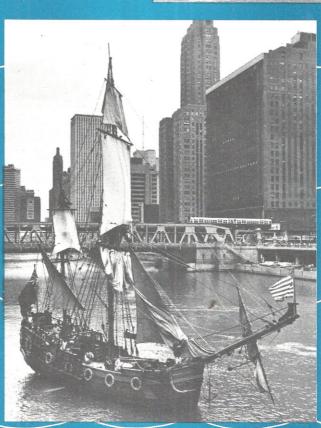
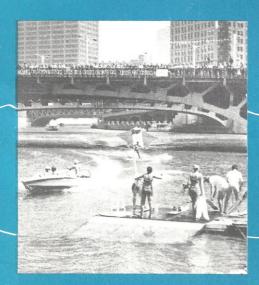


# TRANSIT NEWS









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Michael Cafferty Chairman



TO ALL EMPLOYEES:

My visits throughout the CTA have enabled me to meet many of you. I am more convinced than ever of my good fortune in being with you.

As an official of the U.S. Department of Transportation, I was very much aware of the CTA through its reputation for performance and also for the top quality of its employees. Those impressions are now replaced by first hand knowledge.

In order that the CTA can continue to maintain and improve as an organization, I want to make certain that each employee has the opportunity to develop to his full potential. The Job Posting System and the many training programs that we have, have been very good in helping to accomplish this objective.

There is another program at CTA that I would like to see utilized more than it has been. That is our Tuition Aid Plan, which provides financial assistance for college training and vocational schools to the individual employee to help him or her improve their ability to do their job.

Any employee desiring to participate in this program should obtain an Application for Tuition Aid from his supervisor. You have my assurance that it will be promptly

Your comments and suggestions on how we can improve the processed. CTA will be appreciated by me.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Caffer

Chairman



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## **New Bus Route, Two Extensions Announced**

## 100 Jeffery Manor Limited

OPERATING BETWEEN the Jeffery Manor area and the 95/Dan Ryan transit center starting Monday, September 13, the new 100 Jeffery Manor Limited is the latest bus route added to CTA's system since the opening of the Dan Ryan rapid transit extension.

Bus service on the new route will initially be provided Mondays through Fridays from 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 a.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The new route provides direct service between the Dan Ryan rapid transit and the Jeffery Manor area,

operating via 95th street to a loop in Jeffery Manor via Yates avenue, 100th street, Van Vlissingen road, Jeffery avenue, and 95th street in the A.M. rush. During the P.M. rush the direction of the loop within Jeffery Manor is reversed. Buses operate non-stop between Cottage Grove and Michigan avenues.

By transferring to the high-speed Dan Ryan rapid transit, passengers not only have the benefit of riding modern air-conditioned trains to the Loop, they also realize a savings of 10 to 15 minutes over any other routing.

### 50 North Damen

SERVICE ON the 50 North Damen bus route was resumed from Blue Island avenue to 35th street during rush hours on weekdays only, starting September 13, to provide connections with 50A South Damen buses at 35th street.

Weekday rush hour connecting service between the 50 and 50A bus routes was started in September, 1966, and was discontinued in November, 1969, when the Damen avenue bridge between 27th and 33rd streets was closed for reconstruction.

Eleven A.M. rush period trips are operated between 6:35 a.m. and 9:34 a.m. at 12- to 20-minute intervals. Seventeen P.M. trips operate between 2:29 p.m. and 6:54 p.m. at 15- to 20-minute intervals. Generally, every other bus operates to 35th street.

Buses operate south in Damen to 34th street, west in 34th to Hoyne avenue, south in Hoyne to 35th street, east in 35th to Damen avenue and north in Damen. Saturday and Sunday service will continue to terminate at Blue Island avenue.

### 52 Laramie

EXTENDED TO serve the Cicero avenue entrance of the Congress-Milwaukee rapid transit station beginning Monday, September 13, was the 57 Laramie bus route.

Instead of terminating on the south at Lavergne avenue and Flournoy street, buses operate over the same route to Lavergne avenue and Harrison street, and then continue east in Harrison street to Cicero avenue, south in Cicero avenue to Flournoy street,

west in Flournoy street to Laramie avenue, and then north in Laramie avenue over the regular route.

Persons transferring between the Laramie buses and the rapid transit have the advantage of using the full-time Cicero entrance to the station rather than the part-time auxiliary entrance at Lavergne. In addition, this extension of service provides a direct connection for persons transferring between Laramie buses and southbound Cicero buses.

OUR COVER: Chicago's lake front festival, August 14th through 22nd, drew crowds daily to the Chicago river, where they stood along its edge and on bridges to see feats being performed in the water. The festival was preceded by a parade as well as the appearance of a sailship in the river--the presence of which recalled events of the past century when merchant ships sailed the Chicago river at a snail's pace on days when not even a breeze prevailed. Needless to say, bridges remained open for long periods and transit service suffered dearly while horse cars were switched back and riders sought other means of entering the Loop.

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## ESC Award Winners Named

## For Second Quarter of 1971

STEPPING INTO the spotlight as second quarter winners of the Employe Safety Contest (ESC) were three Shops and Equipment Department locations that showed up their competition.

The newly-developed ESC, which was started during the first quarter of 1971, gives recognition to men at work locations that achieve the best safety performance during each quarter. Three separate competitions match locations performing similar work against each other--the 12 surface garages, 11 rapid transit maintenance terminals, and two main shops. The quarterly winner in each group is the location with the lowest number of injuries per one million man-hours worked.

Pictured here are the second quarter award winners, Limits (top) in the surface garage competition with a frequency rate of zero, Dan Ryan (center) in the rapid transit terminal competition with a zero rate, and South Shops (bottom) in the shops competition with a frequency rate of 91.8.







## Combined Service of 123 Years

## Three from Accounting Department Take Pensions



TAKING THEIR pensions August 1 were three Accounting Department employes whose combined service totals 123 years: Herbert Rohde with over 46 years, Raymond Schramm with over 45 years, and Michael Verdonck with over 30 years of service.

Mr. Rohde joined the Surface Lines as an office boy on August 25, 1924, and two months later became a payroll clerk. He subsequently served as assistant voucher clerk starting in 1926, invoice and voucher clerk in 1929, and supervisor of social security records in 1937. When the use of data processing equipment was started by CSL in 1942, Mr. Rohde became supervisor of IBM operations. At the time of his reirement, he was serving as supervisor of the tabu-

lating machine section, the position which he has held since 1958.

Mr. Schramm entered the service of the Chicago Motor Coach on September 14, 1925, serving first as a mileage clerk and then as register clerk, payroll clerk, and accounting clerk. He became a voucher clerk in September, 1935, and while serving in that capacity he also performed duties as a part time bus operator during the World War II manpower shortage. Following the purchase of CMC by CTA, he was named assistant supervisor of the voucher section in 1953, assistant supervisor of accounts payable in 1954, and finally supervisor of accounts payable in October, 1955, the position which he held until his retirement.

Mr. Verdonck joined the CSL as a streetcar motorman on June 10, 1941, assigned to the Division carbarn. Leaving the Transportation Department to enter the accounting field in 1945, he served first as junior assistant voucher clerk. He subsequently became bill clerk II in 1951, bill clerk III in 1969, and bill clerk IV in 1965, the position he held until retirement.

Friends and co-workers attended an open house to extend their best wishes to the three new retirees. Among those who wished them well was Peter J. Meinardi (second from left), manager of finance, who is pictured here with (from left) Mr. Rohde, Mr. Schramm, and Mr. Verdonck.

# Second Quarter Winners Accept ISC Awards

OPERATING EMPLOYES at Lawndale and Congress Stations recently accepted plaques for their second quarter achievements in the Interstation Safety Contest. Making the presentations was Superintendent of Operating Stations George A. Riley.

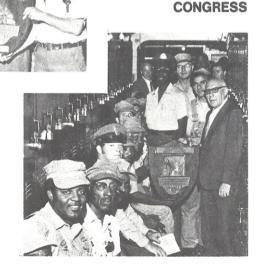
Lawndale, which closed out the quarter with a point score of 67.24, won the surface system competition and missed the 75.00 perfect score by less than eight points.

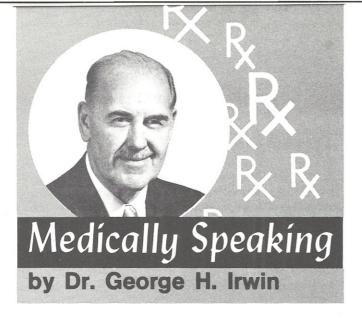
Congress won the rapid transit competition with a perfect score of 75.00. This is the tenth time Congress Station has won an ISC award.

System-wide, accidents for the first half of 1971 are down 669 as compared with the same period of 1970--CTA's safest year.

#### LAWNDALE







**ACUTE APPENDICITIS** was the topic of a talk I gave on WGN radio in 1931, from which part of this following article is taken.

Fred Jones, a young Chicago attorney was suddenly awakened at 3 a.m. on August 1, 1888, by severe pains in the abdomen. This was most unusual, as he was a man of regular habits, previous good health, and only 32 years of age. Naturally, his wife was greatly frightened at this most unfortunate turn so she called the doctor to come at once.

Mr. Jones probably had acute appendicitis and while the good doctor did not recognize the exact nature of the disease at once, it was not strange, for this happened only two years after Dr. Reginal Fitz of Boston described appendicitis, as such, for the first time in history. One year later, the first successful operation for appendicitis was performed.

It is very difficult to get comparable statistics on appendicitis 50 years ago and now. One reason is that in the early days people actually had appendicitis but the usual diagnosis was inflammation of the bowels. Improved medical research and early proper diagnosis has corrected this problem.

Everyone should be interested in knowing something about appendicitis, because it is a disease which afflicts people of all ages, but particularly young male adults. If you do not become the victim of this disorder, some member of your family or a friend usually does. With proper knowledge and understanding of this ailment, you may help to save a life by getting proper and early medical attention.

To illustrate the importance and also the progress or improvement in the care of appendicitis, the following statistics are cited. In 1930 about 18,000 deaths from appendicitis were recorded in the United States. In 1960, around 5,000 were reported.

The appendix is a blind pouch, finger-shaped, located in the lower right quadrant of the abdomen near the junction of the small and large bowels. In rare instances the appendix may be abnormally placed.

The direct cause of appendicitis is a bacterial infection but there are other factors which favor its

development. Hanging as a blind pouch at the lower end of the large intestine, one may readily understand why the appendix is an ideal loafing spot for bacteria, foreign bodies, such as pins, seeds, etc. Like the adenoids, it is composed of lymphoid or spongy tissue, which makes it an inviting harbor for bacteria. Drainage of the appendix is often interfered with by twisting or kinking of the organ, which is often a contributing factor in the development of appendicitis.

In general, it has been thought that the appendix had no definite known function. In the past year or two, some medical work done in Europe emphasized the high prevalence of previous appendectomy in patients suffering from cancer of the colon and rectum. The theory of the article was that the appendix mig be related to the immunity of bowel cancer. Follow-up work indicates nothing conclusive about the relationship of appendectomy cancer.

The characteristic symptoms of acute appendicitis are abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting, mild fever tenderness over lower right quadrant, and increased white blood count. Pain in varying forms is not only the first symptom to appear, but is the only symptom present in all cases. At first it acts like an ordinary stomach-ache. Later it leaves the stomach region and is localized to the lower right quadrant. It is estimated that nausea is present in about 50 per cent of all cases, vomiting in approximately 75 per cent of the cases, and an increase in the white blood cell count is present in about 80 per cent of the cases. Thus it is seen that appendicitis may be present in atypical or unusual instances without nausea, vomiting, or increased blood count. The fact that it may imitate so many other abdominal conditions such as acute indigestion, ulcer, gall stones, kidney stones, female disorders, diverticulitis, etc., makes the correct diagnosis difficult at times. It seems natura for many people with abdominal pains to blame it o. something they ate the day before. So they take a laxative or enema. Some relief follows and they feel recovery is on the way. But in the next day or two the misery comes back. The doctor is called and a ruptured appendix is found. Because of all the condition just mentioned in this paragraph, it should be perfectly clear why acute appendicitis is really a treacherous disease.

The treatment of acute appendicitis is fairly well agreed upon by medical authorities. Early surgery is the answer. Improved medical knowledge, modern laboratory tests, including X-ray examination, have helped in the early and correct diagnosis. This has resulted in more surgical cures. Intravenous feedings and penicillin hasten recovery in the operative cases. The mortality rate is now less than 1 per cent.

In conclusion, a safe plan to follow in cases of abdominal pain lasting more than a few hours is to call your family doctor. Never wait until the second or third day. Do not take a laxative. Appendent one early, can be considered an operation which is not dangerous but also gives the best results.

# Supervisory Changes Affect Accounting, Transportation Departments

TAKING NEW supervisory posts recently were seven CTA employees named in bulletins announcing their appointments and organizational changes within the Accounting and Transportation Departments.

In bulletins issued by Manager of Finance P. J. Meinardi, the following Accounting Department changes became effective August 1: operations of the computer and Tabulating Sections were combined and placed under the supervision of D. J. Proffitt, operations of the Material & Supplies and Accounts Payable Sections were combined and placed under the supervision of T. F. McGrath, and J. J. Gingras became responsible for the Methods & Procedures Department.

Named to new posts at surface operating stations by Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn, effective September 1, were North Park Station Superintendent A. C. Johnson, Forest Glen Assistant Station Superintendent V. L. Johnson, North Park & Forest Glen Relief Station Superintendent W. R. Parnum, and North Avenue Senior Station Instructor J. D. Brogan. Their appointments were approved by Operating Manager C. E. Keiser.

# Suggestion Plan Announces New \$10 Award

FOUR SUGGESTERS whose ideas were accepted during the month of July were the first to be offered a lew \$10 gift certificate as an award. The new \$10 Jewel/Osco/Turnstyle gift certificate replaces the \$7 certificate which has been offered to each employee whose suggestion was adopted since 1965.

Suggesters still have the option of selecting either the gift certificate or a Zippo lighter/tape rule set.

Named by the Executive Decision Committee of the Employee Suggestion Plan as award winners were two General Office employees, Regina Daren of Medical and John P. Phillips of Office Services, a North Section rapid transit employee, James Schumpp, and a Utility Department employee, Walter Wangero.

For having two suggestions adopted during July, Mrs. Daren was also presented a \$25 cash award and given a second choice of an incentive award.

# Pensioners Note . . . New Riding Card Pictures Being Taken for 1972

RETIRED CTA employees interested in receiving their 1972 riding cards must come to one of two surface operating stations to have a new photograph taken, according to the Reproduction Services Department.

The special identification camera will be set up from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the following locations on the dates shown:

ARCHER STATION - 2600 W. Pershing road Wednesday, October 6

Thursday, October 7

Friday, October 8

NORTH AVENUE STATION - 4801 W. North avenue Monday, October 11

Tuesday, October 12

Wednesday, October 13

To identify yourself, bring your present CTA riding card. No photographs will be taken at the Merchandise Mart offices.

# RECENT CTA ADDITIONS TO THE ARMED FORCES

BYNDOM, L. D., Operator, Kedzie JOHNSON, L. A., Serviceman, Beverly PARENTE, D. A., Repairer, Beverly

#### RECENTLY RETURNED

COSTLEY, L. J. Jr., Repairer, Limits HOOKS, W. O., Ticket Agent, West Section HOWE, K., Serviceman, North Avenue LAMPKIN, C. T., Operator, 69th Street MADECK, D. F., Operator, Forest Glen MARINA, J. H., Serviceman, 77th Street MARTIN, D. H., Operator, Keeler MEANS, J., Serviceman, 69th Street MONTGOMERY, L., Operator, Beverly PRICE, L. J. Jr., Operator, 69th Street ROSE, W. R., Repairer, Keeler RYAN, T. J., Service Attendant I, Stores SALONE, M. R., Serviceman, Forest Glen SPIEGEL, A. R., Operator, Keeler WILKINS, E., Operator, 77th Street

# THE INSIDE NEWS

## AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

#### ACCOUNTING (General) -

JUNE NOREN has some nice photos that show some of the highlights of her vacation. She was met at the airport in Colorado Springs by her nephew and family. Her nephew is a dentist stationed at the Air Force Academy. They toured the Academy, Garden of Gods, and the Royal Gorge. At the gorge they rode on the incline railway, an aerial tramway 1,200 feet above the Arkansas river, and also drove over the famous suspension bridge. From there she went on to Seattle where her niece, JUDY ANN, and her family met her and drove to their home on the lake about 20 miles north of Everett, Washington. June, her niece, and her niece's husband and friends went salmon fishing off the coast of Westport, Washington, where they caught three large salmon...The welcome mat was extended to VICTO-RIA LEPEK who returned to us as a comptometer operator on July 7. Many of the employes still remember Victoria, as she had worked in the department about 14 years ago ... Congratulations are in order for GENEVIEVE WRIGHT who filled the clerk IV position in the Billing Section, and also congratulations to BEATRICE FRANKE on her taking the position of clerk II in the Billing Section ... MARY ALICE CLEARY went to visit her daughter and family in Stockton, California, arriving on Friday, June 18. On the 19th she was able to see her grandson play in the little league, and on the 20th she saw beautiful San Francisco and the Marine World. On Monday the 21st her son-in-law, who is a roofer by trade, slipped 24 feet off a steep roof, with nothing to hold on to, and injured his back and broke his right foot. At the present time he is home and doing very well. Mary Alice was thankful that she was there, because she minded the grandchildren while her daughter went to the hospital... We had an unexpected visitor in this office when ANN LYONS was in Chicago to attend the funeral of a nephew. A dinner was planned by some of her former co-workers and the evening with Ann was enjoyed by all...FRANCES HAD-DIX went to visit relatives in Southeastern, Missouri. She stopped in Hannibal, Missouri, to see the Mark Twain Museum and the Meramec Caverns. She then went on to St. Louis, Missouri...We were sorry to hear that PAT BOL-SINGER, formerly of Accounting, is in Evanston hospital recovering from surgery. We hope her recovery will be speedy. LORRAINE McEVILLY, also a former Accounting employe, is in St. Francis hospital, Evanston. We wish her well...Three veterans of many years' service with the CTA and predecessor companies retired on August 1. They are HERBERT ROHDE with 46 years of service, RAYMOND SCHRAMM with 45 years of service, and MICHAEL VER-DONCK with 30 years of service. Each man was feted separately at luncheons and then on Thursday, July 29, there was an open house held and many people attended to honor them. Besides the many employes who participated in their sendoff, there were many retirees who sent their contributions and greetings to make their retirement a great success. Among them were William Dentamaro, John Geary, George Triunfol, Betty Suhr, Grace Johnson, Charles W. Meyer, Lawrence J. Francoeur (former General Accountant), Edward C. Kaross, Edward C. Burke, Eleanor Browne, William R. Williams, Antoinette O'Brien, A. J. Fitzsimons (former General Accountant), Arthur C. Mueller, W. S. Comstock, A. E. Krimblebine, Mabel Pott-

hast, Leon Salisbury, George Pellicore, and Lydia Haemker, a number of whom came in person to the party. We want to thank all these people as well as many others, for making this party the success it was. I am sure it will be long remembered by these faithful men...We understand that A. J. FITZSIMONS, retired general accountant, is active in senior citizen circles. He is treasurer of the Young at Heart Senior Citizens of Elmwood Park. This is a new organization that was started in March and now has a membership of 225 persons who are all busy arranging tours and activities for the group.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

#### (Tabulating) -

PAULINE MANGINO returned to work after her vacation sporting a lovely tan. No need to go elsewhere when one has a pool in the back yard...ERMA POINTER spent part of her vacation acquainting her two young sons with the delights of Chicago, which included, of course, a wonderful amusement park. They also took a trip to Flint, Michigan, which was most enjoyable...CLARENCE BUTHMAN spent a delightful week in and about Springdale, Missouri. He reports that the swimming was great...ROBERT RISE has joined the motoring public and is "merry Oldsmobiling" around and hunting for parking places like all the rest of us. His vacation was spent partly in good old Chicago and partly in Grand Rapids, Michigan, renewing old friendships...EMIL RUSINAK spent his week's vacation doing chores around the house which included painting. Congratulations are offered to Emil and his family who have welcomed a grandson, JEFFREY RICHARD RUSINAK. Jeffrey's father, GARY RUSINAK, works in the Track Department.

- Evelyn Leu

#### (Payroll) -

Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY MAILUCK, Payroll Accounting, seem to be fond of that Southern hospitality, for they made another short trip to historic Stone Mountain Memorial Park near Atlanta, Georgia. It is a very fascinating and educational area filled with the history of our country. There are many relics of the Civil War, and a steam train that takes passengers for an hour ride, during which time there is a hold-up and a passenger is chased through the train by an Indian. An old steamboat, the General Robert E. Lee, also takes passengers for a relaxing boat trip. The Mailucks took a city bus tour of Atlanta, Georgia, and stopped at the grave of Dr. Martin Luther King. If your vacation plans need a boost, just ask Mr. Mailuck; he can give you many suggestions for interesting places to visit... DOROTHY NYCZAK and her husband, GEORGE, and their children, GREG and SHARON, returned to their favorite summer place, Saddle Lake Island, Michigan, to enjoy swimming, boating, fishing, and some bowling. Dorothy's mother spent the first weekend with them, and then took off for California. Fishing was excellent in Saddle Lake this year, and George caught several three-pound bass, some of which are still in the deep freeze and will be enjoyed at a later date. While on vacation the Nyczaks celebrated their

15th wedding anniversary by spending the day in scenic Deer Forest and then having dinner in a quaint Italian restaurant. Congratulations!..JOANNE STASI and her husband, FRANK, spent some time in Spring Grove, Illinois, getting the summer home ready for the season...The BIZIK twins, JEAN and JACKIE, enjoyed their vacation in the country visiting their aunt, going to the races, and, of course, part of the time was spent at the farm near Fox Lake, Illinois, where they keep their horses. Incidentally, we may have some interesting news about their horses one of these days...ART JOHNSON, one of our Payroll pensioners, while up north on his annual visit from Florida, stopped in to say hello to his old gang. It certainly was good to see him, too.

- Clara Lawrence

#### BEVERLY -

Your co-reporter, AMOS FOSTER, and his family is fresh back to work from a two-week vacation and 'ready like Freddy." We didn't go out of the city, but we did have visitors from Cleveland, Ohio, and Oglethorpe, Georgia. My sister, NELLIE WILLIAMS, my brother-in-law, TRU-MAN WILSON, and his pretty wife, LUCILLE, were here and we had a ball...Operator E. L. (The Big One) SCOTT wanted me to retract what I had said about him in the last issue about old men being mean. I refused, so he moved out of my neighborhood. The next week he came crying to me that someone had relieved him of his shiny new Bonneville...L. SCOTT, no relation to the big one, took a trip to St. Louis, Missouri, and really had his share of bad luck. While there his car broke down and he had to fly home. When he arrived home, to his dismay he found that burglars had moved him out--ripped off everything, color TV and all...Operator RAY HELM also went to St. Louis on his vacation...Old checker playing BANKS has gone on vacation, too. He didn't say where, so we will have to wait until his return to find out... Now for some good news. CAROLYN REED, the daughter of Operator and Mrs. MALDWIN J. REED, was graduated from Jones Commerical High school with scholastic and attendance honors. She also received the top award in advanced business machines, the subject in which she majored. Carolyn also has plans for an August wedding to JOE JOHNSON of St. Louis, Missouri. Good luck to you, Carolyn, in all your endeavors...HELENE WEATHERS, the daughter of Operator GEORGE WEATH-ERS, was graduated from Thornton Township High school in Harvey, Illinois, and will make her debut as a debutante with the Elites of Phoenix, Illinois. Helene has plans to enter Chicago State Teachers college in the fall.

- 70m Daniels & Amos Foster

#### CTA POLICE -

The most notable event in our department since the last issue was the retirement of ARTHUR F. STAHL, our superintendent for the last four years. A retirement party was held for Mr. Stahl at Binyon's restaurant on Plymouth court. F. C. KNAUTZ, superintendent of Public and Employe Relations, was master of ceremonies and those who were there enjoyed his entertaining and humorous remarks. N. N. GRAVER, who is now acting superintendent, presented Mr. Stahl with a savings bond from the CTA Police. Also attending Mr. Stahl's party were: Transit Board Member WALLACE JOHNSON, General Manager T. B.

THIS PRETTY young lady is HELENE WEATHERS, the daughter of Beverly Operator and Mrs. GEORGE WEATHERS, who recently made her debut with the Elites of Phoenix, Illinois. Helene will enter Chicago State Teachers college in the fall.



O'CONNOR, Chief ROBERT MILLER, Lieutenants LOHSE and OSTERBERGER, Sergeants MOKSTAD and FIDANZE, and Detectives RINI and WALLACE. Speaking of our present bosses, Mr. Stahl said that there wasn't anyone more loyal and devoted to the CTA Police Department than Mr. Graver and Chief Miller. Have a happy and pleasant retirement, Mr. Stahl...Retired Sergeant JOHN McGRATH has been visiting with relatives in County Waterford, Ireland, and will remain there until September ... Retired Officer L. L. SMITH stopped to chat with CTA officers on detail at Addison-Sheffield for the ball game break. Smittie says the muskie fishing is great at Winter, Wisconsin... Sergeant CHARLIE BERGLUND came back from Minnesota with 35 pounds of fish filets...JAY JONAS is going to Los Angeles for his vacation, and will also be fishing for sailfish off Catalina Island...FRANK and MARGARET INGRAS-SIA will travel to St. Paul, Minnesota, for a visit with Frank's brother, CHARLES, who is a patrolman for the local police department...Among those who chose to take it easy around home during vacation time were: ED GAR-NER, DALE POTTER, BRUCE DAVIS, STEVE IPPOLITO, and BILL McKENZIE. Steve expects, during his time off, that his son will come up from Miami with his grandson, THOMAS, age 1, whom Steve hasn't seen yet. Bill Mc-Kenzie finished a course in law enforcement at Thornton Community college in Harvey...IVAN KASSER was in Miami for a few days visiting relatives...Sergeant TOM and MARY SULZER are going to Washington, D.C., where they will visit their son, TOM Jr., who is in intelligence work in the Pentagon...Stenographer LORRAINE DOUGHERTY has left us to take up family life. Lorraine and her husband, RICH-ARD, are going to be parents shortly. Richard hopes the baby will be a boy, and Lorraine hopes the baby will be healthy...MIKE and ANNETTE LEE LONERGAN became parents of a baby girl, ANITA, in April. The Lonergans will be going to Niagara Falls and vicinity on their vacation ... A local utility company has come out with a slogan, "We're all in it together." What else is new? Around here it's been called CTA Teamwork all along. Lately, for example, on a train at 40th and Indiana, some teasing between two passengers led to a serious stabbing. Conductor R. NORINGTON kept the doors closed while Motorman B. MANNS notified the line supervisor. JOHN HIGENS and ED GARNER on the Beverly Unit, were the first on the scene, arrested the offender, recovered the weapon, and did what they could to aid the victim. Superintendent GRAVER was very pleased with this arrest, as it was a fine bit of police work by these two officers...On a Dan Ryan train, Conduc-



THIS YOUNG man is TONY BRUNO Jr., the son of North Park Operator TONY BRUNO, who was graduated from Holy Cross High school on June 5 and has enrolled at Wright Junior college.

tor HERMAN YOUNG had his changer and money taken by a strong-arm robber. Motorman J. BRENNAN called the line supervisor for help and kept the train outside the 69th Street Station until police arrived. ED GARNER on the 63rd Yard Unit, and JOHN HIGENS on the Archer Unit, responded and arrested the offender...On a bus at Kedzie and Van Buren, Operator WILLIAM GAY was being beaten by a teenager who was about as big as two adults. Acting Supervisor CARL HICKMAN, working a District "C" radio car, saw this and radioed for help. JOHN FIRLINGER, on the Blue Island Unit, overheard Hickman's call and responded immediately. John was first on the scene and made the arrest. Cooperation and alert use of the CTA radio by both Hickman and Firlinger resulted in a good arrest. Most important, Operator Gay was not seriously hurt...And it can happen while you're working the shops, too. During the early morning hours, your scribe was making a pull from the Wilson Tower when he observed a hippie individual spray-painting slogans all over the Wilson platform. CHESTER MAZURKIEWICZ, on the Limits Unit, arrived in short order for the assist...Credits for arrests that make the CTA lines a better place to travel and work follow. The totals for the 6th and 7th periods are combined. May 16 to July 10 is covered with the number of adult arrests in ( ). Assaults On Passengers/Employes: GENU-TIS (2), SCHNEIDER, LAATSCH (1), OSTERBERGER (1), HIGENS, GARNER (1), LaFOLLETTE (1). Pickpockets, Jackrollers, Jostlings: LONERGAN, NAIF (1), LEAHY, MARTINIAK (4), COLLINS (1), INGRASSIA, FIRLINGER, NAIF (1), THOMAS (1), BUTLER, SCHNEIDER, LAATSCH (5), BUTLER, WALLACE (3), MARTINIAK, WIZNIEWSKI (2), BUTLER, WIZNIEWSKI, WALLACE (1), GENUTIS (3), GARNER (1), KRETZ (1), McELROY, MARTINIAK (1), McELROY (2), DAVIS (1), JAQUEST (1), CONSENTINO (1), HIGENS (1), KRETZ, GARNER, INGRASSIA, NAIF (1). Robbery: INGRASSIA, SPATARO (1), VOGT (2). Weapons arrests: LEAHY, KUSCH, MAZURKIEWICZ (1), HIGENS, DAVIS (1). Narcotics arrests: LEAHY, MARTINIAK (1), BERGLUND, JAQUEST (1). Sex offense arrests: LEAHY, MARTINIAK (1), THOMAS (1), BUTLER, MARTINIAK, LAATSCH (2). Congratulations to all these men for doing their job and doing it well!.. As of the middle of July, our department's application for law enforcement assistance grants for several projects was in Springfield awaiting approval and action. Also, we are due to get new squad cars, eventually. When they arrive, let's all take extra care not to handle them in an unnecessarily rough way. No one likes being a gopher -- go for service, go for repairs, etc...Superintendent GRAVER is working on a system for

promotions that will be based mainly on written exams ... September brings the start of classes in law enforcement and police administration at Loop College, U. of I. Chicago Circle Campus, and other schools. Education stimulates the mind and improves the student as a person. The office will make every effort to accomodate your work schedule with your class hours. The CTA has a tuition refund plan for job related courses. See Superintendent Graver for details and to make arrangements. Veterans should be aware of the many school benefits under the GI bill...PAUL WAL-LACE, BILL McKENZIE, and BOB NAIF have all been taking college police courses on their own time. GEORGE BONESS and JIM LaFOLLETTE will be attending the tenweek police course at the Chicago Police Academy from September 13 to November 19... Happy birthday greetings for July go out to: LOHSE (10th), SPATARO (19th), PARKS (29th), and BARRETT (31st)...When you have something of interest, do your scribe a favor and send him a note at the office. Or if the man on the board isn't too busy, ask him to leave a note.

- Timothy O'Mahony

#### ELECTRICAL (Blue Island) -

Vacations have started and lucky ROBERT MUNSON won a trip to Miami. He also took an added week and went on a Caribbean cruise. WALTER BARBOUR and his wife, AL-VERNIA, also went on a Caribbean tour. Walter looks like he put on about 10 pounds. He said that the food aboard ship was terrific...TED WYNCOTT spent a week in Bull Shoals, Arkansas. We are still waiting to hear about the "big one" that got away...FRED LUNDIE has just returned from a five-week tour of Russia where he acted as an interpreter for a group. He reported that the Russian people are very friendly, and the Russian Borscht looks good on Fred (about 25 pounds worth)...ART ARDUINI and his wife celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary by having dinner at Jardine's...A happy pensioned life to GILTON QUICK who retired on June 1. He is thinking of moving to Ashboro, North Carolina...A happy retired life is wished also to SAMUEL GAFFEN...TONY ARDUINI has joined us here at Blue Island as the sanitary engineer. He sends his regards to all his friends at Forest Glen, and says he is very happy at Blue Island...JOHN FELHABER became a grandfather for the first time when a son, GREGORY BYRON, was born to his daughter, PATRICIA, and her husband, BYRON LeVAULT... BRUNO CZANSTKOWSKI spent a week's vacation in Dallas, Texas...Our deepest sympathy to the family of pensioner JOHN PATRICK WOODS who passed away recently...CLARENCE MALOTTKE sends his regards to all the fellows at Blue Island. He has just settled down and his address is 1360 N.E. 27th terrace, Pompano Beach, Florida 33062...JACK KLIMA's wife locked herself out of her car and along came the "Great Knight", TONY DIBEN-EDETTO, who recognized her and fished her keys out with a coat hanger.

- William Rehder

#### (General Office) -

It's the good old summertime again, and once more the Electrical Department employes are on the move...Signal Draftsman GEORGE MATEJOVSKY and his family had a wonderful vacation at Deer River, Minnesota, even though the fish in Big Moose Lake didn't bite. The family enjoyed many outdoor sports and also visited the Iron Ore Mines at

Masabi. The kids just loved it and, most likely, forgave those unreasonable fish...MARIE HAVLIK, along with her mother and sister, RUTH, Schedule Department, drove to Rockville, Maryland, to visit their sister, BERNICE. They also spent a few days at the Atlantic Sands hotel in Rehoboth, Delaware...BERNADETTE KIZIOR flew to Biscayne, Florida, for a change of pace. After some sightseeing and relaxing, she went to Nassau for a stay on Paradise Island. .. Testing Engineer WALTER MOORE owns a farm in Crivits, Wisconsin, and is now a gentleman farmer. His wife and children are vacationing there this summer and Walter spends his weekends working the good earth. Sounds just great...On July 3, Miss KATHLEEN JACOBS of Mendota, Illinois, became the bride of DONALD KUTZ, the son of Estimator ADOLPH KUTZ. A reception followed the lovely afternoon ceremony.

From Chicago Avenue Shop we received this bit of news from B. M. NIELSEN...Wednesday morning, June 30, was the start of another hot day, but that didn't stop the gang at the shop from having a "coffee and" party for CHARLIE KNUTSON, line foreman, who took his pension on July 1 after 41 years of service. Charlie was presented a wallet as a farewell gift from A. R. SANDBERG, electrical engineer, along with our good wishes for a happy and healthful pensioned life. See you around, Charlie ... GARY NOLTE, the son of CHARLIE NOLTE, is home on leave from Grand Fork Air Base, Grand Forks, North Dakota, where he is stationed. According to Charlie, Gary has become very muscular since working for Uncle Sam... Boy oh boy, we have more Charlies around here ... BILL MURRAY, lineman, has returned to work after a two-week siege of arthritis in his leg. I guess he had to get well quick for the upcoming marriage of his son, BILL Jr., who is home on leave from duty in the Pentagon. We understand that the brideto-be is from Joliet where the wedding is to take place ... Question--Will the suggestion award DINO FUGGITTI won put him in a higher income bracket? Congratulations, Dino, and keep thinking...On the casualty list are GEORGE COX and DON GRUDECKI. They are convalescing at home and doing fine...On vacations at this time are RALPH TANNHAUSER, BILL MAROSE, JOHN O'SHEA, JOE NAS-TI, TED NADROWSKI, BOB HORMEL, and PETE GRAF ... We hope everyone will have a summer to remember, pleasantly.

- Kay McAlister

#### (Rapid Transit Signal Division) -

We're happy to report that JOHN GAY, signal helper, may be returning to work soon. He had a very long illness, the result of an accident in which he was struck by an auto causing a compound fracture of his leg. The severity of the accident had nothing to do with the fact that it was a woman driver. John has been off work nearly 26 weeks. He will see his doctor soon, and is keeping his fingers crossed hoping he will be released to come back to work. The fellows in the department have been very nice to John during his illness, and he wishes to express his sincere thanks to each of them. He says he wouldn't have been able to make it without them. John still maintains a lot of respect for women drivers, and says it's OK if they are on the street, as long as they're not on the same street he's on...BILL (The Gypsy) BAKER is steadily progressing toward complete health. I talked to Bill at the time of this writing, and he sounds good. If I know that man, he's sure to be back in the driver's seat soon...We have three new

A SECOND birthday is reason enough to be happy, and you can be sure that ALEX MOORE is smiling because he celebrated his on June 8. He is the son of WARNER and ALFREDA MOORE; Warner is a power supervisor in the Electrical Department.



additions to the Signal Department. They are Signal Helpers R. G. BEDOE, A. J. DICRISTOFANO, and A. PELUSO. They are all from the recent signal school class, and are now living the good life of a signal technician. Good luck to all of you.

- Tommie Lowery

#### **ENGINEERING** -

Off the top of the list, the entire Engineering Department sends their get well wishes for a very speedy recovery to JACK O'REILLY. We are all kept up to date on his progress by his two daughters, MARY and MAUREEN, who are asked the same questions every day...Good luck to PAT McCARTHY and her family in their new residence. Pat left Skokie and bought a new two-flat in Park Ridge. I hope Pat doesn't become one of those mean landlords now...Our best wishes also go to BILL HUTCHINGS and his family. Bill is the proud owner of a new house in Glenview. Congratulations to the new mortgage holders...Sorry to say that this issue will be my last as a reporter from the Engineering Department. I have jumped a grade and taken a job in the Claim Department, replacing LOIS CRAWLEY who is resigning. It's been wonderful working in the Engineering Department and I can honestly say that I will miss everyone. I've also enjoyed writing for the Transit News, even though it was only for a short time...Oh, a note from my boss, Mr. KALOGERAS--he's looking for a new secretary!..So long.

- Linda Le Monnier

#### FOREST GLEN -

Here's hoping all of you had a happy and safe summer. Those of you who are on vacation, please give us a little account of your trip—wherever you went and whatever you did—just drop it in the box by the clerk's window...Operator JOE LA BIANCA went on retirement August 1 and plans to tour the world before he settles down. He loves the Hawaiian Islands, so don't be surprised if he doesn't decide to raise pineapples. Good luck, Joe, in whatever you do... Operator PETER KUTCHEN and his lovely wife are the proud grandparents of a baby boy, PHILLIP EDWARD POLAN, born on June 22 weighing 8 pounds 6 ounces. I was wondering why Peter was walking around with his chest stuck out, now I know why...Operator ART and GRACE WHITEFIELD recently celebrated their 16th wedding anni-



THE HAPPY bride and groom are Mr. and Mrs. CARL COLOMBO who were united in holy matrimony on April 11 at St. Peter Damian church in Bartlett, Illinois. The bride is the former DIERDRE TALBOT, the daughter of ROBERT L. TALBOT, radio telephone operator, Transportation Department.

versary. Art took his lovely bride out for cocktails and dinner, and Grace said it was like a honeymoon again, and is looking forward to their 17th year... Box Puller JOHN VALK and his wife, EVELYN, celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary on July 29 by having dinner at DiLeo's. Boy, John certainly knows how to live it up. This is the first time John has taken Mrs. Valk out, except to McDonalds. While we're still on the subject of John, I would like to mention a little about his vacation. Your scribe and his family dropped in on John and Evelyn at Bass Lake, Wisconsin, and after a few beers and a lovely dinner, John said, "Let's go fishing." Of course he didn't have a motor on his boat, but he was willing to row. After we were in the boat, we took a trip (about 50 yards) which lasted about 30 minutes. Why so long? Well, John rowed every way possible -- north, south, east, and west. When we did stop, John got out his gear -- no worms. Of course, he was supposed to have everything needed for fishing. Hooks? I believe we used pins which Mrs. Henry supplied. After about an hour, and no fish, Mrs. Henry rowed in. What a straight line that gal rowed. Time--about two minutes. Now I don't want to say anything about the trip we made to visit his friends, for it's a long story. It was only supposed to be six miles down the road, and believe you me, it was about 26 miles. All in all, we really had a good time even though I have to send Evelyn my bill for my car fender. Anyway, there are no two finer people anywhere. We all had a wonderful time...JOHN (Super Mix) JIMENEZ made his golfing debut at the CTA golf outing and beat his partner, Supervisor HANK ZIOLKOWSKI... Our new chief clerk as of August 1 will be none other than BILL PINASCO, a gentleman I have had the pleasure of working with for many years. Welcome, Bill, it took a long time, but you are finally here...Operator TOM MEAGHER and his wife and son also vacationed up in the North Woods. Tom is a pretty good fisherman if he can keep his glasses up over his nose. I also found out that he can get his line pretty well mixed up. Maybe too many sips of Schlitz? How about it, buddy? .. Operator SAM ISON went south for his vacation. With that new car, Sam really lived it up in those southern towns... JOHN MAHNKE is heading west with his family. We will hear from them later...DeMAYO had a little time off due to a back problem. I wonder if it was because he went from a bus to that new Buick?..R. EVARTS and his wife went Northeast for their vacation, but found no fish ... C. PANTOS had a little time off and enjoyed himself in Back Yard, U.S.A. Mrs. Pantos wasn't feeling well, and Christ says the rest was greatly needed...GARRITY was recently seen

standing on a corner near Harlem and Foster. Irish, wasn't the place open?..W. BARRON is down in Florida living it up in those \$60 a day hotels...W. DEMBOS will be taking his pension in the near future and plans to do a little traveling before settling down...E. HAMMOND--no news since you rode the fire engine. No action anymore?..DUR-FEE was in his new Buick the other day. His wife drove him to work...CLIFF LAST had a ball in Canada, but got lonesome for his family and cut his vacation short and returned home...On July 18 a party was given for WILLIAM HENRY on his 11th birthday. He was supposed to invite 12 young guests, but only 19 out of 12 showed up. Yours truly just doesn't seem to understand this new math...Remember good will on the street, men. Do take time and wait for the passengers: try curbing the bus and bring in the back end. Without the public, we wouldn't have a job... If you have a money problems, see our friendly credit union. It's als good place to save...We bid Chief Clerk FREDDIE MEYERS farewell. Fred took his pension on August 1 after more than 47 years of service. May God be with you throughout your retirement...This has been a time of good cheer for the JOHN MAHNKE family. His son, Specialist 5 WAYN MAHNKE, is home on leave after having served two yea in Germany. He will be stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas, for at least another year. His family will be able to see him occasionally as he will probably be driving back to Chicago in that new car he bought in Germany. John's other son, ROGER, was graduated on June 8 from Farnsworth Grammar school. He will enter Taft High school in the fall.

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

#### GENERAL OFFICE (Employment) -

Congratulations to SUSAN HOLZER, steno, who became Mrs. GEORGE HOLZMEISTER on July 17 at St. Philomena's church. A reception was held at Lyons hall, and the happy couple honeymooned at Eagle River, Wisconsin... LOIS MOLLENKAMP, clerk-typist, together with her girl-friend, drove through Florida taking in such sights as the Kennedy Space Center and absorbing the sun for the beautiful weeks...A hearty welcome is extended to SHAUN McNAMARA and KAREN LAMONT who have returned for the summer. The welcome mat was also extended to MARY CASTRO, clerk-typist, who is now a permanent employe.

#### (Employe Relations) -

We welcome to the department File Clerks RONALD TUCEK, GERALDINE TAPLING, DENISE RACKY, and BOB BAXA. Also joining the ranks of CTA was WILLIAM WIEHER, job analyst...ROGER TORBIK drove to Florida on a three-week vacation with his family...JERRY McMANA-MON enjoyed a two-week vacation during July which took him to the East Coast. Traveling by air and rail he visited Dayton and Cleveland, Ohio, then Philadelphia, New York, Boston and Niagara Falls. Niagara Falls? Yes, there's a train running there too and a crew even invited Jerry on board the electric locomotive while they were switching cars.

#### (Law) -

The welcome mat was extended to THOMAS McGOVERN, messenger, who formerly was a collector at Limits Station. Also joining the department was JAMES MULLEN, the son of Attorney FRANK MULLEN...Pensioner JAMES A. MAHONEY and his wife flew to Ireland for a month's rest.

#### (Treasury) -

Our deepest sympathy is extended to ROBERT TUMA on the death of his mother...JAMES VERTELKA, bond clerk, spent his vacation in Wisconsin with his family...ROD HEFFERNAN, assistant to the treasurer, with his wife and family, drove their new station wagon to Wisconsin on vacation.

#### (Insurance) -

MARY LABUS, clerk-typist, together with her mother and EVERETT ENGLAND, Skokie Shops, and his wife, flew to Germany, Switzerland, Austria, and Italy. They rented a Mercedes and toured the country for three weeks...TERRY MNICHOWICZ, former hospitalization clerk, paid a visit to the department with her husband, LEE, and newborn baby, CHERYL...MARJORIE HOLMES, hospital clerk II, flew to New York City where she took in some of the Broadway plays and visited the Playboy club which she enjoyed immensely...PATRICIA AUGDAHL, hospital clerk II, and her son flew to California where they visited Disneyland and Knotts Berry Farm...ANN GOLDING, insurance clerk III, was elected 1971-72 americanism chairman for the Department of Illinois Ladies Auxiliary, VFW, while attending the convention in Chicago on June 20.

#### (Public Information) -

BOB MICHALCZEWSKI took a week's vacation to pack with his family who are moving to Cicero. Good luck!..The bright little brown-eyed ray of sunshine that was being passed from arm to arm in our office last month was little TIONNA CHARMAINE, the  $3\frac{1}{2}$  month old granddaughter of MEL ALEXANDER, who with her mother, MICHELE, and uncle, EUGENE, came to visit...We welcome back TIM NAVIN for the summer months...Congratulations to KATHLEEN MOSER, the daughter of WILLIAM MOSER, North Avenue Station superintendent, who officially announced her engagement to JOHN LaBAHN. She is wearing a beautiful "eye-catching" diamond ring that reflects the sparkle in her eye when she tells of their wedding plans for May, 1972.

#### 'Medical) -

WANTED: old used smoking pipes, any size, shape, or color. It seems now that HARRY SOREGHEN's ravenhaired beauty, "Heidi", has taken up smoking a pipe. Anyone wishing to donate a pipe, please send it to Harry in care of the Medical Department... MARY LEDWITH, RN, pent a two-week vacation browsing in and around Chicago taking in the scenic spots.

#### (Training & Accident Prevention) -

ARTHUR G. HUBACZ, ET 3/C, the son of ARTHUR and BERNICE HUBACZ, left Great Lakes Naval Training Station for a two-year tour of duty at Hickam Field, Hawaii. We wish him the best of luck. The Polish Legion of American Veterans held their State Convention on July 16, 17, and 18, at the Sheraton-Waukegan Motor Inn in Waukegan, Illinois. Art is the chairman, and this is his last big program before retiring as State Commander of the Polish Legion of American Veterans...JO FELDMAN is at home recuperating from a serious eye operation. She is feeling fine, and all her friends at CTA wish her a speedy recovery...LEONARD and JULIA LOHN celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary recently. Best wishes to them and here's hoping there will be many more anniversaries ... BETH FORD, the 9 year old daughter of BERNIE and EDNA FORD, recently won an essay contest on happiness, sponsored by a Northwest Side neighborhood newspaper; Beth received two tickets to a Second City children's theater performance... ERV HARRIS, director of training for the Rainbow Dog Training Club, traveled to Ann Arbor, Michigan, July 10 and 11, to attend a dog training clinic...BURT BOSAN and his family camped at Starved Rock State Park for a few days. While they were there, would you believe it, Burt got lost looking for Lover's Leap, and a search party had to be organized to look for Burt--Junior, that is...MARIE CLINE successfully passed her driver's test--so watch out, BILL, you had better take the car keys with you.

#### (Research & Planning) -

R/P has added two new members to its family for the summer months. They are HARRIETTE HERMAN and MICHAEL GROVAK. Also joining R/P is DAVID LEVITIN, who will be working as a temporary trainee while completing his dissertation for a master's degree at Northwestern university...Speaking of families, R/P is not the only one that is getting larger. RON LUCZAK and his wife, SALLY, welcomed little SUSAN ELIZABETH, weighing 7 pounds 8 ounces, to their family on May 29. Also, on July 2 BILL and DIANE GOODWIN became the proud parents of DENISE MARIE, who weighed in at 5 pounds 15 ounces. Everyone in the office was trying to guess whether it would be a boy or girl, and WALLY PASZYNA and MARY ELLEN RUSS are still arguing over who owes who on a bet they made. Congratulations to the happy parents from all of us...BOB SCHAGEMAN spent his week's vacation improving on his golf game, and enjoying being home with the family. Bob also says his daughter, LIL, completed her driver's training and now he's worried that they'll have to draw straws to see who gets to drive the Torino. Good luck, Bob ... NORM OSWALD and his family spent a few days vacationing is Wisconsin. They enjoyed touring such sights as the Mid-Continent Railway Museum, relaxing on a boat trip through the Dells, and watching the legendary Indian ceremonies and celebrations...The Boston area was the destination of DAVE PHILLIPS during his week of vacation. He visited the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and brought back with him a whole packet of information from his tour of their facilities. Dave also visited with his folks

A REAL inspiration to those who are handicapped is DANIEL GREENE, the son of GRANT GREENE, shopman II, Skokie Shops. Danny, who is blind, was the first place winner of the elementary B group in the Illinois Music Association State Olympic contest for his organ solo. Playing the organ since October, 1970, he is pictured here being congratulated by his music teacher, K. VALVO, while holding his prize trophy.



# NEW PENSIONERS

JOSEPH ARNONE, Bus Repairer, Campaign Area, Emp. 9-1-41 THERESA BARRY, Clerk II. Stores, Emp. 6-1-48 ALBERT J. BOLING, Car Serviceman, Congress, Emp. 1-17-51 EDMOND B. BOWLER, Operator, North Park, Emp. 1-12-42 FRANK E. BUGARIS, Bus Serviceman, Archer, Emp. 7-4-37 MARTIN F. CAREY, Clerk, Archer, Emp. 8-17-36 EDGAR L. COATES, Asst. to Supt. Purchasing, Emp. 9-2-26 VITO COSTANTINO, Laborer, Engineering, Emp. 5-23-29 PATRICK J. COTTER, Car Serviceman, Congress, Emp. 11-6-45 MICHAEL DWYER, Bus Serviceman, 69th Street, Emp. 11-4-42 MICHAEL J. EGAN, Operator, 77th Street, Emp. 12-8-43 SAMUEL H. GAFFEN, B Electrician, Electrical, Emp. 8-26-37 THOMAS B. GAVIN, Switchman, North Section, Emp. 7-20-27 HENRY W. GOETZ, Supervisor, District B, Emp. 2-4-36 MATTHEW P. HORAN, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 2-9-37 RALPH J. JOSSI, Lineman, Electrical, Emp. 3-5-26 ANTON J. KALATA Sr., Operator, Archer, Emp. 1-11-43 JOSEPH LaBIANCA, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 1-5-27 STEVE N. LOCIY, Ironworker Helper, Engineering, Emp. 11-16-30 JIMMIE LOCKE, Motor Blower, Wilson Shops, Emp. 1-15-51 PATRICK F. McCAHILL, Car Repairman B, Wilson Shops, Emp. 8-13-51 FRED MEYERS, Chief Clerk, Forest Glen, Emp. 8-2-23 THEODORE C. MIX, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 5-15-29 FRANK R. NEISIUS, Janitor, North Park, Emp. 8-13-45 BERNARD I. O'BRIEN, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 4-23-26 DANIEL O'BRIEN, Bus Repairer, 77th Street, Emp. 2-20-29 MICHAEL V. O'MALLEY, Car Repairman B. Wilson Shops, Emp. 9-7-44 FRANK W. PINTA, Towerman, South Section, Emp. 8-23-45 HERBERT E. ROHDE, Supv., Tabulating Machine Section, Accounting, Emp. 8-25-24 RAYMOND J. SCHRAMM, Supv., Accounts Payable, Accounting, Emp. 7-14-06



B. I. O'BRIEN 45 Years



E. L. COATES 44 Years



R. J. JOSSI 45 Years



J. LaBIANCA 44 Years



V. CONSTANTINO 42 Years



S. N. LOCIY 40 Years

FOR THE six CTAers pictured here, August 1 became an important date - - it was their first day of retirement. Each of the new pensioners had been in the employ of CTA and predecessor companies for more than 40 years.

JOSEPH S. SCHUR, Bus Repairer,
Forest Glen, Emp. 2-20-35
GEORGE W. SINGER, Supv. of Money Handlers,
Limits, Emp. 3-1-23
WINFRITH STAFFORD, Motor Blower,
Forest Park, Emp. 5-15-51
RAYMOND H. STRATTON, Information Clerk,
Transportation, Emp. 8-17-37
ROY C. THOMPSON, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 1-12-37
PATRICK TULLY, Bus Repairer,
North Avenue, Emp. 8-4-42
MICHAEL F. VERDONCK, Bill Clerk IV,
Accounting, Emp. 6-10-41

#### **DISABILITY RETIREMENTS**

DALE W. EICH, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 12-4-46
EDWIN L. KNIAZ, Machinist,
South Shops, Emp. 12-8-39
WARDER C. MARKS, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 1-7-57
PATSY A. ROSENGARTEN, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 2-13-60
VICTOR V. SZYMKEWICZ, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 7-2-52
THOMAS H. WARREN, Operator,
77th Street, Emp. 1-11-54



THERESE P. STANISZEWSKI, the daughter of West Section Switchman EDWARD STANISZEWSKI, was graduated from Loyola university on June 20 where she majored in English literature.

out in Boston which made his stay even brighter. Glad you had a nice time, Dave...JOHN O'CONNOR, along with his wife, LORRAINE, son, DENNIS, and daughter, MAUREEN, (we almost forgot to mention their dog, Queenie) spent their two-week vacation in sunny Arizona. Their 1,800mile car trip to Phoenix seemed like a breeze because they made it there in 34 hours straight. The O'Connors visited with their relatives and enjoyed the leisure life of bathing in the sun. John and Dennis found the weather great for golfing and could be found every day on the course. As all vacations are. John says theirs was too short... It must have looked as if the country was being invaded when MARY ELLEN RUSS and her friends from CTA stepped off their Delta jet onto the island of Jamaica. They all piled into the cab and headed for the Casa Montego hotel, their home for the week. One of the firsts on their agenda was a tour of the island. Sailing, swimming, visiting the falls of Ochos Rios, and observing the coral reefs and the undersea waters of the Caribbean with a snorkel were some of the many things that kept them busy. Mary Ellen bought many souvenirs, and even brought back a stereo tape player. The volume and sound on the set is really fabulous, but her neighbors wish she was still in Jamaica. Guess they don't appreciate the rock music she likes...GEORGE MACAK, together with his wife, JUNE, and son, CHUCKY, boarded a California Zephyr train destined for Los Angeles to start off on their three-week spree. It was an exciting ride, and George has pictures that show a beautiful view of the mountains and the train making those close curves. In California the Macaks toured Los Angeles, the California coastline, Knotts Berry Farm, the elegant Queen Mary, and, of course, Disneyland. George also stopped off at San Francisco and saw some of the new BART cars. As they say, all good things have to come to an end, so George and family boarded the Santa Fe Super Chief and headed back to good old Chicago.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

#### KEELER -

Summer is here, fellows, so let's have a safe and happy one...Station Superintendent R. W. CHRISTIAN and Instructor CHARLIE WEYER are very proud these days, due to the fact that the operators at Keeler Station have broken their complaint and commendation par for the month of June. Keep up the good work, fellows, as courtesy does pay... Chief Clerk ELMER RIEDEL will be taking his pension on

September 1 after 46 years of faithful service with the company...Enjoying employment anniversary holidays were: Operators HARRIS, July 1; JARECKI, July 5; FREY, July 8; HOLDEN, July 12; WILLIAMS, July 17; GREZLIK, July 22; PATEREK, July 24; O'NEAL, August 5; PERRY, August 5; BANKS, August 6; O'SHEA, August 13; WITT, August 14; WILSON, August 19; DADDEZIO, August 19; CAJDA, August 22; McLOYD, August 24; KARRAS, August 27; JASEK, August 27; SIHWEIL, August 28; VAUGHN, August 29, and JA-NITO, August 30...Celebrating birthdays during the month of August were: Operators INAI, 3; KRASS, 9; YEAGER, 10; McLOYD, 11; ALLISON, 14; NORTON, 16; KREBS, 16; GRANT, 19; SIMPSON, 20; BROWNING, 22; PERRY, 24; HOCUK, 25; ADWAY, 25, and EDWARDS, 27... Operator CHACHERE entered the Division 241 golf tournament held at St. Andrew's Golf Club with high hopes of taking home the first place prize...Operator GEORGE KARRAS will be vacationing in Superior, Wisconsin, for three weeks of camping and fishing...Relief Clerk R. WITTENBERG will be vacationing in California for two weeks...Operator H. BROWNING is planning a two-week vacation in Pettenwell Wilderness which is located in Wisconsin... Operator W. MOLENDA is also planning a two-week vacation in Wisconsin...Operator F. HOLDEN spent his vacation at home doing a few repairs and improving the landscape... Operator F. BELLINI moved to Arlington Heights while on his vacation. .. Operator P. FOX vacationed in Michigan for a week... Operator C. CUBIE vacationed in Vidalia, Louisiana, for two weeks...Operator J. VAUGHN vacationed in Florida for a week...Operator D. FREY, the tallest man in the station, will be vacationing at Lake Como, Wisconsin. Frey says he hopes the fish won't bite so he can get a good rest ... NELLIE GOLDMAN, the wife of Janitor SY GOLDMAN, is now home recuperating after a long illness...Operator and Transit News Scribe ERNEST CARTER and his wife will vacation in Las Vegas and Los Angeles this month...Operator J. HARRIS will spend his vacation at home. He says he will be taking on a second job around the house, fixing up and painting...Operator F. LABERN is working on the antipollution program by riding his bicycle to work every day. .. Night Clerk M. BUCKLEY will be a grandfather any day now. His son, TERRANCE, and his wife, CINDY, will be the proud parents...Operator FISHER and his family vacationed in southern Illinois... Operator A. SIHWEIL is the proud father of a baby boy, born on July 6... The Keeler softball team went into the playoffs on July 18 with a 7-0 won-lost record. Keep up the good work, fellows, and bring that first place trophy home to Keeler... Operator C. Mc-LOYD was united in holy matrimony on June 19. Good luck to him and his bride...Operator W. SZYMEL and his wife celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary on June 25...Operator N. ROSSILLE was made a grandpa for the 13th time recently...From the Repair Department we hear that Night Foreman F. SCHMIDT will be vacationing in Lake Geneva for three weeks...Day Foreman B. VANCE vacationed in Minnesota this month... Serviceman L. SAVAGE and his family all celebrated their birthdays in August... That's all, see you next month.

- Ernest C. Carter

#### LAWNDALE -

Recently there were two birthday parties held at Lawndale; for our superintendent, JACK MORRIS, and our janitor, EDDIE KAWCZYNSKI. The bakery goods were provided by Mr. Morris' daughter, who Eddie thinks is a won-

derful cook. And guess who showed up for the party among the other guests? Retired Lawndale Clerk EDWARD Mc-DERMOTT. We also had the pleasure of recently seeing Retired Operator GUENTIN and his wife on a shopping spree: Retired Operator EDDIE WISS: Retired Chief Clerk HERBIE BYERS, and Former Operator WILLIAM HALLA. presently of the General Office...Our deepest sympathy to the family of MARTY KARIOLICH on the recent passing of his sister... One of our best friends, Operator LEON MINOR, is presently in Hines V.A. hospital, and we hope he is coming along fine...Just happened to look up the other day, and guess who walked back into our lives. Operator A. POMAR who says that he couldn't do without us. So, fellows, he's back...We welcome back the many college students who worked with us last year, and a hearty welcome to the many who are here for the first time. Enjoy your stay...Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. RICHARD THOMAS on the recent birth of their son on July 15...Sincerely hope that the many operators and repairmen at Lawndale are enjoying their summer vacations this year, and making it a safe summer, indeed...Birthday greetings are extended to the following this month: J. FORD, E. PRIEST, A. FORMANEK, C. WHITMAN, E. DUFF, P. TALLEY, A. WILLIAMS, A. DICKERSON, J. BELL. E. SZET, V. GILL, M. SPERANDO, E. STRUGALLA, N. LESLEY, S. DAVIS, K. RASHIED, C. PETERSON, J. JOHN-SON, R. ARNETTE, G. WOODS, J. MOORE, J. FITZ-PATRICK, O. TORK, R. SMITH, R. HARGEWOOD, and R. McINTYRE...Well, fellows, that's all for this month. Again I say, let's all think of safety while we're doing our respective jobs. See you next month.

- James Marshall

#### LIMITS -

JAIME MORALES, p.m. foreman in the repair department, is planning to repeat the vows of holy matrimony on September 25. The lovely bride-to-be is named MARTHA. The wedding will take place at St. Paul church, Cermak road and Hoyne avenue, with a reception following for a host of friends and relatives. They are planning to tour Mexico on their honeymoon. Congratulations!..Operator STAN DEMGE was united in marriage to BERNICE ROTH-CHILD last month. They were married in a civil ceremony with a small reception following for the immediate family. Congratulations!..ANTHONY COLUCCI, the son of Operator COLUCCI, was recently united in marriage to a lovely girl by the name of CINDY. The wedding took place in the Blessed Virgin Mary Maternity church, followed by a reception in the Eagles hall, Byron and Western avenues. Congratulations!.. Two men with combined service of 80 years took their pensions last month--Supervisor HENRY GOETZ and Operator JOHN FLOYD. Goetz is planning to live in his beautiful year-round home in Central Wisconsin where his plans call for a lot of fishing and hunting. Floyd is planning to tour Ireland and visit his many friends and relatives there. May you both have a long and healthful pensioned life...Operator BOB PENDLETON and MARTIN HAUTZINGER are now working as box pullers and report that they like their work very much...Supervisor CHARLEY KUSH is planning a wonderful vacation up in northern Michigan and Wisconsin. He is well known for his fine qualities as a fisherman, and always gets his quota of fish...Operator GEORGE ESCOBAR and his family have returned from vacation. They flew to Medellin, Colombia, South America, where they visited his mother and dad who own and operate

a coffee plantation. George claims that the best coffee comes from his folks, because it is mountain grown...Our sincerest sympathy to CONRAD JOHNSON, treasurer of the Limits Credit Union, in the death of his brother, ARTHUR.

- R. S. Benson

LOOP

Superintendent of Agents and Janitors E. MITCHELL has been transferred from the Kennedy line to the Congress and Douglas lines. He replaced Superintendent R. De-MARIA who took his pension on July 1. J. ZUPKO is the new superintendent on the Kennedy line. Our best wishes to all of them...GRACE MOUNTS and her husband made that trip to Niagara Falls, and really enjoyed the drive in their new Buick...Janitor FRANK CULL enjoyed his vacation in Ohio...Agent DAVE GRAFMAN and his wife spent their vacation in Maryland visiting with their three lovely grandchildren...Agent CECILE THOMAS and her husband will spend their vacation sailing around Lake Michigan in their new boat...Janitor GOVAN plans to take his family to St. Louis and New Orleans to visit with his wife's relatives. ..DOROTHY FORD had a nice restful vacation in and around our own city...Agent BEVERLY PEOPLES and her son will fly to California where they expect to have great fun at Disneyland, Knotts Berry Farm, and the many other places of interest that California has to offer ... Agent BILL CU-SACK and his daughter never made it to California. They got as far as Joliet, Illinois, and decided to stay there. Bill says they had a great time. Next year, he is planning to go to Ireland, and will go by boat instead of flying. He says it's more romantic that way. The cool breeze, dancing in the moonlight, and lots of pretty girls on deck. Good thinking, Bill... Agents K. McKENNY, V. TOTSCKE, and M. STARZEK are on vacation and will tell us all about it when they return ... S. H. GAFFEN, Electrical Department, retired on August 1. Our best wishes are extended to Sam and his wife for a happy and contented retirement life ... Agent JUNE BAREKMAN is back from her European trip and says one picture is worth a thousand words. She has promised to show us some of the color slides she took on the journey, and we are really looking forward to this treat...Agent DOROTHY ADLER spent part of her vacation at home enjoying a visit with her daughter who was en route to New York. Dorothy plans to visit her in New York in September, and is eagerly awaiting that time when she hopes to see her third grandchild who is expected in August...MARY VIDAS spent a relaxing day at home, July 13,

DEBORAH FRIEB, winner of the 1967 Division 241 scholarship award, was recently graduated with honors from DePaul university. Deborah, the daughter of North Park Operator W. J. FRIEB, maintained a 3.5 grade average and was on the Dean's list for four years.



as a present from CTA. This was the anniversary of her eighth year with the company...Congratulations to Student Agent EDDIE FERRARO and his bride. Many happy years to both of you...A cheery hello and sincere get-well wishes to DEL HARRINGTON, ELEANOR HASBROUCK, and EARL GILBERT who are still on the sick list... We were very sorry to hear that Agent JULIE MATTRAN's mother is very ill, and would like to express our very best wishes for a quick recovery... It's a pleasure to hear the voice of C. ROPA again when we call the assignment office. We are glad to have you back and hope you will remain in good health. Cecylia has asked us to express her thanks to everyone who remembered her with cards and calls during her recent illness. Thank you, one and all... In closing, we welcome all the new student agents and re-hires, and thank all of you for doing such a good job during the summer months. What would we do without you? Bless you all. Keep smiling.

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wixted

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

Summer is nearly over and vacations are coming to an end. But wow! What neat vacations some people had. ERNESTINE BELL, MARLYN LYLE, LOUISE BANKS, and VALENTINA SYKES are spending the last two weeks of August touring Europe. They plan to stop in London, Paris, Rome, Geneva, and finally Madrid. Hope they have a great time, and don't forget to tell us about it when they return ... MARY HURDLE and her family broke in Mary's new car on her vacation in June. They drove to Detroit, Mississippi, and Louisiana to visit relatives. Mary said they had a great time and that new car of theirs is ready for anything, even the construction-ridden Dan Ryan...EMMA RICHARD-SON and her husband, Motorman LEE RICHARDSON, are patiently awaiting the birth of their first child. Best wishes to the future parents. You'll be back to work soon enough, Emma, so enjoy it while you can...Good to see Assignment Agent CECYLIA ROPA back to work after her long illness. Cecylia wishes to thank everyone for the cards and good wishes she received from her co-workers...ELEANOR HASBROUCK and Assignment Agents MIKE TOBIN and JACKIE HOLMES, along with EARL GILBERT, AGATHA CARLSON, and LOUISE DREWS are still sick. Hope to see you all back to work soon...Best wishes for a happy future are extended to DELLA HARRINGTON who has resigned from CTA. We sure are sorry to lose such a good agent and a really kind and wonderful person...Assignment Agent JEWEL HUNT spent her vacation driving to Huntington, Tennessee, with her son in their new car to visit Jewel's mother. Jewel had a restful and wonderful time...Assignment Agent LILLIAN CULLINAN spent her vacation fishing in Wisconsin, and Assignment Agent KAREN DOMINO spent her whole summer dreaming of the time when she will no longer be rockbottom on the seniority list. Winter vacations can be fun too, Karen...On July 1 Superintendent RALPH DeMARIA took his pension. No one deserves a long and happy retirement more than Mr. DeMaria, who gave so many years of dedicated service to this company, and this is our wish for him--longevity, health, and happiness...Good luck to Superintendent EDWARD MITCHELL who took Mr. DeMaria's place as superintendent of agents and janitors, Congress and Douglas Park... Welcome to Jefferson Park to JOHN ZUPKO who replaced Edward Mitchell as superintendent of agents and janitors, Lake and Jefferson Park...Assignment Office Clerk BILL MILLER spent part of his vacation visiting the Lost Sea in Tennessee. Bill said that he and his family had a great time and that he's really looking forward to next summer already ... Student Agent CAROLYN CHARLESTON celebrated her birthday on Saturday, July 17. Carolyn would not tell us how old she was, but I'd guess somewhere between 15 and 55...Superintendent J. P. HALLAHAN took his family on a camping trip to the East Coast. Mr. Hallahan said he had a wonderful time, and he returned looking well rested and ready for work. What a way to end a perfect summer!.. Congratulations to Relief Superintendent KEN BROWN who was promoted to senior instructor on the West Section, and to DON LEMM who was made vacation relief station superintendent, surface and rapid. It's nice to see promotions happen to nice people...ARLENE SWANSON plans to take her pension soon. What will Desplaines be like without her? And who will JOHN WOODS have to argue with every morning? Good luck and a lot of happiness, Arlene...Congratulations to MARTHA BLEERS who became a grandmother again to a beautiful baby girl, MARTHA MARY BLEERS...There was an extravagant birthday celebration given by LEROY SINGLETON, proprietor of the Sandpiper Lounge, 80th and Halsted, for Agent DIANE BOYD, and her friend GLORIA WALLER. The party was out of sight and so were Diane and Gloria. JO CAROL HUSTON was among the many CTA employes who attended the affair ... Your coreporter, GRACE MOUNTS, received a visit from her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. RALPH GOODWINE, from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Grace was really delighted to see them as she hadn't seen them since May, 1967, when she visited with them in Florida. Grace also received a letter from HELEN PALLISTER who formerly had this column. Helen is doing fine and says that her granddaughter, PATTY LYNN PALLISTER, was married to JOSEPH ACHTERFELD on June 26 in St. Robert's church on North Austin. They honeymooned at the Wagon Wheel in Rockton, Illinois, and are now residing in Harwood Heights. Patty's brother, BILL, who is stationed at Chase Field in Beesville, Texas, also attended the wedding. Grace and her husband, CLEMENT, traveled to Niagara Falls, the American and Canadian sides, and then on to Detroit, Michigan, where they visited two nieces before going on to Big Star Lake, Michigan, where Grace's sister has a summer home where Grace really relaxed. They also visited a sister in Holland and South Haven, Michigan. Grace said the falls were beautiful and has hopes of going again when they have more time...Agent J. TAYLOR and his wife left on a threeweek vacation to San Antonio, Texas, to visit their daughter and four grandsons. The weather was cloudy most of the time, so it wasn't too hot. They also visited Eagle Pass, Texas, for two days and crossed over the border into Mexico. Mr. Taylor can hardly wait until next year and take his pension and move to San Antonio.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

#### NORTH AVENUE -

Operator MAX JANOWSKI and his wife, LUCILLE, became grandpa and grandma for the fifth time when their daughter, MARY, welcomed JENNIFER into the family. Clerk BILL PINASCO says he hasn't received any cigars yet...Pensioner JIM (Red) CORBETT and his wife, FRANCES, celebrated their 48th year of wedded bliss. Both are looking fine and we hope they have 48 more. Operator RAY PAKOWSKI and his wife, ROSE, celebrated their 25th anniversary on July 6. Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA and his wife,

BONNIE, will celebrate their fourth anniversary August 5. On August 14, your scribe and his wife will celebrate their 34th wedding anniversary and will take the whole family, sons, daughters-in-law, and mother, to a nice restaurant for dinner...KENNETH MAKOWSKI, the son of Switchboard Operator ED MAKOWSKI, was home on leave from Alaska until August 9, then reported to Oakland, California, for further training with the army. We pray for his safe return...What well-known instructor tried to save some money when his outboard motor quit? He put the seven gallons of gas into his Volkswagen...A letter from Pensioner BILL ECHOLS tells us that he is feeling pretty good. Pensioner LARS PEARSON and his spouse, ANNA, are enjoying fishing and swimming with their family. Their daughter, sonin-law, and the children are staving with them for a few weeks until they take over their resort. Lars and Anna enjoved visiting their friends in Chicago, but are glad to be back to the quiet of Mountain Home. I saw Pensioners HAROLD RENNHACK and DAVID McGRATH, and they both send a hello to the gang ... Two July 1 pensioners are Operators JENS GUDE and JOSEPH CABAY. Keep in touch, boys, and we wish you the best of everything. On August 1, Operator TED MIX left us. Our very best to you, Ted, and let us hear from you...Three former operators who were on the sick list are DOMINICK NAPOLEON, who is now a sanitary engineer; EDWARD MAKOWSKI, now a telephone operator, and VINCENT GUZNICZAK, a sanitary engineer. Also, Operator THOMAS CARMODY was off sick for four months, and Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA was laid up... Those who received Courtesy Caravan Club cards for June are: Operators F. TONEY, S. BURTON, I. MUSA, WILLIAM McCOY, WILLIAM NEHLS, BERNARD SCHOLZ, L. WEAV-ER, and CHESTER CORDEK. They received their awards for exceptional courtesy. RICHARD SCHOLTENS received his for being helpful in recovering a lost article...Operator WALTER SENIOR and his wife journeyed to Birmingham, Alabama, where they stayed for a few days. They left their children there and went on to New Orleans, sightseeing, eating good, and riding the streetcars. A good time was had by all...Operator EDDIE STOKES spent a week's vacation loafing, eating, and taking it easy. The best part of his vacation was the day he caught 50 nice bluegills. He said that the fish were waiting in line to bite his bait. Ask him about it, he is still going around with his chest out...Operator RAY ZIELINSKI and his spouse, ADELINE, vacationed in the southwest. They visited Albuquerque, New Mexico, and El Paso, Texas, where they took a streetcar into Mexico, getting off twice to pass U.S. and Mexican customs. They came back on the same car. The whole trip cost 10¢. They also visited Tombstone, Arizona, and other interesting spots... Operator BENJAMIN WITT and his wife, SALLY, spent a week's vacation in Las Vegas. He lost, as usual...Chief Clerk FRED MURBARGER vacationed in New Jersey visiting his sister...Operator HERB JONES and his better half enjoyed a Miami vacation...Operator JOSEPH PELIKAN and his family toured the East Coast. They visited Washington, D.C., Boston, New York, and Niagara Falls, and drove back through Canada...Operator CHARLES LUEPKE and his family spent a few weeks at their summer home in Bowler, Wisconsin. The Indians welcomed Charlie who was made a blood brother a few years ago... I spent two weeks fishing with my old friend, WARREN FULLER, who, years ago, was my conductor with the CSL. He is now a sergeant with the Chicago Police. We fished on the Red Lake Indian Reservation of the Chippewa Indians. It is located 30 miles northwest of Cass Lake, Minnesota. We needed a special permit to fish any of the lakes on the res-

THIS YOUNG man is DONNY NEW, the son of West Section Switchman GEORGE NEW, who was recently graduated from Harper High school. lieutenant colonel in the ROTC, president of the National Honor Society, and vice-president Mυ Alpha Theta the National Mathematics Society, Donny plans to enter the University of Illinois at Urbana in the fall.



ervation. The fishing was great, and we had the pleasure of giving away fish each day. The U.S. Government is building new homes for all the Indians on the reservations. We caught our limit of large mouth bass, and I also caught some large northern pike, and some bluegills that weighed more than a pound each. I did a lot of fly fishing. When I was spincasting, a northern pike I had on the line for 10 minutes broke my line and I lost my lure--the only one of its kind in my tackle box. I tried five different lures and finally got another strike and brought it to the boat, where my partner netted it. When we got it in the boat, I noticed another lure hooked along the side of the mouth, and to my surprise it was the lure I lost. It was the pike that had broken my line, and was I happy to recover my lure. This was a story for Ripley's "Believe It Or Not." I hope all of you will send us some stories or pictures of your fishing trips...And now to WALTER BLIX and the news from the Inner Sanctum...The following is just a brief, thumbnail report of what some of the fellows did on their vacations. Our p.m. superintendent, WARD CHAMBERLAIN, and his wife had a real vacation. They traveled in those monstrous 747's to Los Angeles, San Francisco, and then on to Hawaii. After another visit to Disneyland, Ward says that it's a place for kids of all ages ... While taking over the p.m. superintendent's job, Relief Superintendent ART TABEL and his wife made a three-day trip to New Glarus and Baraboo, Wisconsin. It seems they enjoy themselves no matter where they go...AL (Uncle) ROHDE made several short trips to such places as the neighboring state of Iowa, White Pines State Park in Illinois, and a few more trips to his favorite state of Wisconsin...District Superintendent RAY REIGHARD made Omaha, Nebraska, his destination...BOB (Storyteller) WITTENBERG and his wife headed their new Chrysler up towards Vancouver, British Columbia...BILL PINASCO has been observed carefully studying road maps in hopes that he can land some of those big ones...Instructor MARVIN KOCAR was in such a hurry to try and land a bigger fish than his daughter landed, that he burned out the motor on his boat. Not only does he have a new and bigger motor, but he also found out how a little oil and a "hit with the wood" will make a Volkswagen purr like a kitten. If you have time why not ask him for the formula? We do hope that he gives his wife, PEGGY, a little credit for the idea... Since Token Clerk ART ECKER and Aristotle Onassis both deal with money, there's no doubt that they will have a small conference when ART and BERNICE vacation in Greece...We're not at all sure about the plans of the following clerks: ED WITEK, FRANK PASCHE, JACK HES-

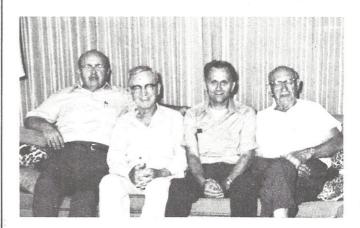
TER, and FRED MURBARGER. We do know that Fred is going to do as much as he can to see that his daughter gets back on her feet after recent surgery on her heel. He says there is still more to come. All of us here at the office wish her a speedy and painless recovery... None of us are going to be one bit happy when September 1 rolls around. That's the day when one of the best doggone clerks in the business is going to take his pension and head down Florida way. Of course, everyone knows that we're talking about none other than ROLAND HEAD. Rollie started out 'way back about 1926, driving the old hard-tired, double-deck buses for the Chicago Motor Coach company at night, while he attended Loyola university in the daytime. For a time, he also gave Gray Line Sightseeing company the benefit of his talents and ability. Rollie always did his job well, and was more than willing to help others by doing some of their work for them. He never hesitated to help his fellow clerks or do what he could to make things just a little easier for an operator. Anybody that's ever worked with him knows that his growling and barking were far worse than his bite. He was also known as the biggest tease in the office. Yes, Rollie, we're going to miss having you around but all of us wish you and Mrs. HEAD the best of health, happiness, and good luck in your new home. Only one thing we ask, please keep in touch with us...Our vacation switchboard operator. JOSEPH CABAY, took his pension on July 1 after having been a driver for a good many years, taking over the switchboard for a few short months. It didn't take any time at all for genial ED MOCARSKI to take over the job. We're mighty glad to have you with us, Ed, you're doing a good job. Keep up the good work...We thought that after Clerk FRANK PASCHE's feud with the utility companies was settled, that they would at least name him chairman of the board. Now his neighbors won't have to worry about reading by kerosene lamps or sending up smoke signals when they want to talk to each other ... Just one more small item to wind it up for this month. That brilliant green Dart Swinger that is owned by the Forest Glen Credit Union, my wife, and I is now rolling on brand new wheels and brand new tires, five of each, which means I have lost the title of "Flat Wheels" BLIX. Since none of them cost me a dime (thanks to the Dodge agency and Goodyear Tire company), I think the price was more than right. Yes, we're getting a much smoother ride, thank you...End of news from the Inner Sanctum... Enjoy the Labor day weekend and drive carefully.

- William Miedema

#### NORTH SECTION -

VIRGINIA KORAL, the daughter of Supervisor and Mrs. JOE KORAL, was married on June 26 to JAMES ARM-STRONG. The newlyweds will reside in Hawaii, where James is a dentist in the U.S. Army. Our wishes for many years of happiness to them both ... Twenty-five years ago on June 29 Supervisor and Mrs. PAT O'MALLEY said their wedding vows. On July 3 their children had an anniversary party for them. Pat told us that he has had 25 wonderful years of marriage and has been truly blessed. Our congratulations to the O'Malleys... Ravenswood Conductor JOHN RUSIN, who had suffered a heart attack and was hospitalized and had returned home, is in Ravenswood hospital again. Our well wishes and prayers for a speedy recovery are for you, John...Kimball Avenue Supervisor DICK STAN-TON is now home after having major surgery. We wish him a speedy recovery ... Agent GEORGE BERGFELD is in the hospital for surgery, as were Agents DINO LAMBROS

and EDWARD PLATT. We wish them a speedy recovery, too...Agent ED OLSEN has returned to work from the sick list, as well as Agent MARGARET McCORMICK. Being back on the job has made their passengers happy. Agent BERTHA ATKINSON has returned to work and wishes to thank all who sent her cards, flowers, and visited with her. .. Do you know that Agent SHIRLEY KNIGHT is a collector of old clocks? If any of you know about one, let her know... Agent OKE O'CONNOR and his son, LOUIS, took a long and beautiful vacation trip. The first half of the trip was to Billings and Great Falls, Montana; Spokane, Washington; Portland, Oregon; and then by plane to Moscow, Idaho; Phoenix and Nogales, Arizona; El Paso, Texas, and Juarez, Mexico. On the second half of their trip, they flew to New York and Puerto Rico...Kimball Avenue Receiver LOUIE LOEBBAKA and his family took off on a motor trip for two weeks to Boston, Mystic Harbor, and drove along the East Coast to Bangor, Maine, Bar Harbor, and across New Hampshire, Vermont, and New York. Returning home, for one week, to reload the trailer, they hit the road again for two weeks, going north and also west...On a recent vacation trip to Florida, Assistant Station Superintendent BILL LI-MANOWSKI, Howard Street, had the pleasure of visiting with Retired Yard Foreman BEN LA BUY who resides in Largo, Florida. Ben, who was 80 years old in July, had just returned home from the hospital recuperating from surgery. Two other retired Rapid Transit employes were there to see Ben, and Bill had them pose for this picture.



In the photo, left to right, are: J. C. WILLI, retired motorman, Evanston Branch, Ben, Bill, and OTTO KOPCHEN, retired clerk, Kimball Avenue. All three send their best wishes to all their old friends who remember them. After leaving Largo, Bill and his family visited with an old army buddy, JIM STEWART, whom they had not seen since the landing in France on D-Day in 1944. They had exchanged letters for 27 years, and Bill finally accepted Jim's invitation for a visit. A few war stories were exchanged and the reunion was great...The North Section employes bid a sad and fond farewell to Agent FEDELMA HENRY who left the company after 12 years of service to return to her native Ireland. Fedelma said that Chicago will always be her home, and that she hopes to return for visits as she has many friends here. She left by boat from New York on August 11. We wished her bon voyage and Godspeed...Our prayers and wishes for a complete and speedy recovery go to Supervisor JACK PRITT who was seriously injured while on duty. Jack fell from a trestle onto a moving auto, hitting the windshield. We look forward to the day when we can again see his jolly smile...Congratulations to Supervisor HARRY HORN who has made line supervisor and is now eligible to work in the line room...Agent ANNABELLE DREW is the proud grandmother of a new grandson, MARK JOSEPH HEINMAN, born on June 11 weighing 7 pounds 9 ounces. If we know Annabelle, she will have him spoiled in no time...Our well wishes to Agent WARDEN MARKS who, after a lengthy illness, has taken a disability pension... Agent MARY DONOHUE is vacationing in Ireland visiting her parents for six weeks...Howard Street employes were surprised by the sudden decision of the CHARLES REED family to leave the company. We wish them good luck in whatever new ventures they may undertake...Agent TOM QUINAN is in St. Francis hospital after having suffered a heart attack.

- Tina Henke

#### NORTH PARK -

Chief Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS and his assistant instructors take this opportunity to thank the line instructors and temporary line instructors, for their part in breaking in the college students for summer work...Operator IRVING WEINER was cited again by one of the local newspapers for his perpetual good humor and kindness to his many passengers on the Lunt-Touhy bus route...Operator FRED ANHALT and his wife, ANN, became grandparents for the fifth time when their son, ROBERT, and his wife, LUCY, became parents of twin girls named CHRIS-TINA and CYNTHIA, born June 10 at Illinois Masonic hospital weighing 3½ pounds each...Operator HAROLD SEDIN and his wife, SOPHIA, became grandparents for the 34th time when Harold's son, RUSSELL DEGELMANN, and his wife, JOYCE, became parents of a son, RUSSELL WIL-LIAM Jr., born June 12 at Lutheran Deaconess hospital weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces...TONY BRUNO Jr., the son of Operator TONY and BARBARA BRUNO, was graduated from Holy Cross High school on June 5. Tony, who was an outstanding athlete at Holy Cross, will enroll at Wright Junior college this fall...DEBORAH FRIEB, the daughter of Operator WILLARD and ADELAIDE FRIEB, the 1967 winner of the Division 241 scholarship, received her B.S.C. degree with high honors from De Paul university. Miss Frieb, who majored in marketing, was president of the De Paul chapter of the American Marketing Association, senior adviser of Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, a member of the Adjuvantes Hostessing Honor Society, and secretary of the Society for the Advancement of Management. She was newly-elected to Kappa Gamma Pi, the national honor society for women graduates of Catholic universities, and was awarded a senior certificate from Alpha Lambda Delta for maintaining at least a 3.5 grade average out of a possible 4.0 throughout the entire course. Deborah has been on the dean's list for all four years...PATRICIA KNIGHT, the daughter of Operator BILL and ELKENA KNIGHT, was graduated from Funston Grammar school on June 23 and has plans to enter Kelvyn Park High school in the fall...Operator HAROLD NEWTON can be reached at 697-4920 to help out any of our operators who have automobile or home air conditioning problems... The North Park baseball team, led by Manager HOMER REED and Captain RICHARD CLEMMONS, were honored at a banquet at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart recently. The team finished in second place losing the championship game by one run. North Park received a beautiful trophy, while the team members were awarded individual trophies. .. We at North Park extend a hearty welcome to HENRY THELIN who has returned to work as a bus operator after several years working as a street checker and ticket agent.

.. Operator ARTHUR CHRYSANTHOPOULOS received a commendation and reward from one of his passengers, Mrs. Glaser, after Arthur had turned in a package she had lost on his bus...JAMES ANHALT, the son of Operator FRED and ANN ANHALT, was graduated on June 18 from the Chicago Police academy. James was number 1 out of a class of 100 graduates and has been assigned to the Foster Avenue station... Congratulations to Operator LEO KO-NETSCHKE whose German shepherd dog won first place in the obedience training meet in Des Plaines, Illinois, on Sunday, May 16, given by the Lincolnwood German Shepherd Training club. Leo's two-year old female dog won in the open "A" class...Pensioner CHARLES KERR, former station superintendent at North Park, was a recent visitor in Chicago when his daughter, Mrs. CHRISTNER, was undergoing major surgery at Forkosh Memorial hospital...Operator ROY THOMPSON who has been off sick for quite some time has taken his pension, and we at North Park wish Roy continued improvement in the years ahead...Operator LYNN BUTLER and his wife, ANNE, entertained Operator HANK SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, on the maiden trip of their new travel trailer. They left for Watertown, Wisconsin, to spend the Memorial day weekend at Camp Ruhidell on the banks of the Crawfish River. The camper was christened with champagne and the trip was enjoyed by all...Operator FRANK CARDELLA spent four days fishing at Cameron Lake Lodge located at Nestor Falls, Ontario, Canada. Frank reports the fishing was poor due to cold and rain...Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, spent a week in the Ozark area. Harold and Ann also visited with Pensioners ART and RUTH MUIR, and RAY and EVELYN DONESKI of Forsyth, Missouri... Operator HAROLD COOK and his wife vacationed throughout Florida. Points of interest visited were Palm Beach, Miami, and Bonita Springs where the Cooks enjoyed visits with Pensioners CHARLES KERR and PAT DOHERTY. Harold is a distributor of grandfather clocks and displays them at his home at 6224 N. Melvina Avenue...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the families of Pensioner OSCAR AUGDAHL and Janitor DAVID NEIL.

Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Pensioner ROY THOMPSON and his wife, GENEVIEVE, their 46th; Pensioner ALVIN DAVIS and his wife, their 27th; Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, their 47th; Pensioner BILL SEIFERT and his wife, MIN, their 40th; Pensioner LE ROY PEDERSEN and his wife, BERNICE, their 46th; Pensioner GEORGE VOIGHT and his wife, BEA, their 5th; Operator KAZ YAWORSKI and his wife, FLORENCE, their 16th; Operator JOHN SUMMERSON and his wife, CHARLOTTE, their 19th; Operator BEN SECLER and his wife, NATALIE, their 20th; Operator EDWARD GOTTERT and his wife, ISABEL, their 36th; Operator CHESTER OLENSKI and his wife, JOANNE, their 21st; Operator JOHN GUZALDO and his wife, ROSALIE, their 38th; Operator LUIS ENDARA and his wife, CARMEN, their 15th; Operator HAROLD BASON and his wife, NORA, their 32nd; Operator PETE MARCHISOTTO and his wife, FELICIA, their 36th; Operator McKINLEY DAVENPORT and his wife, MARY, their 16th; Operator WILLARD FRIEB and his wife, ADELAIDE, their 23rd; Operator JOHN WILSON and his wife, REBECCA, their 12th; Clerk CARL HANSEN and his wife, SANDRA, their 17th, and Instructor MELVIN LINK and his wife, ELSIE, their 21st... Happy birthdays are extended to the following: Operators LE ROY CARR, JOHN COSGROVE, WALTER UHLEMANN, BOB CIESLA, JOHN MARCINAK, LEONARD BAEUCHLER, MORT LIBERT,

## RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

CLARENCE ADAMS, 70, West Section, Emp. 11-29-24, Died 5-3-71 TONY ALILUNAS, 86, West Shops, Emp. 1-3-23, Died 6-20-71 VERNON M. AMMONS, 77, South Section, Emp. 4-4-14, Died 6-24-71 JOSEPH BARBARO, 75, Way & Strutures, Emp. 5-21-26, Died 7-3-71 PETER BRANCATO, 68, Engineering, Emp. 6-6-41, Died 7-4-71 HUBERT F. BRENNAN, 78, 77th Street, Emp. 5-15-20, Died 6-26-71 JOHN J. BREWMAN, 69, Building, Emp. 11-22-43, Died 6-14-71 WALTER S. BROWN, 93, Electrical, Emp. 3-10-06, Died 6-19-71 EDWARD CAJDA, 50, Keeler, Emp. 8-22-55, Died 7-28-71 SAM CASSATA, 81, South Shops, Emp. 10-25-44, Died 7-4-71 OLIVER CHILES, 64, 77th Street, Emp. 11-21-50, Died 7-10-71 ANTON CHRISTENSEN, 69, South Section, Emp. 1-26-27, Died 6-23-71 ANGELO DI GILIO, 79, Devon, Emp. 2-9-21, Died 6-23-71 FRANK J. DRESDEN, 76, 69th Street, Emp. 5-21-23, Died 6-20-71 JAMES J. EGAN, 67, Skokie Shops, Emp. 10-10-45, Died 6-6-71 MARKO GALICH, 76, Way & Structures, Emp. 8-26-29, Died 6-15-71 GEORGE A. GLUECK, 88, Lincoln, Emp. 10-5-16, Died 6-21-71 OLLEN G. HARMS, 73, 77th Street, Emp. 11-6-29, Died 6-24-71

PETER DOLAN, ROY RIPKA, and GINO PAOLI, WARREN SCHOLL, DEBBIE FRIEB, MARCI LYNN LICHTER, ED-WARD, ROY, and KEITH KURCZEWSKI, LEONA NEWMAN, AMELIA CIESLA, PETER and BRIAN DOLAN, ANNA NE-GELE, JUDY LICHTER, and ELIZABETH and ISMENA RIPKA...Janitor FRANK NEISIUS retired on August 1 and his future plans call for plenty of rest, along with considerable time to work on his rose garden...Operator HAROLD SEDIN and his wife, SOPHIA, became grandparents for the 35th time when their son, DENNIS DEGELMANN, and his wife, KATHY, became the proud parents of their third child, a daughter, CARRIE ANN, born on June 30 at Lutheran General hospital weighing 8 pounds...Repair Department Chit Chat: Foreman PHIL O'CONNOR was hospitalized at St. Joseph's hospital where he was in traction with a slipped disk. At this writing Phil is recovering rapidly... Repairman JULIUS CONLEY was hospitalized at the Veteran's hospital where he underwent eye surgery. Julius is now at home and will be back to work soon...Repairman FRANK SIBLEY is recovering at home from a serious illness and our prayers are with him for a speedy recovery ... Tire Repairman MATT HEAVEY flew to Ireland where the citizens of Rosscommon and Mayo counties were in for a grand treat with genial Matt spinning his many yarns for them...Pensioner CHARLES DUNNE and his wife are enjoying a trip to Ireland where they are renewing many old memories...Repairman TERRY PLUTA spent two weeks at

JOHN W. HENNESSY, 59, 77th Street, Emp. 6-23-37, Died 7-10-71 URBAN S. HOLMEN, 63, 77th Street, Emp. 3-23-42, Died 2-4-71 JACOB M. JACOBSEN, 78, 77th Street, Emp. 2-9-16, Died 6-9-71 ARTHUR KRUEGER, 62, 69th Street, Emp. 11-16-36, Died 7-13-71 MANDEL LARSON, 78, 69th Street, Emp. 1-25-17, Died 6-24-71 JOHN MASNICH, 84, Track, Emp. 5-2-22, Died 6-13-71 FRANK G. MILLER, 79, Devon, Emp. 3-27-26, Died 6-20-71 HARVEY E. MILLER, 65, Archer. Emp. 10-8-28, Died 6-27-71 PATRICK MITCHELL, 80, 77th Street, Emp. 8-11-20, Died 6-28-71 WILLIAM J. MOORE, 78, Kedzie, Emp. 1-3-14, Died 5-20-71 JOSEPH SPULAK, 79, Lawndale, Emp. 6-11-26, Died 6-26-71 EDWARD A. STRUWE, 66, West Section, Emp. 7-22-29, Died 6-19-71 FRANK TOCHER, 72, Limits, Emp. 1-11-43, Died 6-27-71 FLORENCE TODD, 85, West Section, Emp. 6-8-23, Died 6-25-71 FERDINAND H. TROIKE, 84, West Section, Emp. 11-15-06, Died 6-14-71 CASIMIR A. WIENKE, 68, Lawndale, Emp. 6-8-44, Died 6-5-71 JOHN P. WOODS, 81, Grand Substation, Emp. 10-4-09, Died 6-22-71 JACK H. YOUNG, 70, Archer, Emp. 11-1-27, Died 6-25-71

Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, for military obligations, while JOE JOHNSON spent two weeks at Camp Gordon, Georgia... On vacations at this time are the following: Night Foreman JOHN HENNELLY, Night Instructor ROBERT MILLER, ED BAKANOWSKI, DAN PRISBLE, GEORGE KENNEDY, ALEX FRITZLER, ED PALA, MIKE MUSIELSKI, CLEO EVANS, ROBERT MOHRING, A. HAYES, GARRY WITKUS, HENRY MADDEN, and DARREL PERSON...The garage welcomes new Bus Cleaners CARL NICHOLAS and ROBERT VAN DER MIER, and summer replacements LES KEAG Jr., and H. CIONE...Clerk EARNIE LOTITO enjoyed a two-week "honey do" vacation and was very busy getting things in order around the house...Repairman MIKE DAWSON flew to Ireland to visit his father who has been seriously ill... GEORGE BONESS has left the garage and is now with the CTA Police...Repairmen MIKE SCHULTZ and PAT O'MAL-LEY retired on July 1 and were honored with a wonderful party at the garage... The sympathy of the garage is extended to the family of Repairman WILLIAM MORRIS who passed away suddenly.

- Melvin Horning

#### **OPERATIONS** (Transportation) -

If you are wondering why DAVID MARTIN is smiling so much lately, it's because he became a father again.

On May 31 his wife, EVELYN, gave birth to a 7 pound 6 ounce baby boy named DONALD. They now have two boys. Congratulations...JOE VODVARKA and his wife, MARILYN, and another couple drove to their favorite spot for vacation. The place they like so much is Colorado Springs in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado. In the one week they were away, they did a lot of sightseeing and took many pictures. They even found time to go square dancing one evening. The weather was just perfect and they had a wonderful time...JACK and SIMONE TCHELEBIAN drove west again for their vacation, stopping at Santa Monica, California. They visited some friends and stayed with them for four or five days. The rest of the trip was spent traveling, going to Las Vegas, where Jack won 15¢, and also to Grand Canyon. They were gone for about two weeks and had a very nice time...TOM and GLADYS MACE flew to California to begin their four-week vacation. They stayed with some friends in Solromar where they experienced some small earthquakes. If you ask, I'm sure Tom will tell you what it feels like. They went to Disneyland and Knotts Berry Farm and drove to many places including Carmel, Monterey, and Santa Cruz doing a lot of sightseeing. Since they were so close to Las Vegas, they drove there and saw some nice shows. To say the least, they had a very good time ... ART ROEPKE and his wife, FLORENCE, are another couple that like Colorado. They went to Hot Sulphur Springs to do some fishing, hoping to catch the big ones, and also to take in the mineral baths. They said the weather and scenery were beautiful... Recently, Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH BLAA came to Chicago for a vacation and paid a visit to the General Office to say hello to their friends. They look real good and are enjoying retirement...On the July 4 weekend, the Instruction Department lost it's first golf match to the team of CARL GIBES and FRANK WSOL. TOM STIGLIC and RAY PRYOR lost the match by two strokes. In order to accomplish this feat it took two birdies and four pars by the long ball of Frank on the last nine holes played. A rematch is a must. These were the words of Tom Stiglic. Why have Tom and Ray been practicing their golf strokes in the back yard? Could it be that they are seeking revenge for being whipped at the game by two duffer superintendents? Don't bother practicing, fellows, because we volunteer to give lessons at a modest fee. This is what Carl Gibes said. We'll let you know what happens when the big re-match is held.

#### (Traffic Planning) -

NANCY JOHNSON and her husband, RICHARD, and his family went to Minocqua, Wisconsin, for four days. They went fishing (didn't do very good), swimming, and just relaxed and enjoyed the beautiful weather and scenery...The middle of June was a busy time for the family of FRANK BARKER. FRANCIS, his oldest son, was graduated from Oak Park High school on June 15. He plans to enter George Williams College in Downers Grove this fall, where he will major in physical education. Incidentally, he celebrated his 18th birthday on June 22, which is also his father's birthday. GAIL ANN, his daughter, was graduated from Emerson Grammar school in Oak Park on June 16. She will attend Oak Park-River Forest High school in September. Congratulations and the best of luck to both of you.

#### (Utility and Emergency Service) -

Staying with the theme of graduations, GEORGE HOW-ARD and FRANK GOODRICH each had one in their family... JOHN, the son of JIM ROCHE, was graduated from St. Patrick High school and will be a freshman at Southern

Illinois university at Carbondale this fall. Congratulations to all the graduates...CARL HARE went to Oklahoma for his vacation. Here he rode horses and branded cattle. He had a good time, but says the saddle is not as comfortable as the seats in our trucks...FRED WILSON was a delegate to the Indiana Amvets Convention in Indianapolis. We would like to congratulate him on being re-elected as District I Commander. JIM ROCHE, who supplies the news for Utility & Emergency Service, was a delegate at the Illinois Amvet Convention which was held in Peoria...We are happy to see that DICK O'GORMAN, W. MOOG, and F. SPITALLI are back at work and feeling fine after their recent illness. We wish a speedy recovery to A. KRAUS who is presently off sick.

- Colette Szczepanek

#### PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Happy summer to everyone! Superintendent of Purchasing R. L. MANVILLE and his wife, KATHRYN, spent a lovely vacation in Florida visiting with his mother in St. Petersburg. They also went to Fort Lauderdale where they visited friends, one of which was retired CTA employe ED DEVINE and his wife, CAROLINE. Ed formerly worked as a buyer in the Purchasing Department. Ed and his wife reside in Pompano Beach in a beautiful condominium which has a balcony overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. The Manville's last stop was Signal Mountain, Tennessee, where they visited with their daughter, NANCI, and her husband, STANLEY ... ED CUMMINGS, Purchasing, and some of his relatives and friends motored to Hayward, Wisconsin, to catch some fish. Ed caught nine walleyes and six bass. Pretty good, Ed! He returned to Michigan over the Memorial day weekend to spend some time with his wife, GRACE. ..Our welcome mat is extended to our part-time summer employes: MARK and WILLIAM PLATT, EDWARD BOLE, MIKE O'CONNOR, GERALD PORCARO, FRANCIS FOR-RESTAL, WILLIAM UNWIN, VINCENT ALLEN, and KATHY KILGALLON. We are happy to see that most of you returned to us... Greetings are also in order for LINDA LUNDBERG, new typist I in Stores, G.O... JERRY KILL-MAN, Stores, G.O., spent a week's vacation visiting with relatives in southern Illinois... DENISE PATHEIGER, Stores, G.O., spent a very enjoyable one-week vacation in Delavan, Wisconsin. Her partner on the trip was KATHY MOSER, Suggestion Department. They also visited Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, where Denise and Kathy took in some sun and made some new friends. They learned a new card game called casino, but relaxation was their No. 1 goal. Glad that you both had such a good time...We are so glad to hear that HARRY and CATHY CLOUGH, your co-reporter, will soon have an addition to their family. Both Harry and Cathy would like twins, and that being the case, they are wished double luck and happiness... "Hey, mon!" Look who's back from a one-week vacation to Jamaica--CECILIA TRUCCO from Stores, G.O., and MARY BETH MURRAY, Purchasing. Also with them were MARY ELLEN RUSS of Research & Planning, and JANICE VANDERHORST from Charter Service. They went sailing, swimming, snorkeling, climbed the Dunne river falls in Ocho Rios, and went rafting on the Martha Brae. Their night life proved to be even more exciting, what with nightclubs, crab races, native dance shows, and they even did the bamboo stick dance. They were serenaded with Jamaican Calypso music, and even got to take an old-fashioned horse and buggy ride ... What a time JOHN SPRINGER, South Shops, and his wife, DOROTHY, had the past month. They became grandparents

#### INSIDE NEWS



PICTURED IN front of their condominium in Pompano Beach, Florida, are ED and CAROLINE DEVINE. Ed worked as a buyer in the Purchasing Department before taking his pension on September 1, 1968, after 48 years of service.

for the 23rd, 24th, and 25th time! The 25th time for the Springers was also the 3rd time around for PAT CANNON and his wife, NOREEN! Congratulations are in order for the parents and grandparents of these 'bundles from heaven."..DENNIS KUHN, South Shops, went to Iron Mountain, Michigan, for his vacation...STANLEY HALL, assistant divisional storekeeper, Storeroom 48, and his wife, MARI-ON, traveled to Kentucky to assist their son, DAVID, on his recent marriage to NANCY WOOLDRIDGE. The wedding took place on June 5 in Owensboro, Kentucky. After a brief honeymoon the couple will reside in Westmont. David worked as a part-time ticket agent for CTA during his college years...MIKE KORZEN, divisional storekeeper, Skokie, and his wife, EVELYN, traveled to the Ozarks, and from there to Hot Springs, Arkansas. We'll bet you it wasn't as hot there as it's been here!.. We were happy to hear by letter that retired Stores employe EVERETT BRUCKNER is happy and well and residing in San Diego, California. Every now and then he spends some time with another retired Stores employe, TOM MADIGAN, who resides in La Jolla, California. So happy you wrote to us, Everett, and say hi to Tom, also, for us...We just get to greet THOMAS RYAN back from military service and he gets transferred. He's still in Stores, but at South Shops as a stock clerk I. Although we didn't get much time to chat with you, Tom, we wish you much luck in your new posi-

- Cathy Clough & John Gill

#### RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

Welcome and congratulations to F. NEALY who was promoted to repairman and transferred to Congress from the Dan Ryan shop...Our condolences to J. NEELY, Congress, and family on the passing of his mother-in-law on July 3... Congratulations to Repairman STEVEN JONES, Congress, on his engagement to SUSAN GEIGER. An August 17 wedding is planned...Glad to hear that JOHN DANIELS, Congress, is a fast healer and is back at work after spending some time in Northwest hospital ... A trip to the old sod to visit family and friends is how J. MEEHAN, Congress, spent his vacation... The grapevine has it that WILLY LACEY, Congress, is in the market for a bodyguard to protect him from an onslaught of beautiful girls when he takes his new white Cadillac Fleetwood out for a spin. Just how lucky can one guy get... Glad to see S. STIMAGE, Congress, back at work after being off for a month with back problems...JOHN DANIELS, Congress, is back in the news. This time John won \$25 in a raffle at St. Hedwig church. John was a little upset because he was not made a knight at this parish, since he already is a soul-brother... A joint celebration was held for AL BOLING and PAT COTTER, car servicemen at Congress, who retired on August 1. Best wishes to both men for a long and healthy retirement. .. Aloha from R. LATO and P. COLOMBO, Congress, who spent their vacations in the Hawaiian Islands enjoying exotic rum drinks under a swaying palm...T. DUNCAN, C. WILLIAMS, H. YOUNG, and M. KEATING enjoyed their vacations in the Chicago area...Best wishes to L. THOMP-SON, former repairman at Congress, who resigned on July 8 to move to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for a new job in a chemical plant...S. DOBEK, Kimball, had a special vacation treat--a visit from his son who is home on leave from the naval air force...A trip to visit family and friends in Ireland is how Car Serviceman D. MARLEY, Kimball, spent his vacation... Enjoying the local scenery on their vacations were C. EUGENE, F. FAWCETT, A. RUANE, and E. O'DAY, Kimball...Best wishes for a speedy recovery and a quick trip back home are sent to the children of F. PAYNE, Kimball, who are in St. Anne hospital...Sorry to hear that Repairman B. BEVINS, Kimball, is on the sick list with an eye infection...Summer brings on family reunions, and on their way to theirs is QUINTON BONDS, Dan Ryan, and his family who traveled up to Detroit, Michigan; and GEORGE NICHOLSON, Dan Ryan, and his family who traveled down to Pine Bluff, Arkansas...Congratulations to Foreman MATT COYLE and all the men at the Dan Ryan shop on winning the safety award. May this be the first of many more to come... Baseball games, friendly visits, and an occasional beer are the types of vacations enjoyed by T. FRIEND, J. KOGER, R. DAVIS, T. GUTT, C. B. BROWN, C. TOWNSEND, and H. DICKERSON, Dan Ryan... A big celebration was held at Wilson in honor of retirees JIM LOCKE, MIKE O'MALLEY, and PAT McCAHILL. The men started their pension on August 1. Best wishes are extended for a long and healthy retirement... Another coworker moving on to easy living is WINFRED STAFFORD, Forest Park, who also retired on August 1. Here's hoping he enjoys many years of health and happiness.

- Ray Brzeczek

#### SKOKIE SHOPS -

MUZIO FICARELLA, electrical worker, and his wife, ANTONIETTA, are vacationing in Europe with hopes of seeing most of Italy with relatives and friends. Muzio and his wife will spend seven weeks overseas and hope to visit France also ... EVERETT E. ENGLAND, Skokie Shops reporter, and his wife, MARCELLA, along with MARY LABUS of the Insurance Department and her mother enjoyed a beautiful tour of Europe, visiting Germany, Switzerland, Italy, and France. The scenery was beautiful and there was so much to see in all the cities. I hope our pictures come back as nice as they looked through the camera...WALTER GANDOR, painter, and his wife are enjoying a seven-week stay in Europe with his grandparents in Poland. They raised Walter after the death of his parents, and Walter only knows them as his mother and father... GRANT GREENE, shopman II, and his wife were very proud parents when their son, DANIEL, who was entered in the elementary B-Group of the Illinois Music Association's State olympic contest on May 1, and out of 15 contestants in his group went home with the first place trophy. Danny, who has been blind since he was  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -years old, has been playing the organ since October, 1970. This was his first

public appearance in competition...JAN BRODA, painter, and his family are the happy owners of a new Ford Galaxie 500, and the color is a beautiful new green this year... KATHLEEN A. GRAYBIEL is now working at Skokie Shops during her summer vacation. We welcome you, Kathy, and will miss you when school starts again.

- Everett E. England

#### SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

Pensioner WALLACE STOLTENBERG recently paid us a visit and he sure looks good. The life of leisure agrees with him completely...RICHARD GOLDSTEIN spent his vacation painting his house...ED REILLY became a grandfather for the eighth time when a new granddaughter was born on the same birthday as her father, TERRY, and paternal grandmother...PHIL LEAHY vacationed in Michigan. ..ALAN SABOL, the son of JOE SABOL, won a four-year scholarship to North Eastern Illinois university. Congratulations and good luck, Alan...HARRY HIRSCH and his family flew to Canada to visit with relatives...JAKE SUMNER and BERNIE KINCANNON spent a quiet vacation in and around home...DAVID JACOBS has returned to work after recuperating from eye surgery ... C. KEELER, traffic clerk, took short trips to round out his vacation... HOMER HAR-RIS, outside checker, is home recuperating after a short stay in the hospital...We thought BILL DEVEREUX's body was indestructible, but he recently tripped down some stairs and broke his arm. Perhaps his attention was diverted by some scenic mini-skirters. Nevertheless, we wish him a speedy recovery.

- Kathryn Batina

#### SOUTH SECTION -

The HARTNEYS, Clerk ROLAND and myself, are running around now in a nice new Chevrolet Malibu sports coupe and is it sporty looking. Also, we're getting a new color TV set. Roland is sure treating me good. I'll just have to watch out when he starts whistling at the pretty girls in the new car!.. Vacation time is upon us and our South Siders are traveling all over the country and the world. Agent VELMA HUSBAND and her spouse vacationed in Nassau in the Bahamas and they just loved it there. She said the people are friendly and no one is in a hurry like in the big city, and people drive on the opposite side of the street, like in England...Motorman TONY JAGLA and his wife vacationed in Hawaii on the beach at Waikiki. They said the weather was perfect and it was very relaxing, as life is so nice and easy in Hawaii...On the clerk's system pick, effective June 13, we welcomed two new clerks from the North and West Sections, ROBERT STEWARD and ROBERT HARVEY. Hope they like it out south with us. We were sorry to lose Clerk ED GREEN who went to the West Section and we wish him the best of luck... Here's some good news: Switchman NFLSON ANDERSON, who was on the sick list for many months, has regained his health and is back to work. His many friends were sure glad to see him come back... Also back on the job with a hearty welcome are Motorman FRED GRONEMEYER (who was off having an operation) and Janitor LEROY NUTALL...Line Supervisor DAVID MARTIN was beaming when he told us that he has a new addition to the family--a baby boy named DONALD, born on May 31. This makes two boys for the happy Martin family...Retired Agent SARAH McEVOY was

ailing recently and was in the hospital. She is now home recuperating. Hurry up and get well, Sarah...Both Motorman PATRICK MORAN and Division 308 Vice-president CHARLES LOUGHRAN went on trips to the "Old Sod", Ireland. Hope they both had a good vacation...We're mighty proud of Retired Agent ROSE HEIDENBLUT whose picture appeared in the Southtown Economist in July honoring her as "Lady of the Year" of the nursing homes around this area. Congratulations, Rose...All of us at work were shocked and saddened to hear that Motorman EDWARD TORMEY passed away suddenly. He was a fine person and always thought of others and how to make them happy. He will be missed very much by all his co-workers. Our sincere condolences to his family...Our South Siders are going great guns. Motorman RICHARD BROWN, Conductor WILLIE GODBOLD, and Agent RALPH WATZKE were all appointed clerks on the West Section recently. It's nice to see our men get ahead in this world...Ailing at this time is Retired Agent MARCELLA BITTERLIN. We don't like to see our people not feeling well, so we hope Marcella will be well real soon and be like her old self again...Collector WILLIAM (Smithy) SMITH and his wife, Agent INEZ, went to Louisville, Kentucky, on their vacation and had a good time...Of all things, Supervisor DON MURPHY, Ashland Avenue, fell and broke his foot and it will be in a cast for six weeks. Hope by the time this makes the press that Don will be back to work ... Collector THOMAS BRAGGS was grinning from ear to ear when he told us about his sister, DENISE, and how proud he is of her. Her picture appeared in the Daily News and the Tribune when she made her debut at the 11th Annual Debutante Cotillion in the grand ballroom of the Conrad Hilton hotel on June 25. The cotillion was sponsored by the Chicago Chapter of Links and 24 debs "came out." The Links is a national civic and social organization and the cotillion is for charity. Scholastic standing is a primary consideration in selecting the debs. Denise is planning to attend Bradley university in Peoria on a scholarship in special education in the fall. Also, Tom and his wife, Agent CORETTA, just returned from a vacation in Seattle, Washington. They flew on the 747 jet, and it was so big that Tom said when he got up he got lost trying to find his way back to his seat!.. Going on pension July 1 was Agent HELEN SHANNON. We hated to see Helen go as she will be missed by all her co-workers and passengers. We hope she'll have a wonderful and enjoyable pensioned life...Also going on a disability pension July 1 was Clerk JOE O'CONNOR who was on the sick list for several months. Everyone will miss Joe, and we all hope he will have a return to good health in the near future...We just heard that Retired Agent BETTY BUCKLEY is back in town for the summer from her home in Hawaii to see all her old friends. . . Assistant Station Superintendent JIM WALSH and his wife and daughter had a wonderful trip. They drove to Florida where they spent a few days and then flew to Jamaica to see their married daughter and her family, and the new grandchild they hadn't seen before ... Back for the summer months, and we're glad to see them, are part-time Conductors ROBERT ROBERSON, PETER STAZZONE, RICHARD PARRISH, GEORGE TALLEY, PHILIP WILLIAMS, and KENNETH JACOBI; part-time Agents ARDIS MORRIS Jr. (the son of our Instructor ARDIS MORRIS), GREGORY CULBERSON, PHYLLIS DAVIS, LYN-DA GAULT, EVERETT MANN (the son of Instructor WIL-LIE MANN), and many more ... Retired Conductor VERNON AMMONS passed away recently and our sincere sympathy goes out to his wife, ALICE AMMONS, who worked in the office at 61st Street years ago. We'll always remember

Vernon as the golfer; he just loved to play golf...A proud, proud husband is Clerk JIM CAREY whose wife received her master's degree from De Paul university recently... Around to see the boys at Ashland recently before they went downtown to the monthly pensioners meeting were Retired Towerman LEONARD DeGROOT and Retired Conductor ERNEST HARDWIDGE. They both looked just wonderful...Motorman JOE DOYLE and his wife went to Dallas, Texas, on their vacation and had a super time. Vacations sure are wonderful!

- Verna Hartney

#### WEST SECTION -

Now that those really hot days are over with, I guess we an spend the rest of the summer living with the remaining warm days. Some days bring sad news, and we extend our deepest condolences to Conductor W. MITCHELL on the passing of his father. Our sincere condolences to Ticket Agent CHRIS HOUSTON on the sad passing of her father ... On the sick list we have Motorman LEE RICHARDSON and licket Agent VALERIE THOMAS. We wish both of them a quick recovery... Now here's some bright news. Conductor MEL PFEIFFER and his wife had a lovely vacation in Hawaii, and spent a few days with their kids in Baltimore, Maryland...Switchman JOHN CIMMERER and his wife spent their vacation in the Bahama Islands and a brief stay in Florida...Conductor GEORGE WOODMORE and his wife, ALBERTA, spent their vacation in Tennessee... Motorman W. FLOYD and his wife spent part of their vacation at the Wisconsin Dells... A news flash--Supervisor ROBERT BLAIR and his wife celebrated 31 years of marriage with dinner and a night out on the town. (I finally got something on the contented one.) Congratulations to you both...Congratulations to our hero, Supervisor KENNY BROWN, on his recent promotion to senior station instructor... Yard Foreman ARCHIE BRAGGS was elated when his son, ARCHIE Jr., was graduated from Lindbloom High school and awarded a scholarship to attend Cornell university...On June 5, Motorman JOHN WILLIAMS was united in holy natrimony to LOUIDA BRACEY at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church, 63rd and University. Their reception was held at the Chez Marie banquet hall. The best of luck to the newlyweds. The new Mrs. WILLIAMS is a nurse at Cook County hospital...Let's wish the following a happy birthday: R. PORTER, J. COCKRELL, T. WIGGINS, J. FRITZ, G. UZIK, J. HOLEK, W. ROGERS, O. TAYLOR, M. BRANCH, J. TYK, E. PASCHAL, R. PRINCE, J. HOLIFIELD, D. DAVENY, J. DE BENNEDETTO, J. WYATT, D. BUEGEL, J. E. THOMAS, and G. WOODMORE... Foot Collector LARRY LATHAM and his family are headed for Canada. Let's hope his son doesn't out-fish him this year. Have a ball, gang...Switchman ROBERT NEIGHBORS and his wife spent their vacation in Las Vegas. They didn't go to win any money, just to have a good time. They did so by seeing some good shows and fine dinners...Switchman ZEKE KOP-CZYNSKI and his wife are spending their vacation in Nassau...I want to add that I finally got JAMIE GORDON married off. Some of the gang that attended the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. RONALD RAMSEY, Mr. and Mrs. FRANK PEPPERS, Mr. and Mrs. WILLIE FLOYD, and my co-reporter, Mr. and Mrs. SANTO SICILIANO, whom I took to and from the wedding. A note to Mrs. Siciliano -- the expressways are safe, it's the city drivers that get you. I should know; after I dropped the Sicilianos off, I was hit by one. Also attending the wedding party was GEORGE

WOODMORE, who got around to taking the trains off the dining room table. I guess for his birthday present a new set is in store... Former Lake Street Yard Foreman G. KINZIE stopped by, and his retirement has done wonders for him. He looks swell... My partner, Santo, lost his adopted son, TOM PATTERSON, to the Congress line. So, Pat, when you find the time, come by and say hello to Pops; .. To Conductor JESSE WELLS, don't worry about those old combat boots, we are checking the surplus stores to replace them...Our resident minister, Conductor GEORGE CLARK, looks like he is losing some weight. Now order those new chairs!..Switchman JERRY BOYLAN is headed to Ireland for his vacation and to check on why he didn't win any of the sweepstakes...Motorman EDDIE PAGE spent some time down in the big-foot country, Mississippi, while Motorman I. TAYLOR went down to New Orleans. They both had big fun... I forgot to mention that Switchman HERBERT WHITE was also at the Gordon's wedding, but who remembers a person in the corner drinking Coke (ha ha ha); and someone thought that he was drunk... Now that Motorman J. RAGSDELL is at Jefferson Park, Motorman MIKE BOLDEN thinks he's the champ at checkers. Boy, you give a person an inch and they'll take a mile. I remember when he didn't even know the game. You are fair, but not good, Mike...Speaking of Mikes, I want it to be known that Motorman MIKE BELLEZZO refused to play in the picture, The Godfather. He would rather write down all of Motorman AL CLARK's memoirs, the General Patton of Lake Street...Motorman IKE HOUSTON, whose son, MAR-SHOUND, was a young actor in the play, "The Me Nobody Knows", used to wear his kid's hat. I wonder if he is driving his new car now...Motorman MARK FIORE is still trying to become another Mario Lanza. If only he'd sing more than three bars of a song, I may sign him up...Conductor STEVE DUDASIK left the guys without any eggs. Now no breakfast until he returns. Maybe they will be boiled a little better, said one guy, who after peeling one, had to look in the trash can to find it. It takes a certain kind of skill to do this. Just adding water and salt, but Steve hasn't found the right formula. Help, anyone?.. For years Motorman TOM CULHANE was of the opinion that he was older than Motorman W. FITZGERALD. Since he found out that he wasn't, he is calling Fitzgerald the "old goat."...Conductor J. LANE doesn't tell any more jokes around me. I guess he really fears I will tell a black audience that I got this from whitey. Once you've heard one of his jokes, that's it... Switchman R. CANO is headed for Alaska and says he will bring back some ice for us to cool off in. Now that's what I call a joke. Ho-Ho...For those who wonder why Switchman CHARLIE ROGERS walks the way he does, it's just that he's cool, or has a broken leg... I would like to take this opportunity to say that all the West Side gang extend warm greetings to our new Transit Board Chairman, MICHAEL CAFFERTY, and wish him the best of luck in his new post...Motorman GEORGE SMITH now goes horseback riding with his wife, SHIRLEY. Since they can't win at the tracks, they may as well ride a sure winner and get their money's worth...My partner, SANTO, has been accused of being an agitator, a man who looks over his reading glasses to see you, with gray hair. Well, my friends, let me tell you that he's a fine man, his gray hair is a mark of distinction, and the glasses make him look sexy. Now can I stop? Santo, after a while they'll think our whole column is a bunch of lies... Enjoy yourselves gang while out there on vacation. You white guys, take it easy on the suntans or we will have to wait until winter to really identify you. You soul brothers watch that pork in the summertime, it's bad on the heart. As for me, I'm going to just stand in the shadows and watch and talk about all of you. Bye.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

#### SOUTH SHOPS -

The South Shops golf outing was held on June 26 at Westgate Country Club. Fifty-eight men participated and a good time was had by all, thanks to the weatherman and Committeemen JOHN JANKUS and J. LAMONT. A butt steak was served and prizes were given. First prize was won by TED PIETRUS, general foreman at South Shops. A parking meter lamp was his reward, and to keep it lit you have to supply coins for the meter. The way he was mooching money for the lamp, I believe he could send his daughters back to college with just Saturday's take. The low gross honors went to Foreman W. OLENICK and A. FOREMAN, 52nd Street Garage. CHARLIE BUZA, the Mrs. Olsen of the office, must be in the dog house these days. He picked bath towels and wash cloths as his prize for the little lady. EDDIE EVANS is looking to swap one bottle of VO for TONY NUTILE's hedge cutters. What about it, Tony? A special thanks goes out to Mrs. KRAMER, the wife of LOUIS KRAMER, garage supervisor. If she hadn't let Lou golf Saturday, we wouldn't have enjoyed the day as much as we did. JIM FELTZ and WALLY FEULNER came to work late Monday morning. Seems they had to return the keys to the clubhouse. With the activities following the tournament, the manager decided it was better to have them lock the place. No injuries occurred from flying golf balls this year...Best wishes and good luck go out to LOUIS KRAMER, garage supervisor, on his retirement July 1 after serving 47 years with the company. A retirement dinner in Lou's honor was held June 24 at the Cardinal house, which was well attended by his many friends and co-workers. Our thanks to Mr. C. E. KEISER, Mr. G. J. CLARK, Mr. F. W. JOHNSON, Mr. and Mrs. ROSENDHAL, Mr. J. BOLECH, Mr. D. M. FLYNN, Mr. F. C. KNAUTZ, Mr. STAHL, Mr. and Mrs. RUZICH, Mr. STIGLIC, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. DIN-NELLA, and a special thanks to Mr. J. J. REPPLINGER for the beautiful job as m.c. FRAN LOUWARD and JIM DUD-LEY did a beautiful job of decorating the speaker's table and making the dinner a success... A warm welcome goes out to DON TARNOWSKI, our new shop clerk. Don is replacing LARRY VANCE who took a disability retirement... Congratulations to LENNY WIENCEK for moving up in the world. Lenny just bought a new 1971 Oldsmobile...Well, WALLY FEULNER, we know where all your money will be going now that you have purchased a home for your family. Good luck...Congratulations to J. RIZZUTO on his promotion as material coordinator for Material Control Section ... Good luck to FRED RIDLEY on his new job. Fred will leave the shop office to go downtown and work in the Claim Department as an accident clerk...MARY ROHE, typist, and her husband, DENNIS, carpenter apprentice, spent two weeks driving through Colorado and South Dakota...Congratulations to WILLIE PICKETT on his new job as shop clerk...The South Shops welcoming committee, which includes everyone out here, would like to welcome back TONY VIHNANEK, Technical Services Division, who has been off for about six weeks recuperating from an operation...The South Shops annual picnic, held June 12 at Rubio Woods, was a resounding success again, even more so this year than in the past due to a tremendous helping hand from Mother Nature. By golly, it was hot! The train ride was doing a land office business from the time they got the

tracks laid. By the way, was that little blond-headed boy able to beat DICK BRYES (the trainmaster) out of extra rides again this year? The committee in charge of adult door prizes, JOE CARLYAN, STAN NUMAN, and JERRY PAVEL, did their usual excellent job. What, no lawn chairs? Thanks also go to CHARLIE KARKO Jr., TOM COATS, JIM FORRESTAL, JIM SHEGER, JOHN VIDOS, RICH STANTON, J. POLLACK, RICH GRECO, STAN MA-ZURAK, RICH RAHARSHUS, FRANK FLORES, PHIL SE-LAKI, STAN HILLARK, JOHN DAVIS, TERRY CULKIN, JIM HAWORTH, and BILL HAWORTH. A special thanks to HENRY KOLAR, picnic chairman, and his proficient cochairman, RALPH KEANE. The picnic again this year featured a door prize for every family attending, a toy or game for each child, games with prizes for both adults and children, helium-filled balloons, music, and lots of refreshments. Speaking of games, I hope all those "under thirty" musclemen were able to remove the grass stains after that tug-o-war double-header. Thanks again to all who worked so hard and to those who attended for making the picnic the success that it was... Congratulations to FRED (Groovy) PETROZZ, Area 344, who became a journeyman on June 16... Congratulations to JIM LAMONT Jr., Area 348, and his wife who became the proud parents of a baby boy, BRIAN EDWARD LAMONT, weighing 8 pounds 5 ounces, who the stork brought on July 16. Brian is the grandson of JIM LAMONT Sr., electrician at the South Shops...CLEOPHUS DONALDSON, Electrical Department, and his wife became the proud parents of a 6 pound baby girl, RENITTA DELORES...For some reason, Area 348's HOWARD BURRIS is now known as "Skipper". Wonder why?..A quick recovery goes out to PAULINE KRAULEDIS, the wife of IRVIN KRAULEDIS, machinist, Area 348. Mrs. Krauledis underwent surgery on July 7 at Ingalls Memorial hospital in Harvey, Illinois... Congratulations to BILL SHAUGHNESSY, Area 312, on the birth of a granddaughter, MICHELE MARIE, born to his daughter, Mrs. CAROL BEADREAU. Bill would also like to congratulate his daughter, DENISE, who finished her first year of high school with a "B" average...The fellows in the shop would like to wish Mrs. LEWIS JACKSON who fractured her leg a speedy recovery... We welcome LEO GRIFFITH and JUDGE FUNCHES back to work after being off for some time with injuries. Also, a special congratulations to Leo on his recent promotion to journeyman...HARRY HOLLEN-DONER spent an exciting week in Las Vegas and says he had a beautiful time. It was a bit costly, but the reward was enjoyment...Congratulations to CLARENCE PIPOWSKI, Area 321, and his wife, VAECHEAL, on their recent marriage. Clarence also became a grandfather for the 14th time...The fellows in the Upholstery Shop would like to take this opportunity to wish BERNIE DAVIS a speedy recovery. Hurry back, Bernie, we miss you...ROBERT MANDUJANO would like to wish his son, MARC, a happy birthday. Marc was 3 years old on August 5...Congratulations to BILL SCHROEDLE on the birth of a son, June 30...Get well wishes are extended to SAM FIORITO and BOB FURHMAN. Both are carpenters in Area 318.

- Elaine Stewart & Bob Brown

#### 52ND STREET -

I must say that your station reporter slipped last month and didn't meet his deadline, so 52nd Street was left out. Sorry about that...The spotlight was on the Repair Department during the month of April. They won the Employe

Safety Contest Award given by CTA for the least injuries per one million man-hours worked during the first quarter of 1971. Prizes were given, and coffee and rolls were served. Prize winners were J. JOHNSON and R. TURNER. ..It was good to see Superintendent JOHN LYNCH back to work after a slight illness. He also had a little rest and relaxation before his return... Instructor TERRY and his wife enjoyed a vacation during this time and has now returned and is ready for business. Just in time to greet our summer students I might add. A word to those summer students: because your time with us is short, don't think that it's not important...Chief Clerk A. HILLSTROM also enjoyed a short vacation during the month of May in Hot Springs, Arkansas...We lost the services of our congenial janitor, MILT BUCZYNSKI, during the janitor pick, effective June 6. A hearty welcome is extended to J. ROGERS as our number one janitor for the next year... Operator THOMPSON of our softball team is still jumping for joy after hitting a grand slam home run with two outs and two strikes, to win the game. By now, you all know that our team took first place in the South Section for 1970 and was awarded a trophy. The team is managed by Operator ROBERT RILEY...It's good to see Operator COLE back to work after a month-long illness...There was a bond drive during the month of June, and Chief Clerk ARNOLD HILL-STROM saw to it that almost all of the men at 52nd Street put a little more aside--just about a 72% increase in their payroll savings.

- John L. Hudson

#### 69TH STREET -

I always thought that being on pension was one big vacation, but HARRY MINOGUE, who lives in Texas, says that he is going to take a vacation. He is planning to go to Alaska by ship from Seattle, Washington, and then see as much of our 49th State as the roads will permit by auto. D. SMITH says that if you have the money, Harry, he will go along with you. If not, he will stick around and play golf...TONY VANDERBURG and his wife had a two-week vacation in Texas visiting with their son who is stationed there in the army...JACK WILSON, our number one man, spent a week camping out with his wife in southern Illinois. He also went to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, to visit with his daughter and grandchild...RUDY RAJ vacationed down New Mexico way...SCOTTY HIGGINS took in the "Grand Old Opera" in Nashville, Tennessee; went through the Smoky Mountains to Myrtle Beach, North Carolina, on his vacation...BARNEY BECKER flew to Seattle, Washington, where he rented a car and drove down the Pacific coast line all the way to Mexico, and then took to the air, again, for home...W. DONAHUE is back working and says he is wired for sound. Just watch out for lightning, old boy...HANK (Mr. Modesty) RISCH and ED TIERNEY recently celebrated their birthdays. Ed won't tell how old he is, only that he is young enough to be Hank's son...The bus drivers can thank PETE YUSKA for the installation of the drinking fountain in the washroom of the "L" station ... D. DULFER went fishing over the long July 4 holiday, and when he returned home, he found that his house had been broken into and ransacked. .. Approximately 30 people attended the luncheon held at the Elk's Club for ART LIPPHARDT. Some of those who attended were: C. GIBES, assistant superintendent of operating stations, Superintendent J. LOGAY, Assistant Superintendent J. PETROCIUS, J. TUCKER, BARNEY BECKER, FRANK ROONEY, and many other friends and co-workers

whom he worked with for many years. May he and his wife, and all the others who are on pension, have many years of health and happiness... The fellows in the credit union office say that you are always welcome to come in and discuss a loan. Just see TONY or BILL...DENNIS COLEMAN was confined to Walter Memorial hospital, and Pensioner TOM BYRNE was in the hospital recuperating from a heart attack. Mrs. ED TIERNEY was confined to Holy Cross hospital suffering from pinched nerves and muscle spasms. We all wish them well and hope they will recover real soon...The silent reaper passed 69th Street and took the mother-in-law of RAY HAMMERSCHMIDT; Mrs. JOSEPHINE THOMA, the mother of Operator CHARLES THOMA, and the brother of ED BEHRENS. He thinned the ranks more when he took ARTHUR KRUE-GER after a long fight with cancer, and Loader JOHN HEN-NESSEY who was from the old Cottage Grove carbarn and worked often as my conductor. They will always be remembered by their many friends, and to all the families of those who passed on, we extend our deepest sympathy ... BILL ERICKSON, who writes for "In Transit", the union newspaper, was laid up again with the gout. He said it may be a rich man's disease, but it was making a poor man out of him...JIMMY AHERN is on vacation, and will double-up on the repair department news next issue...Don't forget to drop a line in the Transit News mail box, and God bless you

- Arthur P. Buesing

#### 77TH STREET -

Congratulations, fellows, on breaking our accident par for the month of June! We will be drinking coffee on the house again...Fellow operators, please inform me of your vacation plans so I can pass the news on. I am anxious to hear about your planned trips...JAMES MINCEY III, the son of Operator JAMES MINCEY Jr., will wed the lovely Miss ROCHELLE SMITH on Saturday, August 21. Much happiness is wished this young couple...JOHN COOPER Jr., the son of Operator JOHN COOPER, was home on leave from military duty. He is stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri... Operators L. DURR and R. LANE have returned from the north country of Wisconsin where they enjoyed some good fishing. They caught the limit of big mouth bass and crappies. I am passing the news along--we are all invited to a fish fry (sounds like a "fish story" to me)...Operator JAMES A. WILLIAMS and his wife, KATHERINE, vacationed in sunny Nassau. They were very elated about their trip and Will says he spent 'big money.''.. Operator F. MOSS and his wife are leaving on vacation soon. Their first stop will be Florida, and from there they will travel to the Bahamas to enjoy the leisure of the islands...The following operators made the Courtesy Caravan Club for the month of June: R. GAINES, C. TURNER, S. INGRAM, A. GRADY, W. HARRIS, P. HIGHTOWER, A. THORNTON, J. RILEY, W. FRANKLIN, W. DAVIS, and R. SHORES... Happy birthday to all the fellows who celebrated birthdays in June...We were certainly saddened by the passing of Operator OLIVER CHILES Sr. He had been a member of the CTA family for 20 years. He leaves a legion of friends who will miss him...Our condolences to Operator ARNOLD HODO and his family in the untimely passing of his beloved brother, ELTON P. HODO ... So long for now, and remember, smile, it won't hurt.

- Elcosie Gresham



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