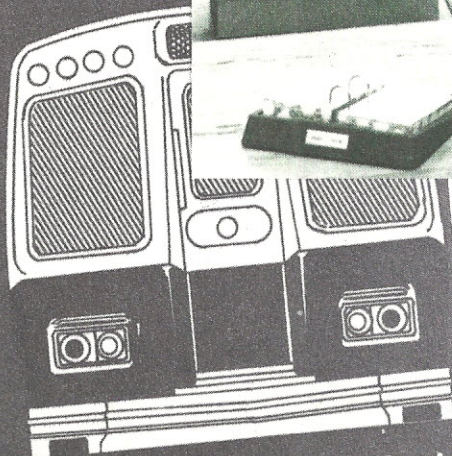
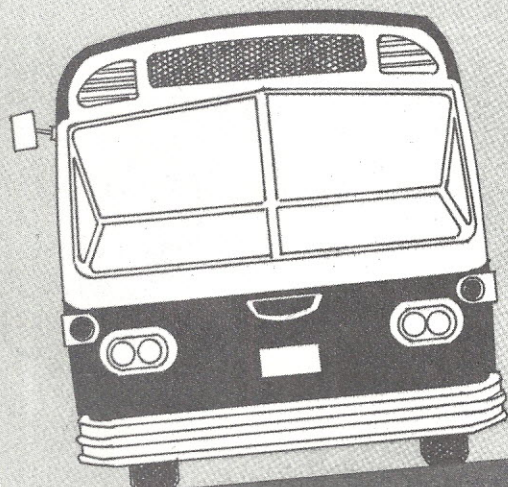


CTA Route Map
Chicago Metropolitan Area

TRANSIT NEWS

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North Damen, Wilson-LaSalle Extensions Made Permanent

PERMANENT OPERATION of extensions on the North Damen (No. 50) and Wilson-LaSalle (No. 156) bus routes and the discontinuance of the experimental Central-Laramie (No. 25) route was authorized by Chicago Transit Board at its May 11 meeting.

The North Damen and Wilson-LaSalle extensions have been in test operation since September 12, 1966, and the Central-Laramie extension has been operating since October 3. All three services were originally authorized for six-month tests, but were extended due to the unusual winter weather conditions when reliable passenger checks could not be made.

Riding on the North Damen and Wilson-LaSalle extensions has been sufficient to warrant their continued operation.

The extension of the North Damen route is from Blue Island avenue to 35th-Archer to connect with

the South Damen route which terminates there. Alternate trips operate to the 35th-Archer terminal during weekday rush hours between 6:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. and between 2:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

The extension of the Wilson-LaSalle bus route provides for service in Marine drive between Foster and Montrose avenues. Mondays through Fridays, buses are operated southbound in the A.M. rush period leaving Foster avenue between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., and northbound in the P.M. rush period arriving at Foster between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Riding on the Central-Laramie route has not been adequate to meet operating expenses. The loss on this route is more than 23¢ per rider. The Central-Laramie extension, which presently operates between Harrison-Central and Harrison-Laramie during A.M. and P.M. rush periods, Monday through Friday, will be discontinued as of June 19.

New Transit Map Available

OUR COVER: The availability of a new CTA route map, as publicized recently in Chicago's daily newspapers, created an immediate demand for the free guide to transit services and street directory. Requests for the map, which are received by mail, telephone, and personal calls, are directed to the Public Information Department; three members of the department, from front to rear, Nancy Hagemeyer, Diana Boyle, and Betty Stygar, are shown as the requests began to pour in.

THE 1967 edition of CTA's transit map, showing all CTA bus and rapid transit routes in detail, is now available for free distribution.

Places of interest in Chicago and the suburban areas are pinpointed on the face of the map. Also shown are the CTA routes on which all-night service is provided, the hours of operation of these routes and the service intervals.

On the reverse side of the map is a complete written description of all routes, along with a condensed Chicago street directory.

Copies of the new CTA map may be obtained by writing "CTA Map", P. O. Box 3555, Chicago, Illinois 60654, or by telephoning 664-7200.



A SERIES of meetings for rapid transit system Transportation Department personnel were held on May 3-4 at the CTA Training Center. In attendance were district superintendents and traffic supervisors. Each session included a review of flagging and braking procedures and a sound movie "Expo 67 Express Train" showing the rapid transit line placed in service to transport visitors to the exposition grounds. Conducting the sessions was James Blaa, standing at the rear, superintendent of rapid transit operations.

PIONEERS IN teaching defensive driving skills to qualified applicants are these CTA Transportation Department instructors who, as volunteers, have for the past two years conducted courses for various groups. They will play an important part in teaching the techniques of Defensive Driving to CTA employees who are interested in bettering their driving practices. The instructors are, from left, front row: Edward Levandowski, Frank Vitek, Thomas Spratt, Raymond Trezise, John Steinback. Second row: Frank Burrows Jr., director of driving improvement, Citizens Traffic Safety Board; Supervisors John Petrosious, Arthur Higgins, William Coleman, Gerald Knorf, John Bork. Standing in rear are Edward Swanson, Jesse Rodriguez and Clarence Lemke, class instructors. Since this picture was taken other CTA instructors have been qualified to teach the course.



Defensive Driving Course for Employees Announced

CTA EMPLOYEES will have the opportunity to improve their driving skills through a Defensive Driving Course conducted by qualified CTA Transportation Department instructors who, as volunteers, have been presenting the course to various groups in cooperation with National Safety Council's nationwide program.

The courses, which are to be held at CTA locations, consist of four two-hour classroom sessions held once each week and are available to all CTA employees. The only stipulations are that applicants must have a driver's or chauffeur's license, and must be a CTA employee. There is no age limit imposed on applicants. It is also emphasized that the course is not intended for people who cannot drive. The program is designed to improve driving skills through defensive driving.

The cost to CTA employees for the course is \$1.50. If taken elsewhere the fee is \$4.00. Upon conclusion of the sessions, each member of a class will receive a card certifying that they have completed the course. Classes are limited to about 20 participants in each group.

The course is similar to the defensive driving training received by CTA bus operators since 1954, but this course emphasizes the safety needs of automobile drivers.

The instructors have been conducting the courses for almost two years for Lions and Rotary Clubs,

women's organizations, and other fraternal and community groups.

CTA is vitally interested in having more defensive drivers among the driving public and in promoting traffic safety. All employees also should be interested in this effort to further reduce street and highway accidents.

Employees are encouraged to fill out the blank appearing on this page and give it to their immediate supervisor. You will be notified as to dates and place where the courses will be held.

Please enroll me in National Safety Council's "Defensive Driving Course." I understand that the cost will be \$1.50, payable when the course starts.

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____

Dept.: _____

Work
Location: _____

Work
Hours: _____

WILL YOUR child be the next one to be hit by a car on a Chicago street?

This is the frightening question asked by the Citizen's Traffic Safety Board in its 1967 edition of Chicago Traffic Accident Facts released recently.

The startling answer, based on information compiled from information records of the Chicago Police Department, is that out of every 20 Chicago children, one will be struck and injured by a car before the child's 10th birthday. Backing it up is the fact that 4,296 children under 10 were struck by cars in Chicago last year.

The statistics show that young children and old people were the most frequent victims in fatal traffic accidents in Chicago during 1966. Forty-nine children under 10 years were killed while crossing streets on foot and 50 men and women over 65 years old were killed. The child deaths were 48 per cent over the 33 deaths in the group in 1965 and the older pedestrians were 35 per cent over the 37 killed in 1965.

However, it is interesting to note that more fatal accidents occur in the age group of 25 to 44, both last year and over a 10-year average, than in any other age group. Sixty in that bracket were killed during 1966, and 12,980 were injured.

With Chicago's changeable weather and severe wintry storms one might think that accidents and deaths attributed to automobiles would be at the highest point during the winter. But the statistics indicate that the months of May and June top all the others in the number of accidents and deaths by months, at least during 1966.

In view of the facts collected in the survey, it is noteworthy that the passenger accident frequency

1966 Statistics Reveal Common

Causes of Traffic Accidents

rate on CTA buses in 1966 was the lowest on record. The rate of 7.0 accidents per one million passengers carried on the surface system in 1966 was 2.5 per cent below the previous record established in 1965.

What is the cause of most automobile accidents? Improper actions by drivers, according to the statistics compiled by the Citizens Traffic Safety Board.

The major cause of street and highway mishaps is following too closely behind the car ahead. Second is right-of-way violation. Driving too fast rates third. Drinking before driving is fourth. A high proportion of rear-end collisions occur in expressways and at signalized intersections. Most of these involve the "too close" driving error.

Perhaps it's not too significant to the overall story, but it might be enlightening information that last year Saturdays and Sundays accounted for more fatal accidents than any two weekdays. There were 68 fatal accidents on Saturdays and 49 on Sundays. Fridays were next highest with 48 fatal accidents. Fewest, 31, were on Thursdays.

As a footnote to the subject, it should be noted that CTA is cooperating with the National Safety Council in a Defensive Driving program. CTA was a pioneer in establishing this type of training and all operators are required to complete the course satisfactorily before being qualified as a driver.

DO YOUR best to reduce

the mounting traffic toll.

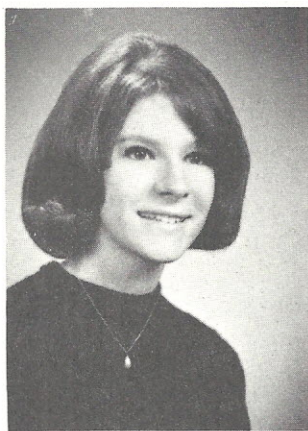
Enroll in the CTA-sponsored Defensive Driving Course.

See Enrollment Blank on Page 3

Name Three to New Station Appointments

TRANSFER OF superintendents affecting three surface system operating stations were announced effective May 14.

In a bulletin signed by D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, and approved by C. E. Keiser, operating manager, G. D. Peyton was named assistant superintendent, Kedzie; J. E. Will became relief station superintendent, 52nd and Beverly, and J. Logay took over as relief superintendent, Archer and Lawndale.



Student Awarded Scholarship

HONORS FOR achievement are almost commonplace for Abigail Foerstner, daughter of CTA operator William H. Foerstner, Limits Station, whom she made proud recently by being named

recipient of a 1967 \$500.00 scholarship for study at the University of Iowa School of Journalism.

Miss Foerstner, a senior at Mother Theodore Guerin High school in River Grove, is editor-in-chief of Portals, the campus news magazine. As a member of Guerin's news bureau, she wrote frequent articles for neighborhood newspapers. Scholastically, she ranks first in her class of 355, and she has maintained this number one rating in each of her years in high school.

She has been awarded a Scholastic Key for her academic performance each year at Guerin. She is vice-president of Mu Alpha Theta, and a member of National Honors Society, the French Club, the Glee Club, the Human Relations Club, and the Sodality. She has received awards at the last three Illinois State Science Fairs.

Miss Foerstner also has received certificates for outstanding records in other school activities.

Rider Lauds CTA Bus Operators for Driving Prowess

UNDER THE headline "A salute to CTA men" appearing in the "Letter to the Editor" column in Chicago's American recently, a CTA rider replies to a letter submitted by a reader who bemoaned the lot of truck drivers and the trial and tribulations they experience in their daily duties.

In a reply, the perceptive writer in rebuttal, recites the characteristic traffic hazards encountered by CTA bus operators as they guide their vehicles along Chicago streets. The letter is printed below:

"In a letter, a Mrs. Pia, carrying the ball for teamsters, cites, among other things, the care they must exercise when driving, the dangers in traffic, and the chance of incurring kidney trouble.

"All drivers have to be careful, those who get paid for rolling down the highways and those who consume their own gas. Luckily for the truck drivers, when there is a brush with private cars, the fortress-type vehicle often comes out unscathed.

"As to danger and responsibility while driving, my hat's off to our CTA drivers. They have to watch out for thoughtless school children, for prankster punks strung out in front of on rushing buses, for oldsters and the infirm starting across on the red light, and for ambulances and fire trucks in their wild dashes.

"Their runs must be made night and day, come snow, rain, sleet, or high winds. Their more precious cargo is humans.

"Riders can be a mixture of nice folks, drunks, pickpockets, mashers, and bad eggs. The CTA driver must help the sightless in boarding and leaving the bus. The song, Highways are Happy Ways, is not for him. He collects fares, makes change, honks trucks out of his way, gives directions to lost citizens, and must be a born diplomat."

Our thanks to the writer of the letter for his well-taken salute to CTA operating personnel.

Thomas F. Moore, Retired Superintendent, Dies at 66

MASS FOR Thomas F. Moore, 66, retired superintendent of operating stations for Chicago Transit Authority, who died April 25, was held on April 29 at St. Hilary's church, 2734 W. Bryn Mawr.

Mr. Moore retired May 1, 1966, with 49 years and 10 months of service with CTA and the former Chicago Surface Lines.

He began his transit career on June 21, 1916, as a clerk and telephone operator in the Accident and Investigation Department of CSL. On April 16, 1945, he stepped up to relief district superintendent

in the Transportation Department and on June 24, 1951, was appointed superintendent of operating stations, the position held at the time of his retirement.

In addition to his wife, Jessie, Mr. Moore is survived by a son, Thomas F.; a daughter, Mrs. Patricia Hanna; three grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Florence Boesen, and a brother, Vincent J.

Visitation was at Drake and Sons Funeral Home, 5303 N. Western avenue. Interment was at Calvary cemetery.



CTA Golfers Tee Off in Season Opener

THE SKIES obliged with some real, though nippy, golfing weather on May 6 at White Pines Golf club when some 50 CTA employees assembled for the annual spring tournament to try out their skill at driving and putting after a long and wearisome winter season.

While they were not up to championship form and hardly ready to challenge Arnold Palmer or Ben Hogan, they managed to finish 18 holes without running out of breath or expending all their energy. As a matter of fact, they acquitted themselves very well.

THE HAPPY golfers start the day's activities by posing for a group picture and pleading with the photographer to make it snappy.

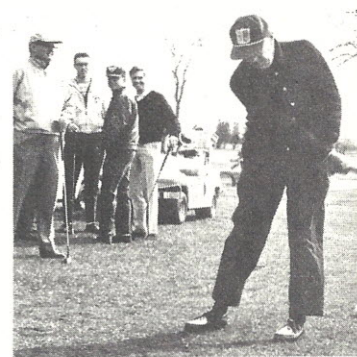
This was verified by the groundskeeper who had no complaints to make about the fairways being cut up by divots, so they must have been hitting the ball cleanly on those long drives.

Pictured on this page are some random shots of the early bird contestants as they opened the 1967 season, if not with professional skill certainly with an eager approach.



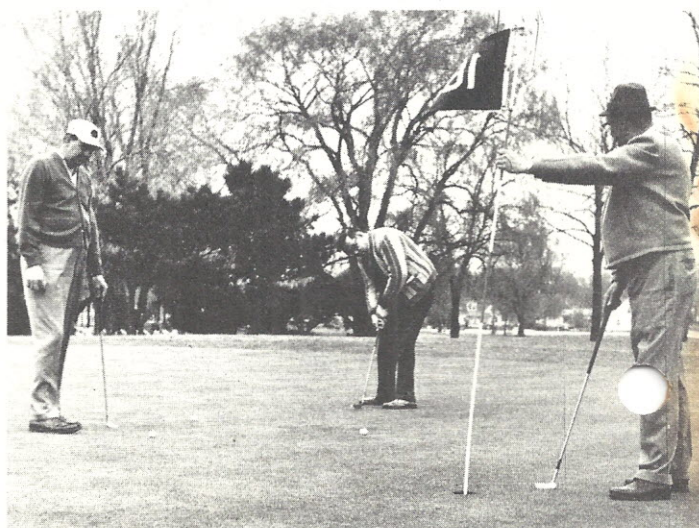
ONCE OUT on the fairway, this foursome waits breathlessly while a member attempts to hole-out.

IN THE foreground, CTA Board Chairman George L. DeMent takes a swing as he goes for a long one and the gallery stands by to watch the ball in flight. Incidentally, Mr. DeMent won the second prize award.



THINGS WERE looking better as this threesome completed the 18th hole. Now that it's all over for them they head for the clubhouse.

WINNERS OF the first, third, and fourth prizes are these three happy golfers. Left to right: Art Tonner, Photography, fourth; Roger Jestice, Claim, third, and Mario Munoz, Engineering, first. G. S. Graybiel, general superintendent of purchases, specifications and stores, took over the camera while Art, the photographer, stepped up in front with the winners.





OUR PUBLIC SPEAKS

AN IMPORTANT asset to CTA's operational policies is the attitude of its employees towards their jobs and to the riders who pay the fares. Although CTA is doing everything possible to make its service more attractive to passengers, it must rely on personal service courteously performed and marked by respect for our customers. In most instances, customers respond with letters of appreciation of a job well done. A few of such letters follow:

Operator Cleven Wardlow, Badge No. 1972, Limits Station: "It is a pleasure to call attention to one of CTA's bus operators, a man who is doing an outstanding job for your company and customers. This man is alert, intelligent, courteous and cheerful, a competent and safe operator. He greeted passengers entering his bus and had a pleasant word for them as they left. He kept the riders informed as to the next stops, and, in addition he was an excellent tour conductor in that he called attention to the Water Tower, hotels, and other places of interest found near each stop. Despite the dismal rainy morning the riders became infected with this man's good will and enjoyed the trip."

Operator John R. Porter, Badge No. 8566, Kedzie Station: "Earlier today I boarded bus number 8487, making the Ohio-Union Station run. After I was seated for several minutes, a lady passenger began to harangue the driver for what she considered to be a sudden start. She took his badge number and threatened to notify supervisors and/or lawyers about the incident. Since I was not aboard the bus when the incident occurred I can make no statement as to the validity of the lady's claim. The point I would like to make is that during the time I was on the bus your driver conducted himself as a perfect gentleman in the face of what must have been extremely strong temptations to reply. Furthermore, your driver drove very smoothly and carefully from the time I entered to the end of the trip. This driver's exemplary conduct was outstanding."

Operator Sterling Bolton, Badge No. 3090, North Avenue Station: "This morning I boarded a bus at Chicago and LaSalle streets. There was a woman who could not run for the bus and when she reached it she had difficulty in climbing the step. This was due to a foot injury that made her use a cane and take great care with the ice and traffic. Your man

was thoughtful, kind and polite. He waited for her and was most careful to stop the bus so that she could avoid the icy street and step on the level curbing. These days it is so good to find someone who has the interest of others at heart and is not afraid to take the time to act on a good impulse. My congratulations and best wishes to him. We need more of this type of man."

Operator Willie Trask, Badge No. 4228, North Avenue Station: "I would like to commend the driver who this morning performed an 'act of valor' on the Cicero route, heading south. For sometimes commuters boarded buses without paying the fare at the Eisenhower (Congress) 'L' by entering the rear door after passengers leave the bus and hold the door open so that others can board. On the occasion I noted, the driver came to the back of the bus and collected money and transfers despite heckling by customers. The driver stood his ground until he received all fares. He deserves praise. This situation has existed for some time and I feel that this employee should be commended for his action."

Operator Lawrence Rockmore, Badge No. 10784, 52nd Station: "At the age of 75 years I took my first ride on a No. 5 Jeffrey bus, boarding it at Washington and Michigan. My destination -- 79th street. After hearing many complaints about the uncleanness of the south side buses, I was much surprised to step into such a clean, immaculate bus and enjoyed my ride. I wish to commend the driver who was most courteous and kind in giving so many their directions at various intersections. Another comment I wish to make is I feel many oldsters like myself appreciate them calling out the streets stop by stop. If there were more like Operator 10784, bus riding would be a pleasure and more enjoyable."

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MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Doctor George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

WHAT ABOUT TRANQUILIZERS?

MANY PEOPLE throughout the world are taking tranquilizer pills to get relief from tension and anxiety. The use of the tranquilizer drugs is very widespread and is growing rapidly.

The term tranquilizer is often misunderstood or misinterpreted. Actually the word means to calm, soothe, or reduce tension and emotions. They are not sedatives like the barbituates which are frequently used to induce sleep.

Tranquilizers are chemical substances, mostly in the form of pills, used generally to reduce anxiety and can only be obtained upon a physician's prescription. It should be stated that pills are not the only tranquilizers. Two very common methods of obtaining tranquility are (1) smoking cigarettes, (2) drinking liquor. It is sometimes said that tranquilizing begins early in life and the example of a baby sucking his thumb is characteristic. In the older people, biting finger nails often is practiced. It has been estimated that nearly a third of all prescriptions now contain some form of tranquilizer. Like many new drugs they are used in cases in which they are not indicated. The proper dosage is very important for the best results. Even then there may be undesirable side effects.

The best results from the use of tranquilizers are obtained in the treatment of the disturbed and uncooperative mental patients. They frequently render patients amenable to other kinds of treatment which helps to bring about an ultimate cure or at least a good result. In other words tranquilizers do help in mental cases but they do not strike at the root of illness.

Habit forming is not present in the use of tranquilizers as it is with the "sedative group" of drugs. However, they do serve as a crutch for relaxation and should not be used over a long period of time. The best results should come early in the use of these drugs.

Is driving unsafe while taking tranquilizers? Not necessarily so. It all depends on how much one is taking. Perhaps one a day would have no ill effect. However, it should be remembered that taking tranquilizers in a bigger dose over a longer period of time does slow down one's reaction time. When this occurs accidents can happen.

As noted before, one of the outstanding and favorable uses of tranquilizers has been in treating the mentally ill patient. Statistics have proven that these drugs definitely reversed the long term rise in number of hospitalized mental patients.

A few other examples of the beneficial effects is the woman with long hard labor pains. The drug aids the progress of labor and reduces the amount of anesthetic required at childbirth. A child having his tonsils out or an adult for most any operation may be given tranquilizer pills to suppress post-operative nausea or vomiting. An individual with acute alcoholism is given the drug to help his frightening sobering-up stresses.

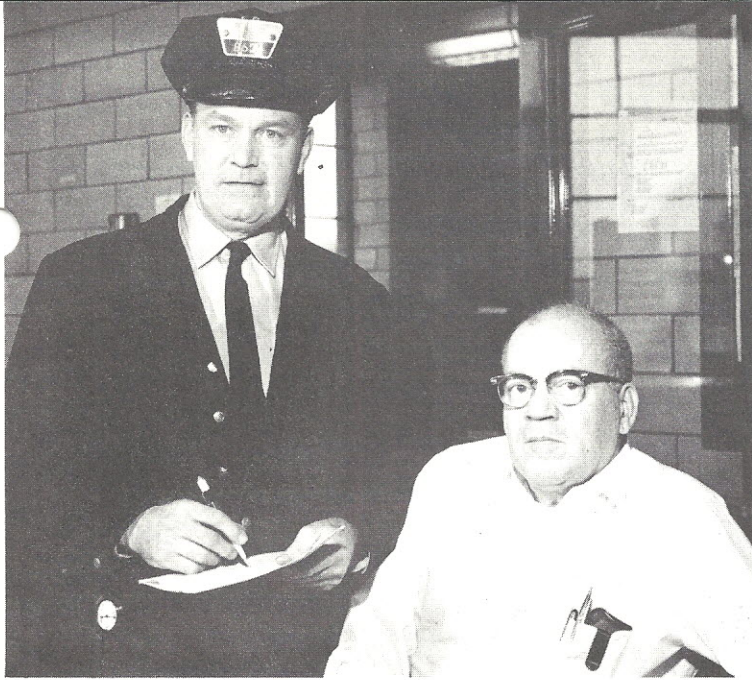
A housewife sometimes driven to exhaustion by worries and family emergencies often finds relief from the pills. In this way she may get her work done and deal with problems effectively.

Then we have the ulcer patient, the heart case, and colitis and other cases in which increased anxiety or tension may be an aggravating factor. Often the judicious use of tranquilizers will help get these people back to work.

In the veterinary field some strange beneficial use of these pills have come to light. For example cows sometimes balk the first time they are attached to a milking machine. A proper tranquilizer helps the cow to adjust contentedly to a new lifetime career. Poultry feeds with minute amounts of this drug help chickens to grow bigger. Cattle frequently lose weight when being shipped to the stockyards. When given tranquilizer they lose less, sometimes as much as 40 pounds less. Special guns which shoot tranquilizer darts enable zoo-keepers to quiet wild animals.

What are the limitations of tranquilizers? The drugs actually do not cure mental or emotional illness, but they are remarkable "crutches" and often speed recovery by making an otherwise inaccessible patient "reachable" by psychiatric treatment. Tranquilizers are adjuncts to other measures that may be necessary. However, electro-shock and other similar drastic measures are less often necessary today.

Remember, the miracles of the tranquilizers are real but so are their limitations. Under no circumstances should a person take these pills except under a doctor's advice. So if you are feeling nervous or emotionally upset arrange for an examination with your family physician.



QUESTION:

Do you think all drivers should take a course in defensive driving?

LOCATION:

Beverly Station

INQUIRING REPORTER:

Tom Daniels

JOHN KIRBY, clerk (with reporter Tom Daniels): "With the tremendous increase in autos on the road today, I believe a defensive driving course for all drivers would reduce the number of accidents which are occurring daily."



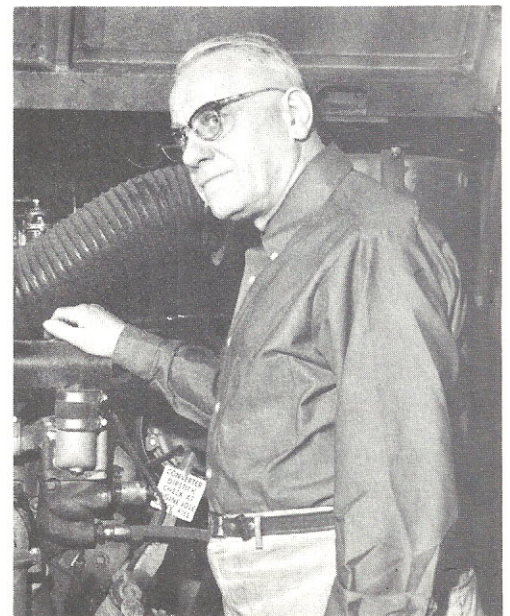
J. H. SMITH, operator: "Yes, to sharpen that skill which we as professional drivers have already."

CLARENCE HEILBRONNER, instructor: "All drivers of vehicles should be given a course in defensive driving when applying for a drivers' license. This would make them defensive drivers and there would be less accidents."



RICHARD ROSSBOROUGH, operator: "Women drivers especially should take a course in defensive driving. They have less accidents now because men watch out for them."

FRANK J. DUCZMAN, mechanic: "At the time when they renew their licenses, drivers should be checked to see if they can pass a defensive driving test."



THE INSIDE NEWS

-AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Revenue) -

Last year about this time, when ALICE CLEARY's daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren moved to Stockton, California, I would have bet anyone on the locale of Alice's next vacation. As it turned out, I had a sure thing going, for Alice has just returned from a happy reunion with her family in Stockton. She also visited a cousin in Los Angeles, and saw a little of San Francisco. Among the sights were visits to Graumann's Chinese Theater, Knotts Berry Farm (with the old western train and stagecoach robberies), and Laguna Beach Art Gallery . . . Welcome to CURTIS BURRELL, transfer counter . . . Best of luck to PAUL JANKOWSKI on his transfer to Claims.

- Joanne Paris

(General) -

ROBERT BAXTER, budget accountant, received a postcard recently from W. COMSTOCK, retired budget supervisor, mailed from Sarasota, Florida. Mr. Comstock stated that he has been in the land of sunshine for three months and was enjoying every minute of his vacation. He sends greetings to his friends and former associates . . . IRMA KROWN, formerly of Voucher, and MAE KEARNS, formerly of the Material & Supplies Section, came into the office on their way to the Assumption Church dinner. Mae has just recovered from a recent illness. However, both girls look "in the pink" and are thoroughly enjoying their retirement . . . MARTHA NEFFAS, Voucher, during her spring vacation drove to Pheasant Run and to Milwaukee where she took pleasure in the cuisine of the German restaurants there. Spring is a beautiful time of the year to drive when all the flowers and trees are coming alive after the long, cold winter.

- Mable Potthast

(Material & Supply) -

Your scribe has "joined the club" and is wearing a cast on her right arm due to a fracture from a fall in her home . . . TOM McGRATH, supervisor, M. & S., was one of the lucky winners at the Assumption Church dinner held in the M. & M. Club in the Mart on April 18, his prize being a pair of Italian marble horse head book-



SELECTED AS Crew Chief of the Quarter at Grand Forks Air Force Base, North Dakota, was Airman Second Class RICHARD A. STRATTON, who was chosen for this distinction because of his exemplary military bearing, conduct, and other qualifications. Richard is the son of RAYMOND STRATTON, information clerk in the Transportation Department.

ends. Tom had been shopping for bookends and since he had not found what he wanted, these came as a pleasant surprise.

- Clara Lawrence

(Payroll) -

"Don't rock the boat, please" was the request to the Payroll Department when they took JOSEPHINE AUGITO out to a pre-nuptial dinner on the Sari-S showboat restaurant in the Chicago river. Everyone had a swinging time. They presented her with some gifts to help her in her future position as a wife . . . We welcome LORRAINE BUEHLER back to work after her accident. She is doing very well--keep up the good work . . . At last we got to see and meet DORIS YOST's new grandson, KEITH. Her daughter and husband and baby flew home from Japan for a visit, so they brought the little guy to see us. We weren't surprised to hear him speak such good Japanese at 13 months--he does take after grandma!

- Eileen Neurauter

BEVERLY -

Operator VIRGIL TRIMMER returned home after a vacation trip to Florida to find his home was damaged by a tornado, and to count his blessings that he wasn't in Hometown or Oak Lawn . . . Operator JOE JAROS' bus and your scribe's bus stopped at 86th place and Vincennes to await the tornado. Joe was pretty worried because he knew his beautiful wife rides my bus. We won't forget this for a long time and neither will the passengers under the seats. We salute the Knights of Columbus for donating \$2,000 to the Oak Lawn disaster fund. What have you done to help? . . . Received a nice letter from Pensioner BERNARD "Go Go" ZESCH, whose address is now 2621 3rd Ave. N., St. Petersburg, Florida 33713. Bernie and his wife are enjoying themselves in the Sun State and would like to hear from his old buddies from Beverly. Drop him a line and say hello . . . Let's cut out our TV programs for a night and write a few lines to the boys in Viet Nam to keep up their moral. Do you remember when you were in the service and you read those same old letters over and over . . . Father MICHAEL FORAN, C.S.C., of Notre Dame is sponsoring three nine-day Canadian shrine pilgrimage tours leaving O'Hare Airport June 24, July 15, and August 26. You can also spend three days at Montreal and see the World's Fair. If you don't know where to go, this is the trip to make. See your scribe or Pensioner ERNEST TOCCI. Thanks to Genevieve Dunne of the Beverly Bank Public Relations Department for her help in the Canadian pilgrimage trip. Father "Mike" will roll out the "Red Carpet" for her when she comes to Notre Dame . . . Father ARTHUR MURPHY, M.M., son of Supervisor ART MURPHY, thanks everyone for their support in helping him start his church in Korea. The operators at Beverly were very generous and Father Art will always think of you in his prayers. Hats off to JERRY GLEASON, the chairman of the Ad program which played a big part in raising nearly \$4,000 for the Father Murphy Maryknoll Missionary . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Pensioner JACK FALSEY and Instructor WALTER BAYER, who are on the sick list.

- Tom Daniels

INSIDE NEWS

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Agent JULIA MATTERN and her husband, RAYMOND, are looking forward to another family wedding. Their son, BRUCE, is engaged to beautiful and charming JO ANNE MANNINE of Berkeley. Julia is bubbling over with happiness . . . Our sympathy to the family of Mortorman MILAN on the loss of their dear mother, DORIS MILAN, for whom services were held at the Zion Hill church on April 4 . . . Shop Foreman JOHN CANNELLA walked the halls with his son-in-law, FRANK, when John's daughter, LOUISE, became the mother of a third child, JOHN MICHAEL SOMMESE, on Monday, April 17. Congratulations! . . . Pensioner and former agent ROSE STRITESKY left for an extended visit in the state of Washington at her daughter's. Rose's grandson is now in Vietnam . . . Our condolences to the family of LINDA TAPINS on the loss of their beloved mother . . . We are happy to hear that Conductor WILLIAM PAYNE, Agent EDWARD STREUWE, and LAWRENCE FRICOT are well on the road to recovery . . . Pensioner and former agent ANN DOWLING is now out of the hospital and well on the road to recovery in a home in Evanston . . . Agent BEATRICE CLARK will celebrate her birthday on May 18 with a card party . . . Porter JAMES BAKER will celebrate his birthday on June 3 with his family and friends . . . A big welcome to all new CTA employees.

The Cook County Junior Conference of the American Legion was held April 9 at the Evergreen Park American Legion Post. Juniors from all nine districts participated. Second District Juniors won an award for having 100 per cent membership, one of only two districts that attained this goal. JANET SABADOSA of the CTA unit No. 1216 won the first place prize in the Poppy centerpiece competition. PATRICIA SABADOSA of the CTA unit won second place for a scrapbook on scenic Illinois. Janet also won second place for an Americanism scrapbook on America the Beautiful. The Second Division Juniors did a fine job for such a small group. Peggy Sabadosa had the honor of being the sergeant at arms. The winning entries will now be submitted to the Department Conference which will be held at the University of Illinois campus in Urbana on May 20. The Juniors meet at various homes where some member of the family must be a member of the post.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL -

The 21st annual retirement dinner in honor of retiring personnel was held at Ray Harrington's. The Honored Guests were THOMAS STIPATI, JOSEPH McGLYNN, NELS LARSON, CARL WOLF, and JEREMIAH WATERS. Retired guests of the Electrical Department were: G. Nelson, S. Gecan, R. Rogers, D. Griffin, G. Andrews, T. Lanigan, J. Michnick, E. Pardell, L. Rasmussen, F. Henningsen, A. Raddatz, A. Schmaehl, J. Bloomberg, C. Mimmack, H. Geier, J. Bourne, C. Stahle, E. Boyle, T. Kelly, and R. White. The dinner committee consisted of R. Dorgan, K. Mikota, C. Malottke, R. Booth, J. Lamb, H. Anderson, W. Rehder, R. Bieniasz, W. Kopke, S. Charleton, R. Ferguson, M. Cook, B. Jau-man and Chairman H. Coyne. Toastmaster E. Tegtow did a fine job. There were 209 guests present at the dinner. We are looking forward to next year, when we expect the dinner to be held on a Friday night . . . By the time this goes to press we will have had another retirement, Inspector CLYDE PETERSON will leave on June 1. Mr. Peterson will have 43 years of service . . . At this time I must mention that your co-reporter, WILLIAM

REHDER, has become a grandfather for the 4th time. AUDREY JOANNA, daughter of RHONDA and CHARLES LINDLEY was born March 18 at Greensboro, No. Carolina . . . Sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to CHARLES PARK, JOHN O'DONNELL, FRANK CASTRIE, and WILLIAM HOOVER . . . M. COOK and his wife spent some vacation time at Hot Springs, Arkansas. MIKE RICKSON spent his vacation sitting on his back porch enjoying Chicago's ever changing weather. LEROY KUTCHINS and his wife enjoyed a trip to Hawaii. Mr. and Mrs. H. COYNE had a nice trip to Cincinnati, Ohio. JOHN DARCY will be the first of us to visit Expo 67 and will be able to give the rest of the gang all the information they need for their summer trek to the Fair. A WILMONT and his wife visited New Orleans and Ormond, Florida.

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

ENGINEERING -

DANIEL HIRSCHFELD, his wife, EILEEN, and daughter, HELEN, three years old, welcomed DEBORAH on April 9. Congratulations to the happy family . . . JOE URBASZEWSKI and his fiancée received hearty congratulations from Joe's dad on Easter Sunday morning in the hospital when Joe presented the engagement ring. Joe's dad passed away on the following Friday. Our condolences to you Joe and your family.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

FOREST GLEN -

Hi, Men! Well our summer is rolling in on us and I suppose it won't be too long 'till we all hear those fishing tales . . . Recently Operator H. P. BOWERS won \$500 at his V.F.W. Post. How about that! And he wasn't even aware of it. Oh, well, he's planning on using it for a good cause, on the Mrs. . . . ANDREW LEE was in the hospital for ulcers. Understand he had a great time with his nurses. But the doctor and Lee didn't see eye to eye. The doctor had a hard time keeping our fine friend in bed for his health. Our last news was Lee won out. But his doctor was glad to get rid of him . . . DANIEL COSTLEY, son of LAWRENCE COSTLEY, made repairman, and is now at North Avenue. Good luck, Daniel, maybe one of these days we'll be able to have you at Forest Glen . . . Recently while yours truly was out driving I happened to spot our fine friend, COLBURN, and his lovely wife, RUBY, walking hand in hand. It looked nice to see a couple who seemed so happy together. I hope you both walk through the rest of your lives like that . . . To Supervisor CARL SORENSSEN, a happy belated birthday. You still look about 39. Understand Carl and the Mrs. will be married 41 years in a few months. Supervisor Sorensen is better known for his smile, always having a kind word and his readiness to help all . . . Supervisor JOHN "Swede" ANDERSON just returned from a two-week vacation in sunny Florida. The rest seemed to agree with old John. Welcome back . . . These are the names of our new supervisors, BILL LANE and PETE O'SULLIVAN--the best of luck men . . . Condolences to GEORGE EDWARDS who recently lost his mother . . . To our operators and repairmen in the military service of the U.S. we send the word that we are all behind you. No "Vietniks" in our group. Fly the Flag Memorial Day . . . On vacation are night owls Clerk HERB SCHMITT and Clerk LES RAGE. Enjoy yourself men . . . HOWARD "Lucky" BOWERS, the ace of Austin Boulevard, is happy these days--besides pick-

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ing a good run he has luck to prove it . . . Operator BILL HUKILL was presented a beautiful baby daughter on April 3. Mrs. PEGGY HUKILL says Bert stood up just fine during the ordeal. The best to the new arrival . . . Operator BERG's daughter, CAROLYN, was married at St. Martha's church in Morton Grove April 22. The fellows at Forest Glen wish the newlyweds a life of happiness . . . Why does Operator N. E. MACY still have the price tag on his car after 6 months? Of course he may have stock in the company . . . STANLEY SKIBA had his first grandson. More will follow, Stanley. We'll have to get used to calling you grandpa now . . . GEO-RGE FUENTES and family are planning on a trip to Canada to see the World's Fair. It's about time he spends that money that he's carrying around in his shoe . . . Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BECK will be having a large party April 16 when this fine couple will be celebrating their 35th anniversary. Many, many more folks . . . We have two new pensioners--Operators EMMETT KANE and EARL COX. Have a rest fellows and don't forget to drop by for a visit. Good luck, boys . . . Final standing for attendance award at the monthly union meeting for the year of 1966-67: Forest Glen was second. Let's make the top spot this year. We need a little more help from some of the men who have failed to attend. ANDY KOHLER and ED STOBART send their thanks to all who made this possible . . . Be sure to see your Credit Union for that new car and vacation expenses. Always at your service . . . Received a card from our fine friends, LEWIS and LEANA TIGNAC, who spent several weeks touring the West. They had a ball in Los Angeles, California. Tignac is one of our early morning clerks--the one with the big smile. Some card, Lewis . . . Operator and Mrs. PAUL A. BOETTIN on Saturday the 22nd of April celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Quite a time was had by all at the Jolly club. Sorry, folks, yours truly and the Mrs. couldn't make it. Maybe the next time. Lots of luck and another 25 years of happiness together . . . TED GALUS is up for election to the post of senior vice-commander of the Park Ridge VFW Post #3579 . . . Little Flower committee of Forest Glen station thanks the members for their fine response to the annual membership drive and the semi-annual Communion breakfast held in March . . . WALLY WARNER looks fine after retiring the first of the year.

- W. A. Henry (Don't call me Wilbur)

GENERAL OFFICE (Training & Accident Prevention) -

The stork had such a busy schedule recently that he became confused and delivered a new baby girl to the BURT BOSAN family two months ahead of time. Born April 6 at Lying-In hospital, little FAITH MARIE is doing just fine. Burt and his wife, EUCLYN, as well as the baby's two sisters, SHARON, age 14, GABRIELLE, age 3, and brother, BURT Jr., age 10, are delighted with the new addition to the family . . . On April 20 the stork was on schedule when he delivered another sweet little girl to the TED JUNG family at the Frank Cuneo Memorial hospital; she was named HEIDI LOUISE. Ted, his wife, BILLIE, and the baby's two sisters, LINDA, age 10, and CYNTHIA, age 8, are all dancing attention around her . . . JOSEPH O'SULLIVAN, his wife, HELEN, and two sons, MARTY and JOHN, spent the Easter vacation in Phoenix, Arizona. They also visited Nogales, Mexico, the Grand Canyon, Sun City, and Scottsdale. They explored Superstition Mountain looking for the lost gold mine--but had no luck. Then they tried Camelback Mountain where a mishap occurred which luckily was not too serious. Marty fell 30 feet when a rocky ledge gave

way. His right leg required 13 stitches. Nevertheless, they all managed to have a good time. Joe said his plane ride was terrific, which was made especially so by a delightful stewardess named MARY SULLIVAN--the luck of the Irish.

Your reporter received a nice card from Europe from Pensioner and Former Electrical Engineer CARL WOLF and his wife who, after finishing a prearranged tour through the near East, continued on their own after acquiring a car. They toured through Frankfurt, Germany, along the Rhine to Heidelberg and then through the Black Forest where they encountered a beautiful snowstorm. They crossed France east to west to the Atlantic then down to Paris and several other cities and towns. From there they went south to Spain, taking a trip through the Pyrennes Mountains, then down to Madrid and from there to Portugal. What a nice way to spend some retirement time . . . News of another busy pensioner arrived recently. This time it was WILLIAM T. ROSER, formerly of the Real Estate Department. Bill and two other scout leaders of Lake County had the Silver Beaver award conferred upon them at the annual scout leaders appreciation dinner of the North Shore Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center. Bill has been an active worker in the scout organization for more than 30 years in the Libertyville and Northwest District. Bill served as cubmaster for 13 years and served as a member of the district board of review and the council eagle board of review for more than 15 years. Very good, Bill, keep up the good work and we send you our best wishes.

(Insurance) -

THERESA LOCOCO and LEON MNICHOWICZ were united in marriage at St. Michael's church on April 15. A reception was held at the Jolly Club. The happy couple honeymooned in Florida. A dinner honoring Terry was given by the Insurance Department girls at the Homestead in Maywood just prior to the wedding. The office presented Terry and Lee with a clock radio as a wedding gift.

- Mary E. Clarke

KEDZIE -

The Illinois Credit Union League held their 37th annual convention at the Conrad Hilton hotel. Their meeting lasted three days and on Saturday, April 8, they held their banquet. About 5,000 persons attended from all over the state, they also had some representatives from Indiana, Wisconsin, and Michigan to get some points and views on how to conduct their credit unions in the same manner as Illinois'. The annual meeting committee included the following: General Chairman T. J. Heffernan, Kedzie Depot; Registration, Mary Chiero, Local 743; Entertainment, Robert A. Kratt, Farmall Credit Union; Educational Display, John T. Harkins, North Shore Gas Employees Credit Union, and Group Discussions, Robert R. Kramka, Illinois Credit Union League. Operator Ted Heffernan opened the meeting with a speech of welcome to all. His address to the banquet was truly a speech of art. Congratulations to you, Mr. T. J. Heffernan, on your accomplishments, and for the hard work you put in the credit union league. Operator Heffernan is also president of the Kedzie Credit Union. Mrs. Heffernan held a little party afterwards, everyone enjoyed themselves . . . Mr. and Mrs. EDWIN HOLLER are vacationing in Chicago. They surprised us at Galewood church, where they are members. The Hollers now live in Los Angeles, California. They'll be in town for two

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weeks. Edwin has a vendors business in L.A., he is a former operator out of Kedzie, he stopped at the depot to say hello to some of his buddies, it was sure good to see him. I hope the Hollers have a better flight back home, when they came to Chicago they were just behind the tornado that hit us and they were grounded three times and it took them about eight hours to get here, while the flight was to be only 3 1/2 hours . . . Superintendents E. PETERSON, G. PAYTON, and G. DAUBS send their congratulations to all operators and our Repair Department in keeping our buses in top shape. Kedzie won first place in the 1st quarter of 1967, a job well done by all. We had coffee and rolls and a drawing for some wonderful gifts and an ash tray was given to everyone. Instructor JERRY KNOPF is proud of Kedzie's record, and says keep up the good driving habits. As I am making this issue in April we have eight zero days of no accidents, maybe we can beat April of 1966 . . . Instructing Supervisor ARTHUR L. KRICKOW of the Training School at 2660 N. Clark street retired May 1. He stopped at Kedzie to say so long. It was good to see him. When he was a supervisor Kedzie was in his district; he had a good talk with Superintendent E. PETERSON. I happened to be in the office at the time and we talked about the streetcars, and when Pete was a supervisor; the good old days are gone but not forgotten . . . Also going on pension May 1 were our chief receiver, KENNETH BURREL, who had 36 years of service, and our chief janitor, MICHAEL J. McNAMARA, who had 38 years of service. We send both of you our best for many happy years in your retirement . . . Congratulations to PATRICIA FRASSICO, who is engaged to be married to BILL SKINNER on the 17th of June. May the years ahead of you both be nothing but happiness. Patricia is the daughter of Operator C. J. FRASSICO . . . While making up this month's issue, still on the sick list are the following Operators: F. J. VALEK, T. McNAMARA, and TED J. HEFFERNAN; hope to see you back on the job soon . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of pensioner PATRICK SCANLON who passed away March 31, to Retired Motorman THEODORE BECK and his family, and our deepest sympathy to Mrs. MOORE on the loss of her husband, THOMAS MOORE. Mr. Moore was superintendent of operating stations for the CTA and was retired. Requiem high mass was held at St. Hilary church . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to receiver FRANK FOURNIER, whose sister, Mrs. C. MANLEY, lost her life in the tornado that hit Chicago April 21 . . . I have a correction in my last issue, I welcomed Operator TONY SHEVCHUK back to work and I spelled his name wrong. I sure took the rib on that one . . . Vacation time is here, drive careful and let us hear about your trips. Our readers would like to read of your experiences or the large fish you caught . . . Congratulations to Operator L. GASKILL and his lovely wife, ELLEN, they will celebrate their 36th wedding anniversary, we wish them many more . . . Congratulations to MARGARET ANN LARSEN, she was married to ROBERT G. MAHONY May 13. Margaret Ann is the daughter of Board Member and Operator WILLIAM G. LARSEN. Many years of happiness to you both and may all your wants and dreams in married life come true.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Hi ya gang; have you applied for your World Series tickets yet. Of course we anticipate the Series to be an all Chicago event. I wonder what was in that coffee I just drank--I'm having all kinds of hallucinations . . .

All the fellows share in the good feelings of Operator GORDON TAYLOR, whose son, RONNIE, has returned from Viet Nam bringing with him the Purple Heart award. So don't call Gordie "Short Pants" Taylor anymore, because he feels 10 feet tall . . . Speaking of being 10 feet tall brings to mind that Operator DON FREY's daughter, SHARON, gave birth to a darling baby girl answering to the name of DAWN. A slight misnomer, however, for this is Frey's fourth grandchild . . . The stork had to take a bundle to Operator DORSCH and his wife, THERESA, March 9 . . . Sorry 'bout that department, but the line to the birthday bells was broken last time so here's belated greetings to EVELYN EVON COOPER, wife of mechanic WILLIE COOPER; you fellows know big Coop, so you know how sorry I am for being late. Also greetings, to C. ALLEN, April 29. The wife of big BILL KNUDSEN, GAIL, celebrated her 17th??? birthday April 29. And happy birthday to Operator GEORGE KARRAS, May 26; Operator McGHEE, May 24; Operator KUGELBERG, April 26 . . . Bouquets and Boutonnieres department: one year size to Operator KOHLER and JUDI May 14. Lucky seven year greetings to Operator MENSON and MAE, May 15. Operator LOUIS HAYNES and DORIS, good wishes may 16. Operator ART BERLINGUETTE and his wife, DOROTHY, struggled through to their first anniversary May 21--just kidding, folks. Last but by no means least, special greetings to Operator CLIFFORD "Pete" PETERSON and his wife, HARRIET. It's 39 years for these two--now you know why Pete limps . . . Special greetings and salutations to garagemen PAUL DEVINE and JAMES NELSON . . . Congrats to Operator BOB POWELL on becoming vice commander of V.F.W. Post #2298 . . . Fellows, would you believe that Operator EDGAR was made--now get this--chaplain of V.F.W. Post #6366 of Northlake . . . The sad, sad story of the month award goes to Operator ED CAJDA who has vacationed three times before in Arkansas, but this time he gets lost enroute and also ran out of gas. Finally reaching his camp, the generator didn't work--no lights--power, etc., of course he didn't have to worry about water because there was plenty of good fresh rain--fresh everyday. At last reports though the fish were biting real well--in Wisconsin that is. Can't wait 'til Ed returns to see if he got a ticket coming back home . . . When Superintendent DE WITT undertakes anything, he doesn't believe in halfway measures. He's going all the way to Hawaii for his hula hoop lessons . . . Thinking of Operator BROWNING brings this little tidbit to mind, "The only way to entertain some folks is to listen to them." Bye for now.

- Ernest C. Carter



RAPID TRANSIT Supervisor ARTHUR SIM and his wife are very elated as well as busy with preparations for the elaborate August wedding being planned by their son, JAMES A. SIM of the CTA Police, and Miss LINDA PHELPS of Oak Park. Linda (pictured here) is a school teacher.

NEW PENSIONERS

FAUST BALCARCEL, Carpenter,
South Shops, Emp. 4-30-29
RAYMOND BROOKS, Mail Clerk,
Office Services, Emp. 9-14-26
KENNETH H. BURNELL, Receiver,
Kedzie, Emp. 10-7-31
JOHN BURNES, Chauffeur,
Utility, Emp. 4-10-34
SAM CARTER, Laborer,
South Shops, Emp. 9-29-30
MARY CASSELLS, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 6-23-41
CHARLES CATINO, Laborer,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 4-5-37
EARL R. COX, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 3-21-27
EDWARD DION, Operator,
69th Street, Emp. 12-28-28
HARRY EITEL, Motorman,
61st Street, Emp. 3-15-26
ROBERT HEIDENBLUT, Carpenter Foreman,
Building, Emp. 12-31-20
FRED HUSTON, Porter,
North Section, Emp. 12-11-23
EMMETT KANE, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 11-18-36
JAMES KELLEHER, Cleaner,
Lake Street, Emp. 2-8-44
RAYMOND KENALEY, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 2-10-43
ARTHUR KRICKOW, Supervising Instructor,
Instruction, Emp. 9-16-29
VITO LATROFA, Laborer,
Building, Emp. 2-18-43
MARTIN LAUGHLIN, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 4-13-45
JOHN McKEE, Cleaner & Repairman,
Archer, Emp. 5-15-26
MICHAEL McNAMARA, Janitor,
Kedzie, Emp. 9-10-29

JOHN O'BRIEN, Conductor,
Kimball, Emp. 1-11-40
CLARENCE OVERMAN, Supervisor,
West Section, Emp. 6-11-26
WALTER PASSOT, Stock Clerk,
South Division, Emp. 9-5-29
CARL SCHNOOR, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 6-5-25
FRANK THOMPSON, Information Clerk,
Transportation, Emp. 4-29-43
SAMUEL VON HUBEN, Repairman,
69th Street, Emp. 2-10-20
CARL WALDMANN, Stock Clerk,
South Division, Emp. 4-7-30
PATRICK WALSH, Cleaner & Repairman,
Limits, Emp. 5-13-42

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

JOHN C. HARTMANN, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 5-24-41
JAMES P. HOWLETT, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 11-18-26
THOMAS J. KELLY, Operator,
Limits, Emp. 11-11-36
ARTHUR C. KING, Investigator,
Special Investigations, Emp. 10-30-44
VALENTINE KROPFEL, Collector,
77th Street, Emp. 11-6-25
LEO J. LUCAS, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-8-42
ROBERT McCARTHY, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 8-17-45
ERVIN MORRENTZIN, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 2-24-48
TONY MORTELLARO, Laborer,
Building, Emp. 6-30-43
JOSEPH WIESMEYER, Cleaner & Repairman,
Forest Glen, Emp. 10-18-20

LAWNDALE -

BILL MOSER is busting the buttons on his vest these days because his grandson is pitching for St. Mels High school and doing a wonderful job, and to make things better, his name is also BILL MOSER . . . "STACH" HYERCZYK said he wants to stay on 18th street as he never had it better. His wife was seen bringing a hot lunch to his bus the other day--I guess that's the reason . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of THOMAS F. MOORE, retired superintendent of operating stations, who was buried Saturday, April 29, and to CHARLES PASTERNAK in the loss of his wife, LILLIAN, buried Thursday, April 20, and to the family of MAURICE BARRETT, buried Wednesday, April 5, and to FRANK BELLINO in the loss of his father-in-law, JOHN MAENTANIS, buried March 26 . . . And to the brighter side, a bouncing baby boy was delivered to the home of Mr. and Mrs. LAWRENCE WALKER . . . And Supervisor and Mrs. LARRY BIRMINGHAM are proud grandparents of a bouncing baby boy one more time . . . Three of our men took their pensions on April 1, HAROLD BLOOM, TOM KURAS, and Instructor ED HAVLICEK. Come and pay us a visit fellas! . . . And the welcome mat is out for our new instructor, JOE STEINBOCK . . . At our Union Meeting of Division #241 Lawndale hit the jack pot in

cash prizes--\$10 each for HERB BYERS, BILL KLECKA, and JOE JERRIS, and \$5 each for ED KAWCZYNSKI and LARRY KEATING (Me). I would say the luck of the Irish! . . . We hear that Night Superintendent S. BITELE is up and around again. We all wish you a speedy recovery . . . STANLEY MICEK had a birthday with a big celebration on April 12. He wouldn't say how old he was, but we all know he is old enough to vote . . . Just who is "Twinkle toes?" . . . See you later.

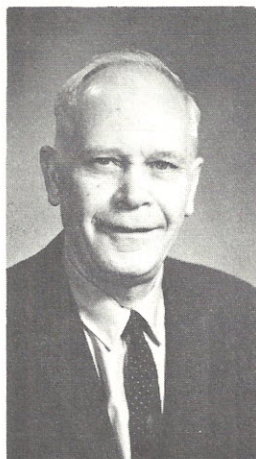
- Larry Keating

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

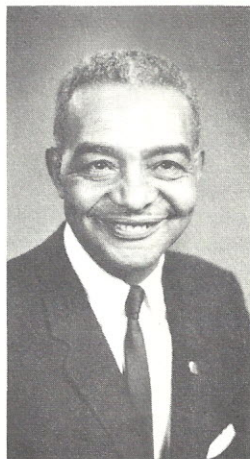
We are glad to see Miss LEONE NELSON back to work after an extended illness . . . Agent DOROTHY FORD's mother has been very ill in Lyons Community hospital but is better at this writing . . . Agent BERT LINNE is carrying pictures around of his little granddaughter, TAMMY. We agree with him--she is a little doll . . . We are going to step out of our territory and wish Loop Supervisor C. E. OVERMAN and West Shop Foreman BOB HIEDENBLUT much happiness in their recent retirement . . . MARY BURROWS' son, MIKE, started training with the U.S. Marines on May 22. We

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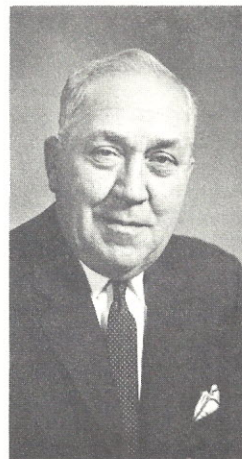
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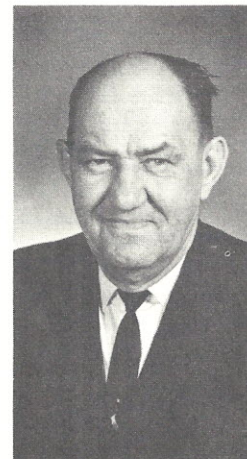
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47 Years



FRED HUSTON
43 Years



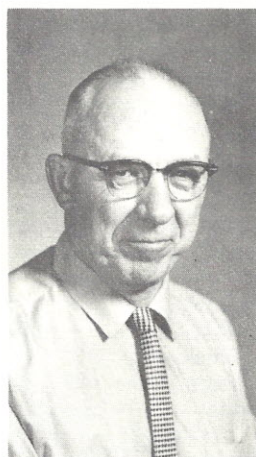
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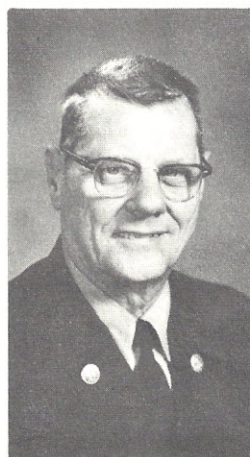
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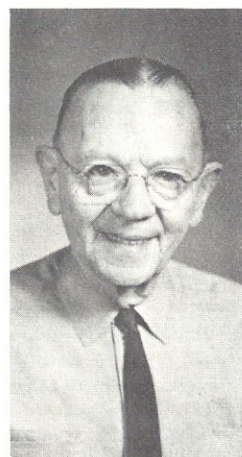
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40 Years



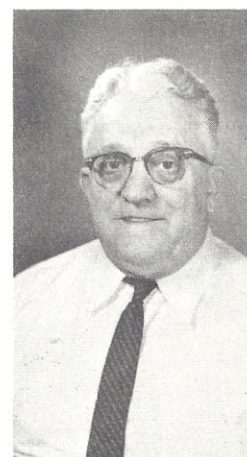
JOHN MC KEE
40 Years



EARL COX
40 Years



CARL SCHNOOR
41 Years



VALENTINE KROPFEL
41 Years

wish him the best . . . Help! We need news, so you West Siders who have graduations, confirmations, communions, weddings, birthdays, or what have you in the line of news, please get in touch with your reporter and let us print it so all your friends can share the happy occasion.

- Helen Pallister

LIMITS -

We were happy to see PETER KEANE who paid us a visit here at Limits. Keane has been retired since November, 1964. He looks fine and is enjoying his pension to the fullest. He is planning to visit Ireland some time in the future . . . Pensioner L. L. SMITH is active since his retirement, doing quite a bit of travelling in the United States and foreign countries. He sends his best regards to all of the men . . . Pensioner CHARLES RITTER, 81 years of age, has had two operations and is facing another one soon. Charley is always happy to hear from his friends at Limits. He now lives at 3139 - 9th St. Boulder, Colorado 80301 . . . SAM WILSON is back on the active list again after being off three weeks due to illness. He is planning on spending his vacation down in Texas where he was born and raised . . . In the

hospital at this writing are JACK HEAD who is in Veterans West Side hospital and LEONARD MAYES who is in Alexian Brothers hospital. A speedy recovery to you fellows . . . Our sincerest sympathy to ANTHONY FINOCCHIA in the loss of his dear father who passed away in California at the age of 78 years . . . Mr. and Mrs. C. F. WELLS grand-daughter, TERRI SAARI, made her Confirmation on March 19 at St. Luke church which was followed by an open house at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. HENRY SAARI. On April 8 Well's son, WALTER, who is a patrolman at Town Hall station, was married to ALICE KEARN and they spent their honeymoon in the Wisconsin Dells. Congratulations to the happy couple and grand-daughter, Terri.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Another year has rolled around and here we find we are wishing happy birthdays to little NANCY WIXTED, daughter of Agent MARY WIXTED, and little CANDY, the adopted granddaughter of Agent W. STRASSER. Happy birthday to Sister MARY JOSUE, daughter of Agent G. YARDLEY, also to Agent DAVID GRAFFMAN who had a

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birthday in May and doesn't look one day over 39. Agent JULIA MARTINEZ had a birthday in March and didn't let us know. So belated birthday greetings, Julia. . . Agent M. HAASE is a line instructor and a very good one we must say. Mora even went out and bought new glasses so she could catch the students' errors at a glance. . . April 28 came around and found Porter ANDY FRECINO very excited and happy. His brother arrived in the U. S. from Italy. Andy's next big day will be in September or October when his mother will be here. . . Agent M. RAFTERY bought a new car and is riding around in class. Your little car is real cute Mary and we all wish you good luck with it. . . Wedding congratulations to Agent JULIA MARTINEZ and her husband on their 26th anniversary. Agent SHERLA MURPHY and her husband, PAT, on their first anniversary. Also to KATHLEEN GRADY and her husband on their second anniversary. And lots of good luck to the Gradys in their new home in Oak Park. . . Agent W. STRASSER is planning his weekends on a boat this summer. Lets hope the water is calm or Wilburt will be a very sick agent. . . ELEANOR FILIPEK, youngest daughter of Agent JOHN and Mrs. FILIPEK, will graduate June 1 from Sacred Heart Grammar school. She will then go to Tilden High where her two older sisters go. . . Agent McNALLY is going to spend his vacation in Ireland this year. He says he will kiss the Blarney stone. Really, you don't have to do that. Good Luck and safe returns. . . On the sick list at this time are Agents W. CAIN, A. HILDBOLD, L. MORRIS, R. DONOHUE, D. HARRINGTON, C. HALL, and Porters O. THOMAS and E. BUNTON. Returned to work are G. VINZENS, assignment agent, also Agents M. BROWN, A. BOOTHROYAL, and J. CARNEY. . . Porter L. GORDONHAY is taking it very easy now and is feeling much better. . . Trainman W. HAWKINS is still off but hopes to be back at work in a few days. . . Its good to see Porter O. BUCHANAN back on the job. And sorry to see him leave Madison and Wells on the new pick. . . Now that we have daylight saving time and vacation time is here let us in on the places you visit in the next several months. This could give others an idea for vacations or long weekends.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

Operator NORMAN E. GNADT and his wife, LORRAINE, again became grandparents when their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. VITO BATTAGLIA, became the parents of KEITH MICHAEL on April 22, at Gottleib hospital. They have two other grandchildren, THOMAS MICHAEL and SCOTT ALAN GNADT. . . Pensioner FRANK BRAMAN is a great-grandfather for the third time. Congratulations to all parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents. . . Operator BERNARD PEARSON and his wife, CECILIA, announced the marriage of their daughter, BERNADETTE, to WILLIAM NORRIS on April 22 at Our Lady of Victory church. Our best wishes to the newlyweds. . . Operator STEVE SOVISS spent three weeks at Hollywood, Florida. . . Operator PETER GERHARZ and his wife, BLANCHE, visited Sarasota, Florida. They traveled by jet. They watched the White Sox working out. . . Operator BARNEY SCHOLZ visited, too. . . Operator LEO PLUSKOWSKI and his wife, EVELYN, visited Pensioner HAROLD LAMIEUX at Wautoma, Wisconsin. Leo tells us that Harold's house was struck by lightning which did considerable damage. We are glad to know that Harold was not injured. . . Chief Clerk EUGENE PETERSON and his wife, MABLE, are taking a jet flight to New York and

from there to Iceland. Then they will visit Stuttgart, Germany, and Austria, Switzerland, France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and then home. . . Operator RAYMOND HOROSZKO and his wife, DOLOR-ES, spent two weeks at Miami Beach, Florida. . . Operator CARL BENGSTON and his wife, THELMA, left O'Hare Airport on April 22. Their first stop was Paris, France, then on to Switzerland, Germany, Denmark, and Bergen, Norway, where they visited Thelma's sister, MILDRED BERLAND, for a month. On the way back they stopped in England. . . Foreman ERNEST PEARSON, Lawndale Depot, and his wife vacationed in the Southwest to do some visiting and fishing. . . Congratulations to Pensioner EINAR WINDFELD on his 70th birthday April 14. . . Thanks to FLORENCE BLAKE, wife of Collector JERRY BLAKE, for the hospitality and delicious food. Jerry is very anxious to get his corn planted on his farm at Michigan City, Indiana. Jerry loves it there and would, if he could, spend all his spare time there planting. Florence digs the hole and Jerry drops the seed in. He plans to bring lots of it back this year so we can all sample it. . . Pfc. RONALD BEDOE, formerly of the Repair Department, now in Vietnam, sent home a film and recording. Among other interesting things, the Vietnamese woman who cleans the barracks and does the laundry for that company, sang a Vietnamese song and several other songs. . . Receiver JIM MCGANN and his wife and son visited San Francisco, Las Vegas, and spent a week in Honolulu where they planned to meet their son who is in service. Uncle Sam had different plans for him and he had to stay in Vietnam. . . We received a welcome letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS. He tells us that Pensioner EARL READY spent the winter months in Florida. Pensioner GEORGE BUTLER will return to Chicago. He also heard from Pensioners EDDIE HANSEN, FRANK COLEMAN, and JACK KRAUSE. All report a good winter down Florida way. Pensioner HERB OUMETTE of Sun City, California, says his part of the country can't be beat for winter sunshine. Pensioner "Diamond Paul" SIMON is thinking of leaving Arizona and moving back to his summer home in Minnesota. Bill had a visit from Pensioner JERRY RING and a few days later a visit from Pensioner ART HALEK. He also had a visit from JOE LYNCH and GEORGE WYERS of the Schedule Department, who were enjoying the golf. Pensioner KELLY LUSSEM is improving but still is confined to bed. He would be very

THE FISH are biting in Arkansas, as is evidenced by this picture of Limits Station Operator STEVE HANDY and his son-in-law, JOHN BALOUSEK. Both are displaying with pride the string of bass which they caught in the White River.



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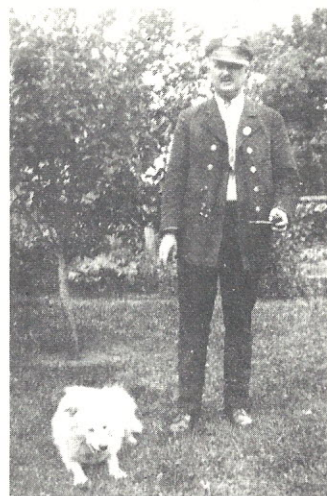
happy to hear from the old-timers. We are always happy to receive Bill's interesting and newsy letters . . . Operator HAROLD HIGHTOWER is recovering from surgery. Instructor WILLIAM KENNEDY was in Oak Park hospital. Operator GILBERT McKINZIE's wife was in the hospital. We wish all a speedy recovery . . . Operator HANS HABBESTAD was observed turning in his money without a cigar in his mouth. Asked how come and he explained he got a different run and these people haven't "popped" yet, but they'll come around. At his age he isn't about to start buying . . . Operator FRANK KOLEZ's son, FRED, was promoted to assistant treasurer of the Yellow Cab company. Congratulations . . . Welcome to new Operators FRED COFFEY, JOSEPH FENN, CARLOS GARCIA, CHARLES CARTER, ROBERT NELSON, JOSEPH JEMISON, ARTHUR HAWKINS, CHARLES DENNY, and KARL FLEISCHACKER . . . Operator HENRY RICHTER passed away March 30. Pensioner STANLEY WILEWSKI departed this life April 6. Operator EDGAR POSEY lost his son April 16. Former Operator THOMAS NOLAN passed away April 21. We extend our deepest sympathy to these families. Those of you who are taking trips for Memorial Day drive carefully, don't become a statistic. The roads will be crowded with careless drivers and speeders . . . When anything important happens to any of you, we would like to have the news for the column but we have no way of getting it unless you let us know. Let us hear from you.

- Bill Miedema

NORTH PARK -

North Park Depot tied for third place with Kedzie Depot in the union attendance contest and won another plaque for the station. Board members SCHOLL and LASKE extend their thanks to everyone who helped make this possible. Operators DON HEANEY, MARTY MOCK, and WARREN RILES won cash awards in the drawings on the door prizes . . . North Park was represented by 80 operators and their wives at the 1967 Festival of Leadership Scholarship Banquet held May 5 at the Conrad Hilton hotel. Father PAUL HOBAN wishes to thank all who participated in this event which helps 400 boys to be educated as Carmelite priests and spiritual leaders of tomorrow . . . With the coming of summer all operators are cautioned to be careful of children who will be out of school and playing in the streets . . . The Green Berets baseball team of North Park Depot, managed by Operator BUTCH VAN MIDDLESWORTH, will again play at Welles Park and will be glad to schedule our other garages to games. TOM SANSOME, son of Operator TONY SANSOME, was a member of the championship basketball team of Margate Park and has added another trophy to the overstuffed trophy case in the Sansome home. Tony's youngest son, GREGORY, was inducted into the U.S. Navy and is now stationed at Treasure Island in San Francisco, California . . . CATHY SPEDALE, eight-year old granddaughter of Operator HENRY SCHRAMM, made her first communion on April 29 at the St. Francis Borgia church . . . Operator JOE EIFFLES has purchased a 1967 Ford LTD and is now looking for new worlds to conquer . . . Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN has a new 1967 Ford Galaxie and will be making those trips to the Land of Sky Blue Waters more often in the future . . . KATHY LITTAU, daughter of Operator FRANK LITTAU, was graduated April 23 from the University of Dayton where she majored in Journalism. I hope Kathy will give me a few tips on how to make this column a bit more interesting in the future . . . Supervisor RON MICKELS won a large sum of money in the

CELEBRATING HIS 70th birthday April 14 was pensioner EINAR WINDFELD, who sent in this 42-year old picture of himself. Einar is shown here in his Surface Lines uniform in 1925, when he was working as a motorman from the old Armitage Avenue car barn.



recent Irish Sweepstakes and is passing out cigars to his friends as a bonus . . . Operator HAROLD HARMER, cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 3012, sponsored by the Bethany United Presbyterian church, is busy preparing 40 boys for the Cub Scout Indian Pow Wow to be held in Humboldt Park June 10. Harold's three sons, HOWARD, DOUGLAS, and RICHARD, are all active with the pack, as is Mrs. HARMER who acts as the pack's secretary . . . Operator BILL SEIFERT, the grand old gentleman of Kedzie-Homan, was presented with a large Easter cake by a group of girls who are daily riders on his bus . . . Mrs. ELKENA KNIGHT, wife of Operator BILL KNIGHT, was at St. Elizabeth's hospital for major surgery and at this writing is convalescing at home. Bill would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who donated blood for Elkena . . . ARESTEDS ANTHONY, son of Operator GREGORY ANTHONY, who is four years of age and a kindergarten pupil at St. Demetrius school, was judged the number one scholar for work in coloring and exercising work in class . . . Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, are enjoying their weekends with excursion trips to Niagara Falls, Canada, and Minnesota, where they sadly report that Chicago has more snow and the weather is just as cold. . . Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI, his wife, GERTRUDE, and children, ANN and JEFFERY, were recent guests on Bozo's Circus which is televised on WGN. The children were awarded prizes and a great time was had by all . . . GARY KEMP, son of Operator CHARLIE KEMP, was awarded his numerals from the Maine South High school track team. Gary participated as a member of the mile relay team and also is a running jumper . . . The Little Flower Communion breakfast held March 19 was well attended by North Park members. Special thanks from committee members are extended to Pensioners FRANK MADOCK, NICK MUENCHEN, DONALD GILL, ROY RAPP, MIKE PHILBIN, DAN MALONEY, and JOE (Lake Charge) GRASSL who never miss a service. Prizes were won by Frank Madock and Tony Bruno . . . Operators CHRISTIANSEN, KIRKWOOD, SVEIVEN, BENSON, and ANDERSON have formed a group and are holding discussions on how they might better serve the public and fellow operators. The gentlemen call themselves "The Believers" and resolve that the answers for living this life came from the word of God. Anyone interested in meeting for these discussions is to contact the above operators . . . Operator FRANK HESS was confined at Bethany Methodist hospital with a severe kidney infection and at this time is convalescing at home . . . KENNETH POSNER, son of Operator SAM POSNER, started his

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THE ENGAGEMENT of LINDA MARIE LACHER to PHILLIP D. WHITMAN was announced recently by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. HARRY LACHER. A spring wedding in 1968 is planned. Harry is a bus and truck mechanic at South Shops.

junior year at Southern Illinois university at Carbondale, Illinois, where he is majoring in accounting. . . Operators LEN BAEUCHLER, BOB KESSLER, and JOHN WEBER were winners of beautiful door prizes at the spaghetti dinner given by the Friends of Assumption church held in the M&M Club at the Merchandise Mart on April 18. . . Pensioner JOE GRASSL was a visitor at the depot and would like to see or hear from his many Chicago friends who will be out his way this summer. Joe's address is Route 4 - Box 2K, Edgerton, Wisconsin 53534. . . Superintendent C. W. KERR spent two weeks at his estate at Bonita Springs, Florida, where the fish are always glad to oblige. Mr. Kerr reports that the shrimp dinners at the American Legion Hall are as excellent as Operator FRANCIS GALLAGHER reported them to be. Operator HANK SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, drove to Florida on their vacation. Highlights of their trip were visits to Silver Springs, Cypress Gardens, Busch Gardens, with a visit to the Naval Base and a ride on the Conch train on a sightseeing tour of Key West. Visits were also made to Cape Kennedy and nine wonderful days were spent in Miami. Returning home, Henry was then summoned for two weeks of jury duty. . . Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, had their annual spring fishing excursion at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas. The Lemkes reported exceptional catches of Large Mouth Bass, with the largest weighing 7 1/2 pounds. Also on the agenda was an overnight visit with Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, of Forsyth, Missouri. . . Operator LEN BAEUCHLER vacationed in Phoenix, Arizona, where his mother and brother, EDWARD, reside. Len played several rounds of golf and made several visits to the race and dog tracks to help occupy his leisure time.

Operator RAY KENALEY started his pension May 1. Ray, who has been one of the most conscientious operators on Damen Avenue, is now going to devote his spare time to looking after Mrs. KENALEY. May your retirement years be a bed of roses, Ray. . . Operator AL SIEGEL became a grandfather for the first time when his daughter and son-in-law, TONY and SUZETTE PERTILE, became parents of a daughter named LISA MICHELLE, born March 16 at West Suburban hospital. . . Operator PAUL JOHN became a father for the second time when his wife, MARLIEN, gave birth to a son, PATRICK PAUL, born April 9 at Jackson Park hospital. . . Operator HAROLD SEDIN and his wife, SOPHIA, became grandparents for the 28th time when their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. DENNIS DEGELMANN, became parents of a son named DENNIS JUNIOR who was born April 10 at Swedish Covenant hospital. . . Operator STERLING O'NAN and his wife, BETTY, became grand-

parents for the second time when their daughter, CARLA SCHONBERG, and her husband, Doctor ALBERT SCHONBERG, became parents of a daughter named SUSAN who was born March 18 at Edgewater hospital. . . Operator LLOYD ST. JAMES became a father for the first time when his wife, ETHELYNN, gave birth to a daughter named JILL born April 13 at Evangelical hospital. Our congratulations to the happy parents and grandparents. . . Miss GLORIA ILLION, daughter of Operator RALPH ILLION, was married March 19 to RICHARD BTASHNE at Rabbi Michlove's study. The reception was held at LaMaisonette restaurant with immediate families and guests attending. The young couple toured the West on their honeymoon. . . Supervisor RON MICKELS and his wife, JO ANN, celebrated their tenth anniversary May 18 with dinner at the Black Forest restaurant and then Ron went back to his post at Limits Depot. . . Pensioner JOE GRASSL and his wife, FLORENCE, celebrated their 45th anniversary April 1 with another day of serving at the Veterans hospital in Madison, Wisconsin, where the Grassls put in many hours of helping service men. . . Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, their 30th March 14; Operator PETE DOLAN and his wife, ROSLEEN, their 9th; Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, their 15th; Operator JIM RENTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, their 27th and Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, their 20th. Congratulations to the above couples. . . Happy birthdays are extended to DON KAZAK, May 11; Operator SAM POSNER, May 15; ETHEL POSNER, May 22, and MARTIN STERN, May 26. . . Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Operator IRVIN PETERS on the loss of his father, Mr. ANTHONY PETERS, Operator JOHN MARCINIAK on the loss of his mother, Mrs. JULIA MARCINIAK, Receiver FRED MURBARGER on the loss of a son, and to the family of Pensioner JOE BERGTHAL. . . The welcome mat is extended to the college men who will be filling in as temporary help this summer. Let's all try and extend a welcome hand to these fine boys and make the job a little easier for them. . . Assistant Foreman HARRY DETTERY has returned to work after being off five weeks with different ailments. . . Relief Foreman FRED SCHMIDT has started the season by turning on the water at his summer home in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. All the men of the repair department will be invited for a cookout at a later date with Smitty picking up the tab for the outing. . . Repairman ROBERT GUYSENS received a new tray for his tools, but so far has refused to use it as he wants to keep it clean for future use. . . Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN and his wife, DOROTHY, toured the State of Florida on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Cypress Gardens, Weeki Wachee, Busch Gardens, a visit to Superintendent C. W. KERR's home at Bonita Springs, and a wonderful stay at Miami Beach. . . Repairman PAT WALSH, who has been off sick since January 1, is itching to get back and the gang hopes it will be soon. . . Repairman IRA BASHAM spent his spring vacation taking care of the lawn, trees, and flower beds. . . Repairman MATT HEAVEY and his wife, ROSANE, visited for a week with their daughter, Sister ROSE MATTHEW, who is teaching at St. Susan's School in Detroit, Michigan. . . Pensioner MATT ALLARE is in charge of the parking lot at the Big Pit Barbeque, located at Howard and Clark Streets. Matt's genial smile and courteous ways are a joy to behold. . . Bus Cleaners JOHN NEE and EDDY WARSAW are breaking in as repairmen and hope to be on the line soon.

- Melvin Horning

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NORTH SECTION -

Your scribe just returned from a 4,000 mile trip to Key West and saw the sights in seven other states . . . I hear Mr. CLIFFORD got locked in the washroom by a passenger--so don't forget to take the lock in with you next time . . . MARVIN HARRIS just became a grandpa again, this makes three grandsons for him. The BAR-THEN twins had a birthday May 1 . . . JOHN DURKIN is planning a month's trip to Ireland on June 5 . . . Mr. MORAN spent part of his vacation in Michigan and Missouri . . . We all extend our sympathy to TERESA STANTON, whose father passed away May 1. She returned to Ireland for the funeral . . . Our board member, HUGH HEGARTY, attended a union meeting in Urbana, Illinois, recently . . . After 43 years of service, Porter FRED-DIE HUSTON decided to take his pension on May 1 . . . On the sick list as of this writing are VIOLET WAGNER, MARY CASSELLS, PAT ROSENGARTEN, BRIDGET O'DONNELL, and EARL GILBERT. We all wish them a speedy recovery . . . J. C. WILLI became a proud grandpa on February 14 and it was his first . . . A. GINSER took a second honeymoon trip to Miami for two weeks . . . THERESA KEANE is leaving in June for County Downs, Ireland . . . MARIE PASS just returned from a vacation in the Bahamas . . . The North Side "L" baseball team plays every Sunday in Evanston. Come on out and play or watch. Contact I. MIKOLAITIS . . . Anyone having any news please leave it at Howard, Kimball, or contact your reporter at the Lawrence "L" station . . . AL MUSCATO returned from Florida recently where I heard he bought a new home.

- Grace Mounts

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

EDWARD JURIC's daughter, MARY ANN, was married to JOSEPH KLOC on April 8 at St. James church at 11 a.m. Mass. A reception was held at Robert and Allen's Banquet hall. Congratulations and best wishes to the couple . . . RICHARD GOLDSTEIN's son, RAY, was married in Anchorage, Alaska, to ASTRI SUHRKE of Oslo, Norway. They both teach Political Science at Alaska Methodist university . . . We apologize to JOSEPH BILLIS who mistakenly was named JOHN BILLIS in our last issue. We also wish Joseph much good luck in his new home . . . W. LOVELESS, outside checker, transferred to Training and Accident Prevention. E. GEHRKE left the CTA for other employment. Best wishes are extended to him. W. P. DEVEREUX flew to Chattanooga, Tennessee, to visit with his daughter, Sister WILLIAMETTE, and go sightseeing . . . GEORGE JOHANNES and JOE DeGRAZIA vacationed in and around Chicago. Their main activity was catching up with the house cleaning . . . JOE VIOLA and WALTER SCHWEINFURTH are busy cleaning on their vacation. Many happy returns of the day to ESTHER O'BRIEN who celebrated a birthday on May 2.

- Kathryn Batina

PURCHASING, STORES & SPECIFICATIONS (Purchasing) -

Welcome back to VIRGINIA RZEZNIK on her return from 10 days in Nassau and the Bahama Islands. While there she enjoyed viewing the calypso and fire dancers, and a boat cruise to some nearby islands where sightseeing and swimming were the order of the day . . . DARLENE VERHEECK and FRANK and LEE DE SUTTER had a great vacation in Deerfield Beach, Florida. They spent a great deal of time with WANDA and JACK KRAU-

SE, formerly with CTA and now living in Florida. They were very happy to meet RAY and DOROTHY PRYOR and MARGARET and ED NOVAK. Ray and Ed both work in the Transportation department.

(Stores) -

Wedding bells were ringing when on April 1 (and it was no joke) JANE COOPER became Mrs. WILLIAM URSO. The wedding mass was performed at St. William's church and an evening reception was held at the Garden Walk. The newlyweds then headed for a grand honeymoon in fabulous Las Vegas. We all wish Jane and Bill many years of happiness together.

(North Division) -

Had a real nice visit with old friends, BARNEY NIM-KAVAGE and CHARLIE KLIMCKE, who both retired several years ago but haven't forgotten us. They surprised us the other day by stopping in at Skokie. There were so many here they knew from West Shops that it was like a reunion. Both are enjoying their retirements.

(South Division) -

Best wishes for a long and happy retirement go to WALTER PASSOT and CARL WALDMANN. We'll miss you fellows--so drop in and see us whenever you can.

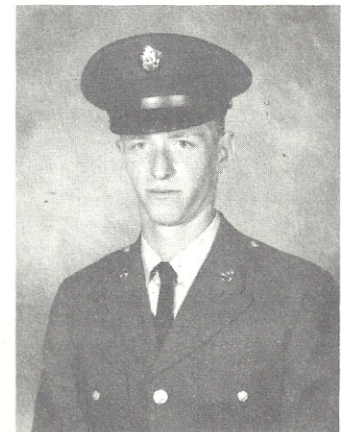
- D. Jane Bell

SKOKIE SHOPS -

JUNE MILAS, daughter of Carpenter JOHN MILAS, left with a group of high school girls on a week's tour of California . . . A warm welcome to MADELINE WENNES, clerk-stenographer, who recently joined the Technical Services RTD division at Skokie Shops . . . WILLIAM MICHALIK, air brake & axle foreman, is vacationing in Florida, and ROY LUNDQUIST, truck shop foreman, just returned from a fishing trip in Wisconsin . . . EMMETT NOLAN, retired electrical worker, is going to Florida to manage a motel. Good luck, Emmett . . . The annual Skokie Shops bowling match between the electrical workers and the machinists was bowled April 8. And the machinist won again this year. Following are the bowlers and their scores: Machinists - W. ONYSIO, 541; L. DREYER, 464; T. BOLDT, 549; A. KRZEMINSKI, 529; and D. TOPOLINSKI, 512, for a total of 2,615. Electrical Workers - D. BARR, 526; E. MORRIS, 457; J. DUNDOVICH, 469; J. BEDNARIK, 436, and E. ENGLAND, 518, making a total of 2,406.

- Everett E. England

HAVING COMPLETED his basic training at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Private KENNETH KAMKA has been reassigned to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he is attending the school for Pershing missiles. Private Kamka is the son of Mr. and Mrs. BEN KAMKA; Ben is a bus operator at Forest Glen station.



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SOUTH SECTION -

Boy this has been some year so far! First the big snow of January, then the horrible tornado of April. I sure hope that we have a nice summer . . . We had a few changes in our superintendents recently: Assistant Station Superintendent WILLIAM ROONEY was transferred to the West Section. We all shall miss him and we wish him good luck. Congratulations to JOSEPH TVRDIK who was appointed assistant station superintendent on the South Section and congratulations and welcome to MICHAEL LAVELLE who was appointed relief station superintendent . . . A big "hello" to these newly transferred trainmen from the North Section: RICHARD THOMAS, BERTRAM HARTFIELD, CLINTON JOHNSON, RICHARD CRANE, ROBERT JOHNSON, and ANTHONY O'BRYANT, and to newly hired Porters JAMES RANDLE and PETER EVANS . . . Congratulations to Switchman FRENCHIE ELLIS who was appointed instructor on April 2 . . . The spring Pension Agents Club dinner was held on April 9 at the Beverly Woods restaurant and they really treated us nice there. We had a lovely big room all to ourselves and a big family-style dinner of chicken and beef. Our usual crowd attended and we all had a good time visiting with each other and catching up with all the news of this last winter. A big bouquet to President LULU HAMANN and Secretary ROSE HEIDENBLUT who do such a wonderful job arranging these dinners . . . Regular Conductor WILBUR WAGENER, who had been on the sick list for several months, went on pension April 1. Everyone sends him their best wishes for a return to better health and better days . . . It is good to see these men back at their posts and off the sick list: Motormen HENRY HEISTERMAN and JAMES NORRIS, and Agents JOSEPH MURPHY and ARTHUR HYLAND . . . Best wishes to Porter ARTHUR WASHINGTON who was transferred to the West Section on March 20 . . . Sincere and heartfelt condolences to Agent ANNE TOMLINSON whose husband passed away recently, to Motorman WALTON BELL on the loss of his wife, to Conductor TYRONE BROWN on the loss of his son, and to Conductors WILLIAM DOHERTY and Agent WILLIAM STRATTON on the loss of their brothers . . . Assistant Station Superintendent JOE TVRDIK took a week of his vacation and went fishing down in the Ozarks. He said it rained most of the time and he didn't get as many fish as he usually does, but he's going back again on his next vacation and try and get the ones that got away this time . . . Agent SANDRA MITCHELL, who returned recently from the sick list, wishes to thank everyone for all the cards,

JOINING STANLEY NIEDOJADLO at the time of his retirement, April 1, are his fellow workers at the Lawndale Station Garage. Stanley, who retired as a bus cleaner, is shown receiving good wishes and a gift from the Lawndale Station day assistant foreman, A. M. KASMAN.



flowers, and calls she received while she was ill . . . Good luck to Agent ALONZO PRUITT who was transferred back to the surface division on April 16 . . . Just heard that Agent LILLIAN RUSSELL is in a rest home and would like to receive some cards from her agent friends. She is residing at Haven Rest Home, Beaver-ville, Illinois. Come on girls, send her a card.

Some more passenger commendations have come in for our boys: Conductor ROBERT NEALY was commended for his helpfulness and consideration to passengers, Trainman CLARENCE LEE received his second commendation for his audible and clear manner of announcing stations, and Conductor SIDNEY GOODMAN was commended for finding a woman's lost purse . . . We call Porter CLARENCE HALBERT the snake charmer now. One morning he was cleaning Loomis Street platform and he found a box and when he looked in it he found, to his amazement, a bull snake. He turned it in to the Lost and Found at Loomis Street and they called the Humane Society and they came and took the snake away. Ugh! The man who came for it had a farm and was going to take it there so the snake could get a new home. I've heard of and seen some funny things turned in to the Lost and Found, but this beats all. We think Clarence will think twice before he opens a carton or box again . . . Retired Towerman LEONARD DEGROOT and Retired Conductor ERNEST HARDWIDGE recently visited 61st Street to see and talk to the boys . . . Clerk JOHN BARRY and his wife are very happy and proud of their son, GENE, a former part-time agent who recently received a bronze star for 10 months of meritorious service in Viet Nam. Gene served as a rifleman and team leader until October, 1966. The citation mentions Gene's initiative, zeal, sound judgement, and devotion to duty. Gene is now general staff assistant of the Lakeview Office of Illinois Bell Telephone company . . . Retired Conductor FRED CHRISTIE and Retired Conductor FRANK HEROLD passed away recently. Our condolences to their families . . . Congratulations to Conductor PATRICK NOLAN and his wife who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in April . . . Good wishes are sent to Agent LUCINDA WEST who resigned recently . . . The men at Loomis Street had a get-together for Regular Motorman HARRY EITEL who went on Pension May 1. The charming Mrs. Eitel attended also. Harry had 41 years of service (and that's a long time). They are planning to take a trip to Arkansas for a little rest, but are coming back to Chicago to live. A token of remembrance was presented to Harry by his co-workers. Many years of happiness are wished Mr. and Mrs. Eitel. It was a nice spring day and many of our pensioners attended, including the following: Retired Motormen PAUL SCHILLE, EDWARD HENNESSY, HARRY BARTON, Retired Conductors WILLIAM MANNICH and THOMAS BEGGAN, Retired Division #308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, and Retired International Vice President PATRICK GANLEY. It was sure nice to see them.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

BOB HACKBARTH's son, ROBERT, recently was graduated from the University of Illinois with a bachelor degree in electrical engineering. Robert has accepted a position with the Edison company . . . TED WOSS spent part of his vacation with relatives in the great state of Texas . . . Technical Services welcomed BILL HAWORTH to the office after he turned his tool box in . . . TOM PAWLEY watched while the tornado winds knocked

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

MAURICE BARRETT, 54, North Avenue,
Emp. 8-26-37, Died 4-2-67
PATRICK BROWNE, 78, 77th Street,
Emp. 1-21-24, Died 3-13-67
FRED CHRISTIE, 76, 61st Street,
Emp. 7-2-24, Died 3-28-67
MARY DONOHUE, 76, 61st Street,
Emp. 3-6-44, Died 3-29-67
JAMES E. DOYLE, 71, 77th Street,
Emp. 9-4-23, Died 3-22-67
PETER FONTANO, 81, Way & Structures,
Emp. 9-18-18, Died 4-1-67
WILLIAM GOLDSMITH, 48, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-2-50, Died 3-28-67
MARY GRACE, 91, South Section,
Emp. 10-10-18, Died 12-17-66
HANS HANSEN, 86, North Section,
Emp. 4-5-06, Died 3-16-67
WILLIAM HAYES, 84, North Section,
Emp. 6-21-10, Died 3-10-67
GEORGE H. KERN, 73, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 7-25-24, Died 3-18-67
AUGUST C. KORTMANN, 79, Kedzie,
Emp. 11-30-08, Died 3-19-67
DOMENIK KRIVICICH, 80, 69th Street,
Emp. 4-8-07, Died 4-2-67
ANTON KUBAS, 77, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 5-24-19, Died 3-10-67
THOMAS LASKEY, 56, Archer,
Emp. 5-4-37, Died 4-20-67
JOHN F. MANTIA, 25, Engineering,
Emp. 7-7-59, Died 4-6-67
PATRICK E. MARRON, 73, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 8-22-23, Died 3-23-67
WILLIAM McLEAN, 77, South Shops,
Emp. 12-4-24, Died 3-22-67
JAMES MIKOTA, 78, Lawndale,
Emp. 8-15-11, Died 2-28-67

DENIS MORRISSEY, 86, Kedzie,
Emp. 3-30-04, Died 3-24-67
THOMAS NOLAN, 54, West Section,
Emp. 3-10-43, Died 4-20-67
THEODORE NOOR, 63, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-27-42, Died 3-17-67
WILLIAM OESTERREICH, 78, West Section,
Emp. 3-4-10, Died 3-21-67
HENRY O'TOOLE, 82, 77th Street,
Emp. 11-9-21, Died 3-25-67
JAMES N. PARK, 69, West Shops,
Emp. 10-21-26, Died 3-26-67
JOSEPH PERILLO, 59, Electrical,
Emp. 1-24-30, Died 3-26-67
FRANK PETROVICH, 49, West Section,
Emp. 7-13-46, Died 4-15-67
HENRY G. RICHTER, 63, North Avenue,
Emp. 11-12-48, Died 3-30-67
PATRICK J. SCANLON, 82, Kedzie,
Emp. 11-29-07, Died 3-28-67
HENRY C. SCHEFFUS, 70, West Section,
Emp. 5-14-17, Died 3-23-67
ARTHUR SCHOFF, 90, North Avenue,
Emp. 7-8-98, Died 3-22-67
JOHN V. TALALAY, 66, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 9-30-40, Died 3-8-67
MARTIN TOMAZAITIS, 87, Lawndale,
Emp. 10-15-09, Died 3-28-67
IRA TRAPPER, 58, North Section,
Emp. 9-25-42, Died 3-27-67
JOHN A. VOLKART, 74, Instruction,
Emp. 7-20-20, Died 3-11-67
LOUIS M. VOLPE, 57, South Shops,
Emp. 11-18-46, Died 3-23-67
LESLIE C. ZARTMANN, 67, North Avenue,
Emp. 4-1-20, Died 11-1-66

down a tree which took a corner of his garage with it. . . Best wishes to PAUL BROTT, who is in the hospital at this writing, and to JIM OOSTMAN, who is home recuperating. . . JAMES FIORITO, son of Mr. and Mrs. ADAM FIORITO, left for military service May 8. Jim had been working in the CTA Law Department. . . Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" ROSENDHAL vacationed in San Juan and St. Thomas recently. They visited the natives in the mountains and found time to do some rock hunting. The scenery was beautiful and so was the weather--70° and tradewinds all the time. They had the opportunity of seeing the harvesting of sugar cane and also enjoyed seeing all the wild, tropical bananas and other fruit native to the country. . . Congratulations and many happy years of retirement to FRANK BALCARCEL, whose last day was April 28. . . ED NAUSIEDAS spent a vacation in the snow at his summer home at Bass Lake. . . MIKE RUBY, retired machinist, paid a surprise visit to the shop to see the old gang. . . Congratulations to JIM STUVEE, whose proud father, HANK, reports he has made eagle scout. CAROLE SCHLOGEL, daughter of PHIL SCHLOGEL, was injured in the tornado by flying glass. We hope the cast is off by the time this magazine goes to press. . . The MAX HAMILTON's took a Florida vacation this year and Mr. and Mrs. "French" REGNIER motored to the Carolinas to visit their daughter and son-in-law. . . We understand that JIM MUDRA was not so fortunate and spent

his vacation digging foxholes in Bensenville. . . Belated get-well wishes to Mrs. LARRY VANCE, who is recuperating from a recent illness. Congratulations to JIM FELTZ, who transferred from a typist position to two desks away, as a shop clerk. Jim's cousin, FRANK GRAY, has left 77th Garage to become a mechanic apprentice. . . CHARLIE and LOU GRECO spent their vacation in Wanchese, North Carolina, fishing and relaxing. . . JIM MARRON recently welcomed both of his sons home from the service. ROBERT was home from Viet Nam on leave and RICHARD from Korea. Both boys are on military furlough from 77th Garage, and will be discharged in November. MIKE CASTIGLIONE and his father, FRANK, retired, are nearing the end of rebuilding Mike's home which was burned by vandals before the family had moved in. He expects to be in the home this fall. . . We're glad to have WAYNE MATEJKA and FRANK KLEIN, who recently transferred to become electrical apprentices. . . Our sympathy is extended to CHARLIE RILEY, retired machinist, on his tragic losses resulting from the Oak Lawn tornado. . . Mr. and Mrs. TED PIETRUS have announced the engagement of their daughter, JUDY MAY, to ROBERT MANNING. They plan a July 1 wedding and after the honeymoon, will reside in Washington, D.C. Robert is employed by General Electric and Judy is finishing a teaching assignment in Hawaii. . . Our sympathy is extended to the family of

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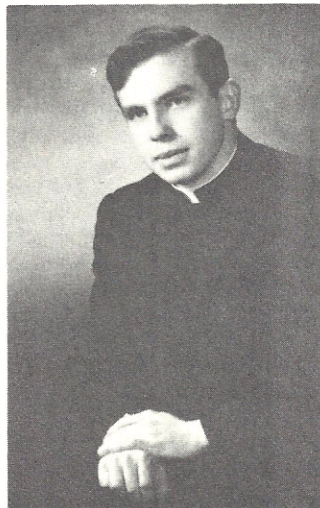
AL SUMA on the death of his father, FRANK, who was on pension after 43 years service as a surface conductor . . . Announcing a new eager beaver. Little ROBERT KENNETH just couldn't wait for the electric power to be restored and arrived at Little Company of Mary hospital at 9:30 p.m. on April 21, before his parents, the TOM KMANS were ready for him. The little "tornado" was welcomed home by five other brothers and sisters . . . The first prize winner of the picnic raffle was HANK RADTKE, followed by ERNIE NELSON, second, and JIM OOSTMAN, third . . . Mr. and Mrs. HARRY LACHER have announced the engagement of their daughter, LINDA MARIE, to PHILLIP D. WHITMAN. Linda is a senior at Thornridge High school. Her fiancé, a 1966 graduate of the same school, is employed by the Jewel Tea Company. A spring wedding in 1968 is planned . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to CHARLES KARKO and his family on the death of his brother, PAUL . . . Mr. and Mrs. JIM FORRESTAL had the honor of chaperoning the senior prom of the 1967 graduating class of Mercy High school. The prom was held at the South Shore Athletic Club. It was a lovely evening, and especially happy because JUDY FORRESTAL has been awarded a scholarship to Chicago Teachers college. Your scribes would like to take a moment to wish all the current graduates happiness and success in the future.

- Kathleen O'Brien & Al Haas

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

As of April 1 A. GARTSKA, Kimball, was added to the honor roll of pensioners after 24 years of service with the Chicago Surface Lines and the rapid transit. Best of luck to him in his future years . . . Congratulations to J. CANNELLA of Lake Street who became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter, LOUISE, presented him a grandson named JOHN MICHAEL . . . Word has it that J. CAPACCIO, Congress, received an award for a shop suggestion. Congratulations on the fine work and when do you start work for the \$10 dollar prize. It's good to see F. BENANTI, Congress, back at work after being off for a short illness. Now we have some one to do all that backed up entering . . . Get well wishes are extended to T. TOGHER from all the boys at Lake Street. They have a great big surprise waiting for Tom when he returns to work--all of his back work . . . Wishes for a complete and speedy recovery are sent to the wife of D. SANDUK, Congress, and the

CELEBRATING HIS first solemn Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians church on April 30 was the Reverend RAYMOND RAVEN, the son of Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY RAVEN. Father Raven attended Our Lady Help of Christians school, Quigley, and St. Mary of the Lake. Stanley is an electrical worker at Skokie Shops.



mother of J. CAPACCIO, Congress . . . It's good to hear that T. O'LEARY and A. PHILBIN of Kimball are recuperating at home and doing just fine. Hope to see them back at work real soon.

The event of the year occurred at Congress a short time ago when R. E. DANIELSON gave MATT COYLE one of his dirty stamps. Matt in turn cleaned the stamp and then traded it in for a new Dodge sedan . . . A hearty welcome was extended to G. ESTRADA, R. FELDMANN, and J. RUIZ, new car cleaners at Howard Street . . . A change in seasons brings a change in shop personnel. Repairmen W. McKAY and R. RAHN transferred from Lake Street to Kimball, Car Cleaner F. PAYNE transferred from Congress to Kimball and I. FARMER, car cleaner, moved from Howard to Congress . . . Spring vacations were enjoyed by: F. RAKSTIS, P. McCALL, H. LOOMIS, M. O'MALLEY, T. FRIEND, F. VELINSKIE, J. ANTONUCCI, C. DANSBY and N. LICHVAR of Wilson and S. MATURO, J. CANNELLA and R. FLOWERS of Lake Street.

- Ray Brzezczek

TRANSPORTATION (Mart) -

BOB QUETSCHKE, his wife, JUNE, and your scribe flew to Florida for a week of fun under the sun. We stayed with some very dear friends of ours, JACK and WANDA, at the KRAUSE Manor. Among our activities were swimming every day, sightseeing and visiting with quite a few CTA employees including retired Station Superintendent HERMAN ERICKSON and his wife. The deep sea fishing was most enjoyable, especially for Bob and myself as we both brought in nice size fish. We concluded our vacation by returning home sporting a beautiful tan and exhausted from a wonderful week . . . We received a card from MARILYN NEFFAS who also vacationed in Florida . . . The best of luck is wished to FRANK THOMPSON who took an early retirement beginning May 1. Welcome to our new information clerk, RUDOLPH HAAS, who is replacing him . . . The sympathy of the Transportation Department is extended to the family of THOMAS F. MOORE, retired superintendent of operating stations, who passed away on April 25. Mass was said at 9:30 a.m. at St. Hillary's church on Saturday, April 29. Mr. Moore was a man well liked by everyone. This was proven by the fact that in spite of the inclement weather many of his friends attended mass as a tribute to him . . . We would also like to extend our sympathy to the families of ROBERT QUETSCHKE on the recent death of his brother and JAMES BLAA whose mother-in-law recently passed away,

- Colette Szczepanek

WEST SHOPS -

BILL HEFFERNAN, our track foreman, spent a lovely two weeks of his vacation housebreaking his puppy dog . . . BOBBY HEIDENBLUT will be spending his retirement touring Hawaii and Alaska. Congratulations and good luck, Bobby . . . "North Carolina is beautiful in the springtime", quoting BILL MACFARLANE who recently spent a couple of weeks visiting his grandchildren . . . We hope BILL HASKINS enjoys the color television he won in a raffle. Who did you say was selling tickets, Bill? . . . TOM WOLGEMUTH's sporting a gorgeous tan around the office. It seems he spends his weekends in Florida . . . What steno at the West Shops is getting married in May? . . . Who recently bought a brand new

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'67 Dodge, CURLEY BANNISTER? . . Riddle: What two Pontiacs in the West Shops have to get a push to start them? . . Guess who's spending a vacation in Hot Springs, Arkansas? JOHN UITZ, ED FOREMAN and his wife, and GUS STUPKA and his wife, that's who. From the post card we received, it sounds like they're having a great time, too.

- Lynn Vesper

WEST SECTION -

Motormen PAT BRODERICK and JAMES HOWLETT went on pension, they were partied on April 11. With an abundance of food and coffee the party was a success. Pensioners who attended where DAN LANE, STEVE DALTON, JOHN NOLETHY, TOM MCGOURTY, and CARL FRANK who again brought a delightful cake made by his wonderful wife . . . Motorman CHARLES DAVIS spent his winter vacation in sunny California with his daughter. He came back and made us jealous with his deep tan. Trainman OTIS took his family on a trip down South and as big "O" says it is beautiful driving in the spring . . . We finally got a winner on Lake Street--JAMES HOOD won 100 pounds on the Irish Sweepstakes. He had his dog's name on the ticket and he knew he couldn't go wrong. A love for a dog like Jim has must be wonderful . . . For each illness there is a name, but now we have combined all of them and call it Detomasi-tis in honor of the man who has had all of them . . . Conductor HENRY COLDING is back on Lake Street after a long spell. It is a pleasure to see him eat such a huge lunch. He eats more than GEORGE "Wow" CLARK weighs . . . Supervisor BYRON HAWLEY says its pigeon time again. It must mean that he is taking Motorman AL CLARK golfing again . . . Our good friend WILLIAM PAYNE was in the hospital and is back home. All the men send him our best wishes, for a nicer fellow you can't find. Motorman P. NAPOLITAN was around and he looks good. He should be coming back to work after having eye surgery. His wife can't wait until he gets back to work. You know Nap! Goodbye for now until next month.

- Santo Siciliano

69TH STREET -

Although we have "Rozzie" days here at 69th and his office to sit back in, it still has been rough. "Rozzie" makes sure the first thing that his office has is plenty of paper, but he can't control the elements which have made this year one of the roughest that most of us can remember at 69th. We have had slick and icy streets, snow up to our necks, and have come through it all in good shape. Then Mother Nature threw us both barrels with a tornado. Loader R. WAGNER was very lucky when he took his wife out to dinner. On his return he found that his trailer had been wiped out by the tornado. Our assistant boss, LEON TAMUL, lost most of the roof on his home. SAM BURNS home also suffered extensive damage. Our clerk, BARNEY BECKER, was taking his wife out to dinner and was going out the Southwest highway and had stopped at the traffic light at about 52nd avenue when the tornado struck. As he says it is impossible to describe or tell how one feels when you see trees, homes, and autos picked up and smashed or just disintegrated before your eyes. Although he and his wife were not harmed his car was a real mess. My son and I came down to 95th and Southwest about 15 minutes after the storm hit and volunteered our services. We worked for about 10 hours in just one corner and the things we did and saw

are best not to be talked of or, if possible, remembered. May the good Lord help those who he spared to once more rebuild their homes and again live a normal life . . . At this time may I extend our sympathy to C. BIRD on the loss of his mother-in-law, Mrs. M. KINGSTROM. Incidentally, Bird's brother is my daughter's boss at R. Donnelly, printer of the yellow pages. Also, to DALE ALLEN on the loss of his wife. At this writing J. R. COURD and R. CHAMBERS are confined at the St. Bernard hospital. May the vacation which Mr. SCREEN had in Florida and Mr. GIBES had in Texas give them a well-earned rest so that they once again can help and understand our efforts in providing service for the public . . . Mrs. JOHN CHOLLY spent two months in Long Beach, California. She visited with her son, JOHN, who is the proud father of a baby girl born December 21. This is Cholly's first grandchild so he did not mind watching her while his wife was gone . . . From the Repair Department JIMMY AHERN asked us to extend our sincere sympathy to the family of DOMINIC KRIVICICH who recently passed away. Everyone is happy to see JOE JANECKO and LUKE MORLEY back at work after their operations and hospital stays. Many years of happiness and health to SAM VON HUBEN on his retirement. Sam had 43 years with us when he retired. DICK DICKERSON and his missus are taking a traveling vacation and hope they bring back news from far away places . . . DENNY GRIFFIN, who is retired, is enjoying a leisure life and is going to take a trip to the "Old Sod" and visit his native County Kerry.

- Arthur P. Buesing

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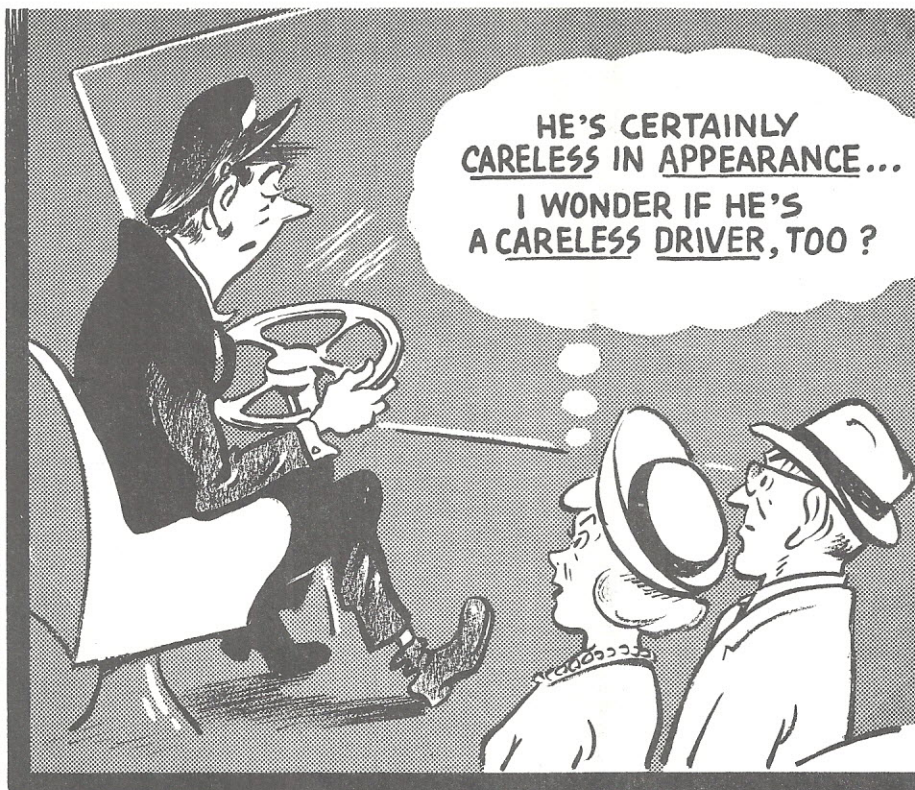
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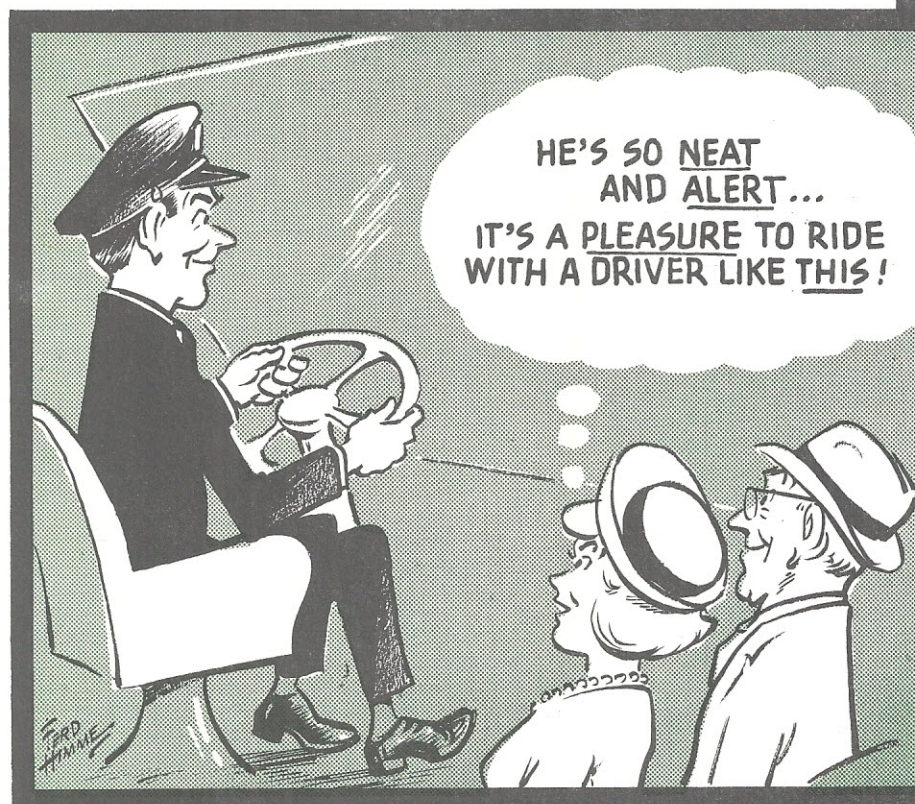
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