



# News Briefs



## Keeler and Ashland Stations Win ISC Awards

SHARING THE spotlight as Interstation Safety Contest winners for the first quarter of 1970 were Keeler Station, winning the surface award with a 72.56 score, and Ashland Station, which won the rapid transit competition with a perfect 75.00. Accepting the plaque from D. M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation, in the picture at left is R. W. Christian, Keeler Station superintendent. In the picture at the right, G. A. Riley, superintendent of operating stations, is presenting the plaque to M. J. O'Connor and J. J. Tvrdek, Ashland Station superintendent and assistant superintendent, respectively.



## CTA Receives Three Ad Awards

THE MIDWEST'S most coveted advertising award, the Hermes Statuette, along with the Artist's Guild Chicago 3 and Addy Awards were presented to CTA for advertisements used recently. General Manager T. B. O'Connor accepted the awards from Bill Ries (right) and Charles White of CTA's advertising agency, Niefeld, Paley and Kuhn.

## New Board Member Tours CTA

WITHIN A week after attending his first board meeting, Transit Board Member Wallace D. Johnson took a five-hour tour of CTA facilities to gain firsthand knowledge of transit operations. Mr. Johnson (right) is shown riding a Lake-Dan Ryan train with General Manager T. B. O'Connor (center) and Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.



## Engineering Consultant M. B. Knox Dies at 73

AFTER A short illness, Merrill B. Knox died in Presbyterian-St. Luke's hospital on June 7. Mr. Knox' career in transit extended over 50 years.

As a mechanical engineering graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Mr. Knox came to the Chicago Rapid Transit in 1920 for his early training. Later, as a transit consultant, he headed the firm of Merrill B. Knox and Associates with accounts of National City Lines and other transit companies throughout the country. He also served as hearing officer for the Illinois Commerce Commission and worked closely with the Department of Subways and Superhighways of the City of Chicago in the construction of the State and Dearborn street subways. From 1945 to 1962 he was the engineer for the village of River Forest. He joined CTA in 1952 and retired in 1961; remaining as a consultant until the time of his death.

He is survived by a son, John, and two grandchildren.

OUR COVER: A summertime attraction for visitors and Chicagoans alike, the magnificent lakefront and its countless recreational facilities are a lure to the thousands who enjoy a respite at its parks and beaches.



# Four CTA Retirees Honored

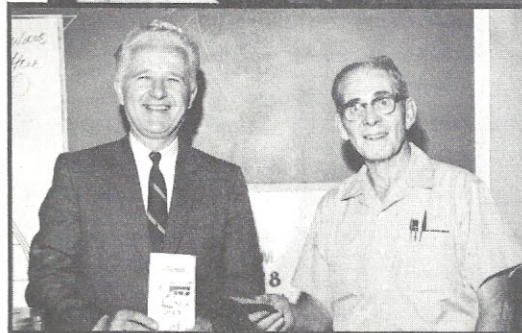
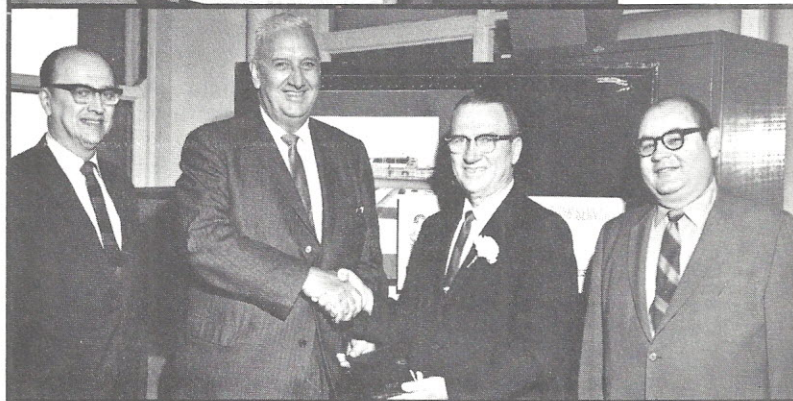
FOUR MEN whose lengthy careers in the transit industry started in 1933-34 were among those who retired on June 1. They are Robert E. Baxter, Charles E. Lapp, Valentine J. Nessinger, and George J. Wickman.

All four are pictured here at the time of their retirements receiving congratulations and best wishes from their supervisors and fellow employees. In the top picture, Mr. Baxter (left) and his wife are shown with Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi and Budget Accountant W. J. Parrillo. In the second picture, Mr. Lapp is receiving the wishes of General Manager T. B. O'Connor as Superintendent of Research & Planning G. Krambles (left) and Supervisor of Graphics and Statistics J. P. O'Connor look on. In the third picture, Mr. Nessinger is shown between his wife and First Assistant General Attorney O. R. Hamlink. In the bottom picture, Mr. Wickman is with Superintendent of Instruction T. M. Stiglic.

Mr. Baxter, who retired as budget accountant in the Accounting Department, started with the former Chicago Rapid Transit as a Schedule Department traffic checker in October, 1933. He became a time checker in that department in 1942 and in May, 1951, he transferred to the Accounting Department as a time audit clerk. Mr. Baxter subsequently served as budget clerk, supervising budget clerk, accountant, and assistant budget supervisor until his appointment as budget accountant in February, 1966, the post he held until his retirement.

Even before Mr. Lapp started with the CSL in January, 1934, he had served as a bus driver for Chicago Motor Coach during the summers of 1929 and 1930 and as a trainman on West Towns streetcars from 1932 to 1934. In the Transportation Department he served as a streetcar motorman until becoming a starter and junior supervisor in 1936. Mr. Lapp became an instructor in 1942 and transferred to the Staff Engineers Office in May, 1944, to become the supervising transfer analyst. He served as transit analyst from January, 1951, to September, 1966, when he became senior transit analyst in the Staff Engineers Office, which was reorganized as the Research & Planning Department in 1967.

Starting in July, 1934, as acting assistant cashier in the Chicago Surface Lines' Claim Department, Mr. Nessinger became assistant cashier in 1937 and workmen's compensation clerk in 1942. After transferring to the Law Department as a court assistant in February, 1950, Mr. Nessinger subsequently became law clerk III and finally law clerk V, the post he held from September, 1962, until his retirement.



Spending his entire transit career in the Transportation Department, Mr. Wickman joined the CSL as a motorman in March, 1934. He subsequently served as a junior supervisor starting in 1943, as an instructor starting in 1946, and was assigned to the surface training school at Limits Station in 1949, where he remained until the time of his retirement.



# Award Winners Receive \$995.00 for Accepted Ideas

IN ITS report for the first four months of 1970, the Employee Suggestion Plan announced the adoption of 40 suggestions and the presentation of cash awards of \$995 to CTA employees.

The Suggestion Plan also authorized an additional award to be given to the first 48 employees whose suggestions are adopted between May 1 and July 31. The bonus awards are baseballs personally signed by each member of one of Chicago's two major league baseball teams--the first 24 baseballs to be issued are signed by the White Sox and the second 24 by the Cubs. This award is in addition to the \$7.00 gift certificate or lighter/tape rule set presented to each employee whose suggestion is adopted and cash awards of up to \$10,000, based on actual savings to the Authority resulting from the suggestion.

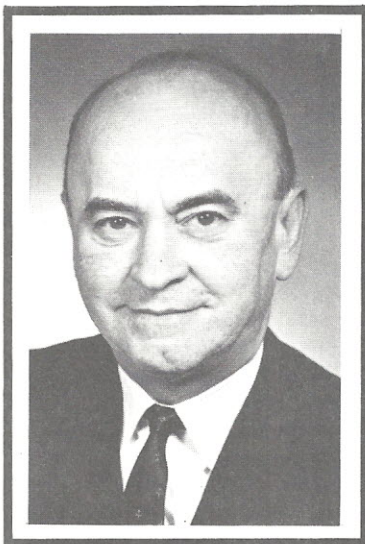
For their ideas adopted in the January-April period, eight CTA'ers were presented cash awards of from \$25 to \$150. Receiving checks to the amount of \$150 were two employees—Jerome Pavel, Shops & Equipment-South Shops, and Roger Torbik, General Office-Employee Relations. Winning an \$80 award was Harold Johnson, Shops & Equipment-77th Street. Four other S&E Department employees, all of South Shops, were also named as cash winners: \$65—Richard Naecker, \$65—Stanley Romanosky, \$45—Eugene Page, and with two separate \$25 awards—Max R. Kuchan. A General Office employee who earned a \$25 suggestion award was Darlene Verheek, Purchasing.

For submitting their second adoptable suggestion within a year, four employees became eligible to receive \$25 cash awards, including: Edward Federo-

wicz, Transportation-Limits Station; James Nagel, Engineering-West Shops; Melvin Scheiner, General Office-Mail Room, and William Novotny, S&E-South Shops.

Cashing in on ideas they submitted a year ago, and which continued to produce savings to CTA, were four CTA'ers who became entitled to supplemental awards. Receiving a check for \$205 was Robert Heinlein, General Office-Public Information. In the S&E Department, South Shops, an award of \$35 was presented to Juozas Bagdzius while two employees with a joint suggestion, Charles Gerard and Larry Jareckas, shared a \$25 award.

Those named for Honorable Mention awards because they submitted their first adoptable suggestion, making them eligible to receive either a Jewel-Osco gift certificate or a Zippo Lighter/Tape Rule set, are: Shops & Equipment—Yolene Claude, James Haworth, John Kalinowski, William Novotny, Robert Sherman, Theodore Sutkowski, Thomas Tadevic, and Patrick Walsh, all of South Shops, and William J. Harlow, Archer Garage. General Office—Regina Daren, Medical; Adolph Kutz, Electrical; Elliott McMahl, Employment; Robert Michalczewski, Public Information; Melvin Scheiner, Mail Room; Frank Tamburrino, Stores, and William Worcester, Schedule-Traffic. Transportation-rapid transit—Myrtle Aptiz and Robert Edwards, North Section, Juanita Cooper and Roman Doubek, West Section. Transportation-surface—Charles DeCook, Limits, Harvey Jones, 77th Street, and William Kelly, Lawndale. Stores—Charles Jurkus and David Murry, both of South Division, and James Zazula, Skokie Shops. Engineering—James Flores, West Shops.



## E. F. Weingartner, Claim Dept. Head, Dies at 59

MASS FOR Edward F. Weingartner, 59, general superintendent of investigations and claims for CTA, who died suddenly on April 28, was said May 2 at St. John Nepomucene church, 2953 S. Lowe avenue.

Mr. Weingartner joined the former Chicago Surface Lines in 1933 and spent his entire career in the Investigations and Claims Department of the CSL and CTA. He was named assistant superintendent of that department in 1964 and general superintendent in 1968.

Mr. Weingartner was past chairman of the Claims Committee of the American Transit Association, of which CTA is a member.

Survivors include his widow, Lillian; two sons, Edward and Donald; a daughter, Mrs. Judith Dabrowski, and four grandchildren.



# MEDICALLY SPEAKING

By Dr. George H. Irwin,  
CTA Medical Consultant

GOUT IS a type of arthritis which is due to abnormal use by our body of uric acid. In fact, gout is the only type of arthritis which is linked to body metabolism. Metabolism is the basic process by which our body converts food into growth and energy and then passes off the unused portion as waste products. The key to gout is probably the faulty excretion or passing off of uric acid.

Gout is perhaps the oldest medically recognized disease--this condition was described by Hippocrates at about 400 B.C. In the beginning it was commonly considered an ailment of the kings and queens. However, medical science has since shown that gout is not entirely due to the high living which is associated with too much rich foods, wine, and beer. Statistics show that it occurs almost as often in the poor house as in the mansion. At first it was thought to be almost entirely a man's disease. Now it is known to frequently affect women.

In gout, uric acid, which is developed in the body from many foods, is deposited in joints and tendons, and as a rule causes great pain. This is not always true, however. Different persons react differently to excesses of uric acid. One person will suffer from gout while another will not, even when they both have the same level of uric acid in the blood.

The explanation is faulty metabolism in the gouty patient. In other words, this patient does not excrete or pass off the excess uric acid. The real underlying reason for the body's inability to pass off or excrete the excess of uric acid is most likely due to a deficiency in the adrenal glands. When these glands work properly they secrete an adrenal hormone which keeps blood uric acid in proper balance.

Common precipitating factors in the development of gout are injuries or chronic irritation, such as ill-fitting shoes or gloves, surgical operations on joints,

infection, allergic reactions, exposure to excessive cold or heat, and finally, psychic upsets which result in a deficiency in the secretion in the adrenal glands.

The symptoms and signs of gout are usually manifested in the following way: gout most frequently hits the bunion joint of the big toe. The toe becomes red, hot, swollen, and very painful--this is often noted in the middle of the night. However, but not so common, any joint can be involved such as ankles, fingers, elbows, or knees. It can even affect the eyes, ears, or tendons of the hands and feet. Gout is apt to run in families and is most common at ages of 40 to 60 years. It can occur earlier in life, but this is rare. It is a chronic, but not a constant disease, returning and going away from time to time. The attacks usually last from two to four weeks. Kidney stones are a frequent complication of gout.

The diagnosis is usually easily made from the above clinical picture. In addition, the increase in the blood uric acid and X-rays as a rule clinch the diagnosis of gout.

**TREATMENT OF GOUT:** Although diet is involved in treatment, changes in the diet cannot alone effect a cure. Certain foods such as liver, sweetbreads, brains, kidney, and tripe should be eliminated. Wines and beer are more likely to be a factor than hard liquors.

Practically, treatment may be divided into two parts: management of the acute attacks, and application of preventative measures between attacks.

The acute attack: protection of the involved joint by a cradle, splints, sling or crutches, and pain relieving drugs such as colchicine, butazolidin, colbenamide, and the cortisone group. Some are given by mouth and others by injection.

The preventative management has two objectives, to prevent recurrent attacks and to prevent progressive joint changes. Use of the drugs mentioned above in proper doses may be taken for months or years without toxic effects. Also avoiding excessive cold or heat, infections, chronic joint pressures, and improper diets will help to reduce the possibility of future attacks.

As I have pointed out in all previous articles, the most important advice I can give you is to see your family doctor early if gout is suspected.

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# THE INSIDE NEWS

## AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

### ACCOUNTING (General) -

Great sorrow was expressed by the co-workers of LOUIS BIELSKI when he passed away on Tuesday, April 7. Louis formerly worked as a bus operator out of North Park Station...DORIS STAHL, a retired employee, passed away on Sunday, March 22, and interment was in Memorial Park cemetery in Old Orchard on Wednesday, March 25...MAE (Bujnowski) KOCH, a retired employee from the Payroll Section, passed away on Monday, March 30. Burial was at All Saints cemetery...Our sympathy and condolences to ANNE ANGST whose mother, Mrs. ROSE ANGST, passed away on Thursday, April 30...We were also sorrowed by the demise of Mrs. CECYLIA FOLTA, mother of WILLIAM B. FOLTA, assistant general accountant, on Sunday, April 26. We express our sympathy to the family...THOMAS McGRATH's mother-in-law, Mrs. FRANCES O'BRIEN, passed away on April 29. To the family we wish to express our sympathy...After 23 years of service with the Chicago Surface Lines and CTA, LYDIA HAEMKER of the Material and Supplies Section retired on May 1. A luncheon honoring Lydia was held in the M&M Club on Tuesday, April 28. Good luck and happiness are wished for Lydia...Good luck to ROD HEFFERNAN, formerly of Revenue Section, on his appointment as assistant to the treasurer...ROBERT BAXTER retired on June 1 after 36 years of service. A luncheon was held for Robert at the M&M Club on Wednesday, May 27. Hope your retirement will be a happy one...We welcome DENNIS ROGUS, a new addition to the Budget Department, who formerly worked in the Payroll Section...RAY SCHRAMM returned from a vacation looking well rested. He spent it around the city...BERNARD KANE has his first grandchild, a boy, ROBERT McELLIGOTT, born on April 26. Congratulations to the new grandparents...BEATRICE FRANKE had a very enjoyable vacation. She visited South Padre Island in Texas where she went swimming and ate a lot of fish. She toured Monterey, Mexico, where she rode a burro up Horse Tail Falls...Get well wishes are extended to CHUCK DAVIS who at this writing is hospitalized...KATHY SLOYAN returned from two weeks jury duty, and two other employees, JOE LAZZARA and JEANNE FITZGERALD, have been called to do their civic duty. Incidentally, they are to appear in different courts.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

### (Payroll) -

STANLEY MAILLUCK brought back many exquisite third-dimensional pictures of his recent trip to Callaway Gardens, located near Stone Mountain and Atlanta, Georgia. The azaleas, rhododendrons, and dogwood were in bloom as well as the red bud and fruit trees; the magnolia trees were merely in bud. He certainly captured the beauty of the spring scene. Callaway Gardens covers 2,300 acres, has ten lakes, and 15 miles of road suitable for bicycling of which Mr. and Mrs. Mailuck took advantage and enjoyed. They drove through Chattanooga, Tennessee, on the way to Warm Springs, Georgia, where they visited the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial and found the Little White House, Museum, and surrounding area most interesting...DORIS YOST and her husband, FRED, left Chicago on that snowy Easter weekend and drove to Providence, Rhode Island, to

visit their daughter and grandson. They encountered more snow in the mountains of Pennsylvania, but enjoyed the drive east. They thought Providence was an interesting old city. They also spent some time enjoying the sights of New York City such as the Statue of Liberty, Empire State building, Radio City Music Hall, and of course, they had to take the carriage drive through Central Park...We are glad to have MARY JANE HOSTETTER back from the hospital and feeling "fit as a fiddle" after her successful ear surgery...Many of us who had spring vacations merely enjoyed the relaxation and recreation in the Chicago area and were able to catch up on numerous chores.

- Clara Lawrence

### (Tabulating) -

It took from a Thursday night to Saturday night for MARION SUTHERLAND to get a plane to take her to California. Needless to say, when she arrived in California the beautiful 75 degree weather did much to soothe the frustration. She spent her time in California relaxing and doing that feminine thing we call "shopping" at Port-of-Calls and Los Angeles...JOHN ECKEL and his family are very proud of their son, MICHAEL ECKEL, nine years old. Michael placed first in the southeastern School District math competition. John says he's a chip off the old block. Congratulations, Michael, we're proud of you, too...DAN FRUSOLONE spent his vacation at home during a nice, rainy week, so he could loaf and ignore his chores...Welcome back to FLORENCE PARROTT who returned to work after surgery...MARIAN BUCKLEY also had a rainy vacation which put a damper on her vacation activities.

- Evelyn Lou

### BEVERLY -

Thanks to everyone who helped support the Notre Dame Retreat League dinner-dance. We made a profit close to \$2,500 which is used to keep our high school students on the right path and "out of the woods." Don't forget the big retreat at Notre Dame, Indiana, August 14-16. Reverend Michael Foran is always ready to shake hands with the men from CTA which is always the largest group. Contact Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI or your scribe, TOM DANIELS, if you are planning to go or need a ride...Operator ED HENNECKE is back to work after being off for nine months...Glad to see Clerk JOHN KIRBY back even though he is on nights...Operator H. HARRIS is still on the sick list...Clerk DAVID BROADNAX is a hot rod and all the gals love his wavy hair. We sure hated to see him leave Beverly...Operator RALPH STEVENS became the proud father of a baby girl weighing 9 pounds 15 ounces. He is pushing 50 and was relying on his advanced age to help in birth control...AMOS FOSTER, your co-reporter, received a two-pound box of candy from two passengers for courteous service, but had to share it with Superintendent EVANS...It's good to have the younger fellows back at Beverly who transferred out during the system pick--my own son, AMOS Jr., included.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster



**CLAIM -**

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of E. F. WEINGARTNER, superintendent of investigations and claims, who passed away in April...CHARLIE OLCIKAS at a recent Catholic Youth Organization concert was presented with the cherished emblem of the CYO, The Order of the Palms, which is the highest award that the CYO bestows upon distinguished persons. Charlie has been working with the CYO for the past 30 years. Congratulations, Charlie, everyone is very proud of you...MARY BERRY enjoyed a two-week vacation in Florida where she visited, among places, Clearwater, Palm Beach, and saw the Apollo 13...HANK ZYCH is recuperating very nicely at home after his recent surgery. We hope to see his smiling face here soon...We recently had another member of our department join the ranks of the retired, MARIE SHUMON, who retired on May 1...SHARI PUPA, who broke a bone in her foot, learned very quickly to walk gracefully with a cast...Wedding bells will be ringing in the near future for LOIS POTTS and CLARENCE CRAWLEY who became engaged on April 9, and plan to be married at St. Leonard's church on October 31...Congratulations to ROCCO IACULLO who recently became a legal investigator, and to CLARENCE CRAWLEY who became a statementman...We would like to extend a warm welcome to DIANE RITROVATO and ROSE-MARIE RITROVATO who recently joined our staff...Congratulations to LOU REDDING who became a grandmother for the fourth time when her daughter, SUE, had her first child. Sue and her husband, MEL CAMERON, were former ticket agents. They named their son RICHARD after his grandfather, RICHARD REDDING, of the Pension Division. ...The two sons of TIM O'ROURKE were graduated this June: TIM from Quincy college and DAVE from St. Cajetan Elementary school. Their father is counting on CHARLIE MARBLE to continue to give financial help...BILL LUMBACHER returned from his Texas and Arizona trip looking tan and healthy even though he spent an unexpected week in the hospital.

*- Ruth Kaminski & Terri Kramer*

**CONGRESS (Agents) -**

Pensioner CARL NELSON, formerly of Lawndale Station, and his wife will be leaving Broadview soon to make their home in Florida. I worked at 54th for many years and will always remember Carl's kindness to me and others...Agent STANLEY SLOWIK went on pension June 1. Will he be able to talk his wife into moving to Northern Wisconsin? . . Pensioner JOSEPH VARGO and his wife, JEAN, are back from California where they had a very pleasant visit with their son who is a student of oceanography. Joe is becoming an authority on the subject through his son. . . JOE BRITTANY's spaniel was awarded three prizes at the dog show. JEAN's black scotty and the spaniel are the best cared for dogs in the block. My recently acquired miniature schnauzer possesses the charm, looks, and personality of a Disney character, and answers to the name of Basil. We have had him for two weeks and have had as many offers as there are days from various people who would like to have him...Agent JOSEPH RYAN and his wife had a memorable time traveling about Italy on their vacation...Clerk RAY GEHRKE received word that his son-in-law, TERRY McGRATH, who is married to his daughter, ELLEN, is now a Specialist 4th Class and a chaplain's assistant in Viet Nam. Now we know where all the letters and packages are going...By the time this magazine is out,

Porter PETER SAGRIS and his wife, CATHERINE, will have become the proud parents of a new baby. Will it be a boy or girl?...HENRIETTA BROWN why don't we hear from you?...Agent PEGGY HAYMON's son, DAVID, celebrated his sixth birthday on May 30. He was also graduated from Nursery school in June. Peggy and her husband, ROOSEVELT, will celebrate their 11th wedding anniversary on July 25 with friends in her mother-in-law's back yard. A barbecue is planned for that day. . . Student Agent JOHN SAMAAAN was graduated in June receiving a degree in electrical engineering. He was also awarded a scholarship to Illinois Institute of Technology where he has plans of working towards his masters degree. We offer our congratulations and wish that wherever he may go or whatever he may do, with the knowledge he has acquired, he will find happiness and success...SALVADOR, the son of FRANK and ESTELYN ELI, received his first holy communion on Saturday, May 23, with a party following for friends and relatives. He was happy to have made his first communion and delighted with all the beautiful gifts...Agents SHEILA MURPHY, MARY GALLAGHER, and KAREN DOMINO are training to work in the assignment office...Agent CHARLES NOREK was on vacation in May. He and his wife now have a nice garden going.

*- Julia Brousek*

**ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -**

The 24th Annual Retirement Dinner for Electrical Department employees was a huge success due to the efforts of HAROLD COYNE, RICHARD DORGAN, CLARENCE MALOTTKE, HARRY ANDERSON, ROBERT TAUSCH, SAM CHARLETON, and S. E. DOBOSIEWICZ, the hard-working members of the committee. The honored guests present were FRANK CORRIGAN (please note, Mrs. Corrigan, I didn't miss him this time), ARTHUR McDERMOTT, WIL-



HAROLD COYNE (far left) is shown presenting gifts to (from left) Retirees FRANK CORRIGAN, WALTER YOCIUS, ARTHUR McDERMOTT, and WILLIAM TOWNSEND.

LIAM TOWNSEND, and WALTER YOCIUS. Honored guests not in attendance were ARVIN WILMONT, who resides in Daytona Beach, Florida, and FLORIAN CZANSTKOWSKI, a resident of Urbana, Illinois. Other guests were Pensioners ARTHUR DOYLE, DANIEL GRIFFIN, THOMAS LANIGAN, EDWARD PARDELL, CLYDE PETERSON, C. J. BUCK, GERALD GRIFFIN, FRANK JONES, SYLVESTER DAN-ECKE, ARTHUR RADDATZ, JOHN A. BLOOMBERG, EDWARD BRECHEL, JACOB BERNSTEIN, ADAM GABLIN, ALBERT J. MORF, LEN FRANCISCO, MIKE BATTISTO, and JOSEPH CONNELLY. Well wishes for the honored guests were received from Pensioners THOMAS JOHNSON,



WILLIAM MORAN, and JOSEPH NAGRODSKI, all of whom live out of town and were unable to attend the dinner. We also received a letter from the daughter of LARS RASMUSSEN telling us of her father's illness. Lars was very proud of the fact that he had attended the annual banquet every year since its institution. We all wish him a full and speedy recovery. Union Local No. 9 was represented by President FRED HINCE. Union Local No. 134 was very well represented. Also present were Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN and Electrical Engineer A. R. SANDBERG. We are all looking forward to April 30, 1971, when we will go all out for our 25th annual dinner in honor of retiring personnel of the Electrical Department... ARVIN WILMONT proudly announced the birth of his fifth grandchild, a boy, born to NANCY and BRIAN HARSEFALL. Arvin asked us to let you all know you are welcome at his place if you get to Florida. The address is 326 Euclid avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida 32018...Vacationers at this time are: T. WIECZAREK, A. GODBOLD, H. COYNE, R. DORGAN, W. LOOS, J. HERMAN, and F. MARRIANE. Others on vacation were: R. BOOTH, who spent his week bailing water out of his basement, ROY KUTCHINS rejuvenated his Lincoln Continental, and CHESTER MATUSZEWSKI enjoyed the fishing in the Ozarks...Our deepest sympathy is extended to PETER MICHALEWITZ who lost his father...Welcome and best wishes to R. GRAJEK, R. DONNELLY, D. SENN, and J. FRAZIER who have just joined the Electrical Department...Who locked himself out of his car and then was almost arrested for car theft? His initials are F. L. with the assistance of H. G. in Norridge.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

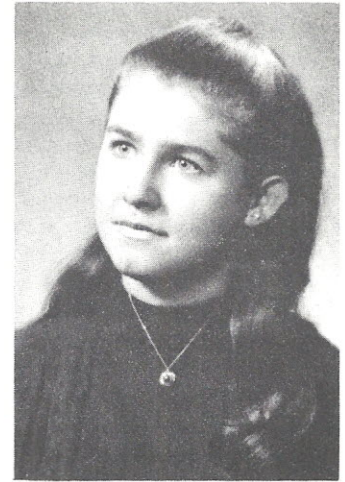
Distribution Engineer RONALD SWINDELL and his wife, MARILYN, became the happy parents of a daughter, LYNN MARIE, on April 7. The little one's brothers, CRAIG, 6, and KENNETH, 4, were delighted to have a baby sister join them...DEL TOSH, chief power engineer, and his wife, JOAN, are the proud grandparents of SHERI CHRISTINE. The baby's father, WAYNE TOSH, a former electrical employee, is stationed at Wichita Falls, Texas, with the U.S. Air Force...ROBERT FERGUSON, building wiring supervisor, and his wife, MAY, drove to Memphis, Tennessee, to attend the graduation of their son, ROBERT C., from the Naval Aviation Reserve Boot Camp. He was graduated with academic honors as an airman apprentice...KEN MIKOTA, engineer of building maintenance, and his family flew to Tucson, Arizona, for an Easter vacation in the sunshine...ADOLPH KUTZ, estimator, enjoyed a trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas. He brushed up on his golf game and is now ready for a swinging season...DONNA KAMINSKI, former stenographer, and her baby son paid us a visit recently. We saw the specifications for the new dream home in Downers Grove that she and her husband, RON, are building...Hope everyone will have a wonderful summer.

- Kay McAlister

ENGINEERING -

The Engineering Department welcomes Mrs. PAT BOLSINGER, a clerk-typist who transferred from the Transportation Department. Pat took the place of DIANE RITROVATO who transferred to the Claim Department. Good luck to both girls in their new positions...A warm welcome back is extended to JACK O'REILLY who returned following his

HERE IS lovely CAROLYN IACONO, the daughter of FRANK and GRACE IACONO, who was graduated from St. Mary's High school and has plans to enter nurses training at Ravenswood hospital in August. Grace works in Research and Planning and Frank is at South Shops.



recent stay in the hospital. Mr. O'Reilly had some pretty bad times this past year with his illness, but we're glad to know that is in the past. It's good to see your Irish smile back in circulation, Jack...Get well wishes are extended to ANNETTE HEFTER who recently underwent surgery. Annette gave us a call recently and reports that she is now recuperating at home and feels fine. Glad to hear the good news and we're all hoping for a speedy recovery and your return to us soon, Annette...CHESTER (Rusty) RUSAKIEWICZ and his wife spent their Easter holidays lounging in the sun in Orlando, Florida...Congratulations to DENNIS PERRY and his wife on the arrival of a baby girl. Dennis is a former draftsman...The Engineering Department welcomes SHYAM VYAS as a design draftsman III. Shyam was employed on May 18. FRED PETRINO brought a new addition to our department. His son, FRED PETRINO, started work as a laborer in the Building Division on May 18. We wish both men the best of luck and a warm welcome is extended from all.

(West Shops) -

MARION TOMETICH, better known as "Soup", retired on April 1 after 42 years of service. His wife baked a beautiful cake and Soup passed out cigars. We're going to miss you, Soup. There'll never be another salesman like you...From the Track Department--CARLO DISPETTO retired on April 1 after 41 years of service. He said he plans to devote most of his time to his four children and his 14 grandchildren. That's enough to keep anyone busy. Good luck, Carlo...Plumber MIKE VIRGILIO retired on April 1 after 35 years of service. Everyone enjoyed the delicious Polish sausage and other goodies that Mike's fellow workers provided. We wish Mike a long and lovely retirement...Painter PETE CLARKE retired on April 1 after 23 years of service. PAT GILL, painter foreman, said the next time you pay a visit to your old home in County Kiltimach, Ireland, he wants to go with you Pete. Those Irishmen stick together. Good luck on your retirement, Pete...Ironworker Foreman HARRY PAOLICCHI's daughter, JOANNA, was wed recently at the St. Mary of Celle church. A beautiful reception followed at Manny Perl's in Cicero. The happy couple honeymooned camping in Oregon, the bridegroom's State. They plan to temporarily reside in Alaska where the bridegroom will be working for awhile...Congratulations are in order for two people in the Building Division. EARL STAZAK, laborer, recently became a father when his wife had a baby girl, and his father-in-law, HAROLD BERNDT,



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supervisor, became a grandpa for the first time...Congratulations to Ironworker NICK GALLO whose wife presented him with a second baby girl on Easter morning. What a nice present for the Easter bunny to bring. Nice going, Nick...CALVIN POLLARD, surveyor, who is Captain of the Road Runners Bowling team, in the 77th Street operators league, brought his team in first place this past season. He said this just has to be the beginning of a dynasty. You wouldn't be bragging, would you, Cal?...LEE ANDERSON, general carpenter foreman, is having quite a seige with his new labrador retriever, now 13 months old and beginning his training for future use in pheasant and waterfowl hunting. As we all know, Lee and his daughter, DONNA, are great goose and duck hunting nuts. Lee's last dog, Lancer, a springer spaniel who once received an honorable mention in field trials, has passed on. So we wish Lee good luck and good hunting with his new dog, Morgan...We have a newcomer to the Building Division who transferred from Howard Street where he worked as a conductor on the "L". West Shops gives a hearty welcome to CORNELIUS GRAVES Jr. who is now with the laborers. Glad to have you aboard, Cornelius...Once again the Engineering Department outdid themselves at the 7th Annual Retirement Party which was held at the Peacock Room, 6146 W. Cermak road. The food was as plentiful and delicious as ever, and the drinking and dancing were never better. The retirees honored were: W. KLEMPIER, supervisor of build-



**HONORED BY** Superintendent of Engineering E. E. OLMSTEAD at the seventh annual retirement party were (from left): ROBERT ZOLEKE, MARION TOMETICH, VINCENT SHUBAT, CHARLES POLICH, Mr. Olmstead, JOHN PARNELL, SALVATORE LERCARA, and MARSHALL FOSTER.

ing maintenance; J. BOGAN, laborer; T. SORRISSIO, trackman; L. MONTOYE, carpenter; J. PARNELL, trackman; T. THORPE, carpenter; F. DORICH, loader-operator; C. POLICH, welder; M. FOSTER, bricklayer; J. CHADWICK, painter; J. ARNIERI, trackman; V. SHUBAT, track clerk; J. WEATHERSPOON, laborer; R. SEXTON, trackman; R. ZOLEKE, ironworker; M. TOBIN, track foreman; S. LERCARA, laborer; P. CLARKE, painter; M. VIRGILIO, plumber; M. TOMETICH, machinist, and C. DISPETTO, trackman. All of the retirees didn't attend, but those who did sang out their praises for an enjoyable evening...There are two men in the Track Department who have been off for quite a while that we miss around here very much. They are TOM SPASOJEVICH and JOE RASPORICH. We wish you both a speedy recovery from your ills and hope to see your faces again soon...We also wish a get well and a hurry back to Frog Shop Foreman JOHN GUZOVICH who recently had an operation and is now recuperating at home...MARY GALLON, your reporter, recently celebrated her fifth wedding anniversary by giving her husband a surprise party. For awhile it was uncertain whether the party was going to be a surprise or not with all her plans going haywire.

However, it all turned out for the best and it was a great party after all...WEST SHOPS FLASH NO. 1: What prominent safety man got everything including his long underwear wet when he accidentally fell into the water while vacationing up north recently?...WEST SHOPS FLASH NO. 2: What carpenter foreman has recently prepared himself for the hot days ahead by sporting quite a new haircut?

- Carol Radman & Mary Gallon

### GENERAL OFFICE (Law) -

We were glad to see BARBARA BAGNUOLO, docket clerk, back to work after being off several weeks following surgery...PHIL COMIANO, attorney, and his wife are spending three weeks flying to Moscow, Poland, Bulgaria, Budapest, and Prague...ED REICHARD, attorney, as of this writing is in Mayo Clinic. Best of health is being sent to you...LEON WOOL, attorney, along with his wife and family flew to Miami Beach for two weeks enjoying the beautiful weather and getting a suntan...CLARENCE VESELY, messenger, and his wife, ALICE, also took a flying trip to Mexico for their vacation...JERRY CAMPBELL and her husband drove to New Orleans to visit with her father-in-law, whom we understand is quite ill...The time has come when VAL NESSINGER, after 36 years of service, retired on May 31. We understand he is going to spend some time in Wisconsin fishing and maybe brushing up on his bowling on the sideline.

### (Treasury) -

We welcome to the department Token Clerk STAN LAVAND, formerly of the Repair Department...Congratulations are in order for ROD HEFFERNAN who was promoted to assistant to the treasurer. Keep up the good work, Rod...We understand HAROLD DONIHI won a radio playing golf in the CTA tournament. You must be getting better all the time...FRANK VYZRAL and his wife celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to the happy couple...ANN GUSICH, cashier I, spent a week in St. Louis while attending a convention...It is ironic that the first report of the first crew, so called because we are the first group to be regularly assigned to central counting, announces its first change in personnel. The first crew is comprised of Superintendent F. PALLILUNAS; Supervisors A. BROMAN, E. POTENBERG, and M. BUCKLEY, and crew members A. ZASIMOVICH, D. PRICE, J. FIORITO, E. SHERROD, G. MARSHALL, W. REYNOLDS, P. MANGAN, A. BASTEAN, Z. McBAY, and W. PASZYNA. We'd like to thank some of the pioneers for getting out a lot of the bugs at central counting but there have been a lot of innovations since their brief tenure. The major innovation has been the molding of a finely tuned work crew under the capable guidance of Mr. Pallilunas with a frequent assist from Mr. Donihi. The "Big Daddy" of the whole operation is, of course, Mr. C. GRUBE, our treasurer. Meantime, our boss, Mr. Pallilunas, is basking in the Florida sun.

### (Medical) -

HARRY SOREGHEN, medical technician, and his wife drove down to Florida, and on the way back stopped in Washington, D.C., and visited the Capitol and Kennedy grave. They also visited the Shenandoah Valley and the Blue Ridge Mountains...Dr. MOSNY and his wife and grandson drove to Florida for a couple of weeks of rest...Dr. ERICH GROSS and his wife just returned from two weeks in sunny Scottsdale, Arizona. He is sporting a beautiful tan.



**(Employment) -**

DOROTHY COUGHLIN and her husband spent a week's vacation getting acquainted with their new apartment...The welcome mat is extended to MARYAN KEARN, clerk-typist, JOHN STEINMETZ, clerk II, and GENE JENDRACH, graduate-trainee. . . We hear that FRANK BRADY, interviewer, spent two delightful weeks in Florida with another fellow employe (leaving their wives at home). That is a good way of getting plenty of rest and peace.

**(Employee Relations) -**

In addition to sporting a diamond ring, MARYANNE PRELL was also seen sporting a pair of crutches. We hope it won't be permanent...Welcomed to the department was GENEVIEVE BERG, clerk-typist, who replaced ROSE RITROVATO who transferred to the Claim Department.

**(Public Information) -**

We bid farewell to ALDY CEDENO who resigned to await the arrival of a blessed event. To fill her position, in turn, we welcomed PAT REED who came to us from the Employment Department...FRANK DISCH spent a pleasant week's vacation driving to Nashville, Tennessee, with his lovely wife...Your co-reporter, EILEEN NEURAUTER, and her husband, RUDY, bus operator from Forest Glen, flew to Florida for a week of basking in the sun. Keep on traveling, "Murph."..We were sorry to hear the bad news that PAT HALLAHAN is confined to St. Joseph's hospital in Elgin after an accident. Wishes for a speedy recovery are in order.

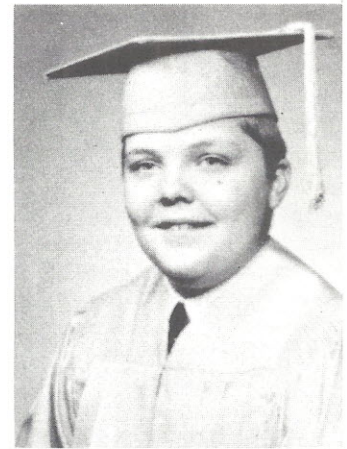
**(Reproduction Services) -**

CAROLYN WILSON, dictaphone typist, flew to Aberdeen, Maryland, to visit with her girl friend whose husband is stationed at the army base there. This was her first flight and I understand she enjoyed it very much. . . MICHAEL RICHARD HANNIGAN, the son of RICHARD HANNIGAN, painter at South Shops, and the brother of PATRICK HANNIGAN, multilith operator, has received an appointment to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mike, an honor student, was the Junior Mayor of Chicago for 1969. Mike, who was graduated on May 31 from Gordon Tech High school, ranked ninth in his class of 477.

**(Research & Planning) -**

CHARLES LAPP retired on May 31 after more than 36 years of service. An open house and a dinner held in his honor were attended by many of his friends and co-workers. Charley told us he was really going to make use of his golf clubs and brush up on the old swing. Good luck, Charles, and may you have many happy and healthy days ahead...TOM HENNINGSEN and STEVE LEGLER have been doing some shopping lately. Tom just bought a house in bright and sunny Seminole, Florida, and Steve has a new Mercury Monterey parked in front of his house. Just to do a little planning ahead, how about if we take a trip down to Seminole next winter in a Mercury Monterey...GEORGE MACAK and his wife, JUNE, and their son, CHUCKY, have been doing a little vacationing on the East Coast. The family attended the Train Collector's Convention in York, Pennsylvania, and took in some sightseeing at Gettysburg. Glad to hear they had a nice time...Welcome to WALTER PASZYNA who started with Research and Planning in April...WAYNE ANDERS, the son of HERMAN ANDERS, received his masters degree at Northern Arizona university on May 29. He will teach in a junior high school at

THIS HAPPY young fellow is JAMES MICHAEL KALATA, the son of Operator and Mrs. HENRY J. KALATA, Beverly, who was graduated from St. Christina Grammar school on June 2 and has plans to attend Morgan Park High school in the fall.



Lake Havasu City, Arizona, this fall. Everyone wishes him the best of luck.

**(Training & Accident Prevention) -**

On May 18 ART HUBACZ and his wife traveled to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary. Art and his wife, BERNICE, are the proud parents of one son and two daughters. They also have five grandchildren...The department welcomed Graduate Trainee RICHARD GROSS. He will be with us for about three months...JOHN McKENNA and his wife, RUTH, spent two weeks in Antioch, California, visiting friends. John and Ruth also visited Fisherman's Wharf and rode the cable cars in San Francisco--and would you believe while they were riding on a car the cable broke...JOE O'SULLIVAN and his wife, HELEN, journeyed to Hannibal, Missouri, to visit the area made famous by Huck Finn and Tom Sawyer. . .At the Annual Junior Achievement Dinner in the Conrad-Hilton hotel, LYNN MAGINNIS, the daughter of STUART MAGINNIS, played the piano while the choral group known as the "Blue Chips" sang a number of songs...MIKE McCARTHY has been talking to himself lately. He can't understand how J. C. Martin ever got to be a Cub. Mike says J. C. is no more a catcher than the White Sox are a ball team. WALT GARBUTT doesn't agree with him. He says J. C. is a catcher worthy to play on a Cub team, that's why Mike is talking to himself...JOANNE BOURNE is out of the basement. Her kitchen remodeling has been completed. She has a brand new gas range with two ovens. She says she needs two ovens to feed her husband, JIM. . . BILL SHOLDICE has received his passport and is ready for his big trip to Europe...MARY GRACE BREMER, now Mrs. JAMES JEWELL, former employe, is now a resident of London, England. She is expecting in October. She lives in a typical English house on the outskirts of London and says the London transportation is the world's worst...CLARENCE CRAWLEY, formerly of this department, gave Miss LOIS POTTS an engagement ring. Our shy boy, Clarence, took everyone by surprise...E. HIRSCH and his wife, VAL, are presently vacationing in Arkansas where it was reported that the fish are big and hungry...PAT DUNEK is anticipating a very lively summer. Her brother, JIM, and his family purchased a 30-acre farm outside Elgin, Illinois. The farm is well stocked with a tractor, horses, and pigs. Pat says she'll visit but won't do any of the chores.

**(Insurance) -**

LYNNE KLOPP became Mrs. ALAN LINDEN on May 30. The wedding took place at Bethel Lutheran church. Lynne



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will be resigning in June and we are sure going to miss her smiling face. TONI GALIC will be the new receptionist in the Insurance Department replacing Lynne Klopp. Good luck on the new job...ANN GOLDING is home recuperating after surgery and is coming along fine. We are hoping to see you around real soon...TERRY MNICHOWICZ and her husband, LEE, flew to Hawaii for ten luxurious days of taking in the sights and basking in the sun...RICHARD REDDING became the proud grandfather of a grandson, RICHARD ROBERT, who was born on April 17 and weighed 7 pounds. Little Richard is the son of SUE and MILLARD CAMERON of Detroit, Michigan. Sue was a former ticket agent. Dick spent a few weekends enjoying his grandson in Detroit...JEANINE GERARD, as of this writing, is home recuperating after minor surgery. Hurry back as we all miss your freckles.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Newnauter

### KEDZIE -

Congratulations to the Kedzie Station basketball team of 1969-70. Kedzie is number one--the champs! Members of the team are: Coach WATTS, M. WEBB, L. HARRIS, E. RICHARDSON, J. BATEAST, J. CRUTHIRD, C. HASSELL, J. ROBINSON, J. THOMAS, M. SINGLETON, P. BRANCH, and E. DOSS. A banquet was held on April 24 at St. Patrick's church where awards were presented. Superintendent M. HARRINGTON accepted the team trophy for Kedzie. Also present at the banquet were CTA Board Chairman G. L. DeMENT, Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN, Operating Manager C. E. KEISER, Transit Board Member ERNIE BANKS, and a host of others from the General Office...Congratulations to JERRY KNOPF on his promotion to supervising instructor for the North Side. He will be missed at Kedzie. Replacing Jerry is Supervisor JACKSON...Operator MILLER is now attending school to become a supervisor...Operator J. MISEK is on the sick list. He fell off a ladder doing some chores around the house and broke his heel. Here's hoping by the time this issue is out you will be well on the road to recovery.

- Raymond Graham

### KEELER -

Operator G. D. McFADYEN has been "raising sand" for so long that his missus, BOBBIE, granted him the privilege of becoming Senior to his first son, Junior, on April 15. Mac already has some lovely daughters...Showing how easy it is, Pensioner AL KRIEMAN and his wife, ELEANOR, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 19. Al was a Keeler bus jockey for 33 years. We had a beautiful picture of these two, alas it was in color so it could not be printed. So remember, guys and gals, only sharp black and white photos can be used...Operator J. NELSON and his wife, FLORENE, celebrated 8 years of wedded bliss on May 19. Operator E. LATTIMER and his wife, MARY, rang the bells two times on May 18. Our future CTA law representative, M. LEE and his wife, BOBBIE, made it six in a row on June 6. Would you believe that WHITEY SZYMELL and his wife, ANN, celebrated 32 years of togetherness on June 25? Of course, your scribe, ERNEST CARTER, and his wife, VIRGIL, also hit the 32nd milestone on April 27...Meanwhile back at the SZYMELL ranch, Whitey's son, DON, birthdayed on June 10, and his daughter, CAROLYN, June 11. Birthday salutations to: Operators C.

CUBIE, April 28; J. RODRIGUEZ, May 16; J. MATOS, May 18; L. BANKS, June 6; C. GORDONE, June 10, and Garageman LOU OLANDESE, May 26. Operator DONALD THORPE didn't forget his lovely missus, CURTISS M., June 9...Our condolences to the family of a very nice fellow, Pensioner HANK RICHTER, a well thought of garage foreman. Hank's passing reminds us of a saying that exemplified his life, "If a man speaks ill of you, live so that no one will believe him."...Ladies, please don't write to me but to Operator D. R. NORTON. It seems in no time at all Norton lost 27 unwanted pounds... Board Member ART SCHNEE wishes to thank all the fellows for their contribution to COPE...Operator JAMES CARSON and his wife have found the solution to the tax problem. They were the proud parents of twins, JAMAL and JEROME, born on April 8. Jamal weighed in at 5 pounds 10 ounces, and Jerome fractured the scale at 6 pounds 8 ounces...Boy did I almost goof but good. Station Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN owned up to another birthday in May. Many happy returns, boss...Can't possibly forget our custodial superintendent, SY GOLDMAN, who birthdayed on June 20. Sy's daughter, ROSETTE STRUBEL, and her husband contributed to the festivities by celebrating their sixth wedding anniversary on June 21...In spite of all of Operator NICK ROSSILLE's tears, love prevailed and his son, SAM, tied the marital knot on May 2...Repairman JIM ALEXANDER blew out his candles on April 18. However, his wife, BOBBIE, joined him in their camper and helped him celebrate in Ottawa, Illinois...Operator JERRY TAYLOR and his better half vacationed in the blue grass of Kentucky...Station Instructor WEYER and Superintendent CHRISTIAN want to thank all the fellows for making possible the winning of the first quarter interstation award. Instructor Weyer is vacationing now, but will be relieved by Instructor KOCAR, another real nice guy...Hey, hey, our baseball team is on its way thanks to the managerial capabilities of Operator and Co-reporter ANTHONY BERRY. Loads of luck!..Say, gang, if you want to get a good deal on that vacation, you had better see Operator KUZYK. Kuzyk and his sister, ROMANA, and his brother, GEORGE, are the proud owners of the latest motel in the Wisconsin Dells. Special rates in June and September to all you interested people. Me, I'm waiting for the October rates...Birthday greetings to lovely GEORGIA, the wife of Operator M. MYERS, June 25...Operator ALEX JANITO and his wife, HELEN, toasted 28 years of togetherness on June 7. Alex also rang the birthday bells on June 15...A closing thought for all types of militants and revolutionists--"It is hard to express love with a clenched fist." Love to all.

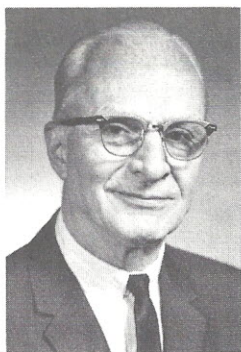
- Ernest C. Carter

### LAWNDALE -

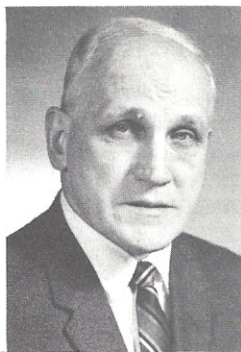
On Friday, April 24, at 7:00 P.M., the First Annual Basketball Awards Dinner was held at St. Patrick's church. It was indeed a wonderful evening with praise and congratulations coming from Transit Board Chairman GEORGE L. DeMENT. Presenting the winning trophy to Kedzie Station was Mr. Cub, ERNIE BANKS, another Transit Board member. My own congratulations are extended to all of the fine athletes who participated in this fine program...Recently we received a card from Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY BITEL, former assistant superintendent at Lawndale. They are traveling through cities such as Memphis, Vicksburg, Natchez, and the state of Louisiana...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. MARTY KARIOOLICK who celebrated their



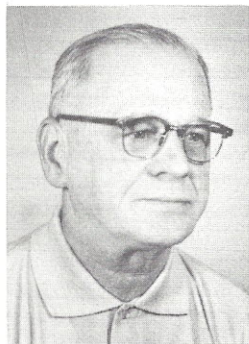
JOINING THE ranks of the retired during the months of May and June were the 11 employees pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each.



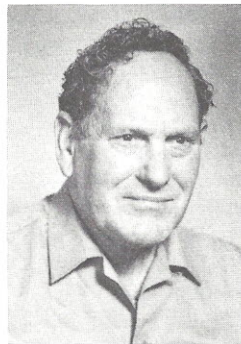
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50 Years



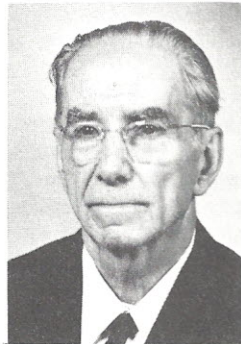
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49 Years



**T. E. KUTA**  
44 Years



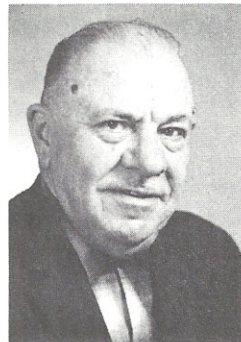
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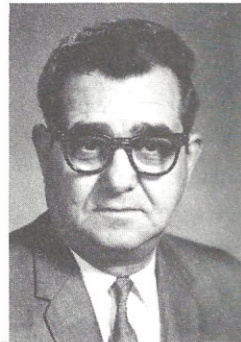
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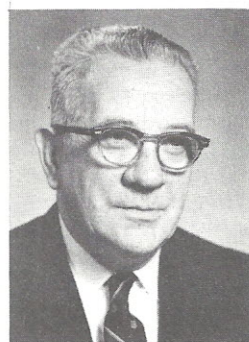
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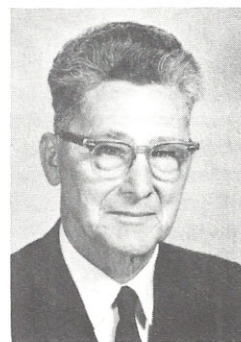
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**L. FUCARINO**  
41 Years



**J. J. KELLY**  
44 Years



**W. E. WILCOX**  
42 Years



**C. J. SCHULTZ**  
41 Years

## NEW PENSIONERS

ELI APRIL, Conductor,  
North Section, Emp. 9-19-45  
ROBERT E. BAXTER, Budget Accountant,  
Accounting, Emp. 10-11-33  
FRANK J. BELL, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 1-16-34  
GEORGE W. BEYERS, Shopman II,  
Skokie Shops, Emp. 12-10-28  
MARCELLA M. BITTERLIN, Ticket Agent,  
South Section, Emp. 3-1-45  
LAWRENCE CONWAY, Assistant Foreman,  
North Avenue, Emp. 4-4-29  
NICHOLAS P. CULLINANE, Bus Repairer,  
Archer, Emp. 9-15-42  
BEN CUTRERA, Fork Lift Operator,  
North Division, Emp. 5-24-41  
JAMES F. DALY, Combination Clerk,  
61st Street, Emp. 11-27-42  
STANLEY C. EDQUIST, Power Supervisor,  
Electrical, Emp. 8-16-27  
WILLIAM FLATLEY, Carpenter "A",  
South Shops, Emp. 10-17-30  
LOUIS FUCARINO, Trackman II,  
Track, Emp. 2-20-29  
ERNEST J. GAICHAS, Electrical Worker,  
Skokie Shops, Emp. 4-11-21  
LYDIA C. HAEMKER, Batch Control Clerk,  
Accounting, Emp. 1-20-47  
HENRY A. HAMMER, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-17-45  
ROBERT W. JOHNSON, Bus Serviceman,  
Kedzie, Emp. 5-27-33  
JAMES J. KELLY, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 1-7-26  
THEODORE E. KUTA, Bus Repairer,  
North Park, Emp. 9-8-25  
CHARLES E. LAPP, Senior Transit Analyst,  
Research & Planning, Emp. 1-27-34  
BERNARD J. LAZISKY, Bus Repairer,  
Beverly, Emp. 2-2-38  
MILDRED T. LEMIEUX, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 10-14-47  
ROY A. LUNDQUIST, Truck Shop Foreman,  
Skokie Shops, Emp. 11-13-35  
HENRY C. LUPLOW, Clerk,  
77th Street, Emp. 12-30-33  
FRANK J. MARTIN, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 1-23-50  
MARIUS E. MILLER, Operator,  
Beverly, Emp. 9-10-53  
WILLIAM G. MOSER, Operator,  
Lawndale, Emp. 12-17-40  
ROY R. MUNGAI, Switchman,  
West Section, Emp. 4-9-28  
VALENTINE J. NESSINGER, Law Clerk V,  
Law, Emp. 7-23-34  
EDWARD C. PRUEMER, Bus Repairer,  
69th Street, Emp. 11-8-40  
CHARLES QUALIARDI, Shopman II,  
Skokie Shops, Emp. 12-5-42  
JOHN T. RAFFERTY, Machinist,  
South Shops, Emp. 4-27-43  
ALFRED S. REMACK, Chief Receiver,  
North Park, Emp. 8-2-19



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CHRISTIAN J. SCHULTZ, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 1-18-29  
NELL SCHNEIDER, Stenographer,  
Executive, Emp. 1-2-48  
MARIE E. SHUMON, Typist I,  
Claim, Emp. 1-10-66  
STANLEY J. SLOWIK, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 11-9-36  
BERL L. SPARKS, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 11-22-28  
LEO J. SWITLIK, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-2-42  
JOSEPH R. TONN, Receptionist,  
Executive, Emp. 2-17-42  
JEAN A. VERBICK, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 11-27-43  
WALTER WASLICKI, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 9-7-28  
GEORGE J. WICKMAN, Instructor,  
Limits, Emp. 3-8-34  
WILLIAM E. WILCOX, Asst. Div. Storekeeper,  
South Division, Emp. 4-2-28  
RAYMOND W. WITTROCK, Signal Maintainer Specialist,  
Electrical, Emp. 1-6-42

## DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

HENRY P. BALL, Operator,  
Lawndale, Emp. 11-28-42  
THOMAS GALANTE, Invoice Clerk I,  
Purchasing, Emp. 11-28-42  
FRANCIS W. GARRITY, Motorman,  
West Section, Emp. 7-10-47  
ALBERT A. KLINGBEIL, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 6-17-41  
CLIFFORD PETERSON, Operator,  
Keeler, Emp. 8-21-44  
JOSEPH H. SMITH, Information Clerk,  
Transportation, Emp. 3-30-42  
HARRY A. TADROWSKI, Conductor,  
West Section, Emp. 9-4-45  
EDWARD H. TAYLOR, Car Repairman,  
61st Street, Emp. 10-17-57



**RETIRING AFTER 22**  
years of service with CTA  
was Executive Department  
Secretary **NELL SCHNEI-**  
**DER**, who left to enjoy  
the life of leisure depicted  
by the gift she is holding.  
Nell was honored by her  
friends and fellow em-  
ployees at a luncheon in the  
M & M Club on April 29.

25th wedding anniversary on April 25; to Mr. and Mrs. JAMES MARSHALL who celebrated their 8th anniversary on April 27, and to Mr. and Mrs. ED CELOVSKY who celebrated their 29th anniversary on May 2...We're glad to see F. FARRELLY and M. MEYERS back to work after a long absence...C. LAUGHLIN, F. LERCARA, and T. PRYOR are still on our sick list, but I've learned that they are coming along fine and will be back soon...Our deepest sympathy to the family of ROBERT FENRICK who recently lost his father...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. SAMUEL STIDWELL Jr. on the birth of a daughter, CYNTHIA, on April 15...Each year Operator H. COX visits the annual dog show held here. This year he enjoyed an even bigger thrill when he met BRENT MUSBERGER, WBBM-TV sports personality...The regular softball season will be in full swing shortly and the Lawndale champs of '69 will be out to take the championship again this year. So let's give the champs the spirit and support they need to retain first place...Our birthday greetings are extended to the following men: A. MARTIN, C. DIXON, J. JOHNSON, J. MCGHEE, G. MATH- EWS, R. FEMRICK, F. DVORAK, E. WASHINGTON, W. HARRINGTON, A. ADAMS, H. LUKA, P. IVORY, R. AUS- TIN, L. HARRIS, L. MCCLELLEN, W. LAMAR, F. FAR- RELLY, E. JONES, H. BALL, J. BRANHAM, B. BROWN, W. WHERRY, C. SMITH, and S. HARDY...Have a safe sum- mer and enjoy your vacations.

- James Marshall

## LIMITS -

Operator I. LEWIN and his dear wife enjoyed a wonder- ful vacation visiting the Holy Land. Among the places that they viewed were: Joppa, Beersheba, the Dead Sea, Naza- reth, and Bethlehem. Lewin reports that he has taken quite a number of pictures and will be happy to show these to anyone interested...Operator JOHN FLOYD and his dear wife enjoyed a wonderful vacation in Ireland. They also traveled to France, Germany, and Switzerland. They re- ported the scenery was breathtaking, especially up in the Swiss Alps...Congratulations to Operator STEVEN BUTLER and his dear wife, ROSE, on the arrival of STEVEN Jr. May the little fellow grow up to be a real credit to the name of Butler...Operator BOB PENDLETON and his dear wife became grandparents during the month of April when their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. ELLIOTT, presented them with a cute grandson. Mrs. Pendleton will be with her daughter in Connecticut until August where she will be busy caring for her new grandson...Congratulations and best wishes to Operator RICHARD STEPHENS and his wife, ELLA, on the completion of 38 years of wedded har- mony on May 7. May you folks have many more years of happiness together...Instructor BROGAN completed 29 years with the CTA during May, and on this date his three grandchildren, TERI, 4, PATTY, 6, and CHRISTOPHER CICHON, 2 years old, celebrated their birthdays. Congrat- ulations to all...GERALD MAY, the son of Superintendent GEORGE MAY, was married to JOANN PUCILO during the month of April. The wedding took place at St. Nicholas ca- thedral, Oakley and Rice streets. Congratulations and best wishes to the happy couple. His daughter-in-law, MARY C. MAY, had an exhibit of her artwork at the Public Library on May 1-5. She received a number of honors from the art critics. Congratulations!...CLEVEN WARDLOW, our "happy bus" driver, is among the ten winners in the second annual Superior Public Service awards program sponsored by nine local government agencies. Wardlow was honored



with the nine other winners chosen in five categories at a recognition dinner on May 21 in the Sherman House. Mayor Daley, County Board President George Dunne, and other dignitaries attended. Congratulations!..To the men at Limits who play checkers on the new checker board, they owe their thanks to Operator IKE WILLIAMS who spent many hours of labor in the making of this masterpiece... Our sincerest sympathy to the families of Pensioner FORREST ROSS who passed away; to Receiver GEORGE SINGER in the loss of his sister, VIRGINIA BURDICK, and to Supervisor KEARNS in the loss of his sister, Mrs. SARAH BERTOLINE.

- R. S. Benson

**LOOP -**

We lost another good agent when S. SLOWIK took his pension on June 1 after 33 years of service. He was so happy, he picked up his alarm clock and threw it out the window. Now he and his wife are going to stay up and watch the late, late movies. We all wish Mr. and Mrs. Slowik good luck, good health, and many happy years of retirement. On May 14, he also celebrated his birthday and we hope he has many, many more...Belated birthday wishes to Agent E. SEGERSON who celebrated on May 8...The Lake Street agents were very happy to see Janitors E. SCHULTZ and JIMMY CIVITO back on the line. Watch those booths sparkle, now...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Pensioner FRANK CROSBY who recently passed away. Many of the old-timers called him "Big Frank", and he was a person who had a host of friends among the agents, janitors, and passengers. One of his best friends was Janitor O. BUCHANAN who is still with us. Frank's family would like to extend their thanks to all the agents and janitors for their kindness and sympathy at a time when it was really appreciated...It sure seems like a long time since Assignment Clerk JEAN WASHBURN left the company. We all hope you are enjoying your stay at home. Give us a call or stop in and say hello. We would love to see you now and then...Welcome back to Assignment Clerk BOB MALONEY who has been on the sick list...Agent BETTY TRIBBLE was off on May 14, her anniversary date with the company, and it really rained. Betty said, "Well, it felt good to be home, anyway..."It's really great to see Clerk JOE MARKOS back on the job with his cheerful hello and pleasant smile for everyone. But, Joe, did you have to break a leg just to get time off? We think you should say a few extra prayers when you go to church on Sundays. Here's hoping your leg doesn't cause you any more trouble. ...Janitor C. C. REDMOND looks younger every day, as if he never did a hard day's work in his life. It must be all those nice vacations to California that keep you so fit. He and his family just had a wonderful vacation in Jamaica. P.S.-- We know you work hard in the Loop...Janitor R. McMILLIAN had a nice May vacation. He visited his mother in Alabama, which is a pretty place in the Spring...Congratulations to Agent DOROTHY ADLER who became a grandmother for the first time on May 1. The wee one was a little boy who weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces, and grandma is going to spoil him very fast...Agent MARY WIXTED has become a grandmother for the seventh time. This was a little different, though, as the first six were boys and this was a sweet little girl named JEANNE who was born in April to Mr. and Mrs. T. WIXTED. Jeanne was christened on May 17 at St. Domatilla's church in Hillside. Mary is very proud of her little granddaughter and said she has

black hair and smiling Irish blue eyes. Don't spoil her too much, Mary...WANTED: at once if not sooner, automatic wheel chair in good condition. If you have one with no further use for it, please contact Foot Collector LAWRENCE D. LATHAM. He says his bones are creaking and they sound like they are rattling as he climbs the ramps. He is getting to be an old man before his time. Larry has all of three years of service. Will he make it to retirement day? For Father's Day, he received a nice strong rocking chair. So when you hear him singing "Old rocking chair's got me" you will understand. Our sympathy to Collector SCOTT who now has to do all the work. Don't feel bad, Scott, you are getting younger and Latham is getting older...Clerk JIM HARTIGAN received a big welcome back to the Lake Street office from a lot of trainmen, agents, and janitors. We all hope you are feeling better and will be around for awhile, now. All the agents say that Jim is a very pleasant person to talk to and always has a big smile for all...Someone was missing around the 54th office the week of May 10-16. We looked around and found that Chief Clerk JOHN CAROLAN was on a week's vacation. Hope you enjoyed the week, John, even if it did rain every day...The traffic supervisors' class sure looked happy on graduation day. Wait, who is that sharp looking little fellow, first row, fourth from the left? Agent Mary Wixted put on her thick glasses and said, "Oh, I think I know that young man." No kidding, you all looked great, and congratulations, Supervisor NAUGHTON, glad you made the grade...Former Agent SUE REDDING CAMERON had a darling baby boy on April 17 weighing 7 pounds. Mother and baby are well and the daddy is very proud. The baby's grandparents work for the CTA General Office, L. REDDING in the Claim Department, and R. REDDING in the Pension Department. Sue, her husband, and baby are now living in Detroit, Michigan. ..So sorry to hear that Agent ANN SMAGON has a broken leg. At this writing Ann is at home taking it easy. We all wish you a speedy recovery.

- Mildred Doyle

**MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -**

There is an old saying, "Old golfers never die, they just fade away," but GRACE MOUNTS, former North Section reporter, didn't even fade away. She transferred to the West Side and joined KATY MORIARTY in writing the Milwaukee, Lake and Douglas news for the agents...We are all sorry to hear about PATRICIA HALLAHAN's accident and hope she will have a speedy recovery. Pat works in Public Information and is the daughter of Superintendent J. P. HALLAHAN. . . Night Superintendent BILL LIMANOWSKI, Congress and Douglas, lost his aunt who was like a mother to him. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Bill and his family...ED RHODE is taking a two-week vacation in Larsen, Wisconsin, where he will visit his stepsons and do a little fishing on the Wolf river...Student Agent VYTO RAMONIS had a birthday on May 22. Hope it was a happy one. ..KAREN MORIARTY, the sister of co-reporter KATY MORIARTY, was graduated from Visitation High school and taken on a two-week trip to Los Angeles by Katy to visit their two brothers as a graduation present. I sure wish I had a sister like that...Congratulations to DELL HARRINGTON, Montrose Station, on her birthday, May 11. Hope she had an enjoyable day off as co-reporter GRACE MOUNTS did on May 23 when she celebrated 11 years with the company. . . Our deepest sympathy to DANDY and BARBARA THOMPSON on the loss of their baby girl...Congratulations



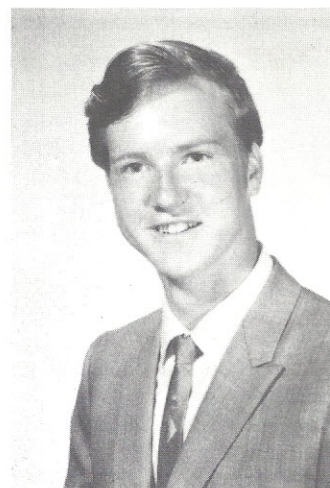
to DIANNA EDGERSON who was in the Opera Passion Play at the American Conservatory of Music. She was also in a recital on May 23...Student Agent JOHN GRITIS, a student at DePaul university, is leaving CTA after five years...LAWRENCE GRYGIEL, former employe now attending DePaul university, attended a Good Counsel prom on May 8 at the Orrington hotel in Evanston, and spent the weekend in Lake Geneva and went to the Playboy club...We are all glad to see Collector TOM RAPP back to work after being off for six weeks due to surgery...BETTY RUSSO spent two weeks vacationing in Sarasota, Florida, visiting her sister. She said she had a wonderful time and hopes to do it again sometime...FRED FRIEB had a birthday on May 8 but didn't say how old he was. Hope he enjoyed it...VIRGINIA TOTCKE, Spaulding Station, would like to thank all who sent cards and gifts during her illness. Virginia's daughter, Sister PHYLLIS TOTCKE, received her masters degree in psychology from Loyola university while she was off sick...LILLIAN CONROY is recuperating at home from a heart attack. Good luck and hurry back, Lillian...CLIFFORD HINTON and JAMES MACON resigned to join the reserves...JOHN SAMAAAN was in Missouri recently where he represented the University of Chicago at a model United Nations convention. He said he had a wonderful time with the female delegates. John has now graduated, receiving a degree in engineering...MARY WIXTED had a new granddaughter on April 25...ANN SMAGON had the misfortune of breaking her leg. Here's hoping she will have a speedy recovery...Congratulations to the new Assignment Agent Trainees: MARY GALLAGHER, MARY HURDLE, LILA WHITE, KAREN DOMINO, and SHEILA MURPHY. Hope you all make the grade...MARY STANCZYK wishes to thank everyone for the cards, calls, and good wishes during her illness, with special thanks to DOROTHY PARKER and her family...Agent HELEN GREZELAK, Loop, will be known as Ginger Rogers from now on...ARLENE SWANSON is a grandma again. Her daughter-in-law had a baby boy, BARRY JOHN, on March 30 weighing 7 pounds 10 ounces...Congratulations to Jefferson Park Trainman RONALD A. SENO and his wife, CONSTANCE, on the birth of their new addition, RONALD Jr., on March 12...Your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, her husband, two daughters, and granddaughter went to the tulip festival in Holland, Michigan...JIM THOMAS, former reporter from the North Section and now a manager at Illinois Bell Telephone company, was graduated from Roosevelt university where he received a degree in mathematics...P.S.--Anyone with news may contact Grace Mounts at Ext. 2515 (Addison) from 3-11 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

#### NORTH AVENUE -

Operator ARCHIE VALENTINE and his wife, HENRIETTA, celebrated their 22nd wedding anniversary on June 20. They are taking a trip to the Ozarks. Operator ABRAHAM MORGAN and his wife, SHEILA, celebrated their 11th wedding anniversary on May 16. They enjoyed themselves at the Palmer House. Congratulations to all. Abraham's daughter, CYNTHIA ANN, celebrated her first holy communion. He is now a resident of Oak Park and plans to welcome one and all at an open house...Operator PETER MADIA reports that his fishing school was a huge success last year. Those who attended report that their fishing has improved. He won't reveal his fishing secrets unless you attend his school...We received several welcome letters

AN HONOR student, MICHAEL R. HANNIGAN, the son of RICHARD HANNIGAN, painter, South Shops, and the brother of PATRICK HANNIGAN, Reproduction Services, has received an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Mike was also the Junior Mayor of Chicago in 1969.



from pensioners. BILL ECHOLS is well and happy and still thinks there's no place like Hot Springs. ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY, tell us the fishing at Lanse, Michigan, has been slow all winter. They're hoping the rainbow season will be better. VIGGO WINDFELD sends his regards to all. He tells us that his brother, Pensioner AXEL WINDFELD, celebrated his 81st birthday March 13. We send him our belated best wishes. He worked as a conductor out of North Avenue and out of Kedzie. He retired in 1954. LARS "Ernest" PEARSON and his wife, ANNA, bought a 15-foot Star Craft and Johnson motor. They got some badly needed rain. The late HANK RICHTER, retired foreman of Keeler Garage, stopped to visit Lars shortly before he passed away. Hank was building a home on Bull Shoals Dam. Lars sends a "hello" to all...Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his wife, EMILY, enjoyed a visit from their daughter, JOAN, and her family. Ernie still fishes a lot and I hope to join him soon. Pensioner JOHN SENKO stopped by to say "hello". He's living in Mt. Prospect enjoying the cleaner air...Supervisor BILL GILLIES vacationed at Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Station Superintendent FRANK BUETOW and his wife returned from a vacation in Arizona, plus a short jaunt to Canada. Night Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER and the feminine members of his family, daughter KATHY and her mom, visited BILL MOSER Jr. at Fort Leonard Wood where he is a member of the armed forces. They all enjoyed the reunion. We pray for his safety and that he will soon be home. William tells us that the speed limit in Missouri is 70 mph going up or down hill. Clerks ED WITEK and JACK HESTER interrupted their vacations to come back for the clerks' pick. AL RHODE had to commute between Chicago and you-know-where in Wisconsin for the same reason. Sorry, boys, better luck next time. Genial FRANK ZABOROWSKI is telling all about the fish he caught and the ones that got away. Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX had his vacation work cut out for him. His better half, VIRGINIA, was seen buying wallpaper, paint, brushes, rollers, etc. Sometimes you can't win for losing. Operator CHARLES STROKIS vacationed at Fremont, Wisconsin. He hooked over 58 white bass and one sturgeon which looked like 60 pounds and was 5 feet long. He had it on his line for 45 minutes. He had to release it, the season was closed. Tough luck, Charlie. He is now the owner of a new all-weather Amphicat that goes in swamps, sand, snow, or water. In the month of May and June, Operator BERNY PEARSON and his wife, CELE, will be spending their vacation travelling around the world. From New York, the first port of call is Lisbon, Portugal,



# recent deaths

ALLEN ABERNATHY, 58, North Park,  
Emp. 9-26-40, Died 5-25-70  
FRANK J. ARCHIBALD, 81, Wilson Avenue,  
Emp. 11-15-27, Died 4-23-70  
SAM J. BACCIOCCO, 84, West Section,  
Emp. 3-23-42, Died 4-9-70  
ALFRED H. BAKER, 76, West Shops,  
Emp. 5-21-25, Died 3-28-70  
IRA G. BASHAM, 49, North Park,  
Emp. 2-10-47, Died 4-26-70  
JOHN B. BECKER, 77, South Section,  
Emp. 7-6-10, Died 4-15-70  
JOHN L. BERNASKY, 85, 69th Street,  
Emp. 1-29-15, Died 4-5-70  
LOUIS M. BIELSKI, 58, Accounting,  
Emp. 5-15-46, Died 4-7-70  
CLARA L. BRADLEY, 84, 61st Street,  
Emp. 12-27-33, Died 4-1-70  
GEORGE BROWN, 84, 77th Street,  
Emp. 2-1-27, Died 2-26-70  
VICTOR P. BROWN, 69, West Section,  
Emp. 1-14-27, Died 4-3-70  
JAMES M. BRUEN, 56, West Section,  
Emp. 10-26-45, Died 3-25-70  
OTTO M. CARLSON, 74, North Park,  
Emp. 3-21-25, Died 3-30-70  
STANLEY F. CENTER, 64, Keeler,  
Emp. 7-22-33, Died 4-6-70  
JULIUS F. COSBY, 69, West Section,  
Emp. 11-11-43, Died 4-24-70  
MARY DALTON, 80, West Section,  
Emp. 6-7-44, Died 3-23-70  
GIRARD T. DONAHUE, 58, Schedule-Traffic,  
Emp. 9-10-34, Died 4-22-70  
JAMES J. DURR, 63, Forest Park,  
Emp. 11-6-23, Died 4-2-70  
GEORGE H. EDWARDS, 71, Archer,  
Emp. 2-21-23, Died 3-23-70  
PATRICK J. FOLEY, 77, Kedzie,  
Emp. 9-11-18, Died 3-31-70

HARVEY C. GERARD, 63, 77th Street,  
Emp. 5-29-41, Died 4-30-70  
SPURGEON GIBSON, 65, West Section,  
Emp. 5-10-44, Died 4-26-70  
PAUL GRZAC, 75, Track,  
Emp. 4-23-29, Died 3-7-70  
RALPH GUNDERSON, 80, North Ave. ,  
Emp. 5-3-16, Died 4-25-70  
ALBERT E. HEDIN, 70, Limits,  
Emp. 3-19-34, Died 2-21-70  
LILA H. HODGES, 79, West Section,  
Emp. 8-30-37, Died 3-7-70  
KAZMER F. HOJNACKI, 72, North Avenue,  
Emp. 2-25-24, Died 3-17-70  
HOWARD L. HOUSTON, 70, North Section,  
Emp. 11-25-25, Died 4-28-70  
EUGENE J. HOWARD, 64, Beverly,  
Emp. 8-30-26, Died 4-17-70  
JOSEPH M. HUNTER, 79, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 2-17-20, Died 3-8-70  
HAROLD F. JEFFERIES, 56, District D,  
Emp. 12-5-40, Died 5-20-70  
MATTHEW V. JELINSKI, 76, 77th Street,  
Emp. 10-11-28, Died 4-11-70  
CHARLES F. KAHRER, 69, 77th Street,  
Emp. 10-28-24, Died 4-9-70  
LOUIS J. KALTSAS, 77, North Section,  
Emp. 11-29-27, Died 4-2-70  
GEORGE KAMINSKI, 54, 77th Street,  
Emp. 11-17-43, Died 4-24-70  
FRED KINDLE, 67, Lawndale,  
Emp. 1-9-29, Died 4-25-70  
MAE J. KOCH, 69, Accounting,  
Emp. 11-27-44, Died 3-30-70  
JOSEPH KORDEK, 75, 61st Street,  
Emp. 11-14-22, Died 3-23-70  
SOPHIA KUHLMANN, 88, West Section,  
Emp. 7-5-09, Died 4-14-70

and a visit to Fatima. Then on to Madrid, Spain; Athens, Greece; and Tel Aviv, Israel; including a tour of Cannes, Nazareth, and Old Jerusalem. Next on the itinerary is Bombay, India, and an extra day to spend on the fabulous beaches. Next a shopping paradise for Cele which will be Hong Kong, China. Expo '70 is next and they will stay in Kyoto, Japan, where many ancient traditions are still observed. Another shopping spree for Cele will be Tokyo. Finally rest and relaxation in Honolulu, Hawaii, before flying home to Los Angeles...Our sympathy to Operator DON CARLSON who lost his mother, INA...Our thanks to Switchboard Operator WALTER BLIX for his help in getting news items for this column. I hope any of you who have news will pass it on to me, but anyone who submits an item must sign his name...We hope all of you enjoyed your long weekends, Memorial Day and the Fourth of July. Each year on Memorial Day we remember those who made the supreme sacrifice for our country in this war and those that have taken the lives of our young men in the past. We pray that by next Memorial Day this war, too, will be history and that our boys will be home to stay and we will have peace...

After bowling for 26 years in CSL and CTA leagues, Supervisor BARNEY KERPER of District "C" finally won a championship. His team has often come in second or third, but never gave up and have now come in first in the '69-'70 season. Barney is team captain, other members are BOB GEISER of District "D" and STAN KANKA, CHESTER KU-  
NOWSKI, LOU SCHUCART, and HANK JOURON.

- William Miedema

## NORTH SECTION -

This is your new scribe, TINA HENKE, reporting. We wish to bid a fond farewell to our former reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, and a grateful thank you for the wonderful job she did as our Transit News reporter during the past three years. We shall all miss you, Grace, and we wish you good luck on the West Section...With the last pick we lost Agent EARL GILBERT who went West, and JANE JOHNSON who went to the South Section. A welcome back to LORRAINE ORR and JANICE WILLIAMS...We are glad to see Janitor



# among employees

NEIL LAMONT, 90, 61st Street,  
Emp. 5-12-23, Died 3-6-70  
PIETRO LOCOCO, 92, Track,  
Emp. 4-19-27, Died 3-19-70  
JAMES R. LOFTUS, 68, 77th Street,  
Emp. 4-9-29, Died 4-3-70  
CARL G. MALM, 83, North Section,  
Emp. 12-19-07, Died 12-29-69  
JAMES MAREK, 84, Lawndale,  
Emp. 11-19-18, Died 4-5-70  
MICHAEL McDONAGH, 80, Kedzie,  
Emp. 6-29-21, Died 2-28-70  
FRANK McKEON, 86, Cottage Grove,  
Emp. 4- -12, Died 3-13-70  
NELS MJELDE, 81, North Section,  
Emp. 12-16-19, Died 4-26-70  
JOHN J. MULCAHY, 94, Kedzie,  
Emp. 8-10-18, Died 3-12-70  
MARY J. MURTAUGH, 82, South Section,  
Emp. 5-2-07, Died 3-15-70  
GEORGE W. NELSON, 75, Electrical,  
Emp. 7-29-10, Died 2-18-70  
GEORGE A. NOLAN, 71, 39th & Halsted,  
Emp. 7-6-14, Died 4-15-70  
THOMAS O'CONNOR, 69, South Shops,  
Emp. 4-1-36, Died 3-24-70  
MAURICE J. O'TOOLE, 69, South Shops,  
Emp. 7-10-42, Died 3-22-70  
JOSEPH POCHMAN, 86, Kedzie,  
Emp. 7-20-18, Died 4-19-70  
WILLIAM PRENDERGAST, 84, Armitage,  
Emp. 8-12-12, Died 3-6-70  
WILLIAM T. ROSER, 73, Real Estate,  
Emp. 4-1-35, Died 4-19-70  
EDWARD F. RYAN, 76, Cottage Grove,  
Emp. 7-16-20, Died 3-24-70  
LOUIS SANZ, 80, Devon,  
Emp. 9-29-13, Died 3-1-70

KASPER SARKAUSKAS, 80, Lake Street,  
Emp. 9-15-25, Died 3-23-70  
SALVATORE SELVAGGIO, 65, Crawford Avenue,  
Emp. 3-1-44, Died 4-9-70  
ALFONSO SKROBUTANAS, 74, South Shops,  
Emp. 11-18-37, Died 4-29-70  
LEONARD F. SMENTEK, 73, Kimball,  
Emp. 1-4-22, Died 3-18-70  
MICHAEL P. SMIDERSKI, 50, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 11-20-45, Died 4-5-70  
WILLIAM J. SMITH, 76, West Section,  
Emp. 1-18-37, Died 2-18-70  
DORIS J. STAHL, 74, Accounting,  
Emp. 10-10-24, Died 3-22-70  
JOHN J. STANTON, 73, North Park,  
Emp. 6-12-25, Died 4-10-70  
JOHN STIGLICH, 77, Track,  
Emp. 9-13-30, Died 4-1-70  
OLIVER B. STRODTMAN, 74, Armitage,  
Emp. 7-22-29, Died 3-27-70  
EDWARD SWANSON, 82, Kedzie,  
Emp. 9-19-23, Died 4-18-70  
GUERDON VON OEHSSEN, 56, Electrical,  
Emp. 9-23-47, Died 5-16-70  
WILBUR H. WAGENER, 68, South Section,  
Emp. 11-28-44, Died 3-30-70  
MAX WALDOCH, 63, North Park,  
Emp. 2-18-35, Died 3-15-70  
EDWARD F. WEINGARTNER, 59, Claim,  
Emp. 10-11-33, Died 4-28-70  
WALTER C. WILKE, 74, Limits,  
Emp. 3-23-23, Died 3-5-70  
EUGENE A. WISZOWATY, 38, Security,  
Emp. 9-15-66, Died 5-10-70  
RALPH J. WRISKA, 68, South Section,  
Emp. 8-22-41, Died 3-3-70  
JOHN WROBEL, 73, West Shops,  
Emp. 2-12-37, Died 4-6-70  
GUSTAF C. WYNGAERT, 85, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 2-20-20, Died 3-5-70

ANDY SMITH back at work. Andy was the victim of a hit and run accident and was off work for five weeks...We extend a hearty welcome to three new agents: E. HOFFMAN from the surface, D. DAVIS, and L. VEASLEY...Congratulations to JERRY LALLY on her recent marriage. She is now Mrs. CLARK. Also, her husband was the winner of a college scholarship. Jerry says that this was wonderful and she is so happy. Lots of luck to them both...Our sympathy and condolences to BETTY FIFE and her brother, JOHN McCONVILLE, on the death of their grandmother who was 99 years of age. On May 9 Betty's son, RONNY, celebrated his first communion...On June 19 Betty added one more candle to her birthday cake as did your scribe on May 19. "Tis a shame that youth passes on"...Belated birthday greetings to Assistant Superintendent T. D. BOYLE. We hope he enjoyed his day off. Also birthday greetings to CHARLIEMAE GRIFFIN and THOMAS CAMERON...Foot Collector JOE GOLDBERG spent his vacation south of the border. Hey, Joe, how was the Mexican tequila? Ah, beautiful Acapulco...Congratulations to Superintendent BRUCKER on the birth of his fifth grandchild,

BRIAN McCANN, born on April 19...Agent SCHUMPP received an honorable mention and a gift certificate from the CTA suggestion committee. How about some of you other agents, got any ideas?.. We were sorry to learn of the passing of Retired Conductor HOWARD L. HOUSTON on April 28 in Moores Hill, Indiana. He had worked the North Section for 36 years until his retirement in 1961. We extend our sympathy to his widow and family...At this writing your new scribe is still in the hospital. I would like to thank those who have called, visited, and sent me get well cards. If anyone has any news for this magazine, I can be contacted at Chicago and State, 3 to 11 p.m. Also my husband, GEORGE, will take your news at the Howard and Kimball offices.

- Tina Henke

## NORTH PARK -

The Little Flower communion and breakfast service held in March was well received and attended by the men



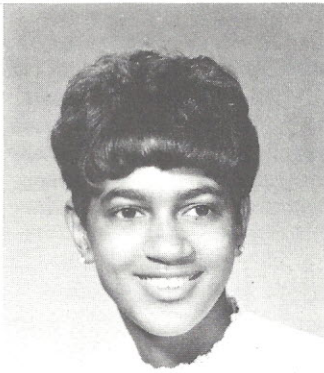
## INSIDE NEWS

of North Park. Leading the group attending were Pensioners JOE GRASSL, JOHN KARASEK, MIKE PHILBIN, DAN MALONEY, ROY RAPP, DONALD GILL, JOE VAN DEN EEDEN, TONY GRANAHAN, and NICK MUENCHEN. Mrs. FLORENCE KOZIAL won a beautiful statue in the door prize drawing...With the coming of the college students, your help and consideration will be appreciated by the instruction force. The hiring of these boys makes summer vacations possible for most of us, so let's give them a hand...The following personnel from North Park won beautiful door prizes at the 18th annual dinner of the Friends of Assumption church held Tuesday, April 14, at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart: Operators LEN BAEUCHLER, MORT LIBERT, RAY MIJANOVICH, WALTER STEINBEISS, and MEL HORNING...Congratulations are extended to Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS who has entered his 25th year in a supervisory capacity with CTA... Operator KAZ YAWORSKI has a Skamper trailer which sleeps eight people and is available for anyone needing a trailer this summer...Pensioner MARTIN DEVANEY and his wife, PEGGY, were guests of Pensioner ART and RUTH MUIR of Forsyth, Missouri, and enjoyed every minute of their stay...Pensioner MAURICE MARTIN and his wife, AGNES, spent four days with Pensioner FRANK HESS and his wife, MYRTLE, of Forsyth, Missouri. Maurice and Agnes were very impressed with the beauty of the Ozark country...Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRAYCE, vacationed in Florida. On the agenda were visits to Tampa, St. Petersburg, Key West, and Ft. Lauderdale... Utility Chauffeur STEVE HERMAN and his wife, HELEN, relaxed for ten days at their beautiful home in Forsyth, Missouri. Steve reports that the trout fishing was excellent... Pensioner HARVEY GEHMAN and his wife, INGEBORG, were visitors in Chicago to see their children and nine grandchildren. Harvey, a resident of Highlandville, Iowa, says the fishing is excellent and invites his many friends to stop by and try their luck...Operator JIM DOLAN and his wife, RITA, vacationed at Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Visits with Pensioner FRANK HESS and Mrs. KATIE GOSCH were on the agenda...Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, spent two weeks at Cajon, California, where their son, JOEL, and his new bride, LINDA, reside. A visit to an ice cream parlor in La Mesa, California, which is styled in 1890 decor and will mix any concoction that you order, along with old fashioned barrels of candy, was most enjoyed. The Steinbergs also spent four days in Las Vegas where they stayed at the Hacienda hotel...At this writing, Operator and Board Member TEX ABERNATHY is hospitalized in San Antonio, Texas, and our prayers are with Tex for a speedy recovery...Operator FRANK VON SCHWEDLER, who is captain of Meisner Shed House Bowling team, led the team to first place in the fourth district VFW bowling tournament with a total of 2,892 pins...KENNETH PAOLI, the son of Operator GINO PAOLI, made a trip to Washington, D.C., with a group of students from De Paul university. Ken also made the deans list at De Paul where he is majoring in music... CAROLYN SUE RHINES, the daughter of Operator TEX RHINES, was graduated from Lubbock, Texas, Senior High school on June 27. Carolyn's future plans include being married shortly...SP4 ROBERT NEWTON, the son of Operator EDGAR NEWTON, was named soldier of the month at his base in Okinawa where he is a printer for the U.S. Army...JOHN SPRINGER, the son of Operator EDWARD SPRINGER, is going to be a counselor at the Mickey Owen Baseball school, located at Miller, Missouri. Anyone interested in facts about the school may contact John at 298-5872...Pensioner MIKE

PARK and his wife, GLADYS, were honored at a retirement and birthday party hosted by their granddaughter, MARI-ANNE, and friends in Glenview. Our best wishes are extended to this fine couple in their years of retirement... KENNETH ROBERT POSNER, the son of Operator SAM and ETHEL POSNER, was graduated on June 12 from Southern Illinois university. Following graduation, Kenneth was married on June 21 to Miss ARLENE ROBINSON at the Hyatt House hotel in Lincolnwood, Illinois. Congratulations to the Posners and the newlyweds...JOHN COSGROVE Jr. was married on Saturday, May 16, to Miss SUSAN COLLISON at St. Ann's church in Arcadia, Iowa. The reception was held in Arcadia with 250 guests attending. The young couple will reside in Chicago...Operator JOE SCALETTO and his wife, DOREEN, became parents on March 1 when a son named JOHN DANIEL was born. John Daniel's grandfather is Operator TOM CONROY... Operator REIMAR PIELSTROM and his wife, GISELA, became parents of their third child when a son named NORMAN was born on March 22 at Weiss Memorial hospital... Laborer TOM NEWELL and his wife, MARY, became parents of their third child when a daughter named NOREEN JOSEPHINE was born on March 25 at St. Elizabeth hospital...Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, became grandparents for the second time when their daughter, LOIS MILSTEIN, gave birth to a daughter named BETH, born April 8 at Skokie Valley hospital...Operator BEN NEUMAN returned to work in March after being off six months with a broken leg.

Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Pensioner BEN GEACH and his wife, RUTH, their 49th; Pensioner JOE GRASSL and his wife, FLORENCE, their 48th; Operator PETE DOLAN and his wife, ROSLEEN, their 12th; Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRAYCE, their 32nd; Operator JIM RENTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, their 30th; Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, their 23rd; Operator MARVIN SALMANOFF and his wife, ETHELYN, their 5th; Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JOE, their 25th, and Supervisor RON MICKELS and his wife, JOANN, their 13th...Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators TEX RHINES and SAM POSNER, Pensioner JOE EIFFES, DAN KAZAR, ETHEL POSNER, MARTIN STERN, BETHEL KIRKWOOD, ROSALEEN DOLAN, and Mrs. HALL...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to President of Division 241 WARREN SCHOLL on the loss of his father, Mr. HERMAN SCHOLL; to Operator ED BOWLER on the loss of his beloved wife, Mrs. BOWLER; to the family of Pensioner GEORGE HOFFMAN, and to the family of LOUIS BIELSKI... Golfers remember the date--Monday, July 13, at St. Andrews Golf club. Division 241 annual golf day will be held on this date and we are looking forward to all golfers participating in this fine event...Need cash for that vacation? See JOHN, TONY, or DALE at the credit union office and they will be happy to provide you and yours with ready cash...Garage Chit Chat--GAIL KARCH, the daughter of Assistant Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH, flew a 747 to Hong Kong to spend an R&R vacation with her husband, Captain EDWARD KARCH, who is serving as a dentist with the U.S. Army in Viet Nam...Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN worked on his vacation decorating and remodeling his new apartment...Foreman CHARLEY DUNNE spent his two-week vacation fishing at the Foster avenue beach where he caught many perch and ten cohos weighing three pounds and up. Having received a coho from Mr. Dunne, I will vouch for his fine catch...Enjoying spring vacations were the





**MARGARET THERESA ROBINSON**, the daughter of **MARGARET A. ARCHER**, General Office switchboard operator, an honor student at Visitation High school was graduated on May 31 and plans to enter Eastern Illinois university in the fall majoring in elementary education.

following: **JAMES McPARTLAND**, **FRANK CIONE**, **LEN TROJANOWSKI**, **GENE BRACK**, **JIM MARTIN**, **BOB LORENTZ**, **PAUL SCHREVES**, and **ANDY KARIOLICH**...Repairman **TED KUTA** retired on May 1 and was honored with a fine party and gift at the garage. Ted is now going to devote considerable time to fishing...The sympathy of the garage is extended to the family of Repairman **IRA BASHAM**. ..Commendations are extended to the entire garage crew for the clean appearance and efficient operation of our buses. . . Still off sick and recovering satisfactorily are **FRANK CAHILL** and **MIKE O'MALLEY**...**ROBERT R. BAKANOWICZ**, the son of Repairman **BUCK BAKANOWICZ**, was married on Saturday, June 20, to Miss **MARGARET HEIDORN** of Crystal Lake at the Crystal Lake Lutheran church. A reception followed and was attended by 350 guests. They honeymooned in Tokyo and Osaka, Japan, where they visited Expo '70...**FRED BARTOLAI**, while enroute to the stock clerks' meeting at 77th Shops, had the misfortune of receiving a traffic ticket...Repairman **BUCK BAKANOWICZ** for the tenth consecutive year led the American Legion parade in Wauconda, Illinois. Sergeant Buck makes a striking figure out in front of this patriotic group.

- Melvin Horning

#### OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

**ART ROEPKE** and his wife, **FLORENCE**, flew to Denver, Colorado, for their vacation. They went to Estes Park, Rock Garden, and many other places doing a lot of sight-seeing. During their trip the weather was very nice and the scenery was beautiful. The main reason they chose Denver was to see their first grandchild, **DANA LEE**, who was born on St. Patrick's day and is the daughter of **DALE**, Art's son. Both grandparents loved being with and holding the new baby. Congratulations on joining the ranks of grandparents...**BRUNO GORSKI** and his wife, **STELLA**, decided to treat themselves and really celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. They and their daughter, **LINDA**, drove to Fort Lauderdale, then to Miami, and flew to Montego Bay in Jamaica. Here they spent about nine days touring the beautiful country. They went to a white sandy beach called Doctor's beach for a day of swimming and sun. Guess who got sunburned that day? If you said Bruno, you're right. The temperature was in the 80's and 90's every day, with only one day of rain. No matter where they went or what time of day it was there was always music

being played. It was a wonderful vacation, one they won't forget for a long time. Congratulations and best wishes on your silver anniversary. . . **CARL LARSEN** and his wife drove to Sarasota, Florida, where they stayed for one week. The next stop was Fort Lauderdale by the sea for another week of relaxing in the sun and visiting with friends. Their return trip was made by way of Cape Kennedy and through Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, taking in many other sights. The weather and the vacation were very nice...**JOE VODVARKA** and his wife, **MARILYN**, went to the Chula Vista Resort in the Wisconsin Dells for a weekend of round and square dancing. This was the second year they attended this large get-together of square dancers. They had a wonderful time dancing and being with both old friends and new friends...**AUDREY PETERSON** and her husband, **HOWARD**, drove to Marinette, Peshtigo, and Bon-duel, Wisconsin, visiting with some cousins for a few days. They spent the balance of the week at Ephraim in Dorr County, and finally picked the right time to see the cherry blossoms. It was a nice and relaxing week just visiting, eating in some very nice restaurants, and stopping at different places of interest...Your scribe went to her second home for a two-week vacation. For those who don't know, the place I'm speaking of is in North Miami, Florida, with **JACK** and **WANDA KRAUSE**. The weather was absolutely beautiful and I didn't miss a day of swimming, either in the pool or ocean, and many days both. One day **BILL BUCKNER**, District "B", **KAY McGLYNN**, her cousin, **HELEN**, **WANDA**, and I went fishing. It was a very nice day and we all caught fish. As usual, I visited with my friends and also got together with **LEE DeSUTTER** and her husband, **FRANK**, for an evening of fun. It was another great vacation...We would like to welcome **ELKE A. MILANETTO**, clerk-steno, to the Transportation Department and also to the CTA. We are happy to have you with us and wish you the best of luck...Line Supervisor **JAMES LUVISI** recently underwent surgery. We extend our best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery.

#### (Traffic Planning) -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. **HAROLD ROWBOTOM**, the proud parents of a baby boy. **TIMOTHY PAUL** was born on April 12 and weighed 7 pounds 1½ ounces. With the arrival of the new baby, they now have eight children, five boys and three girls...**JIM TOOLIS** was a participant in the CTA Spring Golf Tournament on May 16. He must have had the form, the swing, and maybe a little luck because he came in first place winning the tournament with a net low of 68. His prize was a very nice golf cart. Congratulations on winning and also some fine shooting.

#### (Equipment Research & Development) -

Our sympathy is extended to **D. JANE BELL** and her husband, **GEORGE**, on the loss of Jane's father, **GEORGE W. STRAMPE**, who passed away on May 11. Services were held in Janesville, Wisconsin, on Thursday, May 14. **MARY JANE HARNETT**, who works at Skokie Shops, came downtown to fill in for D. Jane Bell while she was on vacation. We want you to know that it was nice to have you with us.

- Colette Szczepanek

#### PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Hello, we're **JOHN GILL** and **CATHY RASCHICK**, the new Transit News reporters for the department. We hope you enjoy reading our first column, and we also hope to





PICTURED HERE is JUDY GAZINSKI, the pretty daughter of Mechanic CHESTER GAZINSKI, Keeler, who was graduated on June 7 from Alvernia High school. Judy plans to work for the Lake View Trust and Savings bank for the summer.

hear from each one of you so you can be included in the next issue...IRENE HERMAN of the Purchasing Department became ill while vacationing in New York with her daughter, but she still managed to enjoy herself. Good to see you back, Irene, and feeling well...H. A. FULLRIEDE of the Specifications Department became a grandfather for the fourth time. RICHARD was born on April 5 and weighed 8 pounds 13 ounces...FRANK and LEE DeSUTTER of Specifications spent a four-week vacation in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, visiting with several former CTA employees, namely, ELEANOR and GEORGE KYNASTON of South Shops, WANDA KRAUSE, former switchboard operator in the Mart, JACK KRAUSE of Operations Control, and ED DEVINE and his wife, who retired from the Purchasing Department. The Devines have a lovely condominium in Pompano Beach overlooking the ocean. Glad you had a wonderful time. . . Another Specifications employee, JILL MISE, spent a one-week vacation in Acapulco, Mexico. It proved to be very interesting, for she went scuba diving and deep-sea fishing. You've got courage, Jill...Guess who went to Baltimore, Maryland? FRANK MAGUIRE of Specifications and his wife visited his daughter and son-in-law at Fort Holabird in Baltimore. Also included in their trip was a stop at Washington, D.C...Stores Department Order Clerk in the Mart, KEVIN BARRETT, is back with us after minor surgery at Northwest Community hospital...Recuperating at home is MARGE HANSON, after being off for quite some time from the Purchasing Department. We hope to see her very soon...A new addition to the Stores Department is a cheerful young lady named KATHLEEN McATEER. She replaced JILL MISE, who transferred to the Specifications Department...Mr. J. T. HARTY, superintendent of Stores Department, enjoyed a week's vacation fishing. He came back rocking his chair like he was still in a boat.

WILLIAM EARL WILCOX, South Shops, retired on early retirement effective June 1. He has been with the CTA Stores Department for over 40 years. We will certainly miss him...BOB ADLER, Storeroom 59, became a father for the first time on May 1. The Adlers named the baby GUSTAVE FREDRICK. Good luck to Bob and the rest of the family. Hope you have a hundred more - babies, I mean...JACKIE HUIZENGA, Stores Department Office at the South Shops, became engaged to TOM McLEAN on May 8. Wedding bells should be heard in September of this year. Congratulations to both of you...KENNETH SIPICH left the Stores Department, South Shops, after being drafted in the Army on May 13...We are sorry to hear that WIL-

LIAM McGOVERN, Stores Department, South Shops, is in St. George's hospital after becoming ill while on vacation. Hope he's recuperating in the best of spirits... Now for some news up at Skokie Shops. BEN CUTRERA retired on May 1 after being with the CTA for almost 29 years... PAUL JANKOWSKI is celebrating his first anniversary home from Viet Nam. We understand he is very happy about this. Why, Paul? Viet Nam is supposed to be very beautiful.

- Cathy Raschick & John Gill

#### SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

GEORGE JOHANNES and his wife flew to Hawaii for two weeks and they had wonderful vacation weather...W. P. DEVEREUX flew to Washington to meet his daughter, Sister MARGARET, and KATHLEEN WILKINS, two teachers from Chattanooga...RUTH HAVLIK, her sister, and their mother motored to Washington to visit with another sister...JOE DeGRAZIA and his wife drove to Arkansas and enjoyed the beautiful weather and baths, as did ED JURIC and his wife...We welcome TOM SCHRODT, a trainee, in the Schedule Department...Pensioners JIM and GERTRUDE ANDERSON visited the office...GEORGE HANUS became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter-in-law had a baby girl. KENNETH MAREK was a grandfather for the fifth time when his daughter, Mrs. JOSEPH PINNELLO, gave birth to her first baby, a boy. Congratulations...We wish MARIE SHUMAN, formerly of the Schedule Department, a long and happy retirement...Sympathy of the department is extended to the family of G. T. DONAHUE who passed away suddenly.

- Kathryn Batina

#### SKOKIE SHOPS -

It was a beautiful day and a beautiful wedding, April 25, when CATHERINE ANN HARNETT and HUGH HEGARTY were joined in holy matrimony at the Queen of All Saints basilica. A reception was held later at Roscoe hall where everyone had a wonderful time. Catherine and Hugh spent their honeymoon in the Bahamas. Our best wishes for a long and happy life together...Sporting a new 1970 Buick Skylark is Electrical Apprentice ROY SUAREZ...Newest member of the GARY WILSON family is PATRICIA LYNN who was born at St. Mary of Nazareth hospital on May 2. Gary is an electrical worker. Gary and his wife have three other girls, which includes a set of twins...Our best wishes for a speedy recovery to ANDRES HODOWANIC, machinist, who at this writing is in intensive care at St. Alexis hospital in Elk Grove Village.

- Everett E. England

#### SOUTH SECTION -

All in favor of summer say Aye! Aye!-Can hardly wait until summer gets here...Our second system pick went into effect on April 5, so hello to all the new trainmen, agents, janitors, and returnees transferred to the South Section, and goodbye (for the time being) to all the ones who transferred out. We really had a turnover of employees...Collector DEWITT LILLARD was grinning from ear to ear when he told us about the birth of his first child, a boy, JOHN DEWITT, born March 29...One more of our South



## INSIDE NEWS

Siders was promoted to Supervisor, Motorman LYLE DER-ANSBURG. Good luck on your new career. . . Motorman ALEX KOMIS and his wife had a nice spring vacation relaxing on the sands of sunny Miami Beach, Florida...The men at 61st Street gave a going away get-together for two of our finest conductors who went on pension April 1, MOSES GILES and PHAROAH (Mother-in-law) CAIN. The delightful Mrs. CAIN came down also to join in the festivities and brought a huge homemade cake. The "yummies" were as good as ever. Everyone hates to see them go, but wishes them the best of everything and an enjoyable pension...Congratulations and a happy marital life is wished to Agent DOROTHY BATES who was recently married and is now Mrs. DOROTHY RHYMES...Back to work off the sick list are: Conductors JOHN KALTSAS and STANLEY ZIELINSKI, Yard Foreman WALLACE BROWN, Switchman JAMES CALDWELL, and Collector PATRICK FLYNN... Going on pension April 1 was Agent CECILIA MORAN. All her passengers and fellow employes will sure miss her smiling face. Good wishes are extended to Cecilia on her retirement...Good, good news--Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE is now home from the hospital and recuperating nicely. Here's hoping, John, it won't be long until you are well once more...The Pensioned Agents Spring Dinner was held on April 5 at the Beverly Woods restaurant and a large crowd attended. Newly pensioned Agent Cecilia Moran was at the dinner and everyone gave her greetings on her retirement. A moment of prayer was offered for Retired Agent MARY MURTAUGH who passed away recently. Some of the Pensioners who were there are: Agents SARAH McEVOY, MAE DRISCOLL, HAZEL DUNN, CATHERINE COLLINS, and KAREN FRIDDLE, Towerman PAT HICKEY, Conductor JERRY HANAFIN, Supervisors BOB BROWN and ED MUNRO, and Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS. It was a delightful evening...Congratulations to Motorman GREGORY WILLIAMS whose wife presented him with a baby girl, ANTOINETTE MARIE, born on March 14. This is the first child for the happy Williams family...Our South Section is getting better all the time. As you know, 61st Street won the Interstation Safety Contest Award for the fourth quarter of 1969, and now Ashland Avenue won the I.S.C. Award for the first quarter of 1970 and also reduced their accident record from 14 to 12. They were presented with a plaque by Mr. G. RILEY, superintendent of Operating Stations, on April 30. Free coffee and rolls were served and a drawing was held and several prizes were won by the Ashland men. Keep up the



THIS IS lovely EUGENIA ANN BRACH, the daughter of Repairman GENE and ROSE BRACH, North Park, who recently announced her engagement to Mr. RICHARD BIGGS of Plainfield, Wisconsin. No date for the wedding has been set.

wonderful work...Two of our pensioners lost their beloved wives recently, and our sincere sympathy goes out to Retired Switchman FRED McDOLLE and Retired Motorman CHARLES McMORROW (who lives in Mt. Home, Arkansas).

The BOB ROESINGS, superintendent of agents and janitors, drove down to Clearwater, Florida, to visit with his folks, the GEORGE ROESINGS, retired superintendent of operating stations. They are well and send their best regards back to all their friends in Chicago...Agent SAUNDRA BATTLES wishes to thank all her co-workers for their kindnesses when her mother passed away recently... Retired Conductor ALFRED GREENAWALT and his wife who live in Murphy, North Carolina, came to Chicago for a couple weeks for a visit. Al came to 61st Street to see everyone. He looks just wonderful and loves North Carolina. He said the scenery is just beautiful and the fishing real good...Hi to newly hired Agents DOROTHY BALLARD, DIANE SIMS, CYNTHIA LEWIS, DELOIS TURNER, SELINA GOLDEN, and PHYLLIS WINSTON, and to the transferee from the Surface Division, Agent ROSCOE SPOONER, and re-hired Agent BARBARA HAMILTON. Also "hi" to Janitor ROBERT WEAVER who transferred from trainman and to newly-hired Janitor WILLIE THOMAS. . . Retired Motorman CARL FISCHER was down in Florida recently for a visit. Our pensioners sure do get around...Agent ANN O'CONNOR, who was recently in the hospital, is now home. Everyone sends best wishes to Ann for a quick recovery. . . A proud and happy father was Yard Foreman ERNEST SANDERS when he reported the birth of his third boy, DANA DELAN, born on April 11...A thank you note from Agent VELMA HUSBAND to all her co-workers for their expression of sympathy when her sister passed away in Detroit...Retired Switchman ROBERT JOHNSTON, who lived in St. Petersburg, Florida, passed away recently and he was brought back here for burial. He had fallen and fractured his hip and had been in the hospital before passing away. Our condolences to Mrs. JOHNSTON and the family...We at 61st Street are all going to miss Shop Clerk JIM DALEY who went on pension April 1. He is going to live in Florida with his brother. The very best of everything is wished Jim. . . Pensioned Conductor JOHN GEARY passed away recently. Our condolences to his family...My hubby, ROLAND, and I attended the Metropolitan West Side Credit Union Dinner at Nielsen's restaurant on the North Side during March and we had a lovely time. We saw and talked to many people we haven't seen in a long time. Sorry we were not able to attend the North Side Credit Union Dinner, but we both had the flu at that time... Another little boy made his entrance into this world of ours, MARLIN LeVELLE COMMEAUX, born on May 11. Papa is Conductor STACEY COMMEAUX. This makes two children for the Commeaux family. . . Retired Conductor HARRY ANTONION and Collector RAY NORMAN stopped in at 61st Street recently for a visit and both men were feeling good and enjoying their pensions...Some more passenger commendations have come in for our employes: Agent ARNETTA JACKSON has received two of them, one for giving passengers the correct directions, and one for the efficient manner in which she performs her duties, and Conductor GEORGE BANKS received one for helping a passenger who was lost...Yard Foreman FRANK CALPIN had the bad luck of falling and breaking his ankle during our last snow storm. Here's hoping he is able to get back to work soon. Also a speedy, speedy recovery is wished Janitor CLARENCE THOMAS who is also on the sick list... Hey! All you South Siders. How about joining the South



Side Credit Union. You know it's nice to have a little nest egg put away for next Christmas or for a vacation next year. Contact your credit union officer at Ashland Avenue. Let's build up the South Side credit union...The CTA Rapid Transit Soft Ball Team in the Grant Park Industrial League, sponsored by Division 308, plays ball games every Wednesday night at 6:45 p.m. at Grant Park just north of the band shell. The team is managed by North Section Clerk ERVIN HARMON and coached by South Section Motorman JOE RAYBURN. Come on gang, how about coming out and watching the ball games, and rooting them on to first place this year.

- Verna Hartney

#### TERMINAL INSPECTION SHOPS -

Best wishes to JAMES F. DALY who retired on April 1 after 28 years of service. Jim, who started out as a truckman's helper, was shop clerk at 61st Street...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES TOWNSEND, Dan Ryan, on the birth of their first child, a baby girl, on March 29. Best wishes to all...Mr. and Mrs. PAUL LOVELESS, Dan Ryan, became the proud grandparents of twins. The twins born to their daughter, TANYA, are a boy and a girl, an arrangement to keep everyone happy...Also awaiting a visit from the stork are the C. SMITHS, Dan Ryan...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. NELSON, Dan Ryan, on the purchase of their new home...A hearty welcome to J. L. NEELY, new car serviceman at Dan Ryan, and a farewell to JESSE CROSS who is leaving to return to 61st Street Shop...Best wishes to L. LACEY who entered the military service...Best wishes to ED TAYLOR, 61st Street, who took a disability pension on May 1. Here's hoping Ed enjoys many years of health and happiness...Welcome to new Car Servicemen L. FOBB and R. REUTELL at Howard...Best wishes to LEO ZIELINSKI who retired on April 1. Leo was a car serviceman at Howard. Our hopes for his continued health and happiness are sent his way...Touring the historic sites of Philadelphia is how P. McCABILL, Wilson, spent his vacation...T. MITCHELL, Wilson, took in the sights and sounds of old Ireland on his recent vacation...Enjoying a beautiful spring vacation were S. GARITI, M. O'MALLEY, F. VELINSKE, F. RAKSTIS, G. DAVICE, E. MIZEROCKI, M. KRISTMAN, M. HEIL, N. LICHVAR, and MATTHEW BUCHANAN.

- Ray Bryczek

#### WEST SECTION -

Pensioner WILLIAM HAWKINS, former motorman on Lake Street, proves you can't keep a good man down. Bill was cited for his volunteer work as one of the many "Friendly Visitors" to the City of Chicago hospitals. They go to the hospital wards to cheer up the patients, and do other odd jobs. Bill, this is a warm gesture, so keep up the good work...Out at the hospitals came some future employees. M. BOLDEN's wife gave birth to a baby boy. R. CORY's wife also gave birth to a 9 pound 6 ounce baby boy. For awhile there we were going to have a lottery on little ANDRE, it took him so long getting here. Even the doctor wasn't sure. F. MEAD's wife gave birth to a baby boy also. Little FRED, who was the baby, got very jealous, so dad brought him a puppy. One night while attending to the baby, they noticed Fred Jr. was missing from his bed. Searching the house, they found him in the cellar sleeping with his

puppy. He claimed that baby LARRY made too much noise and he couldn't sleep. Ain't that just like an old kid...Belated congratulations to Clerk ED PFANNKUCHEN who was made a great-grandfather when his granddaughter gave birth to a baby girl. The little lady was born on April 1, and that's no joke...Back off the sick list are G. CLARK, T. KING, and B. RADULSKI. Welcome back, fellows...Our sympathy to R. CANO and his family on the recent passing of his mother...To the following men goes belated birthday greetings: B. HANNAH, J. SMYLIE, F. BROWN, D. RUSSELL, J. HOLAKOVSKI, V. MORRIS, and K. O'FLAHERTY...On May 25 another one of our guys leaves for the air force. We wish W. SMITH a safe and good trip...A fellow that Uncle Sam cut loose sometime ago was L'MORDY GILES. He received his good conduct medal for eating, this young man even ate C-rations and still eats...Congratulations to TED GASIOROWSKI and his wife on their wedding anniversary. Congratulations to D. RENO and his lovely wife, FLORENCE, who celebrated their second anniversary. And please remember, Flo, that hair piece belongs to Danny. Many happy returns, kids...IKE HOUSTON please fix that broken screen door. I'm sure you wouldn't want your smart dog, Teddy, to run off...Men on the extra board, L. "Sugar Bear" WILLIAMS says to tell you all he is back home on Lake Street...Our new clerk on Lake Street is none other than A. WOODS who is doing a fine job...We are going to lose LEN KUKOWINSKI, our favorite clerk, to Jefferson Park. So you fellows take care of him or we will come over there and punch all of your transfers...On a vacation in Florida was C. McDERMOTT and his wife who are visiting friends and some relatives in Orlando and Miami...M. BELLEZZO and M. FIORE keep putting their IQ buttons on and taking them off again. They can't seem to make up their minds about smoking...Many of us responded to the CTA yell and scream campaign for a State appropriation. But let's not forget that we will have to do our part, as employees, to show them that we deserve these things...At Lake Street, gang, there seems to be a generation gap. My co-reporter, SANTO, is at present learning new four letter words, and I'm sure that F-R-E-E coffee isn't the word. So let's everyone pay their D-I-M-E, please! It's for the pension retirement parties. Remember you will all be over 30 soon, if not already, and we want to give you a happy send-off. See you all later, gang. And while you are on vacation drop us a line and bring back some snapshots of your trips. Have fun and enjoy the sun.

- Santo Scitiano & Lou Payne

#### 69TH STREET -

I started my vacation with a big bang. Someone smashed the side of my '60 Chevrolet while it was parked on Marshfield. DAVIDSON, who takes two or three minutes, knows a soft leader alright. He had his vacation moved up to match mine so he wouldn't have to follow anyone else...MICKEY YOUNG's son, EDWARD, was married on May 2 to CATHERINE SYPKOWSKI. Don't worry about Mickey, Mrs. YOUNG, because Supervisors R. McGRATH, NICK TRIFON, and JOHN SPOO are keeping the Mick in line on 59th street. All in all, it was a good pick with me going one way and Mickey the other and meeting at Morgan street...Last winter during one of our bad snow storms, KRAMER and MIKE PACHOLIK had a run-in with some big mean dogs. Mike threw everything he had including his wristwatch at them. WILLIE WILLIAMS was in front of the station when the dogs came after him. He was no match for them and



was very lucky that he had only a small bite or two before they ran off. . . WANTROBA and HAMMERSCHMIDT are sitting down nice and easy now since they both underwent surgery...The little guy who always collected silver coins, ALBERT J. JOZA, says, "I ain't got no more silver or half dollars." He traded them in on a new Chevrolet Nova... BERNARD PULICK's daughter, MARGARET, won a \$1,650 scholarship for Roosevelt university towards her masters degree for the fall term...I saw LOUIS R. MROZ and he looks great. He is now at West Shops and says hello to everyone...The Union restaurant has sure had its troubles. SCALLON had a kidney removed and the "iron man" was back to work in record time. GEORGE, the owner, is now working for the Federal government. SCOTTY HIGGINS couldn't decide which side of the Union to sit on when VI and her young daughter worked it together. VI solved the problem by baptizing him with a glass of water. . . TIM MURPHY was made a board member for the clerks and is doing a good job. . . LARRY (the clerk of clerks) spent a month in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In fact, he sent a card which showed just where he spent most of his time...ED SWANSON is working in the Employment Department at the Mart at this time. O'DONNELL and JOHNSON have to pay for their own coffee now. I saw Johnson carrying a hair dryer and he explained that it was for Swanson. Could it be that he is trying to impress the girls at the Mart? He should surely know that it won't grow hair...RALPH FRALE finally took some advice and had the young lady at the bakery slice the rolls and doughnuts in half. He now gets more for his money and the clerks eat less...ELMER GOBEILLE's son became the father of twins. A boy and a girl...Collector J. W. HENNESSY celebrated his 29th wedding anniversary on June 28. Here's hoping there are many more years of marital bliss ahead for you both...Janitor R. WARD picked the terminal at Beverly Station much to everyone's regret. Our chief janitor is now RUDY RAJ, SIG WODARCZYK is number 2, BOB JEROZAL, number 3, NATHAN ODOM, night janitor, LEROY MARSHALL is relief man, with E. "Red" GREEN working terminals...The silent reaper paused and took the following: SAM McDANIEL, the father-in-law of SAMUEL P. STOCKLING; Collector H. GERARD; J. BECKER, retired district superintendent and father of Clerk BARNEY BECKER, and JOHN MINOR who was on disability pension. To their families and loved ones, we at 69th Street extend our deepest sympathy...From the Repair Department and JIMMY AHERN, are reports that S. J. MURRY, bus repairman, is a nice guy and tries to help the drivers as much as he can...JOHN SHAW, former supervisor, paid us a visit. He had just returned from Florida and has a beautiful tan. He now resides in Indiana...JOE GAMEN is doing well in Orlando, Florida. GUS WESSEL and JOHNNY BURKE also reside in the same locality. Jim has their address in case anyone wishes to visit them. . . FRANK FLYNN, ABE TAYLOR, WALTER (Buck) KULIKASKAS, BILL ROBINSON, JIM LUNDY, GEORGE GACEK, V. ONDRIAS, M. DWYER, and MARTIN CAPLIS are all vacationing in sunny Florida...We wish DONALD BERGE much luck and happiness in his new job at 69th Street as relief foreman. Also to LENNY BATTANDO, the same on his transfer to Archer...Joining us is EDDIE SMOLINSKI who came as a repairman. Ed was an operator at 69th Street for many years. New men in the Repair Department are: J. DALY, J. JANKUS, F. COLLIER, and H. GEARRING. Do a good job, fellows, and you will have good luck...RONNY JOY transferred to 77th Street and FRANK DRISH went to Beverly...EDDIE PRUEMER retired and we wish him and his wife much happiness for

many years to come...Let's try to keep the steering wheel and seats clean, fellows. Dirt sure shows up on the new uniforms...Superintendents C. W. GIBES and JOHN LOGAY still extend an invitation for you to meet with them and talk about any problem you may have...Whatever you do, don't sign the work book and not scratch it out if you should take a charter for that day. I did it and man did I really catch it. In fact, I had to take a vacation down in Mobile and New Orleans to get over it...Happy vacations to one and all, and drop me a card or note, care of 69th Street Transit News. God bless all of you.

- Arthur P. Buesing

#### 77TH STREET -

I am sorry that our column didn't appear in the last issue of the Transit News, but because I didn't receive enough news for a full column, I have combined two months of news items for this issue. I am hopeful that we will have many news items to report, because of planned vacations, approaching marriages, and graduations...Operator RYE'S wife has been hospitalized in St. George's hospital due to wounds received from stray bullets while at work as a clerk in a cleaning store. We wish her a speedy recovery. . .The son of Assistant Station Superintendent ARTHUR SCHWEITZER has returned from Viet Nam where he served as a sergeant in the 101st Airborne Division. His parents are very happy that he is home again...Mrs. MANNIE COLLINS, the mother of Operator LOGAN COLLINS, was honored at an open house at St. John's A.M.E. church to celebrate her 88th birthday. Mrs. Collins has another son, EARL, and a daughter, Mrs. BETTYE BRYANT, both residents of Springfield, Illinois. Mrs. Collins also has 12 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. Our congratulations to her...The 77th Street Station has reduced its accident record for three consecutive years. Congratulations to all the bus operators for their excellent operating skills, and let's all strive to make it "four in a row". Because of our good driving record for the month of April, we were again treated to coffee by the station superintendents...The softball team has begun its practice sessions for the coming softball league competition, sponsored by Division 241 and the CTA. The team is coached by CHARLIE JOHNSON. On to victory, fellows...Best wishes to BILL WEBB who recently became a grandfather when his daughter, BONNIE, gave birth to a 6 pound 3 ounce baby boy on May 10. Bonnie's husband is RICH RABICH, and the baby will answer to the name of RICHARD THOMAS RABICH...REMEL JONES, the daughter of Operator ULYSSES JONES, was graduated from Thomas J. Kellar High school in Robbins, Illinois. Her father has promised her a trip to California as one of her graduation gifts...On April 24 Division 241 Basketball League held its First Annual Awards Dinner with CTA management and Division 241 doing the honors. The four teams that made the play-offs received beautiful trophies. The catered banquet was also attended by the wives and sweethearts of the players. Station Superintendent KNERR and Assistant Superintendent WSOL were also present. Thanks to all the fellows who gave us their support...We extend our deepest sympathy to the following families: to Operator MARSHALL FOSTER and his family in the loss of his beloved mother; to the NEIL KINNISH family in the loss of Neil's father, and to Operator RAYMOND JOHNSON and his family in the loss of his father.

- Eloise Gresham



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