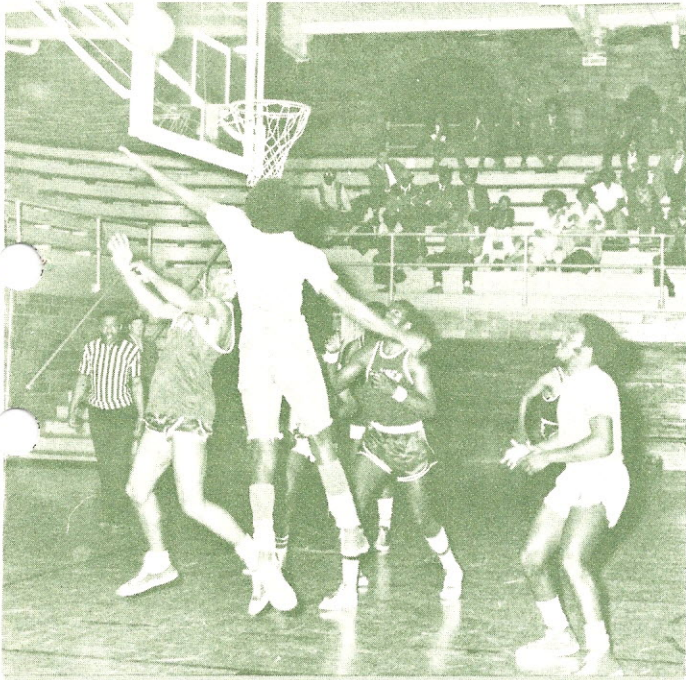


SURE SIGNS OF SPRING



Archer Station Wins Crown as Season Ends

AFTER AN outstanding season of ten wins and one loss, the Archer Station team put it all together to defeat the highly rated North Park team 80 to 77 to win the coveted CTA Sports Program 1973-74 basketball crown in a game that spelled excitement from start to finish.

In the final game at De LaSalle High school gym, North Park led at half time 39 to 38, and at the beginning of the second half they jumped out to a seven-point lead. Archer immediately called a time out, and Coach Bankston stressed control of the boards to win. Archer quickly responded and assumed a three-point lead, a margin which was held until the final buzzer.

Throughout the season Coach Bankston reminded his players that the most disciplined team would win the tournament. He feels it did.

High point man for the game was Archer forward James Reynolds who had a total of 25 points. Backing up Reynolds during the game was Tom Collins at the other forward post, Ray Garner at center, and James Walker and Jackie Paradise, the guards.

The fans responded with an overwhelming ovation to show their appreciation to the athletes for their fine display of sportsmanship and excellent performance.

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Gardening in Your Yard Can be Fun and Profitable

IF YOU didn't have a reason to grow a garden before, you sure do now. With prices of vegetables being what they are it makes sense to turn a non-productive patch of your back yard into a goldmine for your dining room table.

Begin planning your garden now because the planting season is almost here.

For some within the CTA's ranks, gardening has long been a favorite warm weather avocation. Following are the case histories of five such CTA gardeners whose experiences can serve as guidelines.

For each one of the gardeners interviewed, tomatoes have annually been No. 1 on the list of vegetables in their gardens. Tomatoes come in different shapes and sizes, but cherry tomatoes are generally the easiest to grow and require the least space.

Each of the gardeners planted tomato seeds during March in the protection and warmth of their homes to give the plants a good head start before transplanting outdoors during May.

Ed Weston, relief superintendent of North Avenue Station, starts his tomatoes in six inches of dirt in peat pots sitting in dirt on the floor of his utility room. Until they are planted in the garden, he takes the pots outside into the sunshine for at least an hour each day. When the plants are about a foot high he places the pots into the ground.

Frank Vitek, assistant superintendent of 77th Street Station, starts his tomatoes in a way that insures maximum exposure to sunlight. Seeds are planted in miniature hothouses--wooden trays filled with dirt and covered with plastic (Continued Page 2)

Frank Vitek unwrapping a "hothouse."



Gardening (Continued)

food wrapping--which are placed adjacent to the glass sliding door on the south side of his house.

He also starts a second crop of tomato plants from seed in April alongside his house under the protection of neatly arranged storm windows. The "greenhouse" is removed when the weather warms up.

Art Cooper, clerk at Kedzie Station, plans to move his 18 or 20 tomato plants outdoors late in May. During June he will buy another dozen plants to add to his garden, insuring a constant supply over an extended period of time.

Preparing the earth for planting is essential to a plentiful crop according to Weston. Early in April he rototilled his entire garden, mixing in sheep manure and peat moss. He says the crust which forms on top of the earth holds in moisture as seeds germinate.

Paul Cleaver, superintendent of signals and communications, is one gardener who refuses to buy fertilizer from the store. Instead, he uses such waste materials as egg shells, used tea leaves, vegetable skins and even grass clippings which are turned into the soil.

Besides tomatoes, each of the CTA gardeners surveyed also grows lettuce. But that's where the similarity ends. The wide selection of other vegetables goes on to include beets, brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cucumbers, green beans, onions, potatoes, radishes, spinach, squash, sweet corn, sweet peppers, turnips, and zucchini. Vitek's garden offers the widest selection with a total of 14 vegetables.

Besides six common vegetables, Weston's garden includes watermelon and cantaloupe. It is, in fact, Ed's melon farming that has resulted in a 30 per cent expansion of his garden this year. "The garden was just too crowded last year," he said. "Cantaloupes reached the size of a 12-inch softball and I had to take

a watermelon into the station to show everyone how big they got. Besides that, their garden-fresh taste is just beyond comparison."

Weston's garden measures 50 feet by 20 feet. He started it four years ago to have a hobby and now it's one of his favorite pastimes. He would be quick to admit there's quite a bit of satisfaction in growing food for the dinner table, especially after walking past the produce counter in the supermarket and looking at the prices.

Cleaver didn't increase the size of his garden this year but his wife has already established priorities for what to grow based on the cost of produce. "Onions, lots of onions," he said. "Frozen beans and carrots lasted until just a couple of weeks ago, but the onions hung up in the garage were all gone early in the winter."

What's he leaving off this year's roster? Green peas--according to Cleaver they just didn't come up to expectations last year. His garden measures 10 feet by 25 feet. And as for how he began gardening four years ago, Cleaver says, "That's when we moved from an apartment to our own home. Besides, I've always been curious about what makes things grow. And, you know, you can really tell the difference between fresh vegetables and packaged ones."

For Cooper gardening has been a pastime since his first victory garden in World War II. Once his entire back yard was overflowing with vegetables. Now the garden covers 10 feet by 30 feet.

In addition to planting tomatoes at two different times, Cooper also has two plantings of cucumbers, in mid-May and early June, to stretch out the harvest. "I have always found gardening to be a pleasure, but seeing the prices of vegetables today really makes it worth my while," Cooper explained.

Vitek is another long-time gardener, and he sets aside a 20 foot by 40 foot plot every year. Besides starting tomatoes indoors, head lettuce and sweet peppers take well in his "hothouses."

Not only does Vitek reap a savings by not buying vegetables in the supermarket, he also saves on seed costs. "For a number of years now I have kept the seeds from acorn squash, sweet peppers and zucchini for planting during the following season," he explained.

Harold Childers, the reputed "green thumb" of Forest Glen Station, is another whose gardening days go back to World War II. His victory garden was along the Milwaukee Road tracks near Irving Park. For the last 15 years though, gardening has been confined to a 15 foot by 25 foot area behind his Norridge home. On retirement since Feb. 1, Childers will be moving soon to the warmer climate of sunny Florida where he hopes to eventually resume his hobby.

Childers liked nothing better than to walk into his garden and pick fresh vegetables which he could enjoy with dinner. In fact, the picture on page 8 of this Transit News shows him in uniform standing in his garden holding a tomato in each hand.



Heat and humidity within the "hothouse" boxes is conducive to early germination and rapid growth. Frank Vitek demonstrates transplanting into a peat pot for planting in garden.



17 Advance as L-Subway Traffic Supervisors

SEVENTEEN TRAINMEN recently qualified as traffic supervisors upon completion of the Rapid Transit Supervisor Training Program.

Graduates of the program have been placed in the rapid transit supervisors pool, from which they will serve assignments on a temporary basis to obtain valuable experience and be evaluated in their progress toward advancement as regular rapid transit supervisors.



Listed alphabetically, the graduates of the training program are: Braxton Atkinson, Roosevelt Cory, John Cozzens, James Daugherty, Thomas Freeman, John Hinton, Jerry Johnson, Elliot Linne, Joseph Nash, Howard Norman, Thomas Overton, Louis Payne, Walter Peeples, Frank Peppers, Freeman Pickett, Gerald Rhodes and Willie Wofford.

Management personnel in the Transportation Department pictured here with the new supervisors are, from left, Edward Heatter, senior superintendent of Operations Control; James Blaa, superintendent of rapid transit operations; David Flynn, transportation manager; Ralph Tracy, superintendent of operations, and Herbert Lowenstein, superintendent of south rapid transit district.

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NEW FORM SIMPLIFIES FILING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIMS

DISTRIBUTION AND use of a new health insurance claim form for active and retired CTA employees and their eligible dependents will start April 1974 according to William A. Ashley, manager of insurance and pensions.

The new form replaces all previous forms except the "Disability Notice" and must be completed by employees for themselves or their dependents when making claims for hospital, surgical, diagnostic or major medical benefits.

The three-page snap-out form includes (1) a cover page of complete instructions, (2) a page to be filled out by the employees and (3) a page to be completed by the doctor.

Active employees may obtain the new claim form at the location where they work. Retired employees may obtain a form by calling the CTA Insurance Department at 664-7200 or writing to the department in Room 746, Merchandise Mart Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60654.

CTATI Students See Inner Workings of CTA

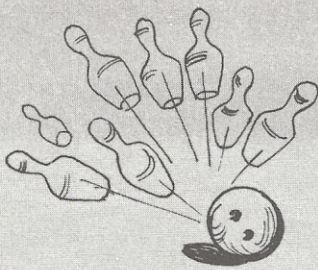
THE WINTER session of the CTA Technical Institute (CTATI) acquainted 14 more participants with the inner workings of CTA. The class included eight participants representing governmental agencies, transit properties and private corporations, as well as six CTA management-level employees.

The CTATI is a six-day seminar designed to acquaint participants with the day-to-day operation of CTA and its associated problems. It includes sessions with CTA personnel from virtually every department and is conducted by the Personnel Development Department.

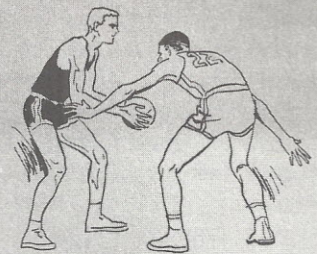
Participants also get a first-hand look at transit operations by visiting a bus garage, rapid transit terminals, shop facilities, Limits Training Center, and the West Shops base of the Plant Maintenance Department.



The final session included discussion of CTA's plans for the future and a presentation by a representative of the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding coordination with other transit carriers and regional planning. CTATI participants and personnel who served in an instruction capacity are pictured at the conclusion of the session.



CTA Sports News



MEL ALEXANDER, Sports Editor

At The Cubs Training Camp

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Frank Wsol, assistant station superintendent of 77th Street, on a recent visit to Scottsdale, had the pleasure of meeting Ernie Banks, CTA Board Member and Chicago Cubs coach, when he visited the Cubs spring training camp.



Ernie sends his regards to all CTA employees, and a big hello to all the operators at 77th Street Station.

Noted for his famous quips, Ernie said, "The Cubs will do more in '74 and also CTA."

77TH STREET OPERATORS BOWLING LEAGUE

Teams	W	L	Pct.
George's Arco	60	30	.667
Archer Bandits	56	34	.622
Pin Busters	56	34	.622
Road Runners	52	38	.577
500 Club	52	38	.577
Poppers	52	38	.577
Clippers	50	40	.555
Late Comers	47	43	.522
Hot Hands	41½	48½	.461
Boozers	41	49	.455
Baggers	40½	49½	.450
Tranquilizers	40	50	.444
Manipulators	39	51	.433
Toppers	35	55	.388
Spartans	34	56	.377
Misfits	25	65	.277

CTA BASKETBALL LEAGUE

(FINAL STANDINGS)

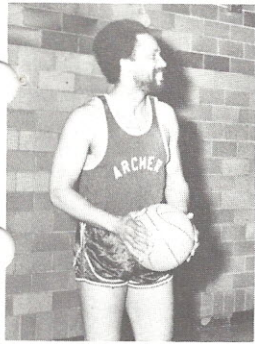
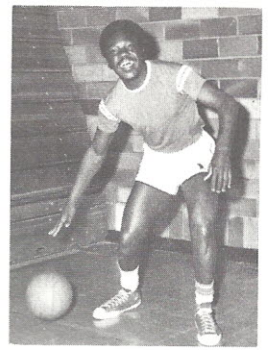
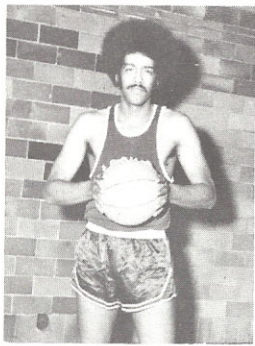
Teams	W	L	Pct.
North Avenue	8	0	1.000
69th Street	7	1	.875
Archer	7	1	.875
Kedzie "A"	6	2	.750
North Side "L"	6	2	.750
North Park	6	2	.750
77th Shop	4	4	.500
Forest Glen	4	4	.500
Kedzie "B"	3	5	.375
Beverly	3	5	.375
South Side "L"	1	7	.125
Limits	1	7	.125
52nd Street	0	8	.000
77th Street	0	8	.000

Archer Station New CTA Basketball Champs

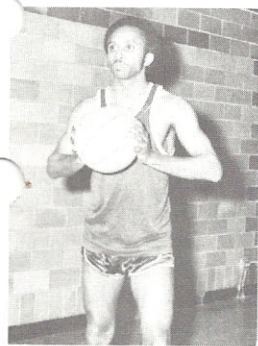
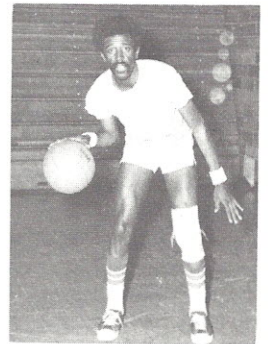
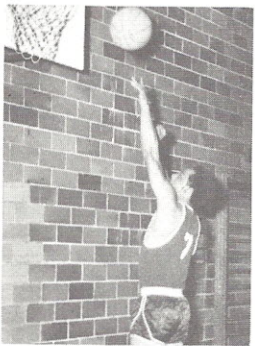
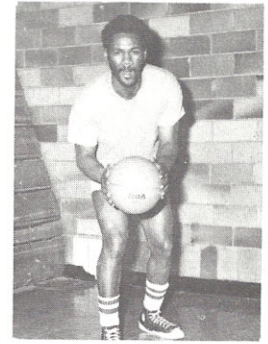
CARRYING THE fight to the boards after a good "chewing out" from Coach Bankston, the Archer Station basketball team outfought and outshot the North Park team to emerge as champions of the CTA Basketball League by a score of 80 to 77 in the tournament finale on March 22 at DeLaSalle High school gym.

With the quarter finals starting on March 8, eliminations began with North Avenue defeating 77th Shop, North Park beating 69th Street, Archer knocking off Forest Glen and North Side "L" topping Kedzie "A". In the semi-final round on March 15, Archer and North Park were the winners.

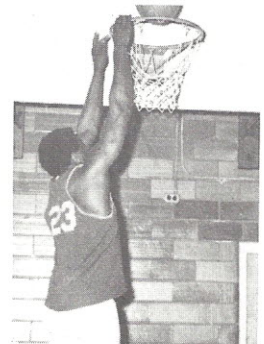
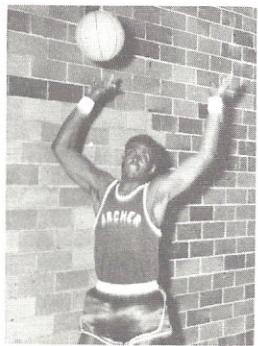
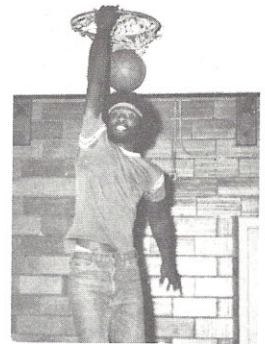
The clash between Archer and North Park was fast and furious with the score being tied 11 times during the game. After the final buzzer, the overflow crowd gave both teams a standing ovation for one of the best games of the season.

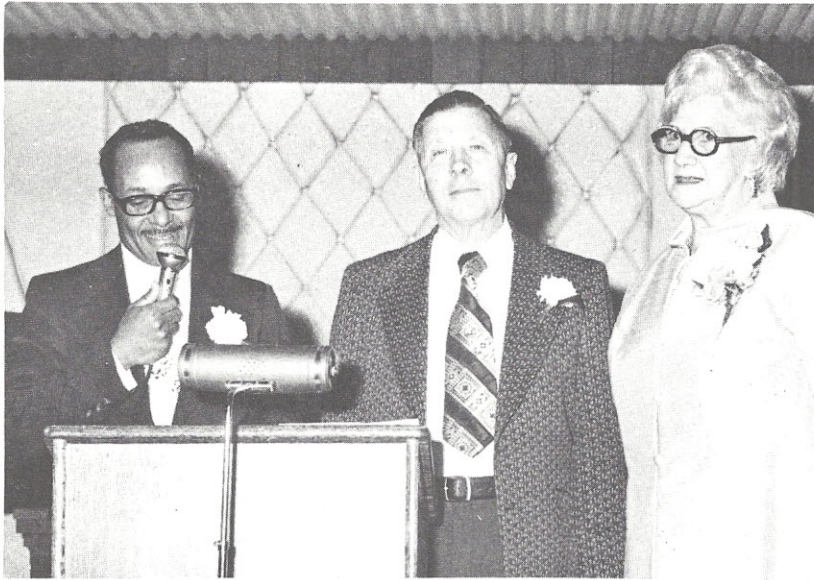


THE CHAMPS, Archer Station, had their picture taken prior to the final buzzer. In a seemingly pensive mood are, kneeling, left to right: Assistant Station Superintendent W. V. Coleman (now station superintendent at 69th Street), J. Walker, J. Paradise, G. Golden, K. Williams and R. Woods. Standing: Sports Director A. Bray, Assistant Sports Director J. Robinson, Coach H. Bankston, T. Collins, R. Garner, J. Reynolds, H. Johnson, W. Caldwell, W. Lewis and K. DuCree.



SOME OF the fast paced action of the championship game is shown in the above photos, while the bottom pictures depict the action in the consolation game between North Side "L" and North Avenue. In the left column, the starting five for Archer are, top to bottom: T. Collins, J. Reynolds, J. Walker, J. Paradise and H. Garner. In the right column the starting five for North Park are: B. Barn, C. Brown, C. McGee, B. Barry and D. Lewis.





77th St. Superintendent John Knerr Honored at Retirement Party

JOHN AND DOROTHY KNERR were presented to the large crowd in attendance at Club Allegro by Clifton Servant, chairman of the retirement party for Mr. Knerr.

UNAWARE OF what was taking place, Superintendent John Knerr received a standing ovation when the doors to the main dining room at Club Allegro rolled back and revealed the large crowd on hand to honor him.

On the night of March 16, John Knerr was the man of the hour. The occasion was a retirement farewell to a man who had shown much consideration and understanding to the men who worked for him. All of them refer to him as "the man who cared."

In addressing the large audience, Milton Pikarsky,

CTA Chairman, had high praise for Mr. Knerr.

Clifton Servant, chairman for the occasion, read a letter from T. B. O'Connor, retired general manager. The letter read in part: "You were a loyal and dedicated employee--one who accepted, as a matter of course, long hours on duty, in bad weather and good--in an earnest effort to provide the best possible service to our patrons."

A special award was presented to Mr. Knerr by Operator Robert Holtam in behalf of all the 77th Street operators.

With Next Paycheck

Report Cards Show Retirement Plan Credit

ALONG WITH paychecks distributed between April 10 and 18, all CTA employees will receive report cards showing credit with the Retirement Plan and other valuable information.

According to William A. Ashley, Plan secretary, information provided on the face of each employee's card may be used in the formula on the reverse side to estimate retirement benefits and total credit with the Plan as of the last payday of 1973. Employees with LESS than five years of service, for whom no "estimated five year average earnings" is provided, can make the projection by using the earnings credit for 1973. Employees are advised to retain the cards for ready reference.

Mr. Ashley also announced that during 1973 approval was given by the Retirement Committee to 334 retirement applications of CTA employees. Of that total, 116 applicants had reached the normal retirement age of 65 years, 163 were early retirements in the age group under 65, and 55 were disability retirements.

Exercising survivorship options were 22 retirees; three of whom chose the "all" option, three the "2/3" option, and 16 the "1/2" option.

Contributions to the Retirement Plan during 1973 totaled \$28,063,452--contributions by employees were \$10,341,877 and CTA contributions amounted to \$17,721,575. Approved during the year were disbursements totaling \$15,475,740 covering payments to retired employees, refunds to employees who terminated their services and to deceased employees' beneficiaries and expenses of administration.

During 1973 assets of the fund increased \$17,713,490, making a total of \$136,422,875 as of December 31 held by the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust company, trustee for the Plan.

These funds held by the trustee are invested in U.S. government securities, Farm Home Administration loans, corporate bonds and notes, common stock and CTA revenue bonds.

THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

ACCOUNTING (Datacenter) -

MARION SUTHERLAND again had the good fortune to escape Chicago's bitter winter for awhile with a sojourn on the West Coast. Included in her vacation was a visit to Las Vegas (she won but she isn't saying how much) where she saw many of the current shows. Among other things, she was very impressed not only with the talent of Liza Minelli but with her beauty. DAN FRUSOLONE took a disability retirement on March 1 after more than 30 years of service. Dan, we all wish you well. . . MARIE FOLZ has purchased a lovely condominium apartment in Highland Park. We wish you lots of luck and happiness in your new home, Marie.

- Evelyn Leu

(Payroll) -

Happy spring everyone! Wehrner Von Braun wrote, "Nature does not know extinction. All it knows is transformation." Well, we can see this happening as the winter days roll by and the sun shines in. Being on vacation, your scribe found it a perfect time for spring cleanup and relaxing at home...VAL BOWMAN found her leisure vacationing in Chicago visiting her family and friends...With time to travel, MARGE ORGAN visited friends in Lake Villa during her Chi-Town vacation...The call of the wild lured DORIS YOST and her hubby, FRED, to Northern Wisconsin. You can't beat those long walks through the woods!..It is certainly a pleasure to see CHRIS CAMERON her chipper self again. After her recent illness, Chris would like to thank all her friends for their thoughtfulness during her stay in the hospital... See you soon and a happy Easter to all.

- Clotilde Frankiewicz

BEVERLY -

Superintendents H. BRAUN and F. ZEIGER wish to thank all the bus operators for winning the fourth quarter Interstation Safety Contest award for the 11th time. Instructor CLARENCE HEILBRONNER also gives the men a pat on the back, and gives a word of caution on the operation of our new buses: when you pull a new bus out of the depot and it's running when you get behind the wheel, be sure to check the gearshift switch. The bus may be in reverse, and if another driver is walking between buses behind you, a serious accident could occur when you step on the gas. Sure was nice to see Pensioner JOSEPH WILL, our former superintendent, at the ISC award festivities. He deserves all the honor due him, and we tip our hat to him.

We are fortunate in having Mr. Braun as our new superintendent. He knows every phase of bus operation and understands our problems...We wish a speedy recovery to Pensioner LEROY LILLY who had a serious car accident just before he went on pension. Keep your chin up, Leroy, as we know it was hard to have a happy birthday. We hope to see you soon...New pensioners are P. VASILOPOULOS, J. LERNER, W. PROKOP, and my old buddies from Kedzie, J. RYAN, JOHN KING and JOE (Squeaky) FINNAN. We were sorry to see Union Steward John King go on pension, as he was one of the best men we had. He was always ready to go to bat for you when you had a problem or needed help. Good luck to all of you fine old-timers, and we wish you good health in the golden years. We'll do our best to keep the street straight and spaced out, and look forward to giving you free rides ten times a day for your quart of beer...Don't forget the Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus silver anniversary dinner dance at the Martinique Garden Room on Sept. 14. Come out and have an enjoyable evening.

- Tom Daniels & Amos Foster

CTA SECURITY -

A big welcome back is extended to LES DEMAN who returned after a long illness. . .There were a couple of housewarming parties this month. TOMMIE BOSLEY and JIM WYNN recently purchased new homesteads. How's the voltage at this one, Jim?..Good luck to HARRY LAATSCH, North Division, and RALPH VERNON, South Division, on their election to the position of divisional representative. The alternates are CHET MAZURKIEWICZ and HARVEY BELL of the North Division, and GEORGE EVANS of the South Division.

- Pat Flynn

ELECTRICAL (General Office) -

GEORGE CHRISTENSEN's home was gutted by fire over six months ago. Now the Christensens are once again back in their completely rebuilt abode and, judging from all reports, it sounds like a dream home. It was a great inconvenience for awhile but thankfully no one was injured in the fire. Best wishes for many years of happiness on Eddy street...GEORGE MATEJOVSKY, unit supervisor of signal maintenance, and his wife, MARY, accompanied his parents to Greece to attend the wedding of George's sister, CATHY. Before the wedding they visited Athens where they met THANOS, the groom-to-be. From there they went to

Thessaloniki to see Anatolia college where the bridal couple teach. The wedding was on Feb. 10 and the ceremony was celebrated in the 1,200-year old Agias Sophias (Holy Word) church. The Matejovskys rented a car and toured Halkidiki, Kassandra, Pella and Edessa. George says they enjoyed the food, shopping, and especially the people during their three-week stay and plan to return in two or three years with their three young children...We extend our sympathy to the family of S. S. DANECKE, retired superintendent of construction and maintenance, who passed away recently...When Pensioner BRUNO CZANSTKOWSKI and his wife vacationed in Florida they enjoyed a visit with ART HANSEL, also retired...Keep this date open--May 3--for the 28th annual corned beef and cabbage dinner honoring retiring personnel of the Electrical Department. It will be at Harrington's, and tickets may be obtained from the following men: H. COYNE, R. DORGAN, R. BOOTH, K. MIKOTA, W. BECKMANN, S. CHARLTON, B. JAUMAN and P. SAUVE. Come one, come all. We will have a ball...CHARLES H. PARK, the son of retired substation operator C. K. PARK, recently completed a four-year electrician apprenticeship in Local #134 I.B.E.W. He was chosen the outstanding apprentice and awarded a watch at the dinner-dance graduation ceremonies in January.

- Kay McAllister

(Chicago Avenue) -

Our opening items aren't too cheerful. It was a sad day when former Superintendent of Construction and Maintenance SYLVESTER DANECKE passed away on Feb. 22. Syl had been on disability retirement since December 1968. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family. Our sympathy is also extended to the family of Pensioner HARRY BUERGER, former lineman, who passed away March 7 after a long illness. Harry had been on pension since February 1967. His many friends

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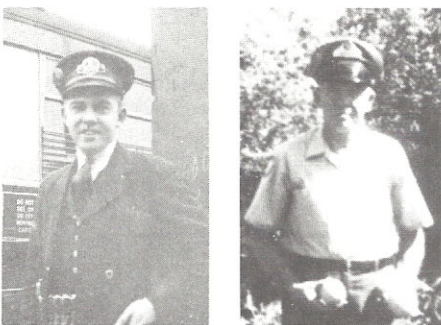
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will miss him...JACK FRAZIER recently conducted a seminar on industrial safety and first aid. The two-day session was attended by 20 men who saw movies and listened to Jack...JOHN SHEA and his son, JOHN, went with the Amvets to Springfield for a bowling event. All I could get out of John was that he enjoyed the scenery. When I mentioned scores, John just scowled...CHARLIE SALVATORE is in the hospital again. I'm sure that cards would be appreciated. Let's hope by the time this is published, Charlie will be back home.

- Ben Nilsen

FOREST GLEN -

First of all I want to thank the Forest Glen Credit Union on behalf of all the members who attended the last party. It was a lovely affair, and everyone enjoyed themselves. We're all looking forward to next year. . . I understand Operator UTLEY's lovely Mrs. is quite a coach operator. She drives a school bus and is loved by all her passengers...Very proud new grandparents are Operator and Mrs. GRZELAK. Their son and daughter-in-law, JACK and KATHY, presented them with twins on Feb. 21. JACKLYN MARY weighed in at 5 pounds 12 ounces and was 20 inches long, and LAURA COLLEEN checked in at 6 pounds and was 19½ inches long...Another proud grandfather is Operator TONY DEMAYO whose grandson was born on Feb. 27. I understand he was passing out cigars that day. Oh well, leave it to Tony...Happy belated birthday to Operator MILLER. He claims 38 years. His lovely daughter, NICOLETTE, saved her allowance for the past year and treated the old boy to a night out...Received a card from Operator HAAK. He is enjoying the sunshine in Florida. Some people just love to rub it in. Glad you're enjoying the weather... HAROLD CHILDERS said farewell to all his co-workers when he retired Feb. 1 and turned in Badge 3002 after carrying that number for more than 37 years. He is shown in one picture as a conductor out of



Limits, and in the other displaying some of the huge tomatoes he grew in his garden last summer. His wife, DOROTHY, insists Harold has a green thumb. All the fellows at Forest Glen wish them many happy and

healthy years of retired life...Operator J. R. MILLER just turned in 37 years of happy married life with his wife, LUCILLE. Of course he's saying his wife got the best of the deal. Yes, Miller, it must be love for Lucille to put up with you for so long...We extend our deepest sympathy to Operator ODELL ZEIGLER whose mother passed away on Feb. 9...By the way, Operator MURRAY is correct in everything he says about his new bride... Operator TONY DEMAYO is planning on a return trip to Mexico this summer. Looks like he and the Mrs. found a place they love. What's down there, Tony?..BILL LEMKE is looking forward to visiting Wisconsin again this summer...LESTER DANDERS, I suppose, will take a trip to Europe...Operator HAGERTY thinks he may use his free time working in our credit union...Operator F. ENGELTHALER will be leaving us at the end of the month. He has plans to relax and check us operators out to see how we are doing. Good luck, Frank...I've heard lots of things in my life, but when an operator wakes his wife up in the middle of the night by putting ice down her back just to talk about income tax, that's taking a tax problem quite seriously. The operator is none other than GLEN McCANN. Please, Glen, take up the subject a little earlier--your wife needs her rest.

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

GENERAL OFFICE (Personnel) -

Congratulations are in order for BILL WIEHER and his wife, who presented him with a baby boy, WILLIAM...LYNN HARRER, her parents and sister took an 11-day Caribbean cruise to the Bahamas. This will be her last "singles" cruise, and she enjoyed herself immensely. Lynn's mother, VIRGINIA, is also a CTAer in Personnel Development...The welcome mat was extended to MARIA HESS, HATTIE CHEATHAM and NANCY KUROWSKI in the Placement Department...LOIS BOOMER, typist, employee suggestions, has an addition to her family. Don't get too excited, it's her new pup, Samson...KATHY FABRY, Personnel Development, and her husband, RICH, of Skokie Shop, bought a Honda 750 motorcycle. Their new set of wheels is a good way to save on gasoline this summer. Kathy and PAT REED, Specifications, were hostesses recently at Beverly Station, the fourth quarter winner of the ISC surface award. Kathy and REBECCA WILSON of Accounting were hostesses at Jefferson Park Station, the fourth quarter winner of the ISC rapid transit award. The men really enjoyed the coffee-and...JOE and HELEN O'SULLIVAN flew to Phoenix, Arizona, and then drove into Mesa to check out their new retirement home. They'll be moving out there pretty soon and extend an invitation to all their CTA friends to come visit whenever they're passing through...AR-

THUR HUBACZ, Commander of the Combined Veterans Association of Illinois, was present at Governor Walker's signing of a proclamation designating the week of March 2 through 9 Veteran Organization Week.

(Insurance & Pensions) -

We wish lots of luck to MARGARET MARCHINSKI, typist I, who left CTA to join the navy and see the world...The welcome mat is extended to HOLLY ROSCHMAN, typist.

(Office Services) -

Best wishes were extended to SIDNEY JACOBSON who took his retirement on March 1. Welcome to EDWARD F. O'SHAUGHNESSY, former bus operator from Beverly, who took his place...LARRY SHIELDS and his wife spent six wonderful weeks in sunny Florida. We sure envy both of you.

(Communications & Marketing) -

We welcome BILL ROBINSON, clerk, to the department. Bill transferred from 77th Street Station, replacing FRANK DISCH who retired Feb. 1. Good luck in your new position, Bill...A familiar voice in the Travel Information Section hung up the phone for the last time on Jan. 31. LARRY PROVOST officially closed out his 31-year transit career when he accepted



his retirement portfolio and a handshake from Communications and Marketing Manager THOMAS BUCK (left) and Public Information Supervisor JOHN BURGESON

(Treasury) -

Central Counting welcomes RON NORTH-CUTT as our new custodial engineer. Ron replaced ERIC SMITH who is now an apprentice electrician at Skokie Shop. Ron has been with CTA for three years...The boss, FELIX PALILUNAS, can hardly wait for the golfing season to begin. He is eager to defend his championship at Central Counting. He earned the title last season with a sweep of the South Shops and Division 241 golf tournaments...BERNADETTE WEATHERS struck another blow against bachelorhood when she and GRANT MOSELEY, Central Counting money handler, announced they will succumb to the urge to merge on Aug. 10. Congratulations and the best of luck, Mose...Let's hope the Baggers improve on their record in the 77th Street operators' bowling league. Mr.

NEW PENSIONERS

PATRICK J. CANNON, Laborer, Storerooms-South, Emp. 1-23-43
 CHARLES M. CHRISTENSEN, Operator, North Park, Emp. 1-9-36
 JOSEPH B. CURRAN, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 4-30-42
 PETER J. DOWALL, Operator, North Avenue, Emp. 11-9-36
 JOSEPH P. FINNAN, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 6-25-37
 ANTON HADAC, Operator, Lawndale, Emp. 7-17-41
 JOHN L. HEFFERNAN, Operator, Beverly, Emp. 1-6-48
 STANLEY R. HYERCZYK, Operator, Archer, Emp. 9-25-42
 JOHN IOVINO, Trackman II, Track & Structures, Emp. 7-7-42
 GEORGE J. JAROS, Operator, 69th Street, Emp. 3-30-42
 PERCY F. JOSEPH, Supervisor, District B, Emp. 3-26-45
 MARION E. KARIOLICH, Janitor, Kedzie, Emp. 11-29-40
 CHARLES E. KEELER, Traffic Clerk, Schedules, Emp. 8-13-36
 JOHN A. KNERR, Superintendent, 77th Street, Emp. 4-27-37
 ERWIN D. KRUMREY, Foreman, South Shops, Emp. 11-30-45
 CARL H. LINDQUIST, Act'g Gen'l Foreman, Skokie Shop, Emp. 3-10-37
 ROCCO MALFESE, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 11-25-42
 PETER M. MOROWSKI, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 6-3-47
 RAYMOND C. NEWMAN, Bus Repairer, North Avenue, Emp. 2-8-39
 SARA J. O'ROURKE, Clerk, Accounting, Emp. 3-19-42
 JOHN PAAKONEN, Operator, Forest Glen, Emp. 10-13-36
 GARNER T. PLEASANT, Repairman, 61st Street, Emp. 11-5-52
 EDWARD R. REICHARD, Attorney, Law, Emp. 9-3-29
 LOUIS SANTINELLI, Conductor, West Section, Emp. 8-12-41
 HERBERT R. SCHMIDT, Clerk, Forest Glen, Emp. 2-19-44
 JOSEPH STANTON, Assistant Foreman, Buildings & Grounds, Emp. 12-3-41
 JOSEPH VANEK, Agent, West Section, Emp. 11-30-36
 ELMER C. WILLENBROCK, Operator, North Park, Emp. 8-26-42

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

DANIEL BALANDIS, Foreman, Buildings & Grounds, Emp. 7-29-48
 MICHAEL J. KORZEN, Div. Storekeeper, Stores-North, Emp. 12-1-42

Palilunas was really worried when the Baggers dropped three last week...JOHN POPE took his annual Florida vacation during March, spending two weeks in sunny Miami and coming back with a tan to prove it.

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neuraator

LOOP -

Everyone on the Kennedy line was saddened to hear that Superintendent JOHN ZUPKO had been transferred to a new position in the Maintenance Department. As much as he will be missed, we are happy to see him move on to bigger and better things...Agent DAVE GRAFMAN left on March 16 for a ten-day visit with his son and family. They just moved into a new home in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Dave had his bags full of gifts and goodies for his three beloved grandchildren. Needless to say the kiddies were anxiously awaiting grandpa's arrival...Belated birthday greetings to DOROTHY PARKER, March 14, and our favorite leprechaun, MINNIE DIKEMAN, who shares the same natal day as St. Patrick, March 17, begorra!..Pensioner ADAM WAAS sends greetings to all his CTA friends. Adam is working part-time now and enjoying all the comforts of home in his leisure time... Agent MONICA LAMKE enjoyed three restful weeks of relaxation at home on her February vacation...Transit News Reporter GRACE MOUNTS and her hubby spent two active, fun-filled weeks in Florida. They visited with her sister and her son and their families. . . Happy retirement to Agents DOROTHY FORD, J. VANEK and ED SEGERSON. Happy days to all of you... Your co-reporter, MILDRED DOYLE, is still on the sick list as of this writing. She sends thanks to all for the many cards and calls received and says keep in touch. Mildred is recovering slowly but surely with the help of therapy treatment...I'm sure you have all noticed a shortage of news in our column. With one reporter off sick and the other working midnights, the news has been hard to come by. Please lend a helping hand and send in any news items you may have. Contact MARY WIXTED on 2520 between 10:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday. If you work different hours have a friend on midnights relay your news. Thank you...In closing, congratulations and our very best wishes to all the new agent foremen. . . Keep smiling!

- Mildred Doyle & Many Wixed

LIMITS -

Greetings...The next time you see Operator GLASS, shake his hand. He's the proud father of a 6½ pound baby boy named ELROY. How about that! Keep up the good work, fella...Condolences go out to Operator J. CLAY in the death of his mother-in-law...Well, now that basketball season is

over it's time to play softball. Let's do better this year, fellows...The next time you see R. BROWN, pat him on the back. It seems he did a good thing for a change-- he made a movie for the Manor South Deering girl scout troop which was very good...Well, that's about it for now. Remember, if you have any news, let me know!

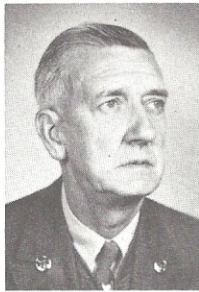
- Charles Turner

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT -

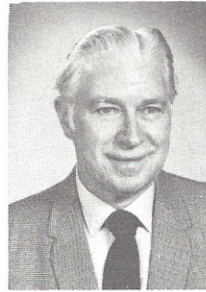
We just got the news--YOLENE CLAUDE, utility clerk in Purchasing, who has been on maternity leave, is the proud mother of a lovely little bundle of joy, MARIE RENE, born Feb. 21 weighing 8 pounds 9 ounces. Lucky you to have another baby girl!.. FRANK TAMBURINNO, order clerk in Stores, is still in the clouds. As of this printing he has 178 days to go. We are all going to help TONI DIGIOVANNI count the days for Frank. Toni has left for Las Vegas. Hope you don't lose too much. FRANK MAGUIRE, specifications engineer, and his wife, ANN, spent four days there. They took in many of the shows--a great specialty of Mr. Maguire. He enjoyed the "Lido" Follies, along with Abbe Lane, Jack Carter and Robert Goulet. In the meantime his wife met Liberace, got his autograph, and took in the winnings from the slot machines. Frank says he is not lending any money to anyone!..MARVIN CASTLE, stock clerk I in Storeroom 42, can't believe that this scribe doesn't know who he is. He has been with CTA for 31 years and said everyone knows him. Marvin is flattered and proud of receiving a letter from Mayfair college telling him his son, GEORGE, made the dean's list. George is also the sports editor of the school paper. We'll try to save a spot for George in the sports section...CASANDRA DENNIS, the daughter of CHARLES DENNIS, stock clerk I in Storeroom 30, will be 18 years old on April 19...DON POWELL, stock clerk I in Storeroom 32, blew out the candles on his birthday cake March 19. On March 26, he and his lovely wife celebrated eight years of wedded bliss...Welcome aboard to LOU KASPER, our new stock clerk I in Storeroom 42...Senior Clerk JOE MICHAUD will celebrate his second anniversary at Storeroom 42. Hope you have many more happy years at Skokie Shop...GEORGE LINDEN has climbed the ladder of success at Skokie Shop. He is now divisional storekeeper. NICK LA-CORCIA is following in his footsteps--he's now assistant storekeeper...SAM CANNELLA, fork lift operator, and his wife became proud grandparents of a bouncing baby boy, MICHAEL JOHN, who weighed in at 7 pounds 5½ ounces. Congratulations!.. RON TABOR, specifications engineer, went on a tour of the Pabst brewery in Milwaukee but didn't bring anything back. How's the beer, Ron?..The third session of the CTA Management Institute was attended by JACK GUBBINS, Stores-South Division,

Service anniversaries in April

**45
years**



C. F. McDermott,
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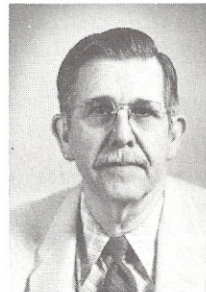
35 years

C. E. Cameron, Accounting
R. G. Ellerbeck, South Shops
C. W. Guzik, West Section
T. E. Pietrus, South Shops

30 years

R. C. Baird, Building & Grounds
C. Johnson, 77th Street
G. J. Mendyk, Limits
C. Petrella, Datacenter
M. M. Stipati, West Section
M. Sullivan, Limits

**40
years**



A. R. Ecker,
North Avenue

J. Milos, Building Maintenance

25 years

D. J. Carroll, Track & Structures
C. Gillespie, Building & Grounds
M. Murphy, Skokie Shop
K. O'Flaherty, West Section
E. A. Sapinski, South Shops
J. W. Stewart, Surface Instruction - South
B. Tetyk, South Shops

and ROD DAUGHERTY of Specifications. Everyone agreed the time was well spent. It gave them a chance to get acquainted with the vast CTA operations. STU MARGINNIS of Personnel Development and his staff are to be congratulated for their efforts in directing the course...Let's hear more from the bench, gang!

- Priscilla Kamradt

MILWAUKEE, LAKE & DOUGLAS (Agents) -
The news may be a little short this month as my co-reporter, KATY MORIARTY, was training for a new job, and I was vacationing in Florida for three weeks taking in all the sights and enjoying the sun. I also visited with my son and his family for six days as I hadn't seen them for two years. My driving was limited due to the gas shortage south of Tampa and along the West Coast...LINDA TAPINS and her husband celebrated 22 years of wedded bliss on March 16. Congratulations and we hope you have many more...BETTY RUSSO had a day of leisure on March 13 when she celebrated 27 years with CTA. DOROTHY FORD celebrated 20 years of service on the same day. FRED FRIEB celebrated 28 years on March 11...Congratulations to the Jefferson Park trainmen on winning the Interstation Safety Contest Award for the second time in a row. Transportation Manager DAVID M. FLYNN presented the plaque to Station Superintendent MIKE

VELTRI while Superintendents JOHN ZUPKO, R. J. SUTA, R. A. ROESING and KENNY BROWN looked on with pride. Each trainman received a key to the treasure chest, with the grand prize going to G. KOLMAN. It was a night on the town for two, to see the stage play at the Drury Lane Theatre with dinner at the Martini-que. M. COLON won the coffee pot; J. MORALES won the instamatic camera, and O. MILLER won the electric fondue. Keep up the good work, fellows, and let's keep the treasure chest at Jefferson Park...D. CASILINO was on vacation during the week of March 10...With Katy moving on to better things, I'll be in the market for a new co-reporter. Anyone interested please call me at 2513.

- Grace Mounts & Katy Moriarty

NORTH AVENUE -

The good old lunch team of H&M should be out again trying to find new ways not to win friends or influence waitresses...Wonder if Clerk BOB STACH's daughter, JUDY, could tell us why someone would try to "break in" to their new home...Operator HERB OPFERGELT and his wife, MARIE, would have enjoyed their Florida vacation much more if they had Florida plates on their car. It would have made it a lot easier getting gas. Clerk ART COOPER and his better half (and his golf clubs) made the same trip, only by plane.

Wonder how she liked her first plane ride...Senior Station Instructor JIM BROGAN and his wife, EVELYN, headed down to New Orleans, then to Phoenix, Arizona, where their autmobubble broke down. The balance of the trip to Los Angeles was made via the big white dog. They did pick up the car again, and made stops at Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm. A very nice vacation in spite of the problems...Retired operator T. KAY writes from California that he's enjoying his pension. That's probably because he's riding the cable cars...Now that Box Puller TOM MURPHY is out of the hospital, he's decided to take his pension and leave all the hard work to his buddy, CHARLEY BARAGLIA...We'd like to offer belated congratulations to retired rapid transit superintendent WILLARD MURBACH and his new bride...Switchboard Operator LOU DRAPP is back at work after an extended illness...Clerk BOB ARENDT still seems to prefer the company of all those pretty hospital nurses. Let's get well and get back...Operator D. M. VILLANUEVA was recently appointed supervisor. That's great, Pancho, but why up in District D?...A belated happy birthday to retired trainman AKSEL WINDFELD who celebrated his 85th birthday March 13...Instructor JOE DAUGIRD serves a good cup of coffee at Mt. Prospect smorgasbord...Our wishes for a speedy recovery to Operator R. MARTINEZ who recently underwent open-heart surgery... All of us here at North Avenue extend our

most sincere sympathy to District C Superintendent PAT KEHOE in the loss of his wife, and to Instructors JOHN CRAIG and J. PANIK in the loss of their uncle and father, respectively.

Operators ED BRODERICK and ED R. GROESS, and Repairman STANLEY KLICK hung up the working garments and took their well-earned retirement. Operator Groess' retirement left much speculation on the part of the Grand avenue operators as to the welfare of Operator LUCAS. Don't fret, Luke, you may be fortunate enough to get Operator FRITZ MOELLER as a leader...At the time of this writing we find Box Puller LEONARD CZAJA enjoying a vacation...Congratulations to Supervisor L. J. FLETCHER on his new appointment...North Avenue Station's most eligible bachelor, Supervisor DANIEL GILES, has committed himself to being engaged. Giles says he has withheld the lucky young lady's name for security reasons. Watch future columns for a revelation of the name...Belated happy returns of the day to Operator DORSEY MUMBOWER who celebrated his 55th birthday on March 13, and also to all the many men of North Avenue Station who were born during that month... A speedy recovery is wished for basketball team coach, Operator WADE SIMMONS. Simmons had a slight mishap during the game with the Forest Glen team...We wish a safe trip to Operator ARVEL MILLS and his son as they travel to Corpus Christi, Texas, due to the illness of Mills' mother. . . Operator JOE KRZAK and his wife, HELEN, have returned from their vacation. They visited Pensioner JOHNNY SCHUH in Youngstown, Arizona, and Pensioner EARL PETERSON in Sun City, Arizona. Earl is former superintendent of Kedzie and Limits Stations...Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Pensioner RAYMOND A. KUSTOHS in his recent passing. . . Our visitors during the month included Pensioner VITO LOCONTE, now residing in McHenry, Illinois, and Pensioner JOHN MCINTOSH of Chicago... The deep, melodious baritone voice in St. Angela's choir belongs to our talent discovery of the month, Operator JEROME (Jerry) DUBIN... We wish you all a very Happy Easter even if you do have to wear a CTA uniform in the Easter parade. We can't all be off that day...See you all purty soon.

- Walter Blix & Aaron Pruitt

NORTH PARK -

The North Park Credit Union annual business meeting was held Friday, Jan. 11, at River Park Fieldhouse. Dividends were declared and refreshments served. The following won door prizes: Ms. JOAN STEINBERG, Mrs. DOROTHY STEINBERG, Mrs. ISABEL GOETTERT, Mrs. SUE PETERS, Mrs. ANN WISNIEWSKI, Mrs. MARY STEINBEISS, Mrs. MARGE TINE-RELLA and Mrs. SAUER, Pensioners TIM

RIORDAN, MIKE KRAUSE, MARTIN DEVANEY and JULIUS MERSCH, Operators MEL HORNING, HOMER REED, FRANCIS GALLAGHER, SAM BAKER, CHARLES McCALPIN, ED BURTON, BOB KESSLER, BILL SMALL, PETER WILLEMSSEN, HENRY SCHRAMM and CHARLES SAUER, Chief Clerk RAY SIMON, Janitor BRUNO MENCARINI, Pensioner JOE KARASEK and Instructor WALTER STEINBEISS... Our congratulations go to Pensioner JOHN MILLER and his wife, MILDRED, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary March 21 with a party hosted by their sons, RON and LARRY, who are a.m. clerks for the CTA...Pensioner GARRETT FOY, who is living in Jasonville, Indiana, has started his spring garden. With winter hunting activities behind him, he is going to be kept busy harvesting his vegetable output...Pensioner WILLARD GILL and his wife, LILL, have purchased a mobile home and are now living with the rest of the CTA colony in Forsyth, Missouri. Will's address is P.O. Box 83, Forsyth, Missouri 65653...Pensioner PATRICK HEIRTY has left Chicago for warm climates. Pat's new address is 8444 Austin, Pinellas Park, Florida 33565. . . Operator LEN BAEUHLER spent two weeks in Belen, New Mexico, visiting his daughter and son-in-law, LYNN and ROBERT WILLARD. Len's next stop was for two weeks at Phoenix, Arizona, where he stayed with his brother, EDWARD, and his wife, ELEANOR. They enjoyed several rounds of golf and a few visits to the races...Supervisor GENE ADAMS received a commendation from Mrs. Bannon of the Evanston Review newspaper. Gene was directing traffic around the intersection at Oak and Church streets and Mrs. Bannon was very impressed by Gene's action... MARCIA O'BRIEN, the 16-year old daughter of Operator EDDIE O'BRIEN, was graduated from St. Mary's High school. As yet she is undecided on her college choice. . . Operator JIM DOLAN and his wife, RITA, became grandparents for the first time recently. They are proud as peacocks of the new arrival...The bi-annual mass and communion breakfast of the St. Joseph Branch of the Little Flower Society was held Sunday, April 7, in St. Patrick's church at Adams and Desplaines. North Park was again well represented... Our sympathy and condolences are extended to the family of Pensioner HAROLD KING, and to Operator JOSEPH ESPOSITO in the loss of his sister, MARY PORTO...Superintendent ALEX JOHNSON and his wife, HELEN, hosted a party for Helen's mother, Mrs. EMMA REDKER, on her 75th birthday. The celebration, attended by members of the family, was held at Lancer's restaurant...RALPH McDONALD, who was on sick leave, is now working at the Mart as receptionist in the Executive Offices...The following have been off sick and our prayers are with them for a fast recovery: FRANCIS GALLAGHER, ROBERT CIESLA, WILLIAM PERO Jr., J. JIMINEZ and Box Puller DAVID YAO...

Operator ELMER WILLENBROCK began pensioned life on April 1. His many early-rising friends at Clark Street bid him adieu with lots of gifts.

Repair Department Chit-Chat: The repair department welcomes TONY KASMAN, assistant day foreman, who replaced new Pensioner ANDY KARIOLICH...North Park personnel retiring were Repairman FRANK SCHENDL, 32 years; Servicemen TOM LENIHAN, 33 years, and GEORGE WITT, 31 years. A party was held at the garage and gifts were given to the new pensioners. . . At this writing Repairman DAN PRISBLE is hospitalized at Bethesda hospital. The prayers of the men are with Dan for a speedy recovery. . . Repairmen PAUL SCHREVES and JULIUS CONLEY are still home recovering from surgery and hope to be back soon...Assistant Foreman JOE COUGHLIN and his wife, DOROTHY, vacationed at Fort Lauderdale, Florida, staying at the Ocean Manor motel where they enjoyed the sand and sun. . . Clerk EARNIE LOTITO and his wife, ELSIE, and their son and daughter-in-law, ALLEN and BONNIE, vacationed in Las Vegas. They stayed at the Frontier hotel where they enjoyed the singing of Wayne Newton...Repairman BUCKY BAKER was installed as sergeant at arms of Wauconda American Legion Post 911...Congratulations to the North Park garage force on their winning of a quarterly award...Assistant Foreman TONY KASMAN had his home and garage carpeted. Now his new Chrysler feels at home...The welcome mat is extended to North Park's new garage members who came on the recent system pick.

- Melvin Horning

NORTH SECTION -

Retired Supervisor CHARLIE SOUTHARD is in the hospital having undergone surgery. We wish you a speedy recovery, Charlie, and once out of the hospital we hope you enjoy your retirement more fully...The North Side employees held a farewell party for Superintendent of North



Side Agents JOHN BRUCKER, who retired Feb. 1 after 31 years of service. Doing the honors at the Howard Street office was Assistant Superintendent of Operating Stations CARL GIBES (right). Our best

wishes for a long and happy retirement, Mr. Brucker. We will all miss you!..Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of North Side Clerk ORLANDO MENNICUCCI in the recent death of his mother...Welcome back to North Side Secretary MARY GALLON and Clerks LOUIE LOEBAKKA and GEORGE HENKE. All were recently on the sick list...Once again the employees are beginning to pick vacation time. It reminds us of a night at the tables in Vegas. Let's hope the fuel situation will be better by vacation time so that trips can be made and vacation dreams can come true...BRIAN W. ROONEY, the son of Superintendent BILL ROONEY, Kimball Station, received his master's degree in psychology from Illinois State university at Normal. It just goes to show that there are some brains in the Rooney family. . . A question to all North Side employees--Do you look for this column? If so, and you have any news, send it in so it will appear in Transit News. You can leave it with the clerks at the Kimball office.



- Tina Henke

PLANT MAINTENANCE -

Apologies first--I mentioned in a previous issue that STACEY KUDELKA was the new-born son of Mr. and Mrs. S. KUDELKA, tinner foreman. Sorry--Stacey is a GIRL, the first in the family. Three lashes with a wet noodle!..A little late but a BIG welcome to J. J. MARCY, construction inspector. He's the good guy with the white helmet...A fond adieu to J. J. MARSZALEK who left West Shops for the Mart. We miss you a lot, Joe...PAUL ANDERSON retired Feb. 28 after 48 years with CTA. He was always there to help anyone with whatever question they might have. It was a pleasure knowing you, Paul. A long and happy retirement is wished for you and MARIE. . .STEPHEN EDWARD RIGNEY was born Feb. 18 weighing 7 pounds 7 ounces. The proud parents are CONNIE and Machinist JAMES RIGNEY. . .I hope when W. C. HALLFORD, supervisor of escalator maintenance, returns from his fishing trip in Texas, that he brings back a few for you-know-who...I have a big request to make to all at the West Shops: PLEASE, how about bringing in some news. Drop it off in the office. Thanks.

- Jennie Scott

RAIL VEHICLE TERMINALS -

Congratulations to LARRY MONAGHAN on his recent promotion from instructor to

general foreman of Springfield Shop. . . Good luck to DOM NICOSIA on the purchase of a new Ford Maverick. I guess he's trying to spend some of his sweepstakes winnings...Congratulations to instructor HAROLD YOUNG who became a grandfather for the second time...Foremen MATT COYLE and HENRY DICKERSON, 98th Street Terminal, surprised their men with coffee and rolls for winning the safety award...Everyone wishes a speedy recovery to Repairman MARC PAYNE, Wilson Terminal, who is off sick...Lots of luck to R. REUTELL, combination clerk at Wilson, on his new bid for electrician helper... Good luck to Repairman EARL JOHNSON, Desplaines Terminal, on the purchase of a new Ford Maverick. Now all Earl needs is a wife. . . The office personnel welcome PHIL ALCONTORS to Desplaines Terminal. Phil was just promoted to combination clerk...Sorry to hear about L. KASPER's transfer. Lots of luck to him on his new job at Skokie Shop...CHUCK MEYERS, yard inspector at Forest Park Terminal, is home recuperating after his operation. Everyone wishes him a speedy recovery... Clerk ED STAMBORSKI did a wonderful job in replacing C. VANDERVEST who was off sick...C. WILLIAMS, 98th Street Terminal, and his pretty wife, LOIS (who did some modeling), are very happy with the purchase of their new home in Blue Island. HAROLD BIGGS was saving his money for a new car, but decided that he wanted to be Williams' neighbor. He also bought a home in Blue Island...Lots of luck to our youngest car servicemen, J. M. O'CONNELL and T. E. HURLEY, on their repairman training...Enjoying his vacation while working around the house was J. NICKEL...It's system pick time again and we are all sorry to lose J. ARMSTRONG and R. LONDON to 61st Street Terminal. But good luck in your new locations.

- Frank Pickett

SKOKIE SHOP -

Spring training for the Skokie Shop softball team began April 1. Player Representative WALLY ONYSIO is predicting a good season. According to Wally, last season was the team's first year in league competition. Team Captain WITOLD SKORUPSKI says a lot will depend upon the attempted comeback of one-time star first baseman DICK WILSON, also known as Tricky Dick. Anyone interested in playing ball should contact Skorupski...We would like to wish good luck to BILL EBERHART who is learning how to play the harmonica. Thanks to his instructor, DAN O'BRIAN, Bill can now play "Home on the Range." Dan says that with a little luck, Bill will be able to play "Far, Far Away" in no time. (The farther away the better!)...The welcome mat is out to MIKE O'SHAUGHNESSY and S. L. THOMPSON, Paint Shop, LARRY VANDERHORST Jr., Electrical Department, and Laborers JOHN ZOHN

and STANLEY CALDWELL...Our deepest sympathy is extended to RON PIANKOWSKI and his family in the loss of his mother, HELEN...Sorry to have to report the early retirement of BOB BINNIE, Electrical Department, who will be moving to Redington Shores, Florida. Bob says his new home will be completed May 1. He has been with the CTA more than 39 years and has been union steward of the Control Department for the past seven years. Good luck from all of us, Bob...We wish BILL LITTLE, Paint Shop, a speedy recovery. Hurry back, Bill...BILL (Big Daddy) MEANY, laborer, will be in charge of the steak dinner at St. Timothy's church on May 17. Have fun, Bill...PATRICK METTLER, the son of Upholsterer KEN METTLER, celebrated his fifth birthday March 15. Happy birthday, Pat...We would all like to wish MARY JANE ARSENEAU the best of luck. Mary Jane was very happy when she announced that she will become a mother for the first time in mid-summer! The proud father-to-be is WILLIAM ARSENEAU of North Park Garage. I would like to thank Mary Jane for her fine assistance in helping your scribe with the Transit News.

- Pat Harnett

SCHEDULES -

JOE SABOL received a letter from Pensioner PAT LENIHAN and his wife, MOL-LIE, saying they will pay us a visit from sunny California...Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM STANLEY celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary on Valentine's day. Congratulations to the happy couple... At this writing, Typist DOROTHY ETSCHIED is home recuperating from surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery...Pensioner JOE DeGRAZIA paid us a visit and looks very good. He says he is kept quite busy around the house... The department received a card from Pensioner W. P. DEVEREAUX who is visiting in Chattanooga. From there it'll be Orlando, Florida...Happy Easter and a happy springtime to all!

- Kathryn Batina

SOUTH SHOPS -

I am sorry to have to start off this column on a sad note. We extend our deepest sympathy to LENNY WIENCEK in the sudden death of his mother, SOPHIE...Welcome back to TOM ALFRED who spent a week in Mexico. He did a great deal of sightseeing, sunning and of course spent some time with some senioritas... TED PIETRUS spent his vacation with his wife, WICKY, and grandchildren in Colorado. He explored the slopes, and I am happy to report that it was a very safe holiday for everyone...MARTHA JUGIN, unit record clerk, celebrated 21 years with the company on March 12...JOHN LIPKA, Technical Services, and his wife, LOUVAINE, are

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

HERBERT BURNETT, 88, 77th Street, Emp. 1-12-10, Died 3-3-74
 JOSEPH CRAIG, 92, North Avenue, Emp. 9-10-10, Died 2-6-74
 SYLVESTER S. DANECKE, 65, Electrical, Emp. 8-13-29, Died 2-22-74
 WILLIAM P. EGAR, 74, Electrical, Emp. 7-22-18, Died 2-11-74
 JAMES F. FLYNN, 85, 77th Street, Emp. 4-28-20, Died 2-14-74
 JOHN J. FLYNN, 82, District A, Emp. 2-25-19, Died 2-17-74
 CLAUDE C. GILLESPIE, 84, District A, Emp. 5-7-18, Died 3-5-74
 BERNARD J. GRAHAM, 91, Lake Street, Emp. 4-16-10, Died 2-18-74
 GUDRUN HANSENS, 68, Stores, Emp. 12-8-26, Died 2-18-74
 WILLIAM D. HART, 65, Utility, Emp. 3-2-43, Died 2-16-74
 WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, 74, Security, Emp. 1-12-26, Died 2-19-74
 ALBERT O. JOHNSON, 75, North Park, Emp. 12-28-42, Died 2-6-74

HJALMAR G. JOHNSON, 77, Kimball, Emp. 8-19-18, Died 2-12-74
 GEORGE A. KLOPKE, 90, 69th Street, Emp. 9-7-06, Died 1-30-74
 ALLEN E. KRIMBLEBINE, 74, Comptroller, Emp. 1-15-25, Died 2-7-74
 RAYMOND A. KUSTOHS, 64, North Ave., Emp. 3-6-34, Died 2-27-74
 THOMAS E. MALONEY, 78, 77th Street, Emp. 3-29-17, Died 2-26-74
 THOMAS S. McGOVERN, 65, Law, Emp. 8-31-37, Died 2-14-74
 JAMES McREYNOLDS, 79, 69th Street, Emp. 6-6-18, Died 2-12-74
 JOSEPH T. MILLER, 79, West Section, Emp. 9-6-16, Died 3-1-74
 WILLIAM R. MOONEY, 62, North Section, Emp. 1-27-49, Died 2-8-74
 JAMES C. PEDERSEN, 72, West Section, Emp. 1-9-22, Died 2-13-74
 EDWARD J. PEVITTS, 75, West Section, Emp. 8-23-44, Died 2-13-74

PETER F. PEITSCH, 69, 69th Street, Emp. 11-6-33, Died 2-28-74
 JOHN J. RIORDAN, 84, South Section, Emp. 9-10-20, Died 2-25-74
 CHARLES W. ROSS, 82, Devon, Emp. 5-14-24, Died 2-9-74
 HENRY RUSSO, 80, Way & Structures, Emp. 4-5-22, Died 2-1-74
 EDWARD J. SHEFCIK, 77, 77th Street, Emp. 3-6-28, Died 2-6-74
 GEORGE W. SPEERS, 80, Logan Square, Emp. 5-29-23, Died 1-31-74
 GREGORY H. STEPHENSON, 67, Engr., Emp. 10-26-33, Died 2-6-74
 ANTE SUSNYARA, 78, Track, Emp. 4-19-21, Died 2-10-74
 JOHN SZAFIARSKI, 85, Way & Structures, Emp. 10-22-23, Died 2-3-74
 DAVID E. WESTERLUND, 83, Lawndale, Emp. 5-26-20, Died 12-2-73
 ERVIN A. ZIELKE, 60, Keeler, Emp. 6-26-44, Died 2-17-74
 JOHN ZIEMBA, 74, North Avenue, Emp. 2-13-26, Died 2-2-74

happy to say that the set of bone china ordered while Louvaine was in England last September has arrived safe and sound. We await their invitation to a formal dinner party... We would like to welcome RALPH KEANE, Area 334, temporarily assigned to Technical Services, back after a nice eight weeks off. Ralph was recovering from a broken ankle after a hole in the sidewalk got the best of him. Ralph would like to announce the engagement of his daughter, NANCY, to GARY MITTELMEIER. An October 1975 wedding is being planned... We also would like to welcome the Dynamic Duo, JERRY KILLMAN and DON TARNOWSKI, Technical Services, back from their 5½ month stay in Pontiac, Michigan. They were top-notch inspectors of the new 7400 series buses coming to us from GMC. Don is back to all his tricks and is still ready, willing and (maybe) able. Jerry, on the other hand, was hooked. On Feb. 8 Jerry wed the former SHEILA KINDER of Drayton Plains. At the time of her catch, Sheila was working as a secretary for GMC in Pontiac. Congratulations to both of you... JIM FORRESTAL, Area 334, is being accused of carrying fishhooks in his pocket. Jim should also be proud because his son, FRANCIS, was a winner of a Ray Brennan Memorial Scholarship (established in honor of the Sun-Times reporter). Francis is a journalism student and once worked for the CTA... In this day and age commendations are hard to come by, but WILLIE PICKET received one from some of the employees of the Union Oil company. Here is one of the many nice things that they had to say about Willie: "He is friendly and cooperative, and to us that means a great deal during these hectic times." So if you've seen Willie with an extra big smile, now you know why. He

certainly deserves it... Welcome back to our two ace hunters, LENNY WIENCEK and WALLY FEULNER, who just returned from a three-day hunting trip at Plata's Pheasant Ranch in Wood Dale. As you can see, the first morning's hunt was a pretty



good trip. The only sad note was the accident that Len's brother, RICH, had. It seems that while trying to cross a barbed wire fence he dropped his shotgun and it discharged accidentally, killing his hunting dog, Frankie. It was understandable that Rich didn't feel like hunting for the remainder of the trip... Congratulations to RENA SABOL who received her driver's license on March 8. Look out, everybody!

Out in the Shop, the Bay 6 Bombers softball team is getting ready for the coming season. This year's draft choices will be Budweiser and Old Style... Retired Machine Shop Foreman TED WOISS has moved to Hollywood Hills, Florida. Ted is willing to rent his spare room to any friends who vacation down there... TOM (Gypsy) VUJNOVICH sure is a proud father these days. His son, MIKE, received trophies for first and second place and a sportsmanship

award while playing in the Midget Division of the American Hockey League. Nice going, Mike... LOUIS ALLEVA is another proud father. His daughter, NANCY, a senior at Bloom High school, received a second place award in the Office Education Association area competition at Thornton High school... Sure is nice to see the smiling face of BEN MALONE, who is back on the job after being off for a few months... Retired Machinist SAM GLOVER stopped in to see the boys recently. Sam retired last fall and is looking like he's really enjoying himself... A wish for a speedy recovery goes out to FRED MOMMSEN, foreman of the Print Shop. Ditto to ANNA KANISAUSKAS, also of the Print Shop... The Brake Department's three hardest workers are off sick. Get well wishes go out to JOE SANDERS, TOM BOWMAN and HERBIE PUGH... Attention: all little league managers and coaches. Let's start getting those spikes and caps out of the closet. It's just about that time... Best wishes go out to RAY MINOGUE and his wife, ELEANOR, on their 36th wedding anniversary (or is that 30, Ray?)... MAURICE O'CONNOR has one less mouth to feed now that his son, DENNIS, has joined the navy. Dennis will be at Great Lakes for boot camp... RICH STANTON tells me the camera club he belongs to is trying to roundup some new members. If interested, contact Rich in the Brake Department... Memo from the Electrical Department, Bay 6: Anyone who is thinking about building a garage should first contact our resident architectural design engineer, FRANK KLINE. Frank's motto--you've tried the rest, now try the best... To TERRY REILLY: your fellow workers want to know where you got the fine looking mus-tache, and what wax you use for it... Fact

or rumor? The guys over in the Body Shop tell me there are a few streakers working with them. One of them is slightly overweight...FRANK SPROVIERI's daughter, JoANNE, won a first place award for her violin solo at Hiawatha school in Berwyn. . . FRED SIMMONS, Area 336, could wear out his wallet opening and closing it to show this picture of granddaughter TRACY BUSBY to all 18,000 Transit News readers. He's one proud granddaddy, but he sure can't match the power of the press. . . HOWARD WARD was



elected Worshipful Master of his Mystic Star Masonic Lodge. Congratulations, Howard. He also tells me that his co-worker, SONNY (Bear) THOMAS, can sure bake a great Harvey Wallbanger cake. . . This is news--CASEY NOGA, Tin Shop, has finally decided to quit tending bar and is going to get married this summer. Try and stay awake for the wedding, Casey!.. After 2½ years, BOB MARRON finished his '37 Plymouth. BILL SCHROEDLE has given up restoring his car and is now selling the parts for scrap. JERRY DEXTER tried to sell his '29 Plymouth for \$2,500, but will settle for \$375 and a huffy

bike in good running condition. . . HENRY KOLAR has another granddaughter, JUDITH ANN, who weighed in at 8 pounds even. In his spare time, Henry is teaching BOB LEE to pick mushrooms. . . Good luck to AL COX and SHERMAN CAIN on their new mortgages. . . MIKE and EILEEN ROCHE were the recipients of a Mayor Richard J. Daley award in recognition of an outstanding effort to keep Chicago "one of the most beautiful cities in the nation." The Chicago Park District judged their garden one of the area's best in city-wide competition last summer. . . HAROLD THOMAS just returned from a balloon trip to Africa. . . Happy birthday goes out to WILLIAM ROHE, electrical worker and my co-reporter's father, who celebrated March 10.

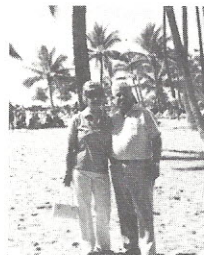
- Jeanne Diehl & Lawrence Bernas

MILLER in the loss of his mother. . . Conductor NATHANIEL MOORE received a passenger commendation for his courteous ways and good announcements. . . Two new classifications have been established--janitor foreman and agent foreman. Congratulations to all employees who were promoted. . . On the sick list at this writing are: Switchman ALEX ROSADO, who was injured on duty; Switchman EDWARD MCGUIRE, Motorman WILLIAM BROWN, Conductor GEORGE MAY and Switchman BERTRAM HARTFIELD who was in an auto accident. Hurry up and get well, everyone, so you can get back to work soon.

- Verna Hartney

SOUTH SECTION -

My column will be shorter this month because I served on jury duty for two weeks. It was really an experience and interesting. . . First of all, congratulations to my hubby, ROLAND, who was promoted to chief clerk on Feb. 17, and to Conductor JAMES FARLEY who was appointed clerk. . . As of Feb. 25, all the janitors have transferred to the Maintenance Department. Good luck to all and congratulations to ROBERT ROESING who was appointed supervisor of janitors. . . Roosevelt-State Station won't seem the same without Agent WILLIAM SHEEHAN who went on pension March 1. Much happiness and good health is wished you, Bill. . . Hello to newly-hired Conductors CURTIS JOHNSON, GARRICK WASHINGTON, CLARENCE BALL and AMBRUS CRUMBY, and transferees CLINTON HOLMES and HOWARD MEANS Jr. . . Happy news--off the sick list and back to work are: Motorman JAMES RIORDAN and Conductors LEE DODD, ELBERT HARRIS, ROBERT COLEMAN, GEORGE ROSS and CLARENCE HEARNS. . . Hawaii seems to hold a fascination for TONY JAGLA and his wife, MARIE. This is their third trip to the islands, and they seem to be really enjoying the sun and the warm sand on the beach at Waikiki. . .



We had several departmental changes. As of March 3, DAVID MARTIN was appointed a.m. assistant station superintendent at 95th Street; ART RABEN was transferred from the North Section to p.m. assistant station superintendent at 95th Street; Assistant Station Superintendent ED MITCHELL was assigned to the p.m. at Ashland Avenue; FRENCHIE ELLIS was assigned relief station superintendent, and Instructor ARDIS MORRIS was appointed relief station superintendent. . . Our sincere sympathy is extended to Conductor CHARLES

WEST SECTION -

One of our motormen said that he has never had his name in the Transit News. So here is your name, JOE PEZZULO, even though you didn't do anything exciting (smile). . . My co-reporter, SANTO SICILIANO, tells me he wants to make it perfectly clear that he loves everyone, and that he has a tape to prove it. It goes "I Like Everyone." It's in Italian, and he can't speak his own language yet. . . Switchman JIM ALLEN had his car struck from behind and was lucky to escape with minor damage. After he and the other fellow exchanged insurance data, etc., the man went recklessly off hitting three more cars. Watch your rear, Jimmy (and your front). . . Switchman BOB CANE will be off sick for awhile. We wish him a speedy recovery. Conductor BOB CRAWFORD is still off sick. Hurry back, Bob. Our old friend, Conductor CLARENCE HEARNS, has returned to work after a short sick leave. Welcome back, Clarence. Conductor GEORGE WOODMORE was off sick one day, and young Conductor PAT NOLAN Jr. worked his run. Then he got sick. We are checking out Motorman CLARENCE KNOX to see if he had anything to do with it. . . Fair warning, fellows, when Clerk LEN KOKOWINSKI isn't smiling, his leg might be aching. So don't bug him by banging on the window. . . Former conductor STEVE JONES got a new Chevy. He sold his 1959 Caddy. . . Conductor AUBREY BATES, the movie star, is either still growing or getting too big for his pants. That's why they're short, fellows. . . Conductor STEVE DUDASIK wants you to know that he doesn't sell eggs anymore--just doughnuts and rolls. His chickens told him to go lay an egg. . . Conductor EUGENE EMBRY is a real snappy dresser. He is known as the Superfly of the conductors. . . A guy who must not be forgotten is Towerman E. FARMER at tower 18. He is doing a fine job running that place, so wave at him some time. . . Switchman CLARENCE GREEN is really angry with the energy crisis and all, his car hasn't run good since he got it. He will take any suggestion as to what to get fixed next. . . We would

PENSIONERS MEET

THE DIVISION 308 Pensioners Club of Chicago will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Thursday, April 18, on the 13th floor at 32 W. Randolph street. All retired members of Division 308 are invited to attend these meetings which are held the third Thursday of each month at the above time and address.

The CTA Pensioners Club of St. Petersburg, Florida, will hold its next regular meeting at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, at the Odd Fellows Hall, 4140 16th street North, St. Petersburg. All CTA pensioners living in that vicinity are invited to attend these meetings which are held the first Tuesday of each month at the above time and address.

like to wish Repairman CHUCK MEYERS a successful operation while in the hospital. Get well soon buddy. . . Switchman WILLIE GREGORY cried when Supervisor CHARLIE BANZER left for his new appointment at the Rapid Transit Instruction Department. We will send you a crossword puzzle book on ghetto slangs, Charlie. Good luck...Motorman IKE HOUSTON looks real fly with his new hairstyle. But his wife, CHRIS, wishes he would buy his own curlers...I would like to wish Motorman JOHN McCARTY a belated happy St. Patty's day, even though we got no corned beef and no TV viewing at your house. From the little black leprechaun: Ah, 'tis bad, laddy...Speaking of food, Conductor BERNIE RADCLIFF will start his diet as soon as the inflation is lifted. He can't help lifting something to his mouth. To see a person who is really fit, Bernie, why don't you check out Yard Foreman J. RAFINSKI. He is really down to a nice size...Well, gotta run now. So if we missed you this time, who cares, only you. So be careful, what you say and do, for if we find it out, we will tell the world about it. See you later.

- Santa Siciliano & Lou Payne

TRANSPORTATION -

BOB TALBOTT signed off as a radio dispatcher for the last time on Feb. 28 and he and his wife, FERROL, immediately got down to the serious business of planning



for their retirement to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Making retirement official after Bob's 37 years of service was Transportation Manager DAVID M. FLYNN who presented him a gift from co-workers and friends.

- Colette Szczepanek

52ND STREET -

Our baseball charter driver, LEO PORTER, is switching his hobby to hockey playing. He's been seen running around with hockey sticks. Maybe when he gets checked into the boards a few times he will go back to baseball...Maybe the next time Operator ROBERT JONES finds a shoe sale, he might take along a few of his co-workers--even though a few of us might not like those red soles...Good service

does not go unnoticed. Last month I received two letters of commendation within three days. Keep up the good work, you never know when your day will come... LAFAYETTE GARMONY was appointed to serve the unexpired term of ALVIN DAVIS, who resigned as a board member of our credit union. ROBERT B. HOLMES Jr. was elected as the new secretary, and SAMUEL E. WILLIAMS will serve as a new member on the Executive Supervisory Committee as will JAMES S. TERRY Jr. Also re-elected were ERNEST A. HILL, president; CHARLES O'KANE, vice-president; EUGENE T. JONES, vice-president; TYLER M. PHILPOTT, treasurer, and ALVIN POTTS Jr., assistant treasurer. Hill and Philpott are also members of the Executive Committee. The credit union is continuously growing. Join today and participate. It's where you and members of your immediate family belong. All members' accounts are fully insured. Support your union by attending the meeting. The officers deserve our moral support and cooperation. Their task is not an easy one...Our Ace No. 1 station instructor, HERBERT WILLIAMS, wants to see his name in the news. So here it is, sir!

- John L. Hudson

69TH STREET -

Co-reporter ART BUESING became a grandpa for the second time when little MICHELLE MASLANKA was born on March 4 weighing 6 pounds 9 ounces. The proud mother is my daughter, JUDY MASLANKA...F. MITTLER met W. (Cannonball) LYNN who has been on pension for the past ten years. He lives in that beautiful ice-box and fishing country called St. Cloud, Minnesota. He loves it there, looks great, and says hello to all his many friends...B. MOBLEY paid us a visit. He has been working in the Mart for the past two years. He said J. THOMAS, formerly of 69th, is down there too, and feels fine...Drawbar HOLLAND is now a loader at 63rd and Kedzie...RADLOFF is now back driving after being off sick for quite some time... CLAUDE GILLESPIE, former superintendent of 69th Street, and his wife, VIOLET, passed away within a day of each other. To their loved ones, we at 69th extend our deepest sympathy...Pensioner FRANK J. SOMMER is now living at RFD Route 1, Princeton Road, Green Lake, Wisconsin 54941. . . There was a great turn-out for a great guy and boss at the Midway Lounge when GLENN PEYTON retired. I know his wife, ANN, realized how much his drivers respected him and how much we will miss him. We're sure VIC COLEMAN will do a fine job in his place, and we wish him luck. Glenn wanted me to be sure and tell everyone he will miss them and that he appreciated their respect and jobs we did for him. . . We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Pensioner PETER PEITSCH who

passed away. Pete worked at 69th for many years...RAY SCHEID is really enjoying his life of leisure on retirement... Congratulations to our new electrician, JOHN CALVIN. He really has shaped up the garage since he came. Hope he keeps it up--as it'll look like a new garage pretty soon... Our assistant day foreman, WILLIAM TOOMEY, is also doing a great job. ..On the sick list at this time are JOHN JOHNSON, C. CRACCO, A. TAYLOR and JIM CASEY. A speedy recovery is wished to all...Here's hoping all of our pensioners and their families are enjoying retirement to the fullest.

- Art Buesing & Jimmy Ahern

77TH STREET -

It is with pride and satisfaction that we pay tribute to a good man and a fine gentleman. JOHN KNERR retired April 1 as superintendent of 77th Street Station. He will be missed by the men who served under him. We know Johnny to be a man of understanding and compassion, qualities which make a man more than just a boss. Whenever we were called into his office we always felt, no matter what the outcome, that at least we were heard as operators and respected as men. After 37 years with CTA Mr. Knerr will now begin a well-deserved life of leisure. I know we would like nothing less for this fine man and his wife, DOROTHY, than continued happiness and great success in whatever endeavor they should undertake. . . The Wheelers Social Club will present their annual spring affair on April 20. The Wheelers are known for their "out of sight" affairs, so if you want entertainment at its best, be there...Operators JULIUS (Red) MARTIN and ARTHUR JACKSON are confined to the Veterans hospital. We would like to wish them both a speedy recovery...We would like to express our deepest sympathy to Board Member ANDREW BUTLER and his family upon the loss of his aunt, Mrs. WILLIE WALKER BRUCE, who passed away on March 5. Mrs. Bruce was also the mother-in-law of former 77th Street Operators HOWARD MINGO and MERMAN ELLIOTT...We would also like to express our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Pensioner C. F. BARTZ, formerly of 77th Street Station, who passed away...I would like to take this opportunity to introduce EDWARD BROWN as a new addition to the reporting staff at 77th Street Station. Ed will enable the reporting at 77th to cover a broader area and help to ensure representation of our station in the monthly Transit News. We still need the cooperation of our fellow operators in giving us items for this column. This reporter would especially like to thank Clerks FISHER and HALL and Instructor WHITE for their cooperation in submitting items to this column.

- Allison De Bonnett

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