. We wish you many years of happiness, Mr. and Mrs. Linet . . . Agent JACK JOYCE's youngest grandson, MICHAEL, was two years old on June 11 . . . Friends of former Agent BILL SMITH will be glad to hear that he is doing fine. He comes through the station once in a while and says "hello" to all . . . Former Porter BILL MEANY asked about his many friends and wants to be remembered to them. Bill is now with the track gang. . . West Side Agent MARY DOYLE moved to Forest Park from the city. Much luck in your new home, Mary . . . DOROTHY FORD, formerly of Lake Street, is now working in the Loop . . . HARRY TISCHLER, Logan Square trainman, retired May 1. Refreshments were served at Logan Square. We were especially glad to hear that Harry was up and about, even though with the help of a cane, as he had been laid up for some months with a broken foot. We hope his luck will be all good from now on . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of Trainman JACK WALSH who passed on suddenly on May 18 . . . A great big "hello" to Mrs. MARGARET QUEENAN from her "L" friends. We hear she is doing fine and hope she keeps up the good work . . . We want to thank those responsible for the dinner given for the Transit News reporters. It was a pleasure to meet the people who make up the magazine whom we would never know otherwise. The Fourth of July is ahead of us so those who are going out of town have a real good time.

- Helen Pallister

LOOP -

Best wishes to Agent JULIA MATTRAM and her husband who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in May . . . Many of the older agents working in the loop will remember former Agent BRIDGET O'DONNELL who worked loop stations for 13 years. She's back with us once again. This time Bridget picked the North Section. Good luck to you . . . Student Agent MARY ELLEN DUNN just returned from a very pleasant trip to Puerto Rico. On her way back she spent a week in Florida with her cousins. Mary's boyfriend just happened to be on the same plane taking the same trip to Puerto Rico. How come? Oh yes, Mary is on the Dean's list--she has two "A's" and two "B's" which means very, very good . . . Sorry to hear that Agent ANN CINCITTE had a very serious operation. We all wish you a speedy recovery and hope at this writing you are up and about and feeling fine . . . Glad to see Agent MORA HAASE back to work and looking so good . . . Another employee welcomed back off the sick list was Porter W. HARRIS . . . Our deepest sympathy to Porter JOHN BARRET who lost his dear brother a few weeks ago . . . Belated birthday greetings to Porter JOHN DOOREY who had a birthday April 27. Says he's "21". HA! HA!

Many of you folks saw the lovely colorful paradedown State Street, Saturday, May 7. It was Chicago's clean-up parade . . . A little bird started talking the other day and this is what he said: Agents MARY WIXTED and MARY TOTTER recently shared an embarrassing mo-

ment together. The mean old bird wouldn't give any details, except that the incident was hilariously funny, and both girls were laughing with tears in their eyes. Does anyone know the inside of this story? Let us all in on it, huh? . . . My! My! After all these years! Agent DOROTHY FORD has left Central station on Lake Street. She now is down in the transfer booth at Jackson-Van-State Street subway. So many of the regular passengers are asking when Dorothy will be back. They miss her cheery smile and melodious "good morning." Good luck, Dorothy, but you'll be back, huh! . . . Let's stop a few minutes and wish a sweet little girl a belated birthday wish. She is NANCY WIXTED, daughter of Agent MARY WIXTED, who was 12 years old May 30. Nancy had 15 schoolmates to her home for a little party. They played records, danced, sang songs, and had a lot of goodies to eat. Nancy says a good time was had by all . . . Now that vacation time is here again, how about letting me in on those lovely trips you're all taking . . . Former Student Agent JOHN MORROW is taking his CPA exam for the first time. Good luck, John, and let us know how you made out . . . We will end this news with a rumor that's going around that Student Agent ED WENKATES is driving a moving junk. It goes along so quiet and smooth. How about that??

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

Pensioner AKSEL WINDFELD celebrated his 77th birthday March 13. He was a conductor at North Avenue for many years. He is still going strong and plans to go to his summer home in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, in June. His brother is Operator VIGGO WINDFELD . . . Congratulations to Pensioner HENRY EHLERS and his wife on their Golden Wedding anniversary. They celebrated with a trip to Hawaii . . . AL PELUSO, Repair Department, and his wife, ROSE ANN, became proud parents on May 13 when their daughter, LISA ANN, was born at St. Francis Cabrini hospital . . . Foreman PAT HIGGINS and his wife are grandma and grandpa for the eighth time. Their daughter, Mrs. ROY DAVIS, became the mother of COLEEN MARY, born May 7 at St. Anne's hospital. Pat is going to Ireland for a six-week vacation to visit his sister. Operator EDWIN DOWLING and his wife, JOSEPHINE, became grandparents for the third time when PATRICIA MUSCARELLO was born May 9 at Norwegian American hospital. Patricia's father, SALVATORE MUSCARELLO, operates out of North Park. Congratulations to all parents and grandparents . . . Operator ERWIN AGUAYO and his wife, ALICE, were happily surprised when their son, EDWIN Jr., came home on a month's leave from Viet Nam. May God bring him safely home to stay before long . . . Pensioner AL HERRMAN, who is looking and feeling good, gives us the following news item. Operator GEORGE MARTINSON's wife was honored at a testimonial dinner May 29 at Portage Park Moose Lodge No. 220 for serving as national chairwoman of the Friendship Academy Award . . . Superintendent FRANK BUETOW, his wife, ADELINE, and Operator JAMES KINAHAN took a trip south to Biloxi, Mississippi. They went through Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, Tennessee, and Arkansas. James visited Keesler Air Force Field to visit some of his buddies still in the service . . . Operator EDWARD GUNDLACH and his wife, MARGARET, after 26 years of married life, went on their honeymoon. They flew to San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Las Vegas, and visited friends in several places . . . Foreman ERNEST PEARSON of Lawndale Depot, formerly of North, and his wife, ANNA, spent a

INSIDE NEWS

vacation in Colorado. Ernie says the weather and the scenery were beautiful, and the trout most attractive. He says "hello" to his many friends at North. Ernie and I went fishing up North and caught seven trout between us. . . . Clerk ARTHUR OLSEN has been on the sick list. Repairman PAT KETT was laid up due to an injury when he fell off a ladder at home. Repairman WILLIAM BEHNKE was off sick. The wife of Operator ARTHUR THIEL is home after being confined to the hospital. District Superintendent MAURICE VAN HALL was hospitalized with surgery. We wish all of them speedy recoveries.

We welcome new Operators JAMES SCHMELTZER, JAMES SLOANE, JIMMIE STEVENS, CURTIS BANKS, MACK LANG, and BRUCE WILLIAMS. The Repair Department welcomes WILLIAM POWELL and new Repairman WILLIAM HOWE. . . . The Repair Department's PETE BARRETT and JOHN CASEY took up residence in their newly purchased homes. . . . The editor of the CTA Transit News gave a dinner for all who were instrumental in the magazine's production. It was held May 5 at the M & M Club in the Merchandise Mart. The dinner was delicious and I enjoyed meeting the other guests. . . . GEORGE "Sinatra" KUENSTLE, Repair Department, is very happy because his mother who was ill is getting along well. His friend, RUSTY STAUB of the Houston Astros, is batting clean-up. . . . Pensioner LEONARD PEDERSEN passed away May 16. Foreman JOHN BIRMINGHAM departed this life May 19. Pensioner FRED RAASCH passed away April 22. Switchboard Operator EDDY LEE departed this life May 15. Former Operator RAYMOND EBEL lost his mother-in-law May 11. Operator ARTHUR CLAUSSEN lost his mother May 16. Operator CHARLES PANDOLA lost his wife on May 13. Our deepest sympathy to these families. . . . We wish you all a happy Fourth of July weekend. If you are taking any trips, drive carefully. The traffic on the highways will be heavy, and there will be many wild drivers speeding along. We want all of you back safely on the fifth.

- Bill Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The welcome mat is extended to the college men who will be filling in as temporary help for the summer. Let's all try and extend a welcome hand to these boys and make the job a little easier for them. . . . Mrs. ELAINE HOLMES, wife of Operator JIM HOLMES, was a patient at Northwest Community hospital in Arlington Heights, Illinois, where she underwent major surgery. At this time, Elaine is at home convalescing and is recovering quickly. . . . Mrs. BILLIE BOWLIN, wife of Operator ROY BOWLIN, was elected Union representative of the Teletype Corporation. Billie is the first woman ever elected to represent employees of this large corporation. . . . Operator DAVID JOHNSON has purchased a new home in Weathersfield, Illinois, which is located near Schaumburg Village. David's new address is 702 Auburn Circle. Dave invites all his friends to drop in and see him at any opportunity. . . . Operator IRVING SHER had a kidney operation at Weiss Memorial hospital and was off work for two months. . . . Mrs. SOPHIA SEDIN retired as president of the Amundsen High school P.T.A. after serving for two years. Sophie was awarded a life membership and a set of sterling silver for her outstanding work. . . . Operator LE ROY CARR had 28 boy scouts out for an overnight fire building contest and 1st and 2nd class cooking tests at Northwestern Park in Des Plaines, Illinois. . . . Operator LEE DODD has earned a reputation as one of our most honest and efficient

operators for his many deeds of kindness and consideration. . . . Pensioner NICK MUENCHEN was visiting all his friends at North Park and reports that he is in excellent health and is enjoying our wonderful pension plan. . . . Operator ED ZINTARA and his son-in-law, ED COVERS, spent a week fishing at Lake Chetak, Wisconsin, where Ed reports that the walleyes and crappies were biting like mad. . . . Operator HAROLD DOWEY relaxed on his vacation with a few visits to Sportsmen's Park where he had a wonderful time watching the ponies go by. . . . Operator HERMAN WEYLAND and his wife, LA VERNE, spent their vacation in St. Louis, Missouri, where they were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. HARRY TULLY. The Weylands and Tully took an excursion ride down the Mississippi River on an old side wheeler, among other things. . . . Superintendent CHARLES KERR and his brother-in-law, SAM FAZIO, of Joliet, Illinois, spent their vacation at Mr. Kerr's retreat in Bonita Springs, Florida. On the way down the boys stopped at Atlanta, Georgia, to see the Braves play a ball game in their new stadium and also watched the takeoff of the Gemini Nine rocket at Cape Kennedy, Florida. Mr. Kerr's mother, who resides in Orlando, Florida, had the home cooked meals ready for the boys' visit. . . . Chief Clerk RAY SIMON, our horticulturist, has packed his trailer and set sail for Noblesville, Indiana, where his sister, Mrs. MARGUERITE EDSTROM resides. Ray will be planting his garden and getting all his flower beds set, so this fall we will be looking for our free vegetables and flowers. . . . Operator L. J. COSTLEY has returned to work after being off sick for six months. L. J.'s son, ROBERT, who was a bus cleaner at Forest Glen Garage, was inducted into the army and is stationed at Fort Polk, Louisiana. Another son, DANIEL, has started to work for the CTA and is now employed as a bus cleaner at Forest Glen. . . . Operator BRENDEN WALSH, our fine son of the old sod, has resigned from the CTA and we wish him the best of luck in his new field.

Operator MENAK KURCHBAUM was married on July 3 to Miss SANDRA DAVIS in Leeds, England. The young couple will honeymoon throughout Europe and then return to Chicago where they will reside. . . . Miss MARILYN PARADISE, daughter of Operator and Mrs. AL PARADISE, was married Saturday, May 14, at Tabor Lutheran church to Mr. BENTLEY HAWLEY. The reception was held at the home of Mr. Paradise with 100 guests attending. The young couple honeymooned throughout the West and will make their home in Winnetka, Illinois. . . . MAURINE WEINER, daughter of Operator and Mrs. IRVING WEINER, was married June 14 to Mr. MARTIN GREENWALD at Shaare Tikvah Temple. The reception was held at the temple with 175 guests attending. The young couple honeymooned throughout the East. . . . Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, became grandparents for the second time when their daughter, Mrs. JAN ANDERSON, gave birth to a son named TIMOTHY SCOTT, born April 20 at Swedish Covenant hospital. . . . Operator and Mrs. ANDY HOLZMAN became grandparents for the second time when their daughter, Mrs. MARLYN JENSEN, gave birth to a daughter named CATHY ANN, born May 3 in Liverpool, New York. . . . Operator and Mrs. SAM MUSCARELLO became parents of their third child when a daughter named PATRICIA was born May 9 at Norwegian-American hospital. Patricia's proud grandfather is Operator ED DOWLING of North Avenue Depot. . . . PEGGY BLAND, daughter of Operator WILLIAM BLAND, graduated from Gladstone school where she was valedictorian of her class. Peggy will attend Lindblom High school this fall. Bill's other daughter, BRENDA ELAINE, graduated from Lucy Flo-

INSIDE NEWS



AN ENGLISH major who was recently graduated from the University of Illinois is MAURINE KAY WEINER, daughter of North Park Operator IRVING WEINER. Maurine will attend Brown university this fall in Providence, Rhode Island, working toward her masters degree.

A NICE birthday present for BILL CAVANAUGH, 69th Street operator, was the graduation of his daughter, MARY PATRICIA, from St. Xavier's college. The two events took place on the same day, May 22. We know Mary Patricia majored in art, but just how old was Bill?



HIGH SCHOOL English is what MICHELE JAHN plans to teach. Michele, daughter of Operator GEORGE H. JAHN, was graduated from St. Xavier college on May 22 with a bachelor of arts degree. Good luck, Michele.



wer High school and plans to work for one year and then continue her schooling at a loop junior college. . . GARY KEMP, son of Operator CHARLIE and HELEN KEMP, was graduated from Emerson Junior High school and will enroll in Maine South High school this fall. Gary, who was a standout athlete in football, basketball and baseball, is expected to help Maine South to a few championships with his abilities. . . MARTIN STERN, son of Operator and Mrs. ART STERN, was graduated from Joyce Kilmer Grade school and will attend Sullivan High this fall. Martin has been an honor student and a lieutenant in the school's patrol boys. . . KEITH KURCZEWSKI, son of Operator ED KURCZEWSKI, received his letter from Argo High where he was an outstanding miler on the track team. . . Operator ANDREW SCHOFFEN and his wife, ELEANOR, celebrated their 35th anniversary May 16. The Schoffen's had dinner at White Oaks restaurant in Burlington, Wisconsin, and then spent the night with friends in Kenosha, Wisconsin. . . Supervisor RONALD MICKELS and his wife, JO ANN, celebrated their ninth anniversary May 18 with a pleasant evening drive around Chicago in one of the CTA squad cars. . . Operator MAURICE MARTINS and his wife, AGNES, celebrated their 30th anniversary June 13. The

Martins held open house, entertaining friends and relatives. . . Clerk SAM GIRARD and his wife, WANDA, were surprised on their 25th anniversary at a large party at home given by their sons, SAM Jr. and JERRY, along with daughter, HOLLY. Sam and Wanda received many gifts and are now looking forward to their fiftieth. Happy anniversaries are also extended to Operator TED DIDIER and his wife, MADA, 34th; Operator DON HEANEY and his wife, SONIA, 13th; Operator CHARLES KEMP and his wife, HELEN, 21st; Operator RALPH ILLION and his wife, LILLIAN, 26th; Operator BILL KNIGHT and his wife, ELKENA, 20th; Operator LOU BIELSKI and his wife, BERNICE, 28th, and Operator GORDEN RICE and his wife, EDITH, 25th.

Pensioner JOE GRASSL and his wife, FLORENCE, were recently given a half-page writeup in a Madison, Wisconsin, paper for their devotion and the many acts of charitable work they perform in hospitals and Red Cross Centers. . . Clerk JOHN SIMKO served as chief clerk at North Park Depot while RAY SIMON was on his vacation and John was well received here, as he has many friends at this garage. . . Happy birthdays are extended to the following: MARTIN STERN, May 26; WENDY STYLES, June 9; LEONA NEWMAN, June 15; Operator JOHN COSGROVE, June 20, and SUE JACOBY, June 23. . . Our sympathy and condolences to the families of Ticket Agent JOE RANELLO, and to Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSEN on the loss of his father. . . Repairman JIMMY MARTIN has decided to go into the salvage business because he picked up a door knob in one of his tires. . . Bus Dispatcher GEORGE SERRITELLA spent a week's vacation driving his VW Fastback on errands for his neighbors and family. . . Clerk HAROLD ENWRIGHT broke his new '66' Chevrolet Impala in with a trip to Lehigh Acres, Florida, where he owns a large piece of property. Harold and his wife, IRENE, who are avid golfers, were on the links daily. . . Stock Clerk GIL KROPP had an accident, cutting an artery in his wrist, which required several stitches. . . Bus Cleaners JOHN MOUNT and GARY WITKUS were promoted to repairmen. Mount is now at Forest Glen Depot, while Witkus went to North Avenue Depot. . . Repairman FRANK CAHILL spent his vacation grooming his string of ponies. Frank invites all his friends to bring their children out to his home in Melrose Park - and the rides will be free. . . Foreman CHARLEY DUNN spent two weeks of his vacation by washing walls and painting so that he can have the rest of the summer free for his grandchildren. . . Repairman PETE MERSCH had his usual spring vacation, which gives him time to plant his many varieties of vegetables and flowers. . . Repairman and Mrs. JIM MARTIN spent a week on the road in their new Lincoln, holding their own with all the other "hot rods." . . Repairman FRANK SCHENDLE has returned to work after being off sick for nine weeks. . . Repairman JULIUS MERSCH had his week's vacation, which he spends with his six grandchildren. . . Repairman GEORGE JONASON is another lucky person who spends his vacation by doing housecleaning. . . The rumor is that Engine Washer PATRICK BOYLE spent two weeks of his vacation in bowling alleys, but alas it was no use, as his average is still bad. . . WILLIAM CHRISTIAN, son of Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN, was released from the U.S. Navy after serving four years and six months. William, at this writing, is attending the City of Chicago Police Academy, where he will soon become a police officer. Remember to turn your back, Bill, when you see a bus driver go thru an amber light. . . Instructor VIC JOHNSON and his wife, RUTH, became grandparents for the first time when their son, VIC Jr., of Skokie Shops, and

INSIDE NEWS

his wife, SHIRLEY, presented them with a son named KEITH ALLEN, born May 11 at Edgewater hospital . . . TIM SEDIN, son of Operator HAROLD and SOPHIA SEDIN, graduated from Norfolk Naval Command School, May 13. Tim, who at this writing, is home on a furlough will leave for San Francisco where he will ship out for Japan where he will be stationed . . . I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff of the Transit News, Mr. DE MENT, Mr. O'CONNOR, and Mr. KNAUTZ, along with the other reporters of the Transit News at our recent dinner, for a most enjoyable evening . . . Superintendent WARD CHAMBERLAIN and his wife, MARGE, spent one week traveling through Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania. The Chamberlains, accompanied by Mrs. Chamberlain's sister, BEVERLY, were impressed with a tour of the Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson field where Mrs. Chamberlain's brother, Staff Sargent ROBERT KURZ, is stationed as a radar gunner. The Chamberlains also spent considerable time visiting with Ward's mother and brothers who reside in Watertown, New York. The senior Mrs. Chamberlain returned to Chicago with her son and wife and will spend the summer with them.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Well, here we are deep in the month with both of our Chicago baseball clubs in the thick of the pennant race! They are?? As far as Motorman ART TURNER and Conductor LEO DHOOGE (Sox and Cub fans respectively) are concerned, things could be much better. I think Art and Leo are what you could call back seat managers. GO, GO . . . Stork News: The stork certainly had a busy time in late April and early May. He delivered baby girls to Motorman ART PHILLIPS and his wife, ROBERTA; Chief Clerk ANGELO BIANCHINI and his wife, PEARL, and Conductor S. BATOM and his wife, BOBBI (One each of course). And last but not least, Supervisor F. ZIMMERMANN and his wife, FLORENCE, were blessed with a boy who will answer to the name of TIMOTHY. Maybe "Tiny Tim" would be appropriate after all . . . As of this writing, Motorman STEVE BACHAR and Conductor JOHN RUSIN are out of the hospital and recuperating at home. Steve is recovering from minor surgery, and John from a respiratory ailment. Hope to see you both getting along real well now. . . Wearing new striped suits (fashioned especially for motormen) for the first time are L. FUELING and A. CHILDRESS, who qualified the week of May 16. Congrats fellows . . . As you read this column, Motorman JIM O'GRADY is probably getting his few necessary articles together for his trip to boot camp. Hope to hear from Jim during his tour of duty. The best of luck will travel with him from all his CTA friends . . . Our condolences to the family of Conductor PETE BOYLE who passed away last month . . . Conductor DES O'GRADY was appointed line instructor last month. Congratulations, Des.

Motorman FRANK SCATENA has been back to work a few weeks now, after a bout with pneumonia . . . This section extends deepest sympathies to Switchman BRUCE ANDERSON on the passing of his father . . . A party, with free coffee and rolls, was given in honor of new pensioners - Motorman BILL MESCHER, after 37 years, and Motorman STAN WESLEY, after 40 years. Many happy pension years to you both. Now don't forget us, stop by or write . . . Pensioner GEORGE KOEHLER returned to Kimball for his annual planting of geraniums. We have our own flower show thanks to George . . . And

then there was the man who kept reading about how bad cigarettes are for the health - So he gave up reading . . . Your reporter had the honor of meeting all the system reporters at the annual dinner in the Merchandise Mart in early May. A personal thanks to all who made it possible, and I would like to say it was certainly a pleasure meeting you all . . . Keep the news coming in! Howard Street, did you forget me? Leave your news items with one of the clerks for me, or contact me personally.

ALAN C. PENNER, student agent on the North section, and GARY L. GROAT, former student agent and son of RALPH GROAT, operator at Forest Glen, were initiated into Medinah Shrine Temple on Friday, May 6. The main purpose of the Shriners is to operate and support 17 hospitals for crippled children and three Institutes for Burns located throughout the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. One hospital is located at 2211 N. Oak Park Avenue in Oak Park, Illinois, and is open to visitors every Sunday afternoon. Admission to the hospitals is open to needy children, regardless of race or religion.

- Frank T. Jasch

PURCHASING, STORES & SPECIFICATIONS (North Division) -

Mr. and Mrs. VICTOR JOHNSON are the proud parents of a brand new baby boy - he's the first addition to the family and they'll call him KEITH ALLEN.

(Stores) -

J. Y. GUNTER, retired addressograph supervisor, sent me a letter recently describing his 58-day trip around the world. It's always difficult to stick to a budget, but Mr. Guinter seems to have done so. Before leaving, he set up a \$1,550.00 budget for himself. His actual costs totaled \$1,557.67. Not bad-- and you should see all the places he visited--started in Seattle and wound up in London with many, many stops in between. He reports an excellent trip and he wouldn't mind doing it again.

- D. Jane Bell

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

BERNARD O'NEILL, assistant superintendent of the Schedule Department, retired on June 1. Known to all as Barney, he started with the Chicago Surface Lines on August 23, 1922, at Devon Depot as a depot clerk. He was transferred to the Schedule Department in April, 1924, and became a schedule maker in January, 1929. Mr. O'Neill was named assistant superintendent in August, 1950. We wish Barney much good health and luck in his retirement . . . JOHN URBAN and his wife celebrated 37 years of wedded bliss on May 11. Congratulations . . . GEORGE SPRAY, traffic checker, is home from the hospital . . . The sympathy of the Schedule Department is extended to FRANK CORBETT upon the death of his brother, Bob, who was also an employe of the CTA . . . MAXINE BRANDT, daughter of ARVIN BRANDT, is engaged. The marriage will take place this fall . . . RICHARD GOLDSTEIN, assistant superintendent of Schedule-Traffic, visited HARRY POLLAND, retired director of Public Relations, at his home in Sun City, Arizona. Unfortunately, at this writing, Richard is in St. Elizabeth hospital. We are hoping it is nothing serious, Richard . . . We wish HAROLD HIRSCH much success in his new position as assistant superintendent of the Schedule Department . . . ESTHER O'BRIEN is now enjoying her summer home at the Lakes . . . MARILYN THOMAS,

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

WILLIAM BALLING, 72, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-04-14, Died 4-14-66
MATTHEW BERNARDY, 63, Transportation,
Emp. 3-10-25, Died 4-26-66
HENRY N. BOCKWOLDT, 74, Archer,
Emp. 4-15-20, Died 4-19-66
PETER BOYLE, 57, North Side,
Emp. 2-14-36, Died 5-01-66
ROBERT J. CORBETT, 55, Electrical,
Emp. 7-06-27, Died 5-10-66
JOHN S. CROSSEN, 65, District A,
Emp. 3-23-42, Died 4-29-66
ROY H. DECKER, 68, Howard Street,
Emp. 10-17-29, Died 4-22-66
JOSIAH E. DUSTIN, 66, Devon,
Emp. 3-04-24, Died 4-11-66
ALBERT GALVANAUSKAS, 50, Beverly,
Emp. 2-12-42, Died 5-15-66
CLIFFORD F. GAYLORD, 69, Kedzie,
Emp. 12-02-43, Died 3-18-66
THOMAS GLYNN, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 10-16-23, Died 4-19-66
JOHN GUZIK, 80, West Section,
Emp. 9-08-39, Died 4-11-66
JULIUS HARTMANN, 82, West Shops,
Emp. 8-01-17, Died 4-23-66
JOHN HELZING, 56, Archer,
Emp. 12-13-40, Died 4-19-66
RUDOLPH HEMZACEK, 77, 69th Street,
Emp. 12-17-19, Died 4-25-66
ANTHONY JANKOWSKI, 72, Kedzie,
Emp. 2-26-20, Died 4-30-66
HENRY J. KAPOUN, 84, Blue Island,
Emp. 11-08-18, Died 4-27-66
PATRICK J. KILLEN, 81, Lincoln,
Emp. 8-29-07, Died 4-28-66
EDGAR LEE, 58, North Avenue,
Emp. 8-26-42, Died 5-15-66
HAROLD LEE, 63, General Office,
Emp. 10-18-27, Died 4-29-66
JOHN LORENTZ, 74, South Shops,
Emp. 10-07-20, Died 5-04-66

JOE MARCHESE, 75, Lawndale,
Emp. 3-27-43, Died 4-10-66
FRANK MAREK, 60, Lawndale,
Emp. 1-14-29, Died 4-23-66
BRUCE L. MARLETTE, 54, North Avenue,
Emp. 9-08-47, Died 4-08-66
JOSEPH G. MATZ, 80, North Avenue,
Emp. 3-16-06, Died 4-12-66
JOHN McKEON, 67, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-07-26, Died 4-26-66
CONSOLATO MEDOR, 86, West Shops,
Emp. 1-22-24, Died 4-14-66
DOMINICK MIELE, 47, 77th Street,
Emp. 5-19-47, Died 5-12-66
ANTONIO MORETTI, 65, Engineering,
Emp. 6-22-42, Died 5-04-66
TIMOTHY MORIARTY, 81, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-15-20, Died 4-27-66
LEO J. MURPHY, 77, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-22-27, Died 4-14-66
JOHN O'HARA, 75, 77th Street,
Emp. 4-11-16, Died 4-28-66
JESSE E. PORTER, 42, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-22-48, Died 5-13-66
FRED RAASCH, 64, North Avenue,
Emp. 3-15-26, Died 4-22-66
JOSEPH P. RANALLO, 53, North Section,
Emp. 11-19-45, Died 5-03-66
WILLIAM E. SCHURWANZ, 81, 69th Street,
Emp. 2-10-20, Died 4-30-66
JOSEPH W. SIMANDL, 88, Metropolitan,
Emp. 6-14-28, Died 4-21-66
FRANK M. SPANGEMACHER, 67, Const. & Maint.,
Emp. 11-16-25, Died 4-16-66
SYLVESTER P. STUBER, 66, West Section,
Emp. 6-30-43, Died 4-17-66
STEVE SWEENEY, 71, Wilson Shops,
Emp. 7-10-45, Died 5-03-66
FRANK WIECZOREK, 72, Track,
Emp. 5-22-23, Died 5-04-66

daughter of WALTER THOMAS, schedule maker, graduated from high school and will attend Colorado State university. Congratulations, father and daughter!

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Welcome back to RALPH DuFRESNE, welder, who just returned from a prolonged illness. . . At this time, HOWARD JENSEN, clerk, is in Lutheran General hospital, and WILLARD LUCAS, welder, is in Columbus hospital recovering from a heart attack. Get well soon, boys. . . Through a roundabout way we have just discovered that we have a new father at Skokie. Mr. ALEX F. BARR, pensioner from Forest Glen, residing in Mena, Arkansas, wrote us that DAVID BARR, electrical apprentice, who is his son, became the father of a bouncing baby girl on April 25, whom they have named SHARON LUCILLE. Mother JOANNE and baby are doing fine. Congratulations, Dave. . . Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH GIULIANO, retired shopman, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 1. They renewed their vows at 5 o'clock Mass at St. Francis of Rome Catholic church in

Cicero. A reception followed at the Belvidere Inn. Mr. Giuliano was a former truck repairman at Skokie Shops. He retired on July 1, 1956. The affair was attended by JOSEPH PERILLO, electrical worker.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

Here comes Summer, and everyone welcomes her with open arms. . . 61st Street was really celebrating in May. We won the Interstation Safety Contest Award for the first quarter of 1966 and the presentation of the plaque was made on May 10 by Mr. D. FLYNN, superintendent of Transportation. A large crowd was in attendance. The men all received key chains and there was a drawing for free hams. Free coffee and sweet rolls were served and they also showed movies of last year's world series. It was a wonderful day and everyone at 61st Street is so proud that they won the award. Keep up the good work men so we can win more awards. . . A big, big welcome back to Trainman ALFRED CORLEY who has returned from serving his two years in the military service. . . Motorman ALEX KOMIS and his wife just

INSIDE NEWS

returned from a nice vacation in Miami Beach, Florida, where they loafed, sunned, and took in some night spots in the evening. Alex says you really feel relaxed after a vacation like that . . . Motorman RALPH WRISKA went on pension May 1. Best wishes are sent to Ralph for a long, happy retirement . . . Happy to see Conductor RONALD HOWARD and Agents LEO DILLON and WILLIAM STRATTON back working after being on the sick list . . . Congratulations to Motorman JERRY JOHNSON who was appointed supervisor on May 1 . . . Agent AMY GRANT, who was on the sick list recently, wishes to thank all the agents and porters for the nice cards, flowers, and phone calls she received while she was ill . . . Our sincere condolences to Motorman ED TORMEY whose sister passed away recently, and to Motorman HENRY HEISTERMAN whose brother passed away . . . Our Superintendent of Agents and Porters BOB ROESING took a couple of weeks of his vacation and flew to Florida to visit with his folks. Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE ROESING, retired assistant superintendent of Operating Stations, send their regards to all their friends back in Chicago . . . Agent BLOYCE SPARKS, who went on pension May 1, had a nice surprise when several of his co-workers and friends had a dinner for him. Bloyce wishes to thank all the agents for the token of remembrance given to him . . . Conductor WILLIAM ROSS is doing a three month military training tour of duty in the U.S. Navy.

Retired Switchman GEORGE LA FAIRE and his wife, who live in Florida, have come back to Chicago to spend the summer here visiting with their family . . . Clerk JOHN BARRY is back from the sick list and wishes to tell everyone how much he appreciated all the cards and kindness extended to him while he was in the hospital . . . Our sympathy is extended to Retired Towerman CLAUDE ALSEN whose wife passed away recently, and to Retired Motorman GEORGE SEMENIUK on the loss of his wife . . . A big "hello" to newly transferred agent from the Surface Division, BOOKER JEFFERSON, and to Part-time Agents KENNETH CRENSHAW, WILLIAM DAVIS, MICHAEL LOESER, and JAMES SCHUMPP . . . Retired Clerk CHARLES SASSO phoned and said he had spent two and a half months of the winter in San Francisco, California, visiting his son and his family. While out in California, he visited with Retired Superintendent of Rapid Transit Operations JOHN HIGGINS, and they talked over old times. Mr. Higgins sends his regards to all of us back here at home . . . IRENE DOUGHTY, widow of Retired Conductor RAY DOUGHTY, took a whirl-wind trip with her daughter and son-in-law to Europe, visiting all the famous scenic spots in Ireland, England, Italy, Germany, and France. She said she really enjoyed the scenery in Ireland . . . We're getting more passenger commendations all the time: Agent CHRISTINE EVANS was commended for the exceptional manner in which she performs her duties; Agent CECILIA MORAN and Porter EDWARD FREEMAN commended for helpfulness in recovering lost articles; Conductor LESTER LOVE commended for helping an elderly man on his train, and Clerk JOE O'CONNOR received two commendations for his helpfulness in recovering passengers' lost articles. Let's all keep striving for more commendations all the time and fewer complaints . . . Just heard that Retired Agent FLORA HANRAHAN passed away recently . . . Good luck to Trainmen MAURICE PIERCE, THOMAS JOHNSON, JAMES HALLIGAN, and Porter NORMAN LOCKE who decided to resign to accept positions with other companies . . . Retired Agent ESTHER McDERMOTT, who was ill recently, wishes to thank her friends for their cards and calls during that time. She is feeling fine now . . . Conductor FRANK POWELL said that he

was watching T.V. recently and saw our former employee, CHRISTOPHER WADE, on the Password Quiz Program in New York, and he won a tidy little sum of money . . . On the sick list at this writing are Towerman PATRICK HICKEY and Agent JEAN GUSTAFSON. Let's hope by our next writing that both will be back to work . . . Congratulations to Switchman FRENCHIE ELLIS. Besides qualifying as a supervisor recently, he also qualified as an instructor . . . Good luck to our own 61st Street baseball team which begins its season in the Grant Park Softball league. Here's hoping the boys make first place this year.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

JIM and BILL HAWORTH, HOWARD WARD, and JERRY PAVEL spent a weekend fishing in Hayward, Wisconsin. We understand Jerry caught a 5 lb. seaweed . . . STEVE SLUZINSKI and his son, MICKEY, caught 22 bass on the Wolf River, Fremont, Wisconsin. Not bad, Mickey, for your first trip . . . JIM KOZAK, not to be outdone, returned from Lilly Lake, Wisconsin, with 18 walleye . . . The stork visited the GEORGE WRIGHT household once more on May 6. This time TABBATHA was delivered . . . LENNY WEINCEK and his bride, LENORE, were married on May 28 at St. Agnes church. A 6:30 p.m. reception was held at Polonia Grove. The couple spent their honeymoon on the East Coast . . . EMIL BUELOW enjoyed a fishing trip to his hometown of Marinette, Wisconsin. . . RALPH KEANE's son, JACK, won an award for his essay on "Best Patrol Lady," sponsored by the Lion's International. Jack's sister, NANCY, also made the news by breaking her leg. We hope you'll be mended in no time, Nancy . . . JOHN JANKUS was a recipient of his team's first place bowling trophy . . . HENRY "Pete" PETERSON is presently visiting friends and relatives in his native land, Sweden . . . JIM BROGAN spent a week at Eagle River, Wisconsin, skeet shooting . . . Our best wishes to FRANK DE WITT for a speedy recovery . . . JOHN HAGGARTY is spending his vacation across the sea in Erin . . . Krako, Poland, is the scene of a 29-year reunion for STANLEY GRZYWNA and his family. When Stan last saw his sister and brother, they were 7 and 11, respectively . . . MILLIE CHASSEUR is at home recovering from an appendix operation . . . BILL DONALDSON, who bowled only half the season due to illness, received a first place team trophy at the Drexel Park bowling league banquet held May 21. You must be a popular fella, Bill . . . Six new instructors were added to the department recently: JAMES GORCZYNSKI, JOHN HOFFMAN, GEORGE HUNT, TERRANCE MUELLNER, ROBERT TYSON, and TELLIS WALKER.

- Kathleen O'Brien & Al Haas

TRANSPORTATION (Mart) -

Our congratulations and best wishes are extended to GEORGE A. RILEY who has been appointed superintendent of operating stations. He is filling the vacancy created by T. F. MOORE's retirement, effective May 1, 1966 . . . On vacation were SHERYL BOTH, clerk-steno, who flew to Miami, Florida, for a week of sunshine; CHARLES BATTERSON, district superintendent, and his wife who spent a week in the Pennsylvania Dutch Country populated by the Amish people, and ROBERT TALBOT, radio telephone operator, his wife and daughter who went to North Carolina and through the Smoky Mountains . . . A

INSIDE NEWS

warm welcome is sent to JUNE R. VAN CAMP, a new telephone operator in the General Office. She formerly worked on the North Section as a ticket agent . . . On May 3 LARRY J. STEPHENS Sr., radio telephone operator, was presented with a granddaughter named LISA ANN STEPHENS . . . Your new scribe is proud to be a member of the reporting staff and hopes that you will help me keep the Transportation Department in the news.

- Colette Szegepanek

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. RAYMOND BRZE-CZEK, who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on May 10. Best wishes for another 25 years of health and happiness are sent their way . . . All the boys at Congress bid farewell to R. JAROS who became a police officer. Good luck in your new position as one of Chicago's finest . . . The luck of the Irish was shining upon MIKE KEATING, Congress. It seems that Mike is an heir to some of the old sod. Let's hope that the wee people kept up the homestead . . . JOHN CANNELLA, Lake Street, topped off his vacation by buying a 1966 Pontiac Bonneville. All the fellows joined in ceremonies naming the car the "Black Maria." . . . RALPH DANIELSON, Congress, spent his vacation touring Washington, D.C. Of course, while in Washington he took his wife to the Sipex, the International Philatelic Exhibition . . . Mr. and Mrs. M. BUCHANAN spent their vacation seeing the sites of Kentucky and Tennessee. Wonder if they bet on the "derby" winner . . . A. MISCHKE, Wilson, spent his vacation working on his tree farm in Wisconsin. The word is out that he has a dog's paradise . . . The coming of spring brings warm weather, and warm weather brings vacations. Those who enjoyed a warm but rainy vacation were P. Sabadosa, Congress; Pudzes, Rosinski, and Munyer, Lake Street; R. Robinson, H. Loomis, S. Gariti, P. McCahill, F. Rakstis, N. Benson, W. Schmid, J. Williams, G. Davis, L. Jakel, G. Anderson, and A. Venticinque, Wilson.

- Ray Brzezczek

69TH STREET -

Our best wishes for a long and happy retirement go out to THOMAS A. MOORE. His many friends gave him a wonderful send off and Testimonial Dinner, held at the M & M Club of the Merchandise Mart on April 28. May he and Mrs. Moore enjoy long and fully the fruits of the golden years . . . Your scribe, as well as the rest of the gang that comprise the Transit News operating station reporters and personnel, enjoyed a very wonderful dinner given by the management in appreciation for our efforts in making the company magazine the outstanding one that it is. A lot of us finally met our editor, DAVE EVANS, and his able assistant, BOB HEINLEIN, personally. Prior to this they were just pleasant voices on the phone. We also had the pleasure of having with us GEORGE L. DE MENT, T. B. O'CONNOR, and F. C. KNAUTZ. With these gifted speakers how could we help but be well entertained . . . And speaking of entertainment, the occasion of our triumph in the Interstation Safety Contest and award presentation was a dandy. Together with the movies, sketches, ham raffles (32 of 'em) and coffee and rolls, we had a good time and it made all the effort worthwhile. Incidentally, the rolls were through the courtesy of our credit union . . . Anniversary songs and greetings go out to Mr. and Mrs. RAY ORACKI on their 25th, and to Loader GEORGE WAGNER and the

Missus on their 32nd. May you have many, many more . . . Good and not so old in appearance, GEORGE LAP-HAM, is leaving us working peons for the leisure life, should have all his uniforms sold by the time you read this. His departing date is June 1. Have fun George! . . . Happy to see our old buddy and scribe from Archer, JOHN WALSH, back to work after a prolonged illness . . . Our hurry and get well wishes go to LOU CONTANT formerly from here, now at Beverly. Lou suffered a slight attack of sorts while golfing . . . Our sympathy and condolences are extended to former 69th operator now at 77th, GEORGE NELSON, on the death of his wife, and to Pensioner JOE GAMEN on the death of Mrs. GAMEN, and also to the family of the late JOHN GROSSON, retired supervisor.

- William J. Donahue

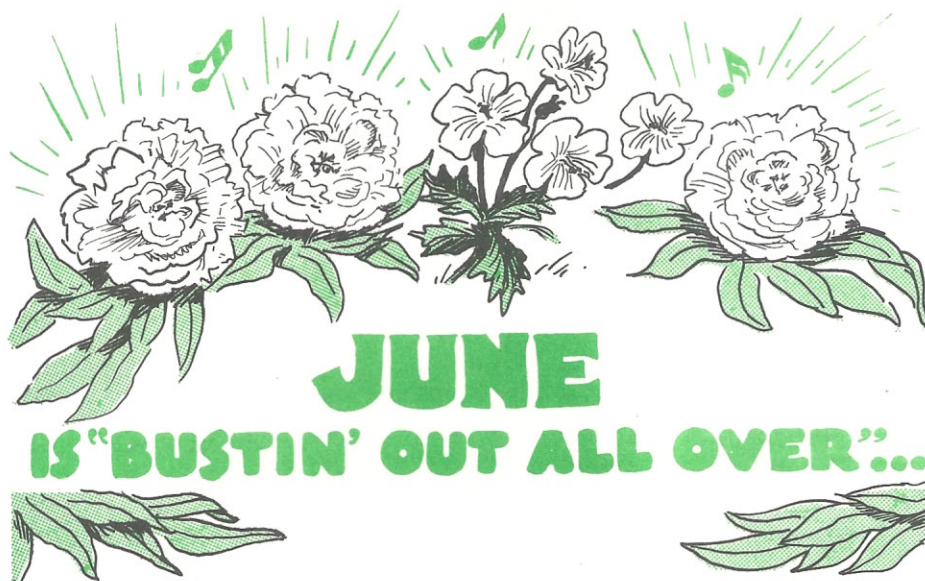
77TH STREET -

Operator O. W. CHILES is a member of the Chicago Umbrian Glee Club, which had it's 71st anniversary concert on May 22. This was a musical treat to remember . . . On Saturday, May 7, the operators at 77th and their brothers of Division 241 showed the mayor of Chicago that they care about a clean city. The officers of our local want you to know that they are proud to have such thoughtful members and thank you wholeheartedly . . . Management and Division 241 wish all new officers of the 77th Street operators bowling league much success. New officers are as follows: H. BEATY, President; E. HUFFMAN, Recording Secretary; L. LEE, Vice President; and H. McMILLAN, Sergeant of Arms. Management was represented by HERB BRAUN, BILL SCHWEITZER, JOHN LOGAY, and JOHN KNERR. Division 241, was represented by RAY GRAY, JIM HILL, PETE FLAHERTY, JIM PATE, HAROLD COFFEY, and JAY DOLTON . . . Our condolences to the families of Operator D. MIELE and Operator J. PORTER on their passing. Our sympathy is also extended to Operator GOLDSMITH on the passing of his mother . . . ED LEE, former switchboard operator at 77th station, passed away recently. Ed was very popular here at 77th and our deepest sympathy is extended to the Lee family . . . May 12 and 15 were two days that the operators of 77th station were on the ball. We were congratulated by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN and Superintendent of Operating Systems G. A. RILEY. We hope this will not end with two days, but will go on to more improvement. So management, get those hams ready . . . Yes sir, April 12 sure was a big day for celebrating at the home of Receiver RAYMOND KOCOMOUD and his wife, LUCILLE. It represents the birthdate of three generations in the family. The first generation is Ray's mother, Mrs. ANNA VALEK, age 80, born April 12, 1886. Ray and Lucille added a second generation with the birth of a son, Carl, age 23, born April 12, 1943. They also have two other children, GERALDINE, age 26, and EUGENE, age 22. Eugene is in the army taking the Nike Missile Training course at Fort Bliss, Texas. Daughter, Geraldine, and her husband, JERRY, added generation number three to the list with the birth of their daughter, JOANNE ELYNN, on April 12, 1966. They also have another daughter, JANICE, two and a half years old. Great grandma and uncle welcomed the newborn to share their day and a happy birthday was had by all . . . Happy birthday to the following operators: A. Williams, B. Claiborne, P. Hogan, W. Vaughns, J. Stewart, P. Jones, B. Brownlee, H. Moss, J. Laskey, C. Terhune, E. Boomgarn, and J. Curry.

- Amos Foster

THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY
P. O. Box 3555, Chicago, Illinois 60654

Form 3547 Requested



JUNE

IS "BUSTIN' OUT ALL OVER"...

..AND SO ARE THE KIDS!



FED
HAMME

**USE EXTRA CARE
at VACATION TIME!**

BULK RATE
Paid
U. S. POSTAGE
PERMIT No. 8021
CHICAGO, ILL.