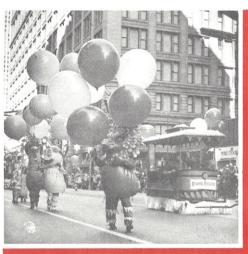
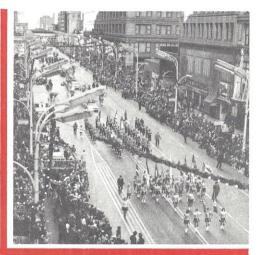


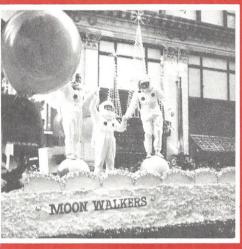


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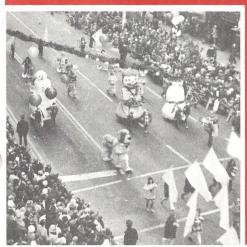




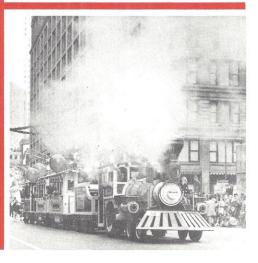














RECENTLY QUALIFYING as surface system garage instructors are the five trainees pictured here who underwent training and have entered the instructor's pool for assignment as needed. Shown with Shops & Equipment Department supervisory personnel, from left to right, they are: A. Fiorito, senior surface instructor; J. J. Repplinger, supervisor of surface shops and garages; Norbert Koscienski; Nick Andrews; L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops and equipment (who has since retired); G. Brunson; J. Lowder; K. Polan, and G. J. Clark, acting superintendent of shops and equipment (who has since been named superintendent of S & E).

Beverly Operator Cited by Army

A BUS operator who recently returned to CTA after serving for two years in the U.S. Army is Beverly Station Operator Stephen J. Conway. While stationed in Vietnam with the 1st Batallion of the 27th Infantry, his company came under an intense enemy attack while on a combat operation. With complete disregard for his own safety, Conway exposed himself to heavy enemy fire while he moved to a more advantageous position where he effectively adjusted artillery fire on the enemy. For his valorous actions which contributed immeasurably to the defeat of the enemy force, he was awarded the Army Commendation Medal with a "V". During December, 1968, Conway also received a Purple Heart for wounds received in connection with military operations against the enemy. Before entering the army in 1967 he had served as a bus operator for more than a year after coming to CTA in February, 1966.

RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BROWN, I., Serviceman, North Avenue COSTLEY, L. J. Jr., Repairer, Limits CRUMBLY, B., Conductor, 61st Street FERGUS, R. K., Repairer, North Avenue GRICE, W. L., Operator, Limits HOPE, W. Jr., Repairer, Kedzie KOVACS, N. G., Operator, North Park LAMONT, R. A., Trackman, Engineering MASCHERI, F. M., Serviceman, Kedzie

MILLS, C. T., Repairer, North Avenue MIRANDA, M. Jr., Operator, North Park PUGH, L., Operator, North Avenue RAPP, T. W., Collector, West Section ROLLAND, R. J., Operator, Beverly SMITH, A., Repairer, North Avenue STEWART, R. I., Serviceman, 69th Street STROZEWSKI, K. W., Serviceman, 77th Street STROZEWSKI, M., Clerk, South Shops

RECENTLY RETURNED

ASKEW, J. E. Jr., Serviceman, 77th Street BAUGHN, R. L., Repairer, Beverly BUBAN, L. J., Serviceman, 77th Street CURRAN, R. M., Serviceman, 61st Street GARY, L. C., Operator, Kedzie GRAY, E. L., Operator, North Avenue GRIFFIN, J. E., Serviceman, 77th Street HAGEN, G. J., Serviceman, North Avenue HEALY, D. M., Security Officer, Security HIGGINS, F. J., Serviceman, 69th Street HUNIGAN, C. Jr., Operator, Keeler JOHNSON, G. R., Serviceman, Forest Glen JOHNSON, J. L., Serviceman, Forest Glen KING, S. T., Operator, Kedzie MOORE, C. V., Operator, Limits PHELPS, E. P., Operator, 77th Street REDD, R. C., Conductor, North Section SCHMID, W. F., Repairman, Wilson

SHORT, T. L., Serviceman, 77th Street SMITH, B., Repairman, Wilson SNIEZEWSKI, J. R., Serviceman, North Avenue STOKES, P. L., Operator, Kedzie WILLIAMSON, M. L., Operator, North Park

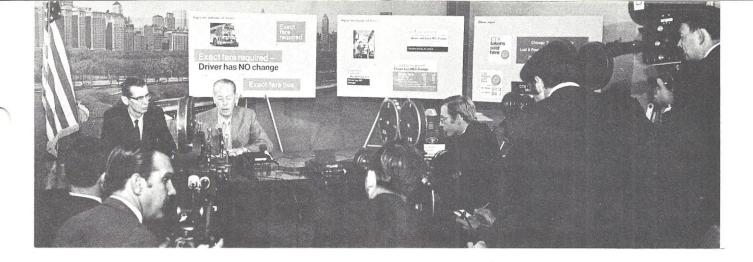
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Riders Readily Adapt to Exact Fare

OWING TO an extensive publicity program and excellent news coverage, CTA's Exact Fare Plan was a success from the first day it went into effect.

The November 9 start of the Plan on certain bus routes was announced by Chairman George L. DeMent of Chicago Transit Board at a special press conference on Thursday, October 30. Appearing with Mr. DeMent (see picture above) before representatives of each of the daily newspapers, major TV stations, and several radio stations was Warren Scholl, president and business agent of Division 241 of the Amalgamated Transit Union.

The Exact Fare Plan for fare collection is designed to halt robberies and assaults of bus drivers and to give safer and faster service to CTA riders. The Plan is being put into effect as a requirement of the 1968 contract with Division 241.

To fully inform the public of the change in fare-paying procedures, on Wednesday, November 5, announcements were posted in all CTA buses, a distribution of leaflets was made to passengers, and advertisements appeared in all four Chicago daily newspapers. Spot announcements were repeatedly made on two radio stations during the week and on Saturday, November 8, ads in each of the daily newspapers announced the first bus routes on which exact fare would be required.

Affected by the initial phase of the Exact Fare Plan on Sunday, November 9, were 28 bus routes operating from the Kedzie and Archer Stations. Three weekday downtown shuttle bus routes were also partially affected because certain Kedzie station buses operate in these services. All 608 buses from the two stations (about 20 per cent of CTA's 3,100-bus fleet) were equipped with exact fare boxes of the Johnson type.

On the following Sunday, November 16, 23 additional bus routes became exact fare lines when the

571 buses at the 77th Street and Limits Stations were equipped with Johnson fare boxes. In all, 54 bus routes were operating in exact fare service by the 16th, including the three shuttle routes which were now entirely served by exact fare buses.

With the third phase of the exact fare plan completed on Sunday, November 30, 22 more bus routes underwent the shift. With exact fare being required on 76 bus routes, 60 per cent of CTA's 128 routes were affected by the new fare-paying procedures. Starting service on the 30th were buses from the 52nd Street, North Park, and North Avenue Stations. All 331 buses at North Park received Johnson fare boxes and all 129 buses at 52nd Street received new Duncan fare boxes. Also receiving new Duncan equipment were the 30 buses at North Avenue Station which are the mainstay of service on the Lake Street route.

All buses on which exact fare is required are identified by red & black signs on the front, beside the entrance door, and on the fare box. Riders boarding an exact fare bus must have exact change, a token, or a combination of both. Bus operators carry no money or tokens and do not make change or have access to money in the fare box.

A passenger boarding a bus without the exact fare may pay his fare by depositing any amount from 50¢ to \$5 and then receive a refund slip for the difference. In these cases, the amounts of the fare and the overpayment will be recorded on the refund slip and on an envelope. The fare plus the overpayment will be placed in the envelope and then deposited in the locked fare box. Both will be coded with identical serial numbers for verification when collecting the overpayment. The refund slip may be redeemed after 5 days but not later than 60 days at any one of 22 CTA locations—surface operating stations, rapid transit terminal offices, and the cashier's office in the Merchandise Mart.

Sharp-Witted Suggesters Win \$965 in Cash Awards

TAKING A big piece of the pie, Shops & Equipment Department employes won suggestion awards of \$615 out of the total \$965 recently awarded. This is especially significant this month, as it was 25 years ago in November, 1944, that the first suggestion system came to the Shops Department of the former Chicago Surface Lines.

Since then, the suggestion plan has been expanded system-wide for all employes (October 1, 1952) and the anonymous suggestion system has become effective (September 1, 1965) providing awards of up to \$10,000 for adopted suggestions.

CTA management believes the suggestion plan is important to the company, and encourages active participation by employes. Not all ideas submitted are adopted, but when an employe sees one of his suggestions used by the company, he can be rightly proud of having taken the initiative to display his inventiveness.

Submitting suggestions is certainly not part of one's job responsibility, nor is it mandatory at CTA. Rather, it represents the efforts of employes to continually improve existing methods of "getting a job done," and as an added incentive each employe submitting an adoptable suggestion earns an award.

But that's only part of the suggestion plan story. Of equal importance is the role played by management in giving the plan its full support. No suggestion is too small—every idea is investigated to determine if it represents a better, more efficient way of doing a job, or making an improvement. Every effort is made to process suggestions in the shortest possible time and most are answered within 60 days from the date of receipt. When they are held for longer periods, it is usually because of the amount of analysis, estimating, and testing that is required.

To follow the status of your suggestion look on the suggestion bulletin board where you work. Awards, rejections, ideas still under consideration, and suggestions received weekly are listed on these boards.

THE NEXT 500 CTA employes submitting a suggestion—whether or not the idea is adopted—will receive a key chain commemorating the 25th anniversary of the suggestion system. Send in your suggestion TODAY!



AS ONE of his last official acts before retiring November 1, Superintendent of Shops and Equipment L. G. Anderson presented a suggestion award of \$345 to South Shops Machinist Alexander F. Andrulis.

Among the most recent award winners announced are the 13 CTA'ers sharing the \$965. Heading the winners' list is Alexander F. Andrulis, South Shops, who won \$345. Other cash winners include Edward Bartkus of South Shops with \$125, Henry C. Peterson of South Shops with \$75, Regina H. Daren of Medical Department with \$70, Ronald Jareckas of South Shops with \$60, Rodney R. Rusakiewicz of Stores Department with \$60, Zita J. Gyuricza of Purchasing Department with \$45, Joseph E. Sarnecki of South Shops with \$45, and Frederick P. Dechon of South Shops with \$40. Winning awards of \$25 each were Regina H. Daren of Medical Department, Patrick J. Nally of South Shops, Maurice F. O'Connor of South Shops, and Rita L. Wantroba of Medical Department.

Having their choice of a \$7 gift certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule, the following CTA'ers were named honorable mention award winners for submitting a suggestion that was adopted: Shops & Equipment—Carlo Addalia, North Avenue; John Goldenstern, South Shops; Dave Guereca, Skokie Shops; Max R. Kuchan Jr., South Shops, and Donald A. Poole, Beverly. Engineering—Michael Brticevich, Building; Edward D. Gertz, South Shops, and Anthony Raimondi, West Shops. General Office—Regina H. Daren, Medical; Darlene Jansen, Purchasing, and William H. Vigus, Engineering. Electrical—Gerald Christensen, Various, and William F. Glassner, Blue Island. Stores Department—Paul C. Jankowski, Skokie Shops. Transportation—William Harris, 77th Street.

1,004 Named 'Employes of the Year' for 1968-69

SINCE 1964, about 1,000 operating employes have been selected each year as "Employes of the Year."

Those chosen for the honor are singled out as employes who are doing a fine job. Their selection by station superintendents is made after a review of each employe's work and accident records. Eligible employes include bus operators and rapid transit motormen, conductors, and ticket agents.

CTA management is proud of its ranks of "Employes of the Year," as personnel of this caliber make good ambassadors in the eyes of the riding public and improve CTA's image.

During the 12-month period from June 1, 1968, through May 31, 1969, a total of 1,004 "Employes of the Year" were named. Many employes have been chosen for two or more years—70 have an unbroken string of six consecutive years.

Listed here for each of the operating locations are the number of "Employes of the Year" selected for 1968-69 and the names of each of the employes who have attained the status for 6 consecutive years.

Location	1968-69 ''Employes of the Year''	"Employes of the Year" for 6 Consecutive Years
Archer Station	55	Surface System
AIGHEI STAUDH	JJ /	A. Bober, R. Jankowski, J. Winters
Beverly Station		W. Barowsky, L. Borrmann, J. Campbell, F. Grajek, J. King, E. Kisman, H. Norton
Forest Glen Station	64	J. Fiesterman, T. Galus, F. Jacobson, M. Kompanowski, T. Peterson
Kedzie Station	27 1	H. Lindberg, F. Mussato, J. Stack
Keeler Station	28	W. Dabrowski, T. Pyzyna
Lawndale Station	32	F. Dvorak, J. Kalka, W. Klecka, S. Labanowski, C. Sandrick, O. Tork
Limits Station	47	P. Cronin, H. Miller, G. Petrus
North Avenue Station	1 64	W. Baran, J. Cabay, R. Kusek
North Park Station	52	P. Cook, H. Osowski, C. Schoewer
52nd Street Station	15	W. Burns, H. Ringo
69th Street Station	93	W. Cavanaugh, M. Collins
77th Street Station	62	H. Hanson, R. Howard, E. Peterson, H. Walsh
Rapid Transit System		
West Section	220	D. Parker, J. Kelly
North Section	81	T. Abbinanti, D. L. Barthen, D. V. Barthen, E. Gillespie, H. Staats
South Section		M. Bitterlin, A. Delcorse, C. Frank, A. Grant, I. Huerta, M. Klumpp, H. La Faire, R. Lovell, W. Bell, R. Butler, J. Danek, C. Fischer, T. Hughes, A. Jagla, W. Jogerst, J. Moss, S. Pollock, G. Ross, J. Wacker, C. White

MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin, CTA Medical Consultant

OUR LIVER--

The magic chemical plant of the human body

THE LARGEST single organ of the human body is the liver. It weighs 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ pounds, or about one fourtieth of the total body weight. Because of its multiple (500 in all), diverse, and vital functions, it is easy to understand why the ancients regarded it as the seat of the soul. This most amazing and dazzling of all chemical plants is located under the lower front ribs on the right side of the body.

This filter, converter, storehouse, and producer does more jobs than any organ or group of organs in the human body.

Just recently it has been shown in several cases that where surgery was necessary to remove 80 per cent of the right lobe of the liver due to injury, it was possible for the liver to regrow or regenerate itself in about three months.

Among the many jobs the liver performs are: detoxifier, producer of bile and other chemicals, converter of food elements, salvager of blood parts, digestor of fats, and a storage bin for vitamins, sugar and bile. In fact, most anything that affects or influences our general health also affects the liver. In a twinkling, it performs chemical magic far beyond the scope of the most gifted researchers. For example when we walk up a flight of stairs, our muscles need more fuel to burn to produce energy. Silently and efficiently the liver takes care of this need immediately.

At all times the liver keeps a 24 hour supply of glycogen (sugar) or starch. Part of this is converted into glucose which is fuel for muscle action. Each second, 10 million red blood cells die and these must be disposed of. The spleen breaks them down and then the liver helps salvage the components. Iron, for example, is saved for reuse in building new blood cells, while other by-products go into the manufacture of digestive juices and other body needs. Another very important function is the production of bile which aids in digestion especially of fats. If it were not for the production of prothrombin, a component of the blood to make it clot, one would die from hemorrhage even from the slightest scratch. About $1\frac{1}{2}$ quarts of blood flow through the liver every minute. The liver has many functions related to the chemistry and metabolism of the body. Some of them are still poorly understood. However, we know they are vital to life.

To filter and detoxify is one of the most important jobs. The liver detoxifies everything we eat or drink, even our cocktails. Some times certain people overburden the liver with improper diet and too much alcohol. The result is cirrhosis of the liver.

Some of the more common diseases of the liver are: cirrhosis, hepatitis, atrophy, liver absesses, cysts, benign and malignant (cancerous) tumors, and chemical poisoning affecting the liver. The liver is apt to be the seat of metastatic disease as a result of cancer of the breast, lungs, bones, or gastrointestinal tract. Jaundice, considered by some as a liver disease, is really a symptom of liver trouble and not a disease. How is a patient to know when liver disease is present? In early mild cases of liver disease it is very difficult to realize what the trouble is. However, in typical cases some of the following symptoms are noted: slight fever, loss of appetite, general malaise, fatigue, headache, chilliness, nausea, vomiting, itching skin, yellowish color of the eyeballs (jaundice), dark urine, light stools, constipation or diarrhea, and sometimes a vague feeling of discomfort in the upper abdomen. The foregoing symptoms plus certain liver function tests, blood chemistry, liver scaning, and liver biopsy ordered by your physician will usually clinch the diagnosis.

The treatment of liver disease may be summed up in the following way: preventive treatment is very important especially in the infectous types of liver disease and cirrhosis. In other words, avoiding tainted foods, contaminated water, certain toxic drugs, and the excessive use of alcohol plays an important part in the prevention of liver disease. After the disease is well established, satisfactory treatment is difficult and the results questionable. Keeping the blood count is essential in cases where anemia is present. A proper diet, regardless of the cause and type of disease is very beneficial. This means a diet rich in proteins, carbohydrates and "B" vitamins, but low in fats and alcohol.

For the most part, surgery on the liver in the past has offered no hope. However, surgery is now looked upon as a future hope for better functioning of the liver.

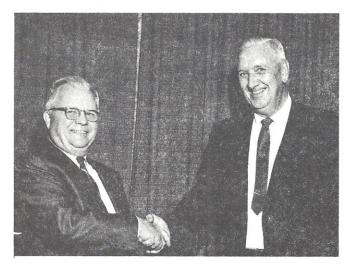
The purpose of this article is to alert you with the symptoms of liver disease. If you suspect trouble then you should contact your family doctor without delay.

L. G. Anderson Retires After 25 Years in Shops Department

AFTER SERVING in the Shops & Equipment Department of CTA and the former Chicago Surface Lines for more than 25 years, L. G. Anderson retired on November 1 as superintendent of that department.

Mr. Anderson joined the CSL as superintendent of shops on June 5, 1944, after serving for 12 years in an engineering capacity at the shops of another local transit company, Indianapolis Railways. With the purchase of transit properties by CTA in 1947 he was named engineer of equipment and in 1951 he was appointed superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals. Mr. Anderson became superintendent of shops & equipment in June, 1963, the position he held until the time of his retirement.

Mr. Anderson was graduated from Ohio State university with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering and is a registered professional engineer. During his transit career he has served on committees of several organizations representing the industry, the American Transit Association and the Central Transit Equipment Association.



A retirement dinner for Mr. Anderson at the Peacock Room, 6146 W. Cermak road, was attended by 185 friends and co-workers. Among those present was General Manager T. B. O'Connor, who is pictured above congratulating Mr. Anderson upon the completion of his transit career.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

G. J. Clark Becomes S&E Superintendent — Six Others Advance in Shops, Equipment Research



G. J. Clark

SEVEN APPOINTMENTS affecting personnel in the Shops & Equipment and Equipment Research & Development Departments were announced recently.

Named to new positions effective November 1 were G. J. Clark, who became superintendent of shops & equipment, and C. W. Ricker Jr., who became chief equipment engineer. The appointments were made by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser and approved by General Manager T. B. O'Connor.

Assuming new positions in Equipment Research and Development effective November 1 were F. J. Cihak, who became superintendent of technical services, and R. M. Schneider, who was appointed superintendent of technical services surface division. The appointments were made by C. W. Ricker Jr., chief equipment engineer, and approved by C. E. Keiser, operating manager.

In additional assignments affecting Shops & Equipment Department personnel, three promotions to the position of relief foreman were announced effective September 14, as follows: Alvin Hubbard became relief foreman at Beverly garage, J. E. Atkins became relief foreman at Lawndale garage, and W. Cooper became

relief foreman at Kedzie garage. The appointments were made by J. W. Dain, superintendent of garages, and approved by J. J. Repplinger, superintendent of surface system shops and garages, and L. G. Anderson, superintendent of shops & equipment.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Tabulating) -

CARMELLA PETRELLA journeyed to New York for her vacation where the rainy weather did not dampen her enthusiasm for all that the number 1 city has to offer tourists. .. MARGARET DORGAN spent part of her vacation at the Abbey in Fontana, Wisconsin, enjoying that lovely swimming pool. Nice tan, Marge...PAULINE TORREY spent her vacation with short trips in our great Chicago vacationland. Her tan came from sunning in her back yard. That's good too, Pauline...MARIAN BUCKLEY drove to Southern Indiana -- the famed Brown County, Springfield, and Clifty Falls in Madison which overlooks the Ohio river. The weather was nice and the scenery beautiful. What more do you want?..EMIL RUSINAK also spent his vacation in the Chicago area. His son, GARY, was home on furlough from Viet Nam and the two of them took in a couple of ball games...Another Chicago vacationer was JOHN ECKEL, John reports that the weather was delightful and he and his family enjoyed visits to Lincoln Park Zoo and also attended a couple of ball games ... Your scribe also spent a very short week at home enjoying Chicago.

- Evelyn Leu

(General, Material & Supplies) -

The annual reporter's dinner on September 12 was a very beautiful affair and the dinner was enjoyed by all. The speakers, GEORGE DeMENT, F. C. KNAUTZ, and BOB HEINLEIN were delightful. Bob introduced all the reporters individually. The scribes received a gift, a book called "Heirlooms" which was appreciated ... PHYLLIS WHITE and a niece flew to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. They rented a car and drove to West Palm Beach and visited the Lion Country Safari. All the wild animals roam the area and they drove through. One lioness decided she did not like the car and she chased it. They then went on to Miami and entered the Sea Aquarium and saw Flipper. The Queen Elizabeth was docked in Ft. Lauderdale and they took a tour on the ship. They were amazed at how beautiful the staterooms were and that some people travelled across the ocean in these rooms at \$3,000 one-way for a four and one-half day trip... We heard from Pensioner BENJAMIN RATNER, formerly in Accounts Payable, who is doing well after his illness and wishes to be remembered by all...CRAIG CAMPBELL, formerly from Accounting, is on military leave and dropped by the office on October 3 to say hello to his many friends. He was on furlough for two weeks before embarking for Viet Nam...Our sympathy and condolences go to LYDIA HAEMKER on the death of her brother, WALTER CLAU-SING, who died after an airline crash...RITA DEAKIN joined the CTA traveling group for a visit to Portugal, Spain, and Morocco. The weather was perfect, the company was great, and the food was delicious. Portugal was the most picturesque. Spain had the best food and beautiful coastal areas. The most delightful memory was the evening in Tangier, Morocco, when our friend, JOE, danced with the belly dancers. Our thanks to JANE MITCHELL for making this beautiful trip possible.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

THE LAWNDALE column has appeared regularly in Transit News since June, 1966, when Larry Keating joined the staff of Inside News reporters to serve as scribe for that surface system operating station. Lawndale does not appear in this issue, however, and it is with deep regret that we must report the passing of Mr. Keating.



Larry Keating

A 32-year transit employe, Mr. Keating began his career with the Surface Lines on March 24, 1937, as a streetcar conductor at Kedzie station. During World War II he served in the U.S. Army and following his discharge in January, 1946, he returned to Kedzie. Mr. Keating qualified as a bus operator and went to Blue Island Station in 1952. When Blue Island closed in 1955 he was transferred to Lawndale Station.

Mr. Keating was among the group of Inside News reporters honored by CTA management at a dinner on September 12. The picture taken that evening was probably the last or one of the last showing him before his untimely demise on October 5.

In addition to his widow, Louise, Mr. Keating is survived by a son, Frank, a daughter, Phyllis, and his mother, Nan. To his family, the Transit News staff and his fellow Inside News reporters extend their deepest sympathy.

REVERIY -

Clerk BILL MURPHY won the golf trophy at Glenn Eagles country club. We had a wonderful time and Bill was coached all the way through by our foursome consisting of K. C. Brothers Grand Knight JOE DENNESIATES, Past Grand Knight BILL MARSH, and your scribe...Received cards from Pensioners DAN CAREW and JOHN MALONEY who are visiting the "old sod" and sampling the Irish Mist, along with the warm beer... Thanks to Father Michael Foran for the Notre Dame football tickets throughout the season. We also wish to thank all the men who purchased tickets which help support the Holy Cross Mission at Notre Dame. There is only one Father Mike, and we know how he remembers all the CTA men in his prayers...Glad to see Operator FRANK BLACK back to work after his short illness...We express our sympathy to the families of the following: Union Steward JOHN KING on the loss of his brother, DAN KING, Instructor JOHN LUCAS who passed away, BILL LEWIS whose mother died, and to Pensioner JOHN HOGAN who was called to his eternal reward...We are glad to see Supervisor FRANK McGLYNN back at the terminals. We need experienced men on the street who know what to do when a delay comes along, especially during the hectic

winter months ahead. Keep up the good work, Frank, and we'll try to get by without your cheerful hello on the telephone...Welcome to all the new men and the operators from 77th. We are always glad to help a new man, so don't be afraid to ask the 'old timers.' It's a lot easier then filling out accident reports.

- 70m Daniels

CLAIM -

JILL HICKEY, the daughter of JIM HICKEY, recently won a non-running prize in the Irish Sweepstakes. TIM O'ROURKE, also of the Claim Department, won a seller's prize. I wonder what the prize would be if they had a Polish Sweepstakes?..We are sorry to say that after 29 years in the Claim Department JEANNE LUDMANN abandoned us for the Treasury Department. We all wish her the best... Welcome to MARIE MALINOWSKI who joined our group on October 13. Congratulations are also in order for Marie who recently became engaged to THOMAS CRAWLEY. Best wishes and all things good for the future...Thank goodness LEO TREFF, retired adjuster, is out of the hospital. We saw him a few days ago and it's great to see he is still his usual smiling self...Good luck to MARY ANN JAGODZINSKI who recently was transferred to the Executive Offices.

- Ruth Kaminski

CONGRESS (Agents) -

My thanks to Board Chairman G. L. DeMENT and General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR for their kind invitation to the annual Transit News Reporter's dinner which was held at the M&M Club. It is one of the ways they show their appreciation for helping them in our small way and that everybody is somebody and they do care... This year the semi-annual Little Flower breakfast was held at St. Pat's. It is one of those nice times when old friends meet ... CLAUDE and JUNE KINARD are settled in their new home in Wheaton, Maryland, which is a suburb of Washington, D.C. Every once in a while Claude had the opportunity to come to Chicago. We are sorry to report that at present, Claude is convalescing in Passavant hospital in Chicago... Switchman DANNY BORE caught some big ones in Wauconda, but what happened to the pictures of the catch?..JOHN W. PARNELL, trackman, retired on October 1 after 27 years of service. John and his wife, ARDALIA, are now living in the State of Washington, not far from Vancouver, on a cattle ranch. John planned to go to college for a course in chemistry and salesmanship...Agents BERNA-DETTE HAYES and WILBUR STRASSER, and Porter WIL-LIAM RILEY are on the sick list. Although they may be off for some time, we are happy to hear that they are doing well...A great big welcome back to Agent CHARLES SCHNEIDER, Switchman JAMES NASTI, and Clerk ED-WARD ADAMS. After what they have been through, the alarm clock sounds like the Bells of St. Mary to them ... Agent DORIS JOHNSON had five memorable days visiting friends in Memphis, Tennessee...Agent DOROTHY OATES had so much fun visiting with her cousin in Washington, D.C., she plans to do it again in the near future...S. BANALS went to Cape Canaveral, Florida, to visit his son. While there, he had the opportunity of seeing how a capsule is put into position and meeting the next group to go up...Agent WALTER STASULAS and his wife, CHARLOTTE, celebrated his birthday by going on a trip to Canada. CharCELEBRATING THEIR 50th wedding anniversary on September 27 were Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH FERRUZZA. Attending the mass at St. Celestine Catholic church was the original wedding party. Joseph retired in 1959 as a trackman in the Ways and Structures Department.



lotte's hobby is painting, so she took a lot of scenic snapshots which she plans to do in oil during the long winter months...Agent CHARLES NORTH's son, CHARLES, a summer student agent now attending Western Illinois college in Macomb, wrote and told his dad that he is president of Tonner Hall which means a lot of extra work...Agent FAY CAPRIO celebrated her birthday on October 14 at a luncheon with friends, and her family had a birthday party for her on October 11. It was like Christmas in October ... Trainman F. YAPPELLI retired after 43 years of service. The men at 54th Avenue had a pension party for him on October 9. It was a beautiful fall day and there was a good turnout of pensioners...Our deepest sympathy to the family of LARRY KEATING of Lawndale Station for whom services were held on October 9...Congress Clerk FREEMAN is doing his civic duty this week. He was called for jury duty. .. Agent MARY DOYLE celebrated her birthday on October 13. She and her brother, PAT, went out for dinner ... Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM B. HILLER announced the marriage of their daughter, CANDACE, to Mr. DENNIS J. POSLUZNY on October 4 at St. Peter and Paul church. A reception followed at Georgis Banquet room, 6339 S. Central avenue.

- Julia Brousek

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

Received a card from recent Pensioner ARVIN B. WIL-MONT who has moved to Florida. He and his wife are busy getting settled in their new home...We appreciate the cards from friends that are vacationing. BILL McDONALD, while touring the west visited Las Vegas, Bryce Canyon National park, and Zion National park...JOHN FINLEY mailed a card to us from Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, California. He said he was living it up in a ghost town...AMOS SMITH visited an iron ore mine in Tower-Soudan State park. He found Minnesota is wonderful for fishing, also ... According to JOHN DARCY, Hawaii lives up to the claims of the travel folders, one of the most beautiful spots in the world. He had the opportunity to watch the eruption of a volcano while he was there...GILBERT ANDREWS and his wife, HARRIET, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with a party at their church. About 100 relatives and friends attended the party which was a complete surprise. They are still celebrating while on a trip to Virginia and Washington, D.C... Our sympathy is extended to the family of Pensioner AIDEN KENNY who passed away in Florida. Our deepest sympathy to JAMES MURPHY whose mother, MARY MURPHY, was

laid to rest the first week of October. We would also like to offer a word of sympathy to VERNON KEE whose father passed away...Cards or calls would be appreciated by friends that are away from work because of illness. Out sick at this time are L. DONAFRIO, N. WALLACE, J. McDONALD, R. PRIESBE, A. McDERMOTT, and W. HOOVER ... Pensioner DOUGLAS MADDOX is ill and would like to hear from his friends at Blue Island. His address is Manor Pines Nursing Home, 1701 N.E. 26th Street, Wilton Manors, Florida 33305...Congratulations to SAMUEL COLE who is a grandpa again. GLENN and CHARLENE COLE are the proud parents of JEFFERY ERIC born on August 28...We extend a most hearty welcome to U. FUNG-CAP, A. ARONSON, I. ROSS, R. RYCHLEE, and G. WHITE-SIDE who recently joined the Electrical Department. A happy birthday to the following who celebrated their birthdays in September: T. JENNINGS, A. McDERMOTT, M. WILKIEL, F. CZANSTKOWSKI, P. MALONE, C. PARK, F. WOJCIK, and C. COURSEY. Those who had birthdays in October were: J. WIESOLEK, N. ROLNICKI, F. GRIFFIN, J. HOFFERT, D. GARDNER, J. ZALUD, and C. MULBRAN-DON. Best wishes to all of you...The General Office picnic on September 21 was an overwhelming success. The weather was perfect. Games for the children filled most of the afternoon. The committee, GEORGE CHRISTIANSEN, LEROY KUTCHINS, SANDY CLAUSEN, and WILLIAM REHDER appreciate and would like to thank BOB BOOTH and MIKE RICKSON for the fine job they did in helping to organize the picnic. There were races, shoe matching contests, balloon breaking, and horseshoes. The baseball game was better than the World Series (don't remember who won). Watch this column for the picnic date in 1970, and we promise you will have an enjoyable day...Best wishes for many happy and healthy years of retirement to FLORIAN CZANSTKOWSKI and FRANK CORRIGAN...Late news flash--yours truly is a grandpa again for the seventh time. A lovely little girl was born to CHARLES and RHON-DA LINDLEY on October 8 at Tampa, Florida.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

September was a good month for baby boys. On September 1, RONALD GENE was born to DONNA and RONALD KAMINSKI. Donna was formerly a stenographer and Tran-

TAKING HIS pension after more than 40 years of service is Supervisor of Security MANLEY M. HOWE (center), pictured here with NORMAN N. GRAVER (left), assistant superintendent of Security, and ROBERT H. MILLER, chief of security. He was presented with an engraved nickel plated .38 revolver, a lifetime membership in the Illinois Police Association, a retirement star, and a key chain-money clip.



sit News scribe for the department. TIMOTHY PATRICK arrived on September 18 and is the son of SANDY and WALTER MOORE, testing engineer. Timmie was welcomed by his sister, KIM, who is nine years old, and his brother, TOMMIE, 19 months old. Congratulations to the happy parents of the little ones... WAYNE TOSH and MICH-AELETTE VALKENBURG were married on October 4 at St. Peter and Paul church in Naperville. Following a reception at the Spinning Wheel, they drove to Niagara Falls to spend their honeymoon. Wayne, a "B" helper at Blue Island, is the son of JOAN and DEL TOSH, chief power supervisor. Best wishes for the future...MARGARET KINSEY is home recovering from eye surgery. Glad to hear you are improving rapidly, Marge...Pensioner AL MORF visited us recently and he says his grandson, BRIAN, age two, is really the greatest. Grandpa has every right to be proud of this little guy...We extend our sympathy to Pensioner BURT ENGBERG. His mother, HILMA ENGBERG, passed away on August 25...HERMAN SMITH and his family vacationed at Kentucky Lake where they enjoyed boating, fishing, and water skiing. Ah! Summertime...TED SZEWC and his wife and daughters drove to Phoenix, Arizona, to visit relatives. They also spent an entire day at Disneyland and a few days at Las Vegas. Ted reports all three weeks were wonderful...BERNADETTE KIZIOR flew to Portugal where she visited the Shrine of Fatima. At the Cathedral in Toledo she saw the Monstrance that houses the world-famous gold and jewels. Tangier, Morocco, was the next stop. From there she went by Ferry to Malaga on the Costa Del Sol. Bern spent some time in Torremolinos, a famous resort city, and played golf between the Mediterranean and Sierra Nevada Mountains. Next was the drive through the Andalucion cities of Algeciras, Seville, Cadiz, Cordoba, and Granada. She then flew to the industrial city of Barcelona and to beautiful Mallorca, home of the famous pearl. Onward to London and then home with wonderful memories to last a life time of Alamenca, Castanets, and Paella.

- Kay McAlister

ENGINEERING -

FRED PETRINO, road clerk, took a week of his vacation and made every minute worthwhile. He spent two days in Las Vegas. After he collected his tons of dough, he decided to travel on to Florida and the Bahamas for a few more days. On his way home he stopped in Wisconsin and spent some time there, too. I'll bet settling down on the job after that exciting week wasn't too easy...YOLENE CLAUDE, clerk-typist, will be leaving our department to join the South Shops as a typist I. We all want to wish her much luck and happiness...Our condolences are sent to CHESTER (Rusty) RUSAKIEWICZ who lost his father on August 26... JOE URBASZEWSKI and his wife spent two weeks driving through the mountains and visiting 15 western states. They visited sights like the Grand Canyon, Black Hills, and Yellowstone National park. All totaled, they traveled 5,300 miles. Among their various activities, they rode in a whirlybird and did some horseback riding. While driving along, they had an unexpected experience. The road they were on came to an end as it was completely washed out. However, they managed to surpass that difficulty and we're all glad to see Joe back safe and sound...LINDA LeMON-NIER and her husband traveled to Canada on their vacation. First stop was Sault Sainte Marie, then Ottawa and Montreal where they saw the "Man and His World" (Expo). Then off they went to Toronto and Niagara Falls. They returned

INSIDE NEWS



THIS BEAUTIFUL young lady is GLORIA NEWMAN, the daughter of Conductor ARTHUR NEWMAN, West Section, who was the recipient of a state grant and a scholarship to MacMurray college. Gloria worked in the Insurance Department during the summer months.

home for a couple of days and decided to take a plane ride to St. Louis. While in Canada, they missed the Expos' ball game because they were playing out of town and it just happened that they were playing in St. Louis when LINDA and BILL arrived. As it turned out, they caught every bit of action...Your scribe, CAROL RADMAN, just returned from Mexico and had a very enjoyable time. In Mexico City she visited the Pyramids, Floating Gardens, Folkloric Ballet, Shrine of Guadalupe, and last of all, the exciting bullfights. Then a long drive through the mountains to Cuernavaca, Taxco, and Acapulco. I'm sure she'll have a long-lived memory of all the exciting events and adventures -- to say nothing of her excruciating sunburn!..JACK O'REILLY and his wife, EILEEN, and son, TOM, accompanied by his wife's sister, ELEANOR, and husband, FRAN RADKE, who did a beautiful job of chauffeuring, guided by Jack's magnificent map reading, motored down the turnpikes to Wilmington, Delaware, and Ocean City visiting nieces and their families, with many side trips. They enjoyed a two-day tour of Washington, D.C. Jack caught a shark in Indian River Bay just off the Atlantic Ocean while guests of their niece, MARY LOU, and ED SZMANSKI and their family. They also caught plenty of flounder and blow fish. This fact can be confirmed by non-believers by calling an astonished witness, his brother-in-law, Fran, at CO 1-6814. Their three-week trip covered Indiana, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Washington, D.C., and a visit with another niece, MARY ELLEN, and MIKE LOVETT and their family on a 10-acre farm in the heart of Cincinnati -- a real oddity seeing cows, rabbits, etc., being raised in the heart of a city. In Wilmington, they dined and tried their luck at Brandywine race track as guests of a nephew, FRED HARTMANN, Metropolitan Editor of Wilmington's daily paper, and his wife, MARY LOU, later touring the many philanthropic enterprises of the DuPont family... The Engineering Department welcomes DIANE RITROVATO who replaced YOLENNE CLAUDE as clerktypist...Your Co-reporter, CAROL RADMAN, is recuperating at home after surgery on her left knee.

(West Shops) -

JIM SINCLAIR, bricklayer foreman, recently celebrated his 42nd wedding anniversary. He took his wife to dinner and a show at the Martinique and Drury Lane...There are two new retirees as of November 1: Bricklayer MARSHALL FOSTER, who has worked for the company 32 years, and CHARLEY POLICH, frog shop, who has worked for the company 44 years. The best of luck and happiness to these

fellows...We have a newcomer in the office who is in the Track Department. A very warm welcome to Track Foreman CHARLIE DUNKIN. West Shops is glad to have you aboard...Our sincere condolences to LEE ANDERSON, carpenter foreman, whose mother passed away recently...GIN-NY SCOTT, West Shops, recently helped her daughter, ELEANOR, to celebrate her 21st birthday. They spent the evening at Berghoff's having dinner and then returned home where Ginny presented her daughter with a Beatle album... WEST SHOPS FLASH: What bricklayer is currently sporting a mustache that makes him look like Groucho Marx's twin brother?.. Your reporter, MARY GALLON, would like to thank BOB HEINLEIN and his staff for giving the reporters a lovely evening at the M&M Club. The dinner was superb and Board Chairman GEORGE DeMENT's afterdinner speech was certainly entertaining ... I would also like to thank the persons responsible for selecting me to participate in the Dan Ryan transit line dedication. It was a joy to see the smiling faces and hear the nice things the passengers said about the new line. Our CTA teamwork was never more evident.

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

Serviceman GUS KUTA retired on September 1 from the repair department. This fine gentleman will make a trip to Michigan and then plans to make his home in Florida...Recently in the hospital was our fine friend EDDIE CHAP-LISKI, but he is now back on the job and doing great. Chapliski is the gentleman who answers your phone at the end of the line. He is the only man who calls your run number and gives a very pleasant word. Glad to have you back, Eddie ... Operator JOHN MAHNKE and his family spent their vacation in the Land O' Lakes, Wisconsin, getting in some fishing. In fact, this is John's first try at fishing and boy did he and his son, ROGER, enjoy it. He says this was the most relaxing vacation they have ever had. While on vacation he celebrated his (39th ???) birthday, August 22, his 28th anniversary with CTA, and his 13th wedding anniversary on September 1. RUTH, I have to give you credit for all these years -- at least you have kept old John on the ball ... A fine and outstanding gentleman is CHRIST PANTOS, who recently enjoyed a few days in St. Louis. Christ has a hobby of model trains, and will have a set soon that will be really worth seeing. His basement is becoming filled, but his family doesn't complain. They at least know where the old boy is at nights...THOMAS MEAGHER and his family flew to Texas to visit his two brothers who are priests. They took a trip to Mexico where they took a bus ride. Tom says they could never compare to our system. While in Texas, they also visited the Astrodome... Never go out golfing with TOM VELANCIA if you use a motor cart. It seems Tom loves to run the carts into trees. At a recent outing, he started up the cart and over went a lovely tree. In fact, he almost ran over Mr. PANTOS who was alongside the cart. The next time this group went out, he hit a ball and what happened--he hit the golf cart. Maybe Tom should give up the motor carts and get a caddy...Operator BASGELL and his family toured the southern states on their vacation. They had the pleasure of visiting the Astrodome and taking in all the high spots. Basgell said they had tried vacation camping, trailer camping, and now touring. Many thanks, Basgell, for the nice pipe holder you brought back for yours truly...By the way, Supervisor "Sweet Lips" would like to know if LYMAN, DILLON, and GEORGE WICKMAN are

renting the pictures of all the fish they are supposed to be catching. All we ever see is pictures...On September 3, Operator and Mrs. MIKE KOMPANOWSKI became grandparents for the fourth time when a granddaughter, KAREN MARIE, was born weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces. According to Mike, she is a little beauty. On October 5, this fine couple also celebrated their 34th wedding anniversary. Here's hoping there will be many more happy years for this lovely couple... The parents of TOM "Tiny" ROAM celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 10. The best to this fine family--of course it includes old Tom... Operator TUCCY and his wife, ALICE, became grandparents again when a little girl, SUE ANN, was born to their daughter-in-law and son, NORMAN. Tuccy says there are now three boys and one girl. I guess grandpa is planning a large family for his son and daughter-in-law. Well leave it to Tuccy, he's always planning ahead...Operator WALTER BLIX is on the sick list. Seems as if Walter had some trouble with his heart. I think it is just love for his lovely wife. But anyway, Walter is now resting at home after a stay in the hospital and will have to take it easy for a few months. Blix loves to make model trains and is supposed to be a cracker-jack at it. So if any of you would like to call Walter, you can use the excuse of trains to talk to him...Operator RALPH JOHNSON was a very proud father when his son, JAMES L. JOHNSON, received his degree in veterinarian medicine from the University of Illinois. James is now a captain in the army medical corps. He was married to PATTIE PODGUS on August 30 and they will make their home in Washington, D.C., where he is now stationed...Seems like MARTHA ALSTERLUND has been having her problems due to a broken arm which doesn't want to heal properly. We are sorry to hear of your troubles, and AL is ever so worried. Maybe now you can get him to do more work around the house while you relax and take care of your arm...The McCANN family had a wonderful vacation in the Black Hills. They are now looking forward to next year's vacation so they can start relaxing again...Sanitary Engineer RAHN vacationed in Wisconsin and had a wonderful time...ELMER STOBART and his wife and son, RICHARD, flew to Tampa, Florida, for a vacation. After renting a car, they drove to their home in North Port Charlotte where they stayed for three days. Stobart reports very good fishing, right in their own back yard. They played golf at a course which was only two blocks away. The family then made a tour along the east coast of Florida, stopping at Miami to get a little sunshine and a better tan. The hurricane showed up making our friends head for home...Operator and Mrs. RUPERT CRABB announced the engagement of their daughter, GEORGINA, to JAMES NEW-MAN. The wedding is planned for June 6, 1970. Georgina is a graduate of Elmwood High school and Northeastern Illinois university, and is presently working for Illinois Bell Telephone company. Her fiance is a graduate of Martinsville High school and is now a psychology major at Eastern Illinois university...Operator JOHN WALTHER has been flying for several years. Lately he has been taking up instrument instructions, and is now flying out of Palwaukee airport. John, maybe we can work out a deal for a fishing trip up north. How about it? Keep up the good work. I sure hope you never lead me on Milwaukee avenue, because yours truly can't fly...KENNETH HAMMER, the son of Operator HAMMER, is home after spending 3½ years in the service. At the age of 22, he is now ready to start life. According to his father, Kenneth isn't going to drive a bus. Welcome home, Ken...Pensioner FRED LOHSE passed away on July 31 in Holiday, Florida, after a very short retirement...Operator LAST has finally started his wife bowling, but it is Last who needs to roll off those pounds. Anyway, Mrs. Last is really interested, even though she didn't get the watermelon that was promised. I expect to see great steps taken this fall, Mrs. Last...I hope and pray for all of us to have the best Thanksgiving that is possible. Remember we still have a lot to be thankful for.

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

GENERAL OFFICE (Medical) -

Dr. STEPHEN D. MOSNY and his wife motored through the New England States of Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island. Points of interest to them were the Freedom Trail in Boston, Vanderbilt Mansion in Rhode Island, and Sturbridge Village in Massachusetts; also a trip up to the top of Mount Washington on the cog railway.

(Public Information) -

A salute to the wonderful men of the Addison fire department No. 1 who honored my granddaughter, LESLIE NEURAUTER. She wrote an essay that won her the honor of being the honorary fire chief for the night of October 8, during Fire Prevention Week. An open house was held and Leslie received the privilege of riding on the company's snorkle. After her ride the magic words were spoken to allow her mother and grandmother (Murph) to take a ride on the snorkle. It had looked so simple when we saw Leslie take her ride, but after we started up our knees began to shake. It takes many hours of hard work to keep that expensive equipment in tip-top shape and it may be fun to ride the snorkle but the fun disappears when you realize they are saving our lives and our property, something we always take for granted...MARY ELLEN RUSS, clerktypist, was welcomed to the Charter Department as a new employe.

(Office Services) -

The department has moved into their new headquarters, Room 7-142, as well as Mr.KNOX and his secretary. Open House?

(Employe Relations) -

SUE STENZEL and ROSE HEMZACEK, the daughter of J. J. HEMZACEK, Transportation Department, were wel-

TAKING HIS pension after 24 years of service is Trackman JOHN PARNELL, West Shops. John plans to move in the spring to his ranch near Vancouver, Washington, where he will leisurely spend his retirement.



INSIDE NEWS



THIS HAPPY couple, Pensioner and Mrs. SIDNEY E. DUKE, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 17. Sidney was a bus operator at Forest Glen Depot before taking his pension in 1960 after 32 years of service.

comed to this department...GERRY McMANAMON recently took a two-week vacation by rail through Canada, the Eastern States, and down south to New Orleans. That fellow sure gets around on the railroad's time.

(Executive) -

Mrs. M. JAGODZINSKI transferred from the Claim Department to become Mr. FINCH's new secretary. Good luck in your new position.

(Treasury) -

FLORENCE BUTTERFIELD and her husband motored through Northern Illinois visiting the various railway places of interest. She also received a surprise visit while on her vacation from her sister who lives in Connecticut whom she has not seen in six years...JEANNE LUDMANN transferred from the Claim Department replacing JOHN ALLEN who retired on September 1.

(Reproduction Services) -

SHARON DAUKSHIS and her girl friend flew down to Hawaii, and also spent a few days in Las Vegas and San Francisco enjoying the night spots.

(Insurance) -

ED DONAHUE became a proud grandfather for the first time when his daughter-in-law presented him with a baby girl named PATRICIA. The proud father is DAVID DONA-HUE, a former ticket agent...LYNNE KLOPP is now sporting a lovely diamond ring which she received from ALAN LINDEN. Alan is the son of GEORGE LINDEN who works at Skokie Shops. Wedding bells will be ringing May 30, 1970...RONNIE McCANN paid us a surprise visit with her new daughter, KAREN, Good to see you looking so slim, Ron...DOROTHY ETSCHEID, Pension Division, had a double surprise when both her son and daughter came home on leave from the Marine Corps...TERRY MNICHOWICZ and her husband, LEE, flew to Seattle, Washington, on the weekend...The welcome mat is extended to BARBARA McNUTT who transferred from Claim; KATHY KOHLMANN from Stores, and a newcomer, KATHY SZATKOWSKI...LESTER SMITH and his family drove to Arkansas to visit with his in-laws.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

The following employes are new to the department: JOSEPHINE FELDMAN, MARIE WIECZOREK, PAT DUNEK, and LEONARD LOHN. Graduate trainee ED SCHALK is working in Methods and Procedures, while Graduate Trainee TOM SCHRODT is working as a conductor on the rapid transit...ART HUBACZ, National Comman-

der, Zone 3, Polish Legion of America, spent a week of his vacation attending the Legion's Convention at the Sherman House in Chicago. Art's son, ARTHUR GREGORY, enlisted in the Navy and is to report for duty at Great Lakes on November 13...MICHAEL McCARTHY evened up the sides at his house when he became the father of KAREN MARIE. That makes two boys and two girls for Mike and ELAINE. Elaine is the former Elaine Kompanowski of the Law Department...ELIOT HIRSCH severely strained his back on a recent fishing trip. Was the fish that big El or just what was it? Mrs. JOANNE BOURNE will long remember her second wedding anniversary. Her husband, JIM, presented her with the keys to a 6-room raised ranch type home in Cicero, Illinois...BERNIE FORD and his family vacationed in the nation's capital...JOE O'SULLIVAN and his wife spent a wonderful week in Brown County, Indiana. It was in this vicinity that Joe and Helen honeymooned, 29 years ago.

(Employment) -

LYNN HARRER and SUE HOLZER enjoyed a one-week boat cruise to Nassau and the Bahamas...CAROL SWIDER-SKI also had a week's vacation on a boat cruise to Nassau... The welcome mat is extended to RITA HURLEY, clerk-typist, who joined the CTA ranks...STANLEY TADEVIC and his wife flew to Atlanta, Georgia, for a week to visit with friends...DON RIESS and his wife spent three days of his vacation in Mexico City and three days in Acapulco. The highlight of their trip was their first bullfight, which they watched while sitting in a downpour. They got soaking wet, but say it was worth it.

(Research & Planning) -

Welcome to JUDY CLOHESSY who started with the department in September after transferring from Employment...SUSAN LAPP, the daughter of CHARLES LAPP, was married on September 13 to ROBERT THEIS of Franklin Park. A reception was held in Morton Grove. Congratulations to the happy couple...HERMAN ANDERS and his wife have a new addition to the family--a beagle puppy called Pepper...TOM HENNINGSEN is the proud owner of a new cool 1969 air-conditioned Mercury Monterey...MARY BOS-KI and her husband, JOHN, joined the Chicago North Elks on their annual outing to Las Vegas. It was a marvelous four-day trip (via United Airlines charter jet flight). On the same trip, Mary and John stayed at the Stardust Hotel, but hotel hopped to see Bill Cosby at the new International, Louis Prima at the Sands, Dean (everybody loves somebody) Martin at the Riviera, and several other exciting shows. Highlight of Mary's trip was seeing Dino from ringside. Don't ask Mary if she broke the bank at Vegas or if Vegas broke her bank.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

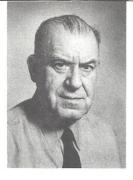
Your reporter and his wife went to Hawaii and spent nine days with our son, AUGUST, on his R&R leave from Viet Nam. What a grand time we had. We also celebrated our son's 22nd birthday on August 25, and took in all the sights and floor shows, plus a luau. On our way back home we spent four days in Los Angeles. We visited with my wife's cousin whom she hadn't seen in 29 years. We also visited former Operator EDWIN HOLLER who lives near Culver City and spent three days with Ed and his wife, RUTH. They took us on a tour of Los Angeles, Knotts Berry Farm, and Disneyland. I wouldn't know how to thank



E. C. KAROSS 49 Years



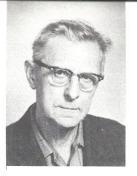
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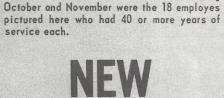
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H. E. RENNHACK 40 Years



JOINING THE ranks of the retired during

NEW PENSIONERS

LEO ADAMS, Janitor, West Section, Emp. 2-19-51 L. GORDON ANDERSON, Superintendent, Shops & Equipment, Emp. 6-5-44 GLADYS G. ARMONDA, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 9-26-64 IRVING BRIM, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 6-14-43 ROBERT A. BROWNE, Clerk, West Section, Emp. 10-29-45 EDWARD CAIN, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 2-4-29 FRANK P. CALDERON, Operator, Keeler, Emp. 6-27-27 JOHN A. CLARK, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 9-21-25 MICHAEL CONROY, Repairer, Kedzie, Emp. 5-29-36 HAROLD A. COOK, Operator, North Park, Emp. 8-26-42 FRANK P. CORRIGAN, Operator, Electrical, Emp. 9-21-36 FLORIAN A. CZANSTKOWSKI, Substation Operator, Electrical, Emp. 7-15-36 FRANK J. DORICH, Loader Grinder Operator, Track, Emp. 5-9-36 JOHN J. DURKIN, Mechanic, South Shops, Emp. 3-18-29 SIDNEY J. ENGELHARDT, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 9-1-42 MICHAEL E. FELTEN, Control Inspection Helper, Wilson Shops, Emp. 12-18-41 CARL E. FISCHER, Motorman, South Section, Emp. 8-11-48 MARSHALL T. FOSTER, Bricklayer, Building, Emp. 7-15-37

SOL GRAFF, Collector. Limits, Emp. 3-10-43 THOMAS B. GRIFFIN, Machinist, South Shops, Emp. 4-19-45 ROBERT A. GUYSSENS, Serviceman, North Park, Emp. 6-21-39 JEREMIAH HANAFIN, Motorman, South Section, Emp. 8-26-26 OMAR C. HART, Transfer Counter, Revenue Accounting, Emp. 8-28-42 MICHAEL J. HAYES, Serviceman, Kedzie, Emp. 10-5-44 WILLIAM B. HENN, Supervisor, West Section, Emp. 5-23-44 PATRICK J. HOGAN, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 4-7-43 ARTHUR HOLMBERG, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 11-10-36 FRANK M. HORVAT, Technical Services Asst., Equipment Research & Devlp., Emp. 3-16-25 ERNEST C. HOWARD, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 9-29-26 MANLEY M. HOWE, Supervisor, Security, Emp. 11-13-28 PHILIP E. HUEBSCH, Supervisor, District "D", Emp. 12-10-28 CARL H. JOHNSON, Buyer, Purchasing, Emp. 9-18-23 EDWARD C. KAROSS, Supervisor, Property Accounting, Emp. 3-3-20 FREDERICK W. KINDERMAN, Attorney, Law, Emp. 6-15-34 WILLIAM J. KLEPITCH, Operator. North Park, Emp. 8-27-42 WILLIAM W. KURTZ, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 4-17-42



F. M. HORVAT



L. SNYDER 41 Years



F. A. YAPELLI 43 Years



F. P. CALDERON 42 Years



D. E. SHERRARD 45 Years



E. C. HOWARD 43 Years



J. HANAFIN 43 Years



F. MUSSATTO 41 Years



E. C. TELSCHOW 40 Years



J. J. LYNCH 40 Years

STANLEY LABANOWSKI, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 9-7-43 JOHN J. LYNCH, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 7-15-29 FRANK MUSSATTO, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 10-3-27 JOHN W. PARNELL, Trackman, Track, Emp. 6-15-45 CLARENCE A. PETERSON, Operator, North Park, Emp. 11-20-40 EUGENE B. PETERSON, Chief Clerk, North Avenue, Emp. 9-11-26 PETER F. PIETSCH, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 11-6-33 CHARLES POLICH, Welder, Track, Emp. 9-26-25 CHARLES J. POWERS, Collector, 69th Street, Emp. 8-23-23 HAROLD E. RENNHACK, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 3-20-29 JAMES J. RITTENBERG, Clerk, Lawndale, Emp. 3-24-41 MELVIN E. SAYRE, Repairer, South Campaign Area, Emp. 9-5-29 HARRY J. SCHLESSER, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 1-25-24 FRED S. SCHULTZ, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 3-10-42 SALVATORE SELVAGGIO, Repairman, Congress Shop, Emp. 3-1-44 DANIEL E. SHERRARD, Armature Winder "A". South Shops, Emp. 1-16-24 LELAND SNYDER, Towerman, Howard Street, Emp. 10-3-27 PASQUALE SPROVIERI, Repairer, North Avenue, Emp. 12-7-29

JAMES C. STAFFORD, Material Handler, Kedzie, Emp. 8-17-37 ELMER C. TELSCHOW, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 9-25-29 THOMAS G. THORPE, Carpenter "A", Building, Emp. 8-10-42 MARIE E. TOWNSEND, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 2-10-48 JOHN F. WINIECKI, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 2-14-31 ANNA E. WEINSTOCK, Balance Clerk, Revenue Accounting, Emp. 7-31-64 FRANK A. YAPELLI, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 4-29-26 WILLIAM ZERLANG, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 3-5-45

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

JAMES E. GALLAGHER, Conductor, South Section, Emp. 10-11-37 HERBERT E. HEIDEN, Bond Clerk, Treasury, Emp. 8-26-37 JOSEPH L. KANE, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 6-3-46 VERNON W. KEENE, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 7-7-37 HELEN MACKASKI, Ticket Agent, North Section, Emp. 2-9-57 ARTHUR C. McDERMOTT, Electrician, Electrical, Emp. 8-23-35 ROY G. MILLER, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 3-29-34 THOMAS J. REGAN, Operator. Archer, Emp. 7-1-54

the Hollers for their wonderful hospitality. Ed says hello to everyone at Kedzie...Operator JAMES RICHARDSON and his wife vacationed in Las Vegas and spent some time in Denver. They saw all the shows and Richardson had good luck on the dice tables. While they were in Denver, they visited all the mountains and nearby towns. When they returned home, they had company from Los Angeles and St. Louis that spent a week with them...I received a card from Pensioner DAVE CLARK who is up in Canada on his farm. He sends his best to all at Kedzie...Operator R. HARMON and his wife and son went to Atlanta, Georgia, which is his wife's home town. Harmon met one of his ex-army buddies whom he hadn't seen in 20 years. What a grand time they had talking about their old army days...Operator C. AB-BOTT spent two weeks at his cottage in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin enjoying themselves and taking short trips to nearby towns...Congratulations to TOMMY JACKSON, the son of Instructor LLOYD JACKSON, who played first base on the All-Stars at Marquette Park, winning all their games and bringing the trophy to Westdale, Illinois. It's the first time Westdale had this honor. Tommy plays in the little league for nine- and ten-year olds. Kenny Holtzman of the Cubs presented the awards and trophies to all the players. It was an occasion that will be remembered for a long time ... Operator E. McCOLLUM and his wife drove to Florida for a three-week vacation taking in all the sights along the way. .. Congratulations to Instructor JERRY KNOPF and his lovely wife, HENRIETTA, who celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on September 25. We wish them many more years of happiness. Jerry also celebrated 29 years with the CTA on September 26. If you want to hear some good stories about the old days, contact Jerry who is head instructor at Kedzie...We are very proud of the sons of CTA employes. One, JOHN FOURNIER, the son of Receiver FRANK FOURNIER, has been elected vice-president of Automated Marketing Systems, Inc., which is the parent company of several Chicago and New York firms. Mr. Fournier was previously a vice-president of a company in Dallas, Texas. He now makes his home in Oak Park, Illinois...We send our best to these operators who took their pensions, F. SCHULTZ and PAT McQUAID. May you enjoy your retirement and do all the things you have planned to do and do them in the best of health...Belated congratulations to Miss KATHLEEN JEAN LYLE, the daughter of Operator HOWARD J. LYLE, who was married on August 23 to EUGENE A. PROSIO. We wish you both all the happiness life can bring. A little secret, Katy, I still remember the days when your dad was my conductor and you climbed up



THIS CHUBBY little lad is STEVEN THOMAS PHELPS, the great-grandson of TONY SCIONNA, South Shops, who became a great-grandfather at the age of 59. The proud mother is SHARON PHELPS, Tony's granddaughter.

on our streetcar and took a free ride to the depot with us. Time sure goes by...Our deepest sympathy to Operator E. McCOLLUM on the loss of his mother, JESSIE McCOLLUM, and his sister, Mrs. LORETTA SCHMERTMAN, of Springfield, Illinois; to Operator T. MURPHY on the loss of his mother, MARY A. MURPHY, who was laid to rest on September 10; to the family of RAYMOND T. GRAY who was laid to rest on September 20, and to the family of Operator LARRY KEATING of Lawndale Depot who passed away on October 7. Larry was also a reporter for the Transit News...Remember our credit union is always ready to help you, but also help your credit union by saving a little each payday and watch your savings grow.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Station Superintendent BOB CHRISTIAN and his family recently returned from a warm and exciting vacation in Florida...Clerk JOHN WALTHER and his family are enjoying the spas in Hot Springs, Arkansas... Operator STANLEY JOZWIAK and his wife are vacationing somewhere on the southern coast of Florida. We are waiting to hear from you, Joz, so we can get the right dope as to where you are. In the meantime, have fun, anyway...Operator BILL HODG-SON and his family are off and running to the great Smokey Mountains for a long vacation and will take in some deep sea diving in Florida. The Hodgsons celebrated Bill's birthday on October 25, and you can be sure that the celebration on November 4 was something to behold when he and his wife, LORRY, recalled 19 years of wedded bliss. I would like to extend my personal congratulations and best wishes to you, Bill, on what I know has been a very splendid 19 years...Our custodian, SY GOLDMAN, and his wife, NELLIE, celebrated their second wedding anniversary in November...Well, what do you know? Operator FRANK CALDERON has retired after 42 years of service with the Chicago Motor Coach and CTA. Frank says he hates to bow out now and miss the fun with the new fare-box system. He feels the job is getting a little too soft for him now. Good luck, good health, and many prosperous years. Also, Operator W. TESSMAN has decided to turn in his weapons after 41 years of loyal service. Good luck, Tess, and don't forget to stop by and say hello. I'm sure all the gang will miss you...Congratulations to Operator and Mrs. VICTOR MEDUNYCIA on the birth of their first child, July 6. They are elated over their cuddly little bundle named GREG. Vic is still passing out cigars and the snapshot is worn due to constant handling by the proud dad...Operator JOHN HAR-RIS celebrated his birthday on October 29, and Operator R. BOWEN will celebrate his birthday on November 28...Congratulations to the twin sisters of Operator ROBERT FIELDS who celebrated their birthday on October 7...Unfortunately I was unable to attend the annual reporter's dinner on September 12 in the Merchandise Mart, but I would like to convey my thanks to ROBERT D. HEINLEIN, editor of the Transit News, for the very nice gift that we all received. I am sure it will provide many years of reading pleasure...All the employes at Keeler Station would like to extend their best wishes to our former station superintendent, S. J. BITEL, who retired on September 1 after a very fulfilling career with the CTA...ELMER RIEDEL, our esteemed chief clerk, vacationed in Florida and was sighted by one of our roving reporters aboard the ship T.S. Flavia bound for the Bahamas. He was scampering from deck to deck, clad in only swim trunks, testing the water in the dif-

ferent swimming pools. It was learned that at that time, he was expected to dine at the captain's table in formal wear. Naughty, chief...On Saturday. September 13, the son of Receiver MAURICE J. BUCKLEY, TERRENCE LEE, embarked upon the sea of matrimony with Miss CYNTHIA GIBSON. Accept our sincere wishes for a long, happy; and fruitful marriage. . . Supervisor Trainee and Co-reporter ERNEST CARTER made a half-hour speech to a class of nine and ten-year olds at Shepard Elementary school extrolling the merits of "good ole" CTA. He informed them that they should respect and preserve the use of their property. He also emphasized the possibility of one of them being capable of becoming his boss in the next fifteen years or so...Received a postcard from Operator CHARLES MEREDITH who is vacationing in New York and having a ball. Naturally, I showed it to all the fellows around the station, and they can't figure out why Charles is spending all his time in Greenwich Village. Hurry home, Charles, but don't forget to check out Harlem...Pensioner RAY WISHLER stopped by the station for a short visit to tell all the gang about the beautiful coast of Florida. Ray is now residing in Pompano Beach, Florida...Mrs. BONITA RAN-DOLPH, the wife of Operator JEFF RANDOLPH, celebrated her birthday on September 10. Their son, BRYAN, celebrated his on September 17. Mrs. RUBY BOOSE, the wife of Operator ARTHUR BOOSE, celebrated her birthday on September 8. Congratulations to all who may be celebrating this month. And speaking of birthdays, yours truly celebrated his 29th birthday on September 25, and also his 9th month of marriage on September 21. You can bet he did the town up...See you all next month.

- Anthony Berry

LIMITS -

Supervisor JESSE RODRIGUEZ and his dear wife, JUNE, were pleasantly surprised on their 25th wedding anniversary by 200 guests at their church at 12731 S. Wood street. Congratulations and best wishes to this fine couple...Operator BILL WHITE, manager of the Limits softball team, reports that Limits finished in second place and received a trophy. A banquet was held for the team in the Executive House in the Loop. Congratulations...The "Big Brothers", a humanitarian group headed by ROOSEVELT SIMPKINS, collected a large amount of canned food and distributed it among the poor people of Chicago. They wish to thank the many donors at Limits...Congratulations and best wishes to Operator G. P. TAYLOR and his dear wife on their 30th wedding anniversary, October 1...CHARLEY JOHNSON, Repair Department clerk, took his pension after 26 years of service. May you have a long and healthy pensioned life. .. Two operators joined the matrimonial ranks last month. RALPH MOORE was joined in holv wedlock to a pretty maid by the name of BARBARA. DENNIS KIPPES was married to a charming and lovely miss by the name of MARGARET. The wedding was held at St. Alphonsus church, 1429 W. Wellington. Congratulations and best wishes to these two fine couples...JOSEPH JOSETTI, who is stationed at St. Clair and Grand avenues as a collector, has been in the hospital for surgery. He is now on the active list again and is in tip top shape...STANLEY DEERING and his wife had a wonderful vacation visiting California and Oregon. While in California, they went through the great redwood tree country where they were amazed at the fascinating works of nature...Chief Clerk JOHN SIMKO had a beautiful trip to Boise, Idaho, where he visited his grandchildren and took SHOWN ADMIRING the 8½ pound walleye caught by Ticket Agent GEORGE ROHRHUBER at Otter Lake, Michigan, are, left to right: Operator FLORIAN DWIEL, North Avenue, George, Operator BILL DI GIOIA, North Avenue, and (kneeling) Receiver BILL PINASCO, North Avenue.



in the beautiful scenery of the west...Superintendent GEORGE MAY and his dear wife enjoyed themselves in sunny California where they visited friends and relatives and did quite'a bit of sightseeing...FRANK ROBINSON and his family returned from their vacation after visiting many places of interest in the good old USA...JOHN J. JOHNSON, formerly a motorman at the old Devon depot and later a ticket agent, suffered a stroke which left a defect in his speech. He is now up and around and wishes to send his best regards to all of the old timers he worked with...Our sincerest sympathy to the family of CHARLES HEROLD, former board member at Limits, who passed away last month after a lingering illness. Also to W. LEMONS, we extend our sympathy on the loss of his father.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

Agent W. STRASSER and his wife took a three-day vacation to Elkhorn, Wisconsin. This was to celebrate their wedding anniversary and Wilbur's birthday. Just received a call as I was writing this that Wilbur was rushed to Illinois Masonic hospital. Let's hope you recover quickly ... Good luck and good health to Trainman E. HOWARD who retired on October 1. After 43 years, he says he is going to do all the things he has wanted to do but never could get done because of his working hours. He will spend some time up in Wisconsin with his sisters-in-law and brothersin-law. Mr. Howard, please remember to always look where you walk. It sure feels funny walking in fresh cement and going down. Good thing it wasn't instant drying cement or you would still be standing at the corner of Circle and Elgin. Well, good luck and stop around and visit with the boys...At this time Agent MORA HAASE has her hair pulled out. She is talking to herself all day. The Wrigley stock is going up and up as she is constantly chewing gum. All this because her third grandchild isn't here yet. By the time this baby is born. Mora will be a basket case ... A short while ago Agent DAVE GROFMAN's son and daughter-inlaw and three children moved to Silver Springs, Maryland. Dave and his wife got so lonesome they went there to visit and really enjoyed their stay. The children are LAURA MARIE, 8, AMY, 7, and MICHAEL, 5. Michael is just starting school and he really feels big. On October 27, Dave and his wife celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. We all wish you good health and many more anniversaries...After 20 years of service, Agent LEO ADAMS retired on October 1. Leo and his wife are taking a vacation for several months in the New England states. They will spend some time in New York where Mrs. Adams will do some shopping in some of the leading shops on Fifth avenue. Later on, Leo will take up his old hobbies of fishing and

hunting. Good luck, Leo, and many, many happy years of retirement...Our deepest sympathy to Trainman V. RO-LAND and his wife who lost their daughter so suddenly in an accident. Our sympathy is extended to her dear husband, Mr. STEFFEN, and their three children ... Agent FAY CA-PRIO spent the first part of her vacation in Florida. I guess there wasn't enough action there so she came home. but just for one day. She then flew to California and spent the remaining days of her vacation with her sister...Sorry to hear that Agent DOROTHY FORD had been ill for such a long time. Now that you feel better and are back to work. let's keep well... Nice to see Agent M. WIXTED back working again. Let's keep it that way, Mary...If you see Agent JIMMY GEORGE driving around and around, he's looking for the parking space he saw while driving in the other direction. If he is seen standing in an empty space, he is holding it for another agent or switchman. Jimmy once was a boy scout and he always remembered to do something good each day...Need your chair fixed? Light switch needs fixing? Can you open your safe? Combination work OK? If not, we have a gal who works along the line that can get these things done in 1-2-3. Well, CLARA, how do you get all these things in fine working order so fast? Let us in on it...On July 19, Pensioner PATRICK O'BRIEN and MARGA-RET KENNEDY said "I do" at mass in St. Francis of Rome Catholic church. Patrick's two sons and Maragret's two daughters stood up for them at the wedding. Pat and his bride honeymooned in England, Ireland, and Scotland. Many happy days to you both...The hot news of the day is that Agent JULIE MATTRAN is being followed by Hollywood talent scouts. Oh yes, it's true. While Julie and her husband, RAY, were in Los Angeles this summer, they were wining and dining in some of the worlds most fashionable restaurants and Julie looked so glamorous, these boys spotted her. But she got away from them and came back to the Windy City. Look out, Julie, they are coming after you. .. Wait, we just can't overlook the scrub crew on Lake street. One day they were working so hard cleaning the booths, stations, and outside walls, and there was JOHNSON working along with his men. It was a big job well done ... What is this we hear that Janitor J. BARRETT works harder on payday than any other day? Who can tell us why? Can you, Mr. SCHULTZ?..Welcome to Trainman LOU PAYNE our new West Section reporter. I always knew that SANTO SICILIANO needed a little help. Can you imagine

LIVING IT up at a local bistro in Paris, France, is this happy group on a recent trip to that city. Pictured left to right are: RENEE HORNEY, CARMELLA GARGANO, a former CTA employe, CHARLES HORNEY, and Pensioner OSCAR LUDMANN. Oscar's wife, JEANNE, Claim Department, took the photo.



Santo asking for Italian spaghetti when he is offered real good southern fried chicken and all the trimmings? Yes, that is correct.

- Mildred Doyle

LOGAN, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Hi! Now that the public seems to know where they are going and everyone in the Loop has enough "L" transfers, life at CTA is finally coming back to normal. Opening the Dan Ryan was a lot of work for everyone, but it was exciting and I was glad to be a part of it...JUNE BAREKMAN spent her vacation touring Utah, Oregon, Washington, and Idaho with her cousins. June said she had a great time and was sorry to see it all come to an end...JUANITA EDEN's mother, WILMA, who is a North Side ticket agent, is in the hospital. We hope she's feeling better and will be back to work soon...BERNADETTE HAYES, who is still in the hospital, wishes to thank all of you for remembering her with cards and calls. Oak Park isn't the same without you, Bernadette. Hurry back...MARY BURROWS, VERNELL JACKSON, and PAT DINWIDDIE are all still on the sick list. Hope to be seeing all of you back to work soon ... BRENDA STRAUGHTER changed her name to CASSELL on August 14. Best wishes for a long and happy married life, Brenda...FAY CAPRIO visited Florida, drove back to Chicago, and then flew to Los Angeles. Fay doesn't believe in spending her vacation all in one place...Pensioner BETTY WEST is in St. Alexius hospital in Elk Grove Village. Betty would like to hear from her friends at CTA...Assignment Agent LILLIAN CULLINAN spent her vacation on the CTA European tour. Lil had been all over the United States but this was her first time abroad. She had a swell time but came back with a rare European disease--the common cold...MARY MARBLE, BEA CLARK, ALEX MANONI, and LITA CAUSEY will all be qualifying as assignment agents soon. Best of luck to all of them...Congratulations to Superintendent DON LEMM on his promotion. We sure hated to lose him to the South Side... MARY BURROWS' son, Pfc. MICHAEL T. HEDRICK, received the navy commendation medal from the secretary of the navy. Mary Burrows is very proud of her son and she can be sure that we all share her pride.

- Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

Congratulations to Operator WILLIAM MORELAND and his wife, PEARL. Pearl won a 1969 Ford Mustang from National Food Stores...Thanks to the management for the delicious food and enjoyable evening at the M&M Club, given for the reporters at a dinner September 12. We had the opportunity to renew old and make new acquaintances... Goodby and good luck to Garage Foreman JOSEPH FIORITA who is being transferred to Forest Glen Depot. He tells us that he is very happy with his wife whom he married in 1937. They are blessed with a wonderful son, ROBERT, and lovely daughter-in-law, GAY, who have two daughters, ERIN and SHANNON. They also have a lovely daughter, PAT, and fine son-in-law, GEORGE RILEY, who have four sons, MARK, SEAN, MATTHEW, and BRIAN. This should make any man proud. We also wish the best of everything to Relief Foreman JAMES BYRNE who is also going to Forest Glen. We'll miss both of them. We welcome Day Foreman BRUNO FERET and Relief Foreman QUINTEN CLARK. We hope they'll be happy here...Superintendent



THIS LOVELY young lady is JUDITH ANN EICHHORN, the granddaughter of Pensioner PAUL G. BURANDT. Judith was graduated on August 16 from St. Mary of Nazareth School of Nursing, and at present is employed at their hospital.

WILLIAM MOSER and his wife took a jet from O'Hare Airport to Acapulco, Mexico, to enjoy a vacation. Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his wife, EMILY, flew to Reno, Nevada, for their vacation. They also visited San Francisco and Carson City. Operator BILL REDMOND and his wife, KAY, and Pensioner WILLIAM KENNEDY and his wife, MADELYN, visited New York and San Juan, Puerto Rico. My son, BILL MIEDEMA, garage clerk at Forest Glen, and his wife, JACKIE, just returned from Hawaii with stopovers at Las Vegas and Los Angeles...Operator HAROLD HOD-NETT departed this life September 24. Pensioner RAY-MOND GRAY, former Financial Secretary-Treasurer of Division 241, Amalgamated Transit Union, passed away. Switchboard Operator WILLIAM LEWIS lost his mother September 10. Pensioner OWEN P. McGOWAN passed away August 23. Pensioner CHARLES HEROLD departed this life on September 22. Operator FLORIAN DWIEL lost his mother-in-law, BERTHA HAHN, on September 21. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved families...Pensioner JOSEPH REINHART was here on vacation and visited North Avenue. Pensioner JAMES McMULLEN and I had a nice visit with him. We enjoyed talking about the "good old days." He had the opportunity to greet other old friends. too. Joe was in Chicago with his wife, VIOLET, to visit his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. HARDING. Joe was 72 years old on March 8, and is enjoying his pension at Harbor Beach, Michigan. He and Violet celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on August 10...We had a nice letter from Pensioner ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY. Operator FLORIAN DWIEL and I are leaving in a few days for a visit with them. Art bought a boat, motor, and trolling rig and took his visitors fishing this summer. He's had some fine fishing, and we hope it's still going on when we get there. Those lake trout sound mighty good ... We received a welcome letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS recalling many memories he has of his old friend, Pensioner JOHN "Hurricane" MURPHY, who passed away recently. About a month after John took his pension, he had his leg removed. The old gang at North Avenue Depot chipped in and bought him an artificial leg. As long as he was able, he came back to Chicago to celebrate his birthday with his relatives and friends. It was a big day in his life. Bill says, "John was a Christian gentleman in all that the term implies." John would have been 93 on September 10... We were happy to receive a letter from Pensioner ERNEST PEARSON. He sent a picture of his new home and it is beautiful. He has been doing some fishing and has had very good luck. He and his wife, ANNA, are well. Their children have been to visit them. He sends a "hello" to all of his old friends. He would be happy to see any of his old friends. He can show them fine fishing on White River, and fine weather. The address is 519 Russell street, Mountain Home, Arkansas 72653...Fall rains are coming. There will be leaves on the streets and they will be slippery. From that, we go into the time when the streets will be slippery with ice and snow. Drive carefully, let's try to have the best safety record possible for North Avenue Depot...During the approaching Thanksgiving season, may we all be truly thankful for our many blessings. As we give thanks, may we remember our boys thousands of miles from home and pray for their safe return, very soon, from that seemingly endless horror in Viet Nam. May God bless all of you, and them.

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

In the first eight months of 1969, North Park Depot is running 94 accidents less than the same period in 1968. Your station superintendents and the instruction force would appreciate your continued observance of the safe driving rules...The North Park Credit Union's annual business meeting will be held Friday, January 9, at River Park fieldhouse, 5100 N. Francisco avenue at 8 p.m. Dividends will be declared and refreshments will be served with drawings for door prizes. All members are urged to attend...Congratulations are extended to the 52 operators at North Park who were selected for "Employe of the Year" awards. The names of these men are posted on the bulletin board for all to see...Sanitary Engineer OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLA, became grandparents for the first time when their son, BRUCE, and his wife, IRMA, became the parents of a daughter, KIRA LEE, born August 21 at Ingalls Memorial hospital in Harvey, Illinois, weighing 6 pounds 15 ounces...Mr. R. W. CHRISTIAN was appointed day superintendent at Keeler Station with Mr. JACK MOR-RIS taking over as p.m. superintendent at North Park. Our congratulations are extended to Mr. Christian and Mr. Morris in their new positions...Operator ALLEN LICHTER was awarded a trophy by the children of the Hollywood Park Day camp, stating that Allen was the world's nicest bus driver. Keep up the good work, Allen...Operator JOHN EISELT had the misfortune of losing his cap and badge when he was held up while returning home from work ... Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, relaxed at Grand View, Illinois, where Hank's cousin, Mr. JOSEPH SCHRAMM, resides. While in Grand View, Hank and Joe erected a new tractor shed...Operator CARL HAN-SEN and his wife, SANDRA, and his children, CARL, DENISE, JOHN, and Carl's mother, Mrs. ELIZABETH ASHLEY, traveled to the Southwest on their vacation. Highlights were visits to Shepard of the Hills Country in the Ozarks, Meramec Caverns, The Golden Gate to the West Arch in St. Louis, Hot Springs for the baths, and a visit to the Alligator Farm where the Hansens purchased a small alligator...Operator LEO STERN and his wife, MILDRED, and children, ROBERT and STEVEN, drove throughout the west on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Abilene, Kansas, to see the Eisenhower museum, Colorado Springs, Pikes Peak, Air Force Academy, Rocky Mountain National bank, Yellowstone National park, and Mount Rushmore in South Dakota...Operator RALPH McDONALD flew to Boston, Montreal, and Halifax, Nova Scotia, where

Ralph's mother, Mrs. SELMA McDONALD, and his sister, Miss NITA McDONALD, reside. In Boston, Ralph visited his daughter, Mrs. CANDY PECKNER, and his grandson, JUSTIN DENNIS... Operator DALE PETERS and his wife, SUE, and children, PATRICIA, JIMMY, and LINDA vacationed at Nashville, Arkansas, where Dale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. PETERS, reside. They visited Sue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE BRANCH, in Nashville...Operator BOB KESSLER and his son, JERRY, vacationed at Cass Lake, Minnesota. Bob and Jerry reported the fishing was poor...Operator ED ZIENTARA and his wife, ROSE, and their grandson, JIM COVERS, traveled the Northern Pacific to the western states as part of Jim's birthday present. Highlights of the trip were visits to Knotts Berry Farm, Disneyland, Marineland, and the Navy installations in San Diego...Operator HOWARD ANDLER and his wife. BLANCHE, and children, ROBIN and LORALYN, vacationed with Blanche's parents, Mr. and Mrs. FRANK ARNOLD, who reside in Narthome, Minnesota. On the agenda were berry picking excursions, horseback riding, fishing, and visits to several county fairs... Operator JOHN HEIN and his wife, PAT, vacationed at Woodruff, Wisconsin, at the Madelein resort. John and Pat reported that the fishing was excellent...Collector GARDEN McGRATH and his wife, BLANCHE, drove throughout the Southwest on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Lake Tahoe, Yosemite Park, Scottys Castle, Las Vegas, Nogales, and the White Sands of New Mexico...Operator HAROLD DOWEY and his wife, EULALIE, and her brother, Father JOHN NICHOLSON, flew to Rome, Italy. There were also stops at Vienna, Paris, London, Liverpool, Yorkshire, and North and South Ireland. While in North Ireland, Father Nicholson suffered a heart attack and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily...Operator BOB CIESLA and his wife, MILLIE, flew to Las Vegas, Nevada, on their vacation. The meals and shows were grand, Bob reports. A visit to Hoover Dam was also enjoyed...Operator RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN, vacationed at Willow Springs, Missouri, where Ray's son, RAY Jr., resides. On the agenda were visits with Pensioner BLACKIE NELSON and his wife, MAYBELL, of Mountain Home, Arkansas, and two wonderful days in Forsyth, Missouri, with Pensioners ART and RUTH MUIR and FRANK and MYRTLE HESS...Operator STANLEY KAZAK and his wife, JOANNE, vacationed throughout Florida. Highlights of their trip were stops at Jacksonville where the Kazaks visited Mrs. MARIE RICH, and a few days in St. Petersburg, Cape Kennedy, Cypress Gardens, Weeki Wachee, Busch Gardens, and a fishing excursion on the Gulf of Mexico...Pensioner PETE CUNNING-HAM had a grand trip to Sweden and Germany and reports that pensioned life is the greatest...Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, and children, ANN, JEFFERY, and FLOYD vacationed in Orlando, Florida, where Bernie's mother, Mrs. IDA KANE, resides...Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, and daughter, DEBBIE, camped out at Devils Lake, Wisconsin, on their vacation. A visit to the Dells and a few fishing excursions were very successful...Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, and their poodle, Ricky, drove throughout Florida on their vacation. Visits were made to Fort Myers, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Silver Springs, Port Everglades, Miami, and they enjoyed a trip aboard the Queen Elizabeth. .. Operator JOHN PULK and his wife, THRESSIE, and children, JOHN Jr. and ROGER, traveled to Little Rock, Arkansas, to visit Mrs. Pulk's relatives on their vacation. The Pulks report the meals and hospitality were excellent. .. Pensioner BILL CLOW was a visitor at North Park. Bill,

who is now living in Englewood Florida, was visiting his daughter, Mrs. MILLICENT FLEMMING, Bill extends greetings to his many Chicago friends and invites anyone in his area to stop by and say hello...Operator LEON NOR-RIS and his wife, LUCY, their daughter, SHARON, and Leon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. NORRIS, rented a camping trailer and visited 11 states on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to the Smokey Mountains, Rock City, and a family picnic and reunion in Birmingham. Alabama, with relatives...Instructor BILL PARNUM and his wife, GINA, and granddaughter, MARY ELLEN PARNUM, drove throughout the West on their vacation. Points of interest were visits to the Black Hills, Mt. Rushmore, Custer National Park, Flintstone Village in Rapid City, South Dakota, and Yellowstone National Park...Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, took a 15-day Cartan tour to Las Vegas and California on their vacation and were impressed with the many sights and places of interest that they saw...Operator BILL KNUDSEN and his wife, GAIL, spent a week in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where they visited all of the breweries and the great Milwaukee Zoo. Also on the agenda was some time spent fishing at Lake Zurich and Bangs lake...Operator DAVE ARREGUIN and his wife, THERESA, and their children spent their vacation pulling a 19-foot trailer throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota with a total of 3,200 miles to show for it...Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSON and his wife, GRACE, and their daughter, CHRISTINE, were visitors at their in-laws at Pass Christian, Mississippi, two weeks before hurricane Camille hit. Charlies in-laws lost all their possessions in the storm but were not injured. A week's visit with Charlies son-in-law at Table Rock, Missouri, was also on the agenda. Returning home, the Christensons spent ten days at Escanaba, Michigan, where they celebrated their 37th anniversary in camp...Mrs. MARY BOWLER, the wife of Operator ED-WARD BOWLER, was operated on at the University of Illinois hospital for major surgery. At this writing, Mary is recovering satisfactorily...Operator BEN NEUMAN fell and broke his leg while helping his neighbor paint his basement and will be missed around the depot for a while...SP/4 ROBERT OESTERREICH, the son of Operator BOB OESTERREICH, has ended his tour of duty in Viet Nam and will be processed out at Fort Lewis, Washington ... Recent guests of Pensioner AL PARADISE and his wife, FAYE, were their son, RAYMOND, and his wife, YOUN SUM, and their son, JIMMIE. Raymond is living in Seoul, Korea, and was here on a three-week visit...CHRISTINE CHRISTEN-SON, the daughter of Operator CHARLES CHRISTENSON,

CELEBRATING THEIR 50th wedding anniversary on July 27 were Pensioner and Mrs. SAM BIARDO. The reception given by their six children was attended by about 100 guests. Sam was a former trackman in the Way and Structures Department.



has entered Trinity college in Deerfield, Illinois, where she has won a scholarship and received a grant from the State of Illinois... Happy anniversaries are extended to: Operator JOHN COSGROVE and his wife, HELEN, their 28th; Operator ROY BOWLIN and his wife, BILLIE, their 23rd, and Operator WILLIAM STINESPRING and his wife, DOLLY, their 40th, October 23... Happy birthdays are extended to: Operator ZEKE JAGST, Instructor GEORGE RELSTAB, Operator VINCENT SHAYER, Operator JIM DOLAN, Operator STANLEY ZALE, Operator ORVILLE MURRAY, Operator McKINLEY DAVENPORT, DENIS LIBERT, DANIEL KOZIOL, Mrs. VIVIAN BAEUCHLER, McKINLEY DAVEN-PORT Jr., and Mrs. EVELYN RELSTAB...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of GUS JONES on the loss of their son, Pvt. First Class ALAN LESLIE JONES, Pensioners WALTER LOVELESS and JOHN BLOOMER, and to Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS on the loss of his brother, Mr. RAY STEINBEISS...Repair Department chit chat--Our congratulations to Night Foreman JOHN JOYCE who was transferred to Archer Depot as tire foreman. The welcome mat is extended to JOHN HENNEL-LY who replaced John as night foreman at North Park ... Repairman FRANK CAHILL is hospitalized for tests and diagnosis of his problems. Our prayers are with you, Frank...Repairman JULIUS MERSCH and his wife, AGNES, spent a week of their vacation with trips to Algonac, Michigan, and Dubuque, Iowa, where Julius goes to buy his Monks bread...Repairman FRANK (The Cat) SCHENDEL has prepared his supply of hog meat and is taking orders for freezer storage...The welcome mat is extended to Repairman E. MUNOZ who is a transferee from Limits Garage... Repairman ERNIE LETITO vacationed throughout Wisconsin and Michigan...Former Operator JUAN FUENTES was a visitor at the garage, and was hoping to sell a few Volkswagens...The rumor around the garage is that HERMAN's coffee is getting weaker and weaker...Repairman BOB LORENZ is having labor problems on his ranch now that BOOGIE has given up on his free labor position. CLEO EVANS is still helping out, so the problem is not serious as yet ... To Mr. DeMENT, Mr. KNAUTZ, MEL ALEXAN-DER, DIANA WOOD, and Editor BOB HEINLEIN, I would like to say thanks for the grand evening that the other Transit News reporters and I enjoyed at our annual dinner.

Street Collector SOL GRAFF retired on November 1 and will rest a while before pursuing his hobby of photography. .. Operator HAROLD COOK retired on November 1 after 27 years of service. Cookie, who is known as Rube Goldberg the Second, is going to devote full time to his hobby of gardening and knocking around...Operator WILLARD FRIEB and his wife, ADELAIDE, and his daughter, DEBORAH, motored through the East on their vacation. Highlights of the trip were visits to Gettysburg, Harpers Ferry, Washington, D.C., Plymouth and Salem, Massachusetts, Hyannis Port, fishing in the Chesapeake Bay area, and several lobster dinners along the Maine coast line...Operator SEY-MOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, went on another CTA excursion to Spain, Portugal, and Morocco. Highlights of the trip were four days in Lisbon, Portugal, sightseeing and night-clubbing, then on to Madrid, Spain, for three days to see the Flamingo shows with an autograph signing party with Actress Ingrid Bergman, then to Tangier, Morocco, and back to Spain for a viewing of the bullfights at Granada with a visit to the Island of Palma De Mallorca...Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, vacationed at Cable, Wisconsin, where they report that the fishing at Pigeon Lake was excellent...Operator HERMAN SEEMINGLY SHY and demure is little JENNIFER LYNN SAYLOR, the daughter of Operator EARL SAYLOR, Forest Glen, who celebrated her third birthday on September 17.



WEYLAND and his wife, LAVERNE, vacationed at Benton Harbor, Michigan, where they stayed at the farm home of Mrs. HELEN FULLER. Returning home, the Weylands took off for a week in St. Louis, Missouri...Operator WILL GILL and his wife, LILL, vacationed in the Ozarks. On the agenda were visits to Mountain Home, Arkansas, where they stayed with Pensioner BLACKIE NELSON and his wife, MAYBELL, and a stop at Forsyth to see Pensioners ART MUIR and FRANK HESS. The Gills also drove to Woodriff, Wisconsin, to see Pensioner HARLEY HALSTED...Operator SEYMOUR HOFFMAN and his wife, FLORENCE, and their son, LOUIS, vacationed throughout the East and Canada. Highlights of the trip were visits to Niagara Falls, Montreal, Quebec, The Thousand Islands, and the Laurentian Mountains...Operator JIM MEISTER drove to St. Joseph, Missouri, to visit his mother and brother on his vacation. Also on the agenda were trips to Sault Sainte Marie and Mackinac Island...Utility Chauffeur STEVE HERMAN and his wife, HELEN, vacationed at their newly-purchased home in Forsyth, Missouri. Steve reports the trout and bass fishing was excellent and is grateful to Pensioner ART MUIR for showing him the good holes. Art was surprised on his 68th birthday when his wife, RUTH, presented him with a new 20 horsepower Mercury outboard motor. With the greater cruising range Art now has, we expect to see a well-stocked freezer on our next visit to Forsyth...TERRY BUCKLEY, the son of Receiver MORRIS and Mrs. BUCK-LEY, was married on Saturday, September 13, at St. Edwards Catholic church to Miss GIBSON. The reception held at Shirley's hall was attended by 200 guests. The hit of the evening was when Morris sang, 'When Irish Eyes Are Smiling", and an Italian musician had to whisper the words to Morrie. The rendition brought tears to the eyes of Receivers STENZEL, RAGE, GIRARD, and SIMKO ... Operator CASEY 'Sarge' JOHNSON was a recent visitor at North Park and the rumor is that Casey is homesick for his old stamping grounds...PAUL BROWN, the son of Operator PAT BROWN, was graduated from the Metropolitan School of Business with a degree in business administration in accounting...JOHN and FRANK COSGROVE, the sons of Operator JOHN COSGROVE, were recent graduates from college. John was graduated from Lovola where he majored in English, and Frank from DePaul where he majored in History...Operator JAMES W. PATRICK has been elected worshipful master to preside over Ashlar Lodge #308 of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. Ashlar lodge, located in Craftmens Masonic Temple, 1501 N. Harding street, was chartered in 1859. James will be the 111th master to serve this honorable office and expects to raise several candi-

recent deaths

EDWARD T. BATTEY, 84, North Section, Emp. 1-30-41, Died 8-26-69 MARTIN J. BEGLEY, 65, West Section, Emp. 6-17-26, Died 8-15-69 JAMES E. BENNETT, 80, West Section, Emp. 12-21-23, Died 7-30-69 CHARLES E. BRISOLARA, 59, North Section, Emp. 8-5-41, Died 9-8-69 JOHN R. BLOOMER, 66, North Park, Emp. 6-2-28, Died 8-2-69 CONRAD BOSS, 75, Kedzie, Emp. 1-4-23, Died 9-27-69 WILLIAM BUSK, 76, West Section, Emp. 4-10-11, Died 9-25-69 KONSTANT BUTKA, 56, 52nd Street, Emp. 9-27-43, Died 9-23-69 JAMES T. CARNEY, 76, Job Classification, Emp. 9-15-43, Died 8-12-69 HARRY CHRISTMAN, 86, Lawndale, Emp. 12-30-19, Died 9-15-69 MICHAEL CONTE, 60, Way & Struct., Emp. 6-9-36, Died 7-11-69 RAPHAEL J. COOK, 73, Claim, Emp. 12-1-32, Died 8-25-69 NICK CORDONE, 69, Track, Emp. 4-19-27, Died 8-31-69 BENJAMIN CRAWFORD, 91, Burnside, Emp. 3-20-00, Died 10-8-69 BENJAMIN CZELUSNIAK, 60, Forest Glen, Emp. 3-3-43, Died 9-12-69 JOHN M. DEGAND, 87, Skokie Shops, Emp. 1-23-29, Died 10-3-69 SHERMAN DICKSON, 63, Track, Emp. 8-19-47, Died 10-3-69 JOHN DZIKE, 75, Skokie Shops, Emp. 7-21-43, Died 9-26-69 HAROLD A. FISCHER, 65, Forest Glen,

Emp. 10-15-25, Died 8-17-69 dates to the sublime degree of a master mason...Instructor ART HIGGINS had a hernia operation at St. Francis hospital and at this writing is convalescing satisfactorily... Happy anniversaries are extended to: Operator FRED BOLDT and his wife, AGNES, their 37th; Signal Maintainer JAMES NESBIT and his wife, MARGE, their 31st; Operator STAN-LEY ZALE, and his wife, MARIE, their 41st, and Operator FRED STOWELL and his wife, WILMA, their 34th... Happy birthdays are extended to Operator BILL STEINSPRING, CAROL, BILLY, and EILEEN STRITZEL, Operator BILL SEIFERT, LEO HARA, VERN WENNERBERG, and Clerk BOB PETERSON...Our sympathy and concolences are extended to the families of Pensioners RAY GRAY and CHARLES HARROLD. I would like to thank everyone for their cards and visits to the chapel, and for being so kind to my mother and family on the recent loss of my father, Mr. FRANK HORNING... Your reporter and all the personnel at North Park wish you and yours a glorious Thanksgiving and hope you remember to give thanks for your many blessings.

- Melvin Horning

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

JOE LAZZARA and his wife celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary. Congratulations to the happy couple and

AUSBIE GILLESPIE, 40, South Section, Emp. 7-14-66, Died 9-15-69 RAYMOND T. GRAY, 66, Division 241, Emp. 10-15-24, Died 9-16-69 CLARENCE F. GUSTAFSON, 85, Electrical, Emp. 6-18-09, Died 8-11-69 FRED HAASE, 63, West Section, Emp. 8-31-36, Died 8-30-69 JOHN HAMMERSMITH, 53, North Section. Emp. 1-20-42, Died 10-17-69 CHRIST HELWIG, 78, North Section, Emp. 11-3-11, Died 7-29-69 THOMAS HENEGHAN, 83, North Avenue, Emp. 11-29-33, Died 9-2-69 CHARLES A. HEROLD, 63, Limits, Emp. 2-13-43, Died 9-21-69 HAROLD HODNETT, 57, North Avenue, Emp. 11-7-42, Died 9-24-69 JOHN T. HOGAN, 65, Claim, Emp. 6-4-26, Died 9-22-69 JOHN HUIZENGA, 63, Operations Control, Emp. 11-24-41, Died 8-8-69 GUSTAV O. ISAKSON, 67, Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-17-24, Died 10-10-69 JOSEPH JARZMIK, 76, North Avenue, Emp. 6-23-23, Died 8-24-69 LEONARD W. JOHNSON, 79, North Section, Emp. 9-22-42, Died 10-9-69 LAWRENCE KEATING, 60, Lawndale, Emp. 3-24-37, Died 10-5-69 AIDEN J. KENNY, 72, Electrical, Emp. 6-13-29, Died 8-30-69 ERVIN E. KNAPP, 67, 77th Street, Emp. 5-16-24, Died 8-11-69 CHARLES A. KROPIK, 71, Forest Glen, Emp. 7-30-23, Died 8-13-69 JOHN KUCHAN, 65, Building, Emp. 3-23-29, Died 8-23-69

we wish them many more happy years together...JIM McBRIDE and his wife drove down south and stopped at Cape Kennedy, St. Petersburg, Miami, and St. Augustine ... JOE DeGRAZIA and his wife toured the New England states. ..JAKE SUMNER's son, STEVEN, was married to BAR-BARA MARTIN on September 6 at St. John of Brebeuf church in Niles, Illinois. They are living temporarily in Champaign while Steven finishes his last semester at the University of Illinois...BOB LaVOIE celebrated his birthday on October 7, and PHILIP LEAHY on October 12...The European trip was enjoyed and will be well remembered by Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT LaVOIE, Mr. and Mrs. WALTER SCHWEINFURTH, Mr. and Mrs. KENNETH MAREK, and your reporter, KAY BATINA. It was a very memorable trip to Spain, Portugal, and London... The sympathy of the department is extended to BILL WORCESTER upon the death of his father.

- Kathryn Batina

NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to JOHN ZUPKO who was made relief station superintendent at Howard and Kimball Stations on September 28. JIM WALSH will be the p.m. superintendent at 95th street station...JOHN REYNOLDS, the son of MAR-

among employes

EDWARD KUKLINSKI, 80, Lawndale, Emp. 1-14-12, Died 9-19-69 HAROLD L. LARSON, 68, North Section, Emp. 11-10-23, Died 10-10-69 KNUTE A. LIKNESS, 65, Campaign Area, Emp. 6-22-29, Died 8-9-69 OLIVER LIPINSKI, 59, Lawndale, Emp. 11-5-41, Died 9-1-69 FRED G. LOHSE, 66, Forest Glen, Emp. 2-21-27, Died 7-31-69 WALTER A. LOVELESS, 64, Training, Emp. 4-17-29, Died 8-23-69 JOHN LUCAS, 45, Instruction, Emp. 2-1-49, Died 9-9-69 KELM R. LUSSEN, 69, Wilson Shops, Emp. 3-20-25, Died 10-10-69 OWEN McGOWAN, 72, North Avenue. Emp. 11-26-28, Died 8-21-69 JOHN M. McNALLY, 77, South Section. Emp. 12-11-22, Died 9-14-69 EDWARD J. MICHAELS, 71, District "B". Emp. 3-11-24, Died 9-3-69 IGNATIUS M. MITCHELL, 60, Archer, Emp. 2-13-51, Died 9-5-69 HENRY T. MOSS, 82, 77th Street, Emp. 12-19-12, Died 8-11-69 PATRICK J. MOSTYN, 77, North Section, Emp. 6-28-20, Died 9-24-69 MICHAEL MUCHA, 78, Skokie Shops, Emp. 5-27-47, Died 9-4-69 JOHN C. MURPHY, 82, North Avenue, Emp. 4-3-03, Died 8-14-69 JOSEPH NAVERAUSKAS, 76, South Shops, Emp. 6-1-58, Died 9-18-69 CHRISTIAN M. NIELSEN, 79, South Shops, Emp. 7-9-51, Died 9-28-69 JOHN L. NIEMIEC, 57, Archer, Emp. 9-14-48, Died 8-27-69

WALTER NOBLE, 63, South Section, Emp. 12-30-27, Died 9-22-69 FRANK X. ORTNER, 84, North Avenue, Emp. 10-25-17, Died 9-8-69 IRWIN PARMAN, 72, West Section, Emp. 9-1-42, Died 10-10-69 MICHAEL F. PFEFFER, 81, Skokie Shops, Emp. 5-13-26, Died 7-31-69 JACOB RAFFEL, 85, 77th Street, Emp. 6-1-05, Died 8-1-69 ROBERT W. REICHERT, 73, 69th Street, Emp. 12-15-26, Died 9-25-69 EDWARD RICH, 70, Office Services, Emp. 3-2-21, Died 8-4-69 ANTON RUTH, 72, Track & Struct., Emp. 9-3-29, Died 9-2-69 RAYMOND M. SANFORD, 67, North Section, Emp. 1-11-37, Died 8-25-69 HENRY T. SAWYER, 66, Police, Emp. 1-11-27, Died 8-15-69 JOSEPH G. SERCKIE, 74, 61st Street, Emp. 4-21-15, Died 8-24-69 DENIS SHANNON, 80, Electrical, Emp. 9-20-10, Died 9-2-69 STANLEY SKLADZIEN, 74, West Shops, Emp. 4-16-19, Died 8-14-69 FRANCIS M. SULLIVAN, 80, 77th Street, Emp. 1-18-22, Died 10-7-69 JAMES TRUHLAR, 60, Police, Emp. 1-8-34, Died 9-2-69 HARRY E. VOLLRATH, 73, Electrical, Emp. 6-3-35, Died 8-6-69 CORNELIUS F. WADE, 82, Division, Emp. 3-25-29, Died 8-9-69 THOMAS L. WALKER, 72, South Shops, Emp. 11-3-44. Died 8-29-69 LOUIS WEIDENHOFT, 76, West Section, Emp. 10-12-20, Died 9-26-69

TIN REYNOLDS, who was graduated from St. Benedicts High school in June, 1968, and went into service in August, 1968, was injured in Viet Nam in July by a hand grenade. He was hit in the jaw and leg and awarded the purple heart. John is now recuperating in Guam...JANE JOHNSON's son, RUSSELL, went into the Navy in March and is now serving on an oil tender in Hawaii...MARGARET McBRIDE spent her four-week vacation visiting former Loop Agent MAR-GARET DONAGHER who now lives in Los Angeles, California. She also visited Disneyland and many other places of interest. Margaret said she would like to live there when she retires...FRED LEDDER wants to thank all who contributed to the gift he received when he took his pension on September 1...PAUL LANZ wishes to thank everyone for the cards and calls during his stay in the hospital and while convalescing at home ... MARIE TOWNSEND is retiring on October 1 and plans to go to California around Christmas. There is a rumor going around that she might get married. Do I hear wedding bells, Marie? We are going to miss that gal, but hope she has a long and happy retirement... North Section Ticket Agent JANICE SMITH was married on August 30 to KENNETH INGRAM. Janice was given in marriage by her father, DAVE SMITH, of the Engineering Department. A reception followed which was attended by many of her CTA friends. Her uncle, JAMES PATE, is financial secretary of Division 241...JOHN ZUPKO's little

league team completed the season undefeated, winning the pennant and series and two trophies ... I hear that HUGH HEGARTY became engaged in August to CATHERINE HAR-NETT of Skokie Shops...Former Ticket Agent CARMEL STANTON, who is happily married and now living in Ireland, gave birth to a 7 pound 7 ounce baby girl in August ... AMY DOREEN HORN has been accepted for the position of Loop assignment agent...ED PLATH and his wife left Chicago on August 16 for a two-week vacation. They went through Wisconsin, Minnesota, Idaho, and North and South Dakota traveling 5,200 miles. They also celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary on September 13. Ed also celebrated 29 years with the CTA on October 5...GERDA MATHEWS had a birthday on September 17 but refused to tell how old she was...ANNABELLE DREW and her daughter, PHYLLIS, spent several days at Niagara Falls. They also traveled to Toronto where they visited the Canadian National Exhibition, and to Montreal. Annabelle said she saw many beautiful sights and had a very restful vacation ... Mr. ATHENS drove his two daughters, KAREN and SHAR-ON, to Oklahoma university in September and spent a week there with them...Our annual reporter's dinner was held at the M&M Club on September 12 with 47 in attendance. Everyone had a wonderful time and the dinner was delicious...JACK and LOUISE NELSON are the proud parents of a baby boy. I didn't get his name, but congratulations,



AT A RECENT rodeo in Spooner, Wisconsin, Pensioner HARRY W. ANTONION had the privilege of having his picture taken with FESTUS of the TV show Gunsmoke. Harry was a conductor on the South Section.

anyway...Your scribe and her husband left on September 20 for a week's vacation visiting her three sisters in Michigan...Former Agent M. CALDERON was made a receiver last May ... E. MURPHY took a trip to Denver, Colorado, to see Former Agent SHARON MURPHY and his new grandson...RICKY FOSTER gave a farewell party for FEDELMA HENRY's son, BRYON, who left for Dublin, Ireland, to attend school there. Fedelma accompanied her son to New York to see him off ... THELMA ZINNEGAR's daughter, MICHELENE, was married on November 9 to RICHARD KALHANGE at Kingdom Hall in Morton Grove with a reception following the ceremony. Thelma also spent a weekend near New Albany, Indiana, recently...DICK STANTON is in Ravenswood hospital with ulcers. Get well soon, Dick ... GLADYS ARMONDA took her pension on November 1. We all wish her a long and healthy retirement. MARIE TOWN-SEND wants me to thank all the lovely people who helped to make her last day, September 30, such a happy one. A few friends joined her at the restaurant next door to bid her farewell...PEARL LANOFF would like to thank all the girls who sent flowers to her husband while he was in the hospital. They were greatly appreciated ... H. BADE has been promoted from a janitor to a fulltime clerk...JAMES ZEPP and HARRY HORN have been made supervisors...Welcome to our new janitors FRUNICIONE and LOMBARDO...Your reporter's son, NORMAN MADSEN, left Germany October 2 and paid us a surprise visit on October 15. He will be discharged from the service in March.

- Grace Mounts

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

September 12 was the day of the annual scribes dinner which was held at the M&M Club. I would like to thank management for the invitation to the dinner and also for the gift. There was a very large turnout this year and it looked like everyone had a good time...Only a few went on vacation and took advantage of the last nice days of summer. White Bear Lake in Minnesota was the location chosen by CHARLES BATTERSON and his wife, DOLORES, for their vacation. Here they spent two weeks enjoying the good weather, fishing, and horseback riding. Charlie gave a horse named Billie Joe a good workout, as riding is one of his favorite pastimes...JAMES TUCKER began his vacation in New Orleans. Upon his arrival he found the streets and sidewalks quite empty and couldn't imagine why until he got out of his car. The temperature was 108 degrees, and like everyone else, he went inside where there was airconditioning. During the week he rode the streetcars and spent some time on the bus property there. It was then on to Dallas and a visit with relatives and friends. His last stops were at Nashville and Lebanon, Tennessee, where he has some relatives and also visited the Music Hall of Fame. This was a very nice trip, especially since there wasn't a drop of rain during the entire trip... In September, Mr. and Mrs. RAY DAGENAIS went on their second honeymoon. They drove to Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada, and saw some good shows, Portland, Oregon, and then to Seattle, Washington, and a ride to the top of the space needle. They continued on to Vancouver and Victoria, B.C., where they found the Butcharts Gardens so interesting and beautiful that they spent an entire day there. After three weeks of beautiful weather and about 9,000 miles of pretty scenery they returned home from a wonderful trip...There are now three ANDREWS in the STOLTMAN family. On September 27, ANDY's son, ANDREW, announced the arrival of 8 pound ANDREW ANTHONY. Congratulations to the grandparents, parents, and the new baby...Best wishes for a complete and speedy recovery are extended to BILLIE SLANKARD, information clerk, BRUNO GORSKI, line supervisor, and Mrs. JUNE QUETSCHKE, all who recently underwent surgery and are now convalescing at home. We hope to see all of you smiling and full of pep and energy real soon...The new steno in our department is KATHY KRUEGER who transferred from the Training and Accident Prevention Department. Good luck in your new job, Kathy, we're happy to have you with us again...The sympathy of the Transportation Department is extended to the family of RAYMOND M. SANFORD, retired assistant station superintendent, North Section, who passed away August 25, and to FINN THULSTRUP, retired assistant general superintendent of Transportation, on the loss of his wife, GERTRUDE...Congratulations to KEVIN J. CALT, the son of Central District Supervisor OWEN CALT, who is a sophomore at Illinois Institute of Technology and the winner of an air force financial assistance grant. Kevin has worked at the Howard street yards during the last three summers.

(Equipment Research & Development) -

During his vacation GLENN ANDERSEN acted as a guide showing relatives from Oslo, Norway, around the City of Chicago. They were very much impressed with our city and said it wasn't anything like they expected it to be. Glenn spent the balance of his vacation going on short trips.

(Traffic Planning) -

JIM TOOLIS and his wife, ROSE, and their family headed west for a three-week vacation. Among many of the places visited were Yellowstone National Park, the Redwood Forest, and the Black Hills. They rode a cable car in San Francisco, and another must while visiting California was going to Disneyland. Some time was also spent swimming, relaxing in the sun, and touring through the State of California. The temperature ranged from 75 to 80 degrees during the trip, which helped to make it a very nice vacation...Congratulations to VINCE and IRENE DONOHUE who became the proud parents of a baby girl. On September 25, DIANE MARIE was born weighing 6 pounds 5 ounces. With the new arrival, the count is now two girls and four boys... SANDY H. TERMAN, traffic planning technician, resigned on August 29 to go into a business partnership. Good luck and best wishes for a successful future...ROSE TOOLIS recently entered the hospital for surgery and we are happy to report that she is now home and well on her way to recovery. JAMES J. ROCHE was a little nervous as he walked down the aisle, but he was a happy and proud father. On August 9 his daughter, MARY ALICE, exchanged marriage vows with JOSEPH COOLEY at St. Edwards church. Congratulations and best of luck to the newlyweds...We would like to express our condolences to the families of GEORGE ISDALE whose father recently passed away, GENE SPROVIERI on the loss of his brother, and to LARRY HEISE and FRANK GOODRICH who both lost their mothers-in-law.

- Colette Szczepanek

SKOKIE SHOPS -

CATHERINE ANN HARNETT, clerk, has had a most wonderful summer. She spent a whole month in Ireland, a trip she has wanted to take for a long time. Her stories make all of us want to take a trip there. On August 25, her birthday, it became a double celebration when Catherine Ann and HUGH HEGARTY, North Section Trainman, announced their engagement. Nuptials are planned for April, 1970. Best of luck, and our sincerest congratulations to you both...Our congratulations, with a sad parting, was the leaving of PAT DUNEK, Technical Services, who transferred to the Training and Accident Prevention Department in the Mart. Our loss is their gain. Best of luck, Pat... MARIA VENTICINQUE, typist, is out of the hospital and recuperating at home. Get well soon, Maria...DON VILLA, electrical apprentice, and his wife proudly announced the birth of a daughter, TRACI MARIE, born on September 11 and weighing 7 pounds 11 ounces. They also have a son, SCOTT, who was three years old in July...HERB LIND-QUIST, electrical foreman, proudly announced that he and his wife are grandparents again. MICHAEL SCOTT LIND-QUIST arrived on August 25 to RONALD and BARBARA LINDQUIST who reside in Virginia Beach, Virginia...An event which happens to so few in their lifetime is that of becoming a great-grandfather. JOSEPH DECKER, electrical foreman, and his wife became the proud greatgrandparents of a baby girl. Joe has promised us a picture of the four generations as soon as possible...STANLEY RAVEN, electrical worker, and his wife spent their vacation taking in the sights of Niagara Falls. They reported a beautiful sight and a wonderful time.

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SECTION -

September was a real busy and exciting month. The new Lake-Dan Ryan line opened on September 28 and we have a new terminal office, and shops at 95th street. The facili-



PICTURED HERE is pretty DOROTHY JOAN KALT-SAS, the daughter of Conductor and Mrs. JOHN KALTSAS, South Section, who was united in marriage to JAMES MILLER on August 17.

ties are real classy and the trains are all modern. We have over 100 new men, so our South Section is really growing. Good luck to our new Dan Ryan line...We had changes in our superintendent force. The 95th street terminal is manned by STANLEY CHRIST, a.m. assistant station superintendent, and JIM WALSH, p.m. assistant station superintendent. DON LEMM transferred from the West Section to become p.m. assistant station superintendent for 61st Street-Ashland, and ROBERT DESVIGNES was appointed relief station superintendent. Congratulations to all...Our supervisor appointments with the opening of the new line are: Motormen DAVID CURRY, THOMAS HUGHES, BERNARD WILLIAMS, and DALE SLEDGE, Conductors JOSEPH C. JOHNSON and ROBERT MORTON were appointed clerks, and VICTOR UTARA was appointed clerk from the West Section. Best wishes to our new appointees. ..On disability pensions as of September 1 are Conductor JIMMIE WHITTAKER and Janitor JOHN CURTIS, and Conductor JAMES GALLAGHER on October 1. All had been on the sick list for several months. We wish them improved health...Motorman CARL FISCHER, Ashland avenue, also took his pension on October 1. Carl sure doesn't look of pension age. We are losing an excellent employe, but we wish him a long and happy retired life...It is nice to see Conductor MOSES GILES and Agents SHIRLEY ANDERSON and LOLA WAKEFIELD back to work and off the sick list... Agent ANTOINETTE STIPATI and Assignment Agent LIL-LIAN CULLINAN took the CTA trip to Spain and had a wonderful time. They said Spain was an unusual and beautiful country... Now we'll welcome some of our new employes: Conductors TRELWA ASHTON, STEPHEN BEARD, PAUL BREWSTER, JAMES DAUGHERTY, MAURICE DIXON, ROOSEVELT DUNCAN, HORACE GRAYSON, DWIGHT LAMB, HARVEY McCLINTON, GRIFFITH MORTER, HAR-VEY PATTERSON, CHARLES TOWNSEND, LEVERN WHEELER, HAROLD WILLIAMS, TIMOTHY BOWERS, ROBERT WILLIAMS, WALTER APPLEWHITE, WALTER BURCH, JOSEPH DAVIS, LEE DODD, WILLIAM GRAY, and ROBERT GREEN... Congratulations to Conductor JOHN KALTSAS whose daughter, JOAN, was married to JAMES MILLER on August 17. A reception for 400 people was held at Chateau Busche. Best wishes to the happy couple...Retired Agent MAE DRISCOLL and her sister took a trip to New York to see their nephew get married, and then they went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, to take the baths...We were shocked to hear that Janitor AUSBIE GILLESPIE, who had been on the sick list for several months, passed away. Our sincere condolences to his wife and children... Agent VEL-MA HUSBAND and her hubby vacationed up in St. Paul, Minnesota, and said it was good to get away from the hustle and bustle of Chicago. While there they went fishing ... Also "hi" to newly hired Agents GENORA COLEMAN, BOBBIE KIDD, ALLENE BOSTON, GLORIA WATTS, DIANN HILL, and ROSA MOORE, and transferees from the Surface Division PRYDE FIELDS, ROBERT CUNNINGHAM, and ALEX SINGLETON, and newly-hired Janitors HENRY DAVIS, JOHN APOSTOLAS, WILLIAM BROWN, SAMMIE WARD-LOW, SILAS RANSOME, and RICHARD BROWN.

The Agent's Pension Club autumn dinner was held on September 21 at the Beverly Woods restaurant and everyone had an enjoyable time renewing acquaintances and friendships. The pensioners looked hale and hearty. Every dinner they get younger looking. The food was delicious as usual, oops—there went the old diet again...Former South Section Agent JEAN GUSTAFSON, who works on the North Section now, wishes to thank everyone for their kindness to

her when her mother passed away recently...The strangest things are turned in to the lost and found department. Recently a live Australian Gerbil (looks like a hamster) and cage was found at one of our stations and we at 61st street mothered the Gerbil and fed him and tried to find someone to take it. We had it for a few days and then Agent FANNIE WILLIAMS took the Gerbil for her two little boys who have two other Gerbils at home. It would have been real cute if it didn't have a tail like a rat. I'm glad he found a good home...Chief Clerk JIM MARTINEK and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed in Mexico, touring Mexico City and Acapulco. They like Mexico and said Acapulco was beautiful with all the flowers and beaches. They even went to the bullfights...Retired Agent SARAH McEVOY and her brother, Retired Shopman PAT, vacationed in Ireland for five weeks and enjoyed the trip...Our condolences to Conductor STAN-LEY KIELDYK and Janitor ALFRED BERRY on the loss of their mothers...A quick recovery is wished to Motorman ANTHONY JAGLA, Conductors JOHN KALTSAS and EARTHON JOHNSON, and Clerk JOSEPH BRENNAN who were in the hospital, but are home now recuperating ... Received a letter from Retired Conductor WARREN "Sam" HILL who lives in Port Charlotte, Florida, and everything is fine with him. He says to tell everyone 'hello" and he sent a newspaper clipping which told that a former employe, Switchman DANIEL McBRIDE Jr., and his wife who lived in Sarasota, Florida, were killed in the crash of their single-engine airplane. Dan is the son of deceased Motorman DANIEL McBRIDE Sr. Our condolences to his mother, Mrs. McBRIDE, and the McBride children...Retired Towerman PAT HICKEY and his wife, GERT, took a trip to Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and stayed at the famous Abbey Lodge. .. So long to our part-time help for the summer who have returned to school: Conductors CHARLES WILLIAMS, ROBERT ROBERSON, LEE TOWNES, WILLIAM STALL-WORTH, GREGORY GUEST, DONNIE REEVES, PHILIP WHITE, and WILLIAM WHITENHILL, Agents SHELDIA HORN, CYNTHIA TUKES, HENRY WEST, GREGORY BOND, GREGORY CULBERSON, HELEN GALLAGHER, and ARDIS MORRIS Jr.

- Verna Hartney

TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD BRZECZEK, the son of your reporter, RAY BRZECZEK, Wilson, on the birth of their third child. The future All-American named KEVIN MARTIN was born on September 13 and tipped the scales at 7 pounds 3 ounces...Our condolences to the family of AL BOLING, Congress, whose father passed away, and also to the family of SAM MILAZZO, Congress, whose mother passed away...A hearty thank you from MATTHEW BUCHANAN, Wilson, to all of his co-workers for their kindness during his recent illness...A small party was given in honor of R. ERWIN who retired after 23 years of service. H. DICKERSON, acting foreman, presented him with his retirement folder and a check from all the boys at Kimball... After 29 years of service, MIKE FELTON, Wilson, retired on October 1. Mike bid farewell to all of his friends at a coffee and roll gathering... Moving along the promotion line are H. P. LOVELESS, assistant foreman at the 98th Street Shop, and SHELDON RITA, assistant foreman at Forest Park. M. COYLE is the new foreman at the 98th Street Shop. J. LaBELLARTE and L. DAVENPORT moved into instructor positions... New "B" repairmen are C. McEWEN and V. LINDSEY, while E. SHIELDS and D. WITTENBERG stepped up to "A" repairmen at Congress ...

M. VASQUEZ transferred to Congress as assistant foreman...E. SHIELDS, Q. BONDS, and W. THORNTON moved to the new shops at 98th street, along with L. STEWART and R. L. SMITH...A. CITRO moved along to Forest Park, while D. LINDSEY, G. VAN NORMAN, and L. FIELD are calling Kimball their new home...Sharing vacation-time stories with co-workers are A. ODROWSKI, W. McKAY, and D. MARLEY, Kimball...Enjoying Indian summer vacations are: G. SMEROS, F. STOEHRMAN, and F. PAYNE, Kimball; R. LAUDANSKI, J. HENDERSON, M. O'MALLEY, F. RAKSTIS, L. COLLINS, M. GALLAGHER, J. BUTZEN, J. HENNELLY, F. LAKICH, J. RAND, and M. BUCHANAN, Wilson.

- Ray Brzeczek

WEST SECTION -

Motorman PATRICK MEANEY spent his vacation in Vienna and London. Pat said that he had a language barrier problem in Vienna, but other than that he had a wonderful time...Collector LARRY LATHAM took his family fishing up in Ontario, Canada. He said the fish where bigger then me. Ha-Ha. Well, his son, MARK, out-fished him. I guess they where afraid of dad's line. They must have thought it was a whale with a fishing pole in his hand... My Coreporter, SANTO, and I attended the Transit News reporter's dinner. And thanks to our host, BOB HEINLEIN, editor of the Transit News, we all had a lovely evening. Mr. GEORGE DeMENT, chairman of the Board, gave us some fine words of wit. But that wasn't the highlight of the evening, for at our table we had Mrs. HELEN PALLISTER, retired reporter (agents), who kept us in laughter the whole evening. Enjoy that leisure time, Helen, we all miss you. A notice to Reporters VERNA HARTNEY and MELVIN HORNING, Santo and I will be pushing for the guest of honor spot next year. You both did a fine job. Congratulations!.. Motorman P. NAUGHTON's daughter, TERRI, was made a cheerleader at Roosevelt High school. I hope they win all their games for Terri might get angry and take on the opponents single handed. She's a crack student of Karate...A speedy recovery to Agent VERNELL JACKSON. Get back to work soon, somebody else has to work your tricks...Conductor T. KING received word from his son, 2nd Lt. ED-WARD KING, that jump school is coming along fine. He's stationed at Ft. Walter, Texas...We lost another one of our finest men, Motorman E. HOWARD, who took his pension. Best of luck, Howard. . . Conductor G. WOODMORE has stopped bringing those sweet rolls in the mornings and the fellows now have to work on an empty stomach. Gee, George, we are starving. Can't you start bringing them again?..We want to congratulate J. FRANKLIN, K. BROWN, and N. COMAN on their promotion to supervisor. Good luck, gents...We lost former Motorman JOE SCHMACKER to the Shops Department. Good luck, Joe, in your new assignment...Conductor H. COLDING returned to Lake street again. I guess he was so anxious to get started on the new pick that it took him almost 20 minutes to open his locker to get his equipment out. It was f-u-n-n-y...Oh, by the way, there are two PAYNE's on Lake street now. WIL-LIAM claims he is the original, so I guess that means he was there when the 4000 trains came out... Motorman R. SHONDER found a lost puppy, but the dog couldn't understand his commands, R. Shonder is Polish, and the dog he found was a Mexican Chihuahua. No speek-a-English... Conductor W. MITCHELL says that people are trying to stop smoking, but he can't explain his urge to start after all these years as a non-smoker (cough) ... Hurray, hurray,

we went all the way to 95th street. Those were the words of praise by Motorman J. PEZZULO and Conductor K. SMALLING as they took the trip officially on the new Lake-Dan Ryan route. And let me say that all the personnel as well as the public, were elated with the new line. Thanks to management for a swell ride and job well done. It's like going to the moon. A passenger boarded the train at 35th Street station and made three trips with me, he said he was going to take the "L" to work from now on and he didn't want to get lost. He said the only reason he was getting off then was that it was time for dinner, but he wanted to let the company know that he was very, very satisfied with the new line. We on Lake street want to extend to our South Side co-workers a warm hearted welcome. For our home is your home. We believe in teamwork... Happy birthday greetings to W. FLOYD and W. BATTLES... Everytime that Conductor L. GILES goes out the door, he comes back with a bag of food. He says he's a growing boy. Whow, what a tapeworm he has...Co-reporter Santo Siciliano thought that he had to keep up with his teenage son's fad, so he thought that by wearing sideburns it would make him look younger. But really, Santo, who cares. You are already over thirty ... Pensioner WILLIAM BUSK, formerly of Garfield Park, passed away on September 25 at the age of 75. Our sincere condolences to his family... Bye gang, see you next month.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

69TH STREET -

I wish to thank everyone for their concern for my health during my recent illness. Everything turned out fine, and I am now ready to listen in on any juicy stories or bits of news. You may not recognize me as I have gained 22 pounds since I quit smoking. So put some news in that black mail box, please...Mrs. YOUNG, MICKEY is still on his best behavior or else he is sneaking around behind my back. His brother-in-law, ED STEFFAN, took his wife, EDNA, on a grand tour of Europe. They flew to London and then to Amsterdam. From there they went by bus through Germany, Lichtenstein, Switzerland, Bavaria, Austria, Rome, Italy, and then to Paris...Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD CAWLEY took a five-week tour of Ireland, Scotland, England, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, and France. While enroute to England, they met former loader DANNY CAREW...Receiver W. GOURNOE claims that FRAIL could louse up a one-car funeral...Receiver ELMER GOBIELLE had a prostrate operation. To all those who are off sick we wish you a speedy recovery and better health...April 25 was a big day for ALLEN BROWN and his wife, YVONNE. They became the parents of a 7 pound 5 ounce baby girl named ALANA YVONNE...On September 12, PATRICK SEAN was born to Operator TOM and BREEGE REILLY and weighed 9 pounds 4 ounces. This is their third child, and Breege is only 5 feet tall and weighs about 100 pounds. Their son, BILLY, was three years old on October 1... In the month of November, the VALLONI family will celebrate four birthdays: CYNTHIA will be 13 on the 8th, DONALD will be 31 on the 10th, RICHARD will be 36 on the 18th, and on November 25, Sam's mother-in-law will be 100 years old. May she be blessed with good health and happiness for many more...From the Repair Department JIM AHERN reports that Pensioner CON CROWLEY paid them a visit and looks fine and to tell all of his friends hello...JIM AUSTIN, p.m. foreman, is hospitalized and we wish him a speedy recovery...LEO GLOMBICKI, RONNIE JOY, and JIMMY MALONEY went on a week's fishing trip. We hope that they

THIS IS beautiful SANDRA CLAUSEN, Electrical Department, who was feted at a luncheon in the M & M Club by her co-workers prior to her marriage on November 1 to RONALD PFEIFFER at Queen of the Universe church. Sandra is the daughter of MEL CLAUSEN, Claim Department.



do as well as RAY SCHEID. He could hardly bring them all back from Rhinelander, Wisconsin...TOM TOOMEY now lives in Denver, Colorado, and likes it fine...HARVEY BROCK and SAM WASHINGTON took in the warm weather and scenery down in Tennessee...TOM THORPE, carpenter, recently retired and we wish him and his wife many years of happiness...ERNIE TOCCI, DICK WARNING, and PADDY FITZGERALD paid us a visit. The very best to all of you retired fellows and let's hear from you...WENDELL JONES, the son of ANDY JONES, is attending the University of Utah majoring in physics. May he turn out to be as good a man as his father.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

The long wait for the Dan Ryan median strip opening became a reality on September 28. To the surprise of management, the operation was a smashing success to say the least. Congratulations are in order for everyone connected in bringing this modern transportation facility to the South Side...Due to the recent shift of personnel from 77th street to Beverly station, we lost some of our old buddies. Good luck, fellows, we will miss you...Operator W. WALKER and his family are vacationing in good old Los Angeles...Operator HORN and his family drove their daughter to Chadron, Nebraska, where she will be attending Chadron college, Good old dad ... We were sorry to hear that our old buddy, SAMUEL GRAHAM, was a recent hold-up victim. The bandit even took Graham's sweater... They have a new name for BEN GULLY around the station. It is "Old Silver", because he is hoarding all the silver coins he collects...It was my pleasure to attend the annual Transit News dinner along with my Co-reporter AMOS FOSTER. It was my first, and I must say, I am looking forward to next year's dinner already...We worked out with the basketball team and I must admit that we really have the nucleus for a good team. .. The 77th Street bowling league is off to a good start this year, and the bowlers are eagerly awaiting the beer frames...We were sorry to hear that our good friend and old buddy RONALD PHILPOT had resigned. Philpot had a lot on the ball and certainly will be missed. He did a great job this summer with the softball league, and had a lot of other good ideas for the athletic department of our union. His successor will be A. R. BRAY of Beverly station...Fellows, I am again making a plea for news items so we can keep our column alive. There is a box on the wall near the superintendents office for your convenience.

- Elessie Gresham

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