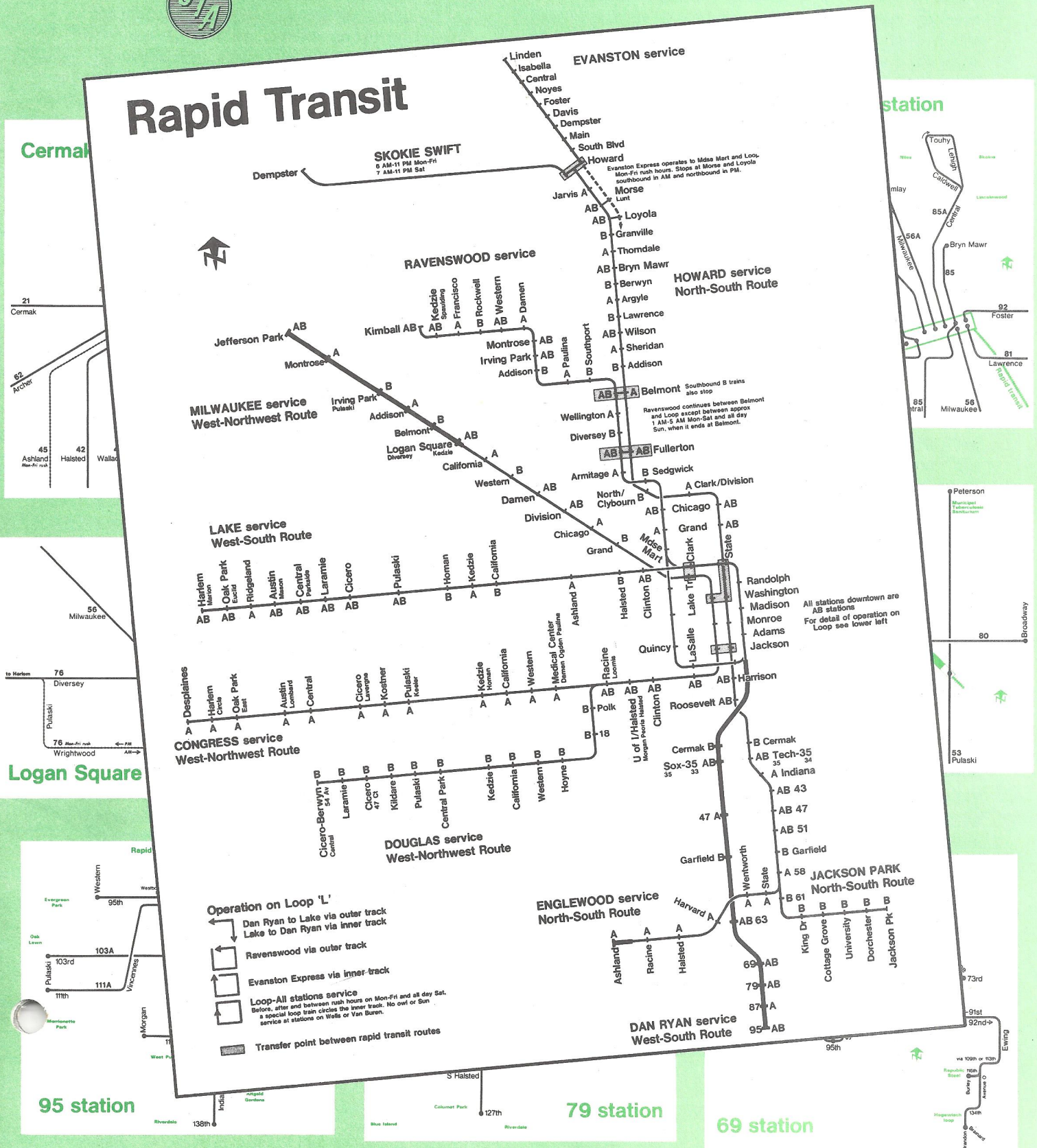


# TRANSIT NEWS



FEBRUARY, 1969

## Rapid Transit





# News Briefs

## Good Samaritan in CTA Gray Identified as Forest Glen Operator

SEEKING TO learn the identity of an off-duty CTA employee who aided an elderly woman, Transit News recently published a plea on behalf of the family which wanted to express its gratitude for the man's assistance and concern. The employee, who performed his act of kindness without any thought of recompense, was subsequently identified as Forest Glen Operator Ronald Neese. Operator Neese received a \$50 savings bond and a letter of appreciation which read, in part, "We will always remember you and be eternally grateful for the sympathy and care you showed to my sister when she needed help so badly."

## 27-year Employee Retires, but CTA Stays in Her System

A TICKET agent who retired February 1 after 27 years of service with CRT and CTA recently wrote to Mrs. Bernice T. Van der Vries, the only woman on the Chicago Transit Board. In her letter to Mrs. Van der Vries, North Section Agent Emma Rennhack said, "I have applied for retirement, but I know I will never get CTA out of my system. I have enjoyed working for them, have always been proud to be a part of the organization and to be a 'Good Will Ambassador' for them."

## Happy Birthday to CTA's Oldest Pensioner

ON BEHALF of all CTA employees, active and retired, the Transit News staff takes this opportunity to wish a happy birthday to John D. Coates—CTA's oldest pensioner—who was 97 on March 6. Mr. Coates retired as a motorman at 69th Street station during December, 1941, after 35 years' service with Chicago Surface Lines.

## RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BARR, F. L. Jr., Serviceman, 77th Street  
BILLIS, J. F., Comb. Clerk, Instr. & Squad Car  
BUBAN, L. J., Serviceman, 77th Street  
COLUCCI, A. P., Serviceman, North Avenue  
HUNT, W. J., Operator, North Avenue  
JOHNSON, H. Jr., Repairer, 77th Street  
LORENZ, T. G., Jr. Traf. Plan. Tech., Transportation  
MOORE, O. L., Operator, Limits  
PEDERSOLI, M. A., Repairer, 77th Street  
SKORUPSKI, W. R., Serviceman, North Park  
VINE, J. L. Jr., Serviceman, Beverly  
WARCHOL, S. E., Repairer, Limits  
ZALCBERG, A., Ticket Agent, North Section

## Recovering After Heart Attack, Shopman Writes to Thank Co-workers

INCLUDED IN the January CTA Transit News was an article relating the incidents which occurred when Car Repairman Albert A. Long suffered a heart attack while at work on December 30. It described the actions taken by Matthew Coyle, assistant day foreman at Congress Terminal Shop, and the Forest Park Fire Department which resulted in saving the life of Mr. Long. Now at home and improving rapidly, Mr. Long wrote in a recent letter to Transit News, "My family and I would like to publicly express our deepest gratitude for the wonderful help and cooperation that I received from everyone—especially the shop supervisory personnel. We wish to add our very special thanks to Matt Coyle who has been, and always will be, more than a friend."

## '67 Snowstorm Memories

IT HAS been two years since the big snowstorm paralyzed Chicago, but the memories of that storm linger in the minds of almost every Chicagoan—and especially in the mind of an unknown bus operator who spent the night in the Loretto hospital lobby. To show his appreciation for the courtesies which were extended, he recently contributed \$2 to the hospital building fund. Because the letter of transmittal was merely signed, "A bus driver from Forest Glen," proper recognition could not be given. Instead, the receipt was sent to F. C. Knautz, CTA superintendent of public and employee relations, with an accompanying letter from Henry B. Scott, Loretto hospital director of development public relations. The letter stated, in part, "Perhaps you could express the great appreciation of all of us at Loretto hospital, not only for this nice gesture, but for the exceptional service our employees consistently receive from your drivers."

## RECENTLY RETURNED

GRIGSBY, L. B., Operator, 77th Street  
HANDY, R. S., Repairer, North Avenue  
HARDY, J. L., Operator, North Avenue  
HARMON, B. L., Operator, North Park  
HUNT, C. M., Serviceman, Archer  
MILLER, R., Operator, North Park  
MITCHELL, L. A., Serviceman, 77th Street  
MOSS, J. O. Jr., Serviceman, Keeler  
O'GRADY, J., Conductor, North Section  
PARNELL, L. A., Operator, North Avenue  
SCATCHELL, J. M., Security Officer, Security  
SETTLES, R. H. Jr., Operator, 77th Street  
STEMMLER, J. G., Repairer, 77th Street



# Transit Board Approves Changes

## Affecting 54 CTA Bus Routes

### Buses to Serve New Rapid Transit Stations (see pages 4 to 7)

TO COMPLEMENT the three new rapid transit extensions, making them accessible to the greatest number of CTA riders, Chicago Transit Board at its February 6 meeting authorized changes affecting 54 bus routes to serve the new stations. The revised routings will become effective with the opening of the new facilities later this year.

"Since the turn of the century, the rapid transit system in its own private right-of-way has been the most dependable means of public transportation in Chicago. Now it will play an even greater role with the inauguration of service on three new extensions," said Board Chairman George L. DeMent. "The bus route changes will make these high-speed services convenient to thousands of riders who now do not have ready access to rapid transit. Travel to and from the Central Business District from almost all areas of the city will be greatly improved as well as travel to and from intermediate points. In addition to enjoying the modern facilities of the new rapid transit, riders will be able to shorten their travel time by 30 minutes or more.

"Basic in all of the current rapid transit extensions is the obvious preference of the transit rider for rapid transit over bus," continued Mr. DeMent. "Speed and dependability under urban traffic conditions are becoming daily more significant in adding to the advantages of the trains. The current projects are designed to upgrade CTA service by replacing, to the maximum extent practical, bus with train. To make this idea economically viable, passengers must be won over from bus to rail for as much of their mileage as possible. This means changing of bus routes to focus into, rather than to parallel, the rail lines," concluded Mr. DeMent.

The three rapid transit projects being built by the City of Chicago are: the extension of the Englewood route from Loomis boulevard to Ashland avenue; the Kennedy extension of the West-Northwest rapid transit route from Logan Square to Jefferson Park, and the Dan Ryan route between 95th street and the Loop.

In general, bus lines in the vicinity of rapid transit stations are being routed directly to the stations

where a convenient transfer may be made for continuation of trips via rapid transit.

At many locations, buses will load and unload in off-street areas adjacent to the station entrance where weather-protected waiting areas will be available. Escalators at all 16 of the new stations will carry people to and from the train platforms.

When the Dan Ryan rapid transit extension is opened, it will be through-routed with the Lake route to form the new West-South route, which will carry riders between 95th-State and Harlem-Lake, Forest Park, without transferring.

Listed on the following pages are bus routes which will serve new stations on the three rapid transit extensions. Included are many new routes which result from changes to present bus services.

Among the major changes are revisions to three bus routes which will no longer directly serve downtown Chicago—the 152 Addison, 76 Diversey, and 6 Garfield. Eight other routes will be split to provide smaller, more dependable services operating to terminals at new rapid transit stations, including the 4 Cottage Grove, 85A Foster-Central, 92 Foster-Northwest Highway, 82A Kedzie-Homan, 81 Lawrence, 56 Milwaukee, 86 North-Narragansett-Irving Park, and 36A State. In addition, trolley buses presently operating on the 85 Central and 81 Lawrence routes will be replaced by motor buses.

Three express bus routes now operating in the same expressways where rapid transit facilities are under construction will be affected also. The 19 Devon-Northwest Express, now using the Kennedy Expressway, and the 111A Vincennes-111th Express, now using the Dan Ryan Expressway, will both operate from present outer terminals to new rapid transit stations. Limited-stop 36A State service via the Dan Ryan Expressway will be discontinued.

Bus routes serving stations on the Englewood and Kennedy extensions are described on pages 4 and 5. Descriptions of bus routes serving stations on the Dan Ryan extension appear on pages 6 and 7.



**Englewood Extension** A new terminal station will be opened at 63rd & Ashland replacing the present 63rd & Loomis station. Connecting bus service will be provided by the following CTA routes:

**Ashland station**

9 Ashland—serves station directly.

45 Ashland-Downtown—revised operation via Ashland replacing present service on 59th, Loomis and 69th.

49A South Western—new service extending certain weekday rush hour buses north of the present 79th

street terminal via Western, 63rd, and through station area. Limited stops only between Western-79th and Ashland station.

63 63rd—revised operation through station area and continuing on 63rd.

110 Marquette—revised operation via Marquette, Ashland, and then through station area replacing present service to Loomis station.

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**Kennedy Extension** The northwestward extension of CTA's West-Northwest rapid transit route will provide service to new stations at Logan Square (replaces present station), Belmont, Addison, Irving Park, Montrose, and Jefferson Park. Connecting bus service will be provided at each station, as follows:

**Logan Square station**

56 Milwaukee—revised to operate between Jefferson Park station and Downtown. Present rush hour limited stop service via Milwaukee and 19 Devon-Northwest Express via Kennedy Expressway replaced by rapid transit extension and 56A bus serving Jefferson Park.

76 Diversey—service via Diversey as at present between Harlem and Lake Shore Drive (76 service via Stockton-Lake Shore-Michigan is discontinued). Present weekday rush hour Logan Square routes revised to serve new station.

82 Kimball-Homan—a new route consolidating present 82 Kimball route with south portion of present 82A Kedzie-Homan route (no Sunday service between Diversey and Lawrence).

93 North California—service via Howard, California, Foster, Kedzie, and into station area replacing the portion of the present 82A Kedzie-Homan route north of Logan Square.

**Belmont station**

77 Belmont—serves station directly.

82 Kimball-Homan—serves station directly, see listing under Logan Square station.

**Addison station**

152 Addison—serves station directly (152 service via Sheridan-Lake Shore-Michigan is discontinued). Limited stop service eastbound in weekday a.m. rush only, Cicero to Kennedy rapid transit.

**Irving Park station**

53 Pulaski—serves station directly.

80 Irving Park—serves station directly.

80A West Irving Park—new service from Pueblo via Irving Park to Kennedy rapid transit in weekday rush hours replacing and extending Irving Park portion of present 86 North-Narragansett-Irving Park route. Limited stops only between Neenah and Kennedy rapid transit.

**Montrose station**

14 Devon-Cicero—revised operation extending service to Kennedy rapid transit via Cicero and Montrose.

78 Montrose—serves station directly.

**Jefferson Park station**

56 Milwaukee—revised to operate between Jefferson Park station and downtown. See also route 56A.

56A North Milwaukee—revised operation replacing northwest portion of present 56 Milwaukee route and the Devon-Ozanam portion of the 19 Devon-Northwest Express weekday rush hour service.

64 Foster-Lawrence—(replacing Foster portion of present 85A Foster-Central service and portion of 81 Lawrence west of Milwaukee) new service operating to and from Kennedy rapid transit in a loop via Milwaukee, Foster, Canfield, Lawrence/Gunnison. Bus marked 64R operates clockwise; bus marked 64L operates counter-clockwise. Certain 64R trips continue to Pueblo-Irving Park in rush hours.

68 Northwest Highway—revised operation extending Northwest Highway portion of present 92 Foster-Northwest Highway route to Kennedy rapid transit. See also route 92.

81 Lawrence—revised operation extending service to and from east via Milwaukee to Kennedy rapid transit. Motor buses will replace trolley buses. See also route 64.

85 Central—revised operation via Central, Lawrence, Linder, Gale, through station area, Milwaukee, and continuing on Central. Motor buses will replace trolley buses.

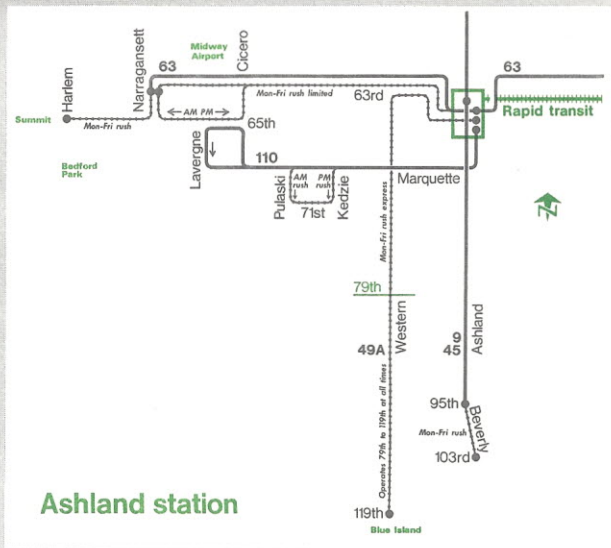
85A North Central—revised operation extending Central avenue portion of present 85A Foster-Central route via Milwaukee to Kennedy rapid transit. See also route 64.

88 Higgins—serves station directly.

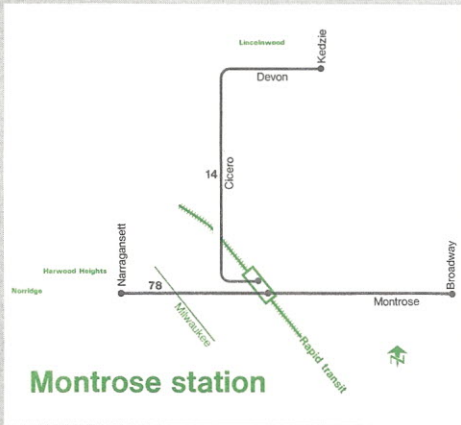
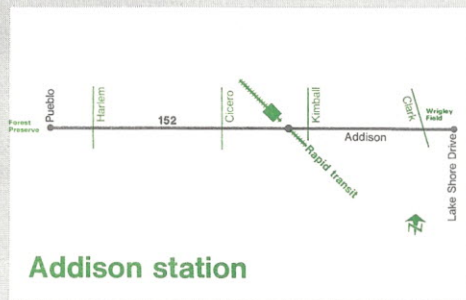
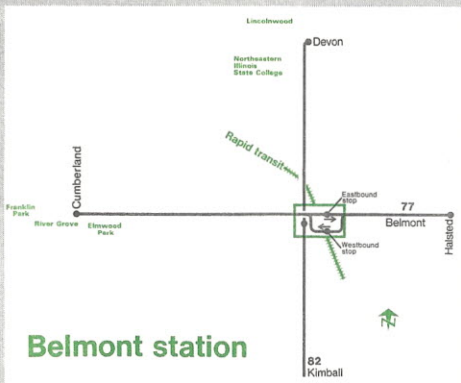
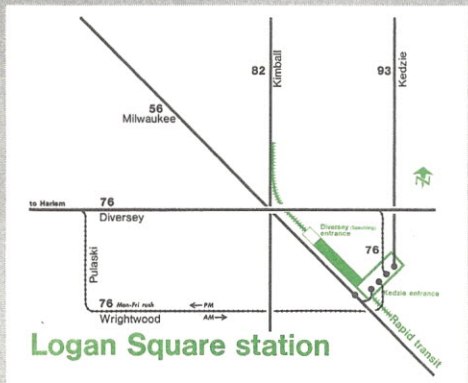
92 Foster—revised operation extending Foster portion of present 92 Foster-Northwest Highway route via Milwaukee to Kennedy rapid transit. See also route 68.



# Englewood Extension



# Kennedy Extension





**Dan Ryan Extension** Coincident with the inauguration of rapid transit service, trains will be through-routed with the present Lake route serving all stations on Lake street, Loop stations on Lake and Wabash, and new Dan Ryan stations at Cermak, Sox-35, 47, Garfield, 63, 69, 79, 87, and 95. Connecting bus service will be provided at each station, as follows:

**Cermak station**

21 Cermak—serves station directly.

22A Wentworth—service revised to contact station directly in both directions.

42 Halsted-Downtown—service revised to operate via Archer, Cermak, and Clark to serve station directly.

44 Wallace-Racine—weekday service revised to operate via Archer, Cermak, and State to serve station directly. Saturday-Sunday operation revised extending service via Archer and Cermak to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

45 Ashland-Downtown—weekday rush hour service revised to operate via Archer, Cermak, and Clark to serve station directly.

62 Archer—local and express service via Archer.

**Sox-35 station**

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

35 35th street—serves station directly.

**47 station**

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

47 47th street—serves station directly.

**Garfield station**

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

55 Garfield-55th street—present 6 Garfield and 55 55th street routes consolidated to serve station directly (6 services via Dan Ryan, Michigan-Indiana discontinued).

**63 station**

22A Wentworth—serves station directly.

63 63rd street—serves station directly.

**69 station**

30 South Chicago Express—revised operation extending service via 69th to Dan Ryan rapid transit (instead of to King/63 station, Jackson Park rapid transit).

36A State—serves station directly. Present 36A via Dan Ryan replaced by rapid transit and 34 bus at 95 station.

67 67th-69th-71st street—serves station directly.

71 71st street—revised operation extending service via State to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

**79 station**

36A State—serves station directly, see 36A listing under 69 station.

42B South Halsted—revised operation extending service via 79th to Dan Ryan rapid transit (does not stop between Halsted and Perry).

79 79th street—serves station directly.

**87 station**

36A State—serves station directly, see 36A listing under 69 station.

87 87th street—serves station directly.

**95 station**

4A Pullman—revised operation extending portion of Cottage Grove service south of 95th via 95th to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

34 South Michigan—revised operation consolidating present Riverdale route with portion of present 36A State route south of 95th. Provides direct service from both 138-Indiana and 119-Morgan to Dan Ryan rapid transit.

36A State—revised to operate between 95 station and Grand avenue. See also route 34 above. Present 36A service via Dan Ryan replaced by rapid transit.

95 83rd-95th street—serves station directly.

103A West 103rd street—new service extended from west portion of present 103 103rd-106th route via Michigan and 95th to Dan Ryan rapid transit weekdays, a.m. rush, midday, p.m. rush. Does not stop between 103rd and 95th.

111A Vincennes-111th Express—revised operation extending service via 95th to Dan Ryan rapid transit weekdays, a.m. rush, midday, p.m. rush. Limited stops only between Vincennes and 95 station. Present 111A service via Dan Ryan replaced by rapid transit.

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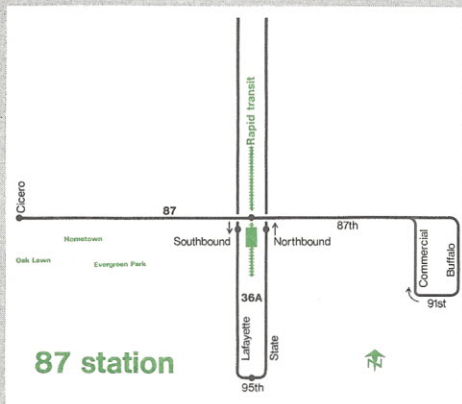
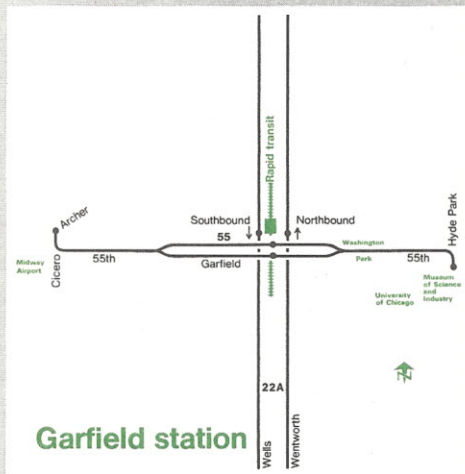
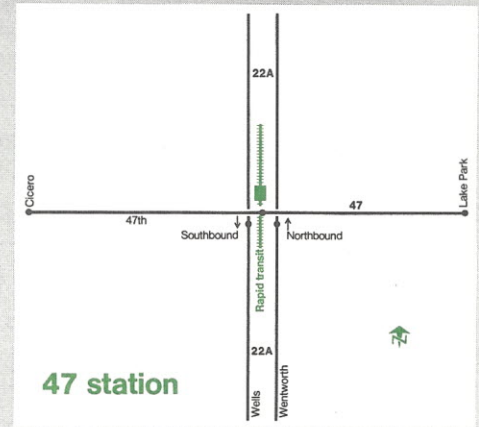
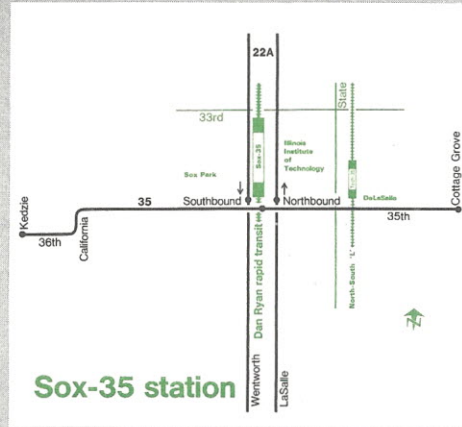
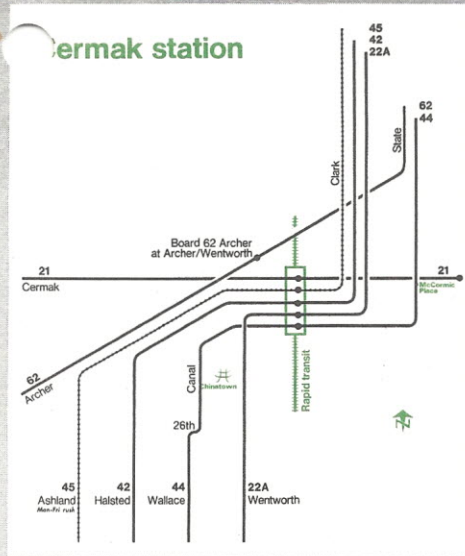
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ROUTINGS OF CTA bus lines which will serve the three new rapid transit extensions are described in a leaflet issued recently by CTA. Copies of the leaflet may be obtained by writing CTA Public Information Department, P.O. Box 3555, Chicago, Illinois 60654, or by telephoning 664-7200, extension 805.



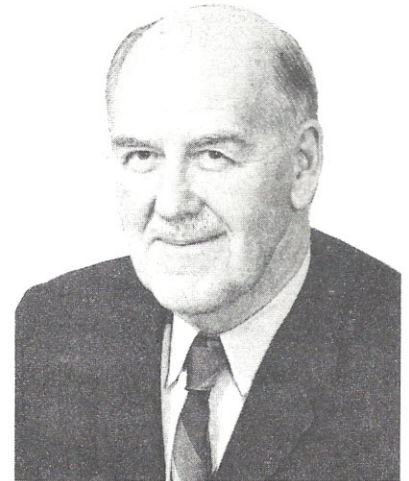
# Dan Ryan Extension





# MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant



## OUR HANDS—MAN'S MOST USEFUL TOOLS

THERE IS an old saying that our face mirrors our feelings and physical condition. Did it ever occur to you that our hands can do the same thing, and just how useful they are?

Each day, one uses the hands in many different ways: dialing a telephone, steering a car, writing letters, signing checks, turning on a television, lighting cigarettes and even more importantly—preparing our food and feeding ourselves at each meal. Our hands are not limited to routine tasks, they can be trained to accomplish miraculous feats. The Braille system used by the blind is a good example of this outstanding performance.

Anatomically, I mention briefly that in the two hands there are 54 bones, 38 sets of muscles and 10 fingers. Extra digits are not uncommon. There are also numerous nerves, blood vessels, tendons, and ligaments which help to make the hands most useful tools.

The appearance of the hands tell much about illness, disease, injury, and human behavior. For example:

Rheumatoid arthritis produces a characteristic appearance and deformity of the finger joints which is unmistakable evidence of the disease.

Eczema and various other types of dermatitis of the hands are reflected by just looking at the hands.

Color of the hands often betray the existence of certain circulatory diseases.

Appearance of nails tells much about systemic disease and also about nervous habits such as nail biting.

Another example of diagnostic aid or help is the hand picture of shriveled-up or atrophied muscles in certain nerve diseases.

At the time of birth, the finger of a little baby will clutch and pluck at the hands of the obstetrician with much strength and insistence. From this dramatic moment of birth until the fingers finally relax in the repose of death, the hands of a human being, directed by the brain, will chiefly determine whether the individual is a success or failure.

The brain, or that portion of the brain which controls the action of our hands, is a very important mechanism. No other part of the body is so intimately associated with human behavior.

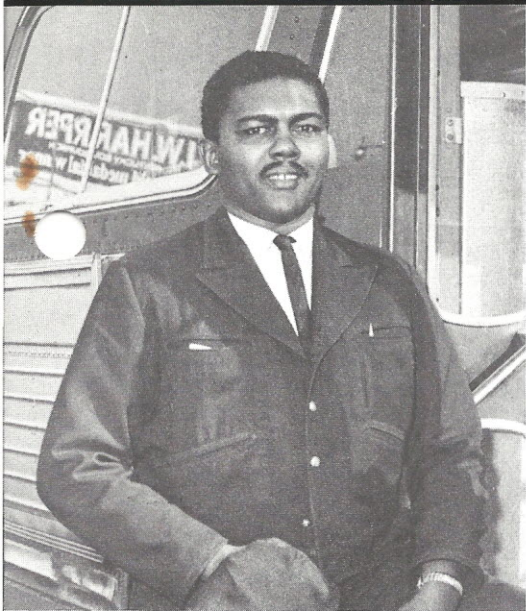
The hands mirror our feelings and emotions. For example, anger may be shown by clenching the fists, anguish by clasping the hands, and worry by wringing them together. Nervous habits such as nail biting, scratching the fingers, or drumming the fingers on a table may indicate impatience. Tremor of the hands may be an indicator of disease such as hyperthyroidism or alcoholism.

With our hands, we work, play, love, heal, learn, communicate, and by writing express our feelings and create great works of art and industry. We shake hands with others to show our faith, love and friendship.

Because our hands are put to so many uses, they are often the seat of infection and injuries such as lacerations, burns, and fractures. Statistics show, and naturally so, that the hands are by far the most frequently injured part of the body. About one fifth of the total 2 billion dollars paid out yearly for compensation claims is for hand injuries.

Time prevents any further comment on this subject. I am sure you will agree that our hands are very important in our daily life. Take good care of your hands and see your doctor if any abnormality is noted.





JESSE CINKUS, operator (with reporter Larry Keating): "I plan on doing some traveling, and following up some of my hobbies."

ARTHUR ADAMS, operator (top left): "Yes, I have been receiving and keeping savings bonds. Upon entering the air force nine years ago I started saving them and continued until discharged."

STANLEY HYERCZYK, operator (left): "I have, but with eight years to go for my pension, I just won't count my chickens before they're hatched. But I will enjoy myself while I am thinking about it. I will keep taking my five grandchildren to the ballgames and all sports they like. If the day comes when I am eligible for my retirement, I will go to the country life that I have always been accustomed to."

DOM PAPA, operator (right): "I have nine years to go yet. If the Lord is willing, I am going to sit down, take it easy, and enjoy my retirement."

ROBERT FENRICK, operator (left): "I decided to buy more U.S. Savings Bonds not only through the company, but where I bank too. My children are almost grown up and as I find myself growing older I realize how important it is to provide a little more security for the future."

#### QUESTION:

Have you made any specific plans for your retirement?

#### INQUIRING REPORTER:

Larry Keating

#### LOCATION:

Lawndale Station





# THE INSIDE NEWS

## AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

### ACCOUNTING (Tabulating) -

Congratulations are in order for PAULINE TORREY and her husband, PHILLIPE, on the birth of another grandson, GARY JOSEPH TORREY, who was born on December 4 and weighed in at a hefty 7 pounds 10 ounces. Proud father, THOMAS, works at Skokie Shops...Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of PAT SCHOENBAUM on the loss of her grandmother, Mrs. ANNA MICHALSKI.

### (Payroll) -

The 18th annual General Office Federal Credit Union meeting was held in the cafeteria on January 24. The Accounting Department was well represented in committees and attendance. Refreshments were served and door prizes awarded. Accounting Department winners of \$10 door prizes were: ANN SLOAN and CLOTILDE MRZENA; \$5 door prizes were won by BARNEY KANE, MARY BLACKMORE, and JERI LA VINE...For those winter blues, how about getting reacquainted with your museums, zoos, conservatories, and libraries which Chicago has in such a wonderful variety?..This is your scribe's last column for the Accounting Department as I am transferring to the Public Information Department as service clerk. Writing for this column has been a lot of fun, and I will miss it, but I am looking forward to new adventures in my new job.

- Eileen Neurauter

### BEVERLY -

We thought the Christmas spirit had ended, but Operator BEN THOMAS has the kindness to keep it alive. He donated another ten cartons of cigarettes for the patients at Tinley Park State hospital. Thanks, Ben. If we ever want to see peace in this world of ours, we must keep hope alive in our men and women, because a man without hope is a man without dignity...We also take our hats off to Supply Truck Driver WALTER WANGEROW who took the time and effort to donate another big box of clothes for the girls at Tinley Park State hospital...Pensioner ERNEST TOCCI is still teaching latin at Mount Carmel High school, and every year he takes his students to Notre Dame for the retreat. Reverend MICHAEL FORAN has weekend retreats all year at the Fatima House. If you wish to make a retreat, contact your scribe or Ernie, and we will be glad to give you dates that are open for men and women...We express our sympathy to HARRY LEWIS in the loss of his mother.

- Tom Daniels

### ENGINEERING-RESEARCH & PLANNING -

Congratulations to JOSEPH URBASZEWSKI and his wife, CHRISTINE, on the birth of their first child, JOSEPH EDWARD, born on January 16 at 8:23 a.m. and weighing in at 7 pounds 8 ounces...CTA employees and guests gathered at the M&M Club in the Mart on January 29 at 12 noon for a retirement luncheon in honor of MARY ISBRANDT, secretary to E. E. OLMSTEAD, and JOHN RETZLER, superintendent of buildings. Following lunch, Mr. Olmstead made the opening speech followed by short speeches from Mr. C.

E. KEISER, operating manager, Mr. RUSS J. SHANKLIN, and Mr. T. B. O'CONNOR, general manager. They were both presented with their CTA retirement wallets. Open house was held on January 31 for Mary and John and over 250 CTA employees and pensioners came to wish them a bon voyage on the sea of retirement. They received some beautiful gifts...Get well wishes go to HELEN LOFTUS who was operated on recently...LOIS POTTS traveled to Washington, D. C., to watch the inauguration and had a very nice time.

### (West Shops) -

GEORGE MILLONAS, former engineer of buildings and structures, was selected to fill Mr. Retzler's position upon his retirement. West Shops congratulates you, Mr. Millonas, and we welcome you to our midst...Congratulations to TOM SPASOJEVICH, track foreman, who was selected to fill the post TONY FRANCISCOVICH left when he retired on January 1. Now we have three track foremen with a T initial and they all happen to be named Tom. Now if Track Foreman BILL HEFFERNAN changes his name—oh well, that's another story...A welcome back to CHARLIE PAVESIC who has returned from a five-week vacation. He said he did a lot of visiting while he was away, however, he didn't say whom or where. Hmmm! A secret maybe?..It's nice to see MARION (Soup) TOMATICH back with us after his brave bout with the flu. He was home for two weeks... West Shops Flash: What handsome and debonair foreman shaved off his mustache just when we were all getting used to it?..Congratulations to Ironworker NICK GALLO whose wife recently had a baby girl.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald & Mary Gallon

### CLAIM -

MARY BERRY enjoyed a six-day stay in Washington where she witnessed the inauguration of our new President and enjoyed a delightful breakfast in the office of Senator Percy. Even though it rained continuously, I am sure this is an experience Mary will long remember...Congratulations to JEANNE LUDMANN, MARY BERRY, BING APITZ, and RUTHIE KAMINSKI whose evening was twice as enjoyable at the CTA General Office Credit Union annual get-together because they each won a cash door prize. Don't spend it all in one place, now.

- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

### GENERAL OFFICE (Employment) -

GEORGIANNE CANNATARO recently left CTA to devote full time as housewife and to await a blessed event. Our best wishes are extended to Georgianne as she starts her own career...RITA BRZECZEK transferred from Employee Relations and is now the receptionist...LYNN HARRER transferred from the Stores Department as a clerk-typist. New employees of CTA welcomed to the department are MARY PONTRELLI and JUDY MARTIN, clerk-typists. Mary's dad, ROCCO PONTRELLI, and her brother, VITA, also are employed at CTA. Lucky people who had a day off



## INSIDE NEWS

for birthdays or company anniversary dates in January were KATHY MOSER, DOROTHY COUGHLIN, DON REISS, and GEORGIANNE CANNATARO.

### (Training & Accident Prevention) -

Birthday boys who enjoyed a day off in January were EDWARD HENRY, ELIOTT HIRSCH, ART HUBACZ, and JIM TRETTON.

### (Executive) -

AILEEN MADDEN has returned to work after her recent illness which confined her for several weeks in Henrotin hospital. Her co-workers in the General Office and friends throughout the company were delighted to see her back. Aileen's husband, JIM, works in the Insurance Department.

### (Public Information) -

RUSS WARNSTEDT, Employee Suggestion Coordinator, is a proud grandfather again. This time it was a baby girl born December 20 at Lutheran General hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces at birth and was named KRISTEN. Her parents are RUSSELL WARNSTEDT Jr. and his wife, CAROLE.

- Mary E. Clarke

### KEELER -

Hi gang! Sure hope you fellows remembered to send that valentine to that sweetest of sweetest persons...I guess you've noticed all the new operators appearing on the scene. Well, here's extending a hand of welcome to all the newcomers along with a bit of wisdom. I'm sure all the old timers will nod in agreement to it: "I've never been hurt by anything I didn't say." Remember this throughout your career and I'm sure those commendations will outnumber the complaints...Boy, the sick bay is really loaded this month. So, sincere get well wishes go out to: Operator L. BANKS, in Hines hospital; Operator ZENTMEYER, also hospitalized, and Operator E. LUDTKE who is confined too. Bug victims include Operators GREZLIK, COCKRANE, and L. KUZYSK...In the fracture ward reclines one of my favorite good guys, Operator DON FREY. Say, Don, did you break that leg skiing?...Garageman CHARLEY BOWMAN somehow managed to fracture a few ribs in the line of duty. Garageman DAVE WOODS had a relapse from his fractures...Honestly fellows, I can't get a 100 per cent operating bus since Mechanic JIMMY SYLVESTER has been laid up with a smashed thumb. The other fellows are doing a good job, but we miss you, Jimmy...Regretfully, we report the burning of Operator J. VAUGHN's house. Vaughn wishes to thank all the nice fellows of Keeler, who were so gracious to him during his ordeal...Well, let's pick up our spirits a bit by ringing the birthday bells six times for little SCOTT GRAFER, the son of Operator GEORGE GRAFER, February 4; the bells also toll for Operator W. ZINKOVICH, February 14 (some valentine for his parents, eh fellows). JACK forgot to tell me, but I didn't forget you ELIZABETH JACKSON, the wife of ALLEN JACKSON, February 16. Operator R. FIELDS didn't forget his lovely missus, MARY, on February 23. BOB forgot to remind me, but ding-dong for you, Operator BOB O'NEAL on February 26. Operator STEHLIK says on February 27 he will be 37 years young (37 plus what). As the bells gradually fade away, a hurried happy birthday to Operator JOHN JARECKI, who just got under the wire February 28...As the Anniversary Waltz is softly playing, all eyes follow the starry-eyed couple celebrating three years of bliss on February 2.

Say, that's Operator DAVID HINTON and his wife, LILLIE. That other coosome couple celebrating February 17 is Operator KIMBERA and his wife, SHERRY. Can you guess which couple is commemorating 22 years of cohesiveness February 15. It is Operator ANDY SEGAR and his lovely wife, MARY. This being the month of Valentine's Day, I'll leave you with this observation. "God created women beautiful and foolish: beautiful so that men would love them, foolish so that they would love the men. Bye.

- Ernest C. Carter

### KEDZIE -

Kedzie Credit Union held its annual meeting in January. It was good seeing and talking to everyone that was there. Operator J. MURPHY sang some good old Irish songs, and CHARLIE STARR Jr. played his accordian...We were sorry to see Superintendent GLENN PAYTON leave Kedzie. He has been assigned to 77th Street Station. Glenn will be missed at Kedzie, with his fairness and personal dealings with the men. We send you our best, and good luck to you at your new station...We welcome Assistant Superintendent GEORGE DAUBS to Kedzie. Mr. Daubs comes to us from Lawndale Station, but is no stranger at Kedzie. When I talked to George, he said he was glad to be back at Kedzie. I talked with Superintendent E. PETERSON and Mr. Daubs about our accident standing in the interstation competition. They said that many accidents resulted from slippery streets and because operators wait too long to adjust their driving. Remember to drive defensively at all times, and maybe we can make a better showing this month in the competition!...I saw JOE MANION and he is doing fine. He isn't driving any more, but says hello to everyone at Kedzie...I also talked to R. JABLECKI, who is now in the Sanitation Department; he is looking real good. He misses everyone at Kedzie but he doesn't miss driving. Take care of yourself, Ray...On my bus I had Retired Operator MIKE KENNY and F. LE VIERI. They told me to say hello to all at Kedzie...If you are wondering why there's a big smile on the face of Instructor CHARLEY WEYER, he is a proud grandpa for the seventh time. He has four grandsons and three granddaughters. Charley's daughter, MARYANN, gave birth to an 8 pound baby girl on January 18, and named her WENDY ANN. Congratulations to the happy couple, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KVECK. By the way, all of Instructor Weyer's grandchildren are under six years of age. I can just imagine the beautiful sound they make when they are all together.

- Raymond Graham

### LAWNDALE -

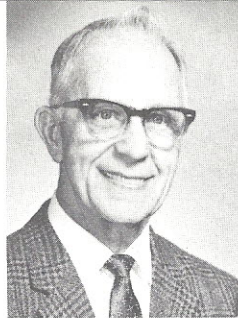
We received a card from CHARLIE KUCERA in sunny California. He sure knows how to pick a vacation at the right time...Now is the time to renew your membership in the Little Flower Society. It is only \$1.00 a year and will help you spiritually, and also help some deserving boys to go through the priesthood...Our deepest sympathy to the family of BENJAMIN EVANS whose funeral was on Thursday, January 23; to the family of JOHN DANIEL in the death of his sister, Mrs. JUANITA GATHREN whose funeral was on Thursday, January 9, and to G. SMITH in the death of his mother-in-law whose funeral was on Monday, January 20...JOE NOLAN is in Hines Veterans hospital awaiting surgery. We wish you a speedy recovery, Joe!...We lost



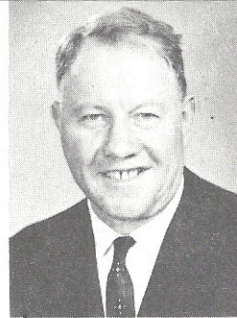
JOINING THE ranks of the retired February 1 were the nine employees pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.



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46 Years



G. F. BUETOW  
43 Years



W. H. MAGEE  
41 Years



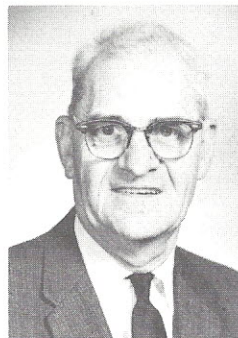
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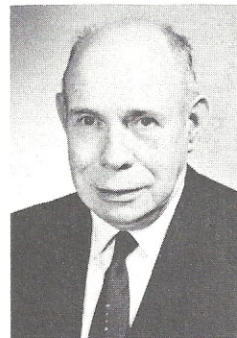
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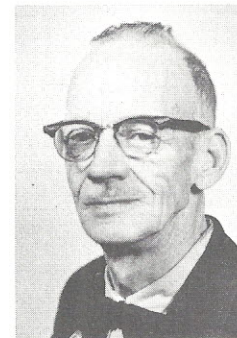
P. F. CARPINO  
40 Years



L. E. PEARSON  
40 Years



P. J. CLANCY  
42 Years



R. H. IRVINE  
40 Years

## NEW PENSIONERS

ANTHONY G. BECOFSKE, Laborer,  
Skokie Shops, Emp. 6-23-43  
JULIUS J. BOCCIO, Track Foreman I,  
Track, Emp. 3-9-25  
GEORGE F. BUETOW, Doorman,  
77th Street, Emp. 4-15-25  
PETER F. CARPINO, Constr. Line Truck Chauffeur,  
Util. & Emer. Service, Emp. 4-23-28  
PATRICK J. CLANCY, Day Foreman,  
North Avenue, Emp. 2-9-26  
FRANK G. HESS, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 11-7-42  
ROBERT H. IRVINE, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 10-17-28  
MARY I. ISBRANDT, Stenographer V,  
Engineering, Emp. 6-22-42  
FRANK E. JONES, Testing Engineer,  
Electrical, Emp. 6-1-22  
FRANK S. KIZIOR, Operator,  
Lawndale, Emp. 12-26-36  
CLARENCE D. LATTIN, Machinist,  
South Shops, Emp. 3-20-47  
RUTH L. LEE, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 10-31-53  
HAROLD B. LIND, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 2-3-36  
JOHN LUDTKE, Bus Repairer,  
Lawndale, Emp. 4-25-44  
WILLIAM H. MAGEE, Day Foreman,  
Beverly, Emp. 1-2-27  
THEODORE R. MARTIN, District Superintendent,  
Lawndale, Emp. 8-17-36

WILLIAM J. MAYER, Garage Clerk,  
Kedzie, Emp. 5-13-46  
FRANCIS J. MCGARRITY, Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-11-43  
HERMAN A. McKEIGHAN, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 9-10-29  
JOHN MIRABELLI, Laborer,  
Track, Emp. 7-21-42  
ARMIN J. MUTH, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 1-28-29  
ALBERT W. NEGELE, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 11-21-42  
LARS E. PEARSON, Day Foreman,  
Lawndale, Emp. 1-25-29  
OTIS REED, Janitor,  
South Section, Emp. 5-28-46  
EMMA L. RENNHACK, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 4-2-41  
JOHN D. RETZLER, Superintendent of Buildings,  
Engineering, Emp. 3-2-26  
CARL W. SUNDSTROM, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 12-24-48  
EDWIN C. WENDT, Chief Clerk,  
Shops & Equipment, Emp. 3-12-18  
JOSEPH H. ZAHUMENSKY, Carpenter "A"  
South Shops, Emp. 7-26-41

### DISABILITY RETIREMENT

HAROLD E. KUEHL, Janitor,  
West Section, Emp. 2-17-43



## INSIDE NEWS

our Assistant Superintendent, Mr. G. W. DAUBS, to Kedzie. We hate to see you go, but good luck in your new assignment. In his place we are getting Mr. H. P. BRAUN. We wish him a happy stay with us...Clerk-Receiver ED WITEK is back with us evenings. He may be with us on his birthday, March 17, but will be off that day when we spell his name with an "O"...We had a visit from "Doc" WEST and WILLIAM ALLEN who are in great shape...I saw JERRY PROCHASKA the other day and he showed me a picture of himself when he started some 40 odd years ago. He had on a "cookie duster." Do you know, he would have been a good stand-in for Clark Gable!..See you later.

- Larry Keating

### LIMITS -

Superintendent DeWITT and his dear wife celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary recently. Congratulations to this fine couple...Instructor J. BROGAN and his dear wife, EVELYN, celebrated their 30th year of wedded bliss last month. Congratulations to this fine couple...HADDON PHILLIPS, who came from North Park and took over as chief clerk, passed away suddenly at Limits. Our sincerest sympathy to his family. JOHN SIMKO is now the chief clerk. May your stay at Limits be a long and pleasant one. ..A good time was had at the Limits Credit Union business meeting and party held at the Eagles Hall, Byron and Western Avenues, January 19. ARTHUR MAAS, who took his pension on January 1, can now devote full time as treasurer of the credit union...Instructor J. BROGAN spent his vacation in sunny Arizona where he enjoyed himself to the fullest...Operator F. REUSS became a grandfather for the second time when another baby girl joined the Reuss family. Congratulations to the proud parents, and also to grandpa...Our sincerest sympathy to Superintendent R. KEAG of North Park whose son was killed in action in Viet Nam...Operator JESSE BORDEAUX and his wife were happy to have their son, WILLIAM, home on a furlough from the armed forces last month...SAM BEVELLE and ILMAR GRAUDINS are back on the active list after being off for some time due to illness...Former Limits Superintendent HERMAN ERICKSON is mighty happy and enjoying his pension to the fullest in sunny Florida. He is especially happy when he reads the news of the cold and snow we have in Chicago and doesn't have to partake of it...Our sincerest sympathy to LOU GEISHEIMER in the loss of his dear mother, and to FRANK KOUBA in the loss of his father.

- R. S. Benson

### LOOP -

Agent JIMMY GEORGE would love to have a new Ford. So one icy morning he drove off kind of fast, and oh boy what a fender bender he turned out to be. So now he gets a new Ford...Belated birthday greetings to Agent HELEN GUTH who celebrated last month. She seems to be getting younger every year...Agent MARY WIXTED is back to work after a week's vacation. Mary thinks one or two more would be fine (with pay)...Agent W. STRASSER is on a winter vacation at this time. Hope you are having fun, Wilbur. ..Agent K. McKENNY just came back from a vacation in Florida. She sure picked a good time, it was sub-zero here. Agent J. CARNEY just came back from a week's vacation and he said it was just grand...Sorry to hear Towerman BILL DONNELLY was off sick. Hope by this time you

are well and working hard...Belated happy birthday to little DEBRA HOFFMAN who was just four. She is grandpa's girl and he is Pensioner ED CORRIGAN. Debbie's mom is Agent E. HOFFMAN...Another year has rolled around and it's congratulations once again to Trainman B. PATTERSON and his wife on their fifth wedding anniversary January 17...Congratulations to Collector V. NORSTROM and his wife who celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on February 22. Norstrom, I think the two's got it this year... Very sorry to hear Towerman JOE VARGO is so ill. We do hope your doctor hurrys up and gets you well. All the boys in and around Tower 18 miss you very much...NOTICE: Will haunt any house, no charge-Agent THADEOUS ZDEB.

- Mildred Doyle

### NORTH AVENUE -

North Avenue Depot Federal Credit Union number 2495 had its 31st annual membership meeting on January 17 at LaFollette Park. The following pensioners attended the meeting: JOHN LANGE, RAY GREY, AUGIE JOHNSON, WILLIAM L. KENNEDY, JAMES MARREN, ART HALEK, EUGENE DUFFY, JOSEPH BEAUMIER, CHESTER NEUGEBAUER, GEORGE STELLER, MICHAEL PAWLICKI, EDWARD FISCHER, CHARLES JOHNSON, WALTER SCHMIDT, and PATRICK CLANCY. The following were winners of door prizes: HARVEY BECKER, GEORGE STELLER, EDWARD NEUMAN, DAVID SIMPSON, TED GALUS, PHILLIP NEUGEBAUER, JAMES EDWARDS, ALONZO HOOPER, HELEN PAWLICKI, JOSEPH WILEZYNSKI, ROBERT HARRIS, PETER MADIA, JOSEPH CHRISTY, WADE SIMMONS, KENNETH STOLZ, JOSEPH BEAUMIER, EUGENE DUFFY, ELMER REIDEL, MIKE BYSTREK, ROMAN KUSEK, HANS HABBESTAD, STEVE SARA, WILLIE HARRIS, SAM KELLY, CATHERINE CARLSTROM, JOHN WILLIAMS, EDWARD FISCHER, WALTER SCHMIDT, and BILL MIEDEMA. The North Avenue Credit Union wishes to thank Operator PETER MADIA for the use of his electronic microphone and loud speaker system... Operator LEO RAMEL and his wife, LILLIAN, are the proud parents of a baby girl, SHARON SUSAN. Our congratulations. The Ramels now have another income tax deduction...We have two February 1 pensioners. One is Day Foreman PATRICK CLANCY. The other is ERNEST PEARSON, formerly night foreman at North Avenue, and recently day foreman at Lawndale. We wish them the very best of everything. Be sure to keep in touch, boys...Operator FRANK PONZIO has been promoted, and is now with the Schedule Department at the Mart. Congratulations, Frank. ..I was told recently that Operator PETER MADIA is conducting a fishing school. He has electronic equipment to

WEDDING BELLS resounded again when Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES ELLIOTT celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary January 1 in Jacksonville, Florida. Charles, a retired North Section ticket agent, and his wife repeated their vows in a special service with 150 persons attending.







STATIONED WITH the army at Fort Polk, Louisiana, is ROBERT BUETOW, the son of Operator WILLIAM BUETOW, and the nephew of Superintendent FRANK BUETOW, both of North Avenue. Robert was also a former temporary employe of CTA.

find out where the fish are located. Pete related that none other than BILL PINASCO has signed to attend. Operator BILL NEHLS should contact Pete and investigate the study course in fishing. Pete is seen every morning in the depot eating fish sandwiches with his coffee...Operator HAROLD FORSTER has been cleaning his golf clubs hoping to play soon. With those few warm days in January, he was tempted to hit a few balls...Operator EDWARD SCHNEIDER is on a disability pension. Hope to see you spending your time fishing on Lake Noquebay this spring, Ed. Get well. We also wish speedy recoveries to the following operators who have been on the sick list: VITO LOCONTE, EDWARD MENTH, HAROLD GERTZ, VIGGO WINDFELD, AMBROSE PANICO, EARL HORSTMAN, ERNEST POMERANNING, JULIUS BISWURN, EDMUND BRODERICK, and AL SKONIE. ..Repairman PETER GERAME's son, PETER Jr., just received his pilot's license. Dad is waiting for son to log 10,000 miles before he rides with him...Chief Clerk GENE PETERSON lost his brother, GEORGE, who lived in San Jose, California, on January 15. Pensioner WILLIAM FAHEY lost his wife in December. Pensioner HENRY CAMPBELL passed away January 11. Our condolences to these families.

- William Medema

#### NORTH PARK -

North Park's annual credit union meeting was held January 10 at River Park field house, where a fine report was delivered by the treasurer, JOHN O'BRIEN. The officers declared a dividend of 4 per cent on savings, and all members were urged to bring in their books so that they may be brought up to date. Operator WALTER UHLEMANN was elected president, succeeding the late PETE MERSCH. Elected to the board of directors were Operators WALTER UHLEMANN, TONY BRUNO, and EDWARD GOETTERT. Operators FRANK LASKE and BEN NEUMAN were re-elected to the credit committee. Refreshments were served and the following won door prizes: JOE CITRO, BEN NEUMAN, CARL HANSEN, BOB MOSKOVITZ, JUAN FUENTES, ANN WISNIEWSKI, WALTER PETERS, ED BADEN, JOHN HALL, BUTCH VAN MIDDLESWORTH, DOROTHY STEINBERG, JOHN FIESTERMAN, PETE MARCHISOTTO, FRANK KOZIOL, BERNARD KONIARSKI, RICHARD GUSTAFSON, JOHN SEQUEIRA, FRANK LITTAU,

ELMER KNUDSON, ROBERT KESSLER, SAL MUSCARELLO, EUGENE DRZEWICKI, DAN PRISBLE, BILL STEINSPRING, FRED FRIEB, DON HEANEY, WILLIAM FRIEB, ASTRID ABERNATHY, HAROLD JULITZ, SEYMOUR STEINBERG, FRED SCHMIDT, CASEY WISNIEWSKI, EDWARD STENZEL, MEL HORNING, MARTIN BAKKA, TEX ABERNATHY and Mrs. FRANK KOZIOL...Operator CONNIE SCHMIT and his wife, FRANCES, became grandparents for the sixth time when their daughter-in-law, PAT, gave birth to a son named RICHARD ALLEN, born October 26 at Victory Memorial hospital in Waukegan, Illinois, and weighing 2 pounds 6 ounces...Operator ANTHONY GREGORY became a father for the fifth time when his wife, ANGELINE, gave birth to a son named LOUIS, born at the Swedish Covenant hospital and weighing in at 10 pounds. Anthony, who is in the supervisors pool, promises that the boys will all be future bus operators...Operator AL NAGELE retired on February 1 after 26 years of hard labor. Al and Mrs. Nagele, who are devoted fishermen, will spend considerable time with their hobby...Ticket Agent FRANK HESS, formerly a bus operator at North Park, retired on February 1 after 26 years of service. Frank and his wife, MYRTLE, have purchased a new deluxe trailer and will be making their home in Forsyth, Missouri, where they will be the neighbors of Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH. We at North Park wish these fine gentlemen and their wives many years of leisure living and good health...After 23 years of trying, Operator LEROY CONKLIN received his first commendation and promises Mr. KEAG that it will not be his last...Operator JOHN MIDINA had the pleasure of piloting our first new diesel bus on his run in Skokie. No operator could be found any place that was more proud than John...MICHAEL CRONIN, the nephew of Operator HAROLD DOWEY, was wounded while serving at Chi Lai, Viet Nam, with the U. S. Marines. Michael was evacuated to Japan for surgery, and is now in the Naval hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, where his left foot was amputated...FRED CERKAN, the son of Receiver BILL CERKAN, was graduated on January 16 from the University of Illinois. Bill is an aeronautical engineer and expects to work in the Los Angeles, California, area. Bill's daughter, LINDA, was graduated from Northeastern Illinois university December 18, and became engaged to Mr. DAVID POWELL with her wedding date set for May 24...Operator DICK GUSTAFSON and his wife, MERCEDES, spent their vacation at West Palm Beach, Florida, where Dick's mother, Mrs. SIGRUD NORLUND, resides. Dick and Mercedes enjoyed themselves playing golf, fishing, and visiting the dog tracks...Pensioner JOHN KARASEK reports that his son, Doctor MARVIN KARASEK of Palo Alto, California, and his daughter, VALDINE, and her husband, PETER STUCKEY, and their children who reside in Dixon, Illinois, spent the holidays with them...Operator JIM MEISTER received several cash Christmas gifts from his Skokie riders, and is smoking a better brand of cigars lately...Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, celebrated their 35th anniversary on January 14. The Pestines were treated to an evening at the Candlelight Playhouse by their son, HARVEY, and his wife, GAIL, and their daughter, LOIS, and her husband, MICHAEL...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator JOE SCALETTA and his wife, DOREEN, their 10th, February 1; Operator HENRY NEUMAN and his wife, LEONA, their 37th, February 4; Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, their 31st, February 5; Operator ROY RIPKA and his wife, IRIS, their 5th, January 11; Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN and his wife, ERMA, their 41st, January 26; Utility Chauffeur JOHN MILLER and his wife, ROZIA, their



## INSIDE NEWS

35th, January 26; Operator ARTHUR OLSON and his wife, LEONORE, their 29th, February 14; Operator ED ZIENTARA and his wife, ROSE, their 33rd, February 25, and Operator ROGER AYOTTE and his wife, HELEN, their 10th, February 28...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators SEYMOUR STEINBERG, NICK GASPER, ED NEWTON, CHARLES KEMP, GARY NOONAN, WALTER LINDEMANN, JOSEPH GUZZARDO, IRIS RIPKA, EULIE DOWEY, GARY KEMP, FRANCES NEWTON, SHIRLEY PAOLI, JULIA ZAHN, LINDA DIEDIER, MIKE SCHRAMM, and MIN SEIFERT...Operator GEORGE ERBSTROESSER, after a siege of sickness, is now working as a ticket agent and finds his new position delightful. The following operators have been sick for a long spell and would appreciate a card or a visit from their friends: GEORGE SHARPE, JOHN OMAN, and ALFRED WILLIAMS. See Chief Clerk RAY SIMON for the addresses of the above...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Operator SAM KLEIN, Pensioner MAX STREWE on the loss of his beloved mother, Mrs. STREWE, and Pensioner JOE VAN DEN EEDEN on the loss of his son, DONALD...The salt workers would like to take this opportunity to thank Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE and his crew for the splendid job they have been doing to keep the equipment rolling when the snow is falling...Repairman TONY GALLO planted a batch of coconut trees on his ranch in Florida while on his recent vacation...Repairman MIKE SCHULTZ and Benchman ALEX FRITZLER have a large inventory of chewing tobacco since the recent holidays...Night Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH is working days replacing HARRY DITTERY who is hospitalized at Hines hospital...Repairman JOE "The Shafter" MAREK is supplying the night crew with pork chops, chicken, ham, and polish sausage for their lunches...Repairman FRANK SCHENDEL vacationed at Waterloo, Iowa, and reports the meals in the Gypsy Tea Room at the Dodge House Motel in Dubuque, Iowa, are the greatest...Bus Cleaner TOM GIOVANNI had the misfortune of banging his GTO in a recent accident...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH donned his Santa Claus suit again and gave his seven grandchildren another wonderful Christmas party. In return, Julius was presented with a group picture of the seven in color...Bus Dispatcher GEORGE SERITELLA had the good fortune of picking his two-week winter vacation during our recent zero weather...Repairman CORTLAND ZICE and Cleaner RED STAUNTON finally wore the Hong Kong flu bug down and are back to work again...Remember, the credit union is ready, willing, and able to help all who need cash to meet those Christmas bills and income tax problems. So, see JOHN, TONY, or DALE for ready cash.

- Melvin Horning

### NORTH SECTION -

Those taking their pensions are RUTH LEE, EMMA RENNHACK, and FRANK HESS. Frank will reside in Forsyth, Missouri, about 38 miles from Springfield. Hope you all have a long and healthy retirement...MINNA KING went to Florida for ten days to celebrate her mother's 75th birthday. Her two sons, their wives, and seven grandchildren attended also...MARION SPARKS' grandson had the Hong Kong flu, and her son and his wife had the regular flu. ...JIM ZEPPS' daughter, CYNTHIA, celebrated her third birthday, January 28. Cynthia also was blessed with a brother named WILLIAM BARRETT on January 2...Hope everyone had a nice day off on their anniversary and birthdays...ANNABELLE DREW went to Detroit, Michigan, and

her son showed her the building he had just completed in Oak Park, Michigan...Mr. and Mrs. T. IRWIN celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary on December 7. Congratulations, and I hope you have many more...BRIDGETT WELCH left the company on February 1 to have her baby...Your scribe had the misfortune to hurt her back and was off work for a week. ROSE O'CONNELL fell and hurt her collar bone when she slipped on the ice...L. CHRASTKA is back to work after a long illness. Student Agent M. McEVILLY has returned to work...J. BAXTER, former North Park bus operator, has transferred as a ticket agent. We also have another new agent, P. DJURDJEVIC...A. ZALCBURG went into military service and J. SCHUMPP has returned from the marine corps...Notice—It will be up to each employee to check his or her anniversary date in order to get the day off...Anyone caring to send in any news for the magazine may send it to me at 3535 N. Ruby Street, Franklin Park, Illinois 60131. Pictures will be returned to sender if they include their address...MARY RAGO, student agent, left the CTA to attend Andrews university at Berrien Springs, Michigan...NICK CLEASON's fifth granddaughter, KIMBERLY KAY, was christened on January 26, and cried all through the services. There was a reception held later at home...BILL O'BRIEN and JIM DIEDEN were called into the service...JIM O'GRADY has returned to the CTA after serving in Viet Nam. Glad you're back in one piece, Jim...Former Conductor JOHN S. (Andy) ANDERSON, his wife, LYDIA, and daughter, ANN-HELEN, spent a sad Christmas. On Christmas eve they were advised that their son, SP/4 JUSTIN K. ANDERSON, had been killed in action in Viet Nam on December 22. A full military funeral was held at Edgebrook Ev. Covenant church, Chicago, on January 4, 1969 with interment at Rosehill Cemetery.

- Grace Mounts

### OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

When the temperature goes way down and there's snow in the air, thoughts of sunshine and warm weather always seem to come to our minds. While we were just thinking about it, MARY ROACH and her husband, JOHN, were enjoying all of this. They had a few days of rain, but didn't complain a bit. Where did they go? Why to Florida, of course. Not taking a chance of going to Cuba, they drove down. They visited both the east and west coasts of the state, saw many of their friends, and had a wonderful time. ...The MC EVILLY family is a busy one and always on the go. JOHN's son, MICHAEL, is now a part time ticket agent and attending Loyola university. He went to the inaugural

RECEIVING A cash gift from his co-workers is STEFANO D'ANNA, who retired December 1 after 32 years of service. Making the presentation is Divisional Storekeeper, A.W. EGGERT, South Division.





ball in Washington, D.C., and had a real good time and states it was quite an experience. JOHN Jr., a second lieutenant in the U. S. Marines, is presently stationed at Camp LeJeune in the Carolinas, where he is completing his engineering training. Last but not least, his son-in-law, JAMES HALVEY, who is on the nuclear submarine U.S.S. Patrick Henry, just returned from his last cruise in the Mediterranean. He will be discharged in June after serving six years in the U. S. Navy...When St. Benedict's High school held their faculty-varsity basketball game they found that a certain father, THOMAS STIGLIC, and his son, TOM, were a winning combination for the faculty. Mr. Stiglic went home with something to remind him of their win; a black eye...ELI FREEDMAN spent a week in the hospital under observation. All reports came out okay and after a short rest at home he is now feeling fine. Mr. JOSEPH J. HEMZACEK recently underwent surgery and we are happy to hear that he is doing fine. We hope it won't be long until he is feeling as good as new. One of those flying KRAUSES, JACK, has been temporarily grounded. Thanks to the skilled hands of a surgeon his operation was a success, and I hear he is now home and recuperating. We wish him a speedy and complete recovery...A warm welcome is extended to JOSEPH E. RITROVATO, the new information clerk, who transferred from the Schedule Department, and to RONALD BAKER, a graduate trainee, who is presently working in the Transportation Department. It's nice to have both of you with us.

**(Traffic Planning) -**

On January 15, ANNETTE HEFTER received the happy news that her fifth grandchild was born. RACHEL ROSEN weighed in at 5 pounds 7 ounces. Congratulations to the proud parents, MARLENE and ROBERT, and also to the grandparents.

**(Equipment Research & Development) -**

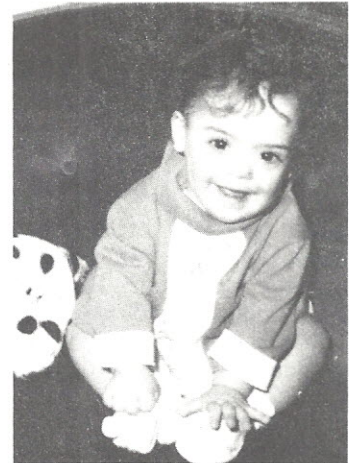
AUDREY PETERSON recently heard from CARMELLA GARGANO, formerly employed as a steno with the CTA and now working for the U. S. Government in Saigon. Taking advantage of the opportunity, Carmella went on a short trip to Japan, went skiing, went to Tokyo and stated that the sights were fantastic and she would love to make a return trip and stay longer.

- Colette Szyzpanek

**PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -**

As of this writing Mrs. LEE DeSUTTER has undergone minor surgery at the Edgewater hospital. Everyone in the office is hoping you'll have a speedy recovery...Sorry to report the recent death of retiree MARY McCauley. Mary, who was assigned to the Purchasing Department, retired from the company five years ago...We have another new face in the Purchasing Department these days, that of Mrs. ANN JOBARIS. Ann is not a stranger to many of us since she has been with the company for three years. Previous to coming to Purchasing, Mrs. Jobaris was in I.R.T., which has since moved out to set up offices in Washington, D.C. Also, Ann's daughter, MARY ANN, has worked in the Stores Department for the past two summers. She is presently attending DeKalb university where she is majoring in art and designing. Hope you enjoy your new surroundings, Ann. I'm sure we'll keep you busy...Meanwhile, back to the unpredictable antics of Mr. Ed. Would you believe it, Mr. CUMMINGS is in the news again. Last month, Ed cut

LOOKING SO sweet and demure is little ELIZABETH SEMINATORE who recently celebrated her first birthday. Elizabeth is the niece of DAVE MUNYER, claim investigator.



his fingers on a ham can. Now he informs us that during one of our recent snow storms he was completely blinded by the blowing snow, slipped on the ice and hurt his pride. We are very happy to report that Mr. Cummings was not injured except for a skinned elbow. Please, Mr. Cummings, BE MORE CAREFUL!..Yes, the Specifications Department is in the news again. Mr. FRANK MAGUIRE, the man in charge of nuts and bolts, announced the marriage of his youngest daughter, JUDITH, to Mr. ALAN GREEN of Des Moines, Iowa. The wedding was performed at St. Anthony's church in Cicero on January 25. Judith's two sisters, MARY ANN and BARBARA, who are both married, were bridesmaids. A special surprise took place during the marriage ceremony when the priest read a telegram from Rome announcing that the bride and groom would receive the Apostolic Blessing from the Pope. The blessing was requested by recently-consecrated Bishop Paul Marcinkus, a friend of the Maguire family. The wedding reception was held in the Walnut Room at Manny Pearls, also in Cicero. A few of Mr. Maguire's co-workers attended. Judith plans to go back to Creighton university in Omaha for her last semester in nursing. Alan, who was graduated from Creighton, is presently a junior auditor in Omaha, but plans to enter the service in June. Judith will graduate in June and plans to travel with her husband. To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maguire, congratulations, and to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Green, may you both have many years of happiness together...Ah, those wedding bells are ringing once again. This time they're for LYNN VUJNOVICH, stenographer, Stores Department. Lynn has announced her engagement to CHUCK BEL, apprentice technician for the Electrical Department. June 7, 1969, has been set as the happy wedding day. From all of us to both of you—good luck and may your future bring much joy and happiness to you both...We would like to welcome back Mrs. TERESA BARRY after a recent stay in the hospital...The Stores Department has a new typist—MARY BETH MURRAY—a June graduate of Mother Guerin High school. The CTA is not new to Mary Beth since her dad is a maintenance foreman at the Limits Depot. Mary Beth replaced LYNN HARRER who moved to the Employment Department. Good luck to the both of you in your new positions...Get-well wishes to GEORGE CROFOOT who, at the present writing, is in Swedish Covenant hospital..."Hello World", said little Miss JENNIFER LYNN, a 5 pound 10 ounce baby girl who recently arrived to JAMES and JOAN THOMAS. Joan was our "gal Friday" in Stores Office, South Division, until she resigned to await the arrival of the stork...A note to the North Division, to South Division, and Central—THE TRANSIT NEWS REPORT-



## RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

JOHN ANDERSON, 57, District "D",  
Emp. 8-11-36, Died 11-26-68  
DENNIS BARRETT, 62, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 1-11-28, Died 12-8-68  
FRANK BARRETT, 87, Armitage,  
Emp. 5-12-11, Died 12-19-68  
EARL L. BERG, 78, Devon,  
Emp. 10-13-13, Died 12-14-68  
JOHAN BINDHAMER, 88, Lincoln,  
Emp. 10-12-11, Died 12-11-68  
WALTER BLANKSCHEN, 71, North Section,  
Emp. 4-18-27, Died 12-22-68  
HENRY BLAU, 61, Keeler,  
Emp. 11-1-35, Died 12-7-68  
PAUL BLAZICEK, 79, 69th Street,  
Emp. 10-5-10, Died 12-18-68  
JOSEPH BOBER, 81, Way & Struct.,  
Emp. 5-22-26, Died 12-20-68  
PAUL BOETTCHER, 67, South Section,  
Emp. 7-9-18, Died 12-11-68  
ANNA M. BOUCHER, 81, North Section,  
Emp. 6-29-43, Died 12-31-68  
JOSEPH E. BRIEN, 74, 77th Street,  
Emp. 5-16-12, Died 1-2-69  
WALTER J. BRIM, 68, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 5-21-23, Died 1-4-69  
KING R. BROWN, 66, West Section,  
Emp. 6-5-46, Died 12-16-68  
THOMAS L. BROWN, 70, 69th Street,  
Emp. 10-24-24, Died 12-11-68  
SANTO CINQUEGRANI, 65, Track,  
Emp. 11-22-30, Died 1-2-69  
JOHN W. CLARK, 80, Lake Street,  
Emp. 9-17-19, Died 12-6-68  
GEORGE T. CORMIER, 76, Garfield Park,  
Emp. 2-9-43, Died 12-14-68  
CHARLES E. COUGHLIN, 58, 69th Street,  
Emp. 8-18-37, Died 12-3-68  
HARRY A. CZANSTKOWSKI, 50, Electrical,  
Emp. 5-27-46, Died 12-5-68  
FRANK DAVIS, 56, Kedzie,  
Emp. 12-18-40, Died 12-10-68  
WILLIAM DONALDSON, 63, Print Shop,  
Emp. 3-15-24, Died 12-24-68  
MICHAEL DUGGAN, 70, 69th Street,  
Emp. 7-9-29, Died 12-26-68  
HAROLD EVANS, 61, West Section,  
Emp. 10-31-33, Died 11-20-68  
CHARLES FABIANO, 65, Lawndale,  
Emp. 9-2-43, Died 12-3-68  
FRANCIS R. FALVEY, 75, West Section,  
Emp. 11-21-28, Died 12-30-68

WILLIAM C. FISCHER, 75, Limits,  
Emp. 1-29-18, Died 12-21-68  
CHARLES B. GASH, 77, Claim,  
Emp. 12-16-29, Died 12-23-68  
GUISEPPO GIULIANO, 77, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 12-1-16, Died 12-21-68  
JOHN HAJDUK, 76, Limits,  
Emp. 9-11-29, Died 12-26-68  
JOHN J. HAWKINS, 52, 77th Street,  
Emp. 6-4-46, Died 1-17-69  
EDWARD HEALY, 65, Claim,  
Emp. 8-16-19, Died 12-11-68  
LOUIS P. HENDRICKS, 71, Schedule,  
Emp. 2-9-26, Died 12-22-68  
JOSEPH HERMANN, 86, 77th Street,  
Emp. 12-30-19, Died 12-28-68  
ALFRED HYLAND, 60, South Section,  
Emp. 8-19-42, Died 12-12-68  
ALFRED JOHNSON, 83, 77th Street,  
Emp. 11-20-09, Died 1-1-69  
DANIEL KENNEDY, 59, 69th Street,  
Emp. 10-26-36, Died 1-20-69  
SAMUEL KLEIN, 64, North Park,  
Emp. 7-18-33, Died 1-2-69  
ROBERT KUHFAL, 60, North Park,  
Emp. 5-1-46, Died 11-27-68  
STANLEY J. LASKOWSKI, 71, Devon,  
Emp. 8-30-26, Died 12-29-68  
FRANCESCO LOMBARDINO, 86, Track,  
Emp. 12-4-25, Died 12-3-68  
ARNUM MARCH, 56, North Park,  
Emp. 9-4-41, Died 11-15-68  
JAMES MC CARTHY, 78, North Section,  
Emp. 2-10-16, Died 12-5-68  
FRANK E. MC DERMOTT, 66, Claim,  
Emp. 1-10-49, Died 12-18-68  
THOMAS J. MEEHAN, 59, Kimball,  
Emp. 10-6-38, Died 1-11-69  
ALBERT MEYERS, 93, Cottage Grove,  
Emp. 1-3-02, Died 1-8-69  
THURMAN MILES, 74, North Section,  
Emp. 2-13-46, Died 12-9-68  
GEORGE J. MORAN, 72, West Section,  
Emp. 9-26-28, Died 12-13-68  
ANTON MORAVEC, 62, Electrical,  
Emp. 7-5-45, Died 11-25-68  
PAUL PENAGER, 32, North Park,  
Emp. 12-3-64, Died 11-30-68  
HADDON PHILLIPS, 60, Limits,  
Emp. 4-1-32, Died 11-20-68  
ARTHUR POKLENKOWSKI, 65, Archer,  
Emp. 8-31-36, Died 12-10-68

RENE PRIMEAU, 63, Schedule,  
Emp. 7-29-31, Died 12-27-68  
ROBERT L. PROSSER, 70, Const. & Maint.,  
Emp. 12-15-20, Died 12-15-68  
GEORGE A. PUTZ, 65, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 8-6-46, Died 12-14-68  
FRED R. REDEMSKE, 63, North Park,  
Emp. 2-1-29, Died 12-20-68  
CARL A. RUEDIGER, 73, Police,  
Emp. 12-5-28, Died 1-7-69  
BERNARD A. RYAN, 69, Electrical,  
Emp. 9-3-19, Died 12-16-68  
HARRY F. SAFRANEK, 58, West Section,  
Emp. 3-20-42, Died 12-18-68  
IVAN SAPUNAR, 83, Track-North,  
Emp. 9-9-25, Died 12-12-68  
BEATRICE SCHEWE, 80, West Section,  
Emp. 5-20-37, Died 12-25-68  
JOHN F. SCHULTZ, 79, Central District,  
Emp. 8-9-17, Died 12-31-68  
THOMAS SCILLUFO, 68, Lake Street,  
Emp. 3-7-24, Died 12-29-68  
GEORGE SEMENIUK, 75, South Section,  
Emp. 10-23-16, Died 1-3-69  
ALFRED W. SMITH, 74, West Section,  
Emp. 12-30-25, Died 12-25-68  
LOUIS E. SOLAK, 73, Kedzie,  
Emp. 10-2-13, Died 12-16-68  
GUNDER G. STANGE, 88, South Section,  
Emp. 11-22-02, Died 11-30-68  
LEO T. TAMUL, 53, 77th Street,  
Emp. 3-13-48, Died 1-1-69  
HILMA J. TERNSTROM, 99, North Section,  
Emp. 5-11-00, Died 12-30-68  
KATHRYN C. THOMPSON, 78, South Section,  
Emp. 12-4-45, Died 12-30-68  
ARTHUR J. TONER, 84, Way & Struct.,  
Emp. 8-16-43, Died 12-24-68  
PETER TSAKONIS, 76, Devon,  
Emp. 7-2-26, Died 12-12-68  
PROKOP UHLIK, 78, Kedzie,  
Emp. 1-6-20, Died 12-6-68  
ROBERT G. WARFORD, 74, South Section,  
Emp. 1-7-24, Died 12-23-68  
VALENTINE WEINERT, 60, West Section,  
Emp. 6-25-42, Died 12-29-68  
DAVID J. WHALEN, 78, Devon,  
Emp. 3-31-21, Died 12-28-68  
MITCHELL C. WIENSKI, 52, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 1-16-46, Died 12-18-68  
JOHN R. WOLFERSHEIM, 75, Electrical,  
Emp. 2-22-11, Died 12-27-68

TERS ARE ALIVE AND DOING WELL IN THE MART. Please contact us if there is anything you would like mentioned in this column. Let's get going with some news items.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

### SOUTH SECTION -

Has anyone seen spring peeking her head around the corner for the first time? Here's hoping we see her soon. ..Greetings and salutations to our new trainmen transferred from the North and West Sections: DONALD GRAY, JOHN WRIGHT, DOUGLAS GOARD, SIDNEY EDWARDS, HENRY WARE, and LEON GEE...Real good news--Motorman JAMES NORRIS, who had been on the sick list for several

months and went on disability pension January 1, returned from the disability list and is now working as an agent... Congratulations to Chief Clark JIM MARTINEK, who became a grandpa for the eighth time when a little girl named SUSAN was born to his daughter, DELORES, on December 30...Conductor EARTHON JOHNSON, who had been on the sick list for a few months, is now back working. He wishes to thank all his friends and co-workers for the cards, letters, and kindness extended to him while he was ill. It is good to see Earthon back at work...On the system agents pick which went into effect recently some of our agents transferred to other sections and we wish them good luck: JOSEPH ROCH, DAISEY THOMPSON, HENRY FALLEK, SANDRA MITCHELL, ERNEST TONSIL, and DOROTHY OATES. Transferring to us, we welcome: JOHNNIE McDONALD and JOYCELYN AYERS (who formerly worked



## INSIDE NEWS

on this section), GEORGANNA ABRAMS, HARRIET HOUSER, ARNETTE JACKSON, DANIEL MAGGETTE, SHELBY WALKER, and JUANITA COOPER...We were saddened to hear that Conductor LAWRENCE BELIN's dear wife passed away. Our sympathy is extended to Lawrence in his sorrow...Received a nice letter from Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS who is spending the winter soaking up the sunshine at Indian Rocks Beach, Florida. Isn't that nice to say, "spending the winter in Florida." Charles says "hello" to all his friends...Janitor OTIS REED went on pension February 1. All good wishes for an enjoyable, healthy, and happy retirement life...Assistant Station Superintendent MICKEY O'CONNOR, who was in the hospital, is now at home recuperating. Best wishes for a quick return to work...We have a new singing Conductor-Trainman, VERNON ROBINSON. You old-timers remember our original singing Conductor HENRY SINGER, well, Vernon does such a good job on his announcements that he was written up recently in Chicago's American. Besides announcing the stations, he gives the time and temperatures and points of interest such as landmarks and stores along the way. He has also received several passenger commendations on his unusual announcements. People are so quick to criticize others that it is nice to see all these commendations coming in...Retired Motormen GEORGE SEMENIUK and WILLIAM MANNING, and Retired Conductor JAMES GIVIN passed away recently. Our condolences to their families...Also back to his post and off the sick list is Switchman LYMAN VEITKUS...Stopping in to see the men at 61st Street recently were retired Motorman JOHN BURKE and retired Supervisor ROBERT BROWN. They say "hello" to all their old friends..."Hi" to newly-hired Part Time Agent AMAZON PAYTON, and ISAAC COULTER Jr. who transferred from the Surface Division as an Agent...Some of our people have decided to resign: Trainman FRANK POWELL, Conductors CHARLES OWENS and MARVIN WILLIAMS, Agent LETITIA BRISCOE, and Part-time Agent SHELDIA HORN. We wish them the very best of everything...Received a letter from Retired Yard Foreman ELMER STEVENS and his wife, CHARLOTTE, from Australia where they are living. They said they feel ten years younger since they've been there and their children love it too. The Australian people treat them so nice. They are still traveling around and have no permanent address as yet...On the sick list at this writing are Agent WILLIAM SHEEHAN and Motorman McRAYFIELD CALDWELL. Hope they both will be back to work soon.

- Verna Hartney



THIS HAPPY bride and groom are LINDA and MICHAEL HOFFERT. When this marriage was culminated on November 9 at Concordia Lutheran church, it merged two CTA families. Linda is the daughter of Repairman EARL RODGERS, Limits, and Michael is the son of JOHN HOFFERT, Electrical Department. Michael is a vacation relief clerk now assigned to Forest Glen.

### SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

We welcome F. PONZIO and J. McGARRITY to the department as outside checkers...Best wishes to BOB LAVOIE as a schedule maker...J. MUELLER is back to work after surgery, and C. KEELER has returned after a short illness...PATRICK CORBETT, the son of FRANK CORBETT and a freshman at St. Patrick's High school, made the "A" honor roll. He is 60th in his class of 472. Congratulations, Pat, and keep up the good work...Happy birthday to our ground hog birthday man, JOE VIOLA...Pensioner LAURA SCHRECKE came by and had lunch with some of her former co-workers, BERNIE KIZIOR, KAY BATINA, and MARGE VIDAL.

- Kathryn Batina

### SKOKIE SHOPS -

Our deepest sympathy to ROBERT BUERGER, carpenter, and WILLIAM BUERGER, electrical worker, upon the loss of their father, WILLIAM BUERGER Sr., who was a retired foreman at Kimball Terminal Shop...MARIA VENTICINQUE, typist, is in Resurrection hospital recovering from an operation. Get well soon, Maria, we miss you...ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, is awaiting delivery of his new LTD Ford. Nice riding, Bob...Our condolences to the family of Pensioner JOHN HOLBAY who recently passed away.

- Everett E. England

### TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Best wishes to A. LONG, Congress, for a speedy recovery. Al is in Oak Park hospital recuperating from a heart attack...Our condolences to J. MARQUARDT, Congress, on the passing of his wife. Our sympathy is extended to the family of L. RICCIARDI, Congress, on the passing of his sister. Our regrets to the family of J. CANNELLA whose mother-in-law passed away...In search of greener pastures, F. RIO transferred from Congress to Logan, and J. LABELLARTE moved to 54th Street...Our regrets to the family of Pensioner WILLIAM BUERGER who passed away. ..Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to JOHN COLLINS and JOHN WIERCIOCH, Kimball, who are off on the sick list...Condolences to the family of THOMAS MEEHAN, Kimball, who passed away on January 11 after a short illness...To start the new year off right, L. STEWART and F. FAWCETT, Kimball, enjoyed a week's vacation of fun and relaxation.

- Ray Brzezczek

### WEST SECTION -

What a ball we had at the Lake Street Credit Union's annual meeting. When STEVE KOZMA, our president, announced the 5 per cent earnings for the year, it made all our little hearts happier. The food, prepared by DANNY BORE and his daughters, was delicious. A songfest started and was led by ART NEWMAN and his wife. In order to drown out Art, Mr. and Mrs. C. JONES, Mr. and Mrs. R. CRAWFORD, Mr. and Mrs. M. FIORE, the KUKOWINSKIS, the SICILIANOS, and JOE LONGO got into the act and it turned out great. ART and SHIRLEY FILIP came with all their children. They sure believe in the population explosion. The Healys were there, and they are going along with the trend, for they are awaiting their fourth child...Congra-



tulations to R. NEIGHBOR's wife, INGRID, who was born in Germany and has now received her citizenship papers. If we can only get a few more like her, this country can only get better...Your Co-reporter, SANTO SICILIANO, had a birthday and his family let the old man sleep until 9 o'clock. He had to do his household chores before they would let him rest again...Our fellow worker, L. McDONALD, decided to head back down south for his everyday cornbread and black eyed peas. So, we wish success on your new venture...Another great delivery was made by Reverend G. CLARK. He gave a sermon a few nights back over radio station WOPA, Oak Park, and as usual it was very articulate and quite inspiring. Perhaps J. GORDON, who is taking a course in radio announcing, can take a few pointers from Big George...While on the subject of big men, these guys: R. ROBERTSON, S. KOZMA, M. FIORE, G. CLARK, J. LANE, K. O'FLAHERTY, and L. WILLIAMS might suffer from a big bad cold during the winter months, but it's for certain that they will never suffer from anorexia. Some more big men, in another sense, are our tall men. These guys can all play basketball, with T. PATTERSON (6' 2"), J. WELLS (6' 2"), F. McMILLIAN (6' 7"), R. NANCE (6' 5"), and their center is fire plug C. DAVIS (5' 6"), who, in their last game scored six points when they dunked him in the basket three times...Here is a quote from the lips of TOMMY KING. "CIMMER's ears will rot before his tongue will." Cimmer retorted, "If brains were made of ink, Tommy King wouldn't have enough to write his own name..."BARNEY ROLAND had laryngitis and couldn't speak at all. Oh how the fellows wished I could have gotten it instead of Barney...Seeing Superintendent ED HEATTER leave everyday with a shopping bag, some of the fellows, without mentioning any names, are going to get another one for him so he can at least go home with matched luggage. I know he will blame me...Say, marriage made a change in the life of G. WOODMORE, who spends much of his time taking care of his fish and playing with his electric trains. It sure is a good way to keep young...The boys saw IKE HOUSTON flagging one cold day and on his head they saw a little boy's ear flap cap. Now his son, SERMAYNE, is complaining to his mother that daddy is wearing all his clothes, and the little fellow is only ten...Remember the elephant who is known for his memory? So if you say it, or do it, you can bet we won't forget it and this magazine will print it. So keep talking fellows and you will hear from us next month.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

#### 69TH STREET -

Well, old "Hedda" will try to give you the low down Mrs. YOUNG. Your boy, MICKEY, did it again. TOM McDONALD, who follows him on 59th Street, had a smile from ear to ear when they finally posted new tables. Please take him in hand "Mame"...V. H. CHAMBERS has been called wolf in the restaurant in the a.m. Watch out for Vi, old buddy...GENE HOWE had two weeks of jury duty. He said that it was even better than working...F. STAWINSKI claims, with his bare face hanging out, that his wife gets up every morning to fix his breakfast. He checks before 5 a.m...J. LUCAS, instructor, still is trying to forecast the weather right just once...J. R. DAVIDSON's wife had a mild heart attack. They had just celebrated their wedding anniversary. Sorry, I forgot how many it was, but I know it was a lot...Who is working what, was the word after the clerk's pick. They sure moved around. A big welcome to PRICE and

BROWN who came to 69th...Good old JERRY DUNN finally came back to work after a long illness. We all missed you, Jerry...The CTA credit union election was a big success. TIM MULVEY was elected to the credit committee. MEL TURNER, ED TIERNEY, and ED HIMEL were elected to the board of directors. There were so many prize winners that I just can't list them all. Wouldn't you know it, CHESTER WILLIAMS, former board member, was one of the lucky ones. Let's back these fellows up with our savings so they can make ours the biggest and best credit union of them all...HANK RISCH is back to work after having had his foot broken. He said he was going to take off a little weight and give his foot a break...Our sympathy and condolences to J. LYNCH who lost his wife. We of 69th and the old Cottage Grove Barn extend our deepest sympathy to the family of D. KENNEDY. He was always a fine friend and a grand fellow to know. JIMMY AHERN of the Repair department reports that everyone wishes GUS PAVELKA luck in his new assignment. He is now day foreman at 52nd Street Garage. Gus was day foreman at 69th for two years. GEORGE MORRELL took over as day foreman. He was formerly at 52nd. We wish them both well...MIKE MORRAN, BILL SIEJA, and T. McENAMEY are off sick at this time and we wish them a speedy recovery...BILL BRUNSON and BRYANT MASON are breaking in on repairs. Lots of luck, fellas, and do a good job...To JOE GAMEN down in Florida, and all the other pensioners, we wish you health and happiness for many, many years...How about some news fellows for that poor old mail box of mine? You pensioners drop a line to 69th Street Transit News in my name. This column is and belongs to you.

- Arthur P. Buesing

#### 77TH STREET -

Operator LEVI FOSTER has returned to work after being off ill for about six months. He says he feels fine, and is looking great, too. Transfer Instructor J. LUCAS is also back to work after being confined for two weeks in the hospital...Instructor BURNETT HENDERSON and his wife, DOROTHY, celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary on December 12. Congratulations...ANITA RAWLING, the daughter of Operator TOM RAWLING, was 20 years old on December 13. DEBORAH HICKS, the daughter of Operator JAMES HICKS, was 19 years old on December 1. Hicks' grandson, MARC OUSLEY, was four years old on January 26...Birthday wishes also go out to SAM ANDERSON Jr., December 24. He is the son of "King Drive" ANDY...ALONZO and MATTIE WILSON celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary on December 22...Instructor RAY PRYOR has been appointed to supervising instructor at 77th Street. Operator WILLIAM J. POWELL Jr. celebrated his birthday on December 9, and his son, WILLIAM J. POWELL III, was four years old on December 27...Operator JOHN STOKES has returned to work after a very successful operation...DIANE and CHERYL BRAZIL, the daughters of Co-reporter JULIUS BRAZIL, celebrated their birthdays in December. Diane was six on the 9th, and Cheryl was four on the 30th...We've been trying to find out why Supervisor WILLIAM "Bill" FLYNN is having so much trouble with his car behind the station. Why the tow truck?..."The Mates" are preparing for the big walleye run next month. All you fisherman, are you ready?...By the time a man finds greener pastures, he can't climb the fence.

- Amos Foster & Julius Brazil



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