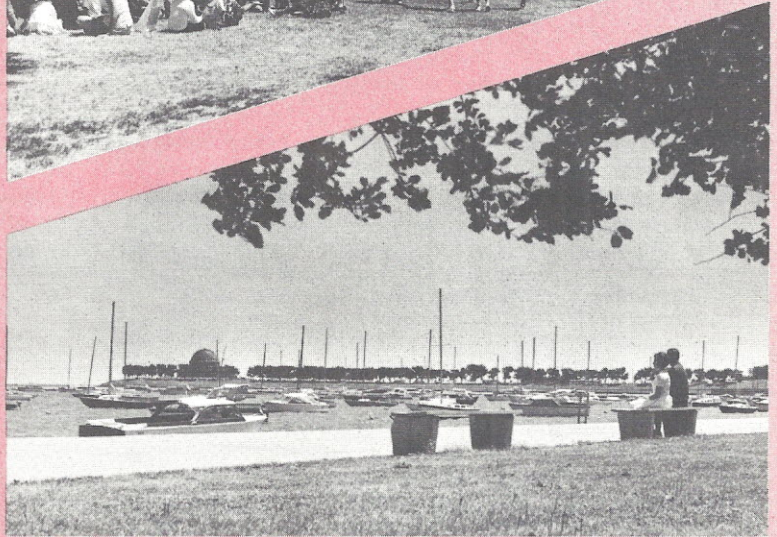
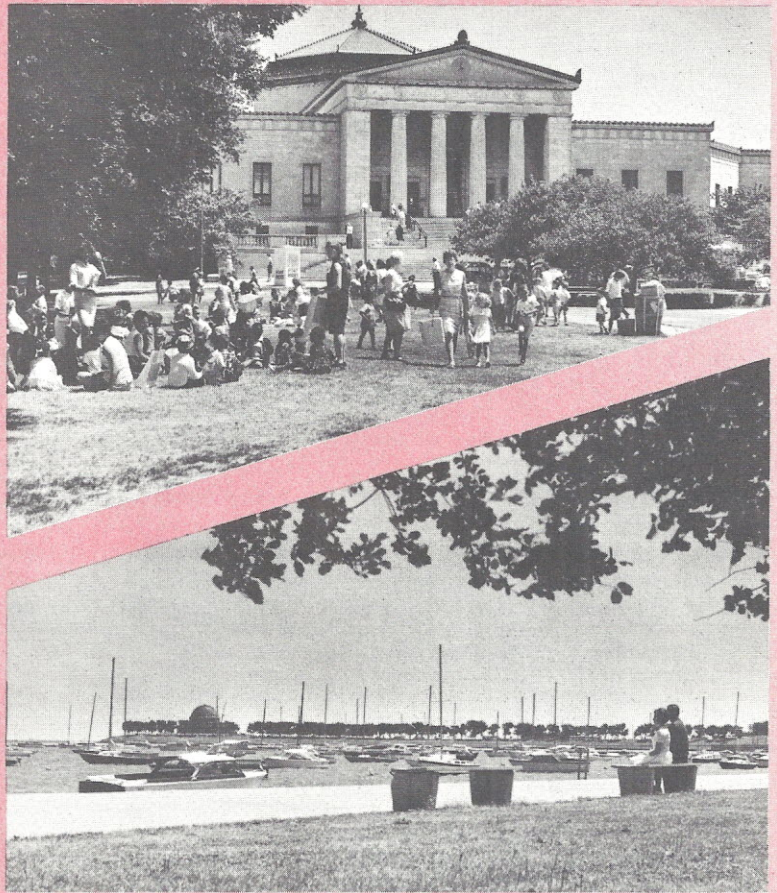
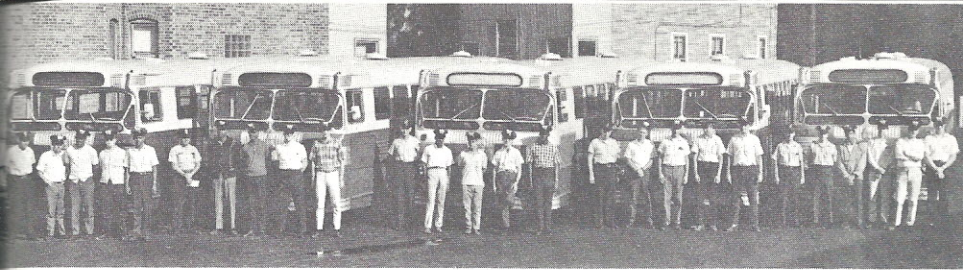


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CHECKING IN (at right) on the first day of their training program are part of a group of full-time temporary operators who were hired for summer jobs driving buses. At the head of the stairs are Instructors Art Tabel and Howard Hoepfner, who conducted the training sessions. A group of trainees line up in front of the buses used for street training and qualification as bus drivers. Transportation Department instructors are assigned to ride with the trainees to determine whether they can operate the bus with proficiency before they are approved for regular service trips.



FULL-TIME TEMPORARY OPERATORS SERVE PUBLIC DURING SUMMER

IF YOU ride buses regularly, you may have wondered about the great number of student bus operators you saw during June and early July.

These are the young men in work pants and sport shirt and wearing a regulation uniform cap. Hovering near was a regular operator who, with quiet, patient words, was guiding and coaching the student in the complexities of the job.

The majority of these young men were learning the job in order to work during the summer months. They are known as full-time temporary operators and are hired to supplement the regular bus operator force during a period that CTA needs additional help.

Selected largely from college students and some teachers, these summer workers began filling assignments on CTA routes at the end of May and will continue until mid-September when schools begin their fall semester.

With college costs at an all-time high, this summer employment at good wages is the means by which many of these young men are able to continue their education.

These summer workers help to alleviate the manpower shortage that CTA has been experiencing and they allow more regular operators to take summer vacations with their families. Thus, there is mutual benefit. CTA helps these students

at a time when they need to earn money and they help CTA at a time when additional operators are necessary to maintain service.

This summer there were 449 new full-time temporary operators and 286 who returned for the second or more summer.

This large group of men must be processed and trained in a short period of time which puts an exceptionally heavy load on the Employment Department, the Medical Department, and the Instruction section of the Transportation Department. The summer operators must be at least 21 years of age and CTA takes the same care in the selection and hiring processes of these men as it takes for applicants for full-time permanent operators.

Although they are with us only about three months, how they drive and how they serve the public is as important as for men who will make a career of the job. For this reason, the training of new full-time temporary operators is as thorough and intensive as for any new operator.

In the case of those who return for a second or more summer, they are given a review of non-driving duties such as fare registration, transfers, and trip sheets and then are checked out on their driving ability. They must demonstrate to the satisfaction of line instructors and regular instructors that they can still operate with proficiency before they are re-qualified.

OUR COVER: Scorching July weather, with temperatures nearing 100 degrees for an extended period, brought many Chicagoans and out-of-town sightseers to the Grant Park lakefront. Buckingham Fountain was a big attraction, with hundreds of visitors gathering around to admire one of the city's most popular summertime scenes. Another favorite spot brought picnic groups (picture at top right) to spread a luncheon in the shade of trees on the lawn in front of the Shedd Aquarium. Cruisers and sail boats dotted the sheltered harbor in the lower picture, providing a waterscape that glistened with color on the shimmering water of the lake.

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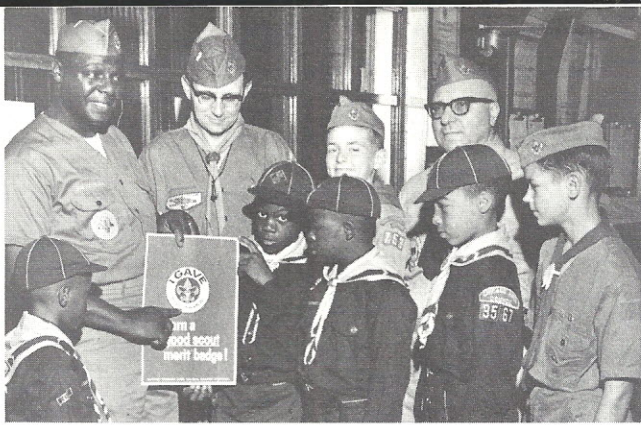
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SCOUTMASTERS AND members of scout troops played active roles in aiding the fund drive of the Chicago Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Among those who participated were three 77th station workers, (from left) Operator James Pate, board member; Operator Cecil Wood, and Sanitary Engineer John Ponsugo. The scouts pictured with them are all children of 77th employees.

Employees Aid Scout Fund Raising Drive

A SYSTEM-WIDE solicitation of employees on behalf of the Chicago Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, was conducted during June as part of the annual fund raising campaign in support of its year-round program.

Spearheading the campaign was a committee of 14 CTA employees who were assisted by a number of other employees who serve as scoutmasters, and by members of scout troops in the various city communities.

At the time of going to press, a total of \$2,307 had been collected from CTA employees, but when

the final tally is made this amount could be considerably larger.

This year's fund campaign seeks to meet the 1966 operating budget of \$1,312,114. Approximately 27 per cent of this amount will come from the Crusade of Mercy, which holds its campaign later this year.

CTA employees who served as chairmen in the fund raising campaign, and the departments they represented, were: J. J. Repplinger, South Shops; C. L. Wiksten, Electrical Department; Frank M. Nicholson, Police; Thomas M. Stiglic, Transportation; Allen E. Nelson, Purchasing and Stores; Mable Potthast, Accounting; Esther O'Brien, Schedule-Traffic; Miss P. Brzeczek, Law; C. E. Even-son, Claim; Stuart W. Maginnis, Training-Accident Prevention; James Joeffrey, Engineering; Robert Quetschke, Transportation; Patrick McStay, Public Information, and Donald M. Clancy, Employee Relations.

COMPLETE WITH pup tents and a rope bridge, Operator Stanley Holmes and his two sons set up a display at Forest Glen station to draw attention to the 1966 fund drive of Chicago Area Council, BSA.



C. J. Buck Named to Post of Electrical Engineer



APPOINTMENT OF C. J. Buck as electrical engineer of CTA, effective July 1 was announced by Thomas B. O'Connor, CTA general manager.

He succeeds Carl W. Wolf who retired June 30 after 42 years of service with the former Chicago Rapid Transit company and CTA.

Mr. Buck began his service with the CRT as a student engineer in the Electrical Department on August 18, 1925. He became chief testing engineer when CTA took over local transit properties in 1947 and on September 11, 1955, was named power engineer, the title he held at the time of his new appointment.

A native Chicagoan, Mr. Buck is a graduate of Loyola academy and Armour Institute of Technology, now Illinois Institute of Technology, where he was graduated with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering.

Mr. Buck is a past chairman of the Electrical Division of the American Transit Association, and is a member of the sub-committee of the land transportation committee of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

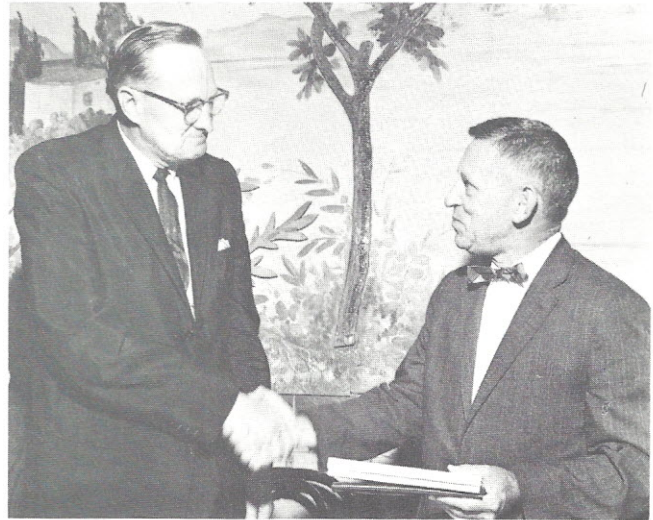
C. W. Wolf Retires After 43 Years of Transit Service

A CAREER of 42 years as a transit employee came to a close on June 30 with the retirement of Carl W. Wolf, electrical engineer for CTA since January, 1949.

Starting with the former Chicago Rapid Transit company as a student engineer in June, 1924, Mr. Wolf was appointed design engineer for the elevated system in July, 1926. He became assistant electrical engineer in September, 1937, and was advanced to electrical engineer in July, 1945. He was named electrical engineer for the CTA in January, 1949.

Mr. Wolf attended the University of Illinois from which he was graduated with a B.S. degree in railway electrical engineering.

Mr. Wolf is president of School Board District 91 in Forest Park. He also is chairman, Electrical Division of the American Transit Association, and chairman, Communication Section, Western Society of Engineers. He is active in the program of Austin Messiah Evangelical Lutheran church, where he serves as secretary of the church council.



In the accompanying photo, Mr. Wolf is presented a gift from his fellow employees by C. E. Keiser, operating manager, at a dinner honoring retiring Electrical Department personnel.



REPRESENTING A total of 143 years of service with CTA and predecessor companies, four Electrical Department retirees pose for a picture at a farewell party held recently. Left to right, they are: Carl Hirschner, lineman, who retired June 1 after 18 years of service; Richard G. Kendall, engineering assistant, who retires August 1, 42 years; Carl Wolf, electrical engineer, 42 years, and Clarence Zak, signal maintainer, 41 years.

Employees' Payroll Deductions for Bonds Total Near \$75,000

CTA EMPLOYEES know a good buy when they see one.

This is proven by their response to the U. S. Savings Bonds campaign which was held this year from mid-May to mid-June throughout the system.

A total of 6,515, or 51.90 per cent, of the overall employee group had signed up through the payroll deduction plan to apply part of their earnings as an investment in the future of the nation and for their own financial security.

Included in this total were 6,036 accounts as of May 31, 1966, which were carried over from previous campaigns, and 510 new accounts. In addition,

162 employees increased their bond deductions.

Bi-weekly payroll deductions authorized amounted to \$74,989.25 for each pay period, as against \$73,989.90 last year, an increase of \$1,877.35.

The average payroll deduction per employee of the 6,005 employees who continued to set aside a stipulated amount each payday for bonds was \$10.72. Net increase in old accounts by 162 employees added to bi-weekly deductions was \$4.79.

This year's bond drive marked the 25th, or silver, anniversary of the Savings Bond program. At the start of 1966, more than 486-million individual Savings Bonds were held by Americans.

CTA: Its Organization and Operations -

EIGHTH IN A SERIES

AN IMPORTANT adjunct to the operation of CTA's rapid transit system, an installation that literally dictates the movement of in-service elevated and "L"-subway trains, is located in the line supervisor's office at the Operations Control Center in the Merchandise Mart.

For all practical purposes, the line supervision control system is the heart, eyes, and voice of CTA rapid transit operations. Its chief function is to minimize inconvenience to the public by making possible prompt adjustments of service when delays occur and to provide for more flexible and effective use of supervisory personnel in maintaining trains on regular schedules.

There are many factors which enter into train operations. Problems which develop during peak hours are the most acute. During these periods rapid transit trains are scheduled as close as two minutes apart and irregularity of service may cause a slow up. Often an accumulation of passengers at peak hours builds up so fast that even a delay of five to ten minutes presents a potential of a complete breakdown in service. Bunching of trains also may lead to power failure by concentrating too much rolling stock for the available substation capacity.

In such situations, Operations Control deals with small service irregularities by spacing trains, and with major interruptions by running trains express, rerouting them, or ordering turnbacks. The line supervision installation has facilities for dispatching trains, for recording train movements, and for communicating directly through trainphones and platform speakers with operating personnel and passengers.

Train dispatching is another function controlled from the line supervisor's office. This requires almost split-second timing. Accuracy is assured by a high quality master clock in the office which closes a control circuit momentarily every 15 seconds to advance a set of schedule controllers. Each controller determines exactly when each train is to leave the associated terminal, or important control point, throughout the entire day.

When indicated by the schedule controller, an automatic train dispatcher relay unit puts on the starting lights at the distant station platform.

When the train leaves it passes over an insulated section in the track actuating a circuit to put out the starting lights. Manual control keys at the office also are utilized to permit introducing an extra train, to nullify a train or the entire schedule, and advance or retard the schedule tape.

The office also has equipment which makes a continuous graphic record of train movements and train detector circuits. Connections between field and office are provided through the railway telephone cable.

Prominently placed in the office is a diagram board which shows all main line tracks on a wall map. A glance at the diagram shows the line supervisor where delays may be developing. Referring to the recorder charts, the supervisor determines from the nature and extent of the service disruption the number of trains ahead or behind the gap in service and other factors in determining what action is called for.

In addition to the regular CTA automatic telephone network, a special intercom system links the office with key field locations. Each section is connected to its channel through a selective call unit that permits a line supervisor to directly contact a desired station. Stations not called are not disturbed by messages that do not concern them. The intercom system also utilizes loud speakers which are installed at key station platforms and are operated by the line supervisor. At some lo-

SUPERINTENDENT OF Operations E. G. Milz is inspecting the line supervisor's log, a running record of incidents and occurrences that have had an effect on rapid transit service.



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cations, they may also operate locally when desired.

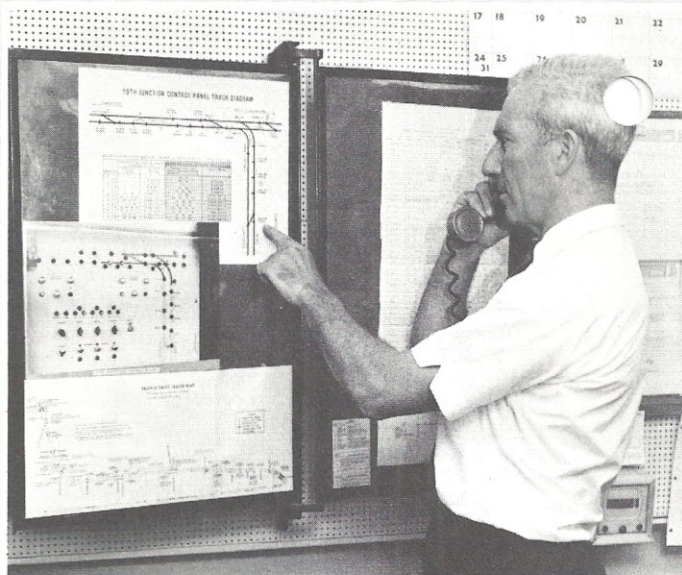
Two-way voice communication between line supervisors and motormen on in-service trains is maintained by trainphones. A portable trainphone unit weighing about 16 pounds is issued to the motorman at a train terminal. When he plugs this unit into a receptacle in the driving cab, it sets up a communication network that permits two-way conversation between the motorman and the line supervisor. By operation of a switch, the motorman may connect the incoming signal to the car loud-speakers for the attention of the passengers. Each trainphone unit is a fully transistorized FM transmitter-receiver.

The trainphone system includes both wayside equipment and office equipment, both of which are utilized in train operations. Four transmitter-receivers are located in the office. Four push-button control consoles with telephone-type handsets and associated coupling circuits control these transmitter-receivers. It is possible to communicate with trains on four sections simultaneously, using one of the consoles for each conversation.

When there is a gap in service, the line supervisor takes action by one or more of these methods: (1) Spread or close interval (A) Hold back (B) Move up (C) Reschedule. (2) Trouble shoot. (3) Run delayed train express. (4) Have "A" or "B" trains make all local stops or have express trains run local. (5) Reroute around stalled train. (A) On another track. (B) On a foreign route. (6) Put followers ahead. (7) Pull out relief. (8) Trade defective train. (A) Jump trains. (B) Trade with pull-in. (9) Single track. (10) Add cars to delayed train or do not make scheduled cut. (11) Fill in. (A) Extra train from same route. (B) Extra train from foreign route. (12) Extra trip. (13) Switch-back (turn back). (14) Shuttle service. (15) Bus substitution. (16) Close stations to entering traffic.

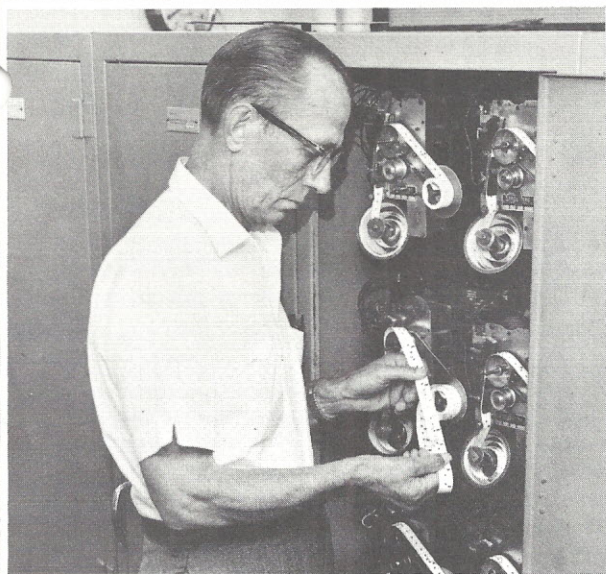
Generally the trainphone is most useful for exchanging information with the motorman, the platform speakers for giving instructions that motorman and passengers will also need to know, the intercom and telephone for exchanging information with towermen and supervisors. Radio is also used to keep in touch with work train movements.

In addition to the spacing actions, the line supervisor sends field personnel to assist disabled trains, if he is unable to solve a motorman's problem by telephoned advice. If necessary, the line supervisor also arranges with terminals to replace trains and to provide substitute crews so that delays to return trips will be minimized.



TRAINPHONES PROVIDE a direct contact with the motormen of in-service trains. John Flynn (above), line supervisor, is giving a motorman special instructions for entering the 59th street junction on the North-South route. A record of the movement of all trains, indicated by a series of pens on a moving paper chart, is being checked below by Line Supervisor James Luvisi. The chart also shows when starting signals are given and when a train actually leaves.





A 24-HOUR schedule tape for automatic train dispatching is being prepared by Burchard Pogue (below), line supervisor, who is using a supervisor's run guide to determine where holes are to be punched. When placed in the schedule controller for a specific terminal, the tape advances every 15 seconds and as a prepunched hole comes into register a signal is given to dispatch a train. Line Supervisor John Huizenga (above) is making adjustments to one of the controllers.



Operator Cited for Citizens Award by Police Department

AN ATTEMPTED holdup, thwarted by the quick action of the driver of a 43rd-Root bus, brought a citation from the police department to Operator William Prokop, badge No. 7222, 52nd station.

The citation was a Citizens Award which was presented to Prokop by Superintendent of Police O. W. Wilson in his office at Police headquarters on July 12.



The incident occurred at St. Lawrence avenue when three passengers boarded his empty bus. The last of the three to board stuck his hands into Prokop's ribs and said "This is a stickup. Give me your money."

The operator had picked up a number of passengers earlier and had eight single-dollar bills and some transfers on his person. The holdup man grabbed them and then tried to loosen Prokop's changer. While this was going on, Prokop speeded up his bus and sounded his horn to attract the police who were usually somewhere nearby.

At Indiana avenue the police arrived on the scene and took the man into custody as he tried to leave the bus. Prokop had kept the doors closed although his assailant had kicked out all the glass panels and had threatened to shoot the operator.

When the police arrested the would-be holdup man, they found the eight dollars he had stolen from Prokop. When the man in custody appeared in court he was charged with robbery and criminal damage to property. It was disclosed that he was a parolee and a addict.

Prokop has been a CTA employe since November, 1943.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,
CTA Medical Consultant

HYPERTENSION or HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

IN THIS article the words hypertension and high blood pressure will be considered as having the same meaning.

What is high blood pressure?

Generally speaking, one is said to have high blood pressure when the reading is consistently above 120 over 80. It is difficult to draw a hard and fast rule because some persons may have pressure 10 to 15 points or more above or below these arbitrary figures and still be within a normal range.

For a better understanding, an explanation of 120-80 is necessary. When your doctor tells you the pressure is 120-80 he means that 120, or the systolic pressure, is the pressure of the blood in the arteries during the contraction of the heart when the blood is forced out into the arteries. The figure of eighty represents the diastolic pressure of the blood in the arteries when the heart is at rest between beats. Incidentally, the diastolic or lower figure is really more significant than the upper figure because it is an index of the permanent pressure and also the size of the arteries. When this low figure is repeatedly found to be over 100, it is a definite sign of hypertension. The old idea of 100 plus your age for your normal pressure is passé.

There are probably between 5 and 10 million Americans with elevated blood pressure and many others who are not aware of it. In light of this, all of us should have reason to be concerned about our blood pressure. It is most important to our general health and well-being. It tells the physician if the circulatory system of the blood is functioning properly and can be likened or compared to a barometer which registers the atmospheric pressure of the weather. Blood pressure can vary to a certain degree, from minute to minute and from day to day. It may go up when we are excited and down when we are at rest or asleep. All these minor fluctuations are still within normal limits.

The mechanism of hypertension is briefly as follows: The heart and circulatory system consist of a pump (heart) connected with a pipeline (arteries) which carries fluid (blood) throughout the body. When the pump or heart is full of blood it is forced

into the pipelines or arteries by the heart beat. When the arteries are narrowed or hardened it makes the heart work harder in order to get a given amount of blood into the circulation in a given length of time. This continued overwork causes high blood pressure or hypertension.

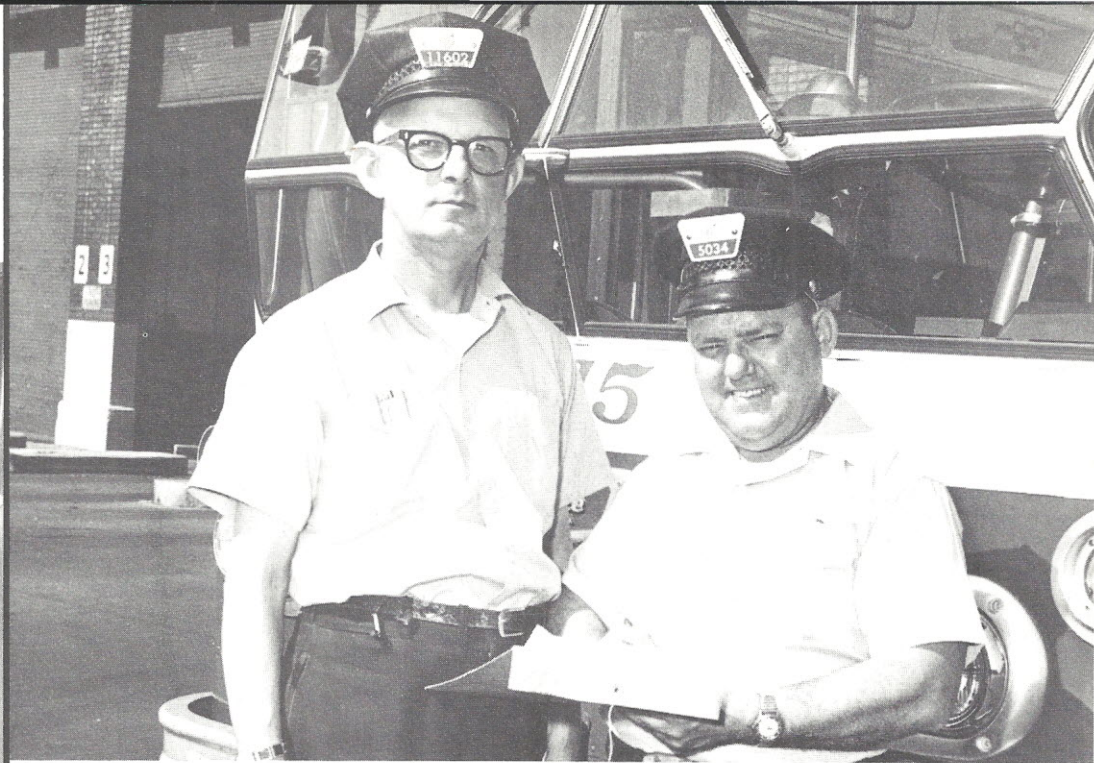
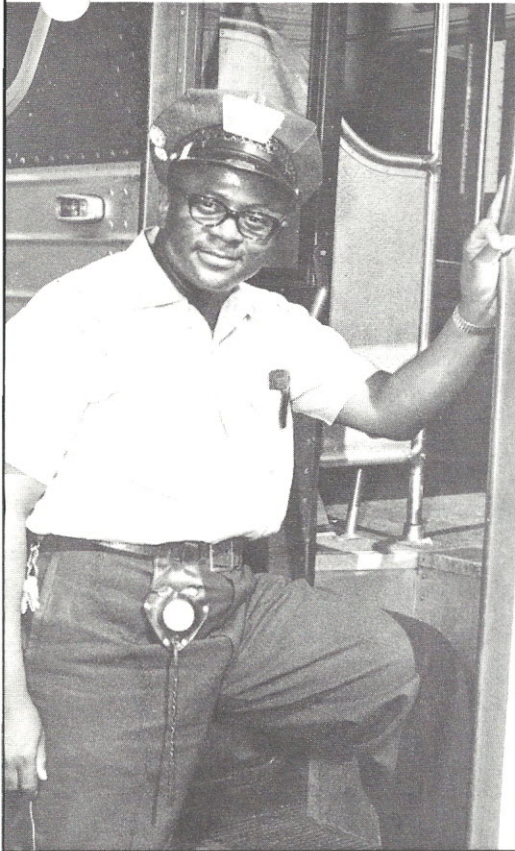
The cause of hypertension may therefore logically include all conditions which narrow the blood vessels. In general, there are several different categories or group causes which I would like to mention. The kidney disease group ranks high as a cause. There is also a group related to the endocrine system such as tumors of the adrenal gland. Thirdly, there is the important group of causes found in cardio-vascular disease (heart and blood vessel disorders) such as arteriosclerosis or hardening of the arteries. Another big group includes the neurogenic types of hypertension which are associated with diseases of the nervous system.

Contributing causes added to these basic groups include hereditary tendency to hypertension, obesity, diabetes, excessive use of certain protein foods, salt, coffee, tobacco, and alcohol . . . The symptoms of hypertension vary according to the severity of the disease. In mild cases there may be no symptoms at all. In the more severe cases, headaches, dizziness, and light-headedness may be noted. In addition to the common symptoms above, fatigue, nervousness, visual disturbances, chest pains, or leg cramps may be present. If the disease progresses far enough, symptoms of a stroke including unconsciousness, paralysis, and other symptoms develop. However, it is surprising how many people with hypertension live to a "ripe old age" without any serious complication. Women tolerate high blood pressure better than men, and older people do better than young people with hypertension.

Lack of space prevents detailed discussion of treatment. A bit of general advice should include a proper diet to help control body weight. Also it is important to have a balanced program of rest, exercise and freedom from worry. In short, moderation in living is the key to normal blood pressure and good health. The only way you can find out about your blood pressure is to see your family doctor. He will advise and institute the proper treatment including drugs, if, and when they are indicated.

Have your blood pressure checked soon.

JAMES W. McDONALD Sr., operator: "It was when my wife and I decided to buy our home. It meant saving a little bit more and working a little bit harder."

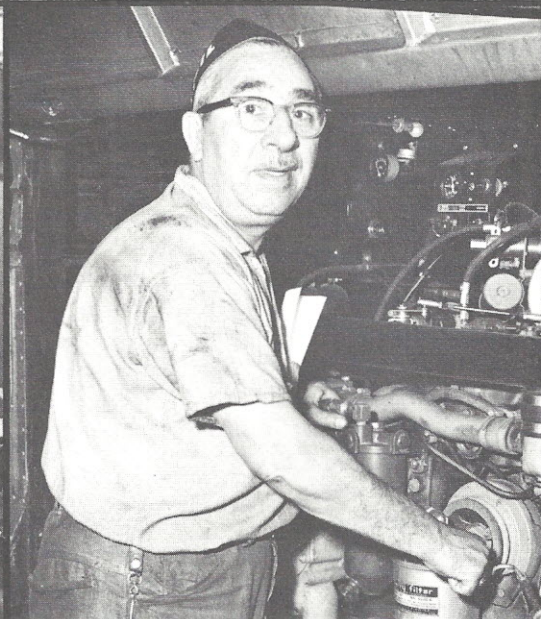


LOUIS MARKOVITZ, operator (with reporter Raymond Graham): "Thirty two years ago I was fortunate in meeting a nice young lady by the name of Ida. Since that time I have had a very happy life. I have one son by the name of Myron Markovitz."

QUESTION: What personal decision do you regard as the turning point in your life?

INQUIRING REPORTER:
Raymond Graham

LOCATION:
Kedzie Station



LAWRENCE J. LAURIE, operator: "During World War II I had it easy as an aerial gunnery instructor. I made a decision to volunteer as gunner on a bomber. The experience of being shot down, taken prisoner, and later escaping from Germany gave me a new outlook on life."

JOHN G. PASSARELLA, repairman: "When we bought our first new car, it changed our life because we could travel cross-country and see places that we had dreamed about. Traveling to us is an important part of our lives."

EARL L. BURKETT, operator: "It was when I decided to enlist in the U. S. Air Force at the age of 18. It gave me extensive travel and training that I would not have gotten otherwise, and it also gave me independence. All this helped me later in life when it came to matters like getting married, finding a job, and buying a home."

NEW PENSIONERS



HARRY HANRATTY



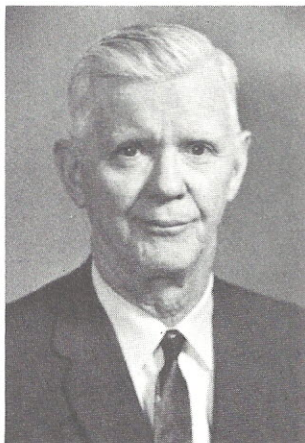
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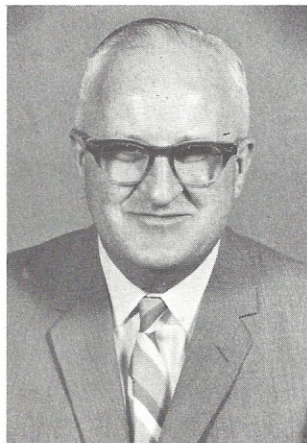
JAMES CONSIDINE



JOHN SHONDER



JERRY RING



HARRY BARTON

JULY RETIREES include the 10 employees pictured above who completed 40 or more years of service each.

HARRY A. BARTON, Motorman,
South Section, Emp. 11-21-22
ALBERT F. BOLLINGER, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 11-02-28
DAVID J. BRESNAHAN, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 11-16-28
RODERICK CAPLIS, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 6-03-26
FRANK M. CHRISTENSEN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 10-12-28
JAMES J. CONSIDINE, Supvr., Instructor,
Instruction, Emp. 5-21-26
JAMES S. CRIOLA, Welder,
Track & Struct., Emp. 7-16-27
MARTIN DEVANEY, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 4-21-43
FRANK C. FISCHER, Cleaner & Repairman,
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-18-42
EUGENE J. GIBBONS, Bus Cleaner,
Limits, Emp. 8-08-23
ELBERT H. HAMBRICK, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 8-30-26
HARRY HANRATTY, Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 8-25-23
JOHN T. HOGAN, Statementman,
General Office, Emp. 6-04-26
OTTO KASIK, Phys./Surgeon,
General Office, Emp. 5-08-61
JOSEPH LIBERA, Ticket Agent,
South Section, Emp. 8-28-42
PETER McMANAMON, Cleaner & Repairman,
South Campaign, Emp. 5-22-27
JOSEPH J. NOVAK, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 9-24-28
ROLAND F. PREUS, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 6-26-41
ROLAND W. RATLEDGE, Supervisor,
Central District, Emp. 8-25-37
JERRY RING, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-24-23
JOHN A. SHONDER, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 1-04-26
BLANCHE E. THOMAS, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 4-10-40
THOMAS J. WILLIAMS, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 3-16-42
CARL W. WOLF, Electrical Engineer,
General Office, Emp. 6-14-24
CLARENCE ZAK, Signal Maintainer,
Electrical, Emp. 10-05-25

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

ANTHONY C. BALKAS, Assign, Agent,
South Section, Emp. 9-03-42
LEONARD J. BLONIAZ, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 10-22-41
EDWARD R. CURTIN, Collector,
North Avenue, Emp. 1-04-36
EDWARD R. MILLER, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 5-16-24
RAYMOND R. PRUSAK, Janitor,
Lawndale, Emp. 12-23-42

THE INSIDE NEWS

—AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

JEAN WRIGHT, Billing, accompanied her sister and family to Mauston, Wisconsin, to visit their parents and to celebrate their birthdays . . . MARTHA NEFFAS, Voucher, flew by stratojet to Monterey and Carmel by the Sea, California, for her vacation. She relaxed in the sun and enjoyed the cool ocean breezes. Carmel is a lovely place where many authors, painters, writers, and actors have secluded homes nestled in the hills, valleys, and on the banks of the Pacific. The unique feature about Carmel is that the homes have no numbers and mail is obtained from the post office . . . JOHN GEARY, enjoyed his vacation time in and around Chicago, visiting friends, the parks, the beaches, the museums, and the many advantages our city has to offer . . . RITA DEAKIN, Accounting, has returned to work after a short stay in the hospital . . . This being a year for pilgrimages, more than one face turns east. SIG SHONTS, Budget, was among those who visited the Holy Land. First on his itinerary was Cairo. From there it was the Pyramids and Sphinx. Next it was on to Jerusalem. Then on to Beirut, the "Spa" of the Middle East. Facing home, a re-visit to Rome permits another chance to haunt the Vatican City, the wonders and glories of St. Peter's and all the rest. Home again, with a lot of this grandeur and beauty recorded on the lens of the camera . . . RUTH HAVLIK, Accounting, sent a card to your scribe from a boat on the way to Catalina Island off the coast of California. More about Ruth's vacation in the next issue . . . HAROLD F. BURDA, Property Accounting, and his wife, MILDRED, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on August 9. The Burda's are the parents of DUANE BURDA, formerly of Accounting Department, who is now in military service at Fort Sill, Oklahoma . . . We extend our deepest sympathy to ROBERT BAXTER, Budget, whose wife, GLADYS, passed away June 16 after an extended illness.

- Mable Potthast

(Payroll) -

We were happy to see ART BRESIN, retiree of 11 years ago, who came to visit us. He looks very well and claims to feel as good . . . LORRAINE BUEHLER spent her vacation visiting friends, among whom was LOIS LAICA, former employee . . . MARIE COARI went on a tour of Louisville, Kentucky, and saw the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs. She said it was an experience she won't forget. Marie also drove to see Greenfield Village near Detroit, Michigan. She has decided to see "America First." . . . RUTH BUSSE, many thanks for the lovely vases of lilacs, tulips, spring violets, and ruby red and white peonies that have made the Payroll smell like a garden . . . A proud father is BILL PARILLO. His daughter, PEGGY, was graduated from St. Genevieve grammar school. His son, JOSEPH, was graduated from Weber High school with an Illinois State Scholarship and a proficiency award in business education . . . Well, your reporter and her hubby finally gave in to the new trend and moved into a high-rise apartment building. We find it is all that they claim it to be, with the added facilities of laundermats, sauna baths, swimming pool, and recreation rooms.

-Eileen Neurauter

(Revenue) -

JOE KLEIN had visited Maypole Lane Farms in Stockton, Illinois, with his wife, CLEO, and two grandsons, KENNETH and ROBERT, for a couple of days of his vacation. Joe said they served very good home cooked meals. I kind of thought Joe gained a few pounds. They enjoyed horseback riding, fishing, feeding the chickens and pigs, and watching the milking of the cows. How about a granddaughter? Me!! . . . FELIX PALILUNAS, revenue accountant, and his assistant, ALBERT LATHOUWERS, spent their vacations as handymen in their homes . . . MARY CARNEY is driving around in style these days. While on vacation, she bought herself a powder blue Cheville Super Sports auto . . . A new walk of life: Parents watch their children grow step by step, then a day comes, your child graduates. There's a feeling of pride. MARY JANE HOSTELLER was one of many parents with this feeling of pride. Mary Jane's daughter, SUSAN, was graduated from Rich East High school on June 8 . . . ANTHONY BOSCO, DENNIS FORD, JAMES ZAZOLA, DAVID GREGORY, and NORMAN GRAVER have been hired as transfer counters. Welcome to the CTA family! . . . GUS VOURNAS and JAMES WILSON have both been transferred to South Shops.

-Joanne Paris

(Material & Supply) -

JOAN GEORGESON, her brother and his wife, drove to the New England States, visiting the many historical sights in and around Boston and Cape Cod, and enjoying the beautiful spring in the East. Then on to New York where they gave a royal welcome to another sister and her husband who had just returned from Europe. It was almost a complete family reunion. They also enjoyed a few Broadway shows while in New York . . . LYDIA HAEMKER was one of the victims of that morning tornado which flashed through Arlington Heights on June 9. The frightening, whirring sound of the storm sent her to the shelter of the basement where all of the tenants had gathered. A few moments later when she returned to her apartment, the roof was gone and rain was pouring in, ruining her furniture and clothing. A terrifying experience, but fortunately no one was injured.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

PAT POLIC is having a wonderful time in Europe seeing all the sights. More on that in the next issue . . . FLORENCE PARROT must have a green thumb, judging from all the beautiful flowers she brings to the office . . . Our cohort, EDDIE O'ROURKE, is knee-deep in play-acting again. His new one will be Anniversary Waltz - opening soon.

- Marion Sutherland

(IBM) -

JOHN "Marlon" BOLAND really cuts a dashing figure in the town of Villa Park these days. John's daughter, PATTY, recently won a Honda, and it was something he always wanted. John immediately purchased white crash helmets, sequin studded goggles, and glossy black jackets adorned with silver rivets for both himself and his

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lovely wife, LAVERNE. This charming couple may be seen cruising any Sunday afternoon through our Western suburbs . . . BILL WILLIAMS used his vacation by painting his home and putting in his garden, which he claims is coming along just fine.

- Edward O'Rourke

BEVERLY -

JOSEPH "Big Joe" BALNIS recently celebrated his 37th wedding anniversary. This turned out to be a "surprise party." Joe was delighted to see all of his old friends and they didn't even forget to bring the cake . . . Sometimes your reporter feels like giving this job up, but along come people like Mrs. ROSE NICHOLSON, wife of Pensioner TERRY NICHOLSON. Rose sent your reporter a wonderful "Father's Day" card, and all I can say is thanks. We wish her good health and many happy years ahead . . . Chaplain Father EDMUND HAYES of the Knights of Columbus, LaRabida Council, recently celebrated his 25th anniversary at Mendel High school. LaRabida supplied the honor guard and we were treated to a wonderful dinner after the mass . . . We wish speedy recovery to Operator J. STEWART of South Halsted street who is on the sick list . . . We express our sympathy to Operator ROBERT ROOSBOROUGH on the loss of his father; to Pensioner HARRY SCHOFIELD whose mother died, and to Operator ROY GOEBIG whose mother-in-law passed away . . . The Union Leader has been discontinued and Scribe JERRY GLEASON will take up a new corner of "In Transit" starting with the September 1 issue. This will be a monthly issue and the deadline will be the 25th of each month. Jerry and VI GLEASON and his many friends recently celebrated Jerry's 63rd birthday at the Martinique . . . Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI again reminds us to make our reservations for the big retreat at Notre Dame, Indiana, August 18-21. Father MICHAEL FORAN of Notre Dame is asking all the teenagers to come along with their dads and see the many points of interest, especially the new library, Knute Rockne Memorial, and the grotto and cathedral.

- Tom Daniels

CLAIMS -

After 40 years of service, JOHN HOGAN Sr. retired from the Chicago Transit Authority on June 30. During these years, John held various positions. He was a conductor, bus operator, and statementman. Good luck, good health, and best wishes, John! . . . Welcome to all the new faces in our vault: WILLIAM NIELSEN, MICHAEL FIORETTI, MARIE MAGNINE, and JEAN BRADY . . . A former vault clerk, BRUCE POPE, recently was promoted to receptionist. We're glad that your promotion was within our department, Bruce! . . . Belated anniversary wishes to MARY and FRANK TRAXLER who celebrated their ninth year as Mr. and Mrs.; and also to CAROLYN and CHARLES HOWARD who celebrated their second anniversary . . . At this writing, GEORGE MUNEYER and HAROLD DOODY are on the sick list. . . Hope you two fellows are back with us soon. PAUL ZAZULA returned after surgery, looking fit as a fiddle . . . Remember last summer when HERMAN WIRTH was led on a merry chase in the office trying to catch a wayward bird? Herman caught "Spottie" all right, and got more than he bargained for--six little eggs thus far. May we suggest that you change Spottie's name, Herman! . . . PEGGY HALLAHAN and family spent a wonderful week in the great outdoors at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, swim-

ming, fishing, and just plain relaxing. Peggy reports that the entire family really enjoyed themselves.

- Sandy Majewski & Kathy Ashley

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Agent CHARLES VLASAK and Agent DUNLOP gave their wives subscriptions to "House Beautiful" and are now carrying out the various ideas their best girls got out of the magazines . . . Agent BETTY SEGERSON and her husband spent their vacation with Betty's daughter and grandson . . . Agent MARY RITTER is planning on spending her vacation in Wisconsin with her sons . . . Agent FLORENCE COMARATA at this time hasn't made up her mind as to which invitation she would accept . . . Agent JOHN KAWA and his wife left for Palm Harbor, Florida, and New Orleans . . . Agent SHURKOW and his brother will go to Galena, Illinois . . . Porter JOHN DOOREY and his wife, BRIDGET, are planning on a Wisconsin retreat . . . Porter JOHN CAMPBELL and his wife, MAE, went to New York and Philadelphia . . . Agent FAY CAPIRO's daughter, JUDITH ANN, is coming in from Hawaii for the summer. Fay is meeting her with a brand new car. Have fun, girls . . . On vacation also were Agents HILLGOTH and SAFFRON . . . Agent KATHERINE GRADY and her husband, THOMAS, are celebrating their first wedding anniversary in Ireland . . . Agent THOMAS DILLON and his wife were in Hayward, Wisconsin, and Agent HELEN McMAHON and her sister, LOR-ETTA, went to Lake Geneva . . . Porter STANLEY BANALS and his wife enjoyed their stay in California . . . While Porter JAMES NOLAN was enjoying himself fishing, recently-hired Porter CHARLES VAUGHN was taking his place . . . Instructor PHILIPS' children recently had tonsillectomies and he was busy pacifying them with ice cream and love . . . Agent FRANK LUCAS, formerly from Lawndale, had a cookout celebrating his birthday. Among those present were Porter ORA MILLER and his wife . . . Porter JAMES CLARK celebrated his birthday by having a barbeque in his beautiful back yard . . . Agents VICTOR LeBEAU and BARNEY SOBKOWIAK are now on disability pension, and Agent JOSEPH NOVAK is on a full pension. We wish them our very best and we have always liked working with them . . . Dr. IRWIN recommends that you go out and have fun and some wonderful vacations but let us share your good times in this column.

A big welcome to the interesting agents and student agents recently hired. Here is a little rundown on their backgrounds. DAN O'NEAL, North Side, is from Wheaton college. RICHARD WOLDMAN, North Side, is from Northwestern university. DAN MORNAR, West Side, is from St. Mary of the Lake seminary. Dan's father works at 69th Street Station and his grandfather is a pensioner who had 40 years of service. PATRICK ZLEB, West Side, is from the University of Illinois. His father is a bus operator at Keeler. THOMAS LEUTKNER, West Side, is from I.I.T. and was re-hired from last year. JAMES TOBIN, from St. Joseph's college, was re-hired from last year. Jim's sister, BETTY, was also recently hired. Their father is LARRY TOBIN, Congress receiver. WILLIAM STEVENS, student and track star from Georgetown university, is the son of THOMAS SHIELDS, board member from West Towns. KENNETH CIRCULICK, West Side, is from Lewis college. His father is a maintenance man from Archer. THATCHER O'BRIEN, West Side, is from Illinois Teacher's college. His father, ANDREW O'BRIEN, is a supervisor at the Mart. DAVID HALL is the brother of LINDA HALL, who is also

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an agent. MICHAEL HARTY, North Side, is from Loyola and has a sister with us on the North Side also. Their father is JOHN T. HARTY, superintendent of Stores at the Mart. MELVIN FLONZINGER, I.I.T., is an avid ham radio operator. SHERRY CREINON is a junior at the University of Illinois, Champaign. BARBARA DOHERTY, University of Illinois, is the pride and joy of North Side Receiver JAMES DOHERTY. JERRY HILL, De Paul, is the brother of JAMES HILL, student agent. Their father is WALTER HILL of Operations Control in the Mart. EDWARD MURPHY is the son of MORRIS MURPHY. ANDREW BYRNES' father is a Douglas Park conductor. VAN HALL plans to major in electronics at Treton college. His father is a ticket agent on the Congress. KEVIN CONWAY plays a lead guitar. His father is a West Side motorman. MICHAEL PUCCINI from Wisconsin State, who was the State high school bowling champ from St. Rita's. RICHARD RUBENSTEIN is a University of Illinois medical student. ROBERT TARQUIMIO is a skin diver. ALFRED SMITHE is a butterfly collector . . . We also welcome TERESA PARRILLA, D. O. KELLY, CHRISTINE STUPKO, JAMES KEHOE, and KENNETH DISH. . . The regular extra agents hired were: FRANCIS JUSTICE, from Las Vegas who worked here as a towerman from 1941-1947; ALICE FORTUNE, whose husband is in the Machine Shop at 61st; CECIL SOWARDIS, a former bus operator from North Park; EARL GILBERT, a former bus operator from Keeler; IRVIN WICZORDY, and JAMES MONTINQUE.

- Julia Brousek

FOREST GLEN -

The Forest Glen fishermen, GEORGE DILLAS, GEORGE WICKMAN, EDDIE DIETZ, FRED HERRMANN, BILL LYNAM, and GEORGE SPORLEDER made their annual trip to Leech Lake, Minnesota. They stayed at Maple Leaf Lodge, which is owned by the sister of Relief Clerk ROBERT STACK. Their stay was for 10 days and the fishing was good. I understand that Fred Herrmann is the head chef of the group and does a good job. I have seen some of the pictures taken and they are dillies. They paid a visit to NICK ROGOWSKI, a former operator from Lawrence Garage and North Park. Nick is located at Bimidji, Minnesota, and had the men over for a venison dinner. They in turn had Nick and his family for dinner--the main course was Polish sausage, which the Rogowskis enjoyed very much. The next outing is scheduled for North Dakota. An outing of this type, plus the cast, must have the makings of a good TV show . . . Operator EDWARD R. PYTLEWICZ and his wife announced the engagement of their daughter, JOANNE MARIE, who is employed in our General Office in the Merchandise Mart, to Dr. RONALD S. FENN, who is a recent graduate of the University of Illinois College of Dentistry. No wedding date has been set . . . Last year I was given an item for my column and I carelessly misplaced it. I came across it by chance and felt very bad about the incident because it was for the silver wedding anniversary of Operator and Mrs. ALEX PLODZIN. So on June 8, 1966, they celebrated their 26th anniversary. Again my most humble apologies and congratulations. May God bless you with many more years of good health and happiness . . . Your scribe and wife, ELAINE, had the honor of taking part in a civic tribute to Father PAUL T. HOBAN on the Silver Jubilee of his Holy Ordination. We attended mass in Old St. Mary's church and had a very enjoyable dinner at the Conrad Hilton hotel. Other guests at our table were Mr. and Mrs. ANDY KOHLER, Mr. and Mrs. ED STOBART, Mr. and Mrs. DAN MAN-

ZO, MIKE O'CONNOR and DAN McFADDEN. There were numerous donations of sizeable amounts and it sounded like Father Paul had hit the jackpot in the Irish Sweepstakes (early pension). But seriously, Father Paul has dedicated his life to the service of God. He has a magnetic personality and his Little Flower Society is made up of numerous tentacles that reach leaders in business, labor, the professions, and even government officials, who in turn have their own following, which, when grouped together, constitute Father Paul's flock. This is a great undertaking and could only be possible through the guidance of Almighty God. But remember this, from the most influential person down to the least, we are all needed in unity to accomplish the task that Father Paul has so successfully carried out through his unending efforts. I consider it a privilege and an honor to be part of this worthy cause . . . Night Superintendent ALEX JOHNSON and his family had a lovely trip around Lake Michigan. A few of the stops were Mackinaw City, Sault St. Marie, and Tahquamenon Falls. They were only able to camp out one night due to rainy weather . . . Operator and Mrs. JOE MOTYKA did a little touring on their vacation and sent a card from Shenandoah National Park, Virginia . . . I would like to thank all those who made contribution to the Boy Scouts of America drive that was held at Forest Glen . . . ROBERT WIRKUS, who had taken his disability pension in June, passed away.

- Frank Carpino

ELECTRICAL -

Welcome back to DANIEL McEVOY who had been out sick for two months . . . A speedy recovery to EUGENE VANELLA who had been home sick . . . Our sympathy is extended to RAY BIENIASZ on the loss of his father. The elder BIENIASZ was a retired CTA employe . . . HAROLD KRAMP passed away May 30. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to his family and friends . . . We have two proud fathers at Blue Island. ROBERT FERGUSON's son was named "Cadet of the Year" at Steinmetz High school. NORMAN WALLACE's son received a "karate" award . . . Best wishes to JERAMIAH WATERS who retired June 1 . . . C. W. WOLF retired July 1. Our gang at Blue Island wish him continued good health and much happiness . . . Vacation time is in full swing. Schools are closing and families are starting out on their yearly treks. JOHN DARCY has headed south through Springfield, Illinois, Hannibal, Missouri, and on over to Lake of the Ozarks. Who knows, maybe the MIKE RICKSON



WHAT DO you do when you want to go fishing and you can't find any worms? - "You get yourself a bow and arrow," says BING APITZ, night accident clerk in the Claim Department. That's how Bing landed this 30-pound carp at the Lincoln Park Lagoon. Nice hunting... er, uh... Nice fishing, Bing.

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family will meet them as they are headed in the same direction. JAMES MURPHY is traveling a little further south to Hot Springs, Arkansas. He plans to keep Arkansas green with some of his money. Speaking of green, BARNEY TOAL went over to Dublin, Ireland. Be sure to check his stories because after kissing that "Blarney Stone" some tales get pretty tall. JOHN RUSNAK is on vacation also. He reads all of Chicago travel ads and is staying right here to enjoy it . . . Received a card from TED WYNCOTT. He is having a very exciting vacation. In Ely, Minnesota, two canoes were swamped, the fishing party got soaked, and some of their equipment was lost. There is still some snow and ice up around the Canadian border, but Ted is hoping for sunshine when they get to Canada.

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

GENERAL OFFICE (Accident Statistics) -

MICHAEL McCARTHY and his wife, ELAINE, who was a former Treasury Department employe, announced the birth of their second child, JAMES EDWARD, on June 10 at Resurrection hospital. The baby's maternal grandfather is MICHAEL KOMPANOWSKI, who is an operator at Forest Glen Station.

(Training) -

The latest news on the O'SULLIVAN clan is that four members are presently working for CTA. Papa JOE is a training assistant and JOSEPH or "Jay" Jr. is in Responsibility Reporting. Jay's brothers, MARTIN and JOHN, are summer temporary employes. Martin is a student at St. Mary's college, Winona, Minnesota, and finished his sophomore year with a 3.25 average out of a possible 4. He was elected vice-president of the student council and treasurer of the union of the college for his junior year. John, who was graduated from Brother Rice High school, was accepted at St. Thomas college in St. Paul, Minnesota.

(Employment) -

Sympathy was extended to STANLEY TADEVIC whose father, RALPH TADEVIC, a CTA pensioner, passed away on June 23 . . . GENEVIEVE BAGGER recently enjoyed a vacation downstate in Springfield and New Salem State Park, and then travelled on to Cedar Falls, Iowa . . . DOROTHY COUGHLIN and her husband, JOSEPH, of North Park Station, enjoyed a recent vacation touring Canada, Buffalo, and then down to Niagara Falls.

(Transportation Instruction) -

Instructors SMITH, SWANSON, and PRYOR challenged Superintendents KRAUSE and TAMUL to a recent golf match at Colonial Golf Club. Weather was reported as very favorable; however, when this news was received, no scores could be announced due to the mechanism of the Mc Gill register having had to be checked for accurate recording, and statements verified. Entertainment followed the match and everyone had an enjoyable time . . . Instructor JOE STEINBACH and his wife enjoyed a recent trip to California and several points West. Joe said that one of the most interesting highlights of their trip was riding the cable cars in San Francisco . . . Instructor FRANK VITEK recently returned to work for a rest - sez he - after two weeks of a "honey do" vacation in which a great deal of paint was used, as well as evenings spent with his boy scout group. Frank received a "Scouter's Key and Arrowhead," a top honor in scouting. On the remainder of his vacation, which he will take later on, Frank insists that the time will be spent fishing

from his trailer home at Lake Marie. He hopes to catch a mess of "stripers" - and they h'aint croppies, EL HIRSCH.

(Reproduction Services) -

Congratulations are in order for JOANNE PYTLEWICZ who became engaged to RONALD FENN, a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy, on June 10, the day Ron graduated from the University of Illinois Dental School. Our best wishes to them both . . . ADELE MONSON and JOAN FITZGERALD spent Memorial Day week-end in St. Louis, enjoying the new Arch and the new ball park . . . DOROTHY WILHELM and her husband, HARRY, went to Des Moines, Iowa, to visit their daughter and son-in-law, GAIL and LYLE WOLF, in their new home. Gail is a former employe of the Insurance Department. From Des Moines, Dorothy and Harry went on to Hot Springs and had a wonderful vacation . . . A most hearty welcome to the newcomers in Reproduction: MARY LEUBESCHER, JEFF BERMAN, and JOHN HOFFMAN . . . On June 24 three of the staff of Reproduction became 21. Cake and coffee were served in honor of this great occasion for JOANNE PYTLEWICZ, JOHN GILL, and JEFF BERMAN.

- Mary E. Clarke

KEDZIE -

Congratulations to all of our operators, instructing supervisors, and line instructors for their good job in curbing accidents. We had coffee on CTA and our credit union supplied the sweet rolls. This was made possible by beating our old record on accidents, the first month of the second quarter. So let's keep on striving just a little harder and keep Kedzie on top. Our No. 3 Clerk, ROBERT HEALY, says: "Keep your head steady and your brake ready." . . . Operator R. STEELE has sold his lawn mower. He has a fertilizer that makes grass as green as an emerald, free of weeds, and it only grows two inches high. Thus, no need to cut it any more. Anyone who wants the name of the product should see Operator Steele . . . Operator L. LAURIE had a big yard party on Father's Day. His father, SALVATORE, was 95 years old and his brother, JOSEPH, was 56 years old. Belated birthday wishes to you and many more . . . We are happy to hear that Mrs. MIKE McNAMARA, the wife of our janitor, is home after a long stay in the hospital and is much improved. While making up the issue, we were sorry to hear that Mrs. VINCE PETELLARO is hospitalized for surgery. Hope she is at home doing fine by now . . . "A Good Sportsman" plaque was awarded to the late WILLIAM WEBBER Jr. by the West Suburban Bowling League for his accomplishment as an outstanding bowler. He was the son of Operator WILLIAM WEBBER Sr . . . Operator ED BARRY, Commander of the Fifth District of the American Legion congratulated Miss LINDA PANNOS for being chosen the District Teen Queen . . . Congratulations to WILLIAM DAVID FRANZ who was graduated from Lane Technical High school. He is the son of Operator WILLIAM "Pipe" FRANZ . . . Operator LOUIS MARKOVITZ is proud of his son, MYRON, who will be returning to law school in September . . . CHARLES GRAFF, night clerk, retired on June 1 after 39 years of service. May you enjoy many years of relaxing in the sunshine.

Father PAUL HOBAN celebrated his silver jubilee as a Carmelite priest on June 5. A civic tribute honoring him was held in the International Ballroom of the Conrad Hilton hotel. The honorary chairman of this affair was Mayor DALEY. Some of the distinguished guests were

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T. B. O'CONNOR, DAVE FLYNN, Secretary of State P. POWELL, and Secretary of 241, JAMES HILL, who was master of ceremonies. Co-chairman was JOHN ALESIA, who was unable to attend because of the death of his mother. Our deepest sympathy to the family. Your reporter and his wife were seated with Mr. and Mrs. T. HEFFERMAN; Mr. and Mrs. W. LARSON; Mr. and Mrs. C. STARR, our former chief clerk; Mr. and Mrs. GUY DeMAYO; Mr. and Mrs. C. WILLIAMS; MIKE KENNY; D. KISSANE; Mr. and Mrs. ED BARRY, and Mr. and Mrs. T. CHEFCEK. Also attending this affair was former Board Member ED LAWRENCE and his lovely wife. The 241 Division was well represented in honoring Fr. Paul . . . Our deepest sympathy to Operator WILLIAM WILLIAMS on the loss of his father.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Hi fellows! Well, the good old summer time has caught up with your scribe. Our news will be rather brief, due to plain old laziness. I promise to make up with a bang next month--I hope . . . Assistant Superintendent M. H. DeWITT and the missus spent their vacation in Squaw Lake, Minnesota. I imagine the Forestry Department will have to re-stock the Minnesota waters now that the DeWitts have left . . . Congratulations to Operator McKENNIE and the little lady. It was their 15th wedding anniversary, June 12. May they continue to bring each other happiness for many more years to come . . . Happy birthday to SY GOLDMAN, June 20. The day was made happier because of the second anniversary of his daughter, ROSETTE, and her husband, DON STRUBLE . . . Operator MOSELY was so happy to hear from his son that he almost cried. Son, GRANT, in the coast guard, called dad from St. John, Newfoundland, and promises to call again from Thule, Greenland. Now you know why Mosely almost cried. The calls are always collect . . . Condolences to Garageman ED Mc DONNELL on the loss of his father. Ed has fond memories of his dad, who was as active as Ed, even though he was 94 years old. The Old Sod will miss a grand person . . . Operator D. CARDE informs me of his birthday on July 31. I just hate these kind of birthday greetings. He'll only be 23 years old. Ah--youth! . . . Birthday greetings also to Operator L. HOYNES, July 15. Also, many happy returns to MARJORIE HICKS, June 22--she is the wife of Operator Hicks . . . Operator BENNETT has to buy several presents--honoring the birthday of daughter, SHIRLEY, June 28, and his lovely wife, MARITA, July 3 . . . Operator ED WHITE is proud as punch. The apple of his eye, daughter IZORA, is engaged to ROBERT HARRISON. Izora, who studied for a year in Peru at the St. Marco university, is now employed by the State of Illinois in the Foreign Language Department. Her fiancé, Mr. Harrison, has a B.S. degree from Philander Smith college. The wedding is to take place in August and they will honeymoon in the Bahamas. May they be as happy as papa White is proud of them . . . American Veteran Post No. 247 installed their new officers recently. They are as follows: Commander, Willie McCann, 69th St. Depot; Adjutant, Louis Haynes, Keeler; Finance Officer, Tommie Phillips, Keeler; Provost Marshall, Robert Austin, Lawndale; Public Relations officer, Ray Carter, Lawndale; Third Vice Commander, Robert O'Neal, Keeler; Judge Advocate, Willie Carter, Lawndale, and Membership Director, Lucious Banks, Keeler. Your scribe is still a member . . . Well, say now. I had more news than I thought, so maybe I can be a bit lazy next time . . . Our thought in passing: When a

man's head gets too big for his hat, it becomes easy to find someone to fill his shoes . . . See you next month.

- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

On June 5, Father PAUL HOBAN, director of the Little Flower Society, celebrated his 25th anniversary in the priesthood by saying mass at Old St. Mary's church. A dinner at the Conrad Hilton hotel followed. There was a good turnout at both places. We had a wonderful dinner and good entertainment. Many union and city officials were present to give a big hand to Father Paul. Lawndale was represented by Mr. and Mrs. S. BITEL, Mr. and Mrs. MICHEAL MCCARTHY, Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH NOLAN, Mr. and Mrs. S. MICEK, Mr. and Mrs. ED KOSCIYINSKI, BILL KLECKA, JOE RIHA, JACK KALKA, and yours truly. . . Mr. and Mrs. JOE RIHA joined the Grandparents Club when they received a wonderful grandson. Both grandparents are doing fine. ED RIHA won a Japanese motorcycle . . . WALTER J. HARRIS Jr. was graduated from Council Training school with the highest honors in his class. He has been awarded four-year scholarships from three different sources, City of Huntsville Heavy Equipment, A.K.A. Sorority, and Delta Fraternity. He will enter A & I State college in Alabama to study engineering . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of ROBERT CURRAN, buried Friday, June 17 . . . The stork paid a visit to Lawndale and left a darling baby girl, June 2, named DIANE THERESE with Mr. and Mrs. CLIFFORD L. ANDERSEN . . . On June 14 he presented another darling girl to JOHN and EMMA GILL. This makes number seven for the happy couple, three boys and four girls.

- Larry Keating

LIMITS -

Operator JOHN FLOYD is enjoying a trip to Ireland. He sailed by boat because he loves to dance enroute . . . Sanitary Engineer EDD FEDEROWICZ is back on the job after a sojourn in the hospital with bronchial pneumonia. His wife was at home at the same time with the same illness . . . Shop Superintendent TIM RIORDAN vacationed for two weeks at home in Chicago . . . Former Limits Conductor EDD NOLAN, who retired in 1956, passed away recently. Our condolences to his family . . . Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his wife spent a week in Richmond, Wisconsin, and also traveled to Duluth where they enjoyed some good Lake Superior fish . . . Mechanic PHILIP O'CONNOR has returned to work after major surgery. Welcome back, Phil! . . . Operator MILLEUTTO is on a trip to his native Italy and writes that he is enjoying himself very much . . . Our very amiable Supervisor, WALTER STEINBEISS, is now a member of our very able Instruction Department. Good Luck, Walter! . . . Operator DAN O'LEARY's mother, Mrs. VERNA RAMMILL, recently took a plane trip to Phoenix, Arizona, to visit relatives. The lady is 75 years young . . . Several notes have been received from Operator JOHN BRENNAN who is on a tour of his native Ireland. He reports that things look good after a 30-year absence. He has been doing a lot of bicycling and recently went on a 50-mile trip with a cycling group . . . Superintendent JACK MORRIS fished for a week in Wisconsin, then returned home and took off for four more weeks in Florida. Received a card from him postmarked Clearwater, Florida . . . Instructor JAMES BROGAN has informed me that 500 temporary college students and teachers have

KEELER -

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

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

- Ernest C. Carter

LIMITS -

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

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

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

- George Clark

LOOP -

Congratulations to former Agent KATHLEEN JOYCE and her husband. They are expecting the stork in a few months. Kathleen has left her job and is getting the nursery all prettied up . . . Think twice before you ask Student Agent DAN KARNICKI to do anything for you. Dan has a very short memory. Haven't you, Danny boy? . . . Student Agent PAT SPAK bought a car for traveling back and forth from her new home in Elk Grove Village. Not only can she tell you its a '62 Rambler, she can also rattle off the serial number, horsepower rating, how many miles to the gallon of gas, and other vital statistics. All she needs now is a driver's license. Good luck and many happy miles in your little Rambler . . . Congratulations to Student Agents PAT GRITIS and RICH WEEKS who are among those graduating from Loyola . . . We welcome back Superintendent E. HEATER of Lake Street office. He spent a nice quiet week's vacation in the Smokey Mountains . . . Porter L. C. SMITH's son was home for a few days from the army. He left Easter Sunday from camp in Newport, Rhode Island. We all wish him good luck and good health . . . Agent J. FILIPEK's daughter will graduate in June from Sacred Heart school and in August she will enter Our Lady of Good Council school. She hopes to become a Felician Nun. John's younger daughter is thinking along the same lines . . . Former

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and clean. Thanks again. . . Agent ANN CINCETTI had been in the hospital for major surgery and is at home now and feeling a little better. Hurry back, Ann. Your co-workers and passengers miss you. . . Sorry folks, I just don't have much news for you this time. I was in the hospital and didn't get around to hear anything new or exciting.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

ROBERT HAUSKNECHT, son of Operator HOWARD HAUSKNECHT who has been at North Avenue for 33 years, is the recipient of this year's Division 241 scholarship to Loyola university. Bob ranked 19th in his graduating class of 390 at St. Patrick's High school. Bob, an honor student, studied the scientific course. His activities included the National Honor Society, the yearbook staff, the newspaper staff, and the tennis team. Bob says his greatest, most joyful moment came when he was informed he had won this scholarship which totals \$1,220.00. Bob also won an Illinois State scholarship and a De Paul university scholarship, but in September he will enter Loyola. He sends his thanks to the officers of Division 241 for this great opportunity. He will major in mathematics. . . Operator HAROLD HIGHTOWER and his wife, WILDA, celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary on June 30. Harold finally saved enough money to take her on a honeymoon, which they spent in the South. Our congratulations. . . My son, BILL MIEDEMA, Forest Glen, and his bride, JACQUELINE, spent their honeymoon in Hawaii. They recommend that all of you who go on honeymoons, first or second, visit that beautiful country. . . ALOIS JANSEEN, father-in-law of Supervisor GUS VANDERMIER, District D, celebrated his 100th birthday June 21. Congratulations, Alois. The celebration was on June 19 at Slowik Hall. Among the guests were Gus' sons, ROBERT VANDERMIER, repairman at North Park, and Staff Sergeant JOSEPH VANDERMIER, formerly at North Avenue Repair Department, who has been in the army for 13 years. He was stationed in Germany. His furlough ended June 15. Gus' wife, LORETTA, wrote President Johnson asking that the furlough be extended so he could attend. We thank the President for his kindness in granting this request. Alois' hobby is raising pigeons. We hope his next 100 years are as happy as his first 100 years. . . RONALD BEDOE, Repair Department, now in the service of Uncle Sam, is studying to be a helicopter mechanic at Fort Eustis, Virginia. He paid the boys at North a visit while he was home on furlough. . . WILLIAM BOCK, son of Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his wife, EMILY, is leaving July 10 for a month's training at Great Lakes Training Station. He belongs to the navy reserves.

We received welcome letters from some of our pensioners. Pensioner WILLIAM ECHOLS is enjoying life in Phoenix, Arizona. He has made trips to McNary, Big Cienega Mountain Ski Run, the Petrified Forest, the Painted Desert, and other places of interest. He enjoys eating fresh fruit right off the trees. His letter closed with this quip, "Today is the tomorrow that we worried about yesterday, and everything is O.K." Pensioner BARNEY CALLAHAN and his wife, JOSEPHINE, spent three weeks in Wichita, Kansas, awaiting the arrival of their twin granddaughters who finally put in an appearance on Barney's and Florence's 44th wedding anniversary. The babies are named MARGARET MARY and MARY ELIZABETH. Barney says he misses the CTA buses. The transportation in Wichita leaves much to be desired. They took a trip to Dodge City. Pensioner

FRANK COLEMAN, living at Ormond Beach, Florida, celebrated his 76th birthday May 6. He and his wife celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary April 13. He had a visit from Receiver BILL PINASCO and his wife. Frank says it was enjoyable, but too brief. . . Assistant Day Foreman PATRICK HIGGINS is spending a vacation in Ireland. Among other places, he visited Kilkee County Clare, home town of Foreman PATRICK CLANCY. He was accompanied by MICHAEL BURKE of Lawndale. . . We had a visit from Pensioner JOSEPH REINHART. His address is R. F. D. #1, Box 213, Newaygo, Michigan 49337. He is always glad to see or hear from his old friends. . . Two July 1 pensioners are Operators JERRY RING and DAVID BRESENAHAN. We wish both the best of everything, long and happy lives. Let us hear from you. . . Welcome to Receiver EDO'KEEFE who returned to North Avenue. We also welcome new Operators Ronald Howe, David Parker, John Hunter, Charles Goodman, Norbert Lesnewski, Melvin Little, Robert Buttny, James McMenamin, Roy Hayes, Arthur Anderson, Robert Ferrell, Ronald Becker, Willie Carrington, Tyrone Brown, Rupert Anderson, Al Nestor, Daniel Pate, Tradis Walker, Richard Buhl, and Jesse Farley. . . Repairman GEORGE STELLAR and ANDY SCAFIDI, Repair Department, are on sick leave. We hope both will be well and back with us soon. . . The mother of GEORGE "Sinatra" KUENSTLE, Repair Department, was in the hospital again, but, says George, "Praise the Lord, she is getting along fine now." George spends his spare time sun bathing and taking care of his grandchildren. He thanks Mr. KNAUTZ for the reward he received for his suggestion. George says our instructors deserve a word of praise for their fine work. . . Pensioner CHARLES MUNSIG passed away June 8. Operator KENNETH METTLER lost his mother, ELIZABETH, June 11. Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER lost his brother, PAUL, June 4. Operator THOMAS MALLOY lost his sister, WINIFRED, on June 19. Pensioner LEO BRESTLOFF passed away June 22. We extend our sympathy to the loved ones of these departed.

- Bill Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Your friendly credit union officials, JOHN O'BRIEN, TONY BRUNO, and DALE PETERS, invite you to talk about a vacation loan with them if you are short of cash. . . Operator KEVIN O'STEEN has purchased a '66 Dodge Coronet. . . Operator ARNIE MARSCH was seen riding on the back of Operator IRVING RICHMAN'S Suzuki motorcycle, and Irving had all he could do to keep the front of the bike on the ground. . . Operator GARY NOONAN injured a toe while playing handball at the Hyde Park YMCA. It is rumored that his head put a hole in the wall, but Gary will not admit it. . . Operator PAUL GRABOWSKIE and Conductor JOHN HAMMERSMITH of the Ravenswood "L" motored to Nashville, Tennessee, where they went to pick up John's son, John Jr., who is a student at Vanderbilt university. John Jr. is a regular on the university's varsity football team. While in Nashville, the boys took in a couple of Grand Ole Opry shows. Returning home, they stopped off at Tell City, Indiana, to visit John's brother, WILFORD. . . Operator GEORGE KRINKE and his wife, PEARL, motored to St. Paul, Minnesota, to attend the wedding of their niece, Miss LINDA BOLDT. . . Clerk RAY MIZANOVICH spent his vacation with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. ERCOLE VERTOLINO, who were engaged in a musical concert at Carnegie Tech Hall in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Ray then went to New York City where he took in the sights of the big town. . . Operator MARTIN

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BAKKA and his brother, NATE, motored to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where they visited Marty's brother, HAROLD, and sisters, BERTHA and HILDA . . . Operator BEN NEWMAN and his wife, FLORENCE, motored to York, Pennsylvania, to visit their son, RONALD, who resides there. Ben, Flo, and Ron then motored through the states of Maryland, Virginia, and Massachusetts. The Newmans enjoyed visits at Old Colonial Village in Williamsburg, Virginia, and the Naval Base at Norfolk, Virginia . . . Operator WILLIAM BONNEFOI and his wife, LUCILLE, toured the West with key visits at Grand Canyon, Yosemite National Park, Sacramento, and San Francisco, California. Bill was very impressed with his visit to Rocky Mountain National Park . . . Operators JIM HOLMES and LOU BIELSKI spent a week fishing at Sioux Lookout, Canada, where the fishing was fair. Walleyes and Northern pike were taken with the largest an 18-pound northern . . . Pensioner JOE MURPHY, who is now living in Phoenix, Arizona, was a visitor in Chicago recently when his mother passed away. Joe stopped in at North Park and wishes to be remembered to all the friends he did not get a chance to see . . . RONALD CONNOR, son of Operator JIM CONNOR, was inducted into the army and is receiving his basic training at Camp Polk, Louisiana . . . Yeoman TIM SEDIN, son of Operator HAROLD SEDIN, left San Francisco on June 5 for Yankushi, Japan, where he will be stationed with the top command of the U.S. Navy . . . Pfc. FRANK VON SCHWELDER Jr., son of Operator FRANK VON SCHWELDER, was shipped out to Viet Nam where he is assigned to the 160th Aviation Group as a door gunner on helicopters. Pfc. RICHARD STENCEL of Forest Glen Depot, son of Receiver ED STENCEL, has been shipped to Saigon, Viet Nam, with the 6th Missile Division of the U.S. Army . . . Operators ZEKE JAGST and KEVIN O'STEEN spent two weeks at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, where they are keeping in shape with our armed forces as members of the Illinois National Guard . . . CAROL KOLSCH, wife of Operator PAUL KOLSCH, appeared on Channel 7 TV where she was awarded first prize for a hat that she designed which was most unique in design. Carol represented River Park in a city-wide contest. It was her first try at this sort of thing . . . Operator TOM McGINLAY has become a full fledged operator at North Park after 10 years of studying as a seminarian at St. Mary of the Lake, located in Mundelein, Illinois. Tom expects to be called to service in the U.S. Navy as an officer candidate.

Instructor GEORGE RELSTAB is waiting for the erection of his new home on the Northwest side of Chicago, where he will have a two-flat apartment built. George and his wife, EVELYN, and their daughter, KAREN, and her husband, MARTY MACH, will share the two apartments . . . Operator FRANCIS GALLAGHER received a '66 Cadillac Coupe De Ville from his wife, VIOLET, as a surprise birthday gift. Francis is now driving JOHN O'BRIEN and his wife, MERCEDES, to mass on Sunday mornings . . . The home of KENNETH CARLSON, brother of Operator LYLE CARLSON, was badly damaged in a recent tornado that swept through Northfield, Illinois . . . Operator MARTIN DEVANEY retired on July 1 after 23 years of service, and will be on the go for awhile trying to locate a spot to locate. Good luck in the years to come, Martin . . . Operator CONSTANT SCHMIT and his wife, FRANCES, became grandparents for the third time when their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD SCHMIT, had a daughter named KIM MARIE, born May 10 at St. Theresa hospital in Waukegan, Illinois. Constant's daughter, Mrs. MARY KATHY TREVITHICK, gave birth to a son named ANTHONY BENJA-

MIN, born May 28 at Lake Forest hospital . . . Operator ED NEWTON and his wife, FRANCES, became grandparents for the second time when their daughter-in-law, Mrs. SUE NEWTON, gave birth to a daughter named CINDY MARIE, born June 6 at Wesley Memorial hospital . . . Ticket Agent ART LUCKEY and his wife became grandparents when their daughter, Mrs. BETTY YOUNG, gave birth to a daughter named LINDA MARIE, born May 28 . . . Operator BILL KNIGHT and his wife, ELKENA, celebrated their 20th anniversary on June 15. The Knights attended church and with their children had dinner at the Wishing Well restaurant . . . Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, celebrated their 34th anniversary on June 5. The Guzaldos were entertained at a party hosted by Mr. and Mrs. LOU BRIATTO, with many friends and relatives attending . . . Operator MORT LIBERT and his wife, LOIS, celebrated their 16th anniversary on June 30. The Liberts dined and danced at the Ivanhoe restaurant in honor of the occasion . . . Operator ED NEWTON and his wife, FRANCES, celebrated their 30th anniversary on June 6. The Newtons spent a quiet evening at home with their children and grandchildren . . . Anniversaries were also observed by Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, their 31st, April 28; Operator WARREN SCHOLL and his wife, HELEN, their 26th, May 25, and Operator CASEY JOHNSON and his wife, their 29th on May 20 . . . ELYSE LIBERT, daughter of Operator MORT LIBERT, graduated from Oak View Junior High school and will be enrolling this fall at Niles East High school . . . JAMES BORK, son of Instructor JOHN BORK, graduated from St. George High school where he was an honor student. James, who won an Illinois State Scholarship, will enroll at the University of Illinois, Chicago Circle, this fall . . . ALLEN CERKIN, son of Receiver WILLIAM CERKIN, was graduated from Darwin Grade school and will attend Lane Tech High school this fall. A cookout was held at the Cerkin's patio for this fine occasion, with all of Allen's friends attending . . . KAREN THELIN, daughter of Operator HANK THELIN, graduated from Good Counsel High school. Karen is now employed with the U.S. Selective Service Board as a secretary. Hank's son, MIKE, has returned home from St. Mary's seminary and in the fall will enroll at DePaul university where he will study to become a social worker.

A surprise party was held at the home of Clerk CHARLIE GRAFF by his family and many friends in honor of his 64th birthday and his retirement from the CTA after 39 years of service. We wish Charlie many years of happiness on the occasion . . . A delightful birthday party was given for Operator MIKE PARK by his wife and many friends at Ireland's restaurant on May 28 . . . Happy birthdays are also extended to RICHARD SCHMIT, June 4; PETER DOLAN Jr., July 4; ROSALEEN DOLAN, June 6; JACK TERTZ, July 8, and BRIAN DOLAN, July 16 . . . Our sympathy and condolences to the family of Pensioner LYLE PRICHARD, and also to Operator JOHN and Mrs. COSGROVE on the loss of John's father-in-law, Mr. MATT BUTTERLY . . . Wreck Wagon Driver RICHARD MURPHY and his wife, KATIE, left June 23 for a tour of Ireland after being away for 38 years. The Murphys visited Richard's brother, ROBERT, who resides in County Wicklow and his sister, Mrs. ANNIE GRANGER, who resides in Carrnew County . . . Wreck Wagon Driver VERN LANDIS and his wife, JENNY, spent their vacation fishing at Fremont, Wisconsin. Vern reports great success, catching many walleyes and crappies . . . Bus Dispatcher FRANK BUGLIO, who has been our AM dispatcher for 19 years, and Repairman CLEO EVANS are to be commend-

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ed on the great job they do in taking care of us when we are faced with problems in pulling out our buses in the morning . . . Sanitary Engineer MIKE O'MALLEY's son, JAMES, recently had the misfortune to fall off a horse at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and suffered two broken wrists. MIKE O'MALLEY Jr. was inducted into the U. S. Air Force and is now attending school in Boston, Massachusetts, where he is studying accounting . . . Repairman GEORGE JOHANSON's wife has returned home from Swedish Covenant hospital where she underwent major surgery and at this writing is convalescing very well . . . Repairman ALEX FRITZLER replaced ED CORDA as benchman while Ed was on vacation, and the report is that things never looked so good . . . Bus Cleaner JOE RONBOT is breaking in at North Avenue Depot and soon hopes to become a repairman . . . Repairman JOHN MOUNT has returned to North Park from Forest Glen and Repairman SOL FURLIN is going to Forest Glen . . . Repairman HERMAN AMBROS has purchased a '66 Pontiac Tempest and is now looking forward to his vacation . . . Bus Cleaner GEORGE MOZGA got stranded in Mexico on his vacation and had to live on hot tamales while waiting for cash to get back home . . . Our sympathy to Bus Cleaner BILL STAUNTON on the loss of his beloved wife, MARY, who passed away on May 28 . . . RICHARD MERSCH, son of Repairman PETE MERSCH, who is a repairman for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company was cited by our newspapers for the fast action in saving the life of a four-year old girl. The young lady had drank a glass of bleach and Richard rushed her to Illinois Masonic hospital where her stomach was pumped . . . Repairman MATT HEAVEY, his wife, ROSANE, and daughter, Sister ROSE MATTHEW, of the Dominican Order, spent four weeks in Ireland where Matt's brothers and sisters are living . . . Pfc. RICHARD PRISBLE, son of Repairman DAN PRISBLE, was home on a 30-day furlough from the marines. He saw considerable action in Viet Nam and has four months to go to finish his tour of duty . . . Pfc. PAT HARTNETT sent the garage his greetings from Fort Gordon, Georgia, where he is stationed . . . DENISE KARIOLICH, daughter of Assistant Foreman ANDY and Mrs. ANNA KARIOLICH, was married Saturday, June 4, at St. Peters church in Skokie, Illinois, to Mr. TONY FRER. The reception was held at Ferrara Manor on North Avenue, attended by 250 guests. The young couple will take a delayed honeymoon at a later date and will make their home in Chicago.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Batman, Chickenman, Ratman, what next? My column, that's what. A hearty welcome to all our new employees, and many happy returns to the college students who have joined us again for the summer . . . Congratulations to newly qualified Motormen J. ZEPP and A. PELT . . . Recently returned from vacations are Motormen JIM GOLDEN and PAUL KAROWSKY, who each spent one week spring cleaning in preparation for the big part of their vacations coming up . . . Back from a visit with his son, who attends school in Nashville, Tennessee, is Conductor JOHN HAMMERSMITH . . . The Kimball Yard is in pretty good shape once again now that A.M. Foreman G. BUGASCH, T. GAVIN and B. ANDERSON are back . . . Traffic Checker BILL PANTLE and his family have returned from Wisconsin. What was the biggest you caught, Bill? How big? . . . As of this writing, Rapid Transit Superintendent T. J. MCGOVERN is on the sick list, but reported to be coming along just fine; also, Motorman G. ZEHLES has signed in sick. Get well soon

. . . This reporter had the pleasure of working on the line car last month with Linemen JOE NASTI and PETE SZATKOWSKI, Motorman JOHN STILES and HANK SAF-FOLD . . . Deepest sympathy to the family of Evanston Switchman ALFRED ABRAHAM who passed away early last month . . . Belated congratulations to Conductor RUSSELL KILLIAN and his wife, KATHERINE, who celebrated their 36th Wedding Anniversary on June 10 . . . Congratulations to DON KOSTECKI who recently qualified as a rapid transit clerk and is now in the clerk pool . . . Ticket Agent T. CAFFERTY is about due to return from her vacation in her homeland of Ireland. Something tells me she may have an engagement ring on her finger! . . . Birthday greetings to J. ZUPKO, superintendent of agents . . . Here is a joke for the sick list: The children were banging pots and pans, pounding on the kitchen cabinet doors, etc. They were making believe they were a band. One said, "I wish mom would come and stop us. This noise is killing me!" . . . Don't forget to contact me with your news items, either personally or leave a note for me with one of the clerks.

- Frank T. Jasch

PURCHASING, STORES & SPECIFICATIONS (North Division) -

Storeroom 42 is happy over the fact that it has another brand new "daddy" in its midst. Mr. and Mrs. TOM BOLDT became mom and dad for the very first time when MICHAEL EDWARD was born on June 26 . . . Twenty ladies from all over General Office took MARLENE WILDI out to dinner at Binyons the day before she left, and everyone gave her a gift for the baby. It was wonderful that we had such a large group there and that they all were so generous to her -- blankets, buntings, sweaters, and other "baby equipment." And certainly that wasn't enough for such a likeable person, so the ladies from Stores Department took her to a luncheon on the day she left. She went home with a beautiful stroller-buggy from her friends in General Office and many other gifts. A lot of people are sure going to miss her. STEPHANIE VAN METER replaced Marlene as typist 1 . . . A warm welcome to MARIE MALINOWSKI who joined us as a new clerk-typist . . . Congratulations to JANE COOPER who recently received an engagement ring from WILLIAM URSO . . . A warm welcome to all our college "kids" who are with us for the summer: Joyce Feldkamp, Janet

WHAT INGREDIENTS make the best picnic? - Well, you need a nice place - like Rubio Woods; good company - like South Shop employees; plenty of refreshments - like hot dogs and hamburgers, and a well organized committee - like (front row, left to right): Tom Coates, Henry Kolar, Bill Rafferty, Steve Sluzinski, and Carl Post; (second row): Jim Marron, Ralph Keane, Bill Webb, John Kugan, Jack Keane, and Bill Haworth; (third row): Roy Hagan and Clarence Riley.



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Healy, Betsy Hirsch, Clarence Grube, Michael Krause, James Lahart, William Scholten, and Richard Unwin . . . KENNETH CEROTZKE is our new service attendant I in Storeroom 61, replacing KEVIN BARRETT who transferred to the South Division as a stock clerk I . . . Mr. and Mrs. VIC JOHNSON are happy to have their new baby boy, KEITH ALLEN, home again after recent surgery.

(South Division) -

Mr. and Mrs. BILL UNWIN are celebrating the birth of their new grandson, JOSEPH ANTHONY, born on June 3 to Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS UNWIN.

(Central Division) -

The ED BRUCKNERS are enjoying the company of their children, the HUNSAKERS, who flew in from San Diego, California. Mr. Hunsaker is attending the DPMA Convention at the Conrad Hilton hotel.

- D. Jane Bell

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

E. I. GEHRKE, traffic checker, became a father for the first time when his wife gave birth to a girl. Congratulations to the proud parents . . . JOHN URBAN and his wife motored down to California for a long vacation . . . SAM DeSALVO apartment-hunted on his vacation. . . JOHN BENNIS and his wife celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary. Their son, EDWARD, entertained them at a dinner. GEORGE HANUS and his wife celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on June 23. Best wishes to both couples. Following his anniversary celebration, George and his wife motored to the Black Hills country . . . WALTER SCHWEINFURTH and his wife vacationed in California and Las Vegas . . . BILL DENTAMARO spent his vacation time taking in more Chicago sights while EDWARD REILLY caught up with his chores around home . . . WALTER THOMAS and his lovely wife, FREIDA, again are flying to Portland, Oregon, to visit with her parents . . . Sister M. WILLIAMETTE, B.V.M. daughter of W. P. DEVEREUX, was home for a two-day visit at her sister's house, Mrs. MARILYN LAWLOR . . . LOUIS HENDRICKS, retiree, is in the Veterans hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery. Why not drop him a get well card . . . GLEN CRUMP, supervisor of traffic checkers, passed away on June 22. Glen started with the Chicago Surface Lines in 1923 and just completed 43 years of service. We in the Schedule Department extend our sympathy to Mrs. Crump.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

RUSSELL SCHAEFFER, electrical apprentice in the Armature Room, is a proud papa. A baby boy named JEFFERY SCOTT was born June 14. Congratulations, RUTH and Russ . . . THOMAS HOEY, electrical worker, took a three-week vacation in the West, visiting California, Arizona, and Nevada . . . DANIEL KREUTZER, son of WALTER KREUTZER, shopman, was graduated from Weber High school on May 31, and received a \$1,000 Illinois State Scholarship to the University of Illinois, Urbana. Daniel is also a member of the National Honor Society . . . A proud father is LEO DREYER, shopman, whose son, CHARLES FRANK, just received his master of arts degree at Trinity college in Dunedin, Florida . . . Mr. and Mrs. ANTHONY ARINI are proud grandparents. A grandson named MARK was born to their daughter, GERALDINE, on May 26 at St. Mary's

hospital in Decatur, Illinois. Their daughter and her husband, ROBERT ELDER, reside in Sullivan, Illinois. Geraldine is a former CTA employee . . . A bit of news from the Technical Services, R. T. D. Department: WAYNE ANDERSEN, nephew of GLENN M. ANDERSEN, development engineer, was chosen captain of the Harvard university track team. TERRY LYONS, son of THOMAS P. LYONS, development engineer, is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity at the University of Chicago . . . RONALD CRANOR, laborer, and a friend are proud hunters these days. Vacationing at Dryden, Ontario, Canada, they shot a 528-pound bear. Ron felled the bear with his bow and arrow and his partner finished the job with his gun. Great hunting, boys.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

Is everybody enjoying the summer? I sure am! Hope everyone has a wonderful vacation this year . . . Greetings and salutations to our newly transferred trainmen from the North and West Sections: JOHNIE ROBINSON, MYRON WOODS, MITCHELL THOMAS, ANDREW JOHNSON, and FLOYD McMILLON . . . Congratulations to Conductor WILLIAM HUNNIFORD who became a grandfather for the third time when a little granddaughter named RENEE was born on May 26 . . . Much good health and fortune is wished to Agents JOHN CAMERON, who went on pension June 1, and to EDWARD STEPNIKA, who had been on the sick list for several months and then went on disability pension . . . The Loomis Street men had a nice visit with Retired Motorman DAN CATE. They helped him celebrate his 85th birthday on June 14. He says he's been on pension for 16 years and had 50 years of service when he retired . . . Condolences to the family of Agent CHARLES SEE, who had been on the sick list for several months before passing away recently . . . All the employees who went to the free White Sox night game sure had a good time. And the Sox won! It was really nice of the White Sox Management to give us CTA'ers a free game . . . Happy to be back and glad to see them back from the sick list are: Towerman PATRICK HICKEY, Conductor MICHAEL SHEERIN, and Agent JEAN GUSTAFSON . . . 61st Shop Clerk JIM DALY is sure proud of his niece, MARGARET FRIEL, who presented a vocal recital on May 27 at DePaul university. She was awarded a bachelor of music degree . . . Our famous bowler, Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT, did it again. He won a trophy from the Southwest Craftsman League for the 1965-66 series . . . Switchman BOB JOHNSON just came back from his two weeks of naval military training . . . Welcome back for the summer months to our Part-time Trainmen: PATRICK URBUT, FRED KUCH, JAMES MOCK, ROSCOE LINDSEY, WILLIAM WHITENHILL, ALBERT ROBERS, and to two newcomers, TANZEL GOVAN and ROBERT GRADY . . . Agent CLARENCE MARTIN, who had been on the sick list for several months, passed away. Our sympathy goes out to his family. All the agents will miss Mr. Martin . . . Retired Agent BLOYCE SPARKS brought a big cake down to 61st Street one day which was enjoyed by all . . . Assistant Station Superintendent ARTHUR ANDERSON and his wife are mighty proud of their son, ALVIN, who graduated from Northern Illinois university with a master's degree . . . The traveling ELMER PIPKORNS, retired towerman, are in Colorado this time, staying at their son's home. They said that when they first arrived during Easter week there were two snow storms, but the weather is ideal now. They really like Colorado . . . Our sincere condolences to Retired Agent

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

ALFRED ABRAHAM, 56, Transportation,
Emp. 10-9-45, Died 6-8-66
JOHN J. BIRMINGHAM, 60, Shops & Equipment,
Emp. 4-21-36, Died 5-20-66
ADAM A. BIENIASZ, 71, Kedzie,
Emp. 3-13-23, Died 5-31-66
NATHANIEL N. BJERKE, 81, Limits,
Emp. 9-18-17, Died 5-11-66
NICK BUCCHERI, 88, Track,
Emp. 6-06-43, Died 6-06-66
HENRY CARRION, 75, Devon,
Emp. 7-16-21, Died 5-18-66
WILLIAM J. CAWLEY, 63, Transportation,
Emp. 3-25-25, Died 5-17-66
GLENN CRUMP, 59, Schedule,
Emp. 9-18-23, Died 6-22-66
ROBERT CURRAN, 61, Lawndale,
Emp. 9-08-36, Died 6-13-66
JOSEPH DeVAUX, 56, Shops & Equipment,
Emp. 1-13-54, Died 6-04-66
JOSEPH DOKMINICH, 80, Way & Structure,
Emp. 5-19-43, Died 5-26-66
FRANK FAULISI, 76, West Shops,
Emp. 11-21-23, Died 5-12-66
JOHN H. GILROY, 74, Electrical,
Emp. 4-12-13, Died 3-11-66
LEROY J. GOLONSKI, 72, Forest Glen,
Emp. 1-29-20, Died 5-11-66
CHARLES M. GROW, 77, Kedzie,
Emp. 5-02-14, Died 5-19-66
JAMES HORNOFF, 63, North Park,
Emp. 1-18-26, Died 5-20-66
CHARLES F. KEELER, 76, 77th Street,
Emp. 7-16-12, Died 5-29-66
MICHAEL KEVO, 75, Track,
Emp. 5-04-30, Died 5-23-66
THOMAS J. KINNEY, 63, West Section,
Emp. 9-16-26, Died 5-19-66
NICK KOPRIVICA, 72, Track,
Emp. 6-09-28, Died 5-07-66
HAROLD KRAMP, 56, Electrical,
Emp. 1-11-28, Died 5-30-66
FRANK LETZA, 81, Devon,
Emp. 1-17-24, Died 6-06-66
CLARENCE MARTIN, 51, South Section,
Emp. 4-24-52, Died 5-24-66
ERNEST McNEILL, 82, Track,
Emp. 9-11-30, Died 5-27-66

ALBERT MOORE, 90, Devon,
Emp. 4-17-99, Died 5-31-66
SIDNEY MUNROE, 56, 52nd Street,
Emp. 8-23-47, Died 6-21-66
EDWARD P. NOLAN, 75, North Park,
Emp. 9-18-22, Died 5-26-66
AUGUST W. NORMAN, 86, North Section,
Emp. 1-31-05, Died 6-12-66
JOHN E. OWENS, 64, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-31-19, Died 5-26-66
LEONARD P. PEDERSEN, 76, North Avenue,
Emp. 4-24-17, Died 5-15-66
FRANCIS A. PETROSIUS, 76, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-07-20, Died 6-06-66
LYLE C. PRITCHARD, 59, North Park,
Emp. 6-10-41, Died 5-16-66
WALTER REGNIER, 81, 69th Street,
Emp. 1-29-18, Died 5-05-66
GUY R. RICE, 85, Kedzie,
Emp. 1-26-15, Died 5-29-66
ARTHUR C. RITTER, 59, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-23-33, Died 6-19-66
ARCHIE ROSSBOROUGH, 66, Douglas,
Emp. 1-15-45, Died 5-21-66
GUSTAV SANOW, 74, Lawndale,
Emp. 12-17-26, Died 6-01-66
EDMUND W. SCHULTZ, 62, Transportation,
Emp. 4-21-25, Died 6-05-66
CHARLES SEE, 56, South Section,
Emp. 6-02-43, Died 5-19-66
JAMES V. SOUKUP, 76, West Section,
Emp. 8-23-24, Died 5-25-66
GEORGE STRUPE, 69, Beverly,
Emp. 6-23-24, Died 5-14-66
JOSEPH D. SULLIVAN, 70, 77th Street,
Emp. 12-10-18, Died 5-24-66
JOHN W. TUVESON, 76, South Shops,
Emp. 7-20-14, Died 5-20-66
CHARLES C. TWOREK, 73, Devon,
Emp. 9-02-25, Died 6-04-66
JOHN W. WALSH, 62, West Section,
Emp. 9-11-29, Died 5-19-66
CLEMENT A. WHONSETLER, 80, General Office,
Emp. 3-01-29, Died 5-05-66
JAMES C. YOUNG, 88, Metropolitan,
Emp. 2-13-99, Died 5-06-66

ROSE HEIDENBLUT on the loss of her son, BOB, and to Retired Motorman JOHN BURKE on the loss of his son.

Two more passenger commendations have come in. One was for Motorman JAMES FICHER who stopped his train in time when a man fell off the platform to the tracks. He also gave the man assistance back to the platform. The other was for Conductor MYRON WOODS, who was commended for the good performance of his conductor duties. . . Retired Agent MAE MURGATROYD called up and said that she is doing OK and wishes to say "hello" to all her friends. . . Superintendent of Agents and Porters of the Loop Section LEO BIEN and his wife, ANN, spent a couple of weeks of vacation in Anaheim, California, visiting with some friends. They had a good time. . . Back again for the summer are Part-time Agents INDIA HELM, JOYCE MORRIS, PATRICK NEVILLE, DANIEL CURRAN, MARY SZIGETI, GEORGE

WIMBUSH, FRANK MAMPREIAN, DENNIS MORRELL, and FRANK WODARCZYK. . . Heard that Retired Agent BESSIE RENTFRO is out of the hospital now and recuperating at home. . . Sincere sympathy to Motorman FRED GRONEMEYER whose father passed away recently. . . Good luck to Part-time Agent JAMES DUNLEAVY who resigned to join the Peace Corps. . . Retired Motorman THOMAS JOYCE and his wife are on a wonderful trip to Switzerland. Retired Motorman MICHAEL DOWD is spending the summer in Ireland. Our pensioners sure do get around. . . We wish a speedy recovery to Retired Towerman PAUL ZOSEL, who is in the hospital at this writing in Homestead, Florida. . . Retired Conductor HARRY JACOB passed away recently. . . Hot off the presses: Retired Agent BETTY BUCKLEY, who lives in Hawaii, is back in Chicago to spend the summer with her sister and her friends. . . Congratulations to Conductor ROBERT E. LEE who completed his training and

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qualified as a transportation clerk. He was the only southsider in this class, so we are sure proud of him.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

IRV KALOUSEK of Electrical dropped us a card from his basking spot in Florida to say he is having a grand time . . . RICH SCHLOGEL and FRANK O. W. VENEZIA, U. of I. student engineers, are back with us in the Garage Division again for the summer . . . FRANK BRADY and TOM McPARTLAN, I.E.D., spent five days in Arkansas and two days in Missouri on a fishing trip . . . KAREN HOFFMAN has given up horseback riding for the luxury of a 1966 Buick Riviera, fully equipped and air-conditioned . . . AL HAAS reports that raw egg can be washed out of clothing . . . BILL RAABER, Body Shop, is back from a visit with his daughter and family in Denver . . . Our very best wishes to TOM CLYNE who is hospitalized at this writing . . . RICH COY and GEORGE CHRISTOFIDUS joined Technical Services for the summer as student engineers. Congratulations to Rich who became engaged to CAROL BOYSEN on June 11, and to George and his wife, BARBARA, who celebrated their first anniversary on June 13 . . . CHARLES SHREEVE spent a week fishing in the far reaches of the northwest territories. He and his party had to be brought into the thriving metropolis of Yellowknife by pontoon plane. Yellowknife is 1,000 miles north of Edmonton and has a long underwear climate. It was 94° the day Charlie left Chicago for the Frontier Fishing Lodge . . . MARTIN LAUGHLIN of Unit Repair is currently hospitalized. We wish him a speedy recovery . . . HENRY SZEPAANEK returned to work after a long illness. It's good to see you back . . . TED WOSS is presently in Sherman, Texas, celebrating the marriage of his niece . . . RILEY JANUARY and HAROLD THOMAS were welcomed back to the Machine Shop after extended disabilities . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families of AARON AUSTIN, Paint Shop, and TONY NUTILE, Brake Department, on their recent bereavements . . . The 13th Annual South Shop Picnic was held on June 18 at Rubio Woods. May we use this column to thank the picnic committee and all the unsung heroes who worked and organized to make the picnic the tremendous success that it was. Your co-workers, families, and guests appreciate your worthwhile efforts . . . Hope you all had a good, safe Independence Day weekend.

- Kathleen O'Brien & Al Haas

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. SCHAAF, Congress, on the birth of their son, JEFFERY ANTHONY. The future little leaguer was born on May 25 . . . Have you noticed lately that PETER COLOMBO, Congress, has a very proud air about him? He has every right to be proud. His daughter, LINDA, who was graduated from Madonna High school, was chosen as the outstanding senior from a parochial high school. Along with this honor, Linda also was president of the student council and the National Honor Society and secretary of the school's Math Club and an active member of the Girls Athletic Association, Cisca, and Mu Alpha Theta. To top all this off, she won the National Honor Society's Science Fair Award. Congratulations to this fine young lady on a job very well done . . . The boys at Congress received a surprise visit from JOHN ODDO while he was in on furlough. John had another surprise for the old gang

--he announced his intended marriage to Miss CAROL COOPER. The couple plan to make their home at Fort Hood, Texas, while John is stationed there for the next 14 months. Best wishes for years of happiness are sent to John and Carol . . . CARTON WILLIAMS, son of JAMES WILLIAMS, Lake Street, joined the navy to see the world. Hope his journeys carry him to exciting places far and wide and that he sails only on calm waters . . . Sorry to hear that FRANK FAWCETT, Kimball, had to spend some time in Ravenswood hospital. Hope the nurses didn't try to make up for anything they had to take from Frank by sending him home with a loving little bundle. Anyway, best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery, Frank . . . A hearty welcome back was extended to W. KOSINSKI, Lake Street, after being on the sick list . . . Sorry to hear that AMELIA GEHRIG, wife of BILL GEHRIG, Lake Street, had to spend some time in the hospital for surgery. Best wishes for a complete recovery are sent her way--especially for a speedy recovery, so husband Bill won't have to eat his own cooking too much longer.

Glad to see J. COLLINS, Kimball, back at work after being on the sick list . . . Congratulations to T. SWIDLER who was promoted from a car cleaner at Lake Street to a "B" repairman at Wilson . . . Summer usually means a time for rest and relaxation, but not if you will be working as a temporary car cleaner. The summer reinforcements include R. MORRIS and F. GRIAGENTI at Lake Street; JOHN BYRNE at Wilson; C. H. TYLINSKI and R. TRUTTY at 61st Street; D. GIFFORT and W. WHELEHAN at Congress, and M. SHANNON, R. TADEVIC, and R. BARNOS at Kimball. Don't worry fellows, according to the old saying, only the first 100 years of work are hard . . . JOHN CAPACCIO, Congress, received a paper which stated "Greetings, you are commanded to appear . . ." Knowing that he was a little too old for the draft, John suddenly became a bit panicky. He was preparing to leave the country or learn how to recite the fifth amendment frontwards and backwards. After re-reading the paper, he found out that it was only for a two-week jury duty call . . . Once you are stung by the golf bug, nothing can stop you from trying to be in the Arnold Palmer league. The Lake Street foursome of JOHN CANELLA, R. FLOWERS, C. MYERS, and S. RITA were at it again. This time John turned in a score of "88" while the other three were still trying to see what a "100" looks like. Wonder if John is counting right, or does he sneak in a little extra practice? . . . A. ODROWSKI, Kimball, spent his vacation in Cany Polk, Louisiana, visiting his son . . . Also visiting friends and rela-

GATHERED AROUND Statementman JOHN T. HOGAN and his wife are (left): E. P. O'CONNELL, supervisor of legal investigators and statementmen, and M. J. McDERMOTT, chief adjutor; (right): E. F. WEINGARTNER, assistant superintendent of investigations and claims, and E. C. SOMERS, chief investigator. The occasion was John's retirement after 40 years of service.



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tives around the country were W. GEHRIG, who visited his mom in Wisconsin; C. MEYERS, who went all the way to Pittsburg to visit with old friends; J. RANDAZZO, who went to Indiana to visit his sister, and J. NASH, who went to the sunny South to pay his brother a visit. Lake Street sure must be a nice place to work because everyone usually ends up going far away on their vacation. . . Vacation time also means just spending some time working and resting around the house. Those who preferred this type of vacation were G. Munyer, H. Kosinski, L. Reyes, F. Chiappetta, G. Fagiola, J. Williams, and H. Sistak, Lake Street; L. Cortopassi, T. Friend, N. Benson, P. O'Connor, J. Henderson, G. Davis, H. Hughes, R. Sullivan, G. Lepore, I. Maros, J. Masiarz, G. Dimitsas, N. Scimeca, L. Zielinski, S. Durso, C. Dansby, R. Johnston, and A. Anagnostopoulos, Wilson. . . On a closing note, the fellows want to know who has the wife that not only gets up early in the morning to make his lunch, but also to write sweet little love notes for him to read while he is eating. It seems Dan Cupid has struck someone at Congress.

- Ray Brzezick

TRANSPORTATION (Mart) -

The new faces being seen in this department belong to MARY ANN LUBERDA from Indiana university, JOSEPH PARRILLO who will be going to the Circle, and GARY DeSANTI who will attend the University of Illinois. It's nice to have you with us this summer. . . Our new Clerk-Steno, KATHLEEN KRUEGER, a recent graduate of Luther North High school, is replacing SHERYL BOTH who transferred to Public Information. . . JAMES R. TUCKER, chief clerk, just returned from spending two weeks visiting several places in Michigan and Tennessee. Making this vacation ideal was the beautiful weather and a wonderful time.

- Colette Szezepanek

77TH STREET -

In a past issue, I had occasion to mention the fact that there was no news being received from the operators of this station for the Transit News. Well, the response has been so great, let me say in plain bus operators lingo, "I dig pening for such a down set of 241'ers". . . So with no further ado, I will get to the business at hand. This time of the year is vacation time for so many of us, and to some with 17 years of service, it's a big thing. Let those who had something to do with it know how you feel. It also means graduation from high school for some of our sons and daughters, and here are a few of them: Brother B. GULL's son, BYRON, was graduated from De LaSalle High, May 31. He will start college in September and major in electrical engineering. Brother RALPH SHORT's son, RICHARD, was graduated from Bogan High, and plans to enter the Air Force in July. . . Operator OLIVER CHILES can be proud of his daughter, Mrs. BEVERLY C. ARMSTEAD, who is teaching school here in Chicago. . . Congratulations are in order to the following operators: Brother EDDIE MITCHELL for outstanding service to boys in the Heritage District from the Chicago area council of the boy scouts; Mr. and Mrs. P. J. HOGAN on 30 years of marriage and happiness, and Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM TOLBERT on four months of bliss. Happy birthday to: C. Griffith, July 27; R. Walston, July 13; L. Blake, July 31; P. Braxton, July 4; W. Kilstrom, July 28; C. Bell, July 17; H. Beaty, July 26; P. Abrams, July 1; D. Peterson, July 25; R. Morrow, July 11; B. Thornton, July 19; M. Cowling, July 31; R.

Poellnitz, July 22; B. Cogan, July 29; A. Brown, July 9; E. Peterson, July 25, and S. Triche, July 5. Please take note, if you see a friend's name here, let him know you care. . . Our belated sorrow and sympathy is extended to the following operators on the loss of loved ones: Operator NELSON, on the passing of his wife and son; Operator H. ROBINSON, on the passing of his dear mother, and Operator E. RUTH, on the loss of his son-in-law, E. IACIANCIO. Also, to Operator C. BELL on the death of his father. . . Your union representatives want to thank you for making C.O.P.E. a hit at 77th Street. Hats off to DALTON, COFFEY, and PATE who are three of the finest. . . Now for some disappointing news concerning accidents at this writing. The month started out poorly but we can still come up to par with just a little effort. So take note of the chart in the train-room and see how the street you are working on is doing. . . The chairman of the coming picnic, CLARENCE MOORE, reminded us that July 24 is a great day for the young at heart. So make plans for the outing at Maple Lake Woods, East. Directions will be posted in the Depot. . . News has reached us that the home of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE EVANS was on fire, Friday, June 17. We are told that their loss was great. However, nobody was injured. Their son, BARRY, left for Texas with the Air Force, June 14. . . Retired Switchboard Operator ART HEENE, of 77th Street, passed away Friday, June 17. Our deepest sympathy to his family and loved ones. Art will long be remembered for his kind deeds throughout the years.

- Amos Foster

69TH STREET -

With the end of school almost here, comes the wonderful invention called vacation time. All of us look forward to this popular pastime; however, be extra careful and come back safe. Vacation news of our early birds is not available, other than that Clerk LARRY HELINSKI covered a lot of Florida and has a complexion that shows it, and BILL WITTSTOCK is spending his time on a ladder. . . Congratulations to WILLIE WILLIAMS and WALLY WANTROBA, both members of the Burom Boats quintet that won the CTA bowling championship for our depot. Willie also captured high series honors. . . Congratulations to the MILLARD ENSWORTHS on their 32nd anniversary on June 29, to JOHN and MARY HENNESSY on their 25th, and to Supervisor and Mrs. RALPH HUESINEA on their 40th. Ralph says that it was an underhanded trick to play on a nice girl, but she forgave him 40 years ago. . . ART BUESING reported the engagement of his daughter, JUDY, but neglected to give the name of the lucky young man. The best to both of these young people. . . Our sympathies are extended to the families of Pensioners JOHN E. OWENS and LESLIE J. FILIATREAU on their deaths, and to GEORGE NELSON, formerly from our depot, on the death of his son, GEORGE Jr. Also, to the family of Retired Station Superintendent CHRISTIAN ZEIHNER who passed away recently. Mr. and Mrs. MATTHEW QUEENAN, Ormond Beach, Florida, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary recently. Mr. Queenan retired in 1954 after 36 years of service.

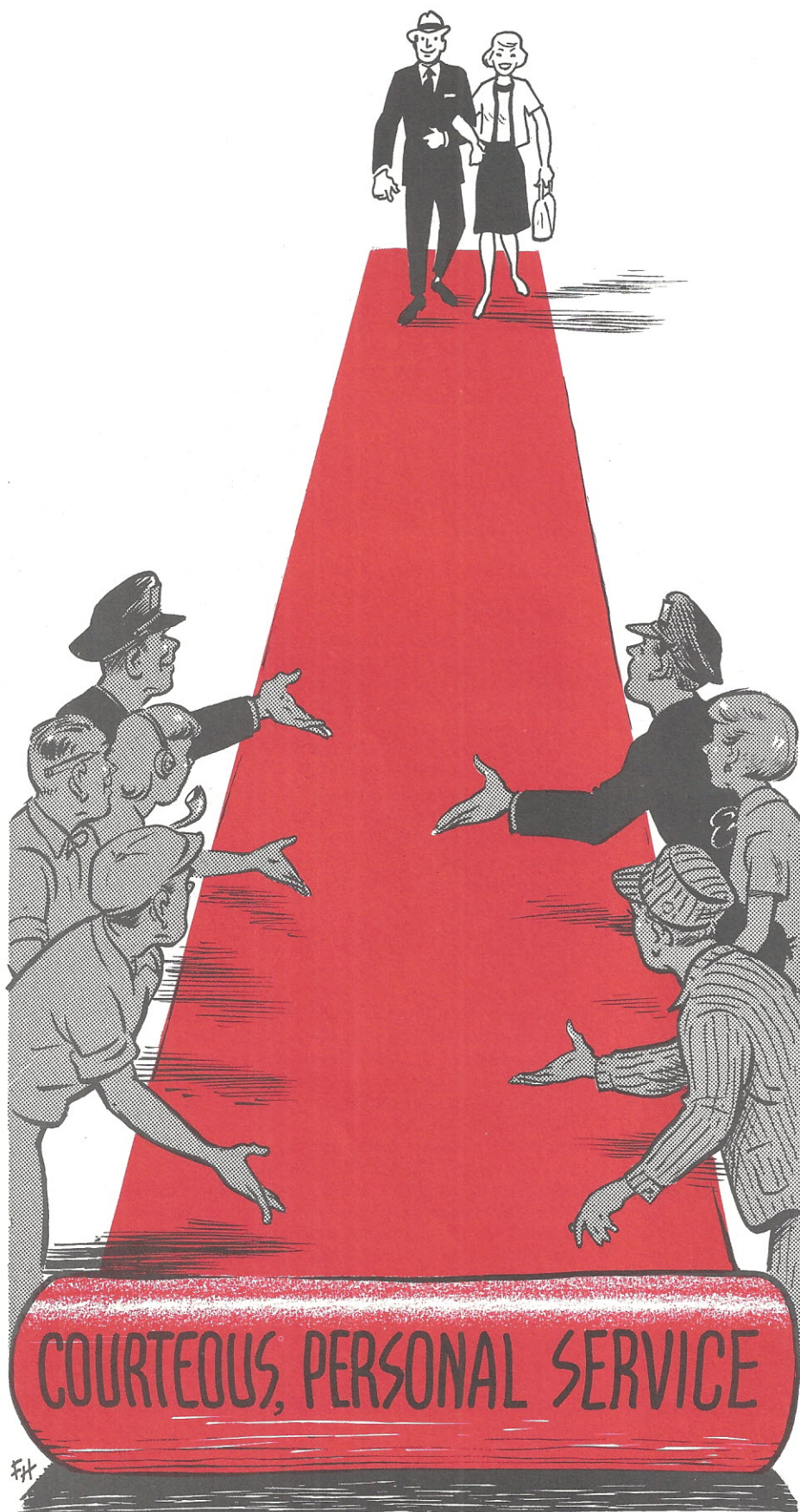
- William J. Donahue

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