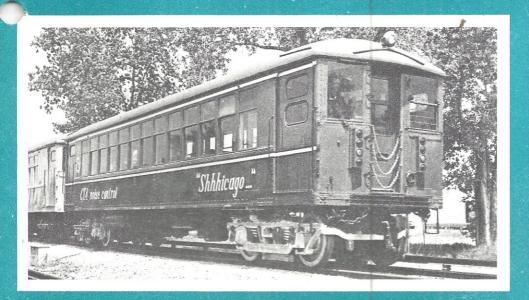


## Shhhicago: rail smoother makes its debut



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#### TO ALL EMPLOYEES:

With so much talk about preserving the environment, I thought it would be appropriate to comment on what the CTA is doing in this important area.

NOISE We have called in the best experts available to tell us how to reduce the noise level of train operation, especially in subways. The rail smoother which was dedicated June 1 is a result of our meetings. The car will cover the entire rapid transit system within the next six months smoothing rails and quieting train operation for the benefit of passengers, employees, and neighbors along CTA routes.

AIR POLLUTION The new buses we ordered include the most advanced anti-pollution equipment produced to date. Our greatest contribution to reduced pollution, however, will result from attracting more CTA riders--each bus can seat the equivalent number of passengers as that carried in 32 automobiles. The new equipment, air-conditioned, brightly lighted and operated by courteous employees will give motorists the incentive to leave their cars at home.

CLEAN UP One million dollars will be spent this summer to improve the appearance of rapid transit facilities throughout Chicago. Our campaign includes painting six miles of "L" structure and 37 stations.

ANTI-LITTER The CTA is giving 100 per cent backing to Mayor Daley's all-out anti-litter campaign. An executive committee has been formed to direct our efforts.

We live in the cleanest city in the United States, but we must all contribute to its preservation and improvement so it can continue to be the best place to live and work.

Sincerely, Michael Caffert Chairman



CONTRIBUTING PAPER for use in the production of recycled paper products, CTA car cleaners at Howard yard are now sorting newspapers and waste paper from refuse cleaned from trains. In cooperation with the Citizens for a Better Environment, paper is stored in drums and dumped into a mobile container for shipment to the paper mill.

THE TASK of keeping base hour buses clean for passengers is now the responsibility of Cleaning Task Aides assigned to three busy bus terminals--Jefferson Park, 95th/Dan Ryan and 79th/Halsted. Pictured on board an O'Harexpress bus at the Jefferson Park terminal is Bus Cleaner Greag Rom of Forest Glen Garage.



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ON A signal from Transit Board Chairman Michael Cafferty, CTA's rail smoother made its debut at the Skokie Rapid Transit Shop on June 1. One of the most effective noise control devices in rapid transit operation, the car was placed in service immediately providing a demonstration ride over five miles of track on the Skokie Swift route.

Speaking before more than 100 invited guests, Mr. Cafferty said, "The development and operation of the rail smoother is one of many efforts being made by CTA to show its concern for the noise problem. This vehicle will enable us to continuously smooth rails throughout the 196-mile CTA system and will ensure keeping noise levels to a minimum."

Other speakers were Board Members Lawrence G. Sucsy and James R. Quinn. Mr. Sucsy was recently appointed by Chairman Cafferty to serve as the Board representative on CTA's Noise Control Committee.

The development of the rail smoother is one of the projects included in the first \$80 million of CTA's \$122 million two-year capital renewal program being funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Illinois Department of Transportation and the CTA.

The rail smoother is designed to remove corrugation from rails which results from high-speed operation of light-weight "L"-subway cars. Corrugation is a series of low spots on the rail running surface as great as six thousandths (.006") of an inch deep and spaced several inches apart. A high-frequency fluttering noise is produced by trains passing over corrugated rail.

The grinding process which smooths rails involves using compressed air to press abrasive bricks against the tracks while a train is in motion. Each brick has a 3 inch by 4 inch grinding surface, is 10 inches long and has a life of about 50 miles.

The rail smoother is capable of grinding with 14 bricks pressed to the rail at a time. Seven bricks are installed and clamped in place between wheels on each side of the four-wheel truck. Controls for pistons which raise or lower the bricks are contained within the body of the retired 1925-model rapid transit car under which the grinding equipment is installed. The car exterior is painted flame red and the white lettering "Shhhicago..." appears on each side. CTA engineers and technicians designed and built the rail smoothing equipment.

The rail smoother replaces the two Cycle Rail Grinders bought by CTA in 1961. Unlike the grinders, the rail smoother can be operated between regularly scheduled trains making as many trips as are required using a train crew of Transportation and Engineering personnel. The grinders could be used at night only when a section of track could be closed off and the resulting single track operation required the services of a traffic supervisor, a pilot, two signalmen and four switchmen.

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# ISC, ESC award winners named for first quarter of 1972

MARKING THE start of the 11th year of the ISC and the second year of the ESC, safety competition award winners were named recently for the first quarter of 1972.

A two-part competition among the 12 surface system operating stations and also among the nine rapid transit system operating stations, the Interstation Safety Contest (ISC) gives recognition quarterly to the location in each group with the most outstanding performance in the prevention of passenger and traffic accidents. With a perfect score of 75.00, Forest Park Station won the rapid transit system award. Winner of the surface system award was

ISC AWARDS, won by operating employes at the surface and rapid transit stations which achieved the best safety performance in the first quarter of 1972, were accepted by station superintendents recently. At left, 69th Street Station Superintendent G. D. Peyton (right) accepts the surface system plaque from Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn. At right, Forest Park Station Superintendent T. D. Boyle (right) receives the rapid transit system plaque from Assistant Superintendent of Operating Stations C. W. Gibes. 69th Street Station, with a score of 56.79.

A competition among similar groups of Shops & Equipment Department locations, the Employee Safety Contest (ESC) involves three separate groups--the 12 surface garages, 11 rapid transit maintenance terminals, and two main shops. Selection of the quarterly winners is based on the number of injuries per one million man-hours worked. With frequency rates of zero, North Park was named as the winner in the garage competition and Kimball was the winner of the maintenance terminal competition. South Shops took first place in the shop competition with a frequency rate of 47.7.



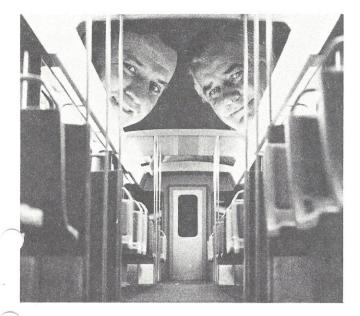


ESC AWARDS, won by Shops & Equipment employes at work locations with the least injuries during the first quarter of 1972, were recently presented to foremen in the three competing areas. Left: the surface garage award is being held by North Park Garage Foreman P. E. O'Connor, who accepted it from Operating Manager C, E. Keiser. Center: the rapid transit maintenance terminal award is being presented to Kimball Terminal Foreman A. J. Odrowski (left) by Superintendent of Rapid Transit Maintenance Terminals A. J. Porcaro. Right: accepting the shop award for South Shops is Superintendent of Surface Shops & Garages J. Repplinger (left) who is being congratulated by Director of Personnel F. A. Johnson.











### Honor softball, basketball champs

DIVISION 241-308—CTA recreational activities program honored the Rapid Transit and Forest Glen teams as the 1971 softball and basketball champions, respectively, on May 26. Representatives of the 31 other participating teams were present.

Addressing the group as guest speaker was Transit Board Chairman Michael Cafferty. Mr. Cafferty, a staunch advocate of sports of all sorts, commended the sports program and the fine spirit exemplified by all the men participating.

In the top picture, Wilford Spears, executive board member of Division 308, is accepting the softball trophy from Mr. Cafferty while Mel Alexander, Transit News editorial assistant, looks on.

In the picture at right, Archie Harris, Forest Glen basketball captain, is shown accepting the first place trophy from Frank Johnson, director of personnel, as Mr. Cafferty and Forest Glen Station Assistant Superintendent Victor Johnson enjoy the presentation.

# CTA Chairman Cafferty unveils model "L" car

A SIX-FOOT scale model of the new rapid transit cars that will be ordered by CTA this year was unveiled by Chairman Michael Cafferty at a meeting of the Chicago Transit Board on Thursday, June 8.

Constructed by Sundberg-Ferar, the nationally recognized industrial design firm which has been engaged by CTA to assist in styling the fleet of cars, the model is one-eighth of actual size and is complete with design features inside and out.

The model was constructed to facilitate refinements when CTA equipment engineers meet with prospective car builders. According to Cafferty the model permits viewing the car from perspectives which are not possible using renderings alone.

The purchase of the 100 air-conditioned rapid transit cars is one of the projects included in the first \$80 million of CTA's \$122 million two-year capital renewal program being funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Illinois Department of Transportation and the CTA.

PEERING INTO the model car (top photo) are Board Chairman Michael Cafferty (left) and Carl Sundberg, president of Sundberg-Ferar. Reproduced with permission from the Chicago Daily News. Photographs by Charles Krejcsi.









## West Section janitor wins 1972 public service award

DAVE JOHNSON recently became the third CTA employee in three years to be recognized as an outstanding Chicago area public service employee. A janitor assigned to the West Section of the rapid transit system, Mr. Johnson was one of ten winners of 1972 Superior Public Service Awards.

Transit Board Chairman Michael Cafferty made the presentation at the annual award luncheon and is pictured above with Mr. Johnson, who is being congratulated by Patrick O'Malley, master of ceremonies at the luncheon and chairman of Canteen corporation. More than 100 nominees for public service awards were screened by a planning committee and six candidates in each of five categories were selected for further consideration by a panel of prominent citizens. The categories include the professional, clerical, public safety, general service and supervisory groups. Mr. Johnson, whose award was in the general service category, is pictured above with two other CTAers who were among 30 finalists. West Section Relief Superintendent K. L. Brown (left) was a finalist in the public safety category and Superintendent of Rapid Transit Maintenance Terminals A. J. Porcaro was a supervisory category finalist.

### R. W. Christian, J. J. Tvrdik take pensions June 1



RETIRING FROM supervisory positions at their respective operating stations on June 1, Robert W. Christian and Joseph J. Tvrdik closed out transit careers which they started as operating employees for predecessor companies.

Mr. Christian joined the Surface Lines as a conductor at the 77th Street Station on October 15, 1929. The following year he qualified as a motorman and in 1935 as a bus operator at North Avenue Station. He was appointed to the instruction force in 1942 and subsequently became a senior instructor and supervising instructor. Mr. Christian became assistant to the superintendent of operating stations in 1958, assistant superintendent of North Park Station in 1959, and in 1967 he was appointed Keeler Station superintendent, the position which he held until his retirement.

Mr. Tvrdik entered the service of the Rapid Transit Company as a ticket agent on May 22, 1937. He went into train service in 1945 and qualified as a conductor, switchtender, switchman and motorman. Mr. Tvrdik subsequently became a traffic supervisor in 1957, instructor in 1958, senior station instructor in 1960 and relief station superintendent in 1963. He was named assistant superintendent at the 61st Street Station in 1967, where he served until his retirement.

In appreciation of their many years of service in the Transportation Department, Superintendent of Transportation D. M. Flynn expressed the best wishes of their many friends and fellow employees and presented each with a remembrance of the occasion. In the picture at left, Mr. Christian is shown between Mr. Flynn and Superintendent of Operating Stations G. A. Riley. Mr. Tvrdik is shown in the picture at right with Mr. Flynn.

## Service anniversaries in May

## 35 years

- A. M. Bannister, West Section
- J. J. Barber, 77th Street
- H. C. Cotton, West Section
- C. H. Haslam, Congress Maintenance Terminal F. S. Lundie, Electrical Distribution Division V. Racanelli, Electrical Distribution Division

- J. Tvrdik, 61st Street
- V. Zastera, Rapid Transit Signal Division

## **30** years

- J. L. Ahern, 69th Street Garage
- W. A. Behnke, North Avenue Garage
- M. R. Bellezzo, West Section G. S. Bittourna, Electrical Distribution Division
- R. S. Budnik, North Avenue Garage R. J. Ciesla, North Park
- F. Crouse, South Shops
- T. J. Diver, North Park
- F. C. Dwiel, North Avenue
- E. F. Feltz, Archer
- R. R. Ferraro, Building Maintenance Division
- F. F. Gendusa, Archer
- R. E. Hansen, Limits
- M. Horning, North Park
- J. T. Hussey, North Avenue Garage

- J. F. Jaros, Lawndale Garage J. H. Karel, Schedule & Traffic T. K. Kay, North Avenue S. J. Kazak, North Park J. C. Keck, Forest Glen T. W. Kill, Rapid Transit District-South
- L. B. Kincanon, Schedule & Traffic
- H. F. Knight, Beverly
- J. G. Koclanis, Lawndale Garage S. Kruszynski, South Shops

- J. F. Kubicki, Archer H. A. Laatsch, Security
- J. J. Lurito, Internal Auditing
- J. T. Matula, Utility & Emergency Service
- S. J. Mazeika, Archer Garage
- S. F. Mika, Forest Glen Garage
- F. J. Olsen, Archer
- J. J. O'Malley, South Shops
- A. Pala, North Avenue Garage
- F. P. Pikcunas, 77th Street Garage
- A. Raimondi, Building Maintenance Division
- R. H. Schneider, Security
- J. E. Servid, South Shops J. G. Stanton, District D R. Stephens, Limits

- J. E. Touhy, General Accounting D. J. Waters, Rapid Transit Signal Division

## 25 years

- J. Allen, Building Maintenance Division
- A. F. Andrulis, South Shops

- J. A. Baldassari, Skokie Shops E. H. Beebe Jr., West Section J. Bellafiore, Tire Inspection Center
- A. H. Brandstetter, Building Maintenance Division J. L. Carroll, South Shops
- E. Chebo, Archer Garage
- N. A. Cinquepalmi, Track & Structures
- L. C. Cole, 52nd Street
- A. J. DeVaux, South Shops
- V. F. Donohue, Traffic Planning
- D. Drislane, Stores
- T. S. Dryier, Archer E. M. Dwyer, Kedzie
- D. J. Griffin, Electrical Distribution Division W. J. Joyce, 77th Street
- J. J. Kaliszewski, Archer Garage J. J. Kania, South Shops
- C. Karko, South Shops
- M. C. Kells, Purchasing
- J. Lacy, Stores South Division
- J. Lazzaro, Building Maintenance Division
- A. G. Lenard, Beverly
- R. H. Leonhart, North Park Garage
- W. C. Liddell, Forest Glen
- J. P. McEvilly, Archer & Lawndale

- J. J. Meyer, North Avenue R. C. Peisker, Limits A. Pfeiffer, Charter Service
- D. P. Raffin, North Avenue Garage
- C. J. Schultz, Archer Garage
- G. T. Streich, South Shops
- P. F. Szafranski, 69th Street Garage
- T. Szymanski, Skokie Shops
- W. H. Webb, South Shops
- Wilkins, South Shops
   Willem, Transportation General Office





HONORED AT the annual Engineering Department retirement dinner on Friday, May 5, were members of that department who retired during the year ending May 1, 1972, Pictured (from left) are: Arnold Walker, Gerald Smith, Victor Eisemann, Arthur Steers, Steve Lociy, Walter Ahern, John Bellisario and Vito Constantino.

## Service anniversaries in June

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25 years P. F. Anderson, Limits Garage	H. J. Halverson, North Park Garage A. Hart, 77th Street G. W. Isaac, North Park R. Laskowski, Skokie Shops L. Malicki, Forest Glen	
E. E. Bartkus, South Shops L. W. Craig, 77th Street H. M. Doherty, South Shops J. F. Fabits, Skokie Shops A. W. Farley, Building Maintenance Division D. S. Guereca, Škokie Shops	P. M. Morowski, Forest Glen R. Mosk, Limits J. L. Nechanicky, Lawndale M. A. Pfeiffer, West Section J. Somogyi, North Section F. R. Wisniewski, North Avenue Garage	

## 13 suggestion award winners announced

THE EXECUTIVE Decision Committee of the Employee Suggestion Plan recently announced the adoption of 13 suggestions and approval of cash and Honorable Mention awards to the suggesters.

Among the cash award winners were two Shops & Equipment Department employees at South Shops: Louis Alleva won \$185 for his adopted idea, Jerome S. Pavel won \$50. Winning a \$100 cash award was James P. Lyons of Storeroom 53 at South Shops.

• Twenty-five dollar awards were presented to Pablo Caride of Skokie Shop and Leonard Skrine of Office Services, both of whom submitted their second adoptable suggestion within a year.

For their adopted ideas eight employees were named as winners of \$10 Jewel/Osco gift certificates: Electrical-William F. Glassner and Willis J. Hoff of Blue Island, Walter Drobena of Chicago Avenue, George Matejovsky of General Office. Shops & Equipment-Joseph Butera of Skokie Shop, Thears Judkins of Kedzie Garage. General Office-Christine Borcic of Public Information. Transportation-Sidney I. Edward of South Section.

# **Dangers of summer** by Dr. George H. Irwin

VACATIONS, PROPERLY planned and carried out, are necessary and healthful. At the same time everyone should realize the dangers of summer vacations and take the necessary precautions to avoid hazards.

Holiday fun usually begins with anticipation of the vacations. However, a healthy holiday should begin with some good family organization, cooperation and planning. Proper planning well ahead of time can prevent ruffled tempers at the last minute and should help make your family's vacation a pleasant memory. Set up safety measures in your home before leaving, such as time-clock lights, proper mail handling, etc. Remember that accidents and illness don't take vacations but forethought and planning may prevent them from accompanying you and your family. A few suggestions may eliminate the need for a vacation when you return.

Just to refresh your memory, I call attention to the fact that on the recent Memorial day weekend there were about 575 fatalities in the United States. Most of these were highway accidents with drownings next in frequency.

Traffic or highway accidents can be reduced by proper planning. First, the best time to find out something is wrong with your car is before you depart, not after you are under way. Several days before you leave, take your car in for a thorough checkup that includes brakes, battery, tires, headlights, tail and stop lights, directional signals, steering mechanisms, horn, emergency brake, air conditioning and fan belt, etc.

Remember the following common causes of traffic accidents and see what you can do to avoid them: (1) Over-confidence. (2) Emotional hazards. (3) Shortsighted thinking. (4) Car neglect. (5) Distractions. (6) Outmoded highways. (7) Non-uniform laws.

Learn to anticipate possible hazards and drive defensively at all times. And don't drive when you are overly tired - stop, rest or get out and walk around. 7,000 this year. Most of these drownings could be avoided if swimmers and others engaging in water sports would follow these basic safety precautions: (1) Learn to swim and relax in the water. (2) Never swim alone. (3) Don't swim when overly tired or when the water is extremely cold. (4) Don't overestimate your ability and endurance. (5) Swim in protected pools or beaches under the supervision of trained lifeguards. (6) If a boat overturns stay with it and don't try to swim a long distance to shore. (7) Never dive into unknown waters. (8) Try new activities only after learning the skills from qualified instructors. (9) Don't try to swim too soon after eating or drinking.

Swimming accidents and drowning may well total

The picnic season is upon us, but don't let the bugs spoil your outings. They inhabit contaminated food and water and produce unpleasant conditions such as food-poisoning, gastroenteritis, typhoid and paratyphoid fevers, and skin rashes.

A few suggestions to avoid picnic trouble are: (1) don't do things with food on a picnic that you wouldn't do at home. (2) Don't make sandwiches and salads the day before. (3) Keep your picnic food cool - 50 degrees or below from the time you prepare it until you are ready to eat it. (4) Boil your water. Clear running water does not always guarantee purity.

The Sun-Friend or Foe? Many people feel that the sun promotes good health. This may be true if proper exposure is carried out. Nevertheless, it must be remembered that too much sun can produce not only a painful and disfiguring sunburn but can also dry the skin, speed up the aging process, cause skin wrinkles and also skin cancer. If you want sun exposure remember these facts. First, you should know your skin type and its tolerance to sun. Next. approach the sun cautionsly, allowing 10 to 15 minutes the first day and increasing it gradually thereafter. Consideration of time of day is important. Sun rays are most intense between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Geographic location makes a difference; tropical sun has twice the intensity of other climates. Even on a cloudy day you may get a severe sunburn. See your physician about a good sunscreening lotion.

In conclusion, if you avoid the dangers of summer mentioned above you will enjoy a pleasant and healthful vacation.

### AMA magazine debunks hot-weather myths

THE WAY to survive a heat wave is to take cold showers, drink long, frosty Collins, and take a lot of salt tablets, right?

Wrong.

Today's Health, the general circulation magazine of the American Medical Association, debunks in its current issue, a few of the closely-held myths and fallacies of heat-wave health care.

A lukewarm bath or shower will have longer lasting cooling benefits than a cold shower. Cold showers cause a warm afterglow as the body produces heat to compensate for the chilling.

The intake of alcohol can only lead to increased discomfort. Alcohol produces heat in the body and interferes with its heat control mechanisms.

Medical authorities advise against salt tablets, unless prescribed by a doctor. As a rule of thumb, an extra sprinkle or two from the salt shaker at mealtime is probably sufficient to restore an average person's summertime loss of salt.

# THE INSIDE NEWS

### AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

#### ACCOUNTING (General) -

The welcome mat was extended recently for JOHN BIL-LIS who transferred from Shops & Equipment, and for ED KULPIT who replaced TOM MARASOVICH as a file clerk. Tom transferred to the Treasury Department and we wish him the best of luck in his new position...JUNE NOREN spent a lovely ten-day Easter holiday this year visiting her nephew, his wife, and their little daughter in Riviera Beach, Florida. Among other recent vacationers were HAROLD BROWN who traveled to Athens, Greece, and BILL PAR-RILLO who returned to work with a beautiful tan after spending two very enjoyable weeks in the area of Los Angeles, California...Our sympathy is extended to CHU GOS-RISIRIKUL in the death of his brother; to LORRAINE FALK in the death of her sister, and to JOHN CANNON and his family in the death of his father-in-law.

#### (Payroll) -

Imagine how pleasantly surprised we were when MARY JANE HOSTETTER came in Monday morning, April 10, and announced that her name had been changed to Mrs. ROB-ERT JOHNSON. Of course we were thrilled, and immediately made plans to have a luncheon in her honor at the M&M Club on Friday, April 14. We were happy to have her daughter, Mrs. SUSAN CHESLEY, join us; also a former co-worker, Mrs. PATRICIA CAMP, who fortunately was able to secure a sitter that day for her adorable baby. After lunch, in the office, Mary Jane opened several beautifully wrapped gifts amid many "oh's" and "ah's." We extend our best wishes for much happiness to Mary Jane and Bob Johnson...JEANNE and JACQUELINE BIZIK, Revenue, the owners of J. & J. Arabians, are proud to announce a new arrival to their family of horses, the first of many, they hope. Born April 16 in the midst of a heavy storm, the filly was appropriately called "Mariah", whose mother is Fadrena, granddaughter of Fadjur, and the father is Mesala, the son of Sinbad. The new addition is a bay and they are hoping she will remain a bay, though most Arabian horses will change ... Speaking of new things, MARGE OR-GAN is now the proud owner of a bright yellow Pinto--a four-wheeled one, not four-legged. Happy motoring! .. It is so nice to have DORIS YOST back again after her knee surgery and we hope she will recover quickly and completely ... CHRISTINE CAMERON, MARY BLACKMORE, ROBBIE JONES and YVONNE ZAJAK all enjoyed their spring vacations in spite of the fact that the weatherman was slightly confused and occasionally turned on the snow faucet.

#### - Clara Lawrence

- Judy Cuci

#### **BEVERLY** -

Hi, first off let's get to the sick list. My co-reporter, TOM DANIELS, is confined to Little Company of Mary hospital. We wish you a speedy recovery, Tom. Also on the sick list are MacDONALD, HARRIS, H. JONES, WILSON, RAYBON and F. L. JONES. Get well soon, fellows...Operator GUS WRIGHT had a very busy weekend. He attended his nephew's first communion, then drove to the University of Wisconsin and picked up his son, STANLEY M. WRIGHT, and was back on Sunday morning to play softball...The Rosemoor patrol is really doing a good job. We have been instrumental in the apprehension of auto thieves, burglars, a rapist and numerous other things. Crime has dropped 12 per cent in the area since the patrol was started, but we still need more men...MARY L. DAVENPORT, the daughter of Operator McKINLEY DAVENPORT, was graduated from Mount Vernon Elementary school in June.

#### - Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

#### ELECTRICAL (Rapid Transit Signal Division) -

The Signal Department welcomes its newest addition, PAUL C. JANKOWSKI. He began as a signal helper in April of this year, and is now working with the good guys in the Signal Department's construction gang. Congratulations, Paul...Retired Signal Foreman THOMAS NOLTE was in the hospital and is now out again. His brief stay was only for a precautionary checkup. He's home doing fine and looking forward to meeting all the fellows at the next pension party...RICHARD VIETH is back from a minivacation trip to Pierre, South Dakota. We'll never know what happened, didn't happen or almost happened to him up there. He's not talking. Perhaps we could help him if he'd tell us about it ... It was wedding bells for DANNY HAM-MOND and PATRICIA RAGSDALE on April 22 at Grace Lutheran church in Westchester. No, I didn't ask Danny why he couldn't wait till June. Did you? As Danny and Patricia approached the altar their movement seemed to be in obedience to a force that was sweeping them away toward the inevitable. Even if they had forgotten everything else, they knew "this was the moment." HENRY GUERIERI was best man, while VICI DONONIA, who also caught the bridal bouquet, was maid of honor. The reception followed at Richards Banquet House in Berwyn. PAT DOYLE, FRANK BONK, JERRY GUTH and ROGER COMER were among the more than 200 guests that attended the wedding and reception. Before the evening subsided, Danny and Mrs. Hammond, clinging to each other (keep it up), were off on their honeymoon. They carried with them best wishes from both families and the entire Signal Department ... JOHN GAY appeared to be making up for lost time on his last vacation trip. His one week was packed full of excitement as he toured a portion of the Southland. It all began when he flew to Columbus, Georgia, by way of Atlanta. He was greeted at the airport by a six-car caravan of relatives and friends, among whom was his mother he hadn't seen in seven years, as well as several aunts he hadn't seen in 19 years. John's younger brother, CLAYTON, who was home on leave from the armed services prior to his leaving for Vietnam, also played a role in helping to keep John awake for a week. The two hadn't seen each other in over 13 years when they met at the airport. They became carborne and tried to see everyone within range as they toured the East Coast, taking in Savannah, Georgia, Jacksonville, Florida, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, then back up the coast to Brunswick, Georgia, the place John said he liked best, and on to Columbus again. This doesn't sound like the same John I know who, only a few months ago, found it

nearly impossible to move from one room to another because of a serious leg fracture...Look out Coho salmon! COY CAUSEY bought a boat and joined the other five wavemakers in the department. Coy's 18-footer with its 100 horsepower engine is not for fooling around. It's strictly for fishing...It is with deep regret that we report the death of OSCAR KITZ. Mr. Kitz, who was hired in March, 1912, spent considerable time in the Signal Department working as a gate repairman on the Ravenswood route. His retirement of August, 1949, climaxed over 37 years with the company. His death marked the end of a retirement that lasted 23 years. Our sincere condolences to his family in their bereavement...GEORGE WAGNER, blacksmith helper, is off from work sick. George, who has been sick for over a month, said he feels fine and expects to be back to work soon. Good luck, George ... RUSSEL J. ZAK passed away. He was the son of Retired Signal Maintainer CLARENCE ZAK. To the entire family we extend our sincere condolences...ART LUPESCU bought a new house, and what does he plan to put into it? So far, his only plans are to put Art into it. One thing at a time.

#### - Tommie Lowery

#### (General Office) -

MARIE HAVLIK and her sister, BERYL, flew to Nassau, and spent a delightful week at the Holiday Inn on beautiful Paradise island. Marie never fails to bring home some lovely, as well as useful, souvenirs that are much appreciated by her family and friends...Thanks to ED JURIC of the Schedule Department for giving us the latest scoop on ADOLPH KUTZ, retired estimator. The Jurics spent a few days visiting the Kutzes at their beautiful new mobile home in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Ed and Adolph played golf and also did some fishing. The catfish were biting and JULIE KUTZ did a great job of preparing them for dinner. JOHN UITZ and ED FOREMAN of the West Shops, and VIC ISE-MAN, retired, also of the West Shops, called on Adolph who says every day is Su Iday in Arkansas ... We extend our concolences to JACK SULLIVAN whose mother, Mrs. E. SUL-LIVAN, passed away recently ... Vacation time is almost here and we hope we will have a lot more news to report when everyone starts touring the countryside.

#### - Kay McAlister

#### (Chicago Avenue) -

With regret we report the passing of EDWARD CRAN-DALL, the father of Clerk DON CRANDALL. Mr. Crandall was a motorman at Limits Station and a ticket agent before his retirement in 1958. Our sincere condolences to his family ... CLARENCE MALOTTKE was in for a visit from Florida. He looked very good and was anxious to return there. I wonder if our weather had anything to do with it ?.. SYLVESTER DANECKE also dropped in for a visit ... TER-RY MCANDREWS became a father again. A son, ANTHONY TERRENCE, was born on April 16 weighing 7 pounds 12 ounces. I presume that mother, DOROTHY, is doing quite well, too ... MARY ROSE ANDRIACCHI and RICHARD VOLL-MAR were married on April 14. She is the daughter of JAMES ANDRIACCHI. For more information, ask Jim ... There will be some new faces around the office for awhile. VITO RACANELLI and BILL SHEAHAN are on vacation, and JOE STUDLEY and LUKE HOWE are the acting foremen...CHARLIE KASS didn't show up for work one day because he was in the hospital. They checked up on him, and I guess he still is a puzzle to them. Anyhow, he has now

returned to work...Last but not least, I am happy to report that my daughter, CAROLYN, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of her choice by Universal Oil Products company. She was very happy about this, and so were mom and dad.

- Ben Nielsen

#### (Blue Island) -

I received a card from Pensioner BRUNO CZANST-KOWSKI who is honeymooning in Arkansas. Needless to say, he is having a wonderful time enjoying the Ozark scenery ... Local 134's retirement dinner for CTA employees was held in March at the Diplomat. A good time was had by all... Our sympathy is extended to the family of AMOS SMITH who passed away in April...GEORGE UNWIN, lineman and former prize fighter, was honored at a retirement breakfast which turned into a knockdown, dragout fight. Promoter BOB BOOTH offered as George's opponent, Fearless FREDDIE DAMROW, who lasted about 30 seconds in the ring before his trainer, JOHN ZANE, threw in the towel. Celebrities among the more than 100 friends who surrounded the ring were: Pensioners J. MICHNICK. T. LANIGAN, A. GABLIN, C. PETERSON, M. BATTISTO, J. SKIRIS, E. BOYLE, W. YOCIUS, W. LOOS and W. SPITZOCK. Representatives from the local Athletic Club were R. SWINDEL and ZIGGY DOBOSIEWICZ. Local 9 was represented by G. SCHMITZ, NICK BURKARD and FRED HINCE. Insurance interests were represented by George's brother, BILL UNWIN. C. KNIEFFER and J. GILHOOLY, former CTA employees, came in to wish George a happy retirement. TOM KLUTH, a former opponent in the ring, was in George's corner giving him advice. George made out better in this fight than his first one. His first professional fight netted him \$4, and for this one he collected a \$100 savings bond. Cameraman for the instant replay was FRED LUNDE who shot the entire scene without film in the camera... The 26th annual dinner honoring our retiring personnel of the Electrical Department was held on May 5 at Ray Harrington's. The honored guests were: GILTON QUICK, SAMUEL GAFFEN, RALPH JOSSI, RAYMOND SIERS, JOHN FINLAY, WILLIAM HOOV-ER, ADOLPH KUTZ, ALFRED MARIANE, JOHN HOFF-ERT, WILLARD LOOS, WILLIAM SPITZOCK, BRUNO CZANSTKOWSKI, GEORGE UNWIN and THEODORE WYN-COTT. Retired guests in attendance, listed in the order that they joined the pensioners ranks, were: A. RADDATZ, J. A. BLOMBERG, A. DOYLE, D. GRIFFIN, J. M. MICH-NICK, E. BOYLE, C. W. WOLF, A. GABLIN, C. PETER-

THREE GENERATIONS of the FINLAY family include JOHN Sr., who recently retired from the Electrical Department; his son, JOHN Jr., a lieutenant at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, and his grandson, JOHN III, who was born March 30.



#### **INSIDE NEWS**



THIS HAPPY little fellow is one-year old DAVID A. JOGNIA, the son of DAVID and MAUREEN JOGNIA of San Bernardino, California, and the great-nephew of ANN M. GUSICH, Treasury Department.

SON, C. J. BUCK, J. BERNSTEIN, A. G. MORF, J. CON-NELLY, G. GRIFFIN, S. S. DANECKE, F. JONES, M. BATTISTO, A. McDERMOTT, W. YOCIUS, J. W. PARKS and J. DARCY. The committee was headed by hard working HAROLD A. COYNE, who really did a marvelous job. The food was excellent, the speeches short, and everyone had a very enjoyable evening.

- William Rehder

#### ENGINEERING -

A welcome back to RUSTY RUSAKIEWICZ who has been off sick...ANNETTE HEFTER and her husband, HARRY, took a trip to Israel and Italy. In Israel they visited Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and other cities, and in Italy they visited Rome and Florence. They had good weather and the sights were beautiful. For all well-planned vacations, some things seem to go wrong. Annette and Harry flew to Israel and their luggage flew to Amsterdam. They were without luggage for eight days. This gave Annette an excuse to buy some clothes over there ... The new face you see in Engineering is MICHELE ALEXANDER. Michele transferred to us from Property Accounting. Glad to have you with us, Michele ... ANDREW R. SCIABBANASI, the stepson of RUS-TY RUSAKIEWICZ, is stationed at Ubon, Thailand, as a crew member aboard a C130 gunship of the Air Force, flying missions over the Ho Chi Minh Trail in Vietnam ... MARY CATHERINE O'CONNOR, the daughter of JOSEPH O'CONNOR, was married on May 20 to DANIEL MCNAMEE at Little Flower church. Our congratulations to the bride and groom ... Our congratulations to ART RUDD who is now a rental agent.

#### (West Shops) -

Congratulations to Labor Foreman ROCKY FERRARA and Laborer ANTHONY RAIMONDI for 30 years' service with CTA...MITCHELL JEDNICK, carpenter, is very proud of his son, JEROME, formerly of North Avenue Station. Jerome entered the Navy in March and is now a petty officer in the field of electronics and computers...The welcome mat is out for JEAN REDD, secretary to Mr. MIL-LONAS. Jean is a charming young lady, loved by all, and on top of all that she is cute, too. Very happy to have you with us, Jean...Congratulations to VERNON KNIGHT who completed his apprenticeship January 28...In the baby department, Master KEVIN was born on March 7 to Mr. and Mrs.. DAN BADON. Dan is a laborer at West Shops. Miss CHRISTIANA was born on April 20 to Mr. and Mrs. CHRIS O'BRIEN. Chris is a carpenter at West Shops. Superintendent GEORGE MILLONAS is a proud grandfather. A baby girl was born to his eldest daughter in April. Congratulations to all you proud parents. Babies are wonderful...Friday, May 5, was the day for our annual retirement party which was held at the Peacock Room with 230 people in attendance. The food and refreshments were plentiful. The highlight of the evening was Mr. HALLAHAN's fivepiece band. They were superb, but I must tell you about the drummer. Words cannot describe this young man. He played those drums with his whole body and soul. All I can say is that we were very fortunate indeed to have this band play for us...Congratulations to FRED GARDNER on becoming a journeyman plumber. Thanks for the coffee and rolls, Fred.

- Darlene Jansen & Jennie Scott

#### FOREST GLEN -

Superintendent VIC JOHNSON is now back at work after being on the sick list for some time. Welcome back ... Operator TRYGVE BERG is bragging about the arrival of his 12th grandchild. His son, THOM, became a father for the first time when beautiful MICHELE ALICE was born on April 24. Grandfather, father and the mother, SHARON, are all doing fine. Of course Berg's chest is out another inch, and the cigars were going fast ... Operator ART WHIT-FIELD claims his wife lost 40 pounds, and now GRACE plans on putting a few extra pounds on Art. In case you like to play pool, Art is a pigeon (ha ha) ... Superintendent De-WITT was so proud of the safety record set by all the men at Forest Glen, he decided he could now relax out west for a few weeks. He knew his men would still keep up the good work. Enjoy your well-earned rest, Mr. DeWitt ... A belated but well-wished happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. PAUL BOETTIN who celebrated 30 years of happy life together on April 19. Their lovely daughter, JO ANN, who works in the Mart, says Daddy Paul was really going to live it up with the Mrs.--a big dinner and the works for the evening. By the way, don't ever listen to that big talking bird that the Boettins have, it will talk your head off. Anyway, I've found that Paul will really go a long way to help a friend. Many thanks, buddy ... Supervisor WALLY WENTZEL, Jefferson Park, and his child bride (who, by the way, is quite a bit younger than he), just turned in 35 years of togetherness on June 19. Wally plans on a big evening for the Mrs., a drive-in movie and dining at White Castle. No matter what it would be, we know Mrs. Wentzel will be happy. Did you notice that Wally had his hair cut? Boy! ... Superman and Superwoman, alias RON and JODY MICKELS, celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on May 18 ... Operator R. CLOAD and his wife are the proud parents of their first child born on April 13. She will answer to the name of LISA CORINNE. Mother is doing fine, but father is still a little wobbly...LeROY NELSON, better known as Poopsie, had straight A's for the month of April. First his birthday was on the 20th, second 22 years with CTA, and third, on the 26th his 33rd wedding anniversary. To top it off, his lovely young wife's name is ANN. What do you think he did? He took Ann to Michigan to try to pick asparagus. What a thrill that was for poor Mrs. Nelson... Happy to have JOHN MAHNKE back on the job. He certainly is looking fine. The new position does something for him ... Happy birthday to a very fine gentleman and friend, CHRIST PAN-TOS. Christ by the way is the captain of our CTA bowling team, sponsored by Forest Glen credit union, which took

first place this season with the aid of the finest: FRANK PARTIPILO, ANGELO PANTOS, AL POLOWCZYK and JOE POLOWCZYK, the son of Al...Mr. and Mrs. BASGALL celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on April 12. Basgall presented the lovely Mrs. with an organ. Seems as if Basgall wants to take music lessons... Happy birthday CLIFFORD LAST. Why did you let Mrs. LAST drive all the way to Florida, and not allow her enough money for a motel? Good thing Mrs. Last had the children to put up the tent at night ... Welcome to MURPHY at Forest Glen. Stay away from BARRON, those stories he tells are bad ... Recently STANLEY (Whitey) MIKA was put on a diet by his wife. One day Whitey had a can of sauerkraut for lunch. The men couldn't stand him eating the kraut while he drooled watching them eating sandwiches. The boys gave old Whitey a can of beans for lunch the next day, and now his diet has gone down the drain ... DARLENE WITKUS, the daughter of Operator BILL WITKUS, passed away on April 10. Our hearts go out to you. May God give you and Mrs. Witkus a hand to guide you through these troubled waters ... Pensioner LOU SCHOENFELDT lost his beloved wife on April 24...SPENCER have you been sick? We all miss your smile around the depot...Sergeant CARL L. WISINSKI, the son of Operator and Mrs. HENRY F. WISINSKI, served for 15 months in the 463rd OMS at Clark Air Base in the Philippines. He was sent to Vietnam twice on temporary duty. From the Philippines he was assigned to Dyess AFB, Texas, in the 347th Tactical Airlift Squadron as an aircraft mechanic.

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

#### GENERAL OFFICE (Treasury) -

The welcome mat was extended to GENEVIEVE BAG-GER, bond ledger clerk, who transferred from the Employment Department, and to Token Clerks MARK FITZ-PATRICK and TOM MARASOVICH who transferred from Revenue Accounting...We were glad to see ROBERT TUMA, clerk, back to work after a long siege of misfortune by doing a good deed shoveling snow. I guess, Robert, winter doesn't agree with you ... Treasurer C. H. GRUBE and his wife drove to Nebraska to visit with their daughter and had rain all the way. Looks like Mr. Grube brought some of that bad weather back with him to Chicago ... We would like to extend a belated welcome to JOE CASTRO, token clerk, who transferred from the Accounting Department in February. Sorry we missed you then. He recently returned from a trip to Spain and London where he had a delightful time. Joe is known as the "handsome kid" in the Treasury Department.

#### (Insurance) -

On Saturday, May 6, KATHY MURRAY, stenographer, became Mrs. ANTHONY MULIZIO and honeymooned in Jamaica... The welcome mat was extended to BETTY JO JACOBS, clerk-typist, who is temporarily working in the department...A correction is being made which was in error in the past issue on MARIE CRAWLEY's name. We had mentioned CROWLEY. Sorry about that...MARJORIE HOLMES, hospitalization clerk, flew to Acapulco for a week and experienced a bull fight which made her dreadfully sick. While there she bumped into "Big Murph" and her husband, RUDY, a bus operator at Forest Glen...On Saturday, June 10, CHRISTINE CARLSON, clerk-typist, became Mrs. RICHARD STERNBERG at St. Peter's Lutheran church in Schaumburg, Illinois. She was wed by her fatherin-law, Reverend JOHN R. STERNBERG, and an outdoor reception was held on the grounds. They honeymooned in Dallas, Texas, for a week where they attended a Christian Conference, and a week of camping in Colorado...JEANINE GERARD, clerk-typist, together with her girl friend, took a Greyhound bus tour in April to see the Cherry Blossom Festival, but instead, to their surprise, were met with snow and ice. Oh, well, there is always another time. Nothing like frozen cherries as they are not cheap either...ANTO-NIA (Toni) MISETIC, receptionist, and her husband, CHRIS, electrical worker at Skokie Shops, are on a two-week vacation touring Chicago and Wisconsin with her sister-in-law who came in from Toronto, Canada. A good time is being had by all.

#### (Personnel) -

DON RIESS and his wife spent a week on a Caribbean cruise visiting Trinidad, Venezuela, and St. Thomas with all the meals on the ship. It was a trip that they both will not forget...A bouncing baby girl was born on April 6 weighing 7 pounds 1 ounce to SUE HOLZMEISTER, formerly a stenographer. The baby was named DEANNA MARIE...Our sincere condolences to ERVIN HARRIS and his family in the recent death of his father, ERVIN Sr., on May 12. He was laid to rest at Restvale cemetery ... RAY FLEMING, after his discharge from the army, began his CTA career as a graduate trainee. His first tour of duty was at Forest Park Station where he qualified as a conductor, motorman, switchman and towerman. He also broke in as a clerk and a yard foreman. Ray is now permanently assigned as a training assistant in the department...JOE O'SULLIVAN and his wife spent spring vacation in the Smoky Mountains. Joe says the prettiest part of the trip was the scenery along the Blue Ridge parkway. Spring was in full bloom. While in Lexington, Kentucky, Joe and his wife stayed at the Continental Inn. The governor of Kentucky was there for a political rally...At this writing, KATHY FABRY was still off sick due to an operation. She is at home and doing very well. We are all looking forward to her return to work. PEGGY DUFFY is filling in for Kathy and doing a real good job ... ARTY G. HUBACZ, ET 3rd Class, the son of ARTHUR and BERNICE HUBACZ, came home from Waipahu, Hawaii, where he was stationed at the naval communication station. During his month home Arty was married on June 10 to Miss KAREN COBB of Hales Corners, Wisconsin. The happy couple will return to Hawaii for their honeymoon, as Arty's tour of duty there has two more years to run.

#### (Research & Planning) -

As of this writing, F.J. MISEK, supervisor of Research/ Planning, is on a lecture-study tour in Europe obtaining some once-in-a-lifetime advanced training as a participant of Carnegie-Mellon university's professional program in Urban Transportation. From the letters Frank has sent to us it sounds as though he's been keeping a very accelerated pace, moving from one city to another. We're looking forward to his return and sure that he'll have many interesting items to report ... GEORGE MACAK, BILL GOODWIN and MIKE DALEY have been doing some remodeling around their houses. George has a new side drive; Bill has a new patio and sidewalk, and Mike is diligently working on his porch. They are very proud of their work, and Bill and George are still arguing over who has the best reinforced cement work. Mike's not messing around with that stuff and is using all steel ... MARY ELLEN RUSS finally made the big decision and set her wedding date for November 19,



J. M. MARRON 43 Years



F. R. BJORNSON 42 Years



S. MATTES 46 Years



J. LEAHY 45 Years



S. M. BANALS 40 Years

# **NEW PENSIONERS**

JOINING THE ranks of the retired during May and June were the five employes pictured here who had 40 or more years of transit service each with CTA and its predecessor companies.

STANLEY M. BANALS, Janitor, West Section, Emp. 10-14-31 ALBERT J. BINSTOCK, Compositor, South Shops, Emp. 11-7-38 FRANKLIN R. BJORNSON, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 11-3-29 ARVID S. BRANDT, Schedule Clerk, Schedule & Traffic, Emp. 6-16-42 JOSEPH BUCARO, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 12-2-42 CHARLES S. BUZA, Shop Clerk IV, South Shops, Emp. 9-13-26 JOHN CALLAGHAN, Bus Repairer, Forest Glen, Emp. 7-10-43 ROBERT W. CHRISTIAN, Superintendent, Keeler, Emp. 10-15-29 MICHAEL CHUPICH, Bus Repairer, North Avenue, Emp. 3-13-43 JOHN COYLE, Operator, Archer, Emp. 6-24-37 RAYMOND C. DAVIDSON, Carpenter A, South Shops, Emp. 4-28-42 WILLARD A. DIETZ, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 8-31-36 JAMES H. DOWEY, Operator, North Park, Emp. 10-9-28 WILLIAM GILL, Janitor, West Section, Emp. 11-2-64 PAUL C. HANSEN, Janitor, Forest Glen, Emp. 10-12-36 STEPHEN G. HERMAN, Chauffeur, Util. & Emergency Service, Emp. 8-8-42 ELIOT L. HIRSCH, Training Director, Training & Public Safety, Emp. 6-7-35 ARTHUR HOFFMANN, Stock Clerk II, Stores, Emp. 10-8-47 CLARK V. JOHNSON, Supervisor, Schedule & Traffic, Emp. 1-29-34 JOHN E. JOHNSON, Craneman B, Stores, Emp. 12-14-36 MARY A. KLUMPP, Ticket Agent, South Section, Emp. 4-16-47

JACK KOVITZ, Operator, North Park, Emp. 10-30-45 FRANK V. LASKE, Operator, North Park, Emp. 5-13-41 JOHN LEAHY, Shopman II, Skokie Shops, Emp. 6-23-27 GEORGE J. LUKA, Operator, Limits, Emp. 3-17-44 HARRY J. LUKA, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 11-28-45 JAMES M. MARRON, Electrical Worker A, South Shops, Emp. 2-27-29 ZIGMANT MARTIN, Trolley Tender, Stores, Emp. 9-25-46 GEORGE J. MARTINSON, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 12-17-40 STEPHEN MATTES, Electrical Worker A, South Shops, Emp. 6-7-26 EDWARD McCALLUM, Operator, Kedzie, Emp. 8-29-45 THOMAS J. McGRANE, Ticket Agent, South Section, Emp. 11-10-36 FRED D. MURBARGER Jr., Chief Clerk, North Avenue, Emp. 10-15-26 DONALD T. MURPHY, Supervisor, South District, Emp. 2-28-44 ADOLPH M. OLSON, Carpenter A, South Shops, Emp. 3-31-42 JOHN PETER, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 2-11-48 ANTHONY J. POTERACKI, Bus Repairer, Keeler, Emp. 12-9-36 DANIEL RENO, Laborer, Engineering, Emp. 10-1-37 THOMAS O. SANSONE, Operator, North Park, Emp. 5-18-45 JAMES S. SCANLON, Operator. Kedzie, Emp. 8-19-42 BERNARD H. SCHOLZ, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 9-1-37 RICHARD STEPHENS, Operator, Limits, Emp. 5-13-42

LEO SWEIDEL, Trackman I, Engineering, Emp. 11-19-45 SAM TROMBINO, Carpenter A, South Shops, Emp. 2-9-42 JOSEPH J. TVRDIK, Superintendent, South Section, Emp. 5-22-37 GEORGE A. UNWIN, Lineman, Electrical, Emp. 4-6-39 GEORGE E. WAGNER, Blacksmith Helper, Electrical, Emp. 5-16-29 WALTER T. WOJEWODA, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 2-6-43 VERNON L. WOOD, Box Puller, 52nd Street, Emp. 10-1-42 DONALD H. WORCESTER, Supervisor, Electrical, Emp. 6-29-39 THEODORE WYNCOTT, B Electrician, Electrical, Emp. 8-15-45

1972. She's been busy running around making a great deal of preparations, and sounds as though she'll be too tired to say "yes" when November 19 rolls along. Happy wedding plans, MER ... CHARLEY DROZDA took his wife, MARGA-RET, out for a night on the town to celebrate her birthday on May 10. Charley and Margaret, along with their friends, danced to the music of the Dick Jurgens orchestra. Charley said it was a real swinging birthday party and his wife looks younger every year ... JOAN LISAGOR is driving around in her new green Vega. Joan received a lot of razzing from us because two days after she ordered her car, Chevy announced they were recalling Vegas. Joan's car is OK, though, and we know she'll have a lot of good luck with it ... TOM HENNINGSEN and his wife, MILDRED, vacationed in Seminole, Florida, where they visited with their daughter and son-in-law, CAROL and SAM, and grandchildren, ME-LISSA and DAVID. Tom said he saw JOHN WILLI, former motorman at Howard Street, while vacationing there and said "hello" to him from everyone. Tom said it was great to see the kids again ... MIKE DALEY and his wife, SALLY, who are members of the William Ferris Chorale, a choir group conducted by Chicago composer William Ferris, participated in a series of free concerts during the month of May. The group sang various a cappella works, and also featured for their program highlights the Motet from Psalm LI by Brahms, and the cantata, Out of Egypt, by William Ferris... To end the news, BILL GOODWIN, one of the "modest" souls of our department, says his fishing trip to Missouri is going to be a great success and promises a picture of himself with all the fish he's going to catch. We don't think he can even catch an old shoe, but we'll wait and see.

#### (Executive) -

FRAN KNAUTZ, assistant secretary to the Transit Board, is home from the hospital and well on his way to recovery. He wishes to thank his friends and co-workers who sent cards, flowers and messages which contributed to his recovery. We were told by the head nurse (on the QT) that the big card we sent had a room by itself and no charge would be made to his major medical plan.

#### - Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

#### KEELER -

Hi fellow "government" employees. Isn't it comforting to know that our great country leans so heavily on us for

#### DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

PRYDE C. FIELDS, Ticket Agent, South Section, Emp. 3-13-47 WILLIAM E. FORBRICH, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 12-10-40 LEONARD A. GALLE, Chauffeur, Blue Island, Emp. 5-22-45 HUBERT L. JONES, Janitor, Lawndale, Emp. 11-1-56 HAROLD N. KING, Operator, North Park, Emp. 1-9-47 MARY F. McDONOUGH, Stenographer, North Section, Emp. 10-1-46 LEROY SUTTON, Janitor, West Section, Emp. 9-11-52

its support? Doesn't it swell your heart with pride knowing that the powers that be realize that we taxpayers have what it takes--and do they take it ... Some more-pleasant examples of give and take are: The fourth wedding anniversary of Operator RODRIGUEZ and his lovely wife, NARCEDA-LIA, April 4. Operator GEORGE M. MILLER and his wife, EDITH, danced to the music of "Silver Threads Among the Gold." Well, at least the silver points up their 25th anniversary May 24. Here's hopes for a lot of loot for two nice people. Mechanic BILL PATTISON and his wife, MARY, are now hitting on nine cylinders as of May 30, and no tune-up is needed. Our good custodial technician, GEORGE LUENBERGER, and his wife, LORETTA, were guested by their sons to a trip to Plentywood Farms. It was mom and dad's 26th anniversary April 20, hence the trip sponsored by the boys. I can't fail to mention how nice a guy George is. He drove over and picked up our old friend, ZIELKE, and brought him to Keeler to visit with all his old buddies. Zielke has been very ill, and I know this was indeed a treat for him. Sorry I missed Zielke when he was here. I wanted to thank him personally for the nice long letter he sent me. But keep those old cards and letters coming in, Zielke ... Maybe I'm a bit biased, but one of my favorite supervisors, LEE OAKS, and his wife are taking a three-week second honeymoon. What isn't bled from them in Las Vegas, will be sweated out of them in California. I just found out that Lee's stepson, DON WILCOX, one of our garagemen, has negotiated a merger with MARGE ACKERMAN on May 13 ... This scribe will truly miss one of his staunchest fans--namely our just-retired station superintendent, R. W. CHRISTIAN. At the party given for Mr. Christian, a watch presented to him bears the inscription, "To a Great Guy-1972", very simply, but aptly expressed. Among the numerous guests at the party were: Superintendent of Operating Stations GEORGE RILEY, Assistant Superintendent of Operating Stations CARL GIBES, Superintendent of Instruction TOM STIGLIC, BOB QUETSCHKE, Division 241 Secretary-Treasurer JIM PATE and President WARREN SCHOLL, BILL LARSEN, Pensioners EL-MER RIEDEL, ED LOUGHRAN, GEORGE MAY, and STAN-LEY BITEL. Mr. Christian plans to spend most of his time in Sun City with such buddies as EARL PETERSON, JOHN JACOBY and KEN WILLIAMS. Boy, I can see many swinging years ahead for a well-deserving guy...Some fellows who added on another point toward retirement in May were: Operators VARGAS, McCLAIN, DUNKER, BECKER, and KUSEK, a new name to me. I will have to meet him as the name really intrigues me ... Birthday greetings to Op-

ARTY HUBACZ, ET 3rd Class, the son of BERNICE

and ART HUBACZ of

Training and Public Safety

Department, is presently

stationed at the naval communications center in

Waipahu, Hawaii.

erator HASSABALLI. Can't forget our box-puller, BEN ZENTMEYER, also a May baby. Ben's been seen in questionable company lately--he's been working with "WHITEY." Happy May greetings to DELARR, the wife of Operator L. HARPER. De, see that hubby gives me more particulars next year. Garageman RICK LEESON remembered that his wife, DIANE, had a birthday May 31, but was smart enough to forget which one ... I hope by the time this is in print Mechanic McCABE will be back on the active list ... The fellows in the garage are proud of their number two spot in the Surface Garage Competition. They emphasized that they are number two because of a percentage basis involving garage size ... We will be missing a familiar face in our garage when Repairman ANTHONY PO-TERACKI retires this month. Tony has spent the last  $35\frac{1}{2}$ years of service at Keeler. Lots of carefree retirement miles, Tony ... Before leaving for the sunny clime of Florida, Clerk J. WALTHIER gave me the name of our new acting superintendent. So, folks, say hello to Superintendent R. J. BAKER. Of course a few of the fellows have met Mr. Baker and informed me that he's made a believer out of them. For further information on this subject, speak to Operator PRESSWOOD. Two other operators who have been impressed by the new regime are LAWLOR, who has purchased new and stronger eyeglasses to eliminate the possibility of running hot, and then there's HAMPTON, who assumed the position of softball manager of our Keeler team. A good way to get on the good side of everyone. But to really play it safe in case he is a minute or two late in checking, Hampton has moved to Hammond, Indiana. Rumor has it that Hampton puts out his fishing pole early Monday morning on his way to work, and pulls it in Friday evening on his way home ... Instead of ending this column with my usual attempt at wit, I'd like to pay a small tribute to the many lovely ladies who share the title "Mother." God could not be everywhere, so he made mothers. A mother is the only person on earth who can divide her love among ten children and each child still have all her love ... Till next time, love.

- Ernest C. Carter

#### LAWNDALE -

A word of caution to all bus operators. The summer vacation for the Chicago public school system starts ten days earlier this year. So let's all be a little more on our P's & Q's and watch more carefully ... Well the month of April was a trying month for the men of Lawndale as we tried to beat our accident par of 18. We did fall one short, but we still did a splendid job in holding our accidents down. The hard work and extra effort from every man was indeed appreciated by Instructors JOE STEINBACH, DAVE HINMAN and JAMES FULLER, along with Superintendent JACK MORRIS and Assistant Superintendent FRANK VI-TEK... Operator J. P. McGARVEY just returned from the Mardi Gras in New Orleans. Mac checked on the local bus company and said that there was still one streetcar line there. McGarvey said he really enjoyed himself and was looking for a return visit next year...Superintendent JACK MORRIS, just back from a vacation, was supposed to bring back enough fish to feed the entire station. As of this writing no one has seen anything that resembles a fish. The nearest we can get to that fish is, "You should've seen the one that got away, it was a beauty.".. On May 2 Operator and Mrs. ED CELOVSKY celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary, accompanied by their daughter and son-in-law ...

On March 25 Operator TOMMY E. GUMBUS married the former Miss CAROL STEWART. Many years of happiness to Tommy and Carol...Our heartiest congratulations to Operator and Mrs. NAMON BROWN on the recent birth of their son, MARK ALFONSO, born on April 10. We understand that Mark acquired his name from a famous automobile, Mark III...Our sick this month include C. COBURN, who we see occasionally on crutches, G. BROWN Jr. who is recuperating at home now, TONY KASMAN who is also convalescing at home, P. A. MALFESE who is now home from the hospital, and J. L. NECHANICK and J. W. STA-HULAK who are also convalescing at home...It was indeed a pleasure not long ago to see smiling Operator JACK SMITH stop by. Jack was really looking very good and says hello to all that he didn't have a chance to see...Our softball team is nearing its first game of the season, and I hope that as many as possible can come out to see the games and support these men as they attempt to bring a championship to Lawndale Station. Members of the team this year are: JAMES BURRIS, BENNY ROGERS, RALPH WILLIAMS, MELVIN SANDERS, GEORGE REEVES, RONALD Mc-INTYRE, RONALD MCKNIGHT, ROSEY WRIGHT, JOHN HAWKINS, DONNY HOWARD, JOE JAMISON, GREG CROOM, JOHNNY KING, CHARLIE DAVIS, RONNIE JONES, OLLIE LENOIR, JAMES COLEMAN, JOHNNY COLEMAN, CHARLIE WAIR and WALTER WALKER Jr. Don't forget that we also have a bowling team that bowls each Tuesday night at the Cermak Bowl, 2645 W. Cermak Road at 8 p.m...Instructor JOE STEINBACH was kidding Instructor DAVE HINMAN about how his car never starts.4 This was really a laugh to Joe. So now I hear that the laughs have spread in the other direction. As Joe Steinbach was about to leave for his vacation, he found that his car wouldn't start. So it looks like Dave had the last laugh. .. Our congratulations are extended to Operator and Mrs. JAMES AUGUSTA who celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary on April 30. Repairman Scheduler and Mrs. JOHN WOJNICKI celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on May 3. Repairman and Mrs. MICK WEAVER celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary on April 19 ... Operator SAM HARDY just returned from a four-week vacation in the Windy City... Operator JAMES FEARS recently returned from a weekend in Alabama visiting his family ... Those birthdaying this month are: R. G. FRENETTE, F. LES-ZCZYNSKI, L. A. KRAHULA, A. L. TURNER, E. G. WHEAT, W. H. JACKSON, C. CARTER, A. WILSON, L. G. DAWKINS, R. CULLAR, R. L. HUGHES, J. C. JEFFERSON, D. BOWIE, L. L. CLEMONS, W. S. RICKS and W. A. EM-BRY... There was a wonderful turnout on April 9 at St.

Patrick's church for the Little Flower Society breakfast. Lawndale was indeed well represented with many pensioners there who we rarely see...Your station reporter is always looking for news and pictures to print in the magazine. So when you have something and you see me just give it to me, or write it out and leave it with the clerk...See you next month.

- James Marshall

#### LIMITS -

KANDY SPEERS, the daughter of Operator WILLIAM SPEERS, was united in marriage to Mr. ROBERT CIGRANG on April 29 at St. Sebastian church. A reception was held at Tommy's restaurant, 4256 N. Central for 150 guests. The happy couple honeymooned in Hawaii. Congratulations to this fine couple...Operator ROBERT APITZ was married to a pretty lass by the name of NORA on April 29 at Christ Community church. The reception was held at the Diplomat restaurant, Fullerton and Central Avenues. Congratulations!..JURES GRAUDINS and RONALD GEISHEIMER, the sons of Operators ILMAR GRAUDINS and LOU GEISHEIM-ER. received their master's degrees from Northeast Illinois university in May. Congratulations to these fine gentlemen... Operator RICHARD STEPHENS and his lovely wife, MARY ELLA, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on May 7. Congratulations to you both and may you have many years of health and happiness. Stephens retired on June 1, and he and his wife are planning to move to Las Vegas, Nevada... ERNEST BUCHWITZ, assistant treasurer of the Limits credit union, underwent surgery but is doing nicely and is well on the road to recovery...Collector ANTHONY CONOVA fell and broke a leg and will be off for some time. He is recovering nicely ... OTTO KLINE, who operates a night bus on Ashland Avenue, suffered a heart attack, and JOSEPH CLAY has been in the hospital for over a month. We wish both of these men a speedy recovery ... MARTHA MORALES, the wife of Night Foreman JAMIE MORALES, is now working in the Employment Office here at Limits Station. She reports that she likes her work and an also keep an eye on Jamie ... Coffee was served to all the men at Limits for keeping our vehicles and passenger accidents to a minimum. This made Instructors HENDER-SON and NORTON very happy...Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family of ELMER BALFANZ, former superintendent at Limits, who passed away at the age of 88. Pensioner JOSEPH SCHMIDT passed away; the stepfather of HOWARD HOEPPNER passed away, and the mother of Operator BEVELLE passed away. Our sincere sympathy to their families.

- R. S. Benson

#### LOOP -

Happy anniversary to CTA Board Chairman MICHAEL CAFFERTY who completed his first year with CTA in May. ..Agent BILL PFIEFFER and his wife celebrated their first anniversary on May 8. They celebrated the day with dinner and a show. They plan to fly to Hawaii in August, with a short stopoff in Los Angeles and San Francisco. Sounds like the Pfieffers are really enjoying married life and we hope they will continue to do so. Congratulations!..Oldtimer FRANK (Speed) MARTIN has returned from St. Petersburg, Florida, to spend the summer in our city. Frank says while in St. Pete he and his former motorman at the

old Armitage Depot, JAKE MROZ, attended a party celebrating the 60th wedding anniversary of another CTA pensioner, FRANK WILMAR and his wife, FRANCES. Speed is planning a visit to Lodi, Wisconsin, where his brother, ED MARTIN, and his two sisters reside. Ed did a lot of ice fishing this winter, and Speed can hardly wait to hear his tall fish stories ... Agent MARY VIDAS is marking off the days on the calendar and watching vacationtime get closer and closer. Mary says she is beat, worn out, and tired. Hold on, Mary ... Janitor CHARLIE RAJEWSKI has been on the sick list and greatly missed by the agents at Irving Park, Pulaski and Belmont on the Kennedy line. We all wish him a speedy recovery and are anxious to see him back on the job ... We are happy to say that MARY JO OHNE-SORGE, KATHERINE MCKENNY, and your co-reporter, MARY WIXTED, have recovered from their illness and are back on the job again. DOROTHY FORD is doing very well after eye surgery; also our happy, always-smiling agent, JUNE BAREKMAN, is recovering from eye surgery for the second time. Hurry back, June, we all miss you ... Foot Collector VERN NORSTROM hasn't been his smiling self lately. What's up, Vern--income tax? Get back with it ... Agent WILBUR STRASSER was hospitalized for a while but is back home now and recovering very well...Retired Agent STANLEY SLOWIK passed through Belmont Station on the Kennedy and asked us to give his best wishes to all his old friends at CTA. Stan looks great and is enjoying his retirement ... Retired Janitor LESLIE BYRNES is still asking his old friends to get in touch by mail or phone. He has been unable to walk about for almost a year, and time lays heavy. Contact Janitor MOORE, Lake Street, or SMITTY on the Kennedy for his number. We hope Loop Agent ANN CINCETTI is on the road to recovery after her stay at Presbyterian-St. Luke's hospital...Agent HATTIE ROHR has lost the pep in her step lately. We hope it is only because of the very bad cold she has been suffering from .... Many happy and safe miles on the road to Superintendent MICHAEL VELTRI, Jefferson Park, and his wife in their new Buick LeSabre ... Foot Collector ART SCOTT (the one with the big Pepsodent smile) celebrated his birthday with a group of good friends on April 27. A good time was had by all, but Art was tired the next day and glad it was his regular day off. Many happy returns to a really nice guy... Chief Clerk JOHN CAROLAN, Jefferson Park, is on vacation and we hope he has a wonderful time. John got off before we could get the details. We will try to get more news on his return...Once again we are losing a good agent to the assignment office. G. B. LOMAX has almost completed her training. We hate to see her go, but wish her the very best of luck in her new position. Don't forget us... Agent C. GAVIN is in training for an office job in the Mart. Best of luck to you, too...Our deepest sympathy to Congress Superintendent JAMES ROBERTS on the recent loss of his father. May he rest in peace... Your co-reporter, MILDRED DOYLE, was really excited on the day her four grandsons were graduated to the first grade. Now her oldest granddaughter, PATTY DEMPSEY, is entering first grade, and LINDA DOYLE, her youngest granddaughter, is entering kindergarten. That makes six down and two to go for our Millie. My how the years speed by. Mildred's co-reporter will go along with that ... NANCY WIXTED, the youngest daughter of MARY, was graduated from Mother Theodore Guerin High school in River Grove on May 31, the day after her 18th birthday. Congratulations to Nancy and all the graduates of our CTA people. May the road of life be paved with good luck, health and happiness and all your dreams come true...SHIRLEY B. WILLIS, the daughter of Agent



JUDY BONIFAY B. Bonifay Electrical



CYNTHIA IMBRAGUGLIO M. Imbraguglio Electrical

ALAN LEWIS N. Lewis South Shops



MICHAEL BURRIS H. Burris South Shops



THOMAS KALATA H. Kalata Beverly

SYLVESTER LOWERY T. Lowery Signal Division



NORA KARIOLICH A. Kariolich North Park

DARENE MAIDEN D. Maiden

South Shops





DOROTHY DuCREE K. DuCree Archer

RICH MAROSE W. Marose Electrical



ROBERT PAUS R. Paus South Shops



MARY RIGLER A. Rigler Electrical



NANCY TIMMERMAN W. Timmerman Electrical



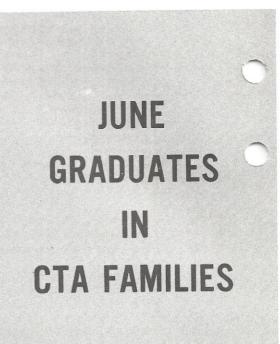
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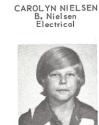


MARY GARRETT M. Garrett South Shops

KATHLEEN GRAYBIEL G. Graybiel Purchasing







GLENN PSZCZOLA S. Pszczola South Shops



JAMES STAUNTON W. Staunton Electrical



THERESA RADKE W. Radke South Shops



JOHN STAUNTON W. Staunton Electrical





THERESE SZATKOWSKI P. Szatkowski Electrical



PAULA ROSS G. Ross South Section



LITA TOOLIS J. Toolis Purchasing



ANITA SIEBERT J. Siebert Storeroom 51

RON TUCEK L. Tucek South Shops



KEVIN SIMMONS F. Simmons South Shops



PHYLLIS WEBB W. Webb South Shops



TOM HAGEN R. Hagen South Shops



KATHLEEN KOTARA C. Kotara Signal Division



KATHY MAZUREK S. Mazurek South Shops



KAL CETERSON O. Peterson South Shops



SANDRA SIMPSON J. Simpson Storeroom 61



WILLIAM WEBB W. Webb South Shops



REJEANA HARRIS D. Harris North Section



NANCY KUCHAN M. Kuchan South Shops



CAROL McBRIDE J. McBride Schedule-Traffic



SYBIL POELLNITZ R. Poellnitz Utility



KAREN SLUZINSKI S. Sluzinski South Shops



NANCY WIXTED M. Wixted Loop



CAROLYN HOWE L. Howe Electrical



LEONARD LANDOR O. Landor South Shops



ROBERT McCARTHY R. McCarthy Purchasing



DONALD POWELL D. Powell Storeroom 32



TONY SPEARS W. Spears South Section



VALERIE WOODS I. Woods South Shops

EFFIE ALEXANDER, was graduated from Arkansas State college on May 12. Shirley has decided to make nursing her career and will spend two years in training at St. Bernard's hospital in Arkansas. Good luck...Agent CHES-TER GAVIN has rated himself CTA agent of the year. Says Ches, "I really feel that I'm such a good agent I should be rewarded. A trip to Hawaii all expenses paid would be nice." Chester, how humble can you get? Such modesty... In closing we would like to say happy vacationtime to all of you. Let us in on the details, please. In the meantime, keep smiling.

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wixted

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

Well it's that time of year again with everyone preparing for their vacations. We hope everyone enjoys their vacation and got what they wanted ... Former Board Member ALEX MUSCATO and his wife celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary on June 1. Congratulations to this wonderful couple. They were up from Florida last June, but had to leave as Alex became ill. He had had a heart attack about two years ago ... Agent JOHN TAYLOR, Irving Park, took his five-week vacation on May 21 and went to San Antonio, Texas. He is getting his home ready for when he retires on July 1. We all wish him a long and healthy retirement...E. WILLIAMS will travel to Delland, Florida, on June 18 to visit his family after nine years...Our sincere condolences to the families of GEORGE REZMER whose father passed away; FRED FRIEB who lost his aunt; Pensioned Agent ARLENE SWANSON in the loss of her son, JIMMY, and KATHLEEN McKENNY in the loss of her sister, EILEEN BARAGLIA... We are happy to see MARY WIXTED, SUE MATHEWS, GERALDINE BYRD, KATH-LEEN MCKENNY and MYRTLE APITZ back to work after their recent illnesses...I heard via the grapevine that ED-WARD MITCHELL and his wife went out on the town to celebrate his promotion as relief station superintendent, and had a good time ... Everyone at the assignment office thought it was funny when KAREN DOMINO told them she left the water running and her apartment flooded and the apartment below her, until she received the bill from the real estate company. Now they are feeling sorry for her ... Your coreporter, GRACE MOUNTS, and her husband celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary on May 2. Grace celebrated her 13th anniversary with CTA on May 23 by going to the Tulip Festival in Holland, Michigan, and also visited her sisters there...Congratulations to BILL PFEIFFER and his wife who celebrated their first wedding anniversary on May 8... We were sorry to hear that BETTY RUSSO's mother was ill and had to be hospitalized. We hope she has a speedy recovery ... We are happy to have GABE BARNES back with us after serving in the army ... We are happy to see Janitor FRANK CULL, Jefferson Park, back to work after spending two weeks in the hospital from a beating he received when he was robbed. We sure missed him ... Happy birthday and anniversary day to all who had theirs in the month of May.

#### - Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

#### NORTH AVENUE -

Operator EDWARD GUNDLACH and his wife, MARGA-RET, became the proud grandparents of a 2 pound 13 ounce baby boy born to their daughter, MARSHA GRILLO. Ed and Margaret will celebrate their 32nd wedding anniversary on July 6. Ed will celebrate his 39th(?) birthday July 15...Operator NORMAN GNADT and his better half, LORRAINE, are also happy grandparents. They welcomed their tenth grandchild, TERRENCE, who was born on April 10 weighing  $9\frac{1}{2}$  pounds. That makes seven boys and three girls...Operator AARON AMOS and his spouse, CATALINA, celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary on April 5. By way of a celebration, they are planning a South American vacation ... Clerk BILL MIEDEMA, Forest Glen, and his wife, JACKIE, will celebrate their June 4 wedding anniversary, and Bill's June 2 birthday with a trip down Dixie way ... We were very happy to receive an invitation to the golden wedding celebration of our old and dear friend, Pensioner BERNARD CALLAHAN and his Mrs. On June 11 they will renew their vows in a service at St. Cornelius church followed by a dinner-dance reception at Sokol Community Center. May God bless them and give them many more years together ... Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER of Archer was the "papa of the bride" on April 30 when his daughter, KATHLEEN, was wed to JOHN LABAHN at St. John's Lutheran church. The couple spent their honeymoon at Miami and Fort Lauderdale, Florida...South Shops Bus Dispatcher WILLIAM KOSEK and his spouse, STELLA, announced the marriage of their son, KENNETH, to NADINE MORTALL on April 29. Bill plans to spend his three-week vacation at Lake Hamilton, Hot Springs, Arkansas... Supervisor WILLIAM YOUNGLOVE and his wife, MARIE, and daughter, EILEEN, are flying to England, Ireland, and other distant places for vacation ... Bus Serviceman JIM RENTSCHLER, North Park, vacationed in Florida. Bus Serviceman EDWARD DOWL-ING. North Avenue, enjoyed a vacation ... We are sorry to report that KATHERINE RICHARDSON, the wife of Operator J. RICHARDSON, is seriously ill in the intensive care unit of Walther Memorial hospital. We hope that by the time you read this she will be well on the road to recovery. .. Operator JOE ROCHOWIAK has been on the sick list ... Operator RALPH POTTS, Kedzie, was in Oak Park hospital...Pensioner AL HERMAN says hello to all the gang. He spends his spare time at Portage Park Moose lodge ... Courtesy Caravan Club members for February are: B. MURPHY, exceptional courtesy, A. VALENTIN, L. WEA-VER (2), H. FIELDS, R. MONTGOMERY, M. SEXTON, and W. GREGORY who also received awards for exceptional courtesy. Good work, men! .. Relief Telephone Operator EDWARD MAKOWSKI passed away April 19. Instructor EUGENE DIEDEN lost his mother-in-law, MAY RAY-FIELD, on April 15. "There our loved ones dwelleth while eternal ages roll, land of love and beauty, homeland of the soul." We extend our deepest sympathy to these families ... Now to the letters from our pensioners. LARS PEARSON is awaiting the warmer weather when crappie fishing starts. He says fishing on the river is always good but the lake is slow. He and his better half, ANNA, send a hello to all. Pensioner NEIL COTTER, Kedzie, is getting settled and is happy in his new home at 517 East Cook street, Portage, Wisconsin 53901. I'm sure letters will be welcome...By the time you read this I should be settled in my new home at 3900 North Pacific avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60634. I have been sorting, packing, and throwing away things I've accumulated over the 32 years I've lived at the old address. Much of it I don't know why I kept, but I'm sure I had a reason at the time.

From The Inner Sanctum: A great big HELLO to everyone! Sorry folks, but the "twin" announcement we promised you has turned out to be a "single." On March 31, SuTHIS LOVELY young lady is CARMELLA SPIZZIRRI, the daughter of Carpenter SAM SPIZZIRRI, West Shops, who was one of the ten finalists in the 41st annual ''Hello Charley'' contest at Western Electric's Hawthorne Works.



pervisor LAWRENCE OOMENS and his wife, ARLETTE, became the proud parents of SEAN ARTHUR (now that's a good middle name) who weighed in at an even 8 pounds. He has an older brother, LARRY, so that means that Arlette now has three men around the house ... A couple who walked down the aisle to the tune of the wedding march was DON WILCOX and MARGE ACKERLUND on May 13. Don is the stepson of Supervisor LEE OAK. It wasn't long after the wedding that Lee and his wife, CONNIE, took off on a second honeymoon to California and Las Vegas. They may not come back with their pockets jingling, but they can say they traveled in style--an air-conditioned Caddie, no less. By the way, Don is a serviceman at Keeler Station ... Operator RAY (Motorman) ZIELINSKI and his wife, ADELINE, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on May 2. Sure hope you didn't take her to Union for a ride on streetcar 144! Other anniversaries are: Supervisor ED WOJDYLA and his better half, 26 years, and Instructor ED JURZCAK and his wife, who celebrated their 35th with about 150 friends and relatives, but do you know that was last January 23. Sure glad you told us about it before your next one came along ... Another wedding that took place on April 21 was that of Operator L. JACKSON. He claims he spent the next day painting their new pad...Supervisor JIM DOHONEY spent a very colorful vacation recently. His wife picked out the colors and he did the painting of their new home. We wish you a lot of luck in your new abode and welcome you to the "Home Owners Club." .. Supervisor LESLIE PEASE and his wife recently became the neighbors of Operator RUDY NEURAUTER of Forest Glen, and his wife EILEEN. She's that real swell gal down in Public Information...We're going to miss two of our better custodians, JOHN (Maverick) MARACEK and JOHN NOLAN, when they go to the school and Limits Station, respectively. With Maracek gone it's going to be awfully, awfully quiet. Good luck to both of you. By now we hope that Nolan is up and around again after having been on the sick list ... Supervisors ED HOFF and OWEN BOOTHROYD are mighty happy being in District "C". They came here from District "D". By now we should be able to pick some of those vegetables that Owen planted in his yard in the spring ... Operator AL JACQUES has fully recovered from his recent illness. This must be from the good nursing he received from his wife, ELEANOR. That gal's eyes just sparkle whenever she's with Al...We sure had some great birthday cakes around the office recently, thanks to the following fellows: F. PASCHE, E. KOCIENSKI, F. MURBARGER, and E. JUR-ZCAK. We didn't get any goodies, but congratulations to

Supervisor MIKE LYONS of Central District ... That new information clerk in the General Office is none other than LOU TROKEN of Forest Glen... Two recent retirees were Superintendent ROBERT CHRISTIAN, Keeler, and our own chief clerk, FRED MURBARGER. Good luck to both of you, and it goes without saying, that our office just won't be the same without Fred being around ... There's only one difference in the new cars that Superintendent ART TABEL and Clerk AL ROHDE have. Al's has an "automatic pilot"--Chicago to Elkhorn, Wisconsin...Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the families of Switchboard Operator ED MAK-OWSKI and Pensioner S. CAROLAN. Also to Clerk ED WITEK in the death of his father-in-law, District Superintendent VIC LAULETTA in the loss of his brother, and to Supervisor JOHN HOFF whose mother-in-law, ELIZABETH CARR, passed away... My wife and I are very disappointed that we didn't get to baby sit with Clerk TOM HICKEY's grandson. We sure would have enjoyed it, although he would have been spoiled rotten by the time his mom and dad got him back again. Sure hope they were successful in finding a new place to live in Rochester, New York ... See you all purty soon!

#### - William Miedema & Walter Blix

#### NORTH PARK -

Coffee and rolls were served on Wednesday, April 12, when North Park personnel received a safety plaque for their part in making 1971 CTA's safest year ever. Superintendents JOHNSON, BRODD and PARNUM, along with our fine instruction force, thank everyone for their continued efforts to better our safe driving record ... Remember the date--Monday, July 17. The event is the annual Division 241 golf day at St. Andrew's Golf Club. Golf, dinner and prizes for all are on the agenda, so make your reservations now for this big day ... Pensioner LE ROY PEDERSEN and his wife, BERNICE, vacationed in Florida and Nassau. Highlights of the trip were visits to Disney World, fishing off Key West, and a stop at the home of Le Roy's sister in North Carolina ... LARRY SHIELDS, former North Park operator now working in the Mart, and his wife, GRAYCE, enjoyed their annual vacation in Florida where they visited with their many friends and renewed old acquaintances ... Pensioner WALTER LINDEMAN and his wife, ELEANOR, have moved from the area of Antioch, Illinois, and are now living in Florida. Walter's new address is: Rt. A2-C-20, Dunnellon, Florida 32630, phone number (904) 489-4037. Walter and Eleanor invite their many friends to stop by and enjoy a visit with them ... Pensioner AL REMACK and his wife, DOROTHY, are on the go again. This time they are vacationing in Mexico, visiting Guadlajara, Guanajuato, Morelia, San Jose, Purna, Taxco, Acapulco, Mexico City and taking a flight to Merida. The Remacks are one of our many fine pension families who are traveling and enjoying life to the hilt ... Pensioner GEORGE VOIGHT and his wife, BEA, who are residing in Arizona, were recent visitors in Chicago. They saw George's daughter, Mrs. DEANNA KLUGE of Highland Park. George spent a few hours at the depot and was a busy bee greeting his many friends ... Pensioner ELMER KNUDSON was a recent visitor at North Park and reports that he was in an automobile accident which left him with a permanent disability to his left leg ... The daughters of Operator ROGER AYOTTE and his wife, HELEN, competed in the 32nd Illinois Associated Band Activities contest held March 19 and 20 at the Arlington Park hotel. DEBORAH, age 12, won third place at the piano and

first place at the organ; MONICA, age eight, won a second place trophy at the organ... Operator DAVID BENSON and his wife, JACQUELINE, have purchased a new home at 4435 N. Avers Avenue, and moved in on June 1. David, whose father, ROBERT, is the Transit News reporter at Limits Station, will announce the date for the open house soon ... Your reporter, MELVIN HORNING, and his wife, VIOLET. have a new address--5462 N. Natoma Avenue--as of June 1. I will appreciate any cards or letters at the new address... Operator HAROLD JULITZ and his wife, ANN, became grandparents twice within three weeks when their son, BRUCE, and his wife, SHIRLEY, became parents of a daughter named CHRISTINE LYNN, born February 21 at Resurrection hospital weighing 6 pounds 13 ounces. Their other son, RICHARD, and his wife, PATRICIA, became parents of a daughter named DAWN MARIE born March 14, weighing 8 pounds 13 ounces, also at Resurrection...Operator ELI PESTINE and his wife, RUTH, became grandparents for the fourth time when their son, HARVEY, and his wife, GAIL, became parents of a daughter, CARRIE ROB-YN, born on April 14 at Skokie Valley hospital weighing 7 pounds 8 ounces. Carrie is their second child ... Operator HAROLD DOWEY retired on May 1 after 43 years of service with the Motor Coach and CTA. Harold, who was the darling of the Lunt-Touhy passengers, is going to relax and do the many things that he has never had time to do before. .. Operator TOM SANSONE retired on May 1 after 27 years of service. Tom and his wife are now thinking of moving to that home on Route 65 in Missouri where he can fish, hunt and raise his beautiful poodles.

Repair Department Chit Chat: NORA KARIOLICH, the daughter of Assistant Foreman ANDY KARIOLICH, who was graduated in the first ten of her class at Butler university in Indianapolis, Indiana, will marry RICHARD ACK-ERT in St. Peter's Catholic church in Skokie on June 24. The reception will be held at the Glenview Country House. The young couple will reside in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where Richard is a medical student...Mrs. TESS SIBLEY, the wife of Repairman FRANK SIBLEY, was hospitalized at North Lake hospital in Melrose Park, Illinois, for foot surgery. At this writing she is convalescing satisfactorily ... Foreman PHIL O'CONNOR wishes to thank his personnel for their cooperation in winning the first quarter award in the safety contest. Coffee and rolls were served on May 9 for the occasion...Repairman PAUL SCHREVES was presented with an autographed bat by BILL MELTON of the White Sox at a banquet attended by the White Sox players...On vacations at this time are Repairmen GENE BRACH, FRANK SCHENDL, FRANK SIBLEY and PAUL SCHREVES, and Servicemen BILL STAUNTON and ED-WARD OLENDER ... The welcome mat is extended to Repairman J. PECORARO and Servicemen J. HOTTAT and R. NIXON ... BOB VANDENMIER Jr. is a bus repairman trainee...Sympathy and condolences of the garage are extended to GARY WITKUS in the loss of his sister, Miss DARLENE WITKUS, and to the family of Pensioner CHARLES WINZ-ENHOLLER. Our sympathy and condolences to Operator SAM POSNER in the loss of his brother, LESTER...Happy anniversaries are extended to: Pensioner BEN GEACH and his wife, RUTH, their 41st; Pensioner JOE GRASSL and his wife, FLORENCE, their 50th; LARRY SHIELDS and his wife, GRAYCE, their 34th; Bus Handler JIM RENTSCH-LER and his wife, HAZEL, their 32nd; Operator BERNIE KONIARSKI and his wife, GERTRUDE, their 25th; Operator MARVIN SALMANOFF and his wife, ETHELYN, their 7th; Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, their 27th; Supervisor RON MICKELS and his wife, JOANN, their 15th, and Operator CHARLES SAUER and his wife, DESELLE, their 22nd...Happy birthdays are extended to: Pensioners LOUIS SCHWARTZ and JOE EIFFES, Operators LE ROY CONKLIN, HAROLD JULITZ, TEX RHIMES, SAM POSNER and ADOLPH JENDRYZKI, DAN KAZAR, ETHEL POSNER, MARTIN STERN, BETHEL KIRKWOOD, ROSALEEN DO-LAN, HEIDI PESTINE, BETH MILSPEIN, VIOLET HORN-ING, DANIEL KALATA and Operator CHESTER OLENSKI.

- Melvin Horning

#### NORTH SECTION -

Congratulations to Motorman RICHARD WHITE and his wife, DORA, on the birth of their first baby, a boy named DESMOND ANDRE. The little fellow weighed in at 8 pounds 1 ounce...Motorman JOHN ANDERSON had a week's vacation which started April 30, and John said he was just going to sit around and do nothing but get in the way at home. On June 2, John and his wife celebrated their 38th year of marriage. Congratulations to them both, and may they have many more years of happiness ... Congratulations to Superintendent BILL LIMANOWSKI and his wife, JEAN, on their 25th wedding anniversary. Their children had a surprise celebration party for them. Their son, RICHARD, will graduate on June 27 from Quigley North, and will attend Circle Campus in the fall...Clerk RIC LANGLOIS and his family enjoyed a week's vacation touring Southern Illinois, taking in the sights on the Lincoln Trail, visiting the Tomb, the State Capitol, Dixon Mounds Indian Excavations, and Mark Twain's homestead in Hannibal, Missouri, driving along the river road to Galena, Illinois ... Farewell and best wishes to FLORENCE McDONOUGH on her retirement from CTA as secretary-typist at the Howard Street office. May she have many years of retirement happiness. Congratulations to MARY GALLON who replaced Florence as the new secretary-typist ... Welcome back to Student Agent CLIFF HINTON. Cliff was formerly a student agent on the West Side before leaving to serve in the U.S. Army. After his discharge he resumed his education and is now a North Side agent. Also, welcome to JOHN CASEY. John retired from the police force and found idleness not to his liking. We also welcome LINDA LINDSEY, MIKE SLOAN, and RAY SCHILD. Mike's aunt works in the Accounting Department. .. Agent ED PLATH is still on the sick list. MARY DONO-HUE has returned to work. Agent DORIS BARTHEN is still on the sick list and is now out of the hospital and recuperating at home ... Agent MINNA KING was in St. Petersburg, Florida, to visit her parents. While she was there, her aunt and uncle flew in from Denmark, and returned to Chicago and will visit with Minna...Birthday greetings to the following: Agents HELEN HANSEN, SAL SCURTI, CHAR-LIE MAE GRIFFIN, SARA SIMMONS, BETTY FIFE, LOLA DuCREE, DOROTHY MILLONETTO and ROSE McAN-DREWS. Your scribe also put another candle on the cake. Birthday greetings also to Janitors THOMAS CAMERON and JOHN BONNER.

- Tina Henke

#### PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

Summertime is approaching, and many of you are probably making plans for your vacations. We hope that all of you have funfilled, safe vacations. When you return give us the details so that everyone can share in the good times you

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had ... Now With The News! A big hello is extended to JOAN THOMAS, Stores, who is back with us. Welcome back, Joan... Congratulations are in order for the following: PRISCILLA KAMRADT, Stores, whose husband, LEN, was graduated from the Tool and Die Institute on May 15; LITA SUSAN TOOLIS, the daughter of JIM TOOLIS, Purchasing, who was graduated from St. Ethelreda Grammar school. Lita will attend Queen of Peace High school in September. NANCY SIEJA, the daughter of BILL SIEJA, Stores, who became a National Honor Society member at Thornton Fractional North High school where she is a junior. Bill also tells us that his son, GREG, received a superior medal in the School District 215 music contest. Greg plays the clarinet. SANDRA L. SIMPSON, the daughter of JOSEPH F. SIMPSON, stock clerk I, who was graduated from Mount Holyoke college on May 28. Sandra will be the Class of '72 representative and present the state of the college address during commencement week. Sandra plans to attend Northwestern university law school in the fall. She eventually plans to practice in Chicago. GABRIELLE SUSAN POW-ELL, the daughter of DON POWELL, Stores, has taken her first steps at the age of eight months, and ANITA SIEBERT, the daughter of JOHN SIEBERT, Stores, who was graduated from Maria High school. Congratulations to all of you! .. ART HOFFMAN and ZIGMANT (Ziggy) MARTIN retired on May 1 from the Stores Department. After 26 years of service, Ziggy was presented a gift by his co-workers, and after 25 years of service Art also received a gift from his fellow workers. A long, happy and healthy retirement is wished to both of you ... DENNIS KUHN, Stores, spent a twoweek vacation in Las Vegas. While there he saw all the sights including the shows and the girls. The rest of the time he was spending his money at the gambling tables ... HANK BRANDENBURG bought a new 1972 Ford Grand Torino during his vacation ... A warm welcome to South Shops is extended to RICHARD WEATHERSBY from Storeroom 42 and JAMES RILEY. Both are stock clerk I's.

- Cecilia Trucco & John Gill

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

BRUNO and STELLA GORSKI celebrated their 27th wedding anniversary by flying to Puerto Rico with their daughter, LYNDA. After spending seven days in San Juan, they went to St. Thomas for one day. Bruno said he couldn't afford to stay there more than one day because of all the shopping his wife and daughter did. The temperature ranged between 72 and 92 degrees every day. They had a wonderful time ... RAY DAGENAIS and his wife, SYLVIA, drove to Arizona and Las Vegas for their vacation. While in Arizona they visited with MARY ROACH, EARL PETER-SON, JAKE JACOBY, KEN WILLIAMS and JOE GASKI. They also met District Superintendent EDWARD NOVAK and his wife, MARGARET, and all the vacationers got together for dinner. It was on to Las Vegas for a few days of fun, entertainment and being able to break about even. The weather was beautiful and they had a good time ... CARL LARSEN and his wife drove to Sarasota, Florida, and then went down to Fort Lauderdale. They took life easy, relaxed in the sun and enjoyed the beautiful weather. On the way home they stopped at Disney World to take in the sights. They also stopped at Indianapolis, where Carl said he drove around the track ... Your scribe, COLETTE, flew to Florida for a vacation of relaxation. Needless to say, I stayed at the little white house of JACK and WANDA KRAUSE in North Miami. I spent a lot of time with friends

#### RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYES

PETER A. BEREN, 72, 69th Street, Emp. 11-2-26, Died 3-4-72 ROBERT L. BURNS, 42, 52nd Street, Emp. 3-19-53, Died 7-6-71 JOHN A. CARLSON, 75, 69th Street, Emp. 6-12-29, Died 3-7-72 BERNARD J. COGAN, 64, 77th Street, Emp. 10-31-33, Died 3-15-72 MILES D. COLEMAN, 73, Forest Glen, Emp. 8-13-21, Died 3-3-72 GAETANO COLLURA, 82, Way & Structures, Emp. 5-17-26, Died 3-21-72 BEN CUTRERA, 66, Stores, Emp. 5-24-41, Died 3-17-72 RICHARD A. DAVIS, 81, Way & Structures, Emp. 2-5-26, Died 3-9-72 HENRY DILLON, 84, District C, Emp. 3-6-13, Died 3-8-72 LEO E. DREYER, 68, Skokie Shops, Emp. 8-10-42, Died 3-4-72 JAMES A. FELZ, 76, North Avenue, Emp. 3-8-23, Died 3-22-72 EUGENE S. GASKIN, 69, Forest Glen, Emp. 10-17-27, Died 3-2-72 ALBERT J. GLUECKERT, 65, Medical, Emp. 11-1-33, Died 3-9-72 EDWARD J. GONET, 59, Kedzie, Emp. 6-29-45, Died 5-14-72 HERMAN E. JAMES, 67, Research/Planning, Emp. 10-20-33, Died 4-2-72 SIXTON L. JOHNSON, 81, 77th Street, Emp. 4-8-15, Died 3-23-72 WILLIAM JORDAN, 86, Cottage Grove, Emp. 7-13-23, Died 2-3-72 WALTER H. KERBS, 63, Archer, Emp. 1-3-44, Died 3-9-72 DIMITRIOS KIRDUSIS, 85, Archer, Emp. 1-19-23, Died 11-22-71 CLIFFORD H. KNOESS, 81, Devon, Emp. 2-21-13, Died 3-30-72 JOHN W. LARKIN, 59, Schedule & Traffic, Emp. 3-29-48, Died 5-15-72 GRACE LEBEL, 75, West Section, Emp. 5-17-43, Died 3-31-72 JAMES J. LOUGHRAN, 75, Devon, Emp. 6-22-25, Died 2-12-72 PHILIP LUCAS, 67, West Section, Emp. 1-19-27, Died 3-5-72

and even met LILLIAN and GEORGE PELLICORE and ART and AUDREY STAHL. We went to a lot of nice places for dinner, and of course, wouldn't miss going to the Viking restaurant for an evening of dancing. The weather was ideal as the temperature was in the mid 80's. The swimming was great, but the fishing even greater. I caught some nice fish, but the most excitement came when I hooked a sailfish. I didn't bring it in, but I'm coming closer to getting one. All in all it was a wonderful vacation, but much too short. Will I go back and try to get that sailfish? Definitely! So keep my room ready... On May 3, JAMES and ANN BLAA celebrated their silver wedding anniversary. Mass was said for them on May 6, the same day they had a party at their home which was attended by many of their friends and relatives. It looked like wall to wall EDWARD MAKOWSKI, 46, North Avenue, Emp. 1-16-58, Died 4-19-72 MATHIAS M. MATTES, 80, West Section, Emp. 3-21-44. Died 3-7-72 DENNIS McGRATH, 73, Construction & Maint., Emp. 10-17-30, Died 3-18-72 ERVIN MORRENZIN, 57, West Section, Emp. 2-24-48, Died 3-17-72 CHARLES J. MULBRANDON, 65, Electrical, Emp. 12-14-42, Died 3-8-72 FRANK J. MUNDT, 77, North Avenue, Emp. 7-28-27, Died 3-25-72 JOHN J. MURPHY, 80, 77th Street, Emp. 12-28-18, Died 3-22-72 PATRICK J. NAGLE, 77, 69th Street, Emp. 10-24-22, Died 3-6-72 CHARLES R. POTTER, 71, Way & Structures, Emp. 2-12-30, Died 4-1-72 JOHN PROVENZA, 62, South Shops, Emp. 4-5-43, Died 5-11-72 WILLIAM RISINGER, 73, North Section, Emp. 10-11-45, Died 3-18-72 JOSEPH G. ROSS, 87, North Avenue, Emp. 7-9-18, Died 3-13-72 JOSEPH A. ROSSBACH, 63, District A, Emp. 1-27-34, Died 3-28-72 STANLEY J. SHUMOWSKY, 75, Skokie Shops, Emp. 4-9-18, Died 3-4-72 SARA H. SIMMONS, 77, West Section, Emp. 1-4-27, Died 3-26-72 FRED R. STOEHRMAN, 66, Kimball, Emp. 5-5-26, Died 3-8-72 FRANCIS STRUNK, 82, 69th Street, Emp. 4-2-18, Died 3-18-72 CLAUS TREDE, 86, 77th Street, Emp. 10-11-13, Died 3-16-72 SAM VIDAS, 82, Way & Structures, Emp. 3-16-29, Died 3-22-72 HARVEY G. WILLIAMS, 58, Skokie Shops, Emp. 7-25-36, Died 5-16-72 WALTER YEDINAK, 52, Office Services, Emp. 2-2-50, Died 5-19-72 JOSEPH F. ZICH, 75, West Shops, Emp. 5-27-24, Died 3-25-72 ROY C. ZODY, 84, 77th Street, Emp. 2-22-12, Died 3-14-72

people. Jim's parents flew here from Florida to be present for the occasion. Congratulations on reaching the 25year mark and best wishes ... May 6 was the day for the annual CTA General Office spring golf tournament. The foursome of WARD CHAMBERLAIN, DON LEMM, MIKE CU-SACK and JESSIE RODRIGUEZ were either very good or very lucky, as they won three of the first four prizes. I don't know how true it is, but I heard that Ward won first prize because of the new golf shoes he was wearing. They must have shot a fine game, because the foursome following them, TOM STIGLIC, CARL GIBES, WALTER PROSEN and FRANK WSOL, said it sure took them long enough to study their shots, finish swinging their practice shots and get around the course. It was a beautiful day and everyone had a good time. Congratulations to all the winners ... On Sunday, April 30, Mrs. MABEL STAHL passed away as a result of an automobile accident. Mrs. Stahl was the sister of ART ROEPKE, radio dispatcher, and the sister-inlaw of ART STAHL, retired superintendent of security operations. We extend our sympathy to both families...We would also like to extend our condolences to the family of WILLIAM CALDERWOOD, retired superintendent of Forest Glen Station, who passed away on May 6.

#### (Transportation Instruction) -

JIM and ANN LAHEY celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on May 3. Two days later, their children threw a surprise party for them at Patricia's restaurant. I think it was more like a shock when they walked in and saw all their friends and relatives there. From what I heard, everyone had a good time. Congratulations and many more years of happiness... RAY and DOROTHY PRYOR, along with TOM and ALICE SPRATT drove to Colorado Springs where they stopped and went through the Air Force Academy. They continued on to the Grand Canyon, stopping at Las Vegas where they saw a number of shows. I heard that Ray wasn't too lucky, but his wife left there just a little bit ahead. It was on to San Francisco and a ride on the cable car, dinner at the Shadows restaurant, and a few days of sightseeing. Los Angeles was next for tours and, of course, a stop at Disneyland. After driving around there Ray said that you can have their freeways. The weather was beautiful and they all had a very good time. They returned to Chicago on a beautiful new DC-10 which they enjoyed very much... On April 8, Senior Station Instructor RAYMOND TREZISE became a grandfather for the first time. He very proudly announced the birth of his grandson, ANTHONY, who weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces. The happy parents are LORRAINE and RAYMOND TREZISE Jr. Congratulations to the whole family.

#### (Utility and Emergency Service) -

On May 1 we lost two more good men. Emergency Line Truck Chauffeur STEPHEN G. HERMAN began his retirement after  $29\frac{1}{2}$  years of service, and Service Truck Chauffeur LEONARD GALLE retired with almost 27 years of service. Their friends gathered on April 26 to say goodbye and wish them well. Other pensioners were among the well-wishers. Congratulations and best of luck for a long and happy retirement...BILL BALDYGA recently returned to work after spending two weeks on jury duty at the Criminal Court...TONY CANDELA vacationed in California. He says he had a wonderful time while staying with his daugh-



RETIRING FOR the second time in his life, GEORGE A. UNWIN ended his transit career May 1 after 33 years of service. He had previously retired from his career in the ring in 1933, where he fought under the name of George Kerwin. After winning 21 straight fights and the Central AAU featherweight and lightweight titles, George became a professional fighter in 1928. He left the ring with 60 wins and 10 losses, a record anyone could be proud of. George joined the Chicago Surface Lines on April 6, 1939, and served as a lineman in the Electrical Department until his retirement.

ter who lives there...We received a card from JACK O'REILLY. He says that Florida is heaven and he is enjoying every minute of his retirement, but he will visit Chicago sometime in July...Our sympathy is extended to HEULON MACKEY whose father recently passed away, and to RON MENDYK whose mother passed away...We would like to welcome P. J. ZIGMANT, service truck chauffeur, who recently transferred to our department from Shops & Equipment. Good luck in your new job.

#### (Traffic Planning) -

On Saturday, May 13, ROSE, the mother of VINCE DON-OHUE, passed away. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Vince and his family.

- Colette Szczepanek

#### **RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -**

Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to Mrs. CHIAPPETTA, the wife of F. CHIAPPETTA, Forest Park, who is in the hospital ... Congratulations to STAN BACHLE-DA who flew to Czechoslovakia on May 11 to be married. Best wishes for many years of happiness to Stan and his new bride...Good luck to DON SANDUK on the purchase of a new home in St. Charles, Illinois ... Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. NELSON, Dan Ryan, on their 20th wedding anniversary. A party in their honor was held at Hersey Fireside lounge, and among their many friends were Mr. and Mrs. F. PICKETT... A hearty welcome from all the old timers at Dan Ryan to J. ARMSTRONG, L. FIELDS, R. LA-CEY and C. WILLIAMS... A round of applause for J. J. MOLLOY who is doing a wonderful job as substitute foreman at Dan Ryan while MATT COYLE is on vacation ... Congratulations to all the men at Kimball on winning the safety award for this period. Formal presentation was made on May 12 and celebrated with coffee and rolls...Back to work after two weeks of hard work around the house is A. OD-ROWSKI...J. RANDAZZO, Forest Park, spent his vacation visiting relatives in New York ... City sights and hard work were vacation pastimes for S. RITA, W. JOHNSON, L. REYES and H. SESTAK, Forest Park ... The perennial meeting of the young and old on the baseball field was held again this year on April 28 at Miller woods. This time the youngsters walked off with a win of 24 to 12, and everyone walked away with aches and pains.

#### SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

PATRICK LENIHAN, traffic checker, retired on March 31. We wish Pat good luck, health, and a happy retirement. ..BILL WORCESTER and his wife flew to the Hawaiian Islands and had a very enjoyable trip. It was the first trip for his wife out of the continental United States, and first time on an airliner. This is the most beautiful place in the United States, they said, and want to return again...JOE VIOLA had surgery and is recuperating at home ... We are sorry to report that JOE SABOL suffered a heart attack and is now in Mount Sinai hospital. We are also afraid that he is busy causing the cute nurses heart attacks. FRED KAHLFELDT, traffic checker, is also in the hospital with a heart attack. We wish them a speedy recovery. .. WALTER SCHWEINFURTH is now back to work after a spell of illness...We received a letter from Pensioner JAY KELLY, and he says he and his wife are very happy at Sun

- Ray Brzeczek

City, Arizona, and enjoying their retirement. . . CLARK JOHNSON retired on May 1 after 38 years of service. Clark started as a motorman at the old Lincoln Station. On December 1, 1942, he transferred to the Schedule Department as a traffic clerk. He was then promoted to schedule clerk, supervisor of schedule clerks, and schedule maker. Happy retirement and good luck, Clark...KAY BATINA, your scribe, took a mini-vacation and attended the Catholic War Veterans Auxiliary convention in Springfield...The Schedule Department extends sympathy to the family of ED HILL, retired schedule clerk, who recently passed away.

- Kathryn Batina

#### SKOKIE SHOPS -

RALPH KEMPE, Machine Shop foreman, bought his wife, NORMA, a 1972 Pontiac Ventura for Easter. Nice talking, Norma, and hope you enjoy many rides ... GEORGE KIMM-SKE, carpenter, and his wife, FRANCES, are the proud grandparents of their thirteenth grandchild, THERESA MARIE ZAHURONES ... STEPHEN PLASZEZEWSKI, shopman II, and his wife are the happy grandparents of GAR-RETT STEPHEN BOERSMA, born on April 11. The parents are BONITA and CLARENCE BOERSMA. Good luck to the three of you ... VITO PONTRELLI, electrical worker, and his family suffered the loss of his father. Our deepest sympathy, Vito ... FRED FEINENDEGEN, retired electrical foreman, Wiring Department, suffered the loss of his wife. Our sympathy, Fred...JOHN LEAHY, shopman II, retired on April 30 after 45 years of service. Lots of happiness for many years, John, we will miss you ... Your scribe, EVERETT E. ENGLAND, was lucky enough to be on the CTA bowling team that won first place for their sponsor, Berry Bearing company. The teammates that carried me all year are: W. ONYSIO, A. COLI, J. ROMBOUT, G. WIL-SON and T. NADROWSKI. They all say I'm not heavy, just one of the team ... Clerk CATHERINE ANN HEGARTY, Skokie Shops, is the proud aunt of a little boy named MARTIN THOMAS WARD. The father, JAMES WARD, is a garage foreman for CTA, and the mother, the former JOAN HAR-NETT, is a past employee of West Shops. Lots of happiness and luck with your wonderful family ... LUISE DOER-ING, the wife of the late HEINZ DOERING, superintendent of rapid transit shops and terminals, is going to Austria, to visit her two brothers and their families. A happy and pleasant trip, Luise. Our sympathy in the loss of your brother in Austria before your trip...Skokie Shops third annual picnic will be on Saturday, July 22, at Northwestern woods. Be sure to contact your area representative for tickets.

- Everett E. England

#### SOUTH SECTION -

Finally spring has sprung and I for one am glad to see the warm weather ... All our CTAers are going great guns. The year 1971 was CTA's safest ever, and in honor of this achievement ballpoint pens were issued to the ladies and tie clasps were issued to the men. Coffee and rolls were served at all the terminals. This makes two safest years in a row. All three of our terminals have broken records, too. Ashland beat their accident par for the first three months of 1972, and also for the first quarter had more commendations than complaints and had coffee and rolls served again. Then 61st Street broke their accident par

# for the first three months of 1972 and had free coffee. Then the Dan Ryan Terminal had their safest year also in

1971 and had coffee served. I'm so proud of our South Siders. Keep up the good work men...We can call Conductor NEIL SULLIVAN "grandpa" now. His son, DAVID, and his wife had a little baby boy named JASON on April 10. This is the first grandchild for the elated Sullivan family ... Congratulations to Motorman BERNARD PERRY who was appointed supervisor on April 2 ... Retired Yard Foreman JOHN LEMKE was in the hospital recently for an operation, but is home now recuperating and is out and around and feeling better ... Congratulations to Agent CORRINE DAL-MAS and her husband, GEORGE, a bus driver out of 77th Street, on their 15th wedding anniversary April 21...Hello to WILLIE SMITH who transferred from the buses and is now a conductor, to newly-hired Conductor KENNETH DOSS, and newly-hired Janitors JOHN MURRAY and CLAR-ENCE HURD... Heard that Pensioner CHARLES FRANK passed away recently. He was such a good agent and a gentleman. Our condolences to his family... Conductor JAMES ROBERTS is to be congratulated for qualifying as a clerk recently, and is now working as an extra clerk ... Wonderful, wonderful! Several of our employees who were on the sick list for quite some time are now back working: Motormen JESSE STOUDMIRE and WILLIAM PAYNE, Conductor FRANK PONZIANO, Clerk ELIJAH SMITH, and Foot Collector EMANUEL FITZPATRICK ... Retired Assignment Agent ROSE HEIDENBLUT was very happy and proud when her granddaughter, KATHY WOLF, was married to DANIEL PROKOP on April 15 at St. Mark Evangelical Lutheran church. The reception was held at the American Legion hall in Mt. Greenwood. My hubby and I attended the wedding and reception, and so did Retired Assignment Agent LULU HAMANN, Retired Supervisor ED MONRO, and KATE and JOHN BURNS, former president of Division 308. .. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Towerman IRVING RAMEY whose father passed away; to Conductor SAMUEL POLLOCK in the loss of his father; to Instructor WILLIE MANN in the loss of his brother, and to Retired Towerman PATRICK HICKEY whose sister passed away recently... Retired Conductor JOSEPH MASCOLINO was in the hospital recently but is home now. Hope your health returns real soon, Joe ... The Agent's Pension club held their spring dinner and get-together on April 23 at Sharko's restaurant; one and all had a wonderful time. The dinner was very good, and I can eat more things now, so I really enjoyed my meal. However, still no goodies, just plain wholesome food. Enjoyed talking to everyone: Retired Agents CECE-LIA MORAN, CATHERINE COLLINS, HAZEL DUNN and HELEN SHANNON, Retired Clerks JOE BRENNAN and JOHN MORAN and their wives, Retired Conductor JERRY HANAFIN and his wife, Retired Towerman PATRICK HICK-EY and his wife, Retired Supervisor ED MUNRO, Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS and many more. It was good to see everyone again and all the pensioners looked wonderful. Once more, Retired Assignment Agents LULU HAMANN and ROSE HEIDENBLUT did a beautiful job on the dinner ... Supervisor DON MURPHY at Ashland Avenue went on pension May 1 and we sure were sorry to see him go as we knew Don for so many years. He and his charming wife, GEN, bought a home in New Port Richey, Florida, where they will enjoy the Florida sunshine. They had planned to leave for Florida right after Don's retirement. The district office gave Don a little sendoff with cake and coffee. We all wish Gen and Don a wonderful pensioned life. We welcome to Ashland Avenue Supervisor DAN HAYES who took Don's place ... Retired

Clerk JOHN MORAN stopped in to see us at Ashland Avenue and he told us that he's back living on the South Side after living up north for some time. He was very happy when he told us that he has a new grandchild, MONICA ANN. The Morans now have five grandchildren, all girls. He said they really keep him and his wife, ANN, busy ... On the sick list at this writing is work train Motorman DOM-INIC (Mickey) CESARE. He was in the hospital for an operation but is home now recuperating nicely. Hurry up, Mickey, and get well so you can get back to work ... We had some resignations recently: Conductor JAMES GRIFFIN resigned to join the Chicago Police Department, and Conductors WESLEY RICHARDSON and EDWARD KING also resigned ... Retired Towerman FRANK PINTA was in to see the boys at Ashland Avenue recently and he looks just wonderful. Pensioned life sure agrees with him...Our commendations keep rolling in: Conductor ARTHUR FOREST was commended for his excellent announcements, Motorman MICHAEL BEAL was commended for his alertness in removing an object on the right-of-way at Loyola, thereby avoiding damage to train and possible derailment. Also, Agents DOROTHY HARRIS and FLOYD SCHRIEBER were commended for courtesy in performance of their duties as agents. Let's keep those commendations rolling in.

- Verna Hartney

#### SOUTH SHOPS -

This month we would like to dedicate our article to CHARLIE BUZA, the "Mrs. Olsen" of the South Shops. Charlie retired after 45 years of service on April 30. Charlie, we would like to wish you the best of luck and hope that you will drop in to see us from time to time. We miss you already. Charlie and his lovely wife, RENA, are making their new home in Angola, Indiana...Best of luck goes out to A. BINSTOCK, Print Shop, who retired after 33 years of service ... Charlie, do you know why JIM FELTZ, shop clerk, is wearing a happy face these days? Well, on April 10 he and his wife, DIANE, purchased a '72 Riviera; 18 days later they became an aunt and uncle for the first time when Jim's sister-in-law gave birth to a lovely 7 pound 4 ounce baby girl named KATHERINE MARIE FELTZ. One of the grandpas is Jim's dad, ERNIE FELTZ, a collector at Archer Station. To round out that cheerful day, that evening Jim and Ernie won the Madonna Knights of Columbus bowling championship--the first time in ten years of trying. .. Charlie, speaking of babies, B. MALLHI, Technical Services Division, and his wife became parents for the second time when Mrs. MALLHI gave birth to a little boy 7 pounds 3 ounces. This makes two sons for the Mallhis ... JIM HA-WORTH Sr., Technical Services technician, recently had an operation. He is doing well and home recuperating. We all wish him a very speedy recovery and hope to see you "back on the job" soon !.. Well, Charlie, KAREN HOFFMAN had a week of vacation that she enjoyed at home doing her spring cleaning ... We would also like to congratulate SUE MAJOR who became the wife of STEPHEN JURKATUS on April 16. Stephen is employed by the Federal Sign & Signal corporation. The newlyweds are making their new home in Alsip, Illinois ... ELAINE STEWART really pulled a fast one over on our office! She supposedly left on her vacation for a fun-filled week in Detroit, Michigan. After a few days we received a post card from her saying she had gone to Jacksonville, Florida ... JOHN JANKUS and his family drove to Orlando, Florida, where they checked out Disney World ... J. J. REPPLINGER also spent his vacation in Florida and

drove down to Dallas and Waco, Texas, with their two daughters and one of their grandchildren. The trip there and back took two weeks. Earl is rested and ready to work. And now for our "OUT IN THE SHOP" news ... A Florida vacation was also taken by Foreman T. WOSS, Machine Shop. MAX HAMILTON, Area 346, and his wife spent two glorious sun-filled weeks at Juno Beach, Florida. Highlights of their sightseeing were the thrilling Lion Country Safari and a day at Disney World ... HOWARD BURRIS, Area 348, gave his daughter, CHERYL, in marriage to ANDRE PAS-TELIS on March 1. Andre is a former army officer and has a degree in business administration from the University of Indiana. Andre is now an insurance executive. They will make their home in Santa Ana, California ... We would like to welcome L. P. MILISH and C. JONES Jr. who are now electrical apprentices here at the South Shops...A. COX, Area 344, had a gift of a baby girl, AMY MICHELLE, from his wife, ANNA FAYE, on April 22. Amy weighed 6 pounds. She has a sister, ANGELA, who is two-years old. ..GUS IVY, Area 348, took a week's vacation and visited the islands--Stony and Blue ... RON JARECKAS, Area 348, and his wife just returned from a week of fishing, golfing, and relaxation on Norfolk Lake in Arkansas. We're all waiting for the fish fry, Ron! .. Staff Sergeant RAYMOND HOWE, the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. HOWE, is a missile mechanic with the 26th Air Defense Missile squadron at Otis Air Force Base, Massachusetts. He received an award for exceptionally meritorious service from January 1, 1970, to June 30, 1971. Raymond was formerly employed by CTA at Beverly, and his dad is the foreman of South Shops Paint Shop ... Charlie, did you know that DENISE PICKETT, the daughter of WILLIE C. PICKETT, utility clerk, South Shops, was graduated from Perry Schmid Elementary school and has plans to attend Harlan High school in September.

came back with a great tan ... EARL LARSEN and his wife

- Denise Patheiger & Jim LaMont

#### WEST SECTION -

While waiting for the weather to warm, maybe some of this hot news will heat up your hearts. First, let me congratulate Mrs. ROSE SICILIANO for 25 years of marriage to my buddy and co-reporter, SANTO SICILIANO. Many, many more to you both. (But, how did she do it.) .. Switchman WALTER ODOMS and Ticket Agent VALERIE THOM-AS slipped away on March 11 and were married at the Big Zion Baptist church. On April 29 they held a reception in their home. It was a lovely affair with friends and relatives coming with many gifts. Congratulations to you both. ..Let's all wish the following people a happy birthday: R. PERKINS, C. MOORE, G. PEDERSON, C. FOWLER, B. HANNAH, M. LIEBEVITZ, H. ASHER, C. COLEMAN, J. RAGGI, W. UPSHAW, B. STEVENS, B. CARWELL, and F. CHRISTENSEN. Many more, gang ... Janitor R. SMITH of Jefferson Park says his new assignment as gang boss is working out swell. But you should see the look of nostalgia on his face when you mention Lake Street where Smitty worked so long, keeping Central Avenue Station spic and span. The fellows miss you, too ... On the sick list is our Lake Street "Godfather", Motorman M. BELLEZZO. Hurry back, Mike, your conductor, Santo, really thinks he is in charge of the train...Switchman J. CIMMERER is back to work. He had a minor operation performed. It wasn't his tonsils, as his vocal cords are loud. Welcome back, Big John...We all are looking forward to Conductor G. CLARK returning soon. His motorman, R. ARMSTRONG, goes

down the Dan Ryan lopsided. Reverend Clark and Deacon Armstrong drive the "Glory Train", but without Brother George, the weight is unbalanced...Motorman J. HOOD says when he goes on vacation, naturally he will take along his brand new Electra 225 to make all the Yankees green with envy as he heads down south ... Conductor G. WOODMORE loves model trains and his fish, but let him see a stereo set and he'll leave them for music. His wife, ALBERTA, would like to see the trains completed so she can serve dinner on the dining room table ... With vacations coming up gang, and had you saved some money in the Lake Street "L" credit union or the Met Credit Union, you would have a nice bundle for that long awaited trip or household repairs. But remember if you qualify, loans are made available every day by contacting JOHN McCARTY, Lake Street, or JOHN CAROLAN on the Met. Remember to save, all of you...Gotta run now, don't forget to let us hear about the vacations and the pictures you took. See you later.

- Santo Siciliano & Lou Payne

#### **09TH STREET** -

I am writing this column while on my way to Colorado Springs, Colorado, with my wife to spend Mother's day with my eldest son and his wife ... The instruction force at 69th wishes to thank all the operators for their fine job in winning the ISC quarterly award. The operators can be very proud of this feat as it is the first time since 1966 that we have won. We have come close several times, but never quite made it. So they say thanks and congratulations, and ask us to keep up the good work and drive defensively ... Operator H. GREEN, the last man to pick on the first day of picking, is waiting to take his physical for the police department. He also has plans to be married to JANIS FLEMING in July ... WILLIAM DRISKELL who is 6 feet 9 inches and the tallest man in our station, was married for a year in June and is planning to take his wife down to Louisiana to visit her family while on vacation ... Our union representative, HARRY BLAKE, went to Ohio to visit his family ... GUS MELANDER and HANK RISCH bought new Gran Torinos, but Hank showed his love for the Irish when he ordered a bright green one ... BILL DONAHUE is busy vacationing in the sunny South looking for retirement property ... JOHNNY HALKO was a recent victim of a holdup. Luckily he was not hurt--physically or financially ... TONY VANDERBERG recently received a letter from Pensioner YOM O'SHEA who is now living in Ft. Lauderdale. Tom says hello to the old gang ... The silent reaper passed by 69th and took Pensioner HERMAN JAMES, and the father of JAMES TUCKER, CLABORN TUCKER. The father of IVORY also passed away, as did Pensioner JOHN BURGE-SON. To their families and loved ones we extend our deepest sympathy...We want everyone to know that R. RAJ is our number one janitor at 69th. He can also cook and keep house, beautifully. Raj flew from Chicago in a snow storm and ended up in 80 degree temperatures when he attended his grandchild's first communion in New Mexico ... I wonder who the smallest, fattest or skinniest operators are at 69th? Any suggestions? Drop a line in my mail box and let me know what is happening ... From the Repair Department, FRANK PIKCUNAS, who formerly worked at 69th, came by and looks fine, and remembers the good old days he spent here ... JIM LUNDY, WILLIE COOPER, R. BAR-NEY, TED NIEZABITOWSKI, MUTNANSKY, E. CLEARY, WILLIE CARSON, B. YEHLING, K. COELYN, J. MADNEY, J. WILLIAMS and EDDIE HOWSE are all on vacation at this writing. Here's hoping they all have a good time...GEORGE HOLLAND is noted for his honesty as he turns in all the tools he finds lost on the buses...We all wish CHARLIE BUZA a happy and healthy pensioned life. Charlie retired on May 1 after 45 years of service. Charlie was a former clerk at 69th and is planning to move to South Bend, Indiana...Pensioner HARRY MINOGUE and his wife are vacationing in Florida. Harry says to tell everyone hello ... We had a visit with BILL YEATMAN and he looks well...We offer our sincere condolences to the families of JOE GAMEN in the loss of his son, JOE Jr., and to GORDON MALEY in the loss of his father ... Congratulations to BILL TOOMEY and his wife on the birth of a daughter, CHRIS-TINE ANN. Bill is our assistant day foreman ... We would like to report the death of Pensioner JOE KELLY. Our sincerest sympathy to his family ... Good luck to THURMAN COLLIER, JOE WYDRA and M. WARREN who transferred to South Shops. We welcome MIKE BAY, H. DONAHUE and J. SKIZAS to 69th ... We won the "Goodyear Tire Award" for 1971. The plaque was just wonderful, and the foremen and repairmen are to be congratulated for their efforts in keeping the tires in good condition for service.

#### - Art Buesing & Jimmy Ahern

#### 77TH STREET -

Sorry that our column was missing from the past two issues of Transit News, but we had not received enough news to make a complete column. Please make use of the Transit News mailbox, as our column will only be as interesting and newsworthy as you make it ... Operator RAY-MOND WILEY Sr. is very proud of his son, RAYMOND Jr., who recently celebrated his 21st birthday...Operator GAR-RETT has purchased a new campmobile, and it is certainly an ideal home on wheels. Wall to wall everything. He said he would rent it for a small fee. Anyone interested ?.. Operator L. LEE's wife, MARY, underwent major surgery but is making steady progress and feeling fine...Clerk FISHER is being "given the business" by fellow operators since he went on a hunting trip with N. PALMER and C. WATKINS. It seems as though he returned with frostbitten ears...We extend belated birthday greetings to SONJA and REMEL JONES, the daughters of Operator V. JONES. Many happy returns of the day ... Graduation News--JETAUN CORKER was graduated from Academy of Our Lady on June 4. She is the daughter of Mechanic Helper EUGENE and ESSIE CORKER. Best of luck to Jetaun in her future endeavors. Now I know why the buttons are missing from Eugene's jackets and shirts these days. He's simply bursting with pride...The bowling league would like to thank Division 241 for its contribution. The league is winding up its 1971-1972 season. At present the "Shoot the Archer Bandit Team" is on its way to winning another title. The high scorers and their averages are: Operators E. FORD 185. MOTTON 184, HODGE 182, McBAY 181-33, GIPSON 181-3, R. WILLIAMS 180, L. LEE 178, G. REDD 178, J. COLMAN 178, C. TAYLOR 176, and GANTS 176. The leaders in three game handicap series are: Operators W. WALTON 695, H. NETTLES 679, and T. IRELAND 677. The single game handicap leaders are: Operators C. DAVIS 267, W. LIPSEY 266, and E. COOKE 262. The high game handicap team leaders are: The Professionals 1094, The Tranquilizers 1069, and The Archer Bandits 1065 ... Till next time--PEACE.

- Elcosie Gresham

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