

News Briefs

Bus Operator is Wilson College Top Graduate

77TH STREET Operator Michael D. McKnight was named as the top graduate enrolled in business courses at the Wilson Campus of Chicago City college. He was chosen on the basis of both his academic accomplishments and his service to the community. McKnight is an honor student and has been active as a tutor in the Wilson Campus tutorial program for residents of the community. He has been a bus operator at 77th Street since June, 1967.

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

DAQUILANTE, D., Operator, North Avenue FILARSKI, R. A., Repairer, Kedzie HOFFERT, M. J., Vac. Rel. Clerk, Surf. System JONES, A. L., Operator, 69th Street LAMPKIN, C. T., Operator, 69th Street LUSTIG, S. M., Repairer, Keeler McENANEY, J. P., Serviceman, 69th Street MONTGOMERY, L., Operator, Beverly NORFLEET, B., Operator, Limits RADCLIFF, B. S., Conductor, West Section ROGERS, C., Serviceman, 61st Street ROSE, W. R., Repairer, Keeler SCHULTZ, W. J., Operator, Beverly SKIPPER, J. C., Operator, Kedzie WILKINS, E., Operator, 77th Street

RECENTLY RETURNED

AVRAM, R. V., Shop Clerk II, South Shops BURNS, R. L., Operator, Archer CARRETHERS, C. F., Operator, 69th Street CASEY, L. T., Serviceman, 69th Street CHURCH, J. E., Operator, Limits FIORITO, J. D., Transfer Counter, Accounting JANKOWSKI, P. C., Stock Clerk I, Stores KYLE, B., Serviceman, Kedzie LELCESONA, J. H., Serviceman, 52nd Street SWOPE, R. L., Operator, North Avenue WILLIAMS, B. M., Serviceman, Kedzie

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Nature Center Project Completed With CTA Aid



SEEKING ASSISTANCE in completing a nature center at Raymond school, 3663 S. Wabash, a teacher turned to the Beeline of the Chicago Daily News with an unusual request. The school received 35 metal drums which were to be cut in two, buried in the ground, filled with soil, and planted with flowers, but came to a dead end in efforts to get the drums cut. Sheet Metal Workers Union No. 115 approached CTA with the request and the drums were hauled by CTA to South Shops where the job was completed. Cutting one of the drums is Acetylene Welder Stanley Kruszynski.

New Turnstiles Accept 3 Coin Denominations

TWENTY-FIVE NEW turnstiles that accept any combination of dimes, quarters, and nickels for paying fares and buying transfers are being installed at busy Loop "L" and subway stations. An additional 44 turnstiles will be used at stations of the Kennedy and Dan Ryan routes, at Ashland on the Englewood route, and at Clinton on the Lake route. Later, 65 turnstiles will be added at important stations throughout the system. The turnstiles were designed by CTA's Research and Planning Department and the Tiltman-Langley company of London, England, and cost \$1,400 each.



Transportation Services Coordinated

CTA-IC Transfer Effective July 28

A MASS transportation "first" for Chicagoland started Monday, July 28, when CTA and the Illinois Central railroad began testing a transfer validation plan at two IC stations.

Gateways for the CTA-IC joint venture are the IC's Bryn Mawr commuter station, at 71st and Jeffery, and Randolph street station in downtown Chicago.

The plan provides a saving in cash and time for riders who begin and complete their trips on CTA with an intermediate ride on the IC. Previously, riders who used CTA service to either of the IC stations and then returned to CTA at the end of the IC ride payed separate CTA fares for each ride in addition to the regular train fare. With the new plan, CTA riders pay one CTA 40¢ fare plus 5¢ transfer charge and the regular IC fare.

To validate transfers, persons leaving either of the two IC stations must timestamp the CTA transfer in the special stamping machine at the IC station to permit a continuation ride on CTA without paying a second fare. The stamping machines installed at the two IC stations are similar to those used at rapid transit stations except that the time is stamped along the upper left edge of the transfer rather than across the top.

According to Chicago Transit Board Chairman George L. DeMent, use of the new CTA-IC combination ride will cut travel time about 15 minutes for persons using CTA services for the entire trip. For example, a trip from 83rd and Jeffery to John Hancock Center, 875 N. Michigan, takes 56 minutes via CTA. By riding the IC for the middle portion of the trip, travel time can be reduced to 42 minutes.

"This transfer plan is another step in CTA's continuing effort to cooperate with other transit services to provide the best possible transportation for metropolitan Chicago," said DeMent. "We welcome this opportunity to work with the Illinois Central in making public transportation convenient and attractive."

Joining in making the announcement was Henry F. Davenport, IC vice-president passenger services. "Implementation of the transfer plan marks the fulfillment of a goal announced in 1967," said Davenport. "At that time the Illinois Central set out to cooperate with the CTA in finding improved ways to serve Chicago's transit needs. If this transfer validation test at two stations is successful the plan can be extended to other points of intersection of CTA and IC lines."

Greyhound to Serve 3 "L" Stations

GREYHOUND LINES--EAST and CTA recently entered into an agreement allowing Greyhound to use three CTA rapid stations as "satellite" terminals.

Under terms of the pact, Greyhound coaches from and to Chicago will stop at the Dempster Street Skokie Swift station, the Jefferson Park station on the Kennedy rapid transit line and the 95th street station on the Dan Ryan line. The tie-in will begin in early August at the Dempster Street station and later this year when operations begin on the other two facilities.

In operation, Greyhounds departing from the company's Loop terminal on Randolph Street would stop at the three stations as they leave Chicago. Coaches going north would tie in at Dempster, those going generally west would stop at Jefferson Park, while coaches bound for the east and southern United States would link up with the CTA at the 95th street station. Greyhounds arriving in Chicago would also use the stations as a stop on their way to the Loop.

Travelers will benefit substantially from the link up. Chicagoans will be able to board Greyhounds bound for Detroit, St. Louis, Memphis, New York-anywhere in the nation--without traveling into the busy Loop area.

For example, a South Side resident wishing to visit Detroit could reach the 95th street station in a few short minutes by CTA. There he would buy his Greyhound ticket and walk less than 100 feet to a waiting Greyhound bound for Detroit. Without any changes enroute, he would arrive directly in downtown Detroit in little more than four hours.

The number of Greyhounds using the rapid stations daily will be extensive. Greyhound is scheduling 24 arrivals and departures daily at 95th street. This includes Scenicruisers to and from Detroit, Pittsburgh, Memphis, St. Louis, New York City, and numerous other key cities.

Jefferson Park will be serviced by 10 arrivals and departures daily while Skokie Swift will accommodate 11 arrivals and departures.

A complete line of Greyhound tickets will be sold at all three stations at no extra cost. The ticket booths would be operated by Greyhound. The Skokie Swift station will also serve as a terminal for Greyhound's rapidly expanding package express service. It will provide convenient shipping and receiving facilities for north and northwest suburban industries.

CTA, City of Chicago Host

A PREVIEW of Chicago's new rapid transit facilities was made June 27 by City officials and transit industry representatives.

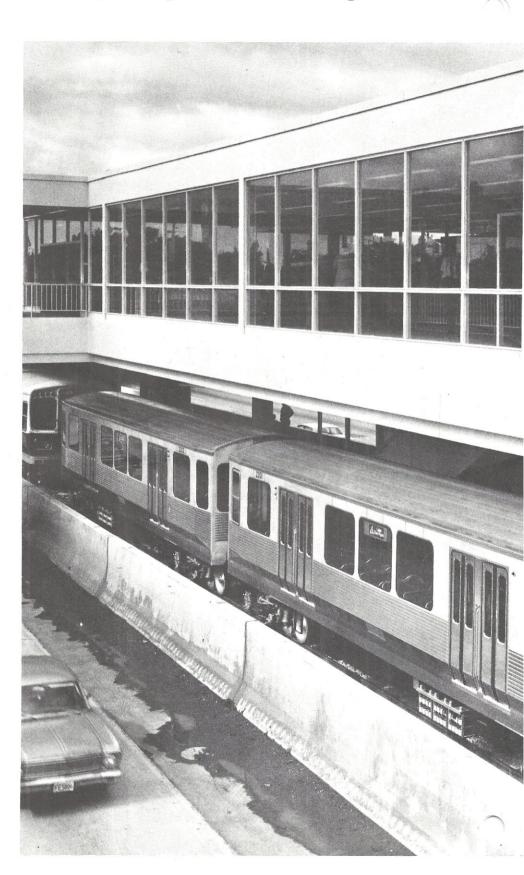
On board the first train operating in the Dan Ryan Expressway were Mayor Richard J. Daley. Board Chairman George L. DeMent, and representatives of the news media. The special twocar train, comprised of the first new air-conditioned stainless steel cars received from the Budd company, operated from the new Sox-35 Station to the 95 Station and back -- a distance of 15 miles.

Additional demonstration trips on the Dan Ryan route were made for persons attending the annual meeting of the Institute for Rapid Transit. From their chartered buses, the group also saw construction progress in the median of the Kennedy Expressway and inspected the new subway station at Logan Square.

Following their tour of new CTA facilities, the group of more than 200 transportation experts and public officials returned to the Marriott hotel for the final session of a three-day conference, during which CTA and City of Chicago representatives were asked numerous questions regarding the new equipment and facilities.

Operation on the Kennedy and Dan Ryan rapid transit extensions will begin late in 1969.

THE SPECIAL train of stainless steel rapid transit cars is shown standing at the 95 Station in the Dan Ryan Expressway after passengers detrained to inspect the modern station, transportation office, and bus terminals.

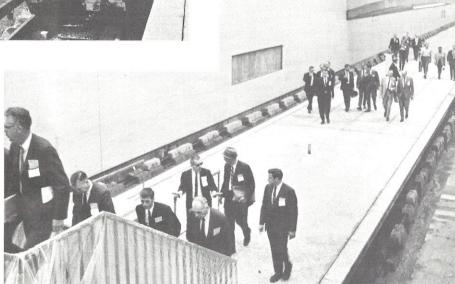


Test Run on Dan Ryan Line



INSPECTING THE modern Logan Square subway station on the Kennedy extension (below) are transportation experts who were in Chicago attending the annual conference of the Institute for Rapid Transit.

MOTORISTS IN traffic-packed lanes on the Dan Ryan Expressway (above) were given a taste of the high-speed rapid transit which will begin operating late in 1969. On June 27, new air-conditioned cars shuttled between stations at 35th and 95th streets carrying City officials and transit industry representatives.





BEFORE MAKING their inspection trip, Mayor Richard J. Daley and Board Chairman George L. DeMent greet South Section Motorman Walter Jogerst.



Award Winners Receive \$825.00 for Accepted Ideas

LETTING NO grass grow under their feet, CTAers have responded in a big way to the recent Suggestion Plan announcement of a new award for each adopted suggestion.

The Suggestion Committee recently announced the adoption of 46 ideas, approving cash awards totaling \$825 and an honorable mention award to each of the suggesters.

The new honorable mention award, a combination package containing a Zippo lighter and tape rule, may be chosen instead of the \$7.00 Jewel-Osco gift certificate. Suggesters are advised to indicate their choice of an award on the suggestion blank when they submit their idea or within two weeks after adopted suggestions are announced on bulletin boards.

Winning cash awards of \$100 on more were three Shops and Equipment Department employes at South Shops—Leroy J. Albers won \$115 for his adopted idea and Charles W. Gerard and Larry Jareckas split \$200 for the joint suggestion which they submitted.

Other cash award winners, all of them in the S&E Department at South Shops, include Dermont Foley and Joseph Virruso who shared a \$100 award; Robert Burton and Vernon Howe who won \$40 each; Alex F. Andrulis who was awarded \$30, and John Cacciato, Joseph Fano, and Max R. Kuchan Jr. who won \$25 each.

Eight employes who submitted their second adoptable suggestion with a year and received \$25 cash awards include: General Office—Regina Daren, Medical; James E. McCoy, Real Estate; William H. Vigus, Engineering, and Arlene Zittman, Public & Employe Relations. By submitting five adoptable suggestions within a year, Miss Zittman became qualified to receive two \$25 awards. Shops & Equipment—Patricia A. Dunek, Skokie Shops; Max R. Kuchan Jr., South Shops, and Ray Mathis, South Shops. Electrical Department—William F. Glassner, Blue Island.

The adoption of suggestions submitted by these 24 employes entitled them to receive either of the two honorable mention awards: General Office-Mel Alexander, Public Information; Regina Daren, Medical. Edward Donahue. Insurance: Margaret Hanson. Purchasing; Eileen Neurauter, Public Information; John Piwowarczyk, Reproduction Services; Richard Redding, Insurance; Gerald J. Smith, Reproduction Services; Mary Stomner, Public Information; Sandy Terman, Traffic Planning; Rita L. Wantroba, Medical; William W. Winters, Executive; Leon Wool, Law, and Arlene Zittman, Public & Employe Relations, Shops & Equipment-Quenton D. Clark, Keeler; Ernest E. Gaeger, South Shops; Raymond Kura, South Shops; Ray Mathis, South Shops, and Patrick J. Nally, South Shops. Transportation-Leonard Beatty, 61st Street, and Joseph R. Jaros, Beverly. Utility-Robert Christman and John C. Miller, Blue Island. Electrical-Richard L. Rock, Blue Island.

11 CTA LOCATIONS CITED FOR 1968 SAFETY RECORDS

AT THE Greater Chicago Safety Council annual dinner, 11 CTA operating locations were cited for reducing their accident experience in 1968 as compared to the previous year. Awards were presented in two categories—industrial safety and commercial vehicle safety—to a total of 41 fleet-operating companies.

A winner of safety awards in both categories was the CTA Utility & Emergency Service Division. Other



winners of the industrial safety award were Security Operations, Electrical Department, and Skokie Shops.

In the category of commercial vehicle safety, seven CTA operating stations received plaques. They were Archer, Beverly, Keeler, Lawndale, Limits, 69th Street, and 77th Street.

Shown here with Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn are supervisory personnel representing eight locations which were cited by the Safety Council. They are, from left: J. J. Roach, Utility & Emergency Service superintendent; S. J. Bitel, Keeler Station superintendent; H. P. Braun, Lawndale Station assistant superintendent; J. E. Will, Beverly Station assistant superintendent; J. A. Knerr, 77th Street Station superintendent; G. T. May, Limits Station superintendent; T. F. Screen, 69th Street Station superintendent, and M. F. Harrington, Archer Station superintendent.

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

ANEMIA

"BLOOD IS LIFE" is a very true saying. The term "anemia" comes from the Greek, meaning without blood, probably indicating thin or watery blood rather than a complete loss of blood. Actually, anemia indicates either a reduction in the amount of hemoglobin in each red cell or a reduction in the number of red cells, or both, as is usually the case.

Knowing the composition of blood will give us a better understanding of this subject. Normal blood consists of a circulating liquid plasma which acts as a vehicle for the red blood cells, white blood corpuscles, blood platelets, various chemicals such as bile, potassium, sodium, and many other chemical products. The red blood cells carry the hemoglobin or iron and oxygen. The white corpuscles are the policemen of the body and are increased in number to fight or destroy any infection which tries to invade the body.

The normal blood count shows 4,500,000 to 5,000,-000 red cells with 13.5 to 15 grams of hemoglobin per cubic millimeter and white cells of about 7,000 to 8,000. The bone marrow is the main factory which produces the red cells. These cells are constantly being replaced. The average red cell only lives 30 to 60 days and then is replaced by a new cell. It has been calculated that about 2,500,000 red cells are produced every second. The liver produces fibrinogen, an important element of red cells which prevents the blood from becoming too thin or watery. Each red cell contains a high percentage of hemoglobin which picks up oxygen from the air we breathe in through our lungs, and carries it in the blood stream to all our body tissues. The body cannot function without oxygen. Therefore, when anemia reduces the number of red blood cells and the amount of hemoglobin, the blood can no longer carry enough oxygen for our body needs.

The causes of anemia are numerous. Among them are improper diet, faulty absorption of food, loss of blood due to bleeding, faulty production of blood cells due to abnormal bone marrow, certain infections, and diseases of the blood such as leukemia, cancer, and parasites. The bone marrow can also be damaged by certain drugs.

The symptoms of anemia, in general, are about the same in most any type of anemia. The most common manifestations are pallor, headaches, weakness, lack of energy, dizziness, shortness of breath, loss of appetite, and numbness or tingling of the extremities.

The diagnosis of anemia is easily made from the above symptoms, plus a study of the blood, including a count, blood volume, blood chemistry, and sometimes a bone marrow examination plus a careful history and physical examination.

There are many types of anemia. Time prevents a detailed discussion of the various forms. One common type of anemia is one in which there is a loss in the total number of red cells, even though there is a normal amount of hemoglobin in each cell. A good example of this type is where there is bleeding from injury, laceration, or internal bleeding from a stomach ulcer or hemorrhoids. The other common type is seen where the production of red cells is faulty due to bone marrow injury or disease. There may be types due to faulty diets and faulty absorption of iron. Secondary anemias usually mean the anemia is secondary to a known cause. Perhaps the most "talked about" anemia is pernicious anemia. It is chronic in nature and has most of the symptoms given above plus the absence of hydrochloric acid in the stomach.

The treatment of anemia naturally depends upon the cause. Fortunately pernicious anemia can be treated successfully with vitamin B12 injections. On the other hand, if there has been a severe loss of blood due to lacerated blood vessels or hemorrhage from some other accidental cause, the proper procedure is to replace the loss of blood by transfusion. If there is some disorder in the normal production of blood, this must be determined and treated accordingly.

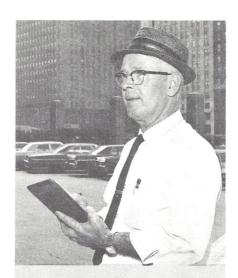
If you suspect anemia, do not waste time by taking a "shot-gun mixture" of vitamins for tired blood. The sensible thing to do is to see your family doctor for a complete blood count and physical examination. He will then place you on proper management.



CLARK V. JOHNSON, supervisor of schedule clerks: "Our most unusual vacation was a tour of the Caribbean Islands on our 25th anniversary. Usually silver wedding celebrations are large affairs attended by relatives and friends bearing silver gifts. We chose to treat ourselves to a memorable vacation under silver moonlight."

RUTH HAVLIK, stenographer III:
"One of the most unusual vacations I've taken was my trip by
bus to the northeast FrenchCanadian area called the Gaspe
Peninsula. Though we started out
on the familiar Greyhound, the
farther into Canada we went, the
older and more foreign the buses
became, and the destinations
were strange, as the people spoke
little English."



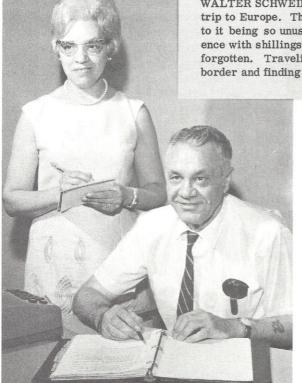


STEVE LAWLOR, traffic checker: "It happened in Las Vegas in 1965. We had heard a lot about the 'Strip' and had to see it for ourselves to believe it. The motel suites were gorgeous and very reasonable and in every show we watched, a group of beautiful performers—all young females—would appear in their birthday suits. I won't forget that for awhile."

QUESTION: What was the most unusual vacation you've ever had?

LOCATION: Schedule-Traffic Department

INQUIRING REPORTER: Kay Batina



WALTER SCHWEINFURTH, traffic clerk (with Reporter Kay Batina): "It was my first trip to Europe. The difference in the way of life and especially the foreign monies led to it being so unusual. The many historic places of interest and the chaotic experience with shillings, lire, marks, francs, and so many more was something never to be forgotten. Traveling in the good old U.S.A. can never compare with crossing each border and finding a new language and currency problem."

WILLIAM P. DEVEREUX, schedule maker: "The most unusual vacation I ever had was when I visited Hawaii. The long air trip plus the pleasant welcome we all received from the natives was indeed a surprise. The scenery was beautiful and the shows that were put on for us were something to always remember."



THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING -

RAY SCHRAMM, accounts payable supervisor, returned to work after a seven-month absence due to illness. His group gave him the "red carpet treatment" and surprised him with welcome back posters, candy, and best wishes. We are all happy to see him back at his desk...RUTH HAV-LIK, secretarial steno to the general accountant, transferred to the Schedule Department to succeed ESTHER O'BRIEN who retired on June 1. We wish her well in her new assignment as secretary to Mr. L. C. DUTTON, schedule department superintendent.

(Tabulating) -

The family of EMIL RUSINAK is delighted to have their son, GARY, home from Viet Nam on a 30-day leave. Gary has extended his Viet Nam tour of duty for another 6 months and will leave on July 2 for San Bernardino and then to Viet Nam...KAREN NANCY ROMAS was graduated from Notre Dame High school on June 4. Karen is the lovely daughter of HELEN ROMAS, Key Punch, and MITCHELL ROMAS, Kedzie Shops. Congratulations, Karen.

- Evelyn Leu

(Revenue) -

With the school semester ending and summer at its start, we find many family vacations in full swing. For JOYCE COLEMAN, the daughter of JOSEPHINE COLEMAN, balance clerk, her recent graduation from Our Lady of Bethlehem academy for girls brought her a memorable vacation gift. Jo and Joyce toured Washington, D.C., Williamsburg, Virginia, Silverspring, Maryland, and New York City. Some of the highlights they remember included a ringside seat in the senate and a meeting with Jacqueline Onassis at the Arlington Cemetery...For love of that "Outdoor Life", LOU BIELSKI spent a refreshing two weeks in Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin. We might believe the story about all those northerns, muskies, and walleyes Lou caught, but its those big ones that got away that we question just a little bit!..Birthday candles flamed brightly for JUNE NOREN's June 11 celebration. How many candles were there--sixteen?..A good luck cheer is extended to RUTH HAVLIK who is now a secretary in the Schedule Department. Miss you, though, and thanks for all the help with the T.N. letters...A speedy recovery is hoped for LORRAINE McEVILLY who is ill at home...Congratulations are in order to those happy grandparents HARRY F. BURDA, Property Accounting, and his wife, MILDRED. Their joy is ANNE MARIE born May 22. The proud parents are DWANE BURDA, formerly of General Accounting, and his wife, FRAN...Hello to our CTA retiree, RUTH HUGHES. Ruth is presently in Oak Forest hospital but sends greetings to all her many Revenue friends. Good to hear from you, Ruth.

- Clotilde Mrzena

(Payroll) -

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to ROSEMARY KEN-NY upon the loss of her husband, PATRICK, who passed away May 24 after a long illness. On May 28, Mrs. Kenny, mother of the late Patrick, was called to her eternal rest. Our thoughts and prayers go to the bereaved family...If you think you are seeing double, you may just be right, JEANNE MARIE BIZIK, new payroll clerk, is twin sister to JAC-QUELINE MARGARET BIZIK, comptometer operator, Revenue, and they look enough alike to be confusing to us...At this printing your scribe will be in Spain - so until the next copy--adios amigos...Pensioner ARTHUR BRESIN has been vacationing in California with his wife, MARIE, for the past four months, making their headquarters in Glendale. They recently visited Pensioners BEN RATNER and Mr. SALIS-BURY. They report California still very much on the scene despite all the reports of it disappearing into the ocean. They also visited the Dutch community of Solvang, Universal Studios, Capistrano, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Covina, as well as the neighboring areas around Glendale.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

Congratulations to Operator JOHN KING who was elected to be our union representative at Beverly and will stand up for all the men...We also salute Operator GUS WRIGHT who had the courage to say, "the best man won."..When we talk of union stewards, we can't help but think of the tough tobacco chewing old timers of past years like JOHN (Baldy) MALONEY and TOMMY COUGHLIN. They don't make men like them any more, but their spirit still lives on. Being a union steward is not an easy job, listening to all the gripes and complaints and still keeping your cool. Let's be like Gus Wright, and give John King a pat on the back and a hand shake, for we know he will represent all of us to the best of his ability. Good luck, John...Don't forget the "Big Retreat"

MR. AND Mrs. WALTER BANDUSKY proudly display gifts they received on their 60th wedding anniversary, June 12, a flag which has flown over our nation's capital and a certificate of congratulations from 12th Ward Alderman Donald T. Swinarski. Other congratulatory messages were received from Mayor Richard J. Daley and Secretary of State Paul Powell. A former motorman out of Archer and 69th Street who retired in 1953, Walter and his wife were honored at a dinner party at Tokar's Supper club in Chicago Ridge.



INSIDE NEWS



HARRIET HERMAN, the daughter of IRENE HERMAN, Purchasing Department, was graduated from Roycemore High school in Evanston. An honor student who rated second in her class, she was awarded a State Grant and has plans to attend Brandeis university in Massachussetts on a scholarship.

MARY ANN PARRILLO, the daughter of Car Serviceman NELLO PARRILLO, Congress, was graduated from Burham Elementary school and has plans to enter Maine East High school in September.





DEBRA ANN DUNKIN, the daughter of Foreman CHARLES DUNKIN, Track, West Shops, was recently graduated from Lorretta Catholic High school.

at Notre Dame, Indiana, August 15 to 17—a weekend you'll never forget. There will be 1,200 men from all over the country, and the Reverend Michael Foran is hoping 100 men will be from the CTA. Contact Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI or your scribe if you plan to go or if you need a ride. The food is great, the rooms and campus are beautiful, and you will meet men who will enrich your life and make you glad you came while you still have the time. Hoping to see and hear from all of you.

- 70m Daniels

CONGRESS (Agents) -

May 15 was the 21st wedding anniversary of Clerk JOS-EPH and MARIE MARKOS, but they waited until May 22 to celebrate when their daughter, CINDY, made her Confirmation. Mrs. ROBERT KOSTER, the wife of Lake Street Motorman ROBERT KOSTER, was her sponsor. Cindy was delighted with her wristwatch and gifts of money. Joe and Marie received a present that was something to dream on. .. Motorman A. WOODS is in Roosevelt hospital. He wishes to thank his co-workers for their thoughtfulness...EILEEN CARMODY was off sick, but is back and making plans for the family's vacation in Ireland. They will be there in time to help Eileen's mother, Mrs. BRIDGET SHEEHAN, celebrate her 80th birthday. Happy birthday, dear lady, and many more...The children of Agent FAY CAPRIO feted her on Mother's day with orchids, pink champagne, and dinner at the Palmer House...Congratulations to THOMAS BAR-RETT, student agent, who was graduated from DePaul university. Tom is leaving us to take another position ... A great big welcome to those who have recently joined our group. We hope that you will share your happy times with us...Agent BETTY SEGERSON spent her vacation being hostess to her sister who came from London, England ... Agent HELEN SHANNON is traveling about England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. She will also visit with her brother who is a school master in England. Many happy times will be remembered when she has tea with her old and dear friends...Our deepest sympathy to the family of CURTIN ROSBY. His sudden passing was a surprise to his co-workers. The family took him back to Louisiana for interment...Porter JOHN SARDOLAS and his wife, ELIZA-BETH, became the proud parents of a baby boy, PETER, who weighed 8 pounds 14 ounces. Porter PETER SANGER is the baby's uncle, and before long, Peter Sardolas will have a new cousin...Porter JAMES CLARK and his wife were both injured in an accident. In spite of their misfortune, they were very fortunate...Porter BANALS' daughter sent her parents a beautiful letter in which she expressed her appreciation in a most unusual way...Pensioner MOLLY SHIELDS has been having painful, sad, and glad experiences, all about the same time. On May 27, Molly went to the hospital for the second time this year. She was in St. Anne hospital for eye surgery. On Sunday, June 1, Molly's second grandchild, KATHLEEN STEVENS, was graduated from St. Catherine of Sienna High school, and will continue her education on a scholarship. DANNY STEVENS, her brother, was graduated from Our Lady Help of Christian Grade school. On June 8, another grandson of Molly's, Student Agent WILLIAM STEVENS, was graduated from Loyola university. On August 16 he will be married to a charming young lady he met while attending Georgetown university. They are going to spend two years with the Peace Corps. Thursday, June 25, was a sad day for Molly when she received a cablegram from Cork, Ireland, with news that her sister, Mrs. LENA O'CONNOR, passed away. Our deepest sympathy to Molly and her family. Molly is leaving for Ireland on July 16 where she will join her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. KEARNES of San Francisco. Molly's husband, THOMAS SHIELDS, a pensioner and former board member at West Towns, had a grandson, ANTON GIGER, who was graduated from Fenwick High school on June 1...Student Agent THOMAS COZZI was happy to hear that he was on the Dean's honor list. He is a premed student...Student Agent BARBARA POSUCH was graduated on June 8 from Mundelein college. She received a trip to Hawaii as one of her graduation presents. Barbara will begin her career as a teacher at St. Hughes Grade

school in Lyons, Illinois, in September ... Agent WALTER STASULAS and his family are spending their vacation going on short trips...Lake Street Conductor GREGORY RICH-ARDSON and OZELLA BANKS were married on Saturday, June 14, at Holy Temple church. The bride was very beautiful in her cathedral length gown and veil. She was attended by a maid of honor, seven bridesmaids, and a little flower girl who wore gowns of a beautiful shade of lilac. The little ring bearer was too cute for words in his tuxedo. The bridegroom's father, Motorman JOSEPH RICHARD-SON, Douglas, had anxious moments as all fathers of brides and grooms. Student Agent PAMELA BANKS, a sister of the bride, was one of the bridesmaids. The mothers of the bride and groom were radiantly happy as they helped greet the 250 guests that were invited to the reception at the Keymans Club.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

Sunday, September 21, is the date to remember. The General Office picnic will be held at Bemis Woods, South, east of the Tri-State Tollway on U.S. 34 (Ogden Avenue). The grove offers a shelter area, ball diamond, bike trail, and Meadow Lark golf course adjoins it. All of this along with the guarantee of great weather offers a wonderful day for all. Final arrangements are being made by our committee which consists of GEORGE CHRISTENSEN, ROY KUTCHINS, and BILL REHDER. They will be very happy to answer any questions you might have and they will also have maps of the area available. We're looking forward to seeing everyone this year!.. Congratulations and best wishes to RAY and JOAN BIENIASZ who were married on June 14. Their two-week honeymoon was spent in Miami Beach and New Orleans...MARTY IMBRA and his wife spent a wonderful weekend in Las Vegas with a few other couples. They could have spent a few more days to see all the shows, but did see Frank Sinatra who they truly enjoyed...MIKE McKENNA, former signal draftsman, was in visiting recently. Cleveland, Ohio, surely agrees with him. He enjoys his new job and has a wonderful home already ... Your reporter, DONNA KAMINSKI, is happy to announce she will be leaving to await the birth of her first child which is expected in late August. I'm very very pleased to have KAY McALISTER taking over as reporter. She has written for the Transit News in the past so we can all look forward to having a wonderful column. She needs everyone's help, so keep the news coming ... ROY KUTCHIN's son was graduated from Roosevelt university in June and received a degree in business administration.

- Donna Kaminski

ENGINEERING-RESEARCH & PLANNING -

Wedding bells were busy this month ringing for two marriages in our department. Mr. PAUL MINOGUE, administrative engineer, announced the marriage of his daughter, SUSAN, to GEORGE CLAING. The ceremony took place at St. Bernadene's church in Forest Park and the reception was held at Oak Park Arms hotel. George, who is in the Army, was unexpectedly sent to Korea a week after the wedding. Susan will be patiently awaiting his return. Mr. Minogue took a week's vacation immediately following the marriage. Could it have been to settle his nerves? Just one week later on May 10, the second set of wedding bells rang for our stenographer, LINDA LE MON-

NIER (formerly LINDA GIERLASINSKI). St. Gall's church opened their doors to a beautiful ceremony for BILL and Linda. In the evening, dinner and dancing was enjoyed at Pressman hall. Bill, who attends Chicago State college, had to return to school on the following Wednesday, therefore, they were only limited to three glorious days of their honeymoon at "The Abbey" in Wisconsin. From all of us to both couples, best wishes and many happy years together ... The annual Engineering retirement party was held this year on May 8 at the Peacock Room in Cicero, Illinois. There were 24 retirees from June, 1968, to May, 1969, who were honored at this dinner. Not all were able to attend, but the ones that did had an enjoyable time. E. E. OLM-STEAD, superintendent of Engineering, was a big hit with his short speech. The people dined, danced, and drank to their heart's content and the community singing at the refreshment stand improved as the evening progressed. The orchestra ran the gauntlet from the Boog-a-loo to Polkas and good old-fashioned ballroom dancing. Everyone, including many employes from various departments, enjoy the usual good time each year at this doing. JACK O'REILLY seemed to sum up the evening the best when he said, "It was just like a Polish wedding--only minus the bride."..Mr. KALOGERAS just returned from a week of vacation. He spent his time doing some fishing at Lac Viewx Desert, but was unable to give us any juicy fish stories. That's alright, we're glad to hear you had a good time without roughing it...Best wishes go to ASHWIN PATEL, graduate trainee, who was just transferred to the Transportation Department. He will be serving our public with a hearty smile each day. Good luck to you in your new bus driving experience...Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. LEONARD on the arrival of their first baby boy on May 20. PEGGY was a stenographer in our department until she resigned to await a blessed event...Congratulations are also in order to WALLY GAEDTKE who was promoted to superintendent of structures. He will now be working at West Shops. We'll all miss you in our homestead, but we're happy to know that you made a big step forward. More congratulations are extended to PAUL MIN-OGUE who was promoted to administrative engineer of the Engineering Department...Our deepest sympathy is extended to FLORENCE JANCZURA, clerk II, who lost her father on May 29, and to Paul Minogue, administrative engineer, whose mother passed away on June 3...HERMAN JAMES put his order in to Santa Claus for Christmas already. Wish we knew about this sooner, Herman, you would have had a much larger list to hand to the dear "ole" bearded man. At this writing, he is enjoying his vacation in Santa Claus, Indiana...Congratulations are in order to DALE MANGELSDORFF. He was transferred to the Electrical Department as an apprentice testing technician but before he could transfer himself physically, he was promoted to Transit Technician III in the Research and Planning Department. We all wish you a lot of luck on your new position.

(West Shops) -

Your reporter, MARY GALLON, apologizes for neglecting some news items last month. To catch up, I'm including these items this time. EDWARD PETERSON, plumber, celebrated the arrival of a baby girl recently. It was said that the little one had to struggle to get here and that Ed's wife had a rather bad time of it. Everyone came through though and I bet the Petersons are having the time of their lives with their new daughter. Congratulations, Ed!..The annual Plumber's Picnic was held at Palos Woods (South),

119th and Mannheim Road, on June 29. In the next issue I'll fill everyone in on the picnic highlights and happenings. .. Here is another blessed event I forgot to put in last issue. The daughter of DWIGHT TURNER, assistant foreman in the Plant Equipment Maintenance Department, had a baby girl recently. As of this writing the baby is about a month and a half old, and can still be called a new born babe. Congratulations to the mother and the proud grandparents. .. There were a couple of apprenticeships that were completed in the company. S. F. WICKERT, steamfitter apprentice, has completed his apprenticeship and is now in the ranks of the rest of the steamfitters. E. L. ROUSE, machinist apprentice, completed his apprenticeship also and is now considered a full-fledged machinist. Maybe the next time I write about these fellows, they may be foremen or something. Until then, just continue to keep up the good work, guys!..West Shops certainly misses the presence of Ironworker Foreman E. P. WADE who was in the hospital recently and is now recuperating at home. Hope he'll be back with us soon...PAUL ANDERSON, clerk, is back and as spry as ever after a two-week vacation. He says he spent one week at home and one week in Canada fishing. I never did get to hear about how the catch was. Oh, well, maybe next time...A couple of sad spots in the column this issue. Condolences to JIM SINCLAIR, bricklayer foreman, whose sister passed away recently, and to JOHN SKROKO, carpenter, whose brother passed away. Mr. Skroko was also a brother-in-law to JOHN GUZOVICH, Frog Shop

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

I would like to extend congratulations to our board members upon their re-election. ANDY KOHLER and ED STO-BART wish to thank the men for all the votes that kept them in office for another three years. For the boys who ran against these two fine men, a word of thanks for making a race out of it... Have you noticed lately how Operator ROD-ERICH has been walking around with his chest out a mile? Well, it's no wonder, this young fellow became a father for the first time. On June 11 at 1:35 a.m. little JOHN was born. He came into this world at the weight of 6 pounds 5 ounces and was 20 inches long. The lovely Mrs. handled everything just fine, but Roderich seemed as if it were he who had to deliver the baby. At least one in the family is strong...On June 28 our fine friend JERRY KOWALSKI will marry AGNES CYNKAR of Norridge. This lovely couple will honeymoon in Wisconsin for several weeks and then will reside in Palatine...Pensioner ROLAND PREUSS entered the hospital this month for an operation on his eyes... Mr. and Mrs. H. GEFFE of Palatine announced the engagement of their daughter, SHARON, to THOM BERG, the son of TRYGVE BERG, operator on Austin avenue. No date has been set for the wedding...Operator and Mrs. ROAN became the proud grandparents of a beautiful blue eyed blonde baby girl of 6 pounds who was named DEBRA ANN ROAN. Parents, grandparents, and great grandparents are doing fine. ..Mr. and Mrs. GUS LEMAR became proud grandparents for the third time when a baby girl was born to BEVERLY DAVIS, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LEMAR. The lovely baby was named KELLY JO DAVIS ... Mrs. MALFESE, the wife of Operator ROCKY MALFESE, had a dispute with one of the passenger trains at Nagle and Northwest Highway-the train won of course. It happened as Mrs. Malfese's auto stalled on the tracks. She was able to save her dog, but the auto went to the junk yard. At least she wasn't hurt--that's

the main thing...Flash—take notice golfers: our friend LES RAGE, night clerk, scored a hole—in—one at the Mission Hills Golf course, Sunday, June 15, on the par 3, 4th hole, 155 yards distance...A little note to LORRAINE KURINEC—we all understand Operator JOHN was on vacation a short time ago. Seems he enjoyed every minute of it—cleaning the house, fixing and painting and of course doing yard work. Now all of us would like to know when he is going to relax? I do believe you had the right idea Lorraine, keeping him busy because he's sure taking it easy around the depot...HENRY SCHOFFEN, janitor at Forest Glen, passed away suddenly on May 29.

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

GENERAL OFFICE -

Again we can prove that our doll, MARY CLARKE, is not replaceable! Let us introduce ourselves, call us "Reggie" and "Murph", your two new co-reporters to replace Mary, and with the help from the departments we represent, we will try to do our best.

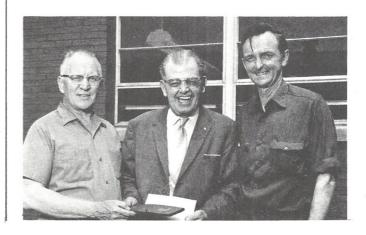
(Medical) -

ALBERT J. GLUECKERT, medical technician and former North Park bus operator, after 36 years of service took an early retirement effective May 1. We wish him the best of luck...Wedding bells rang for RITA PIECHNIK, registered X-ray technician, who became Mrs. DONALD WANTROBA on May 24 and honeymooned in the Carribean. Congratulations to the happy couple...A belated welcome is given to MARY LEDWITH, RN, who joined the medical staff on May 7...MARYANN DAUKSHIS, clerk-typist, was honored as queen for the year 1969 in the Armed Forces day spring formal at the USO on May 17. Maryann has been a volunteer worker for the USO for two years.

(Insurance) -

CAROL ARNDT and her husband flew down to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, where they spent a week of their vacation tanning in the sun. CATHY RASCHICK transferred to Stores department. We all wish her success in her new position...DOROTHY ETSCHEID of the Pension division received news that her daughter enlisted in the Women's Ma-

BEST WISHES for a long and happy retirement were extended to ROY D. EGBERT, electrical worker, South Shops, when he took his pension on June 1 after 45 years of service. Shown presenting him with a gift from his co-workers at a party in his honor are Electrical Worker Leader "A" ROBERT E. HACKBARTH (left) and Electrical Worker "A" CHARLES STARR.



rine Corp on May 9 and is presently taking basic training at Parris Island, South Carolina...DICK REDDING, Pension Division, became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter had a baby boy on April 4.

(Office Services) -

RAY HYNES, who retired on May 1, is now enjoying his new home in Largo, Florida. Best wishes are with him.

(Law) -

CEILE BAGGS and her husband took a three-week journey to Catholic Europe visiting the different shrines. At present, Ceile is confined to St. Ann's hospital and we are wishing her a speedy recovery...VAL NESSINGER received a second place team trophy in bowling. You sure can't keep a good man down. Keep it up, Val.

(Treasury) -

JAMES VERTEKLA, token clerk, took unto himself a bride on May 24. Best wishes to the newlywed couple... HERB HEIDEN is still confined to the VA hospital. We hear he is coming along fine. We sure miss you, Herb... PAT KENNY, after an extended illness, passed away on May 24. Our sympathy to his wife and family.

(Public Information) -

SHARON DAUKSHIS, charter section, was elected as chairman of the Junior Volunteers of the USO for 1969-70. She was also elected chairman for the conference to be held in California in 1970 and is secretary for the Junior Council of the USO and has been a member for the past three years...JANICE VANDERHORST was welcomed to the department as clerk-typist. Janice transferred from the Stores department...The welcome mat was extended to PATRICIA HALLAHAN and JEANNE FITZGERALD who transferred to the department...Congratulations to ARLENE ZITTMAN who was awarded an honorable mention and received a Jewel-Osco certificate for her suggestion...Good luck to BOB MICHALCZEWSKI who deserted us for the Reproduction Services department...Glad to see RUSS WARN-STEDT back to work. Now the suggestions will really be rolling in...Sorry to hear that CATHY GUZOVICH left the CTA to live in Monterey, California, with her sister. We wish you luck in the new environment.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Summer vacation is here, and children will be playing in the streets and running out from between parked cars, so extreme alertness should be exercised during these months. Our great city of Chicago will have many visitors who will be asking questions on how to get to many different points of interest and what bus to take. Your courtesy will be appreciated by giving them the proper information to get to their desired locations. It will tend to make a good image for all our operators...Congratulations to Operator C.SMITH and his wife, WILLEAN, who are the proud parents of a baby girl, CHARLENE MARIE, born on May 15 at St. James hospital weighing 8 pounds 6½ ounces...Congratulations to WARDELLA HARMON, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. RODGERS HARMON, who was united in marriage to Mr. C. MOORE on Saturday, May 31, at St. Matthew's church. The reception was held at the I.B.E.W. hall, and your reporter and his wife attended the gala affair and wished them many years of happiness. Operator HURLEY

HUNTER was the disk jockey for the reception and played the music you wanted to hear. The food was delicious and there was plenty to drink. We had to leave early to attend the graduation party for our niece, THERESA ANN VITAC-CO, who was graduated from Our Lady of Angels school. She is the daughter of SOL and EVA VITACCO, formerly of Limits Station, now on pension and doing very well. He says hello to all his friends at Limits. Many friends and relatives were there to wish Theresa happiness and success in high school...Congratulations to JAMES FIORITO upon his marriage to Miss LINDA KAYE McDANIELS at St. Ladislaus church on June 7. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. ADAM FIORITO, instructor of mechanics, South Shops, and the nephew of your reporter. The reception was held at Liugi's on West North avenue, and everyone there had a wonderful time. The music was terrific and the food was delicious. James was discharged from the army on May 7 after serving two years, one of which was spent in Viet Nam. To Jim and Kaye, we wish you all the best that life can give and may all your prayers be answered during your marriage...Congratulations to JAMES MERTINS who graduated from high school in Arlington Heights, Illinois. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. AL MERTINS, your reporters brother-in-law. Some relatives and friends were on hand to wish him well as he goes out into the world. Our deepest sympathy to the Mertins family on the loss of Al's mother, Mrs. B. MERTINS, and was laid to rest on May 22 at St. Joseph cemetery... To all the operators on the sick list, we wish you all a speedy recovery and hope to see all of you back on the job soon. They are, Operators WILLIAM KEN-NA, AL GNIEWEK, R. MISEK, and JOE KANE. Retired Janitor McNAMARA is on crutches after an accident, and is coming along fine, now. He says hello to everyone at Kedzie. I got the information from FRANK WEISS who is also a janitor, formerly at Armitage Depot...The gang at Kedzie will miss Janitor J. AMBROGIO, who will be the new janitor at our terminals on the West Side...Congratulations to President and Business Agent WARREN SCHOLL of Division 241, and all the other officers elected. May they lead us back to unity for a greater union and better CTA service for all. Congratulations to WILLIAM LAR-SEN, our board member and First Vice-President of Division 241, and to WILLIAM REYNOLDS who was re-elected as board member at Kedzie. I wish you both success in your new three year term...Remember your credit union. Save a little every payday so we can help another member who may be in need.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

The Round Robin softball league is off to a very enthusiastic start, especially around Keeler Station, where the Keeler Bulldogs have already established a 2-1 record. Victories over IBM Merchandise Mart, 17-9, and Lawndale, 10-7 (practice game). Our defeat was meted out by a very good North Park team with a score of 18-14. Naturally, we look forward to a very interesting season, and a winning one with such dynamic and inspirational leadership which is being delivered by our manager, Operator ARNETT HUNT...Station Superintendent MILES DeWITT and his wife, RUTH, are enjoying their vacation in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Operator JIM HALL is breathing the fresh salt air of coastal Florida. Night Mechanic JIM ALEXANDER and his wife, ROBERTA, are taking in the magnificent beauty of the Black Hills of South Dakota. We would also

like to wish Jim a belated birthday greeting. Jim celebrated by joining the Millionaires club. Repairman LOU OLANDESE started his vacation on June 15, Fathers day. Congratulations, both ways. Fathers day should be a very, very happy occasion for Lou because of ten lovely kids ... Happy birthday to Operator LUCIOUS BANKS who celebrated his 50th birthday on June 6. Fifty more to go, Lucious. Repairman JIM COOPER celebrated a birthday June 27. PATRICK MULCAHEY Jr., the son of Shop Clerk PATRICK MULCAHEY Sr., is celebrating his fourth birthday June 5. Operator RON MILLER celebrated a birthday June 4, and let's not forget SY GOLDMAN who celebrated on June 20. That's the only information Sy would give, no year, no age. That's allright, Sy, we'll take a good guess. One of the most desirable, understanding, and lovable creatures I know, my wife, celebrated her birthday on June 26. Happy birthday, MARY...Operator TONY PESCE is to be congratulated on his receiving the Professor Kristos Argoe annual award of \$100 from Wright Junior college as the most outstanding student. This is highly commendable in all its aspects. Much more so because of Operator Pesce's full time employment. We can understand the hardships which he had to undergo. Our heartfelt congratulations.

- Ermest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

LAWNDALE -

Now that the weather is getting brighter, we have had visits from some of our pensioners, FRANK MATRE and EDDIE WISS, who tells about eating spaghetti in Wisconsin, JOHN OLINSKI, PAT O'TOOLE, KOKOMO HANLEY, FRED KINDLE, and from the repair department ABE ZACH and ART VAN MOFFAERT. Believe me, they all look great... For the first six months of the year, we are heading for a new safety record with a low accident rating. If we can keep up the good work, we will end up near the top, with free rolls and coffee, fellows.

We hear that TONY ZELEWSKI has a beautiful mobile home in California and is living like a king...Our baseball team had a fine start and we think they are great...JOHN ZURICH took his pension on June 1 and will leave for Germany to visit his son...Our deepest sympathy to the families of Instructor BILL FEILER who was buried Saturday, May 24; WALTER SZCZEPANIK who was buried Saturday. May 31, and MICHAEL MROZINSKI who passed away on June 3. He was the step-father of Janitor EDDIE KAW-CZYNSKI...We met FRANK KIZIOR one day. He is now working as a messenger and looking great... Happy birthday to our former station superintendent, CLINTON SONDERS, June 14...LOUIS MAGILL is resting well after his operation. Here's wishing you a speedy recovery, Louie... Mrs. BILL LISIECKI is rapidly recovering after her eighth operation...See you later.

- Larry Keating

LIMITS -

Supervisor JOE DAQUILANTE was united in marriage to his dream girl (EILEEN is her name) on June 21 at St. Mary of the Lake church. For their honeymoon, they went on a Caribbean cruise. Congratulations and best wishes to this fine couple...Operator SAM WILSON and his dear wife, DOROTHY, celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary on May 5. Congratulations!..Operator JOE DORNSEIFER (the

big boy from Germany) was married on May 17 to a charming miss. Congratulations!..Pensioner JOHN BRENNAN visited Ireland with his dear wife, HELEN. They will be gone two months...STANLEY WARCHOL of the repair department is now stationed with the armed forces at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He is going to school there learning telegraphic equipment for 12 weeks...Among the ardent fishermen at Limits are Operators TILK, DAPPEN, O'LEARY, and Superintendent JACK MORRIS. They all reported big catches of bass up at Wolf river near Fremont, Wisconsin. .. We are happy to see Operator RUDY DAQUILANTE back to work after suffering injuries in a motorcycle accident ... Operator TOM MORRISON flew to Gordon, Nebraska, where he picked up his mother and rushed her to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. He reports that she is now recovering and will be back home soon... Operator ELIJAH WESTBROOK spent an enjoyable time in Detroit, Michigan, where he visited his brother...Operator DALE KOEHNKE reports that the home he is building in sunny Florida is coming along nicely. His father, NICK J. KOEHNKE, who is enjoying his pension, has his home close by...Operator PEDRO MARTINEZ was confined in St. Joseph hospital, and from the latest report he is recovering nicely...Our sincerest sympathy to the families of HERBERT SCHAEFER and WILLIAM FEILER who passed away last month.

- R. S. Benson

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

HELEN PALLISTER wishes to thank all of you for your cards and good wishes for a happy retirement. Helen is well and enjoying her home in Wisconsin... Your scribe wishes to thank FAY CAPRIO can JOE RYAN as they are both good translators and very kind and patient people...We wish to express our sympathy to JUNE BAREKMAN on the death of her mother, and to the family of CURTIS ROSBY, our late Douglas cleaning crew leader ... JEWEL HUNT went to Tennessee last month to see her son graduate. Jewel came back very rested, but it seems that working in the assignment office has now changed that...After five years as a part-time ticket agent, TOM BARRETT has graduated and is now working for Allstate Insurance company. Good luck, Tom, and you can be sure we are going to miss you... TOM RAPP, West Side collector, spent a weekend in California attending the wedding of his cousin. Tom had a great time and lost some weight in the process...We wish to welcome all the newly-hired and re-hired student agents...Let me hear about all those vacations.

- Katy Moriarty

LOOP -

On Thursday, May 22, baby KIMBERLY KAY MATTRAN came into this world with a loud cry weighing 6 pounds and 6 ounces and 19 inches long. Her parents, BRUCE and JOAN MATTRAN, are doing fine. The very proud grandma and grandpa are Agent JULIA MATTRAN and her husband, RAY. Little Kimberly Kay was christened on Sunday, June 8. She wore the traditional long white christening dress and coat with matching bonnet trimmed in lace. Her cute dainty white shoes were a gift from her great grandmother (Julia's mother). The christening was a big affair and Kimberly was so happy with all the loving she got from all the family. Congratulations and good luck to one and all...TOM RAPP, collector, has just loved flowers ever

since he was about 12 years old. At that time, he cut all the flowers in his mom's vard and went out and sold them. When he ran out of flowers, he felt very sad. No flowers, no money. So, being a deep thinker, he came up with a good idea. In about a week none of his neighbors had any flowers left in their yards, but Tom had a bag full of money. You see, that's why Tom can carry the money bags without any trouble...Former Agent HELEN PALLISTER wishes to thank all her friends for remembering her with such lovely gifts, cards, flowers, and notes wishing her a long and happy retirement. Once again, have fun Helen, you're only young once...Many happy returns to Agent F. JOHNSON who had a birthday on May 17, and also to Agent M. WIXTED who celebrated her birthday in June...Our deepest sympathy to Agent JUNE BAREKMAN who lost her dear mother, Mrs. ANNA C. BAREKMAN, on Friday, May 30, after a long illness. She was buried on June 2... Agent MARY WHITE wishes to thank all her dear friends who were so wonderful to her while she was in the hospital. She received many cards, phone calls, and beautiful gifts. The masses and prayers also helped Margie during her convalescence. At this writing she is at home and feeling fine and getting stronger every day...Just received the news that Collector T. RAPP is leaving for France on July 31 for three weeks. Have fun, the time will go by very fast...On the sick list at this writing are: Agents H. DALL, GEORGE ROHRHUBER, C. SNYDER, MARGIE WHITE, L. FRICOT, L. LACHOWICZ, F. HAASE, and Janitor J. JORDAN. Hurry back folks, we miss you...Back from nice vacations are: Agents JIMMY GEORGE, C. SALA, J. FILIPEK, J. MATTRAN, MARGO BOGGS, and JIM CARNEY...Congratulations to Student Agents TOM BARRETT and BARBARA POSUCH who were graduated from college in June. May good luck and happiness be yours throughout life...Agent JOHN M. SAMAAN went to a United Nations meeting at the University of Wisconsin as a delegate from the Middle East. He was sent there by a Chicago college. From the pictures John had taken, he had a jolly time. P.S. John plays the Arabian drums for weddings and parties of all kinds. Just call 378-1578 for information. He says the sound of these drums is very enchanting and romantic.

- Mildred Doyle

NORTH AVENUE -

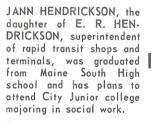
Operator ALFRED AGUAYO and his wife, HILMA, celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary on June 15. We extend our congratulations. Alfred had a double celebration since it was also Fathers' day...We congratulate Garage Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife, BONNIE, who will celebrate two years of happy wedded life on August 5... Many happy returns to ROLANDO LAFITA, the son of Operator LAZARO R. LAFITA, on his 15th birthday, June 11. He had a big birthday party and a wonderful time...We are happy to have received mail from three pensioners. HAR-OLD LEMIEUX is well and keeping busy in his garden and doing some fishing. BARNEY CALLAHAN and his wife, JOSEPHINE, are visiting their daughter and her family in England, and send their regards to their friends. ARTHUR MOILANEN, now living in Lanse, Michigan, says the fishing is good. His wife was ill, and we hope she is much improved by now. I hope to visit him and do some fishing in September...All of you pensioners who have retired to places that provide good hunting and fishing, let us know. The boys like to know where to go on vacation and where to plan to go when they retire. Pensioner A. A. HALE paid a

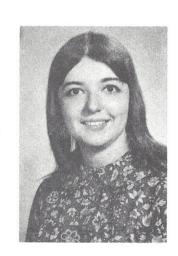
JOYCE COLEMAN, the daughter of JO COLEMAN, revenue balance clerk, and a straight "A" student, was graduated from Our Lady of Bethlehem academy and has plans to enter Longwood academy in September.





MILTON DRIVER Jr., the son of Repairman MILTON DRIVER Sr., 61st Street, was the recipient of a \$1,200 State Grant to further his studies at Roosevelt university.





visit to North Avenue sporting his bow tie. His old friends were happy to see him...Supervisor THOMAS WALSH retired on June 1. He started with the company in 1934 as a conductor at Kedzie. He became a supervisor in June, 1946, and came to North Avenue in 1959. We wish him the best of everything and hope to hear from him...Clerk ROBERT STACK had his vacation but his plans for fishing were spoiled by the cold and snow in Minnesota. Supervisor STANLEY LECK vacationed in Europe. Supervisor JOHN JOHNSON spent his vacation at the Painted Desert in Arizona. Supervisor RAYMOND COLELLO accomplished some grass cutting on his vacation. Supervisor M. CLE-

JULY, 1969

NEW PENSIONERS

CASIMIR J. ANDREWS, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 1-14-36 ROY A. BOETTCHER, Conductor, South Section, Emp. 2-18-42 ARCHIBALD C. DILLON, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 2-13-36 PATRICK DOHERTY, Operator, North Park, Emp. 9-9-42 PETER A. DOMBSKI, Painter, Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-20-50 ANTHONY J. DRAPP, Repairman, Wilson Shops, Emp. 11-26-43 JOHN E. DUNDON, Ticket Agent. South Section, Emp. 3-26-34 ARTHUR GISINER, Conductor, Howard Street, Emp. 6-2-42 CHARLES J. GRAFFEO, Car Cleaner, North Avenue, Emp. 8-19-47 JAMES J. HARVEY, Towerman, 61st Street, Emp. 11-16-25 EARL O. HELGESEN, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 2-7-28 FREDRICK S. HOFFMANN, Operator, North Park, Emp. 6-18-43 DONALD A. KANGAS, Switchman, North Section, Emp. 4-23-28 JAY F. KELLY, Traffic Clerk, Schedule-Traffic, Emp. 8-26-41 WALTER J. KLEMPIER, Supv. of Bldg. Maint., Engineering, Emp. 1-12-42 THEODORE KOTAS, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 7-30-53 JOHN KUCHAN, Laborer, Building, Emp. 3-23-29 GUY LEPORE, Car Cleaner, Wilson Avenue, Emp. 8-3-29 VITO S. LOCONTE, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 4-16-45 ALBERT L. LONES, Machinist, South Shops, Emp. 2-20-42 FERDINAND MARTINO, Conductor, North Section, Emp. 11-4-43

JAMES McNALLY, Bus Repairer, Kedzie, Emp. 8-26-42 ROBERT A. MUENCH, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 11-9-33 LONEY W. NEAL, Bus Cleaner, 52nd Street, Emp. 12-21-48 JOSEPH A. SHERIDAN, Bus Repairer, Campaign Area, Emp. 3-6-43 DONALD SMITH, Motorman, North Section, Emp. 11-20-45 FRED VAN DER LOCHT, Financial Secretary, Mach. Union Dist. 8, Emp. 7-1-46 CLARENCE J. VLACH. Operator. Archer, Emp. 3-1-27 EDWARD A. WOLSKI, Supervisor, District D, Emp. 1-12-37

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

STEVEN G. ANTON, Serviceman, 77th Street, Emp. 2-3-58 LEONARD E. CARLYON, Bus Repairer, North Avenue, Emp. 3-25-36 BERNARD J. COGAN, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 10-31-33 CLEODIS FOSTON, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 2-16-56 HENRY J. KOSCHNITZKI, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 10-22-29 IGNATIUS M. MITCHELL, Serviceman, Archer, Emp. 2-13-51 LAWRENCE A. REYNOLDS, Operator, Archer, Emp. 10-22-53 JOSEPH THOMPKINS, Painter Helper, South Shops, Emp. 8-8-41 JOHN C. WILLI, Conductor. North Section, Emp. 4-9-51

JOINING THE ranks of the retired on July 1 were the 5 CTA employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.



C. J. VLACH 42 Years



D. A. KANGAS 41 Years



J. KUCHAN 40 Years



E. O. HELGESEN 41 Years



J. J. HARVEY 43 Years

MENTE enjoyed his vacation helping his wife with her hair dressing at the beauty parlor. Supervisor ROBERT GEISER did some fishing at Sturgeon Bay. Pensioners ERNEST BOCK and ERNEST PEARSON and I caught 14 trout on our fishing trip to Northern Illinois...Supervisor JACOB LAPIDUS has transferred to District D...Operator WILLIAM R. MORRISON passed away May 3. Operator THEODORE MIX lost his brother, ALFRED, on May 10. Operator VICTOR FERRARESI lost his mother on May 18. We send our sympathy to the bereaved families.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN and his wife became grandparents for the seventh time when their son, BILL, and their daughter-in-law, JUDY, became parents of twin boys named JAMES ALLEN and DANIEL WILLIAM, born April 22 at Resurrection hospital...Operator HAROLD SEDIN and his wife, SOPHIA, became grandparents for the 32nd time when Sophia's daughter, Mrs. NANCY ZIEMAN, gave birth to a son named DAVID SCOTT, born April 24 at Northwest hospital...Operator JOE EIFFES started his pension on June 1 after working 27 years for the Motor Coach and CTA. Joe will be living in Clearwater, Florida, where he expects to devote much of his time just fishing and relaxing. Medical Examiner AL GLUECKERT retired on May 1 and we here at North Park will miss Al's cheerful greetings with the medical bus. Our best wishes to Al and Joe in the years ahead...MARIANNE BRUNO, the daughter of Operator TONY BRUNO, was graduated from Mother Guerin High school, and on June 23 entered Western Illinois university in Macomb, Illinois. Marianne expects to complete four years of college work in three years and then become a teacher...SUSAN TULLY, the daughter of Clerk PHIL TULLY, was graduated from Sullivan High school and plans to continue school this fall...DAVID OLENSKI, the son of Operator CHESTER OLENSKI, was graduated from St. Gregory's Grade school and will enter St. Gregory High school in the fall...MERYL SECLER, the daughter of Operator BEN SECLER, was graduated from Fairview South Grade school and will enter Niles East High school in the fall...KAREN PAOLI, the daughter of Operator GINO PAOLI, is a graduate of Mozart Grade school and will enter Kelvyn Park High school in the fall... Ticket Agent EARL STEVENS, formerly a bus operator at North Park, was a recent visitor at the garage and says he misses driving our rolling stock...DAVID BENSEN has returned to work at North Park after spending two years in Denver, Colorado, where he worked at several positions. We are happy to see David back among us again.

Operator CHARLES ALLEMAN has purchased a $3\frac{1}{2}$ acre truck farm in Millbrook, Illinois. The homesite is located two blocks from the Fox River where Charley will be able to fish at will, along with enjoying his hobby of farming... Pensioner TED DIDIER was hospitalized at Edgewater hospital for tests and observation and our prayers are with you, Ted...Private ROBERT NEWTON, the son of Operator ED NEWTON, was transferred to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he will attend the U.S. Army Printing school...ANNE COSGROVE, the daughter of Operator JOHN COSGROVE, was hospitalized at St. Annes hospital for major surgery, and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...SHELDON WEINER, the son of Operator IRVING WEINER, along with Mr. DENNIS SENDER became proprietors of the Sure

Save drugstore at 1958 W. Irving Park road. The two gentlemen will be happy to serve one and all who are looking for quality and dependability...Repairman RICHARD STEN-ZEL, Forest Glen Depot, the son of Receiver ED STENZEL, married Miss KATHY DE FRANCE on Saturday, May 31, at Lady of Mercy church. The reception was held at the Regency Inn and was attended by 200 guests. Ed's daughter, SUSAN STENZEL, was graduated from Schurz High school and will enter college this fall. Ed's grandson, EDWIN F. MILLINE, was baptized on May 18 at St. Cornelius church. .. Operator WILLIE FRIEB has purchased a '69 custom Impala and in a short time will be heading for a trip to California...Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN has a new '69 Ford LTD, fully equipped, and is ready for his vacation ... Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN has a new '69 Pontiac and is looking forward to his annual trek to Florida...Operator BUTCH VAN MIDDLESWORTH has purchased a Triumph Bonneville motorcycle, and Supervisor DAVE JOHNSON has a new 450 Honda...Operator JOHN BRANDICH and his wife, MYRTLE, vacationed at Lake Norfolk, Arkansas, where John reports the fishing was great. He also reports that Operator ROY LEMKE's advice and location of choice spots helped tremendously...Operator ELMER PETERSON and his wife, HELEN, vacationed at Clearwater, Florida, where they spent their time swimming and relaxing...Operator GARLAND "Tex" RHINES and his brother, ALAN RHINES, vacationed in Lubbock, Texas, where Tex's mother, Mrs. HATTIE RHINES, and other relatives reside. Tex reports that his oil wells and cattle interests are doing fine...Operator CHARLEY KEMP and his wife, HELEN, and their son, GARY, had one of their finest weekends at their summer home in Brookside, Wisconsin. The Kemps caught 32 brook trout in the stream running behind their home.

Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, and his sister-in-law, Miss CONNIE CELANO, toured Europe for one month. Highlights of the trip were visits with the Pope in the Vatican City, Amalfi Drive in Rome, Venice, Naples, Sorrento, Milan, and tours through Spain, Portugal, and Switzerland with a few days in Paris, France... Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, their 35th; Operator NICK ZAHN and his wife, JULIA, their 23rd; Operator ROY THOMPSON and his wife, GENEVIEVE, their 43rd; Operator KAZ YAWORSKI and his wife, FLORENCE, their 14th; Operator JOHN SUMMERSON and his wife, CHARLOTTE, their 17th; Operator CHESTER OLENSKI and his wife, JOANNE, their 19th; Operator BEN SECLER and his wife, NATALIE, their 18th; Operator EDGER NEWTON and his wife, FRANCES, their 33rd; Operator JERRY BUDZISZ and his wife, HELEN, their 13th; Pensioner and Mrs. ALVIN DAVIS, their 25th; Pensioner MAURICE MARTENS and his wife, AGNES, their 33rd; Operator JACK URBAN and his wife, SARAH, their 33rd; Operator WALTER UHLEMAN and his wife, LEONA, their 34th; Operator BOB CIESLA and his wife, EMELIA, their 31st; Operator BILL KNIGHT and his wife, ELKINA, their 23rd; Operator LEROY CARR and his wife, LOUISE, their 23rd; Operator GORDEN RICE and his wife, EDITH, their 27th; Clerk SAM GIRARD and his wife, WANDA, their 28th; Pensioner TED DIDIER and his wife, MADA, their 36th; Operator DON HEANEY and his wife, SONIA, their 16th; Operator CHARLES KEMP and his wife, HELEN, their 24th, and Operator RALPH ILLION and his wife, LILLIAN, their 28th... Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators LEROY CARR, JOHN COSGROVE, WALTER UHLEMAN, and BOB CIESLA, Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN, DEBBIE FRIEB, MARCI

LYNN LICHTER, EDWARD, ROY and KEITH KURCZEW-SKI, LEONA NEUMAN, and EMELIA CIESLA...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the family of Sanitary Engineer HENRY SCHOFFEN; to Operator BILL SEIFERT on the loss of his brother, Mr. CARL SEIFERT, and to the HEIN and BLOOMQUIST families on the loss of Mr. Hein.

Repair Department chit chat: Serviceman RED STAUN-TON went skiing on his vacation and took along a splint kit this time...Clerk GENE DZERWIKI has been golfing with North Park's ace pros, LASKE and BRUBACK...Repairman PAUL SCHREVES is going to attend the organ players convention and hopes to meet some of the celebrities that attend this affair...Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN was summoned to Iowa to check on the flood damage to his extensive farm holdings...Repairman ERNIE LOTITO is proud of his '69 Buick Le Sabre and hopes to roll soon on his vacation...Repairman SPARKY spent his vacation in the hills of Oklahoma...Repairman FRANK "The Cat" SCHENDEL spent the Memorial day weekend in Spooner, Wisconsin, where he caught a year's supply of minnows for Julius... Repairman ALEX "The Shnozz" FRITZLER spent his vacation painting his house and shining his new Buick... Repairman JULIUS MERSCH and his wife, AGNES, celebrated their 40th anniversary on June 1 at St. Gregory church, followed by a reception at the home of their son, ROBERT, in Skokie, Illinois...Repairman BOB VANDERMEIR's twin sons made their first holy communion on Memorial day ... Repairman BOB LORENZ had CLEO and BOOGIE out to string up barbed wire fencing on his ranch where he is expanding his holdings...Repairman MIKE MUSIELSKI took a week to plow his garden and now has his tomato plants set out...Repairman JOHN LOFTUS was hospitalized for surgery, and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily ... Repairman PAT MALONEY and Serviceman PAT "Moon Man" BOYLE retired on June 1 and a grand party was held at the garage for these two fine gentlemen. The best of health and good luck is extended in the years ahead for the two Pats.

- Melvin Forning

NORTH SECTION -

It looks as if this month will be a busy one with everyone going on their vacations, and I hope you have a wonderful time. Your scribe started hers on June 29...EARL STE-VENS would like me to thank everyone who called and sent cards while he was in the hospital. They help to pass the time and cheer one up...J. C. WILLI went on pension June 1 after 23 years of service. He was assistant board member of Division 308. They plan to move to Seminole, Florida, where his son, MIKE, will finish his schooling. Mike was graduated from St. Peters Elementary school on June 1... FRED MARTINO, Howard platform man, took his pension after 27 years of service on June 1. Fred and his wife bought a home in southern Illinois and plan to move there soon...Mrs. JOHN DURKIN acknowledges with many thanks all the donations and mass cards received since the death of her beloved husband...THERESA MOORE's son, his wife, and baby came in from Washington, D.C., for a week's visit recently...GENE BERGFELD's wife, MARIE, had an operation for cataracts in St. Louis, Missouri, and it was a success. Gene is joining her there for his vacation...THELMA ZINNINGER has another grandson. He was born on April 21 and was named TOBY JON, weighing 8 pounds 3 ounces. Toby's father worked at the Mart in '65...ART GISINER is

taking his pension on July 1. He and his wife, ELMINA, will move to Antigo, Wisconsin...KENNETH J. WISNIEW-SKI, with us for the summer, was married on July 5 to LILLIAN PIET at St. Adalbert's Parish. The reception was held at Pressman's Union Hall on South Kedzie. They plan to go to New Orleans for a late honeymoon in September ... I hope everyone who had an anniversary this month enjoyed it as your scribe did her tenth on May 23. Mr. ZUPKO celebrated 22 years on May 28...We welcome the many new employes who have been hired recently, and the students returning for the summer work...Condolences to KATH-LEEN and BRIDGETT O'DONNELL on the loss of their brother and brother-in-law...Janitor KARLOS is vacationing in Canada where he is visiting his son...Mr. W. CHASE spent a few days in California, then flew to Hawaii to be with his daughter when she has the baby. Hope he has a nice time. I would like to be there myself...ART KRAUSE took his pension on June 1 after 26 years of service with the company, including 5 years as an agent... ROSE O'CON-NELL's son, TOM, received his diploma from the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts on June 11. Good luck in your continued work, Tom...Collector ATHENS is back to work after a long illness. He was operated on for varicose veins. Glad to see you back. Mr. Athens...FRED KING is home recuperating after 5 weeks in the hospital. He was operated on for blood clots. He had 4 operations before coming home. He is improving and hopes to return to work soon. He has asked me to thank all who sent flowers, cards, and made calls while he was there...MARIE PASS has returned from a three-week tour of Europe. Marie and her sister went to the Netherlands, Belgium, Austria, Italy, Germany, Holland, and a few other places and found the countries just beautiful...DON SMITH, motorman at Howard, took an early pension on July 1 after 24 years of service...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. MICHAEL WELCH on the birth of a 7 pound 3 ounce baby girl on June 11. The new addition was named MARY CATHERINE...While on a recent vacation in Hot Springs, Arkansas, NELL SCHNEIDER of the Executive Office visited with a retired North Section ticket agent residing in the Majestic hotel. DORIS JOHNSON has been there for six years and is confined to a wheelchair. She would enjoy hearing from some of her old friends.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS -

ANGELA BRATEK left the CTA on June 13 to await the arrival of a blessed event. All in the office and many of her other friends extended their congratulations and best wishes to the mother-to-be, presented her with a gift, and had some coffee and cake. Her husband, BOB, is a programmer trainee in the Methods and Procedures Department...We would now like to welcome her replacement, JOAN JESTER, who is a new employe that just graduated from Longwood academy...After serving one year in Thailand, Sgt. RICHARD STRATTON, a jet mechanic in the U.S. Air Force, returned home. His dad, RAYMOND, was all smiles when his plane landed in Chicago. He will be in Walla Walla, Washington, until his discharge in six months. ..Graduating from St. Patrick High school were the sons of H. REDMAN, Operations, J. ROCHE, Utility, and the grandson of C. OLCIKAS, District D. Congratulations and good luck for a successful future to the graduates...Representing the Transportation Department in the General Office spring golf tournament were THOMAS M. STIGLIC and MARTY LUKES. Despite the downpour and strong winds the games

INSIDE NEWS



PRETTY CORTHEA QUALLS, the daughter of Operator JEFFREY QUALLS, 77th Street Station, "did her thing" when she made her debut as a debutante at a cotillion in the Palmer House on May 31.

were completed and the players were drenched. I don't think their scores were as low as they would have liked them to be, but they both managed to come home with a prize...RALPH TRACY and his son, RANDY, went to the central part of Wisconsin for a week of fishing. I don't know if this is a fish story or not, but I was told they did very well and got a lot of nice northerns and crappies. Good weather helped make the vacation more enjoyable. Randy recently enlisted in the U.S. Marines and is now in training in San Diego, California. We wish him the best of luck...The beauty of the west was seen by KEN WILLIAMS and his wife, LYDIA. During the three weeks they were away they stopped at many places including Scottsdale, Arizona, where they visited with JAKE JACOBY, spent a day in Tijuana, Mexico, and took in the scenery of many of the national parks. They spent a week in California visiting with many relatives and friends and saw Retired Line Supervisor EDGAR FERGUSON. After seeing their daughter at Southern Illinois university, their wonderful vacation came to a close...Our sympathy is extended to the family of HENRY REDMAN whose sister, LEONA DICKNEIT, passed away on June 8.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

Congratulations to all those whose efforts enabled the Utility Department to win two awards from the Greater Chicago Safety Council; one for traffic safety, and the other for industrial safety. We are proud of you and hope you continue the good work...On June 1, CASEY DE BOAR went on retirement. His friends were on hand to wish him good luck. He intends to spend his time at a place about 60 miles north of St. Paul, Minnesota...We are happy to hear that S. KAMINSKI is back at work and feeling fine after his recent surgery ... A couple of new employes who just transferred into this department are JOHN KOHLER and FRANK ZBROSKEWICZ. Welcome and good luck in your new jobs. .. A group of retirees enjoyed themselves at a get-together which was held at New Little Bohemia. Talking over old times and current happenings were: J. MULREE, B. GIL-MOR, C. BELASICH, P. RECKS, B. WERMES, S. ANDER-SON, J. CALAGHAN, P. CARPINO, T. RUESING, A. EIRE-MANN, C. MARTIN, and G. WORTMAN.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES RICKER drove to Charlottesville, Virginia, for two weeks of relaxation and fun. While Mr. Ricker was out on the golf course, his wife was playing tennis. The weather was beautiful and they had a wonderful time...After 13 years with the CTA, MARLENE DAY resigned to go to such things as palm trees, sunshine, and ocean breezes. She and her husband, JOE, are moving to Honolulu, Hawaii. They drove to Arizona to visit with his mother, then on to California and took a $4\frac{1}{2}$ day boat trip to their new home. Dr. Joe intends to set up his optometry practice while Marlene will take it easy for a while, get some sun and maybe learn the hula. A party was held for her at the M&M Club on June 6 where she was presented with a gift and her many friends wished her the best of luck. ALOHA!..A warm welcome is extended to D. JANE BELL who transferred from the Stores Department and will take over where Marlene left off.

- Colette Szczepanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Howdy JAN HEALY--nice to see you back! You can tell summer is here when you look into the office and see Miss Janet Healy busily typing away. Yes, Jan is back, but I'm afraid it won't be for long this year. You see, Janet won't be Miss Healy for long. Come July 26 she shall be known as Mrs. STEVEN MARTINICH. Oh yes, Jan is getting married. Steve formerly worked for the CTA as a student engineer but since has received his B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois in Champaign. He is presently employed by Philco-Ford corporation in Palo Alto, California, where they plan on living after they're wed. As for Jan, she has been attending St. Xavier college where she is majoring in Speech Therapy and will continue her schooling in California at San Jose State. The wedding will be performed at St. Cajetan's church. P.S. It was at the CTA that Jan and Steve had first met, so you see romance can begin at the CTA (Cupid Ties Anotherknot). Good luck and much congratulations, Jan and Steve...Mrs. MARGE HANSON and her husband, GEORGE, took a short trip to Paducah, Kentucky, to visit her sister who presently is ill. Our get well wishes to your sister, Marge. Incidentally, Marge has recently received an honorable mention for an employe suggestion submitted. .. The Stores Department's own JOAN THOMAS has just returned from a delightful two-week vacation. The vacation was a little special since Joan got to spend the time with her husband, JIM, who is presently home on a 40-day leave from the army. Jim, by the way, is stationed in Okinawa. Jim is seeing the new addition to his family, JENNIFER LYNN, for the first time. What were his first words when he saw his daughter--what else--"She looks just like me." .. Where did ED THORNE and his lovely wife go for their vacation? Where else but sunny Miami Beach, Florida. From the pictures Ed showed around the office most of the time was spent just lying in the sun (soaking up those rays) and splashing in the ocean and beautiful pool. For next year, Ed says it might be the Bahamas or maybe even Hawaii...Let it be known that from now on GEORGE LIN-DEN shall be known as the assistant divisional storekeeper - North Section. Yes, George is leaving our Mart office after nine years to return to Skokie from whence he came. All kidding aside, congratulations George, on your new position. George will be taking the place of NICK KORZEN who was promoted to the divisional storekeeper's position...Congratulations are also in order for NICK LA-CORCIA who has become the new stock clerk II in Storeroom 42, Skokie. This job was vacated by the retirement of WALTER MILLER who retired after many, many years of service with the company. So to both of you fellows --Walter--happy, happy retirement and to you Nick, good luck

on your new job...Miss ANNE GUSICH of the Purchasing Department, who is a member of the Catholic War Veterans, St. Jerome Post 595, recently attended their state convention at the Faust hotel in Rockford, Illinois. To Anne's surprise she was awarded a silver medal for outstanding service. She was also re-elected State Treasurer for the seventh time. This must be some sort of record. Congratulations, Anne.

- Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Both the Schedule Department typists are "Taurus" girls; MAY ANN COX celebrated her birthday on May 15, and EILEEN TYRRELL on May 19...JOE VIOLA spent the long Memorial day weekend by going fishing. Hope you caught some good ones, Joe...Your reporter, KAY BATINA, spent the remaining part of her vacation during the long Memorial day weekend not only busily cleaning house, but also putting mileage on her car...The welcome mat is out for W. STOLTENBERG and E. WROBEL, former outside checkers, to the Schedule Department as traffic clerks ... ESTHER O. O'BRIEN started a life of leisure with her retirement as of May 31. June 18, 1923, marked the start of the transit career of Esther O. Sandstrom who joined the Chicago Surface Lines as a stenographer in the Schedule-Traffic Department. In 1931 Esther changed her name by marriage to DANNY O'BRIEN, a foreman in the Machine Shop in the old West Shops. Her career kept her in the Schedule-Traffic and Executive Departments until 1946 when she transferred as secretary to the General Superintendent of the Shops and Equipment Department. After 18 years in this position Esther returned home to the Schedule-Traffic Department as secretary to the superintendent from which assignment she retired to what we sincerely hope will be a pleasant and long life of leisure and fulfillment of her dreams for an around the United States trip followed by a trip around the world. A dinner at the Bull 'N Bear restaurant was attended by 125 friends of Esther's to rejoice with her and honor her for a long and dedicated transit career and to wish her well in her well earned retirement...WALTER THOMAS and his wife visited their daughter and son-in-law where both are students at Colorado State college in Greeley, Colorado. Walter's sonin-law holds the area record for the running broad jump and will soon be competing for the national title... We welcome RUTH HAVLIK who transferred from the Accounting Department to the Schedule Department to replace Esther O'Brien.

- Kathryn Batina

SOUTH SECTION -

Here we are "In The Good Old Summertime". Hope everyone enjoys their summer...Greetings and salutations to the newly transferred trainmen from the North and West Sections: RONALD BYERS, JAMES WILSON, IVORY DAVIS, MAURICE BRANCH, LARRY CHILDRESS, EDWARD MEANS, JEROME TIGNER, LARRY GENOUS, LAWRENCE ROSEBAR, and JIMMY GRIFFITH...Belated congratulations to Conductor RICHARD SIMS who married LOIS METCALF recently. A happy married life is wished the newlyweds... It's nice to see Conductors GEORGE PEDERSEN and EARTHON JOHNSON, Agent ANTHONY NICHOLSON, and Janitor MICHAEL CARUSO back at their respective posts and off the sick list...With the arrival of summer and schools out, back came our student conductors to work for a few

months: WILLIAM WHITENHILL, DONNIE REEVES, WIL-LIAM STALLWORTH, PHILIP WHITE, GREGORY GUEST, ROBERT ROBERSON, CHARLES WILLIAMS, and MAJOR COLEMAN...Congratulations to Motorman LEONARD BEATTY who received an honorable mention award of a \$7.00 Jewel-Osco gift certificate for his safety suggestion...The Shops Department had a nice get-together and luncheon for Shopman CONN RIORDAN who retired on June 1 with 41 years of service. A token of remembrance was presented to him by his co-workers. The food was delicious. I'll never keep my weight down with all those goodies. Best wishes to Mr. Riordan for a healthy and happy retirement life...Also returning for the summer are our student agents: ROSEMARY WILLIAMS, JOYCE DAVEN-PORT, GREGORY BOND, OLIVER EVANS, SHELDIA HORN, MALINDA RUCKER, and GREGORY CULBERSON... Our Assistant Station Superintendent at Ashland avenue, JOSEPH TVRDIK, vacationed at his favorite fishing spot at Bull Shoals in the Ozarks and got his usual quota of fish. And now my hubby, ROLAND, is getting the frying pan ready for the fish. While in the Ozarks, Joe visited with Retired Motorman CHARLES McMORROW and his wife in Mt. Home, Arkansas, and they send their regards to all of us back here in Chicago ... Retired Conductor LELAND DAVIS, who lived in Mexico, passed away recently and was buried in Tulsa, Oklahoma...Repairman MILTON DRIVER was bursting with pride when he told us about his son, MIL-TON Jr., who received a \$1,200 grant to attend Roosevelt university in September. He will major in drama. Also, his daughter, JOE ANN, received her cap and is a licensed practical nurse at St. Lukes hospital. No wonder he is so proud of his children..."Hello" to newly-hired Agents BOB-BIE DUBOSE, DIANE LOVE, BARBARA HAMILTON, AL-BERTA DAVIS, SHERRY JONES, ESTHER LACEY, FAN-NIE WILLIAMS, IONAE HARRIS, and MINNIE WAKEFIELD, also to a transferee from the Surface System, Agent LEVI FOSTER, and re-hired Agent CHARLOTTE CAMPBELL. Also newly-hired Part-time Agents BEVERLY LANE, PATRICIA GAMMAGE, LYNDA GAULT, DEBORAH TIN-SEY, and ARDIS MORRIS Jr., the son of Supervisor ARDIS MORRIS...Retired Assignment Agent LULU HAMANN took a nice trip by train up to Wisconsin for a few days to see her niece graduate from high school...On the sick list at this writing are Conductors HAROLD THEDENS and JAMES GALLAGHER, and Agent LEON KURAS. Here's wishing them a speedy recovery...Motorman LINDBERG WILLIAMS received a nice letter of commendation from General Manager T. B. O'Connor commending him for his alertness in stopping his train at 47th Street when a man was wedged in the structure...Good luck to Agents DONALD HOUSTON, MARIKO HARRIS, Part-time Agents AMAZON PAYTON and RICHARD JOHNSON, and Janitor RICHARD WELLS who resigned recently...Off on a whirlwind trip to Ireland, Scotland, and England is Agent HELEN SHANNON. She was really looking forward to taking this trip...You should see the new offices, station, and terminal at Ashland avenue which opened on May 6. Is it nifty. The old terminal at Loomis Street is closed and being dismantled. Good fortune to our new terminal.

- Verna Hartney

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Condolences to the family of RAYMOND BRZECZEK, Office, on the passing of his father-in-law, JOSEPH JANCZURA. Mr. Janczura, a former CTA employe, had been

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

JOSEPH L. BALNIS, 62, Beverly, Emp. 10-3-29, Died 4-26-69 DANTE BRUNOD, 58, Engineering, Emp. 12-21-33, Died 5-5-69 JOHN W. BURKS, 70, 52nd Street, Emp. 1-4-44, Died 5-11-69 PATRICK J. BYRNE, 73, West Section, Emp. 9-29-21, Died 5-11-69 ADAM CHLOPECKI, 82, West Section, Emp. 4-8-42, Died 4-26-69 LELAND M. DAVIS, 74, 61st Street, Emp. 6-29-43, Died 5-18-69 CHARLES F. DOUMEL, 75, Lawndale, Emp. 1-22-23, Died 5-22-69 GEORGE H. DRAUT, 84, Devon, Emp. 4-2-06, Died 5-31-69 JOHN DURKIN, 64, North Section, Emp. 10-27-44, Died 4-17-69 MIKE DURSUM, 79, Track, Emp. 10-8-21, Died 5-11-69 WILLIAM FEILER, 57, Instruction, Emp. 12-17-40, Died 5-22-69 EMIL FELTZ, 60, Archer, Emp. 8-15-41, Died 4-14-69 JOSEPH P. FITZGERALD, 73, 69th Street, Emp. 6-4-14, Died 5-25-69 JOHN N. FURTNER, 68, West Shops, Emp. 10-18-23, Died 5-13-69 SAM GALIANO, 61, Engineering, Emp. 10-23-40, Died 5-4-69 HUGH J. GIBLIN, 70, West Section, Emp. 6-22-37, Died 5-24-69 EMIL F. GROSS, 78, 69th Street, Emp. 9-19-18, Died 6-1-69 WILLIAM A. HEILBUTH, 77, Kedzie, Emp. 1-19-12, Died 5-8-69 JOSEPH JANCZURA, 77, Archer, Emp. 11-21-23, Died 5-29-69 ARTHUR JANKE, 79, West Shops, Emp. 3-27-19, Died 5-15-69 JAMES JENNINGS, 95, Noble, Emp. 4-27-00, Died 4-29-69

PATRICK KENNY, 52, Treasury, Emp. 5-26-42, Died 5-24-69 EDWARD J. KLIMA, 84, Lawndale, Emp. 1-21-09, Died 5-24-69 WILLIAM KOPKE, 51, Electrical, Emp. 8-30-29, Died 4-18-69 CHARLES E. LARSON, 78, North Avenue, Emp. 11-23-26, Died 5-18-69 ALBERT LIS, 78, Kedzie, Emp. 4-27-29, Died 5-14-69 EDGAR MAGNUSON, 76, 69th Street, Emp. 8-2-13, Died 5-27-69 PETER McMANAMON, 67, South Section, Emp. 5-22-27, Died 5-18-69 ALFRED A. MIX, 66, North Division, Emp. 10-6-19, Died 5-10-69 WILLIAM MORRISON, 55, North Avenue, Emp. 7-25-55, Died 5-2-69 JOHN PETRICA, 56, Archer, Emp. 10-14-42, Died 5-9-69 RUDOLPH C. PLOGER, 67, North Section, Emp. 11-27-42, Died 5-12-69 EDWARD R. PULLIAM, 87, North Section, Emp. 8-21-08, Died 5-14-69 FRANCIS RHOMBERG, 54, 77th Street, Emp. 8-13-41, Died 4-17-69 JOHN H. SANDQUIST, 84, 69th Street, Emp. 1-30-09, Died 5-28-69 EMIDIO SANTELLA, 82, West Shops, Emp. 10-2-23, Died 5-19-69 HARRY W. SCHLAU, 89, Douglas Park, Emp. 8-31-99, Died 4-29-69 ROBERT SMITH, 33, Limits, Emp. 12-1-60, Died 4-24-69 GEORGE J. STELLER, 63, North Avenue, Emp. 10-18-41, Died 5-22-69 JACOB W. SZYMCZYK, 72, West Shops, Emp. 5-17-37, Died 5-7-69 FRANK M. ZUREK, 72, Devon, Emp. 9-14-23, Died 5-24-69

on pension for 13 years...After 41 years of service, COR-NELIUS RIORDAN, 61st Street, retired on June 1. Best wishes for continued good health and happiness are sent his way ... A double celebration was held at Wilson to bid farewell to A. DRAPP and G. LAPORE who retired on July 1. The guys will really be missed...Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to FRANK RAKSTIS, Linden, who is off on the sick list...Congratulations to H. BIGGS and A. MOORE on their promotion to repairman at Congress...Welcome to A. ROONEY and G. VAN NORMAN, new car servicemen, and L. BRANTLEY and K. CALT, summer assistants at Howard... Moving along the road of success are D. VILLA and R. SUAREZ who transferred to the Skokie Shops Electrical Department...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. ANTHONY ODROWSKI, Kimball, on the celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Their celebration started off with a mass said by Father Paul Hoban of the CTA St. Joseph League and ended with a feast enjoyed with family and friends at Dean's restaurant...FRANK FAWCETT, Kimball, is at home and recuperating after spending some time at Ravenswood hospital...Sorry to hear that ANTHONY

RUANE, Kimball, is in Ravenswood hospital. Let's get those cards and visits in to both Kimballites...Wishes for a quick recovery are sent to G. ANDERSON, Wilson, who is off on the sick list...Welcome to DOMINIC DeGIANFILIP-PO, new summer recruit at Kimball...Best wishes to L. C. JONES who resigned from Congress to go into electrical work...A hearty welcome from the Congress crew to new car servicemen D. MASON, A. BOYACK, J. NICKEL, B. MULLANEY, G. DANIEL, S. BRINKER, and J. HUNT, and repairman A. TUCKNOTT...R. KESSLER, A. WITHER-SPOON, and F. PATTERSON were promoted to "B" repairmen at Congress...Best wishes to ED WEBBER, Congress, and the new Mrs. WEBBER on their recent marriage. Wishes for years of happiness are sent to the newlyweds.

Graduation exercises were held for JOE Labellarte, LENNY DAVENPORT, LARRY MONAGHAN, GEORGE BARNES, HAROLD YOUNG, DON NICOSIA, and JACK HOBBS who completed the Inspectional Terminal Instructor course at Lamon school...Congratulations to RICHARD BRZECZEK, the son of RAYMOND BRZECZEK, Office, who placed first from a field of 2,733 on the Chicago Police Department's sergeant's exam. Officer Brzeczek, who has been on the police force for five years, is presently doing administrative work in the Youth Division of the police department...Skokie Shops held their golf outing, and among those listing mentionable scores were J. CANNELLA, M. COYLE, P. SABADOSA, J. LaBELLARTE, A. PORCARO, R. FLOWERS, C. MYERS, and S. RITA. Next time let's get all the guys out to play ... F. BENANTI Jr., Congress, and his family enjoyed their vacation seeing Idaho...Playing ambassador is how E.STAHL, Kimball, spent his vacation while entertaining friends from Germany... Vacations are for visiting and M. NETZEL, Wilson, had a vacation visit with his mother in Hannover, West Germany ... Resting, relaxing, garden working, and traveling is how vacation time was spent for G. COLUMBO, R. ROBINSON, J. HEN-DERSON, C. DUNLAP, H. HUGHES, R. LAUDANSKI, M. O'MALLEY, D. BRODIE, N. McGILL, T. SWIDER, M. Mc-INTOSH, L. ZIELINSKI, E. WISNIEWSKI, N. SCIMECA, S. ROEBUCK, J. O'TOOLE, R. LONDON, J. RUIZ, C. HAR-RINGTON, H. FINLEY, R. JOHNSTON, G. DAVIS, C. REY-MONT, H. LOOMIS, J. ORANGE, J. WILLIAMS, T. FRIEND, H. YOUNG, N. BENSON, J. CUNNINGHAM, G. KLEIN, A. MISCHKE, and W. SUDDUTH.

- Ray Brzeczek

SKOKIE SHOPS -

That wonderful day for retirement has come to many during the last few months at the Skokie Shops: JOHN GRZYB, carpenter, WILLARD LUCAS, blacksmith welder, CLEM HAMMERSCHMITT, electrical worker, ANDREW CZUBA, electrical worker, and PETER OLSZEWSKI, shop tractor operator...We also want to wish JOSEPH (Joe) BEDNARIK, electrical worker, who recently transferred to West Shops, the best of luck...There are a lot of new faces at Skokie these days with all the new apprentices who joined us recently. Among them are: DAVID MAYER, WILLIAM POWELL, DONALD VILLA, EDMOND DELANEY, LEROY SUAREZ, and MUZIO FICARELLI... There was a double celebration at the home of EDWARD R. HENDRICKSON, superintendent of Rapid Transit Shops and Terminals, and his wife, MARY, with the graduation of their two daughters, CHARLENE and JANN. Charlene was graduated from Lincoln Junior High school, and will attend Maine South this fall, and Jann was graduated from Maine South High school in Park Ridge on June 11 and will continue at City Junior college and specialize in social work.

- Everett E. England

77TH STREET -

Well, here we go again. What with the all important election of union officials and Father's day, you would think that your old scribe would be flooded with news...Operator KEITH TAYLOR will kill me if I don't get this in. His wife, ROXY, presented him with a baby girl, STACY, on April fools day...Operator TOM RAWLINGS became a grandfather when his daughter, ANITA, became a proud mother of a $7\frac{1}{2}$ pound boy...Our condolences to Operator JOHNNY BURKS Jr., who lost his father, JOHN BURKS Sr., on May 11. He was a retired CTA bus operator...GREGORY J. HEARNS, the stepson of Operator A. LEWIS, left for the Marines on May 27, and will take his basic training in San Diego, California. While on vacation, Lewis and his son did

some fishing in Eurica, Wisconsin, Green Lakes, and Monticello and had good luck. They caught a 16 pound carp, two striped bass, and some crappies and blue gills... Operator PATRICK HOGAN either lost a daughter or gained a son when his only daughter, MARY AGNES, was united in holy matrimony to PAUL BURNS on June 7...On June 7 I was pleasantly surprised by Mr. and Mrs. MATTHEW DAVIS who motored in from Memphis, Tennessee, to pay a short visit; and to top that off, my aunt, MARGARET DAVIS, will be here from Los Angeles, California, and RUTH has me painting...We take this opportunity to thank management for the reduction in fare for the senior citizens, and we ask our fellow operators to please have patience with them. If we live long enough, we too will become senior citizens ... I saw ERNEST CARTER, former scribe at Keeler, and he is now a supervisor. We wish him much luck and success... My daughter, BRENDA, is a June graduate from Dixon Grammar school...Happy birthday to my nephew, MARTY WIL-SON, June 19...It's good to see Operator WILLIAM RILEY back at work after being off for two months due to an accident...Operator RONALD PHILPOT, scribe for the Union Leader, entered Columbus hospital on June 9 for a minor operation...DENISE GRESHAM, the daughter of Operator ELCOSIE GRESHAM, was presented at a dance given by the Barber's school on June 6. She was also a June graduate of South Shore High school. By the way, Elcosie has taken the oath to carry his paper and pencil at all times, and will join me starting with the August issue as your co-reporter at 77th Street...Boy, our softball team at 77th is really something. All of the players showed up in the rain to play Sunday, June 8. However, the game was called because of rain, but with the spirit the fellows are showing, we have to be a winner...The Brokers Club is really swinging these days. They are currently holding their affairs at the Caribbean Village on 75th and Stony Island... Now that the election is over, let's congratulate the winners and send flowers to the losers and get down to the business at hand. Remember, it's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game...See you after my vacation with my fish stories.

- Amos Foster

69TH STREET -

Mrs. YOUNG, the price of coffee at the Union restaurant is now 15¢, so you will just have to increase MICKEY's allowance. Of late, he has taken to panhandling and has talked DAVIDSON, for one, into buying his coffee. Of course I agree that he can't stay out of trouble, like the day he worked FRANK ZBROSKEWICZ's run and a passenger took a swing at him because he thought Mickey was Frank. I guess it was a good thing that Frank took J. C. KOHLER's advice and transferred with him to the Utility Department. Don't you two fret about 59th street, because TOM McDON-ALD and ARTHUR PORTER are keeping the street in good shape. Tom's wife is coming along fine. Her hip is just about healed and she is able to get around and help him with the house work, now. Arthur Porter took his wife to Mexico City, Mexico, on June 8 to celebrate their 31st wedding anniversary. They stayed at the Hotel Alameda and made Acapulco one of their stops...E. R. ORACKI was speechless one day when he asked a little old lady for her medicare card. She told him that he was looking at a spring chicken and paid a full fare..."Fat" CHAMBERS wants to know who the bus driver was that ate the kids lunches when he had a charter to the museum?.. In Greek, PAUL VASILOPULOUS's name means, 'Son of a (watch it now) Prince." Paul had some bad luck lately, like having some of his relatives die and leave their savings for him to spend. He is worried about the bus driver that is selling church candles for 50¢ when he buys them for 5¢...Do you know that MICHAEL PACHOLIK is driving a new Chrysler station wagon at the rate of nine miles per gallon?.. Operators COYLE and J. GRADY better stop giving me a bad time or I'll get VI to put salt in their coffee. Vi is a good kid and gives good service. She has been having a rough time, so let loose of the extra change, fellas ... At the White Sox night game for the CTA, the Senators didn't stand a chance. One look at that deep purple (love) hat ROY HORN-ING had on and they struck out. You have to hand it to his "missus", she came with him. The "B/D" buddies, JACK WILSON and JOE CURRAN, were chaperoned by Jack's wife. PETE ALLESSI and his lovely wife had box seats (no less). RAY HAMMERSCHMIDT was there but missed the game. He was too busy stuffing popcorn into his face to see anything. On top of all that, TOM COOK caught a home run ball and the Sox won...JIM CHAMBERS said that MATT O'CALLAGHAN's condition has greatly improved. He no longer smokes, does the Irish jig, and hopes to be back to work soon...Do you know that WILLIAM (Bill) YEATMAN's middle name is YANCEY? His (good) friends believe it really is his first...LAWRENCE (Larry) LANTON of 550 N. Eastern avenue, Joliet, dropped a few lines. He drove a bus at 77th and 69th Street for 12 years and is now working for the Caterpillar Tractor company in Joliet. His father, WILLIAM OSCAR LANTON, died suddenly, May 23. Besides Larry, he left behind 5 daughters, 22 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. He was 63 years old...W. JOLLY had both eyes operated on last March, and as soon as he gets used to his glasses he will be back to work ... ERNEST TOCCI, our former boss at 69th Street, was graduated from Mt. Carmel High school 50 years ago. He is now 72 years old and has returned to Mt. Carmel again--but this time to



THESE ARE the fellows who were responsible for the wonderful time that was had by everyone who attended the South Shops picnic on Saturday, June 21, at Rubio Woods. The committee members are (left to right) first row--W. HAWORTH, H. KOLAR, chairman, J. LASKY, D. BRYAR, and T. CULKIN. Second row--J. MARRON, E. MANUEL, T. COATES, J. FORRESTAL, R. KEANE, B. HAWORTH, and J. SKIZAS. Third row--F. SPROVIERI, R. HAGEN, S. MAZUREK, F. MAY, J. KEANE, C. RILEY, and S. NIEMAN. Missing at the time this picture was taken were A. WILLIAMS and J. CAROLYN.

teach Latin. At a gathering of over 900 people at the Martinique restaurant, Mr. Tocci was chosen to be Mt. Carmel's "Man of the Year". This is quite an honor and we are very proud of you, Tocci, old boy...JOE DENNESAITES was elected to be the Grand Knight of the LaRabida-McHale No. 980, Knights of Columbus...JERRY DUNN, clerk, retired after 35 years of service. He started at the old Cottage Grove barn. Loads of luck and many years of happiness and health to you...Operator OWEN WHITE's wife suffered a stroke and was in St. George's hospital...ROBERT LANE, the brother of Operator S. LANE, was hit by a hit and run driver on May 18. He suffered a broken leg, but worst of all, he lost his false teeth. This happened at 69th and State, and everytime I'm there I keep looking for them. .. Back to the Youngs again. He took a day off when his son left for duty in the naval reserve. That night he worked a charter and was invited in for dinner. It was too late when he realized that it was Dutch treat...FRALE took his son on one of his famous choo-choo rides with a stop at the Grand Canyon this time...Instructor JOHN (the weather man) LU-CAS was mighty proud when his son, JOHN Jr., placed second in the Illinois state music contest. He plays the accordion...I apologize to JOHN JAROSZEK for misspelling his name, but really, fellow, that wasn't very hard to do ... Election day for Division 241 has come and gone and we have two new board members, H. BLAKE and L. MORRIS. Do a good job, fellows, and keep your cool...Among some of the pensioners I saw that day were: A. J. BOURKE, who has been retired for 18 years and looks great, GALE RUS-KA, and Retired Supervisor JIMMY GLENN, who has a bike shop on 95th and Kedzie avenue. He gives big discounts to all CTA men...A sight to see is PAUL VASILOPULOUS imitating HANK RISCH...Off sick at this writing are: P. C. SPOO, MIKE CULLINS, O'CALLAHAN, W. EREICKSON, and YEDINAK. I wish all of you a speedy recovery and better health in the future ... All of you who are on disability, retired, going on vacation, just returning, or just plain working, let's hear from you. Just drop a line into my mail box or send it to 69th in care of CTA Transit News.

From the repair department and JIMMY AHERN, we find that MIKE MORAN is back to work again after a long illness...FRANK PELZMAN, former foreman at 69th Street, is off sick...Our condolences to the family of JOE FITZGERALD who passed away. Joe worked a good many years for the old Chicago Surface Lines and CTA before retiring some seven years ago ... JOE GAMEN, former foreman, is back from Florida on vacation and feeling fine ... TOM TWOMEY and his wife are now retired and living in Colorado. Tom worked in the Campaign Area...JOHN PRO-POATIS and STEVE DONNA paid us a visit...Pensioner TOM McHUGH is vacationing in Ireland and visiting all the places he knew so long ago. How about some of those Irish songs to sing for us when you come back, Tom...On vacation at this time are: CHARLIE WILLIAMS (who hasn't missed a day in 12 years), BENNY BUTHIEWICZ, DON BERGE, GEORGE MORRELL, RAY SCHIED, LEO UPSEL, JIM LUNDY, BERNIE McBRIDE, DENNY PIERCE, FRANK FLYNN, HARVEY BROCK, TEDDY NIEZABITOWSKI, WALLY GROCH, JIMMY LEE, and MIKE DWYER. If they all go fishing like they said they were, I feel sorry for the fish, especially when Harvey Brock is there as he claims he is an expert. I have yet to see a fish he has caught... How about keeping the buses in tip-top shape and clean so that the drivers can't say anything against us.

- Arthur P. Buesing

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