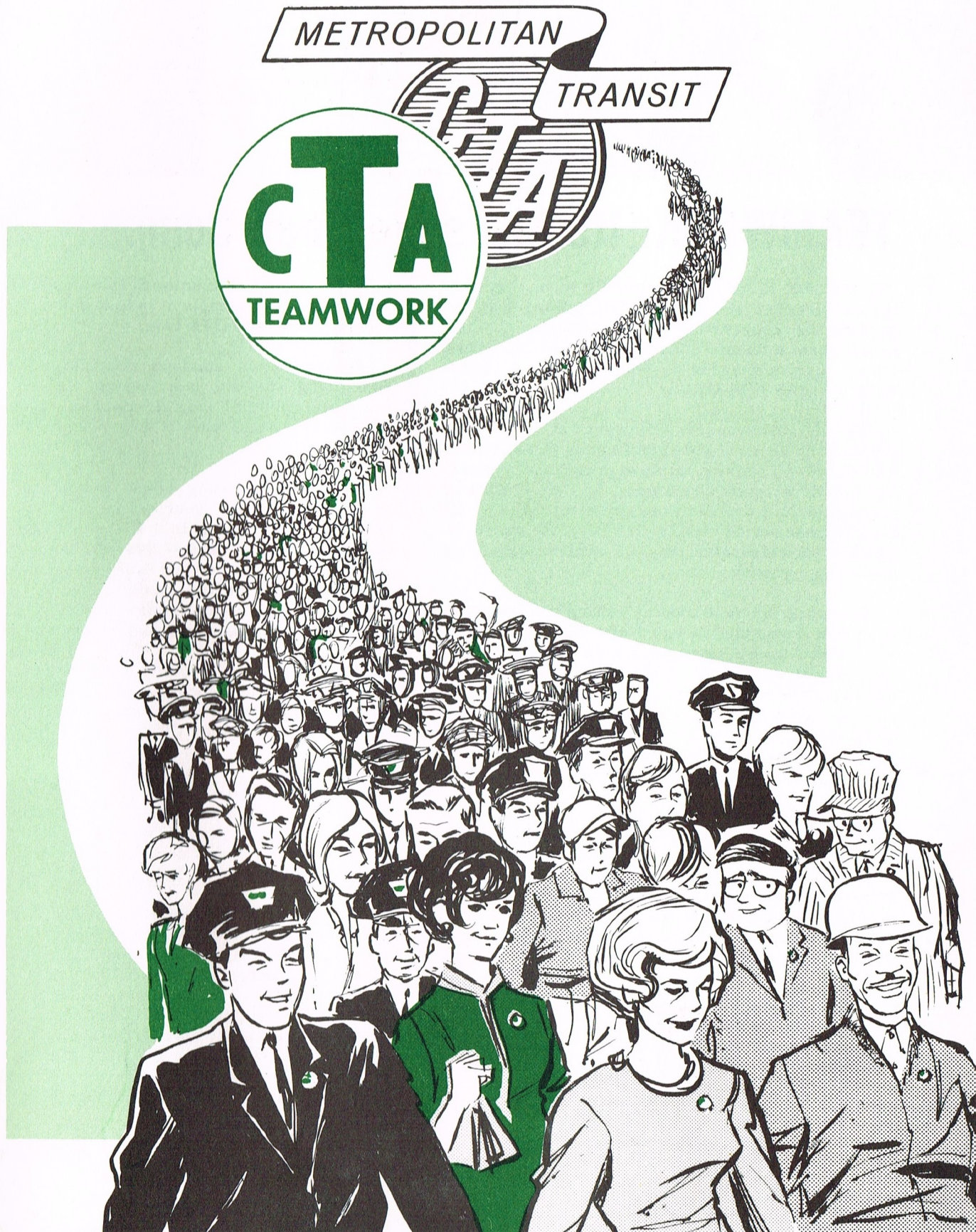


# TRANSIT NEWS

SEPTEMBER, 1967







**HAVING ATTENDED** team-work discussions at their respective work locations, the employees pictured here are shown receiving lapel pins and check lists from their supervisors. In the picture at the left, Limits Station Superintendent G. T. May is presenting the material to Bus Operators Henry Seidel and Laurice Ringo. Two general office employees, Don Clancy and Mary Riley of Employee Relations, are receiving teamwork pins from Superintendent of Public and Employee Relations F. C. Knautz in the picture at the right.



## TEAMWORK: Its Message Goes Company-Wide

TEAMWORK IS only a two syllable word, but don't let its size fool you. It is also a word that describes the cooperation among individuals which makes them a team -- it scores runs for a baseball team, touchdowns for a football team ... AND WINS RIDERS FOR CTA.

The importance of teamwork at CTA was stressed by General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor, who kicked-off the new employe program at a meeting with department heads recently. Mr. O'Connor pointed out that the teamwork program will be carried company-wide during October, the month in which CTA celebrates its 20th anniversary as an operating company.

The program is aimed at letting all employees know how important they are and that they are being backed-up by management as well as all of their fellow employees. The program stresses that each employe -- bus operator, rapid transit motor-man or conductor, repairman, craft worker, or office employe -- is an integral part of the CTA team and necessary for the efficient and safe operation of our transit system.

The teamwork program is being introduced at each work location with the use of colored slides or flip charts. Employees are getting together in small groups with their supervisors to discuss the importance of teamwork and to learn how they personally may contribute to the program. At the meeting, employees are given a check list of points to be practiced and at the close of each session

they are presented teamwork lapel pins. By wearing the pin, each employe indicates his willingness to support the big CTA team.

Although each employe receives a check list describing what he, individually, can do to make the campaign effective, all employees are encouraged to give assistance if they observe the following:

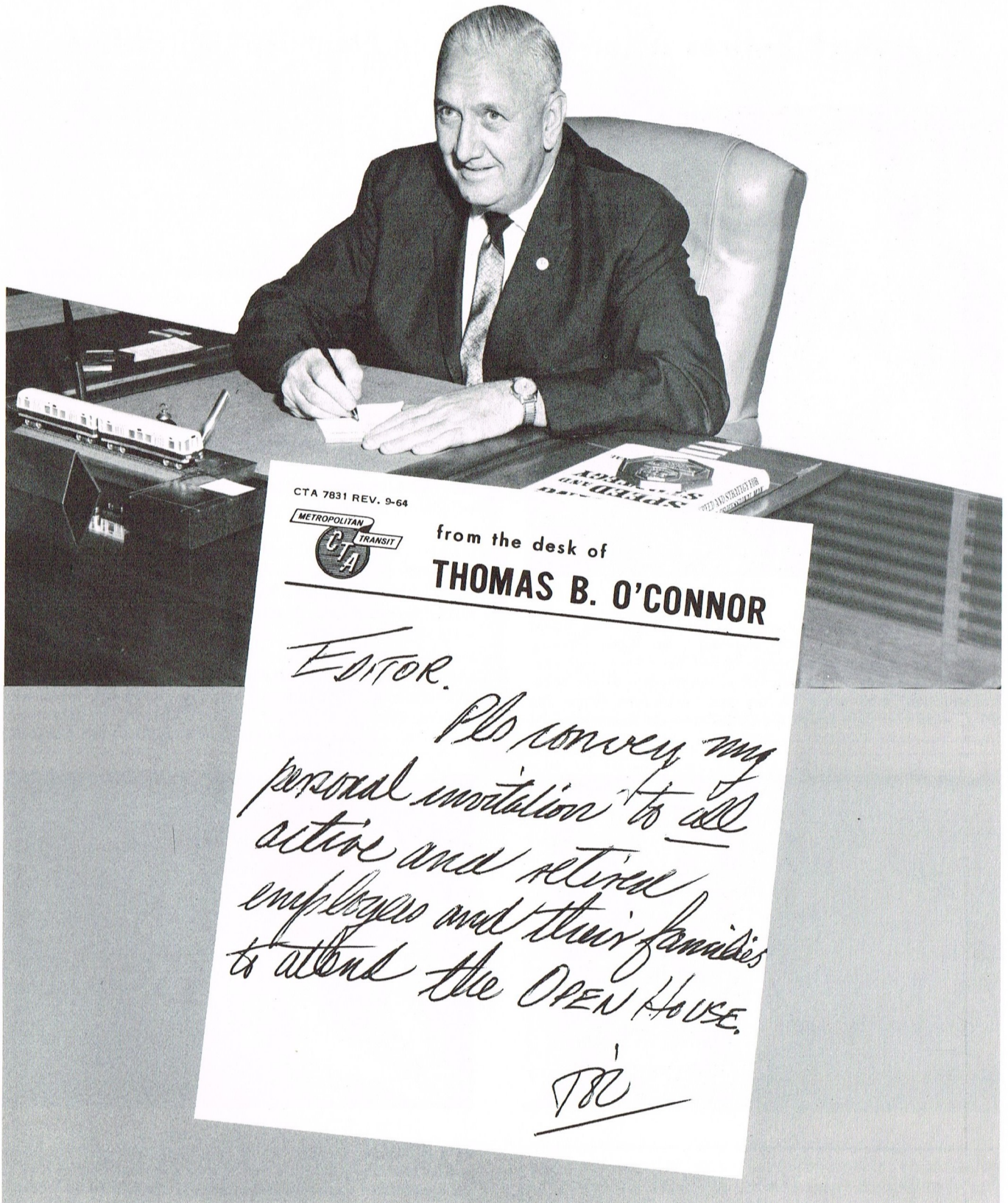
1. If an operating employe appears to need assistance, identify yourself as a fellow employe and ask if you can help. If there is an accident accept a courtesy card -- this will encourage other passengers to follow your example. If the employe is unable to call the radio dispatcher himself, make the call for him -- just call MO 4-7200, ask for the radio dispatcher, and convey the message.
2. Whether you are on a bus, train, or just on the street, if you witness acts of rowdiness or vandalism, call the radio dispatcher immediately. Your call will bring CTA or city police to the scene quickly.

The employe discussion meetings are only the start of the program -- they provide the tools with which each employe can practice teamwork. How these tools are used depends upon the individual employe, or should we say, upon the team member.

At the initial teamwork session with supervisory personnel, Mr. O'Connor remarked that it was the cooperation and support of all employees that brought CTA to its present stature in the transit industry. He also spoke of financial assistance which has been made available by governmental agencies, through which many improvements to CTA's system are now becoming a reality. "Teamwork," he said, "is the means by which we will make mass transit in Chicago even greater than it is now."







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from the desk of

**THOMAS B. O'CONNOR**

*EDITOR.*

*Please convey my  
personal invitation to all  
active and retired  
employees and their families  
to attend the OPEN HOUSE.*

*TBO*

Editor's note: The OPEN HOUSE Mr. O'Connor mentioned is to celebrate CTA's 20th anniversary as an operating company. On this occasion, all CTA employees and their families will have the opportunity to tour the General Offices and the Operations Control Center in the Merchandise Mart. Refreshments and souvenirs will be available. Open house will be on Friday, October 27, from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, October 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. CTA routes serving the Mart include the Ravenswood rapid transit route and Lincoln-Larrabee (No. 10), Taylor-Sedgwick-Sheffield (No. 37), and Michigan-State-Wacker (No. 149) bus routes (the 149 service will be expanded to operate between State-Congress and the Mart until 9:30 p.m. on Friday).



# C. J. Buck Retires After 42 Years in Electrical Department



FETED AT a party in his honor was C. J. Buck, who retired October 1 as CTA electrical engineer. Mr. Buck, pictured holding one of the gifts he received from his fellow employees, is standing beside S. S. Danecke, superintendent of electrical construction, with whom he has been associated since the 20's, when they both joined the CRT Electrical Department.

C. J. BUCK, CTA electrical engineer, retired on pension October 1 closing out a career of 42 years in the transit industry.

As a student engineer in the Electrical Department, Mr. Buck entered the service of the former Chicago Rapid Transit company on August 18, 1925. With the purchase of local transit properties by CTA in 1947 he became chief testing engineer and was subsequently appointed power engineer in September, 1955, and electrical engineer in July, 1966. Mr. Buck was graduated from the Armour Institute, now the Illinois Institute of Technology, with a B. S. degree in electrical engineering.

He is a past chairman of the American Transit Association electrical section and has been a member of the substation standards sub-committee of the land transportation committee of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers since 1958.

Mr. Buck, who resides at 4506 N. Ashland avenue with his wife, Honore, will remain in the Chicago area to enjoy his retirement. He and his wife, however, are planning more frequent visits with their two sons. Their older son, Gerald, is teaching high school in Lansing, Michigan, and their younger son, Daniel, who plans to enter the priesthood, is studying at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary.



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IT'S NO longer unusual to pick up a newspaper and read where a film star has thrown his hat into the political ring, but we're sure more than one rapid transit employee looked twice recently when Shirley Temple Black announced her candidacy for Congress. These same employees probably still remember the day when she took a 40-mile sightseeing trip on the "L" and even stepped up to pose at the controls on a 4000-type car. It was during the 30's that the former child star of motion pictures was on a visit to Chicago and took her first "L" train ride. In the picture at the right she is chatting with B. J. Fallon, CRT executive officer.





## South, Skokie Shops Win Safety Awards

TWO CTA Shops and Equipment Department locations were recently presented highly-coveted transit industry awards in recognition of their safety achievements. Both South Shops and Skokie Shops were awarded the American Transit Association bronze certificates for outstanding records of working 250,000 consecutive man hours without a lost time or disability injury.

South Shops, the major bus overhaul facility, was cited because 371,236 consecutive man hours without a lost time injury here accumulated between December 20, 1966, and May 16, 1967.

Skokie Shops, the rapid transit overhaul shops, received its certificate for completing 284,420 consecutive man hours without a lost time injury between September 13, 1966, and June 4, 1967.

The presentation of the bronze certificates was made by P. J. Meinardi, CTA manager of finance, at ceremonies which were attended by shops employees, supervisory personnel, safety committee members, and Insurance Department representatives. The award received by South Shops, pictured above, is being displayed by (from left) L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment; E. E. Olmstead, assistant superintendent, surface system; E. Nelson, general foreman, mechanical; S. J. Eisin, general foreman, body; Mr. Meinardi; W. A. Ashley, superintendent of insurance and pensions, and J. T. Burke, coordinator, fire and safety. The picture at the right, taken at Skokie Shops, shows Mr. Meinardi making the presentation to E. R. Hendrickson and H. G. Doering, superintendent and assistant superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals, respectively.



**A. R. Sandberg**

**Named**

**Electrical Engineer**

THE APPOINTMENT of A. R. Sandberg as CTA electrical engineer, effective October 1, was announced recently by Thomas B. O'Connor, CTA general manager.

He succeeds C. J. Buck, who retired September 30 after 42 years of service.

Mr. Sandberg, who was employed by the Chicago Surface lines in their Electrical Department, began his transit career in April, 1936, as an electrolysis clerk. In that department, he was subsequently appointed assistant testing engineer

in 1939, development engineer in 1942, and principal testing engineer in 1944.

Following the take-over of transit properties by CTA in 1947, Mr. Sandberg became electrical design engineer in 1950. During 1957 he became assistant engineer of buildings and structures and in 1961 he was named planning and development engineer. The position which he held until the time of his most recent appointment, was that of engineer of plant improvements, to which he was appointed in 1964. While working in that capacity, Mr. Sandberg assisted in the development of silicon rectifiers for CTA substations and even more recently, worked with public agencies and consultants in the design of transit facilities for the federally-financed rapid transit extensions in the Kennedy and Dan Ryan expressways.

A graduate of Evanston Township High school in the class of 1932, Mr. Sandberg continued his education at the YMCA in Chicago and then, from 1935 to 1941, majored in electric engineering at the Lewis Institute and Illinois Institute of Technology. Between 1944 and 1946 he served as an instructor on the IIT campus teaching illumination engineering to engineers of plants in wartime production. The course was developed jointly by IIT and the Chicago Lighting Institute and sponsored by the Federal Government. Mr. Sandberg is a registered professional engineer in the State of Illinois.



# for mercy's sake...give

YES, YOUR contribution to the 1966 Metropolitan Crusade of Mercy served a vital need -- it aided a homeless child and a serviceman in Viet Nam, it brought new excitement to a lonesome elderly citizen, it provided the training which enabled a handicapped child to drink from a glass and move a marble, it brought scouting to a teenager who had known only the street corners, and it gave shelter to a family victimized by a tornado last spring.

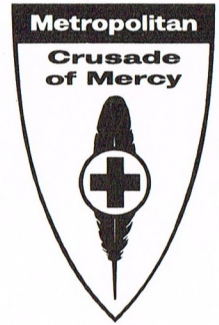
The Metropolitan Crusade campaign for 1967 is already under way and the goal has been set at \$24,046,120, which is five per cent more than the amount raised last year. Supported by these funds are 900 health and welfare agencies in Chicago and 138 outlying communities. The population of the metropolitan area served is 5,800,000.

CTA launched its 1967 Metropolitan Crusade campaign on October 2 and once again employees are being given the opportunity to participate through the payroll deduction plan. Last year, CTA employees pledged a total of \$77,942.60 in monthly payroll deductions and cash gifts to the combined 1966 appeal. In this year's campaign, every effort will be made to increase this amount.

Employees who are not currently contributing through the payroll deduction plan will receive enrollment cards. Those who are presently contributing monthly will be urged to increase their pledges, as their circumstances permit. Employees who wish to contribute one per cent of their annual earnings or one day's pay may do so by marking and signing their card; lapel pins are presented to each employee who gives one of these gifts, to show his concern for people who need help.

It should be pointed out that to the employee, a day's pay means only the price of a pack of cigarettes or a gallon of gasoline a week, or three lines of bowling or a Loop movie every month. But to the Metropolitan Crusade, the average day's pay can provide either 10 Red Cross comfort kits for injured servicemen in Viet Nam, six months' service for a child in a settlement house or "Y", one set of rescue equipment for a Red Cross water safety class, five days' camping for an underprivileged child, 70 meals provided and delivered by settlement houses and neighborhood centers for elderly shut-ins, an eye examination and glasses for a foster child, service at an Infant Welfare Society station for one baby for six months, three home visits by a visiting nurse, or special therapy for a mentally retarded child for one month.

Please give ... for mercy's sake ... and give your fair share!



YOUR GENEROUS pledge to the Metropolitan Crusade will perform countless acts of mercy. It will find a foster home for this child . . .



. . . introduce scouting to thousands of youngsters who can't pay dues . . .

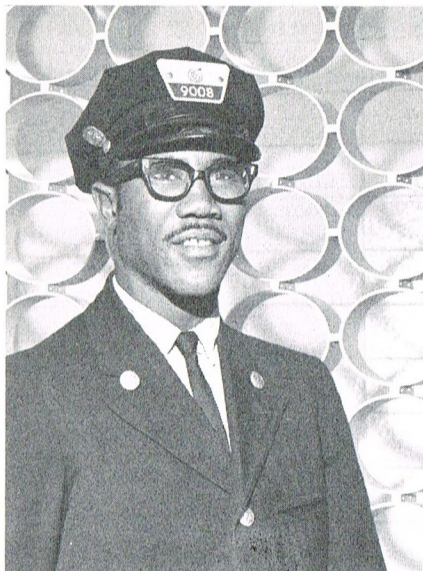


. . . break the monotony of hospital routine for servicemen and veterans . . .



. . . offer encouragement and comfort to retarded children.





*Al Percy Logan*



*George Robinson*

## OUR PUBLIC SPEAKS

CTA is doing everything possible to make its services more attractive to passengers, but it is the employee who knows and practices courtesy that can best accomplish this objective.

Uniformed employees, especially, are natural salesmen for the company, because their uniforms identify them as members of the CTA team, whether or not they are on duty. And our passengers do notice these employees and judge them and the company they represent by their actions -- this is demonstrated by the letters received each month by the Public Information Department.

Two letters received recently commended uniformed employees who, while off duty, promoted good will by giving assistance to individuals in distress. The text of these letters follows:

"Enclosed is 36¢ for three half fares for which one of your employees, Operator George Robinson, Badge No. 5244 (North Avenue Station), paid out of his own pocket when my child and two of

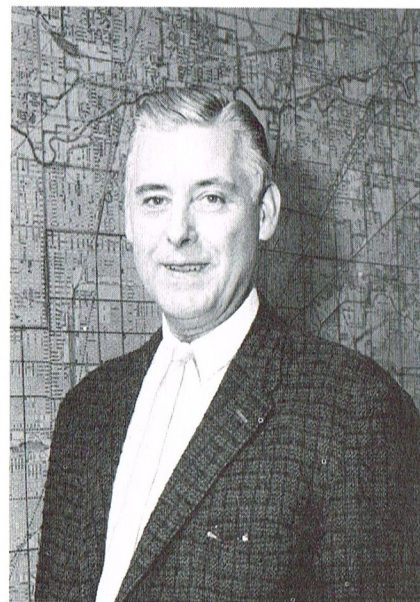
her girlfriends lost their bus fare last Saturday and were left stranded. They had one dime among them, so they used it to call me. Due to my being ill at the time, I was unable to pick them up so I asked them to look around for a policeman or a bus driver. They located Mr. Robinson, who came to the phone and I explained the situation to him. He said he would pay their carfare and see that they got on the proper bus. I asked for his name and number so that I could mail him the money. It is a comforting feeling to know that the CTA has this fine caliber of men employed by it during these hectic times. I wish you would express my gratitude and thanks to Mr. Robinson."

"I am writing this letter as an expression of my gratitude to Operator Al Logan, Badge No. 9008 (77th Street Station), one of your drivers. One day last week, just as I turned on to the Wacker Drive Express from the Congress Expressway (a busy and potentially dangerous intersection) my car had not one, but two flat tires. Having no idea of how to hold a

jack, let alone loosen a tire, you can imagine my distress. Although many motorists drove past, Mr. Logan was the only one who stopped his car to help. I will remember his courtesy and kindness for a long, long time."

In letters of appreciation, parents frequently write CTA thanking operating personnel for the attention given to their children while riding our services. Because of their unfamiliarity with bus and "L" routes and transfer regulations, youngsters often require special consideration by employees. One of these letters, received recently, described the efficient manner in which Travel Information Clerk Lawrence Provost gave riding instructions for the guidance of two girls from suburban Elmhurst.

"Recently I called to inquire about bus transportation for two teenagers who were arranging a trip from Elmhurst to Chicago and then to Howard street, Evanston, and Senn High school. The gentleman who assisted us on the phone was most generous and kind in giving detailed instructions for the girls' day of travel. He was considerate, giving every possible direction, the timing, and everything necessary to insure their safe travel to their intended destination."



*Lawrence Provost*



# MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin  
CTA Medical Consultant

## Diabetes and Its Relationship to Heart Disease

THIS IS a very broad subject, and because of the limited time and space only a few general aspects will be discussed. Heart disease studies reveal there are many different types. In this article heart disease will be referred to as, or mean, coronary heart disease, arteriosclerotic heart disease, and high blood pressure.

In recent years there has been an increasing awareness of the relationship of diabetes, not only to heart disease, but to a variety of other conditions. Diabetes is now the seventh leading cause of death in the United States. It is the second commonest cause of blindness. It is an underlying factor in many common circulatory conditions, including coronary heart disease, peripheral vascular disease (as in gangrene of the toes), and in cerebral vascular disease leading to stroke.

The incidence and magnitude of diabetes is revealed by the statistics which show there are between 2,500,000 and 3,000,000 people in the United States afflicted with diabetes. It is even more astounding to learn that about 50 per cent of this number do not know that they have this condition until it is discovered by their doctor. This is because many cases of diabetes start so gradually that people are not aware of its presence. It is no wonder that diabetes is sometimes referred to as a "hidden disease."

I think when we understand that one of the basic changes in diabetes is a thickening of the inner-coat or lining of the arteries, we have a better or clearer explanation of the relationship between diabetes and heart disease. The explanation is logical, because the increased sugar in the blood causes a thickening or swelling of the inner lining of the artery which in turn reduces the blood supply. Therefore, we have the lessened or impaired blood flow which is a forerunner of all types of vascular diseases.

There are many, many different reports showing the relationship between diabetes and heart disease. A reliable source is a series of cases studied at Massachusetts General hospital. This was an autopsy report which showed the incidence of coronary heart disease to be about 60 per cent in the diabetic. In a similar number of autopsies, the incidence of heart disease in the non-diabetic group was only about 20 per cent. Thus, it becomes a fairly well established fact that diabetes predisposes to heart disease and also accelerates the course of the disease once it has developed.

Because of this proven relationship between diabetes and heart disease, doesn't it make good

sense to find out at the earliest possible time whether or not you have diabetes? In order to ascertain this you will, of course, want to know the common symptoms of diabetes -- which I will briefly mention. One should be particularly on the alert when there is a history of the disease in the family. Also it should be recalled that obesity predisposes to diabetes. The symptoms of diabetes may be very mild or severe. In the early cases there may be no symptoms at all. Usually there is increased thirst, visual disturbances, fatigue, tiredness, weakness, desire for starches and sweets, and loss of weight. Later in the course of the disease, an abnormal amount of drowsiness is present.

I am not going to discuss the treatment because that is fairly well standardized. The all-important advice is to have an early diagnosis. The best way to accomplish this is to have frequent, regular examinations by your doctor. A simple normal urine examination is not always sufficient. The most reliable methods include blood sugar and glucose tolerance tests.

Once the diagnosis is made and treatment is started, the important step has been taken. In other words, you have killed two birds with one stone. By that, I mean you are not only controlling the diabetes but you are minimizing the possible development and complications of heart disease.

## RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

AVRAM, R. V., Shop Clerk II, South Shops  
CLARK, G. L., Operator, North Park  
GRAY, E. L., Operator, North Avenue  
HAGEN, G. J., Bus Serviceman, North Avenue  
HIGGINS, F. J., Bus Serviceman, 69th Street  
JANKOWSKI, P. C., Reception Clerk, Claim  
JOHNSON, J. L., Bus Serviceman, Forest Glen  
KERSH, A. J. Operator, 69th Street  
KREMER, V. M., Bus Repairman, Limits  
KYLE, B., Bus Serviceman, Kedzie  
LONDON, R., Car Serviceman, Wilson Avenue  
STANFORD, E. M., Bus Serviceman, 77th Street  
WHITE, W. E., Trackman II, Engineering

## RECENTLY RETURNED

DOMIKAITIS, R. V., Bus Serviceman, 77th Street  
FOLTA, T. W., Bus Repairman, North Avenue  
HARNETT, P. J., Bus Repairman, North Park  
KELLY, M. Jr., Operator, Kedzie  
MIRALLEGRO, R. P., Bus Serviceman, Kedzie  
MORGAN, C. L., Extra Guard, West Section  
ODDO, J. R., Car Repairman, Congress  
VENEZIA, F. W., Graduate Trainee, Training  
VINICKY, R. J., Machinist Appr., South Shops  
WATSON, T. E., Operator, Limits  
WODARSKI, T. S., Mach. Oper., Repro. Serv.



**QUESTION:** What is your favorite fall activity?

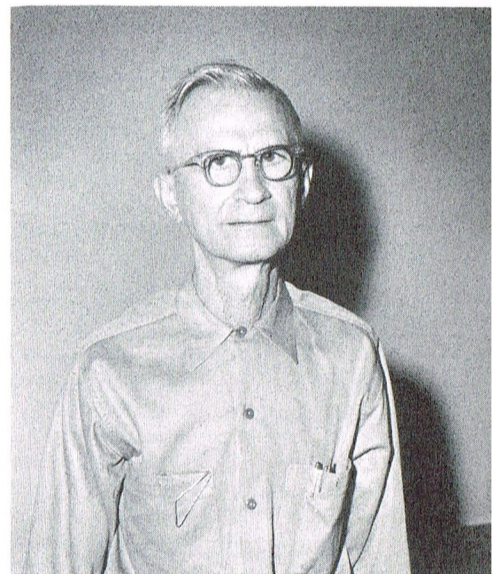
**INQUIRING REPORTER:** Ernest C. Carter

**LOCATION:** Keeler Station

**DON SCHAEFFER**, operator (with reporter Ernest C. Carter):  
"My favorite fall activity is just sports in general. My wife and I play volleyball in the local park, take lengthy bicycle trips, and prepare our ski equipment for the coming season."



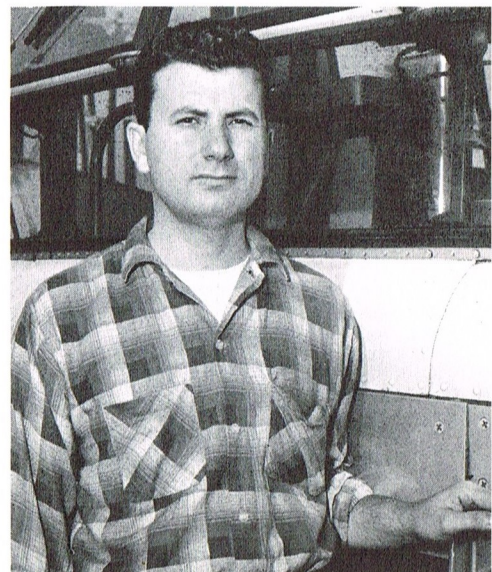
**ROBERT E. O'NEAL**, operator: "My most interesting fall, and all-season activities, are about the same. I enjoy working with such organizations as the church, veteran groups, and block clubs, teaching and helping youngsters in doing something worthwhile."



**ED GLONKE**, janitor: "During the fall I enjoy hunting for mushrooms. This is also the time when I begin taking the screens down and installing the storm windows, and also preparing for the Xmas holidays."



**S. J. McKENNIE**, operator: "I love to play touch football and any activity that will take me outdoors during this most wonderful of seasons. I also enjoy hiking and bicycling."



**JOE CARUSO**, bus serviceman: "This time of year I like to take the kids out and enjoy the beautiful fall scenery."



# THE INSIDE NEWS

—AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

## ACCOUNTING (General) -

In this vacation month, the call of the "north woods" country seems to be very inviting. ROD HEFFERNAN and his family packed their gear and headed for a northern resort in Bemidji, Minnesota, the state of 10,000 lakes. They thoroughly relaxed and took pleasure in boating, swimming, and fishing. Weather was ideal and the fish were biting good. In fact, the "big fisherman" brought home enough of these northern beauties to have a fish fry, inviting the neighbors who helped them enjoy the fruits of their endeavors, thus winding up their vacation with a flourish . . . ROBERT McCARTHY and the McCarthy clan tucked all their camping paraphernalia in the car and started on their exciting and well-earned vacation. The drive was beautiful and mother nature had done herself proud this year with the trees so green, the water so blue, and the air so fresh and clean. Their destination - the Pine O'Nokomis Lodge in Tomahawk, Wisconsin. They swam, went boating and, of course, enjoyed the most intriguing of summer sports, fishing, and Bob caught some big ones. After a week of this carefree living they wended their way homeward to dream of returning next summer . . . MIKE VERDONCK, Billing, and his wife also answered the call and drove to their favorite spot, a resort on Big Round Lake in Luck, Wisconsin. Weather was perfect, in the 80's and 90's, and fishing great, especially when the wife rows the boat. Mike said some of the big ones got away. However, he came out with quite a catch, which they will enjoy after they reach home. When the snow flies, they will reminisce on those lazy, hazy days of summer, the land of lakes, and fisherman's paradise . . . RUTH HAVLIK, Accounting, MARIE HAVLIK, Electrical, and their mother also turned northward, when they drove through Ontario and Quebec, Canada, to visit Expo 67 at Montreal, stopping at the Upper Canada Village enroute. They found the Expo 67 exhibits very attractive and exciting and the crowds immense. People from all countries came to appreciate the wondrous displays. While at the Upper Canada Village, they surveyed and inspected the buildings which had been saved for a museum from inundation when the St. Lawrence river was deepened. On their return trip they had a pleasant visit in Adrian, Michigan, with their former pastor and his wife, who had just retired after a term of service in India.

- Mable Potthast

## BEVERLY -

The St. Joseph Branch of the Society of the Little Flower will hold its annual communion breakfast Sunday, November 12, at 8 a.m., at the Little Flower Shrine, and all members are urged to attend. Operator JOHN NOLLE is the latest member to join the Little Flower. Anyone else? Please make your returns, and help put Beverly on the top . . . Our thanks to Superintendents JOHN O'CONNOR, JOHN FARIS, HERB BRAUN, JOSEPH WILL, and to BILL McGEE of the repair department, and all the men who contributed to the memorial ad for the late EARL TIBBITTS . . . Operators JOHN CAMPBELL and GEORGE SCHLETZ of the Mystic Star Lodge also supported this ecumenical movement . . . Operator VICTOR HULTHEN is in need of blood donors to help

him recover from a very serious illness . . . We express our sympathy to JOHN MAHON in the loss of his wife . . . Operator WALTER BAROWSKY is looking forward to a golf match with Operator ED RICKER at the Beverly Country Club, which is along side the depot.

- Tom Daniels

## CONGRESS (Agents) -

Our heartiest congratulations to pensioner and former Agent WILLIAM SMITH who, on August 3, celebrated his 79th birthday. He is looking forward to another trip to St. Petersburg, Florida . . . Conductor ELTON SMILEY and his wife, CARMELLA, became grandparents for the first time when their daughter-in-law, LINDA, and son, RICHARD, became the proud parents of a baby girl, DAWNE MARIE, on August 12 . . . The student agents and some of the student agents of yester-years met at Sycamore on Sunday, August 12, and had a truly memorable picnic . . . Pensioner AGNES SULLIVAN wishes to thank all her friends for their kindness to her. She is now enjoying her pension and is in good health . . . Our recently retired editor, DAVID E. EVANS, stopped off at the planetarium and aquarium one day, and decided that being free to do as you choose, your feet on the ground strolling along the lake, looking at the stars, or sunning yourself, was a happy way to be . . . Agent IRVIN WIECZOREK celebrated his birthday on August 23. Congratulations! . . . Agent JUNE KINARD is still on the sick list and will be for some time. She asked me to thank her many friends and to say how much she appreciates the thoughtfulness and prayers of her co-workers and friends . . . Our sincere sympathy to the family of IRVIN BOCK, who passed away suddenly on August 11, and also to the family of retired Gateman JOSEPH NOVAK, for whom services were held on Monday, August 2 . . . We were sorry to hear that former Agent DOROTHY RAIMON passed away on August 1 . . . We are happy to hear that Agent LAWRENCE FRICOT and Clerk LAWRENCE TOBIN are back to work . . . On the sick list are Porters PETE NAUGHTON and JOHN BARRETT. We wish them a speedy recovery . . . Agent JOHN KAWA and his wife flew to Hawaii, where they spent their vacation flying from island to island. That's where I would like to be right now, up in the clouds looking down . . . Motorman JAMES BRADY's mother, BRIDGET BRADY, celebrated her 79th birthday by flying to Boston for her birthday party and a visit with her daughter, Mrs. ANN PRENDERGAST, and grand-daughter, who flew in from London for the occasion. Because his mother has more pep than he, James is going to switch to her brand of vitamin pills . . . Agent CATHERINE GRADY and her husband, JAMES GRADY, were host and hostess to Catherine's sister, Mrs. JAMES MURTAUGH, who flew to Chicago from County West Mead, the town of Mellinger, to attend the marriage of their brother, FRANK BURKE, to Colleen THERESA O'GRADY, of County Mayo. Catherine and James were on vacation, so during the eight-week visit of Mrs. Murtaugh, there were many trips to nearby lakes and interesting places . . . Agent MARY DOYLE spent part of her vacation at Lake Geneva and later, members of her family and relatives had a get-together in Palatine . . . Porter STANLEY BANALS and his wife



## INSIDE NEWS

went to Florida to visit with their son. They had the opportunity of meeting the astronauts, because their son is an officer stationed at Cape Canaveral. They later went to Green Bay, Wisconsin, to visit their other son . . . Student Agent TOM BARRETT is back working after his extended visit with Uncle Sam . . . Agents CAROL and JAMES CARNEY gave their new car a good tryout by going on a camping trip. It was so much fun, they plan to do it again . . . ARTHUR SIMS and his wife, DOROTHY, went to Expo 67 in Montreal, and then ventured 100 miles further, where they did some fishing . . . Agent MATH- EW HILGOT and his wife, MARGE, spent four weeks at Manitowac Waters, Hurley, Wisconsin . . . Agent STAN- LEY SLOWIK and his wife took short trips while on vaca- tion. One of these trips took them to the home of For- mer President ULYSSES GRANT, in Galena, Illinois. Stanley was especially impressed by Grant's bedstead. Could it be that he was remembering it wouldn't be long before he would have to get out of his own bed early in the morning for work . . . Agent FRED REED and his wife, EUGENE, went to Tennessee, Arkansas, and Mis- sissippi during their vacation . . . Agents MARY NOLAN, BETTY SEGERSON, HELEN McMAHONE, MAURGUER- ITE McMAHONE, JOSEPH RYAN, and CHARLES NORTH, were also on vacation, but as of now, we don't know where, but all vacations are usually nice . . . During the week-end of August 11 JAMES CLARK and a neighbor went on a fishing trip to the Mississippi river and caught over 100 blue gills and bass. When Porter ORA MIL- LER heard about it, it made him sick to think of the fun he missed. They went back the following week and caught almost as many. Next time Jim, don't forget that camera, or you will have us wondering if we are hearing a fish story. I'm only teasing; Jim doesn't make up stories.

- Julia Brousek

## CLAIMS -

After being away for over a year, the Claim Depart- ment has finally returned to the Transit News. Well, here's our first, hope we stay this time! . . . The THORN- TON's are "trailerling" again! VERN and his wife, AN- NA, packed their trailer and took a two-week vacation. They spent one week in Whiteshell Provincial park, which is east of Winnipeg, Manitoba. They found the area to be beautiful and primitive. Fishing was poor so they made a move down to Crane Lake, Minnesota, on the Canadian border and finished out their week there with continued poor fishing. Better luck next time . . . CAR- MEN and MADELAINE PACELLA have become the proud parents of a baby girl, ANGELA. The Pacellas have an- other daughter, MARIA, who was just two in May . . . Congratulations are extended to BING APITZ and CECIL MIMMS who are now statementmen. Good luck to both of you . . . JOHN DALY and his family spent an enjoyable week fishing in Okee, Wisconsin . . . Have recently heard from a former employee, DEAN GRAVER, who is in the army at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri . . . SANDI ANDERSON and her family have just returned from a month's vacation which they spent in Skoghall, Sweden, where they visited relatives. While in Sweden, Sandi toured Norway for one week, stayed in Stockholm for two days, then went on a boat and bus tour and saw some of the forty islands of Stockholm. She also went through the Palace of Stockholm . . . PAUL JANKOWSKI is leav- ing to go into the army in September. Best of luck from all of us, Paul . . . Welcome back to TOM NODARSKI who recently returned from the army . . . ED and MARY O'CONNELL have returned from a months vacation which

they spent touring Europe. They left O'Hare Airport and flew to New York, from New York to Shannon Airport, then from Shannon Airport to Dublin, where they stayed a week. While in Ireland they visited relatives in Galway, visited the Bishop of Galway, and walked up O'Connell Street. They left Ireland and flew to London, where they stayed for three days and saw the sights. From London they went to Copenhagen and spent six days. They were there prior to the wedding of the Crown Princess. From Copenhagen they flew to Switzerland and stayed for three days, and then went to Lucerne, where they saw sights which they say were beautiful. From Switzerland they flew to Rome, stayed for six days, had an audience with the Pope, and took a very modern electric train from Rome to Naples where they stayed overnight and took a tour. From Naples they sailed home on the Leonardo da- Vinci.

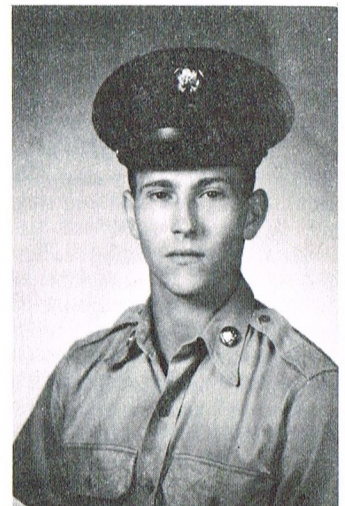
- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

## ELECTRICAL -

We at Blue Island are always happy to hear from our pensioners. Received a card from ED BRUCKNER who is living in San Diego, California. CLYDE PETERSON and JOHN MICHNICK came in to visit us . . . Expo 67 is a popular vacation spot. ALBERT LORENZI and his family, the DICK DORGAN family, the PAUL SAUVES, and JAMES HAYDON and his wife all drove north to en- joy the exposition. Maybe CTA should have a booth of its own . . . Miss BERNADETTE KIZIOR is out west visiting Colorado Springs and the Grand Teton mountains . . . JOSEPH CONNELLY visited his son in Maryland and learned how to fish for crabs. He said they are good eating. . . HERB STOREY and his wife, LIZZ, were caught in the flood at Fairbanks, Alaska, and were eva- cuated by the U.S. Army. They saw the North Pole and decided to let the Eskimos keep it . . . CLARENCE HO- SANG has been fishing in Marcellus, Michigan. He's trying to learn to water ski, but blames his failure on the fact that his wife doesn't row the boat fast enough . . . ELOISE COOK, daughter of SUSAN and MELVIN COOK, was married August 12 to EVERETT W. FOSS of Plainfield, Illinois. The wedding took place at St. Ed- monds church, Oak Park, Illinois . . . NANCY WIL- MONT and BRIAN HORSFALL were united in marriage at the Edgewater Lutheran church on August 4. Nancy is the daughter of PAULINE and ARVIN WILMONT.

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

UNDERGOING SPECIALIZED training is DEAN GRAVER, formerly of Claims Depart- ment and the son of NORM GRAVER, assistant super- intendent of Security, who was drafted into the Army in June. After completing his basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, Dean was transferred August 31 to Ft. Huachuca, Arizona, for train- ing as a radio operator.





**ENGINEERING -**

JAMES TOOLIS, while vacationing with his wife and four of his children, visited the beautiful sights of Expo 67 in Montreal. His daughter, BARBARA, had returned home after having a wonderful tour of Europe. Upon arriving home, Jim discovered that the stork had delivered a baby boy, SEAN MICHAEL, to the family of his daughter, MARILYN, the GERALD KANE's, on August 13. Granddaughter KAREN, welcomed her brother. . . BOB SCHAGEMAN, while vacationing with his wife and daughter in New Hampshire, scored a 190 yard hole-in-one while playing golf on the Ammonoosuc golf course near Lisbon, New Hampshire. . . CAROL ANN HENNINGSSEN, daughter of TOM HENNINGSSEN and his wife, MILDRED, was married to SAMUEL A. WILLI, son of JOHN WILLI, north section motorman, on Saturday, August 12, at St. Peter's church in Skokie. The reception was held at the home of the bride's parents in Morton Grove, immediately following the ceremony. . . ROY SMITH and his wife, MARYANNE, spent a week vacationing in northern Wisconsin and stopping at the Wisconsin Dells. They had a very enjoyable time. . . ANNETTE HEFTER and her husband drove to Miami Beach where they spent a few days. Then they took a three-day cruise to Nassau, where they enjoyed several tours. They drove along the east coast to Norfolk, Virginia, taking in the ocean towns over to Washington, D.C., and then through Pennsylvania to Niagara Falls, Canada, and to Detroit. They had a very pleasant two week's vacation. . . MARY BOSKI, and her husband, JOHN, her mother, sister CAROL, brother-in-law, TOM, and a friend, ROSA, spent a week vacation at Oakton Manor on Pewaukee Lake in Wisconsin. It wasn't Las Vegas, says Mary, but they all had a grand time and were blessed with five beautiful days weather-wise. Mary's tanproved it. Mary and her sister, Carol, together won six trap keys for tournaments they entered. . . JIM JOEFFREY, his wife, and daughter travelled 1,700 miles during his vacation, stopping at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, and Washington, D.C. They took a two-day tour of the Capital taking in all the most interesting buildings and sights. They also stopped to visit friends in Fairfax, Virginia. They had a wonderful two weeks.

**(West Shops) -**

RONALD J. HAYES and his wife, CORLISS, announced the arrival of their baby son, RONALD J. HAYES, born on July 23 at the Lutheran General hospital. . . For all of those who may have wondered, Mr. J. B. O'REILLY, can be quiet. He does not talk in his sleep. . . VIC EISEMANN, our steamfitter foreman, recently spent his vacation in picturesque Dorr County, Wisconsin, golfing. . . CHESTER MAJEROWICZ and his family are spending their vacation at Lake Delavan, Wisconsin. Another Wisconsin vacationer was LEON WALKER, who spent his time taking his sisters from California on a tour of Williams Bay, where Mr. Walker has his summer home. . . ART STEERS vacationed in Wyoming at Yellowstone Park. The bears in the park stand right in front of the cars begging for food and licking their paws. They really ham it up. . . HAROLD BERNDT, labor foreman, became a papa for the seventh time with the birth of ROBERT JOHN. Congratulations Harold! . . Also, LEO FELCKOWSKI and BILL HEFFERNAN, foremen, became grandfathers for the second time. Leo's little granddaughter's name is KIMBERLY ANN, and Bill's little grandson's name is TIMOTHY EMMETT. Congratulations, grandpas! . . We would like to extend our sympathy to SHARON RUANE. Her father passed away on August 11. Also our condolences to PATTY GILL, whose father passed away in Ireland on August 16. . . NEWS FLASH -- E. P. WADE falls from horse in sleep. . .

TOMMY STAUNTON's parents recently arrived from Ireland to celebrate three weddings, those of Tommy's sister, his brother, and finally Tommy. Tom's been busy escorting them on a tour of our city.

*- Jeanne Fitzgerald & Lynn Wilkens*

**FOREST GLEN -**

The St. Joseph Branch of the Little Flower society communion breakfast will be held Sunday, November 12. Buses will leave Forest Glen station at 6:50 a.m. All members and friends are urged to attend. . . Division 241 union meetings are held the first Monday of each month. Transportation is available, leaving the depot from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. Let's all help Forest Glen, which is number three in attendance. Get with it fellows, we can still be number one with just a little help. . . Our board members, ANDY KOHLER and ED STOBART, express their thanks to all who supported the annual COPE drive at our station. . . ANDY LEE, our top golfer, wonders who got the better of the deal he made in swapping putters with TED GALUS. . . Pensioners ED-DIE LAWRENCE, LEE BORGSTROM, EMMETT KANE, GEORGE ZOLD, and CASPER FRANZ all paid us a visit here at Forest Glen in the past month. Each one looks fine, and is enjoying life to the fullest. . . Repairman FRANK PIASECKI had a wonderful vacation up in Wisconsin. . . Operators HAGERTY, KURINEC, and JES-CHKE all enjoyed their vacations. Even DICK FINGAL managed to get out to the track. Of course Fingal had a few winners. . . By the way, I suppose there are lots of financial blues now that vacations are over, if so, your credit union is always ready to serve you. Drop in and see JOHN LANGE, or any of the other fellows who are willing to be of help. . . Received a card from PAT and LU GARITY, who spent their vacation touring Honolulu, Hawaii. They stated the trip was out of this world, only too short. . . PAUL BEUTLIN toured Arizona, Mexico, California, Oregon, Idaho, and Wyoming. He stated our country is really a beautiful place. So much to be seen and so little time. . . JOHN FRANCIS POWELL was born July 20 to DENNIS and BEVERLY (CARPINO) POWELL. Receiver FRANK CARPINO and his wife, ELAINE, are very happy to be presented with their third grandson. . . Another proud grandfather is our night clerk, HERB SCHMIDT, whose daughter Mrs. NANCY BUYCK had a son May 28. Now old Herbie has six grandchildren, five boys and one girl. Mrs. Schmidt, we want you to know

WITH A fish almost bigger than himself is seven year old WILLIAM HENRY, son of Forest Glen Operator and Transit News Reporter W. A. HENRY, who made the catch while the Henry family was on vacation in Canada.





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all of the fellows take good care of your Herbie. Of course, he has the easiest job here, plenty of music for his nightly chores, and he always has a smile. I do believe he is still in love with you Mrs. Schmidt, because he says he's enjoyed every minute with a beautiful woman . . . By the way, what ever became of the "Bloody Red Baron?"

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

### GENERAL OFFICE -

Pensioner EARL LEAMING and his wife, GRACE, who are enjoying retirement in Escondido, California, dropped a line stating how much they enjoy the Transit News, and also relating news of other CTA pensioners living out on the coast. To name a few, CHUCK RATTRAY, CHARLES PAXTON, and STAN LAFERSKI. All of these old time friends get together quite frequently and have a ball. Earl and his wife recently travelled to Sun City, Arizona, and had a nice visit with HARRY POLLAND, OLE OLSON, and their wives. Earl reports that they are all in good health and enjoying life.

### (Training & Accident Prevention) -

JOANNE NOWOSIELSKI was surprised recently with a pre-wedding shower attended by relatives and friends. Joanne said that the gifts were beautiful and she received everything one needs to start housekeeping . . . ELEANORE BROWNE is enjoying a vacation in and around Chicago with her grandchildren . . . LYDIA HAEMKER, temporarily assigned to the training department, is doing a fine job keeping things up to date for the training assistants.

### (Equipment Research & Development) -

Condolences are extended to GEORGE CLARK and his family on the death of his father, who passed away on August 6. Services were held on August 10 at St. Martin Episcopal Church . . . TOM LYONS and his family spent an entire week at Expo 67, which included waiting in long lines for hours to get in to see some of the exhibits. During the week they were at expo, they stayed with a French family. From there, they went to Stratford, Ontario, and Niagara Falls.

- *Mary E. Clarke*

### KEDZIE -

Fall is here, bringing bad weather, rain, and falling leaves, which means greater alertness and more distance between you and the cars ahead. This simple rule is in our defensive driving program. Superintendent E. PETERSON told me that Kedzie is slipping in our interstation competition on accidents. We have increased accidents on Madison street, Jackson boulevard, and Kedzie avenue. A little more effort by the operators on these streets, and Kedzie still has a chance to win in the last quarter of the station competition. So, let's all try a little harder . . . A message from our repair department, Foreman ROBERT VANCE would like to have the operators close all windows when pulling buses into bays or in the yard. This is also a company rule. Any buses that are left with the windows open and it results in damage by the weather, the operator who had the bus last, must make out a report. So let's not make out any reports, and cooperate with our repair department by closing all windows when pulling buses into the depot . . . Congratulations to Operator NORBERT OUMET and his wife, HARRIET, who became grandparents. Their

daughter, AUDREY, gave birth to a baby girl. Audrey and her husband, Captain PETER SOLBERG, named their daughter NICOLE. The happy parents are now living at Minot Air Force Base, in Minot, North Dakota, where Captain Solberg is stationed . . . Back from vacation is Operator J. W. JACKSON and his lovely wife. They drove to New York, and then to Canada to Expo 67. They had a wonderful time, taking in all the sights and sight-seeing trips. They didn't miss a thing. Jackson said there were no shortages of rooms or motels. He did say that some of the bigger hotels were filled, but outside of that, there were plenty of places to stay . . . Operator WILLIAM (Pipes) FRANZ is home on vacation just relaxing and doing some chores around the house. Your reporter and his wife stopped by to see him. He was in the back yard sitting in a lawn chair, enjoying life at its best . . . Operator DAVE CLARK, our number one man on the list, will be leaving for Canada. He has a farm there located north of the state of Montana. He said he would like to see Expo 67, but didn't think he would have the time . . . Some of the men from our repair department went to Hayward, Wisconsin, on the Lake Tiger Cat Flowage. They came back with eight big muskies, and had two of them mounted. Those who went were E. GUEDEL Jr. and his father, E. GUEDEL Sr., who is an operator at Forest Glen depot, R. GUNDERSON and his mother, Mrs. GUNDERSON, V. CELEBRON, and J. MIRALLEGRO. A good time was had by all . . . Superintendent E. PETERSON wishes to thank the following part time operators at Kedzie this summer, driving buses during their school vacations. The operators were, Richards, Gause, Watts, Gross, Crutchfield, Tettik, Barbee, Green, Russo, Gulley, Stiers, Harvey, Rivas, Vandelaar, Caine, Ferguson, Thompson, Armstrong, Smith, Wright, Bradford, Taylor, Williams, Rhodes, Dunn, Clausell, Khan, Holmes, Matthews, Hunter, Jones, Humphries, Millikin, Odem, Nichols, Larson, Banks, Breland, and Woolams. Their safety record is the best Kedzie ever had from part-time students since CTA started hiring them for summer replacements. This record can be attributed to the intensive training by Instructor Supervisor JERRY KNOPF and his staff of instructors, their defensive driving program, and all the line instructors who are the students' right hand men while in training. Superintendent Peterson told me a good job was done by all . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Mr. M. RANAHAN, who was laid to rest August 11. Mr. Ranahan was a retired motorman and lived in Chicago . . . Remember our union meetings. Our presence there should be a must. Our board members are WILLIAM LARSEN and DAVE KISSANE . . . Operator TED HEFFERNAN of our credit union says save a little every payday so we can help another brother who may need to borrow. One must give, so the other can have.

- *Raymond Graham*

### KEELER -

Hi fellows. A little old lady passenger welcomed me back from vacation with this nice bit of information. There is a striking similarity between a bachelor and a strong detergent; they both work fast and don't leave a ring . . . Not true of Operator F. T. T. ROY WESCHER, who relinquished his freedom August 9. Good luck, Roy . . . The bells are pealing for Superintendent and Mrs. E. C. LOUGHRAN. These two people celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary August 20. The melodious tinkle is for Clerk RONNIE MILLER and his wife, BARBIE, for their 8th anniversary, August 28 . . . The birthday

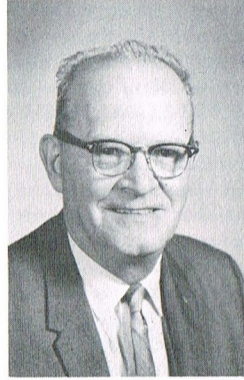


# NEW PENSIONERS

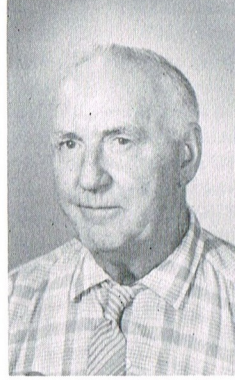
ON THESE two pages are pictured 13 employees who joined the ranks of the retired on September 1 after completing 40 or more years of service each.



**PETER FLECK**  
49 Years



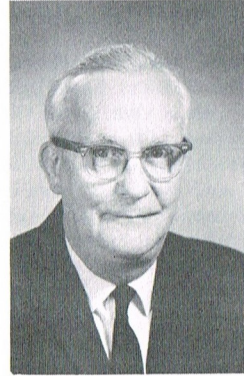
**VERLE BANNISTER**  
46 Years



**EMIL LINDENBERG**  
49 Years



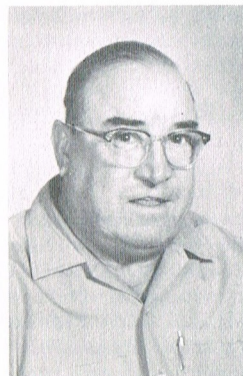
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43 Years



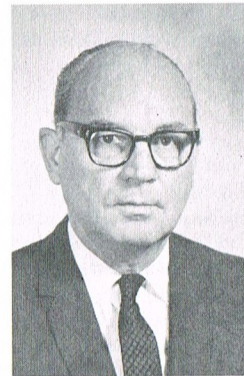
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43 Years



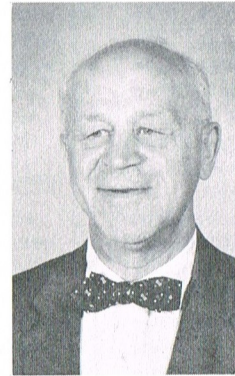
**WILLIAM MORAN**  
44 Years



**JOHN MCCARTHY**  
43 Years



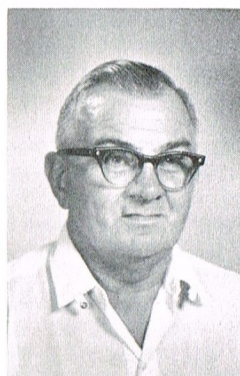
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42 Years



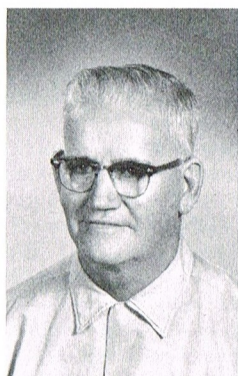
**GUSTAVE MAY**  
41 Years

WILLIAM F. ALBRO, Operator, Limits, Emp. 5-15-25  
 ROSCOE O. BABBITT, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 10-6-27  
 STEPHEN E. BAGROWSKI, Traffic Checker, Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 6-3-26  
 VERLE E. BANNISTER, Plumber Foreman, Building, Emp. 10-24-22  
 ARTHUR F. CARLSON, Asst. Div. Storekeeper, North Division, Emp. 1-18-24  
 WILLIAM A. CLIFFORD, Clerk, 69th Street, Emp. 1-26-34  
 JOHN COLEMAN, Janitor, North Avenue, Emp. 11-1-43  
 GLENN L. COOLEY, Bus Repairman, Campaign Area, Emp. 3-29-27  
 LEON H. DEMZIEN, Bus Repairman, Campaign Area, Emp. 5-16-24  
 FREDRICK R. DRAWERT, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 3-30-34  
 GEORGE W. ELLIOTT, Machinist, South Shops, Emp. 10-8-45  
 PETER P. FLECK, Clerk, West Section, Emp. 6-5-18  
 LOUIS T. GRYGIEL, Motorman, South Section, Emp. 1-6-30  
 ARTHUR C. HANSEN, Bus Repairman, Limits, Emp. 7-9-37  
 HENRY J. HEISTERMAN, Motorman, South Section, Emp. 11-9-42  
 LEVI S. HILLIARD, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 8-31-27  
 EDWARD M. HOPKINS, Conductor, South Section, Emp. 3-29-43  
 CORNELIUS KILOURIE, Motor Rebuilder, South Shops, Emp. 3-11-42  
 BERNARD P. KIRCHENS, Lineman's Helper, Electrical, Emp. 10-6-42  
 MICHAEL LENNON, Relief Foreman, 52nd Street, Emp. 4-22-27  
 EMIL J. LINDENBERG, Towerman, North Section, Emp. 8-2-18  
 JOHN S. LUCARELLI, Laborer, Skokie Shops, Emp. 5-5-36  
 JOHN H. MARVO, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 1-9-43  
 GUSTAVE H. MAY, Janitor, North Avenue, Emp. 3-30-26  
 JOHN P. MCCARTHY, Collector, 77th Street, Emp. 3-21-24  
 WILLIAM E. MICHALIK, Foreman, Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-20-46  
 WILLIAM J. MORAN, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 8-23-23  
 THOMAS F. PAWLEY, Foreman, South Shops, Emp. 10-22-37  
 LEROY H. PEDERSEN, Collector, Forest Glen, Emp. 1-18-34  
 JOSEPH A. PROCHNIAK, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 3-29-24  
 RUDOLPH ROICHEK, Bus Serviceman, Limits, Emp. 5-6-47  
 BENNY RUSSO, Truck Repairman, South Shops, Emp. 7-13-43  
 DAVID S. STETCHER, Stock Clerk, North Division, Emp. 5-5-41  
 JOHN TERRELL, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 4-11-51  
 LESLIE H. WHITING, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 8-28-42  
 KILLIAN P. ZAHN, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 1-8-45





GLENN COOLEY  
40 Years



STEPHEN BAGROWSKI  
41 Years



MICHAEL LENNON  
40 Years



JOSEPH PROCHNIAK  
43 Years

## DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

JOSEPH J. GOBLET, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 8-28-41  
WILLIAM C. HAWKINS, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 4-14-48  
EMIL G. JAROCKI, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 8-5-49  
IVAN O. OLSON, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 1-22-34  
CHARLIE S. POPE, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 1-5-53  
HENRY B. SZEPANIK, Auto Mechanic,  
South Shops, 6-19-46

candles are burned for Chief Clerk ELMER RIEDEL August 28. His first present was a phone call from North Dakota, informing him of a new nephew who will share the same birthdate with him now. Also, Elmer just welcomed his 13th grandchild, a little lady who refused to give her name at this time. Other cake cutters are Operators TED PYZNA, September 7; W. MORRISON, September 21; Big BILL KNUDSEN, September 29; and Little ROY SHORES, September 29 . . . Our sincere condolences to Superintendent LOUGHRAN, on the loss of his brother, JAMES LOUGHRAN . . . Now CHUCK JONES can regain the weight he lost. Welcome home from the hospital to his wife, LUCILLE . . . Retired Operator JOHN EWALD from Largo, Florida, visited Keeler while vacationing in our windy city . . . Another visitor was ELMER BELFANZ, retired superintendent of Limits depot. He looked much younger than his 82 years . . . Our sympathy to Retired Mechanical Foreman FRANK ROBACK, who fell and broke his leg while doing some carpenter work around the house. We know you're supposed to slow down when you retire Frank, but couldn't you find an easier way of doing it? Or was this the only way to avoid the little work suggestions from the Mrs? . . . Vacation cards were received from Receiver JOHN SIMKO, from Canada. Car Cleaner WILLIE B. NAUDEN's card, came by carrier pigeon from sunny California . . . I know all of you join me in extending a great big thanks to all the students who helped keep the buses rolling during the summer months. Good luck, fellows, and come back and lend a hand next year if it's possible . . . Summer helper BOB SAGEN can return to Mid-Western College in Dennison, Iowa, with the proud feeling of being classified as an ace tire thumper . . . Say, I hear that Operator ALLEN JACKSON's title as "Supreme Information Consultant" is being threatened by a newcomer, Operator J. W. NELSON . . . Also from the gossip line comes the information that Operator MIX treated big BILL KNUDSEN to a few birthday brews. The puzzle is, who ended up paying? . . . Well, guys, and you hip dolls too, 'til next month, let's lift a toast to all family men. You know, that's the fellow who has several mouths to feed - one great big fat one to listen to - and one who replaced the currency in his wallet with snap shots.

- Ernest C. Carter

## LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Agent ARLENE SWANSON wants to thank her many friends for their kindness during her recent bereavement. Her husband, GEORGE, was a CTA pensioner . . . Porter PAT LYNCH is back to work after suffering an accident. He wants to thank everyone for their cards and kindness during his convalescence . . . Agent ANN BOOTHROYD tells us her daughter, LILLA, is taking nurses' training at West Suburban hospital. Daughter, HILDA, will attend college in Cedarville, Ohio . . . At this writing, Mrs. A. DOWLING, pensioner, is in St. Francis hospital, Evanston. I am sure she would enjoy getting cards from her former co-workers . . . Electrician RALPH TANNHAUSER celebrated his birthday on July 3 . . . Agent MARION FILIP spent her vacation around Chicago, which is really the most restful kind . . . Agent LAWANDA REDDING stayed home on her vacation. She is busy planning the wedding of her daughter, SUE, which takes place in October . . . A dinner was held in July for Assignment Agent JERI VINZENS, who did such an able job for the North and South Side lines for so long. Mrs. Vinzens was a good friend to all of us, and everyone who attended the dinner in her honor had a marvelous time . . . Porter L. BYRNES was on vacation



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for four weeks. While he was home his son, who is a Marine, had a 25-day leave. He left for overseas July 19 and plans to marry Miss PATRICIA FRANCI when he returns home . . . Porter JOE PARTIPILO is taking his pension on October 1. He and Mrs. Partipilo are going to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the baths. We wish Joe many happy years . . . I just returned from a three-week vacation in Chicago, so I will have to get back in the groove.

- Helen Pallister

### LAWNDALE -

The Lawndale committee of the Little Flower Society will be selling chances on many prizes to be raffled at the semi-annual communion breakfast, October 22. Please help them, as it is for a worthy cause. The money will be used to put deserving boys through the priesthood. The prizes to be raffled are very valuable . . . We received a card from CARL NELSON in Shelby, Michigan, that shows a picture of 13 fish he caught. Must be a baker's dozen . . . Our deepest sympathy to the family of Pensioner MICHAEL D. RANAHAN, buried August 21 . . . Received word from ROBERT C. DILLARD that his wife, KATIE, is recuperating in Bethany hospital. She is feeling fine after her operation . . . We found out that the grandson of Janitor EDDIE KAWCZYNSKI was named MARK EDWARD after him, so, he is going around popping the buttons on his vest . . . Ever since JOHN GALVIN went to the golf tournament at St. Andrews Golf course and took one of the prizes, he has been receiving score cards from various golf courses. They are sent by Janitor Eddie. Every one of Eddie's scores are below par. On one card he had three "birdies" and two "eagles," which would be a good score for Bobby Jones.

- Larry Keating

### LIMITS -

H. SEIDEL and his wife returned from a 4,500 mile vacation trip to the upper northwest part of Canada, where they visited relatives . . . SEYMOUR HOFFMAN and his family vacationed in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where they enjoyed themselves to the utmost . . . V. PRIOLO spent a good part of his vacation at home, where he was busy doing house work, which he enjoyed so much . . . TEX GUINAN and his wife drove to Hollywood, California. Their trip was marred by an accident, which resulted in head injuries to Tex, and his wife was severely shaken up. Both recovered nicely and none the worse for the mis-hap.

- R. S. Benson

### LOOP -

Here is why I didn't write for the last issue. My husband and I were going to spend our vacation in California, but due to illness in the family, we went to South Carolina. We made Columbia our home while there. We went to the State Capital and could have spent days there just touring the building. It is constructed of granite, quarried in the vicinity. The Capital building was a target for Union guns in 1865. You could also spend days visiting the University of South Carolina, which covers a lot of land. We saw the Governors Mansion, which is a very large old building surrounded by a high iron fence and in some places a brick wall. Inside the walls are

hundreds of lovely flowers and evergreens. In Charleston, a very historic city founded in 1670, we found a host of interesting things to see. We saw the old Exchange Building and many churches and graveyards, dating back to 1751. There are many gardens to visit, some with flowers 100 years old. There are many outstanding flowers, such as the magnolia, azaleas, and camellia, in the Cypress Gardens, each one more beautiful than the other. We then spent some time at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, where Dan enjoyed swimming in the ocean. On our way back to Columbia, we stopped off at Pawley Island, which is a nice place to swim and dive.

Many of the student agents attended an outing a few weeks ago, and among the crowd were a few old timers who are on their way to bigger and better positions. Some were, JOE RUSSO, who was liked by everyone who ever worked with him, KAY DONAVAN, J. DOLAN, and JACK MCCARTHY. Many of the agents were kind of ill the next day. One of them could have been T. ZDEB. How about BOB GUESS, who felt pretty sad the next day . . . Student Agent Zdeb will spend his free time at the Museum of Science and Industry, listening to a recording of his voice over the phone. Could there be room for improvement? Oh yes, while we are on the subject of T. Zdeb, we must let everyone know the love-bug has Zdeb going around and around. If you don't believe it, just ask his best friend, Agent VIDAS. . . Agent W. STRASSER and his wife celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary August 15. Wilbur was talking to a dear friend of his about how things were 32 years ago. Wilbur and his wife didn't want to miss out on bank night, so the evening of their wedding day they dashed over to the neighborhood theatre, and it only cost 50¢. How about that . . . Congratulations to Agent PAT SPAK, and former Agent BOB MARKERT, who just announced their engagement. They hope to say "I Do" next June or July . . . Agent G. YARDLEY will spend one week of her vacation with her daughter who is a nun, and the other two weeks with her family in Pennsylvania. Agent M. BROWN will visit her sister and brother in Pennsylvania . . . Who is the nice agent that found a new formula for washing the booth boards? Would you, whoever you are, give us the name of the formula? . . . Porter I. CHRISTMAS wishes to take this opportunity for a big "thank you" to all his friends and co-workers who were so kind and thoughtful while he was ill . . . So long, and it was nice working with Agents E. CORRIGAN and BILL CAIN. These two "young" fellows have taken their pension as of August 1. Good luck to both of you . . . Glad to see Agent MARY WIXTED is back after her accident. Maybe now you will watch where you put your foot. . . Top man is Collector JOE GAVIN, who is very happy these days, with a big smile and shining eyes. We all wonder if his son is back home for good now. He spent two years in Viet Nam on river patrol duty. Joe says they have a lot of catching up to do now . . . Vacation time for Collector VERN NORSTROM (lover boy), who went fishing and caught an oversize fish. Now the thing is, poor SPIRO LAMPROS is hoping there will be some fish left for him. Spiro says he will go to Wisconsin and see what he can catch there . . . Collector GEORGE KUEHN is the smartest of all. He stayed at home and spent his vacation walking here and there in Cicero, window shopping. Then comes the big day before returning to work, he took a nice walk to the savings and loan, just checking . . . Agent L. RUSSELL spent a week at Expo 67, and two weeks at a Wisconsin farm . . . Agent JOHN FILIPEK and his wife will spend a week of his vacation in St. Joseph, Michigan. John has packed his tape measure, marker, and sticks. He has a few lots there and is planning to build a little love nest for



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his retirement. John says if he starts building now, he will have it finished in time. Congratulations to his daughter, CHARLOTTE, who was 17 just a few weeks ago . . . Glad to see Agent CATHERINE KINNY back on the job . . . Many of the agents who have worked Parkside and Central stations, are glad to see their friend, HARRY HARVEY, back selling papers there. He was off for quite a while due to surgery . . . Very sorry I didn't know that Agents V. CASHION and DAVE GRAFMAN were in the hospital. Hope by this time, you both are back to work . . . Congratulations to Porter J. PARTIPILO, who took his pension October 1. Hope you have many years of happiness . . . Agent MARY RAFTERY spent her vacation in the Ozarks and Black Hills . . . Agent CATHERINE QUINLAN and her husband are in Arizona at this date. They are going to spend a little time in Las Vegas. Heard that Catherine took along some oversize shopping bags, and they are extra strong, so she could carry home all the green stuff she wins . . . Porter EVANS had a quiet vacation, also Agents MILLER and H. OLSEN . . . Porter REDUS MOORE spent one week of vacation in New York and two weeks down in Mississippi . . . Agent T. BARRETT is vacationing at Lake Geneva with friends . . . Congratulations to Agent C. SALA and her husband, who became grandparents for the second time. Baby, grandpa, and grandma, are doing fine.

- Mildred Doyle

### NORTH AVENUE -

Operator SANDAR BOCZKO became a proud papa when his wife, GLADYS, gave birth to a baby boy named ZOLTAN at Edgewater hospital on August 11. He is their third child. Operator DONALD BLACK and his wife, GAIL, are the happy parents of a baby girl, DARLA, born recently. Operator WILLIAM KERRY and his wife, SHEILA, welcomed a bundle of joy, ALANNA MARIE, on July 31 at Columbus hospital. Operator PAUL BRAZEAU and his wife, PATRICIA, are the proud parents of a daughter, DENISE, born on August 6. They have three girls and one boy. Operator JOSEPH PERNICE and his wife, CATHERINE, became grandparents again when a grandson, DANIEL PAUL PIETROSKE, was born. Congratulations to all parents and grandparents . . . We are sorry to report that GEORGE "Sinatra" KUENSTLE has been on the sick list. We ask that God will grant him a speedy recovery and hope he will be back soon . . . That handsome young man whose picture appeared in the "Our Men in Vietnam" column in the



DO YOU recognize the handsome young man in this photo? Here's a clue, it was taken 49 years ago in the Kimball yard, a month after he began working for the old Northwestern "L," and his entire length of service was spent on the North Section until he retired September 1. If you haven't recognized him by now then turn to page 14, his picture is in the top row at the right. You're right, it's Towerman EMIL J. LINDENBERG.

Chicago Tribune, July 31, was Pfc. RONALD BEDOE, of our repair department . . . We welcome new Operators WALTER YOUNG, ARTHUR CULPS, LOUIS MONTGOMERY, and FLETCHER BARNES . . . My son, DAVID MIEDEMA, will be nine years old September 27. Happy birthday David . . . Supervisor TOM WALSH and his wife spent five weeks in Ireland and Scotland in July and August, visiting relatives . . . Operator PETER MADIA and his wife, JOSEPHINE, visited Las Vegas. They then went to visit his sister in Monterey Park, California, and to Phoenix, Arizona, to visit friends . . . Operator WILLIAM KALBOTH and his family vacationed at McFarland, Wisconsin. The fishing was good but the weather was very cool . . . Operator EINAR PARSON and his son travelled by camper to Denver, Colorado; Cheyenne, Wyoming; Kansas, Nebraska, and Indiana . . . Night Foreman RAY DROPE went on a fishing trip with HARVEY WILLIAMS, Superintendent of Technical Service, Rapid Transit Division, to Big Cannon Lake in Ontario, Canada. There was a group of 36 traveling by air-conditioned bus. A total of over 900 pounds of fish were caught. The catch included 71 lake trout, walleyes, and small mouth bass. Some nice size north-erns were also caught. Most of the fish were filleted and frozen, then packaged and distributed among the group. They had four days of 45 mile per hour winds. Otherwise the weather was excellent. Ray's son, Captain RAY DROPE Jr., of the 1st Marine Air Wing Group #13, stationed at Chu Lai, South Vietnam, has completed over 300 combat missions in North and South Vietnam. He pilots an F4 Phantom jet fighter-bomber. He worked as a ticket agent part time for the CTA while he attended Loyola university. He has completed his 13 months of duty and should return to Chicago on furlough in August. May God bring him safely home. He will then report to 2nd Marine Air Wing, at Cherry Point, North Carolina.

Operator ED MAKOWSKI enjoyed his vacation in Colorado even though they had a lot of rainy weather. Operator BOB ZIRKLE and his wife, JEAN, and their children visited friends and relatives in Maryland. They had a good time in spite of the fact that it rained for two weeks . . . Operator VIGGO WINDFELD and his wife vacationed at Copenhagen, Denmark. The weather and food were fine. Then they drove to Germany for an enjoyable time . . . Operator GERHARD KLAMP attended the world jamboree for Boy Scouts at Farragut State Park, Idaho. It is surrounded by the Cabinet, Bitterroot, and Selkirk Mountains; 17,000 boys attended. The scenery was beautiful, Buttonhook Bay, Cape Horn, and the lovely Floating Village on Squaw Bay. Thanks to all of you for your picturesque post cards . . . Pensioner JOSEPH BLAA and his wife, FLORENCE, formerly of North Avenue, visited their friends at North Avenue depot while they were visiting Chicago. They looked well and are enjoying their pension living in Pinellas Park, Florida. Joseph is president of the Pensioners' Club in Florida, made up of CTA pensioners . . . Pensioner PAUL TOTZKE passed away August 6. Supervisor CHARLES OLICKAS lost his sister-in-law, JOSEPHINE BUSH, on July 31. Pensioner THOMAS O'DONNELL passed away August 15. Operator MORRIS E. ANDERSON lost his sister, Mrs. ALPHA CARLSON, on August 16. Pensioner HERMAN HASENKAMP passed away August 22. Our deepest sympathy to these families . . . New bridegroom, WAYNE MIEDEMA, Repair Department, and his bride, BONNIE, were married on August 5 at North Side Gospel church, followed by a reception. They honeymooned at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

- Bill Miedema



**NORTH PARK -**

The Society of the Little Flower fall communion mass and breakfast will be held Sunday, November 12, at St. Therese's Shrine, 6401 South Woodlawn avenue. Members are urged to return their drawing and ad books to their depot chairman. A chartered bus will leave the depot at 7 a.m. . . Receiver AL REMACK and his wife, DOROTHY, spent their vacation at Flat Rock, North Carolina, visiting their son, DONALD, who is attending General Electric's training school there. Don is receiving electronic instructions, and upon completion, he will enter the business world as an electronics expert . . . Operator JAKE RUSNAK, his wife, ROSE, and son, RICHARD, spent three weeks fishing at Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. Jake reports a catch of four muskies, the largest weighing 17 1/2 pounds . . . Clerk JOE DI GIOVANNI and his wife, CONNIE, flew to Honolulu, Hawaii, on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to the Island of Kauai, where the Di Giovanni's enjoyed native foods and great entertainment. Also on the agenda, was a visit on the U.S.S. Arizona, through the courtesy of the U. S. Navy, a visit to the pineapple fields and Dole's cannery. On their return, Joe and Connie spent two glorious days in Las Vegas . . . Clerk BOB PETERSON and his wife, GRACE, had a most unusual vacation this summer. The Petersons visited Chicago's great Islands, namely Goose, Stony, and Blue Island. Grace was impressed with the beauty and sights of Chicago's finest . . . Operator LES SWANSON and his wife, INEZ, motored around the Lake Superior area. Highlights of their trip were visits at the locks of Sault Ste. Marie. The Swansons, who are rock hounding hobbyists, found several Lake Superior agates to add to their collection . . . Operator BEN SECLER, his wife, NATALIE, and children, STUART, DEAN, and MERYL, vacationed at Kentucky Dam State Park. Ben reports that fishing was excellent with Natalie showing the boys how to catch those 3 pound bass . . . Clerk JACK MOREAU, his wife, JUNE, and daughters, JANICE and JOANNE, motored to Mountain Home, Arkansas, to visit Jack's brother, LEO. Returning home, the Moreaus spent a week relaxing at Nippersink Lodge in Wisconsin . . . Operator JIM KIRKWOOD, his wife, MARY, and children, NATHAN, STEPHEN, BETHEL, and JOHN, attended the annual Winona Lake Bible Conference, held at Winona Lake, Indiana . . . Operator MARVIN SOLMANOFF and his wife, ETHELYN, spent a restful week at Oakton Manor Resort, located at Pewaukee Lake, Wisconsin . . . Operator LAWREN RILES, his wife, ROCHELLER, and children, motored to Terre Haute, Indiana, where Lawrin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT RILES, reside. Lawrin spent considerable time fishing at the Branch River, where the catch was good. Returning home, the Riles spent three days at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield, Illinois.

Operator RALPH MC DONALD, his wife, POLLY, and daughters, CANDY and JUANITA, motored to Montreal, Canada, to spend two weeks with Ralph's in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE LALONDE. Expo 67 was a must, with night clubbing running a close second. Also on the agenda was a visit to Halifax, Nova Scotia, to see Ralph's mother, Mrs. C. H. MC DONALD . . . Operator GORDON RICE, his wife, EDITH, and son, TIM, vacationed at Altoona, Pennsylvania, where Edith's sisters live. Gordon's time was spent fishing and hunting for ground hogs. Returning home, the Rices then had a grand week in Green Bay, Wisconsin, with Gordon's mother, Mrs. SELMA GRUPE . . . Operator CHARLIE KEMP, his wife, HELEN, and son, GARY, vacationed at their summer home in Brookside, Wisconsin. The bass and trout

were plentiful, Charlie reports. A new neighbor of Charlie's is Operator FRANK GLEASON of 77th depot, who hopes to catch fish like the Kemp's do . . . Operator FRED HABERSTICK and his wife, SILVA, motored to Geff, Illinois, where Fred has extensive real estate holdings. Returning home, the Habersticks then drove to Ashville, North Carolina, where Silva's 96-year old uncle, Mr. GEORGE HARRIS, resides . . . Operator BILL KNIGHT, his wife, ELKENA, and children, motored throughout the southern states. The Knights roughed it all the way, camping out at various places. Highlight of the trip was a grand fishing catch of cat fish at Paris Landing, Tennessee . . . Operator AL NEGELE spent his five weeks at Montrose harbor, where Al reports the perch were very receptive . . . Operator GARRETT FOY and his wife, JEAN, with their son, RAY, and his wife, MARY, and children, from Louisville, Kentucky, spent two weeks fishing at Way Dam, located north of Crystal Falls, Michigan. Garrett reports that the walleyes and jumbo perch were hitting fair. Garrett presented his grandchildren with new rods and reels, and the results were amazing . . . Operator FRANCIS H. MILLER and his wife, MARCELLINE, motored to Gills Rock, Wisconsin, for their vacation. Fishing from a chartered boat, Francis caught many perch and small mouth bass . . . Operator HAROLD BASON, his wife, NORA, and daughter, DEBBIE, attached their Apache trailer to the car and motored throughout Canada. Highlights of their trip were visits to Expo 67, Quebec, Ottawa, and the provincial parks of northern Canada . . . Operator CLARENCE KURTH, his wife, KATHLEEN, and daughter, JOANNE, vacationed at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Considerable time was spent at Key West, where the Kurths acquired a nice sun tan . . . Operator NICK ZAHN, his wife, JULIE, and children, motored to Montreal for a grand week at Expo 67. The Zahns also visited Niagara Falls, Toronto, and St. Ann's Shrine in Quebec . . . Sanitary Engineer TIM GUIHEEN and his wife, HELEN, after an absence of 41 years, flew Irish Air Lines to Shannon Airport, Ireland. Highlights of the trip were eventful visits with Tim's brother, who resides in Dingle, County Kerry, and Helen's family, who reside in Castle Island, County Kerry . . . Operator GUS JONES and family, drove Gus' new Buick LeSabre to St. Louis and to various places in Arkansas where many of Gus' relatives live . . . Operator HARRY CRUM and his wife, NORA, celebrated their 28th anniversary, and vacationed in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where the dining and visits to the breweries were exciting . . . Operator IRVING RICHMAN and his wife, ELEANOR, celebrated their 21st anniversary, and vacationed with a grand trip to the Bermuda Islands . . . Operator ELMER WILENBROCK has been cited by announcer JACK BRICKHOUSE several times on WGN TV for his deeds of courtesy and consideration to people using the press box at Wrigley Field . . . Operator ROY RIPKE has purchased a '67 Chevrolet Impala station wagon and is now eagerly awaiting his vacation . . . Mrs. SOPHIA SEDIN, the wife of Operator HAROLD SEDIN, underwent surgery at Bethesda hospital, and at this writing is convalescing at home.

KATHLEEN MARSH, daughter of Operator ARNIE MARSH, will be working the coming school year in Frankfurt, Germany, at one of the air bases, teaching children of air force personnel . . . Operator WILLIAM M. SMITH became a father for the fifth time when his wife, LILLIE, presented him with their first son, WILLIAM LARRY, born July 23 at Presbyterian-St. Luke's hospital . . . Operator TED DIDIER and his wife, MAUDE, became grandparents for the fourth time when their daughter, Mrs. JOYCE WEST, gave birth to a son



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named LOUIS EDWARD July 25 at Skokie Valley hospital . . . Happy anniversaries are extended to Operator CLARENCE KURTH and his wife, KATHLEEN, their 40th, August 6; Operator LEN BAEUCHLER and his wife, VIVIAN, their 29th, September 3; Operator ED KURCZENSKI and his wife, BEVERLY, their 18th, September 4; Operator CHESTER DAMIAN and his wife, IRENE, their 27th, September 7; Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, their 28th, September 13; Sanitary Engineer OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLE, their 33rd, September 17, and Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, their 28th, August 5 . . . Happy birthday is extended to ELYSE LIBERT, September 3 . . . Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Operator DON HEANEY on the loss of his mother-in-law, Mrs. MARGARET BACHMAN; Operator MARVIN SALMANOFF on the loss of his brother, LEO SALMANOFF; and to Operator LEONARD BAEUCHLER on the loss of his mother, Mrs. MARIE BAEUCHLER . . . Repairman MATT HEAVEY and family vacationed at Lake Delavan, Wisconsin . . . Repairman HERMAN AMBROS vacationed at Hayward, Wisconsin, and reports the fishing was poor . . . Clerk GEORGE BENSISH and his wife, STEPHANIE, became grandparents for the second time when their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. RONALD BENSISH, became parents of a son named KENNETH JAMES, born August 11 at Resurrection hospital. Ron is employed in the Revenue department at the Mart . . . The welcome mat is extended to new Bus Cleaners JAMES LIEBERMAN and R. BOND . . . Congratulations to new Repairmen JOE KEYSER and LUTHER GRABOWSKI, and a welcome to JOE KRAUSE, formerly of North Avenue depot . . . Assistant Foreman FRED SCHMIDT has been transferred to 77th as p.m. foreman . . . Repairman JOHN MOUNT has returned after his two-week tour of duty for reserve training . . . Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE turned in his usual fine job, replacing Foreman CHARLES DUNNE when he was on vacation.

- Melvin Honning

their seventh anniversary recently, with Mr. and Mrs. HESS attending . . . A. KRAUSE is vacationing in Kansas City, Missouri . . . ROSE O'CONNELL, her husband, and son, took a trip to Washington, D. C., and plan to go to the Wisconsin Dells, if it isn't too cold . . . LARRY GENENDER took a trip to Wisconsin and upper Michigan. He is planning on moving to Skokie October 1 . . . Congratulations to MIKE and MAE CRONIN, who became grandparents twice in one year . . . MARIAN SPARKS became a grandmother nearly a year ago, and no one put it in the paper. Her grandson, MICHAEL DAVID, lives in the same building so, naturally, he has won her heart . . . TONY ABBINANTI spent four days in Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he met pensioner DORIS JOHNSON. She will welcome any news from her old friends. She is staying at the Majestic Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas . . . Mr. STEVENS plans to spend a week in Mt. Homes, Arkansas, and the Ozarks . . . WARD MARKS traveled to Winchester and Blu Ray, Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Tennessee, Missouri, Mississippi, and Arkansas . . . Agent LOUISE NELSON is leaving soon, as she is expecting her first child in January. We all wish her lots of luck with the little one . . . Congratulations to Skokie Operator RONALD TUCK, who was married September 9 . . . JIM LYONS, former student ticket agent, vacationed in California before starting to teach at Immaculata High this fall . . . Congratulations to JOHN GLYNN and ROSEMARY KOHLER, who were married August 26, and also to SAMUEL WILLI and CAROL HENNINGSON. Sam is the son of Evanston Conductor J. C. WILLI . . . Recently retired was JAMES J. O'CONNER, motorman at Kimball. We hope he is enjoying his retirement, and will have a long and happy one . . . Condolences to the CHESTER HOWE and HAROLD KOEPPE family . . . We are happy to see VIOLET WAGNER back to work after a long illness . . . Your scribe, her husband, grandson, daughter, and her boy friend, went to Grand Haven, Michigan, to a family reunion, and all had a good time with 81 attending.

- Grace Mounts

### NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to Motorman GIDEON STEVENS and his wife, YOLANDA, who had their first child July 11. She was named KIMBERLY YOLANDA . . . E. A. BERGFELD spent his vacation in St. Louis, Missouri, and the Lake of the Ozarks . . . HELEN EDWARDS' (1125) husband won her a mink stole from the A and P. Congratulations! . . . JOE and BEVERLY GOLDBERG celebrated



POSING STATELY and ready for work on his lawn is Retired Superintendent HERMAN ERICKSON, formerly of Limits depot. Mr. Erickson who retired over 2½ years ago, now resides in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

### PURCHASING, STORES & SPECIFICATIONS (Stores) -

A warm welcome to our new clerk-typists, LYNNE KLOPP and LYNN HARRER . . . It's back to college again for JANET HEALY, BETSY HIRSCH, and MARY ANN JOBARIS. We'll miss you girls, so hurry back next summer . . . Mr. and Mrs. MARTIN HARTY and their son, CHRISTOPHER, are here from Washington, D. C., vacationing with his parents, the J. T. HARTYS . . . On August 12, KATHY SKORA, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. CHESTER SKORA, was invested in the habit of the Franciscan Sisters at the convent in Lemont, Illinois. Kathy will begin her two-year novitiate term and will be known as SISTER GAIL MARIE. An outdoor reception was held in honor of the occasion on the convent grounds, where Sister Gail Marie greeted her many friends and relatives.

### (Central Division) -

News from ED BRUCKNER, who is pensioning in sunny California, says he and his wife are expecting their third grandchild.

### (South Division) -

All good wishes go to RUDY HEROLD, who retired August 1 and is now spending part of his leisure time at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri . . . Our vacationers are really seeing the country: At this writing, BERNIE FITZPATRICK and family are in Hot Springs, Arkansas . . . Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY HALL visited the Black



# RECENT DEATHS

AUGUSTINO ALBANESE, 85, Way & Struct.,  
Emp. 6-1-23, Died 8-27-67  
EDWIN M. ANDERSON, 74, Kedzie,  
Emp. 7-26-16, Died 7-23-67  
STANLEY BAK, 79, Lake Street,  
Emp. 9-23-20, Died 9-8-67  
FRED A. BARTZ, 67, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 12-22-22, Died 8-26-67  
IRWIN O. BOCK, 59, West Section,  
Emp. 3-15-45, Died 8-11-67  
JOSEPH J. BUCHINSKI, 77, Archer Avenue,  
Emp. 8-19-16, Died 9-11-67  
HENRY J. CADE, 79, South Shops,  
Emp. 2-23-26, Died 8-6-67  
ALFRED R. CHOUINARD, 89, Photographic,  
Emp. 6-1-27, Died 8-5-67  
JENS M. CHRISTENSEN, 82, West Section,  
Emp. 6-19-24, Died 8-5-67  
ROBERT G. CONNORS, 80, Keeler,  
Emp. 5-5-17, Died 8-17-67  
ALEX CSABA, 78, West Section,  
Emp. 9-3-36, Died 7-31-67  
GEORGE DAHLIN, 72, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 6-13-44, Died 8-27-67  
PERCY DICKINSON, 84, North Section,  
Emp. 1-30-41, Died 6-11-67  
RAYMOND T. DUNN, 70, Lake Street,  
Emp. 8-5-30, Died 8-7-67  
HARRY FICK, 83, 69th Street,  
Emp. 2-11-11, Died 8-26-67  
JOSEPH GIANCOLA, 85, Track,  
Emp. 10-16-30, Died 9-8-67  
VICTOR S. GORSKE, 77, Devon,  
Emp. 12-15-26, Died 8-31-67  
JAMES B. GRIER, 71, North Avenue,  
Emp. 1-5-26, Died 7-18-67  
WILLIAM L. GRIFFITHS, 73, Wilson Avenue,  
Emp. 9-16-29, Died 8-3-67

JOHN J. GROGAN, 83, 77th Street,  
Emp. 11-29-26, Died 6-5-67  
HERMAN HASENKAMP, 59, Office Services,  
Emp. 12-10-40, Died 8-21-67  
ALBERT L. HELMER, 67, Track,  
Emp. 3-20-24, Died 8-14-67  
CHESTER V. HOWE, 70, North Section,  
Emp. 2-3-20, Died 7-20-67  
VICTOR HULTIEN, 63, Beverly,  
Emp. 8-28-29, Died 9-10-67  
PETER JENSEN, 77, North Park,  
Emp. 4-10-18, Died 8-27-67  
LOUIS JESLOWITZ, 92, Blue Island,  
Emp. 7-5-04, Died 8-28-67  
ANTON J. KALIVODA, 88, Metropolitan Division,  
Emp. 6-11-25, Died 8-31-67  
HARRY G. KARADIMOS, 66, North Avenue,  
Emp. 5-4-23, Died 7-6-67  
OTTO KASIK, 66, General Office,  
Emp. 5-8-61, Died 7-26-67  
THOMAS J. KELLY, 73, Grand Substation,  
Emp. 5-14-15, Died 7-28-67  
HENRY KLINK, 74, 77th Street,  
Emp. 12-20-12, Died 8-2-67  
HAROLD W. KOEPPE, 59, Electrical,  
Emp. 6-8-37, Died 8-2-67  
CHARLES H. KOLLER, 70, Internal Auditing,  
Emp. 6-20-22, Died 7-27-67  
JACOB KORUBA, 86, Track,  
Emp. 6-8-23, Died 9-4-67  
EUEL W. LATIMER, 68, 77th Street,  
Emp. 6-28-26, Died 7-12-67  
CHRISTIAN LAURSEN, 91, 77th Street,  
Emp. 11-26-18, Died 9-9-67  
JCVAN LJUBENKO, 80, Way & Struct.,  
Emp. 9-1-06, Died 8-9-67  
JOHN MANTIA, 80, Track,  
Emp. 8-11-19, Died 8-17-67

Hills of South Dakota, and Colorado. JOHN VIDAS and family were in Decatur, Wisconsin, where they enjoyed fishing, swimming, and boating. Mr. and Mrs. EARL WILCOX spent their vacation in Wisconsin, where they were joined by his daughter and her family from New Jersey. JOHN SIEBERT's family stayed at Sunny Brook Farm Resort, enjoying outdoor sports and taking it easy. TOM SKVARLA and his family toured California, from San Diego to San Francisco. They stopped at the Grand Canyon and Lake Tahoe, where Tom unsuccessfully tried to make his first million . . . Welcome back to FRANK RUND, who has returned after eye surgery . . . JOHN MARASOVICH's son, TOM, is entering the Augustinian Seminary in Holland, Michigan, on September 5 . . . Wishes for speedy recoveries go to CARL RUSS and STEVE D'ANNA . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to EARL WILCOX on the recent death of his brother, and to the family of R. C. GAVERT, recently retired, who passed away Saturday, September 23.

## (Purchasing) -

Needless to say, SARA MC DONNELL is a very proud grandma! Her granddaughter, MARIE MERSCH, was awarded several medals as an outstanding aquanaut in

the Junior Olympics Swim Meet co-sponsored by the Skokie News and the Skokie Park district. Marie won first place in the balloon race, the kicking race, and the 25 yard free style for girls eight years of age and under.

## (North Division) -

Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR CARLSON are very happy and proud as their son, ROBERT, was graduated from Eastern Illinois college on August 10. Mr. Carlson is the assistant divisional storekeeper at Storeroom 42 in Skokie . . . Mr. and Mrs. CHUCK SCIMECA drove to Colorado for their vacation and made the trip to Pike's Peak and the Black Hills. They were really lucky, as the tornado that hit Colorado struck the day after they left for home.

- D. Jane Bell

## SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Mr. and Mrs. BOB LaVOIE celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on August 6. Congratulations and many more happy years together. Bob, and his wife, and two children drove down to New Orleans for their vacation



# AMONG EMPLOYEES

RAYMOND J. MAPLE, 55, West Section,  
Emp. 9-22-47, Died 9-2-67  
LOUIS MARTIN, 94, Lawndale,  
Emp. 4-6-06, Died 8-24-67  
CHARLES MC GUIRE, 75, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 8-26-43, Died 9-1-67  
GEORGE J. MC MILLAN, 69, South Section,  
Emp. 9-28-26, Died 8-1-67  
JOHN MOORE, 78, Devon Avenue,  
Emp. 2-20-17, Died 8-18-67  
PATRICK J. MOORE, 89, Burnside,  
Emp. 8-24-16, Died 8-31-67  
MICHAEL T. MORRIS, 75, North Section,  
Emp. 9-24-42, Died 8-1-67  
WALTER MORRISSETTE, 85, South Section,  
Emp. 3-28-45, Died 7-3-67  
JOHN G. NATTINGER, 86, Claim,  
Emp. 9-24-07, Died 8-6-67  
JOHN NEHR, 67, Lake Street,  
Emp. 9-25-23, Died 7-25-67  
DOUGLAS NELSON, 59, South Section,  
Emp. 8-26-37, Died 8-6-67  
STACHIA NOLAN, 77, South Section,  
Emp. 6-10-29, Died 7-15-67  
JOSEPH J. NOVAK, 75, West Section,  
Emp. 10-5-45, Died 7-30-67  
THOMAS J. O'DONNELL, 79, Kedzie,  
Emp. 6-4-13, Died 8-14-67  
MICHAEL J. O'DRISCOLL, 63, Howard Street,  
Emp. 8-31-29, Died 7-22-67  
OWEN O'NEILL, 73, West Section,  
Emp. 7-12-25, Died 7-25-67  
HENRY F. PRANGE, 82, Elston,  
Emp. 1-23-18, Died 7-28-67  
WILLIAM W. QUIN, 79, North Section,  
Emp. 9-5-45, Died 6-2-67  
DOROTHY M. RAIMAN, 64, West Section,  
Emp. 10-16-45, Died 7-28-67

MICHAEL D. RANAHAN, 70, Kedzie,  
Emp. 7-13-21, Died 8-8-67  
CHARLES SCALES, 64, South Section,  
Emp. 8-15-40, Died 8-19-67  
GEORGE J. SCHAEFER, 85, Claim,  
Emp. 6-15-08, Died 7-28-67  
CLARENCE E. SEGERDAHL, 65, North Section,  
Emp. 6-24-18, Died 7-21-67  
GEORGE P. SHORTLEY, 82, North Avenue,  
Emp. 6-21-18, Died 8-5-67  
OSCAR SIDER, 61, Kimball,  
Emp. 6-18-24, Died 7-18-67  
CONRAD E. M. SKAU, 84, North Section,  
Emp. 10-7-15, Died 2-25-67  
MICHAEL J. SOLON, 81, Kedzie,  
Emp. 3-12-18, Died 8-2-67  
JOHN SPILLANE, 72, Track,  
Emp. 12-1-25, Died 8-15-67  
CHARLES J. STAHL, 68, Electrical,  
Emp. 6-3-32, Died 7-31-67  
CHARLES E. STEPHENSON, 57, Transportation,  
Emp. 2-18-43, Died 7-13-67  
JOHN W. STEPHENSON, 86, Electrical,  
Emp. 8-1-12, Died 8-18-67  
FRANK A. TALLON, 76, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 5-11-37, Died 8-6-67  
OSCAR W. TORNQUIST, 74, West Section,  
Emp. 3-9-44, Died 7-21-67  
PAUL L. TOTZKE, 74, North Avenue,  
Emp. 1-20-20, Died 8-6-67  
ANTON USPUL, 82, Lawndale,  
Emp. 1-1-12, Died 8-13-67  
HEINRICH VOELKER, 77, North Section,  
Emp. 11-15-23, Died 7-16-67  
FRANK E. VRANEY, 69, North Avenue,  
Emp. 5-6-24, Died 7-18-67  
EDWARD WIEGAND, 53, Beverly,  
Emp. 9-8-47, Died 9-2-67

... ARVIN KREUTZER is sporting a new Buick, FRANK CORBETT has an Impala with air conditioning, and WALLY THOMAS's wife is driving a new air conditioned Ford... The welcome mat is out for FRANK CORBETT and JOSEPH BILLIS, who are now schedule clerks. Good luck boys!... RASHID, our Arabian friend, wrote a letter to BOB LaVOIE and said he is glad to be back home and is looking for his camel who strayed off while he was away... BILL DENTAMARO is vacationing in and around Chicago, taking in the ball games... Your scribe has around 2,000 city miles on her new car, so that her own mother drives with her... ED HILL and his wife drove to New Baden, Illinois, for their vacation... RAY NOAKES vacationed around Chicago and spent a few days in Michigan.

- Kathryn Batina

## SOUTH SECTION -

Our south siders have really been on the go this summer, traveling all over the country. Towerman ALBERT RAKESTRAW had a wonderful time at Expo 67, in Montreal, Canada, visiting the pavilions of the different

countries. He said his feet sure did hurt when the day was over, after walking so much... Agent AMY GRANT and family just left for Florida on vacation and were going to fly over to Nassau for a few days... Trainman GERALD CAREY was all smiles when he announced the birth of a son, GERALD Jr., born August 7. This makes two children for the Carey family... Welcome to the newly transferred trainmen from the North and West sections: ALFRED CRISLER, JAMES PERRIN, WESLEY RICHARDSON, MICHAEL ERWIN, CHARLES CURRY, MARTIN HUNTER, and to newly hired Porter ELMORE BOYD... We were so happy when Retired Assistant Station Superintendent ART ANDERSON called to tell us he has joined the Grandfather's Club. A baby boy named ARNOLD THOR was born July 5 to his son, ALVIN, and daughter-in-law, NANCY. Our congratulations to the proud parents and grandparents... Motorman ED TORMEY and his wife vacationed up at Arbor Vitae, Wisconsin, and did quite a bit of fishing. I hope their catch was good... Switchman JOHN MITCHELL is mighty proud of his 13 year old son, BRIAN, who was awarded a four-year scholarship this fall for the Champion Jesuit High school in Prairie DuChien, Wisconsin. The scholarship is academic... Congratulations to Agent



## INSIDE NEWS

ANN (JENKINS) MATZKO, who was recently married. May you and yours have a happy life together . . . Porter CHRIS LAMPROS decided to give the stores department another try, so he transferred back as laborer, Stores Department, on August 1 . . . Retired Motorman JOHN SEERY and his wife are really traveling through Europe. First, they visited Ireland, next in Spain, and then went to England. They send regards to all their friends back here in Chicago . . . Conductor LEONARD SUCECH took his trailer and drove all over the west. He took in Montana, Estes Park, Rocky Mountain National Park, and Colorado Springs, Colorado . . . Retired Conductor JOSEPH KOLMAN was in to see the boys at 61st street recently. He says his health has improved, and he looked real good . . . Another Expo 67 visitor was Agent RUTH LCVELL, who said the fair was well worth seeing.

Fall is just around the corner, and back to school for our part timers: Trainmen FREDERICK KUCH, ROBERT GRADY, and ROBERT WARDA, and Agents PATRICK NEVILLE, SARA WALKER, JOYCE MORRIS, JUAN HUEY, and DENNIS MURPHY . . . Retired Switchman CHARLEY SCALES passed away recently. Our condolences to his family . . . Another Ireland visitor this summer was Conductor JERRY HANAFIN, who enjoyed being in the "Old Sod." . . . Our champion of passenger commendations, JOHN DANEK, received another commendation for his good announcements and the excellent job he is doing in performing his duties . . . Sincere condolences to Switchman DAVID SHEPHERD, whose father passed away recently, to Retired Conductor WILLIAM RUEHL, on the loss of his wife, and to Retired Agent LAURE PEPPERL, on the loss of her mother . . . Supervisor DON MURPHY and his wife, GEN, vacationed in Key West, Florida, soaking up the sunshine with some friends . . . On the sick list at this writing is Motorman HAROLD RICHARDS. Our best wishes for a quick recovery . . . Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT and his wife are making the rounds in California, taking in all the sights and enjoying the trip . . . Former Switchman ROBERT WALDON stopped in at 61st street recently to say "hello" to all his former co-workers . . . District Superintendent TERRY McGOVERN, who is on the sick list, is home now from the hospital recuperating nicely. That is sure good news to hear.

*- Verna Hartney*

## SOUTH SHOPS -

Congratulations to JOHN SARNA, son of STANLEY SARNA, carpenter foreman, for receiving two scholarships. The first for \$1,000.00 to the Illinois Institute of Technology, and the other for \$500.00 from the Chicago Daily News. He is a graduate of Gage Park High school. Keep up the good work, John . . . Happy anniversary to HOWARD WARD and his wife, JO. They spent their 21st anniversary July 20 on a fishing trip in the Hayward, Wisconsin, area. Happy 21 more to you both . . . The JOE McNAMARAS split their vacation by fishing and visiting Expo 67 in Canada, then relaxing at their summer home in Lake Delavan, Wisconsin . . . WALTER AUGUSTYN is reported to be well on the road to recovery after being hospitalized for three months . . . California is the vacation spot for BILL and STELLA KOSEK; and the RALPH KEANS enjoyed visiting Expo 67 . . . HENRY SZEPAK, BEN RUSSO, CORNELIUS KILOURIE, GEORGE ELLIOTT, and TOM PAWLEY retired on August 31. Best of luck and good health to all of you . . . Our sympathy is extended to "Shorty" BRONS on the loss

of his wife, to the JOE BOLECHS on the loss of his of his wife's mother, to JIM and BILL HAWORTH on the loss of their mother, and to MILDRED CHASSEUR on the loss of her mother . . . DICK and CATHERINE HICKEY enjoyed a four-week vacation visiting England, France, Italy, and Ireland. Their son served as their guide during their stay in Italy where he is attending school . . . We have, through co-operated efforts, installed Transit News boxes in every area for your convenience. Please make use of them, as this will help us get the necessary information for a good column of interest to all.

*- Kathleen O'Brien & Frank Sprouieri*

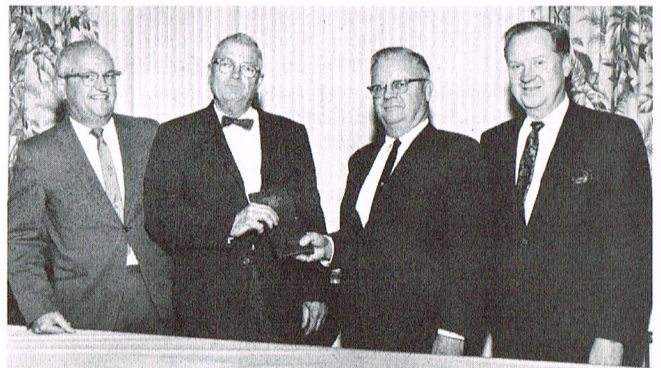
## SKOKIE SHOPS -

Painter PETER DOMBSKI and his wife vacationed in Poland for six weeks. Thanks to two brother-in-laws that had cars, they were able to visit all the large cities and historic places. They visited a salt mine and the famous concentration camp, Oswilcine, which was a very gruesome sight to see. They stayed two weeks at a health resort and had a wonderful trip via KLM airline direct . . . GEORGE KIMMSKE and his wife just returned from a trip to Kentucky and St. Louis. While in St. Louis, they visited and rode to the top of the new "Gateway to the West." They also took a boat ride on the "Dixie Belle," an old-fashioned paddle boat, on which they had a wonderful meal. Mrs. Kimmske has just received another 500 hour award for service rendered to the veterans at Hines hospital. Keep up the good work . . . Clerk CATHERINE ANN HARNETT reported her trip to Europe was really wonderful. She was with a good group and had a lot of laughs . . . There is still an unsolved mystery---how did a certain item get in our room??? How about that Dagmar!

*- Everett E. England*

## TRANSPORTATION (Mart) -

Vacations again seem to be the main topic of my column. Adding a little flavor, I've sandwiched in a few other interesting items . . . Congratulations and best wishes to DAVID M. FLYNN and his wife, HELEN, who were married in San Francisco, California on August 1 . . . Don't be too surprised if you see BOB QUETSCHKE with long hair. He's probably just growing it that way to go along with the electric guitar he won at the Norridge



FOREMAN THOMAS F. PAWLEY, blacksmith and welding section, South Shops, retired September 1, after 30 years of service. At a party in his honor are, left to right: J. J. REPLINGER, superintendent of surface system shops, Mr. Pawley, L. G. ANDERSON, superintendent of shops and equipment, and S. J. EISIN, general foreman, body shops.



## INSIDE NEWS

Youth Activity Festival. If he doesn't try to be another Beatle, this will make a nice gift for his son, PHILLIP, who plays this instrument . . . ADA GUSTAFSON and her husband spent their vacation relaxing and visiting with friends and relatives. They also went on short trips to places such as the Abbey in Fontana at Lake Geneva . . . The more the merrier, is what CARL LARSEN said. He and his wife met a number of their friends at Dorr County, and needless to say, they all had a good time. Carl even managed to get in a few games of golf . . . JULIE WILLEM went via train to Washington, D.C. The days and time went by quickly as she toured the capital and saw all the points of interest, including Mt. Vernon. From there she flew to New York to visit with friends. The beautiful weather helped to make the trip even more enjoyable . . . Driving to Boston, Massachusetts, were WALTER HILL and his family. The main reason for choosing this location was to see his son who is a student at MIT. They went sight-seeing in and around Boston before returning home . . . BOB QUETSCHKE, his wife, JUNE, and their son, BOB, vacationed at Lake Hamlin in Ludington, Michigan. They had a little cool weather, but it didn't prevent them from having a good time . . . JAMES LUVISI, his brother-in-law, and their wives, vacationed in the North Woods near Tomahawk, Wisconsin. The weather was good, but for the first time James came back to work and admitted that the fishing was poor . . . BILL PARNUM and his wife drove to Cave City in Kentucky, and to Gatlinburg, Tennessee, where they attended many shows and enjoyed all of them . . . The beauty of Dorr County in Wisconsin again drew AUDREY PETERSON and her husband, HOWARD, back for another visit. I'm sorry to say that they were bitten by the flu bug while on their trip. In spite of this, the weather was delightful, the colors very pretty, and being with their friends helped to make this a nice vacation . . . On August 17 RAY STRATTON celebrated his 30th anniversary with the CTA. On this occasion, his co-workers had coffee and cake, and presented him with a small gift . . . TOM, the son of THOMAS STIGLIC, plays center field on a softball team that won first place in the Evanston Suburban League. This has qualified them to play in the All Suburban tournament . . . JACK, one of the flying KRAUSE's, came to Chicago for a weekend to attend a wedding and visit with some friends . . . Your scribe's sister, AUDREY ANDERSON, formerly of the Insurance Department, came to the general office with her husband GERALD, and their son, LARRY, to visit with her friends.

- Colette Szyepanek

### WEST SECTION -

Conductor JOE PROCHNIAK, after 43 years of service, is going on pension. Joe and his wife are going to California to live. We wish both of them all the happiness in the world . . . Motorman SAL DITOMASO has been off sick, and now is heading for a five-week vacation. He sure has all the luck . . . Conductor WALTER RAFA was off sick due to an ulcer, and is now back at work. He looks fatter now that he is on a milk diet . . . Motorman "Big Toe" HAWKINS was around and he sure is itching to get back to work . . . Friendly GERRY BOYLAND, while traveling in the east, was in an accident and his car was totally demolished. He and his family came out of it with minor injuries . . . Pensioner HARRY BAKER, former chief clerk, is in St. Luke's hospital. We all wish Baker a speedy recovery, to return and enjoy his pension . . . Motorman ED RASP is leaving us and heading for Jefferson City, Missouri, to live. So, good luck to Ed and his family in their new venture

HAVING COMPLETED basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, ROBERT M. UNWIN, son of GEORGE A. UNWIN, Electrical Department, has been assigned as a clerk-administrator at the U. S. Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Georgia. Robert is a recent graduate of University of Illinois Circle Campus, where he received a B. S. degree in economics.



. . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. McNEAL on the birth of a pretty little girl named BONITA . . . Met Trainman LOU PAYNE's twin brother the other day and it shook me up. They are identical in every way, except that Lou is a lot crabbier . . . When on vacation, Motorman GEORGE SMITH must really get a lot of stares when signing his name at a motel. I suggested giving my name, and they won't even look at him . . . I finally found the happiest employee of the CTA, and he is Motorman CLEO GRIFFIN. He is happy, regardless of what he is doing. Too bad more of us can't be like that. What a wonderful world it would be . . . On any line, you can't find a more sharply dressed motorman than LEON MOORE . . . Now that TINY ROBERTSON is a conductor, we hope he gets rid of that blue handkerchief of a motorman, and also tell the motormen who is boss . . . Oh what sadness has come over me, for now I know I am over the hill. I am beginning to like to play checkers with the old men.

- Santo Siciliano

### 69TH STREET -

They say no news is good news, but certainly doesn't give me any writing material. Come on, fellows, pass me the news . . . Only MICKEY YOUNG's friend, JOE DAVIDSON, sent me a line on his vacation. Joe took in Expo 67 in Montreal, Canada. He also sent a nice picture of "Babe" Ruth's locker from the National Baseball Hall of Fame . . . By the time this writing is published, the fall pick will have gone in. I hope everyone likes their runs, and I have a soft leader for a change . . . We all miss little fat JOHN MARVO, who took his pension August 31 after 26 years with the company . . . My right hand man and dependable pal from the repair department tells me that Foreman GUS PAVELKA and his family vacationed in Denver, Colorado, meeting some of his old buddies of World War II . . . Pensioner DENNIS GRIF-FIN recently returned from his native County Kerry, Ireland, where he enjoyed himself . . . We all hope that GEORGE ZACEK, who had been hospitalized, has recovered and is back to work . . . TOM DONNELLY was transferred to Kedzie depot as p.m. foreman. KENNY POLAN took his place as relief foreman at 69th . . . ED-DIE PRUEMER caught a big mackerel up in Wisconsin. While trying to land it, he fell in. It took four big men to pull him and the fish out of the lake. It was the last fish anyone caught that day . . . My wife gave my oldest son a surprise birthday party (three days late). My daughter-in-laws, sister-in-law, and friends enjoyed the evening as much as my son . . . This column depends on you.

- Arthur P. Buesing



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