

# TRANSIT NEWS



NOVEMBER—DECEMBER, 1971

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TO ALL EMPLOYEES:

Since coming to CTA I have been looking for a way that I could personally recognize individual operating employees for outstanding performance. The Chairman's Award which I have recently instituted, gives me a means for giving such recognition.

The Award is unique for an employee to receive. He will be an individual who is superior in giving service to the CTA and to the public. I am being continuously apprised of individual acts of outstanding performance, and shall make the selection myself of those who are deserving to receive the Award.

To inaugurate this incentive award program, I have selected two gentlemen who have brought great credit to CTA and to themselves, Bus Operators James McWilliams and Cleven Wardlow.

Operator McWilliams recently came to the aid of a CTA rider who was being assaulted. In addition to the Chairman's Award which I presented him, he has also been honored by Mayor Daley with Chicago's Medal Merit and the Police Department with their Citizen's Award.

Operator Wardlow is known to many CTA riders as the driver of the "Happy Bus" and is CTA's champion for receiving commendations. Earlier this year he was named as one of 100 citizens judged to best represent Chicago's "I will" spirit. In 1969 he was honored as one of ten outstanding Chicago area public service employees.

Both men have done much to improve the overall image of CTA and are highly deserving of the Chairman's Award. Judging by the increasing number of reports which I am reviewing, I am confident these two men are only the first of many transit employees to be honored in this program.

Sincerely,

  
Michael Cafferty  
Chairman



Accepting the Chairman's Award from Transit Board Chairman Michael Cafferty are Bus Operators Cleven Wardlow (center) and James McWilliams.

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# APPROVE SUGGESTION AWARDS TOTALLING \$2,185

CASH AWARDS totalling \$2,185 were recently approved by the Executive Decision Committee of the Employee Suggestion Plan and checks for amounts from \$25 to \$1,225 were presented to CTA employees.

Winning the largest check was Nick Simonetti, South Shops, shown here accepting his award from General Manager Thomas B. O'Connor. Looking on are Operating Manager Charles E. Keiser (left), chairman of the Executive Decision Committee, and Superintendent of Shops & Equipment George Clark.

Other cash award winners include Kenneth Blocker of Skokie Shops, whose two suggestions brought him checks for \$160 and \$90, Joseph Sarata of Skokie Shops (\$120), William Rafferty of South Shops (\$85), Stanley Romanosky of South Shops (\$50), James Skizas of South Shops (\$50), John Gritis of Reproduction Services (\$25), Joseph Sabol of Schedule-Traffic (\$25), and Steven Wickert of Engineering-West Shops (\$25). As a supplemental award on his suggestion of a year ago, Jerome Pavel of South Shops was awarded \$55.

For having submitted their second adoptable suggestion within a year, 11 CTA employees were presented checks of \$25 each: General Office—Mary Ann Bohat and Mary Traxler of Claim, Regina Daren of Medical, William Finkler of Training & Accident Prevention, Joan Fitzgerald and John Gritis of Reproduction Services, and Nancy Johnson of Traffic Planning. Transportation—James Schumpp of North



Section. Shops & Equipment—John Kalinowski of South Shops. Electrical—Arthur Maxwell of Blue Island. Engineering—Donald Johnson of West Shops.

For submitting suggestions which were adopted by the Committee, each of the following 23 employees was presented a \$10 Jewel/Osco gift certificate: Shops & Equipment—Edward Bartkus, Walter Hestoffer, John Kalinowski, James Oostman, and Jerome Pavel, all of South Shops; August Richter of Skokie Shops, and Joseph Ward Jr. of Forest Glen Garage. General Office—Mary Ann Bohat (winner of two gift certificates) and Marjorie Schintz of Claim; John Gritis of Reproduction Services; William Finkler and Joseph O'Sullivan of Training & Accident Prevention, and Genevieve Berg and Arlene Zittman of Employee Relations. Transportation-Surface—Harold Croner and Rudolph Neurauder of Forest Glen. Transportation-Rapid Transit—Rudolph Dillon of South District, Edward Ferrarro of West Section, Marvin Hildbold of North District, and Kenneth Koral of Howard. Stores—Paul Jankowski of Skokie Shops. Engineering—Edward Peterson of West Shops.

## No. 71 Bus Route Extended to Serve Yates Avenue

CTA'S NEWEST bus route, No. 71 71st-Yates, began operating December 20, providing direct service to the 69/Dan Ryan rapid transit station from an area along Yates avenue south of 71st street.

The new route was formed by extending the 71st street service south to 95th street and then over the Yates-95th route to 104th street. Buses on 71st street continue to operate daily between 69 station and 73rd/Exchange, supplemented by 71st-Yates buses on weekdays. The No. 89 Yates-95th route was absorbed by the new line and lightly-used weekday

evening and Saturday service between 91st/Baltimore and 104th/Torrence was discontinued.

Operating Monday through Friday, the new service is provided northbound from 104th/Torrence from 6:00 a.m. to 6:21 p.m. and southbound from 69 station from 6:00 a.m. to 6:32 p.m. The routing in the northbound direction is from 104th via Torrence, 103rd, Yates, 95th, Colfax, South Chicago, Yates, 71st and State. Southbound buses operate from 69 station via Lafayette, Vincennes, 71st, Yates, South Chicago, Colfax, 95th, Yates, 103rd, Hoxie and 104th.

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CTA RECENTLY completed a project described by Transit Board Chairman Michael Cafferty as the largest public hearing ever held for a federal funding application. It was conducted in conjunction with a grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation to fund a \$121 million two-year capital program.

"Project Suggestion Bus" began with two vintage buses, both of which will be replaced when the grant application is approved. The interiors of the buses were totally redesigned but the exteriors



Suggestion Bus at Civic Center Plaza.

## 35,000 VISIT CTA SUGGESTION BUS

were left untouched. In each bus, the first one-third of the interior was refurbished with new lighting, different color schemes, various wall treatments and alternative style seating. In effect, it suggested to the people a variety of atmospheres and environments, and comments were invited.

The rear two-thirds of the buses became a virtual gallery of renderings and information pertinent to the \$121 million two-year capital replacement program. The walls were wood-paneled, there was carpeting throughout, and CTA personnel were present to guide, explain and answer questions.

The buses went to the people, locating at 25 busy sites during an ensuing two-week period. Advertisements in the metropolitan and community newspapers told when and where the buses would be present and asked people to visit and make comments.

"At the time we began, we publicly estimated that 6,000 to 7,000 visitors would have pleased us. In fact, we registered 35,000 persons," Mr. Cafferty said. More than 30,000 took the time to fill out questionnaires concerning the capital program. They made certain selections, expressed preferences and commented on how CTA could provide better service to the community.

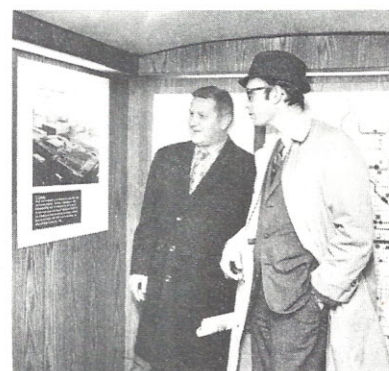
Among CTA departments that contributed to the success of the project were the following: Electrical, Equipment Research & Development, Photographic, Public Information, Research/Planning, Shops & Equipment, Technical Services, Traffic Planning and Transportation.



Mayor Richard J. Daley and Transit Board Chairman Michael Cafferty view Suggestion Bus displays.



Questionnaires being completed by Suggestion Bus visitors.



Renderings depict major projects in capital program.



Representatives of the Chinese community discuss CTA plans with Mr. Cafferty.





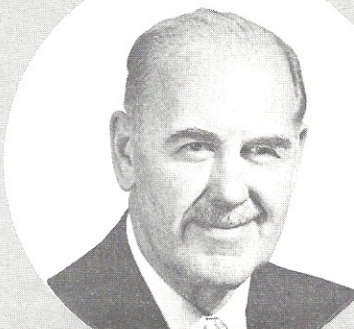
With deep appreciation  
for all the blessings  
bestowed upon us ...  
we reach out to our friends  
in CTA to share with us  
the joys of this HOLIDAY season

*Merry Christmas!*

T. B. O'Connor  
GENERAL MANAGER  
Michael Caffery  
CHAIRMAN







## Medically Speaking

by Dr. George H. Irwin

### CHOLESTEROL— Important Factor in Circulatory Diseases

THIS SUBJECT is a timely one, because of the increasing incidence of heart disease, high blood pressure, strokes, and associated diseases. Enough scientific information is available to indicate that increased blood cholesterol level may be a factor in the development and course of circulatory diseases. However, it must also be understood that the proper amount of cholesterol is an essential and vital part of every body cell. In other words, the right amount is fine, but too much causes trouble.

Cholesterol resembles fats chemically, but is not the true fatty substance. It properly belongs to the group of chemical compounds known as steroids (it is a white, glistening, crystalline substance, soapy to the touch).

To illustrate the good and bad effects of cholesterol, two examples will be cited. With a normal level of blood cholesterol the cell wall permeability is controlled, preventing water passing through the skin and controlling abnormal evaporation of water from the body surface. The example of too much cholesterol is demonstrated in many circulatory disorders (especially coronary heart disease). In this group, excess cholesterol is found in the walls of the arteries. This results in degeneration and narrowing of the arteries.

At this point, I would like to mention the sources of cholesterol. Many people believe that cholesterol comes from the food we eat. This is not true. It has been shown that almost half of the blood cholesterol is generated or partly controlled by the thyroid and adrenal glands and also the liver. This explains why in certain cases the blood cholesterol may be abnormally high even if the individual is on a very low cholesterol diet.

The common clinical disorders in which a high cholesterol is found are: heart diseases, especially coronary diseases; hardening of the arteries (atherosclerosis); high blood pressure; strokes; hypo-

thyroid diseases; obesity or overweight; gall stones; severe emotional disorders; hereditary groups diabetes; kidney disorders, and heavy cigarette smoking. The symptoms or presence of a high cholesterol, of course, are related to the disease in which they are found.

A simple blood cholesterol test will tell what you want to know. The normal level runs between 150 and 300 milligrams.

In the past decade national diet-heart studies have been carried out in many of the large cities in the U.S. In this study very carefully prepared diets were available for a special group of patients. It was shown that low-fat diets and unsaturated fats reduced the blood cholesterol 10 to 15 per cent. Figures also showed a 5 to 10 per cent reduction in coronary disease and a number of persons who lost weight. This study is important and research is continuing.

The following foods are high in cholesterol: butter, cheese, cream and cream substitutes, whole milk, ice cream, egg yolk, cold cuts, bacon, sausage, frankfurters, most frozen dinners, commercial baked goods, and chocolate.

The following foods are moderate in cholesterol: beef, lamb, pork, and ham.

The following foods are low in cholesterol: oils (except coconut oil), margarine with liquid oil labeled as the first ingredient, peanut butter, sherbet, ice milk, and nuts.

The following foods have little or no cholesterol: skimmed milk, yogurt made from low-fat milk, cottage cheese, all vegetables including potatoes, fruits (except avocado), breads, cereals, pretzels, gelatin desserts, angel food cake, and cocoa powder.

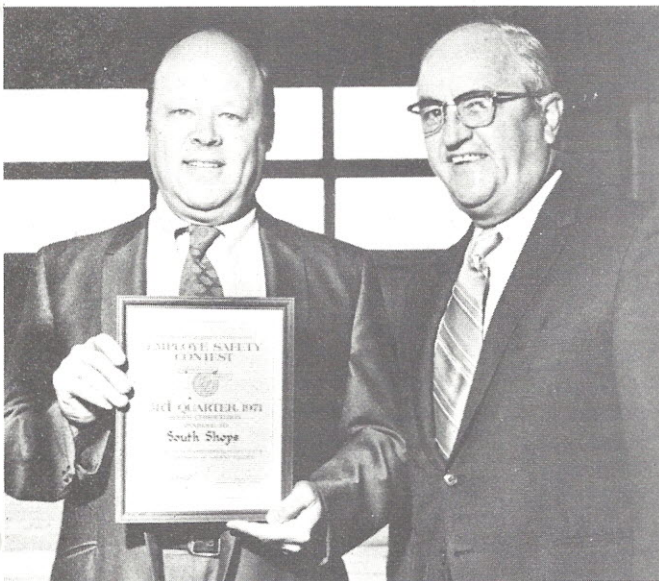
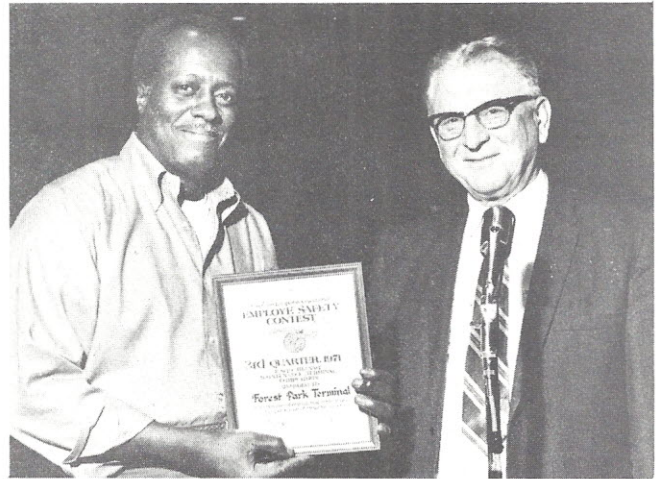
If you have any reason to think your cholesterol may be elevated, arrange to see your family doctor and follow his advice.

# BIRTH DEFECTS ARE FOREVER

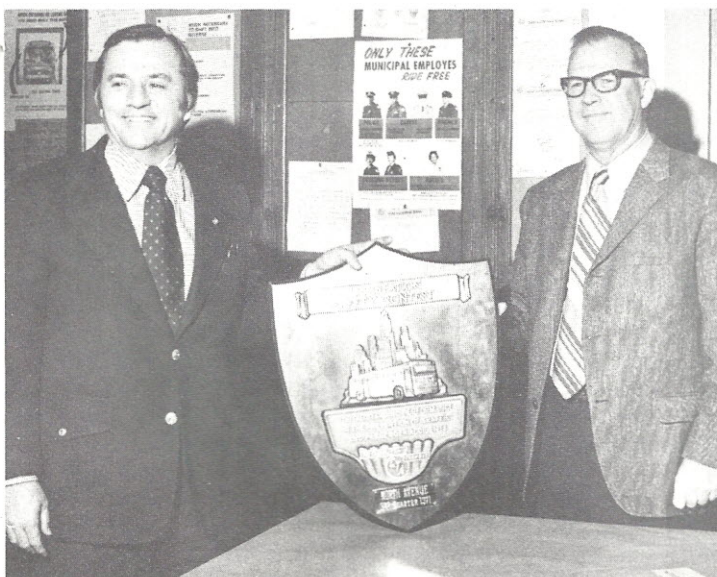
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**MARCH OF DIMES**



# ISC, ESC Winners Named for Third Quarter



**ESC AWARDS**, won by men in Shops & Equipment Department work locations with the least injuries during the third quarter of 1971, were recently presented to foremen in all three competing areas. Accepting the surface garage award was 52nd Street Foreman H. Johnson, pictured above left with Garage Supervisor J. T. Anderson. Forest Park Maintenance Terminal Foreman A. Swoope, above, is holding the rapid transit terminal award he received from Superintendent of Rapid Transit Shops & Terminals J. Bolech. Superintendent of Surface System Shops J. A. Rosendhal, at left, is displaying the shops award he accepted from Superintendent of Surface System Shops & Garages J. J. Repplinger. Point scores achieved by the three winning locations, expressed in injuries per 100,000 man-hours worked, were zero for 52nd Street and Forest Park, 95.5 for South Shops.



**ISC AWARDS**, won by Transportation Department employees at the surface and rapid transit operating stations which achieved the best safety performance in the third quarter of 1971, were recently accepted by station superintendents. North Avenue Superintendent R. K. Keag, pictured at left, accepts the surface plaque from Transit Board Chairman Michael Cafferty. Forest Park Superintendent T. D. Boyle, above, received the rapid transit plaque from Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn. Forest Park's point score for the quarter was a perfect 75.00, North Avenue's was 61.41.



# THE INSIDE NEWS

## AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

### ACCOUNTING (General) -

HARRIET KRYZAN had a very thrilling vacation. She flew to Ft. Everglades, Florida, and took a Caribbean Cruise visiting Jamaica, Antigua, the Leeward Islands, Curacao, Puerto Rico, and even Caracas, Venezuela...While on vacation MARGARET WALKER went to a wedding in Wyandotte, Michigan. Her niece, BARBARA WALKER, was married to ANTHONY MEDEIROS. Margaret also visited the Ford Museum and was amazed by the many antiques that are now appearing in modern versions...KATHY SLOYAN spent an enjoyable three weeks in Ireland visiting family and friends, and the countryside looked just as beautiful as ever. Kathy and her girl friend, LOLA, climbed Croagh Patrick, a mountain, near West Port, County Mayo, on the peak of which stands a little church which was built at the time of St. Patrick in the year 432...We extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to THOMAS McGRATH, supervisor of Accounts Payable and Material Accounting, whose sister, HELEN McGRATH, passed away on September 25. Burial was in Wilmington, Illinois. Also, our sympathy is extended to DENNIS McFADDEN and his family on the death of his grandmother, MARIA RIZZO, who passed away on October 23. Entombment was in Queen of Heaven cemetery...MABEL POTTHAST, retiree, formerly of General Accounting, returned from a three-month stay in California. She traveled to Long Beach, San Diego, and all over Southern California having a very good time. She attended the golden wedding anniversary of the LEON SALIS-BURYS at Bell Flower, California. They had people from Chicago at this celebration and many friends from surrounding California... Congratulations are in order for JAMES TOUHY on his appointment as executive board member of Division 241, filling the vacancy caused by the retirement of WILLIAM DEVEREUX...A card came all the way from Bombay, India, 8,840 miles away, where LOIS JAHNKE is traveling with her family. There was a time change of 11½ hours, and she found the people were great and the Indian dishes a little on the hot side. She visited caves which were really religious shrines, attended a Hindu wedding, and visited New Delhi with its beautiful buildings and memorial monuments. We will have more on this trip when Lois returns...The CTA Mart golfers had their fall tournament at the Villa Olivia country club on October 9 and a good time was had by all.

- Jeanne Fitzgerald

### (Payroll) -

Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY MAILUCK made the ever popular auto trip around Lake Michigan this summer, and they always manage to see all the points of interest whenever and wherever they travel. Starting out on the Michigan side, they saw windmills and the wooden shoe dance in Holland, and took the one-hour tour of the Cook Nuclear Power station in Bridgeman, Michigan. When in Sault Ste. Marie they took a boat trip through the Soo locks on the American side and returned by way of the Canadian locks. They enjoyed taking an eight mile bicycle ride around the island of Mackinac where the trail follows the shoreline and is very scenic. The only traffic on the island consists of people, carriages, and bicycles. They leisurely returned

home by way of Wisconsin, stopping and browsing along the way...At a luncheon in the M&M Club on September 29, our guest of honor was JOANNE STASI who was leaving our department to become a housewife and mother. We were sorry to see her leave, but our very best wishes go with her and we know she will be very happy in her new role...CHRISTINE CAMERON and her sister enjoyed a scenic motor trip to Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, then to St. Charles, Missouri, and returned by way of Indianapolis, Indiana...There is nothing nicer than saving some vacation time for the fall of the year, when brilliant autumn colors are in their glory and October's bright blue weather can be enjoyed. So, ESTHER ANDERSON, MARY CARNEY, ROSEMARY KENNY, MARGE ORGAN, DORIS YOST, and your scribe did just that!..We had two lucky winners in the world series baseball pool, JOSEPHINE COLEMAN won on October 11 and MARY JANE HOSTETTER was the holder of the winning score October 14. Yea, team!

- Clara Lawrence

### BEVERLY -

Let's get started by thanking management for a swell reporters dinner and for allowing us to bring along the ball and chain for the first time. It made it a more family-like evening. Transit Board Chairman MICHAEL CAFEERTY and his wife were there, and all of us had the pleasure of meeting with them. Reporter W. A. HENRY of Forest Glen was the life of the party at the table of your co-reporter, AMOS FOSTER. He carried on a running argument with ERNEST CARTER of Keeler... Birthday greetings to AMOS FOSTER Jr. on October 4, WILLIE COX on October 7, JOAN SHELTON on October 17, and to me, AMOS FOSTER Sr., on November 8. Have a nice time all, I will...Operator LARRY LARSEN keeps saying write about me, but he never gives me anything to write. One thing I can say is that this pick he follows me, and that's much better than me following him. With the clerk shift, it's good to see BILL McCARTHY back even for one day a week. CARL is back too...Operators WILLIE McCANN, RAY HELM, and "The Big One" are having a ball every morning trying to out-lie each other. As I see it, SCOTTY is way ahead--having experience as an officer in the army gives him an edge...My Amvet Post 247 is having a big turkey raffle on November 20, just in time for Thanksgiving. I will be on vacation at the time to see who the winners are, and maybe I will get an invite...Someone kept trying to break into my house, so the police told me to get a dog. I did, a German shepherd. Already she has bitten a neighbor, gotten me a ticket, a day off to go to court, torn up four pair of houseshoes for my wife, and eats like a horse. It makes me wonder who is more expensive--the dog or the burglar.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

### CTA POLICE -

Any reports that the Illinois Police Association convention at the Arlington Park Towers hotel was uneventful are



unfounded. Police officials were sounding off on current topics and incidents. CTA officers present indulged in some congregating. There was the usual convention frolicking (you can hear about that through the grapevine). Everyone had something to say about the \$10 a plate dinner-dance on Monday night. Present for all three days as CTA police delegates were PAUL WALLACE (your IPA rep), Sergeant PAUL FIDANZE, WYNN, POTTER, JAQUEST, JONAS, LEAHY, GOLDWATER, and ROY SCHNEIDER. During the delegates sessions Chicago Police Deputy Superintendent JAMES ROCHEFORD ran films of the Grant Park rock festival riot. Congressman ROMAN PUCINSKI told of his deep concern over the drug problem among Viet Nam GI's. Cook County States Attorney EDWARD HANRAHAN minced no words with news people covering the IPA sessions. Mr. Hanrahan stated that news coverage of his office's affairs has been very unfair. The delegates also had the solemn duty of visiting the hospitality suites hosted by many of the IPA divisions including Tri-County. Attending the dinner-dance were DALE and MARGE POTTER, Sergeant FRANK and MARION KRETZ, Frank's brother-in-law, RICHARD JUNE and his fiancée CATHERINE, JACK LEAHY, and BILL and YVONNE JAQUEST at one table. At a table nearby were LEON RUTH, ED GARNER, JAY JONAS and JOAN BANASIAK, Sergeant PAUL FIDANZE, PAUL WALLACE, JIM WYNN, and MARV GOLDWATER. Across the hall were HAROLD and CATHERINE EICHAKER, JOHN and DOROTHY FIRLINGER, Sergeant TOM and MARY SULZER, FRANK and PEGGY INGRASSIA, Sergeant ANTHONY and FRANCESCA MOKSTAD, and Sergeant BOB and MINNIE CULBERTSON. WILLIAM BAUER, federal prosecutor for the Chicago area, stressed in his dinner speech that law enforcement people should maintain a tight, strong unity in pursuing their goals. The next day President Nixon nominated Mr. Bauer for a federal judgeship. IPA President-elect IRVIN McDUGALL (Lieutenant, Arlington Heights) gave recognition to Mr. HANRAHAN who was at the dinner, and the 1,004 IPA members and guests gave Mr. Hanrahan a 5-minute standing ovation. . . The Transit News reporters had their annual dinner at the M&M Club in the Mart. Transit Board Chairman MICHAEL CAFFERTY spoke of the CTA's new theme, "We're getting a move on...THE NEW CTA."..Lieutenant LOHSE retired November 1. Ray was a conductor out of Kedzie Depot before becoming one of the original 16 CTA police in January, 1953. Well known for being conversant with many subjects, Ray will be missed by all of us. The Lohse's two grandchildren--including the newest, KATHLEEN RUTH--should be getting a lot of attention from granddad, now. A retirement party on September 29 at the office honored Lieutenant Lohse and RICHARD GISINER. Both received a retirement star and a bond. Superintendent of Transportation D. M. FLYNN, Superintendent NORMAN GRAVER, and Chief MILLER were there to wish the retirees the best... JIM LA FOLLETTE was injured and had damage to his auto when he was cut off by another car. He's back on the job now...Climbing a ladder to work on the roof of his house proved disastrous for JOHN FIRLINGER. A ladder rung broke causing a bad fall for John, but he's back doing a great job...Sergeant ANTHONY MOKSTAD is back after a stay at St. Elizabeth's hospital. Recently Moxie's son, BILL, distinguished himself. "Little Moxie", a former CTA officer now at the 15th District, and his partner were honored with a Chicago Police Department commendation for catching a group of store burglars in the act. CTA officers who have left to join other law enforcement agencies have done outstanding work on their new police jobs...

THEY SAY that one picture is worth a thousand words, well here is one of HARRY HEFTER, the husband of ANNETTE HEFTER, Engineering, who is shown with two of the four marlin he caught while on a fishing trip to LaPaz, Mexico.



Chief BOB and MARGARET MILLER were around town on their vacation. There's a new spot in the office where the chief can be found...A grandpa now, Sergeant TOM SULZER is quite proud of ANGELA, his first grandchild. Angela was born to Tom's daughter, JEAN, and her husband, RAY ENAMA...AL COLLINS is getting reacquainted with the North Unit assignments. Gordon, the cat, has been controlling the mice menace at Wilson Shops. Don't be misled by the name, Gordon now has five kittens. On the list of foster-fathers for the kittens are all the officers on the Wilson Shops post, PAUL JANKOWSKI, CHARLIE DUNNE, and BOB GORZ at Storeroom 43, JEFF KEATING and GEORGE WAGNER in the blacksmith shop, and PAT DOYLE, DAVE GREIG, ELMER STOKES, CAS KOTARA, and NORM MILLIES in the relay room...Secret Message Department: Officers CM and HB say Sergeants CB and FK aren't worth beans at bowling...At Halsted and Madison a man was bothering a woman and her child waiting at a bus stop. A second man joined in the disturbance. The woman and child were knocked down by the two men. BILL KLODNICKI and JOHN FIRLINGER were across the street but not for long. In short order they were on the same side of the street and had the two men under arrest. Both offenders had arrest histories for committing violence against people...BOB HAWKINS, a former bus operator, had the 77th Street unit. He heard a broadcast that a Wentworth bus was disabled and the driver was due to get relieved. Bob knew he was at the relief point, and after clearing it with the radio dispatcher, told the relief driver to pull out. This small act of CTA Teamwork kept service running better. When you see a chance to help out, do as Bob did and offer your assistance...Thieves have been vandalizing the coin mechanisms of the parking lot gates at 64th and Justine. RAY WISNIEWSKI and DAN MARTINIAK attempted to grab some youths damaging the machines, but the offenders ran. Wiz and Dan figured where the offenders were heading and several blocks away one of the surprised culprits walked right into the arms of these two officers... After dark on a Saturday evening, 15 fire extinguishers were taken from buses at North Park Depot. CHESTER MAZURKIEWICZ and DALE POTTER on the Limits unit, teamed up with Chicago Police squads to capture five young teens who were discharging the extinguishers along the river south of the depot. These officers recovered 13 extinguishers...In a family way are CHESTER and JOSEPHINE MAZURKIEWICZ. Their first is due in March... Abandoned autos under the "L" structure are an ever present problem. GORDON PURTELL on the Limits unit day car noticed five autos with license number prefixes that



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Hertz cars usually have. This was south of Montrose on the main line. Later checks of these autos disclosed parts missing. Lieutenant LEONARD HAAS of the Community Service Aide project, Uptown Model Cities program, aided Purtell in finding out that the autos weren't reported stolen, but Hertz was the owner. The Hertz company thought the cars were still in a lot at O'Hare airport. Auto theft detectives arrived to set up a surveillance. Police watched the vehicles being stripped from the lower yard at Wilson. Six members of a motorcycle gang, all well-known auto thieves, were arrested. Five Hertz cars and four other stolen cars were recovered. Keeping your "head on a swivel" gets results. Purtell's actions exemplify initiative, perseverance, and a knack for cooperating with other police agencies. Thanks to Lieutenant Haas for his very valuable assistance. . . Earlier this year Superintendent GRAVER gave instructions to Chicago Police officers of the Mass Transit Unit on the special techniques of catching offenders on the transit lines. The newspapers have been telling how well the Chicago Police learned their lessons... Many happy returns to those having birthdays in October: WYNN (5th), KLODNICKI (6th), BUTLER and CONSENTINO (7th), LA FOLLETTE (11th), MAZURKIEWICZ (15th), and BUGAL (29th); and in November: COLLINS (11th), McKENZIE (15th), and ROBINSON (22nd)... Errors will happen. JOHN FIRLINGER and MIKE LONERGAN weren't on the Transit News mailing list. They're now getting each spectacular issue. Should you know of a fellow employee not getting his copy, contact your scribe or send a note to the Transit News office in Room 742.

- Timothy O'Mahony

### CLAIM & LAW -

We would like to extend a warm welcome to three new members of the Claim Department staff, MICHELLE VITALE, the daughter of MIKE VITALE, claim adjuster, LINDA LeMONNIER, formerly with the Engineering Department, and MARGE SCHINTZ, formerly with Stenographic Department... Goodbye and good luck to three familiar faces: MARION KLAUER, LOIS CRAWLEY, and SHARI SMITH. Marion retired on September 1 after 46 years of service with Chicago Motor Coach and CTA, all of which were spent in the Claim Department. Lois and CLARENCE CRAWLEY are the new owners of a home in South Berwyn, Illinois. Lois left the company to enjoy a new career as homemaker. Shari is now at home preparing for a new arrival sometime in December... Mr. and Mrs. ROY JACKSON, the parents of two boys, have been making a few changes lately.. The first change was from blue to pink since the birth of their daughter, PATRISIE, on June 26... MIKE MALINOWSKI, vault file clerk, entered the air force on September 8. He is starting out his four-year term in San Antonio, Texas... TIMOTHY JAMES O'ROURKE, the son of TIM O'ROURKE, court assistant, was married to NANCE FISHER on September 24 at St. Cajetan church. The newlyweds will reside in Peoria, Illinois, after their honeymoon. .. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. JIM HICKEY, the new owners of a home in Bridgeview, Illinois... RICH FABREY, vault file clerk, was transferred to Skokie Shops as a material clerk. Good luck in your new position... Wedding bells will be ringing for DIANE RITROVATO, the daughter of FRANK RITROVATO, Archer Station instructor, and JOE PECORARO of North Avenue Station. Diane and Joe were engaged on September 25 and plan to be married in St. Angela's church on October 7, 1972... DENNIS SIPICH,

Claim Department locator, was married to THERESA GODFREY on October 16 at St. Gabriel's church. The reception was held at Villa-Busche, which was especially enjoyed by many of his close co-workers. Dennis and Theresa spent their six-day honeymoon in Las Vegas, Nevada... MARY TRAXLER recently was the recipient of a Jewel-Osco gift certificate for \$10 in addition to a \$25 suggestion award as a result of having submitted two acceptable suggestions within a year... MARY BERRY enjoyed a four-week vacation touring England, Ireland, and Scotland.

Since you last heard from us a number of the Law Department staff went on vacation. COLLEEN BRADY, along with her sister, PAT, enjoyed a three-week vacation touring Ireland. They rented a car and drove 1,650 miles along the coastline. Special places of interest were President John F. Kennedy's ancestral home, and also the "Ring o. Kerry", a 110-mile stretch in the Dingle Peninsula of County Kerry, which is the most scenic part of Ireland. They loved the green countryside, brought back many souvenirs and memories, and hope to go back again some day... JIM ALEX, MARV LUCKMAN, LEON WOOL, and their wives spent a long weekend in the Bahamas. Leon caught a 9-foot, 450 pound shark, except it keeps getting bigger every time the story is told. Jim caught a barracuda and Marv fell in. All in all, they had a great time with a lot of story-telling going on... PEGGY McCLELLAND and PHYLLIS BRZECZEK vacationed in Mexico City and Acapulco, Mexico, where the sun was bright and the bargains were many... Our baseball team didn't finish in first place, but we're still proud of our third place standing... Congratulations to MARV and PEGGY LUCKMAN on the birth of their son, WILLIAM, on November 5.

- Rose Ritrovato & Terri Kramer

### CONGRESS (Agents) -

Agent FAY CAPRIO will be leaving for Hawaii, the land of sunshine and orchids; may her cargo be happiness... Welcome back to MICHAEL HANDLEY, and a big welcome to those recently hired... Agent BADER MOHAMMED was married on October 3. It was a fabulous wedding with all the homeland festivities and goodies. Bader's mother and father flew in from Jerusalem for the occasion. It was their second trip this year... Agent GEORGE SUPKAY came in very excited because of the good buy he made on scuba diving gear. George is from Argentina and has done mountain climbing, water and snow skiing. He's also an ama-

DEBORAH JONES, a recent high school graduate, was the recipient of a full scholarship to the college of her choice. Deborah is the daughter of 77th Street Operator ULYSSES JONES.





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teur radio enthusiast. . . Agent VIOLET MOEHRING and Clerk E. PFANNKUCHE are to be married this month. Congratulations and best wishes for your happiness. . . Agent MARY DOYLE took an early retirement. Mary is planning to visit Ireland. It is always sad to see nice people like Mary leave. Good luck! . . . Agent MARY NOLAN retired last month. Sorry there was a misprint of your name. We hope that you and your sister, ELIZABETH, enjoy your trip to Florida. . . Janitor WALTER McNEAL and his wife, SALLY, spent part of their vacation with relatives in Jackson, Mississippi. . . Janitor AUSTIN YOUNG looked like he enjoyed his vacation. . . Operator SOL BERLIN of Kedzie Station retired. May all his days be happy ones. . . Motorman WILKINS is one of the nice people we meet in the early morning. Whenever he stops he waits to see that the agent is safe before he pulls away from the station. He's always ready and willing to do a good deed for someone. . . BETTY SEGERSON is back to work after her mishap. Welcome back, Betty.

- Julia Brousek

### ELECTRICAL (Chicago Avenue) -

Congratulations to LUKE HOWE and his wife, PAT, on the recent marriage of their son, TOM, to Miss ANN MARIE SEREDA. . . Congratulations to FRED KOSS who is a grandfather again. . . A happy new home owner is PETE GRAF, line foreman of the construction gang, who is taking up where CHARLIE KNUTSON left off. . . TED NADROWSKI has returned to work after a long siege of illness. . . TERRY McANDREWS, who was in and out of the hospital, has returned to work looking very trim. Not to be outdone, JOHN SABIN, who was also in and out of the hospital, has returned to work. . . A couple of the night-riders were on vacation, RUDY SCHOEN and R. L. SMITH. I guess what they had were "honey do" vacations. . . WILLIE DUNN and his wife, KATIE, headed to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Reno, and Las Vegas on their vacation. They visited Southern Illinois. Did you plow the "south forty", Willie? . . . At the last report, JIM ROEBER was resting comfortably in Columbus hospital. . . A plumber, FRED ODROWSKI is not! His white arm with all the bits of advice written on it will testify to that. . . A cordial welcome is extended to JOE CUNNINGHAM, LOUIE AUGUSTYN, and JIM BEATTY.

- Ben Nielsen

### (Blue Island) -

Hello to all our pensioners. It's always nice to hear from you. I received a card from ARVIN WILMONT down Florida way. JOE NAGRODSKI stopped in to say hello while waiting for a mug shot for his riding pass. JOHN FINLAY has joined your ranks after 45 years of service. . . A warm welcome to the Electrical Department is extended to WAYNE J. MARTIN, JOHN B. WOLFE, WILBERT POST, and MICHAEL FLYNN. . . We were all happy to hear of the arrival of one future beauty queen, AILEEN MARIE, born to PAT and PATRICIA GRIFFIN; and a son born to PATRICIA ANN and RICHARD NELSON and named RUSSELL LEE. . . Fishing in the Ozarks and catching their quota were DOROTHY and CHESTER MATUSZEWSKI. . . ZIGGY and DOT DOBOSIEWICZ spent a week at his hideaway in Hayworth, Wisconsin. . . DOLORES and BOB BOOTH wrapped their summer home up for the winter. It is also in Hayworth, Wisconsin. . . A happy retirement to CHARLEY MULBRANDON who retired on November 1. . . TED WYNCOTT keeps himself busy working weekends at his summer home in

Lake Delavan, Wisconsin. . . RONALD B. DONNELLY, B helper, was married on October 16 to JANICE PIKONSLY at St. John's Lutheran church. . . A weekend fishing trip to Manitowoc Waters, Wisconsin, was enjoyed by ART MAXWELL, BILL GLASSNER, JERRY KINTZ, ED DURAL, ED FLAHERTY, SAM CHARLETON, and LOUIE ANASENES. Louie, who had not fished in 20 years, became so excited when a fish hit his line he let go of the pole instead of the line. All were the guests of JOE LAMB. P.S. Joe keep an eye open for Louie's gear.

- William Rehder

### (General Office) -

MARGARET KINSEY, power clerk, was honored at a surprise retirement luncheon given by her friends and coworkers at Henrici's restaurant. Among the guests were former Electrical Engineers C. W. WOLF and C. J. BUCK; S. DANECKE, superintendent of maintenance; A. MORF, estimator; W. OLSON, power supervisor, and MARIE SCHEID, secretary, who are all retired and enjoying life. M. COOK, H. COYNE, R. DORGAN, R. KUTCHINS, V. KRUSE, F. MARIANE, W. REHDER from our Blue Island office, J. SHEA, and V. RACANELLI from our Chicago Avenue shop, were also on hand to wish her well. BERNADETTE KIZIOR was the gracious m.c. J. STEWART, power engineer, expressed all our good wishes for Margaret's future, and Electrical Engineer A. R. SANDBERG presented her with a gift of cultured pearls and a check. Margaret's 28 years of service were spent in the Electrical Department. She will be making her home in Encino, California, and we will miss her. . . Our annual fall picnic was a great success, thanks to the efforts of the committee: C. L. WIKSTEN, signal engineer; M. KELLY, testing engineer; M. KINSEY, power clerk, and R. BOOTH, M&A dispatcher. There were gifts and train rides for all the children, and games for everyone. Prizes were won by DENNIS DOBBYN, JACK PILIP, and CLYDE YOUNT, all of the Signal Division. The potato and stocking race winner was GEORGE CHRISTENSEN's wife, BILLIE, and JOANNE BARR, the wife of DAVE BARR, signal, won the "carmel" contest. GEORGE MATEJOVSKY's wife, MARY, won the "take-off" race, and ROY WILLIAMS' daughter, MARY LOU, was runner-up. A special thanks to Bob Booth and his wife, DOLORES, who did a great job of organizing the games and selecting the beautiful prizes. . . BERNADETTE KIZIOR became a godmother when her first nephew, JOSEPH FRANCIS, was christened on September 26. Joseph is the son of Dr. and Mrs. JOSEPH ZAWADZKI. His mother, the former EUGENIA KIZIOR, was a CTA employee during her college years. . . MARY LORETTA CHRISTENSEN was married to PAUL MIZZI on October 16. The ceremony took place at St. Helen's church in New York City. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE CHRISTENSEN, communications engineer. Best wishes for their happiness. . . We welcome back MATT CIOFFE and HERMAN SMITH after their recent illnesses. . . A belated thanks to management and the committee for making the scribes dinner a memorable evening.

- Kay McAlister

### (Rapid Transit Signal Division) -

Who says a late summer and fall vacation can't be enjoyable? Keep reading. . . AL BRANDT spent two weeks on the road visiting the Grand Ole Opry in Chattanooga, Tennessee; Look Out Mountain in Nashville, Tennessee; the



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French Quarter in New Orleans, Louisiana; Dog Patch, U.S.A., in Arkansas, and Springfield, Missouri. Al was accompanied by his wife, ALENE, his daughter, JO, and her friend. It's safer that way... Big DAN MORIARITY is cherishing the memory of two exciting vacation trips. The first was to Dearborn, Michigan, where he and his wife, ARLEEN, their son, DON, his brother-in-law, HERB, and his son visited the Henry Ford Museum. Then on to Niagara Falls and Toronto, Canada. Why not? They still had some money left. On their second trip, Dan drifted up to LaCrosse, Wisconsin, drinking up the scenery as he toured Heileman's Olde Style brewery. He did some fishing in the Mississippi River and caught some crappies and blue gills. Why do some guys need two vacations?...ROY (Chip-Chip) WILLIAMS and his wife, MARIAN, really know how to get away from it all. Vacationing in the South with their three daughters, NANCY, MARY LOU, and PAMELA, they visited the Marble Caves at Silver City, Missouri; took in all the sights as they went through Arkansas, and then drove to the Fort Worth-Dallas, Texas, area where they spent the most exciting moments of the entire trip--the viewing of a rodeo. Using Chip's own words, "A live rodeo is most breathtaking; it's something everyone should plan to see at least once in a lifetime..." I simply refuse to say anything about the Electrical Department's family outing. Frankly, I'm sick all the way down to my bellybutton. Nothing could be more disheartening to a reporter than to be loaded with kids, foodstuff, cameras, and note pads on the way to the annual picnic and never make it. Such was my lot. I don't know if STEVE ZELLNER, ROBERT ALBRECHT, and RICHARD VIETH were there, but they sure came from some place loaded. Loaded with abuse and ridicule for FRANK HALPER and myself about the part we didn't play at the family outing...Hey guys! FRANK BUNK is out of the basement now. He and his wife, MARGE, took a motor trip down to Florida where they visited Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Fort Myers among other spots. They did some fishing off Clearwater where Mrs. Bunk claimed the honor for the entire catch. Say, Frank, can't you do anything right? They flew back to Chicago, the shortest distance between two points..."Fishing was good, I caught 52 wall-eyes," is the song RICHARD VIETH has been singing since his return from his fishing trip on the Missouri River in Pierre, South Dakota, which was well worth the week off

**CELEBRATING THEIR 50th wedding anniversary** on July 24 were Pensioner and Mrs. PHILIP DiFRANCO. Mass at St. William's church was followed by a reception with family and friends at Venice Banquet hall, 5824 W. Diversey. Mr. DiFranco, who was with the Construction and Maintenance Department, retired on December 1, 1964, after 23 years of service.



without pay...We regret the passing of ROY WILLIAMS' father, WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS, 79, in LaPorte, Indiana, on October 16...Again my faith and confidence in mankind is upheld, the aftermath on the sudden death of my mother-in-law, ARCOLA LEWIS, October 11. There were scores of friends and neighbors that asked if there was something they could do to help. But most remarkable, indeed, were the friends that didn't ask questions, but rolled up their sleeves and helped. We didn't desire to find out this way, but now we know that the world is full of beautiful people... We wish Signal Helper ART LUPESCU a speedy recovery. Art has been off with torn ligaments and a fractured ankle. ... Congratulations to JERRY GUTH and his new bride, CHRIS, who were married on October 16. They honeymooned in Las Vegas, Nevada, and Jerry said all he had to show for his venture was his beautiful wife. Oh, yes, they think they are happy...DANNY HAMMAND and PATRICIA RAGSDALE announced their engagement. Men, I think we had better join forces, for the girls are out to get us. Congratulations, Danny. It's all down hill, now. We also understand that Danny and FRANK BUNK have some "Wee Z" bonds full of water on their once polished new Kennedy line. Off hand I would say that this is something that should be looked into. Please, fellows, no drunken bonds laying around, now...BUSHBAUM has some new teeth that are causing his smile to grow considerably. Never mind trying to learn to eat, just learn to talk...BILL (The Gypsy) BAKER, foreman, looking as well as ever dropped in to say hello to the fellows at 13th and State subway. He didn't surprise anyone as we knew he would be around. But boy did he get a surprise. He arrived around lunch time, and the signal men, headed by FRANK HALPER and BOB BROWN, had set up the biggest eat-in you've ever seen. We had everything from roast beef to limburger cheese, and a big sheet cake with Bill's name on it. Every signal man worth his salt came to 13th street and even the fellows from the General Office. It was the first time I have seen all five of the signal foremen united in one common interest, eating. Did I say five? Yes, including STEVE ZELLNER who has been filling in for Bill who was off since May due to illness. We all wanted Bill to come back before his retirement. He came, now we're satisfied. On October 30 the Signal Department held a retirement party for Bill at the American Legion Hall, 5100 W. Belmont avenue. Bill, accompanied by his son, DE WAYNE BAKER, arrived to be welcomed by a large group of friends and co-workers. The party climaxed 28 years of service for Bill with the company, of which 27 were with the Signal Department. He received several gifts during the evening, with Signal Superintendent C. L. WIKSTEN presenting the initial gift. There were short speeches by J. A. McCANN and FRED S. HINCE, business manager and president, respectively, of I.B.E.W. local No. 9, VIC ZASTERA, STEVE ZELLNER, and PAUL CLEAVER. Others present were CHARLES BUTTS, HERB LOWENSTEIN, and CHARLEY KNUTSON, who Bill considered his very close friends and said this was a night he would remember for a long, long time.

- Tommie Lowery

### ENGINEERING -

YOLLENNE CLAUDE, clerk-typist, transferred to the Stores Department. Our congratulations and good wishes to you, Yolenne. We welcome MARYANNE KARL who transferred to our department from Employment to replace Yolenne...Our condolences are extended to FRED PETRINO



whose father, FEDERICO PETRINO, formerly of the Engineering Department, passed away...BILL VIGUS took a late vacation to the Ozarks, and who should he run into but ART MALMQUIST of the Track Division, who was staying at a resort across the way and was at home with the trolley car that ran behind his motel...Congratulations to BILL HUTCHINGS and his wife who are the proud parents of another boy, SHAWN MICHAEL, born on August 28...GREG POLADAK and his wife, MARY, Stenographic Department, moved into their new home in Bremontown. Best wishes to you both...We would like to welcome another new employee, KEN HOLST, who is a mechanical designer. Ken came to us from Montgomery Ward where he was a mechanical engineer...My apologies for forgetting about this in the last issue. PAT REED transferred to the Real Estate Department from Public Information. We are glad to have you with us, Pat.

(West Shops) -

On August 25, VIC EISEMANN and his bride celebrated 41 years of wedded bliss. Congratulations to you both and may you celebrate many, many more years together...Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families of TONY MORTELLARO on the death of his mother, and to MALCOLM SIMPSON on the death of his father...Our hearts were saddened at the sudden death of CHARLES MOSCHGAT who suffered a fatal heart attack at West Shops...OUR MAN OF THE YEAR, FRANK READER, ironworker foreman, received a certificate from CTA Board Chairman MICHAEL CAFFERTY and General Manager THOMAS B. O'CONNOR because he was a finalist in the Superior Public Service Awards program. Frank's extra-curricular activities include: acting as a counselor representing all boys graduating from his parish school, St. Philomena, and attending Holy Cross High school. At Holy Cross he heads a committee which handles all the equipment, ushering and cleanup at all of the school's athletic events. He is on a committee concerned with chaperoning at the school's parties and erection of staging at school plays, and at one time, cooked dinner for over 300 people without difficulty (or deaths). For these services, and many more, Frank was given a Merit of Honor plaque from the Holy Cross Fathers and Brothers club associated with his church and school. Well done, Frank.

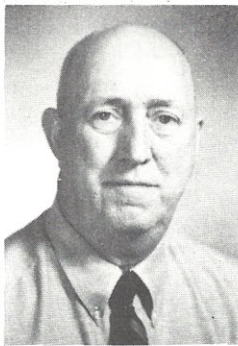
- Darlene Jansen & Jennie Scott

FOREST GLEN -

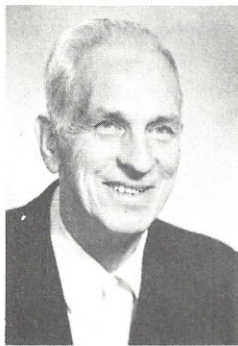
Forest Glen Depot wishes to extend a hearty welcome to our new station superintendent, GEORGE DeWITT, a gentleman who has a vast knowledge of transportation and has been a great asset to CTA for quite a number of years. Mr. DeWitt says he is looking forward to meeting all our operators. By the way, his door is always open for his men, so feel welcome to drop in for a moment and say hello. You will be greeted with a very pleasant smile and a man's hand shake...Operator BILL LEMKE and his wife are off to Canada to visit with their new grandson. Bill says he also has plans to take in a few sights while there...TED STANEK spent a few days up in the wild country of Minnesota looking for the big ones that got away last time. Ted says he has the latest equipment and is well prepared. Good luck, Ted...GEORGE FUENTES and his lovely wife covered 7,000 miles this summer while on vacation. First they traveled to the East Coast and then reversed their route and went to New Mexico. George was planning on re-

laxing some, but the Mrs. decided no driving for her on this trip. So big George handled the wheel all the way like the pro he is...Mr. and Mrs. BILL LYNAM toured Canada on their vacation and said the country was very beautiful. Sorry, Mrs. Lynam, about your anniversary, but a belated happy one to you both. Yours truly doesn't always remember, so next time tell Bill to write it down for me... Good news--JOHN MAHNKE is now a grandfather. The little fellow who weighed in at 6 pounds was named JOHN WILLIAM. I understand JOHN Jr. held up very well while waiting. Of course, the young mother was the brave one... BILL SUNAGEL and his wife flew to the islands this year. Bill said he just relaxed on the beach and let the lovely girls fan him. Leave it to Bill to relax the proper way... Operator TOM HICKEY and two of his friends, AL PHANNENSTILL and BILL KLAPPERICH, spent three days fishing for walleyes at Gogebic Lake in Wisconsin. Tom said the fishing was so bad that he listened to all kinds of advice. The last resort was to dip the worms in olive oil, but that didn't work either. Anyone have any other suggestions? Tom would appreciate hearing from you... CHARLES (Ma Perkins) ANDREWS is in the hospital. What some people won't do to get a rest these days...Mrs. WENTZEL, I understand that your husband, WALLY, is supposed to be the apple of your eye. That's what he says. How do you feel about it? After 34 years of marriage there must be something in the old boy. Wentzel is one of our outstanding supervisors working out of Forest Glen...Operator GLEN McCANN was married on August 21 to RUTH JACKSON and honeymooned at Virginia Beach...Did anyone notice the necktie that Superintendent VIC JOHNSON was wearing recently? Pretty bright, old buddy...Mr. and Mrs. JOHN (Bob) MILLER celebrated 35 years of wedded bliss on October 21. John said, "I believe we will remain together for another 35 years, for she's not a bad old gal..." Mr. and Mrs. CHESTER BACHARA, box puller, celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary on May 20. Chester always likes to hear a good joke, so be sure to tell him one, fellows, as you pull in...Retired Supervisor GUS VAN DER MEIER was a recent visitor at our station and said that he just returned from a trip throughout the West enjoying pensioned life to the utmost. He became a great-grandfather for the first time, and now has 25 grandchildren with two more on the way...BILL WITKUS returned from his vacation with a case of poison ivy. Bill you better stay out of the woods, after all you are a city boy...Operator C. ZIJEWSKI had a few ribs broken when he fell off a ladder. Now, Connie, you can do better than that...Clerk VERN RAGE transferred to Limits as chief clerk. Good luck, Vern, we will all miss you at Forest Glen...Clerk STEVE PALLADINO transferred to North Park on the day shift. Getting seniority now, Steve?...Operator GEORGE STRESKE is losing his young son to the navy...One of our outstanding servicemen this summer was GREGORY ROM who left us to continue his schooling for the priesthood. We are looking forward to his return next year. I understand he is inviting yours truly to sit in the first row when he is at his first church...I received a card from Pensioner and Mrs. LEE MUSSARED (better known as Arizona) who is living it up in New Mexico...Supervisor MICKEY (Sweet Lips) LOFTUS sent us a card from Las Vegas and said he was planning to send his winnings back by Brinks. By the way, the fish he caught were so small he had to throw them back. Of course when you use a string and pin for a hook, what do you expect...Clerk LOU TIGNAC visited Miami in his travels this year. We all expect to see another bright shirt on the old boy. What colors Lou goes for...Operator GAR-

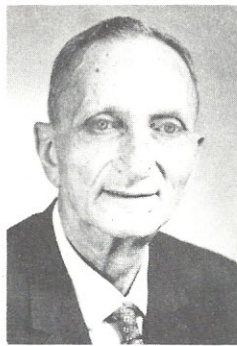




**T. J. CONWAY**  
45 Years



**C. L. LIND**  
43 Years



**L. A. PARKER**  
42 Years



**M. J. FIORITA**  
42 Years



**V. EISEMANN**  
44 Years

## NEW PENSIONERS

JOINING THE ranks of the retired on November 1 were the five employees pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each with CTA and its predecessor companies.

**VERNON C. ALLIE**, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-11-42  
**MILVERN A. ANDERSON**, Bus Mechanic,  
South Shops, Emp. 9-19-35  
**BERTHA B. ATKINSON**, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 2-26-47  
**WILLIAM F. BAKER**, Signal Foreman,  
Electrical, Emp. 2-5-43  
**SOL BERLIN**, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 3-5-45  
**JAMES A. CHAMBERS**, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 4-21-42  
**THOMAS J. CONWAY**, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-19-26  
**ADRIAN E. CONTANT**, Supervisor,  
District B, Emp. 1-27-43  
**MARIO M. CRISTOFARO**, Bus Repairer,  
77th Street, Emp. 6-3-36  
**ALVIN DAVIS**, Operator,  
52nd Street, Emp. 1-30-45  
**MARY K. DOYLE**, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 3-13-45

**ANN J. DUNLEAVY**, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 7-30-46  
**VICTOR EISEMANN**, Steamfitter Foreman,  
Engineering, Emp. 7-2-27  
**MICHAEL J. FIORITA**, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 9-20-29  
**DANIEL GALLAGHER**, Bus Repairer,  
Lawndale, Emp. 1-13-42  
**HOWARD J. HAUSKNECHT**, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 10-30-33  
**THOMAS V. IRWIN**, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 7-31-41  
**CLARENCE L. LIND**, Operator,  
Limits, Emp. 1-24-28  
**RAYMOND LOHSE**, Security Supervisor II,  
Security, Emp. 10-31-33  
**MARTIN S. MCCARTHY**, Platform Man,  
West Section, Emp. 1-9-36  
**LOUIS MUHOWSKI**, Operator,  
Lawndale, Emp. 2-2-44  
**CHARLES J. MULBRANDON**, Substation Operator,  
Electrical, Emp. 12-14-42  
**LEROY A. PARKER**, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 11-13-28  
**ROLAND A. RENTZ**, Chauffeur,  
Utility, Emp. 2-2-45  
**ARLENE L. SWANSON**, Ticket Agent,  
West Section, Emp. 5-18-51  
**BERNARD THURKOW**, Operator,  
Limits, Emp. 4-3-34  
**WALLACE W. WROBLE**, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 11-26-41

**SPECIAL STARS** were recently presented in a double ceremony to **RAYMOND LOHSE** and **RICHARD GISINER** upon their retirement from the CTA Police. Presentations were made by Superintendent of Security **N. N. GRAVER**, second from right, to Mr. Lohse who had 38 years of service and by Chief of Security **R. H. MILLER**, far left, to Mr. Gisinier who had 30 years of service.



### DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

**CHARLES R. ANDERSON**, Janitor,  
Kedzie, Emp. 8-1-44  
**HENRY FALLEK**, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 7-23-46  
**PAUL M. LOCASSIO**, Supervisor,  
District D, Emp. 2-10-55  
**JOSEPH H. MARTIN**, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 9-12-42  
**EDWARD A. NOWICKI**, Bus Repairer,  
Campaign Area, Emp. 9-5-47



## INSIDE NEWS

RITY and his wife took a trip to Ireland. He said the beer there was really warm. How he ever got out of his fatherland is a mystery in itself. Anyway, he's glad to be standing on the corner of Harlem and Foster waiting for a cold one...Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the family of Operator W. DEMBOS who passed away suddenly...AL POLOWCZYK says the only way to see our country is to rent a camper bus. Al and his family toured the west and had a ball, and said they are going to try it again next year...By the way, GEORGE STRESKE is now a grandfather. The little one was named RICHARD. George is better known as the "Austin Flash"...Thanksgiving is here so do enjoy your family and home on this day. We have so much to be thankful for, and if one would only stop and think for a second, God put us all here for a reason. So let's all turn a cheek to our neighbor and say welcome...Yours truly would like to add a line in regard to our recent Transit News dinner. Mrs. HENRY and I shared a table with the finest. From the North Section was TINA HENKE and her husband, GEORGE; from Lawndale was JAMES MARSHALL and his wife, MARY; from Beverly was AMOS FOSTER and his wife, RUTH, and from Keeler was none other than ERNEST C. CARTER and his lovely wife, VIRGIL...The bad weather is almost upon us so, fellows, do keep your distance. Be very careful and let's all try to keep our station on top. No accidents...Your credit union is a fine place to save, and the boys are always ready to lend a helping hand...TRYGVE and CATHERINE BERG became grandparents for the 11th time when MATHEW LAWRENCE REEGER arrived on October 20 at Edgewater hospital. He is the second son and fifth child for LARRY and JANICE REEGER, the Berg's eldest son. The welcoming committee at home consisted of STACY, 10, CHRISTOPHER, 8, SUSAN, 6, and SHARON, 4. This is the first grandchild to be born in Chicago. Between the armed forces and industry, the Berg and Reeger sons and daughters are widely scattered and the records show that none of the grandchildren have been born at the same place.

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

### GENERAL OFFICE (Employment) -

DON RIESS, interviewer, together with his family motored to Florida staying in Miami and Orlando where they visited Disneyworld. He enjoyed good weather and did a lot of swimming...The welcome mat was extended to JOANNE FERLITO, clerk-typist...GEN BAGGER, test administrator, took an American Express tour throughout Europe visiting England, France, Belgium, Holland, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Spain, and Portugal. The outstanding part of her trip was a stop at the Tivoli Gardens just outside of Rome, which she said was a sight to behold...STAN TADEVICH, interviewer, and his wife, together with BOB QUETSCHKE and his wife, drove through Florida and Atlanta, Georgia, where a good time was had by all...RAY RUZICH, superintendent, together with his family stayed at the Vagabond in Rochelle, Illinois, where they spent a couple of days on vacation.

### (Insurance) -

KATHLEEN MURRAY, steno II, spent a week's vacation in Nebraska visiting with her sister...SANDY BARRETT, stenographer, together with her husband stayed at the Stardust hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, for five days and enjoyed it immensely...JEANINE GERARD, together with her girlfriend, flew to Hawaii in June for two weeks, and also

visited San Francisco and Los Angeles on a Cartan tour. She took a ride on an outrigger canoe and purchased a muu muu. Jeanine is the daughter of CHARLES GERARD, machinist, at South Shops.

### (Office Services) -

JOHN SCHWARTZ, coordinator, together with a friend spent a week in Scottsdale, Arizona, and stopped over in Manhattan, Kansas to visit with friends...Sorry to hear that LAVERNE SCHULTZ, clerk, is back in the hospital.

### (Medical) -

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Dr. B. PIERZYNSKI on the recent death of his brother-in-law, ALBERT RUTKOWSKI. . . HARRY SOREGHEN, medical technician, together with his wife, MARION, and Heidi spent a delightful one-week vacation in and around Chicago taking in a few eating spots. I wonder what Heidi was served?

### (Employee Relations) -

WALTER MIKICICH, file clerk, spent a couple of weeks of his vacation in and around the city with his family.

### (Treasury) -

C. H. GRUBE, treasurer, and his wife spent a part of their vacation visiting their son who is teaching in Mobile, Alabama...JEANNE LUDMANN is sporting a new Chevrolet, and took it for a vacation spin to Massachusetts. Hope your foot will be healed by the time you return...We were glad to see HAROLD DONIHI, coordinator, back to work after undergoing eye surgery.

### (Executive) -

JANE MITCHELL enjoyed her Oriental tour of Japan, Formosa, Hong Kong, the Philippines, and Hawaii in September. She spent many happy hours in Hong Kong shopping, which is famous for its variety of shops, and 48 hour tailoring of men and women's clothes known the world over. A highlight of her trip was a visit with MARLENE DAY, former CTA employee, and her husband who have built a beautiful home in the lovely Hawaii Kai area near Honolulu.

### (Training & Accident Prevention) -

JOE O'SULLIVAN and his wife, HELEN, made an extensive four-week tour of the west and southwest, covering a total of 6,683 miles going through Fremont, Nebraska, Colorado Springs, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Disneyland, San Diego, Capistrano, San Clemente, San Simeon, and along the West Coast to San Francisco, Crater Lake, Portland, Oregon, and into Washington and along the Columbian River to Boise, Idaho. They returned by way of Salt Lake City, Utah, to see the Mormon Choir, Laramie, Wyoming, and Lincoln, Nebraska...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM CLINE on their first wedding anniversary. The department wishes Bill and Marie many more happy years together.

### (Research & Planning) -

Everyone in R/P extends a big hello and get well wish to WALLY PASZYNA who was recently hospitalized. We're saving all the Polish jokes we have till you're back at the old drafting table again, Wally...The MACAKS are now a happy family of four with the addition of their daughter, PAMELA ANN. Congratulations, GEORGE and JUNE, from all of us in R/P...DAVE LEVITIN and his family moved into their new apartment on October 1. The Levi-



tins fell in love with their new home and are enjoying every minute decorating it. We wish them a lot of happiness... BILL GOODWIN and his family are the proud owners of a 23 inch color TV. Bill says his little daughters take turns as to who gets to turn the set on and off. We guess that means he gets to change the channels and his wife, DIANE, has to settle the arguments... DAVE PHILLIPS and his friend, DICK BRAZDA, of Public Information, joined the crowds to observe the new Turbo-Train on its first public appearance here in Chicago. They rode the train to Quincy, and being avid train fans, it was an experience you can be sure they were waiting for... On the vacation scene this month are CHARLEY DROZDA, RON LUCZAK, MARY ELLEN RUSS, BOB SCHAGEMAN, and HOWARD BENN. Charley and his wife, MARGE, were among the many CTAers who took part in Local 241's trip to Las Vegas. Charley said the plane trip was really great along with the meals, drinks, and entertainment. In Vegas, the Drozdas visited nightclubs, casinos, saw quite a few celebrities, even Dean Martin who was appearing at the Riviera. Charley asked us not to forget to mention the banquet night when everyone got together and enjoyed the wonderful music and guests provided by Local 241. When Charley got back all he could say was, "Boy, am I tired!" Ron and his family took a trip to the Pennsylvania area where they stayed with Ron's friends on their little farm. Ron calls them his hippie friends, but won't tell us why. The Luczaks had quite a swinging vacation and wouldn't have missed it for the world. Mary Ellen's vacation was made complete when her boyfriend, JIM, flew in from Virginia. Mary Ellen gave Jim an official tour of all the sights in Chicago and had all the places they would go to see planned out in advance. Later in the week they saw Northwestern and Purdue battle it out at Dyche stadium. It was an exciting vacation. Bob Schageman along with his wife, MARY, and daughter, LIL, enjoyed some beautiful scenery on their vacation. They drove through Canada and arrived in New Hampshire to stay at a quaint 88-year old inn. The Schagemans played some golf during their vacation spree, which is Bob's favorite sport. Bob did well as usual, Mary never keeps score, and Lil took the clubs out for the first time and surprised everyone with her skills. All this added up to a marvelous vacation for the Schageman family. The New York area was the destination for Howard Benn during his vacation. Howard's visit with his parents and friends was one to which he was really looking forward. He also visited a few transportation organizations as long as he was in the area. Some of these included Metropolitan Transit Authority and New York City Transit Authority. We all enjoyed looking at the material he brought back with him.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

#### KEDZIE -

Your reporter and his wife went to Las Vegas, Nevada, with Division 241 for the International convention. We stayed at the Sahara hotel where we did some gambling and lost, took in all the shows at the different hotels, and also took a tour to Hoover Dam. It was just great, and we took pictures to remember. Our delegates to the convention, President WARREN SCHOLL; DAN McFADDEN, secretary; JIM PATE, treasurer, and WILLIAM LARSEN, first vice-president, did a good job. There were delegates from all over the United States and Canada. Now I am looking forward to the next convention in 1973... The annual Transit News dinner was held in the M&M Club and was superb,

due to the well-organized efforts of Editor BOB HEINLEIN and his staff. We had the honor of meeting Transit Board Chairman MICHAEL CAFFERTY and his lovely wife. Mr. Cafferty spoke to us about future plans and goals for CTA... Congratulations to Instructor J. BROGAN, North Avenue, who became a grandpa again on September 22 when a baby girl, DANA LESLIE WAGNER, was born at Edward's hospital in Naperville, Illinois. Dana is the fourth grandchild for the Brogans... Taking his pension on November 1 after 42 years of service was MICHAEL FIORITA, your scribe's brother-in-law. We all wish you the best of luck and health during your retirement years. Now you can catch up with all the things you have wanted to do... Operator SOL BERLIN also retired on November 1. He will be taking good care of his ailing wife. The best of luck to you and enjoy your pensioned life... Operator CLARENCE LIND took his pension on November 1. Lind is out of Limits Station, but was formerly of Kedzie and with the old Chicago Motor Coach. Mrs. Lind gave a retirement party for Clarence, and your reporter and his wife were invited along with other operators and friends. The music was good, the food and drinks were superb, and everyone had a good time. The best of everything to you, Clarence... At this writing Operator WILLIAM HOOPER is in Henrotin hospital. We hope you have a speedy recovery and will return to work soon... Our deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. and Mrs. W. RUDDLE, clerk, whose mother passed away and was laid to rest on October 26; to the family of DAN McFADDEN, secretary of Division 241, on the death of Mrs. McFadden's mother, Mrs. MARY RIZZO, who was laid to rest on October 26, and to the family of Operator SAM BLACK who was also laid to rest on October 26... The joke of the week--Operators ED BARRY and GEORGE SULLIVAN trying to fit into SOL BERLIN's jacket and checking shirt sizes... Don't forget your credit union--save a little each payday so we can help another who is in need.

- Raymond Graham

#### KEELER -

Thanksgiving greetings to all of you. Before you pessimistically complain, thanks for what, consider just being able to read this so-called column is reason enough to shout thanks from the rooftops. Why? You are able to see and read it, while some less fortunates can't even lift the copy. There are still countries where this trivia is not permitted, and lastly, you still have "old-miss-an-issue-scribe" me... My one column cub reporter, CLARENCE

RECEIVING ADVANCED degrees from North Texas State university were THOMAS and KATHLEEN BARRY. Tom, a professor of Marketing at Southern Methodist university, received his Ph.D. in business administration, and Kathleen her master's degree in education. Kathy is the daughter of ANN and ART PHILLIPS, Claim Department.





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McLLOYD, has retired from the service of our great company. Lot's of luck, Mac...Giving thanks for another birthday this month are the following operators: WHITEY SZYMELL, DeCHERRIE, our golf pro CHACHERE, HOWARD, FIELDS, nature's gift to the ladies, WARREN, HALL, W. FOX who will really be loved this month as he has a birthday and employment anniversary date going for him, BOWEN, FLEET, STRASSER, WITT, and PAWLICKI...Garage-man KEN SANDRIK's beautiful daughter, DENISE, blew out four candles on November 25...Night Clerk M. BUCKLEY and his wife, RUTH, won't admit feeling any older, but their son, TERRY, and his wife, CINDY, presented mom and dad with their first grandchild on October 24. The beautiful little tax exemption will answer to the name of TRACY MAEBELLE...Mechanic JOHN KOHMAN and his wife, STEFANIE, celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary on October 22 (with a fifth?)...Now that his wife, SADIE, has recuperated from minor surgery, perhaps Operator BOB O'NEAL can quit bringing those greasy brown bags to work...Instructor CHARLEY WEYER sure knows how to arrange things nicely. While he is sun tanning in Florida for three weeks, the station instruction bit is left in the very capable hands of Instructor BOB ANDERSON...Chief Garage Clerk PATRICK MULCAHEY vacationed in Wyoming just at the opening of the deer season. Last year we wondered if Pat was hunting "deers", so this year he brought pictures of the two deer he bagged. Too bad the photos were in color and couldn't be used for this publication, but at least we saw the pictures this year...Another huntsman in the garage is Night Foreman ALLEN WEBB. It seems I always see Allen hunting for some work to do... Looking through my dusty archives, I noticed that it's another milestone in the lives of Operator LUCIOUS BANKS and his wife, ALBERTA, November 16...I'm reminded that it's the 15th birthday for CARLIOS NEIL, the son of Operator NATIOUS NEIL, November 24...Operator J. CARSON's son, DONALD, made five years November 8...SADIE, BOB O'NEAL forgot to remind me to ring the birthday bells for you November 20. I couldn't forget as it is also the date shared by my mother and sister-in-law. I think I better wish my son-in-law, CORBETT WRIGHT, birthday salutations as he is 6 feet 3 inches and weighs 240 pounds. His birthday was October 31, and with statistics like that, there will be no jokes...My daughter, MYRA, also birthdayed November 10...If I'm not mistaken, I think anniversary greetings are in order for JOHN and ROBERTA JARECKI...Our good janitor, SY GOLDMAN extends his thanks to all the fellows for their many kind considerations while his wife, NELL, was hospitalized. We all are still pulling for your full recovery, Nell...It's that bad old season again, fellows, ice, snow, etc., so let's work hard to have an accident-free winter...I know that Thanksgiving is more or less a kick-off for Christmas, however take this thought into December with you. The Christmas spirit that goes out with the dried-up Christmas tree is just as worthless. Bye now.

- Ernest C. Carter

### LAWDALE -

Well, fellows, since the end of a wonderful summer, we've all been experiencing some fine Indian Summer weather. But of course as we all know the almighty hawk is definitely on his way along with all the hazards of winter. So let me remind you that when that white stuff begins to moisten the pavement it's time to apply the speed of caution and keep a watchful eye. After all, the Yuletide

Season is upon us again, and we all want to be around to enjoy this time of year with our loved ones...On November 1 Repairman DAN GALLAGHER took his pension and we all wish him a long and healthy retirement...Repairman JOE OLANDESE was recently all smiles. Asking him what was on his mind, he stated that his daughter, ANGELA, had just returned from an eight-week tour of Ecuador...Our deepest sympathy to the family of Operator D. DeBUONO on the passing of his wife October 8. Our condolences are also extended to the family of Shopman MEL MacDONALD whose wife passed away on October 10. Our deepest sympathy to the family of Janitor ARTHUR RIZZUTO who passed away on October 7, and to the family of Clerk BILL RUDDLE on the passing of his mother October 22...We're glad to see that Operator DONNIE BOWIE is back on the job after his recent surgery. We also hope the smiling 16th Street operator, JACK SMITH, is convalescing rapidly at home. We hope to see you again real soon...Former Operator BILL KLECKA just returned from Las Vegas speaking very highly of his trip...I found out that Operator and Mrs. HARRY COX took advantage of some leisure time this year and went on a CTA Asian tour to Hong Kong and Japan. Harry said they really had a ball, and the trip was a great experience...Operator STAN SZARAFINSKI didn't take a trip of any distance this year, but he did manage to travel to his local auto dealer and buy a new 1972 Pontiac Grandville. That's what a nine-hour run will do for you...Before going on a fishing trip, Superintendent JACK MORRIS took orders from a few of the clerks about what they wanted him to bring them back. But when Mr. Morris returned from the trip he didn't have one fish to show for his absence. He explained that he did catch at least one fish but knew that one fish wouldn't satisfy all the hungry faces at Lawndale so he merely followed the first law of nature. Mr. Morris later said that it would have been impossible for him to feed such a multitude of individuals with just one fish, however he did tell all concerned how delicious it was...Happy birthday to the following personnel for this month: L. THOMAS, E. JOHNSON, C. SPEIGHTS, T. McGEE, H. AUSTIN, R. TAYLOR, G. BRICHACEK, O. MOORE, G. GROOM, P. LEWIS, E. CELOVSKY, R. SURITA, P. SPENCER, C. MARSHALL, J. POLK, C. WISNIEWSKI, W. PARKER, H. GOODMAN, A. KUNICKIS, L. MACKAY, D. LOCHIRCO, D. CAMPBELL, G. SPANN, E. SHAW, P. JOSE, A. POMAR, E. LEVY, J. FEARS, and W. MILLER...Everyone have a wonderful Thanksgiving, and have fun with safety in mind. So long.

- James Marshall

### LIMITS -

Operator CLARENCE LIND, after 43 years of service, went on pension November 1. He plans to do a lot of baby sitting with his grandchildren now that he has plenty of leisure time. Congratulations, Lind, and may you have many years of healthful and happy pensioned life...Operator EDWARD ROONEY proudly announced the marriage of his son, TOM, to a lovely young lady named GILDA. The wedding took place at St. Alphonsus church, with a reception following at Allegretti's. Congratulations and best wishes to the newlyweds...Supervisor JOE DAQUILANTE and his wife welcomed a cute baby girl into their home last month. This is their second child. Congratulations to the happy parents...ERMAN DAVIS spent his vacation with his brother down in Jacksonville, Florida...ART VOSS toured the west and visited many historic sights on his vacation...Super-



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visor CHARLES KUSH returned from a very profitable fishing trip up in northern Wisconsin and Michigan...RON-ALD BROWN spent his vacation taking movies and enjoying the many places of interest in and around Chicago...Operator JESSE BROADNAX attended his family reunion in Rushville, Indiana. About 70 relatives were there enjoying the good food and merrymaking...Operator ELIJAH WEST-BROOK and his family enjoyed an 8,000 mile trip during his vacation. After touring the Southland, visiting relatives, they went to Springfield, Illinois, and New York City visiting many places of historic interest...Operator JOHN FERGUS and his son and a few friends enjoyed a fishing trip in the upper peninsula of Michigan during his vacation. They caught more than their quota of fish and have plenty of pictures to prove it...Operator BOB PENDLETON became a grandfather for the third time when his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. RINKENBERGER, presented the family with a cute baby boy named JON ANDREW. Congratulations!...EUGENE SARTI has been in and out of the hospital several times due to illness but is now home recovering nicely. He would like to have visitors as time is very long for him. His home address is 1416 Hutchinson street...Senior Station Instructor J. BROGAN became a grandfather for the fourth time when his daughter, DIANE WAGNER, presented the family with a cute baby girl. Congratulations to the proud parents and also grandpa...We are always proud of our maintenance men at Limits. They do an excellent job of keeping our station in tip-top shape. J. HAKANSON is one who is outstanding in his work. Keep up the good work, fellows...Supervisor KOZAK is very happy with his new duties and wishes to thank the men for their cooperation... Our sincerest sympathy to the family of CHARLIE VAN OSSENBRUGGEN who passed away in Florida after suffering a coronary...Our sincerest sympathy to the family of Pensioner WILLIAM KEARNS who passed away last month.

- R. S. Benson

### LOOP -

We are very happy to start our column this month with a very happy announcement, the wedding of two very special CTA people, Clerk EDWARD PFANNKUCHE and Agent VI MOEHRING. They were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on November 26 at Trinity Community church, 26th and Riverside drive, Berwyn, Illinois, in a ceremony that took place at 5 p.m. Our very best wishes for a happy future are extended to Vi and Ed. On Friday, October 29, a shower was given for the bride which was attended by friends and relatives. Some of our agents who attended were DOROTHY PARKER, JOE DILLON, MARY OHNESORGE, and MARY STANZCYK...On Sunday, October 31, Mary Stanzcyk spent the day with her favorite beau, her young grandson. They had a very enjoyable time at the Ice Show... Speaking of best beaus, Student Agent ELLEN SIMPSON is feeling a little sad these days. Her boy friend's leave from Uncle Sam's service ended all too soon. Ellen is hoping she may get time off and consent from her parents to visit with him in San Diego for the Christmas holidays. Good luck, Ellen...Agent DOROTHY ADLER put a lot of mileage on her car, but really enjoyed her trip to Binghamton, New York. Dorothy and Retired Agent LILL CONROY drove Dorothy's daughter and twin granddaughters home. They said the scenery was delightful and the beautiful fall colors were a pleasure to behold. They especially enjoyed going through the mountains and

THE HAPPY newlyweds are Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT QUETSCHKE who were united in holy matrimony on August 29 at Norwood Park United Methodist church. Robert is the son of ROBERT QUETSCHKE, assistant to the superintendent of operating stations, Transportation Department.



the Pennsylvania Turnpike...On November 1 the following people took their pensions: MARY DOYLE, ARLENE SWANSON, MARY NOLAN, MARIAN FILIP, and ANN DUNLEAVY. The best of luck for many happy years to come for all of you. Arlene Swanson bought a lovely home in Salem, Wisconsin, very close to her good friend, Retired Agent HELEN PALLISTER...Assignment Clerk BOB MALONEY took his vacation October 24 and went to Florida. We hope you had a very pleasant time, Bob, no one deserves it more...Agent LOUISE DREWS and her husband had a two-week vacation in the Ozarks and enjoyed every moment of it...You will be sorry to hear that MARY JO OHNESORGE broke her arm. We hope Mary will be on the mend by the time this is in print. Get well fast, all your friends miss you...Agent DAVE GRAFMAN and his wife just celebrated another wedding anniversary. Congratulations and may you both enjoy good health and happiness for many more years to come...We were sorry to hear that Agent HELEN GRYZLAK is in the hospital. Best wishes for a speedy and complete return to good health...Agent MORA HAASE and her husband spent a weekend visiting friends and relatives in their hometown, Sandoval, Illinois...JOHN FILIPEK, who has been on disability leave, says he is hoping to be back among us very shortly. We are all looking forward to seeing John again...We are all very proud of Agent DOROTHY FORD who made her debut on television. For further details about this, we feel Dorothy should have the pleasure of telling you all about it herself. We will give you a small hint--it concerned her excellence as a pleasant, conscientious, and efficient ticket agent. That's all we can say. Congratulations, Dorothy...Welcome to all our new agents in training. We hope you will enjoy your job and be with us for a long time. Some of these new agents are: GWENDOLYN MONROE, JACQUELIN BATTS, MIGUEL MANSON, JOE BROWN, ANNIE TAYLOR, L. GARTONS, and GRACE WINFREY...Busy, busy, busy. That's our gal MILDRED DOYLE, Transit News co-reporter, agent, housewife, mother, grandmother, and newly-elected secretary of her grandson's cub scout pack in Burbank, Illinois. All this and she still finds time to knit, crochet, and sew granny dresses. What a bundle of energy she is...Milwaukee, Lake & Douglas Reporter GRACE MOUNTS and her husband are driving to the Mayo Clinic where Grace plans to have a complete checkup. We hope all turns out well and that she will be relieved of some of the miseries that have been bothering her...Belated birthday greetings to Agent LOUISE DREWS...Co-reporter MARY WIXTED says her midnight relief agent, ADAM WAAS, is truly a sight for tired eyes each night. Adam has the brightest and most colorful shirts, ties, and matching socks. Bright red, shocking pink, and on him with his bright beaming smile



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they do look good...Hope all of you had a happy Thanksgiving, and that you will have a Joyous Christmas and Happy New Year. Keep smiling!

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wirted

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

Congratulations to EMMA RICHARDSON and her husband, Motorman LEE RICHARDSON, who are the proud parents of a baby girl, ROSHELLE ARDRETTA, born on August 24...Your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, and her husband, CLEM, had a family reunion on October 16. Her three sisters from Michigan attended, along with her brother-in-law, niece, and her husband and celebrated five birthdays before one of her sisters and her husband left for Florida for the winter...VALERIE (Vi) MOEHRING and EDWARD PFANNKUCHE, Jefferson Park clerk, are planning to be married at Trinity Community church in Berwyn on November 26. Congratulations and best wishes to two of the finest people we know...Happiness is, according to KAREN MORIARTY, a new 1971 Chevy Vega. Here's hoping you get a lot of miles and happiness out of that little red car of yours, Karen...Speaking of new cars, GLADYS RUDIGER and her husband have a new Chevy Impala. Now that is my idea of happiness...HELEN CHRISTNER and your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, were involved in automobile accidents recently. Fortunately neither was hurt, but you should see those cars...What will JOHN WOODS do without ARLENE SWANSON to keep him on his toes at Desplaines. Arlene took her pension November 1, as did MARY K. DOYLE and Loop Agent ANNE DUNLEAVY. We wish all of you a long and healthy retirement...The family of Collector VERNE NORSTROM is happy to welcome their son home from Viet Nam...Congratulations to Motorman RON SENO and his wife, CONSTANCE, on the birth of their third child, MARJORIE LEE, who was born on October 20 and weighed 6 pounds 2 ounces. Her grandfather is HOWARD JOSETTI, motorman out of Jefferson Park...Assignment Agent BOB MALONEY is currently vacationing in Florida. Here's hoping you are having a really wonderful time, Bob, and we are looking forward to hearing about it when you return...Assignment Agent LIL CULLINAN just returned from an enjoyable vacation in New Orleans. Lil drove there with her sisters, MARGARET GRAFF and NOREEN BARRY, who is the wife of South Section Clerk JOHN BARRY, and her niece, PEGGY MARCINIAK. They visited Antoine's restaurant in the French Quarter, and also Pat O'Brien's and Brennans where Lil said you could get drunk eating breakfast as they cook everything with wine. On their return home they drove through the Smoky Mountains where they especially enjoyed the southern cooking and hospitality. Everyplace they went, they were told, "You all come back again real soon now, honey"...Congratulations to the agents who were accepted for the assignment agent training program. They are: CYNTHIA FLORENCE, DOROTHY SUMNER, and BARB COLWELL. Good luck to all of you.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

### NORTH AVENUE -

Operator WILBERT ELLISON enjoyed a vacation in Canada. He and his Mrs. visited Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, London, Cornwall, Hamilton, Stratford, and Niagara Falls...Operator WILLIAM BUETOW vacationed at Eagle

River, Wisconsin, and had plenty of cold and rainy weather but no fish...Bus Dispatcher WILLIAM KOSEK, South Shops, visited Colorado Springs and Yellowstone National Park. He forgot to take his fishing tackle and is hoping anyone with extra fish will contact him. He'd be glad to come over on his horse and pick them up. Maybe you'll even have some oats for the horse...Congratulations to Instructor JAMES BROGAN and his wife who became grandparents on September 22 when a baby girl was born to their daughter, DIANE WAGNER, and her husband at Edwards hospital in Naperville. The baby weighed in at 5 pounds 14 ounces and was 18 inches long. This is the fourth grandchild for the Brogans, but the Wagners' first...My son, Clerk WAYNE MIEDEMA, is speedily recovering from surgery at West Suburban hospital...Former Operator JAMES SHELDON, who is now with the Utility Department, sends along a big hello to all his friends at North...Since Supervisor EDWARD HOFF left North Avenue, he has become a celebrity. He had his picture taken with MICHAEL CAFFERTY, CTA Board Chairman, at Jefferson Park Terminal...We are all saddened by the death of some of our old friends. Supervisor of Garages BRUNO FERET, former day foreman at North Avenue, passed away on October 18. On the same day, Pensioner GEORGE JOHNSON departed this life. Operator WALTER DEMBOS, formerly of North Avenue, passed away on October 27. We extend our sympathy to their families, and to the families of Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER of Archer on the recent loss of his brother; to Clerk BOB WITTENBERG on the loss of his mother, and to Repairman JOHN RUDDLE who lost his mother, ELIZABETH, on October 22. Jesus said, "I go to prepare a place for you that where I am, there ye may be also"...We received a welcome letter from Pensioner LARS PEARSON and his spouse, ANNA, from Mountain Home, Arkansas. Lars is, as usual, enjoying the fishing. He's had some visitors from North Avenue: WALLY HALLFORD, Repair Department, and his wife stopped in to see them; ED FOREMAN from the Steam Fitters Department visited them twice, and GUS PAVELKA, day foreman at 52nd, and his wife spent some time with them. They enjoyed a visit from GEORGE ROHRHUBER, formerly of North Avenue, now on the high line as a ticket agent, and his wife. Lars had a fishing partner for a week when Pensioner PAUL DAVIS and his better half visited them. They fished White River and Lake Norfolk. Lars also painted the outside of his house. He sends his regards to all...My son, Clerk BILL MIEDEMA, Forest Glen, and his wife, JACKIE, spent two weeks at their favorite vacation spot, Hawaii. Bill is teaching the boys at Forest Glen how to do the hula...Employees who received a Courtesy Caravan Club membership card during August are: STERLING BOLTON, J. SALECKI, J. GUINTA, EARLIE BRYANT, K. MARTIN, R. LONG, O. HORTON, and CARL RUSSO...Operators MICHAEL J. FIORITA, HOWARD J. HAUSKNECHT, and LEROY PARKER joined the ranks of pensioners on November 1. We wish them the very best. Let us hear from you, boys...Before long the streets will be icy and the snow will be falling. We will have to use extra caution operating the buses. Remember--defensive driving...We wish all of you a blessed Thanksgiving and a joyous and beautiful Christmas Season. At this time, especially, we pray for our boys far from home fighting and dying. We pray for their safe return and ask God that it may be very soon...And now, take it away, WALTER.

A great big hello to everyone from the Inner Sanctum... We think that Janitors JABLECKI and HURLEY, North



## INSIDE NEWS

Avenue, and LAUENBERGER, Keeler, should have waited for President Nixon to knock off that excise tax before they bought those new automobiles. Sorry about that, fellows... All of us enjoyed those calorie-laden goodies supplied by Janitor MARACEK on his birthday...Bet you thought we'd never get to the front office news, didn't you? Sorry to keep you waiting but here it is...One of the nicest ways we have heard of to celebrate a 15th wedding anniversary is the way Instructor MARVIN KOCAR did it. He treated his wife, PEGGY, and daughters, LINDA and MARY ANN, to the play, "Fiddler on the Roof", followed by a dinner that was topped by an anniversary cake that carried a flaming sparkler. As an encore to a wonderful evening, the next night was spent watching a 12-inning White Sox ball game. It's too bad they had to lose. This is as good a time as any to thank Peggy and the girls for the homemade goodies that have been coming our way on Sundays. What a great way to lose a figure we never had. Thanks, so very much...We welcome HANK ZYCH to our office as a replacement for BILL PINASCO who took over the chief clerk's job at Forest Glen when FRED MEYERS took his pension. Another new face is that of R. WEATHERSBY who is busy learning the various jobs. By the way, he was married on November 6. Our best wishes to both of you. Two days later, on November 8, Mrs. Blix and I celebrated our 21st anniversary...Since the new addition to the family of Clerk JACK HESTER weighed some 4,000 pounds, it should be quite obvious that it wasn't delivered by that long-legged bird, the stork. We're referring to that brand spankin' new Pontiac station wagon that was brought down to the station for our personal appraisal. As they showed it off, the buttons were just about bustin' off Jack's shirt and NOREEN's eyes more than sparkled. That's just how proud they were of their new toy. Noreen, how long does it really take YOU to wash that monster?...It was just one enormous "family reunion", in fact, it was a reunion of four different families, namely CSL, CRT, CMC, and CTA. By this we mean the long line of pensioners that came to North Avenue to have pictures taken for their riding passes. They came by bus, they drove, they were driven, they walked, and some even came by cab, but come they did. As they waited in line, they renewed old friendships with their former fellow workers. So many of them looked real sharp and had a real "young" snap to their walk it made it quite hard to believe that they had reached the age where they were receiving pension checks. The unofficial station greeter was Supervisor CONNIE O'SHEA. Since his post was right outside the station door, he was the first one to see all these folks. Had he been running for office of some kind, we're sure he wouldn't have shaken as many hands as he did in those three days. Sure made it awfully hard to check the streets, but Connie managed somehow...Relief Superintendent ART TABEL and his wife, LAVERNE, returned from their tour of the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone Park. His only comment was that he is ready to go and do it all over again. I have the feeling that someone owes me a six cent stamp... We hope by the time this gets into print that Supervisor STANLEY LECK is up and around again after his hospital stay...This might be as good a time as any to wish LINDA KOCAR a very happy birthday. Her dad just happens to be Instructor MARVIN KOCAR. Linda, did you ask if we'd have a piece of your birthday cake? Well, my dear girl, you know we never ever refuse calorie-laden goodies. Have a nice birthday...As you may well know, the Inner Sanctum portion of the North Avenue column is the newest addition to the Transit News. I'm not at all sure how many of you folks read this column (if any) but I'd sure like to

find out. Now that's where you come in. No matter where you work, on the buses or the "L", in the shops or the General Office, whether you're a supervisor, a janitor, or a clerk; you could be a man, woman, boy or girl, if you read this part of the column will you take the time and trouble to send me a Christmas card? My wife, VIRGINIA, says you won't. I promise to answer each and every card I receive. Just address them to WALTER A. BLIX, 5220 N. Cicero avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60630...I don't know if you're aware of the fact that we have a TV personality among us in the person of Operator RAY D. ZIELINSKI. TV newsman John Drury featured the Illinois Railway Museum on his Channel 7 news program and Ray was piloting the old CSL streetcar. Ray, a bus operator out of North Avenue, is a veteran transit operator for some 28 years. He started as a conductor on the cars back in 1943, and soon became a one-man car operator. He spends his spare time as a volunteer at the Museum in Union, Illinois, and is a regular operator on the Museum's 2½ mile demonstration railway.



On weekdays Ray can be seen in full uniform taking Museum visitors on a nostalgic ride on one of Chicago's famed red Pullman streetcars. Old No. 144 is the Museum's most popular piece of electric railway equipment and familiar to most visitors who remember clanging down Chicago thoroughfares in them. Ray is right at home on the front platform of car 144, often chatting with an occasional former straphanger and recalling old times. After observing him, visitors often agree that Ray has not lost

his "motorman's touch" as he manipulates the controller and air brake handle. The Museum has on display over 100 pieces of equipment which include street railway, rapid transit, interurban and steam road engines and cars, as well as a group of retired motor and trolley buses. The Museum is closed for the winter, but will be open again in spring...One last reminder: Be sure and do your Christmas shopping early. You've had your turkey and dressing, now it's time to listen for the sound of Jingle Bells. I want to be the first to wish you and yours the happiest holiday ever! See you all "purty" soon.

- William Miedema & Walter Blix

### NORTH PARK -

Pensioner HAROLD COOK is offering a 25 per cent discount on his selection of Colonial of New Zealand and Elgin-Welby Elegant clocks to operators interested in buying Christmas presents for their loved ones...Operator ULISES RUIZ and his wife, MILAN, became parents of their second daughter when MICHELLE JANET was born on September 4 at Grant hospital weighing 7 pounds 10 ounces. ..Operator JOHN WINKLER and his wife, PATRICIA, became parents of their fourth child when a son, JOHN Jr., was born on September 7 at Edgewater hospital weighing 6 pounds 4 ounces...Operator ROBERT BENSON, Transit News scribe from Limits Depot, and his wife, EDNA, became grandparents for the sixth time when their son,





PEEKING FROM beneath the covers is little GREGORY JOHN MALCHIODI, the grandson of JOHN MILAS, carpenter, Skokie Shops. Gregory is the son of Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES MALCHIODI.

JOHN, and his wife, LIBBY, became parents of their fourth child, a daughter named MARY IRIS who was born on September 7 at McHenry Community hospital weighing 8 pounds 3 ounces... Operator SAM POSNER and his wife, ETHEL, flew to Los Angeles, California, where they stayed with Ethel's mother, Mrs. MINNIE MOLL. On the agenda were visits to San Diego, Long Beach, and three wonderful days at the Executive Sweets motel at Las Vegas, Nevada... Operator RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ and his wife, BERTHA, and their children, MARTIN, ROSA, and PATRICIA, drove to Guadalajara, Mexico, to visit Bertha's mother, Mrs. ROSA GONZALEZ. The highlight of the trip was a week at Lake Chapala for swimming and fishing excursions... Operator KAZ YAWORSKI and his wife, FLORENCE, and children, BRUCE, ANGIE, GLEN, DAVID, and MICHAEL, stopped at Minneapolis, Minnesota, to pick up Mrs. KAY SHUHYTA, Florence's mother. Continuing from there, the Yaworskis stopped at Mitchell, South Dakota, to see the famous Corn Palace, Rapid City, and a camping expedition at Custer State Park, with considerable time visiting Mt. Rushmore... Operator ALLEN LICHTER and his wife, JUDY, and children, EILEEN, CHERYL, and MARCIA, traveled around Lake Michigan on their vacation. Points of interest visited were Sault Ste. Marie, Mackinac Island, Windsor, Detroit, and a tour through the Ford plant in Dearborn, Michigan, with a day spent going around Greenfield Village... Operator LE ROY CARR and his wife, LOUISE, spent two weeks at Coral Gables, Florida, visiting their son, TOM, and his wife who are attending the University of Miami. The Carrs also spent four days on a boat trip to the Islands off the Florida Keys to do some deep-sea fishing... Operator DAVID BENSON and his wife, JACQUELINE, and daughters, CHERYL and LINDA, vacationed throughout the Rocky Mountains area. The Bensons also spent a few days with Jacqueline's parents who own a motel adjacent to Las Vegas... Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on an escorted tour of the Southwest and Mexico. They traveled 5,000 miles from New Orleans, Louisiana, to San Antonio, Texas, with 12 days in Mexico. Returning by way of Corpus Christi and Houston, Texas, John caught a ten-pound mackerel fishing off Corpus Christi in the Gulf of Mexico... The North Park Credit Union annual business meeting will be held Friday, January 7, at River Park fieldhouse, 5100 N. Francisco avenue, at 8 p.m. Dividends will be declared and refreshments will be served with drawings for door prizes. All members are urged to attend... Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, and their poodle, RICKY, drove throughout Florida on their vacation. Visits were made to Fort Meyers, Sarasota, St. Petersburg, Silver Springs, Port Everglades, and Miami...

Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG and his wife, DOROTHY, enjoyed an 18-day luxury tour of the Orient. They flew to Tokyo where they saw many interesting sights and enjoyed a sukiyaki dinner with Geisha Dancers and rode the 130 mph "Bullet" train to Kyoto. In Taipei, the capital of Formosa, they went to a Mongolian barbecue where they selected their food raw, then saw it prepared in minutes over a blazing fire. In Hong Kong they took the Chinese junk cruise to Sea Palace floating restaurant and the hydrofoil to the Portugese island of Macao, home of one of the most beautiful gambling casinos of the world. In Manila, capital of the Philippines, they were fortunate to meet Mr. and Mrs. NAJERA, who took them under their wing and really showed them the city as no tourist sees it. They wound up visiting some of the illegal gambling casinos, where Dorothy got lucky at roulette. On the way home they stopped at San Diego for a few days to visit their son, JOEL, and his wife, LINDA... Clerk JOE DI GIOVANNI and his wife, CONNIE, along with Shopman ANGELO VENTICINQUE of Skokie Shops and his wife, JEAN, spent a week at Las Vegas, Nevada, where they enjoyed the shows and many fine meals offered. Not much luck at the casinos, but lots of excitement in other ways... Operator JERRY BUDZICZ and his wife, HELEN, traveled to Sheboygan, Wisconsin, for their traditional visit with Helen's relatives. While there Jerry challenged the relatives to a golf match and won some Wisconsin money... Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, spent a week visiting at Pensioner ART and RUTH MUIR's home at Forsyth, Missouri. The fishing was poor, but the meals and rest were great. Also on the agenda were visits with Pensioners ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION, and Pensioner RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN, and their grandson, RAY-RAY... Chief Clerk RAY SIMON and Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS celebrated their October birthdays on the 21st with a big dinner held at the North Park dining room, with the office personnel participating... The West Irving Blair Masonic Lodge No. 271 held their installation of officers on Saturday, October 23, at Jefferson Masonic Temple. Pensioner JOHN CLARK was installed as Tyler and John, who has served as worshipful master, is starting to climb the list of officers again... Operator RAY BLAU and his wife, MABEL, have purchased a new home located at 1706 Rogers avenue in McHenry, Illinois. Ray will be serving as host at the open house to be held in the near future... Operator PLEAS (PG) SMITH and his wife, MADELYN, wish to announce that they are distributors of Amway products. The phone number is 539-9358 and the Smiths will be happy to come out and serve you... Superintendent EDWARD BRODD and his wife, ANN, became grandparents for the second time when their daughter, NANCY, and her husband, RICHARD SMITH, became parents of their second child, a daughter named CARRIE ANN, who was born on October 2 at Northwest hospital weighing 7 pounds 2 ounces. Receiver JIM FIORITO and his wife, KAYE, became parents of their first child when a son named DANIEL CHRISTOPHER was born on October 7 at St. Mary's hospital weighing 8 pounds 11 ounces... Street Collector LOUIS TORKEN was hospitalized at Northwest hospital for observation and at this writing our prayers are with Louis for a clean bill of health... FRANCES NEWTON, the wife of Operator ED NEWTON, is hospitalized at this writing in St. Mary of Nazareth hospital and our prayers are with Frances for a fast recovery... Supervisor LARRY BENNETT retired on October 1 after 37 years of faithful service. Larry, who was a friend of everyone and an outstanding supervisor, will be sorely missed by his many friends. His plans for



# recent deaths

ALFRED G. AGUAYO, 45, North Avenue,

Emp. 11-25-67, Died 11-7-71

FRED BARKER, 61, Internal Auditing,

Emp. 1-14-43, Died 10-29-71

THOMPSON G. BARRY, 90, Devon,

Emp. 11-13-02, Died 9-7-71

HAROLD F. BECKER, 56, West Section,

Emp. 2-14-45, Died 8-2-71

SAMUEL BLACK, 46, Kedzie,

Emp. 10-31-50, Died 10-21-71

AUGUSTIN BOURKE, 83, 69th Street,

Emp. 12-23-19, Died 9-21-71

JAMES L. BRHEL, 71, Lawndale,

Emp. 8-28-23, Died 8-13-71

OTIS BUCHANAN, 59, West Section,

Emp. 2-20-51, Died 11-7-71

CLARENCE A. BUNDE, 70, South Section,

Emp. 10-11-29, Died 8-24-71

WILLIAM R. CARAWAY, 69, Kedzie,

Emp. 6-1-27, Died 9-26-71

LEONARDO COFFARO, 75, Track,

Emp. 3-20-29, Died 9-23-71

JAMES A. CONWELL, 72, West Section,

Emp. 4-10-31, Died 9-2-71

FLORENCE T. CURRAN, 84, North Section,

Emp. 9-2-43, Died 7-28-71

WALTER DEMBOS, 63, Forest Glen,

Emp. 12-9-40, Died 10-27-71

CATHERINE EGAN, 89, West Section,

Emp. 9-9-18, Died 9-9-71

MAURICE FELDNER, 76, Lawndale,

Emp. 5-7-43, Died 9-17-71

WILLIAM J. FENNELL, 84, South Section,

Emp. 3-13-07, Died 9-20-71

BRUNO FERET, 47, North Division Garages,

Emp. 6-5-51, Died 10-18-71

JOHN A. GAMBLE, 72, Howard Street,

Emp. 7-12-46, Died 7-28-71

LOUIS GIARRUSSO, 69, Building,

Emp. 8-14-42, Died 9-23-71

FRANK T. GILL, 66, Archer,

Emp. 3-3-27, Died 9-23-71

EUGENE GRAHAM, 47, West Section,

Emp. 9-26-60, Died 11-1-71

SIGURD HAGLUND, 86, Burnside,

Emp. 3-18-13, Died 9-9-71

CARL G. HOGLUND, 85, Lawndale,

Emp. 11-6-22, Died 9-28-71

JOHN HUSKI, 86, 69th Street,

Emp. 2-9-26, Died 8-19-71

JOSEPH KAPLAN, 82, North Park,

Emp. 6-15-15, Died 8-13-71

WILLIAM J. KEARNS, 66, District D,

Emp. 10-15-26, Died 9-1-71

ROY F. KEEBLER, 80, 77th Street,

Emp. 11-5-19, Died 9-7-71

LOUIS A. KEESHAN, 67, North Avenue,

Emp. 10-4-29, Died 8-20-71

FRANK T. KUBAN, 87, Lawndale,

Emp. 9-29-20, Died 9-19-71

MILDRED T. LEMIEUX, 62, Skokie Shops,

Emp. 10-14-47, Died 9-15-71

LEWIS F. LETZOW, 70, 52nd Street,

Emp. 9-1-23, Died 8-8-71

the future call for considerable traveling around the U.S.A. and we at North Park extend to the Bennetts our blessing to their future...Operator CONNIE SCHMIT and his wife, FRANCES, celebrated their 40th anniversary on October 17. The Schmits celebrated mass at St. Joseph's church of Round Lake, Illinois, and held an open house at their home. . .Happy anniversaries are extended to Street Collector TONY GLOPPE and his wife, JENNIE, their 36th; Signal Maintainer JAMES NESBIT and his wife, MARGE, their 33rd; Sanitary Engineer STANLEY GUSTAFSON and his wife, RUTH, their 32nd; Pensioner STANLEY ZALE and his wife, MARIE, their 43rd; Operator FRED BOLDT and his wife, AGNES, their 39th; Operator FRED STOWELL and his wife, WILMA, their 36th, and Operator BERT SCHWARTZ and his wife, LINDA, their 3rd...Happy birthdays are extended to: Operators BILL STEINSPRING and LEO HARA, Pensioners BILL SEIFERT and VERN WENNERBERG, CAROL, BILLY, and EILEEN STRITZEL, and Clerk BOB PETERSON...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Operator LEO HARA on the loss of his brother, SAM HARA.

Repair Department Chit Chat: Repairman MIKE JOYCE retired on October 1 after 35 years of service. Mike was honored at a party in the garage and was presented with a new watch...Off sick at this time and sorely missed at the garage are Repairmen JOHN KAVANAGH, JULIUS CONNELLY, ROBERT BOND, and JOE JOHNSON...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Assistant Foreman JOE

COUGHLIN on the loss of his mother, Mrs. KATHERINE COUGHLIN...The welcome mat is extended to the following new repairmen who came from Forest Glen garage: PAT TARDY, JIM CARTER, and JOE KASPEREK, and also FRANK JUGLAL who came from Limits garage...Enjoying vacations at this time are Assistant Foreman GUS HENNELLY, Repairmen ART CARLSON, LEO POWELL, LOUIS GRABOWSKI, JIM MARTIN, JIM KULCZYK, FRANK JUGLAL, PAUL SCHREVES, and MATT (Grumpy) HEAVEY. The following servicemen are on vacations: PAT DALEY, JIM McPARTLAN, JOE MAREK, and GEORGE WITT...Clerk ERNIE LOTITO and his wife, ELSIE, and daughter, DONNA, drove throughout the West on their vacation. Points of interest were Mitchels Corn Palace in South Dakota, the Bad Lands, Deadwood, Mt. Rushmore, Custer National Park, the rodeo in Buffalo, Wyoming, Yellowstone National Park, and Denver, Colorado...Assistant Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH and his wife vacationed in Brooklyn, New York, where their daughter, DENISE, and her husband, Dr. ANTHONY FRER, who is an oral surgeon at Central hospital in Brooklyn, live...Repairman PAUL SCHREVES vacationed in New York City. Points of interest visited were the RCA building, Radio City Music Hall where Paul played the mighty Wurlitzer organ, and a grand day at West Point where Paul entertained the cadets with his great Irish wit...Relief Foreman DENNIS CRONIN and his wife, LINDA, vacationed in Florida and were impressed with the many scenic sights the state offers...Instructor WALTER HALLFORD and his wife, BERNICE, were royally



# among employes

HARTOG LOOPER, 91, Devon,  
Emp. 2-12-18, Died 9-12-71  
MICHAEL MALONEY, 75, 77th Street,  
Emp. 4-23-17, Died 9-20-71  
GAETANO MARINO, 74, Track,  
Emp. 11-28-30, Died 8-10-71  
MATTHEW McCLELLAND, 69, Util. & Emerg. Service,  
Emp. 7-6-28, Died 9-19-71  
JAMES McCLEMENTS, 80, Shops & Equipment,  
Emp. 4-20-26, Died 8-12-71  
KATHERINE McKENNA, 79, West Section,  
Emp. 10-22-28, Died 9-11-71  
WALTER E. MILLER, 65, North Division,  
Emp. 10-10-23, Died 9-21-71  
WILLIAM J. MURPHY, 63, North Section,  
Emp. 11-2-28, Died 8-6-71  
LOUIS O. OLSEN, 87, Grand Substation,  
Emp. 6-2-09, Died 9-24-71  
ALEXANDER PATRICK, 75, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 6-20-45, Died 8-9-71  
JOSEPH H. PERTL, 72, North Avenue,  
Emp. 11-22-26, Died 8-20-71  
FRED L. POLTROCK, 76, West Section,  
Emp. 2-26-23, Died 8-8-71  
EDWARD T. QUINLAN, 69, Beverly,  
Emp. 10-22-28, Died 9-23-71  
THOMAS RAMBUS, 79, Track,  
Emp. 5-21-43, Died 7-20-71  
CHARLES T. RATTRAY, 75, North,  
Emp. 9-10-23, Died 8-1-71  
ARTHUR RIZZUTO, 58, Lawndale,  
Emp. 8-26-43, Died 9-7-71

JOHN RYBAKOWSKI, 62, South Section,  
Emp. 10-24-45, Died 9-24-71  
NICK SANZONE, 81, Track,  
Emp. 5-4-23, Died 9-6-71  
PAUL SCALISE, 81, West Section,  
Emp. 2-18-11, Died 9-2-71  
WILLIAM C. SCHMIDT, 92, Elston,  
Emp. 1-8-12, Died 8-14-71  
NICHOLAS C. SCHUBERTH, 77, 77th Street,  
Emp. 12-20-11, Died 8-8-71  
ANTHONY J. SCHVAGZDYS, 82, Cottage Grove,  
Emp. 8-22-19, Died 9-30-71  
CHARLES W. SCRIVEN, 79, Kedzie,  
Emp. 10-25-26, Died 8-15-71  
WALTER A. SIESSMANN, 76, South Shops,  
Emp. 8-24-16, Died 9-17-71  
MARTIN L. SODERBERG, 80, Skokie Shops,  
Emp. 7-18-35, Died 8-19-71  
PAUL J. TURCZYNSKI, 85, Lawndale,  
Emp. 9-13-13, Died 8-18-71  
CHARLES VANOSSENBRUGGEN, 69, Limits,  
Emp. 5-12-24, Died 9-27-71  
SAMUEL VICKERS, 81, South Shops,  
Emp. 9-24-28, Died 9-22-71  
MAURICE WALSH, 77, Wilson Avenue,  
Emp. 8-25-36, Died 9-10-71  
ROBERT A. WARREN, 88, Track,  
Emp. 11-4-30, Died 9-13-71  
EARL F. WILLIS, 74, North Park,  
Emp. 3-23-23, Died 9-21-71  
JOHN A. WRIGHT, 64, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 5-21-34, Died 8-5-71

entertained at their 44th anniversary party, hosted by their son and daughter-in-law...Repairman CARL OTTEN was hospitalized at Weiss Memorial hospital recently when he was attacked at Lawrence and Sheridan...Enjoying fall vacations at this time are the following: DENNIS CRONIN, WALTER HALLFORD, ANDY KARIOLICH, JOE COUGHLIN, LEO POWELL, FRED BAKER, FRANK CIONE, ROBERT LORENZ, DARRELL PERSON, and JOHN FELARSKI.

- Melvin Horning

## NORTH SECTION -

Word has just reached us of two recent marriages of CTA employees. On July 10 Motorman MOSES F. ASHLEY and Miss NORLENE DAVIS repeated their marriage vows. On June 27 Agent MICHAEL JOHN GILMORE and MELODY COBLEIGH were united in holy matrimony at St. Andrew's Catholic church. Michael is a student at the University of Illinois. Melody has a brother, MICHAEL COBLEIGH, who is a bus driver. Our sincere wishes for a long and happy married life to both couples...Our sincere sympathy to Howard Yard Foreman W. PRENDERGAST and his family on the death of his father. Our sympathy is also extended to Motorman R. LAWSON on the death of his wife...Switchman CARL LYDAY, Howard, is off work due to a broken ankle. We wish him a speedy recovery...Welcome back to Janitor FEATHERSON after a 21-month leave of absence for military service...FLORENCE McDONOUGH, steno-

grapher in the Howard Street office, spent a week's vacation at her home in Sisters Lake, Wisconsin...Welcome back to Former Student Agent KEN CHASE. Ken has returned as a full-time agent...Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Janitor H. BADE and Operator MOONEY who are in the hospital at this writing...Ticket Agent THOMAS V. IRWIN, who retired November 1 with 30 years of service, wishes to thank all his co-workers and friends for the nice send-off. We wish you the best of luck and happiness in your retirement!

- Tina Henke

## OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

JULIE WILLEM and three of her friends left Chicago together for two weeks of traveling and fun. They went to Lake Tahoe and also stopped at the Ponderosa. While in Las Vegas, Julie didn't do too badly as she only lost \$5. They continued on to Los Angeles where they did a lot of sightseeing, visited many friends, and went to Disneyland. It was then on to San Francisco where they went on a tour of the nightclubs and to Fisherman's Wharf. In fact, at one restaurant they bumped into JACK WESELBERG and his wife. A good time was had by all...ROBERT and FERROL TALBOT flew to Spain, France, and England for their vacation. They visited Madrid, Paris, and London. They found that it was a big risk to ride in taxi cabs in all these cities because of the way they are driven, and switched to



## INSIDE NEWS

the subway trains which were safer, cheaper, and more comfortable. Places of interest visited include the Parliamentary buildings, Westminster Abbey, the Thames, the Tower of London, as well as the Eiffel Tower. Each city, with a different flavor, was very lovely and the people were most gracious everywhere. The trip was everything they desired and more; one they will always remember...RAY DAGENAIS and his wife drove to Arizona for their vacation. Then it was on to Las Vegas where Ray hit the jackpot on the last coin he put into a slot machine, back to Arizona, and home again to conclude a nice vacation...JACK TCHELEBIAN and his wife, SIMONE, drove to Clearwater, Florida, and visited some friends. They continued down the West Coast going as far as Marco Island. From there it was on to Disneyworld. The last stop before returning home was at Cape Kennedy where they went on a tour. It was a very enjoyable and interesting trip...CARL GIBES and his wife, HILDA, and their daughter, SHIRLEY, drove to Fort Knox, Kentucky, to check out the gold supply. The main reason for this trip was to visit their son, Captain RONALD GIBES, who is there on temporary duty. It was a fast three days, but most enjoyable...Congratulations are extended to GEORGE and MADGE RILEY who celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary on October 12...The final golf match of the year in which the station superintendents competed with the Instruction Department was played at Villa Olivia country club on Saturday, October 9. The victorious team was that of CARL GIBES and FRANK WSOL. Carl played his finest golf of the year shooting eight pars, while Frank displayed his long ball and putting accuracy with two birdies and six straight pars. RAY PRYOR and TOM STIGLIC, their opponents, congratulated them on their fine victory and suggest they keep their clubs warm over the winter months...Your scribe is kind of proud and feels like bragging a little, so I thought I'd let you know that I bowled a 561 series, my highest ever...I would like to thank the CTA for having and inviting me to the Transit News scribes dinner which was held in the M&M Club and also for the very nice gift which we received...One of the big days in the life of District B's EDWARD NOVAK, the Polish perfectionist, was Friday, October 15, when he shot a hole in one at the Coghill country club. The place was the 10th hole which is 170 yards long and he hit the jackpot with a four wood. This is for real because it was witnessed by Supervisors ED MACHEN and JIM HARRISON. You can be sure that Ed bought the drinks on the 19th hole. Congratulations!

### (Traffic Planning) -

Congratulations to HAROLD and LOIS ROWBOTTOM who celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on September 7. An anniversary mass was said on September 6 and an open house attended by many friends and relatives.

### (Utility and Emergency Service) -

Among those on vacation were: J. MATULA, R. BRADY, L. DREWNAKOWSKI, R. PELUSO, O. ERTL, E. KELLY, H. BECKER, W. BALDYGA, S. HERMAN, A. DiBENNETTO, J. HAAS, L. GALLE, J. CICHARSKI, and W. SWAIN...CHARLES GAGE and his family went to Florida and visited Florida A&M university where his son will attend school...JACK KLIMA began his vacation in Wisconsin, but the chilly weather drove him south to Indiana...J. WOJCIK went north to Wisconsin and Minnesota and he too found the weather cool...NORBERT GEWELKE spent his vacation in Milwaukee and northern Illinois...M. DALY and S. KAMINSKI had "honey do" vacations. Daly painted outside the

house, and Kaminski inside, but 35 miles apart...JIM JACOBS met ED SLAMPIN in Las Vegas where the temperature ranged from 85 to 115 degrees. It's been rumored that Jacobs took the money to Las Vegas that Slampin left with. Ed says his wife was the lucky one. It's not often you hear that someone left there a winner...F. WILSON went to Los Angeles as a delegate to the Amvets National Convention at the Beverly Hilton hotel. AUSTIN CRAY-CRAFT spent his vacation in Pennsylvania...DAN FITZ-GIBBON went to Alabama where he visited his brother. He said the weather was hot and humid...BILL BALDYGA went to Canada, and on his way home stopped in Detroit to see how the 1972 cars were being put together...We extend a warm welcome to JOSEPH RICCARDO and JOHN WOODS who transferred from Archer and 69th Street, respectively. JIM ROCHE is happy to say that his son, JOHN, who was injured in an accident, is recovering nicely. He thanks all those who were concerned. There was a mass exodus at the Roche home recently. Jim's son, JAMES, left for Illinois State university at Normal, Illinois; Pfc. MICHAEL left for Viet Nam where he joined the 101st Airborne Division, and JOHN went to Southern Illinois university at Carbondale, Illinois. We would like to extend our congratulations to Jim and his wife, GENEVIEVE, who became grandparents for the second time when LISA R. RENEE was born in September to MARY ALICE and JOSEPH COOLEY...Pensioners MATT STIGLIC, WALTER JOHN-SON, J. MULREE, PETE CARPINO, and E. FEHLHABER recently visited Blue Island. All are doing fine and enjoying their retirement.

- Colette Szyzpanek

### PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

BARNEY GAGNON, clerk II, and his wife, ALINE, spent their vacation visiting his sister and his wife's mother. Barney said he really enjoyed the rest. We would also like to congratulate Barney and Aline on the birth of their 14th grandchild. The baby's name is JENNIFER...Purchasing's invoice clerk, ZITA GYURICZA, has transferred to General Accounting. Sorry to see you go, Zita. To fill Zita's shoes is Stores addressograph operator, TERESA DE LEONARDIS. Good luck to both Zita and Teresa...A warm welcome is extended to TONY DI GIOVANNI, Storeroom 42, who is replacing FRED LOITZ as order control clerk. No sooner was Tony in the department, when he and his family left for a very enjoyable two-week vacation to California to visit Tony's daughter...As most of you know, FRED LOITZ, order control clerk, has been on the sick list for a number of weeks. We are happy to report that Fred is home from the hospital and on the road to recovery!...HANK FULLRIEDE, assistant to superintendent of Specifications, went to Charleston, West Virginia, where he attended a wedding and spent most of his time "rapping" with his relatives. The smog was so unbelievable in Charleston that Hank is very happy to be back in Chicago...GEORGE LINDEN, assistant divisional storekeeper, took a two-week vacation to Springfield, Missouri; Tucson, Arizona, and Scottsdale, Arizona. While in Scottsdale, George visited his cousin whom he hadn't seen in about 20 years. While en route west, George visited the Painted Desert, the Grand Canyon, El Paso, Texas, and Las Vegas, Nevada. George became a grandfather for the first time when ALAN GARY was born on September 16 to ALAN and LYNN LINDEN. Congratulations!...JOHN MARASOVICH, Storeroom 60, and his wife spent a week at Pell Lake, Wisconsin...



We received a lovely post card from DAVE STETCHER, retired stock clerk at Storeroom 42, saying that he and his son were staying at the Sandpiper Beach House in Provincetown, Massachusetts. It looks like Dave is really enjoying retirement...A warm welcome is extended to MARIANNE JOBARIS, clerk, Stores, and YOLLENNE CLAUDE, typist I, who have joined the department. Good luck to you both! We would also like to welcome KATHY BRADY, who is unassigned in the Specifications Department. . . JIM TOOLIS, Purchasing, has returned from his vacation in Las Vegas. He seems to have had a good time, but he states that the plane ride home was much lighter than it was going there. Jim also spent a weekend at the University of Illinois football game where he and his son celebrated his son's birthday...BOB MCCARTHY, Purchasing, tells us that his daughter, THERESA, a freshman at York High school, made the school's tennis team which is quite an accomplishment for a freshman. In a school of 3,000 only 16 are chosen for the team. Congratulations, Theresa! . . Look who is driving around in a new car! ED TOBIN bought his wife a new Vega, but he says that the only reason for the investment was to save her the walk to and from the veterinarian with their Rhodesian Ridgerunner. . . GRANVILLE CHEATHAM, laborer, South, spent his vacation in Baldwin, Michigan. He went fishing with no luck, but watched a man catch a 32 pound coho salmon...MIKE KORZEN, divisional storekeeper, Skokie, spent his vacation in Arizona. He visited Phoenix, Scottsdale, and Sun City. Mike said he found time for some golf and shuffle board. He also visited Pensioners EARL ESSINGTON and JOE WACK. Both Earl and Joe asked Mike to say hello to all their friends at CTA...CLIFFORD PETTIS, fork lift operator, went to Arkansas on his vacation. Hope you had a wonderful time, Cliff. . . In our last edition we welcomed GEORGE HAENISCH to the Specifications Department. In this edition we have to say goodbye to George. George left us to work in Technical Services, South. So as we promised, we wish to say, "SO LO-O-O-NG, HAENISCH!". In closing we would like to wish all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving.

- Cecilia Trucco & John Gill

#### RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

Pensioner GEORGE SPEARS paid a surprise visit to all the boys at Congress. George, who is 77 years old, told the old gang his secret of longevity--a weekly night out for dancing at the Blue Moon...Another pensioner in the news is RALPH DANIELSON. Ralph won another award. This time he was presented with a ten-inch silver bowl which represented the gold award from the Scandinavian Collectors Club...Welcome to JIM MOLLOY from all the boys at Congress. Jim's dad is JOHN MOLLOY, foreman at 61st Street...Best of luck to J. ZOCCOLI, A. PECHOLCAS, and F. PORCARO who are completing their shop training course...Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to the mother of R. CATANESE, Congress...Sorry to hear that G. GRILLAERT, Congress, has been on the sick list for three weeks...Good luck to LEONARD RICCIARDI, the son of LOUIS RICCIARDI, Congress, who enlisted in the air force and is in training in Texas...Glad to hear that GEORGE MICHAUD, 61st Street, is recuperating at home. Best wishes are sent his way for a complete and speedy recovery...Wishes for a speedy recovery are also sent to JOHN COOK, ROBERT CURRAN, and HENRY PEARSON, 61st Street...A hearty welcome to ROBERT BASDEN from

PADDY CANNON, Store-room 48, is shown astride one of Ireland's finest steeds while on vacation in the Emerald Isle for five weeks. Holding the fiery bronc so Paddy won't fall off is his nephew, MARTIN MURRAY.



the boys at 61st Street...A late Indian summer vacation was enjoyed by W. LEWIS, C. DUNLAP, T. PATE, W. SPARKS, and M. BRINSON, 61st Street...A combination vacation and family reunion was enjoyed by ED SHIELDS, Dan Ryan, and his wife on their recent trip to Largo, Florida. The Shields visited with their brother-in-law, a former conductor from the South Section, and also with the WALTER HOVALDS, a former repairman who now lives in Paradise Shores, St. Petersburg. Ed is still telling the story about the big fish that got away...Welcome to M. MOORE, new car serviceman at Dan Ryan...Your scribe just returned from a three-week vacation to California visiting family and friends, and also seeing the action on the tables at Las Vegas.

- Ray Bryczek

#### SKOKIE SHOPS -

RICHARD FABRY, material clerk, is the replacement for JOHN RUSS who moved ahead to shopman II. Nice having you with us, Richard...RALPH KEMPE, tool maker, and his wife are enjoying a nice vacation in London, England...FRANK SWAIN, shopman, is confined to Belmont hospital. Hurry back, Frank...MORTON LIBERT, tractor operator, is in Holy Family hospital with a heart condition. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery, Morton...CATHERINE ANN HEGARTY, clerk, and her husband, HUGH HEGARTY, financial secretary of Division 308, attended a five-day convention of the Amalgamated Transit Union in Las Vegas. They then traveled on to California for another week of vacation...DONALD PRENDERGAST, shopman, is home resting and healing after his hernia operation. Hurry back, Bub...RUDDY CHUCAN, shopman, is up north on a hunting trip and, perhaps, some fishing. Hope you have some luck, Ruddy...Our deepest sympathy to WALLY ONYSIO, shopman, on the loss of his brother...CARL (Herb) LINDQUIST, electrical foreman, and his wife are enjoying a vacation at Virginia Beach, Virginia, with their son and family.

- Everett E. England

#### SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

MARY ANN COX moved into her new home in Streamwood. We wish her luck and many happy, healthy years in it...Mr. and Mrs. W. PANTLE, outside checker, celebrated 35 years of wedded bliss on October 10. Congratulations and many more happy years together...DOROTHY ETSCH-EID spent one week of her vacation in Delevan, Wisconsin,





SP/4 MICHAEL E. O'SHAUGHNESSY, Beverly Station, was recently awarded the army air medal for meritorious service in Vietnam. Mike, a former bus cleaner from Beverly, is an assistant machine gunner in the 101st airborne division.

and the other at home catching up on some chores...BILL WORCESTER is justly proud of the attainments of his son, ROBERT, who is in his final year at Wheaton North High school. Bob was recently notified of successful completion of the Illinois State Scholarship tests which will qualify him for an award which would allow him to attend Bradley university next fall...RUTH HAVLIK and her sister, MARIE, Electrical Department, and their mother drove to St. Louis, Southern Illinois, and Kentucky for an autumn vacation...We welcome W. SCOTT, outside checker, to the department...JOE SABOL and his sister flew to Montreal, Canada, to attend a wedding, and then to Ottawa and Toronto...Pensioner W. P. DEVEREUX sent cards from Las Vegas, Hawaii, and California. He is now an expert gambler...Mr. and Mrs. KREUTZER drove to French Lick, Indiana, to visit with friends...KEN MAREK and his wife flew to various places in the Orient and then to Hawaii. Ken is now sporting a few good-looking Hong Kong suits...The department extends sympathy to GEORGE JOHANNES on the death of his mother, and to KAY BATINA on the death of her brother.

- Kathryn Batina

#### SOUTH SHOPS -

JOE SOWIZRAL, Blacksmith Shop foreman, is very happy about his new car and he has reason to be, for he is the owner of a brand new 1971 Oldsmobile 98...Wedding bells were ringing on August 28 when AL SAMASKA, Area 348, joined hands in holy matrimony with LINDA KIERAS. The newlyweds honeymooned for five days in Boston, New Hampshire, and Maine...Mr. and Mrs. L. STEWART, Area 345, gave birth to a 6 pound 1/2 ounce baby girl named CASSANDRA PATRICE on September 12. Congratulations to the very proud parents...IRVIN KRAULEDIS, machinist, Area 348, and his wife enjoyed two marvelous weeks up at Long Lake, Wisconsin. Irvin's wife, PAULINE, is recuperating from an operation, but she was able to sneak in a little fishing on her own. Irvin had a real lucky run this year. Besides hooking a few walleyes, he hooked a 5 1/2 pound large mouth bass and a few smaller ones. Irv hooked three muskies under 30 inches. Sorry about that, Irv. They were joined by their son, PAUL, and his wife, TERRI, and daughter, REBECCA, for a weekend. Paul had good luck also. All of them had a wonderful time...BOB BYRNE, machinist, Area 348, was off work for seven weeks with very sore legs. Glad to see you back on the job, Bob. The boys really missed your Irish face. Bad news travels

in two's, they say. Bob's wife, MAE, had a very serious operation. She was confined to the hospital for four weeks. As of this writing she is at home recuperating. Bob reports she is coming along fine. Due to the illness in the family, a trip to Ireland had to be cancelled. But Bob and Mae will make it some time in the near future. Good luck, Bob...Congratulations to WALLY FEULNER, clerk, who became a father for the third time when a baby boy, TODD JEREMY, was born on August 4 weighing 7 pounds 15 ounces. This makes three boys for Wally...Best of luck to MELVIN ANDERSON, Bay 6, on his retirement November 1. Mr. Anderson plans to spend his retirement in sunny Florida...PAT WALSH, formerly of the Brake Department, and his wife vacationed in Laramie, Wyoming, where they attended the graduation of his son, WILLIAM MICHAEL WALSH, from the University of Wyoming. Best of luck to Pat on his retirement...VERNON HOWE, Paint Shop foreman, and his wife, EVELYN, visited Disney World in Orlando, Florida, while on vacation. While parking their car they discovered TOM McPARTLAND of M.C.O.P. and his nephew, KEVIN SHEEHAN, in the car next to them. The four spent the day together touring Disney World and had a great time. Vern and his wife then went on to Miami, and while there they met LOU SPOLEC who asked to be remembered to all the boys and to tell them that his son who lives in California won \$24,000 in the sweepstakes...The men of Area 312 would like to welcome JOE BAGDZIUS back to work after being off sick. FRANK SPROVIERI and JOHN ROSELAND have also been off...PAUL SPOLEC, electrician, Area 317, is back with us after a long illness. Welcome back, Paul...Well, girls, there is one less single man in the shop. PAT BARRY took DIANA HOGAN for his bride on Saturday, October 23. Hurry, hurry, girls, get them while they last. Pat, the married men of the shop would like to congratulate you and welcome you to the club...JOHN THEIS is the proud father of a 19-year old pilot. John's son, JOHN Jr., received his pilot's license on October 16...BILL BRACH, carpenter, South Shops, is leaving on a transfer to Skokie Shops. Bill, your foreman, STANLEY SARNA, and all of the fellows in Area 318 hope you will be happy with your new assignment. It has been our pleasure...The men in Area 316 would like to wish JAMES OOSTMAN, foreman, a speedy recovery...Congratulations to GEORGE DREY, leader, Area 318, who became a grandfather for the first time when his son, MICHAEL, and his wife, GINGER, became the proud parents of a baby boy named CHRISTOPHER on October 20...Area 313 Paint Shop would like to wish DELORE HATCHER a speedy recovery...Congratulations to CLARENCE PIPOWSKI, Area 321, and his wife who are now the proud parents of a newly adopted son named RAYMOND...STEVE SLUZINSKI, foreman, Area 336, went fishing at Minocqua, Wisconsin, on his vacation...Congratulations to FRANK GRAY on his recent promotion to journeyman...Congratulations are in order for RICHARD SCHNEIDER, superintendent, Technical Services, and his wife, BARBARA, on the birth of an 8 pound baby girl named STEPHANIE ANN. This makes two girls for the Schneiders.

- Elaine Stewart & Bob Brown

#### 52ND STREET -

All we have this month are a few fish stories, for when I went to the news item box it was empty...Operator JESSE BYRD and Clerk HERBERT McKNIGHT went fishing at Lake Jollyann near Ashby, Minnesota, in August. Mac said they caught a few. MIKE, the paymaster, told me about a



fishing trip he had and said the only thing he caught was a cold...Superintendent VIC COLEMAN, Archer, Operator CLARENCE MOORE, 77th Street, and our own BILL HOLLAND had a successful fishing jaunt in Lake Michigan where they caught 150 pounds of salmon. Their original plan was to spend a week at Manistee, Michigan, but after the catch they had, there wasn't any more storage space and they had to cut their trip short...Your reporter had a grand time at a surprise birthday party given for him by his lovely wife, GLORETTA, and it was even better for he was on vacation. His aunt, Mrs. MARY TAYLOR, came from Portland, Oregon, to help him celebrate...With the holiday season ahead, you might find yourself short of cash. If you do, visit our friendly credit union. If you find yourself with more than you need, save it with your credit union.

- John L. Hudson

# 69TH STREET -

The greatest news to date was on September 29 when my daughter, JUDY, gave birth to a 6 pound 11 ounce baby girl, CHRISTINE VERONICA, who was 19 inches long. Just call me grandpa. My son-in-law and I just love her...On my way to a vacation in the Ozarks, I stopped in Olney, Illinois, to see WALTER SHIPYOR's white squirrels, only I didn't see any. Was someone pulling my leg?...JACK WILSON topped off his vacation by following an army engineer's map of all the back roads in the Ozarks. Do you know he hasn't been seen or heard from since?...JOHN HALKO and his father vacationed in Czechoslovakia. His dad especially enjoyed the trip as he hadn't been there for 50 years...Now that the golfing season is over, it is safe to say that O. B. SMITH is about the greatest, and J. WHITE will agree to that. If he wasn't so old, he might have become a professional...Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE JAROS, whose hobby is traveling, visited Spain, Portugal, and drove over 800 miles in Africa...GEORGE HOLLAND and his wife, BETTY, celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary on November 11. Old Armistice day to say the least. They vacationed at Niagara Falls and Greenfield Village in Dearborn, Michigan, with their daughter, BARBARA. On October 16, Barbara was married to FRANK MACRI at St. Adrian's church. The happy couple honeymooned in the Bahamas...J. L. TROTTER vacationed down in Mississippi this summer and it rained almost every day he was there, and even when he returned home...RED GREEN took a plane ride to New York City where he bought ten lottery tickets. He was back home within five hours...WALTER MONROE lost his top (vinyl auto, that is) in Texas, and lost his pocketbook in Las Vegas...Operator ALEXANDER, who follows me every Friday on Racine, claims he has the secret of how to catch fish in Minnesota...GENE HOWE, not to be confused with his brother, W. HOWE, has to be rated as one of the greatest. He is the only person, to my knowledge, that was placed on disability pension and was able to return to driving a bus again...ED STEFFAN's daughter, SUSAN, became Mrs. O'NEIL on September 5. MICKEY YOUNG and his clan attended the wedding, as did Assistant Superintendent of Operating Stations C. W. GIBES and his wife, ROY HORNING and his lovely wife, and my wife and I. We all gave them a big send-off to California on a honeymoon...The love bug really came our way and bit Operator HANK RISCH who was wed to Mrs. IRENE HOWERBIER. Word has it, but has to be confirmed, that J. J. DUBINSKI was also bitten by the love bug...Operator TOM COOK got a

rare birthday present--a dog bit him. On top of that, the nurse gave him a shot with a broken needle...FRED STAWINSKI wired his son's garage. Now when you turn the switch on, water comes out...ALBERT JOZA celebrated his birthday on October 31. He and Hank Risch went trick or treating as usual. Joza's son, ALLEN, was recently married to Miss LYNN LUKAS. ED BEHREN wouldn't go to the wedding because he couldn't get the checking concession and was too old to wash dishes...H. A. KOHLSTEDT followed W. DONAHUE to Hawaii and said that the poi is something else...JOE KOVATZ is replacing TOM REILLY as chairman of the supervisory committee for the credit union. Thanks to Tom for a job well done. The credit union is now offering a temporary disability insurance plan so that your monthly payments will be paid when you are disabled. See TONY or BILL in the credit union...Instructors ROY WILSON, L. B. ROSS, and MORRIE O'DONNELL wish to thank the operators who participated in the "Welcome Aboard" survey...Sanitary Engineer ZIG WODARCZYK vacationed in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Berkeley, California, where his son resides and attends U.C.L.A...MITCH DOUGHERTY recently celebrated his ninth wedding anniversary...JIM CHAMBERS has now joined D. J. DOWNES on pension. Jim said he was thinking of trading his wife in for someone older so he could get more benefits. Good luck and many years of health and happiness to you both...Our happy clerk, ROONEY, wasn't very happy when someone fixed his watch but forgot to put the stem in...FRALE was seen cruising around in his station wagon looking for a Clark gas station. It seems he found a coupon good for one gallon of gas free...The Marquette road operators really like having Instructor L. B. ROSS on board. They say he acts as a road leveler...Our smiling 59th Street Operator G. FERGUSON should qualify as an expert plumber after receiving all the advice from his friends. I still think he should hire a real plumber just in case...Our sincere condolences to JAMES MOTT on the passing of his brother, BOBBY...We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Superintendent G. D. PEYTON to 69th Street and to wish Retired Superintendent J. LOGAY a lengthy and enjoyable life of retirement...JIMMY AHERN of the repair department reports that Pensioner MIKE DOLJIN has gone to Australia to visit his brother whom he has not seen for many years...FRANK WRIZEL likes the leisure life that retirement brings, as does TOM TWOMEY out in Glenwood Springs, Colorado...HARRY MINOGUE and his wife vacationed in Alaska...MIKE BURKE, formerly of North Avenue, is enjoying his pension and doing well. We also hope that PETE VANDA, HANK MILLER, and JIM McNULTY are enjoying themselves...Lots of luck and happiness to Mr. and Mrs. MARTY GRIFFIN in their new home at McHenry, Illinois...DICK DICKERSON said that if the sun hadn't reflected off of HARVEY BROCK's bald head, they both may have caught some fish while they were on vacation. Dick said that Harvey only knows two kinds of fish--and they both are carp...WALLY GROCH and BRUCE BURIAN are also on vacation. May you all have fun and a good rest...Congratulations to JOHN MUSIAL who transferred to North Avenue as p.m. foreman, and to SPENCER BENNETT who came to 69th Street in his place...Our apologies to WILLIAM SCOTT, day foreman at Archer, for the error in our last column; we wish to extend to him and his family our sincere sympathy on the passing of his mother...Don't forget, fellows, that you now have two reporters to give your news to. God bless all of you.

- Art Bussing & Jimmy Ahorn



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