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News Briefs



New Twist to Calling Stations Wins Praise for Two Conductors

LIKE THE competitiveness between two pitchers when there's a no-hitter going, two South Section conductors appear to be vying with each other for the lead in passenger commendations. The two men, Vernon Robinson (right) and John Wright Jr. (left), have won the favor of passengers because of their humorous and informative announcements over train public address systems. At last count, Robinson had 32 commendations and Wright had 23. But besides that, both men have done such a good public relations job that they have been the subject of articles in Chicago daily newspapers.



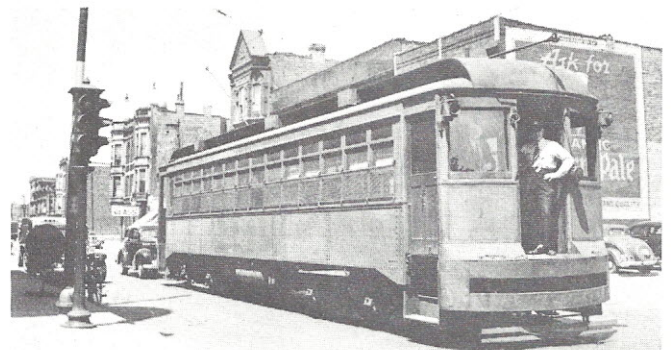
CTA Participates in City Hall Display

DURING MAY, which is Senior Citizen month in Chicago, CTA and other public agencies participated in an exhibition at City Hall. Representing CTA were J. A. Burgeson (pictured here) and R. T. Warnstedt of the Public Information Department, who distributed printed matter relating to the senior citizens fare which recently took effect. CTA's display was prepared by the Training & Accident Prevention Department.

CTA Retiree Named to Chicago Hall of Fame

AMONG THE 100 senior citizens inducted into the Chicago Hall of Fame and honored by Mayor Richard J. Daley was a CTA pensioner. Each of those so honored was nominated by a civic or community organization for contributions made to the community after reaching the age of 62. Robert E. Link, a retired CTA design draftsman, was nominated by the Senior Citizen club of Leaning Tower YMCA for his work in organizing a group to provide glasses for the needy. Congratulations!

Better Late Than Never



THIS PICTURE was received with a thank you to the crew that was kind enough to pose with their streetcar at Harrison & Oakley. It was taken in July, 1938, and although the photographer promised to send the Kedzie Station trainmen a photograph, he has long since lost track of their names and felt he could make it up to them by submitting it to Transit News. The car was numbered "Cook County #1", and it was the only car of its type. It operated between 1918 and 1939 and was classified as a hospital car. The only passengers who rode on its weekly trip were inmates and their attendants who boarded at Cook County hospital and State hospitals at Dunning, Kankakee, and Elgin.

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ENGLEWOOD EXTENSION OPENED

THE ENGLEWOOD rapid transit extension and the new Ashland station were placed in service Tuesday, May 6, the day after the facility was officially opened by Mayor Richard J. Daley and Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent.

The new Englewood transit terminal at Ashland avenue near 63rd street ushers in a new era of passenger convenience for residents of the southwest communities of Chicago. The Ashland station serves the Englewood branch of the North-South rapid transit route. Five CTA bus routes, one an entirely new line, operate to the doors of the station. Rapid transit travel time between the Ashland station and the Loop is 22 minutes.

Designed to be esthetically pleasing and realistically functional, the transit terminal provides direct and convenient passenger interchange between bus and rapid transit. A Park 'N' Ride lot for 250 autos is incorporated in the terminal plan.

The Ashland station replaced the obsolete Loomis station of the Englewood rapid transit branch, one-quarter mile to the east. Built by the City of Chicago, the cost of the \$6 million project was shared by the City of Chicago with two-thirds matching funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Five CTA bus routes were revised to directly serve the facility. Using the canopied bus terminal adjacent to the station building are the 49A South Western, 63 63rd street (westbound only), and 110 Marquette bus routes. Eastbound 63 63rd street buses stop in 63rd street at Ashland avenue. Both 9 Ashland and 45 Ashland-Downtown buses stop at the station in Ashland avenue.

Bus routings of three lines serving the Loomis station were simplified and shortened to yield time savings to passengers and an all-new service was added for the convenience of rush hour riders--the extended 49A South Western route. Descriptions of all five routes serving the new Ashland station are as follows:

9 Ashland—service via Ashland to and from 95th street terminal, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Special weekday service in rush periods is provided to and from 103rd street via Ashland, Beverly, and Vincennes.



CEREMONIES DEDICATING the new Ashland station took place on Monday, May 5, with Mayor Richard J. Daley and Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent officiating. In the top picture the modern facility is being opened with a special key by (from left) Mayor Daley, Alderman Paul M. Sheridan, Mr. DeMent, and Milton Pikarsky, City of Chicago commissioner of public works, as the group in attendance looks on. In the bottom picture, the same dignitaries have boarded a rapid transit train for the trip downtown and are being greeted by Motorman Ronald Tuck.

45 Ashland-Downtown—revised operation via Ashland replaced service to Loomis station. Operates Monday through Friday in rush periods only.

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AERIAL VIEW looking east shows Englewood Extension facilities: (from foreground to background) tail track extending to Hermitage, Ashland station platform, transportation office building, bus terminal, parking lot, and expanded car storage yard.

OUR COVER shows the terminal complex in greater detail.

49A South Western—new service extending weekday rush hour buses north of the present 79th street terminal via Western and 63rd to new Ashland station. In the morning, buses direct to Englewood "L" leave 119th-Western at 6:01 a.m. and every 7 to 8 minutes from 6:13 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. In the afternoon, buses destined for 119th street leave the new Ashland station at 7- to 8-minute intervals from 4:10 p.m. to 6:46 p.m. Reg-

ular 49A South Western service between 79th and 119th continues to be provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

63 63rd street—eastbound service via 63rd as before; revised westbound operation direct to new Ashland station and continuing on 63rd. Operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Limited stop service is provided in weekday rush periods.

110 Marquette—revised operation via Marquette and Ashland to new Ashland station replaced service to Loomis station. Operates Monday through Saturday, 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Special service to and from Pulaski-71st is provided in weekday rush periods.

The Ashland station passenger platform, 22 feet wide and 520 feet long, is covered with a canopy extending over the cars to protect passengers from rain, snow, and the sun's glare. Translucent skylight panels and fluorescent lighting provide brightness at all hours throughout the day and night.

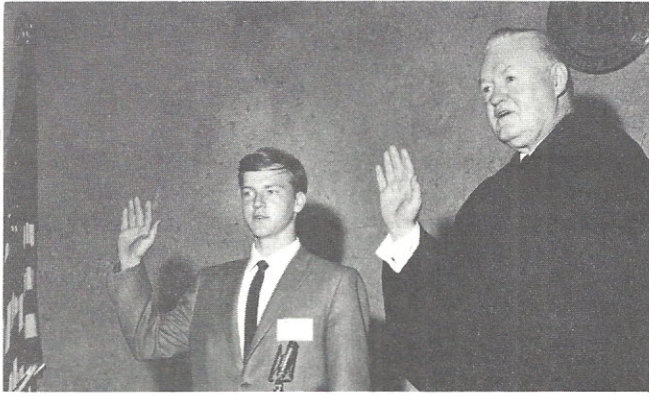
Two escalators provide effortless passage between ground level and the train platform. A passenger control building, where fares are paid, is glass-walled with a multi-faceted roof-canopy extending out to protect and shade in all directions.

A secondary exit stairway from the platform to street is provided on the west side of Ashland avenue for persons boarding southbound Ashland buses.

The modern elevated structure consists of diamond-like reinforced concrete columns, spaced on centers of about 70 feet, supporting the horizontal smooth steel plate girders. A dual-purpose railing-high baffle panel extends along the outside of each track throughout the length of the new structure. The panel conceals the view of the chassis of rapid transit trains from the street and is coated on the train side with sound-absorbent material to alleviate noise. Tracks are mounted on rubber pads, cushioning them from the supporting structure.

Facilities for switching trains are of the most modern type available, with all-electric operating mechanisms. Manual switch control is from a tower at the east end of the office building. When in full operation, the tower will be manned in rush hours only and operated automatically in non-rush hours.

The upper-level of the building near the east end of the Ashland platform is the new transportation office for employees formerly assigned to the 63rd-Loomis terminal. More than 100 employees, including motormen, conductors, agents, janitors, and others needed for operation of the rapid transit route, report to work at the terminal.



Teens Take City Offices During Youth Week

TEENAGERS TOOK over the city government in Chicago on Tuesday, May 13, but their day of reign was a peaceful one.

In all, 34 youngsters stepped into the shoes of city officials for one day during Chicago Youth Week. Among them were Michael R. Hannigan, the son of a CTA employe, who served as the teen mayor and Susan Robin, who was CTA's general manager.

Pictured while being sworn in as mayor by Chief Judge John S. Boyle is 16 year old Michael Hannigan, an honor student at Gordon Technical High school. Michael is the son of Richard Hannigan, South Shops painter.

Sitting at the desk of CTA General Manager T. B. O'Connor is a pretty 14 year old, Susan Robin, a Roosevelt High school student. Mr. O'Connor briefly described CTA's operations before Robin toured the General Offices and Operations Control Center in the Merchandise Mart.

New Supervisory Assignments Affect Three Departments

CHANGES TO supervisory personnel in three CTA departments were announced in bulletins which became effective during May. The departments affected include Engineering, Shops & Equipment, and Transportation.

The reorganization of the Engineering Department effective May 1 resulted in the assignment of former Construction and Maintenance Department personnel to the Track and Structures Division and Buildings and Construction Division. In appointments made by E. E. Olmstead, superintendent of engineering, and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser, T. L. Wolgemuth was appointed superintendent of track and structures, G. Millonas was appointed superintendent of buildings and construction, W. F. Gaedtke was named superintendent of structures, P. J. Minogue became administrative engineer, and P. E. Swanson was named track design engineer.

With the consolidation and reorganization of the South Shops office and Industrial Engineering Division the following Shops & Equipment Department appointments became effective May 23: J. A. Rosendhal, superintendent of material control and clerical procedures; E. W. Larsen, general supervisor; R. J. Blau, supervisor of material handlers; J. C. Cacciato, su-

pervisor of production control; E. J. Evans, supervisor of office statistics; J. G. Jankus, supervisor of material control, and R. L. Kurtz, supervisor of garage clerks.

In a bulletin signed by J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages, and approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops & garages, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops & equipment, the following foreman assignments became effective May 1. J. F. Ward became day foreman of the Campaign Area, F. J. Grimaldi was named night foreman of Kedzie Garage, A. M. Kariolich became day assistant foreman of North Park Garage, and M. M. Smith was appointed p.m. foreman at 52nd street garage.

Transportation department personnel named to new posts at rapid transit system stations effective May 1 include the appointments of M. J. O'Connor as 61st Street station superintendent, J. J. Tvrdik as a.m. assistant station superintendent at Ashland, S. C. Christ as p.m. assistant station superintendent of the South Section, and J. H. Walsh as No. 1 relief station superintendent of the North-South route. The appointments were made by D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, and approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.



47 Complete Training Programs

HAVING COMPLETED training programs in their respective departments, certificates were presented to graduates of the Transportation Department surface system supervisor's class and the Shops and Equipment Department instructor's course.

The 39-man supervisor's class is pictured above. Graduates have been assigned to the pool and are available to fill in as needed when vacancies for supervisors occur.

Members of the class, listed in alphabetical order, are: C. E. Adams, F. C. Bailey, J. Byrd, L. Cahill, E. J. Carey, E. C. Carter, W. E. Caston, I. Clark, S. Daigle, M. J. Dermody, W. S. Edwards, R. Grod, C. W. Hansen, F. Higgins, C. W. Nelley, A. W. Howard, J. Iacono, R. C. Jasinski, S. Kalinowski, C. K. Larkin, F. M. Limmel, F. W. Lorenz, V. N. Lovelady, M. Lukes, C. Lusk, L. A. Majors, G. A. Martens Jr., R. W. Mohler Jr., D. Noncek, J. Plant, R. C. Ripka Jr., D. Simpson, G. Smith, M. Smith, A. Tennelle, E. Tho-

mat, J. R. Vitula, R. A. Williams, and T. Wilson. With the graduates in the picture are J. J. Hemzacek (seated at center), superintendent of surface operations, R. Dagenais (far left), assistant superintendent of surface operations, and T. M. Stiglic (far right), superintendent of instruction.

Graduates of the S&E instructor's course are pictured below with Shops Department supervisory personnel. They are, from left: first row—L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment, M. Warchol, J. LaBellarte, L. Monaghan, J. Hobbs, L. Davenport, P. Lorimer, senior foreman of rapid transit terminals, and H. Doering, assistant to superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals. Second row—J. J. Replinger, superintendent of surface shops and garages, A. Fiorito, senior surface instructor, D. Nicosia, H. Young, G. Barnes, J. Morelli, terminal instructor, and R. Dobbartin and A. Zubor, garage instructors. The eight trainees qualified for the instructor's pool and will be assigned as needed.





Logan, Keeler Win 1st Quarter ISC Awards

STEPPING INTO the spotlight as Interstation Safety Contest award winners for the first quarter of 1969 were two Transportation Department stations which had attained the first place position before--Logan Square and Keeler.

Logan Square, which won the first quarter competition on the rapid transit system with a perfect score of 75.00, won its seventh ISC award. Accepting the

quarterly plaque from G. A. Riley, superintendent of operating stations, in the picture at the left is E. J. Heatter, Logan Square superintendent.

Winning the surface system competition with a 55.46 score was Keeler station, the winner of five ISC plaques. In the picture at the right, Mr. Riley is presenting the plaque to S. J. Bitel, Keeler station superintendent.

CORNEBEEF and cabbage topped the menu this year just as it has done in the 22 previous years. And as always, active and pensioned Electrical Department employees turned out in force to honor the year's retirees at their annual dinner. The six new pensioners include, from left, Len Francisco, Gerald Griffin, Frank Jones, Mike Battisto, Joseph Connelly, and Richard Dorgan.



Reservations Still Available for 22-Day Spain/Portugal Holiday

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, is the day when a vacation-bound group of CTAers will board a trans-Atlantic flight destined for Lisbon, Portugal, leaving their cares behind. Upon landing, they will begin a 22-day tour through three countries--Portugal, Spain, and Morocco.

CTA employees (active or retired) are afforded a special rate by traveling in a group. The total trip costs (about \$765, depending on size of group) include

air transportation, reserved hotel accommodations, surface transportation by deluxe motorcoach, and all sightseeing, excursion, and admission fees.

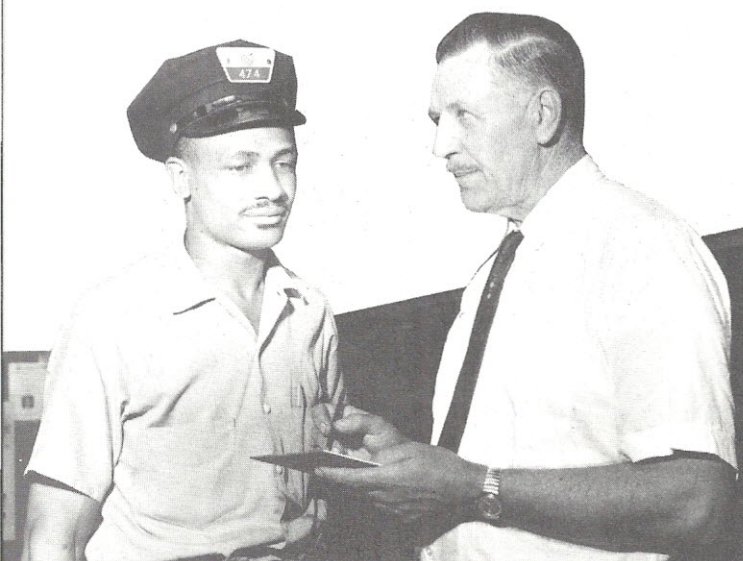
As time for making reservations is growing short, employees should send in their deposit as soon as possible. Complete information may be obtained by writing Miss Jane Mitchell, Chicago Transit Authority, Room 734, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

QUESTION:

What is the most humorous incident you can recall from your early days in transit?

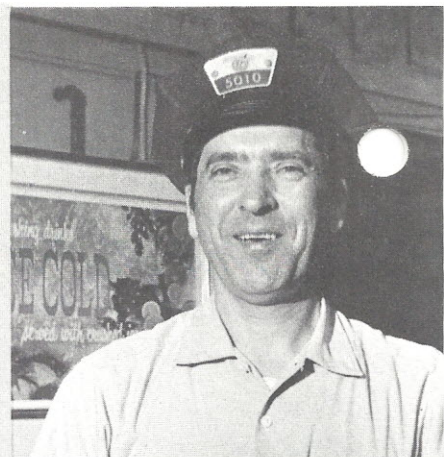
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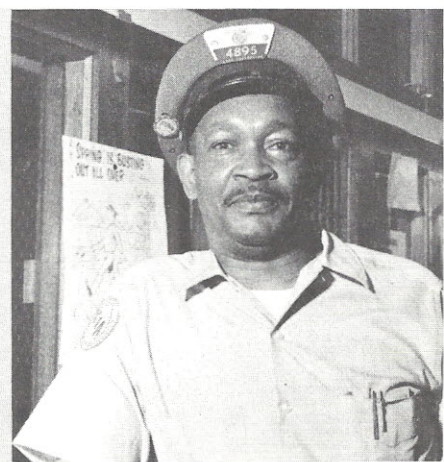


WADE SIMMONS, operator (with Reporter Bill Miedema): "On the second day that I was on the street by myself, I was rushing picking up a group of people at a corner. A lady gave me a dollar bill--I punched it and gave it back."

LOUIS FORD, operator: "In 1949 I was working as a conductor when a man got on with a bag of live chickens at Roosevelt & Halsted. Well, all of a sudden the bag came open and the chickens were flying all over the streetcar. It was a hysterical sight as the passengers tried to catch them."



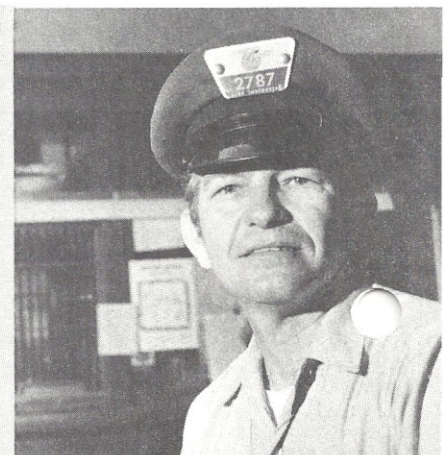
THOMAS PHILPOTT, operator: "In my early days I waited at a relief point to make a relief when I was supposed to pull out. I found out in a hurry when the run was overdue."

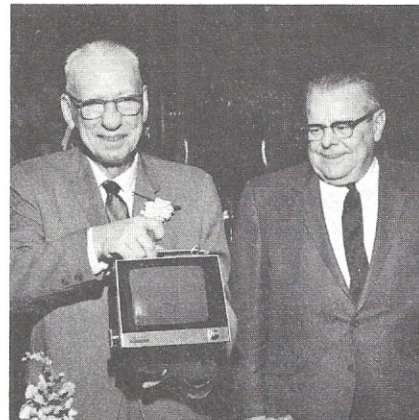


W. H. FREDERICKSEN, operator: "I was working the Milwaukee avenue cars years ago when we stopped to take the switch at Milwaukee & Desplaines. I held the hand switch and the car went right on without me as the motorman forgot to stop. Fifteen minutes later he came back and said, 'What happened'."



EDWIN AGUAYO, operator: "I remember most the time when I ran out of running time on Austin avenue because I didn't make a left turn. I realized too late that I was on the wrong street."





Three CTA Retirees Honored

THREE MEN, all of whom were in supervisory capacities, were among employees whose retirements became effective May 1. They are Richard W. Meisner, Raymond A. Hynes, and Russell J. Shanklin.

All three are pictured above at the time of their retirements receiving congratulations and best wishes from their supervisors. In the picture at left, Mr. Meisner is shown with Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn. In the center picture, Mr. Shanklin is shown with Operating Manager C. E. Keiser. In the picture at the right, Mr. Hynes is with Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi.

Mr. Meisner, who retired as South Section station superintendent on the rapid transit system, started with the former CRT as an extra guard in March, 1926. He left the service of that company in 1932, but returned in August, 1936, working first as a station watchman and subsequently as a trainman, towerman, and yard foreman. He became a supervisor in 1951

and assistant station superintendent in 1960. Mr. Meisner was appointed South Section superintendent in December, 1963, the position which he held until the time of his retirement.

A registered professional engineer and graduate of Purdue university, Mr. Shanklin joined the Chicago Surface Lines as assistant engineer of the Track Department in October, 1937. He subsequently served as general foreman and division superintendent of that department until 1948 when he became assistant superintendent of buildings. Mr. Shanklin was appointed superintendent of buildings in 1962 and superintendent of construction and maintenance in September, 1966, the post which he held until his retirement.

Mr. Hynes started with the CSL in September, 1946, as a clerk in the Public Information Department and served in various capacities until his appointment as supervisor of Office Services in January, 1952, the position which he held at the time of his retirement.

GUESTS OF honor at the annual Engineering Department retirement dinner on Thursday, May 8, were members of that department who retired during the year ending May 1, 1969. Pictured here with the year's retirees is Superintendent of Engineering E. E. Olmstead. The group includes, from left: G. Martini (Track), A. Vittorio (Build-

ing), R. Gamperl (Building), A. Franciscovich (Track), J. S. Ruzich (Track), J. D. Retzler (Building), Mary Isbrandt (General Office), Mr. Olmstead, C. G. Manthey (Building & Structures), R. J. Shanklin (Construction & Maintenance), J. J. Boccio (Track), J. Guarin (Building & Structures), and F. Mandarino (Track).



THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD LEGS AND FEET TO GOOD HEALTH

RECENTLY THERE have been several articles printed in Transit News about the relationship of exercise to good health. Unquestionably, exercise regulated to patients' tolerance is beneficial.

Not long ago, articles on our hands and jogging appeared in this column. Judging by the comments, both were of interest to many of our readers. Therefore, it was thought that an article on the legs and feet would be equally worthwhile.



MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,
CTA Medical Consultant

Many years ago an eminent physician stated that good circulation in the extremities was an indication of good circulation in the brain. In other words, having a good understanding is a prerequisite to good health.

Just a word about the anatomy of the lower extremities might improve our knowledge of this subject. The hip bones, which form the pelvis, meet in front at the pubis. Each articulates with the upper part of the sacrum (lower end of spine) behind. The femur is the bone of the thigh; it articulates with the hip bone above and with the tibia below. The tibia and fibula are the bones of leg between the knee and ankle and they articulate with the bones of the foot. In addition to the bony structures of the legs, there are muscles and ligaments holding the bones together. There are also arteries and veins to supply the circulation and various nerves which help to coordinate movement.

The main function of the lower extremities is to maintain correct posture and locomotion of the body. This part of the anatomy is responsible for transmission of our body weight to the lower extremities.

Locomotion is an extraordinarily complex function. Walking is a laboriously learned, almost completely automatic activity. This activity is dependent upon reflex patterns resulting from stimulation of a variety of tactile, ligaments, joint and muscle-tendon nerve endings. Disturbances of gait are important signs noted in many central nervous system disorders. The pattern of walking may be altered by many factors. These include habit or style (pigeon toed and toe-out), flat feet (weak arches), poor posture, overweight, footwear (high heels), and individual differences in coordination.

From the above, the importance of good legs and feet is very apparent. They enable people in all walks

of life to work and play depending on their occupation. They make it possible for businessmen to carry on business and ball players to carry on their sports and thereby provide a living for their families.

Some medical authorities believe that the creeping an infant does is essential to the normal development of the brain. It creates proper coordination between the brain and the body and muscular systems. Moreover, these men have found that a child who does not have adequate creeping activity may develop the same symptoms as a child with actual brain damage, including limited abilities to read, write, and walk. If this is true, all of us should keep creeping or carry out some form of exercise to maintain the muscle strength and good circulation of our legs.

Some of the more common disorders of the lower extremities are: hardening of the arteries, diabetes, arthritis, neuritis, sciatica, varicose veins, fractures, and sprains or bruises of the hip, thigh, lower leg or foot.

Some of the disabling disorders of the feet are corns, calluses, bunions, gout, weak arches (flat feet), and various circulatory diseases. Space limitations prevent the detailed discussion of this subject.

Because good legs are so vital to good health and long life, it behooves all of us to take good care of our legs.

A few fundamental rules are: Protect the lower extremities by keeping them warm, dry, and clean. Be alert to avoid accidents which may result in severe sprains, fractures, or even amputation. Wear proper shoes to avoid friction, sores, or tumors. Adopt the right exercise program for yourself according to age and physical tolerance. This activity might be creeping, walking, bicycling, or jogging. If you are unable to do this see your personal physician.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Payroll) -

We extend our deepest sympathy to ROSEMARY KENNY whose mother, Mrs. HELEN EME, passed away April 11 after a long illness...Sympathy is also extended to ANN ANGST, Voucher, on the passing of her sister, Mrs. ROSE PAULI...We welcome YVONNE ZAJAC and ROBBIE JONES into the Payroll Department...Two recent visitors to the Island of Jamaica in the West Indies were JOANNE PARIS, Payroll, and RUTH HAVLIK, General. Joanne went to Jamaica by way of Miami and the cruise ship Starward, and Ruth via air by way of New Orleans. Both girls toured the island by car and agreed it is a lovely place and worth visiting again.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

This month we salute and tip our hats to Clerk JOHN KIRBY and all the operators who helped in the CYO campaign. We send thousands of kids to summer camp who otherwise would roam the streets and probably get into trouble. Two of the hardest workers for the CYO are Operators DEL CARSON, Grand Knight of Queen of Martyrs, and ART PINELLI...Operator J. (5005) JONES won the "beauty" contest in the spring uniform inspection. He even had a new cap with a wire in it which made him look "super kool"...We express our sympathy to the following families: Pensioner ELMER BALLOK in the loss of his wife, ART KRICKAUS whose wife who also passed away, and LEROY LILLY whose father-in-law died. During the last month we also lost two fine operators whom we worked with everyday. It was a shock to hear of the sudden death of Operators FRANK RHOMBERG and JOSEPH BALNIS. We will miss Frank and Joe, and I am sure their passing will awaken and remind us of the short visit we have on earth. This is an appeal from your scribe, please turn out for the wakes of our departed brothers. When you see a death notice at the depot, let's turn out in a group of at least 50 men and show our respect. Thanks, fellows...Operator GEORGE (Civil Defense) SCHELTZE is beaming as he is a grandpa for the fourth time...Supervisor FRANK McGLYNN was a little disturbed when relief Supervisor MARTIN turned up with a bandage on his pencil finger. Calm down, Frank, for we all love your sweet hello...Thanks to BILL WINTERS of the General Office for the name plates he made up for the La Rabida Council, Knights of Columbus...We received a wonderful letter of thanks from Tinley Park State hospital. We pass the thanks on to Operators CHARLIE DAVIS, JOHN METKE, BEN THOMAS, Pensioner MICHAEL LAVIN, and to Operator IRV WEILER's wife, CINDY. We are sure it will make you feel good inside to know you helped those who can't help themselves. God bless all of you.

- Tom Daniels

CLAIM -

Congratulations to ROBERT and MARY McVEA, who made JIM McVEA a happy grandpa when little JENNIFER ELIZABETH was born on April 7. RICHARD and LEWANA REDDING have a new grandson, THOMAS RICHARD, who

arrived April 1...We were recently visited by four of our pensioners, HERMAN WIRTH, ARNOLD GUSTAFSON, FLORENCE GRAY, and HARRY LAWRENCE. They all looked very good and it seems their retirement hasn't been too hard for them to take...ELEANOR GARRO and her niece, ANDREA BERG, recently returned from their vacation. They flew to Williamsburg, Virginia, and from there to Washington, D.C., where they visited monuments, President Kennedy's grave, and the tomb of the unknown soldier. While at the tomb of the unknown soldier, a class from New Trier High school placed a wreath on the tomb. Eleanor was telling us Andrea never cared too much for elevators and we wondered how she liked the jets. We understand she loves to fly and hopes to fly wherever she goes...Congratulations to SAM VAUGHAN, locator, who was formerly vice president and was elected president of his community organization, the Maple Park Homeowners association.

- Peggy Hallahan & Shari Pupa

CONGRESS (Agents) -

Receiver J. MIDDLETON and his wife, BARBARA, became the proud and happy parents of a baby boy, STEPHAN DAVID, on April 22. Their four other boys, ANTHONY, 9½, MICHAEL, 7½, DWIGHT, 6, and CAMERON, 2, were delighted to hear they had a new brother...Supervisor ARTHUR SIMS and his wife are getting ready for that vacation in Nova Scotia in the early part of June. Art plans to do some fishing...PATRICK DOYLE went to Pennsylvania to visit a lifelong girl friend...JAMES NASTI is in McNeal hospital in Berwyn recovering from a heart attack and is doing very well...Clerk ADAMS, Desplaines, is recovering from a heart attack. He's doing very well and we hope to see him soon...Agent CHARLES SNIDER is still in the hospital as a result of a mishap. The nurses are starting to lose their glamour, which is a sure sign he's getting better...In the early part of June, HELEN SHANNON will be a lady of leisure motoring in and around Ireland and England...We were sorry to hear that Pensioner JOHN HART passed away. John and his wife were dedicated to making the children out at Mooseheart happy...Agent VALERIE THOMAS and her husband, Operator BENJAMIN THOMAS of Beverly Depot, are proud of their son, BENJAMIN, who will graduate from the Bond school in June. The young man's ambition is to become an electronics technician...Agent JOSEPH VANEK is recovering in the Oak Park hospital from an appendectomy. He'll have a lot of new jokes to tell when he gets out...Desplaines Avenue Clerk THOMAS GUNN remained in town during his vacation but he and the family went to a lot of places.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

GEORGE CHRISTENSEN's son, EDWARD, returned home from Viet Nam on April 20 and was surprised with an early discharge of five months. He was married on May 10 to Miss SHARON SCHMITT of Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Best wishes for the future to you both...BERNADETTE KIZIOR spent a week in Key Biscayne, Florida. She thoroughly en-

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joyed herself. She and her sister, JEAN, bicycled around President Nixon's home but the area was restricted... MARIE HAVLIK spent a couple of days in New Orleans and then went on to Jamaica where her entire family was meeting...Mr. KUTZ and his son drove to Hot Springs, Arkansas. They golfed, swam, and relaxed. Mr. Kutz's son will be graduating in June from De Kalb and take a job in Seattle, Washington, as an electronics engineer.

- Donna Kaminski

(Blue Island) -

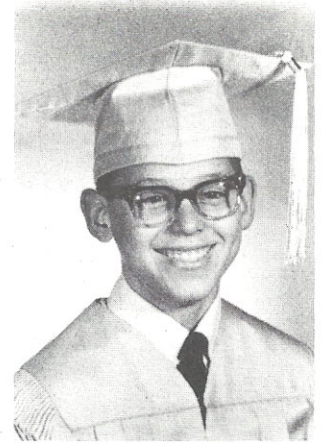
Well, the 23rd annual corned beef cabbage dinner was a huge success, thanks to the dinner committee consisting of H. COYNE, R. DORGAN, C. MALOTTKE, K. MIKOTA, R. FERGUSON, H. ANDERSON, R. BIENIASZ, S. CHARLETON, W. BECKMAN, B. JAUMAN, R. TAUSCH, L. ANASENES, S. DOBOSIEWICZ, and the late WILLIAM KOPKE who was a work horse for the dinner. The honored guests present were: LEN FRANCISCO, JOSEPH NAGRODSKI, GERALD GRIFFIN, FRANK JONES, MIKE BATTISTO, SYLVESTER DANECKE, and JOSEPH CONNELLY. Other retired guests of the Electrical Department present were: G. NELSON, STEPHEN GECAN, D. GRIFFIN, J. MICHNICK, E. PARDELL, N. LARSON, CLYDE PETERSON, C. J. BUCK, L. RASMUSSEN, F. HENNINGSEN, A. RADDATZ, J. BLOOMBERG, H. WEBER, E. BRECHL, H. GEIER, R. WHITE, C. WOLF, J. BERNSTEIN, A. BAGLIN, A. MORF, and J. McCONNIVILLE. Also received a note from C. JACKSON who was unable to attend because he is hospitalized...Also received a note from CARL HOFFMAN who is planning a trip to Hawaii, and a hello to everybody from WALTER M. COLLINS...The month of April was quite a month for babies. MELVIN COOK became a grandfather for the sixth time when NANCY ANN, 7 pounds 10 ounces, arrived on April 27. The proud parents are JANEEN and JOHN DUSEK. Other new arrivals are: STEVEN CARL MICHALSKI, 8 pound son of MARIE and BERNARD MICHALSKI, born April 5; RANDY NELSON, 8 pounds 11 ounces, born April 16 to PATRICIA and RICHARD NELSON, and PATRIC JR., born April 20, to PATRICIA and PATRIC GRIFFIN (do you think he could be Irish). Proud grandfather ARVIN WILMONT welcomed CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON, 8 pounds 8 ounces, on April 11. He is the son of MADELEIN and WILLIAM JOHNSON. WILLIAM McDONALD became a grandfather for the first time with the arrival of TROY WILLIAM, 8 pounds, born to PATRICIA and WILLIAM McDONALD Jr. on April 29...Welcome back to WILLIAM LOOS who has returned from sick leave. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to the following: A. McDERMOTT, L. DONOFRIO, H. LAURICH, and M. FITZGERALD...Our deepest sympathy to the CHESTER CUDEK family on the loss of their son, THOMAS, and to the relatives of CLARENCE MIMMCACK who passed away April 14...The following men had birthdays in April: J. WEGL, J. WIECZOREK, J. DILLON, and S. GAFFEN.

- William Rehder

ENGINEERING—RESEARCH & PLANNING -

The Engineering Department welcomes LOUISE SANDSTROM who transferred from the Public Information Department and replaced JEANNE FITZGERALD as Stenographer I...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. DENNIS PENE-PACKER on the arrival of a baby boy on April 28 weighing 6 pounds 5 ounces. Dennis is a design draftsman...Every-

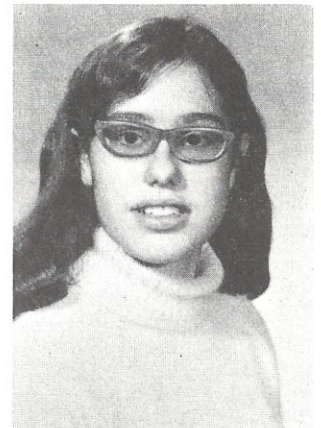
THIS HAPPY young man is MARSHALL IACONO, the son of GRACE IACONO, Research and Planning, and FRANK IACONO, South Shops, who will graduate from Our Lady of Pompeii Grammar school in June and has plans of entering St. Ignatius High school in the fall.



MICHELE DEBORAH ALEXANDER, the lovely daughter of MEL ALEXANDER, editorial assistant, Transit News, will graduate from Thornton High school in June and plans to enter Southern Illinois university in the fall.



THIS PRETTY young lady is LYNN MARIE FITZGERALD, the granddaughter of JEANNE FITZGERALD, Public Information Department, who will graduate from Queen of Rosary Grammar school in June and has plans to enter Elk Grove High school in the fall.



one would like to express their deepest sympathy to the BRUNOD family on the death of DAN BRUNOD, May 5. Dan started at CTA in 1933 and worked in the Engineering Department as a draftsman. His smiling face and good nature will be missed by all...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of NORBERT PIECYK who passed away on April 11. Norm was a transit technician in Research and Planning. His co-workers feel the loss of a wonderful guy and deeply miss him...We are sorry to report that BUD WOOL will be leaving us to work for the Chicago Motor Club. He will certainly be missed by all of us. Good wishes and best of luck to you, Bud.

(West Shops) -

RUSS SHANKLIN, superintendent of Buildings & Construction, retired on May 1. He left amid a whirlwind of parties. On April 25, he was feted at an open house in his honor, which was attended by many of his friends and co-workers. I'm sure the luncheon at the Playboy Club will long stay in his memory, especially, because one of the bunnies graciously presented him with her tail. We mustn't

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forget the party at Slovik hall for him, too. There were other affairs but I couldn't quite keep up with them. Mr. Shanklin was with the company for 32 years. He and his wife are in the process of moving to a heavenly haven on Bass Lake. He said they plan to travel, do some sightseeing, relax, and just take it easy...RUDY GAMPERL, laborer, retired on May 1 also. He had 24 years of service. If anyone remembers the last issue, his partner retired a month ago and Tony was on hand to make RUDY's last day at work a memorable one. Now it seems strange to see other men driving the little yellow buses that Rudy and Tony drove, but we know that both of them are having the time of their lives just taking it easy...To mention vacations, ED HESS, chief clerk, spent a week at Lake Wisconsin with his family. He said he put in a few days of fishing but didn't have much luck. On the way back, they stopped at the Milwaukee Zoo and were quite entranced with an ape that weighed 650 pounds, but was as adept as a human being while peeling his bananas and oranges...A get well and a hurry back to the wife of VIC EISEMANN, steamfitter foreman, who has been in the hospital after an accident at home. We're glad to know that the wife of PAUL ANDERSON, clerk, is out of the hospital and recuperating at home...Your Co-reporter, MARY GALLON, attended the United States Judo championship held at Navy Pier recently. Her brother, who is a sergeant in the Air Force, was in competition for the heavyweight title. John is 6 foot 6 inches and weighs 256 pounds and has a first degree black belt but that wasn't enough to withstand the tough competition he came up against in the tournament. However, it was a most interesting spectacle and Mary took quite a few pictures.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

MICHAEL HOFFERT left us on May 20 after receiving his induction notice. He was a clerk and relief receiver... We had a visit from Pensioner RAY JOHNSON who looks great and invites all of his old friends to drop in and visit, anytime. In case you would like to write, his address is Route 3, Eagle River, Wisconsin...On April 21, the grandson of Operator REINHART, LARRY ODDO, and his wife, KATHY, gave birth to THERESA ANN, an 8 pound 4 ounce baby girl. This makes the "Gray Ghost" a great-grandfather...The traveling TIGNACS had a grand time on their last trip, but I didn't see any new shirts. He was going to bring yours truly one. Oh well, better luck next time...The annual Division 241 golf tournament will be held on Monday, July 14, at St. Andrew's Golf club. Tickets for golf and dinner are available from the committee at the station. In addition, there will be an award presented to the top golfer of this station who will be determined at the finish of the tournament. He will be hailed as Forest Glen golf champion of 1969. So all you dubbers get out and start practicing for the big show...The Forest Glen credit union is ready to serve you in your financial needs and counseling. See treasurer TED GALUS for fast professional service...On the sick list at this writing are JOE MOLLO, GENE MAZUR, and BART DAVIS...Pensioner "Lefty" FRANZIO is in the hospital and at this writing is coming along fine. Operator WALTER BLIX brought his wife home from the hospital and says she was really missed. I guess Walter had to do all the house cleaning for a change...The wife of Operator TOM MEAGHER just entered the hospital. Let's hope that all those who entered the hospital and those who were released are well on the road to recovery...We are all look-

ing forward to seeing STEVE PANTOS in about a month when he gets a leave from the army. Of course, I don't know how they will get along without him for several weeks.

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

KEDZIE -

It's always good to hear from the men who have taken their pensions. I received two cards from retired Repairman MICK PAPPAS and his wife, MARGE, who are driving through Florida spending some of his pension money and just enjoying themselves. They stopped and visited GLENN COOLEY, former assistant boss of the repair department. Mr. Pappas says hello to everyone at Kedzie, and a special hello to TED HEFFERNAN of the credit union...RAY WASHBURN, who is now on disability, says hello to everyone at Kedzie. Ray was a motorman who joined the CTA police force...Operator JACK WILLIAMS is taking his pension on May 1. Jack started his transit career in 1929 as a conductor at Archer Depot. He then transferred to Kedzie where he was also active in our credit union. He was an election commissioner for Division 241 for 12 years. Jack will drive to Burley, Idaho, to visit his sister and then continue on to California. To Jack and his lovely wife, BERNICE, we wish you many years of happiness. They have a son, JAMES, and a daughter, ARLENE, and two grandchildren to keep them busy...On our sick list as of this writing are Operators CAIN and PATELLARO. We hope to see you both back on the job soon...Your reporter's wife, Mrs. C. GRAHAM, is in the hospital going through a series of tests and x-rays. She's doing very well, and I want to thank all who asked about her, and also those who called the hospital. I am hoping she'll be home soon, as the house isn't the same without her...Instructor JERRY KNOPF says the operators are slipping on their Defensive Driving habits. So, let's all strive just a little harder and cut down on accidents...Operator and Board Member WILLIAM LARSEN and his lovely wife, JOSEPHINE, had their daughter and granddaughter, REGINA, in from Virginia and spent a week with them. The thrill of it all was that it was the first time William had seen his granddaughter. His wife went to Virginia when Regina was born, and now they both stand in the rank of grandparents which they're proud to be a part of.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

How sweet it is! We are number one, again! Hey, fellows, we have won the Interstation Safety Contest for the first quarter of 1969, so keep those belts loose for the hot coffee and donuts we will receive pretty soon. Well done... I received a beautiful postcard from a very fine gentleman and humble servant of our company, and it just happens to be Station Superintendent S. J. BITEL. The Bitels are enjoying a most luxurious vacation on the sunny shores of Daytona Beach, Florida. Hurry back, boss, so you won't miss out on the coffee and donuts...Operator LARA O'BLI-TAS returned to Bolivia to marry his old sweetheart. Maybe there is a moral behind that--there's no love like first love. Congratulations, congratulations, twice...Operator PAUL DANIELS and his wife, RUBY, will celebrate their 11th wedding anniversary on June 5, and their daughter will be enjoying her 10th birthday on June 24...Garageman RON DONNELLY, former operator, has returned from Archer. Welcome back, Ron, we can always use a good man...Oper-

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ator and Mrs. JOHN McGHEE are elated over the achievement of their son, PAUL, who was elected vice president for finance of Tulane university student senate in New Orleans, Louisiana. Paul is a graduate of Albert G. Lane High school where he was an active member on the track, football, and wrestling teams. He attended Grambling college for a year before transferring to Tulane. He is a junior honor student. We all share with the McGhees the pride and joy in the accomplishments of their son.

- Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

LAWNDALE -

There was a wonderful turnout for the March communion and breakfast of the Little Flower Society with that good Irish soda bread and all the trimmings. Best of all, was to meet old friends and have a chit chat. If you haven't joined, there is still time to get your dollar in to the committee... BILL KLECKA and JOE RIHA went on a fishing trip to Greer's Ferry Lake in Arkansas and came back with a good suntan and a good catch of fish...Speaking about a good suntan, CHARLIE STOLCPART really has a doozy. He was in to see us from St. Petersburg, Florida...JERRY PROCHASKA and WILBER ALLEN were also in to see us and are looking great. I think these pensioners are drinking from the fountain of youth...Our deepest sympathy to the families of MARTIN HAUGH, repair, who passed away in April; N. PIECYK who passed away on Sunday, April 13, and JOHN MACHESKAP who passed away on April 11. He is the father of Supervisor ED MACHEN...Once again the White Sox management favored us with two free games, May 17 and 18. The card read, you can bring your wife or girl friend with you. I hope none of you brought both...See you later.

- Larry Keating

LIMITS -

Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his wife, SOPHIE, had a most enjoyable vacation down in sunny Florida. While there, they visited former Superintendent HERMAN ERICKSON who took them on a sightseeing tour. Herman is enjoying his pension to the fullest and sends his best regards to all the men at Limits...Instructor ART TABEL and his dear wife, LAVERNE, motored to Dixon, California, where they saw their new granddaughter. Congratulations to the proud parents and also to grandma and grandpa...JAMES FERGUS, the son of Operator FERGUS, has been promoted to the office of chairman of the membership committee for the Air Lines Pilots association. Congratulations to this fine young man...EDWARD SOUVIGNY, the son of Operator SOUVIGNY, is back for the second time after a tour of duty in Viet Nam. He is now stationed in California where he will spend some time before returning to the far east...We are happy to see S. TUREK back to work again after being off for some time due to illness...HERMAN TRIMUEL and his dear wife, BETTY, celebrated their first wedding anniversary on May 4. Congratulations, folks, and may the coming years be equally as happy as the first one...Our sincerest sympathy to E. FEDEROWICZ in the loss of his sister, LILLIAN OLEJNICZAK, and to Instructor ART KRICKOW in the loss of his dear wife...Operator ROBERT SMITH died suddenly last month. He left a wife and eight children. Our sincerest sympathy to his family.

- R. S. Benson

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Your former scribe, HELEN PALLISTER, took her pension on June 1. We all hope the years ahead are filled with much happiness for her, and we hope to be hearing from Helen often...People of the West Side--I was asked by Helen to take over this column, but I will need your help to make it interesting and informative. Let's see teamwork in action. If there is anything you wish to inform your fellow employes about, please let me know. My home station is Randolph-Washington-State...It is good to see BILL McNALLY back to work after a long illness. As of this writing, GEORGE ROHUBER and EUGENE BEEBE are still on the sick list. Hope you boys are feeling better...EMMA COX's husband gave her a color TV set to make up for that honeymoon they were unable to take...Vacation time is upon us again. Let's hear about those wonderful trips and weeks in the sun.

- Katy Moriarty

LOOP -

May was party time at the MARY WIXTED home when three of her children celebrated birthdays. Here's hoping that all of you had a wonderful day. I'm sure Mary saw to it that each had a happy birthday. A few extra checks would have helped. How about it, Mary?...Agent M. HAASE is very proud of her two grandchildren. BONNY, who is 2½ years old, is full of fun and tricks, and little DEBORAH JOY was born on April 18 at McNeal hospital where she weighed in at 8 pounds 2 ounces, says grandma. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. JAMES HAASE. Jim is a receiver at North Avenue. Mora has pictures of these two little dolls in her booth. Congratulations to mom and dad and also to grandma. Mora is expecting another grandchild around August or September...It is good to see Agent BILL McNALLY back on the job after spending several weeks in the hospital. The last week he was there he got a new roommate--Agent GEORGE ROHRHUBER. We hope George is in the best of health by this time and back to work... Agent M. FILIP left the Loop and is now working at Oak Park-Lake. Hope you like your new station...On May 5, Trainman CORNELL WINSTON received a thank you from a blind man he escorted across the street at Austin. Many people went by but none would help him. Cornell assisted him across, into the station, and onto his train and pleased the blind man greatly. Thank you, Cornell, for being so kind...Agent W. STRASSER and his wife, HAZEL, just re-

THIS FASHIONABLE trio includes, from left, DIANA, TONY Jr., and DAWN MARIE RITROVATO, the children of TONY and REGGIE RITROVATO, pictured after Tony Jr. made his first holy communion. Tony Sr. is a Claim Department statementman.



turned from a three-week vacation to Denver, Colorado. They also visited Dodge City and old Front street which is a replica of the original frontier street. Wilbur spent a few days in Central City looking for gold but said he had no luck. Wilbur and Hazel's little granddaughter, CANDY CARR, who is four years old, was quite excited because she appeared on TV with Bozo of Bozo's Circus. Grandma and grandpa were also excited watching little Candy on TV. ..Several part-time agents are returning for the summer and we welcome them back...There are so many new agents around the Loop, it's hard to meet all of them. So if you have a birthday, wedding, graduation, or death in the family, write it down and send it to M. DOYLE, Transit News, Lake Street office, Forest Park, c/o D. DOYLE. It's vacation time so let us in on some of the nice and interesting places you are planning to visit or already have been to. Even a funny little story about someone working around here as it is all in fun and we all enjoy a laugh now and then...Agent G. PECHOUS is now on pension and enjoying it very much. Agents turning in at Lake-Randolph sure miss you, George. Now you can take it easy with no running to make that Lake train. How about that!

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

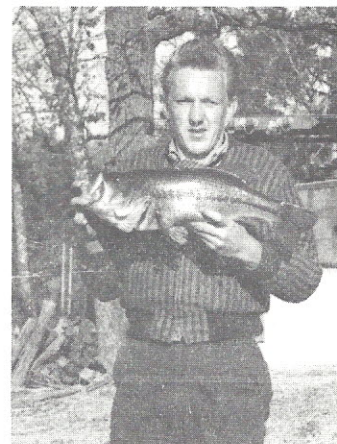
Receiver JAMES HAASE and his wife, DARLENE, are the proud parents of an 8 pound baby girl, DEBORAH, born April 18 at McNeal Memorial hospital. Congratulations to the new parents and baby...Collector TONY GLOPPE had a birthday party for his father, INGRALD, on March 30, his 95th birthday. We extend our best wishes for health and happiness...We are happy to report that JOHN GRIMALDI, the son of Assistant Day Foreman FRANK GRIMALDI, was discharged from the armed forces on April 25 after serving in Vietnam. The homecoming was celebrated with a family gathering...Clerk ARTHUR OLSEN went to Pompano Beach, Florida, and visited with former Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his wife...Operator BILL BLUME spent his vacation at Fort Myers, Florida, playing golf and getting lots of rest...We received a card from former North Avenue Operator JERRY KLAMP and his wife, URSULA, who now live in California. They spent their vacation in Germany and send greetings to all...Our May 1 pensioners are Operators PAUL DAVIS and HANS HABBESTAD, and Janitor WILLIAM NAUGHTON. We wish them the best of everything. Be sure and let us hear from you, boys...We are interested in all of your news items and hope you will drop them in the box. We have no way of getting them unless you give them to us. Several men have been helpful giving us the news they have, and we thank them, but we need your cooperation if there is something you'd like to let your fellow workers know about...Our deepest sympathy to the families of Pensioner HARRY HEIDE who passed away on April 6 and was laid to rest on April 8 at Eden cemetery, and Operator JERRY VANEK who lost his wife recently...We hope you all have an enjoyable 4th of July weekend. However you spend it, be careful and come back safe and sound.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

The Little Flower communion and breakfast service held on Sunday, March 30, was well received by the men of North Park. Leading the group attending were: Pensioner

WHEN HE says it was this big, Operator CHARLES STROCKIS, North Avenue, can prove it. He is pictured here with the six-pound bass he caught with a twin spinner while fishing in Bull Shoals, Arkansas.



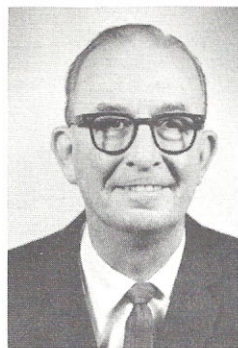
JOE GRASSL, MIKE PHILBIN, DAN MALONEY, ROY RAPP, JOHN KARASEK, NICK MUENCHEN, TONY GRANAHAN, and JOE VAN DEN EEDEN. Operator Dan Maloney won a beautiful statue in the door prize drawing...With the coming of summer all operators are cautioned to be alert for children who will be out of school and playing in the streets...Operator KAZ YAWORSKI has a Skamper trailer which sleeps eight people and is available for anyone needing a trailer this summer...The following personnel from North Park won beautiful door prizes at the 17th annual dinner of the Friends of Assumption church held Tuesday, April 15, at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart: Operators JORGE SALGADO, ED McDONALD, and TIM HEANEY, the son of Operator DON HEANEY. Mr. F. C. PALILUNAS, CTA Revenue Accountant, was introduced around our tables by LOU BIELSKI, and his visit was enjoyed by all...Pensioner MARTIN DEVANEY and his wife, PEGGY, along with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. HENRY PETERSON of Manistique, Michigan, had a grand time visiting with Pensioners ART and RUTH MUIR and FRANK and MYRTLE HESS of Forsyth, Missouri. Martin, it is reported, showed everyone how to catch trout and the folks are looking for him to return soon so that he may reveal a few secrets...Mrs. JUNE MOREAU, the wife of Clerk JACK MOREAU, vacationed with four friends at Acapulco, Mexico. Highlights of the trip were visits to the bull fights, shopping in Mexico City, and a deep sea fishing excursion in the Gulf of Mexico. Jack and his two daughters had their first separation from June in 29 years...Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, vacationed in Florida. On the agenda were visits to Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Lauderdale, John F. Kennedy Space Center, Daytona Beach, St. Augustine, and the Stephen Foster museum. Larry and Grace were very impressed with the warmth and hospitality of the people of Florida...Operator ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, spent two weeks fishing at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas. Marion caught a trophy Kentucky bass weighing 5 pounds 2 ounces. Sports Afield awarded Marion a distinguished anglers award and a patch for her cap. Roy reports excellent results for the trip...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, spent three days with Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, of Forsyth, Missouri. Pensioner FRANK HESS and his wife, MYRTLE, who reside in the Forsyth Mobile Court, were also included in the fishing and sightseeing trips that were on the agenda. A grand day with Pensioner ED CORDA and his wife, JEAN, of Tennessee Ridge, Tennessee, was also on the agenda. It is a most gratifying experience to see how these grand pensioners are living with their working days behind them.



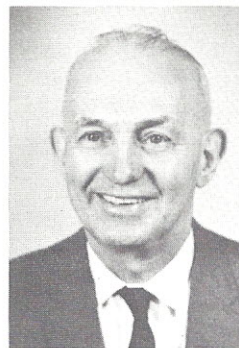
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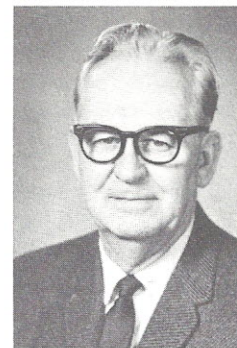
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J. KENNEDY
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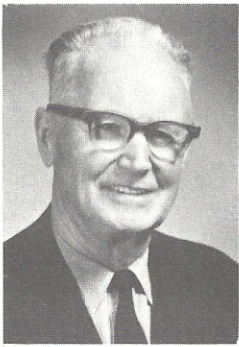
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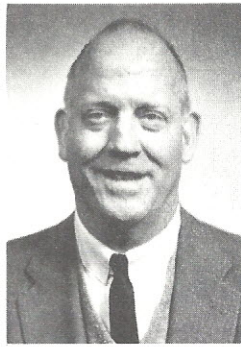
JOINING THE ranks of the retired on May 1 and June 1 are the 15 employees pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each with CTA and its predecessors.

WILLIAM J. BARNES, Record Clerk,
South Shops, Emp. 4-17-34
MILDRED C. BONOMO, Purchasing Clerk,
Purchasing, Emp. 9-1-43
PATRICK BOYLE, Serviceman,
North Park, Emp. 11-7-41
REGINALD J. BURROWS, Motorman,
West Section, Emp. 1-4-26
THOMAS P. CARROLL, Foreman,
Lawndale, Emp. 12-18-29
FRANK L. CULLEN, Janitor,
77th Street, Emp. 6-5-43
WALTER J. DALY, Chief Clerk,
Archer, Emp. 11-1-31
PAUL W. DAVIS, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-25-27
CORNELIUS DE BOER, Equip. Operator,
Util. & Emer. Service, Emp. 4-9-41
PAUL A. DENNEHY, Truck Chauffeur,
Util. & Emer. Service, Emp. 7-2-28
HARRY E. DETTREY, Foreman,
North Park, Emp. 12-11-28
RUDOLPH S. DIBLIK, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 10-11-43
JEREMIAH J. DUNN, Clerk,
69th Street, Emp. 1-8-34
JOHN J. DUNNE, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 2-5-29
ROY D. EGBERT, Elect. Worker,
South Shops, Emp. 7-2-23
JOSEPH M. EIFFES, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 6-24-42
DALLAS O. FOSTER, Repairer,
Archer Tire Repair, Emp. 6-11-42
ANDREW F. GAERTNER, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 5-22-29
JOE T. GAINES, Janitor,
South Section, Emp. 2-27-51
ANTHONY M. GALLO, Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 3-22-42
RUDOLPH GAMPERL, Laborer,
Building, Emp. 8-31-45
ALBERT J. GLUECKERT, Medical Tech.,
Medical, Emp. 11-1-33

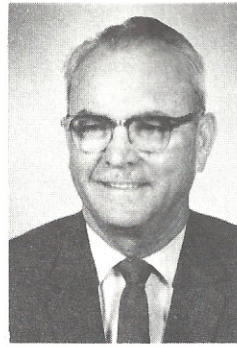
JOHN GRZYB, Carpenter,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 8-2-26
HANS M. HABBESTAD, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 10-31-29
EDWARD M. HAGEDORN, File Clerk,
Claim, Emp. 10-14-29
EARL R. HORSTMAN, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 7-25-27
RAYMOND A. HYNES, Supervisor,
Office Services, Emp. 9-1-46
JOHN KENNEDY, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 5-24-26
WILLIAM KILMARTIN, Conductor,
West Section, Emp. 7-14-28
ARTHUR H. KRAUSE, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 3-10-43
JOHN LENIHAN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 1-8-30
PATRICK J. MALONEY, Repairer,
North Park, Emp. 9-11-44
DANIEL McEVOY, Electrician,
Electrical, Emp. 11-7-33
PATRICK F. McQUAID, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 8-31-36
RICHARD W. MEISNER, Superintendent,
South Section, Emp. 8-13-36
WALTER E. MILLER, Stock Clerk,
North Division, Emp. 10-10-23
KIERAN MORAN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 1-31-29
MICHAEL MUSAYKO, Carpenter,
South Shops, Emp. 7-22-26
WILLIAM F. NAUGHTON, Janitor,
North Avenue, Emp. 5-15-42
LESTER R. NORMAN, Chief Collector,
South Section, Emp. 8-2-43
ESTHER O. O'BRIEN, Secretary,
Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 6-18-23
WILLIAM J. O'BRIEN, Business Representative,
Mach. Union Dist. 8, Emp. 10-5-45
PETER C. OLSZEWSKI, Tractor Operator,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-11-47
ARTHUR D. ORMORD, Foreman,
Campaign Area, Emp. 6-5-23



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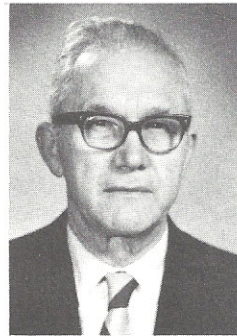
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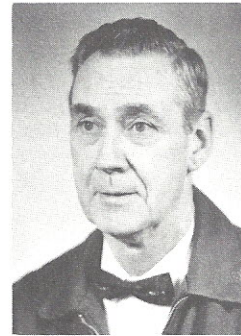
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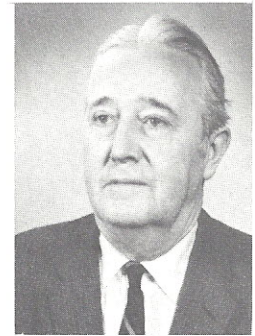
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H. S. SHERLOK
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P. A. DENNEHY
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W. KILMARTIN
40 Years

HELEN A. PALLISTER, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 2-27-54
GEORGE M. PECHOUS, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 7-10-45
WILLIAM C. RAABER, Foreman,
South Shops, Emp. 10-9-28
CORNELIUS RIORDAN, Repairman,
61st Street, Emp. 8-7-28
RUSSELL J. SHANKLIN, Sup't of Constr. & Maint.,
Engineering, Emp. 10-1-37
DENIS SHEEHAN, Serviceman,
Archer, Emp. 12-9-43
JOE SUSMAN, Supervisor,
District D, Emp. 10-3-45
HARRY S. SHERLOK, Operator,
Forest Glen, Emp. 12-1-28
FRANK SPICUZZA, Trainman,
West Section, Emp. 3-13-44
FRANK J. STEINER, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 8-29-45
VERNON D. THORNTON, Blind Case Clerk,
Claim, Emp. 3-13-34
LEO N. TREFF, Investigator,
Claim, Emp. 5-24-34
THOMAS J. TWOMEY, Repairer,
South Campaign Area, Emp. 7-28-47
ANDREW J. TYSON, Shop Clerk,
South Shops, Emp. 6-29-25
GEORGE W. WADE, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 3-10-43

THOMAS P. WALSH, Supervisor,
District C, Emp. 1-23-34
CLARENCE G. WILLIAMS, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 1-29-29
WALTER J. WRIGHT, Assignment Clerk,
Special Investigations, Emp. 9-19-35
JOHN ZURICH, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 9-20-29

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

CHARLES E. BRISOLARA, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 8-5-41
LESLIE G. BYRNES, Janitor,
West Section, Emp. 12-16-46
ANDREW J. CZUBA, Electrical Worker,
Skokie Shops, Emp. 8-20-45
THOMAS DAVIS, Operator,
52nd Street, Emp. 5-2-57
HAROLD E. GERTZ, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-24-37
JOHN L. KEHOE, Electrical Worker,
South Shops, Emp. 7-14-42
WALTER J. O'CONNOR, Repairer,
North Avenue, Emp. 4-17-47
GILBERT J. PANUCE, Conductor,
North Section, Emp. 12-19-47
VIGGO T. WINDFELD, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-8-41

INSIDE NEWS

..Pensioner JOE VAN DEN EEDEN and his wife, CLARA, will be making their home at Hamilton Lake, Michigan, which is located in the upper peninsula of Michigan. Joe's address will be Route 7, Vulcan, Michigan 49892...Airman Apprentice JAMES E. BORK, the son of Instructor JOHN BORK, was graduated from Aviation Mechanical Fundamentals school at the Naval Air Technical Training Center in Memphis, Tennessee...Operator AL KLOPACZ is driving a new '69 LTD Ford now and will be willing and ready to demonstrate it to anyone...Operator LEO STERN has purchased a new '69 Fairlane Ford station wagon equipped with air conditioning and stereo, and the family is now looking for new worlds to conquer...Operator HENRY THELIN can be found on different street corners of Chicago where he is now working as a checker for the Schedule Department. Good luck in your new position, Hank...Mrs. ILAH WILLENBROCK, the wife of Operator ELMER WILLENBROCK, is hospitalized at this writing and in need of blood donors. See Elmer if you can help, as Ilah will appreciate your offers...CHUCK BAKER, the son of Operator SAM BAKER, has been promoted to sales manager of a Los Angeles firm. In his new position, Chuck will cover California, Nevada, Arizona, and Utah. SHELDON BAKER, Sam's youngest son, will enter Columbia college this fall. Sheldon who is finishing his second year at Loop City college, plans to go into television broadcasting and writing...CHRISTINE CHRISTENSEN, the daughter of Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSEN, was elected to the National Honor Society at Foreman High school. Christine, who is 16 years of age, will graduate from Foreman this June and plans for the future are still shaping up...WAYNE BAEUCHLER, the son of Operator LEONARD and VIVIAN BAEUCHLER, became engaged to Miss ELAINE BODE of Glenview, Illinois. The young couple are planning to be married in August, and both will be teaching school in Racine, Wisconsin, this fall...ALAN JONES, the son of Operator GUS JONES, is a patient in Veterans hospital for treatment of Hodgkins disease which he contracted while in the U.S. Air Force. Our prayers are with Alan for a complete recovery...Mrs. ANN JULITZ, the wife of Operator HAROLD JULITZ, was hospitalized at Edgewater hospital for major surgery and at this writing is recovering satisfactorily. Harold is proving to be a genius around the kitchen and Ann will be getting the royal treatment when she comes home...Operator JOE EIFFES underwent surgery for a hernia at St. Francis hospital in Evanston. Joe's passengers along Sheridan road presented Joe with a beautiful wristwatch to help hurry his recovery along...Operator HERMAN WEYLAND became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter, Mrs. JOAN

WALSH, gave birth to a 6 pounds 14 ounce son named PATRICK DANIEL on March 28 at Holy Name hospital...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Pensioner BEN GEACH and his wife, RUTH, their 48th; Pensioner GEORGE HOFFMAN and his wife, ELLY, their 40th; Pensioner JOE GRASSL, and his wife, FLORENCE, their 47th; Operator JACK RUSS and his wife, MARIAN, their 22nd; Operator PETE DOLAN and his wife, ROSLEEN, their 11th; Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRACE, their 32nd; Operator JIM REUTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, their 29th, and Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, their 22nd...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: DAN KAZAR, ETHEL POSNER, MARTIN STERN, BETHEL KIRKWOOD, ROSALEEN DOLAN, Operators SAM POSNER, JOE EIFFES, and Mrs. HALL...Golfers remember the date--Monday, July 14, at St. Andrew's Golf club. Division 241 annual golf day will be held on this date and we are looking forward to all golfers participating in this fine event...Need cash for that vacation? See TONY, JOHN, or DALE at the credit union office and they will be happy to provide you and yours with ready cash...Receiver AL REMACH was hospitalized at St. Joseph's hospital for a hernia operation, and at this writing is recuperating very well. Al, you better leave the lifting of those heavy money bags for CURLY.

Garage chit chat--Repairman FRANK CAHILL spent his spring vacation in the woods of Wisconsin visiting his son. ..Repairman FRANK (The Cat) SCHENDEL has officially welcomed spring by discarding his rubbers...Repairman PAUL (on the ball) SCHREVES is distributing tickets for his annual organ concert...Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE spent his vacation fishing and the results were great...MORRIE won a beautiful trophy at the Union Grove Drag Strip with his 98 Oldsmobile...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH is spending all his spare time at his son's home in Skokie planting their garden which will feature tomatoes and roses...Repairman RED STAUNTON has been laid low again by the flu bug...Tireman MATT HEAVEY is getting many compliments for the beef stews that he is turning out for the lunch hour...HARRY DITTREY and TONY (The Little Wine Maker) GALLO have taken their pensions and were honored with a party at the garage. Our best to these two grand gentlemen.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to the following men who qualified in the supervisor training program. They were: J. ZEPP, A. ZAGEL, H. HORN, T. McDONAGH, J. BLAINE, C. MATH- EWS, W. MANN, J. WASHINGTON, and ARLISS JONES... WILLIAM BLISS, retired ticket agent, called a few weeks ago to say that he is on the go all the time working for the Impact International association, traveling with them to all the conventions. Some people never give up working. He looks good, too...S. CHRIST has been appointed assistant superintendent of the South Section, and J. WALCJWAS has been promoted to North-South relief supervisor...K. RUEHLMANN is in West Suburban hospital at this writing, and JOHN HAMMERSMITH is in St. Francis hospital... CHARLES BRISOLARA has taken a disability pension. Superintendent RICHARD MEISNER, South Section, took his pension on May 1, as did ANDY GAERTNER. Here's wishing them both a long and happy retirement...MINNA KING spent some time in Florida recently visiting relatives... Superintendent JOHN ZUPKO has added another activity to



HELEN PALLISTER - - a ticket agent since February, 1954, and a Transit News scribe since December, 1964 - - retired June 1 and is now enjoying the tranquility of her Salem, Wisconsin, home. The Transit News staff appreciates the job which Helen has done making her Lake, Logan & Douglas (Agents) column such a regular and newsy one, and would like to join her many friends at CTA in wishing her a long and enjoyable retirement.

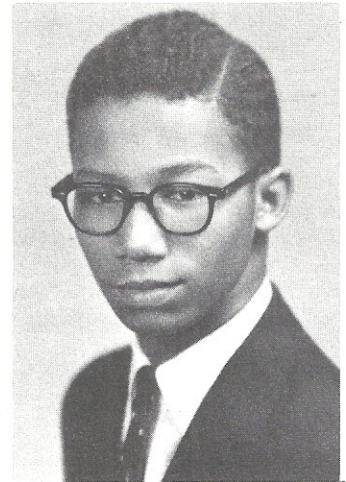
his already busy schedule; he is the coach for a little league team. If you want to see baseball played at its finest, come over to Pottawattomie park...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. MARVIN HARRIS who celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary on May 11...JOHN STILES and his wife had a baby girl on April 15 weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces and named LEE ANN...NORA FAHEY stopped in at Loyola to say hello and looks real good since her retirement...Our sincere condolences to the family of JOHN DURKIN who passed away on April 17...JERRY O'CONNELL, the son of ROSE O'CONNELL, made the National Honor society. Congratulations, Jerry...M. DURCAN is leaving for Europe on May 23, and GERDA MATHEWS is planning to leave on May 29. She will visit her mother and relatives, including an aunt who will soon be 82 years old. Let's pray that they have a safe trip and that it doesn't storm, as Gerda is afraid of lightning...S/Sgt. NORMAN C. MADSEN, the son of your reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, was recently awarded a letter of commendation while serving with the 35th artillery, U.S. Army, in Germany. Sgt. Madsen, who is chief of the wire section in headquarters battery, was cited for his section receiving a 100 per cent on the annual general inspection. His wife, SHIRLEY, is with him in Germany.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

Your scribe decided that it was time that she got into the news, so here goes. I spent two wonderful weeks in Florida at the little white house of JACK and WANDA KRAUSE (my second home). The weather was ideal, in the mid 80's everyday, with only a few showers in the evenings. I went deep sea fishing with Wanda, the NOVAKS (District B), and the PRYORS (Instruction-South Side). At fishing, I got skunked; but I enjoyed the boat ride. If it wasn't swimming in the pool it was swimming in the ocean where I managed to get a beautiful tan. We visited with many former CTA employees and also got together with other vacationing CTA people, namely, LEE DE SUTTER, Specifications, GEORGE MAY, Limits Station superintendent, THOMAS SCREEN, 69th Street Station superintendent, and JOHN THUROW, 77th Street. A total of 21 of us went to dinner at the Viking restaurant in Fort Lauderdale and really had a ball. As for myself, I had a great time, and I think I can say the same for everyone else. I guess I still have the sand in my shoes from my first trip to Florida, because it won't be soon enough until my next trip there and I know that sailfish there is just waiting to be caught by me...RAYMOND DAGENAIS and his wife also chose the State of Florida as their vacation spot, but I'm sorry to say that they weren't as lucky with the weather. The water came down from the heavens in the form of rain most of the time they were in Miami. Mrs. Dagenais made the most of those days by going shopping. They did manage to get out and enjoy themselves on the nice days...WALLY OQUIST and his wife, BETTY, drove to St. Louis to spend a few days with their daughter, SUSAN. They had company with them on their return trip home as their daughter came back with them to visit with her family and friends...Recently, JOE VODVARKA and his wife, MARILYN, spent a weekend at Chula Vista Resort in the Wisconsin Dells with a large group of other square dancers. They belong to a club called the Shaumburg Squares, and GENE SCHAEFER, West Section, and his wife, MYRTLE, represented the Bell Squares. They enjoyed dancing to the calls of Wally Schultz and Max Forsyth all weekend. If you think that they are

JOHN C. STOKES JR., the son of Operator JOHN C. STOKES, 77th Street, has been appointed the first black legislative intern, and is assigned to the democratic senators in the State legislature. John Jr., a graduate of the University of Illinois, Urbana campus, was a political science major and plans to continue his education.



tired from all that dancing, you're wrong, because they can't wait until the next dance. They must have had a real good time as they already made reservations for a return visit to this resort and dancing next year...ART ROEPKE's son, WAYNE, plays the bass fiddle with the Pat Panessa Trio, and from what I hear he is pretty good. Their most recent booking was at the London House, opposite of George Shearing. He has also played with big name bands all around the United States.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

Congratulations to PAUL DENNEHY who retired on May 1. After 40 years and 10 months with the company he will now begin a life of enjoyment and relaxation. Among the well wishers were: J. MULREE, C. BELASICH, P. CARPINO, and E. FEHLHABER...We are happy to hear that JOHN BURNES is feeling much better after an extended illness. He sends his regards to all his friends...During the recent disturbances in Chicago, the National Guard called many men to active duty. Included in this group were H. WOODS and H. McMILLAN.

(Traffic Planning) -

Congratulations to JAMES TOOLIS who was elected president of the Fathers club at St. Lawrence High school for the 1969-1970 school year. It's a big responsibility and a lot of work, but we know you can do it, Jim.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

On April 23 GEORGE CLARK was all smiles. The reason is that he received news from Cadillac, Michigan, of the birth of MICHAEL GEORGE, his seventh grandchild. Congratulations, grandfather.

- Colette Szycepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

After 25 years of combined service with the old CSL and CTA, Miss MILDRED BONOMO, receptionist in the Purchasing Department, retired June 1. Millie spent 15 years working out of the West Shops then transferred to her present position, which she has held for the last 10 years. Mildred has not made any definite plans as to what she would like to do after retirement, but she does plan to remain in Chicago. So, from all of us to you, Millie, have a happy, happy retirement...We would like to express our

recent deaths

HARRY A. ABBOTT, 89, Track,
Emp. 3-18-07, Died 3-27-69
EDWARD J. BECHTEL, 66, Lake Street,
Emp. 7-31-45, Died 3-12-69
JOSEPH J. BOURNE, 64, Electrical,
Emp. 11-18-30, Died 3-17-69
FRANK G. CARLSON, 85, Devon,
Emp. 1-20-12, Died 4-16-69
STANLEY CZAPIEWSKI, 85, North Section,
Emp. 9-14-18, Died 4-21-69
THOMAS DABULSKIS, 72, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-1-27, Died 3-16-69
PAUL C. DAU, 77, Lawndale,
Emp. 12-9-13, Died 3-21-69
WILLIAM DUNNE, 80, Devon,
Emp. 10-23-20, Died 4-7-69
CHARLES W. ENGELDAHL, 80, Track,
Emp. 4-10-34, Died 4-8-69
PETER ENGELUND, 85, Armitage,
Emp. 5-21-13, Died 4-19-69
EMMETT P. FARRELL, 66, Forest Glen,
Emp. 11-22-26, Died 4-17-69
WILLIAM J. GALLAGHER, 72, South Section,
Emp. 6-6-19, Died 3-27-69
CHARLES R. GIERSCH, 63, North Park,
Emp. 2-9-37, Died 3-9-69
FRANCIS J. GILFOY, 56, Logan Square,
Emp. 4-13-39, Died 4-10-69
CHARLES GOLZ, 79, Skokie Shops,
Emp. 7-1-26, Died 3-7-69

THOMAS J. GOUGH, 81, Kedzie,
Emp. 10-30-22, Died 4-1-69
FRANK J. GROLL, 60, Schedule-Traffic,
Emp. 10-12-36, Died 3-12-69
CARL A. GUSTAVSON, 77, Limits,
Emp. 5-27-24, Died 4-27-69
FRED G. HAASE, 76, 69th Street,
Emp. 11-21-22, Died 3-14-69
WILLIAM HANLEY, 73, 77th Street,
Emp. 2-12-23, Died 4-4-69
LOUIS A. HANUSKA, 58, Lawndale,
Emp. 2-9-37, Died 3-16-69
JOHN F. HART, 77, West Section,
Emp. 12-24-12, Died 4-21-69
MARTIN HAUGH, 68, Lawndale,
Emp. 11-12-41, Died 4-3-69
HARRY HEIDE, 67, North Avenue,
Emp. 12-19-24, Died 4-4-69
JAMES W. HESLER, 80, South Shops,
Emp. 11-3-20, Died 4-19-69
LAURA C. HICKMAN, 87, West Section,
Emp. 6-19-35, Died 3-28-69
OSCAR E. JOHNSON, 79, Devon,
Emp. 5-3-16, Died 5-8-69
ANDREW KACHMARIK, 74, West Section,
Emp. 3-2-29, Died 3-31-69
JOHN L. KELLEHER, 82, 69th Street,
Emp. 6-16-20, Died 2-28-69
CHARLES M. KOURI, 69, West Section,
Emp. 9-2-24, Died 4-13-69

deepest sympathy to ZITA GYURICZA of Purchasing on the recent death of her brother, DAN BRUNOD. Danny was a draftsman in the Engineering Department where I am sure he will be missed by all...Mrs. LEE DE SUTTER and her husband recently returned from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where they spent four beautiful weeks wining and dining and basking leisurely in the sun. While there, they visited with WANDA and JACK KRAUSE and ELEANOR and GEORGE KYNASTON who are former employes of CTA...Mr. FRANK MAGUIRE (our man in charge of batteries) and his wife ventured to Sterling, Illinois, to visit their daughter, MARY ANN, and their two lovely grandchildren. From there, it was onward to Omaha, Nebraska, to see their recently married daughter, JUDY, and her husband at Creighton university. Sounds like it was a very enjoyable journey...Our deepest sympathy goes to Mr. FRED LOITZ and his wife on the recent death of his mother at the age of 93...Good "ole" GEORGE LINDEN's oldest son, ALAN, is soon to graduate after serving a four year apprenticeship as a mold maker. Graduation ceremonies will be held at the Carrousel restaurant located in the Arlington race track (two to one he makes it George). Congratulations, Alan, and to the whole Linden family...Mrs. TERESA BARRY has become a grandmother for the fourth time. JAMES ROBERT arrived on April 14 and is the second boy for Teresa's son, PATRICK. All are doing fine, and we can tell by the smile on Teresa's face these days...Well what have we here--seems Mrs. JOAN THOMAS just can't live without us. Here she is back again working in the Stores Department. Joan was with us in the Mart, then transferred to our South Division for a while, then took some time out to welcome a new Thomas into the world, and, well, here she is again. Glad to have you back...After almost nine years of service with the

Stores Department, the amiable Mrs. D. JANE BELL is leaving us to take up her new position with Mr. GEORGE CLARK of the Equipment Research and Development Department. All of us wish you, Jane, the best, best, best! To take over the chores of Jane Bell is Miss CATHY RASCHICK, formerly of the Insurance Department. Welcome to the Stores Department, Cathy!

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

BILL DENTAMARRO was at the Knights of Columbus dinner and was honored with a pin. Bill has been a member for 40 years...We welcome F. HAGINS and H. THELIN to the department as outside checkers, and also welcome J. MAREK as a traffic clerk...CLARK JOHNSON spent his vacation taking some short trips and house cleaning...We extend best wishes to GEORGE JOHANNES and his new bride who were married on April 12. They spent their honeymoon in New Orleans and Florida...HARRY HIRSCH and his family flew down to Florida to visit with his folks...The sympathy of the department is extended to JOHN URBAN upon the loss of mother.

- Kathryn Batina

SKOKIE SHOPS -

Here we are again at vacation time and the bowling season is over. The CTA league of the Drake Bowl was won again by the team of Thomas J. Cooney Sons Funeral Home. The players are WALLY ONYSIO, shopman, HAROLD FRA-

among employes

CHARLES A. KRAUSE, 70, 69th Street,
Emp. 10-7-22, Died 4-18-69
MAX M. LENTZ, 81, Kedzie,
Emp. 8-24-16, Died 3-19-69
GEORGE C. MacINTOSH, 73, North Avenue,
Emp. 6-5-25, Died 4-15-69
ALEXANDER MALCOS, 87, Archer,
Emp. 1-20-26, Died 4-20-69
JOSEPH F. MALIK, 67, West Section,
Emp. 12-31-45, Died 3-8-69
JOHN C. MALLAN, 75, North Park,
Emp. 4-27-26, Died 4-23-69
THOMAS M. MALONE, 79, Devon,
Emp. 7-27-21, Died 4-27-69
WILLIAM E. MANNICH, 69, Loomis,
Emp. 10-11-17, Died 3-30-69
PATRICK McNEELY, 71, North Section,
Emp. 12-17-42, Died 4-4-69
EDWARD R. MILLER, 67, North Park,
Emp. 5-16-24, Died 3-12-69
CLARENCE J. MIMMACK, 73, Electrical,
Emp. 4-10-22, Died 4-14-69
LEROY T. MORRIS, 60, West Section,
Emp. 8-8-42, Died 4-14-69
JAMES MURPHY, 79, Cottage Grove,
Emp. 4-7-43, Died 4-14-69
WILLIAM H. NOFTSKER, 86, West Section,
Emp. 7-7-24, Died 3-14-69
OSCAR OHMAN, 91, Grand Avenue,
Emp. 5-18-97, Died 3-24-69

ALEX PACELUNAS, 85, South Shops,
Emp. 9-7-20, Died 3-11-69
MARIE PETERSON, 59, South Section,
Emp. 12-8-44, Died 3-26-69
ALOYSIUS F. RASZEJA, 63, South Shops,
Emp. 5-19-37, Died 4-21-69
BERNARD ROONEY, 84, Limits,
Emp. 2-28-10, Died 4-4-69
ROY O. SNEEN, 52, Chicago Avenue,
Emp. 2-12-36, Died 3-23-69
NELLIE B. SWEENEY, 90, South Section,
Emp. 12-19-30, Died 4-17-69
CHARLES TOLL, 81, Lincoln,
Emp. 5-11-08, Died 4-6-69
ALBERT TOMCHANE, 69, West Section,
Emp. 6-5-17, Died 4-13-69
CHESTER VAILLANCOURT, 74, Forest Glen,
Emp. 2-26-23, Died 3-29-69
HAROLD J. VANDERVEST, 76, Kedzie,
Emp. 6-25-23, Died 4-17-69
GEORGE C. WAGNER, 55, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-18-37, Died 3-31-69
EDWARD M. WINTER, 78, Track,
Emp. 4-3-24, Died 4-20-69
FRANK WOJCIK, 73, Lake Street,
Emp. 1-9-41, Died 3-7-69
JAMES YARY, 84, West Section,
Emp. 12-9-19, Died 3-1-69
ARTHUR A. ZEISSLER, 79, Armitage,
Emp. 3-23-20, Died 3-29-69

GEL, retired operator, DON TOPOLINSKI, Signal Department, TED NADROWSKI, electrical workers, and EVERETT ENGLAND, clerk and reporter. BEN KERPEN and his bowling team of District "C" gained second place in the B.P.A. at the Drake Bowl with a series of 3,091. Nice rolling, team...ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife, CAROL, are enjoying a week's vacation just here and there...THEODORE NADROWSKI, electrical worker, was hit by an automobile at Campbell and Lawrence avenue. He had a compound fracture of the left arm--his bowling arm. Good luck, Ted...EDWARD REYNOLDS, sheet metal worker, has returned to work after a series of trips to the hospital. Nice having you back, Ed...MARIA VENTICINQUE, typist at Skokie Shops, reports doing real good after her operation a few weeks back. Hurry back, Maria...RALPH DANIELSON, retired foreman, made a nice visit to Skokie Shops recently and he looks wonderful...DAVE JENSEN, retired Skokie Shops carpenter since 1954, paid us a visit at the shops to see some of his old time friends before leaving the states for a trip to Norway. Dave and his wife have been traveling since his retirement, and have seen many places of interest...TED NEINABER, retired engineer, returned to the shops for a visit. Nice seeing you, Ted...HARRY MINGEE, painter, reports he is feeling better but cannot get the OK for a return to work as yet. Hurry back, Harry...Please send in some nice vacation trip news.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

There is so much to write about this time that I better start right in. Our Station Superintendent at 61st Street,

RICHARD MEISNER, went on pension May 1 and everyone wishes him an enjoyable and healthy life of retirement. I'm writing this column with mixed emotions. We are so glad that Mr. Meisner is taking his pension, but we are all going to miss him. He has been a wonderful boss to me and the office force and to everyone on the South Section. First of all, the Loomis Street men had a get-together and lunch for Mr. Meisner and a token of remembrance was presented to him by the Loomis Coffee club. Then the 61st Street Coffee club had their get-together for Mr. Meisner and also for Foot Collector RAY NORMAN and Janitor JOE GAINES who also retired May 1. We had a large crowd with everyone who works at 61st Street in attendance, also Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, Retired Towerman PATRICK HICKEY, supervisors, instructors, guest superintendents from the other sections, Division 308 President JOHN BURNS, and Secretary-Treasurer MICHAEL CRONIN. We had a lunch of hot dogs, cake, and coffee, and a token of remembrance was presented to all three. It was a wonderful send-off for the three new retirees. Ray Norman and Joe Gaines will be missed by all their co-workers. They were excellent employees. A happy life of retirement is wished for all of them...Congratulations and good wishes to MICHAEL O'CONNOR who was appointed station superintendent at 61st Street on May 1 (our new boss), and to JOSEPH TVRDIK who was appointed assistant station superintendent at Ashland avenue, to STANLEY CHRIST who was appointed assistant station superintendent at 61st Street, and to JAMES WALSH who was appointed relief station superintendent. It couldn't have happened to four nicer people...Hooray! Back to work from the sick list are: Motormen FRED GRONEMEYER, and ALEX KOMIS, Yard Foreman WALLACE BROWN, Conductor HAROLD

INSIDE NEWS

DeCUIR, Clerk JOE O'CONNOR, Supervisor JAMES QUINN, and Agent CORRINE DALMAS...More good news--Congratulations to Motorman DARDEN FULLER who was appointed supervisor on May 4...Clerk ROBERT LEE is mighty proud of his seven year old daughter, STEPHANIE, who made her first holy communion on April 20 at St. Kilians church. A family gathering was held afterwards for Stephanie...A hearty hi to transferees from the Surface Division to agents: JAMES JOHNSON, OSBORNE CASEY, and DONALD HOUSTON, and to newly-hired Agent GAYLE LANDIS, and Part-time Agent RICHARD JOHNSON...Mrs. LEO DILLON and family wish to thank everyone for the kindnesses shown to them in their deep sorrow when Agent LEO DILLON passed away recently...Guess who looks so nifty in his new uniform--Badge 21906 at Loomis Street--Conductor MARVIN KISSEL...This was the month for parties. The Spring Agents Pension club dinner was held on April 13 at the Beverly Woods restaurant and a good time was had by all. We had a different room this time and it was real cozy. The food was good and the pensioners looked hale and hearty, including Retired Agents MAE DRISCOLL, GRACE MEEHAN, CATHERINE COLLINS, KAREN FRIDDLE, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, Retired Trowman PATRICK HICKEY, Retired Supervisor BOB BROWN, and many others. It was good to see everyone. Many thanks to Retired Assignment Agents LULU HAMANN and ROSE HEIDENBLUT who work so hard to make these dinners possible...Our sincere condolences to Motorman LAWRENCE MAY on the sudden loss of his brother...Five happy South Section men who were accepted for the supervisors training program are: Motormen DAVID CURRY, BERNARD WILLIAMS, THOMAS HUGHES, DALE SLEDGE, and MITCHELL THOMAS. Good luck to them in their training...Congratulations to Clerk JOHN BARRY whose daughter, PEGGY, was married to ANTHONY MARCINIAC on April 26. A reception was held at St. Mary Byzantine hall...Motorman ALEX KOMIS, who recently returned from the sick list, went on vacation and he and his wife went down to Miami Beach to soak up the sunshine and get a good rest...Clerk JOHN MORAN, Loomis Street, received a passenger commendation recently for helping a passenger in finding his lost legion cap...Motorman and Mrs. JOE DOYLE held a family birthday party for their daughter, PATTY ANN, who celebrated her first birthday recently...Retired Assignment Agent JERE VINZENS is on the go again. She is visiting her daughter and son-in-law in Los Alamitos, California, for a few weeks.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

On May 4 Mr. and Mrs. IRVIN KRAULEDIS Sr. celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary and were honored at an open house party. Their son, IRVIN Jr., came in from California on military leave to help celebrate the occasion which was attended by many friends and relatives. During the festivities, Irvin and Pauline announced the engagement and wedding date of their younger son, PAUL, to DIANE ANIGNONE. Attending from the shops were Mr. and Mrs. RALPH KEANE--Ralph was Irv's bartender--and Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT BURTON. A gay time was had by all...HENRY KOLAR went on a fishing trip to Missouri. He had a great time, catching one of the biggest fish there. Henry received a citation from the state, not for the fish, but for doing 85 miles an hour in a 65 mile zone. Just like him to do everything big. Speaking about doing things big, the

retirement party Kolar planned for MURPHY, carpenter, and FRANK STEINER was a huge success with a big turnout...MICHAEL R. HANNIGAN, the son of RICHARD HANNIGAN, painter, South Shops, was recently named Junior Mayor of Chicago for a day. Michael is an honor student at Gordon Technical High school and plans to become a microbiologist.

- Frank Sproueri

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MUNYER, Forest Park, on the birth of their son, KENNETH MICHAEL. Mom and the baby are doing fine but George is still shook over the happy event...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to JIM DURR, Forest Park, who is at home recuperating from a serious illness...The stork is making practice runs over the HOBBS' residence as JACK, Forest Park, and his wife await the birth of their third child...Happy to hear Mrs. LAURENT, the wife of TONY LAURENT, Forest Park, is at home and doing fine after undergoing surgery...Back at work after enjoying an early spring vacation are CHESTER MAZUR and MIKE VASQUEZ, Forest Park...Our condolences to the family of CLIFF VANDERVEST, Wilson, on the passing of their father...Congratulations to S. RITA, Congress, who became a grandfather for the first time when his daughter presented him with a baby girl. All the boys are still waiting for their cigars...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to G. GRILLARTE and S. SELVAGGIO, Congress, who are in the hospital...Our sympathy to C. SCALES, Congress, and his family on the passing of his mother-in-law. Also, our regrets to F. RIO, Congress, whose brother passed away, and to A. VIRGILIO, Congress, whose brother passed away in Italy...Congratulations to D. LASIEWICZ, D. FABIAN, and L. RICHARDS, Congress, on their promotion to "B" repairmen...Hearty welcome from all the boys at Congress to D. ARTIS, new car serviceman...A. LONG stopped in to pay all his friends a visit. Al sure looks great...Up the ladder of success goes R. GALLARDO, Congress, who was promoted to "A" repairman...TERRY DOLAN, while on furlough, paid us a surprise visit at Congress. Terry sure does look good in his uniform...A change in seasons also brings a change in shop personnel. Among those on the move were Q. BONDS, W. THORNTON, and E. SHIELDS who will be going to the new Dan Ryan Shop; L. SLAY chose Congress as did S. JACKSON, and A. WHITE went to Kimball with the title of repairman. Also on the move to Congress are new car

THIS BEAUTIFUL bride is CAROL ANN CIESLA, the daughter of North Park Operator and Mrs. ROBERT CIESLA. She is pictured here in her wedding gown after her marriage to Mr. HUGH COLBURN Jr. on October 19, 1968, at Transfiguration of Our Lord Catholic church.





ANYONE FOR a pheasant dinner? Pensioner LE ROY PEDERSON, formerly of North Park Station, is shown with two beauties that were shot by him while hunting near Decatur, Michigan, where he now resides.

servicemen R. SMITH, R. KESSLER, and L. FIELDS...The night shift at Congress will never be the same once J. DANIELS and M. FAHEY get started...Anyone interested in learning the fine points of shooting pool should contact M. COYLE. Matt conducts a Friday night class.

- Ray Brzyzdek

69TH STREET -

I'll bet you are bursting with pride Mrs. YOUNG now that EDWARD Jr. is in the naval reserve. He is probably down in Pensacola, Florida, showing the fellows how to fly. Mrs. Young, I heard that you grounded MICKEY just because he got a ticket for driving the family car where only buses could go. What did you expect from a bus driver?.. Space news--BARBER and CHESTER, loaders at 67th and California, made a deal with HENNESSEY to get the balloons out of the trees when Maria High school releases some 400 of them. Hennessey chickened out, as usual, when he found out they were going to tie them to him and make him the first bus loader on the moon. He then tried to proposition them into selling them for ten cents each (for a third of the take). He hasn't changed a bit from the days when he was my conductor and screamed if we took in one extra fare...Have you noticed the new look on RAY FELTZ? He lost more than 30 pounds since the first of the year. Also, our sincere sympathy to you on the loss of your brother, EMIL, who was a loader at Archer. To the family of Pensioner C. KRAUSE may we extend our deepest sympathy. The silent reaper also took the mother of S. LUKASIK, and to him and his family we extend our deepest sympathy...Pensioner ALEX CHESHIRE, now living in Santa Monica, California, dropped in to visit awhile. All you fellows on pension or disability write me a line or two, your friends would certainly like to hear from you and it would give me some news for the column...Instructor SWANSON says we should take our time and have patience with our half fare elderly riders. One of them may be your buddy's mom or dad...JIMMY AHERN, top clerk in the repair department, reports that HOWARD GOERNER was expecting an addition to his family in April. His brother, GEORGE GOERNER, is back home after a two-year hitch in the navy. He served on an LST, the USS Vernon County. Good to have you back, fellow...JOE GAMEN, retired repair foreman, was up for a visit and says hello to all the fellows he missed. He now makes his home in Florida...BILL LORENZEN took a Florida vacation just swimming, fishing, and girl watching. Jim said he had a good chance to catch

some big fish if Bill's size didn't scare them away...At this writing, FRANK ANDREK, MIKE MORAN, BILL SIEJA, and FRANK VERMAN are on the sick list. We wish them a speedy recovery for there is a lot of work for them to do... Congratulations to ART ORMORD and ANDY TYSON, clerk at South Shops, on their retirement. We wish them many long years of health and happiness...On vacation at this time are: DENNIS DOOLEY, PAT HEALY, TOM MOORE, LEO GLOMBRICKI, DENNIS DOUGHERTY, JERRY KAS-ONSKI, and MARTY GRIFFIN. Marty said he was going to Florida and catch some big fish that he could be proud of. Good luck to all of you, and I hope you enjoy every minute of your vacations...Let's keep the drivers seat and steering wheels clean. That oil and grease sure raises heck with our new uniforms...Keep your noses clean as old Hedda writes down all the news fellows. Don't forget that this is your column, so drop me a line or note in care of 69th Street Transit News.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

I know I'll get killed about this late news, but here it is anyway. On March 22, Operator NORMAN LEE became the proud father of a little boy, NORMAN L. LEE III...Operator ROBERT POWELL went to New York for the weekend, and his family went with him to make sure he returned...ROY SHORES Jr., the son of Operator ROY SHORES, was made an altar boy and served his first Sunday mass on May 4 at St. Francis DePaula church...Operator CLIFTON SERVANT has returned from a speaking engagement at Clark university in Atlanta, Georgia. He went as a guest of his cousin, State Representative JULIAN BOND. His daughter, JOY, an acrobatic cheer leader at Clark, was very proud of her old dad...A bit of sad news--MICHAEL KITCHENS, the brother of Operator BOOKER BYERS, was killed in Viet Nam. He was only 19 years of age and had been in the marines for only a short time...In closing, here is something for my leaders. Somewhere between starting and quitting time, without infringing too much on lunch period, coffee breaks, rest periods, story-telling, ticket selling, and vacation planning, it is requested that each of you find some time that can be set aside for picking up passengers. That time is to be known as work period...See you next month.

- Amos Foster

PENSIONERS MEET

THE DIVISION 308 Pensioners Club of Chicago will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 17, 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, July 1, at the 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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