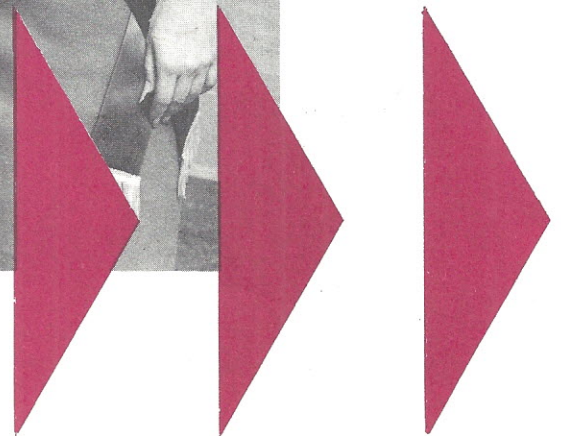


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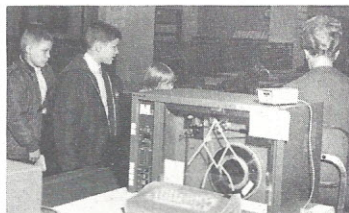
# 2,500 Take Office Tour,

THE CELEBRATION of CTA's 20th anniversary as an operating company during October was the occasion for an open house in the Merchandise Mart on Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28. More than 2,500 employees and members of their families accepted management's invitation to tour the General Offices and Operations Control Center. After the tour, they joined their fellow employes in the coffee shop for refreshments and conversation.

From the start to the finish of their tours, visitors saw other employes at work and viewed displays which depicted the functions of each department. Supervisory personnel were on hand to describe their department's activities and to answer questions.

And for those who attended, their wasn't a dull moment -- even children were amazed by the vastness of the seventh floor offices and intrigued by the machinery used to keep the buses and trains rolling. No one went away emptyhanded too, for many departments distributed printed leaflets and folders. Souvenir telephone dialers were given to each adult, and children received balloons commemorating the occasion.

CTA's photographers captured the festivities on film, and the sampling of candid photographs reproduced here will enable you to trace, once again, the route of the tour. If you wish, you can turn back to our cover for the warm greeting given by the three General Office receptionists (Pat Legenza, Diana Boyle, and Nancy Hagemeyer), then just follow the arrows. Go slowly though, because you're sure to recognize a few faces -- possibly even your own.



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PAYROLL ACCOUNTING



OFFICE OF GENERAL MANAGER T. B. O'CONNOR

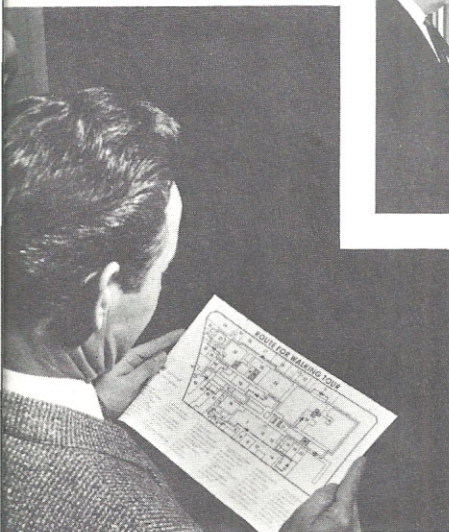


OFFICE OF BOARD CHAIRMAN G. L. DeMENT

MAP OF TOUR



FIRST COUPLE TAKING TOUR



BOARD ROOM



# See CTA 'Behind the Scenes'



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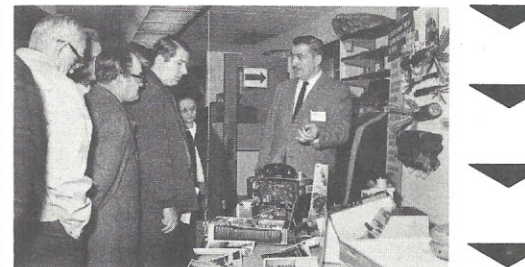
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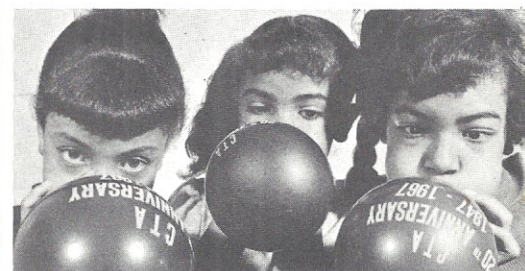
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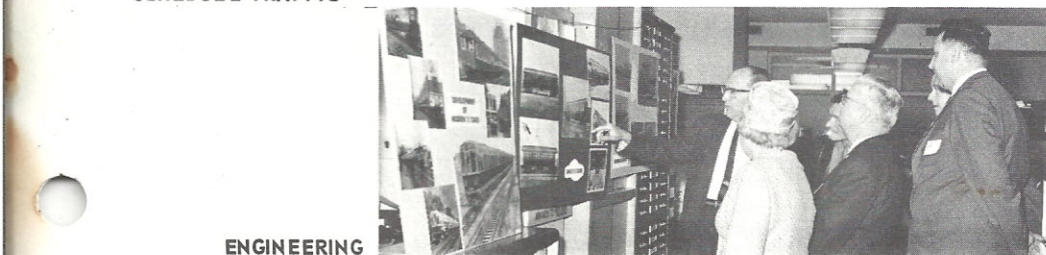
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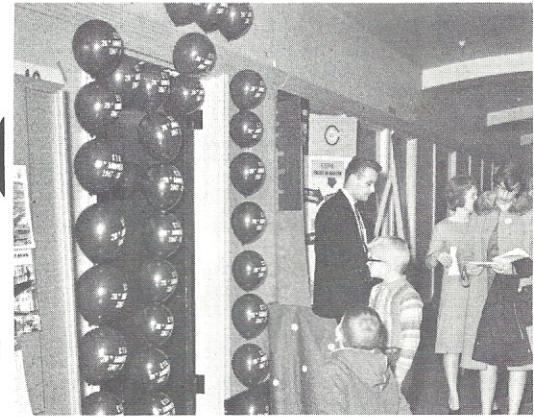
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CTA EXPLORER POST MINIATURE BUS

# SAVINGS BOND is Prize in Teamwork Essay Contest

DURING THE month of October all CTA employees attended teamwork discussions at their respective work locations, where they learned of the important part they play on the big CTA team and how they, personally, can contribute to the efficient and safe operation of our transit system. Each employee also learned how he could use teamwork to help our bus operators, motormen, and conductors to provide the best possible service to our customers.

Following the sessions many employees cited means by which teamwork among employees could be effectively applied. And now, all employees -- operating and non-operating -- will be given the opportunity to write an essay on the subject. The employee writing the best essay will receive a \$25.00 savings bond.

All essays should be in 500 words or less and related to the title, "How Employees Can Help Operating Employees Through Teamwork." Essays, which may be typed or written in longhand, will be judged on the thoughts expressed rather than on the

style of writing. The winning essay will be published in TRANSIT NEWS and edited, if necessary, before publication.

A panel of judges will select the winning essay and its decision will be final. Essays must include the writer's name; badge, payroll, or tag number, and work location. After the winner has been announced, essays will be returned to employees if requested when submitted.

Essays must be received on or before December 29, 1967, and may be sent through company mail or U. S. mail to:

Teamwork Essay Contest  
Chicago Transit Authority  
Room 752, Merchandise Mart Plaza  
Chicago, Illinois 60654

If you want to win the \$25.00 savings bond, start thinking about teamwork now -- jot down notes as they occur to you. When you have your thoughts organized, write your essay in 500 words or less.

## Cash Awards Totaling \$529.00 Shared By Six CTA Suggesters

IN A recent announcement by the Suggestion Committee, six employees were named as winners of suggestion awards totaling \$529.00.

Biggest winner for the month was John Provenza, South Shops carpenter, who received \$267.00. Other cash award winners were Nick Fieramosca, Congress Shops car repairman, and Robert Mueller, Skokie Shops machinist, who were awarded \$150.00 and \$37.00, respectively.

Three employees who submitted their second honorable mention ideas and were presented \$25.00 each were Max Kuchan, South Shops carpenter, William Moog, service truck chauffeur, and Erol Murphy, North Section ticket agent.

October was also the first month during which turkey certificates were given to employees submitting suggestions that were adopted. According to the Suggestion Committee report, suggestion submissions increased 100 per cent for the month, as compared with September, when no incentive awards were given. Receiving the turkey certificates were the six cash award winners named above and the following 18 employees who received their first honorable mention: General Office -- Don Clancy, Employee Relations; Mary Clarke, Training; Dorothy Coughlin, Employment; Regina



C. E. KEISER, chairman of the Executive Decision Committee of the Employee Suggestion Plan, is shown presenting cash awards and turkey certificates to three Shops and Equipment department employees as L. G. Anderson, S&E superintendent, looks on in approval. Award winners were, from left, Robert Mueller, Nick Fieramosca, and John Provenza.

Daren, Medical; Raymond Stratton, Travel Information, and Herman Wirth, Claim. Shops and Equipment -- Casimir Jozefiak, Skokie Shops; Stephen Mattes, South Shops, George Nicholson, 61st Street; Walter Post, South Shops, and Howard Walters, Kedzie Garage. Engineering -- Henry Keane, Ervin Koplín, and Edward Petersen, all of West Shops. Transportation -- Russell Grod, 77th Street; Wilbur Holmes, Loop, and Ralph Lindquist, Archer. Utility -- William Baldyga, Blue Island.

Turkey certificates will continue to be given to each employee who submits a suggestion that is adopted before December 31, 1967. Employees who have submitted ideas are advised to watch the suggestion bulletin board for the action taken by the Suggestion Committee.

# 90 CTAers Graduates of Driving Course



NINETY EMPLOYEES recently completed the CTA-sponsored Defensive Driving Course and were presented cards by the National Safety Council. The course, which consisted of four two-hour class sessions held once a week, was taught by CTA Instructors Howard Hoepfner and John Bork. The picture at the left shows a class being conducted in the Merchandise Mart; classes were also held at Skokie and South Shops.

In the picture at the right, Mary Clarke, Training and Accident Prevention Department, is proudly displaying a check for \$5.00 which she received as part of a safe driver award from Shell Oil company. Miss Clarke had a perfect score on the National Drivers Test on television and, therefore, became eligible for the Shell award. The check came on the same day that she completed the driving course, and upon reading the letter from a Shell vice president she was pleased to learn that

she could receive another check for the same amount if she had completed the Safety Council's course. Admiring the check is Instructor Hoepfner, who taught the class which Miss Clarke attended.

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## Reduced Rate Hawaiian Tour Offered Employes

SEPTEMBER, 1968, may well prove to be a memorable date for many CTA employes, for during that month a lifelong dream of a trip to the Hawaiian Islands will become a reality. And by traveling in a group, CTA employes (active or retired) will be able to travel at a special rate.

The cost of the tour includes round trip jet transportation between Chicago and Honolulu, reserved hotel accommodations throughout, a complete sightseeing program by private motorcoach and steamer for cruises, baggage transfer, and other incidental expenses as specified.

The 15-day itinerary includes visits to the four major islands, Oahu, Maui, Hawaii, and Kauai. The group will participate in a Hawaiian luau on their first evening in the Islands. Also included is a dinner at an authentic Japanese teahouse, where entertainment is provided by Geisha girls. Among the many sights to be seen on the tour are the Pearl Harbor war memorial, Waikiki Beach, the dormant volcano at Haleakala National Park, a coffee plantation, and pineapple fields.

Full information may be obtained by filling in the coupon and forwarding it to Jane Mitchell, Chicago Transit Authority, Room 734, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

PLEASE SEND me details on the Hawaiian tour for CTA employes as described in CTA TRANSIT NEWS:

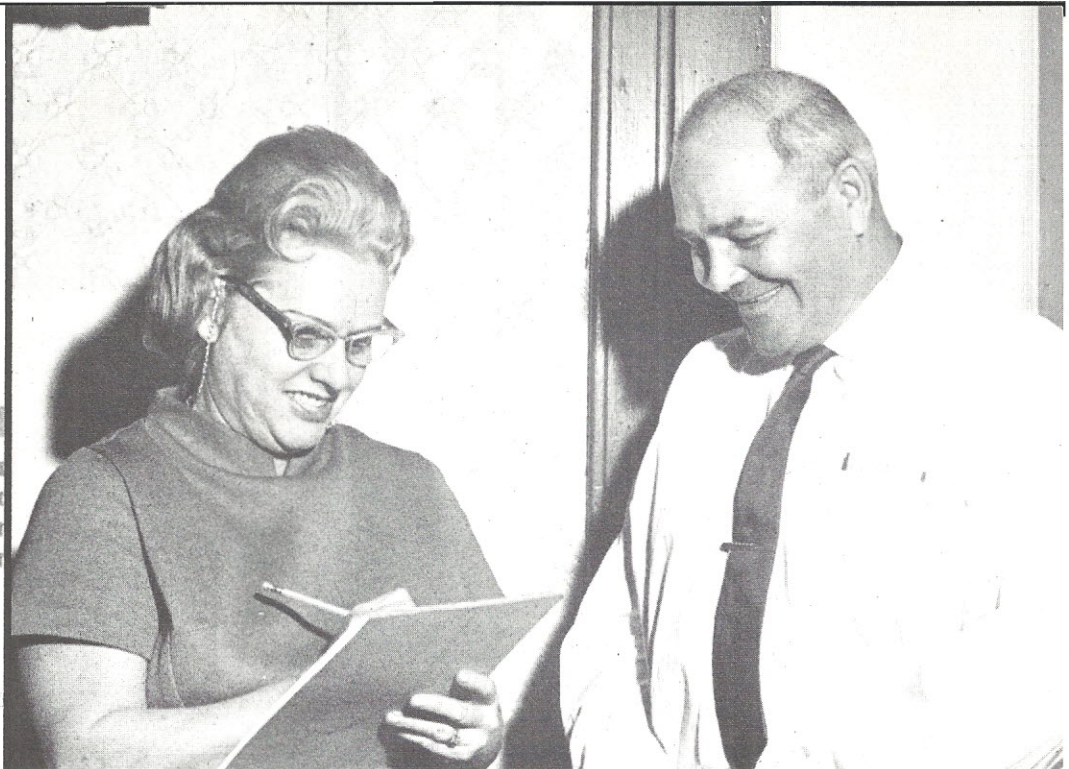
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FAY CAPRIO, ticket agent: "We will observe our Thanksgiving Day in the usual manner with turkey, ravioli, and ham. I am grateful to God that I can prepare this Thanksgiving meal for my family. My thoughts will also be with my daughter and her family in Hawaii. If they could only be here, my day would be complete."



JOHN FILIPEK, ticket agent (with reporter Mildred Doyle): "We will observe Thanksgiving by going to church and thanking God for the wonderful years and wonderful family we have and we will pray for a healthy future. After that we will go home and have our traditional turkey with all the trimmings."

**QUESTION:**

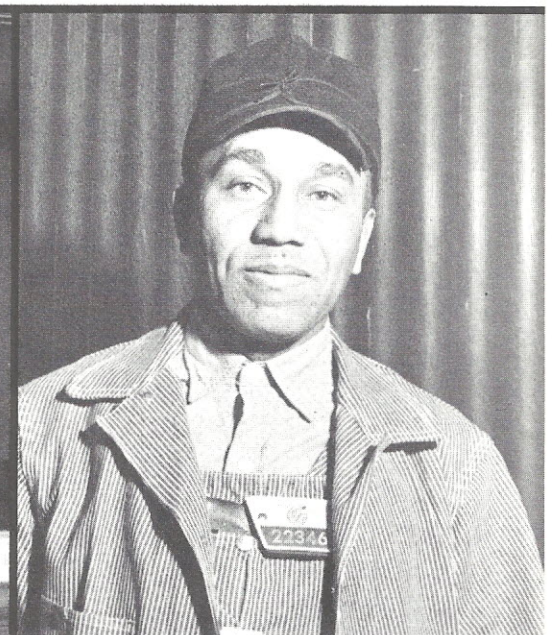
How will your family observe Thanksgiving Day this year?

**INQUIRING REPORTER:**

Mildred Doyle

**LOCATION:**

Loop



O. BUCHANAN, porter: "Our family will long remember this Thanksgiving, because our grandchildren from San Francisco will spend the holiday with us. We will be seeing them for the first time."

KATHLEEN N. MC KENNY, ticket agent: "Thanksgiving has always been a very special day for me. I am grateful for my family, dear friends, and the many blessings God has bestowed upon me."

J. J. EVANS, porter: "I will have the traditional dinner with my wife and children and then enjoy a relaxing evening at home."

## OBESITY—ITS RELATION TO HEART DISEASE

IN SEVERAL hospital studies throughout the country it has been shown that severe chronic obesity (overweight) is an important factor in the development of heart disease.

In simple terms, obesity is a physical state in which the amount of fat stored in our body is excessive. It does not matter whether we use the name obesity, overweight, or fatness, the end result is the same.

In a recent daily Chicago newspaper it stated, "American Easy Lives Breed Own Killer Disease - Obesity." It is a disease that more than half of the American adults are estimated to have to some degree and it is partly responsible for killing many of them prematurely. Well documented insurance company studies and other medical studies show that excessive weight increases a person's chances of developing a heart attack.

It has been estimated that a person who is 30 per cent or more overweight has a 50 per cent

# MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,  
CTA Medical Consultant

greater chance of developing heart disease than a person whose weight is near normal.

Improper eating habits often start early in childhood. Many parents unwittingly encourage their children to overeat as a reward and this gratifying habit often carries over into adulthood. The daily table spread, either in tradition or as a display of the "good life", also leads many youngsters to develop a taste for fattening foods.

The cause of overweight, in over 90 per cent of all cases, is simple unadulterated overeating. In a small number of cases, abnormalities or deficiencies in the endocrine systems or internal glands may be responsible. Some other predisposing factors include hereditary background, constitutional build, emotional, physiological, psychological, and occupational influences.

The urge to eat is a primitive and powerful instinct which is associated with the desire and will to live. In this connection, many people have the false notion that they must eat many rich foods in order to be strong and healthy and ward off illness.

The American way of living, a high level of national income, and prosperity have encouraged many people to overindulge in food and drink. In the emotional stress group we find certain persons may overeat to counteract loneliness, anger, boredom, insecurity, or domestic difficulty.

The reason that obesity causes heart trouble is that the fatty foods tend to narrow the arteries. The heart has to work harder to get blood to various parts of the body because there are more tissues to feed. There is also added strain on the heart even when the individual is at rest and not working. All body metabolism is overtaxed in obesity. This overload on the heart causes hypertrophy (enlargement) and then deterioration of the heart muscle (cardiac failure) and blood vessels throughout the body, including the coronary arteries.

Overweight not only predisposes one to heart trouble but also to high blood pressure, diabetes, liver disease, arthritis, and many other diseases.

The medical management of the overweight person is very important. However, in some cases it is disappointing. The physician can cure a patient with pneumonia or appendicitis without much cooperation on the part of the patient, but the picture is reversed in the treatment of obesity.

Successful weight reduction should be started with a careful examination by your doctor. This procedure will not only include a physical examination, but probably also certain laboratory tests and studies. After that he will give you the proper diet and instructions. From here on it is, in great part, up to the patient.

One of the most important factors in the success of weight reduction is the motivation or the reason the patient has for wanting to lose weight. Without cooperation, persistence, and strong motivation, the treatment is doomed to failure. Success in this fight could be the toughest and most difficult problem in your life. Don't expect too much of drugs in weight reduction. Many people who count calories become nervous, irritable, and neurotic. This should be avoided. It is better to make a long range plan and not try to reduce too rapidly. Above all, keep the weight down after reaching a normal range. Use the scale daily as it is an important check and a reminder of your responsibility. Some young folks harm themselves by following an inadequate diet.

The advice is to use common sense about your eating habits. Though it may be hard to stick it out over a long period, always say no to a second helping and leave the table before you are completely satisfied and stuffed.

Remember, "Don't put on today what you will have to take off tomorrow." It is a big sacrifice but you will win by losing weight.



COUNTLESS GOOD deeds are performed daily by operating personnel which, although they are observed and appreciated by our riders, go unreported because no one has thought to transmit the details in a letter of commendation. Other riders, however, who recognize a thoughtful and considerate act as worthy of special mention, express their gratitude in letters citing employees for their exemplary conduct.

In one such letter addressed to CTA General Manager T. B. O'Connor, the rider commends bus operator Buddy Murray, Badge No. 9313, 69th street station:

"On Thursday, September 28, at 9:00 a.m. I boarded a south-bound Ashland avenue bus at Polk street. I would like to commend the exceptionally fine operator, whose badge number was 9313. He was very courteous in every way. Questions were answered in a kind and patient manner, streets were announced in a clear well-modulated voice. And to a young lady, for whom he waited a few seconds when he saw her running to board the bus, he responded with such a gracious, sincere you're welcome when she thanked him. He was such a skillful operator; never have I had a smoother ride on a bus. I am a frequent user of CTA facilities and I find most of the bus operators and other personnel are very fine



*Myrtle Apitz*

# OUR PUBLIC SPEAKS

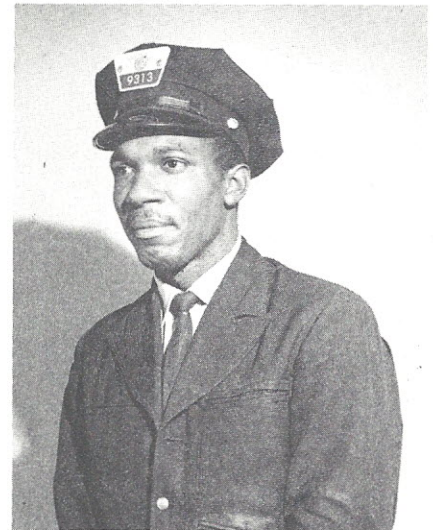


*Gus Wright*

people, trying hard to do well a very difficult job, which indicates that your training program is very effective. My congratulations to all who are a part of producing so many exceptional employees."

This letter, from a rapid transit rider who regularly uses the Merchandise Mart station, describes ticket agent Myrtle Apitz, Tag No. 835, North Section:

"Though this note is long overdue, the appreciation is sincere and thought of each time I pay my fare before boarding my train. In an age such as we live in, where consideration of our fellow man is seldom shown, it is very gratifying to be able to have a lady such as Agent 835 who is always so kind, considerate, and helpful to all of your customers. From time to time I have observed this lady helping strangers in the Merchandise Mart to take the right transportation in reaching their destination with the least amount of inconvenience. Also, I have seen her take undue abuse from persons that were anything but kind. In all instances, however, she has done her job with poise and grace. May you always be



*Buddy Murray*

able to find employees of this type that turn the tide and make more persons want to ride CTA."

Kedzie station bus operator Gus Wright, Badge No. 3498, was the recipient of the following letter from a rider who observed him while he was serving as a line instructor:

"I have been riding the Washington bus and have particularly noticed driver No. 3498. He is the most courteous, pleasantly efficient, and considerate driver I have ever met. One day this week, he was breaking in a new driver. In spite of the numbers getting on and the traffic, he was considerate of the new man, at the same time he was most solicitous for his passengers. I'm sure the new man could have profited greatly by this instructor. So often we are ready to report complaints, but do not take time to compliment a person on a job well done. If at any time this driver No. 3498 should be in line for a promotion, I would highly recommend that he be considered. I do hope that you will compliment him on a job well done beyond his call of duty."

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP in the Chicago Convention Bureau was recently bestowed upon 77th Street Operator Peyton Hightower.

In the picture, Hightower is shown being presented with an award by James Condon, vice president of the Chicago Convention Bureau, Inc., and Miss Chicago Convention Week, Roberta Ceriale. The award commissioned Hightower as a Bureau Ambassador, "in recognition of distinguished service in enhancing Chicago's position of leadership as Host City of the Nation."

Hightower was cited because of his exemplary hospitality rendered to passengers, pointing out interesting Chicago sights, calling off the bus's destination loud and clear, thanking each passenger for their fare, and just being nice. He stated that most passengers were really impressed with his service while a few of them said he should see a psychiatrist.

Peyton Hightower has been an operator at 77th Street station for four years. Before coming to

## 77th Street Operator Cited for Courtesy

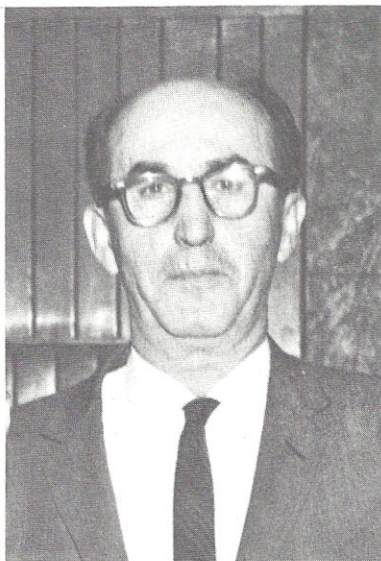


CTA, he spent three years in the army; 2-1/2 of them in Germany. Hightower, who is married and the father of four children, admitted, "I like people in general, but I do pick my own personal friends."



**FIVE GRADUATES** of the Shops and Equipment Department instructor training program are shown here displaying certificates which they received upon completion of the five-session course at CTA's Training Center. The trainees have qualified for the surface system instructors pool and subsequent assignment, as needed. Class members are, from left, James Pankonen, William Joseph, Tobbie Gowans, Michael Smith, and Stanley Sagen. S&E Department personnel standing behind them include J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages; L. G. Anderson, S&E superintendent; J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface shops; E. E. Olmstead, S&E assistant superintendent, surface system; A. J. Fiorito, supervisor of garage instructors, and R. H. Dobbertin, garage instructor.

## J. L. Ruzich, 41-Year Transit Veteran, Retires November 1



CLOSING OUT a record of more than 41 years of service in the transit industry, J. L. Ruzich, assistant to general superintendent of engineering, retired on pension on November 1.

Mr. Ruzich joined the Track and Roadway Department of the former Chicago Surface Lines in March, 1926, as an engineering clerk. He subsequently became chief progress clerk, estimating engineer, and track division superintendent. In 1956 Mr. Ruzich was named superintendent of construction and, in that capacity, supervised the laying of rapid transit track in the median of Chicago's first expressway, the Eisenhower Expressway. He was named to the position of superintendent of track and structures in 1961 and in September, 1966, was appointed assistant to general superintendent of engineering.

Mr. Ruzich, who is a graduate of the Armour institute, now the Illinois Institute of Technology, with a B. S. degree in electrical engineering, is a registered professional engineer and a member of the Western Society of Engineers. He is also a member of the Maintenance of Way Club of Chicago, of which he served as director in 1962-63, and the American Transit Association Rapid Transit Way and Structures Committee, of which he has served as vice-chairman since 1963.

# THE INSIDE NEWS

—AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

## ACCOUNTING (General) -

ANN ANGST, Voucher Section, decided upon Expo 67 and Canada for part of her vacation. She went by train and took a tour which was guided by Major ARTHUR FOX, over 75 years of age, but well-versed on history and politics, making it a very interesting and educational tour. The four cities, Montreal, Toronto, Quebec City, and Ottawa, were most exciting, attractive, and interesting. They visited the Seagrams Distilleries which were celebrating their 100th anniversary, and who were most gracious hosts. The process of manufacturing liquors was shown from the beginning to the finished product. In the Peace Tower in the Parliament Building in Ottawa she saw four books listing the names of soldiers who gave their lives for their country. Each day at 11 a.m., a war veteran in military regalia wearing white gloves turns a page of one of the books in a very impressive memorial ceremony as the chimes peal out the hour. The government buildings and embassies were visited and were found beautiful and ornamental. Ann also enjoyed the visit to St. Anne's Shrine in Quebec, and came home with the memories of a wonderful Canadian vacation. . . . ROSS FRANKE, youngest son of BEA FRANKE, Voucher, returned from military duty in Viet Nam, September 20. After a short stay with his parents he went to Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, for the remainder of his military enlistment. In the meantime, he became engaged and was married to REBECCA CORDERO on October 12 at St. Veronica's church. A reception for the immediate families followed the wedding ceremony. Ross is the last of the fledglings to leave the home nest. . . . Rockville, Indiana, and the 11th Annual Covered Bridge Festival, were again the destination of RUTH HAVLIK, Accounting, and her family. The Havliks have made this a ritual, having made the trip each year for the past 11 years; looking forward to the festivities and the beautiful fall scenery.

- Mable Potthast

## (Revenue) -

A warm welcome is extended to LORRAINE FALK who recently transferred from Material and Supplies. . . . Also, a hello to TOM LORENZ from the Transfer Room at Maypole, who is taking MIKE HOFFERT's position. Mike is now at Forest Glen and North Park as a transportation clerk. . . . Good luck to JIM VERTELKA as the new garage clerk at North Avenue. . . . The stork, with its bundle of joy, visited Mr. and Mrs. MIKE CHESLEY and presented KIRSTEN MICHELLE on September 27. The proud grandmother is MARY JANE HOSTETTER. On September 23, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. MONAHAN became the proud parents of BRIAN JAMES, making MARY ALICE CLEARY a very happy grandmother. Congratulations to all of you. . . . Those rested and shining faces that you see are: ALICE ARKIN, who visited colorful Hawaii recently; LILLIAN LAMONT, who vacationed in that green place of Ireland; WANDA BEKIER, who visited exciting Expo 67, and MARY CARNEY, Payroll, who along with your scribe, was basking in Las Vegas. . . . We extend our sympathy to MARIE FOLZ in the loss of her son-in-law, marine Lieutenant ALLEN J. HERMAN, who was killed in action in Viet Nam on September 10. . . . A speedy recovery to FRANCES HADDIZ, STELLA CIEZADLO, and JOE KLEIN.

- Clotilde Morzana

## CLAIMS -

Welcome to RON BAKER who will be in the Claim Department for six weeks. Ron is a graduate trainee who has joined us after being in the Employment Department for the past six months. At the time of this writing Ron will have just a few more weeks with us, so good luck to wherever you go from here, Ron. . . . Welcome back to HARRY BONESS who was on our sick list for a while. Glad to have you back, Harry. We are also glad to see TONY RITROVATO is back to work after having an unscheduled "vacation", in the hospital. . . . JOHN DALY was vacationing again in New Lisbon, Wisconsin, with his son, BUTCH. John says they spent a wonderful week fishing and enjoying the Wisconsin beer. How many vacations do you get in a year, John? . . . Bon voyage to ROY SWANSON and his wife, BARBARA, who will be going on a round-the-world tour starting October 19 and extending to December 2. Have a wonderful time Roy and Barbara. . . . Our best wishes are extended to two of our former Claim department employes, KATHY ASHLEY and BRUCE POPE, who took that big step November 4. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Pope. . . . Congratulations to DENNIS SIPICH who won \$200 on September 23 in a demolition race at Soldiers Field. Dennis, didn't we hear you say you were taking us to lunch? . . . All of us in the Claim department extend our deepest sympathy to KAY CORCORAN on the loss of her sister, MARY ELLEN CORCORAN. . . . MARY BERRY, along with three girl friends, went on a two-week vacation to Expo 67. Even though Metro went on strike the day they arrived, and their accommodations left something to be desired, they still spent an enjoyable three days at Expo and two other days sightseeing and shopping in Montreal. They motored through the Adirondack region and stopped overnight in Lake Placid and also in Niagara Falls, where a power failure occurred the day they arrived. That really must have been some vacation.

- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

## CONGRESS (Agents) -

Agent JULIA MATTRAN and her husband, RAYMOND, were beaming with happiness as they looked at their son, BRUCE MATTRAN, a nervous bridegroom, and then up the aisle of the St. Domitilla church in Hillside at their daughter-in-law to be, beautiful JOANNE MANNINA of Berkeley, who was attended by five bridesmaids in gorgeous gowns done in a new shade of pink and carrying bouquets of red and white roses. The bride wore a long satin appliqued gown and a cathedral veil which was appliqued to match the gown. She carried a bouquet of red roses and white orchids. The bride's talented mother designed and sewed the gowns. Julia wore a brown ribbon net dress for the ceremony and later changed into a formal gown of avocado green. There were champagne cocktails on the veranda of the Drake in Oak Brook, followed by a wonderful dinner and a most pleasant evening. The happy couple flew to Hawaii for their honeymoon, but also planned to stop off in Los Angeles and Las Vegas on their way back.

FAY CAPRIO was up in the clouds heading for Honolulu again. Fay had another reason for walking on air and that was seeing her sister again after many years.

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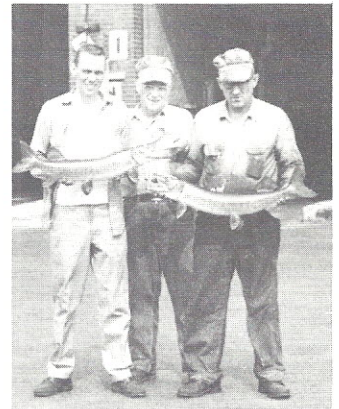
A few more flying hours and the air lines will give her the 100,000 mile plaque . . . Agent CHARLOTTE CAMPBELL, who in the last news was so radiantly happy because she was meeting her husband in Hawaii, received the sad news that he had been wounded in Viet Nam . . . Agent DEBORAH GADDIS and her children had a wonderful vacation in New York and Pennsylvania visiting with friends and relatives . . . We were sorry to lose another good friend and pensioner, ANNA DOWLING, who passed away after a long illness. Our deepest sympathy to her family and loved ones . . . Our deepest sympathy to Porter CLARENCE DAVIS and family on the loss of their beloved mother . . . Porter C. BENNETT has been transferred to South Shops. We wish him luck and hope he likes his new job . . . Agent HELEN McMAHON is taking an early retirement. We wish her good health, happiness, and hope that she will stop and visit with us . . . Motorman WALTER MAJCHRZAK was feted with a pension party at 54th, but goodies were sent to those who weren't able to come . . . Motorman ELMER SCHILDT who took an early retirement, and Conductor HARVEY JAHNS were honored with an elaborate party on the Congress . . . KEITH HANNING, a former student agent and the son of Clerk JOHN HANNING, not only joined Uncle Sam's ranks but also those of the married man . . . We wish a speedy recovery to Agent HERBERT SAFFRON who is in the McNeal hospital, Agent PAT BOLAND, PETE NAUGHTON, and Agent BERNICE SMITH who is recovering from surgery . . . Porter ELEWOOD LATHAMS is helping to celebrate his wife, ETTIE's, birthday by giving her a surprise birthday party at Vandzant . . . Agent THOMPSON and his wife, DOROTHY, had a lovely vacation visiting relatives and friends in Denver, Colorado, and Des Moines, Iowa . . . Pensioner WILLIAM SMITH will be leaving for St. Petersburg, Florida, any day now . . . Agent JUNE KINARD is home from the hospital and is always glad to hear from her friends . . . So that OPEL FORD wouldn't feel so bad about her youngest son going into service, her husband bought her a new car . . . While on vacation Porter JAMES CLARK got another car so that coming to work on those cold mornings won't be such a hardship . . . STEVE PRCELA and his wife, VIOLET, spent Steve's two-week vacation moving into their new home. They are going to celebrate Steve's birthday which is November 8 and their house warming at the same time . . . Porter JOHN and MAE CAMPBELL went to New York City and Philadelphia for two weeks . . . Porter CURTIS ROSBY and his wife, THELMA, stayed in Chicago on their vacation doing the things they never can seem to find time for . . . Correction--ARMETTA (Butch) BROWN instead of MEADOW BROWN, celebrated her birthday June 28 . . . Agent LETTIE ROBINSON vacationed in Nebraska. Let her tell you about it . . . Agent WALTER PERRY and his family vacationed in Alexandria, Louisiana. The pictures he has are proof of a wonderful time . . . Last but not left out, don't forget that big day, Sunday, November 12, the Little Flower communion breakfast. Have you sent in your ticket stubs and money? You could just be holding one of those big cash prizes. You can't win if you don't try. See you November 12.

- Julia Brousek

### ELECTRICAL -

September 1 was that long-awaited retirement day for BERNARD KIRCHENS. Benny was a line inspector and had 25 years of service. On August 31 his friends at Blue Island honored him with a breakfast. Mr. BUCK, Mr. DANECKE, and Mr. MALOTTKE were among the

NO TALL fish stories for these proud fellows, E. GUEBLE Jr., R. GUNDERSON, and V. CELBRON (left to right) of Kedzie repair department, who caught the pictured fish and many more while on vacation at Lake Tiger Cat Flowage in northern Wisconsin.



sixty guests . . . C. J. BUCK, electrical superintendent, retired October 1. Best of luck to you Mr. Buck . . . ANDREW BOURNE's son, JAMES, was married to JOAN NOWOSIELSKI of the CTA Accident and Training department on September 9. The wedding was held at Our Lady Help of Christians church with a reception at the Parkview Villa . . . Our sympathy is extended to the family of WILLIAM HANLEY, project engineer, who passed away last month . . . Had a card from vacationing BOB FERGUSON. He's trying to catch some fish at Lakewood, Wisconsin . . . JOHN DARCY is enjoying his vacation at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida . . . Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri seems to have a strange attraction for the fellows at Blue Island. FRANK REGAL was there during September. HARRY ANDERSON, WILLARD LOOS, CHESTER MATTUSZEWSKI, and their wives are having a little CTA reunion down there in the hills. We'll save a page of the next issue for all their fish stories . . . Who is the mystery man known as MITCH MILLER? Pensioners let us hear from you. We like to keep in touch with old friends.

The General Office held its first picnic on Sunday, July 30. There were 32 adults and 28 children present. Quite a showing for the very first time. The egg throwing contest proved quite interesting. AL MORF's daughter really splattered him. BERNIE KIZIOR received an egg shampoo for which SHELDEN KIRSHNER was responsible. RON SWINDELL and KAREN MIKOTA, KEN MIKOTA's daughter, won the shoe race. The baseball game was quite active. A final score was never reached because of many tired players (not use to exercise). MATT CIOFFE doesn't like to admit to the broken thumb he acquired playing baseball. KEN MIKOTA and MIKE KELLY discovered insulated plastic cups do not hold gasoline, they just dissolve. This didn't stop our music though, thanks to the generator from Chicago avenue. Chicken Delight could never compete with MARTY IMBRA's chicken. He could have fed everyone present. We hope to see more participating in the fun next summer, with a good time promised for all . . . The General Office would also like to welcome GEORGE E. MATEJOVSKY, our new signal draftsman. Good luck, George . . . MARTY LUKES became a proud father on October 20 when his wife, SHIRLEY, gave birth to a boy. Shirley formerly worked in the Schedule Department . . . The Electrical department welcomes A. R. SANDBERG to its helm. Mr. Sandberg is no stranger to Electrical, since he started in this department over thirty years ago . . . BERNADETTE KIZIOR recently returned from a convention in Estes Park, Colorado, being selected Executive Secretary of the National Association of Catholic Alumni Clubs, a fast growing 12,000 member association

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with chapters in 49 cities in the United States and Canada. She served as Midwest Region secretary last year and has now moved to the national scene.

- Don Crandall & William Rehder

### FOREST GLEN -

Hi men! A happy Thanksgiving day to all and your loved ones . . . Operator BEN KAMKA and his wonderful wife spent their vacation with their son, KEN, at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Young Kamka is an instructor on the Pershing missile, of which he is also a specialist. Ben says it wasn't too long ago when Ken was a young boy - today a man . . . At this time AL ALSTERLUND and his wife will be touring Europe. The trip will include England, France, Germany, Italy, and others. Of course, we'll all be ready to hear how it turned out. Al said the trip was made possible due to his wife managing the money at home . . . To KATHY PANTOS a very happy belated 15th birthday. Miss Pantos is the lovely daughter of Operator and Mrs. CHRIST PANTOS . . . Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM W. COPELAND are the proud parents of a baby girl, KATHI CLARISON, born August 10 at Ravenswood hospital . . . Supervisor JOHN ANDERSON gave his lovely daughter, KAREN, away in marriage to BRUCE SEIBEN on September 16 at St. Pascal church. A reception was held at Di Leo's then the celebration continued at the Anderson home . . . Received a card from BILL LYNAM and his wife, who spent the last part of their vacation up at Maple Leaf Resort. He states fishing was fair, but nothing like when he and all the fellows go up early in the spring . . . Operator CARL NELSON and his wife had a wonderful time visiting Expo 67 in Montreal, Canada. Carl was seen after returning to work trying to put those Canadian coins in our coffee machine. AL DREWKE and his family also had a grand time at Expo 67. I suppose Al was able to bring back some good Canadian souvenirs . . . Former Operator RUDOLPH GESTER sent a card from Europe. He and his wife went through Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. He sends his regards to all . . . Operator TRYGVE BERG has spent an eventful summer with his "old" and "new" family. His son, THOM, an electronic engineer for Nuclear Chicago corporation, received a one-year occupational deferment. On June 15 Tryg and his new wife flew to Kingsville, Texas, where they baby sat with three grandchildren while their mother went to the hospital to get number four. Their father, Lieutenant Commander LARRY REEGER, a navy jet pilot instructor, was serving as flight deck officer aboard the carrier U.S.S. Hancock in Viet Nam waters. On August 8, Operator Berg had 25 years service with the CTA . . . Congratulations on their 38th wedding anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. JOHN LANGE. Sorry old friend it has to be belated. John you better take good care of your driver of the year card, because it's your last before you retire . . . November 12 is the date of the St. Joseph Branch communion breakfast and raffle. All are invited to attend. Buses will leave at 6:50 a.m. . . Let's keep attending the union meetings and keep Forest Park garage on top . . . The credit union is at your service at all times. Start thinking Christmas now.

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

### ENGINEERING -

We welcome CAROL ANN RADMAN, clerk-typist, in the department . . . JACK O'REILLY and JAMES TOOLIS held winning scores during the world series baseball games. The prizes were \$25.00 each . . . Weber High

of the Catholic League, quarterbacked by CHARLIE LAPP's son, JOE, who was making his first varsity start, performed more like a title-bound team at mid-season to win its 1967 opener against Mendel by the decisive margin of 34 to 16. With Lapp at the controls most of the way, Weber ground out 323 yards rushing and gained another 53 through the air against Mendel. JOE SASSANO, team coach, said "That was Lapp's first varsity experience. The quarterback position was one of our main concerns through spring practice and drills this summer, but Lapp showed he could do the job." . . . At the last CTA golf outing, RUSTY RUSAKIEWICZ won a portable TV set. Congratulations on winning the TV and also to you and MARY on your second anniversary. Rusty and his son, ROD, of Stores, took a little fishing trip up to Conover, Wisconsin, where the temperature got down to 22 degrees. Rusty said the fishing was tremendous. Well, maybe not so tremendous, but they did have a great time . . . On October 1, A. R. SANDBERG left our department to become the electrical engineer and C. KALOGERAS became our architect . . . DENNIS PENEPACKER is awaiting a "thank you" card from the Lincoln Park Zoo. He and his wife just donated their pet Marmoset to the zoo. The zoos around Chicago seem to be profiting from Dennis' "different" pet collection. There is word out that Dennis and his wife are now looking for a Great Dane or a horse . . . Congratulations to RON MAZIARKA and his wife, CYNTHIA, on the birth of their second daughter, ELIZABETH . . . We all extend our hello and get well wishes to DAN BRUNOD and HERMAN ANDERS. Hope you are both feeling much better.

### (West Shops) -

Two of our carpenters, one a foreman, JOE FUCARINO, became a daddy September 2 of a baby girl, LOUISE JEAN, and LEONARD NELSON became a daddy August 19 of a baby girl, VALERIE SUZANNE. Congratulations fellows . . . At the annual CTA golf outing held at Villa Olivia, Ironwork Inspector BERNIE HOLTANE got a hole-in-one on the 12th hole, ending up with a score of 74. He has TOM WOLGEMUTH, PAUL SWANSON, and PAT McCARTHY as witnesses . . . TOMMY STAUNTON, our track foreman, was married Saturday October 7, at St. Angela's. Many of our people attended the reception at Marlac House in Oak Park and a good time was had by all. We want to wish the newlyweds much happiness in the future. A little note about Tommy's bride. EVELYN is a "Stouffer's girl", and was recently chosen to wait at the table of Princess Alexandra of Great Britain during a luncheon given in her honor. That's something to be very proud of.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

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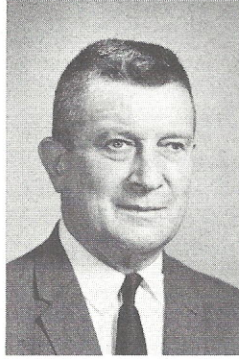
ANN GOLDING and her husband, HARRY, spent their vacation attending the National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in New Orleans. They also toured the French Quarter and enjoyed a boat trip down the Mississippi into the Gulf viewing many beautiful historic places . . . ANITA CURTIS was extended best wishes for a speedy recovery. Anita is in Michael Reese hospital at this writing, but her co-workers and friends sincerely hope she will be on the job feeling fine again when this issue of Transit News comes off the press . . . Congratulations to ELAINE and her husband, BOB, on the birth of their first born, a baby boy. He was born September 24 and was named DANIEL ALLEN . . . DON RIESS and his wife, VIVIAN, vacationed in Hawaii, while JACK O'CONNOR with his wife, DELORES, and children,

# NEW PENSIONERS

AMONG EMPLOYEES who joined the ranks of the retired during October and November were the 11 pictured here who had served CTA and predecessor transit operating companies for 40 or more years each.



**FRANK VON STATTEN**  
48 Years



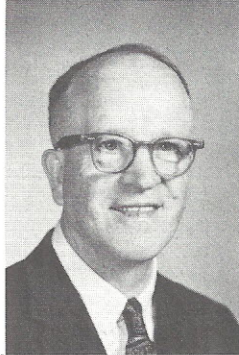
**HENRY McTIGUE**  
45 Years



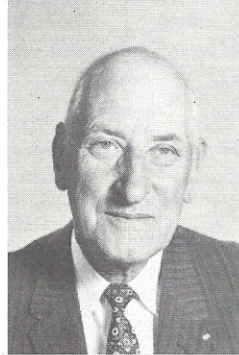
**ELMER SCHILDT**  
48 Years



**ROBERT SEDLACK**  
44 Years



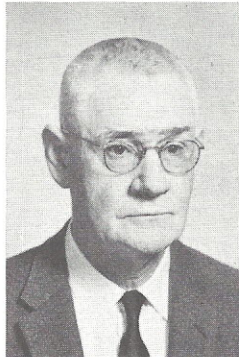
**JOHN SISKA**  
44 Years



**HARVEY JAHNS**  
43 Years



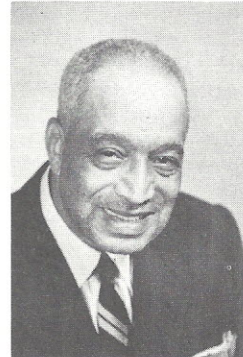
**LAWRENCE STEPHENS**  
41 Years



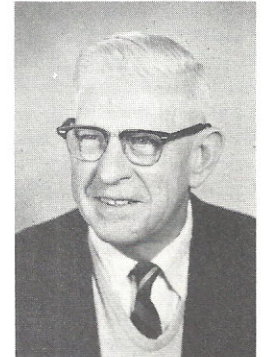
**ARCHIE D. BROOKS**  
41 Years



**HERBERT MONSON**  
41 Years



**HENRY MEYER**  
42 Years



**MAXWELL R. STRUWE**  
40 Years

LLOYD A. ABRAHAMSON, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 6-24-29  
 RALPH H. BRIGGS, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 1-6-43  
 ARCHIE D. BROOKS, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 5-25-26  
 MICHAEL H. BROWN, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 9-19-29  
 CECIL J. BUCK, Electrical Engineer, Electrical, Emp. 8-18-25  
 JOHN J. BURKE, Assistant Foreman, Limits, Emp. 2-19-35  
 ELMER E. CHAPMAN, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 1-8-34  
 VITO D'ALESSANDRO, Laborer, Skokie Shops, Emp. 5-7-37  
 JAMES J. EGAN, Carpenter, Skokie Shops, Emp. 12-10-45  
 HAROLD N. FROGNER, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 10-14-42  
 HENRY B. HASMAN, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 9-20-43  
 PATRICK J. HICKEY, Towerman, South Section, Emp. 6-11-47  
 HERMAN J. HODO, Porter, North Section, Emp. 1-14-44  
 HARVEY H. JAHNS, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 2-20-24  
 MICHAEL KACZOR, Towerman, West Section, Emp. 10-29-43  
 PATRICK J. LALLY, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 4-1-42  
 WALTER J. MAJCHRZAK, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 2-04-37  
 MICHAEL MANINO, Laborer, South Division, Emp. 11-18-43  
 EMMETT J. McCARTHY, Operator, Archer, Emp. 12-17-27  
 HELEN M. McMAHON, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 2-15-36  
 HENRY McTIGUE, Cleaner & Repairman, 77th Street, Emp. 10-24-22  
 HENRY MEYER, Porter, North Section, Emp. 12-10-24

GEORGE A. MIGDAT, Cleaner & Repairman,  
Lawndale, Emp. 2-12-38  
ALFRED A. MIX, Stock Clerk,  
North Division, Emp. 10-06-19  
JAMES P. NELSON, Janitor,  
69th Street, Emp. 4-19-44  
JOSEPH PARTIPILO, Porter,  
West Section, Emp. 8-20-42  
WILLIAM RAKAUSKAS, Trackman,  
Track & Structures, Emp. 4-22-48  
WILLIAM F. REYNOLDS, Porter,  
West Section, Emp. 8-21-36  
JOHN L. RUZICH, Ass't. to Supt. of Engr.  
Engineering, Emp. 3-23-26  
ELMER W. SCHILDT, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 10-22-18  
ROBERT M. SEDLACK, Schedule-Maker,  
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 6-18-23  
JOHN SISKA, Armature Winder,  
Skokie Shops, Emp. 8-06-23  
DOROTHY STEMBRIDGE, Storeroom Clerk,  
North Division, Emp. 9-10-43  
LAWRENCE J. STEPHENS, Radio-Tel. Operator  
Operations Control, Emp. 1-11-26  
MAXWELL R. STRUWE, Supervisor,  
District "C", Emp. 9-02-27  
MATT TOMASIC, Truck Foreman,  
Track & Structures, Emp. 8-10-26  
HENRY B. TSCHANTZ, Motorman,  
Howard Street, Emp. 5-24-43  
GERALDINE M. VINZENS, Assignment Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 12-02-40  
FRANK G. VONSTATTEN, Machinist,  
South Shops, Emp. 9-26-19  
CLARKE D. WHITE, Cleaner & Repairman,  
Archer, Emp. 9-20-47  
GARRETT D. WHITEMORE, Janitor,  
Training Center, Emp. 1-09-43  
CHARLES WITRY, Cleaner,  
North Park, Emp. 1-20-43  
ANGELES YPSILANTI, Motorman,  
61st Street, Emp. 11-29-43

## DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

CHARLES H. BAKER, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 4-12-51  
JETHRO BRIGHT, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 10-04-45  
JOHN P. FERGUS, Operator,  
Limits, Emp. 8-21-41  
ALFRED C. GORSS, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 1-30-34  
ARZIE HODGES, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 1-21-54  
HERBERT W. MONSON, Switchboard Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 1-21-26  
ALBERT E. POWERS, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 5-27-48  
LOUIS SANTINELLI, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 8-12-41

MAUREEN, KATHY, MICHAEL, and JOHN, enjoyed a vacation in Springfield, Illinois, and also up in Michigan . . . MARY ANN DAUKSHIS, a graduate of Alvernia High school, was welcomed as a new CTA employe. She is working in the Employment Department . . . LELA and her husband, TED BRANGAN, had a camping trip vacation to Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, and Hoover Dam. While in Las Vegas, they stayed at Ceasar's Palace . . . CAROL and her husband, ARMEN ARNDT, vacationed in Wisconsin enjoying good weather and the beautiful scenery in the land o'lakes country . . . CATHY RASCHECK and RENE BERDA in Medical, took a "first" plane ride to Florida where they stayed at the Castaways Motel. They had a wonderful vacation and hope they can soon make a return visit.

### (Medical) -

ROSEMARY BECKER, R. N., vacationed with her dad and brother, HENRY, in Frankfurt, Germany, where they visited relatives. This was the first visit for Rosemary's dad in 46 years, so needless to say, the red carpet treatment was accorded the visitors and all had a wonderful time. More surprises were in store for them on their return home, especially for Rosemary, who was presented with a beautiful diamond engagement ring from her fiancé, MARION SIEKIERSKI. They plan to be married on November 18 at St. Patrick's church in Elkhorn, Wisconsin, but will make their home in Glenview.

### (Employment) -

STANLEY TADEVIC and his wife, PEGGY, received an anniversary gift of a trip to Bermuda from their daughter, JULE ANNE, and son, RALPH. Ralph worked for CTA as a temporary employe and is now with the armed forces . . . Congratulations and best wishes were extended to GEORGIANNE WOLSKI and FRANK CANNATARO who were married on September 2. The wedding ceremony took place at St. Ladislau's church, following which a reception was held at the Royal Gardens with co-workers from Employment in attendance. EILEEN SHEEHAN, Schedule, was one of Georgianne's bridesmaids.

### (Training & Accident Prevention) -

Congratulations and best wishes were extended to JO-ANNE NOWOSIELSKI and JAMES BOURNE who were married on September 9 at Our Lady Help of Christians chapel. A reception was held at the Parkview Villa on Fullerton avenue. Among those attending were PHYLLIS BRZECEK of the CTA Law Department, and her sister, RITA, of Employee Relations. JOSEPH NASH, formerly employed in the Accident Statistical Section, was an usher. The groom's father, ANDREW BOURNE, is employed in the Electrical Department . . . TOM HOUGH and his wife, JULE, vacationed in California and Arizona. They traveled by train to Los Angeles where they visited their son, JIM, and his family. They went on to San Diego and then back to L. A. Tom enjoyed his first airplane ride when he and his wife flew to Las Vegas. They then drove to Lake Havashe City for an overnight visit before going on to Scottsdale, Arizona, to visit their oldest son, TOM, and his family. They all went back to Los Angeles for a family reunion . . . JIM TRETTON and his wife, ELIZABETH, vacationed in Biloxi, Mississippi, and stayed at the Emerald Beach hotel overlooking the Gulf of Mexico. One of the highlights of their trip was attending the celebration of mass at St. Michael's Catholic church. This church is located between Back Bay Biloxi and the Gulf of Mexico. Shrimp and oyster boats dock before the church and the recurring theme of the church is of the sea and fishermen. The

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congregation, predominately fishermen, see their avocation reflected in the beautiful stained glass windows, and the support for the main altar is a 2 1/2-ton rock from the Hill of Calvary. Jim said the unusual architecture and interior design of this church is well worth seeing.

- Mary E. Clarke

### KEDZIE -

Superintendent E. PETERSON brought with him from CTA's management the message of Teamwork, which means everyone working together. Every employe is on the team trying to make each other's job a little easier. This could be one of the finest programs ever instituted. For our operators, here are some ways we could do our share. When you get to the end of your run walk through your bus. If there are any newspapers or other debris in the aisle pick them up--keep your bus clean. By doing this it makes a better atmosphere for our riders, plus less chance of a passenger slipping in the aisle of your bus. Always take the bus you are assigned to because our repair department signs these buses out to be back in the garage at a certain time for repairs or to go through the inspection line, so you can see how important it is to take the right bus. This is teamwork between our repair department and operators. Check the bulletin board everyday for any notice of change of bus routes, transfer point changes, or any bus stop changes. By doing this you will be fully informed. Now we had a lot of bad publicity in the newspapers, TV, and radio pertaining to the passengers on our "L" lines and bus routes and this hurt our business, and teamwork can work very good here. If you see anything unusual going on in our buses or "L" trains, tell the operator or conductor, step off the bus or "L", call the dispatcher and tell him what you observed, short and to the point, and leave the rest to the dispatcher. In this way you won't become involved but you can be assured help will be sent to the operator or conductor in regard to the incident.

Operator JOE GILIO and his wife went to Expo 67 and then drove to Niagara Falls. Joe brought home six bottles of Canadian Champagne to help celebrate the rest of their vacation at home . . . Retired Operator ALBERT HEATH went to Expo 67 and surrounding areas. He is now home and currently doing two week's jury duty. He says hello to the gang at Kedzie . . . Operator J. TALLEY is in Florida swimming in the Atlantic Ocean, also looking up some of his retired buddies who are now living there . . . Operator T. HENNEBERRY and his wife, MARGE, drove to New York City and surrounding cities just enjoying life at its best . . . Operator JIM RICHARDSON and his wife, KAY, left Chicago by Santa Fe El Capitan for Los Angeles and nearby cities. On the way back home by train, they met retired Conductor CLARENCE POPPS, who formerly worked Madison street. He is now working as a talent scout for different studios and doing very well for himself . . . Congratulations to Dr. R. COLLIER who received his medical training at the University of Illinois in Chicago. Dr. Collier has his office in Helena, Montana, and plans to marry Miss LINDA BREWER on October 14, and will make Helena their home. Dr. Collier is the son of Operator and Mrs. BERT COLLIER . . . Your reporter was off six weeks with a broken toe and my wife, MEL GRAHAM, was in the hospital for two weeks with an infected kidney but is now home and doing fine . . . Back to work after being home sick is R. SLINGERLAND. On sick leave is Operator J. JACKSON who was operated on at the Veterans

hospital on east Huron street. Operator P. ZACCARIELLO is home after surgery and doing fine. Hope to see you men back on the job soon . . . Operator VICTOR JUKNUIS and his wife, LORETTA, are the proud grandparents of a baby boy named BRIAN KEITH born October 3. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. KENNETH JUKNUIS, son and daughter-in-law of Victor and Loretta. Congratulations! . . . We at Kedzie welcome the following operators who completed their student training program. They are: A. WILLIAMS Jr., A. HOLEMS, and H. PATTON. Good luck to you men . . . Happy birthday to Mrs. MADELINE DOMINICK, the wife of Operator A. DOMINICK. Happy birthday to Operator G. DiMEO and RAY JABLECKI.

- Raymond Graham

### KEELER -

Hi all you VIP's. I admire your exquisite taste in reading material because only the elite reads this journalistic trivia. That's what my wife calls it. I wonder if this was a compliment? . . . Well so much for levity. I hang my head in shame because I really goofed last month. Two very important items were hidden down among the junk in my otherwise very well organized mail box. So, many, many happy returns to Operator ZENTMEYER and his dear wife, ROSE, on their 30th anniversary August 28. A very special apology, and belated congratulations to Operator ED and FLO STROH. It's 30 years for these two also. Operator MEL CURTIS and his wife are celebrating 34 years of wedded bliss. He is on the countdown, as he is retiring March 1. Mel says, with a young son to raise, he has to stay young at heart for a long time. I know he will, too. It's 29 years of good wishes to one of my favorite operators. Operator PATEREK and his wife, ANNE, November 23. Operator "Big Bill" KNUDSEN and his wife, GAIL, can celebrate their 5th anniversary November 3 in their new home. Bill, we all hope your new home will store up many, many years of pleasant memories. Operator NORM BARROW and his wife, JANICE, must be "hippies." Norm tells me it was three years of wedded bliss September 9. It's two strikes--I mean years for Operator ROBERT WILSON and his wife, KATHLEEN . . . The wedding bells are really resounding loud and clear. Mechanic MIKE GARRITY changed a portion of lovely DIANA GANSCHOW's name October 14. If the train room seems to be brighter these days, it's because of the glow around SY GOLDMAN and the lovely smile on the face of the former Miss NELLIE ROPINSKI. They exchanged vows October 21 and honeymooned in Miami, Florida . . . Sorry about that department: I decided to look through my dusty archives and discovered anniversary wishes should go out to: Operator W. MOORE and his wife, BERNICE, October 25; Operator BARTNICKI and his wife, JOAN, 17th anniversary, November 18, and Janitor ED GLONKE and his wife, MARTHA, their 41st, November 24. Boy would I have been in trouble if I'd forgotten anniversary greetings to Chief Clerk ELMER RIEDEL and his wife, MARGARET, October 20. Oh yes, Elmer, you sneaked off on vacation and haven't sent us a card yet. Why? . . . You forgot to tell me, but happy anniversary anyway to Operator and Mrs. ED W. JASEK . . . The bells may be somewhat muted due to overwork, but happy birthday wishes to Garageman ROGER GABINSKI and Operator TOMIE PHILLIPS, October 4. Operator CHUCK JONES will have to buy a nice gift for his wife, LUCILLE, October 7, because his birthday is November 22. Operator PETE PETERSON's wife, HARRIET, really hit the jackpot on her birthday October 7.



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Pete says she is now eligible for social security benefits. Maybe she'll buy Pete a new Cadillac for his birthday October 19. Pete is also reveling in the excitement of his great niece, JOANN, and the thrill she experienced on her nine-week European tour. Joann went behind the iron curtain to see her grandparents in Warsaw. She was amazed at the ultra-modernness of the city . . . Operator MIX celebrated his birthday November 19 . . . It's a triple header for Operator MITCHELL LEE. His birthday was September 15, his wife, BOBBIE, October 3, and his son, ADRIAN, blew out two candles October 31 . . . Mechanic RICHARD HANDY got a birthday tune-up October 26 . . . I didn't forget you CARRIE MERRICK, even if A. D. did. It's November 20 isn't it? . . . Boy is my daughter getting old. Is it really 29 years, November 10? And mother dear, Mrs. MAGGIE C. FIELDS, November 20 really did things to you too, didn't it . . . I tried to tell Operator McCLAIN that just because his son, ZEDRICK, is three years old November 24 he shouldn't have his own Mustang yet . . . WHITEY, rumor has it that you should be sharing in the birthday cake too. Why didn't you let me in on it though? Is it because you have reached one half a hundred? . . . I am anxious to meet the wife of Garageman RUDOLPH BERRY. Rudolph told me that his daughter, COZETTE, was born several weeks ago and the date was uh - uh (oh - oh) . . . A very happy man is Operator GORDON TAYLOR because his son is being discharged from the service before the holiday season. Equally happy is Operator LAWRENCE GRANT who will be visited by his mother, Mrs. A. D. GRANT, October 23. Mrs. Grant hails from the state of Mississippi . . . Say, have you wondered why there are no traffic jams on Addison? Well we received a vacation card postmarked Honolulu and signed JOE ESPOSITO . . . Retired Operator "Zack" TAYLOR dropped in the other day to renew acquaintances with some of the old timers who used to try and follow Zack down Addison street. Has it really been seven years Zack? . . . Fellows, if you say Clerk RONNIE MILLER is strictly for the birds, you will be absolutely correct. Ronnie raises homing pigeons. From a local clipping, it seems that a stray falcon wandered around Ronnie's little feathered charges and calmly went about the business of feasting heartily. However, Ronnie discovered the culprit and tried to show him the error of his ways, in a private cage though. So, actually, Ronnie got the bird . . . Welcome to the club to Operator RUPERT. Rupert made his first fishing trip to Wisconsin. He said he almost had to turn his back to bait the hook. Oh yes, the aforementioned club is the "Sportsmans Liars Club." . . . Collector TOM ELLERY is on the retirement countdown. Keep us posted El before and after the blast off date . . . Station Superintendent LOUGHRAN and Station Supervisor



THE HAPPY couple is Mr. and Mrs. DAVE NICHOLS, who were united in marriage at St. Christina church on August 12. Mrs. Nichols is the former MARY LOU ROHE, daughter of WILLIAM P. ROHE, South Shops.

JIM HENDERSON join forces in urging all the fellows to co-operate fully and sincerely in the new CTA project, Teamwork. This operation involves and embraces all CTA employes and will enhance the CTA image in the eyes of our riders and benefactors. So guys and gals, too, let's do ourselves a favor and show all the true spirit of "TEAMWORK." . . . Until next time, watch those icy streets, the excess calories in the holiday menu, and especially beware of the liquid holiday spirits or you may wind up with a cop as a chaser.

- Ernest C. Carter

## LAWNDALE -

We received cards from J. DANIEL from Niagara Falls where he is spending his second honeymoon; R. CARTER from Expo 67; Instructor BILL FEILER also from Expo 67, and D. CAMPBELL from New Orleans, Louisiana . . . While Instructors BILL FIELER and JOE STEINBECK were away on vacation, Instructor ROY WILSON was sent here to take their place. While with us, Roy celebrated his 25th anniversary with the company on September 8 . . . One of our former instructors, ED HAVLICEK, sends us a picture of a fish he supposedly caught. The fish couldn't fit in the boat. I think he caught this one with his wives clothes line . . . Our deepest sympathy to the families of LOUIS J. GESILOWITZ, buried August 30; RAYMOND MAPLE, buried September 7; and the daughter of Operator VERNON SWAMIGAN, buried September 27, and Mrs. LUCILE LUCE, buried September 7. The latter is the wife of Operator AL LUCE, who was also hurt in the same auto accident. We hope at this writing he is much better . . . We were very glad to see JIM MOORE clerking for JIM RITTENBERG one morning. He is looking very good . . . One day while we were having lunch, JIM GOODE, walked in with a sandwich that could feed a regiment of soldiers. It was so big that Jim had to share it with some of his buddies . . . I saw GEORGE PERKAUS visiting one of my neighbors. He is looking in the pink . . . "Wild Bill" ZISIECKI is spending his time these days going "Houley Hunting." . . . We have a new janitor at our depot, NATHAN C. ODOM--one of our old boys back with us again. Nathan suffered a heart condition and was off from May to August . . . One day HARRY COX came to work with a nice big lunch and he said, "I forgot one thing, my teeth." . . . A funny thing happened to LOUIE HANUSKA. One day a mosquito bit him on the arm, then circled around and dropped dead. Louie noticed the poor mosquito had a smile on his face. Anyway he died happy!

- Larry Keating

## LIMITS -

ARTHUR HANSEN and W. ALBRO took their pensions on September 1. Both men had over 40 years of service. May you fellows have a long and healthful retired life. RUDY ROICHEK took his pension September 1, after 20 years of service, and we also wish you a long and healthful life on retirement . . . Chief Clerk ROGER WARD had a wonderful vacation down in sunny Miami, Florida, where he was visiting his two grandchildren . . . Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his dear wife vacationed out west and southwest where they visited relatives and did quite a bit of sightseeing . . . Operator FLORES became the father of a cute baby girl on September 6. Operator CRAWFORD also became the parent of a cute baby girl answering to the name of GEORGA, on September 7. Congratulations and best wishes to the proud parents . . .

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Supervisor SPITTALI purchased a new home in Palatine, Illinois, and Supervisor FANSTIEL purchased a new home in Mount Prospect, Illinois. Both men and their families are very happy in their new surroundings and will be happy to receive visitors should any of you men be out in their neighborhood. . . . When JOE PELLY, who is now on his pension, visited Expo 67 in Montreal, Canada, he met former Limits Operator C. HOSCH, now at 52nd Street. Pelly reports that they both enjoyed themselves to the utmost. . . . When the Italian ship San Giorgio was docked at the Michigan avenue bridge this summer, Operator LEO MILANETTO wined and dined Captain DON LUGI CALLEGARO and Chief ANGELO MATTIETTO of the ship in his home. These three men went to school together in sunny Italy, so it was a happy reunion to say the least. . . . JOHN RAY was in Columbus hospital for surgery. We hope that you are well on the road to recovery by now. . . . MICHAEL RAY is home from Korea where he did his duty for Uncle Sam. Welcome home. . . . JOHN PAAKONEN and his dear wife, MARGE, have returned from their annual fall fishing trip to Ontario, Canada. They report catching trout up to eight pounds plus large walleyes, northerners, and small mouth bass. Marge landed a big muskie just before they left. Their trip was saddened by the death of their favorite Indian guide, but they were fortunate to secure the services of another experienced Indian guide. . . . Operator DAN O'LEARY and his wife spent a two-week vacation with his wives relatives in Kansas and Oklahoma. While in Kansas they visited the historical sites at Fort Larned and Seneca, Kansas. In Oklahoma they visited the burial plot of the late humorist WILL ROGERS in Claremore, Oklahoma. Upon their return home they discovered they were the grandparents of a new baby girl, KELLY PATRICIA O'LEARY, born to their son, DENNIS, and his dear wife, DIANE. Congratulations to the proud parents and also to grandfather and grandmother.

- R. S. Benson

### LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

We are glad to see Agent JACK JOYCE back from the sick list. He and his wife celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary on September 19, with a dinner which their children and grandchildren attended. On September 20 their youngest daughter, LILLIAN, was married to EDWARD S. GARCIA. Congratulations to all these nice folks. . . . Welcome to the agents ranks, W. VAUGHN, REBECCA WILSON, and other new agents that we have not met. . . . We are late but glad to see Porter CHRISTMAS back from disability. . . . Agent RAY WALZ has been laid up for some time. He suffered a fall and injured his arm severely. . . . Porter E. BOND has received an Employee of the Year Award, for which we congratulate him. . . . MARY FLYNN, lovely daughter of Superintendent JOHN FLYNN and his wife, former Agent MARY RYAN, is now attending Mundelein College. . . . Our condolences to the family of Agent RAY MAPLE who passed on in his sleep September 2. . . . Logan Square Agent ELEANOR HASBROUCK enjoyed her vacation with her daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren in their new home in McHenry, Illinois. . . . Agent and Mrs. FRANK LUCAS spent a most enjoyable vacation in the east. They visited New York, Washington, D. C., and Niagara Falls. Frank said they had such a good time and there are so many things he still wants to see, they may just go there again next year. . . . Porter JOE PARTIPILO started his pension years off right. He bought a new air-conditioned car, and he and Mrs. Partipilo went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the baths. More power to

you Joe. . . Pensioner CATHERINE KENNY is spending some time in New Orleans. Just a coincidence that the International Convention is down there at the same time. . . . We want to wish Agent HELEN McMAHON the very best retirement. She left us on October 1. . . . Superintendent LEO BIEN wants to thank everyone for their many kindnesses to his wife, ANN, and to let them know she is showing a great deal of improvement, for which we are thankful. . . . West Side agents and porters. Please remember to pay your Blood Bank dues. I am at 419--Monroe-Adams in the Dearborn subway.

- Helen Pallister

### LOOP -

Mr. L. J. BIEN, superintendent of agents and porters, wishes to express his sincere thanks for all the get well cards and spiritual bouquets sent to his wife while she was so seriously ill. Mrs. Bien is showing much progress at this time. . . . Agent FAY CAPRIO spent her vacation in Hawaii, where her daughter lives. Fay said if she goes there many more times, she will forget to come back. Her daughter lives on Oahu and their home is high on the mountain overlooking Waikiki beach with a lovely view of Diamond Head. Across the way from Fay's daughter lives Mrs. Hawaii, who is the worlds best cook and dressmaker. While there, Fay spent a day in a pineapple factory and she said you would never believe all that has to be done to Dole's pineapple before canning. She also went through Swift's plant. Fay went to so many places while on the island, I'd have to use the whole issue to tell you of her fun. She said go there and you'll never come back. . . . Roses and belated birthday wishes to Agent K. JOHNSON who celebrated in September. . . . We all hoped Clerk JUSTIN McCARTHY wouldn't have a sore throat on his return from vacation. He went to the world series and had a yelling good time. . . . Belated congratulations to former Agent G. GREANY and his wife, also Agent DAVE GRAFMAN and his wife who celebrated their wedding anniversaries a short time ago. Hope that all of you have many more years of happiness together. . . . Our Porters of the year are as follows: L. ADAMS, J. BARRETT, C. BENNETT, H. BOGGUS, E. BOND, E. BUNTON, W. CASEY, D. CAWTHON, J. COLLIER, S. CUNNINGHAM, J. DAVNEY, H. HARRIS, W. HARRIS, G. HAWKINS, E. HERRING, R. HIGH, J. HOLIMAN, D. JOHNSON, C. JONES, J. JORDAN, P. LYNCH, J. MARONEY, W. REYNOLDS, E. SCHULTAZ, A. SIMMONS, L. C. SMITH, and J. TAYLOR. . . . Agents of the year are as follows: H. GUTH, F. D. LUCAS, M. LYONS, R. MAPLE, L. MENKEN, M. WHITE, M. MULVIHILL SR., L. MORRIS, K. McKENNY, W. McNALLY, D. PARKER, C. QUINLAN, G. RUSSO, and W. STASULAS. . . . Every morning bright and smiling passengers rush through with a loud "good morning and have a nice day." This is what you hear at Central and Lake. Why? Well, all the passengers say that DOROTHY FORD is back and they are all very happy. . . . Agent H. OLSEN spent his vacation at home this year. Says next year he is going to fly high. . . . Congratulations to former Agent SUE REDDING and her husband. They said "I Do" October 7. . . . Has anyone seen student Agent T. ZDEB with his little red and yellow basket? It's full of hard boiled eggs. He said he is saving them for his dearest friend, Agent JOHN FILIPEK, who as the story goes, is on a cackle berry diet. . . . Agent V. CASHION has been back to work for some time since her operation. She had been missed by several agents. I'd like to let them know she is fine and looks years younger. . . . Very sorry to say, but I didn't know until October 3 that DAVE GRAFMAN

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CAN YOU identify the dapper young man in this photo? He's standing in front of an old Twin Coach trolley bus which he was working on Central avenue. The former operator from North Avenue Station who is now a resident of Phoenix, Arizona, is Pensioner ELMER DEEGAN.

had an operation. I hope now that you are back to work and are enjoying good health . . . Student Agent JOAN BETTINA has resigned until next summer. She didn't have time to say so long, but she will be around now and then . . . Glad to know G. WASHBURN is back working in the Assignment Office after her little visit to the hospital. Hope you are feeling fine now . . . R. WALZ is back, also M. WOODS . . . On the sick list at this writing are: Agent M. BROWN, D. MADIGAN, E. SHEA, V. MARTIN, W. HANSON, E. HASBROUCK, V. McALLISTER, L. ROBINS, P. DALAND, M. BOGGS, and L. RUSSELL. Hurry folks and let's see you all back and feeling fine . . . Agent A. DUNLEAVY is in St. Joseph hospital at the present time. Do hope everything is going along very well for you Ann . . . Good luck, good health, and many years of happiness for Agent H. McMAHON who took her pension October 1 . . . So long to all the students who went back to school. We'll be looking for your return in the spring . . . Porter A. FRICANO is a very happy man these days. Can't blame him, for within the last two months his brother, sister, and mother came to Chicago from Italy, and last week his future son-in-law came here. Who knows, there may be a wedding soon . . . Porter J. CIVITO is on cloud nine. His wife arrived in the U.S.A. September 23. They will make their home with Jimmy's sister for a short while . . . Motorman C. GUZEK spends his free time between trips, dashing out to see if this pretty blond meter maid has given Charlie a ticket for overparking. In the last five weeks he received seven tickets. That's why Charlie can be seen hunting in phone booths and corners for lost pennies, nickels, and dimes. Charlie says he makes out good some days . . . Agent D. HARRINGTON wishes to thank everyone for remembering her during her illness. Cards, letters, and phone calls sure help cheer a person when the days seem so long . . . Porter IZAH CHRISTMAS asked me to thank everyone for being so nice while he was so ill and in the hospital. For some unknown reason, neither of these "thank you's," appeared in any issue and we are very sorry . . . Student Agent V. SKORUSKI will no longer answer if called Vito. His new name is "Chipmunk." . . . Agent W. STRASSER and his wife had a lovely vacation this year and Wilbur took a little time out to tell about it. They had a short stay in Denver and saw the golden domed capital on the hill. Across from the Capital is a historical museum which has excellent exhibits of the state's early history. They went to Yellowstone National Park with its geysers and boiling springs. The mountains and canyons are really something to see. Wilbur even had a little chat with a cute grizzly bear. They went for a river float ride down the Snake river and it makes you feel snakey. The Black

Hills are not really black, but a pretty dark green with lofty pines and towering granite cliffs. In Wyoming, Wilbur and his wife liked the wide open spaces. There were just miles and miles of prairie without a tree, but sweet smelling sage. Along the way they saw old forts and landmarks of frontier times. In Ogalla, Nebraska, Wilbur's wife took him to the Chrystal Palace, where they had high kicking can can girls. All Wilbur could say was, pretty nice, pretty nice. To end his vacation, he dropped in to Santa's workshop and told him all the agents were doing their jobs well and not to forget us at Xmas time.

- Mildred Doyle

## NORTH AVENUE -

Congratulations to Operator KARL ROBEZNIK who became the father of a baby boy on September 28 . . . DONNA BARBARA PONZIO, daughter of Operator FRANK PONZIO, was married on October 28 to FRANK SCHMIDT at St. Joseph's church in Addison, Illinois. The reception was at Allegetti's Four Horsemen. They honeymooned in Minnesota and Niagara Falls . . . Operator BON MULLINAX and his wife, MAUD, have a new daughter-in-law. Their son married BETTY KOWALSKI on September 16. A reception for 300 people was held at the American Legion Hall in Franklin Park. ROBERT PARSON, son of Operator EINAR PARSON, was married to CONNIE CARL of Northlake on September 10. Our best wishes to all the newlyweds . . . ROMAN BUDNIK, repair department, and his wife celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on October 2. Operator VIGGO WINDFELD and his wife, ZORA, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on October 9. They celebrated with dinner at Berghoff's restaurant. Congratulations to all . . . Operator WILLIE HARRIS celebrated the anniversary of his fourth year of employment with the CTA on August 26, and his birthday on August 27. DOLORES HARRIS celebrated her birthday on August 26 and LAVONIA HARRIS celebrated hers on September 1. Many happy returns . . . Operator WILLIAM MORAN and Operator LEVI S. HILLIARD took their pensions on September 1. ANTONIO A. COSTA, repair department, is taking his pension on November 1 after 37 years of service. We wish them the very best of luck and much happiness and we hope to hear from them . . . We received a letter from SP/4 RONALD BEDOE, formerly of the repair department, now in Vietnam. He received a promotion. He is counting the days until he gets back to the good old U.S.A. He is scheduled to leave there on November 21. We'll see you soon, Ron . . . MARGARET MARY O'ROURKE, daughter of Supervisor and Mrs. VINCENT E. O'ROURKE, has received her registered nurse's certificate from the State of Illinois, dated September 19. Margaret was graduated on August 13 from St. Mary of Nazareth School of Nursing, being granted the Elaine Furman Memorial Award for nursing the aged. Her fiance, Sgt. JOHN LUCZAK, will return from Vietnam in December at which time they will be married. All plans are in progress for December 30 . . . We received a letter from Pensioner ELMER DEEGAN. He is planning a visit to Chicago. We also received a card from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS who is in the hospital. We hope he will be well soon. Pensioner MIKE GROCH paid us a visit at the depot. He says "hello" to all his friends.

Operator CALVIN McCANTS and his wife and children recently returned from a vacation in California. Among the places they visited were Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Oakland. They visited many points of

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interest such as Disneyland, the Golden Gate Bridge, and Vandenberg Air Force Base. Their first trip west was enjoyed by all. Receiver BILL PINASCO and Operator EDWARD SCHNEIDER went fishing at Crivitz, Wisconsin, on Lake Nobequebay to look for the lure that Ed lost last time he was up there. Operator BON MULLINAX spent his vacation in Vienna, Illinois. He reports the fishing was terrific, the smallest bass was six pounds. Operator ALBERT JACQUES spent his vacation in Tennessee and, believe it or not, he went barefoot. Operator CHARLES LUEPKE enjoyed his vacation at Wausau, Wisconsin. Operator ANTHONY MULLOZZI and his wife and son vacationed in Florida. They saw the Cypress Garden Water Show, then spent five days at Miami Beach. They stopped at St. Petersburg and visited the Kennedy Space Center. They also visited St. Augustine. On the way home they went through North Carolina and South Carolina. They went through the Great Smokey Mountains of Tennessee. Operator PETER MADIA was fishing at Castle Rick, Wisconsin. The fishing was terrific. Anyone desiring free fish, contact Pete. He brought back a truckful. Operator FLORIAN DWIEL, Foreman ERNEST PEARSON of Lawndale, and your scribe were fishing at Hayward, Wisconsin. The weather was very cold and the fishing only fair. When we were ready to start out in the morning there was ice in the bottom of the boat . . . We welcome new Operators SAMUEL BROWN, JAMES DIAL, KERMIT MITCHELL, MORRIS DENNIS, JAMES NUNN, JOHN HAFFORD, MARC TURNER, JESSE WEAKS, WILLIAM BIBBS, BOYD JOHNSON, and JOHN HARDISON . . . Operator RONALD UTLEY was in St. Anne's hospital. We wish him a speedy return to good health . . . Operator JOSEPH CABAY, a great admirer of the late PAUL GIBSON of radio and advertising fame, says, "Sharp words lose respect. Hot tempers only lose friends." . . . We wish you all a blessed Thanksgiving. As you give thanks for your many blessings, remember in prayer our boys in Vietnam. We wish you a blessed and Holy Christmas and pray that the Prince of Peace will bring the war to an end and peace to the world. What a wonderful Christmas present that would be.

- Bill Medema

### NORTH PARK -

Even more cautious and careful driving will have to be observed now, with the coming of ice and snow. Let's all try and improve North Park's accident record this winter with the use of common sense . . . Our congratulations to the 95 operators at North Park depot who won "Employee of the Year" awards. This is an increase of 35 per cent from last year and we are all proud of these men . . . Miss CLAUDIA LIPINSKI, daughter of Operator and Mrs. FRANK LIPINSKI, was married on Saturday September 16, to Mr. CHARLES BOGAR at St. Robert Bellarmine church. The reception was held at the Indian Portage V. F. W. Post on Irving Park Road and was attended by 200 guests. The young couple honeymooned at Acapulco, Mexico, and will be at home on the northwest side of Chicago . . . Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE VOIGHT Jr., son and daughter-in-law of Operator GEORGE VOIGHT, became parents of their first child when a daughter named GLORIA LEE was born August 12 at Edgewater hospital . . . Operator CHARLES SCHOEWER and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. BEN SCHOEWER, vacationed at Balsam, Wisconsin, for two weeks and reported the fishing was very poor this year . . . Operator HENRY THELIN and his wife, HARRIET, and children, JOHN, JOSEPH, ANDREW, and LILLIAN, motored to Perry-

ville, Missouri, where Henry's son, THOMAS, is attending St. Mary's seminary. Also on the agenda were visits to St. Louis and Gerardo, Missouri . . . Operator JIM DOLAN and his wife, RITA, vacationed at Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Highlights were visits to Onyx Caves, Rockaway Beach, Silver Dollar City, and a day in Forsythe, Missouri, with Pensioner ART MUIR . . . Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, and daughters, ROSLYN and JOAN, flew to Las Vegas, Nevada, where they held a reunion with their son, JOEL, who was on a furlough from the air force. Highlights of their grand vacation were stops at San Diego, Disneyland, Marineland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Reno, Nevada . . . Operator SAM POSNER and his wife, ETHEL, and family flew to Los Angeles, California, to attend the wedding of Mrs. Posner's brother, KELMER MOLL. Also on the agenda were visits to Disneyland, Anheuser Busch Gardens, Tropical Gardens, and Farmers Market . . . Supervisor LE ROY PEDERSON and his wife, BERNICE, vacationed at Backus, Minnesota. Returning home, Le Roy decided that fishing was so much fun that he retired on September 1, and is now looking for a home in Michigan where he can hunt and fish at leisure. Good health and best wishes are extended to you Pete . . . Operator DALE PETERS and his wife, SUE, and children motored throughout the southwest. Highlights of the trip were visits in New Orleans and two weeks visiting Dale and Sue's parents around Hope, Arkansas . . . Operators HAROLD JULITZ and RAY BLAU, along with Harold's son, RICHARD, fished for two weeks at Lake Kaganza, Wisconsin. The gentlemen report record catches of walleyes and stripers . . . Operator ROY THOMPSON and his wife, GENEVIEVE, relaxed at their summer home located at Eagle Lake, Wisconsin, where Roy has several fishing holes to keep Genevieve busy preparing fish dinners . . . Operator VERNON WENNERBERG vacationed in and around Los Angeles, California, where his son, RICHARD, lives. Highlights of the trip were visits at the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, and a fabulous three days at Las Vegas . . . Operator TED DIDIER and his wife, MAUDE, motored to La Crosse, Wisconsin, where they took a boat trip on the Mississippi river to Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin. The Didiers also had a wonderful time visiting friends in Minneapolis, Minnesota . . . Operator DICK HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, and their prize poodle, RICKEY, motored to Miami Beach and Key West, Florida, for their annual vacation. The Halligans, who love this paradise state, enjoyed their five weeks in Florida and are anxiously waiting for the day when they can make their home there . . . Operator and Mrs. CHARLES ROBINSON spent a very interesting and enjoyable vacation in the Eastern and New England states as well as in Canada. Highlights of the Robinson's trip were stops in Breezewood, Pennsylvania, four days in New York City, Boston, Massachusetts, and four grand days at Expo 67 in Montreal, with stopovers at Toronto, Niagara Falls, Chatham, Ontario, and Windsor, Canada, before returning home.

Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, had their usual fall fishing excursion at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas. The Lemkes had their usual good luck catching their quota of small and large mouth bass. While in Arkansas, they visited Pensioner BLACKIE NELSON and his wife, MAYBELL, at Mountain Home. Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, of Forsythe, Missouri, entertained the Lemkes with some of the finest steaks grown in the Ozarks . . . Operator WALTER LINDEMANN and his wife, ELEANOR, who used a Tradewind camp trailer, along with their daughter and son-in-law,

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

ELROY H. ANDERSON, 70, Lake Street,  
Emp. 11-3-25, Died 9-13-67  
CHARLES BACH, 86, Transportation,  
Emp. Died 9-24-67  
RICHMOND P. BARTHEN, 76, West Section,  
Emp. 11-26-23, Died 10-6-67  
WALTER L. BAYER, 60, South Section,  
Emp. 3-21-29, Died 10-15-67  
HENRY W. BECKER, 60, District "C",  
Emp. 1-9-34, Died 10-13-67  
LESTER C. CRISPELL, 61, North Section,  
Emp. 4-9-24, Died 9-17-67  
MARTIN J. DIDRIKSEN, 83, North Section,  
Emp. 8-28-18, Died 9-29-67  
CARMELLO FALLARO, 82, Track,  
Emp. 4-1-43, Died 9-21-67  
RAGNAR C. GAVERT, 64, South Division,  
Emp. 3-23-25, Died 9-23-67  
JOSEPH J. GOBLET, 54, Archer,  
Emp. 8-28-41, Died 9-14-67  
WILLIAM A. HANLEY, 63, Electrical,  
Emp. 11-18-46, Died 9-25-67  
JOSEPH JANKOWSKI, 76, West Shops,  
Emp. 12-1-22, Died 9-23-67  
CHARLES JURCICH, 74, West Section,  
Emp. 5-14-46, Died 7-26-67  
ARTHUR H. KAUFMANN, 69, Beverly,  
Emp. 9-24-29, Died 9-19-67  
HENRY KRUSE, 90, Kedzie,  
Emp. 2-28-10, Died 9-25-67  
CATHERINE M. LYNCH, 73, North Section,  
Emp. 10-23-42, Died 9-21-67  
PATRICK MAHONY, 74, 77th Street,  
Emp. 3-2-26, Died 9-28-67

ROBERT McCARTHY, 58, Archer,  
Emp. 8-17-45, Died 9-13-67  
JOHN J. MILLERICK, 85, 77th Street,  
Emp. 12-24-12, Died 9-11-67  
DALE A. MORRISON, 64, North Park,  
Emp. 2-25-27, Died 9-14-67  
FRANCIS L. MURPHY, 77, West Division,  
Emp. 8-1-46, Died 9-8-67  
PATRICK MURPHY, 63, Beverly,  
Emp. 11-28-42, Died 10-5-67  
GEORGE J. NEIGHBOR, 65, South Section,  
Emp. 2-14-27, Died 9-8-67  
THOMAS O'LEARY, 47, Shops & Equipment,  
Emp. 3-1-50, Died 10-3-67  
WILLIAM G. PRETZEL, 91, North Section,  
Emp. 7-13-00, Died 9-22-67  
OWEN D. RITCHIE, 71, Kedzie,  
Emp. 8-19-21, Died 9-19-67  
ANTHONY ROCCAFORTE, 77, Way & Structures,  
Emp. 8-22-25, Died 9-23-67  
JOSEPH ROGG, 79, West Shops,  
Emp. 1-9-20, Died 8-23-67  
HAROLD SAFFORD, 77, Way & Structures,  
Emp. 5-29-14, Died 9-11-67  
ARTHUR J. SCHMIDT, 73, West Section,  
Emp. 10-24-28, Died 9-8-67  
S. SPROVIERO, 91, Division,  
Emp. 5-1-10, Died 9-13-67  
THOSPH THURSTON, 63, Beverly,  
Emp. 11-12-28, Died 10-11-67  
JAMES VALENTA, 83, North Section,  
Emp. 7-24-07, Died 10-4-67  
STEPHEN WALTH, 79, West Shops,  
Emp. 1-9-20, Died 9-9-67

Mr. and Mrs. DONALD HULSE, who have an Apache trailer, have been spending all their weekends at Wyaslung, Wisconsin, on campouts. Walter's vacation was spent painting the exterior of his home in Antioch, Illinois . . . Operator WALTER KLEPLITCH and his wife, IRENE, vacationed at Gilbert, Minnesota. They enjoyed the sauna baths at Gilbert, which is famous for that type of steam bath . . . Operator HARRY LAMERDIN vacationed at Jamaica, West Indies, for two weeks. Highlights of the trip were the native fire eaters and limbo dancers . . . Operator LYNN BUTLER and his wife, ANN, and their baby, SUSIE, spent their vacation around the area of Devils Lake and Baraboo, Wisconsin. Reports are out that Lynn was trying to book Susie for an act with Ringling Brothers Circus while in Baraboo. Also on the agenda was a week spent in Rochester, Minnesota, where Ann's son, MARTIN KOIF, resides . . . Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, and son, MICHAEL, motored to Paris, Illinois, where they engaged in the task of cutting trees and wood for the winter supply of fuel for Grandma Burton's use . . . Ticket Agent FRED FRIEB was a recent visitor at North Park depot, and looks fit as a fiddle. Fred reports he vacationed this summer in California and at Expo 67 in Montreal, Canada . . . The St. Joseph Society's annual dinner dance will be held Saturday, November 18, at the Chateau Royal restaurant and ballroom. Operator PETE MARCHISOTTO and PAT SCIORTINO, who are past chairmen of the great event, expect a crowd of over

1,000 people to attend. Proceeds of this affair are used for charity purposes . . . MARTIN BAKKA, son of Operator MARTY BAKKA, was presented with a citation by the Chicago Police department for apprehending a would be rapist . . . Mrs. ANN BUTLER, the wife of Operator LYNN BUTLER, was hospitalized at Columbus hospital with a blood clot in a leg, and at this writing is up and around again . . . Pensioner JOHN SARRES and Operator HAROLD JULITZ are spending many of their leisure hours fishing at the Montrose horseshoe for the jumbo perch that frequent this place . . . PFC BARRY BENNETT, son of Supervisor LARRY BENNETT, a former part time ticket agent for the CTA, is serving with the intelligence service of the U.S. Army in Okinawa . . . Mrs. BARBARA BIELEK, daughter of Operator GEORGE VOIGHT, was a visitor at her father's home. Barbara has been living in Madrid, Spain, where her husband, Captain RON BIELEK, is stationed with the U.S. Air Force.

Operator TOM ROAN won first prize in the Park Ridge VFW golf tournament with a net score of 65. He played as a guest of Operator FRANK VON SCHWEDLER . . . Mrs. BARBARA BRUNO, the wife of Operator TONY BRUNO, while riding in the car of her sister, Mrs. JOSEPHINE KAMINSKI, had the misfortune of having a deer run into the side of their '67 Chevrolet while vacationing at Reed, Michigan. The deer was killed outright, and the car was extensively damaged . . .

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Operator DALE SOMSEL, who suffered an injured back, is now working as a street collector and likes his new position. . . Former Operators ART STERN and FRANK HESS are now working as ticket agents and wish to be remembered to their many friends. . . Operator VIC MICETIC at this writing is hospitalized at the Northwest hospital and doctors have been analyzing Vic for five weeks. Our prayers are all with you Vic. . . Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, their 21st, September 7; Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, their 29th, September 12; Operator MEYER LEMEL and his wife, PHYLLIS, their 15th, September 14; Operator GEORGE KRINKE and his wife, PEARL, their 39th, September 22; Operator NATE CHAVIS and his wife, VELMA, their 12th, September 24; Operator HAROLD MILLER and his wife, MARCELINE, their 27th, September 28; Operator JOHN COSGROVE and his wife, HELEN, their 26th, October 2; Operator ROY BOWLIN and his wife, BILLIE, their 21st, October 18; Operator WALTER ZINKOVICH and his wife, DOROTHY, their 2nd, October 11; Signal Maintainer JAMES NESBIT and his wife, MARGE, their 29th, November 5; Operator STANLEY ZALE and his wife, MARIE, their 39th, November 22, and Operator FRED STOWELL and his wife, WILMA, their 32nd, November 27. . . Happy Birthdays are extended to the following: Instructor GEORGE RELSTAB, October 2; DENISE LIBERT, October 8; Operator GIBSON STYLES, October 12; DANIEL KOZIEL, October 11; Operator VINCENT SHAYER, October 13; Operator JIM HOLMES, October 16; VIVIAN BAEUCHLER, October 12; Operator JIM DOLAN, October 21; Operator STANLEY ZALE, October 24; Mrs. EVELYN RELSTAB, October 28; Operator BILL STEINSPRING, November 1; Operator VERNON WENNERBERG, November 6; Clerk BOB PETERSON, November 13; Mrs. MABEL PEOPLE, November 15; Operator BILL SEIFERT, November 21, and Operator LEO HARA, November 25. . . Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Operator WILLIAM THICKLIN on the loss of his mother, Mrs. CHRISTINE THICKLIN, Operator JAMES DENTLEY on the loss of his brother, PRESTON DENTLEY, and to the family of Operator DALE MORRISON. . . Repairman MIKE SCHULTZ, after looking over all the many models of cars on his vacation, settled on a new '67 Rambler American, and is now looking for new fields to conquer. . . Repairman FRANK CAHILL won two world series pools at the garage. . . Repairman PAUL SCHREVES and his wife, ANGELINE, vacationed in California. Highlights of his trip were visits at Disneyland, Knott's Berry Farm, Hollywood, and a week's stay at Las Vegas. . . A hearty welcome is extended to new Servicemen T. J. BUCKLEY and J. WOODS who are now at North

Park. . . Foreman CHARLES DUNNE and his wife, JANE and daughter, JANE, along with their niece, KATHLEEN CONVERY, flew Irish Air Lines to Shannon, Ireland, for their vacation. This was the Dunne's first trip back in 32 years. Mrs. Dunne's family comes from County Derry while Charles' family resides in County Cavon. Mr. Dunne reports this vacation as the finest time he has ever experienced. . . Servicemen CHARLES WITREY retired November 1 after 25 years of service. A party was held at the garage for Charles, and now he will be able to pursue his hobby of gardening. . . Your reporter and all the personnel at North Park wish you and yours a glorious Thanksgiving and hope you remember to give thanks for your many blessings.

- Melvin Horning

### NORTH SECTION -

Here we are again, with vacations nearly over, let's all get back to our normal routine. . . Congratulations to Porter C. COLEMAN, SAM SWEENEY, TERESA MOORE, TONY ABBINANTI, and JOHN ZUPKO on passing the course of the National Safety Council defensive driving. . . Good luck to Motorman HENRY TSCHANTZ, J. J. O'CONNOR, and Porter HENRY MEYERS who retired on October 1. We all wish them a long, healthy, and happy retirement. . . Superintendent MIKE BELTRI, Kimball, and his family are vacationing in Florida. . . We wish to extend our sympathy to BILL and JEAN HAMILTON on the loss of Bill's sister, KATHERINE SUCECH. They have asked me to thank all those that sent flowers, cards, and offered prayers during their time of grief. . . Condolences to the family of CATHERINE MacSWEENEY LYNCH, retired ticket agent, who passed away on September 23. She was PAT TRANT's aunt. . . Congratulations to MARGARET ARCHER, North Section agent, who is going to become a telephone operator for the CTA. Lots of luck to her. . . On the sick list at this writing are Porter HAL, G. SCHUH, S. SIMONS, E. HENKE, L. CHRASKA, R. KOEHLER, TOM LEDDY, and BRUCE ANDERSON. We wish them all a speedy recovery. . . We have a new porter along the line, CHESTER STEBE. Welcome to the North Side Chester. . . GENE BERGFELD and his wife spent their vacation in St. Louis and the Lake of the Ozarks. . . Porter HENRY DILLON spent a weekend in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, recently. . . ART RABEN is walking around pretty proud lately as his son and his wife presented him with a granddaughter who answers to the name of BETH ANN. . . B. MATHEN went to Charlotte, North Carolina, and on over to Des Moines, Iowa, from June 17 to July 23, which was his vacation. He said he had a wonderful time. . . Congratulations to CARL MEYERS and R. TUCK on their recent marriage. Lots of luck boys. . . Someone asked what happened to Ravenswood run 403? The conductor had a long face as he missed motorman SCHLAGE while he was on vacation for five weeks. . . HARRY HORN, trainman, and his wife, DOREEN, agent, have just purchased a three flat building two blocks from Wrigley Field. We hope they will be happy in their new home. . . Porter JOHN NICHOLS and his wife and sister spent two weeks in Montreal and saw Expo 67. He took some beautiful pictures while he was there and showed them around. . . WARD MARKS went into the hospital on September 12 for an operation. Hope he gets along fine and will be back to work soon. SHIRLEY KNIGHT also went in for surgery. Lots of luck Shirley and hurry back as we miss you. . . I heard that RODGER YOUNG and SUSAN ITO were married recently. Congratulations! . . If you hear a very familiar voice



SMILING BRIGHTLY are MARK ALLEN and TODD JOSEPH DeYOUNG, the pride and joy of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE DeYOUNG. George is a regular foot collector on the South Section.

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when you call the assignment office, it may be MIKE TOBIN--as he is working part time there. Congratulations, Mike . . . LOUISE NELSON took a leave of absence as she is expecting a baby in January. EVELYN LANZ gave her a nice surprise party at her home and everyone was invited. Those who attended were: Mr. and Mrs. MANAUGH, Mr. BOYLE, Mr. ZUPKO, MIKE CRONIN, Mr. HAGGERTY, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE VAN DER HAGEN, who was platform man at Howard for 30 years, and many others. Everyone had a nice time and wished Louise good luck and gave her two envelopes of money for the little bundle of joy . . . Motorman JOHN NOREN and his wife took a three-week vacation trip to Sioux City, Iowa, the Badlands in North Dakota, the Black Hills of South Dakota, Yellowstone Park, Wyoming, and Superior, Wisconsin. They saw some beautiful sights . . . Condolences to the family of RICHARD BARTHEN, CTA pensioner, and father of the BARTHEN twins.

- Grace Mounts

### SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Three birthdays were celebrated in the month of September by Mr. DUTTON, Mr. GOLDSTEIN, and Mr. DEVEREUX. Happy belated birthdays and many more . . . We welcome JAY KELLY into the Schedule department . . . DOROTHY PEACOCK paid us a visit. Dorothy was an employe in the Schedule department years ago. It was good to have Dorothy come in and say hello . . . Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH LAZZARA, outside checker, celebrated 39 years of wedded bliss on October 7. Congratulations to the happy couple . . . The girls on the seventh floor attended the wedding shower for EILEEN SHEEHAN of Schedule, who is getting married in December . . . ED JURIC, "Mr. Golfer" of the Schedule Department, enjoyed his vacation getting a lot of practice shots. Edward's second daughter was married on September 3 at St. James church. She is now honeymooning in Germany . . . W. P. DEVEREUX and BILL DENTAMARRO attended the Amalgamated Transit Union convention. The first stop was Houston, Texas, and then on to New Orleans. W. P. Devereux then flew on to Mexico where he enjoyed the señoritas and tacos . . . R. PRIMEAU spent his vacation in and around Brookfield . . . RICHARD GOLDSTEIN's son, RAY, and his wife, ASTRI, are doing research on Southeast Asia, at the Australian National university in Canberra, Australia . . . The Schedule Department extends their sympathy to GEORGE JOHANNES upon the death of his wife, MILDRED, on October 1.

- Kathryn Batina

### PURCHASING, STORES & SPECIFICATIONS (North Division) -

TOM BOLDT and his wife spent a few days vacationing at the Wisconsin Dells. His 15 month old son, MIKE, enjoyed feeding the deer while there . . . SAM CANELLA was happy to have a week's vacation and get some long needed painting done around the house . . . SAM INGRAFFIA enjoyed a pleasant vacation visiting relatives in and around Chicago. Dining at various restaurants and winning at the race track made everything worthwhile . . . We have three new members to welcome to the Stores Department. At North Division: HELEN SLATTERY, JAMES ZAZULA at SR 42, and ROBERT GORZ at SR 43 . . . JOHN BENANTI, retired, was in to say hello to all the boys. He looks real good and is enjoying himself . . . JOHN DUNNE of SR 43 flew to Ireland with his family to spend six weeks visiting relatives and friends. They spent a week sightseeing in London, re-

newed friendships with relatives west of Dublin and took in a little fishing on the side. They took a non-stop express train from Dublin to Cork where he had the opportunity to spend a week with his wife's cousin, a priest at the African Mission House. All had a wonderful time and the weather was perfect . . . Best wishes for a long and happy retirement go to Mrs. DOROTHY STEMBRIDGE and AL MIX who retired on October 1.

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### (South Division) -

Our deepest sympathy to the GAVERT family on the recent death of Mr. R. C. GAVERT who had been in ill health for some time and had retired on April 1.

### (Stores) -

Anyone interested in joining a ski club, namely, the Schiller Park Ski Club, known as the "Hustlers," contact ROD RUSAKIEWICZ, Room 730, Addressograph Section, in person or on extension 2116 for more information . . . Retired Stock Clerk OSCAR F. POHL and his wife, MILDRED, celebrated their 50th anniversary on August 22 at the Wishing Well restaurant.

### (Purchasing) -

I received a letter from Pensioner J. Y. GUNTER with a photostat of a letter he received from the Winston Churchill Memorial and Library, Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri, commending him for the detailed research information pertaining to St. Mary Alderwanbury Church of London, which was derived from the readings of two old books, one dated in 1598 and the other dated in 1908, along with a map showing the precise location where the church stood. The church was bombed in 1940 and the stones were given to Westminster College. Congratulations Mr. Gunter.

- D. Jane Bell

### SOUTH SECTION -

Well the frost is on the pumpkin and we saw Halloween, and now Thanksgiving is approaching so we better catch up with all the news . . . Congratulations to all our South Section employes who made the "Employe Of The Year" honor roll . . . We've been having quite a few pension parties again. Loomis Street had a get-together for three of their finest employes who went on pension September 1. We sure will miss them. Motorman LOUIS GRYGIEL, who had been employed since 1930, Conductor EDWARD HOPKINS, employed since 1943, and Motorman HENRY HEISTERMAN, employed since 1942. Henry decided to take life easy and took an early retirement. A little gift of remembrance was presented to each of them from their co-workers. Some pensioners who



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came out to wish them good luck were: retired Assistant Station Superintendent ARTHUR ANDERSON, Retired Motorman PAUL BOETTCHER, who just recently returned from Florida, and Retired Motormen EDWARD HENNESSY and HARRY EITEL. All good wishes to the new retirees . . . Agent CECELIA MORAN just returned from a nice vacation trip to New York City and Atlantic City, where she had a nice rest . . . Good luck to Porter JOHN TOUSSAS who transferred to the Shops and Equipment Department on September 10, and to Porter RICHARD GOODMAN who transferred back to bus operator, 77th Depot, on September 10 . . . We have happy news to tell everyone. Some of our people who have been on the sick list for months are well once more and have returned to work. They are Collector LESTER NORMAN, Motorman LINDBERGH WILLIAMS, and Conductors RICHARD CRANE and EDWARD TOWNES. Also returning from the sick list are Agents MARCELLA BITTERLIN and WILLIAM STRATTON . . . Conductor PATRICK NOLAN and his family vacationed up at Coloma, Michigan, and did some fishing and relaxing . . . Shop Clerk JIM DALEY, 61st Street, was so happy when he told us about his sister who just came over from Ireland for a month's visit. He hadn't seen her in 20 years and they had a wonderful reunion . . . The Agent's Pension Club held their fall party on September 24 at the Beverly Woods restaurant, and the 58 people who attended had a swell evening. The honored guest was Yard Foreman ELMER STEVENS, who with his pretty wife is going on vacation and then on pension in a few months. They are planning to take their whole family and fly out to Australia to live. Everyone wishes the Stevens family a wonderful and happy life in Australia. All the pensioners looked so young and gay. It was so nice to talk to them all . . . Assistant Station Superintendent MICHAEL O'CONNOR and his wife, ALICE, took a vacation out to Tucson, Arizona, to see what the west was like. They liked Arizona very much . . . Assignment Agent JERE VINZENS, who retired on October 1, wishes to thank everyone for the surprise party which was held in her honor in July, and for all kindnesses shown to her while she worked. She will miss all her many friends. Soon, she is going to go to New Jersey to live with her daughter and her family . . . Hi, to newly-hired Agent WILLIE MAE VAUGHAN, to newly-hired Porter JOHNNY ROWLAND, and from the Surface Division newly-transferred Agent WILLIE WARDEN . . . Motorman JAMES BRIDGES just returned from two weeks at camp for his military training . . . Conductor JOHN KALTSAS and his wife vacationed in Clearwater, Florida, taking in all the beautiful sights of Florida and doing the town . . . Another good news item: District Superintendent TERRY McGOVERN, who was on the sick list for a few months, is back working . . . Retired Towerman PATRICK FLANAGAN was in to see the boys at 61st Street. He had just returned from Ireland where he visited with his brother and sister. He also visited his niece in London and he enjoyed the mini-skirted girls walking around old London town.

We had a nice get-together at 61st Street for Towerman PATRICK HICKEY who retired on October 1. We had a big crowd. Superintendent of Operating Stations GEORGE RILEY, all the officers of Division 308, and all of Pat's towermen friends attended. A little gift was presented to Pat. Some of the pensioners who also attended to give Pat a nice send-off were: Retired Motorman EDWARD HENNESSY, Yard Foreman CLIFFORD BECKER, Conductor JOE MASCOLINO, Shopman PAT McEVOY, Retired International Vice President PATRICK GANLEY, Retired Division 308 Board Member

CHARLES BURNS, and Retired Supervisors CHARLES SPIELMAN and BOB BROWN. The goodies that were served sure tasted good, too. We all wish Pat many happy years of retirement . . . Switchman JAMES CALDWELL vacationed in New York City and also saw the beautiful Niagara Falls . . . Retired Agent SARAH McEVOY and her brother, PAT, retired shopman, just returned from a two-month trip to Ireland and the British Isles . . . Superintendent of Agents and Porters BOB ROESING flew down to Florida to visit his dad, GEORGE, retired assistant superintendent of operating stations, who had been in the hospital. He now is home recuperating. All his many friends back here in Chicago send their heartfelt wishes down to George in Florida for a speedy recovery . . . Yard Foreman WALLY BROWN just became a grandpa again--for the 7th time--when his daughter had a baby boy . . . Motorman LEONARD BEATTY was our delegate from Division 308 at the Illinois State Convention in Peoria recently . . . Good luck to Motorman PAUL ORLOFF and Conductor JOSEPH BOUGHTON who resigned recently . . . Retired Conductor CARL MAGNUSON called us recently for a chat and said "hello" to everyone and that he feels and is doing fine on pension . . . Our chief clerk, JIM MARTINEK, and his wife, DOROTHY, are vacationing down at Miami Beach, Florida, and Nassau. Doesn't that sound like paradise . . . More passenger commendations have been received recently: Motorman MOSES ASHLEY was commended for the careful and efficient manner with which he operates his train; Trainman FRANK POWELL was commended for his helpful recovery of a passenger's lost article, and Conductor WILFRED SPEARS was commended for the excellent manner in which he makes his station announcements . . . School bells rang again and our students who answered the call back to school were: Part-time Trainmen MICHAEL O'KANE, CHARLES WILLIAMS, MARK WASHINGTON, JOHN HOULIHAN, TANZEL GOVAN, STEVE ALLISON, JAMES BANKS, DONNIE REEVES, and DAVID HARRISON; Part-time Agents DENNIS BERNAL, CLAUDE GIBSON, MARNETTA SMITH, MARY LOU SZIGITI, MICHAEL PUCCINI, ROSEMARY WILLIAMS, JANIS LOVE, SHARON SMITH, GEORGE HAMPER, CHARLES PARRISH, SHARON WILLIAMS, and NORMA DOWNEY . . . Retired Supervisor HUGH KELLEY called to say "hello" and to tell us that he was in Chicago from Florida for a few days visiting his sister . . . Motorman JOSEPH WACKER and his wife took a nice fall trip and drove to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for a few days. While there, they met Regular Conductor BRUNO WARDA who was returning from visiting his son at school in Mississippi . . . We are sorry to see two of our best agents resign--FLORENCE CUMMINGS and ILA McELVOY. They will be missed by all . . . Agent JEAN GUSTAFSON and her husband are off to Amsterdam, Holland, for a vacation. Then they are going to London. Jean was very excited about going on the trip. I know they will have a good time . . . Retired Conductor HARRY ANTONION came to 61st Street recently to visit with the boys and he looked his usual hale and hearty self . . . The new 1968 Rapid Transit Employee Blood Bank Cards will be out soon. See your representative for your new card . . . Happy Thanksgiving to all!

- Verna Hartney

### SKOKIE SHOPS -

Our sincere best wishes to get well fast go to MITCHELL FASCEK, painter, who while helping at his mother's home fell from a scaffold and broke both of his heels. Let's keep in touch with him fellows . . . CARL



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MARGARET MARY, daughter of Supervisor and Mrs. VINCENT E. O'ROURKE, received her Registered Nurse's certificate from the State of Illinois September 19. Miss O'Rourke was graduated August 13 from St. Mary of Nazareth School of Nursing and was presented the Elaine Furman Memorial award for nursing the aged. She plans to marry Sgt. JOHN LUCZAK upon his return from Viet Nam in the latter part of December.

H. LINDQUIST (Herb), foreman of Wiring Department, and his wife and daughter travelled up to Montreal to see Expo 67, then to Quebec and finally to Virginia Beach, Virginia, to see their new grandson. The proud parents are RONALD LINDQUIST and his wife, BARBARA . . . JANICE, daughter of EDWARD R. HENDRICKSON, superintendent Rapid Transit Shops and Terminals, was also one of the lucky ones who visited Europe this summer. Having corresponded with a pen pal from Germany who visited Janice last summer, Janice flew to Germany to spend three weeks with her. Janice reports having a wonderful time and visiting many interesting places.

- Everett E. England

### SOUTH SHOPS -

DONALD TARNOWSKI spent two weeks at marine reserve training in California. The same day he returned he left for a two-week vacation in Florida visiting relatives . . . BILL GERGEL broke his ankle while on vacation and has just had the cast removed. The JOE DRAUS' spent a two-week vacation touring California and also visited Tiajuana, Mexico . . . Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. RANDY SIMALE, who became members of the newly wed club on September 24 . . . Mr. and Mrs. BOB SHERMAN became the parents of a little son on September 24 named DANIEL ALLEN. Mrs. SHERMAN is the former ELAINE ZIEBARTH, who worked in our Employment Department . . . BILL ROHE walked down that long aisle with his daughter, MARY LOU, who was married to DAVE NICHOLS on August 12 at St. Christina church. They visited Expo 67 on their honeymoon and are now residing in Detroit where Dave is attending college . . . JOHN MAGUIRE also gained a son-in-law when his daughter, KATHLEEN, was married to JAMES COOK on September 16 at Queen of Martyrs church. They honeymooned at Wagon Wheel . . . CHARLIE SHREEVE took his wife and mother-in-law on a West Coast vacation. They saw a show in the San Francisco Tonga Room and toured a winery. One of the highlights of the trip was Monterey and Carmel enroute to Los Angeles. From there Charlie attempted some fishing in Seattle. They also visited JOE SEAMAN, a former foreman at Archer . . . JOHANNE, daughter of CASEY STRYZNSKI, machinist, is a recipient of an Illinois State scholarship to Northern Illinois University. She was graduated from St. Mary high school as valedictorian and president of her class, and was a member of the national honor society Mu Alpha Teta, newspaper staff, and was chosen star senior of the year. Congratulations and best of luck, Johanne . . . Mr. and Mrs. ANDY ANDERSON traveled east to New Jersey to visit relatives and

friends and then to Florida via the coast, where they visited Mrs. Anderson's sister and brother-in-law, and then home, covering 2,500 miles . . . CHARLIE and LOU GRECO can't stay away from that southern hospitality and spent two weeks vacationing and fishing in Wanchese, North Carolina, with friends . . . MIKE COSTELLO is recuperating at home, and JOHN LUKAC is back to work after a lengthy illness . . . A new addition to the son and daughter-in-law of WALLY OLENICK was welcomed home in Palo Alto, California, in July . . . Our deepest sympathy is extended to JOHN NEWMAN and his family on the loss of his mother, and to RAY DAVIDSON and his family on the loss of his mother . . . ANDY TYSON vacationed in Colorado and visited Dodge City, Kansas, Arkansas, and his home town. Andy had good luck with his camera but none with his fishing pole . . . SANDY PFUND enjoyed her first plane ride when she and KAREN HOFFMAN flew to Lone Mountain Ranch near Bozeman, Montana. They spent two weeks relaxing, horseback riding, and enjoying western hospitality . . . We want to take a minute to wish you all a very happy Thanksgiving holiday.

- Kathleen O'Brien & Frank Sprouieri

### TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Our deepest condolences to the family of THOMAS O'LEARY who suddenly passed away while at Sidney Forkosh hospital . . . Congratulations to RICHARD LORIMER on his promotion to Terminal Instructor I . . . To top off his vacation spent visiting his daughter and her family in Westlake, Ohio, ED STAMBORSKI, Kimball, toured the islands--Goose, Stony and Blue . . . A hearty welcome to D. WITTENBERG, new car serviceman at Kimball . . . E. STAHL, Kimball, took an extended vacation to visit friends and relatives in West Germany . . . JOHN WIERCIOCH plans to write a book about the one that got away after his fishing vacation in Minnesota . . . The word is that F. RIO is ready, willing, and able for work after getting a clean bill of health from Mayo Clinic . . . Welcome home to J. ODDO and D. PAPALEO, who returned to Congress after their hitch in the service . . . It is good to know that S. MILAZZO, Congress, is well on the road to recovery after his operation. Hope it won't be too long before we see him back in the groove . . . Greetings to two old friends back at work after their stay in the hospital, A. BOLING and R. CATANESE of Congress . . . Getting in on one of the last golf tournaments of the year were A. PORCARO, J. CANNELLA, M. COYLE, R. FLOWERS, S. RITA, and J. MORELLI.

PICTURED IS Lt. Commander WILLIAM H. GOETZ, U. S. Coast Guard, the son of Supervisor HENRY GOETZ and his wife, ELSIE. Commander Goetz is stationed on Governor's Island in New York Bay, where he also resides with his wife and two sons. He is in charge of all the electronic schools for the Coast Guard.



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The boys joined the Mart golfers for an outing at Villa Olivia Golf Club . . . CHESTER MAZUR, Forest Park, spent his vacation learning physical therapy, knocking down the old porch and house painting . . . A trip back to the sites of childhood haunts in County Mayo, Ireland, was enjoyed by M. COLEMAN, Forest Park . . . Vacations are usually for rest and relaxation, but J. DOWD, W. GEHRIG, S. MATURO, C. DONLEY, T. TOGHER, and H. SWOOPE spent their time learning the routine of house cleaning. The fellows also had some time to spend with their friends.

The sights and sounds of the East were the drawing attraction to C. MYERS, Forest Park, who spent his vacation with friends and relatives in Pittsburgh, while J. RANDAZZO, Forest Park, was in New York visiting relatives . . . A tour of the nation's capitol was enjoyed by G. FAGIOLA, Forest Park, and family . . . For some late summer water sports, R. LORIMER of Forest Park vacationed at Lake Wabacco . . . W. KINCAID, Forest Park, has been named the official representative of Expo 67 because since his visit there the Expo has been his main conversation topic . . . Leading the life of an adventurer, H. LOOMIS, Wilson, spent his vacation depleting the fish supply of the lakes and streams of Kentucky . . . The pleasantries of an Indian summer were enjoyed by V. Roberts, J. Meehan, and H. Sestak, of Forest Park, and J. Henderson, M. O'Malley, L. Collins, J. Rand, M. Gallagher, J. Orange, J. Hennelly, E. Haskell, B. Smith and R. Costner of Wilson.

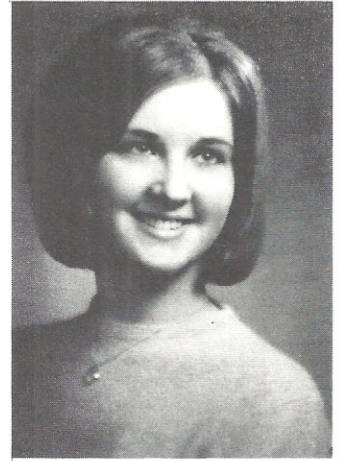
The editor received a letter from retired Congress Shop Foreman RALPH E. DANIELSON thanking all his friends and former co-workers for their cards and letters. He said he is putting them all in a scrapbook so that he can occasionally look through it and be reminded of the many friends he made at CTA during his 50 years in the terminal shops.

*- Ray Bryczek*

### TRANSPORTATION (Mart) -

On October 1, LARRY STEPHENS, radio-telephone operator, retired after 41 1/2 years of service. He was given a nice send off by his friends who presented him with a gift, and also served coffee and cake in his honor. Larry and his wife intend to travel by train to Arizona and then to California, visiting with their grandchildren. Good luck and best wishes for a wonderful retirement . . . At this time we would like to welcome HERBERT W. ELKE who is replacing Larry. It's nice to have you with us . . . ART ROEPKE's son, DALE, returned home after serving three years in the air force. He spent two years in Japan and one year in Viet Nam. Upon arrival at O'Hare, Art took a picture of his wife, Dale and BOB HOPE, who was on the same plane with his son. Dale intends to enter the Illinois Institute of Technology and major in photography . . . We would like to extend our sympathy to WALLY OQUIST and his family on the death of his sister, ESTHER MEYER, who passed away on September 9 . . . BILL DOEDEN spent his vacation in South Haven, Michigan, where the weather was a little cool but very pleasant. If he seemed to be a little sore when he returned, it was because he played some volleyball. JAMES R. TUCKER travelled around and did some sightseeing on his vacation. His first stop was St. Marie Lodge in Glacier National Park. Then he stayed in Virginia City, Montana, for three days where he went for a ride on the Alder Gulch Short Line railroad and saw the gold mines. His trip also included visits to Waterton

LOVELY JOHANNE STRZYNSKI, daughter of CASEY STRZYNSKI, machinist at South Shops, was the recipient of a Illinois State scholarship when she graduated from St. Mary High school. Miss Strzynski was valedictorian and president of the senior class, a member of the National Honor Society, MU ALPHA TETA, and was chosen "Star Senior of the Year." She is now attending Northern Illinois university in De Kalb.



Lakes in Alberta, Canada, and Yellowstone and Rocky Mountain National Parks. The climax of his nice vacation was to go to his favorite spot, New Orleans. CHARLES BATTERSON, his wife, and sister-in-law enjoyed three weeks of relaxation and seeing beautiful sights. They stayed at Glacier National Park for a few days and then went to Walter Glacier International Peace Park in Canada. They continued on to Lake Louise in Alberta, Canada, and wound up in Jasper, the place they liked the best. While Charles was horseback riding with a group they were chased by a big black bear, which was a little added excitement. He took many beautiful pictures which I'm sure will bring back many happy memories . . . SUSAN, the daughter of WALLY OQUIST, became Mrs. RICHARD BERGAILO on October 7. Services were held at St. Timothy Lutheran church in Skokie, and the reception was at the Orphei Singing club. The happy couple is spending their honeymoon in New Orleans.

### (Utility and Emergency Service) -

W. TUEFEL has returned to work after being off sick. Glad to have you back. We hope that it won't be long until C. DILLON, F. BECKER, and E. KUBERSKI will also be feeling great and on the job again . . . It pays off to have straight "A" at school as JOHN, the son of JAMES ROCHE, can tell you. He was among the students who won two free tickets for a White Sox baseball game. James' daughter, JEAN VOGEL, recently joined her husband in Germany, where they will stay for 14 months. Jean's husband is presently serving in the U.S. Army.

*- Colette Szycepanek*

### WEST SECTION -

Walking slowly up the car house stairs, I hear laughter and a murmuring of voices floating down. Perking up with a faster gait to my step, I realize that another good day is in store. Clerk DUFFY is the first person to see as he hands you a register, a great smile and a glad hello. Now to find a seat at the table--which isn't easy. ART NEWMAN comes over and we discuss the coffee business which is going to pot unless more dimes are paid. To the right of us, BOB BLIGHT is selling rolls, a chore that no one wants, but he does it out of kindness for the men. A yell goes up and it was JIM LANE beating HAROLD DIXON in checkers. Lane will be a happy man today for he seldom beats Dixon. Turning around, MIKE BELLISSO and MARK FIORE are in deep conversation. They must be scheming something up. C. J. JONES came by to say hello. A finer man you can't find anywhere . . . Sadness filled the room when

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we were told that REDMOND McGOVERN's wife died. A wonderful wife she was to him. Condolences to McGovern and his family . . . Conversation crops up about seeing pensioners. Did you see CARMEN PETRUCCI still running for the train? Didn't JIM PEDERSON look like a million when he visited the car house? How about CARL FRANK? Haven't seen him for awhile. Sure hope he is feeling alright. It goes on and on, so you know the pensioners are missed . . . Two of our elder statesmen come walking in, JIM LUDWICK and SAL DETOMASO, and all of us get up to offer our seats for they have to rest quite often . . . Now two of our really big men stroll in, GEORGE CLARK and "Tiny" ROBERTSON, and they are heading my way. With the speed of a gazelle I moved away before being trampled . . . Out of the corner of my eye I see RUDY PTACIN silently agitating. When the argument starts, he smilingly sneaks out . . . Loudly we can hear JIM McPHEE and FRAZIER extolling how great the Boston Red Sox are. After the Series ended I'm sure they caught it . . . WINSTON, SMITH, PAYNE, and MOORE arrived and called out "Hi Pops." I keep telling them it's pre-mature gray and that's why I look a little older. Just for that I am not going to tell them that corn bread does not go with spaghetti . . . Getting up to go to work I pass quiet JOHN CIMMER and genial TOMMY KING. Being both so gentle they wouldn't think of antagonizing anyone. The last one to see is LEN KUKOWINSKI, our smiling clerk. If anyone could get him to smile it would brighten our whole day . . . I finally reached the end and aren't you all glad.

- Santo Siciliano

### 69TH STREET -

From the repair department, JIM AHERN reports that he received a letter from retired foreman J. H. GARMEN, who now lives at 7415 Mott Avenue, Lockhart, Florida. His mailing address is P. O. Box 17015, Lockhart Branch, Orlando, Florida. He is feeling fine and would like to hear from the fellows . . . Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. TEDDY NIEZABITOWSKI and Mr. and Mrs. JIM JENNINGS, who are now the proud parents of baby daughters . . . A speedy recovery is wished for RAY SCHEID who is recuperating at Hines hospital in Maywood . . . BOB RUSSELL, who injured his hand in an accident, is off sick as of now. We hope to see him back soon . . . JIMMY JENNINGS, LES BERNARD, JIMMY MALONEY, and CARL REESE are enjoying their vacations as of this writing. F. VERNAN is farming his vacation away . . . The best of luck to Night Foreman ALEX PALA who transferred to Kedzie station as the night foreman there. GEORGE MORRELL who came from 77th Street Depot has taken his place. Good luck to the new relief foreman TOM GECAN. K. POLAN transferred to Keeler depot and we wish him the best of luck . . . I am wondering if there is anything left of New Orleans, because CHESTER WILLIAMS, JOHN TIFFY, and that devil W. DONAHUE are just some of the fellows who attended the convention down there . . . To JIM GEARY, A. R. RIZZUTO, J. R. McCOURT, and the rest of you fellows who are off sick, we wish a speedy recovery and better health . . . K. C. JEROZAL transferred to work as a janitor. M. E. LEVEE is now working as a checker. Best of luck on your new jobs . . . The silent reaper passed our way and took PAT MURPHY who was coming up for retirement; OTIS BROUGHTON, a former motorman; the wife of JAMES FULLER, and ELINOR LEMKE, the sister of W. DONAHUE. We all give our deepest sympathy to those they left behind on their great loss . . . Don't forget fellows--January 19

is the annual meeting of the credit union. Let's all be there and give the officers a big hand for the great job they are doing . . . LEO A. DOMRESE, who retired in 1957, stopped by. He attended a World War I reunion in Champaign, and makes his home in East Point, Georgia . . . FRANCIS J. HIGGINS of the repair department was inducted in the armed forces and is now stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. He and his dad, our own "Scotty," had spent their vacation together and toured the eastern part of the U.S.A. . . . Something must be done about the cigars that FRANK BROZKIEWICZ smokes. Has anyone any ideas? . . . As to that certain clerk who threatened me with a lecture from his wife, I'd like to say thanks, but please write the information down . . . This news depends on you fellows and I've got to hear or see it to write it. So how about giving me a hand?

- Arthur P. Buesing

### 77TH STREET -

Well, fellows, this is the November issue of the news and I'm trying to get it under the wire. After a 12-round bout with the flu, I'm still not sure of the winner for I'm still groggy . . . At this writing, we understand Operator C. WATSON is still in the hospital recuperating from injuries he received in a very bad auto accident. We wish him a speedy recovery . . . Also a get well note to Operator BOGGAN, who had the misfortune of breaking his foot . . . To give our station more and better news coverage we will add another reporter, Operator JULIUS BRAZIL. So now I'll have help in chasing you guys . . . Operator S. GRAHAM caught a 3 1/2-pound wide mouth bass on a recent fishing trip at Big Round Lake, Wisconsin, but Operator DAN BOWEN walked away the champ . . . Operator JAMES SIMS and the missus celebrated 18 years of tug o'war on November 4. We wish them a happy anniversary . . . Now for a few birthday greetings: Operator B. PERKINS, November 20. From Operator CURTIS BROWN to his wife, OLLIE, November 6, and his son, DAVID, November 4. Also Operator MAL COWLING to his wife, CHRISTINE, November 8, and daughter, PHYLLIS, November 7. And to yours truly AMOS FOSTER November 8 . . . By the way, a new bus operator blew in on October 8, LESLIE ERIK PERKINS . . . So if you have had your turkey we hope you enjoyed it. If you haven't had it, we hope you will enjoy it . . . By the way, did you notice that handsome job Brazil did for yours truly? Be seeing you.

- Amos Foster

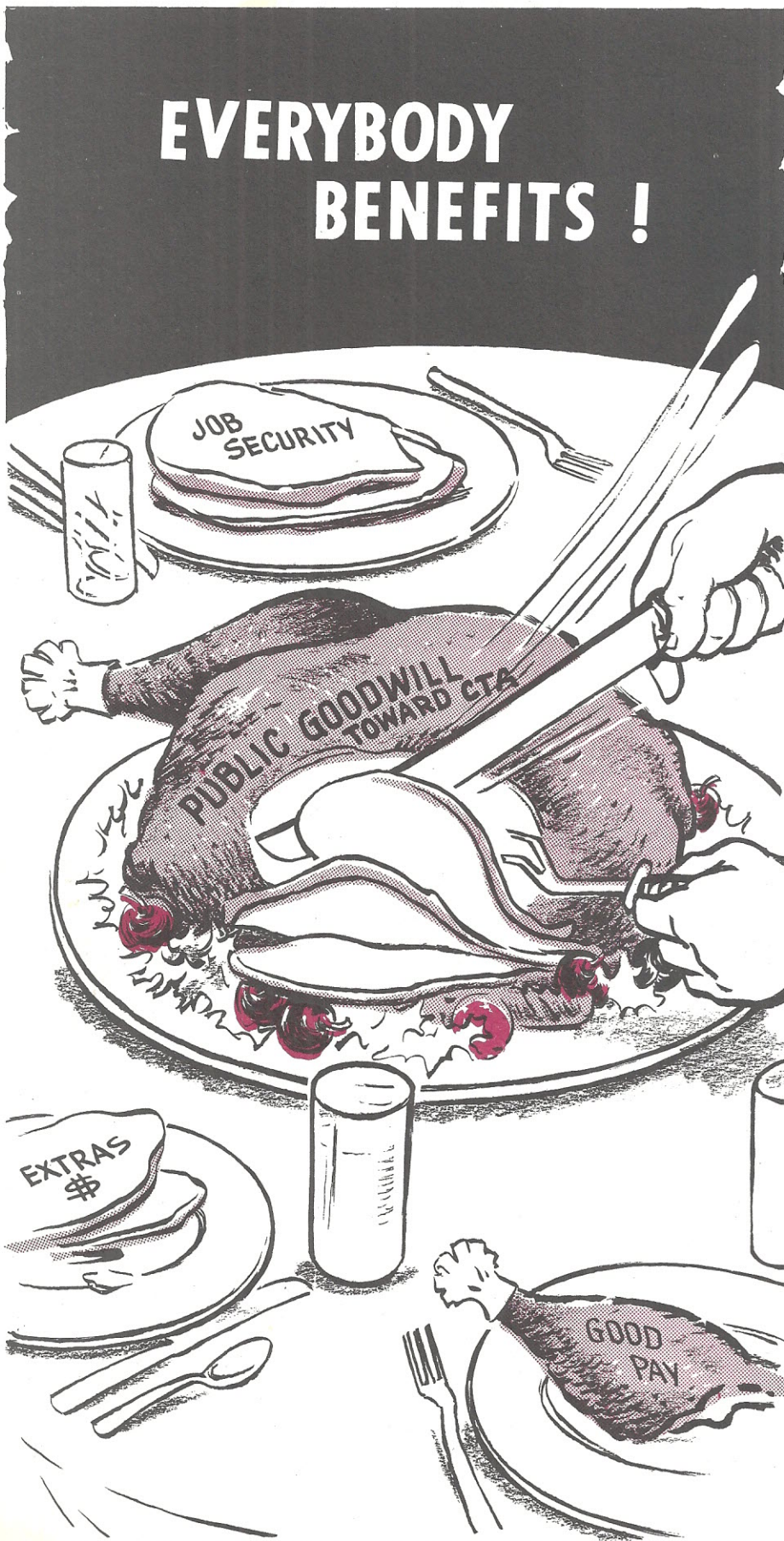
## PENSIONERS MEET

THE DIVISION 308 Pensioners Club of Chicago will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 21, on the 13th floor at 32 W. Randolph street. All retired members of Division 308 are invited to attend these meetings which are held the third Thursday of each month at the above time and address.

The CTA Pensioners Club of St. Petersburg, Florida, will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 5, at the new Odd Fellows Hall, 4140 16th street, north, St. Petersburg. All CTA pensioners living in that vicinity are invited to attend these meetings which are held the first Tuesday of each month at the above time and address.

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