

TRANSIT NEWS

MAY, 1971

EMPLOYE SAFETY CONTEST Shops & Equipment Dept.



61st STREET TERMINAL



52nd STREET GARAGE



SKOKIE SHOPS

SAFETY AWARDS

1971 1st Quarter

INTERSTATION SAFETY CONTEST Transportation Dept.



DAN RYAN STATION



BEVERLY STATION

First Winners Named For Shops ESC Awards

SHOPS EMPLOYES recently participated in ceremonies which took place at the three Shops and Equipment Department locations named as the first winners in the new Employe Safety Contest (ESC). Typical were festivities at Skokie Shops (at right) where coffee and rolls were served following the award presentation.

The new ESC makes shops employes more aware of their personal safety and gives recognition every three months to men at work locations achieving the best safety performance. So that locations doing similar types of work can compete against each other, the contest is divided into three separate competitions—one for the 12 surface garages, one for the 11 rapid transit maintenance terminals, and one for the two main shops facilities. The selection of a winner for each quarter is based on the number of injuries per 1 million man-hours worked.

OUR COVER: Five CTA locations excelled in their respective areas of safety competition and were presented awards for their achievements during the first quarter of 1971. Shown accepting the Employe Safety Contest certificates and Interstation Safety Contest plaques are the following:

61st Street Terminal——Foreman John J. Molloy is accepting the ESC rapid transit terminal award from Superintendent of Rapid Transit Maintenance Terminals Anthony J. Porcaro.

52nd Street Garage——Foreman Gustave Pavelka is accepting the ESC award in the surface garage competition from Supervisor of Garages Jerome Anderson.

Skokie Shops—Joseph R. Bolech, superintendent of rapid transit shops & terminals, is accepting the ESC shops competition award from Superintendent of Shops and Equipment George J. Clark.

Dan Ryan Terminal——Superintendent Edward J. Heatter is being presented the ISC rapid transit system plaque by Superintendent of Transportation David M. Flynn.

Beverly Station—Superintendent George Evans accepts the ISC surface system plaque from David M. Flynn, superintendent of transportation.



The first quarter winners were 52nd Street in the surface competition with a frequency rate of zero, 61st-Calumet and 63rd-Racine in the rapid transit competition with a zero rate, and Skokie Shops in the shops competition with a frequency rate of 84.1.

9 SURFACE STATIONS CITED

FOR 1970 SAFETY RECORDS

CITED BY the Greater Chicago Safety Council for reducing their accident experience in 1970 as compared to 1969 were 9 out of 12 surface operating stations. Shown here with Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn are superintendents who accepted the Safety Council's Transportation Awards on behalf of operating employes at their respective stations: from left, Archer Station Superintendent G. D. Peyton, North Park Station Superintendent R. K. Keag, Lawndale Station Assistant Superintendent F. J. Vitek, North Avenue Station Superintendent W. J. Moser, Mr. Flynn, 52nd Street Station Superintendent J. H. Lynch, Keeler Station Superintendent R. W. Christian, 77th Street Station Superintendent J. A. Knerr, 69th Street Station Superintendent C.W. Gibes, and Kedzie Station Assistant Superintendent G. W. Daubs.





Michael Cafferty Elected Chairman Of Transit Board

MICHAEL CAFFERTY, former acting assistant secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation, was unanimously elected chairman of Chicago Transit Board on Tuesday, May 18, to succeed the late George L. DeMent.

Mr. Cafferty, 46, was appointed as Board member by Mayor Richard J. Daley on April 21 and the formalities of the appointment were concluded on May 11 when he took the oath of office. He completes the term of Mr. DeMent which expires September 1,1973.

Mr. Cafferty was graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in economics and later with a law degree from the same university. He has been engaged in the practice of law since 1951.

He served as legal counsel and legislative assistant to Senator Henry M. Jackson from 1959 to 1961 and as special assistant to Alan Boyd, then chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board, from 1961 to 1965.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER his election at the May 13 Board meeting, Mr. Cafferty took his position as chairman between Board Members James R. Quinn (left) and William W. McKenna, vice chairman and secretary of the Board, respectively.

As consultant and special adviser to Mayor J. D. Braman of Seattle, from 1965 to 1969, he worked on the Seattle Transportation Plan.

In 1969, Mr. Cafferty was named deputy assistant secretary for Urban Systems and Environment of the U.S. Department of Transportation. He has been acting assistant secretary since 1970.

A RECEPTION for the newly-elected chairman following the Board meeting provided an opportunity for Mr. Cafferty to meet with CTA management and individuals who work closely with the Authority. Mr. Cafferty and his wife, Pastora, were introduced to those who attended by General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor. They are shown in the center picture with, from left, Operating Manager Charles E. Keiser; Gene Hogan, district Manager of transportation sales for General Electric company; Joseph R. Bolech, superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals, and in the picture at right with Warren Scholl, president of Division 241 of the Amalgamated Transit Union.



Insurance Department Advises

HELP US TO HELP YOU

NOW, WITH Major Medical expense benefits available to eligible CTA employes and their enrolled dependents in addition to the basic hospital and surgical insurance, it is more important than ever that the proper bills be presented when claims are made.

You can help to process your claim faster by being sure to submit only itemized bills. Doctor's bills must have <u>all</u> the following information: (1) Name of patient. (2) Date service was given. (3) Description of service given. (4) Charge for service.

Receipts for prescriptions must contain the following information: (1) Name of patient. (2) Date prescription was filled. (3) Doctor's name. (4) Prescription number. (5) Charge for prescription.

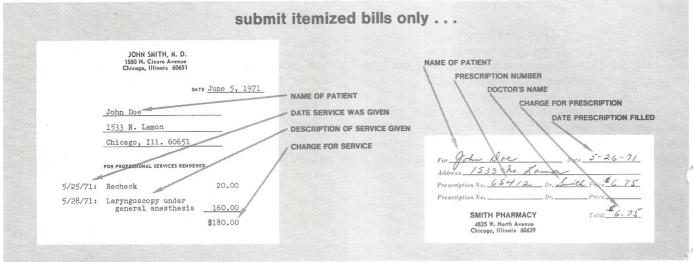
Examples of items which <u>cannot</u> be accepted for insurance coverage include cancelled checks and cash

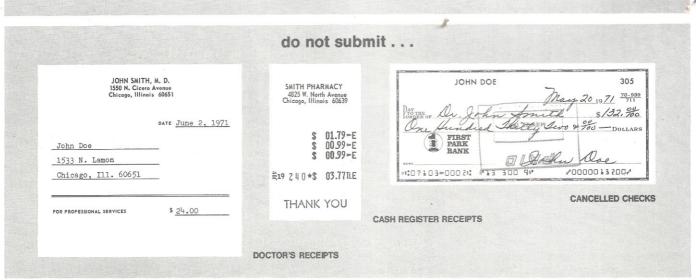
receipts which do not provide the required information listed above.

Remember to file all basic claims as soon as possible after an accident or illness occurs, including claims for out-patient lab and X-ray or surgery (inpatient and out-patient).

Major Medical claims should be filed as soon as out-of-pocket costs exceed \$100 for each covered person during a calendar year--do not file a claim or forward bills until you have accumulated the required \$100 per-person cost.

Claims for employes should be filed by using the regular "Hospital, Surgical or Diagnostic Notice" form (the lower portion of form No. 7530). Claims for dependents should be filed on the regular "Dependent Claim" form. Both forms may be obtained at your work location.







53 Complete CTA Training Programs

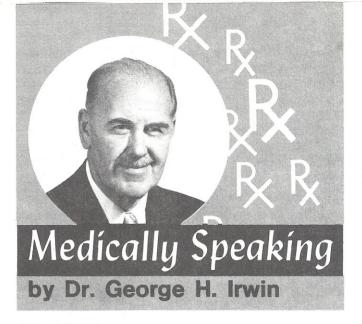
GRADUATION CERTIFICATES were recently presented to CTAers who completed the Transportation Department surface traffic supervisor training program and the Electrical Department signal and interlocking training program.

Members of the 31-man supervisor's class pictured above have been assigned to the pool and are available to fill in as needed when vacancies occur. Listed in alphabetical order, the graduates include: L. Armstrong, G. Booker, O. Boothroyd, J. Burns, C. Clark, A. Connor, D. Daley, E. Daniels, G. Doherty, F. Gibbs, D. Giles, C. Hickman, E. Hoff, R. Howard, N. Keller, M. Kozak, V. Martin, H. Mathus, M. McLoud, R. Miller, W. Morris, C. Owens, O. Peters, J. Phillips, E. Reaux, C. Schindler, C. Silas, H. Smith, R. Tierney, E. White, W. White, R. Williamson, and R. Zirkle. With the graduates in the picture are (at left) Assistant Superintendent of Surface Operations T. J. Shanahan, Operations Control Superintendent

C. B. Batterson, District Superintendent R. F. Reighard, and (at right) District Superintendent R. H. Kugelard, Superintendent of Surface Operations R. Dagenais, and District Superintendent E. O'Connell.

The 22 graduates of the Electrical Department course pictured below were instructed in the operation and maintenance of rapid transit block signals and interlocking plants and have been placed in a pool to be appointed signal helpers as vacancies occur. Class members, pictured here with Operating Manager C. E. Keiser and Signal Superintendent C. L. Wiksten include, from left: front row--E. McClinton Jr., J. R. Oddo, P. C. Jankowski, D. Hawkins, Mr. Wiksten, Mr. Keiser, A. J. DiCristofano, A. Peluso, J. Reidy, and L. Griffith Sr. Standing--D. L. Coots, A. D. Nesbitt, J. W. Clemens, E. Delaney Jr., D. J. Grudecki, J. C. Long, W. R. Albrecht, J. J. Rombout, R. G. Bedoe, H. L. Young, A. W. Coli, G. G. Thivel, E. J. Wilson, and H. B. Murry.





HEADACHES, doctors agree, are the most common complaint of patients seen in their offices. It is estimated that 75 to 85 per cent of the people in the United States have headaches during a lifetime.

In plain terms, headache means pain in the head. If you have missed a meal or your menstrual period or had trouble with your mother-in-law, your boss, or discomfort from New Years morning hangover, you are a candidate for a headache. The human misery, lost work efficiency, and amount of money spent for headaches is unbelievable.

It should be emphasized that a headache is not a disease but rather a symptom. As such, it is usually a manifestation of some abnormal physical, physiological, chemical, psychic or emotional change affecting the pain-sensitive structures of the head, either within or outside the skull.

Authorities say that nine times out of ten, headaches fall in the groups just mentioned above. It is the one case out of ten which may have an organic basis for headaches such as a brain tumor or high blood pressure.

Generally speaking, the mechanism which produces headaches may be described in the following manner. In the first group there is an irritation of the skin (scalp), nerves, mucous membranes, or a muscle spasm. In the second group, the mechanism consists of a change in the circulatory or vascular pressure within the skull. There are many different causes of headaches, but regardless of cause, they are all produced by either nerve irritation or circulatory pressure changes. Incidentally, about 90 per cent of chronic headaches are of the latter type.

Some of the more clinical forms or types of headaches are as follows: (1) Migraine. (2) Tension headaches due to muscular contraction. (3) Facial neuralgias from irritation or inflammation of certain nerves. (4) Headaches associated with disturbances of cranial or skull structures such as the eyes, nose, ear, sinuses, muscle or bone abnormalities, and organic brain disease such as tumors. (5) Headaches due to systemic circulatory or vascular disturbance such as high blood pressure, aneurysms (a bulge on one of the cerebral arteries), allergy, various fevers, and infections. (6) Post traumatic or injury headaches, including severe contusions or blows, concussions, and skull fractures. (7) Psychogenic or headaches of nervous origin.

Each form of headache in the above classification usually has certain characteristics which help the doctor to make the proper diagnosis. In addition careful history and physical examinations are routine diagnostic procedures. In the unusual cases of brain tumors and hemorrhages, proper evaluation may require laboratory tests and X-rays, including brain scans, electro-encephalograms, cerebral angiograms and spinal punctures.

Most headaches do not have serious significance but they usually annoy, irritate, or reduce the efficiency of the sufferer. However, there is the rare headache which does have a very serious aspect, such as tumors just mentioned above. Another rare type is the subdural hemorrhage which follows a blow on the head. The misleading feature of this injury is that the headache may not occur for a week or more.

Migraine headaches are mentioned here because they constitute a fairly large percentage of all headaches. Common characteristics include a hereditary relationship and recurrent tendency in a very nervous person. Also they are usually on one side of the head and frequently are associated with visual disturbances, nausea, vomiting, and mental depression.

The treatment of the ordinary headache usually is fairly simple. However, in the obscure case it may be difficult. Analgesic tablets (aspirin), along with moderate exercise followed by complete relaxation, frequently give relief to most headaches. However, one must remember that certain drugs in certain persons can cause headaches as well as relieve them. Finally, the successful treatment usually depends on the determination of the specific cause.

In ancient times, holes were drilled in the skull to let the "misery" out. This treatment is now passe, although in rare cases of brain tumors a decompression operation may be the only logical procedure.

All too often the individual practices or follows self medication too long. Do not experiment and do not contribute to the 300 or 400 million dollars which is being spent by the public for self medication each year. SEE YOUR DOCTOR if headaches persist or keep on recurring.

Board Member for 14 Years, Mrs. Van der Vries Retires



THE 14-YEAR tenure of the first and only woman member of Chicago Transit Board, Mrs. Bernice T. Van Der Vries, will draw to a close with her retirement during June. Pictured above at a recent luncheon in the M&M Club, Mrs. Van Der Vries was honored by Mayor Richard J. Daley, former Governor William G. Stratton, her fellow Board members, and the CTA staff.

Mrs. Van Der Vries became a Board member during January, 1957, after being appointed by Governor Stratton. A resident of Evanston, she has been a daily CTA rider since joining the Board and has always been mindful of the problems of operating a transit system. Commenting on her performance as a Board member, CTA General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor said, "She has been an excellent Board member and has always displayed a woman's intuition of seeing the things that could create problems."

Prior to her CTA appointment, Mrs. Van Der Vries had served for 22 years as State Representative of the old 7th District, comprised of most of suburban Cook County and parts of five Chicago wards. Before entering the General Assembly in 1934 she served in her first public office as a Winnetka council member for two years.

To fill the vacancy on the Board created by Mrs. Van Der Vries' retirement, Governor Richard B. Ogilvie has appointed another suburbanite, Lawrence G. Sucsy of Evanston, to a term expiring September 1, 1977.

New Appointments Announced In Transportation Department

BULLETINS ANNOUNCING the appointment of nine Transportation Department employes to new supervisory positions were issued recently by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn.

Effective May 2, the following personnel were appointed to new posts at surface operating stations: W. J. Moser, North Avenue Station superintendent; F. J. Vitek, Lawndale Station assistant superintendent; J. P. McEvilly, Archer & Lawndale Stations relief superintendent; E. J. Weston, Limits & Keeler Stations senior instructor; J. G. Steinbach, Lawndale Station senior instructor, and W. R. Parnum, North Avenue Station senior instructor. The appointments were approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

Appointments made in connection with the Monitor System, a federally-financed project for the research and development of the automatic bus monitoring system, became effective May 9. Named as project manager was M. J. Lukes and as assistant to project manager, K. Pliuksis.

C. W. Gibes was named assistant superintendent of operating stations on June 1 by Mr. Flynn, with the approval of Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.



AN ATHLETIC teenager, Edwin Jefferson, served recently as Junior General Manager of CTA during the 1971 Chicago Youth

Week and is shown here with General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor. Edwin, who is a senior at Roosevelt High school, was sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is a "B" average student, a guard on Roosevelt's basketball team, an end on the football team, and a tennis team member also. Edwin plans to continue his education after graduation in June and will attend Kendall college in Evanston on a scholarship. He plans to pursue a career in journalism.

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THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

CURTIS BURRELL's sister, ROSALIND SUZZETTE BURRELL, is an outstanding teenager. She recently was awarded a \$1,000 grant from the State under the stipulation that for each \$250 she will teach one year in the State of Illinois. She plans to attend the University of Illinois at Urbana, where she will major in special education for handicapped children...We extend a welcome to CHARLES WROBEL who transferred to Accounting from the Treasury Department on April 19...Our sympathy and condolences go to SIG SHONTS and his family on the death of his brother, EUGENE SHONTS, on April 2...JEAN WRIGHT spent part of her vacation around home getting that cleaning done, and then she went up to New Lisbon, Wisconsin, to visit her mother who is 91 years of age ... RAY CORBEL spent his vacation catching up with the painting around the house ... ESTELLE KALECKAS spent a week's vacation relaxing at

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

(Payroll) -

After a long siege with a cantankerous shoulder which required surgery, MARIE COARI returned to the fold as her normal effervescent self. We are glad her recovery was complete, for we missed her and we were very happy to put out the welcome mat... MARY JANE HOSTETTER was the good samaritan again when she served as chauffeur for two of her relatives who had bought a home and were moving to Florida. She drove their car to Bonita Springs, Florida, near Fort Myers, a distance of 1,313 miles, and being a good driver she made the trip in $2\frac{1}{2}$ uneventful days. The entourage consisted of her two aunts, their two dogs, and one cat. She reported that the weather was great, and they enjoyed swimming in the Gulf of Mexico before she and her son, JIM, flew back to Chicago. Since it was Jim's first plane trip, he was excited and thrilled with the flight...MARY BLACKMORE was a patient in West Suburban hospital where she underwent surgery. We send her our very best wishes for a speedy recovery.

- Clara Lawrence

(Tabulating) -

Our sympathy is extended to BOB RISE whose father, JAMES RISE, passed away April 9 in Bridgeman, Michigan...We are all happy to know that MARYANNE BUCKLEY, the daughter-in-law of MARIAN BUCKLEY, is recuperating quickly after a serious illness.

- Evelyn Leu

BEVERLY -

This month we salute Operator WILLIAM JONES for exemplary courtesy to his passengers, and Operator IRV HENDERSON who, in his quiet way, always does an outstanding job. We always like a commendation, and we have many fine men who fulfill their jobs without fanfare. We also have men who can't hold a conversation without every other word being a six-letter one of obscenity. This may

be the only way they can express themselves and be noticed, but it sure doesn't sound nice. If the shoe fits—wear it...We tip our hats to CINDY WEILER, the wife of Operator IRV WEILER, who donated sweaters, dresses, blouses, and many items for the patients at Manteno State hospital for Easter. Thanks, Cindy, the only reward we can give is that you made many girls very happy. I wish you could have seen the smiles on their faces. God bless you, and keep the faith...We express our deepest sympathy to Operator GEORGE EPHGRAVE in the loss of his mother, and to the family of BOB BLAIR who went to his eternal reward.

Well, it's springtime, in name only, for we still have a baby "hawk" hanging around. Maybe by the time this is in print we will have some good weather...Here is a scoop--District A Superintendent EDDIE O'CONNELL has something to crow about. His wife, RUTH, is an artist. She has some very fine pieces on display in Dolton. She began painting five years ago as therapy after suffering a heart attack, and now it's her major hobby. She is a member of the S. E. Art League...Operator WILLIE KELLEY just returned from Rochester, New York, where he attended a meeting of his lodge, Northern States Knights of Peter Claver...Operator O. G. SCROGGINS sure wishes he was back on Pullman following your co-reporter, AMOS FOS-TER. He said that as long as I keep helping the old ladies off the bus with their shopping bags, he has it easy. What he doesn't know is that I got a commendation out of it, and I am now a member of the Courtesy Caravan... Operator L. T. (Scotty the Big One) SCOTT is having a ball on West 103rd. I hope he stays there, for I had to follow him years ago out at Kedzie, and old men never change--they just get faster and meaner...DONNA SHEA, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES HARRIS, is spending clean-up week in Spain. She is a classmate of my daughter, JOAN SHELTON, at Chicago Vocational school where they are both seniors and will graduate in June.

- 7om Daniels & Amos Foster

CTA POLICE -

DON KUSCH was hospitalized after being hit by another auto while he was in his radio car. He is home now and getting better...There are quite a few proud fathers among us. ED and BARBARA GARNER are the proud parents of PATRICIA EILEEN; BRUCE and KAREN HENDERSHOT's latest is a son, SHAWN, and JIM LELIOSH has a bundle of joy named JAMES Jr. The Leliosh family are now neighbors with former CTA officers NEWBERRY, LATIN, UN-DERWOOD, and SMITH out in Romeoville ... GORDON PUR-TELL's son, KEVIN, received his first communion, and his daughter, ANNETTE, was confirmed at St. Robert's church...Chips was just a homeless mutt roaming around Wilson Shops until BILL JAQUEST befriended the fourlegged fellow...HEINZ VOGT's home in Lisle will be kept secure by Duke, a young German shepherd...CHARLIE and CAROLYN BERGLUND will be out to hook the big ones at Kee-Nee-Moo-Shaw lodge in Minnesota during their vacation...JIM CONSENTINO is going to Florida for a few days. .. Welcome aboard to trainees JAMES LaFOLLETTE, box puller at Archer, and GEORGE (Jungle) BONESS, mechanic at North Park...ROGER (There's a hooker) KIRCHWAY has left us to go to Texas. One of the many rumors about Roger is that he is now with the Texas Rangers...Lt. RAY LOHSE will be showing the trainees the ways of the CTA police. His son, DON, who is with the CTA Task Force detail, has been active on the North Side "L" lines. Former CTA officer FRED STONE is now with the CTA Task Force on the West Side...GREG ZITO and BILL GROSSMANN are reported to be heavier than they used to be...The St. Jude League annual march and communion Sunday is May 23. Thanks to Lt. KELLY of the CTA Task Force for his kind memorandum regarding the status of the CTA police officers...JOHN FIRLINGER, ROY SCHNEIDER, and DAN MARTINIAK rescued an 18-year old youth who had been pushed in front of a train at Randolph-Washington in the State subway. The offenders were arrested. Lt. ROBERT McELROY and PHILLIP THOMAS also made several arrests. Lt. McElroy and Thomas with ED BUGAL arrested a man with a gun at Adams-Wabash shortly after this offender had made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the State-Van Buren agent. BILL JAQUEST and your scribe had occasion to arrest two youthful purse snatchers on a train at Lovola. The assistance of Conductor E. GILLESPIE made the arrest possible. Gillespie's alertness prevented serious injury to the victim, a 51-year old woman who was being dragged along a platform by a moving train. This was a good example of CTA Teamwork. Mutual trust and friendship between ourselves and with other CTA people will lead to cooperation that can often mean the difference between just taking a report on another unsolved offense or making a good arrest...The Operations Control Center has extended an invitation to the CTA Police to visit the Radio Room. Just check with Mr. GRAVER before going up there. The radio dispatchers will be glad to talk things over and the Monitor-CTA is right there, along with the line supervisors and the power supervisors. KSA-977 averages a transmission every 90 seconds, 24 hours a day, every day of the year... Keep your fingers crossed. As of the last week of April those wonderful law enforcement assistance projects were still in the works. Anyone seeking to file a motion that they have been left out of the Transit News is overruled. Just send a note to your scribe in care of the office with whatever news you have.

- Timothy O'Mahony

ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -)

Well, the old saying, "No news is good news", is not true in our case. It leaves me with nothing to report. I do hope by the time our next column is due, I will have heard from the 37 men in the building gang, the 33 men in power engineering, the 26 men in substation maintenance, and the 50 men of the surface division...Our deepest sympathy to the family of JAMES MURPHY who passed away on March 31...We welcome WALTER COLLINS, RICHARD COOK, and JAMES REGAN to the Electrical Department.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

Springtime is the perfect time to travel. Ask anyone who "got away" from it all recently...BOB FERGUSON, building wiring supervisor, and his wife, MAY, enjoyed a wonderful vacation in California. They flew to Los Angeles to spend the Easter holiday with their son, ROBERT, a pet-

THIS LITTLE cherub is JENETTE ANN LA FLEUR, the one-month old granddaughter of JOHN J. Mc-GOVERN, Claim Department.



ty officer third class, who was on a short leave from Lemoore Naval Station. He joined his parents on trips to Disneyland, Knotts Berry Farm, and the giant Redwoods and then returned to his base. The Fergusons also drove to Mexico for more sightseeing and gift shopping. They then flew to San Francisco, which is about 200 miles from where their son is stationed, and visited with him before returning home...KEN MIKOTA, engineer of building maintenance, returned tanned and rested from a vacation in Tucson, Arizona. He and his family spent the Easter holiday with the parents of his wife, FRAN, who retired to Arizona two years ago.

- Kay McAlister

ENGINEERING -

Our get well wishes are out to JIM JOHNSON who is now home after an operation and is reported as coming along fine. Also to FRED PETRINO who is home from the hospital but still on the sick list. We hope both of you will be back on your feet very soon. After all, it's no fun being sick...PAT FLYNN, who was a clerk-typist, stepped up a grade and took a job in the Employment Department as a clerk-stenographer. We all hope she likes her new position, but we're sorry to see her go. We'll miss Giggles. she was really a barrel of laughs...The welcome mat is out to MOSES SAMPSON, new architectural design draftsman in the Architectural Section. We hope he will enjoy working for the CTA...It was nice seeing VINCE SHUBAT again when he stopped in for a short visit with his old friends in Engineering. Vince retired from CTA last year. He was with his brother, BOB, who is returning to Yugoslavia for the summer ... Well, we have a hero in the Civil Engineering Division. Recently, on the first floor of the Mart, a man was seen running from the Merchandise Mart bank. He had passed a bad check, with no success. The guards from the bank were chasing him. Forgetting his size, but remembering his civic duty, ABEL GOVEA put his leg out, tripped the man, and in the next few moments the guards were escorting the man back to the bank for questioning. Abel, you really saved the day and here's hoping that the bank appreciated your effort. Oh, I failed to mention that 'ChickenHAWK" was with Abel at the time...JACK O'REILLY and his wife, EILEEN, and their son, TOM, spent a pleasant two weeks at Eastertime in Florida. After arranging for construction of a new home on Lake Angela in Deltona, they motored from Daytona Beach to Miami Beach, then across Alligator Alley through the Everglade fires to Naples, and on down the Gulf Coast to Panama City and Long Beach.

INSIDE NEWS



ROBERT C. FERGUSON, the son of ROBERT FERGUSON, Electrical Department, was recently promoted to the rank of Petty Officer Third Class at Lemoore Naval Air Station in California.

They cast their vote for the three seasons enjoyed in Florida...JOE URBASZEWSKI was very popular on April 22 when his wife, CHRISTINE, gave birth to their second child weighing 6 pounds 13 ounces. The child, which has outside plumbing, was born on April 22 at Illinois Masonic hospital and was named JEFFREY PAUL. We send our congratulations to both Chris and Joe and know that baby Jeff will be in good hands.

(West Shops) -

I'm sure everyone has seen the beautiful tan that Bricklayer Foreman CHARLIE SCHREY is sporting since his return from vacation. He and his wife spent 18 days traveling all over Arizona. Their main stops were in Scottsdale where they visited with their daughter who resides there, and to visit the property they own in Tucson. After the beautiful sunny weather they enjoyed in Arizona, it was quite a shock to return to Chicago and its chilly weather ... Electrician JOE CHRISTOI spent a week of his vacation at home. His only comment was that his wife certainly kept him busy...Your West Shops reporter, MARY GALLON, recently returned from a week's vacation. She spent a couple of days in her hometown, Peoria, Illinois, where she celebrated her sixth wedding anniversary. The rest of the time she spent at home getting thoroughly involved in the television soap operas and quiz shows that are so much a part of daytime TV...Our condolences to the family of Carpenter ED ANDRACKI who passed away recently...We are happy to see ROBERT BARNES, laborer, back to work after being off for six months with a broken leg, foot, and arm he suffered after having a bad fall. Welcome back, Robert... Steamfitter JIM FLORES and his family recently attended his son's first holy communion. Immediately after church service, they left for the Indiana Dunes for a camping trip. Jim said they had an enjoyable weekend and are looking forward to their next camping trip...WEST SHOPS FLASH: What steamfitter is getting to be known as the 'turnstile kid?"

- Linda LeMonnier & Mary Gallon

FOREST GLEN -

It's that time of the year when the love bug bites, says Supervisor KEN CZACHOWSKI who took the lovely PAT SWIATEK as his bride on May 8 at the Church of the Five Holy Martyrs. The newlyweds honeymooned in the Hawaiian Islands...Operator E. L. BRZECZEK and his beautiful

wife were presented with another grandson, THOMAS E. STARZYK, on March 7. The happy parents are Mr. and Mrs. G. J. STARZYK. This brings the total of Brzeczek grandchildren to eight. He's hoping for a baseball team before it's all over...Operator REINHART says his grandson, RICKY ODDO, is now stationed in Viet Nam with the 299th Engineer Battalion, and is now a specialist 4th class. Ricky sent a tape recording of his voice and you can hear the big guns in the background... From the Repair Department--KEN JOHNSON, p.m. foreman, retired on March 1. ED (Cookie) KUKLEWICZ replaced him as p.m. foreman ... JOE WARD was promoted to relief foreman, while CHAR-LIE CLINE, the assistant day foreman, went over to Keeler Garage, and in his place is JIM BYRNES. The day foreman is JOHN JOYCE. I understand these are all fine gentlemen. Good luck, fellows ... JOHN PONDELL retired on May 1, and the gang will miss him. John has a brother who is quite an operator. Of course, we all know WALLY PONDELL...Our hearts go out to District Supervisor PAT KEHOE who recently lost his daughter... Men, do be accident alert, don't tailgate. Start up slow and make smooth stops. We are carrying quite a few elderly people. Do your best to get close to the curb. Remember, service is what we want to deliver...Our thanks to management for the coffee. Maybe next time we will be getting rolls. Of course, Superintendent PETERSON will cough up for us fellows if we keep up the good work... Your credit union is open and ready to serve you whether it be a small or large loan. So see the boys with the big smiles.

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

GENERAL OFFICE (Law) -

MARVIN P. LUCKMAN, attorney, with his wife and family flew down to Clearwater, Florida, to enjoy a sunny vacation...CLARENCE VESELY, messenger, will take his pension on June 1 and move to Yuma, Arizona, to enjoy retirement with his wife.

(Insurance) -

MARY ANN WALLACE, stenographer, has been flashing a diamond ring which was given to her by JAMES BURNS... ANTOINETTE (Toni) MISETIC at the present time is home recuperating and would enjoy hearing from her friends and co-workers. Hurry and get well as we sure miss your smiling face at the front desk.

(Reproduction Services) -

The welcome mat was extended to MARGUERITE LONGO, steno I, who transferred from the Employment Department. A correction is being made in this issue as to Marguerite's fiancee's name, it is MICHAEL RUFFULO, and the wedding plans are set for September 25.

(Medical) -

RITA WANTROBA, registered X-ray technician, spent a week's vacation in and around Chicago and Oak Park spending her money and enjoying the beautiful summy weather...HARRY SOREGHEN, medical technician, spent his four-week vacation in and around the city working in the garden, catching up on his housework, and taking Heidi for a walk. By the way, Harry, how is your copper bracelet? Any luck?..Dr. ERICH GROSS and his wife flew down to Scottsdale, Arizona, for a two-week vacation enjoying the warm weather, which we understand was delightful...Dr. P. PIERZYNSKI, as a belated 29th wedding anniversary

gift, is taking his wife by airplane to London, Paris, and Rome. This will be her first flight abroad and will be a surprise. Happy landing to both of you, and congratulations from the Medical staff...ARLENE PURALEWSKI, clerktypist, and her husband, TOM, decided to take up bike riding as a hobby. They both purchased bicycles, and as soon as work is done they go bike riding to build up an appetite and keep their figures.

(Employment) -

The welcome mat was extended to PATRICIA FLYNN, stenographer...FRANK BRADY and his wife flew for a week's vacation in sunny Florida...JOHN STEINMETZ spent two weeks with the naval reserve in Fallon, Nevada, just outside of Reno. John, watch out for those rebound girls from Reno.

(Office Services) -

ROY COLCORD, electrician, flew down to Miami and Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, for a week of sunny vacationing and to visit relatives.

(Training & Accident Prevention) -

As of this writing, PAT DUNEK is confined to Illinois Masonic hospital and we all wish her a speedy recovery... We were glad to see LENNY LOHN back to work after his stay in the hospital. You sure look good...Well, our boy, ART HUBACZ, has been traveling again. He spent the weekend at the Sheraton-Philadelphia hotel attending a convention of the national executive committee meeting of the Polish Legion of American Veterans.

(Research & Planning) -

After 42 years of service with CTA, HERMAN ANDERS retired on May 1. The open house for Herman was attended by many of his friends and co-workers. He was also the guest of honor at Martini's restaurant where members of Research/Planning, accompanied by their husbands, wives, and friends, gathered for dinner to wish Herman the best of luck. After cocktails and a delicious meal everyone relaxed in their chairs and enjoyed the cartoon slides drawn by Herman's friends entitled, "The Saga of Herman Anders." To add to the evening's entertainment, G. KRAM-BLES, superintendent of R/P, showed slides taken while he was in Tel Aviv, Israel, where he was recently called for consultation regarding the new high-speed subway and busrail system. In conclusion, Mr. Krambles extended our best wishes to Herman for many happy and healthy years ahead. We'll miss you, Herman, don't forget your old friends at CTA...GEORGE MACAK and a couple of train collector friends were up at 1:30 a.m. one Sunday morning and drove to Monroe, Michigan, a distance of 300 miles, to a train collector's meeting. They made it back to Chicago by 8 p.m. the same day. How's that for being devoted train fans ?..MIKE DALEY's wife, SALLY, was in Nebraska for a week visiting with her old cohorts at Dana college. Among her luggage were bundles of her paintings which she was asked to exhibit at the college. We don't think Mike enjoyed doing all of his own cooking, but he tells us he's now an expert (personally we wouldn't want to sample any of it)...One of JOHN O'CONNOR's many female admirers brought him a little plant for his office. John couldn't remember the technical name of the plant, so to save a lot of trouble we just named it "Plant." Not to be outdone, MARY ELLEN RUSS brought one of her plants to work. Every day the plants are watered, put near the sun, and even measured for growth. On April 5, John's plant was $5\frac{1}{4}$ inches

high and Mary Ellen's towered at 6 inches. John was sure his would grow faster. Well, we measured again on April 30 and John's plant is now $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches and Mary Ellen's is 7 inches. Keep watching for our next Transit News article for further results of the battle of the plants, which should do fine considering the amount of hot air and fertilizer that Research/Planning is accused of producing.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

Superintendents M. HARRINGTON and G. DAUBS wish to thank all the operators for cutting down on our passenger complaints. Because of this we had coffee on management and sweet rolls from our friendly credit union. If we cut down on our traffic accidents we can make a better showing in the interstation competition. This we can do if we strive just a little harder, then we can have coffee and rolls again. Our Instruction Department, consisting of Instructors JACKSON, BENNETT, and KOCAR, can boast of a job well done...Congratulations to T. J. HEFFERNAN, treasurer of Kedzie credit union, who was elected president of the Illinois Credit Union League on April 3. His lovely wife, CATHERINE, was there to share this momentous occasion. Also on hand were a few friends to wish him well in his new position. Ted has been in the credit union movement for 33 years. He will still be serving us at Kedzie, as his new office renders no salary, just a great achievement for Ted...Operator and Mrs. FRANK KAISHER announced the engagement of their daughter, TERRY FRANCES, to LAWRENCE W. STARK of West Chicago. Terry, a graduate of Northern Illinois university, is now teaching the seventh grade in Batavia, Illinois. Mr. Stark received his bachelor of science degree from Northern Illinois university and is now working for his masters degree in geography. The wedding date has been set for July 17, 1971...Don't forget Division 241's golf tournament on July 19. Keep this date open. For more information, see your board members, WILLIAM LARSEN or WILLIAM REYNOLDS...Operator J. RICHARDSON visited Pensioner SID ENGELHARD and he is doing real great. Sid says hello to all the fellows at Kedzie...To everyone at Kedzie having a birthday or wedding anniversary we send our best wishes for many, many more...On the sick list at this writing is Box Puller G. SULLIVAN and R. CARTER. Both are confined in Northwest Community hospital. Operator J. SCAN-LON underwent surgery at West Suburban hospital. I hope by the time this issue is out they will be back on the job ...

THIS CHUBBY little fellow is CRAIG RICHARD HAYES, the one-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. CLYDE HAYES. Clyde is assigned to the Signal Division of the Electrical Department.



In the last issue, I said that FRED DIMEO, the son of Operator GUY DIMEO, was planning to be married some time next year. Now I hear that the "love-bug" bit a little harder and the happy couple will be wed late this year... Don't forget your credit union, save a little each payday so we can help another in need.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Hi all you happy people. Now that you've been relieved of that tax hang-up, you can look forward to the glorious plans for that long-awaited vacation... Before we zoom off into the wild blue yonder, let's pause awhile to wish birthday greetings to all our May celebrities. May 2's duo is Operators WALLS and BECKER; May 4 is shared by Operators HOWE, DUNKER, McCLAIN, VARGAS, and "Lead Foot" CAJDA, and Box Puller ZENTMYER. A quartet sings birthday 'huzzahs' leading off with ROSSILLE, tenor is MATOS, baritone is ARDAM, and bass is HASSABALLA. HIGHSMITH lays claim to May 20, VAN NEVEL May 21, and the happy Greek, KARRAS, winds up the parade on May 26. Operator W. PERRY running breathless, tried to recover some time as his wife, THELMA, celebrated her birthday on April 24...Operator EARL LATTIMER and his wife, MARY, celebrated their third wedding anniversary on May 18. Operator J. NELSON and his lovely wife, FLO-RENE, celebrated nine years of togetherness on May 19. My little buddy, JOE VALTIERRA, is beginning to slip--so to RACHEL, happy belated greetings on your seventh anniversary April 25... Meanwhile down in the garage, rumor has it that Mechanic "Big" CHESTER is sharpening up his skills in preparation for his Las Vegas vacation. Here's hoping that Chester purchases a round-trip ticket...Our very efficient garage foreman, BOB VANCE, and his family tried to absorb all the sunshine, frolicking on the white sands of Daytona Beach, Florida... The entire station is very proud of our two gallant gentlemen, Operators A. BERRY and L. RICHARD. These knights in shining armor received a wonderful letter from a grateful Oak Park lady. It seems that the lady was in distress with her children, plagued with a nasty old flat tire, when our boys came to her rescue and then rode off into the sunset without seeking compensation. So once again it is proven that chivalry is not dead--sick maybe--but not dead. Berry is also our

THE PRETTY little lasses pictured here are MICHELE and CATHY GOODWIN, the four-and five-year old daughters of DIANE and BILL GOODWIN, transit technician, Research and Planning.





station's illustrious softball manager. Lots of luck to our team, and let's support them a little better this year, fellows...The boss is a very proud fellow these days, and it's because of all you guys. We have won a safety award for beating our all-time safety record this past year. You know, I really wasn't a coffee drinker until this past year. but since we have earned so much coffee and rolls for our safety achievements, I am now, Superintendent CHRISTIAN hopes to make even more coffee drinkers this year... Back to the pleasant thoughts of vacation, here's a couple of items to take with you. I read somewhere that the life of a dollar is only a few months. Well, I really wouldn't know-as I've never had one die on me. Vacations do require the spending of some money, of course, but it really hurts to see people squandering money and know you can't help them...Till next time.

- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

Congratulations to Operator and Mrs. CLEVELAND COBURN on the birth of a son, SHAWN, on March 14 weighing 7 pounds 8 ounces...We also congratulate Operator and Mrs. SOLOMON DAVIS on the birth of a son, MICHAEL DWAIN, born April 1 weighing 7 pounds 9 ounces... Operator and Mrs. RONALD McKNIGHT announced the birth of a daughter, SHANDRA, who was born on April 16 weighing 5 pounds 11 ounces...On May 2 Operator and Mrs. ED CELOVSKY celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. We wish Ed and Tillie many more happy years of the good life...Since I'm congratulating everyone, I might as well say happy anniversary to Operator and Mrs. JAMES MARSHALL who celebrated their ninth anniversary on April 27...The men of Lawndale wish to thank General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR for his recognition of the personnel who helped make 1970 CTA's safest year. Lawndale broke its accident par twice last year. We had 130 zero accident days. We broke our commendation/complaint par three times last year, and we added 29 new members to the Courtesy Caravan Club. So let's all continue to give "welcome aboard" service to everyone. Because of the combined efforts from everyone, we received coffee and rolls on May 6...On May 1 we bid farewell to one of our finest operators, WILLIAM KLECKA, who retired from Lawndale with 34 years of faithful service. Good luck on your retirement, Bill...On March 31 a retirement party was held for Clerk EDWARD McDERMOTT. With 46 years of service with the CTA and the former Chicago Motor Coach, it certainly is an outstanding record to accomplish. We'll miss Ed around here, so stop in anytime and say hello. Those taking part in the retirement celebration were: Superintendents JACK MORRIS and WARD CHAMBERLAIN, DAVE HINMAN, JOE STEINBACH, RUSS GUNDERSON, RAY SOMMERS, CLARK CARTER, EDDIE KAWCZYNSKI, WALTER SMITH, JIM TUCKER, ELMER RIEDEL, JIM RITTENBERG, JOE NOLAN, BILL KLECKA, STANLEY BITEL, CHARLES WEYER, JOE RITROVATO, STANLEY HYERCZYK, D. COUGHLIN, and F. KERHART...DIANA TEGMEYER, the daughter of Supervisor L. BERMINGHAM, gave birth to a baby girl, LYNN, on February 22 weighing 6 pounds $1\frac{1}{2}$ ounces. That makes her father a proud grandpa, and a great-grandpa of RICHARD BERMINGHAM, his father, who is retired from Lawndale...We extend our congratulations to Operator and Mrs. JAMES JEFFERS on the birth of a daughter, JENNINE, on February 9 weighing 6 pounds 13 ounces...On March 27, the Lawndale Depot Fed-



RAYMOND MUELLER, the son of Limits Station Relief Superintendent LOU MUELLER, was recently graduated from Christian Brothers College in Memphis, Tennessee.

eral Credit Union held their 33rd annual membership meeting at Paradise hall. We were privileged to see so many of our retired personnel, some of which included: Mr. and Mrs. LLOYD ABRAHAMSON, Mr. and Mrs. JULIUS JACK-IEWICZ, Mr. and Mrs. LOUIS MENKEN, Mr. and Mrs. BILL JAKOUBEK, Mr. and Mrs. EDDIE WISS, Mr. and Mrs. FRANK MATRE, Mr. and Mrs. HERB BYERS, Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY BITEL, JESSE CINKUS, JAMES RITTEN-BERG, PATTY CLARK, RICHARD BERMINGHAM, JERRY PROCHASKA, MIKE BURKE, FRED SPOERI, BILL CUR-NANE, and ARTHUR SATZKE. Among the active members were: Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT FENRICK, Mr. and Mrs. WILBUR STRASSER, Mr. and Mrs. BERNARD COOPER, Mr. and Mrs. CHARLIE KASAL, Mr. and Mrs. EDDIE HOJNACKI, Mr. and Mrs. FRANK LESZCZYNSKI, Mr. and Mrs. GOVERNOR GLADMAN, Mr. and Mrs. C. WISNIEW-SKI, Mr. and Mrs. BILL CARTER, Mr. and Mrs. HARRY COX, BILL DOEDEN, JACK KALKA, JOE NOLAN, BILL KLECKA, EARL WASHINGTON, JOE RIHA, BILL KELLY, JOHN DANIEL, NAMON BROWN, CLEVELAND WHITE, BENNIE ROGERS, JAMES BURRIS, ROBERT SURITA, A. TURNER, RON GREEN, RALPH WILLIAMS, JOHN VAN OOY, LEON RICHMAN, ROBERT JONES, EARNEST BUR-NETT, TOMMY HARPER, BENNIE CALVERT, BOBBY DAVIS, WILLIAM ROBINSON, SAM ADAMS, TERRY THOMAS, E. PRIEST, HENRY TERRY, H. REDDICK, DOMINICK PAPA, MARTY KARIOLICH, MYLOW MEYERS, FRANK NEXBOUER, GORDON WOODS, TILLMON SHAW, HAYWOOD BLANKS, J. STAHULAK, ROBERT AUSTIN, and WALTER WALKER. Also present was Superintendent JACK MORRIS, along with Division 241 President WARREN SCHOLL, DANIEL McFADDEN, secretary of Division 241, WILLIAM LARSEN, first vice-president of Division 241, and WILLIAM REYNOLDS...WALTER SMITH wants an "employe-of-the-year" award so bad that he has taken Mr. Morris under his wing. Good luck, Walter ... Personnel on our sick list this month are WILLIAM HALLA, GEORGE BRICHACEK, and HAROLD McCANN. We wish these men a speedy recovery... Happy birthday to the following personnel: A. ADAMS, J. ALLEN, J. AUGUSTA, R. AUSTIN, J. BRANHAM, B. BROWN, F. CROSBY, E. DILLINGHAM, C. DIXON, F. DVORAK, F. FARRELLY, R. FENRICK, S. HARDY, W. HARRINGTON, P. IVORY, J. JOHNSON, E. JONES, W. LAMAR, H. LUKA, A. MARTIN, G. MATHEWS, L. McCLELLAN, J. McGHEE, R. SAMPSON, C. SMITH, E. WASHINGTON, W. WHERRY, and R. WRIGHT ... Bye now.

- James Marshall

LIMITS .

Operator DAVID PEREZ was united in marriage to a beautiful young lady named HAYDIE on April 27. The wedding took place at the North Shore Baptist church, Balmoral and Lakewood avenues, with the reception in the church parlor. Congratulations and best wishes to this fine couple. .. RAYMOND MUELLER, the son of Relief Superintendent LOU MUELLER, was graduated from Christian Brothers college in Memphis, Tennessee, on May 22. Congratulations to this fine young man... A new operator, MELVIN LOVELESS, recently returned from Viet Nam, where he was awarded a medal for gallantry in action. He is happy to be back and we know he will prove himself to be an outstanding operator... Supervisor GENE ADAMS has been confined to Belmont hospital, 4100 Melrose avenue, for some time due to illness. We all wish you a speedy recovery...LAVERNE SPEER, the wife of Operator WIL-LIAM SPEER, had a bad fall while shopping and broke her leg in several places. She is confined to Northwest hospital. A speedy recovery to you, Mrs. Speer... Operator R. WENZEL wishes to announce the forthcoming marriage of his daughter, JUDY, to JAMES PUCCI on June 12. Congratulations to this fine couple...Our sincerest sympathy to Assistant Superintendent of Surface Operations TOM SHANAHAN in the loss of his brother, EDWARD.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP -

First and foremost, we are proud to say that 1970 was CTA's safest year. Especially elated was Loop Agent MARY RITTER who was chosen to represent ticket agents at a ceremony in the CTA Board Room...On Saturday, May 8, Loop Agent BILL PFIEFFER gave up his gay bachelor life and took a bride. The couple was married at Little Flower church. Brunch for the wedding party and relatives was held after the ceremony. Congratulations, Bill, may you and your new bride have many happy years together. We hope the new Mrs. Pfieffer is a baseball fan as Bill coaches a little league team and spends a lot of time out on the ballfield...We heard from Retired Agent LILLIAN CON-ROY who is enjoying a life of ease in her new home in Schaumburg, Illinois... Our maintenance man, GEORGE JARRELL, returned from his vacation in Pensacola, Florida, beaming with pride. George's daughter presented him with his first grandchild while he was there and he had the pleasure of bringing the baby boy home from the hospital. He can hardly wait to make a return trip. Congratulations, George...Speaking of grandchildren, Retired Foot Collector J. GAVIN is really a proud grandpa. Nothing pleases him more than to take the baby out for his daily fresh air and sunshine...DOROTHY ADLER's number two grandchild arrived on April 15 (an income tax bonus). The infant girl weighed in at 8 pounds 10 ounces and was 21 inches long. Congratulations to Dorothy and the proud parents of little VERLEE ADLER ... Last year, nine-year old DAVID DOYLE, the grandson of MILDRED and DAN DOYLE, made the family very proud when he received the first prize trophy in the final races at a Boy Scout Pow Wow. This year young David designed and built a rocket ship. A space derby was held the last week of March, and by golly, he did it again. David won the first prize trophy! Congratulations! On May 8, another grandson of the Doyles, DANNY DEMPSEY, made his first holy communion at St. Albert the Great church in Burbank, Illinois. After the ceremony, Danny, his parents, and grandparents went out to breakfast. Later

an open house was held for relatives and friends...On Saturday, April 24, DENISE DUGAN, the granddaughter of your co-reporter, MARY WIXTED, made her first holy communion at St. Celestines church in Elmwood Park, Illinois. Denise had the honor of carrying the chalice up to the altar and was one proud little girl. Grandma was, too... Birthday greetings to the following: DAVE GRAFMAN, A. SCOTT, B. ROLAND, L. FORD, H. McBRYDE, A. BATES, R. BLANKS, and G. CLARK. May you all enjoy many happy returns...Birthday greetings also to little KIMBERLY KAY MATTRAN, the granddaughter of JULIA and RAY MATTRAN, and to BILL and MICKEY PALLISTER, the son and grandson of Retired Agent HELEN PALLISTER. Also to NANCY WIXTED, DENISE DUGAN, and JEANNE ANN WIXTED, the daughter and granddaughters of your coreporter, and BUTCH ADLER who celebrated his first birthday, too...LEO FORD spent the weekend of April 17 in Canada where he participated in the finals of the Knights of Columbus bowling championship games...On April 18, WIL-BUR STRASSER and his wife, HAZEL, left for a two-week vacation. When asked his destination, Wilbur said, "Here, there, and everywhere." Sounds interesting. We can hardly wait for his return to hear about his trip...Agent J. RA-JEWSKI and his wife celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary with dinner at the Holiday Inn. Their children, grandchildren, and Mrs. Rajewski's mother joined them. After dinner they returned to the couple's home to continue the celebration. Congratulations, and may you have many more such happy occasions...We all look forward to our employment anniversary day off. All these lucky people had an especially nice day on this occasion: C. McDER-MOTT, O. FLAHERTY, J. McCARTHY, B. BROWN, B. THOMAS, and J. WILSON. Thank you, CTA, from all of them ... We are sorry to report that MIKE TOBIN, clerk in Central Assignment, is in the hospital. We hope he is improving daily, and our best wishes to him for a complete and speedy return to good health... Assignment Agent CECILIA ROPA has left the hospital and is now recuperating at home from recent surgery. We hope that she, too, will soon be back 100 per cent healthy. Hurry back, Ceal, we want to hear that voice again when we dial 411...LOUISE DREWS was ill again, but after a week of bed rest, as the doctor ordered, she is back on the job again... Agent DE-ANNA EDGERSON was injured in an automobile accident in February. She is now hobbling around a bit with the use of a cane. We hope she will be completely recovered very soon and return to us on her own power. Miss you, Deanna. We are also missing SLIM HOLMES and hope he, too, will be back with the group soon...JOHN FILIPEK is still on



THIS LITTLE bundle of joy is CHESTER SEY-MOUR III, the first son of PATRICIA and CHESTER SEYMOUR II, Congress Terminal. Father and son were born on the same date, April 17.

disability leave. Your co-reporter saw and spoke to him and he says he hopes to be back within a month or two. He also said he would like to hear from more of his friends ... MONICA LAMKE returned from Tampa, Florida, with a lovely tan. She says she spent the days in shorts basking in the sun. It was quite a letdown when she landed back in our city and had to don her winter coat. That's life in the Windy City, Monica...JUNE BAREKMAN, CTA's own laughin girl, is planning her vacation, too. She will be taking in the sights in Norway, Denmark, and Sweden. We really envy her and will miss her when she leaves. We know hearing about her trip on her return will be fun with June (the vamp of V.B.S.), what else?.. We were all shocked and deeply saddened by the death of our beloved Transit Board Chairman GEORGE L. DeMENT. He will be long remembered. We wish to express our sympathy to his family... Our sympathy also to the family of Trainman ROBERT STEEGE who passed away...We would like at this time to welcome all our new part-time agents as well as the parttimers who are returning for another summer with CTA ... See you all next month. Keep smiling.

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wixted

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Here we are again rushing around with our outside work to be done, house cleaning, and getting ready for our vacations to start, plus a new pick going in. We sure hope everyone gets what they want for the summer as there is a lot of bumping going on...DAVID PAUL ZUPKO, the son of Superintendent and Mrs. JOHN ZUPKO, was one year old on March 26. How time does fly. GRACE MOUNTS' grandson also celebrated his birthday on March 26, but he was nine years old. He had a big dinner at grandma's house, with cake and ice cream, too...MARY BURROWS' daughterin-law and new granddaughter, MICHELE MARIE, who was born on January 1, are flying here to see her. Grandma is really excited as this is the first time she will be seeing the new baby, and will have a great time getting acquainted. .. Congratulations to VIRGINIA OJER who celebrated her birthday on April 10, and FRED FRIEB whose birthday was on May 8. Here's hoping you both enjoyed your day off... Our sincere condolences to the family of Motorman R. STEEGE who passed away recently...Pensioner ADA DAILY came through the Spaulding Station recently and looked great. I guess she is enjoying being a lady of leisure...I believe we had 20 West Section agents who had anniversaries during the month of April. We hope you all enjoyed your day off...Superintendent JOHN ZUPKO and BETTY RUSSO went on vacation on April 20. Here's hoping they both had a wonderful and restful time...GRACE MOUNTS had her family home for Easter and had an egg hunt in the back yard. Grace and the parents were as excited as the grandchildren, and all enjoyed a nice day together...PEGGY HAYMON is running for the "Miss Windy City" crown. The contest will be held on June 27 at the High Chapparal, 7740 S. Stony Island. Good luck, Peggy, we hope you win... WILBUR STRASSER vacationed in Canada for a few days, while KAREN BULLOCK flew to Spain for two weeks. We hope they both had a wonderful time...Congratulations to MARY SUE MATHEWS who was the first of the recent group to qualify in the assignment agents training...Still on the sick list as of this writing are MIKE TOBIN, EARL GILBERT, JOE RYAN, ELEANOR HASBROUCK, and CE-CYLIA ROPA. Here's hoping that they will all be well soon and back to work... MARY RITTER and PATRICK

HOBAN represented the agents and janitors in the annual presentation of the safety awards at the Merchandise Mart on April 16. Coffee and doughnuts were served at the assignment office on April 28 and all the employes were invited. The goodies were given by management in appreciation for making 1970 our safest year...Your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, has picked Irving Park Station on the Kennedy for the summer. For any news, you can reach her from 3 to 11 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

We received a lovely Easter card from my old friend, Pensioner BILL ECHOLS, who is in the hospital at this writing. He may have to have surgery on his jaw. Bill's most recent address is: 112 Glens Trail, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901. Mail sent there will reach him whether he is still in the hospital or at home...A letter from Pensioner LARS PEARSON and his wife, ANNA, sends greetings to all. They enjoyed their Florida vacation and visited some old friends and pensioners. They saw RALPH O'BRIEN and his Mrs., and TED HILDEBRANDT and his better half. Lars did some fishing and had great luck. Out of 40 men on the boat, Lars caught the biggest fish, a 28pound grouper. He won the jackpot and his catch appeared on TV...Pensioner ART MOILANEN and his wife, BETTY, write that they had a snowy winter in L'Anse, Michigan, ranging from 260 to 270 inches of snow. Only Santa Claus could appreciate that. After treatments and exercises, Art's back is well. There was some good ice fishing there. Some of the fish were over 20 pounds and too big to get through the hole in the ice. Art is getting his equipment ready for some spring fishing. He says hello to all his friends at North. Art sent along a copy of the L'Anse Sentinel...Operator HERBERT JONES joined the ranks of the pensioners May 1. We wish him the best of everything. Keep in touch, Herbert. He plans to visit his sister in Arizona, and his daughter in Florida...Pensioner ERNEST BOCK and his spouse, EMILY, are going to be grandparents for the second time. Ernie is improving but, of course, not fast enough to suit him...Pensioner CAL ASH is enjoying his retirement and playing with his grandchildren...Pensioner JOHN SENKO is looking and feeling good. Another pensioner who is looking well and enjoying his retirement is WILLIAM MAIRE...Bus Dispatcher WILLIAM KOSEK, South Shops, celebrated his 39th birthday again. On April 16, both he and his horse became a year older. We send him our belated greetings. Bill and General Thaddeus Kosciusko are our two most famous Polish gentlemen born on April 16. RUDY GOODE says that Bill resembles the General in all ways--riding, walking, and talking...I met Former Clerk TONY ARNIERI who is now working at Kedzie and looking chipper...We are saddened to report the death of our good friend, Superintendent FRANK BUETOW, who passed away at Mayo Clinic on April 8. "Lead kindly light amidst the encircling gloom, lead thou me on." We extend our sympathy to his family. He was the brother of Operator BILL BUETOW ... This is the season when North Avenue's greats on the golf course come to life polishing their golf clubs. Among these notables are Operators HAROLD FORSTER and MARTIN SEXTON...Those fishing experts, Clerks BILL PINASCO and BOB STACH, are getting ready for a trip to Minnesota... Have a nice Memorial day and be careful on the highways... Now for the news from the Inner Sanctum (front office) from Switchboard Operator

WALTER (Flat Wheels) BLIX who, with his Mrs., will be heading for the Ozarks the day after writing this column ... We all wish to send Superintendent DON LEMM a very happy but belated birthday greeting. It seems that he and the Easter bunny celebrated their day together. Of course, another birthday means another round of high-caloried birthday cake...We're hoping by the time this column is in print that Supervisor CHARLES OLCIKAS is up and around again. A bit of ticker trouble put him in Augustana hospital for awhile... By this time the cast should be off Mrs. ED WESTON's arm. Seems she fell and broke it while on a shopping expedition. You're going to have to take it easy going after those bargains. This gal is the wife of Instructor ED WESTON...Another gal on the sick list is the wife of Operator RICHARD SCHOLTENS. We're sending her a personal wish to get well and stay that way. No matter what's wrong with a person, it's just no fun being laid up for any length of time...We should be having some news as to what the following fellows did on their vacations: Instructor BOB MORRISON, Doorman TOM DOBBYN, and Custodian RAY JABLECKI...District Superintendent RAY REIGHARD is back from Arizona where he helped the White Sox get in shape for the pennant race this year...Clerk TOM HICKEY and his Mrs. should be back from their overseas jaunt. Did you ever learn to talk German, Tom?..Needless to say, Clerk "Uncle" AL ROHDE headed for Elkhorn, Wisconsin, to get his cottage ready for the summer season... The welcome mat is out for Former Operator JOE CABAY who now has the job of vacation relief switchboard operator. To our new extra clerk, CARL HANSEN, we say, "Enjoy those Saturdays and Sundays off, you know they're not going to last."

- William Miedema

NORTH PARK -

With the coming of the college students, your help and consideration will be appreciated by the instruction force. The hiring of these fellows makes summer vacations possible for most of us, so let's give them a hand...Golfers, remember the date--Monday, July 12--for Division 241's annual golf day at St. Andrews Golf club. We are looking forward to all golfers participating in this fine event...Operator KAZ YAWORSKI has a Skamper trailer which sleeps eight people, and is available for anyone needing a trailer this summer. Kaz can be reached at this telephone num-

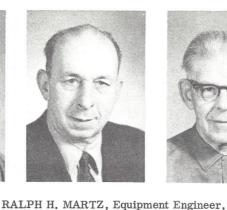
LITTLE CHUCKY MACAK is dressed in the gymnastic uniform he wore when he participated in a mass calisthenics exhibition given by Sokol Brookfield. Chucky's dad, GEORGE MACAK, is the senior transit technician of the graphics section, Research and Planning.



NEW **PENSIONERS**

JOINING THE ranks of the retired May 1 with 40 or more years of transit service each are, from left, EDWARD J. KOLAR, FRANK OLSZEWSKI, and FRANK M. JACOBSON.







HERMAN ANDERS, Senior Transit Analyst, Research & Planning, Emp. 9-25-28 CARL L. BISCH, Car Repairman "B", 61st Street, Emp. 10-14-47 GEORGE A. BROWN, Operator, Limits, Emp. 7-22-29 WALLACE W. BROWN, Yard Foreman, South Section, Emp. 4-8-46 ANGELO COSENTINO, Car Serviceman. West Section, Emp. 6-25-46 BRYANT W. DAVIS, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 11-29-56 RAYMOND E. DYLE, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 3-31-44 CLARENCE A. HAGEDORN, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 10-1-41 FRANK M. JACOBSON, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 3-12-29 HERBERT F. JONES, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 11-4-42 JOSEPH F. KENT, Supervisor, Central District, Emp. 11-11-36 WILLIAM J. KLECKA, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 8-27-36 EDWARD J. KOLAR, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 10-28-24 JAMES C. LALLEY, Operator, Limits, Emp. 6-27-42 BERT H. LINNE, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 2-18-36

FRANK OLSZEWSKI, Machinist Foreman, Skokie Shops, Emp. 6-4-27 JOHN A. PONDEL, P.M. Instructor, Forest Glen, Emp. 4-22-47 BERNARD J. ROLAND, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 2-19-42 SIMON J. SCANLAN, Bus Repairer, 52nd Street, Emp. 1-13-43 WILLIAM SIMON, Janitor, Electrical, Emp. 2-16-36 CLARENCE P. VESELY, Messenger, Law, Emp. 8-18-47 FRANK J. VESELY, Collector, Kedzie, Emp. 7-11-45 PETER J. WEST, Signal Maintainer, Electrical, Emp. 3-5-26 FRANK M. ZEMAN, Motorman, West Section, Emp. 11-5-45

Equip. Research & Development, Emp. 6-16-30

WITH A congratulatory handshake, Senior Transit Analyst HERMAN R. ANDERS, Research and Planning, receives his retirement portfolio from General Manager T. B. O'CONNOR at an open house held in his honor on April 29, while Supervisor of Graphics and Statistics JOHN P. O'CONNOR looks on. Herman retired on May 1 after 42 years of service.

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

ANGELO J. FALBO, Mechanic, South Shops, Emp. 1-19-48 JOHN S. FILIPEK, Ticket Agent, West Section, Emp. 9-1-45 FRANCIS P. GLEASON, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 2-17-43 LLOYD ROBINSON, Car Repairman "B", Forest Park, Emp. 7-31-51



MR. AND MRS. RALPH MARTZ, equipment engineer, were the guests of honor at a retirement dinner on April 28 in the M & M Club. Wishing him well were, left to right, Superintendent of Rapid Transit Maintenance Terminals A. J. PORCARO; Superintendent of Technical Services, Surface Division, R. M. SCHNEI-DER, and Superintendent of Technical Services F. J. CIHAK.



ber--426-5680...Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRAYCE, vacationed in Florida. On the agenda were visits to Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Lauderdale, and Key West... Utility Chauffeur STEVE HERMAN and his wife, HELEN, relaxed for two weeks at their beautiful home in Forsyth, Missouri. Steve reports that the trout fishing was excellent...Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOR-OTHY, spent two weeks at Santee, California, visiting their son, JOEL, and his wife, LINDA. The Steinbergs did considerable sightseeing in California and enjoyed their trip home on one of the new 747's...Mrs. MARIA BASTIDAS and her daughter, SOLEDAD, the wife and daughter of Operator GONZALO BASTIDAS, flew Delta airlines to Miami, Florida, where they boarded a Braniff airlines flight to Quito, Ecuador, South America, to visit Gonzalo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. REINALDO BASTIDAS. Also on the agenda was a op at Guayaguil, Ecuador, to visit other relatives ... Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, spent two weeks at Cable, Wisconsin. Due to three feet of snow, there was no chance for ice fishing, so Harold and Ann settled for a new hobby--snowmobiling...Operator PAT SCIORTINO was installed as president of the Sambruca lub on Sunday, February 21, at Ferrera Manor. The purpose of the club is to provide scholarships to needy families... DENNIS DEGELMANN, the stepson of Operator HAROLD and SOPHIA SEDIN, is now a full-fledged member of the Skokie Police Department. All of the Skokie bus operators wish Dennis the best in his new position...Lieutenant JOHN STEINBEISS, the son of Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS, was graduated as a navigator on March 16 from Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. John, who was an operator at North Park, and his wife, VICKIE, will be living in Sacramento, California, where he will be stationed... HOWARD STEINBERG, the son of Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG, and his wife, PAM, have purchased a new home in Glenview, Illinois, and are eagerly waiting to move in...JOSEPH GUZZARDO, the son of Operator IRVING and MILDRED SHER, was recently inducted into the National Honor Society at Von Stueben High school. Joseph will be starting his fall term at Von Stueben as a senior, and will be working hard to earn a few scholarnips...Operator JIM RENTSCHLER has shifted jobs and is now working as a bus jockey, shifting buses from garage to garage. To keep your watches in repair, Jim can be

THESE TWO happy young lads are JEFFREY and RONALD JOSETTI, ages 4½ years and nine months, respectively, the randchildren of Supervisor H. JOSETTI. Their dad, DAVID OSETTI, is a West Section motorman.





reached at 227-6757...Operator RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN, were honored on February 20 at the home of Operator HAROLD and ANNE ANDERSCHOT, who hosted a farewell party for Ray's retirement on March 1. Operators attending were: JOHN PAAKONEN, JOE DES PARTE, HENRY SCHRAMM, FRANK SAUCIER, Pensioner WILLIAM HORNKOHL, and their wives...Operator LEN BAEUCHLER spent his annual vacation in Phoenix, Arizona, where his brother, EDWARD, resides. Len reports considerable time was spent on the golf courses. He enjoyed a visit with Pensioner JOHN (Jake) JACOBY who lives in Scottsdale, and took in a couple of Cubs ball games...THOMAS LEE CARR, the son of Operator LE ROY and LOUISE CARR, was married on April 3 to Miss STEPHANIE HOWARD at Holy Cross church in Deerfield, Illinois. The reception was held at the Millionaires club with 200 guests attending. Tom and Stephanie are attending the University of Miami where they are in their junior year... Operator GENE BRUDNEY was married on Saturday, April 24, to Mrs. CARMELLA FRI-SINA at St. Clemons Catholic church in Streamwood, Illinois. The reception was attended by their immediate families, and the Brudneys will be at home in Streamwood ... Happy anniversaries are extended to: Operator PETER DOLAN and his wife, ROSALEEN, their 14th; Operator JACK KOVITZ and his wife, SHIRLEY, their 40th; Operator JAMES PATRICK and his wife, ROSE MARIE, their 20th; Operator IRVING SHER and his wife, MILDRED, their 36th; Operator THOMAS WILSON and his wife, BONNIE, their 13th; Pensioner ALBERT NAGELE and his wife, ANNA, their 35th; Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, their 37th; Operator P. J. SMITH and his wife, MADELYN, their 18th; Operator ADOLPH JENDRYCZKI and his wife, JEAN, their 33rd; Pensioner BEN GEACH and his wife, RUTH, their 50th; Pensioner JOE GRASSL and his wife, FLORENCE, their 49th; Operator LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRAYCE, their 33rd; Operator JIM RENTSCHLER and his wife, HAZEL, their 31st; Operator BERNIE KONI-ARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, their 24th; Operator MARVIN SALMANOFF and his wife, ETHELYN, their 6th; Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JOE, their 26th, and Supervisor RON MICKELS and his wife, JOANN, their 14th... Happy birthdays are extended to Operators LOUIS SCHWARTZ, LE ROY CONKLIN, HAROLD JULITZ, TEX RHIMES, SAM POSNER, and ADOLPH JENDRYCZKI, AGNES ERICKSON, TOM KURCZEWSKI, MATTHEW DO-LAN, MARY KIRKWOOD, Pensioner JOE EIFFES, DAN KAZAR, ETHEL POSNER, MARTIN STERN, BETHEL KIRKWOOD, ROSALEEN DOLAN, HEIDI PESTINE, BETH PESTINE, VIOEET HORNING, and DANIEL KALATA...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Pensioner DANIEL MALONEY, Superintendent FRANK BUETOW, and Operator THOMAS MURPHY on the loss of his brother, JAMES MURPHY... Receiver WILBER (Bill) GERRISH and his wife, JOYCE, and children, KEVIN, ELLEN, and ANN, vacationed throughout the East and Southeast. Points visited were New York City, Gettysburg. Pennsylvania, Washington, D.C., and West Point. They ended up in Washington, Georgia, where they stayed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. MACK BUFFORD ... SUSAN STEN-ZEL, the daughter of Receiver EDWARD STENZEL, was married on Saturday, April 17, to Mr. LARRY MUCHA at St. Cornelius Catholic church. The reception was held at Sokol hall and was attended by 150 guests. After their honeymoon the young couple will be at home on the Northwest Side. Ed became a grandfather when his son, RICHARD, who is a repairman at Forest Glen Garage, and his wife, KATHY, became the proud parents of a son, WILLIAM.



PICTURED HERE is Corporal RANDY G. TRACY, the son of Superintendent of Operations RALPH TRACY, who was recently discharged from the U.S. Marine Corps. Randy plans to do construction work in northern Wisconsin during the summer, and attend Danville college in the fall where he will major in aviation.

The baby was born on April 8 at Northwest hospital, weighing 8 pounds...Repair Department Chit Chat: Engine Washer BOB KRAMER and his wife, LEE, became proud parents of their third child when a son named WILLIAM was born on April 10 at St. Francis hospital in Evanston weighing 9 pounds 2 ounces...Repairman CARL OTTEN underwent major surgery at Weiss Memorial hospital and is now recuperating nicely...Combination Clerk JOHN BILLIS was Clerk EARNIE LOTITO's replacement while he was on vacation and did an outstanding job...The garage congratulates J. HALL and J. NAWROCKI on their promotions as repairmen... Vacationing at this time are Day Foreman PHIL O'CONNOR, FRANK SIBLEY, ART CARLSON, GENE BRACH, MIKE JOYCE, PAUL SCHREVES, JOE COUGHLIN, R. MILLER, and EARNIE LOTITO ... The sympathy of the garage is extended to Repairman ALEX FRITZLER on the recent death of his mother-in-law.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Former Janitor ANDREW SMITH, now the gateman at the Kedzie avenue crossing on the Ravenswood line, extends his sincere thanks to his fellow employes who pulled him out of the gate shanty on Friday, March 19. A truck went through the gates into the path of a train, and was pushed into the shanty pinning Andy inside. Three carpenters and two bus drivers helped to rescue him from the shanty, and Andy would like for these men to let him know who they are so he can thank them personally...Our sincere sympathy to the family of Clerk EDWARD DeRANGO who passed away on April 4. Ed worked as a conductor, motorman, ticket agent, and finally as station clerk. His death was a shock to his co-workers...Our sincere sympathy to Clerk ANDREW CROUT and his family on the death of his father...Welcome to Clerks ROBERT STEWART and LOUIS LOEBBAKA, both of whom were in the hospital, but are now back to work...Ticket Agent LORRAINE ORR was rushed to the hospital from work, but is now home. We hope she will be well soon and able to return to work... Ticket Agent B. ATKINSON is a patient at Grant hospital. We all wish her a speedy recovery and a return to good health. How about some of you fellow employes sending her a card?..Supervisor ROBERT THOMAS was home ill for a week but is now back at work and going strong... Supervisor HARRY HORN and his wife, DOREEN, ticket agent, had to rush

their daughter to the hospital after she fell from a swing at school and broke her arm. It had to be re-set six times before it was finally in place...Agent EVELYN LANZ has returned to work, and her many friends are most happy to see her back. Evelyn wishes to thank all who sent cards, called, or visited her... Agent EARL STEVENS is now home after many months in the hospital. He would like to hear from some of his many agent friends ... Agent "Oke" O'CON-NOR received a call that his brother, sister, and nephew are all in the hospital. Our hope and prayers are extended to him so that he may be able to bear up under this added heartache...Supervisor JOE KORAL and the members of his family enjoyed a happy weekend, as his son, RICKEY, had a weekend pass from the air force... Superintendent ROBERT SUTA spent a week's vacation around the house. For him it was fix-it week. However, he was not to be out done by Paul Bunyon, as he dug up three trees around hi. house. We wonder if he has a blue ox, too?..Student Agent BILL WIETZEL celebrated his birthday on April 30. Belated birthday greetings, Bill...Agent HELEN HANSEN and her husband flew to Washington, D.C., to visit their daughter and two grandchildren. Helen said it was cherry blossom time, and the view of the trees around the tidal basi. was beautiful. While they were there, Helen, her husband, and their daughter celebrated their birthdays together ... Birthday greetings to Agent SOL SCURTI. We wonder how many candles were on his cake, as he won't tell us how old he is. Vanity, oh vanity. Sol has a wonderful singing voice, and sings with a small combo. While I was in the hospital he dedicated a song to me, and afterwards someone stole the drums. Sol, I didn't put the evil eye on you as you said. .. To Superintendent T. D. BOYLE, who is now on the West Section, from all of us on the North Section, HAPPY BIRTHDAY!..Birthday greetings also are sent to Janitor THOMAS CAMERON and Agent CHARLIE MAE GRIFFIN ... Still on the sick list at this time are Agents F. FALLECK, WARDEN MARKS, and PAT ROSENGARTNER. We wish them all a speedy recovery and hurry back to work...Our sincere condolences to the family of Agent WAYNE GRIF-FIN who passed away. Wayne was a former bus operator who had 25 years with CTA...Agent MINNA KING vacationedin St. Petersburg, Florida, visiting with her mother an father. Minna was soaking up that wonderful Florida sunshine while we were here having snow flurries...Car Repairman JAMES CUNNINGHAM is quite the outdoorsman. Last winter he went ice fishing at Green Lake, Wisconsin. The results, one frozen James and no fish. In May he is going fishing at White Fish Lake, Wisconsin. Good luck Jim, don't let the big ones get away.

- Tina Henke

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

RAY DAGENAIS and his wife, SYLVIA, headed west on their vacation. They went to Las Vegas and, needless to say, they did not leave there as winners. They stopped and visited with JAKE JACOBY and one of Ray's cousins living in Mesa, Arizona, and also went to El Paso, Texas, and New Mexico. The weather was fine and they enjoyed their two-week trip...JAMES R. BLAA and his wife, ANN, and daughter, MARY BETH, flew to Salt Lake City, Utah, to visit with his son, JIM. During their ten-day stay, they went sightseeing, taking in Brigham Young university, the Mormon Tabernacle, and the ski resorts. The weather was beautiful and they had a wonderful time...THOMAS SHANA-HAN and his wife, ANN, drove to Florida and then flew to

the Bahamas for their vacation. Here he led a life of leisure relaxing in the shade, sleeping late, and enjoying the beauty of the island. It was a great vacation and they enjoyed every minute of it ... Your scribe recently returned from a wonderful two-week vacation. Again I went south to the little white house of JACK and WANDA KRAUSE in North Miami, Florida. I managed to go fishing a number of times and caught some nice kingfish, one weighing about 20 pounds. The water in the ocean and pool was beautiful and I only missed one day of swimming. We went to many places and visited with many friends. Other CTA employes I met down there were RAY and DOROTHY PRYOR, TOM and ALICE SPRATT, JOHN and MILLIE THUROW, and CLARENCE and LOTTIE MALOTTKE. One evening we drove to Delray Beach and another evening to Naples just for dinner. I had a wonderful time, the weather was beautiful, and I can't wait to return to my second home...Congratulations to EDNA SOUTHWORTH who recently transferred as an information clerk to a buyer in the Purchasing Department. We send our best wishes for good luck in your new job...Our sympathy is extended to MARY ROACH whose husband, JOHN, passed away on May 5. Mass was said at 10 a.m. on May 8 at Holy Name Cathedral and the funeral was at St. Mary's cemetery. Our condolences are also extended to THOMAS SHANAHAN on the death of his brother, EDWARD, who passed away on April 17. GEORGE M. KNYASTON, a retired surface system clerk, passed away on April 18. We would like to extend our sympathy to his wife, ELLIE, and his daughter, LAUREL. The funeral was on April 21 in Hollywood, Florida, where he lived. Four of the pallbearers were JACK KRAUSE, HERMAN ERICKSON, JOE O'CONNOR, all retired from the CTA, and JOHN THUROW from 77th Street.

(Traffic Planning) -

Congratulations to THOMAS LORENZ who received one of the first pass cases for submitting an acceptable suggestion.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

On April 1, JOE ZARUBA retired after 24 years of service with CTA. In honor of the occasion, cake and coffee was served and enjoyed by some of his friends already on pension, namely, J. MULREE, E. FEHLHABER, and W. JOHNSON. Good luck, Joe, and have a happy retirement. We would also like to thank Mrs. O. W. JOHNSON for supplying the refreshments...M. DALEY spent his vacation at home taking care of the house as his wife was in the hospital. Best wishes to Mrs. Daley for a speedy recovery ... Spring must be here because J. ROCHE spent his one-week vacation doing work around the house. Others on vacation were: A. DI BENEDETTO, R. BOWERS, G. HOWARD, F. GOODRICH, J. BEAUFORD, W. FULTZ, A. SCHMIDT, R. CHRISTMON, G. KACMAREK, W. CRIGLER, S. JAVORSKI, and A. WORKS...Presently off sick are R. O'GORMAN and A. KRAUS. We wish both of them a speedy recovery...We are happy to see W. RAKAUSKIS and L. HEISE back at work after being hospitalized.

- Colette Szczepanek

RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

Congratulations to PATRICIA and CHESTER SEYMOUR, Congress, on the birth of their first son, CHESTER P. III. The future All-American was born on his dad's birthday, April 17, and tipped the scale at 8 pounds 10 ounces. Dad

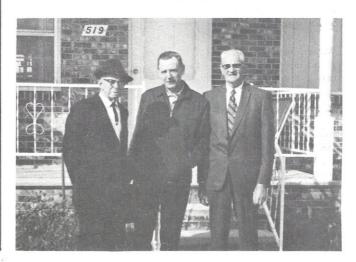
is still in the clouds, but mom and the baby are doing fine. .. Our condolences to DON SANDUK, Congress, and his family on the passing of his son...Best wishes for a long and healthy retirement are sent to A. COSENTINO, Congress, who retired on May 1. Among the many friends and well-wishers to say goodby was his brother-in-law, JOHN CANNELLA ... Good luck to CARL BISCH, 61st Street, and LLOYD ROBINSON, Forest Park, who went on pension May 1. Here's hoping they have many happy and healthful days ahead...Welcome to F. PORCARO Jr., new car serviceman at Congress. Frank is the brother of ANTHONY POR-CARO...Congratulations to JOHN DANIELS, Congress, who won \$100 and became a soul brother. John won the first prize in a raffle sponsored by New Nazerath Baptist church, and upon hearing of his good fortune donated the prize back to the church. His generous actions were acknowledged in a thank you card from the pastor and board members of the church, and also by JOHN and LULA NEELY who sold John the ticket...On vacation, in time for the first game of the season, were A. ODROWSKI and C. MERCURE, Kimball...A hearty welcome to Repairman B. BEVIS and Car Servicemen RAY JANICKI and D. BUSCH who transferred to Kimball...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. SMITH, Dan Ryan, on the birth of their son, TONY LOUIE. Little Tony made his first mark in the world on April 8. Best wishes to mom, dad, and baby ... Comparing fish stories and golf scores were vacationers J. CAMPBELL, Q. BONDS, W. THORNTON, and D. COYLE, Dan Ryan...Welcome to the new men at Dan Ryan, L. SLAY, H. BIGGS, C. B. BROWN, A. DUCKETT, and J. PUGH,

- Ray Brzeczek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Easter month is here and gone, and we hope the bunnies were good to all of you (not the Playboy kind!)...As of this writing LEE DeSUTTER, Specifications Department, is in Edgewater hospital. This is most unfortunate for her, because her husband is in the same hospital at the same time. We hope their stay will be short...We're happy to hear of Purchasing's JOAN THOMAS' hop, skip, and jump from utility clerk to clerk III...JOANNE BOETTIN, formerly of

NORTH AVENUE Transit News reporter WILLIAM MIEDEMA was a recent visitor of Pensioner LARS E. PEARSON at his home in Mountain Home, Arkansas, and you can bet that the main topic of discussion was fishing. Pictured here, left to right, are: Pensioner BILL WERREMEYER, Bill, and Lars.



the Employment Department, has recently been added to the Stores clerical section replacing SHARON HAMILTON who resigned. The welcome mat is extended to you, Joanne...KEVIN BARRETT, who left CTA in December as an order clerk in Stores, G.O., paid his former co-workers in the Mart a visit. It was good to see him again...HAROLD ENWRIGHT, stock clerk II, Skokie, was put to hard-PUFF, PUFF-work on his vacation cleaning house. His wife told him to do it-OR ELSE! (Wonder what that little OR ELSE means?)...ARTHUR HOFFMANN, stock clerk II, South Shops, is still on the sick list. We're rooting for you to get better quick, Art... Sympathies are in order for BERNIE FITZPATRICK, stock clerk II, South Shops, on the passing of his father, and to JAMES WALLACE, laborer, South Shops, on the passing of his son...Hello, HANK BRANDEN-BURG! Glad to see you back after your extended illness. Sure did miss you at South Shops...The welcome mat is out for RALPH PODGORSKI, typist at South Shops, replacing JACKIE McLEAN who resigned. Glad to have you on our team, Ralph...Skiing is a fantastic winter sport, and JESSE JUMPER, stock clerk I, South Shops, had an opportunity to try his luck on those long strips of wood. Jesse spent a week of his vacation in Europe. He went on a Sno-Gophers-Ski-the-Alps trip to Courchevelle, France, and Geneva, Switzerland. Jesse's reaction when we asked him how his trip went? Wonderful, marvelous! You can say that again, Jesse...JOHNNY MARASOVICH, stock clerk II, South, spent a week's vacation visiting Back Porch, U.S.A... PHILIP MELLENDER, laborer, South, finally got a chance to go somewhere on his vacation-touring Crete, Illinois...Divisional Storekeeper ART EGGERT, South, admired the lovely white flakes falling from the clouds while on his vacation in Marshfield, Wisconsin. At least you weren't shoveling them, Art, so you're doing all right...Last, but not least, DONALD TARNOWSKI, stock clerk I, South, has been unable to locate any new girlfriends as of this writing, but we'll keep our eyes open for you, Don...That's it for now, folks. Hope to hear from all of you next month.

- Cathy Clough & John Gill

SKOKIE SHOPS -

LOUIS KARIOLICH, electrical worker, and his wife, RUBY, are the proud grandparents of a baby girl, CYN-THIA KARIOLICH, born on April 15 weighing 6 pounds 9 ounces. Lots of happiness to the parents, LEWIS and AN-TIMA...GERRY GULLERY, electrical worker, and his wife are proud grandparents for the second time, with the birth of a baby girl, DAWN, on April 12 weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces at Loyola hospital. The proud parents are TOM and MAUREEN WODARSKI. Tom works in Methods and Procedures at the Mart, and his father is a bus operator at Forest Glen...ROBERT BINNIE, electrical worker, and his wife, CAROL, are vacationing in sunny Florida...JOHN ZDUNEK, upholsterer, and his wife, VIRGINIA, had a week's vacation in Florida with their daughter and son-inlaw...CATHERINE ANN HEGARTY, clerk, and her husband, HUGH HEGARTY, financial secretary of Division 308, have moved into their new home in Edison Park. Lots of luck and enjoy it ... TED LESNIAK, electrical worker, and his wife, are very proud of their son, MICHAEL, who was recently honored for high academic achievement at Monmouth college, Monmouth, Illinois. To receive this honor, a student must earn a 3.5 average on a 4-point scale...RUDY CHUCAN, shopman, and his wife, MARY, are the proud grandparents of a little girl, JEANNE MARIE CHUCAN,

THIS YOUNG lady is BEVERLY LEWIS, the nine-year old daughter of WINMON LEWIS, leader, South Shops Paint Shop, who made her television debut on March 31 as a solo pianist on Channel 26. This was part of a South Side neighborhood youth program.



born at Scymore Municipal hospital weighing 7 pounds 6 ounces. The mother is doing great, and the father, RON-ALD, is happy he can stop walking the floor...When this magazine goes to press, the Skokie Shops employes will be making final preparations for our second annual picnic, July 24, at Northwestern Park woods. We hope this year's picnic will surpass the outing last year, which had an attendance of over 700 people on a rainy day! Plans include free refreshments (bring your own pitcher), plenty of door prizes, games for children and adults supervised by a real clown, pony and train rides for the children, and dancing in the evening. We are even having a real old-fashioned popcorn, hot dog, and peanut wagon! Doesn't that bring back memories? You can get your tickets at \$3.00 per family by calling Skokie Shops. The grove can only accommodate 1,200 people so get your tickets early. This is our way to fight inflation. Where else can a family have an all-day outing for only \$3.00?

- Everett E. England

SOUTH SHOPS -

A warm welcome goes out to RAYMOND BLAU, the new general supervisor for Material Control and Office Procedures...Congratulations to DELORD HATCHER, painter. on his appointment to body area painter of Area 312 and 318. Mr. Hatcher is replacing Pensioner AARON AUSTIN. We would also like to congratulate GEORGE BLANCHE on his graduation to journeyman carpenter after a long, hard four years as an apprentice in Area 314...Foreman JOS-EPH SOWIZRAL was on vacation for a week and spent it all in one of the most beautiful cities there is, Chicago. Joe said he really enjoyed himself very much just sightseeing and taking in the Cubs opener at Wrigley Field...TOM BURIAN, mechanic apprentice, is enjoying the pleasures of a new Pontiac Grand Prix. His car pool partner, MURPHY, says Tom only hopes the Grand Prix will last throughout the payment period...STEVE MATTES enjoyed a lovely vacation in Sarasota, Florida, for ten days...The fellows in the Upholstering Department would like to wish a speedy recovery to STANLEY MAZUREK who has been off sick for two weeks...Congratulations are in order for a 'very nice guy", WALTER COLEMAN, on his promotion to Leader of Area 321...We welcome back 1st Lieutenant MICHAEL FIORITO, the son of SAM FIORITO, carpenter, who spent

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

EDWARD J. ANDRACKI, 49, Engineering, Emp. 8-17-50, Died 4-14-71 HENRY A. ALM, 93, Archer, Emp. 5-25-10, Died 3-9-71 ROBERT BLAIR, 61, 77th Street, Emp. 3-29-34, Died 4-20-71 PATRICK BROWN, 84, Devon, Emp. 2-25-10, Died 3-28-71 FRANK BUETOW, 63, North Avenue, Emp. 7-31-29, Died 4-8-71 KATHERINE CARNEY, 73, West Section, Emp. 8-11-41, Died 3-11-71 JOSEPH CELANO, 58, 61st Street, Emp. 11-25-41, Died 3-23-71 CARL E. CHEEVER, 78, North Section, Emp. 11-8-26, Died 3-17-71 MATTEO CIRRINCIONE, 78, Track, Emp. 3-27-30, Died 3-29-71 JOHN H. CLAUSSEN, 86, 77th Street, Emp. 4-6-09, Died 3-23-71 MICHAEL J. COLEMAN, 56, Forest Park, Emp. 1-10-49, Died 4-3-71 BOOKER DANIELS, 58, Engineering, Emp. 5-18-51, Died 4-6-71 THOMAS J. DAWSON, 68, South Section, Emp. 10-20-25, Died 4-3-71 EDWARD DeRANGO, 48, North Section, Emp. 9-21-59, Died 4-4-71 JOHN J. DORAN, 70, Archer, Emp. 11-20-42, Died 3-11-71 OTTO D. EDIE, 80, Devon, Emp. 4-28-21, Died 3-12-71 PAUL EMIL, 74, Kimball, Emp. 9-15-27, Died 3-26-71 ADOLF L. FLORCZAK, 75, Howard Street, Emp. 8-14-16, Died 3-23-71 THOMAS HANNIGAN, 65, Archer, Emp. 6-9-23, Died 3-18-71 NIELS M. HANSEN, 68, West Section, Emp. 2-6-45, Died 3-17-71 WILLIAM H. HEIN, 84, 77th Street, Emp. 6-22-11, Died 3-6-71 GEORGE J. HUART, 80, Devon, Emp. 2-3-20, Died 3-25-71

JOHN R. HUBER, 77, Devon. Emp. 12-21-25, Died 3-8-71 SIDNEY E. JOHNSON, 89, North Section, Emp. 5-17-46, Died 1-22-71 STANLEY KASTEN, 74, South Shops, Emp. 1-30-45, Died 3-15-71 STEPHEN KREVE, 86, Kedzie, Emp. 9-9-17, Died 4-1-71 HARVEY LAWRENSON, 79, North Avenue, Emp. 8-6-23, Died 3-4-71 REACO MARKETTE, 89, 77th Street, Emp. 12-18-17, Died 2-27-71 MARY M. NOLAN, 75, West Section, Emp. 9-23-41, Died 3-24-71 GERALD T. O'CONNOR, 59, North Avenue, Emp. 3-13-43, Died 3-9-71 THOMAS O'KEEFE, 75, 77th Street, Emp. 4-30-26, Died 3-12-71 MITAR PAVLICA, 84, Track, Emp. 5-16-21, Died 2-11-71 WALTER RACZKOWSKI, 56, Archer. Emp. 3-2-55, Died 4-6-71 ERNEST RIVOLTORTO, 70, Way & Structures, Emp. 10-26-44, Died 2-20-71 VICTOR RIZZUTO, 58, 77th Street, Emp. 2-3-43, Died 3-1-71 ROBERT STEEGE, 55, West Section, Emp. 8-26-63, Died 4-17-71 HARRY E. TANNHAUSER, 79, Revenue Accounting, Emp. 6-11-20, Died 3-5-71 MORRIS TAYLOR, 83, Kedzie, Emp. 9-19-18, Died 3-3-71 ROSCOE TREECE, 70, North Section, Emp. 4-10-23, Died 3-1-71 JOHN VUCKOVICH, 78, Track, Emp. 8-7-42, Died 2-22-71 ROBERT C. WATSON, 76, Cottage Grove, Emp. 1-16-20, Died 3-19-71 JOSEPH WATTERS, 86, District "A", Emp. 8-30-23, Died 3-31-71 MARTIN J. ZAPF, 85, South Shops, Emp. 9-26-10, Died 3-25-71 JOSEPH S. ZIAJA, 83, Limits, Emp. 5-11-26, Died 3-9-71

11 months in Viet Nam...GEORGE STREICH and his wife just completed a 6,700 mile motor tour with a camper through the southwest. They spent a night at Alco Pass, Illinois, with Retired Electrician DAN SHERRARD. They visited the Large Cross on the side of Knob Hill in Southern Illinois. They then went to El Paso, Texas, where they rode the streetcar from El Paso to Juarez, Mexico. The fare from El Paso to Juarez was ten cents, while the fare from Juarez to El Paso was only two cents. From there they traveled to the Carlsbad Caverns where they took a $3\frac{1}{2}$ mile tour 830 feet underground, then on to Mesa, Arizona, where they spent four days with MIKE RUBEY, retired machinist, and left there for California where they visited Disneyland, Knotts Berry Farm, Universal Studios, Marineland, drove on the Ocean Drive, and then returned home...The fellows of Area 318 would like to wish PAT BARRY, carpenter apprentice, and STANLEY SARNA, foreman, a speedy recovery from their recent injuries. Take care of yourselves, fellows, we all miss you...PHIL SCHLOGEL, Area 346, and his wife enjoyed their second trip within a year to the Rio Grande Valley area and Mexico. They had a pleasant visit with his father, who is 88 years old, and his sister and brother-in-law in McAllen, Texas. They spent a week in Monterey and Saltilla, Mexico. Phil thinks the Rio Grande Valley would be a great place for retirement ... W. WILLENIUS, foreman, Area 345, retired on April 1. His announcement stating that he would retire was not taken seriously by RAY SPATZEK. Ray made a wager of \$10 with JOHN K. that Bill's 45 years of service would continue. His chagrin on losing this wager was in evidence when he paid off with 1,000 pennies--no more or less. John K. stated that this was considered, from the beginning, as having a money-back guarantee... Congratulations to RALPH T. BERNDT Jr., Area 348, on the birth of a daughter, HEIDI JEAN, weighing 6 pounds 2 ounces, on March 2 at Christ Community hospital. Ralph also became a journeyman machinist on May 17...DON CRIGLER, Area 348, joined the ranks of journeymen on May 2...ROBERT BARNS, laborer, Area 312, was presented with a baby boy, CRAIGERY, who was born on Easter Sunday weighing 8 pounds 9 ounces. Bob also has three other children, BARBARA, TONYA, and ROBERT Jr. He would like to wish Tonya a belated happy birthday, April 9.

- Elaine Stewart & Bob Brown

SOUTH SECTION -

Soon summer will be here, so let's hope the Cubs and White Sox have a rousing year and both end up on top...Our safest year in CTA history was 1970, and we all should be proud of the fact that each and every one of us helped make it possible. It was also Ashland's safest year since 1966, and we received a nice plaque in honor of the occasion. Free coffee and rolls were served and enjoyed by all. Let's all work a little harder in 1971 to make it an even greater year...We extend our congratulations to Conductor CARL SCHEUERMANN and his wife who will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary soon...We recently heard that Retired Motorman PAUL SCHILLE passed away. Our sincere condolences to his family...Good news--Janitor ALFRED HARRIS and Conductor HORACE GRAYSON are back working and off the sick list...Retired Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE was around recently to see the boys at Ashland and he looks real good and says "hello" to everyone ... Wow, 95th Street is going great guns. They beat their complaint-commendation par and had free rolls and coffee, and they also won the Interstation Safety Contest award for the first quarter of 1971 and will get coffee and rolls again in the near future. Our South Section is really great...The officers of the South Side Credit Union and their wives held their dinner recently at David's restaurant and all who attended had a great time, including myself and my hubby, ROLAND. It was a delicious dinner--and you know how I love dinners... We were sorry to hear that Motorman JOSEPH GRIFFIN fell and broke his ankle and will have the cast on for six weeks. Let's hope the time goes by quickly, Joe, and you will soon be back to work...Hi to newly-hired Agents VICKY BROWN, IONAE HARRIS, ALICE ARM-STRONG, and DOROTHY WILSON, and Janitor WALTER HEARD who transferred from Shops & Equipment...Retired

GUESTS OF HONOR at the annual Engineering Department retirement dinner in the Peacock Room, May 7, were department members who retired during the year ending May 1. The group includes, from left, Mrs. and Mr. VINCE MULE, Mrs. and Mr. ED BECKER, Mrs. and Mr. WILLIAM STAPLETON, Superintendent of Engineering E. E. OLMSTEAD, Mr. and Mrs. SID KAPPENMACHER, and Mr. and Mrs. JOE MARTELLO.



Clerk JOHN MORAN called and said that his widowed son was married recently. So John and his wife have moved to a super apartment building in Harwood Heights with swimming pool, recreation room, and many other features. They really are enjoying their new apartment. . . Agent CHARLES FRANK went on pension April 1. He was a fine agent and person and will be missed by all his co-workers. A good retired life is wished Charles...On the sick list at this writing is Clerk JOE O'CONNOR. Here's hoping his health improves real soon. We all miss him at work ... Retired Motorman EDWARD HENNESSY and his wife are back in Chicago now from their trip to Arizona. While there they visited with North Section Motorman PAT FLATLEY and his wife. They have a beautiful home. They also visited with his brother who was a surface system carpenter. They wish to be remembered to all their North and South Section friends...Congratulations to Agent PHYLLIS WOODS who was married recently and is now PHYLLIS AMAH ... Conductor CARL SCHEUERMANN is to be commended for rescuing a woman on April 9 who was trying to jump in front of a train at Howard Street. Carl, you did a wonderful job...Received a nice postcard from the traveling AR-THUR ANDERSONS, retired assistant station superintendent, from Tallahassee, Florida. They traveled through the southland and had a wonderful trip.

- Verna Hartney

52ND STREET -

JAMES HUNTER Jr., the son of Operator JAMES HUNTER, a student at De LaSalle institute was elected a member of the National Honor society. He was also listed among the "A" students at the school...The swing run operators are tipping their hats to Superintendent FRANK VITEK for eliminating that overtime in the fuel line. Now one good turn deserves another, so let's come in on time ... After 18 years of working nights, Repairman ALBERT BENN has picked days. Al says he will do the rest of his time in the daylight...Congratulations to the 52nd Street repair department for their fine efforts in winning their first safety award, presented by Safety Coordinator JIM DUD-LEY and J. J. REPPLINGER, superintendent of surface systems shops and garages. A hearty thanks from all of us to Foreman GUSTAVE PAVELKA, EDWARD ADAMS, HOSEA JOHNSON, WILLIE COOPER, and DANIEL CHORAK for a job well done. Keep up the good work, fellows, this is the first of many awards to come...We are sorry to announce that we have lost the fine services of SIMON SCAN-LAN who went on pension May 1. In his leisure, we wish him many happy days ahead.

- John L. Hudson

69TH STREET -

The janitors had a new pick and, as usual, we ended up with the cream of the crop. Our number one man is R. RAJ, number two is SIG WODARCZYK, 'Red" GREEN is number three, with LEROY MARSHALL in the number four position. N. ODOM is our night man, and LAWRENCE PAGE is working as the relief man. BOB JEROZAL left us for the 77th Street terminal job. Sig is going to Cambridge, Massachusetts, for a two-week vacation to see his son, FRANK, graduate from Harvard university. Frank will continue his education at the University of California at Berkeley. It is gratifying to know that some of our children

are taking advantage of the opportunities that this great country offers ... F. C. STAWINSKI is really going to enjoy the smooth ride of his new LTD, as he just had an operation, you know where...We can be proud of the fact that we broke our commendation/complaint par for the month of March...We extend our deepest sympathy to Operator D. DOWNES on the loss of his sister, DELIA BEHNLE... "Choo-Choo" FRALE and his son are planning the train ride of all time! Their first stop will be New Orleans on the Illinois Central, next the Sunset Limited will take them across the southern states to Los Angeles. The Coast Line of California will take them to San Francisco and up to Seattle, Washington. The Northern route will bring them back home. In all, they will cover 18 states. I'm not worried about how many blisters they are going to have-but how can Frale pack a lunch for such a trip?..With vacation me here, how about dropping a line as to where you are going and what you are doing?..JIMMY AHERN of the Repair Department reports that HANK MILLER, one of our former trainmen, has returned from Florida. He will spend the summer months here with his old friend, Pensioner CHESTER WILLIAMS, who lives near Kankakee. He Iso has JOHN TIFFY on his list. We wish him and all the other pensioners good health and many years of happiness. .. MARTIN SWANSON, formerly a mechanic at 69th, took his pension on March 1... We offer our best wishes to JAMES CASEY who is off sick, and hope he will be able to return to work soon...FRANK KERMAN is going on a fishing trip to Wisconsin. We hope he catches enough for a good fish fry...Congratulations to CTA and Division 241 on the new pension plan...So, Mrs. YOUNG, take good care of MICKEY ... May God bless all of you and remember, drive safely.

- Arthur P. Buesing

77TH STREET -

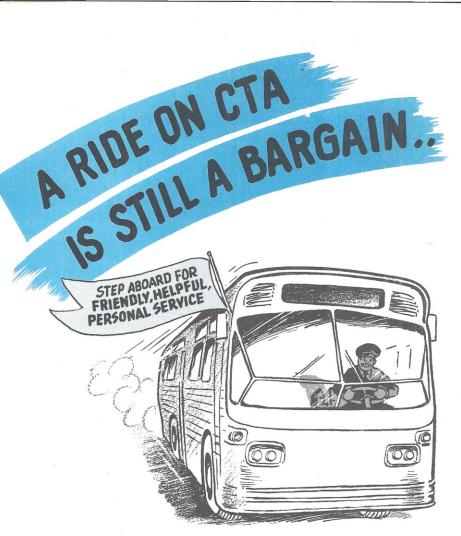
Sorry that our column didn't appear in the last issue of Transit News, but due to the "flu-bug", I was confined at home and missed the deadline for submitting news items...

CORNED BEEF and cabbage topped the menu this year just as it has in the past 24 years. As always, active and pensioned Electrical Department employes turned out in force to honor the year's retirees at their annual dinner held at Harrington's on North Milwaukee avenue. The six pensioners include, from left, JOHN DARCY, CLARENCE MALOTTKE, J. R. HAYDON, AMOS SMITH, JOSEPH HERMAN, and CHARLES PARK.



Belated birthday wishes are sent to the following operators: A. JEFFERSON, H. L. CARTER, R. PLATT, S. C. HALL, A. W. WINDHAM, W. E. FRANKLIN, F. A. ODOM, D. JOHNSON, J. R. JONES Jr., I. HOLDEN, J. L. HARDY, N. MOORE Jr., I. BAILEY, W. GREER, I. R. KERSH, C. WALKER Jr., J. THOMAS, L. C. GARY, G. E. GARFIELD, A. HART, D. HUDSON, E. SIBLEY, S. LOTT, E. J. RAVE, R. E. DYLE, A. G. BUTLER, A. WILLIAMS, L. WRIGHT, J. W. RILEY Jr., R. McDONALD, A. C. THOMAS, A. C. PLANJE, B. A. RAWLS, C. L. BLAKENEY, J. STEWART, D. BOWEN, R. LANE, J. CARTER, T. PETERS, L. DURR, J. W. JONES, T. GUERIN, J. GILLIAM, J. H. IRWIN, C. W. PARRISH, R. J. ROBINSON, E. J. TILLEY, S. ANDERSON, H. DONAHUE, L. MARCY, W. GARVIN, W. BYRD, F. GREEN, W. HARVEY, A. FOWLER, D. LEE, W. SMITH, A. JACKSON, C. HARRIS, M. AMBICKI, L. CRAIG, J. KERSH Jr., E. BROWN Jr., L. ROSE, W. OGLESBY, L. HOLT, A. R. WILLIAMS, J. HARDING, J. GILMORE, W. WALKER, R. WILLIAMS, M. BRITTAIN, N. JONES, and J. JACOBS...We would like to apologize to Operator B. WATKINS for omitting his name from the February birthday list...Operator BOOKER BYERS and his wife, BARBA-RA, celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on February 25. Congratulations to you both... Miss CORTHEA QUALLS, the daughter of Operator JEFFREY QUALLS, celebrated her birthday on March 22. Happy belated birthday, Corthea...Belated birthday wishes to the two daughters of Operator V. JONES. SONJA celebrated her birthday on March 3, and REMEL celebrated hers on March 14...Our sincere sympathy is extended to Operator RUDOLPH CAMPBELL and his family on the passing of his father. Our sympathy is also extended to Instructor B. HENDERSON and his family in the passing of his mother. She was buried in Oklahoma...Congratulations are in order for all the operators at 77th Street. We beat our commendation and complaint pars for the month of March. Let's make it a clean sweep next month by beating our accident par which is of even greater concern to Superintendent J. KNERR...Instructor FRANCIS SMITH retired on March 1 after 44 years of service. Best wishes to Frank for a healthy and happy retirement...RAY PRYOR, supervising instructor, South, and Instructor TOM SPRATT will be winging their way to Florida on vacation. We wonder who will be in charge of the instructors now that Ray and Tom are gone?.. Operator ANDREW BUTLER and his wife, WILMA, are very proud of their son, AN-DREW Jr., who was recently graduated from Roosevelt university. Congratulations to all of you. Andy Sr. and Andy Jr. celebrated their birthdays in April. Andy Jr. was 22, but the old man wouldn't divulge how old he was. That's alright, Andy, if you don't tell me, Wilma will... News from the clerk's cage--Clerk HARRY RONS vacationed in Florida and Nassau for two weeks...Chief Clerk RUDY AL-BRECHT's wife is in the hospital with a broken arm... Clerk TOM McGUIRE is in Little Company of Mary hospital recovering from surgery...We would like to welcome Clerk JAMES BURKE to our clerical staff...A fond welcome to ED LEVI who has returned after a 71-day absence. .. The softball team is now practicing for the upcoming season, and I am told by Team Manager CHARLES JOHNSON that all positions are open...I am taking this opportunity to request that those operators who have been breaking bottles in the parking area, please refrain from such an infantile habit. Your fellow employes who drive their cars to work are finding that their tires are being cut. Let's find something more constructive to do.

- Eleosie Gresham





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