

# Fareboxes Ordered for Exact Fare Plan

IN PREPARATION for CTA's exact fare plan taking effect during November, Chicago Transit Board at its August 7 meeting awarded contracts for \$1,021,015 for locked fareboxes. In additional action, the Board approved the taking of bids for other necessary items for implementing the plan.

Contracts were awarded to Duncan Industries, Inc., of Elk Grove Village, for 1,613 fareboxes at a cost of \$594,855 and to Keene Coin Handling Division, Inc. (formerly Johnson Fare Box company), of 4619 N. Ravenswood avenue, Chicago, for 1,522 conversion units for existing fareboxes costing \$426,160.

CTA will institute an exact fare plan on its buses so that operators will no longer handle money. Accordingly, drastic revisions will be made in fare collection procedures and equipment. Briefly, the rider will deposit the exact, correct fare into a locked vault farebox. Fare paying will be supervised visually by the bus operator, but no money will pass through his hands and he will have no key for the farebox. Change will not be made on any bus, but provisions will be made to accept overpayment if the passenger does not have exact fare. The system is being so designed as to expose no money from the time fare is paid until it is deposited at the bank.

Fareboxes for the new system will accept pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters. If it is unavoidable that a person deposit more than the required fare, a receipt for the overpayment may be requested which will be redeemable at specified CTA locations.

Before selecting this particular system, CTA reviewed the farebox procedures and hardware of all major cities. A task force visited installations in cities already on the exact fare plan. Farebox, sorting, and counting equipment of all manufacturers was explored. Sample fareboxes submitted by suppliers were carefully studied. Boxes existing on the property were studied to see whether they might feasibly be modified for continued use. Bulk money handling by the telephone company, armored car services, and major banks was investigated.

This study showed that a wholly satisfactory farebox to accept all U.S. coins and paper money, as well as refund envelopes, was not currently in use or in production. Lock farebox systems presently in use in other cities often inconvenience riders by not accepting certain coin denominations. They also needed improvement to reduce the possibility of fraud or pilferage. CTA has therefore decided to pioneer again because of its concern for the integrity of the overall system.

All suppliers expressed willingness to develop a system improved over those currently in use. The system offered by Duncan Industries, Inc., is already so improved. However, Duncan cannot complete manufacturing of enough equipment for the entire CTA fleet of buses within the time allotted. Therefore, the Board found it necessary to divide the order between two suppliers. Keene Coin Handling Division, Inc., will supply conversion units for existing Johnson K-25 fareboxes.

With the Duncan system, after deposit, the fare drops into a secure cash box, and remains inaccessible in closed locked containers and is transported to a central counting room via armored truck.

The Board also authorized the taking of bids for the purchase of three radio-equipped power-lifttailgate trucks for transport of vaults at an estimated cost of \$90,000 and for high-speed coin sorting and counting machines at an estimated cost of \$80,000.

These are the first steps in the installation of an exact fare system, the total cost of which will be about \$2,500,000. Chicago Transit Board on July 30 applied to the U.S. Department of Transportation for Federal aid under the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964. If approved, CTA will be reimbursed twothirds of the cost of the project.

The prime benefit under the exact fare plan is the elimination of holdups of bus operators. Experience in other cities that have the plan has proven this. Other cities were able to institute the plan much sooner than Chicago because they already had locked fareboxes in use. Chicago does not.

For the bus rider, travel time will be speeded up. Passengers will not have to wait to board while bus operators are making change. Street traffic, especially in the Loop and at heavy boarding stops, will be improved because buses will not stand for long periods of time while operators are making change.

Another advantage for CTA bus riders is that all buses will have the same fare-paying procedure. Presently, CTA has two completely different types of fareboxes which at times are confusing for riders.

Fare collection procedures at rapid transit stations will not be changed. THE COMPANY'S first suggestion plan providing monetary awards for cost-saving ideas started in November, 1944, for Shops Department employes of the former Surface Lines. The present system-wide suggestion plan for CTA employes was established on October 1, 1952, and since that time more than \$44,-000 in cash awards has been won by CTA employes.

Almost one quarter of the total cash awards was presented to employes who submitted 42 suggestions. These top suggesters, each of whom received or shared a check to the amount of \$100 or more, are listed here. Many also received supplemental awards because their idea continued to accrue savings to CTA one year after the idea was adopted.

Newest addition to the list is William P. Rafferty. S&E-South Shops, who received a \$100 supplemental award. Two others who received supplemental awards during July are Vernon Howe, S&E-South Shops, who received \$25, and Anthony J. DiGiovanni, Stores-West Shops, who received \$10.

Three employes who received \$25 awards plus an honorable mention award--a \$7.00 gift certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule set--include Robert Christmon, Utility-Blue Island, and Edward D. Gertz, Engineering-South Shops, who submitted their second adoptable suggestion within a year. Stephen Mattes, S&E-South Shops, earned his award for his newlyadopted suggestion.

Those named for an honorable mention award because they submitted their first adoptable suggestion include: Shops & Equipment-Ronald E. Benson, South Shops, Michael Caselman, Linden, and Joseph Siwek, South Shops. General Office-Robert M. Baxa, Emplove Relations, and Doris Yost, Accounting, Retired-Herman Wirth, formerly of the Claim Department.

ACCEPTING HIS cash award of \$100 is William P. Rafferty, South Shops Mechanic, who is pictured here with Superintendent of Shops & Equipment L. G. Anderson. Rafferty won an honorable mention award for his suggestion last year, but a review of the savings to CTA through the use of his idea resulted in his winning the supplemental cash award.



# **Suggestion Plan** Marks **25th Anniversary**

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James Egan	Shops & Equipment	100		100
Joanne Fenn	Insurance	*	100	100
Ernest Gaeger	Shops & Equipment	100		100
Walter Hallford Sr.	Shops & Equipment	100		100
Leo Kozlowski	Shops & Equipment	100		100
William Rafferty	Shops & Equipment	*	100	100
Henry Redman Jr.	<b>Operations</b> Control	100		100
Dermont Foley	Shops & Equipment	100		100
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Leroy Albers	Shops & Equipment	115		115
James Bittourna Jr.	Stores	120		120
Leo Kozlowski	Shops & Equipment	120		120
Patrick Nally	Shops & Equipment	125		125
Leon Walker	Engineering	135		135
Harry Denz	Shops & Equipment	115	30	145
Nick Fieramosca	Shops & Equipment	100	50	150
Nick Fieramosca	Shops & Equipment	150		150
Thomas Hicks James Nagel	Engineering	150		150
William Stapelton	Engineering	150		150
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Joseph Christoi	Engineering	100	100	200
Charles Gerard	Shops & Equipment	200		200
Larry Jareckas )	Shops & Equipment	200		200
Andrew Hodowanic	Shops & Equipment	200	•	200
William Mulwee	Engineering	200		200
John Kurgan	Shops & Equipment	206		206
H. Hamilton	Shops & Equipment	210		210
Walter Kreutzer	Shops & Equipment	125	85	210
Gerald Christensen Harold Kramp	Electrical	175	50	225
J. Baro	Shops & Equipment	100	140	240
Ed Bartkus	Shops & Equipment	250	140	250
Riley January	Shops & Equipment	250		250
A. Redlich	Shops & Equipment	250		250
Ted Szymanski	Shops & Equipment	175	75	250
H. Soderquist	Shops & Equipment	256	15	256
Willhelm Behnke	Shops & Equipment	300		300
Clemens Hammerschmidt	Shops & Equipment	165	165	330
R. D. Heinlein	Public Information	350	105	350
John Provenza	Shops & Equipment	267	178	445
Clarence Golz	Shops & Equipment	150	300	450
John Zaraza	Shops & Equipment	450	500	450
I. R. O'Shaughnessy	Electrical	500		500
James Forrestal	Shops & Equipment	2,000		2,000
Junes i orrestor	shops & Equipment	\$9,174	\$1,208	\$10,382
* Honorable Mention Award				

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# **MEDICALLY SPEAKING**

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

# **TOGETHERNESS-SECRET OF WEIGHT WATCHERS**

THE WEIGHT Watchers have proven that fat people can reduce weight successfully when in a group, even though they follow the same program which failed when they were alone.

Yes, it seems that the "loner" is too weak to accomplish weight reduction by himself. In a group, however, the same individual follows the example of the other members and attains success. In other words, the fat person in a group becomes ashamed of himself if he does not lose weight.

History of the Weight Watchers reveals that it originated in 1963 in New York. The four founders were Jean and Mortimer Nidetch and Felice and Albert Lippert. There are, at present, 72 franchises and about 1,500,000 members. The organization seems to be growing rapidly and most of its members are very enthusiastic about it.

The principal requirements or rules are: teamwork or mutual support, strict attendance to weekly meetings with an accounting of results for each person, and member encouragement. Re-education of food values and eating habits are also parts of the program. Each member pays a small weekly fee and must attend 16 consecutive meetings. At the end of these meetings any member is eligible for an award if he has lost ten pounds. Weight Watchers strongly advises that you consult your physician before or during the program.

Part of the regime is the regular eating of three meals each day, weighing the foods and recording their own weight daily. People are helped very much by encouragement from other members. Lots of

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A menu of meals is suggested and a list of caloriefree or low calorie foods is given--as is a list of foods which are absolutely forbidden. Space prevents a detailed discussion of these long lists of foods.

The weight problem is or should be everybody's business. It is a universal one. Superstitions about the fat and the lean have prevailed since the beginning of time. Fat people, thin people, young and old, and the rich and poor are now conscious of their weight. It has not always been that way though. Many years ago fat seemed to be desirable--it was a tangible and visible sign of prosperity. Some people even believed that fat persons are kind and gentle while the thin ones were mean and malicious.

According to Dr. Fishbein's book on this subject, overweight is mostly the result of a bad system of bookkeeping of food calories and weight. The unsuccessful people never learn how to subtract or take away certain foods in their diet.

Of course, there are a few exceptions. I am sure we can all recall at least one person who eats excessively and yet does not gain weight. We must not forget that obesity is not only related to the number of calories taken in, but also in the way the calories are utilized or burned up.

Obesity or overweight is usually defined as a body weight 20 per cent in excess of the average. Of course, an honest look in the mirror is a quick and easy way to tell if you are overweight. The urge to eat is a primitive and powerful instinct which is associated with the desire and will to live.

Obesity has a very definite relationship to health and disease. There is aboslutely no doubt that proper weight is essential to good health and efficiency. We also know that overweight predisposes to heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, arthritis, liver disease, and many other ailments. Statistics prove that overweight decreases life expectancy.

It is never too late, so why not get started on a weight control program today.

# Mary Roach Retires With 48 Years' Service

AFTER WORKING in the capacity of stenographer and secretary for a combined total of more than 48 years in the service of Chicago Surface Lines and CTA, Mary (Wiley) Roach retired on August 1.

Mrs. Roach started as a stenographer in the CSL Engineering Department on February 3, 1921. In 1926 she became chief stenographer and secretary to the CSL auditor and in 1929 she was advanced to the position of secretary to John E. Wilke, assistant to the vice president, where she remained until the death of Mr. Wilke in 1934. Mrs. Roach served in various capacities until 1943 when she was appointed secretary to E. J. McIraith, CSL general manager. She continued to serve as his secretary following his appointment as management assistant of CTA with the consolidation of transit properties in 1947, and remained in that capacity until the retirement of Mr. McIraith in 1951.

Between 1952 and 1961 Mrs. Roach served as secretary and personnel assistant to E.A.Imhoff, general superintendent of personnel, until his retirement. She was appointed secretary and personnel assistant to



Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn in October, 1961, the position held until the time of her retirement.

Mrs. Roach was honored July 30 at a retirement dinner arranged by fellow employes. More than 170 of her co-workers and former associates were in attendance. Mrs. Roach and her husband, John, are shown above with gifts which were presented to them by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn (left) and Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.



# 18 Graduate from Rapid Transit Supervisor Class

HA VING COMPLETED the Transportation Department rapid transit traffic supervisor's training program, the 18 employes pictured here have qualified for assignment to the supervisory pool where they will be available to fill vacancies as they occur. Members of the class are also available to fill temporary assignments, as needed, to familiarize them with actual working conditions.

Members of the class pictured here are, from left to right: First row--C. Mathews, D. Curry, T. Mc-Donaugh, K. Brown, H. Horn, and B. Williams. Second row--C. Faust, J. Zepp, M. Thomas, J. Franklin, T. Hughes, J. Washington, D. Sledge, and N. Coman, Back row--J. Blaino, W. Mann, A. Zagel, A. Jones, and Rapid Transit Supervising Instructor J. W. Brucker.

# THE INSIDE NEWS

# AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

# ACCOUNTING (Payroll) -

After spending many successful years in the Payroll Department, BILL PARRILLO will transfer to the Budget Department. Although we will miss him, with his quiet and efficient manner, we wish him much success and happiness in his new venture. He will be succeeded by AL LATH-OUWERS from Revenue Accounting, so we put out the welcome mat for Al and hope he will enjoy working with us ... Another new face in our midst belongs to a cute little colleen named MAUREEN HOULIHAN ... We are happy to have JUDY MACZAK who was graduated from Mary Grove college in June. She hopes to work for her masters degree in clinical psychology at Wayne university ... The CTA members who will be taking the trip to Portugal and Spain in September will have many wonderful experiences in store for them. Your scribe took a trip similar to the one sponsored by the CTA and thoroughly enjoyed it. The flight to Lisbon is very fast and smooth and before you know it you are there. Portugal is such a lovely country, so clean and quaint, very scenic, and the people are so friendly. We especially enjoyed the beautiful city of Lisbon and the charming fishing village of Sesimbra, with the colorful fishing boats in the harbor. We think of Spain as a land of "guitars and castanets" but in addition, there are such majestic mountains, rolling plains, different trees, colorful flowers and birds, and just gorgeous scenery; and, of course, the fantastic Costa del Sol. It was interesting to see the ancient city walls, and aqueducts built by the Romans centuries ago.

# - Clara Lawrence

- Evelyn Leu

# (Tabulating) -

PAT SCHOENBAUM spent her vacation in wonderful Chicago, and I understand that the shops on the southwest side that specialize in ladies "ready-to-wear" had their sales increased 75 per cent...CLARENCE BUTHMAN and his family spent their vacation in Waterloo, Illinois, near St. Louis, Missouri, in order to acquaint their new baby, BRAD, with all of his relatives...A quick recovery to HERB ROHDE who injured his fingers in an office accident. Well, there goes your golf game for a while, Herb...Condolences to DAN FRUSOLONE and his family on the loss of his mother, Mrs. MARY FRUSOLONE, who passed away July 9.

## (Revenue) -

Though the summer is slowly coming to a close, our vacationers have returned with memorable thoughts of their vacation experiences. LOIS JAHNKE spent her holiday in Williamsburg, Virginia, touring its many historic monuments. Of course, after all the rain we've had, finding sunshine was best of all...DELOIS HILL took advantage of the Windy City during her leisure time visiting and catching up on those little things we keep putting off...Having "sun and fun" was what ALICE ARKIN and her husband, BERT, had when they visited Nassau and Miami. Alice and Bert found Nassau especially picturesque with its touch of British accent, and driving on the left side of the street probably made a difference also...With the spirit of a leprechaun, KATHY SLOYAN returned to Ireland to visit her family and friends. County Mayo is Kathy's place of origin, and she remarked that the tall castles and colorful hillsides leave no question why it is called the Emerald Isle ... The welcome mat is extended to JEANNE FITZGERALD from Public Information. Jeanne is now secretary to Mr. A. J. FITZSIMONS ... Hello to MARTY WILMSEN from West Shops ... The best of luck to AL LATHOUWERS who transferred to the Payroll Department. Al always did like figures. Numerical that is. A warm welcome to ROD HEF-FERNAN from General Accounting who is replacing Al ... Our condolences are expressed to MARIE FOLZ on the recent death of her mother-in-law, EVA FOLZ, on July 7. Services were held at St. Nicholas church...Hi, LORRAINE McEVILLY! Good to see you back...It must be true that Methods and Procedures is constantly growing! Proud father TOM BOLDT and his wife, GAIL, gave birth to DON-NA LAURI on June 7. Tom has two other children, MIKE, three years old, and DEBRA, one year ... Good luck to KAR-EN LAWLER who recently left the CTA family. Karen and her proud husband, RICHARD, will soon be starting a family of their own.

- Clotilde Mrzena

# **BEVERLY** -

Operator WILLIAM JONES was honored twice recently when he was elected to be a trustee of Robbins, Illinois, and was also ordained as a minister. Congratulations, Bill, we need more good men who will take an active part in civic affairs, and will learn how to open a door quietly, so it will not be slammed in their face ... Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI was honored at Mt. Carmel High school where he was chosen "Man of the Year". We will never do all the work Ernie has done in his lifetime, but none of us has a wonderful wife like ANNE who is the most gracious woman any man could have. We hope both of you will have many more happy years together ... We wish a speedy recovery to Operator FRANK BLACK who is on the sick list. Hurry back, Frank, we still need a good man to train all the students...Vacation time is here and we would like to hear from all of you, so drop us a card so we can have some news to write. Thanks, brothers.

- 70m Daniels

## CONGRESS (Agents) -

Motorman W. SZOFER returned to Stuttgart, Germany, and Poland after an absence of 19 years. There will be many happy reunions during his five-week stay...MARY DOYLE is spending seven happy weeks in Wexford, Ireland. Although there are several counties between her and MOL-LIE SHIELDS, they plan to spend some time together...Our deepest sympathy to the family of EUGENE SCHAEFFER who passed away on June 29. What started out to be a happy vacation ended in tragedy...Mass was said at St. Rosalies church for Motorman HENRY HERRICKSON on Tuesday, June 24. Our condolences to his beloved family... Mass was also said for Pensioner BENJAMIN TARGOSZ on

THIS ATTENTIVE young

man is, PFC. JOHN W.

HOYNE, the son of Archer

Operator and Mrs. JOHN G.

HOYNE, who is now sta-

tioned with the Military

Cu Chi, Viet Nam.

Detachment

in

Police

Friday, June 27, at Five Holy Martyrs church. Mr. Targosz was on pension for many years but is still remembered by many who had worked with him ... We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Agent LAWRENCE FRI-COT who passed away on June 30 ... Agent NANCY THOMAS and her sister, MARY, and Agent TOMORROW LEE had a grand time in Northern Wisconsin...Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of REGINALD BURROWS who suddenly passed away ... Switchman CLAUDE KINARD was recently gradauted from Roosevelt college, and as a special treat, went to Washington, D.C ... The student agents held their annual picnic at Pottawattamie Park on Sunday, July 13 ... Agent MARY NOLAN and her sister, ELIZABETH, decided on a vacation in Colorado. They plan to spend most of their time at Colorado Springs...We were sorry to hear that MARGARET McBRIDE was in the hospital, and we hope that she is well on the road to recovery ... Agent ROBERT CLACZYNSKI basked in the sunshine and did some fishing in Fon du Lac, Wisconsin...JOSEPH VANEK and EMMA RICHARDSON had a memorable time in Memphis, Tennessee. They would like to do it again, soon ... PATRICIA WILFORD and her mother and daughter had a most interesting and eventful vacation in Jamaica. While there, Patricia had a chance to go deep sea fishing ... VIOLET MOHRING and her two grandchildren flew to Hawaii via Seattle, Washington. Who had the most fun, grandma or the youngsters ?.. LEON HEG-WOOD and his wife went to California on their vacation. They have friends in San Francisco and Santa Barbara ... CALVIN and CLARENCE THOMAS wish to express their appreciation to all their friends and co-workers for their kindness and thoughtfulness to them, their mother, and their family on the loss of their father on June 30. Calvin and his wife, CECILIA, and their six-year old son, CALVIN Jr., took a California vacation. The high point of the trip was Disneyland. Which of the three had the most fun? ... STANLEY BANALS is fending for himself these days because his wife, BERNICE, left for Cape Kennedy for a visit with their son and his family. He is a technician on the base, and she was in time to see the men take off for the moon. How thrilling it must have been for her to have a son doing his part for the moon mission.

- Julia Brousek

# ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

A very happy retirement to DANIEL MCEVOY who retired June 1...Best wishes to DONNA KAMINSKI who left at the end of June to await the arrival of her first child ... MARGARET and EDWARD MENZEL are the proud parents of SCOTT EDWARD, born on March 21, weighing in at 7 pounds 10 ounces. ED MENZEL is the proud grandfather ... CHESTER MATUSZEWSKI and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed in Camdenton, Missouri. He caught his quota of fish, as yours truly enjoyed a delicious fish dinner ... JOHN DARCY vacationed in Arizona, C. SCHUMACKER in Bull Shoals, Arkansas, and the BOB BOOTH family visited the Blue Ridge Mountains. DUANE REED and his family toured Estes National Park, and BENNY BONIFAY and his wife visited the Middle East and the Orient ... Put a ring around September 21 on your calendars. That is the date of the office picnic which will be held at Beemis Woods...Get well wishes to the following who are out sick at the time of this writing: J. MADIGAN, J. O'DONNELL, L. DONOFRIO, ED FLAHERTY, A. MCDERMOTT, W. MOORE, and AMOS SMITH. A speedy recovery to all of you...Our birthday list is unusually large because I missed the last issue. So, for



the month of May, happy birthday to: G. QUICK, F. COR-RIGAN, T. WYNCOTT, A. MAXWELL, W. BANICKI, V. KEE, A. WILMONT, G. CHRISTENSEN, D. GARDNER, and J. FINLAY. For June, happy birthday to: J. CICHON, F. LUNDIE, E. TEGTOW, W. LOOS, A. BOSCO, F. MAR-RIANE, J. WEAVER, J. MURPHY, W. CLEMENS, H. GEIER, W. CARLSON, L. WINOWITZ, H. LODDING, and P. JANKE. For July: W. NELSON, B. JAWMAN, R. BOOTH, C. SCHUMACKER, H. GABUER, M. FELTON, J. BECKER, D. W. MOORE, R. TAUSCH, J. O'DONNELL, F. CLEMENS, B. TOAL, D. RYAN, A. SCHUSTER, and R. ROCK. It's just a shame you all don't work at Blue Island because when it's your birthday, you buy the coffee and rolls.

#### - William Rehder

# (General Office) -

We extend best wishes for the future to RAY BIENAZ and his bride, JOAN, who were married on June 14. They spent their honeymoon in New Orleans and Miami...DONNA KAMINSKI, our former scribe, was the guest of honor at a luncheon on June 27 in Henrici's restaurant. Many friends and co-workers from the Mart, Chicago Avenue shop, and Blue Island were present to wish her much happiness. Donna will devote full time to the good life of the everyday housewife and mother-to-be. It was great to have S. DAN-ECKE and C.J. BUCK, our retirees, with us on that day ... SANDRA CLAUSEN, formerly of Real Estate, will be our new stenographer. Welcome, Sandy ... Vacation time has arrived and off we go. KEN MIKOTA and his family visited relatives in Tucson, Arizona. Ideal weather was great for swimming, sun bathing, and just having a wonderful time. The MIKE RICKSONS drove to "Lake of the Ozarks" for a little relaxation. MARIE HAVLIK was the guest of her sister, BERNIECE, at Rockville, Maryland. They took side trips to Annapolis Naval Academy and historic Mt. Vernon.

# - Kay McAlister

# ENGINEERING-RESEARCH & PLANNING -

CAROL RADMAN has been incapacitated for some time with a dislocated knee. We hope she will soon be able to return to work...PAUL MINOGUE made a move to a new home in Forest Park. We wish him luck...Research and Planning welcomes and congratulates BILL GOODWIN who transferred from Skokie Shops. He asked that we say "hi" to Indian Joe for him...Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MACAK and

# INSIDE NEWS



THIS HAPPY bride and groom are Mr., and Mrs. WILLIAM LeMONNIER who were united in marriage on May 10 at St. Gall's church. The bride is the former LINDA GIERLASINSKI, stenographer in the Engineering Department.

their son, CHUCKY, drove down to Tampa, Florida, in their new air-conditioned Pontiac for a three-week vacation. In addition to attending a train collectors' convention, George revisited some of his old "haunts" in the Tampa area for the first time since World War II army days. The only mishap was getting caught by a Florida state trooper for doing 85 miles per hour...WAYNE ANDERS, the son of HERMAN ANDERS, was graduated from Northern Arizona university at Flagstaff, Arizona. He is now studying for his masters degree at the same school.

Mr. and Mrs. FRANK MISEK drove out east to Attleboro, Massachusetts, to visit their son and see his new home. They spent several days on Cape Cod, including a trip to Nantuckett Island where they rode bikes and did some fishing. They motored on to Philadelphia to see some of the historic spots. They drove down to Washington, D.C., and visited a niece who also bought a new home, and visited several of the highlights like the White House and President Kennedy's grave and took a side trip to see George Washington's home in Mount Vernon. Frank says it was a most enjoyable vacation.

# (West Shops) -

W. KLEMPIER, supervisor of building maintenance, retired July 1 after 22 years with the company. If everyone remembers, Mr. Klempier was honored at a luncheon along with R.J. SHANKLIN at Sloviks Hall. Friends and wellwishers presented him with 12 brand new golf balls. Being quite a golf enthusiast, Mr. Klempier's main goal is to eventually get a hole-in-one. A second luncheon was held for Walter at Paolellas. He said his plans are to take a fishing trip to Miami first then go to Las Vegas, and in the future, buy a home and settle down in Wisconsin...Congratulations are in order for several who received promotions recently. HAROLD BERNDT and WALLY HALLFORD were selected to fill the post Mr. W. KLEMPIER left when he retired. ROCKY FERRARO was selected for the position of general labor foreman when H. Berndt was promoted. JOE HARRIS was made a labor foreman, filling the post of R. Ferraro. Good luck to all of these fellows ... Now about vacations. LEO FELCKOWSKI, carpenter foreman, spent his two-week vacation at home tending to his grandchildren. I'll bet he could use another vacation after his vacation. Rocky Ferraro spent two weeks in Hawaii visiting the Islands of Hilo, Cona, and Maui, and one week in Honolulu. He and his wife especially enjoyed a luau they attended, with roasted pig, dancing girls, and native drinks. Wow! Now that's a way to spend a vacation. Track Foreman

JIMMY SMITH spent a two-week vacation in Cleveland, Ohio, and Memphis, Tennessee, visiting his children, grandchildren, and cousins. I don't know in what order this was, but I do know he really got around in those two weeks. ED HESS, chief clerk, spent a two-week vacation fishing-but caught no fish. Well, at least he didn't return with a great big whopper about the one that got away. JOE CHRISTOI spent a week's vacation at home with guests from Seattle. He decided that Chicago had its points of interest so he spent the week giving his friends the grand tour ... Those of you who didn't attend the recent Building Department picnic really missed a treat. There were games, contests, races, and plenty of food for all who did attend. From secret sources, I hear that HAROLD BERNDT gave the folks a run for their money in the rope jumping contest ... WEST SHOPS FLASH: What track foreman is currently afflicted with a case of housemaid's knees?

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

# FOREST GLEN -

The annual Division 241 golf tournament held on Monday, July 14, at St. Andrews Golf club proved to be a great success. More so for the Forest Glen garage as the results showed the 1969 champion to be our own JIM KUCHAR-CZYK who shot a 3 over par 75. The handicap trophy was won by E. LEE, a guest of Operator CHRIS GILBERT. Our Milwaukee avenue. Operator ANDY LEE was declared the 1969 Forest Glen champ and awarded the depot trophy after a tie with DAN NONCEK and CHRIS GILBERT; all had a 67. Others who finished in the high 60's and 70's were: KEN CZACHOWSKI, LOU GLOWACKI, TED GALUS, FRANK PARTIPILIO, ED STOBART, CHRIS PANTOS, TOM VA-LENZA, JOE MOLLO, JIM HAGERTY, LES RAGE, DANNY MANZO, AL NEHLS, JOE LOCOCO, STAN ANDREWS, JOHN KURINEC, GEORGE FUENTES, TONY SONJU, and MORRIE BUCKLEY. As per usual custom, WALTER PON-DEL and HANK ZIOLKOWSKI brought up the rear, shooting in the 80's and barely getting the booby prize. I think Wally and Hank should take some lessons from Andy and Jim. Witnessing the presentation of the awards were: Division 241 President WARREN SCHOLL, DAN McFADDEN, recording secretary, JIM PATE, treasurer, Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN, ROBERT QUETSCHKE, assistant to superintendent of operating stations, and Committee Chairman FRANK V. LASKE. Joe Mollo covered the event by taking colored movies of the affair. By the way, Joe was using his foot to push the ball in the tournament. No wonder he has a sore right foot. We better keep an eye on this boy. Our thanks to the committee on a fine job and we are all looking forward to next year's outing ... Sorry to learn that our good friend and former Forest Glen operator JIM ROEBER suffered a heart attack. He expects to be released from the hospital in August...Get well wishes are sent to Instructor CLARENCE LEMKE who, at this time, is confined to Resurrection hospital...Get well wishes are also sent to TED THOMPSON who is confined in Hines hospital. .. EDMUND LAUBE became the new grandfather at our station when his daughter had a baby girl in July ... MATT BOREK attended the State VFW convention in Peoria, Illinois ... WILL LYONS, sporting a new car, made a fast trip to Michigan during his vacation with his lovely wife, JULIE. .. Skipper TED STANEK is now cruising the lakes in his new boat with all the extras. He still needs a ship to shore radio to make it complete ... Birthday greetings to the "10" Club, JAY LOMBARDO, TED GALUS, FRANKIE GRIES, and

AL PFEIFFER who is now enjoying his pension ... All that bragging and no proof, could be the title to a fishing story by our sporting group of GEORGE DILLAS, GEORGE WICKMAN, WALTER MIELA, GEORGE SPORLEDER, and BARNEY ANDREWS. I guess we will have to wait and see what MIKE KOMPANOWSKI and his gang caught In Minnesota on their expedition. I'm sure they will have the proof. .. ED (Chappie) CHAPLESKI and his head accordian player, PAUL WINKOWSKI, will audition on radio station WTAQ, LaGrange, in the near future. Be sure and tune your radios in when the date will be announced. They are still looking for a drummer ... Supervisor ROBERT BARBER and his lovely wife, SHIRLEY, have finally hit their 25th wedding anniversary. The very best to this fine couple. Yours truly had the pleasure of speaking to Shirley and she still calls Robert "lover boy." I guess some have it and some don't. They have a son, ROBERT Jr., in Viet Nam where he has received his second purple heart with a bronze star. May the good Lord watch over him. Their second son, PAUL, is at Camp Polk and their youngest son, DAVID, is a junior in high school ... A proud grandfather was Operator DE MAYO when he reported that his new grandson, ROB-ERT ANTHONY WILCNZSKI, was born on May 28 and weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces...G. SPORLEDER, G. WICKMAN, E. DIETZ, G. DILLAS, BILL LYNAM, and WALTER MIELA all reported good fishing on their vacations. These fine gentlemen make the trip to Minnesota each year and each year they return with the limit. I've never seen any of the big ones they talk about, but I'll take their word for it...Mr. and Mrs. TRYGVE BERG and their son, DAVID REEGER, and his family have returned from a ten-day vacation in Northglenn, Colorado, where they visited Estes Park, Central City (where Trygve stole a red garter off the leg of a mini-skirted waitress), Seven Falls, Colorado Springs, Garden of the Gods, and the Air Force Academy. Their oldest son, Lt. Commander H. LAWRENCE REEGER, and his family visited with them while enroute from Alameda Naval Air Station, California, to their new station in Kingsville, Texas, where he will be a navy jet instructor. Trygve's cousin, ESTHER SMITH, was a passenger on a bus in Washington, D.C., when a weary old lady pushed her way onto the bus, pushed her way to the rear of the bus, signalled when she wanted the next stop and stood on the step. When the rear door didn't open up, she frantically called out, "I want to get off here." The driver called back, "Well, push lady," and she answered, "But there's nobody in front of me!"

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

# GENERAL OFFICE (Law) -

CEILE BAGGS is home from the hospital, and from what we hear, is now well on the road to recovery. We sure miss your smiling face.

#### (Treasury) -

JAYNE O'CONNELL became engaged and is now flashing a diamond. Wedding plans are set for next year. Best of luck!

## (Insurance) -

LELA BRANGAN, former hospitalization clerk, gave birth to a bouncing baby boy on June 26 weighing in at 6 pounds 5 ounces and named KEVIN JOHN...The welcome mat is extended to JOYCE SCHALLER, student at Carbondale university, who joined the department for summer work...JOANNE FENN flew out to California to be with her husband who was discharged from the service and upon their return will make their home in Skokie, Illinois...Sorry to hear SYLVIA COLEMAN transferred to Claim Department as clerk-typist. Best wishes are sent to her on her new job...The girls in the Insurance Department took LO-RENA BERDA out to dinner at Jim Sains' restaurant before she became Mrs. LARRY NORKIEWICZ on July 12 at St. Ann's church in Lansing, Illinois.

#### (Public Information) -

JOHN and VIOLET BURGESON attended the wedding of their son, JOHN Jr., to JANE ANN THOMAS in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on June 7. John, who worked at the CTA General Office during summer vacations, is director of music at the Bexley Methodist church in Columbus, Ohio, where the couple now resides.

# (Reproduction Services) -

CAROLINE WILSON, typist, started her vacation with an unfortunate accident while traveling on a Greyhound bus. She received serious injuries and is home recuperating. Wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to her...DOROTHY WILHELM just returned from a week's vacation in Phoenix, Arizona, where she visited her sister, PAULINE, a former CSL employe.

## - Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

### **KEDZIE** -

To all our operators and their families, I hope those of you who have had your vacations, had a wonderful time. I would like to hear of your travels so I can put them in our column...Our accident record at Kedzie is very bad. I know we won't finish first in the Interstation Safety Contest, but if we strive just a little harder and keep more alert, we can make a good showing. So let's give it our best ... Division 241 had their annual golf tournament at St. Andrews Country club and had a good turnout. Many prizes were awarded, plus door prizes for those who just came for the dinner. It's always good to attend these affairs for you meet many of your fellow workers who have changed stations. It's like a family reunion. Division 241 First Vice-President WILLIAM LARSEN was the master of ceremonies and did a wonderful job. In attendance were: Division 241 President and Business Agent WARREN SCHOLL, Recording Secretary DAN McFADDEN, Treasurer JAMES PATE, and Superintendent of Transportation DAVID FLYNN. Pensioner DAVE CLARK was there and he also played golf. Kedzie was well represented as well as all the other stations ... To all our operators who are having anniversaries this month, we wish you many more years of happiness ... Our deepest sympathy is extended to Operator A. DOMI-NICK in the passing of his father, Operator J. GILIO on the passing of his sister, and Operator G. SULLIVAN on the passing of his father-in-law ... Your credit union is always ready to serve you, but by the same token, help your credit union. Save a little each payday for in this way you can help another fellow worker in need.

# - Raymond Graham

# LAWNDALE -

While on the sick list I heard from BILL MOSER, JESSE CINCUS, HARRY COX, MILO MEYERS, and ED KAWCZYN-

SKI. Thanks, fellows, nice to hear from you. I hear that my friend PETE MOLFESE was also sick but is back to work now ... Received a card from L. MINOR from Ohio. He says the fish are not biting but the mosquitoes are. How's the Wurzburger ?.. Glad to see Instructor DAVID HINMAN at Lawndale. Welcome aboard, Dave ... Bus Placer JOHN (Archer) WOJNICKI went on his vacation and will have a few things to tell when he gets back...Our baseball team wishes to give many thanks to Board Member EARL WASH-INGTON and the Lawndale Federal Credit Union for their new baseball jerseys ... I understand they have been on the winning end lately and maybe next time I can give you more information about them. Oh, LIL ROGERS, where are you? .. Sorry to hear that CARL BUEHRING passed away in Van Nuys, California, and also the death of Operator WILL GUERTIN's daughter, SHIRLEY GUERTIN, who was buried on July 8. Shirley worked for the CTA in the General Office. Our deepest sympathy ... Ever since I wrote a story about JOE LUSCALZO and BILL LISIECKI, they have picked on the same street and are real buddies doing each other favors. Now, I think I did my good turn for the day ... In the Interstation Safety Contest we are doing good. They say, "We were great in '68, let's shine in '69." We will do that and make it a reality...See you later.

- Larry Keating

# **KEELER** -

Keeler Station is very delighted to welcome back the college students employed for the summer that were here before, and also those that are working for the first time. These young men enable some of the old timers to enjoy a quiet, relaxing vacation at some secluded resort, catching fish by the dozen, and to just reminisce about the old days. For the younger fellows, it gives them a chance to wander along the beaches, and to relax in the friendly confines of Wrigley Field watching those amazing Cubs. While we are on the subject, let's take a few lines to talk about our own softball team. Their latest victim was Beverly Station, which they walloped 18-9. On Sunday, August 3, they will take on Lawndale Station which is undefeated so far, but I think we can break their magic spell...Operator JAZEK is off to capture the world in photography aboard a World Airlines jet. No matter where he is going, I am sure he will return with tales and pictures of his tour...The son of Operator B. ZENTMEYER had a wonderful time while honeymooning in the Bahamas. He caught some huge barracudas while there and has the picture to prove it ... Your coreporter, ERNEST CARTER, and his wife, VIRGIL, jetted to Las Vegas and returned home broke but happy, then they decided they would drive to St. Louis for the weekend ... Operator WILLIAM WORKS and his wife, ELOUISE, celebrated their 4th wedding anniversary on July 2. Mrs. Works will also celebrate her birthday on August 23. Congratulations and happy birthday...Operator PETERS and his family just returned from a tour of the East coast, Philadelphia, Atlantic City, and New York. Wow! Pete, you better watch out, friendly Bob may be looking for you. Just kidding, pal...So long for now.

# - Ernest C. Carter & Anthony Berry

# LIMITS -

Operator EDWARD ROONEY and his dear wife are mighty proud of their two sons. On June 11 their son, TOM,

was graduated from DePaul university with full honors, and on the same day their other son, EDWARD, and his wife presented the Rooney family with a baby boy. Congratulations!..Supervisor HENRY GOETZ returned to work after his vacation in Taycheetah, Wisconsin, where he was busy working on his home ... Superintendent M. H. DeWITT and his dear wife, RUTH, enjoyed a memorable vacation in Puerto Rico where they visited many places of historic interest ... Operator E. BUCHWITZ enjoyed himself up in cool Fort Frances, Ontario, where he caught his limit of fish ... THOMAS WISE, the son of Receiver JOHN WISE, returned from Viet Nam after his tour of duty where he received a high award and honorable mention for his outstanding performance in training the men in his command ... Supervisor JOHN PERKINS and his wife, DIANE, welcomed a baby boy by the name of KENNETH ANDREW into their home last month. Congratulations to the proud parents ... Former Supervisor TOM EGAN has been in the Illinois Masonic hospital for surgery. He is now well on the road to recovery ... Pensioner CLINT WELLS reports that his mother-in-law passed away and was buried in Gillespie, Illinois. She was 83 years of age and had 5 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. Our sincerest sympathy to the Wells family ... ROMAN BIALECKI, pensioner, and also the mother of Operator RALPH VENN passed away. Our sincerest sympathy to the families of these departed ones.

- R. S. Benson

## LOOP -

Our warmest thoughts reach out to Clerk JOHN CARO-LAN and his wife in understanding sympathy in the loss of their son, TIMOTHY J., U.S. Army, who died in Viet Nam on June 18 ... Several agents who did not know about the passing of Agent J. BAREKMAN's mother would like to extend their sympathy at this time ... One afternoon, in the latter part of June, several of the agents along the Lake Street line were handed a very pretty red rose. From who? Why retired Janitor I. CHRISTMAS, of course. He came around to say hello and to show the gals how nice his roses were growing. He said he spends most of the day working in his lovely garden...Just the other day, an old time student agent passed through my station. It was KEN DURMA. I am sure many of the agents remember him and his brother, DON. We mentioned many of the girls and fellows who were here at that time. Ken said that most of them were married and had little ones and very good jobs. Don is married and has two lovely children. Ken spoils these two little ones and so does grandma and grandpa. But, why not ?.. Agent M. HAASE had a birthday in June. Her children had a nice cook-out for her and a big birthday cake ... Collector V. NORSTROM had a birthday in June. He spent all morning trying to get 56 candles on a small cake with no luck. Then he went to the races--no luck--lost his shirt. Oh well, better luck in 57, Norstrom ... Collector T. RAPP loves uniforms and thinks he looks great in them. So for about six months, he is putting his CTA uniform in moth balls and is changing to the army green. Good luck and hurry back ... There were happy birthday wishes spreading at the home of Agent JULIE MATTRAN on June 22. Her husband had his 39th, and their one and only little granddaughter was one month old. To be sure, the baby received most of the attention that day, but grandpa didn't mind ... Can it be Janitor SCHULTZ's pleasing personality or his nice clean stations that keeps him on the top of the popularity list? All the agents keep asking him to pick their stations.

Well we found out that it is both, personality and clean stations. Three cheers for Schultz...Was Janitor CIVITO missed while on his vacation? You can say that again. When Jim returned he had more work and cleaning to do than the gang ever had. It didn't take him long to get with it and the stations were sparkling once again. Even the passengers said it was a pleasure to go through Austin station as the floors and stairs were so clean...Our deepest sympathy to the family of Clerk E. SCHAEFFER who lost his life while on vacation at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. ..Our heartfelt sympathy to Agent MARGIE JACKSON on the loss of her husband...At a time like this, there is so little we can do except let the family of Agent L. FRICOT know our thoughts go out in sympathy to them.

- Mildred Doyle

# LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Congratulations to former Ticket Agent MICHAELENE MEDUNCIA on the birth of her fine, healthy son ... LINDA TAMPINS' son, ANDREI, was graduated from Christ Lutheran Elementary school and will be attending Lutheran North High school in the fall. Linda had a graduation party complete with champagne for Andrei and his friends ... MARION KAAD spent her vacation visiting her daughter in Mamaroneck, New York ... TOM RAPP and BOB FRITZ are off to Ft. Leonard Wood to begin their basic training for the army reserves. Good luck to both of them ... VERNE NOR-STROM spent his vacation fishing in Wisconsin...The best of luck to JACKIE HOLMES who took maternity leave on July 25. The party held for Jackie at the assignment office was great fun, and we wish to thank MARCIA ERINBURG for the extra calories ... PAT WILFORD spent her vacation in Jamaica and had a swinging time ... BARB POSUCH was graduated from Mundelein college and will be teaching in the suburb of Lyons this fall...JACK BRADENBURG was graduated from Loyola and will be attending law school in the fall ... This year's student picnic was a great success. The West Side students beat the North Siders in a game of baseball, but I received conflicting reports on the outcome of the game. The North Side students claimed that the West Side cheated, but a reliable source informed me of the fact that the North Siders were so bad that they had to call the game ... TAHITA MARTIN's twins, JAMES and DAVID, were graduated from kindergarten. Tahita was very proud when David was chosen to hold the flag for the ceremony ... LARRY LATHAM and SPIRO LAMPROS have vowed to go on diets. The next time you see them, test their willpower by tempting them with a jelly roll...Superintendents RALPH DEMARIA, LEO BIEN, and J. P. HALLAHAN are back to work after their vacations. It's good to see them back ... BILL GILL is still on the sick list. Heard he's feeling better and hopes to be back to work soon ... And from our underground--HENRY MYRON HANDLEMAN, the famous comedian, is presently employed by the CTA under an alias.

- Katie Moriarty

# NORTH AVENUE -

Operator WILLIAM MORELAND took a trip to Maryland on June 18 to attend the wedding of his mother. She is 73 years young, and was married to WALTER SHERBERT who is 72. The families celebrated the event, and we send them our congratulations...Operator VAL KREISEL and his wife, MARIE, are grandparents for the fifth time. STEPHEN

CHARLES NAIDA was born June 6 at Elmhurst hospital to ARLINE and CHARLES NAIDA. Congratulations to all. Val has four grandsons and one granddaughter...Garage Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife, BONNIE, celebrated their second wedding anniversary on August 5... One of my fishing buddies, Pensioner LARS ERNEST PEARSON, and his wife, ANNA, bought a home and moved to 519 Russell street, Mountain Home, Arkansas 72653. If any of you are going down that way, Ernie will be able to show you some fine fishing spots. We have letters from other pensioners which we were happy to receive. Pensioner ART MOILANEN writes that he has been enjoying good fishing. He dipped a couple of hundred pounds of smelt and caught a three pound rainbow trout with his bare hands. He's been busy working on a garden for his folks. He sends regards to his friends at North Avenue. We hope his wife, BETTY, is in tip-top shape after her illness. Pensioner ELMER DEEGAN writes that he has enjoyed visits from JERRY RING, AUGIE JOHNSON, GEORGE STILLWELL, BENNY KEEFER, and WALLY GABRIELSON and his wife. He says Pensioner JOHN JACOBY has a nice home in Scottsdale, Arizona. Elmer says "hello" to all his friends. He will be 73 in August and takes care of an 18-apartment building. Pensioner JOHN "Hurricane" MURPHY writes that he has lost touch with his friend, Pensioner JOSEPH RINEHART. If you read this, Joseph, get in touch with John. John asks to be remembered to all and wants GEORGE BUTLER to know that his pinochle playing has improved. Pensioner BILL ECHOLS writes that he is home from the hospital, but isn't sure if he will be hospitalized again. We pray that all will go well for him. Pensioner HAROLD "Frenchy" LEMIEUX is keeping busy in his garden and doing some fishing near his home in Wautoma, Wisconsin ... PETER GERAME Jr., the son of PETER GERAME, repair department, was graduated from Northwestern university on June 14. He specialized in business administration and accounting...Opera-

tor PAUL BURGE and his wife spent six weeks traveling in

Mexico in their mobile home, "The Flechade Cobra." They

parked at the home of friends in Mexico City and made car and train trips to all points of interest. The highlight of

their trip was a barbecue fiesta given in their honor by

their friends. They entered Mexico at Piedras Negras and

left at Reynosa. They made a side trip to Vera Cruz and

fished in the Atlantic Ocean. They went to Acapulco to

swim in the Pacific Ocean. In all, they covered a total of

5,480 miles. They wish it could have lasted forever and

that all their friends could have as wonderful a vacation as

they did. Traffic Checker FRANK PONZIO covered quite a

bit of territory on his vacation. He visited Rome, London,

PICTURED HERE is pretty MARYANN BRUDNEY, the daughter of North Park Operator GENE BRUDNEY, who was united in marriage to Mr. MICHAEL MARIANO on June 27.



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



E. JOHNSON 43 Years



C. J. MIDLAND 40 Years



P. A. STOLZ 43 Years



H. H. PECHTER 41 Years



J. W. JOHNSON 40 Years



M. BASSO 40 Years



T. F. MADIGAN 41 Years



F. M. YERMAN 40 Years



W. L. ELDER 40 Years



R. H. ENGWALL 40 Years



J. C. CINKUS 40 Years

# **NEW PENSIONERS**

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MATTHEW BASSO, Stock Clerk, South Division, Emp. 8-29-28 PETER J. BELASICH, Chauffeur, Utility & Emerg. Service, Emp. 7-27-36 JAMES J. BOGAN, Laborer, Building, Emp. 5-10-30 ELMER J. BRAUNHOLD, Car Cleaner. Kedzie, Emp. 5-16-39 JESSE C. CINKUS, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 11-27-28 BERNARD COHEN, Collector, Lawndale, Emp. 3-6-43 KATHERINE M. DWYER, Typist, Stores, Emp. 11-12-42 WILLIAM L. ELDER, Conductor, North Section, Emp. 7-1-29 ROY H. ENGWALL. Operator. Beverly, Emp. 4-22-29 ANDREW R. HICKEY, General Foreman, South Shops, Emp. 6-7-34 ERNEST JOHNSON, Operator. Limits, Emp. 11-11-25 GEORGE J. KRISTOF, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 11-11-36 FRANK KRUZICH, Tractor Operator. South Shops, Emp. 4-11-46 THOMAS LEAHY, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 8-22-29 THOMAS F. MADIGAN, Div. Storekeeper, South Division, Emp. 9-22-27 CARL J. MIDLAND, Adjuster, Claim, Emp. 3-6-29 HARRY H. PECHTER, Laborer, South Division, Emp. 6-22-28 RAPHAEL PFEIFER, Repairer, North Park, Emp. 3-7-47 MARY W. ROACH, Personnel Assistant, Transportation, Emp. 2-3-21 PETER A. STOLZ, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 4-8-26 PAUL SZABO, Car Repairman, 61st Street, Emp. 12-14-36 WALTER P. TAJDUS, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 12-14-36 FRANK M. YERMAN, Repairer, 69th Street, Emp. 1-12-29

# DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

BENJAMIN S. CZELUSNIAK, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 3-3-43
HUBERT K. DOLL, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 10-25-33
DONALD O. FREY, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 7-8-43
ROBERT N. JEWETT, Operator, 52nd Street, Emp. 2-20-43
JOHN W. JOHNSON, Operator, Archer, Emp. 1-15-29
ALBERT A. LONG, Repairman, Congress, Emp. 11-28-42 Paris, Milan, and Switzerland. Operator RAYMOND RAHN spent his vacation in Arkansas and at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri. Operator RAY ZIELINSKI and his wife spent their vacation in Las Vegas. They faced 110 degree temperatures. Operator EDWIN AGUAYO and his wife, ALICE, and daughter, IVETTE, flew to Buffalo, New York, then drove to Canada. They stopped at Niagara Falls and it looks like a second honeymoon. Pensioner JAMES MAR-REN and his wife, MARY, vacationed in San Francisco. Jim says he enjoyed all the night clubs and this was no place for a retreat. They flew TWA. Pensioner ERNEST BOCK, my son, DAVID, and I did some fishing up north. Ernie and his wife, EMILY, visited their daughter in St. Louis when she had an appendectomy operation. We are happy to report her complete recovery. Operator HAROLD WILLIAMSON enjoyed his vacation in Los Angeles ... My son, David Miedema, won the Chicago Tribune "straight 'A' student" award, two pairs of tickets to Chicago White Sox games. For a baseball fan like him, it was a welcome prize ... I'm sure among our men at North there are many National Guardsmen who just returned from two weeks at camp as my son, Bill Miedema, garage clerk at Forest Glen, did. We're glad you're back safe and sound ... Keep the news coming in. We thank the clerks who are so helpful in giving us any items they have. There are many news items your friends would like to know about, but we won't know about them unless you tell us or drop them in the box ... We extend our sympathy to Operator ROBERT LEWIS who lost his mother on June 28 ... Enjoy the Labor Day weekend. Drive carefully if you are traveling.

- William Miedema

### NORTH PARK -

The Division 241 A.T.U. golf day outing was held Monday, July 14, at St. Andrews Country club with another large turnout. Prizes were awarded to all who attended. Committee members FRANK LASKE, JIM PAPE, and BILL LARSEN are to be commended for their fine handling of this event. Operator BUCKY WALTERS won the trophy that North Park depot awarded to the golfer turning in the depot's best score ... The Tally Ho Golf club, located on Route 45, 2 miles west of Half Day, Illinois, invites all CTA employes and their guests to play their championship golf course. Tally Ho is one of the finest in the Chicago area and the price is \$3.75 for weekdays, and \$5.75 for weekends...Congratulations to the winners of the Division 241 election, and now may we all pull together for a stronger and better local...Instructors WALTER STEINBEISS, WIL-LIAM PARNUM, EDWARD SCHAMB, ED WESTON, RAY COLLELO, LOUIS BIENIEK, and ART HIGGINS take this opportunity to thank the line instructors and the temporary line instructors for their part in the job of breaking in the college students for summer work ... TONY BRUNO Jr., the son of Operator TONY BRUNO, was a member of the Holy Cross High school sophomore baseball team. Tony Jr. hit a cool .426 for the season and plays third base on the team. We expect to hear a lot more about this young man in the future ... Sanitary Engineer PAUL GOODIN and his wife, GRACE, vacationed at Osseo, Minnesota. Paul and Grace spent considerable time fishing on Lake Clearwater but the results were poor ... Sanitary Engineer OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLA, vacationed at Sheridan, Illinois. Oscar reports that fishing on the Fox river was excellent ... Operator ROY LEMKE took a four-day holiday and drove to Lake Norfolk, Arkansas, where he caught 35 bass weighing wife, ANGELA, toured the southwest and western states on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Albuquerque, New Mexico, the Grand Canyon, the Rocky Mountains, and the Black Hills of South Dakota ... Pensioner JOHN O'NEILL, formerly a motorman at Devon Depot, reports about his trip to Florida and Texas. John has also made two trips to Ireland since going on pension and would like to be remembered to all his friends at the garage ... Operator DON BENNETT and his wife, MARIE, vacationed at Las Vegas, Nevada. They enjoyed the floor shows and meals and hope to return again soon ... Operator ROY WALDROP and his wife, SHIRLEY, vacationed throughout the Northwest. Highlights of the trip were visits to the Badlands of South Dakota, the Black Hills, and Custer State Park where Roy romped around with the 1,000 head of buffalo. Roy and Shirley were very impressed with the sculptures on Mt. Rushmore ... Pensioner JOHN EGAN underwent major surgery at Illinois Masonic hospital, and at this writing is recuperating satisfactorily...Operator RICHARD McAULIFFE was hospitalized at Bethesda hospital and is recovering at home. Mac's address is 7658 N. Sheridan road and he would appreciate cards or visits from his friends...Operator JOHN SUMMERSON has started to diet and hopes to lose enough weight to keep him thinner than his buddy, Operator CARL BAUMGARTNER...Operator JUAN FUENTES has resigned from CTA and is going to become an automobile salesman... Operator JACK URBAN has purchased a '69 Oldsmobile with air conditioning, and now his plans call for a trip to Florida. Operator SIDNEY HUTNICK purchased a '69 Buick Le Sabre and his plans also call for a Florida trip ... TIM RICE, the son of Operator GORDEN RICE, was graduated from Taft High school on June 24. Tim enlisted in the United States Air Force, and due to his R.O.T.C. training, will start off with an E2 rating ... KEITH CALLEN-DER, the grandson of Operator BILL and MIN SEIFERT, was graduated from Lockport West High school on June 5. Keith, who was in the upper ten of his class, received a scholarship to the University of Illinois and plans a career in medicine ... Operator CONNIE SCHMIT and his wife, FRANCES, became grandparents for the seventh time when their son, THOMAS, and daughter-in-law, PAM, became parents of a son, GREGORY THOMAS, born May 22 at Mc-Henry Community hospital ... Operator PAUL COOK and his wife, LAURA, became great grandparents for the first time when their grandson, ROBERT SMITH, and his wife, LEA, became parents of a son, ROBERT BRIAN, born June 24 at Culver City, California, hospital weighing 6 pounds 11 ounces...Operator JOE MIKIETA became a grandfather on June 12 when his daughter, Mrs. MARY JEAN NELSON, gave birth to a daughter named CORINNE ELAINE who was born at Columbus hospital weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces... Operator FRED and ANN ANHALT became grandparents for the third time when a grandson named PHILLIP PAUL ANHALT was born on June 4 at Forreston, Illinois, weighing 7 pounds 14 ounces...Operator CHARLES and MARION ALLEMAN became grandparents for the first time when their son-in-law, DANIEL, and his wife, ALLYNE GIBSON, became parents of a daughter named MELANIE LYNN born June 27 at Lutheran General hospital in Niles, Illinois. Pensioner GARRETT FOY and his wife, JEAN, of Jasonville, Indiana, are the proud grandparents of Melanie ... Pensioner JOHN KARASEK and his wife, LILLIAN, became grandparents for the fourth time when their daughter, Mrs. VALDINE STUCKEY, gave birth to a son named PETER MARK born June 7 at Dixon, Illinois, hospital ... Ticket Agent FRED FRIEB became a grandfather for the first time

up to 4 pounds apiece ... Pensioner RAY KENALEY and his

when his daughter, Mrs. DIANNE MERIL, gave birth to a daughter named STACY ANN born July 2...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, became grandparents for the sixth time when their daughter, Mrs. BETTY DAUM, gave birth to a daughter named SHERRI BETH born July 19 at Ravenswood hospital weighing 6 pounds 14 ounces...Serviceman WILLIAM CANTWELL and his wife, CHRISTINE, became parents of their first child when a son named BRIAN WILLIAM was born on June 8 at Northwest hospital weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces ... Operator PAT DOHERTY retired on July 1 after 26 years of service. Pat, who was one of the most popular drivers on Lincoln Avenue, is going to pursue his hobby of fishing and expects to settle in Florida soon...Operator FRED HOFFMAN retired on July 1. Fred, who is an avid fishing enthusiast, will now devote considerable time to his favorite hobby ... Happy anniversaries are are extended to: Operator MORT LIBERT and his wife, LOIS, their 19th; Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, their 36th; Operator BILL SEIFERT and his wife, MIN, their 38th; Operator LUIS ENDARA and his wife, CARMEN, their 13th; Operator GEORGE VOIGHT and his wife, BEA, their 3rd; Operator GORDEN RICE and his wife, EDITH, their 27th; Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, their 30th; Operator TEX ABERNATHY and his wife, SIGNE, their 30th; RON MACKERT and his wife, JOYCE, their 4th; ALLEN ABERNATHY Jr. and his wife, SHIRLEY, their 1st; Operator PETE MARCHISOTTO and his wife, FELICIA, their 34th; Operator CARL HANSON and his wife, SANDRA, their 15th; Operator McKINLEY DAVENPORT and his wife, MARY, their 14th; Operator HOMER CLEMMONS and his wife, OMIE, their 13th; Pensioner LEROY PEDERSEN and his wife, BERNICE, their 44th; Instructor MELVIN LINK and his wife, ELSIE, their 19th; Operator JOHN WILSON and his wife, REBECCA, their 10th, and Operator WILLIAM FRIEB and his wife, ADELAIDE, their 21st...Happy birthdays are extended to: Operators JOHN MARCINIAK, TEX ABERNATHY, LENARD BAEUCHLER, MORT LIBERT, and PETER DOLAN, BRIAN DOLAN, ANNA NEGELE, LOIS LIBERT, JUDY ELLEN LICHTER, PRINCESS DAVENPORT, WARREN SCHOLL, GINO PAOLI, Operator ROY RIPKE, and ELIZABETH and ISMENA RIPKE...Our sympathy and condolences to the family of Pensioner WILLIAM HEIBBUTH.

### - Melvin Horning

# NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to all who were successful in becoming supervisors. J. ZEPP is working at Grand and State ... The Student agents picnic was held on July 13 at Pottawattamie Park in St. Charles, Illinois, with approximately 45 attending. A number of articles were left behind and may be called for at DENNIS KANES, phone 386-4640. A softball, red swim trunks, and a white half-gallon pitcher were left in the park...Mr. ZUPKO is on a five-week vacation and plans to tour the West with his family ... Recent pensioners are: DONALD KANGAS, GILBERT PANUCE, THEODORE KOTAS, and Conductor ELDER of Howard Street. Best wishes to all of them ... M. HARRIS, the son of JACK HAR-RIS, was graduated from Roosevelt High school and plans to enter University of Illinois in the fall...It was quite a thrilling day when SOPHIA NEATNICA got her new blue Ford Galaxie, but it was a bigger thrill when she left for Europe on July 15...We have three new agents, L. JAMES, D. JONES, and G. LYLES. Welcome to CTA ... Pensioner JIM SWEENEY stopped in at Howard Street to say hello to

his many friends and looks very good ... Who is that Swedish nightingale that MARTIN REYNOLDS likes so much? .. Those vacationing at this time are: MINNA KING in Norway, RICKY FOSTER in New York and Niagara Falls, FRANCES BINNIE is touring Canada, G. ARMONDA, and Linden Supervisor JOE KORAL ... PAUL LANZ is still on the sick list. Hope you get well soon, Paul. HELENE HANSEN is back to work after spraining her ankle. Glad you're back, Helene ... Your scribe, her husband, daughter, and granddaughter were on a two-week vacation. We went to St. Louis for the Mounts family reunion on July 29 and about 75 attended. We went to the Wisconsin Dells on July 3 for three days, then to Milwaukee where we took a boat across to Ludington where my sister met us. We spent four days relaxing at their summer home, went out on a pontoon boat, swimming, and did a little fishing. We spent the last three days with my sisters in Holland and South Haven, Michigan. I sure hated to come back to work after having all that fun...BRIDGETT MULKERRIN left for Ireland where she plans to join MAUREEN DURKIN for a few days ... MICHAEL and MAY CRONIN have a new grandson. May went to California to visit their new grandchild ... Motorman STEVE GARBO's grandchild was injured in an accident. We are wishing for a speedy recovery ... R. PRITT is vacationing in West Virginia. Hope all you vacationers have a wonderful time.

- Grace Mounts

## **OPERATIONS** (Transportation) -

The time of the year for vacations, relaxation, and traveling has arrived. BILL DOEDEN drove to Lake Ouachita, which is near Hot Springs, Arkansas. The temperature averaged 100 degrees every day, but he didn't mind the heat as long as he had something cold to quench his thirst. Bill also went to the Ozarks before returning home from a very relaxing vacation ... ELSIE SMITH's daughter, MAR-GIE, came to Chicago for a visit. When it was time for her to return home to Montana, Elsie decided to go with her. For two weeks she enjoyed beautiful weather, did some sight-seeing, and had fun being with her grandchildren ... Last year GEORGE A. RILEY and his wife, MADGE, went west on their vacation, so this year they thought they would see what the east was like. They went to Niagara Falls and to the New England states visiting many historical places. Sturbridge Village seemed to fascinate them the most. The east was very nice and interesting, but the beauty of the west has won them over ... On June 8 JACQUES TCHELE-BIAN and his wife, SIMONE, began their vacation. They drove to New Mexico and the Carlsbad Caverns which they said was a sight to behold. The landscape and dunes at the White Sands State Park was just that, all white, and looked like a fresh fallen snow (what a thought). Jacques had his troubles in Nogales when he ordered a bowl of chili and was given beef stew, but like he said, he was in no position to argue. It was on to Tucson and then to Phoenix, Arizona, and dinner with the JACOBYS, who send a big hello to all. The next stop was San Diego, for lots of sight-seeing, then up the coast to Capistrano and to Las Vegas for three days. Fifteen days and 5,200 miles later, they returned home from a wonderful trip ... Europe was the choice of JULIE WILLEM for her vacation. She began her tours shortly after she and her friend, Mrs. SOLOMON, arrived in France. The Louvre Museum, Notre Dame, and Sainte Chapelle were among the many places visited. They spent a week in Paris where they shopped and enjoyed eating in

many different restaurants. It was then on to Lucerne, Switzerland, and a ride to the top of Mt. Pilatus by cable car for a breathtaking view. Rome was next with its ruins, cathedrals, and the Vatican, after which they continued on to Israel. At Tel Aviv their room overlooked the Mediterranean and a lovely view. The climax of the trip was going through Jerusalem. Gethsemane with the olive trees, memorials, and buildings, washing her feet in the river Jordan, bathing in the Dead Sea, and Judea with its deserts are some of the things Julie will always remember about this wonderful vacation ... Operating Manager CHARLES E. KEISER and his wife, MYRA, just couldn't say no to spending another week at Great Slave Lake in the snowdrift northwest territories in Canada. They were lured there for a third time by the beautiful country and wonderful fishing. This year turned out to be the best yet as the fish they caught weighed an average of 8 to 15 pounds each. They reeled in more grayling, northern pike, and lake trout than ever before. At noon they pulled into shore and had some freshly caught fish for lunch. You can bet this beautiful 25



pound, 40 inch lake trout put up quite a fight, but you can see who won the battle. Mr. Keiser caught the trout on a green and white cohodevle while trolling on Stark Lake. I'm sure their guide, Red, was very proud of them and their catches—especially Mr. Keiser's real big lake trout. This was by far their most enjoyable fishing trip...We recently received a card from JOHN J. O'CONNOR, retired superintendent from 52nd Street Station, who is vacationing in Ireland and having a good time...The condolences of the Transportation Department are extended to JOHN R. KO-LON whose father, CLYDE, passed away on June 29.

#### (Utility and Emergency Service) -

On Friday, June 20, coffee and rolls were served to celebrate the two awards received from the Greater Chicago Safety Council...The month of June is the time for graduations. MARCIA, the daughter of C. GAGE, was graduated from Fenger High school and will attend Bradley university, and her sister, GAYLE, from Shoop Elementary school and will be a student at Fenger...MICHAEL, the son of JAMES ROCHE, recently was graduated from St. Patrick's High school, and his daughter, ANNE MARIE, from John Palmer Elementary school. Congratulations to all the graduates...A couple of new faces in the Utility Department are STANLEY S. MICHALEC who transferred from Archer Station and OSCAR JOHNSON who transferred from Beverly Station. Welcome, and good luck in your new jobs.

# (Equipment Research & Development) -

Some new talents of GEORGE J. CLARK, chief equipment engineer, are being brought out into the light. He recently wrote an interesting article which appeared in the Power Parade magazine, volume 22, no. 2. Congratulations on a fine job.

# - Colette Szezepanek

#### PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Now that everyone has returned from their short stay on the moon, let's get going with some earthmen news. The "Planet" Stores has many new faces to welcome, such as KATHY TOMKO who recently launched a new typing career as a clerk-typist. Kathy is a graduate of St. Francis DeSales High school and worked in the Employment Department before coming over to our side. Next is JOHN GILL who is our rocketing new order clerk. John is quite familiar with CTA as he was a ticket agent, worked in Employe Relations, and also out South in the multilith section. John is the son of PATTY GILL, Building Department, West Shops...Blasting off as GEORGE LINDEN's replacement is KEVIN BARRETT. Kevin, Stores' new order clerk, is not new to CTA. He began his career in Revenue Accounting and then moved to Stores, South, where he was stationed until his recent promotion. Incidentally, Kevin worked with JOAN THOMAS out South. Joan recently returned to the Mart and is now typing for Kevin. And now we have the Stores Department-South Shops Dynamic Duo! What a team. Welcome all, and good luck in your new positions !.. As the saying goes, "When you win some, you lose some," and we've lost our KATHERINE (Kitty) DWYER. Kitty retired August 1 after 27 years of combined service with the old Rapid Transit and CTA. We're all going to miss you, Kitty, and wish you the best and longest retirement. Have a wonderful time on the trip you're planning to take to Canada...THERESA BARRY, Stores Department, had an enjoyable vacation as it was spent entertaining her niece and daughter who were visiting from Scotland ... CAROL, a past employe of Stores, and JERRY O'BRIEN were recently blessed with a 9 pound 6 ounce baby boy. He arrived on July 31 and answers to the name of ALAN DAMIAN. That makes two boys for the O'Briens, who are planning the next Cub team. Congratulations, Carol and Jerry!..Southward bound were LYNN BELL and her husband, CHUCK, of the Electrical Department. Their first stop was New Orleans for a few days, then they moved onward to Memphis for the remainder of their vacation. While they were there they visited Elvis Presley's estate. Lynn said they spent most of their time swimming and lounging in the sun. Sounds like a good time to me...Many congratulations go to LEE DeSUTTER and her hubby, FRANK, who recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Their daughter, DEANNE, and son, TOM, surprised them with a party which was attended by many CTA friends...Congratulations also go to MARGARET KELLS, Purchasing Department, who replaced ANNE GUSICH as contract clerk. Anne has moved to the Treasury Department. Good luck to both in your new positions .. ANNE JOBARIS, Purchasing Department, has recently been honored with an invitation from her cousin to attend the services where she will receive her first profession as a Felician sister. This is a very special day for Sister CHRISTINE MARIE, and Anne is quite honored to be able to share it with her ... BOB McCARTHY, our buyer of odds and ends, has a celebrity in his family. His 11 year old daughter, THERESE, won the local Jaycees Baseball

Toss. From there, she went on to win again in the regional meet with a throw of 169.4 feet. She will now represent the city of Elmhurst in the State meet to be held in Granite City, Illinois, on August 7-9. These meets, called track and field events, are sponsored by the Illinois Youth Commission with the cooperation of all the local Jaycees. Bob's daughter will be the only winner representing the city of Elmhurst. Come on, Therese, we're all rooting for you.

# - Jane Urso & Rod Rusakiewicz

# SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JAY KELLY retired on July 1. Coffee and rolls were served on June 27 ... MARY COLETTE MAREK, the daughter of K. MAREK, was married to JOSEPH PINNELLO on June 28 at 11:30 mass at St. Hillary church. They will spend their honeymoon at Acapulco, Mexico. Also, congratulations to K. Marek upon his promotion to schedule clerk ... Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE HANUS celebrated 35 years of wedded bliss on June 23. We wish you many more happy years together ... E. WROBEL did some fishing in Ontario, Canada, while on vacation ... PAT LENIHAN and his wife are touring Niagara Falls and Canada with his sister-in-law who is visiting here from Ireland ... RUTH HAVLIK, her mother, and sister drove to Washington, D.C., to visit a sister and also took the barge trip ... A few others who enjoyed summer vacations include PHILIP LEAHY, who drove to Michigan and had his nieces out in the motor boat. ED REILLY, who spent his vacation by catching up with some house work. GEORGE JOHANNES and his wife, drove to Minnesota to do some fishing. JOHN URBAN and his wife, who are flying to Texas where he will meet his daughter and grandchildren and then drive to Mexico to visit with them. A. KREUTZER and FRANK CORBETT, who spent their vacation by doing some chores around the house. And then there was JAKE SUMNER, who spent his vacation smashing his finger with the garage door. He required emergency treatment at the hospital...We welcome R. CAR-TER to the department as an outside checker...The sympathy of the department is extended to Superintendent L. C. DUTTON and K. MAREK upon the death of their mothers. Our PETE DONAHUE attended a family reunion honoring his father, JOHN, age 93, and mother, ANNA, age 89, over the Independence day weekend. Over 180 descendents of John and Anna--children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren with their wives or husbands--assembled at Hammonds Mill on the Norfolk river near West Plains in the Ozarks region of South Central Missouri for the first family reunion in over 40 years. According to Pete the relatives came from practically every state in the United States to become reacquainted and honor his parents.

- Kathryn Batina

# SKOKIE SHOPS -

HARRIETTE HERMAN, clerk typist, was welcomed at Skokie Shops for the summer months...Skokie Shops welcomes the following: Electrical Apprentices CLEOPHUS DONALDSON, DONNIE COOTS, and JOHN THOMPSON, Machinist Apprentice LEON WOLFE, and Laborers ROGER KNAUTZ, MICHAEL MCNERNEY, PETER BARKER, and JOHN BELLINGHAM...Electrical Worker EDMOND DE-LANEY and his wife, CAROLLE, are the proud parents of a daughter, ANGELA, born on July 6 at Illinois Research hospital weighing 5 pounds 7 ounces. Congratulations... ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife, CAROL, motored to Sullivan, Illinois, to visit Bob's mother ... JOHN ZDUNEK, upholsterer, and his daughter, THERESA, motored to Mountain Home, Arkansas, and was very happy to spend some time with EDWARD WYNN, retired carpenter from Skokie Shops ... THOMAS HOEY, electrical worker, and his wife, ANN, did it again. They took a nice trip through the western states and came home with a new Buick Wildcat. Good luck, Tom and Ann ... GEORGE KIMMSKE, carpenter, and his wife, FRAN, were very fortunate to accompany the boys from the Veterans hospital on the 25th anniversary of Kups Purple Heart cruise. What a beautiful trip they had. The lake was as smooth as glass, and as they left the dock, there were fire boats on both sides of them spewing streams of different colored water. They were escorted by the Coast Guard throughout the trip. Fran and George were introduced to Sun Times columnist Irv Kupcinet, sponsor of the cruise, and then the show began. There was the Ginny Tiu trio, Forrest Tucker, Betty Garret, Pat Paulsen, Wayne Cochran and his group, Hypnotist John Knapp, and three other acts. By the time the show ended, the ship had docked and the veterans received many gifts. That evening, Fran and George were guests at the In the Round Playhouse where they had dinner and saw the stage show Funny Girl. They had a very long day but an enjoyable one. Keep up the good work, Fran and George.

- Everett E. England

# SOUTH SECTION -

Hope everyone is having fun and enjoying the summer. The 61st Street Coffee Club had a get-together for Towerman JAMES HARVEY who went on pension July 1. Jim, who had 44 years of service, was the a.m. towerman at 61st Street Tower for years. Cake and coffee were served and a token of remembrance was presented to Jim from the men at 61st Street. Several of our pensioners came out to give Jim a good send-off. Retired Motormen HARRY BAR-TON and EDWARD HENNESSY, Retired Towerman PAT HICKEY, Retired Shopman PAT McEVOY, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS, and Retired International Vice President PATRICK GANLEY. Best wishes to Jim, from everyone, for a wonderful retirement life...The Ashland Avenue Coffee Club also had a get-together for Conductor ROY BOETTCHER who decided to take life easy and took an early retirement. A token of remembrance was presented to Roy from his fellow workers. A happy retirement life is wished to Mr. Boettcher ... Congratulations to Switchman THURMAN JACKSON who was appointed yard foreman on July 13 ... WILLIAM SPARKS, 61st Street Shopman was grinning from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of a little baby girl named CINDY DIANE, born July 16. The happy Sparks family have four children, now ... Retired Conductor HARRY ANTONION stopped in to see everyone at 61st Street recently and he looked in "fine fettle." Received a card just the other day that he is visiting his daughter and her family in Spooner, Wisconsin, and was doing a lot of fishing. Also, he went to a rodeo and met "Festus", from the Gunsmoke television show, and had his picture taken with him. From there he was going to visit the Hayward, Wisconsin, Indian reservation. .. We were deeply shocked and saddened to hear that Switchman LY-MAN VEITKUS passed away suddenly on July 10. Lyman was a fine man and a good employe. All his co-workers will miss him. Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Veitkus and the children ... Janitor ED FREEMAN is having a good time

# RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

ROMAN A. BIALECK, 56, Limits, Emp. 11-28-42, Died 6-20-69 JOHN P. BRIESCH, 78, Devon, Emp. 7-28-21, Died 6-29-69 RAFFAELE BRUNO, 72, Way & Struct., Emp. 10-17-30, Died 6-21-69 CARL W. BUEHRING, 65, Lawndale, Emp. 4-30-24, Died 6-14-69 JOHN BULETIN, 77, Way & Struct., Emp. 8-23-29, Died 6-11-69 JOSEPH BURKE, 64, 77th Street, Emp. 12-1-28. Died 6-14-69 JAMES W. BURNS, 82, South Section, Emp. 9-22-37, Died 6-12-69 ELMER C. CARLSON, 74, 77th Street, Emp. 2-10-25, Died 6-15-69 CHARLES W. DEUTINGER, 77, Devon, Emp. 5-10-13, Died 6-10-69 WILLIAM J. DILLON, 67, Des Plaines, Emp. 9-19-26, Died 6-28-69 JOHN DOMANOVICH, 79, South Shops, Emp. 9-11-22, Died 6-20-69 HAROLD DUERR, 58, Keeler, Emp. 2-9-46, Died 6-18-69 LAWRENCE E. FRICOT, 61, West Section, Emp. 1-10-45, Died 6-30-69 SHIRLEY M. GUERTIN, 39, Executive, Emp. 6-3-47, Died 7-7-69 OSCAR GUSTAFSON, 89, 69th Street, Emp. 8-21-17, Died 6-30-69 MAE A. HAJEE, 93, Accounting, Emp. 5-22-99, Died 5-21-69 JOHN HARROLD, 87, Kedzie, Emp. 5-14-18, Died 6-30-69 HENRY T. HERRICK, 60, West Section, Emp. 1-13-43, Died 6-21-69 BURLEY JIMSON, 70, Way & Struct., Emp. 8-6-42, Died 6-9-69 EDWIN C. JOHNSEN, 88, Cottage Grove, Emp. 7-3-17, Died 6-23-69 EDWARD W. JOHNSTON, 83, West Shops, Emp. 12-21-22, Died 6-14-69 DANIEL J. KELLY, 74, Electrical, Emp. 7-6-11, Died 6-18-69 MARY E. KELLY, 79, South Section, Emp. 1-16-37, Died 6-13-69

vacationing in Orlando, Florida, seeing all the sights ... Some more returnees for the summer: Part-time Conductors LEE TOWNES and JAMES THOMAS, and Part-time Agents HENRY WEST, CYNTHIA TUKES, and HELEN GAL-LAGHER. Also welcome to newly hired Agent EDITH JOHNSON and newly hired Janitor LULLING WILLIAMS ... Heard that Retired Agent EDNA HEYNE was up in Chicago from her home in Florida for a few days and then was going to spend the summer in Indiana. She says hello to all her old friends...Also deciding to take an early retirement on July 1 was Agent JOHN DUNDON. A healthy and enjoyable retirement life is wished to John ... Conductor ROBERT MORTON completed his training and qualified as transportation clerk recently ... Good news -- Janitor JOHN CURTIS, who is on the sick list, is out of the hospital after some months and is improving. Conductor MOSES GILES, also LEON KURAS, 58, South Section, Emp. 10-9-45, Died 7-2-69 CLARENCE H. KURTH, 62, North Park, Emp. 12-10-28, Died 6-7-69 JOSEPH LOWINSKI, 89, Noble, Emp. 5-23-08, Died 7-6-69 DENIS MANGAN, 77, 77th Street. Emp. 2-8-23, Died 7-4-69 THOMAS F. MORRISSEY, 80, 77th Street, Emp. 5-28-18, Died 6-23-69 WILLIAM MURPHY, 58, Archer, Emp. 12-7-36, Died 5-26-69 ROY E. OLSON, 60, 69th Street, Emp. 8-13-36, Died 7-10-69 CURTIS ROSBY, 46, West Section, Emp. 3-31-50, Died 6-2-69 JOHN C. ROSEAN, 74, Beverly, Emp. 8-31-20, Died 6-2-69 EUGENE SCHAEFFER, 61, West Section, Emp. 10-12-36, Died 6-16-69 HENRY SCHOFFEN, 50, Forest Glen, Emp. 8-14-41, Died 5-28-69 LOUIS STATHOPOULOS, 86, Blue Island, Emp. 3-22-23, Died 6-24-69 WALTER SZCZEPANIK, 55, Lawndale, Emp. 2-3-43, Died 5-28-69 BEN TARGOSZ, 74, West Section, Emp. 9-28-39, Died 6-24-69 THEODORE THOMPSON, 52, Forest Glen, Emp. 3-4-46, Died 7-18-69 DUKA VASILEVICH, 81, Way & Struct., Emp. 3-25-30, Died 6-30-69 LYMAN E. VEITKUS, 48, South Section, Emp. 1-3-46, Died 7-10-69 ANTON WARNECK, 83, North Section, Emp. 9-24-18, Died 6-14-69 WILLIAM J. WERNER, 73, Cottage Grove, Emp. 11-13-18, Died 4-26-69 CLIFFORD WHITE, 41, Internal Auditing, Emp. 3-25-47, Died 5-27-69 JOHN A. WITEK, 60, Limits, Emp. 8-27-42, Died 7-17-69 CHARLES E. WRIGHT, 69, Track, Emp. 9-11-30, Died 6-20-69 EDWIN ZELENY, 87, Electrical, Emp. 10-9-13, Died 5-19-69

on the sick list, is home from the hospital and is starting to feel better ... Retired Conductor JOSEPH SCHUMACHER and his wife were in Chicago from their home in Long Beach, California, to attend a wedding, and Joe came up to 61st Street to visit us. He still is a White Sox fan. He and his wife will be married 49 years in September. On their way back home they are stopping off at Phoenix, Arizona, for a few days. Joe looks the same as the day he retired. He says hello to everyone ... Congratulations and best wishes to Agent JANIS (LOVE) WHEELER who was married recently...Instructor FRENCHIE ELLIS is sure proud of his son, MICHAEL, who made the all-star team in the little league. He is a catcher and this is his first year playing ball ... Retired Agent BETTY BUCKLEY, who lives in Hawaii, is here in Chicago for a few weeks to attend a couple of weddings and to get together with some of her old

THIS YOUNG lady is DAR-

LENE FEDEROWICZ, the

beautiful daughter of Janitor

EDWARD FEDEROWICZ of

taken vocal lessons for ten

years, Darlene has em-

barked upon a singing

career in the entertainment

field and will use the stage

name of BETH HARRIS.

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friends...Agent JOHNIE McDONALD wishes to express her deep gratitude for the many cards, calls, and expressions of sympathy upon the loss of her beloved mother ... Agent LEON KURAS, who was on the sick list for a few months, passed away recently. Our sincere condolences to his familv...Received a card from Retired Conductor EDWARD HOPKINS from "jolly old England." He is taking in all the sights and just loves it there. Then he was going to Ireland for a few days. Gee, our pensioners sure do get around. Isn't that wonderful...Janitor CLARENCE THOMAS and Trackman CALVIN THOMAS wish to thank everyone for their kindnesses and expressions of sympathy on the loss of their father ... Received a note from Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT telling us that his father passed away recently in Peru, Illinois. Our sincere condolences to Leonard. He also said he received two trophies, one for 1st place, bowling with the Beach Builders & Supply company, and one trophy for high series of 650.

# - Verna Hartney

# SOUTH SHOPS -

HOWARD WARD just returned from out West where he had a most enjoyable time. He stopped at the Grand Canyon, Yosemite Park, and traveled along the Navajo Trail. Also returning from vacation was JOHN KURGAN, Upholstery Shop. He spent a pleasant two weeks in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and on his return trip he bought his wife a new Mercury. Howard and John have promised to show us some of the exciting pictures that they took ... As of this writing, AL WENDT is home recuperating after his recent heart attack. Al wishes to thank all his fellow workers for their calls and cards ... Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. GLEN THOMPSON who are the proud parents of a baby girl ... Congratulations to SYLVESTER (Big Mike) CICIURA, and his wife, GEN, on the birth of a son, JOHN, weighing 7 pounds 2 ounces on May 26 ... TONY SCIONNA became a greatgrandfather at the age of 59 when STEVEN THOMAS PHELPS was born. He is the son of SHARON PHELPS, the granddaughter of Tony. Steven's father is now serving in Viet Nam ... SHARON SIWEK, the granddaughter of J. SIWEK, bay 6, was crowned "Miss Peanut of 1969" by the Garfield Ridge Kiwanis club in ceremonies held at Sharko's West restaurant recently. Congratulations!

- Frank Sprovieri

# **TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -**

Congratulations to SAM and BETTY GARITI, Wilson, on the birth of their son. The future All-American, better known as JAMES SALVATORE, was born on July 7 and weighed in at 7 pounds 5 ounces...SHELDON and LENA RITA, Congress, were the guests of honor at a party given by ANGELO and EMILY COSENTINO to celebrate the Rita's 25th wedding anniversary. Eighty friends and relatives attended the affair and a good time was had by all. Best wishes to Sheldon and Lena for another 25 years of bliss ... Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. NELLO PARRILLO, Congress, on the celebration of their 21st wedding anniversary. Wishes for continued years of happiness are sent their way ... Our condolences to the family of L. RICCIARDI, Congress, whose sister passed away ... D. ARTIS, Congress, now being called "Mr. Speedy", qualified for the Junior National Track and Field meet by running two miles in 10 minutes and 22 seconds. The track and field meet will be



held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in August. Come on, David, we're all cheering for you ... Congratulations to L. FIELDS and R. SMITH who were promoted to repairmen at Congress, and also to D. NICOSIA, L. DAVENPORT, L. MON-AGHAN, and J. LABELLARTE, Congress, who graduated to instructors...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to the wife of L. RICHARD, Congress, who is at home recuperating after undergoing surgery ... Glad to see SAM SEL-VAGGIO, Congress, back at work after being off on the sick list ... Welcome back to our college summer help: D. GIF-FORT who is starting on his 4th year; J. ROCHE Jr., who is on his 2nd year, and to the new men, B. COYLE and T. CIEZADLO ... A hearty welcome to G. GRILLAERT, Congress, who is back at work after being off for a long illness...D. NICOSIA transferred from 61st Street to Congress as a repairman ... R. SCHEIBE, Congress, and his family spent their vacation at Shady Shores, Michigan, and enjoyed fishing, water skiing, and beautiful weather ... F. BENANTI Jr., Congress, and his family spent a two-week vacation touring and seeing the sights of Kamiah, Idaho...Greetings to M. WARD, F. WILBORN, W. CARPENTER, A. FERNAN-DEZ, and C. MILLER Jr., car servicemen, and I. PAT-TERSON, A. WHITE, and H. TURNER, new repairmen at Wilson ... Enjoying the summer sights of Chicago were: L. ZIELINSKI, M. DUKE, J. MASIARZ, R. JANICKI, C. DANSBY, J. LOCKE, R. ROBINSON, F. RAKSTIS, M. GAL-LAGHER, M. O'MALLEY, J. BUTZEN, P. CZAJA, J. RAND, F. VELINSKE, and A. DIGIANFILIPPO ... Congress Street held their annual all-star game between the "Old-Timers" and the "Youngsters." Proving they are not as old as they seem, the "Old-Timers" with every bit of help they could muster up defeated the "Youngsters" by a score of 27-18.

- Ray Brzeczek

### WEST SECTION -

All we can say is that we apologize and hope you will understand that we were on vacation and couldn't make the last edition. But now we are back and here are some of our latest facts...First, a belated congratulations to Clerk J. MIDDLETON and his wife, BARBARA, on the arrival of a new baby boy. They now have a basketball team...Conductor M. O'BRIEN left the company to join his brother in the air-conditioning business. I bet they thought business would be bad for it seemed as if summer was never coming. Good luck, Marty...Yard Foremen A. ANDREW and K. HAWLEY left public transportation for material transportation. They will become truck drivers. A safe journey,

always, fellows ... Motorman I. BETTS left us recently to become one of Chicago's finest. He will graduate soon and be out there enforcing the laws, so be on your toes--tickets must be issued. Best of luck, Irv ... Former Supervisor L. PARRISH will become an accountant, and with his size and weight, who will say he made a miscalculation in his figures. Good luck, Larry, in your new endeavors ... On our sick list at this time are: Switchman A. SCHARF, Motormen A. WOOD and J. WINIECKI, and Conductors R. SCOTT and C. SPRAGGINS. We wish these men a speedy recovery and hope they will return to work soon...We lost a fine man and a good clerk when E. SCHAEFFER was drowned while on vacation. Our deepest sympathy to this family. Our sincerest sympathy to Clerk J. CAROLAN who lost his son, and to Motorman J. WILLIAMS on the passing of his mother...On leave recently and paying us a visit was B. RAD-CLIFF. He just completed his basic training and is now headed for Viet Nam. Our prayers go with him and to all the guys over there to return home safely and soon ... Motorman B. MORRIS spent the first part of his vacation in Minneapolis with his brother, ERNEST, who received his masters degree and plans to teach school soon. Ernest formerly worked for the company during the summer months...P. HUGGINS and V. MORRIS headed for New York on their vacation. I was to go along but the tailor didn't finish my suits in time for the departure. Phil had an accident while there, when his car collided with his uncle's. Glad to report that no one was injured. Vernon, whose mother is visiting him from Panama, will try and get her an extension to stay longer. She is really enjoying her visit here ... P. NAUGHTON had a ball in Miami, Florida, with three gorgeous babys--his daughters. Pete had to be both mother and father as his wife didn't make the trip...Conductor L. (Flash) GORDON and his wife took in parts of Palm Springs and San Francisco, California. They had to cut their vacation short as his wife became ill and they had to return home. A speedy recovery to you, Mrs. Gordon ... Proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. R. CRAWFORD. They were elated when their son was graduated from Tilden High school and awarded a scholarship to the college of his choice ... Switchman A. BRAGGS was a proud father when his son, ARCHIE Jr., attended the Boy Scouts Jamboree in Idaho. He was happier, still, when his son, GEORGE, said, "I do" on July 26 to a very lovely young lady ... Switchman R. CANO spent his vacation in Canada, but the fish weren't biting. Better luck next time ... Switchman R. NEIGHBORS and his wife returned to her native homeland, Germany, where they first met ... Hey, gang, here's an EXTRA! Motorman A. CLARK, the last of the confirmed bachelors, will have to get permission to play golf like all the rest of you from his lovely wife. See what you have been missing all these years, Al? Best of luck to both of you ... Your Coreporter SANTO SICILIANO is on vacation at this time. He will put on some Coppertone to match my brown skin. I had to use some Sungard so that he could catch up. Black is beautiful, but we couldn't make it as the Gold Dust Twins ... To our readers, when we come around looking for news items, please don't hesitate to contribute your past and

# **MOVING?**

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- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

# 69TH STREET -

Mrs. YOUNG, I have been so preoccupied with my impending operation that I haven't really had time to check on MICKEY. By the time this is in print and mailed, God willing, I hope to be back at work. An idea came to me while I was out of contact with the men, and it was that if you wives would send me news about your vacations, birthdays, anniversaries, or any special event, I would certainly put it in this column. Pictures, in black and white, would be a great help, too. Send the news or photos to: TRANSIT NEWS, 69th Street Station, c/o A, BUESING, 1601 W. 69th St., Chicago, Ill. 60636 ... My daughter, SANDRA, told me that she had the pleasure of riding on what she called the "CTA Happy Bus." I believe that Operator CLEVEN WARDLOW of Limits Station was the driver. She said he is well known in the Loop area and that it is a pleasure and very relaxing to ride with him. She enjoyed it very much and wished that all the drivers, including me, were that well mannered and patient...B. PULICK worked his day off and just can't understand why he only got straight time ... HORNING says that following J. G. KELLY down Western avenue is like looking at a Playboy calendar. Every page, like every day, was a sight to behold ... RAY ORACKI's son is now serving in Viet Nam. Ray is on disability and we wish him well. His big brother asked me the other day if I had ever given another driver the OK sign and then wanted to erase it ?.. The CTA group, 150 men strong, went to the 52nd annual Notre Dame retreat, August 15-18 ... JOHN BISCHAK, the father of A. BISCHAK, passed away and we wish to extend our deepest sympathy to A.J. and his family. Our sincere condolences to the family of L. BURK who passed away. Most of his friends from the Grove didn't know of his passing as there wasn't a death notice posted ... PETE SPOO is up and at it again after a long tough illness. You're quite a boy, Pete, and keep up the good health ... Do you fellows know that we have a retired navy man driving a bus? M. R. GULLY is his name. He joined the navy in 1942 and took his boot training at Great Lakes. He has visited every continent and all 50 states, of which he likes Alaska the best. He missed going to Switzerland, but liked Israel for the most money, Egypt for beautiful women, India for hard working people, China for honest people, England for friendly people, Ethiopia for the most forward, and Persia for its jewels and religions. He has always wanted to be a bus driver, but was considered too old. He was accepted for our security force and then applied for a bus driver opening. He says he loves people and this makes it a happy day for him no matter how hard he works. To you, sir, we say welcome and many happy days ... JIMMY AHERN offers his congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. SAM WASHINGTON on the birth of a baby boy named EARL...We offer our sincere sympathy to the family of AL DALY who recently passed away. Al worked with us a good many years before retiring six years ago ... CHARLIE WILLIAMS went up to Minnesota to do some fishing. Hope you get some big ones, Charlie ... EDDIE PRUEMER and RALPH GRAGIDO go to Maple Lake to do their fishing. They yak-yak so much the fish probably hear them and swim away ... I hope everyone had a nice vacation and enjoyed themselves. Send me some news please.

<sup>-</sup> Arthur P. Buesing

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