

TRANSIT NEWS



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TO ALL EMPLOYEES:

During a time of year when being jolly is supposed to come naturally, I believe it is quite appropriate to discuss courtesy--a matter of year-round concern.

By and large I am well pleased with the courtesy extended to passengers. Operating employees are doing an outstanding job, but there is always room for improvement.

I realize unpleasant situations are not always the fault of the driver, but when you are dealing with the public you have to expect them. It's always been part of the job to be nice to passengers, even before exact fare, and the advent of power steering and automatic transmission. The improvements in equipment and operations give us a much greater opportunity to extend ourselves to be pleasant.

If you are nice to people most of the time they will be nice to you also, and life will be more pleasant for everybody. The driver who says hello to boarding passengers and calls stops in a pleasant voice obviously enjoys life and is happy with his job.

It is especially important to practice courtesy during this season because of the potential riders we can gain. Many shoppers use our services at this time only. We want them to enjoy their ride on CTA and come back often.

Even the new 24-hour senior citizen fare affords new opportunities to gain riders. Their fares may be lower, but in the face of rising costs, every dime counts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Michael Cafferty".

Michael Cafferty
Chairman

CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD

Ernie Banks
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Michael Cafferty, *Chairman*

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Donald J. Walsh

Board approves 24-hour senior citizen fares

CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD at its October 30 meeting unanimously approved expanding reduced-fare hours for senior citizens to 24 hours a day, seven days a week, beginning Sunday, November 5.

Board Chairman Michael Cafferty said, "The elimination of restrictions which have existed since 1969 are evidence of CTA's strong commitment to its senior citizens. The limited-hours reduced fare plan started as a six-month experiment, became a permanent part of our fare structure, and was even expanded upon with broader Monday-Saturday coverage only last month."

Hours for reduced-fare riding Monday through Friday, as established April 20, 1969, included only the midday period from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. As of October 22 these hours were broadened to also include weekday evenings between 7 and 10 p.m. and 13 continuous hours on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The basic fare for senior citizens boarding CTA anywhere in Chicago is 20¢, plus 10¢ for a transfer,

if needed. Reduced fares on special services are: Westchester bus-40¢; O'Harexpress bus-50¢; inbound Evanston rapid transit and inbound Skokie bus-60¢; inbound Skokie Swift rapid transit-70¢.

According to Mr. Cafferty, the Medicare Card will continue to be used as identification for reduced-fare privileges for the remainder of 1972, but will no longer be valid as a means of reduced-fare identification effective January 1, 1973, when a Senior Citizen's Reduced Fare Permit will be required for lower fare privileges. Public announcements will be made giving details on where and when the new cards may be obtained. Adequate time will be given to allow senior citizens to have the new cards in their possession prior to January 1.

At the Board meeting, Chairman Cafferty stated that the Mayor's Office for Senior Citizens has been working with CTA and given much encouragement for the broader program. He was also delighted that Governor Ogilvie has joined with the Mayor's Office to give support to the needs of senior citizens for reduced fare services.

Archer, 61st Street named ISC third quarter winners

INTERSTATION SAFETY CONTEST awards, won by Transportation Department employees at the surface and rapid transit operating stations which achieved the best safety performance in the third quarter of 1972, were accepted recently by the station superintendents at the two first-place locations.

In the picture at left, Assistant Superintendent of Operating Stations C. W. Gibes presents the surface ISC plaque to Archer Station Superintendent W. J. Moser (right) and Assistant Superintendent W. V. Coleman (left).

In the picture at right, 61st Street Station Assistant Superintendent J. H. Walsh (right) accepts the rapid transit system ISC plaque from Director of Personnel F. C. Knautz.



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SKOKIE SHOP employees Joseph Fano and Kenneth Blocker both won cash awards for their adopted suggestions. In the left picture, Mr. Fano accepts a check for \$125 from Superintendent of Rapid Transit Shops & Terminals J. Bolech--his idea simplified brake shoe grinding. Winner of a \$120 check, Mr. Blocker is shown with, from left, Mr. Bolech, Skokie Shop General Foreman P. Venticinque and Suggestion Coordinator R. T. Warnstedt--his idea speeded the removal of trolley shoes from brackets.



Approve suggestion awards totaling \$810

SUGGESTION AWARDS totaling \$810 were announced recently by Evan E. Olmstead, chairman of the Executive Decision Committee of the Employee Suggestion Plan. In amounts of from \$10 to \$125, the following awards were presented to employees whose suggestions were adopted.

- Three awards over \$100
- One award of \$85
- Four awards for \$25 each
- Twenty-eight \$10 gift certificates

Winning the largest of the cash awards were four Shops & Equipment Department employees. At Skokie Shop, Joseph Fano won \$125 and Kenneth Blocker won \$120. At South Shops John Kalinowski won \$100 and Patrick Nally won \$85.

For having a second suggestion adopted within a one-year period, three employees were presented awards of \$25 each: General Office—Bernadette Kizior, Electrical, and Marjorie Schintz, Claim. Engineering—G. Thomas Spasojevich, West Shops.

A check to the amount of \$25 was also accepted by Anne Zahumensky, General Office—Employee Relations, for her adopted idea.

Gift certificates worth \$10 at Jewel/Osco/Turnstyle stores were presented to each of the employees named above and also to the following 20 employees whose suggestions were adopted: General Office—Michael Akai, Central Counting; Harold Burda, Property Accounting; Regina Daren, Medical; Joan Fitzgerald, Reproduction Services; Jill Mise, Specifications; Martha Neffas, Accounting, and Marjorie Schintz, Claim. Shops & Equipment—Edward Gertz, Frank Papaleo, John Steinmetz and Thomas Tadevic, all of South Shops, and Joseph Vitale, 77th Street Garage. Transportation—Myrtle Apitz and James Schumpp, West Section; Denis Adams, North Park Station; Ray Frenette, Lawndale Station, and Harold Walborn, North Section. Electrical—Gerald Kintz, 77th Street. Engineering—James Turner, Track. Utility & Emergency Service—William Moog, South Shops.

Security Division role expands with transit improvements

A RECENT group discussion in the office of Operating Manager George Krambles was the first of many from which improved CTA security procedures will result. Mr. Krambles stressed the immediacy for planning changes because of extensive improvements to CTA equipment and facilities through grants from

governmental agencies. CTA properties are presently worth more than 1.5 billion dollars.

Attending the session were Transportation and Security personnel representing two of the areas which report to the operating manager. Pictured here, from left, are: (front row—seated) Sergeant Peter Genutis, Sergeant Paul Fidanze, Sergeant Anton Mokstad, Acting Superintendent of Security Operations Norman N. Graver; (second row—seated) Lieutenant J. Osterberger, Sergeant Charles Berglund, Sergeant Samuel Rini, Chief Robert Miller, Sergeant Bobby Culbertson; (standing) Mr. Krambles, Richard Gross of the operating manager's office, Lieutenant Billy Butler, Lieutenant Robert McElroy, Transportation Department Superintendent of Operating Stations George Riley.



MODERN, COMFORTABLE equipment certainly plays an all-important part in winning and keeping riders, as does the frequency, reliability and safety of transit service. But it takes more than buses and trains to get riders.

It takes good customer relations--just as it does in any other business. And the frontline salesman in our business is the operating employee--the bus operator, trainman, ticket agent and others who make daily personal contacts with our riders.

Too much emphasis cannot be placed on the role that employees play in the struggle to maintain good customer relations. Attitudes toward riders can either please or antagonize those upon whom we must depend for our employment.

To show how much they appreciate personal, courteous service, riders frequently commend operating employees in letters addressed to the Service Section of the Public Information Department. Reprinted here are a few letters of commendation naming individual operating employees:

Kenneth Chrabasz, Operator, Badge No. 5480, North Avenue: "This particular driver is always cheerful and willing to explain the intricacies of transferring to newcomers. It's an awfully nice way to start a day, and speaks well of him and the organization."

Albert Oliver, Operator, Badge No. 4154, North Park: "This driver is to be commended for being so courteous and considerate of me and other passengers."

Young Walker Jr., Operator, Badge No. 4716, 77th Street: "He courteously assisted an elderly blind woman across a very steep curb. This polite and humane gesture was accomplished while numerous pedestrians callously ignored the poor soul."

James Terry, Operator, Badge No. 8454, 52nd Street: "What an ambassador of good will he is! Every person that left the bus had a smile on his face."

Charles Adams, Operator, Badge No. 5057, Lawndale: "The CTA is to be complimented for obtaining the services of such an individual who stands out in the performance of his duties."

Hugh Short, Supervisor, Badge No. 235, District B: "He was most polite and guided the driver through the flooded viaduct in a most efficient manner and is indeed a credit to the CTA."

OUR PUBLIC SPEAKS

John Jordan, Operator, Badge No. 9925, Limits: "He greets his passengers cordially and makes them feel it is a pleasure to have them ride his bus."

Clarence Jenkins, Operator, Badge No. 6458, Limits: "He is a quiet, competent representative who handled the passengers with calm deliberation, and drove the vehicle in a conservative, able manner. It was a pleasure to be on the bus with him in charge."

Nolan Lett, Conductor, Badge No. 21981, West Section: "Two women were confused and didn't seem to know how to reach their destinations. He was very kind in helping both of them."

Helen Edwards, Ticket Agent, Tag No. 1125, North Section: "She never misses saying an unbelievably pleasant 'Good Morning' and 'Have a nice Monday.'"

Harold Oglesby, Operator, Badge No. 3123, Kedzie: "From the very first when he asked me to hold on as he was about to turn the corner at the Armory, I knew I was in the presence of an exceptional employee."

John Eason, Operator, Badge No. 7843, North Park: "I am writing this to let you know we appreciate kind drivers. Thanks for giving us such good service."

Cleven Wardlow, Operator, Badge No. 6454, Limits: "I find him to be thoroughly refreshing, and the radiance he generates is a wonderful note to begin the day on."

Perry Washington, Operator, Badge No. 5239, North Park: "First he helped an elderly lady get off the bus. We went a couple blocks and there was an elderly man that had leg trouble, so he pulled up as close as he could to the curb."

Edgar Greer Jr., Operator, Badge No. 3208, 69th Street: "He is always friendly and courteous to all the people. He seems to be helping the CTA improve every day."

Jerry Peppers, Conductor, Badge No. 22838, Kimball: "Mere words cannot possibly describe this young man's excellent behavior, kindness, and consideration to the passengers."

Jackie Breckenridge, Operator, Badge No. 9984, North Park: "He was by far one of the most courteous and cheerful drivers it has been my luck to ride with. He not only greeted his passengers with a smile but called out all his stops, and when pulling away from that stop, announced the one coming up."

When to call the doctor and when not to?

by Dr. George H. Irwin

AT A time when fewer and fewer doctors are making house visits, the above subject seems to be an appropriate one. If everyone were to call the doctor for every ache or pain, cut or scratch, bump or bruise, the doctors would be so busy with little things that they would not have the time to take care of the more serious illnesses. On the other hand, it might be disastrous not to call him for serious conditions. The following information may serve as a general guide to help you decide whether medical aid should be obtained immediately.

When to call the doctor:

1. In the event of any serious accident or injury. Sometimes accidents at first seem unimportant but later on develop internal bleeding or some other serious complication. Such cases require immediate attention.
2. Sudden severe abdominal pain or cramps.
3. Impairment of any vital function. This would include a marked increase or decrease in the pulse rate or difficulty in breathing.
4. Loss of consciousness, no matter how brief.
5. Sudden worsening of any pre-existing symptoms.
6. An unexplained and persistent discharge of blood from the nose, mouth, bladder or rectum.
7. Any sudden neurological symptom such as seriously impaired vision or hearing or mental confusion or convulsions.
8. Any sudden adverse reaction to drugs.
9. Any persistent fever above 102 degrees.
10. Vomiting or diarrhea which continues hour after hour.
11. Sudden severe chest pains.

REPORTING EXCLUSIVELY on a six-year Food and Drug Administration study, the current Today's Health, the general circulation magazine of the American Medical Association, reveals that a majority of Americans still doctor themselves--and frequently disregard scientific fact while doing so.

According to the study, most of us have one or more erroneous ideas about health matters. One of the most prevalent is the widespread use of vitamins, even though they are usually unnecessary. Half of us think vitamin pills will give us added pep and energy. And a cherished misconception held by 90 million of us is that a daily bowel movement is necessary. Medical science says there is no standard of regularity.

The study reveals that in addition to its usually harmless addiction to vitamins and laxatives, the

When not to call the doctor:

1. For clearly minor ills such as ordinary colds, no matter how uncomfortable.
2. A mild skin rash unaccompanied by any other symptom.
3. A low fever up to 101 degrees with no other symptoms.
4. A single episode of vomiting or diarrhea.
5. A backache which you have had for 4 or 5 days or more.
6. For ordinary headaches or constipation unless they have persisted several days or longer.
7. When there is a question about shots you must take before a vacation to foreign countries in the next few months.

And by all means, don't phone the doctor outside of office hours with such explanations as "I didn't want to bother you at the office because I know how busy you are, so I thought I would wait until you could talk more freely."

The following are a few final suggestions to emphasize what has already been mentioned in this article about calling the doctor:

1. Try to give the doctor as clear a picture as possible. Have a pencil and paper to write down his instructions.
2. Don't panic, but don't delay once you have decided to call. It is much safer to call than to take a chance.
3. Absolute mandatory indications for calling the doctor are:
 - (a) Serious accidents or injuries.
 - (b) Sudden loss of consciousness.
 - (c) Severe chest pains especially when associated with difficulty in breathing.
 - (d) Severe abdominal pain with or without vomiting, diarrhea or abdominal distention.

If you are unable to reach the doctor, contact the emergency room of the best equipped hospital in your area.

American public also holds some convictions that aren't so harmless.

- One-fourth of adult Americans claim to have arthritis, rheumatism or some similar disease. But half of them have never had the condition diagnosed.

- More than ten per cent, representing 13½ million adults, would try a treatment that a friend said had helped him, even if a doctor said it was worthless.

- More than 50 million persons would NOT accept the unanimous judgment of doctors and scientists who asserted that a cancer "cure" was worthless, if they heard a cancer victim say it had helped him.

Perhaps one of the most striking things about the report is the absence of logic or system in how we act in health matters. People often try medications or treatments whether they believe in them or not.

Service anniversaries in November

30 years

J. J. Badalucco, North Avenue
W. R. Barron, Forest Glen
J. S. Bednarz, Forest Glen
R. E. Biard, Forest Glen Garage
M. Castle, Stores - North
P. A. Cerotzke, Skokie Shop
A. Chiodo, Forest Glen
C. A. Damian, North Park
J. R. Davidson, 69th Street
C. F. Derrick, 52nd Street
G. DiMeo, Kedzie
J. J. Eroncig, 77th Street
J. A. Fiesterman, Forest Glen
A. J. Hofer, South Section
A. J. Hubacz, Training & Public Safety
E. M. Ignacek, Archer
W. Jugin, Stores - South
P. H. Karowsky, North Section

A. K. Kohlstedt, 69th Street
S. J. Kowalzyk, 69th Street
F. Leszczynski, Lawndale
R. Malfese, Forest Glen
G. D. McGrath, North Park
T. W. McMahon, District B
J. D. O'Donnell, North Avenue Garage
A. R. Olson, North Park
P. J. Retzbach, Archer Garage
H. M. Ringo, 52nd Street
B. L. Roskuszka, Building Maintenance Division
C. Schrey, Building Maintenance Division
N. A. Spitalli, Utility & Emergency Service
L. Sucech, South Section
S. J. Swiec, 77th Street Garage
A. E. Szurek, 69th Street
S. F. Tuttolomondo, District B
L. R. White, West Section
J. P. Wilczynski, North Avenue

25 years

L. B. Cantwell, District A
W. N. Cecich, Utility & Emergency Service
S. E. Dein, Forest Glen
C. Dillon, Beverly Garage
S. Dorich, Stores - South
H. A. Enwright, Stores - North
W. G. Gerber, Stores - South
W. A. Harris Jr., 77th Street
J. W. Jackson, Kedzie
E. F. Johnson, Limits
R. Kempe, Skokie Shop
G. A. Kimmske, Skokie Shop

B. Klatt, South Shops
F. S. Kubicki, Tire Inspection Center
E. Kuemmel, North Avenue
F. McDermott, Power Operations
J. M. Moriarty, South Shops
J. S. Nash, 61st Street Maintenance Terminal
V. Ondrias, 69th Street Garage
J. A. Rosendhal, South Shops
J. Salamone, Electrical Distribution
E. J. Schurz Jr., Forest Glen
F. Sobzak, South Shops
H. W. Swietlik, North Avenue Garage
J. F. Tarczueski, South Shops
H. Walters, Surface Garage Campaign Area
M. W. Warchol, North Avenue Garage

Three qualify as maintenance terminal instructors



GRADUATION CERTIFICATES were presented to three employees who completed the rapid transit maintenance terminal instructor training program. The trainees are now assigned to the instructor's pool and are available to fill vacancies as they occur. To familiarize them with actual working conditions, they are also available to fill temporary assignments, as needed, in the terminal instructor's classification.

Members of the class, pictured here with Shops & Equipment Department terminal instructors, include, from left: D. Nicosia, terminal instructor, R. Stowell, J. Plomin, L. Fields, and L. Monaghan, terminal instructor.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (General) -

Congratulations to WILLIAM A. PARRILLO, the son of Budget Accountant BILL PARRILLO, who received his certificate as a certified public accountant at a dinner held in the International Ballroom of the Conrad Hilton hotel on September 27. He was one of 437 Illinois accountants to receive his certificate at the awards dinner...A big welcome back to VIRGINIA HARRER who returned to work on September 25 after a lengthy illness!..SIG SHONTS is recuperating at home after surgery. Hope to see you back with us soon, Sig.

- Judy Cuci

(Payroll) -

Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY MAILUCK took off again, this time to Colorado to enjoy an autumn trip. The weather in Estes Park was good, although a bit chilly. There were many scenic areas to visit in Big Thompson Canyon and enjoyable hikes to take at Lock Vale and Bear Lake. They also visited Loveland, Greeley, Fort Collins, Longmont, Boulder, Chasm falls in Rocky Mountain National park, and Fall River pass. Mr. Mailuck always takes such beautiful pictures, it makes us feel as though we're right there when he shows them to us...CHRISTINE CAMERON had a most delightful trip to the Scandinavian countries where she enjoyed the magnificent scenery, the different customs, interesting shopping, excellent food, and the excitement of being in foreign lands. Then on to Scotland, the homeland of her ancestors. It must have been heartwarming to be with an aunt and cousins who live in Aberdeen, and also to visit with relatives in Inverness. Other cities visited were Glasgow and Edinburgh, and of course a trip to Loch Ness was a must. She said they didn't see the Loch Ness monster, which must have been in hiding. Traveling abroad is interesting and exciting, but she was very happy to return home to the U.S.A...We are glad to have ROBBIE JONES back at her desk looking very well after spending some time in the hospital...Your scribe enjoyed the colorama in Three Lakes, Wisconsin, where the leaves were at the very peak of fall perfection and just gorgeous to see.

- Clara Lawrence

BEVERLY -

Operator WILLIAM JONES is mighty proud of his son, BILL Jr., a football player at Iowa Lakes college who was chosen all-conference guard. Bill started his football days at Eisenhower High school where he won the Golden Helmet award. The Chicago Bears could use some help, so Illinois scouts should watch this young man who is 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 185 pounds. Good luck, Bill, and we hope you have a happy career...Some men like their work so much they show up when they should be off, like Operator FRED GIBBS who was on vacation with no place to go, and Operator JOHN (Mighty Mite) MAHONEY who checked for his run on his day off...We express our deepest sympathy to Operator PAUL VASILOPOULOS in the loss of his wife... We wish a speedy recovery to the men on the sick list: Operators ED O'SHAUGHNESSY, BRUNO SHIMAHUS, AL

KUNKA, IRV WEILER, C. WESTMORELAND and A. SPRINGER. We're glad to report that Assistant Superintendent WILLIAM SCHWEITZER of 77th Street Station is back to work...Chief Clerk MARTIN GRADY had a "honey-do" vacation. Clerk JOHN KIRBY filled in for him and kept the office in tip-top shape...Assistant Superintendent JOSEPH WILL visited his brother in Florida, and looked at the swampland and the birds...Pensioner RALPH LAYTON of Florida visited us at the depot. It looks like the climate is agreeing with him...Pensioner ERNIE TOCCI, former superintendent of 69th Street Station who is 80 years young, has finally decided to take his pension. Ernie has been a language teacher at Mt. Carmel High school for the past 11 years. The faculty is having a surprise dinner and an "Ernie Tocci Night" to honor a grand man. We also wish to honor you, Ernie, and wish you many more happy years with your beautiful wife, ANN, who is the most wonderful girl I have ever had the pleasure to know...PRINCE HUMPHRIES and his wife, ANTOINETTE, became proud parents August 26 when VIDA SHANE weighed in at 7 pounds 4 ounces in Presbyterian-St. Luke's hospital. They've even promised us a picture for the next issue!

Well, well, here it is vacation time again. By the time this issue is out your co-reporter, AMOS FOSTER, hopes to be in Atlanta, Georgia, as far underground as he can get. So, I hope everyone had a nice turkey day. Let me take this chance to thank everyone for the cards and phone calls while I did my stint in the hospital. A very special thank you to the Rosemoore Patrol for the beautiful flower. I want to thank Commander John Shepherd for assuring my quick recovery and return to work. He came to visit me and was singing "Lean on Me" to my beautiful wife, RUTH. So you see I had no choice but to get well...Operator WILIE McCANN was recently elected commander of AMVETS, Department of Illinois, District 21. This group represents 20 per cent of the entire Illinois membership. McCann has several service programs planned for the coming year... Say, speaking of vacations, Operator RONALD SHAW and his Mrs. are planning a cross-country tour. He will fill us in on the details upon his return...Boy, they are at it again! Operators BANKS (the big one), RAY HELMS, M. REED and JOE JOHNSON. Loud, long and not so clear. They argue about everything--politics, sports, world war II, you name it. And the funny thing is no one ever wins the argument. I had a tape recorder going one day, but Banks discovered what I was up to and destroyed the evidence.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

ELECTRICAL (Chicago Avenue) -

This article will be a combination of three months' news, as this reporter was on vacation. My wife and I celebrated 25 years of marriage by spending three weeks in Europe. We visited and traveled with our daughters and son-in-law. Germany, Denmark, Sweden and England were the ports of call...BARNEY JONES was in and out of the hospital. Guess they didn't find too much wrong because he came back to work...RON CZURYLO has been in and out of the hospital after surgery and is now recuperating at

home... VITO RACANELLI spent a cool vacation in air-conditioned Door County... September 2 was a busy day for weddings. Mr. and Mrs. STANLEY LUCAS announced the marriage of their daughter, CAROL, to WILLIAM KEM. The wedding was at St. Cajetan's, with a reception at the Beverly Woods restaurant. LUKE and PAT HOWE were very busy that day also. Their daughter, CAROLYN, was married to GYULA SZABO at Queen of Angels church at 4 p.m. A delightful reception followed at Johnny Latner's restaurant in Marina Towers. After a brief honeymoon the newlyweds returned to their teaching posts... Pensioners who have visited: SAM GAFFEN who looks good like Sam should; BOB CONROY who looks even better now, and CLARENCE MALOTTKE--brown as a berry... On September 25 at 10 a.m. a 7 pound 6 ounce baby girl was born to JIM and FRAN CUNNINGHAM. KATHLEEN TERESE arrived with a full head of hair, putting her father to shame... JOHN DROBENA, the father of WALTER DROBENA, passed away October 2 after a short time in the hospital. Our deepest sympathy to you, Walter... Your reporter's mother, SIGNE V. NIELSEN, passed away on September 27 after a short illness... CHARLIE and DOROTHY SALVATORE celebrated their 34th wedding anniversary on September 25 with dining and dancing at Willowbrook. Dick Jurgens supplied the music.

- Ben Nielsen

(Blue Island) -

Received a nice letter from JOE HERMAN's wife, MARY. She tells us Joe is not only a great fisherman, but now that he is retired he has taken up golf. He shoots in the low 80's, but she didn't say if that was for nine or 18 holes... HARRY ANDERSON spent his vacation at Pelican Lake, Wisconsin, and from the card we received he is quite a poet... Happy retirement to JULIUS CICHON. We hope to see you at the annual retirement party... Congratulations to the RICHARD DORGANS. They were grandparents for the fourth and fifth times within five days. The first to arrive was MICHELE JEAN, born on September 30. Her parents are JEANNE and DICK DORGAN Jr. Born on October 4 was KATHLEEN MARIE, the daughter of JERRY and KATHY RHEA... Our deepest sympathy is extended to CHESTER MATUSZEWSKI in the passing of his mother... A speedy recovery is sent to BILL TIMMERMAN.

- William Rehder

(General Office) -

JOHN KOWALSKI, testing technician, was married to LUCY SZCZODROWSKI on August 20. The wedding took place in St. William's church with a reception following the ceremony. Best wishes for their future happiness... MARIE HAVLIK had a wonderful vacation when she joined the CTA tour group this summer. She visited the Shobourne palace in Vienna, and Yugoslavia, Greece and some of the Greek islands. In Rome, Marie saw the Sistine Chapel with its beautiful paintings by Michelangelo. She also visited the City of Florence and the sunny Isle of Capri... We wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

- Kay McAlister

(Rapid Transit Signal Division) -

If you haven't noticed it, I would like to inform you the fall colors are out, and they are beautiful! They say the best things in life are free, so go for a ride, walk through

JOHN KOWALSKI and his bride, LUCY, seem to be updating that old "bicycle built for two" theme. They are shown posed on his Honda after their wedding on August 20 at St. William's church. John is a testing technician for the Electrical Department.



the forest preserves or countryside, and drink in some of this beauty. And for your sake and mine, be careful with fires. One careless moment can set us back hundreds of years... There's a guy in our department who's big enough to go on vacation any time he pleases. This time he drifted out to Albuquerque, New Mexico. By now you know this guy is VICK ZASTERA. Vick was in Albuquerque when the New Mexico State Fair was in progress. This is a big event there... JIMMIE NESBIT is back from his journey across the United States in his Dodge Dart. During his vacation he took in places like Minneapolis, Minnesota; Glacier National Park; Seattle, Washington, and Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia in Canada. Jimmie's wife, MARGE, accompanied him on this 7,500 mile trip. He had high praise for his little car. On their return trip (if you'd call it that), they visited Death Valley and moving closer toward home, Jimmie spent seven days in Phoenix, Arizona, and four days in Las Vegas, Nevada, where he reportedly saw a lot of "stuff"... DONALD HAWKINS and his wife, JACKIE, have returned from St. Louis, Missouri, where they enjoyed the Six Flags amusement park. Where else can you go when you take your two little girls with you? "Lots of rides," is the way they told it. While in St. Louis they saw the Gateway Arch, a 630 foot high steel and concrete structure honoring the westward movement of pioneers in 1764... D. L. COOTS ended a one-week fishing trip to Ely, Minnesota, where he and his wife, CARLENE, and his father and mother stayed at Canadian Border lodge near Moose lake. He said the fishing was good, and they caught their limit every day... Many of our signalmen are permitted to take a summer or early fall vacation. We view this as a bonus of sort. Whether you go out of town, see the Chicago sights, or just stay at home during your vacation, it's always nice to be off from work during the warm months. So as we close the vacation season, we find many of our fellows heading back from vacation dreamland: PAT DOYLE, FRANK HALPER, RICHARD VIETH, G. W. KEATING, VINCE GASPARAITIS, K. W. KLEICH, LOU GONZALEZ, R. SCHAEFFER, ROGER COMER, R. G. BEDOE, AL PELUSO and PAUL JANKOWSKI, just to name a few. Welcome back, men, now let's head out and get those territories in shape. We barely have enough time before the bad weather gets in... JACK PIPP is still on the sick list recuperating from a serious abdominal operation in August. Jack became ill during his summer vacation. I talked with his wife at the time of this writing, and she informed me that he is recovering nicely from the operation. A back ailment that has plagued Jack for some time is causing him much discomfort, though. I am sure Jack would enjoy hearing from all the fellows. So come on you guys, all together now: GET WELL SOON, JACK, WE'RE ANXIOUS



PICTURED WITH the plaque he won in the Metropolitan Miami Fishing Tournament is Pensioner JOE HERMAN who was fifth runner-up with his catch of an 8 pound bass. Joe was a chief operator in the Electrical Department before his retirement March 1, 1971.

TO SEE YOU BACK AT WORK AGAIN...Yes, it's true. STEVEN ZELLNER is settling again on the South Side. Please don't tell him I said so, but I think he likes our kind of hospitality...CHARLIE SEMON and his wife, LAURA, shared some of their excitement over their newborn granddaughter with me. Being his first grandchild, it is reason enough for him to stick out his chest. This only happens once in a lifetime. Little JULIE ANN was born on June 20 to DONALD and PAULINE SEMON. Don and Pauline have since moved to Wichita, Kansas, leaving gramps and grandma behind. It will be interesting to watch what Charlie's next move will be. Congratulations...No doubt while you and I were doing routine chores, our man DAN MORIARITY was down in Springfield, Illinois, taking care of the business--union business that is. Dan was among six delegates selected to represent Local No. 9 at the State of Illinois AFL-CIO convention in Springfield. Some other members of the delegation were LUKE HOWE, a Chicago Avenue lineman, and Mr. J. A. McCann, business manager of Local No. 9. Dan served on the public employment committee during the convention.

- Tommie Lowery

ENGINEERING -

DARLENE JANSEN, your co-reporter, has left our ranks to await her upcoming full-time baby-sitting job. A luncheon was held in her honor at the Sample Room. She wishes to thank all those who attended and says she will miss all of you. Best of luck, Darlene, and thanks for the reporter job. I'm most anxious to find out little goodies to print up, so be sure to save all your exciting news and I'll be sure to come around and collect it...ABEL FOVEA took part in a satire on marriage and divorce, "Parents Without Partners." Apparently he also did some of the choreography for the show. I wasn't aware we had any "twinkle toes" among our staff; we'll have to remember him when St. Patrick's day rolls around...RUSTY RUSAKIEWICZ drove up to Ear Falls, Ontario, for a week of fishing. He tried his luck on Lac Seul and then flew on to Lake Birmingham. Rusty refuses to tell a fisherman's lie and openly admits that he came close, but nevertheless failed, to catch any of the big ones. Maybe he wasn't using the right kind of bait...JOAN GEORGESON grew tired of rainy weather and flew to sunny California for two weeks, where she stayed with her two sisters. She said she had a gr-e-a-t! time but is glad to be back home...We're sorry

to hear that GEORGE SULLIVAN is in the hospital. Hope you're feeling much better real soon, George...We wish a fond farewell to CAROL HART of the Real Estate Division. Carol has been with the company for six years, and we have had the pleasure of working with her for the last three. Carol has decided to take an early retirement--very early! Carol, many of us wish we were in your shoes. Enjoy your leisure time in happiness and good health...A special welcome is extended to LINDA LeMONNIER from Claim Department who is replacing Carol. Linda is a familiar face around the Real Estate Division and we're quite pleased in welcoming her back...MICHELLE ALEXANDER transferred to Traffic Planning, replacing NANCY JOHNSON. Congratulations on your new job but don't forget to come back and visit.

(West Shops) -

On August 19 Apprentice Plumber S. BROWN took unto himself a bride. Many, many happy years are wished the newlyweds. . . Congratulations to C. J. MAJEROWICZ, plumber foreman, who celebrated 22 years with CTA in September, and to A. SUNZERI, track foreman, who celebrated 31 years...We would like to bid a fond adieu and good wishes for many healthy years of retirement to A. MORTELLARO, trackman, S. JACOBS, laborer, JULIUS GAJEWSKI, machinist, and P. PLUTA, painter. Good luck, fellows...We have quite a celebrity in our midst, JOE STANTON, labor foreman, who received a blue ribbon for his wood carving in Lemont, Illinois. Joe's work is beautiful, and I would just love to own one of his carvings...Happy birthday wishes to GENE REID and JEAN REDD. How old are you?...S. WICKERT, steamfitter, and L. ANDERSON, carpenter foreman, have returned from their Hawaiian vacations. Did I notice a little swaying of the hips, fellows?...Happy to see Superintendent G. MILLONAS back after his three-week vacation in Greece, Yugoslavia and Italy...D. BALANDIS, carpenter foreman, enjoyed his vacation traveling through Wisconsin. Dan says that this time of the year it is beautiful and the scenery is spectacular...PAUL ANDERSON is back from his West Coast vacation which included a stop at Las Vegas. No comment. . .Here's wishing J. IWANSKI, apprentice plumber, a get well quick. You have been out too long and we miss you.

- Kathleen Brady & Jennie Scott

FOREST GLEN -

First, I hope you and your families had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Of course you all know this day is for giving thanks, and we still have a lot to thank the Lord for. I believe we are all millionaires, maybe not in money, but with our wonderful families. Yours truly is thankful for all the fine gentlemen I have met here at the station...We will really miss GREGG ROM at the Jefferson Park terminal. He is a very fine young man and did an excellent job in keeping our buses clean there. Gregg is studying to enter the priesthood, and I hope he lets us know where his church will be. In fact, old "WILBUR" will sit in the front row and listen to every word. Good luck, Gregg, hope to see you next year... "It seems like only yesterday," said FRANK ENGELTHALER when he spoke of his seventh wedding anniversary September 18...BILL LYNAM was so impressed with the new buses, that when it was time for him to be relieved he was willing to make several extra trips just so he could drive this fine bus. Maybe next time, Bill...Supervisor WILLIE DUREN will celebrate 25 years with CTA on

December 31. He says he is looking forward to 25 more... Operator JOHNSON and his wife went West on their vacation this year. They visited with many of the old-timers out that way and said only one thing was wrong--too short. Well maybe you will have more time next year...TOM ROAN is wondering how he will be able to drive the new buses. It seems he can't get the seat back far enough... Chief Clerk BILL PINASCO went out West on his vacation this year. He tried the one-arm bandits in Reno, and won, of course. That's how he made the trip last so long...Operator JAMES MAJSZAK and his lovely wife, ETHEL, celebrated 25 years of wedded bliss on October 27. James said it seemed like only yesterday that they were married. ..Operator TOM MEAGHER and his beautiful wife, BARB, spent several weeks in Michigan and said it was the most restful time they had in quite some time...Supervisor WENTZEL is still chewing on that wet cigar. If he ever lights it--look out!..A happy belated birthday to BARBIE MILLER, the wife of Clerk MILLER. A surprise party was given for her on October 19 in which Miller treated her to dinner at the Golden Arches and other places of good times. ..Operator JESCHKE and his wife and daughter are touring the West Coast...Superintendent JOHNSON and his lovely wife went south and then took off on a cruise to South America...Pensioner CARL ZARUBA and his wife recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. A party was held for them which was attended by 57 friends and relatives...Your credit union is always at hand for your savings or any other need you may have.

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

GENERAL OFFICE (Reproduction Services) -

SUE PIERCE took a maternity furlough to await a blessed event. A group of the girls from the department enjoyed a delicious dinner at Ignatz & Mary, and then took in a show at the Mill Run to see Liberace. A good time was had by all.

(Office Services) -

When you see JOHN PHILLIPS, mail clerk, you will notice the difference in his physique. He had joined the weight-watchers and already has gone down a notch in his belt. He is sure making progress...LAVERNE SCHULTZ and her husband drove up to Gunflint Lake, 50 miles outside of Grand Marais, Minnesota, and stayed in a private home. It was really peaceful and good to get away from the office. JOHN SCHWARTZ and a friend flew to Bermuda for a two-week vacation.

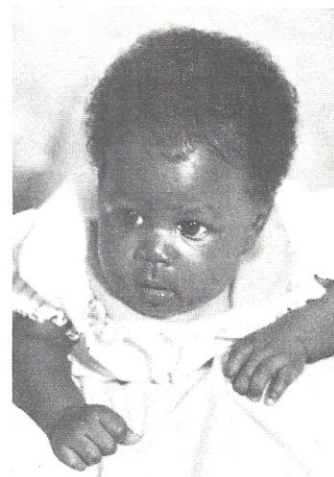
(Insurance) -

We welcome KATHY KOHLMANN back to work after her operation. She looks good as new...The department extended the welcome mat to ELKE MOLINA, stenographer, and VERA STUTTLEY, clerk-typist...KATHY MULIZIO, stenographer, left CTA to await a blessed event and take up housekeeping...It looks like JOHN BOYCE was put back to work again at home. He is spending his vacation painting and doing all the outside work before winter. Nothing like keeping good old John physically trim.

(Medical) -

Look out--MARY LEDWITH, our Irish nurse, has been attending classes taking up karate lessons. Men beware and behave, or else...It was good to see Dr. ILLA ROMAN back to work after having surgery. He has slimmed down

THIS LITTLE bundle of joy is KENDRA MICHELE EVANS, the five month old daughter of NORRIS and MARY EVANS. Kendra's dad is a clerk at Kedzie Station.



quite a bit and is now growing sideburns...The department welcomes Dr. ARNOLD PECK who joined the medical staff. Belated birthday greetings are extended to RITA WANTROBA, registered X-ray technician.

(Personnel) -

ANITA CURTIS and her husband flew to Montego Bay, Jamaica, and then on to the Bahamas for a ten-day vacation which was a great treat for both of them. They had plenty of night life...Pensioner WALTER GARBUTT is recovering in Fort Collins, Colorado, after suffering a heart attack recently...Upon inspecting the grounds of their new home one morning, MARIE and BILL CLINE found shamrocks growing in the front yard. Marie brought a bunch of them to the office and showed them to JOE O'SULLIVAN, who considers himself an expert on shamrocks since his recent trip to Ireland, and he was skeptical about their validity. However, it is possible that the wind might have blown the seeds all the way from Ireland and allowed them to settle in Marie and Bill's front yard. Who knows?...ART HUBACZ attended the National Convention of the Polish Legion of American Veterans in Cleveland, Ohio, and was elected National Zone III Commander. This takes in the States of Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana. Art now holds offices in the PLAV at post level as Director, state level as Adjutant, and national level as Zone Commander. He was also elected as Senior Vice Commander of the Combined Veterans Association...JOE and HELEN O'SULLIVAN celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on October 10...RAY and PHYLLIS FLEMING are finding out that being a homeowner is not too economical. Ray wonders why his back yard had to be blessed with such a large tree--so large that it is growing into the neighbor's yard. Now it has to come down and it is a costly operation...SHARON BOSAN, the daughter of BURT BOSAN, started her career with the CTA as a ticket agent. Good luck, Sharon...PAT DUNEK returned from a wonderful trip to the Pacific Northwest and Canada. Poor Pat was caught in a snowstorm and was totally unprepared for it...KATHY McCARTHY, the four-year old daughter of MICHAEL and ELAINE McCARTHY, is now attending play school. Mike's chest was stuck way out when her teacher gave Kathy a gold star on her first paper...The department welcomes KATHY FABRY back after her long illness. She looks great and says she feels great. Kathy wishes to thank everyone for their letters, prayers and visits. She said they were the best medicine she received...The department

NEW PENSIONERS

RAYMOND W. BLAA, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 10-3-40
RICHARD R. HALLIGAN, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 4-22-29
OLIVER A. LEE, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 3-19-45
FRANK M. NICHOLSON Sr., General Investigator,
Special Investigations, Emp. 1-7-63
PETER J. PLUTA, Painter A,
Way & Structures, Emp. 8-5-44
RALPH POWELL, Operator,
Kedzie, Emp. 9-22-42
EDWARD ROHDE, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 6-24-46
THOMAS F. SHEEHAN, Doorman,
77th Street, Emp. 9-25-51
JAMES P. TERRY, Instructor,
69th Street, Emp. 11-28-41
JOSEPH WACKER, Motorman,
North Section, Emp. 3-23-36
JOHN G. WOLF, Bus Serviceman,
North Avenue, Emp. 1-8-43

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

JOSEPH A. CUCI Sr., Laborer,
Engineering, Emp. 10-2-41
LORRAINE E. FALK, Batch Control Clerk,
Accounting, Emp. 6-26-44
MORTON LIBERT, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 3-22-62
PETER A. MOLFESE, Operator,
Lawndale, Emp. 6-30-43

welcomes Director FRAN C. KNAUTZ as the new department head.

(Treasury) -

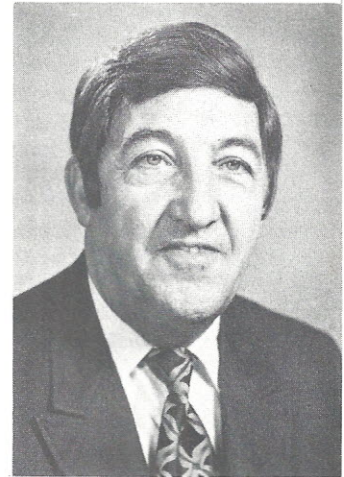
The month of September saw many festive occasions in the department. There were three birthdays and three vacations. Birthday celebrants were MIKE KANE, MIKE AKAI and GRANT MOSELEY...If you would like an oratory of 1,000 words or more, just ask ERNIE POTENBERG about the great South and Southwest. As awed as he was by the Carlsbad Caverns, the most lasting impression was the Arkansas brand of southern hospitality. Ask ZANE Mc-BAY, he is an Arkansan himself...High Lift Operator ADAM ZASIMOWICH and Machinist CHESTER PAVLAK took the northern route for fishing and both drew a blank. It seems that they weren't biting, and the fish that all the boys usually pose with had been discarded for the winter...TOM OLENICK is in the process of building his love nest and is entering a plea for any skilled, semi-skilled, or even unskilled help he can get...We repeat under oath, Mrs. PALI-LUNAS, the boss really did walk into the door.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neurauter

KEDZIE -

The new buses have arrived at Kedzie and the operators like the way they look and handle. I've heard nothing but

JOINING THE ranks of the retired on November 1 was RICHARD R. HALLIGAN, bus operator, North Park Station, who had 43 years of service with CTA and Chicago Surface Lines.



good reports about them. Let's take good care of them and drive them like your own car...Congratulations to Superintendent M. HARRINGTON who is starting his 46th year with CTA, having started with the old Chicago Surface Lines in 1926...At this time I would like to congratulate the following operators who made the "Employee of the Year" list: J. BARNET, J. JACKSON, E. BEENE, H. BEY, R. CARTER, R. COLLINS, I. DEAN, E. DWYER, M. DZINCIOLOSKI, F. FILIPIAK, R. FUNDERBURK, J. GADSON, J. GAGE, D. GARRISON, D. GILES, A. GNIEWEK, R. GRAHAM, R. HARMON, M. HAYES, J. HOFFMAN, W. HOPPER, J. JACOBS, H. LINDBERG, B. McKNIGHT, M. MARKHAM, C. MINNIFIELD, J. MOORE, V. PENN, J. RICHARDSON, F. ROWINSKI, W. RUSCIK, R. SHEA, W. SIERON, J. SIMPSON, R. THOMPSON, C. UNDERWOOD, R. UPCHURCH, C. WAGGONER, W. WALKER, W. WEBB, J. WOOTEN and T. ZUREK...I received a wonderful letter from Pensioner GLENN SEPKE and his lovely wife, EVELYN, who are enjoying life at its best. Glenn says hello to all at Kedzie. I also received a letter from Pensioner HENRY V. NELSON and his lovely wife who are enjoying themselves in Largo, Florida. Henry was in Chicago a few weeks ago and stopped in at Kedzie...Operator RALPH POWELL took his pension on November 1. We will miss your smiling face at Kedzie, but we wish you much luck and good health...Garage Instructor PETE GUEDEL is as proud as he can be. His lovely wife, LAURA, gave birth to a 4 pound 6 ounce baby girl named CYNTHIA LYNN on August 16 at St. Anne's hospital. Cynthia will have a lot of company at home as she has five brothers. The proud grandpa is Operator ERNIE GUEDEL of Forest Glen Station. Ernie was my conductor out of the old Armitage Depot 28 years ago...Our number four clerk, NORRIS EVANS, was also a very proud father when his lovely wife, MARY, gave birth to a baby girl, KENDRA MICHELE, on June 14 at Passavant hospital weighing 5 pounds 13 ounces. This is the first child for Norris and Mary...Relief Foreman PAUL BARNETT is now out of the hospital after undergoing surgery and doing fine. A week after his release, his lovely wife went into the hospital where she gave birth to twins on October 4...Wedding bells rang for Operator JACK and ANN MURPHY, formerly of Kedzie and now at Forest Glen Station. We wish the happy couple much health and happiness...T. J. HEFFERNAN, Kedzie Station credit union treasurer and manager, was united in holy matrimony on September 14 to BERNICE STONEBERG at St. Eulalia church. Heffernan's son, JIM, was best man, and JANICE TATER, the daughter of Bernice, was a bridesmaid. Some

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of the guests in attendance were: BOB and BARBARA STONEBERG, TOM and MARIANN STONEBERG, WARREN and PAT COX of Aurora, JIM and ROBERTA HEFFERNAN, DICK and JANICE TATER, JOE and MARY O'SHEA, PAT and NOREEN CARR, MARY RACE, AGNES HAWKINS, and your reporter and his wife, MEL GRAHAM. The reception was held at the Millionaire's Club in Melrose Park, Illinois, and everyone had a wonderful time. We wish the happy couple much health and happiness...Operator WILLIAM LARSEN and his lovely wife, JOSEPHINE, and JOHN and MERCEDES O'BRIEN of North Park Station, spent two weeks in Hawaii. They had a great time taking in all the sights and surrounding islands...Our deepest sympathy is extended to Pensioner S. BERLIN and his family in the death of Mrs. BERLIN on August 7 after a long illness in Mount Sinai hospital. She was laid to rest at Shalom Memorial Park cemetery in Palatine, Illinois...Don't forget your credit union--save a little each payday.

- Raymond Graham

KEELER -

Hi folks. Hope that everyone is aware of an overlooked fact--Thanksgiving begins in the heart, not on the table... Our deepest sympathy to Repairman LOUIS OLANDESE in the recent loss of his father...This being an election year, I'm sure we've all had enough of politics and the various polls. The renowned Disraeli had a good summation of poll-taking and politics. He said, "There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies and statistics." However, there is one statistic I'll swear by, as it proves that 50 per cent of the married people in the United States are women. A sneaky way to wish Repairman JOHN KOHMAN and his wife, STEFANIE, many happy returns on their sixth anniversary October 22. Operator ROBERT LEGG and his wife, FRANCES, celebrated 30 years of togetherness on November 10. Good girl, Frances...Repairman CHARLES BOWMAN had to get a very lovely birthday gift for his dear HARRIET on October 5, as his birthday followed on October 11. Operator GEORGE KARRAS gave his missus, DONNA MAE, a pre-birthday gift while he was on vacation. He sang the "Moving Blues" song. Happy birthday anyway, Donna, November 16...SY GOLDMAN and his lovely wife, HELEN, vacationed in Baton Rouge and New Orleans. Sy said he went fishing. I wonder if he caught Kosher fish... Operator JOE VALTIERRA and his family had a West Coast vacation, including Disneyland and Mexico. Joe and I are planning a business venture together. Do you think we will be successful with our "chitlin tacos"?...LARRY HOUGHLAND complained about taxes so much that his wife, DIANE, presented him with a new tax exemption on September 29. They named their new son ERIC...I bumped into Pensioner McDERMOTT, and he looked in such good shape that he could challenge anyone for a gold medal in anything...Oops, I almost forgot. Clerk LEROY KETTERING did some mountain climbing in Colorado Springs. That sure is a hard way to get high...From the office comes the reminder that some hard winter days are ahead. So, fellows, drive carefully and let's work on a Christmas present for our boss. He dropped a hint that he would appreciate a big bunch of "0" days of no accidents and no complaints. Superintendent KEAG informed your scribe that the commendations are falling way behind...The birthday bells are ringing for the following November babies: Operators W. SZYMELL (4); L. E. HOWARD (14); C. D. WARREN (19); L. C. JONES (21); W. F. FOX (25); L. D. HALL

(25); A. F. STRASSER (29); R. FLEET (29), and J. K. WITT (30)...Again, fellows, a reminder of the rough weather ahead. "A driver had the right-of-way, the other guy had a truck"...Another item concerning the upcoming Christmas season--"One of the most difficult tasks in the world is to convince a woman that even a bargain costs money"... Happy holidays!

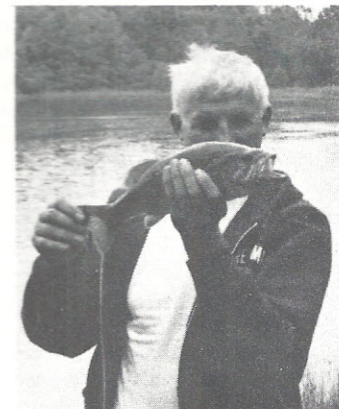
- Ernest C. Carter

LAWNDALE -

At this writing we are deeply saddened by the recent passing of Operator JOE RIHA on September 30. Joe was well liked and very active around Lawndale. He was a member of the board of directors of the Lawndale credit union. We will miss a wonderful friend...Our condolences are also extended to Operator EDONIS PRIEST in the recent passing of his wife, MURIELINE, October 4...All personnel interested in playing basketball with the Lawndale team, please contact Operator ROSEY WRIGHT. Your attendance and cooperation is mandatory...Anyone who had doubts about the results of those fishing trips that Superintendent MORRIS takes can rest assured he isn't bluffing. Recently he popped several white bass fillets into my hands, and I was astonished. Anyway they tasted delicious, and I for one will never doubt his word again about catching fish...Operators JOHNNY McCLAIN and CHARLIE WAIR, the Lawndale bowling team captains, are reminding everyone who signed up for the team to please be present when bowling dates are posted for practice...Operator JAMES FITCHPATRICK is off sick at this writing and we're wishing him a speedy recovery...Our congratulations to Operator JAMES BURRIS and his bride, MATTELA, on their recent marriage. We wish them many happy years together... Our deepest sympathy to Operator TOMIE JACKSON in the recent passing of his brother...Another one of our sick personnel is Operator TILLMON SHAW...Hurray, we finally got our share of the new buses...Happy birthday to the following personnel: P. D. JOSE, A. J. POMAR, J. POLK, W. H. PARKER, G. CROOM, E. J. LEVY, R. TAYLOR, L. THOMAS Jr., H. GOODMAN, C. MARSHALL, E. G. SHAW, P. LEWIS, L. C. MacKAY, C. L. SPEIGHTS, P. E. SPENCER, E. L. JOHNSON, A. D. KUNICKIS, W. E. MILLER, D. F. LECHIRCO, H. E. AUSTIN, D. C. CAMPBELL, O. H. MOORE, E. S. CELOVSKY, C. C. WISNIESKI and G. F. BRICHACEK...Don't stuff yourselves, fellows, but I do wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving...Until next month, take care.

- James Marshall

NORTH PARK Operator EDWARD SPRINGER is partially obscured by the large-mouth boss he caught while fishing in Miller, Missouri.





HOWARD TERMINAL Clerk GEORGE HENKE, left, is pictured with the 67 pound antelope he shot while on vacation in New Mexico. The fellow on the right is "Red" WILSON, the uncle of North Section Ticket Agent and Transit News Reporter TINA HENKE.

LOOP -

On Saturday, October 14, Agent B. RICHARDSON and LLOYD PAYNE were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed at the home of the lovely bride, who wore the traditional white gown and veil. A reception was held for family and friends at the Avenue motel after which the couple left for a short honeymoon. Our best wishes to the happy couple...Agent JOSEPHINE GIBLIN started her vacation on September 24. We hope she had a pleasant time and will furnish us with details upon her return...Celebrating CTA anniversaries in September were ELEANOR HASBROUCK (16 years) and ROSEMARY ROBERSON (17 years)...Lovely LORRAINE UPCHURCH is leaving to await the arrival of Mr. Stork who is due in December. Boy or girl, we know it will be a darling baby. Congratulations, Mom and Pop...Student Agent W. VINES was off the job for two months due to a hand injury. He is back once again and we would like to make a suggestion. Next time hire a mechanic, Wendel...On October 13 FAY CAPRIO's neighbors held a double celebration. One was Fay's birthday and the other was a baby shower for her French poodle who is anticipating. Congratulations and best wishes to both...On October 27 Agent DAVE GRAFMAN and his wife celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary. Congratulations and many more happy years together...MARY GALLAGHER and EILEEN CARMODY have both returned from their trip to Ireland and are back on the job. While there, Eileen attended the wedding of her daughter, BRIDGET. We are happy to have you back, girls...JOHN MATUSZEWSKI and BILL COSACK are still on the sick list. We hope to hear that they are both completely well and will be back with us before the next issue of Transit News...We haven't had any word on TONI STIPATI's recovery since her surgery. We hope in this case no news is good news and she is well on the road to complete recovery...Retired Agent LILL CONROY is still in the hospital, but doing well. Our thoughts are with her, and we hope she will soon be home with her family...Agent BETTY SEGERSON was home for two weeks with a sprained wrist but she is fully recovered now and looks great...VIRGINIA TOTCKE celebrated a birthday on September 7. Many happy returns of the day to a lovely lady...JOHN FILIPEK is recovering from a recent heart attack at Mercy hospital. We think a few cards, notes or calls from John's friends might help speed his return to health...Agent ADAM WAAS and his wife are settled in their new apartment and can relax now that all the hard work is finished. Good luck in your new abode...Agent ELEANOR HASBROUCK also moved into a new apartment and is tired out from all the work that moving entails. We hope the move will be a happy one for you, too, Eleanor...

Retired Agent MARY JO OHNESORGE took off for Ireland as a retirement treat to herself. We hope she had a pleasant journey and visit and will give us all the news upon her return...Our sincere sympathy to the families of MARGARET McBRIDE, retired agent, and JOHN GAVIN, retired foot collector, who passed away recently...We just received word that Agent MARGARET NOLAN is in Oak Park hospital. We hope the stay is a short one and that she will soon be up and about...In closing, our congratulations to Agent BETTY RUSSO who received an "Agent of the Year" award. We aren't surprised...Keep smiling!

- Mildred Doyle & Mary Wirted

LIMITS -

Box Puller FRED SCHADE and his dear wife, CECILIA, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on October 16 with a host of friends and relatives at the Seven Eagles restaurant. Operator G. P. TAYLOR and his wife celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary on October 1. Congratulations and best wishes to these two fine couples, and may you both have many more years of health and happiness...Congratulations to Operator RONALD BROWN and his wife, YVETTE, upon the arrival of their first child, a baby girl named VANASSA...Operator ELIJAH WESTBROOK was married to a lovely girl by the name of MARGERY on September 30. Westbrook reports that this is the girl he has been looking for all of his life. Congratulations!...Four generations of the WILLIAM BAHL family had a reunion at Winnemac, Indiana, and a good time was had by all. The wonderful Indian summer made it perfect...Operator FERGUS reports that he caught a 23 pound muskie on one of his fishing trips last month. He has a color snapshot to prove it...Congratulations to Instructor FRANK NORTON upon completion of 44 years of service with CSL and CTA October 3...JAMES JACKSON is still confined to the hospital at this writing. We all hope you will have a speedy recovery...Supervisor MICHAELS is back on the job again at State and Lake after undergoing brain surgery. We are all happy to see you in action and hope that you will stay in good health...Operator CARMEN IACULLA has a hobby that is very rare. He collects fire plugs from all over the country. He was able to obtain one from Erie and Michigan avenues last month...Box Puller LARRY HOFFMAN returned from his vacation after touring the Midwest...Operator EDWARD DAPPEN enjoyed his vacation in Omaha, Nebraska, where he visited his son. He and his wife then toured the Black Hills...Superintendent WESTON spent his vacation pouring tons of concrete at his home. He is glad to be back to work again...PARALEE UMBRA, the mother of Operator R. UMBRA; MARY HAUSER, the mother-in-law of Supervisor J. WALLACE, and JOHN BRENNAN all passed away last month. Our sincerest sympathy to their families...Our sincerest sympathy also to the family of ELMER MALMIN, who took his pension six months ago and passed away suddenly during the month of September.

- R. S. Benson

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -

Summer is gone and that much-too-short season of autumn is here. A good time to reflect upon the happenings of the summer before that hurry-up rush of Christmas arrives...Congratulations to Collector KAULIS who became

a proud grandfather on September 13 when his daughter, MARIANE DOTSON, gave birth to a beautiful 8 pound baby girl named JACQUELINE...EILEEN CARMODY spent part of her summer in Ireland. While there she attended the wedding of her daughter. Best wishes to the young couple. Your co-reporter, GRACE MOUNTS, spent four days in the hospital recently having X-rays. MARY WIXTED was also off sick for a while with bronchitis. Good to see them both back to work and feeling better...Still sick as of this writing are JOHN MATUJEWSKI, BETTY SEGERSON and OPAL YORK. Hope to see you all back to work soon...Welcome back to WITOLD SKORUPSKI who has returned to work after a cataract operation...Agent MARIE SZYMAN resigned in September to join her husband who is teaching in the Champaign-Urbana area. We will all miss WENDEL GOOCH who resigned to seek his fortune in the great California sun. We wish Marie and Wendel a lot of luck...MARY BURROWS and her sister spent their vacation in England and Ireland. They saw cousins they hadn't seen in 38 years. Mary was just a baby then. Mary was able to kiss the Blarney Stone while she was in Ireland, as if she needed to. She and her sister both had a great time...Congratulations to MINNIE DIKEMAN who was awarded a pin and corsage by her church for 23 years of perfect attendance in Sunday school...Agent FRED FRIEB and his wife, BETTY, spent two weeks of his vacation traveling through the East. They went through 12 states and got as far as Portland, Maine. They had a wonderful time sightseeing along the coast. They went aboard the U.S.S. Constitution (Old Ironsides). They didn't have much luck having a clam dinner in Maine because of the red tide which poisons the fish and clams. Fred visited an old army buddy in Brooklyn and stopped in Ohio to see his cousin. Fred said he was glad to get back home, and that living in motels and out of suitcases should be left for the younger generation...MARY GALLAGHER spent her vacation in Ireland again this year. She had a great time and promises to bring home some good looking single Irishmen for her friends next time...Assignment Agent MARIE MULVIHILL recently returned from her vacation in Europe. Her funniest adventure seemed to be a camel ride. Marie had intentions of riding a smaller camel, and while she was trying to explain this to the man she was lifted up onto a big one. She didn't realize that a camel got up by lifting his rear end first and then his front end. During the ride everyone thought Marie was smiling--actually she was screaming get me down. Marie had a wonderful time and claims she would not have missed that camel ride for the world...Welcome to new West Side Ticket Agents ALICE FORTUNE, DORA IVORY, LINDA PROWELL and CATHERINE HAYMAKER. We also welcome to the ranks of full-timers, former Student Agent AUGUSTA THOMPSON. Hope you all enjoy your stay with CTA...Assignment Agent CECYLIA ROPA is in St. Elizabeth's hospital as of this writing. We all hope she is feeling better and will be back with us soon...Congratulations to Agent JAMES REED and Assignment Agent KAREN DOMINO who were recently chosen for training as clerks. We all wish you both a lot of luck. A special message to Karen from all of CTA's female employees, stick to it and prove it...JUANITA EDEN was the lucky one to be the first in line at the Animal Welfare League after the Tribune featured its dog of the week. Juanita came home with a darling little puppy named Tasha. Hope you and that pup have many years of fun together...We all wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Agents BETTY BRAZIER and DORIS JOHNSON whose fathers recently passed away...Assignment Agent KAREN DOMINO is going to spend her vacation in Califor-

nia. Karen was very mysterious about whom she was going with, but we soon found out it was her mother. I'm sure they will have a great time as Karen's mom is a neat lady and a swinger, too...We all hated to see CTA's number one agent leave. MARY JO OHNESORGE took her pension October 1. We all wish you a lot of happiness and many years of a good life.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

I am sorry to report that my co-reporter, WALTER BLIX, is in Edgewater hospital. I hope by the time you read this he will be back with us. In the meantime, Walter has added a few lines to the end of this column...Garage Instructor PETE GUEDEL and his wife, LAURA, are the proud parents of CYNTHIA LYNN, who weighed in at 4 pounds 6 ounces on their 14th wedding anniversary, August 16. Cindy has five brothers at home: JAMES, 13; WILLIAM, 11; ROBERT, 7; RUSSELL, 6, and EDWARD, 19 months. We would wish them many more such happy anniversaries but Pete tells us this is it...Supervisor DAVID EGGERSDORF and his better half, ANN, celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary attending festivities at Forest Park Moose Lodge...December 6 will be the 31st anniversary celebration for Switchboard Operator JOHN STITCH and his spouse, MARY. Our best wishes to all...Operator HERB LINDEMANN was in Northwest hospital and is at home now recuperating. South Shops Bus Dispatcher BILL KOSEK has been in Michael Reese hospital. He is now home recovering from surgery. We wish them all a speedy recovery and return to work...We are happy to report that Supervisor WILLIAM GILLIS' smiling face is with us again after being on the sick list...Operator FLORIAN DWIEL and his wife, EVA, announced an addition to their family--a new Buick... "Hello" from Superintendent WILLIAM MOSER of Archer to all of his old friends at North...Operator BERNARD PEARSON has transferred to the job of ticket agent. The Sanitation Department has a new member, ex-Operator O. WAYAK. We wish them both lots of luck...Forest Glen Clerk BILL PINASCO, his wife, PAT, and another couple spent 21 days traveling around the good ol' U.S.A. They went West, and in Tia Juana they met Operator RAY HOROZKO. In Arizona they stopped with Pensioners EARL and RAY PETERSON, J. JACOBY and BOB CHRISTIAN. He enjoyed a lot of beautiful sunshine and was much impressed with Sun City in Arizona, which he recommends as a retirement spot for anyone. Bill and company drove 5,940 miles on the trip through mountains, can-

LOOKING THE "birdie" right in the eye, little JENNIFER ANN VODVARKA certainly knows how to pose pretty for the camera. Jennifer's dad, JOE VODVARKA, is assistant chief clerk in the Transportation Department.



yons, the Petrified Forest and the Painted Desert. They didn't miss a trick and enjoyed all of the trip except the weight department...Clerk BOB STACH and his wife, DOROTHY, visited Pensioner ROLAND HEAD at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. They visited Disney World and other scenic sights...A card from vacationing Pensioner VIGGO WINDFELD tells us that he enjoyed a visit to Kansas, Colorado and Utah with his wife, daughter and son-in-law...We received a letter from Pensioner LARS PEARSON and his wife, ANNA. Lars sends a big hello to all his friends. Except for trout in the White River, fishing at Mountain Home has been slow. Pensioner GEORGE ROHRUBER has a home near Lars, not far from the Lake. George is, we are sorry to learn, at Gottlieb Memorial hospital but is looking forward to recovery and getting back to Mountain Home. We hope it will be soon...July members of the Courtesy Caravan Club are: Operators S. KARIM, R. MASON, D. SKOWRONEK, R. TATUM, A. AMOS, L. WOOLFOLK, J. DUBIN and J. WILSON. August members are J. DAVIS, T. GRAY, B. BARNES, S. BOLTON, R. HARRIS, J. SALEHI, C. TALLEY, P. BERMAN, D. TROST and W. JOHNSON... Now for a few words from my co-reporter, WALTER...A great big HELLO to everyone from my room in Edgewater hospital. I've spent the last two weeks here with another bit of ticker trouble. For a time my roommate was ED BLASKEY, formerly of North Avenue. He was at 77th Street when he took his pension in 1969. He's a real swell guy. If you guys and gals don't mind, I'll keep the chatter until next issue. It's impossible to write a column lying in a hospital bed...In the meantime, Bill and I wish you all a very bountiful Thanksgiving...Just another friendly tip, you'd better get started on those Christmas cards NOW because we're hoping to hear from ALL of you...See you all purty soon.

- William Miedema & Walter Elix

NORTH PARK -

Chief Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS and his assistants would like to take this opportunity to thank the line instructors and temporary line instructors for their part in breaking in the college students during the summer...Operator ED KURCZEWSKI and his wife, BEVERLY, flew to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for a week's vacation. Highlights of the week were the baths at the Majestic hotel, plus the trip on Lake Hamilton on the Ducks...Operator EMIL RUSNAK caught a 28 pound muskie while fishing at Chippewa Flowridge, Wisconsin. Emil was awarded the grand prize, donated by the merchants of the Hayward area, for the biggest catch of the fishing contest in the area...Operator RICHARD HALLIGAN and his wife, JO, and their prize poodle, Ricky, enjoyed their annual vacation in Florida. The Halligans are looking for a permanent spot in Florida as Richard will be retiring in a few months...Pensioner GARRETT FOY and his wife, JEAN, who live in Jasonville, Indiana, were visitors in Chicago before leaving for Way Dam, Michigan, where Garrett does his successful walleye fishing...Operator BILL SEUFFER and his bride, DEBBIE, honeymooned for a week at Colorado Springs, Colorado. They visited Fort Carson, the scene of Bill's previous army service...Street Collector LARRY COSTLEY and his wife, MARY, vacationed throughout the northwest. Highlights of the trip were visits to the Black Hills, Mt. Rushmore and the Badlands...Pensioner FRANK LASKE and his wife, GERTRUDE, enjoyed a trip throughout the Northwest and Alaska. They were impressed with the magnificent

CELEBRATING THEIR
25th wedding anniversary on August 20 were Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM BALDYGA, who are pictured here with their son, WILLIAM Jr., who celebrated his birthday on August 19. William Sr. is a supervisory chauffeur for Utility and Emergency Service.



scenery of Lake Louise and the Canadian Rockies...Superintendent ALEX JOHNSON and his son, ERIC, spent two weeks at Philmont Scout Camp in New Mexico where Alex admits it was a rough session. The bears stole all of their food twice. After returning home, Mr. Johnson and his wife, HELEN, enjoyed a weekend in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where they attended a reunion of the 70th Infantry Division...Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, took a 21-day escorted train and bus trip to the West Coast, covering 9,500 miles. Points of interest were Denver, Colorado Springs, Salt Lake City and the Mormon Temple, then on to Bryce Canyon, Grand Canyon, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, San Simeon, San Francisco, Lake Tahoe, Yosemite National Park and Reno, Nevada...Congratulations are extended to the 107 operators at North Park who were selected for "Employee of the Year" awards. The names of these men are posted on the bulletin board for all to see... The Sambruca Club of Chicago will hold its annual dinner dance on Saturday, November 4, at the Chateau Royale on West Chicago avenue. The chairman of this affair will be Operator PAT SCIORTINO, assisted by Operators PETE MARCHISOTTO, SAL MUSCARFELLO and Pensioner JOE DES PARTE...Congratulations to Operators BILL KNUDSON and GARY NOONAN for their weight reducing efforts. They are engaged in a two-mile running course between Foster and Peterson each morning...Pensioner JOE EIFFES, who is living in a mobile home in Clearwater, Florida, is now recovering from a recent illness and our prayers are with him for continued recovery...Operator JIM MEISTER recently showed up for work on his anniversary day and was the recipient of much good natured ribbing...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET, while vacationing at Forsyth, Missouri, attended the 48th wedding anniversary of Pensioner ART MUIR and his wife, RUTH, and the 44th wedding anniversary of Pensioner RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN. Also attending were Pensioners STEVE HERMAN and his wife, HELEN, and ROY LEMKE and his wife, MARION. Highlight of the occasion was the presentation of a new boat by Mrs. Muir to her husband, Art...Operator BEN NEUMAN and his wife, FLORENCE, along with Florence's sister, THELMA, spent a few days in Forsyth, Missouri, visiting Pensioners Muir, Doneski, Lemke and Herman...Miss MARILYN COSTLEY, the daughter of Street Collector LARRY COSTLEY and his wife, MARY, was married on Saturday, June 24, to Mr. TERRY MATTINO at St. Monica Catholic church. The reception held at Huntley, Illinois, was attended by 250 guests. The young couple honeymooned in the west and will be at home

in Carpentersville, Illinois...JOHN STEINBEISS, the son of Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS and his wife, VICKI, became parents of their first child when a daughter named STACEY was born on June 1 at Air Force hospital in Rancho Cardovo, California, weighing 8 pounds 9 ounces. John, a former bus operator at North Park, is a 2nd lieutenant in the air force. Walter became a grandfather for the second time on June 10 when his daughter, Mrs. PAT SCARFF, gave birth to a daughter named MARGARET, born at Northwest hospital in Arlington Heights weighing 8 pounds 1 ounce...Retiring on July 1 was our genial Board Member FRANK LASKE, and on September 1 ELY PESTINE and EARNEST BOURBON joined the golden age group. We at North Park wish these fine gentlemen much happiness and continued good health in the years ahead...Operator ED SPRINGER spent a week at the Mickey Owen baseball school in Miller, Missouri, with his son, JOHN, who is a counselor there. Ed did some fishing and caught some fine large mouth bass...Our sympathy and condolences are extended to: Operator JAMES MEISTER in the loss of his step-mother, Mrs. MYRTLE CROWLEY; to Operator GENE CALDWELL in the loss of his daughter, GENCIE; to Street Collector JOHN MAHNKE in the loss of his brother, and to the families of Instructor PAUL WINKOWSKI and HENRY BRETZ...Happy anniversaries are extended to the following: Pensioner MIKE RIDGE and his wife, RACHEL, their 38th; Pensioner GEORGE KRINKE and his wife, PEARL, their 43rd; Pensioner RAY DONESKI and his wife, EVELYN, their 44th; Pensioner OSCAR ANDERSON and his wife, LUELLA, their 38th; Operator LEN BAEUCHLER and his wife, VIVIAN, their 34th; Operator ED KURCZEWSKI and his wife, BEVERLY, their 23rd; Operator CHESTER DAMIAN and his wife, IRENE, their 32nd; Operator HENRY SCHRAMM and his wife, ELIZABETH, their 33rd; Operator JOHN KIPPES and his wife, VIRGINIA, their 26th; Operator MEYER LEMEL and his wife, PHYLLIS, their 20th; Operator EDWARD BADEN and his wife, JOSEPHINE, their 41st; Ticket Agent FRED ANHALT and his wife, ANN, their 29th; Operator JOHN COSGROVE and his wife, HELEN, their 31st; Operator LYNN BUTLER and his wife, ANN, their 18th; Operator HILJARD DERENGOWSKI and his wife, their 22nd; Pensioner JAM STEINSPRING and his wife, DOLLY, their 43rd, and Superintendent JACK MORRIS and his wife, DOROTHY, their 43rd...Happy birthdays are extended to: CONNIE DI GIOVANNI, ELYSE LIBERT, PEARL KRINKE, MERVIA HAND, EVELYN RELSTAB, VIVIAN BAEUCHLER, DANIEL KOZIOL, Instructor GEORGE RELSTAB, Supervisor GEORGE HAND, Operators RICHARD HALLIGAN, ZEKE JAGST, JIM DOLAN and ORVILLE MURRAY, and Pensioners STANLEY ZALE and ROY LEMKE...Operator CHESTER OLENSKI and his wife, JOANNE, became grandparents for the first time when their son, MICHAEL, and daughter-in-law, NANCY, became parents of a daughter named JENNIFER ANN who was born on September 22 at St. Joseph's hospital weighing 7 pounds.

Repair Department Chit Chat: Foreman PHIL O'CONNOR spent four weeks in Castusland, County Kerry, Ireland, where he visited his mother, Mrs. MARY O'CONNOR, and his brother, EDMUND. Mr. O'Connor had a chance to drive the mini-buses in Ireland and was very impressed with their operation...Serviceman TOM CHIOVINO was married on Sunday, August 6, to Miss GLADYS KOTELMAN at Our Lady of Pompeii church. The reception held at Hecks hall on Milwaukee avenue was attended by 150 guests...Operator MEL HORNING and his wife, VIOLET,

spent a lovely afternoon with Pensioner ED CORDA and his wife, JEAN. Ed, who is the apple raising king of Tennessee Ridge, Tennessee, sends his regards to his many friends at the garage and extends an open-house greeting to anyone down his way...Serviceman GEORGE SERRITELLA retired on September 1 after 31 years of service, and was honored with a fine party attended by his co-workers...The welcome mat is extended to Servicemen LOUIS ALM, PATRICK KENNY and KASPER LOMBARDO, and to Repairmen JAMES WARCHOL, STEVE DUDASIK, DANIEL KOWASLKI and JAMES HOUSTON...Congratulations to DENNIS CROBIN on his promotion as P.M. foreman at 77th Street Garage, and greetings to DANIEL LOHSE who replaced Dennis as relief foreman at North Park...Enjoying October vacations at this writing are: DAN PRISBLE, JOSEPH PECORARO, FRANK SCHENDL, MATT HEAVEY, HOWARD HALVERSON, BOB LORENTZ, ANDY KARIOLICH, DARRYL PEARSON and PAUL SCHREVES.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Foot Collector D. W. BLAIR recently resigned and was given a farewell party by Chief Collector JOE GOLDBERG and many of his friends and presented with a gift. Mr. Blair has returned to his native Ireland...North Side Clerk PAUL PRIELOZNY retired on October 1 after 32 years of service. He was given a farewell party by his co-workers and Superintendent M. V. LaVELLE presented Paul with a gift. Paul said he was sorry to leave the company, but that he would be around to visit with his friends. We wish him many years of happy retirement...Superintendent LaVelle and his wife spent their vacation in Jamaica where they got plenty of sunshine. We wonder, did he try to do the Limbo?..Assistant Superintendent BILL LIMANOWSKI and his wife spent their vacation in Hawaii and had a wonderful time. They hated to come home to Chicago's unpredictable weather. How were the hula girls?..Our dear friend and fellow employee, Agent MARY MCBRIDE, passed away. To the members of her family we send our sympathy and condolences... Our deepest sympathy is extended to Agent LOLA DuCREE and her family in the sudden and untimely death of her brother. Our sympathy is also extended to Agent LILLY WILLIS in the death of her brother. May you all hold fond memories in your hearts and the good Lord comfort you...Agent WUANITA NAMYST is now home from the hospital and we wish her a speedy recovery. Agent SARA SIMMONS is on the sick list and we wish her a speedy recovery, too...Clerk JOHN GORDON and his wife spent their vacation in his native Scotland. John said they had a wonderful time and that he sure had his fill of haggis. Sure, and it's a wonder he didn't come back wearing kilts...Welcome to two new North Side clerks, JAMES ROBERTS and RICKY LINDSEY. May you find the North Side an invigorating place to work...Agent JERRY ROSENBERG spent a wonderful vacation in Florida where he visited Disney World, also going to Nassau, New Orleans, Atlanta and Chattanooga. Jerry also told us that there is now a Mrs. JERRY ROSENBERG, therefore congratulations and best wishes to them both...Supervisor and Mrs. JOE KORAL had a summer that will be long remembered. Their son, CHARLES, came home after spending 13 months in Korea, and their daughter, VIRGINIA, and her husband, Captain JIM ARMSTRONG, and their son, STEVE, from Hawaii, also visited them at the same time. Little Steve is their first grandchild. Charles is now stationed at McConnell

Air Base, Wichita, Kansas, with the air force security division. Joe also found time to go fishing with his youngest son at Lake Namkegon in Northern Wisconsin. They caught their share of fish, but had trouble keeping the bears away. Joe said he wasn't about to invite them for dinner...Welcome back to Agent DOROTHY HARRIS who spent some time in the hospital...Agent MYRTLE OTT, while on her vacation, traveled with her son to California after his company transferred him there. She also put another candle on her birthday cake and celebrated by going to Bloomington, Illinois...Our best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to Agent AUDRA ANDERSON who is now home recuperating from a recent illness. We also welcome back Agent REBA ANDERSON who was off work due to illness...Janitor THOMAS CAMERON and his wife, LORRAINE, and children spent their vacation in and around Los Angeles visiting Disneyland and many other places...Clerk JIM DOHERTY and his wife vacationed in Colorado Springs, going to Pikes Peak, the Royal Gorge and several other points of interest...Agent HELEN EDWARDS and her husband spent their vacation in Florida and Denver, Colorado. They visited many points of interest while in Denver...Agent MAUREEN DURCAN's brother was a recent visitor to Chicago from Ireland to see Maureen and our fair city...Superintendent WILLIAM ROONEY and his wife spent a week at South Haven, Michigan. It rained all the time they were there, so they packed up and came home early. It was a great disappointment to them...Janitor TOM LABONO spent his vacation visiting Colorado Springs, Woodland, Colorado, the Royal Gorge, the Air Force academy and Cripple Creek. He said he hated to leave that wonderful country...Line Supervisor HARRY HORN informed us that his wife, Agent DOREEN, is in Ravenswood hospital. Hurry and get well, Doreen...The supervisors had a new pick and SAM CHILIA and JOHN NIMTZ have gone to the West Side. Both did a terrific job here on the North Side and we will miss them. We wish them good luck...Your scribe and her husband, GEORGE, North Side clerk, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. VIGGO WINDFELD, retired bus operator, have just returned from a three-week vacation out west. We visited the Eisenhower Memorial at Abilene, Colorado Springs, the Air Force Academy, Denver, Rocky Mountain National Park, Salt Lake City, where we attended a concert of the Tabernacle Choir, then on to Zion and Bryce Canyon National parks. We stopped to see the Grand Canyon, then on to Roswell, New Mexico, where we visited my uncle and went antelope hunting with him. The hunt was successful as we bagged a 67 pound two-point buck. We then went to Santa Fe to visit my other uncle, and drove on to Albuquerque and visited the old original section of the town. We then left for Oklahoma City, coming home through the Missouri Ozark area into Southern Illinois. We stopped to visit with relatives, and visited Bald Knob Mountain where we saw the huge cross that is built on top of it. We drove a total of 5,667 miles and enjoyed every minute of it, taking many rolls of movie film to long remember our wonderful trip. Our country is truly a wonderful and beautiful place...Agent DOROTHY MILANETTO is now at home after undergoing surgery and says she will be glad to get back to work and into the swing of things...Agent LEONA MASKIN has returned to work after being off and in Forkosh hospital. Welcome back, we hope you are feeling better...Conductor BILL MOONEY is back in the hospital for further surgery. We wish him well and a speedy recovery...Collector NAPOLEAN TURNER spent three wonderful weeks in Europe visiting Madrid, Spain; Paris, France; Rome, Florence and Venice, Italy; Luxem-

WEDDING BELLS rang for GLEN and KAREN DONDLINGER on September 9 at St. Mary Star of the Sea church. The bride is the former KAREN HOFFMAN, a records clerk at South Shops, and Glen is a bus serviceman in the Campaign Area.



burg, Belgium, and Munich, Germany. He says the only thing wrong was that it wasn't long enough. Oh how we all love vacations...Chief Foot Collector JOE GOLDBERG and his wife, BEVERLY, celebrated another happy year of marriage. Congratulations to them both...Division 308 Treasurer HUGH HEGARTY and his wife, CATHERINE, spent their vacation visiting the New England States. They visited Boston, and also drove through New Hampshire and Maine. They said the countryside was very beautiful and that they saw many covered bridges that are a rarity today...Student Agent STEVE DUFFY and CATHERINE MORIARTY tied the knot on September 2. They spent their honeymoon at French Lick, Indiana. We wish them both much happiness and a long married life...Agent ANNABELLE DREW tells us that she is once again a grandmother. Her son, RAY, and his wife, JUDY, presented Annabelle with her eighth grandchild, a girl. Annabelle is now living in Wheeling and says she really enjoys her new home. Congratulations, grandma.

- Tina Henke

OPERATIONS (Transportation) -

Retired Rapid Transit Superintendent BILL MURBACH stopped in the general office to say hello. He looks good, is feeling fine and enjoying his retirement...On October 1 Radio Telephone Operator CARL LARSEN retired with 35 years of service. Coffee and cake were served in Operations Control to honor him. Now he will just take it easy and enjoy himself. We wish him a very happy retirement...Congratulations to ART and FLORENCE ROEPKE who celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on October 23 and to JACK and SIMONE TCHELEBIAN who celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary on October 4. Both couples were joined by their families at dinner in honor of the happy occasion...Your scribe, COLETTE, recently flew to Miami, Florida. You might be thinking, again, that's nothing unusual or different. But that's where you're wrong. This time I was joined by CLARENCE and LOTTIE MALOTTKE, RAY and VIV KLEIN, and JACK and WANDA KRAUSE in Miami where we boarded the TSS Mardi Gras for a one-week cruise. Our first stop was San Juan which was very hot and humid. We only went on a night club tour because of our late arrival. It was then on to St. Maarten and a tour of the island. It was very hilly, the streets and roads were very narrow with mostly old and small buildings. We continued on to St. Thomas where we did a lot of walking and shopping. It was very crowded as there were loads of

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

ALFRED M. ANDERSON, 80, Devon,
Emp. 3-5-14, Died 9-24-72
CARL H. ANDERSON, 78, Kedzie,
Emp. 2-7-27, Died 9-6-72
JOHN BASSO, 71, Archer Garage,
Emp. 11-15-42, Died 9-13-72
WILLIAM E. FORBRICH, 59, North Avenue,
Emp. 12-10-40, Died 9-17-72
JOSEPH H. GAMEN, 83, Surface Garages,
Emp. 8-10-20, Died 9-30-72
JOSEPH A. GAVIN, 69, West Section,
Emp. 1-22-26, Died 9-17-72
ANNA M. GILLESPIE, 84, West Section,
Emp. 7-19-29, Died 9-6-72
WILLIAM R. GODELMAN, 84, Limits,
Emp. 6-4-14, Died 9-30-72
JOHN HEERSMA, 96, Burnside,
Emp. 12-27-21, Died 9-14-72
CHRIST H. HELM, 80, North Avenue,
Emp. 3-13-17, Died 9-26-72
WALTER H. HELMER, 78, Way & Structures,
Emp. 5-11-20, Died 8-29-72

GEORGE M. KARTH, 83, North Section,
Emp. 7-12-07, Died 9-26-72
HENRY A. KIESLING, 85, 69th Street,
Emp. 8-7-13, Died 9-16-72
JOHN J. KUPCZYK, 69, West Section,
Emp. 11-30-25, Died 9-3-72
ELMER A. MALMIN, 65, Limits,
Emp. 10-31-27, Died 9-23-72
CHARLES L. MARKS, 73, North Section,
Emp. 5-5-43, Died 9-24-72
WILLIAM MAZEIKA, 62, District B,
Emp. 8-13-36, Died 10-14-72
JOSEPH RIHA, 60, Lawndale,
Emp. 4-22-37, Died 10-1-72
PERRY SEARS, 85, Treasury,
Emp. 10-23-09, Died 9-3-72
HAROLD SESTAK, 62, Forest Park,
Emp. 12-4-41, Died 10-17-72
FRANK X. VOLLMANN, 83, Devon,
Emp. 6-27-44, Died 9-7-72
WALTER WISNIEWSKI, 70, Campaign Area,
Emp. 11-30-24, Died 9-3-72

tourists like ourselves. Our last stop was Nassau where we did a little more walking and met four couples from CTA who were on another ship. The weather was beautiful and we swam every day on the ship. The food was delicious and there was plenty of it. There was a masquerade party one evening and Wanda and I joined in and went as Old Father Time and the New Year. There was never a dull moment as we were on the go constantly and didn't get much sleep. We had a terrific time, took a lot of pictures and found that a cruise is a great way to spend a vacation. Upon returning to Florida I had enough time to do a little fishing which made my vacation complete. To say the least, it was a wonderful vacation. One I won't forget for a long time...We would like to welcome DENNIS MURPHY, information clerk, replacing JOHN KOLON who transferred to the Schedule Department. Good luck in your new jobs.

(Traffic Planning) -

On August 31 a luncheon was held for NANCY JOHNSON at the M&M Club. Many of her friends attended and presented her with a gift and extended their wishes for the best of everything. Nancy will now stay at home, have some extra time to take care of things and relax...BILL WINTERS and his wife drove to Montana, seeing Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks and many other places. During the two weeks they were away they ran into some bad weather, including snow. Considering the weather, they had a real good time...On August 5 the wedding bells rang for HAROLD ROWBOTTOM's son. MICHAEL and KAREN were married at an ecumenical service at Immanuel Lutheran church in Palatine. The newlyweds honeymooned in northern Wisconsin. Mike is presently working as a bus serviceman at North Park Station. The bridal party was certainly a family affair as Mike's three brothers and one sister and Karen's two sisters and one brother stood up to the wedding. We wish to extend our congratulations to the happy couple.

(Utility and Emergency Service) -

ROBERT KOSTER recently transferred from Shops and Equipment and WILLIAM DOWNS from Beverly Station.

Welcome and good luck in your new jobs...After being off sick for some time, DON EDWARDS has returned to work. We are happy to see you well again and back with us...Congratulations to WILLIAM HART's daughter who found her Social Security number in the Chicago Today and became a winner...Pensioner DAN BOAL recently underwent surgery and is now on the road to recovery. We hope it won't be long until he is feeling fine...We hope that AL SCHMIDT, who was in an automobile accident, is feeling much better and will return to work soon...NICK SPITALLI vacationed at Mount Rushmore and the Black Hills, JAMES ROCHE and his wife went to New Orleans and had a wonderful time, and the ED KELLYS went to Canada where the scenery was beautiful. Ed says he was snowmobiling one day and swimming the next day at Saskatchewan...Congratulations to CLEM ROEHAN who celebrated his 35th anniversary with CTA, PAT PORCELIUS and BILL CRIGLER with 30 years and H. SURRETT and ED JENSKI with 25 years of service. Our sympathy is extended to EDWARD JENSKI whose mother recently passed away.

- Colette Szyzpanek

PURCHASING, SPECIFICATIONS & STORES -

A big hello is extended to HAROLD ENWRIGHT, order control clerk, who came from Storeroom 42 to replace JERRY KILLMAN who transferred to South Shops. Good luck, Harold!...Our deepest sympathy is expressed to G. S. GRAYBIEL, general superintendent of Purchasing, Stores & Specifications, in the death of his mother...Congratulations to BECKY COUSIN on her new contact lenses. Becky really looks so beautiful with them, we doubt that she'll ever wear glasses again...ED CUMMINGS, retired buyer, came back to visit his friends in the Purchasing Department after one year of retirement. Ed has been on the go ever since and he looks grand. Glad to see you again, Ed...Get well wishes are sent to ED COATES, retired assistant superintendent of Purchasing, who is in West Suburban hospital. We all wish you a speedy recovery...DICK TESCH, Purchasing, has returned from his third trip to Las Vegas.

INSIDE NEWS

The weather was rainy, the cab companies were on strike, and he had to travel on the Las Vegas Transit lines. All in all, he had a good time and probably will return...JILL MISE, Specifications, and her parents and fiancé spent a wonderful one-week vacation in Hawaii. The tour included three islands. They rented a car and saw many national parks and landmarks, saw Polynesian revues, spent money at the International Market Place, learned to do the hula and Tahitian dances, and got a little tan. Jill says that Hawaii is generally beautiful and the people are very friendly towards tourists. Glad you had such a good time...ROBERT MCCARTHY, Purchasing, and his family spent their vacation traveling through Illinois in a new 1972 Ford. They stayed at Kentucky Lake and came back home via Evansville, Indiana, to see his wife's sister who is a nun. After arriving home, it was time to set out again to take his son, ROBERT, to the University of Illinois where he began his freshman year of college. On October 6, Bob, along with his son, BRIAN, and a friend set out for Wauconda Orchards for their annual apple picking day. They picked red delicious, McIntosh and Jonathon apples. Sounds like you and your family had a super time...Good luck to the daughter of JIM GILLIAND, stock clerk II, who has started school at Northern Illinois university...JOHN SPRINGER, stock clerk I, spent his vacation in California. He spent one week with his son in San Jose, one week visiting his daughter in Los Angeles, and the last week with his daughter in Oceanside...CHARLES BENNETT, stock clerk I, reports that his daughter, CASSANDRA, is taking a practical nurse course at South Chicago Community hospital. Good luck in your studies, Cassandra...PETE DUFFY, stock clerk I, is on the road to recovery after a recent operation. Hope to see you back at work soon!

- Cecilia Trucco & John Gill

SCHEDULE & TRAFFIC -

They were loaded to the numbers Friday, September 29, in Room 711 when Superintendent of Schedule-Traffic L. C. (Roy) DUTTON and Superintendent of Schedule Operations RICHARD GOLDSTEIN said goodbye to their many co-workers and friends. Over 90 years of schedule work is split among these two men; Mr. Dutton started with Chicago Surface Lines in 1925, and Mr. Goldstein with Chicago Motor Coach company in 1928. Coffee, cake and goodies were served to all with few leftovers. On hand to say goodbye and renew old times were Pensioners BARNEY O'NEILL, JOHN FRANZEN, BOB SEDLACK, JOE DEGRAZIA, GEORGE JOHANNES, JOHN BENNIS, ARVID BRANDT and WALLACE STOLTENBERG...CHARLEY KEELER spent his vacation in Wisconsin...BOB LaVOIE walked his second daughter, LORRIE, down the aisle at St. John Fisher church on September 3. The reception was held at the Martinique and a good time was had by all...JOE VIOLA is back to work after recuperating at home from surgery. It is good to have him back...NORMAN ZAHN, traffic checker, became a grandfather for the first time. Congratulations...Mr. and Mrs. KEN MAREK and your scribe toured parts of Europe. Vienna, Austria, was the starting point, and Rome, Italy, was the stopping point. Your scribe especially enjoyed Yugoslavia, the country of her ancestors...Congratulations and best wishes to our new boss, Superintendent of Schedule-Traffic HAROLD HIRSCH, and to his newly-appointed assistants, WILLIAM WORCESTER, WALTER THOMAS and EDWARD REILLY...Welcome to JOHN KOLON who transferred from telephone in-

formation clerk to traffic clerk...JOE RITROVATO was promoted to schedule clerk, and JOE KAREL to statistician...We welcome four new traffic checkers, ROBERT SPOONER, ANTONIO TOBIAS, RAFAEL TORRES and CHARLES ALMENDAREZ...The Schedule Department extends their sympathy to DOROTHY ETSCHIED in the death of her mother.

- Kathryn Batina

RAPID TRANSIT MAINTENANCE TERMINALS -

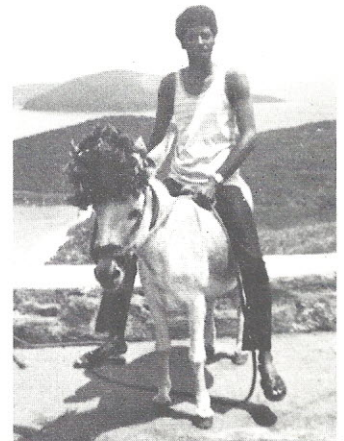
Welcome to new Car Servicemen G. PORCARO and A. BONICK from the boys at Forest Park...Congratulations to LEON FIELDS and JAMES PLOMIN on their promotion to instructors...Welcome and congratulations to L. O. RODDY who was promoted to repairman "B" at Dan Ryan...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. J. ZOCCOLI, Congress, on the birth of their first child, JAMES ANTHONY, on September 15. Congratulations are also in line for Mr. and Mrs. F. NEALY, Congress, on the birth of their second child, FULTON Jr., September 28. Best wishes to both families...Wedding bells tolled for L. BACHLEDA, Congress, who was married in Europe while on vacation. Wishes for a lifetime of happiness are sent to the happy couple...A hearty welcome from all the boys at Congress to T. HALLAHAN and F. ALCANTARA...CTA American Legion Post 1216 held its annual installation of officers on October 29 at the Indian room in the Fort Dearborn hotel...Everyone is still talking about the wonderful affair given by G. NICHOLSON, L. STEWART, C. NELSON and F. PICKETT at the Chivas club...The last chance for a summer vacation was enjoyed by J. RANDAZZO, C. NEVELS and L. REYES of Forest Park, and Q. BONDS, C. TOWNSEND, J. KOGER and E. SHIELDS of Dan Ryan.

- Ray Brzezczek

SKOKIE SHOPS -

A birth announcement from the Motor Line! While Electrical Worker BILL HEBERT was vacationing on his Wisconsin farm, one of his prize sows gave birth to 14 piglets! Congratulations, Bill! Where are the cigars?...Electrical Worker LEO KRAMER is the proud owner of a 1973 Pontiac Bonneville with everything on it. Included is a big trunk so Leo can load up at his favorite store...On October 3, Electrical Worker STANLEY RAVEN became a

COLLECTOR THOMAS BRAGG, South Section, is pictured astride a very decorative burro. This photo, taken while he was on vacation in the Virgin Islands, shows he may have needed a taller burro for his long legs.



great-uncle twice in one day. Stan's nephew, THOMAS KEENAN, and his wife, DOROTHY, had twin sons, TIMOTHY FREDERICK, 4 pounds 5 ounces, and THOMAS FRANCIS III, 4 pounds 8 ounces. Congratulations!..Our sincere sympathy goes to Upholsterer JOHN ZDUNEK in the loss of his mother...We'd like to wish speedy recoveries to STANLEY BARNAS, shopman I; Blacksmith-Welding Foreman STEVE YERGOVICH, and GENE RYMKE, Technical Services Division. Hurry back, fellows!..Talk about the luck of the Irish--Electrical Worker PAT HARNETT was the lucky winner of the \$50 Savings Bond at the Spring Grove firemen's dance. Your scribe and her husband, HUGH HEGARTY, Division 308 secretary-treasurer, had the pleasure of attending this affair. We weren't as lucky as Pat, but we sure had a great time!..We'd like to extend our best wishes for a very happy retirement to carpenter MATTHEW MASCARI. Matt retired on October 1 after 32 years with the company. Have fun, Matt!

- Catherine Ann Hegarty

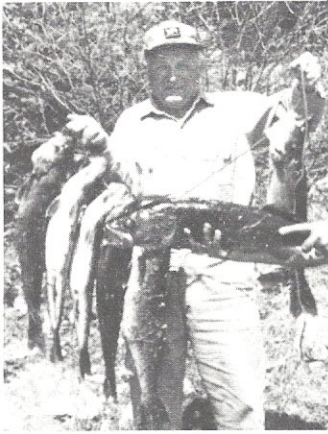
SOUTH SECTION -

Well, here it is, autumn again--the frost is on the pumpkin and the holidays are just around the corner. This year is sure going fast...Well, our South Siders really enjoyed their vacations this summer with all the trips they made to faraway places...Motorman WILLIAM BROPHY flew to the "Old Sod" for his vacation, and enjoyed the beautiful scenery in Dublin. He says everything is such a beautiful green. ..Conductor JOHN KALTSAS and his Mrs. vacationed in Florida, spending time in Tarpon Springs, Tampa, Miami; then over to Nassau in the Bahamas to see the gambling casinos, and to Freeport for shopping. They also went to Atlanta, Georgia, to attend a Greek convention...Conductor MICHAEL WALKER passed out the biggest cigars when he told us about the birth of his son, CRAIG, born September 13. The happy Walkers have a "King's Choice" now, a boy and a girl...We were happy to see more of our ailing employees back to work and in good shape once more: Clerk ROBERT HARVEY, Motorman ROBERT SHELBY, Conductors STEVE RUDOKAS and LUTHER WAKEFIELD, and Janitors JAMES ROBERTS and WILLIAM LOVE...Retired Motorman EDWARD HENNESSY and his charming wife, VIOLA, called to say that they were moving to Phoenix, Arizona. They have rented a nice apartment with a pool and are going to see how they like it out there. I received a postcard from them the other day and so far they just love it. They live not too far from Retired Collector THOMAS McINERNEY and his wife, former Assignment Agent NANCY...Instructor ARDIS MORRIS and his family drove to Florida and saw the fabulous Disney World. They also stopped at Lookout Mountain, and went to Underground Atlanta with all its quaint shops and restaurants...Janitor LENZY BATTLE went on pension October 1 and the agents and men at 95th Street gave him a nice going away party. Mrs. BATTLE came out to help in the celebration. Sandwiches, cake and coffee were served and a token of remembrance was presented to him. Hats off to Agents AMY GRANT and MAXINE JEFFERSON for all their work in making this party a success. Our best wishes to Lenzy for a long and happy retirement. He will be missed by all his co-workers and friends. He was one of our best janitors and had an excellent record...Now that summer is over our part-time conductors have gone back to school: KEITH and KENNETH JACOBI, MICHAEL APPLEBY, ROBERT JARVIS, THOMAS CONWAY, JAMES MARINA, PHILIP WIL-

LIAMS, CHARLES WILLIAMS, PETER STAZZONE, LEONARD MOORE, CARL DAVIS, ROBERT ROBERSON, RICHARD PARRISH and WILLIAM STALLWORTH, and Janitor STEVEN JAMES...Our sincere condolences to Agent KAREN FRIDDLE whose brother passed away in Michigan...I met Retired Conductor JOHN SHEAHAN recently at a bus stop on 95th Street and he looked wonderful. He said he was going to the Bahamas for the winter. Our pensioners sure get around to those faraway places...Motorman DOMINIC CESARE and his wife, ROSE, vacationed in California touring the entire state, and then went to Las Vegas. They had a swell trip...Congratulations to Conductor JAMES ROBERTS who transferred to the North Section on August 20 as a transportation clerk...Agent VELMA HUSBAND and her family vacationed this summer in Washington, D. C., and saw all the sights. They said there is so much to see in Washington you hardly have time to see it all...Congratulations to Conductor NEIL SULLIVAN and his wife who celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary recently at White Fence Farm restaurant...The Agents Pension Club held their fall dinner at Sharko's East restaurant on September 17 and everyone had a ball. The food was real good, especially the yummy chicken (now that I'm eating more I really enjoy my food again). It was so nice to see all the pensioners again and talk with them: Retired Agents KAREN FRIDDLE, MAE DRISCOLL, HAZEL DUNN, GRACE WEBER, CECILIA MORAN, CATHERINE COLLINS, SARAH McEVOY, HELEN SHANNON; Retired Towerman PATRICK HICKEY; Retired Conductor JERRY HANAFIN; Retired Division 308 Board Member CHARLES BURNS and many more. Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE RILEY, superintendent of operating stations, also attended and helped to make it an enjoyable dinner...Welcome to the South Section to newly-hired conductors: WESLEY COLE, CECIL PURNELL, DONALD BRADSHAW, EUGENE EASON, WILLIAM PERRY, RONALD CURRY, RAY HELM, RAY EVANS, HERMAN HARRIS, WILL INTOE, ROBERT SHARP and WILLIE TAYLOR...Motorman ED O'HARE spent his vacation this summer in Wisconsin and enjoyed the cool breezes and the fishing...Heard that Retired Agent MARY KLUMPP has moved to Jacksonville, Illinois. Good luck, Mary, in your new residence...Collector THOMAS BRAGGS flew to St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands and had a ball. He said the Virgin Islands are like paradise...Part-time Conductor ADAM BOURGEOIS decided to remain with us and was rehired as a full-time conductor on September 25...Janitor DOMINICK MARTINO went on a trip to Italy and had a wonderful time seeing all the sights and enjoying the sun...We were sorry to see Motorman TOM JONES resign to leave

THESE TWO avid fishermen are Operator JESSE BYRD and Clerk HERBERT McKNIGHT of 52nd Street Station. They are shown here with a fine catch on their last fishing trip of the season.





THEY SAY a picture is worth a thousand words. Well, here is one of Electrical Department Substation Operator FRANK WOJCIK with a day's catch while on a fishing trip in Canada.

the city. Good luck, Tom, in your new venture...Receiving passenger commendations recently were Conductor JAMES HOWARD, who was commended for his clear and audible announcements, and Motorman RAY RHONE, who was commended for quietly removing a passenger who was annoying other passengers...On the sick list at this writing are Work Train Conductor THOMAS SCHWARZ, Motorman SCOTT GIVENS, and Conductor JOSEPH MITTLER. Hope all of you can return to work real soon...Making his annual sojourn to the "Old Sod" recently was Vice President of Division 308 CHARLES LOUGHRAN...Accepted for Supervisor's Training School are: Motormen MYRON WOODS, LARRY DAVIS, RAY RHONE and OLLIE WINSTON, and Yard Foreman ROBERT GRAHAM. Congratulations to one and all. Our South Siders made a good representation for the supervisor's school. We are mighty proud of them...The JOE TVRDIKS, retired assistant station superintendent, sent a postcard from Glacier National Park. They are touring the west "where the antelope play," and went trout fishing and hunting...Clerk JOHN MULLIGAN took a trip to Kentucky to visit his father and had a great time...Conductor STANLEY ZIELINSKI's wife was in the hospital recently, but she is home now recuperating nicely... Happy Thanksgiving to all. Don't eat too much turkey!

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SHOPS -

Your new co-reporter for the South Shops is HOWARD BURRIS of Area 348, Bay 6. JIM LaMONT, your former co-reporter, has been promoted to an outside machinist and has our congratulations. Howard, his wife, GLADYS, and their son, MICHAEL, enjoyed a two-week vacation in Canada...BILL HOWELL, Area 342, just bought a new ride! It's a Buick, fellows. He finally got rid of the Edsel...Congratulations to HARRY POCES, Area 349, on your winning the Irish Sweepstakes. It's a very fitting occasion on his 43rd year with CTA. His itinerary leads to Orlando, Florida, Disney World, and a visit with his daughter...Now hear this! AL SAMASKA Sr. is scratch winner of the South Shops golf tournament. He's so good, he's now contemplating taking on Lee Trevino...EMIL BUELOW, formerly of Area 336, lost his mother-in-law. Our hearts are saddened...BULLETIN! Area 334's FORRESTAL made a recent visit to Pontiac, Michigan, to become more familiar with the production of our engines in the new buses. So, good buddies of Area 334, I think he has ulterior motives. Maybe roller skates for the mechanics!..Congratulations

to JOHN LASKY and his wife on the birth of a baby boy, BRIAN JOHN, weighing 7 pounds 7 ounces on September 17. ..Machinist SAM GLOVER is now an ordained minister. So instead of Brother Sam, it's now Reverend Sam. Congratulations!.. Pensioner SAM TROMBINO, formerly of Area 312-C, vacationed in Italy for three glorious weeks--Rome, Naples and the bit!..A speedy recovery wish goes out to BOB FUHRMAN of Area 318. Hurry back to work, Bob... JAMES HAYNE, Area 313, gave a surprise birthday party for his wife, LOUBERTHA, recently...A belated wedding congratulations to CHARLIE HAYNES on his betrothal to BETTY ANN...CARL POSE of Area 333 and 338 is on vacation and ill. Hope to see you back on the job soon, Carl... JOHN O'MALLEY is sporting a new Ford these days, and his wife just returned from a vacation in Las Vegas. Whew; money!..FRANK COLEMAN's daughter, ELORA, is now Mrs. JACKIE YOUNG. They will make their home in Chicago. Mr. Young is a graduate of Rocky Mountain college in Billings, Montana, and a basketball star. He had an offer from the Bulls as an eighth round draft choice... HOWARD (True Grit) GOERNER, Area 345, has a new swimming pool. Now that summer is over, he's planning on having a heated pool for the winter. (I wonder how much back pay he got?)...JACK MURRAY and his wife, MARGE, celebrated 22 years of wedded bliss recently. Congratulations...LARRY JARECKAS of Area 348 and his wife became the proud parents of a baby girl, MICHELE LYNN, born on September 4... CHARLES GERARD of Area 348 finally bought a super-stereo for his wife. Congratulations, RUTHIE...The joke of the month was on WAYNE STAPLES when 26 fellows of Bay 6 went to White Sox park. The Sox beat Oakland and MIKE GRANGER presented Wayne with a rubber hot dog. Without paying attention, he bit into it. I wonder if Wayne requested mustard on his hot dog?...All the fellows in Area 351, the Radiator Shop, would like to congratulate SHERIDAN LEACH and his wife, ALICE, on the birth of a baby girl, MELINDA MARIE, weighing 9 pounds 2 ounces. Believe it or not, her godfather is his side-by-side working buddy, LOUIS ALLEVA...JOHN GUZAITIS of Area 351 recently vacationed in Puerto Rico and St. Thomas...JOHN LIPKA, Technical Services technician, and his wife visited Pensioner ADOLPH KUTZ and his wife, JULIE, during his recent trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. Kutz retired recently as chief estimator in the Electrical Department and is enjoying retirement in his 70 foot trailer... See you next month, fellows, with more news!..Our thanks to ELAINE STEWART for pinch-hitting for my co-reporter, DENISE, while she is home recovering from oral surgery.

- Denise Patheiger & Howard Burris

52ND STREET -

The first thing I must do is make a correction on that trip to Moscow, Russia, reported last month. It was made by STANLEY PHILLIPS. Sorry about making a mistake on your first name, Stan. Chief Clerk A. HILLSTROM was very happy over the stamp collection that Stanley brought back from that country...Another overseas vacation was had by Operator WALLACE PETERSON who spent his time in Hawaii. He also brought us a pineapple plant which is growing satisfactorily...Clerk HERBERT McKNIGHT and Operator JESSE BYRD were at it again. This time to close out the season with what should be their last fishing trip. But you never know about those two, you might catch them making holes in the ice if the fish will bite...Operator VERNON NELSON took his pension on October 1 and his

wife gave him a little retirement party which was very nice. Among those who I saw in attendance were: Operators HOOKS, WILLS, HILL, COLE, ORR, CLARK, POWELL, and a long list of others whom I didn't see. A grand time was had by all...It's good to see Operator STEWARD back on the job after a month-long illness...At this writing 52nd Street is 38 accidents under the year 1971, and one over our best year, 1967. So hang in there, fellows. Who knows, someone might have to pop for coffee real soon... Chief Clerk A. HILLSTROM has a good deal for any operator who wants to take a short-haired girl to a long-haired party--a wig, which is on display in the office...The 52nd Street Repair Department passed its fire inspection with flying colors. For a job well done, Day Foreman GUS PAVELKA was taken to dinner. Assistant Day Foreman HOSEA JOHNSON was congratulated for doing an excellent job of keeping the garage in shape while Pavelka was on vacation. Hosea took his vacation to see the world series... HERB ROHLEN just returned from Las Vegas for two weeks. That was two weeks of slot machines and free liquor (smile)...Clerk D. GARNER has been going back and forth to East St. Louis for the past five weeks where he has a sister that is quite ill...A new pick is coming up downstairs, so we will be seeing new faces...Repairman CARL SIMMS suffered an injury to his right hand. He broke two fingers...To the operators of those new buses, do not, I repeat, do not shift the gears in any way while the bus is rolling, it must be standing still...If you have missed my face for a few weeks, I've been on vacation and had a ball.

- John L. Hudson

69TH STREET -

One of the things I remember most from last summer was watching Superintendent JACK MORRIS of Lawndale wear out a rod and reel bringing in the striped bass at Winneconne, Wisconsin. Superintendent PEYTON, who is still looking for the brake on his new boat, says that he could kick a salmon onto shore at his place in Ludington, Michigan, that would put all of Jack's fish to shame. By the way, your co-reporter, ART BUESING, caught over 200 stripers and four walleyes...Meanwhile, HOWIE SANGER and JOE KOVATZ took JOHN MORNAR fishing for the first time at Long Lake, Wisconsin, and John couldn't understand why the line would fall at his feet when he reeled it in--backwards! Howie and Joe brought home a nice catch of bass...Have you fellows noticed how Instructor ROSS looks around before he starts to talk? Especially when Instructor SWANSON is at the station...Richard Bezdicek, the paper boy at Lawrence and Western, was in serious condition at Ravenswood hospital after being struck by a hit and run truck...MICKEY YOUNG became a grandpa when little ED CHARLES Jr. was born...CHARLEY URBIK sure looks sharp since he lost 60 pounds. His invisible dog can't get over it...BILL YEATMAN and MIKE BARRIS were both hospitalized. They are now home and recuperating nicely...Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family of former operator HENRY KIESLING who passed away, and to L. JOLLY in the loss of his wife after a prolonged illness. Also to Supervisor W. EDWARDS whose mother passed away...From the repair department, JIMMY AHERN reports that JOE GAMEN, former foreman at 69th, passed away. Joe had been on retirement for 20 years. To his family we offer our sincere condolences. Jim said it was good to see J. HOPKINS, BILL MAGEE, FRANK TAMARINO and many others at Joe's wake...Our sincere con-

dolences to the family of JAMES LUNDY in the untimely death of Mrs. LUNDY, and to the family of WALTER (Butch) KWLIKAWASKAS in the death of his brother, WILLIAM...To GUS MELANDER, MIKE MORAN, FRANK HIGGINS and all the rest of the fellows off sick, we wish them all a speedy recovery...Those on vacations at this time are: TOM MOORE, E. SMOLENSKI, R. SCHEID, T. MIKALSKI and J. BELL. They all vacationed in Wisconsin. I wonder who caught the biggest fish or has the biggest story?...Congratulations to HENRY STINSON and his wife on the birth of a daughter, WONDELL. They now have three girls. Henry is the p.m. clerk in the repair department...TOM GODFREY paid us a visit recently and is looking fine. He is now a truck driver...We were happy to see BILL TOOMEY, assistant day foreman, back to work after a long illness. We would also like to wish the father of Assistant Day Foreman WILLIE COOPER a speedy recovery...TOM McHUGH is in Ireland at this writing and having a wonderful time. Also, God speed and good luck to JIMMY MALONEY who has decided to stay in Ireland...JOHN MELKA, former operator at 69th, says hello to all his friends here. John is now in the undertaking business at Beverly Ridge Funeral Home with his son, JAMES...JOE SANEKO, repairman, is the commander of the Chicago Bridgeport VFW Post 5079. Joe also went to Michigan on his vacation to visit friends...HARVEY BROCK is known as "Wack-Wagon Harvey" because of his hunting for muskie and catfish while on vacation. Will someone please tell him that he should fish for them instead?...Former Station Superintendent ERNIE TOCCI had a wonderful time while on retreat at Notre Dame...Pensioners JACK BARRY and FRANK ZEMAN paid us a visit and are looking fine...Keep the buses in good shape so the operators can drive safely on our streets this winter...God bless all of you.

- Art Buesing & Jimmy Ahern

77TH STREET -

Congratulations to Operator and Board Member ELCOSIE GRESHAM and his wife, MARILYN, who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on September 7...Congratulations to DAN VEITICUS of the repair department on his marriage August 12. He forgot to give me the lovely bride's name in his excitement, but did say that they honeymooned in Los Angeles, California, and Las Vegas. He is now back at the old grind, but a happy man...Happy birthday to LORETTA HALL, the wife of Clerk CHARLES HALL, who celebrated on September 22...Birthday greetings were also extended to Operator GEORGE DALMUS on September 24. His wife, CORRINE, gave him a surprise party and a good time was had by all who attended...Congratulations to Supervisor CLARENCE JENKINS and his wife, FANNIE, who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on October 19...We know that the operators on Cottage Grove are happy to see Supervisor ZEKE WILLIAMS back on the scene after a short bout with the gout. Isn't the gout a rich man's ailment?...Board Members ANDREW BUTLER and ELCOSIE GRESHAM are striving for a record of "no misses" during the month of November. They are asking the support of all the men at 77th Street...Our sincere thanks to all the men who came through so beautifully for Operator HIAWATHA MOSS and his wonderful family...With the purchase of a new Zenith color TV at 77th Street, hardly any of the operators are arriving home on time.

- Allison De Bonnett

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