

Porter Drives 'Em

He Is CTA's Go-Go Guy For The Sox

A CTA Profile by Arline Datu

Baseball fans usually have a favorite team or player. Well, if the White Sox were to name their favorite fan, it would probably be Leo Porter. And, not surprising, the Sox Park team is definitely a favorite with him--has been since he was a kid.

But Porter is no ordinary fan--he's a CTA bus driver, who, since 1963, has been chauffeuring the 25 regulars on the Sox team back and forth from O'Hare airport to their home on Chicago's South Side.

"From the owner on down, they're real champs, real gentlemen," Porter says with a sincere ring of pride in his voice.

His feelings couldn't be any less--they're like family to him. Most fans have seen the team out on the field--alive, vigorous, and ready to go. But Porter has also seen these same men, many a time--bleary-eyed and dog-tired--after a night game and jet flight from different parts of the country.

He's Democratic, Though

Though his first loyalty is to the White Sox, Porter is also a driver for other visiting American League teams. A look at his short, slight frame would hardly betray the fact that he's the most sought after driver by every team in the League.

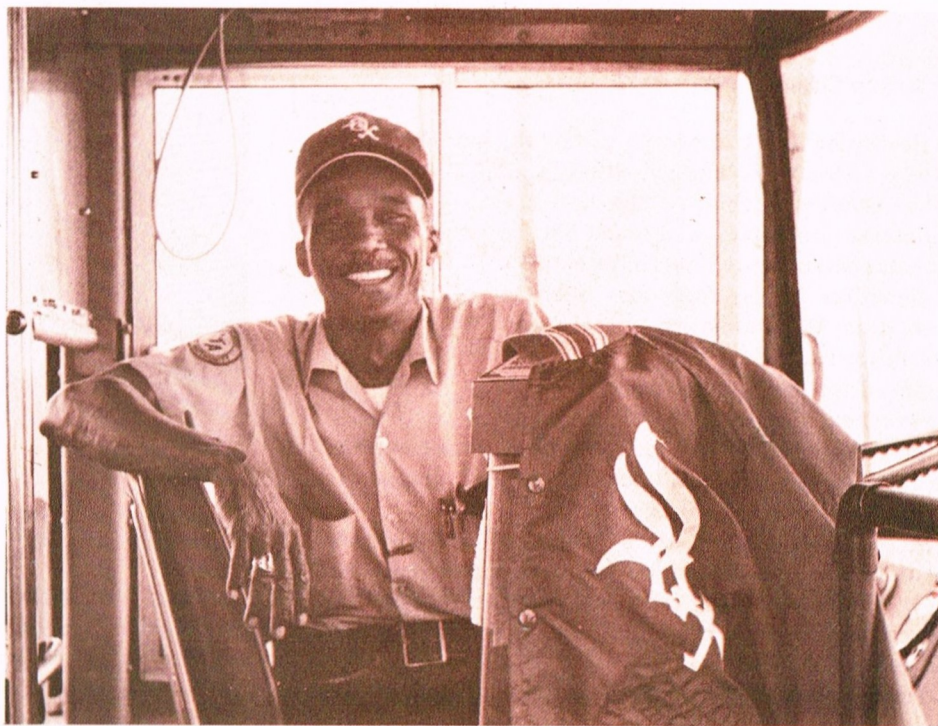
According to the Boston Red Sox traveling secretary, Jack Rogers, "Not only is he (Porter) dependable and most cooperative, but his personality and attitude are consistently wonderful. . . we look forward to more friendly relations with him in seasons to come."

When he's chauffeuring the others around, Porter sees to it they're extended every courtesy. That includes wearing the team's cap.

With 10 different teams to oversee, there is sometimes a little confusion as to what cap to wear, says Porter.

"I've got to be very adept. I've got to be sure I'm wearing the right cap for each team. Otherwise, they'll say, 'Oh no, you're not our bus driver'."

Porter's popularity among all the teams is very much in evidence, perhaps most visibly, through the many gifts and favors he's received from several of the players.



Leo Porter in cap he dons for his special baseball trips.

Minnesota Twins' Tony Oliva once presented Porter with one of the team's baseball bats. When Billy Martin was still Texas Rangers manager, he promised to bring him out to the Rangers' home turf in the event of a world series game there. The scene is now New York, but the invitation still stands.

He Gets Mementoes

Porter has also received season game passes from such notables as former White Sox slugging star Richie Allen, now with the Phils.

"To top it off, the White Sox presented me with a team jacket to wear when we go jogging down the road," he adds.

Porter has been collecting baseball souvenirs since 1959 when he received his first--an autographed baseball, from White Sox manager Al Lopez. So he's built up quite an array of baseball memorabilia.

Porter readily admits he's one of that distinguished breed--"a baseball nut all the way." So, in May 1963 when Eddie Froelich, then White Sox trainer, asked him if he would like the job as official chauffeur, he took it on the spot.

Since then, he boasts, "It's been a very enjoyable affair."

Indeed it has. His long association with the White Sox has given him certain exclusive privileges which

A Soft Voice In The Control Center - -

Katy Does It

By Arline Datu

Her voice isn't imposing or harsh, but she's definitely a woman in control--that is, in CTA's Operations Control Center. She is 27-year-old Mary Catherine Moriarty, who made her debut as the first woman controller trainee in late July.

Reaction in the field has been interesting. The first time Miss Moriarty's voice went over the control room radio, the man at the other end was so bewildered at hearing a woman's voice, he couldn't answer her.

In yet another instance, according to her account, "A voice at the other end said, 'A woman dispatcher. You've got to be kidding'."

All kidding aside, Miss Moriarty is in earnest about tackling what she calls a challenging job. And while there are still some surprise reactions over the radio, her general reception has been welcome and favorable.

Her initial impressions of the controller's job go back to when she started working with the CTA as a ticket agent eight years ago.

"I knew if I needed help at my station for any reason, I could always rely on the controllers to get it there for me quick," she says.

When she moved from ticket agent to a supervisor position, she got her first opportunity to visit the bustling, noisy control center--with its electronic monitoring desk panels--a confusion of telephones, microphones, flashing lights, push buttons and switches.



In training as CTA's first woman service controller, Mary Catherine (Katy) Moriarty, is shown with her instructor, Bus Service Controller Arthur Calder.

What impressed her at the time was the efficiency and speed of operation. "When I was there, they had a delay along the lines somewhere. It was fascinating to see how fast these people work," she recalls.

Now that she's behind those control boards, Miss Moriarty still exhibits an awe and fascination for the job ahead.

But after the several weeks of training she's had so far, she readily admits there's still a ways to go. "I realize now how much I really don't know. It looks like the men are just answering phones, but I found out they do more than that."

An extensive training period, indeed, still awaits her. But Miss Moriarty says, "It's a real challenge, but I feel I can do it."

Sox Driver (Continued)

would, undoubtedly, make him the envy of many an ardent baseball fan.

"I have an extended invite to the clubhouse so I can go up any time. Mornings, before we leave for the airport, I have coffee and rolls with the fellas," he claims.

When he's on the bus with his favorite team, Porter says, "I will kibitz with them quite a bit."

"Should I have gotten a single or a double out of that hit?" is a question frequently asked of him by team members, says Porter.

His pat reply is usually, "You should have gotten a double but you were just loafing down the bases."

Aside from this friendly exchange, Porter has also gotten, through his kibitzing, the inside scoop on a few news items in the baseball world which are released

to the press much later.

Despite his avid interest, Porter says he never wanted to play ball professionally. His first calling, he maintains, was to the CTA.

"My lifetime ambition was to be a bus driver--ever since my mother used to take us kids for Sunday rides on the old double-decker buses," says Porter, who's been with the CTA as a driver for the past 22 years.

Porter makes his home on the South Side with his wife, Joyce, an artist/teacher.

Over the years, he says, his wife has become accustomed to his leaving the house in the early morning hours to pick up his weary White Sox team at the airport.

But he says, "No matter what time the team comes in, they won't have to worry--Leo will be there."

Daily Calls Up To 3,400

Modernized Travel Info Center Celebrates First Anniversary

by Arline Datu

A child asks if a bus can be sent to his house to take him to Adventure Land. A woman complains about gambling on the Madison Street bus and asks how she can put in a claim for the \$38 she lost. Just two of the more unusual calls handled out of the 3,400 received daily in the CTA's Travel Information Center.

"We're all things to all people at all times," says travel agent supervisor Tom Culkar, adding that the Center is now recognized as a major travel information service in metropolitan Chicago.

Working to maintain this distinction are the Center's 31 travel agents--some well-seasoned veterans with several years experience; others well-adapted beginners.

After a year's time in the Center's new, brightly decorated facilities, the travel agents have increased

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their adeptness and efficiency in helping people find their way on the city and suburban bus and train systems.

Their ongoing efforts have resulted in almost 400 additional calls per day over last year's figures.

They're Human Timetables

"Every one of our travel agents is already an expert on the 135 CTA routes," says Consumer Services director Tom Coyne.

Suburban lines, however, were a problem for the agents. Some lines had no published schedules; those schedules that were available were usually undecipherable, according to Culkar.

But with one-third of the incoming calls relating to suburban routes, some changes had to be made.

Just recently 150 suburban bus and commuter railroad schedules were "torn apart and re-built" by the Travel Information Center for use by the travel agents.

With these additions, the rate of phone call retention (those received and serviced) rose from 60 to 96 per cent since July 1974.

As part of a future plan, travel agents will be taken out on the suburban carriers to improve their training and better acquaint them with suburban streets and intersections.

Calls for suburban service, on the average, still take a travel agent three or four times as long to handle as calls for the city.

Culkar says if the travel agents can familiarize themselves with the suburban carriers through firsthand experience, they will be better prepared to handle calls requesting directions outside the city.

Look Of Efficiency

The Travel Information Center's move to new offices, Culkar says, was a type of "revolution". The modern, spacious, well-lit rooms with the sleek, streamlined desk panels grouped in geometric clusters are quite an improvement over the previous offices, he explains.

Now, he claims, the Center is in a "state of revolution."

"We're continually changing, constantly trying to improve service and upgrade efficiency."

One of the largest efforts toward improving service took place in late August with the acquisition of a microfilm retrieval system.

Its implementation involved putting the maps, charts, bus and train schedules, street guides--all the printed material which makes up the travel agents' working tools--on microfilm.

All the film is stored inside a microfilm viewer with a built-in screen and numbered keyboard. Each item on film is number coded. To view an item on the screen the agent punches its code number on the keyboard, and the information arrives almost instantaneously.

With such a system, says Culkar, "any piece of information we have is only four seconds away from an agent."

"We're getting rid of 31 transit information systems and turning it into just one."

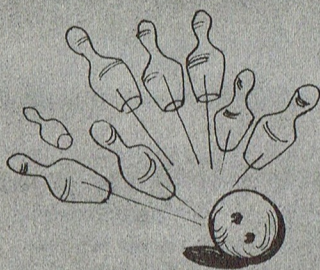
Training Is Expedited

The microfilm retrieval system is in the Travel Information Center on a trial basis until the end of October. The system is also being used in the training of new agents.

A travel agent usually requires weeks of training under a supervisor's guidance. With the microfilm system, says Culkar, a travel agent sits alone in front of a viewer which has been prepared with all the training information. Total training time with the microfilm is four hours.

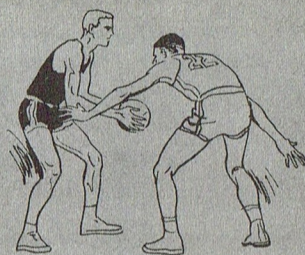
"But on this job, the training is ongoing," says Culkar. "We're continually monitoring calls, re-training people to give faster, more efficient service."

Citing an instance where an agent tried to direct a caller on how to take a bus to St. Louis, Mo., Culkar says, "The only problem now is to rein them in from giving too much information."



CTA Sports News

MEL ALEXANDER, Sports Editor



North Park Wins Ping Pong Rematch

A PING PONG tournament involving North Park Garage and North Rail Rapid Transit was held Wednesday, Aug. 27, with North Rail emerging as the victor.

In a five man team rematch on Sept. 3 at North Park, the North Rail team was soundly beaten by North Park 4 to 1.

In the first game at North Park, Angel Ramirez, captain of the North Rail team, was pitted against Lee Yalowiec who beat Angel 3 out of 4 games to take the first match.

In the next match, Miguel Carino, North Park, took three straight sets from Larry McNeil, North Rail, as did Bobby Barnes of North Park over Ray Schild by the same set score.

It took five sets for North Park's David Ganjani to defeat Hosea Aussin of North Rail, 3 to 2. The only loss suffered by North Park was when North Rail's Calvin Rufus upset Albert Garner, North Park's ace ping pong player, 3 to 1.

Any garage or department wishing to participate in these ping pong matches can contact Homer Reed of North Park, or Angel Ramirez of Kimball Terminal to set a date.



David Ganjani, North Park, right, prepares for a slam shot in his match with North Rail's Hosea Aussin.

77th Street Bowling League Opens 17th Season

THE 77TH Street Operators Bowling League opened its 17th season on Aug. 29 with all 16 teams returning and only one thought in mind: to win.

On hand to roll out the first ball of the season was Felix Palilunas, superintendent of Central Counting, and the team sponsor of the Baggers.

The league is comprised of CTA personnel only, with representation from every department in the company -- from supervision to laborer.



Calvin Pollard

Many of the old familiar faces have returned for this season, but as in all sports, there are many new ones as each team strives to improve.

League officers for the 1975-76 season are: Calvin Pollard, president; Michael Kane, vice-president; Frank Bailey, secretary; Talmadge Ireland, treasurer, and Luther Lee, sergeant-at-arms.



Angel Ramirez, North Rail, tries a slam shot against Lee Yalowiec, North Park. It misses.

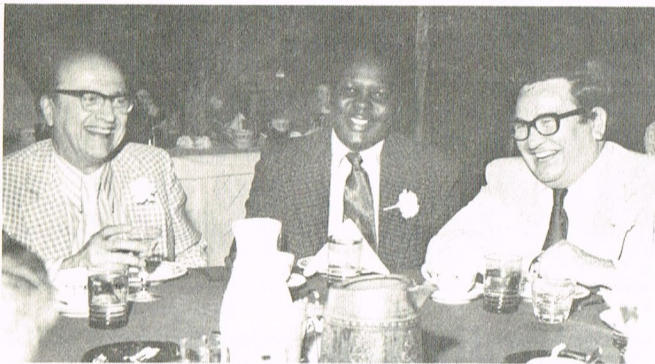
Candid Camera Visits Social Event Of The Season (CTA Sports Award Banquet)



Archer Superintendent John Lynch, Near South Area Superintendent William Moser, Kedzie Superintendent Robert Keag and North Park Superintendent Alex Johnson.



Division 241 2nd Vice President Elcosie and Marilyn Gresham.



General Operations Manager George Krambles, Manager of Human Relations Fred King and Manager of Transportation James Blaa.



Florence Childress and Archie and Juanita Davis.



Division 308 President Leonard Beatty and Lydia Lewis.



Archer Garage Superintendent John Lynch receives 1st place basketball trophy from Lydia Lewis as team members look on.

Visitor From India Gives Us Good Marks

"The CTA Supertransfer is a great attraction for tourists like us. You can paint the town red for 70 cents." So says Ved P. Malhotra, visitor from Bombay, India.

No ordinary tourist, however, Mr. Malhotra, who is deputy chief operating superintendent of Western Railway in India. He's here in Chicago on a U.N. Fellowship to study the city's rapid transit system.

"It is one of the best operated systems in the world," says Malhotra. "It's a system that has established itself. It has a worldwide reputation."

Malhotra arrived here in late June and has seen various aspects of our operation under the guidance of the Transportation Department in the Merchandise Mart.

He characterizes the management of CTA as "live and alert."

"It's wonderful... they've done some phenomenal things," he adds.

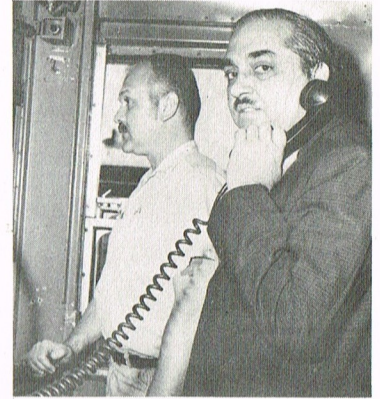
What most impresses him, he says, is the CTA's emphasis on performance and maintenance. "Your system is very well coordinated."

But to gain first-hand experience on the rapid transit system, Malhotra travels extensively on several of the lines. His favorites are the Evanston service and the Dan Ryan. Overall, he has nothing but high praise for the system's operation.

"The system provides so many conveniences to passengers--good clean coaches, an efficient information program, polite, well-informed employees, and punctuality," he says.

"I have very seldom had to wait long for a train," he adds.

Firsthand experience with CTA communications -- Malhotra uses trainphone in the cab of Motorman Ray Eggebrech's train.



The purpose of his study is to provide his country with the background and knowledge to improve its metropolitan transportation. Plans are also under way to construct subways in the cities of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi.

With this in mind, Malhotra has singled out noteworthy aspects of the CTA's system which may be of particular benefit to India's plans. Among them, he says, are the efficient operation of rapid transit communication as well as the simplicity of the CTA fare structure.

Malhotra's tour of the CTA extends through October. He also attended CTA's Technical Institute for further backgrounding.

Malhotra, thus far, seems well-impressed with not only the CTA but also the city in general. His comment:

"Chicago has got a personality. It's a beautiful town. It can be proud of being the world's best and finest in many fields."



CTA Vet Is Catholic Deacon

Family affair -- Stone baptized his son, John Michael, at St. Thomas Aquinas church last year. Godparents were his oldest children, Walter John and Winnie.

When Walter Stone wears a Roman collar and black clerical suit, his five children don't refer to him as Father. "They call me 'Deac'," he says. Stone, an operations control analyst who's been with the CTA for 21 years, has been a permanent deacon of the Catholic Church since his ordination in 1972.

As a permanent deacon, Stone is authorized to perform all the functions of a priest except to say mass,

hear confessions and anoint the sick. "We don't want to take over the duties of a priest. We just want to help serve others," he explains.

After his ordination, Stone was assigned to work in his parish church, St. Thomas Aquinas in Knox, Ind. He is presently involved in starting a teen club, planning activities for the parish's senior citizens, and supervising a group of delinquent boys. "Helping people--it's really satisfying," says Stone.

His wife, Betty, who once studied to be a nun, takes responsibility for encouraging him to become involved in church activities. In early 1971, he learned about the formation of the Diaconate program in a Catholic newspaper and decided to join.

A particularly gratifying experience for Stone was baptizing his youngest son, John, while two of his other children were sponsors. He hopes someday to officiate at his children's marriages.

Before his involvement in the Diaconate program, Stone admits he never thought about becoming a priest. "But I think this is as far as I'll go."

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**Bear With Bears,
Says Bill**
By W. B. Wolfan
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Without warning the football season is upon us. It seems that it never left, anyway. It's different than years ago when various seasons were well defined--they played 154 baseball game schedules--football opened in late September--basketball in December--and the year around sport was the rarity.

Now the average fan gets to watch baseball, football and the other majors in August. Hockey carries over into May--and for some reason pro basketball starts in the middle of football season. It's getting so you can't tell a sport without a television commentator.

Of prime interest in the Chicago area is the brand new look being exhibited by the one team that arouses the dander of the home fans more than anyone else.

Sure the fans get mad about White Sox, Blackhawk and Cub failures.

But nothing can arouse the ire of the local citizenry as much as a losing season for their beloved Bears.

Yielding to that ire, the Bears' management underwent a complete reorganization...a new general manager, Jim Finks, and a new coach, Jack Pardee, and judging by early season shuffling--almost a whole new ball club.

By the time this appears in print, the regular season will be under way.

There is one thing we cannot understand, however, and that is why everybody seems to expect a football miracle to be achieved by the Bears.

No one--including some of the greatest coaches in history--can build a new team from scratch in one season. It just doesn't happen. You have to have the

"horses" and in rebuilding, you have to experiment. And that is the one thing the Bears have done so far is experiment.

Anyone who knows football knows that a college rookie doesn't come off the campus and in the very same year become an all-Pro.

The substance of all this is that you cannot build a winner overnight. You settle for an average season.

This department for one thinks the Bears are going to be a better organized football team.

But Finks and Pardee have to have time to develop a cohesive unit.

We talked with an ex-Bear the other day and he said that he thinks the Bears of 1975 are on the right road. Trades and cuts of old timers are hard to take, but often necessary in the interests of winning football.

The Bears under George Halas won seven NFL titles and a total of 326 victories.

Nobody has come close to that coaching record and it behooves one to remind the fans of what the team has done for football. And nobody wants a winner more than Halas, Sr.

Jim Finks' 10 year association with the Minnesota Vikings brought Minnesota, an expansion team, to the top of the heap.

There is a good reason to believe he can make the Bears into a solid football team.

But give the man a chance to do it. Do not expect too much too soon.

Exhibition games -- as the Yankees of Joe DiMaggio used to say--are only exhibitions, a time for the rookies. This is also true of pro football.

Walter Payton and some of the



Jim Finks, trader

new faces--Ron Shanklin and others--will do well. Despite sports writing opinions, a quarterback alone cannot win by himself.

I remember what a guy told me who was a key blocker for Tommy Harmon of Michigan. "What most of you sideline experts forget is that it takes 11 men and proper execution of assignments to make a football team go. A single missed block can be the difference between winning and losing."

This was from a man who played three consecutive years of big time football in the Big Ten.

The game--even in this day of specialty teams--hasn't changed all that much. There are those who contend that the Bears must trade for a top quarterback and shift Douglass to running back. But it must not be forgotten that without the protection of a strong offensive line, no quarterback is going to get the help he needs to make the team click. And if your defense leaks like a sieve, it won't make any difference if Joe Namath is throwing the passes for you. The opposition will simply outscore you.

We believe the team of Finks and Pardee will lift the Bears into respectability. Give them time and they'll do the job.

● "ACCOMMODATIONS" (comedy) with Dennis Cole, Sept. 30-Nov. 9, Pheasant Run Playhouse, Route 64 (North Ave.), three miles east of St. Charles. Dinner, theatre from \$7.70. Chicago phone: 261-7943.

● ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO--Robert Natkin: Acrylics on Paper, from Oct. 2, Gallery 109. Photographs by Aaron Siskind, a one-man retrospective exhibit of 60 photographs, Oct. 14-Dec. 7, Lacy Armour Gallery. Primitive Art Masterworks, including African, Oceanic, Pre-Columbian, and American Indian Art, thru Oct. 5, Morton Wing. Steuben: Seventy Years of American Glassmaking, thru Oct. 26. Over 90 major examples of American glass production from 1905-1974. A. Montgomery Ward Gallery. American Institute of Architects Awards Exhibition, thru Oct. 5, Lacy Armour Gallery. Selected Landscape Prints, One Hundred Views of Famous Places of Edo, prints of Tokyo by Japanese printmaker Hiroshige designed during the latter part of his career, thru Nov. 16, Gallery 114. Photographs by Paul Berger, thru Nov. 23, Gallery 106. Edvard Munch, an exhibit of lithographs, woodcuts, and etchings commemorating the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the first Norwegian immigrants in America, continuing, Galleries 108, 108A. Margaret Fisher, drawings and watercolors, continuing, Gallery 107. Twentieth Century Japanese Prints, Paintings, and Ceramics, recent accessions, continuing, Gallery 116. Mon-Wed, Fri-Sat, 10-5; Thurs, 10-8:30 (free); Sun & Hol, 12-5. Suggested fee: \$1.50; Students, children, seniors, 50¢; members free. Michigan at Adams. 443-3500.

● BEVERLY WALK thru 100 year old community features hillside homes as diverse as Carpenter Gothic, English Manor, and Prairie School. Oct. 5, 19 at 2 from Rock Island Station, 103rd & Walden. \$2 (members free). Pullman Walk thru America's first totally planned company town, designed by Architect Solon S. Berman for railroad car magnate George Pullman. Oct. 12, 26 at 2 from Greenstone Church, 112th & St. Lawrence. \$2. Tour Glessner House, the last surviving work in Chicago of renowned 19th Century Architect Henry Hobson Richardson. Tours Tues, Thurs, Sat, from 10-4, Sun from 1-5. Tours begin on the hour; last one hour. 1800 S. Prairie. \$1 (members free). Walking Tour, Chicago Loop, Tues, Thurs, Sat at 10 thru Oct. Sun at 2 all year. From Chicago Public Library, Michigan & Randolph. \$1 (members free). Tours by Chicago School of Architecture Foundation, 326-1393.

● BLUE MAX NIGHTCLUB--Frankie Avalon and Stewie Stone, comedian, Sept. 29-Oct. 11. Barbie Benton, country and western singer, and Scalzo and Co., magicians, Oct. 13-25. Hyatt Regency O'Hare, River Rd. & Kennedy Expy. Reservations, 696-1234.

● CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY--Chicago International Film Festival 16 mm student entries screened Mon, Thurs at 5:45 thru Oct. Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus Programs Tues at 12:15 thru Oct. Writing in Chicago each Tues at 6:30. Lyric



Time out

Opera Preview Lectures by Al Glasser each Wed at 1, 5:45. "La Traviata," Sept. 24; "Elektra," Oct. 1; "Fidelio," Oct. 8; "Le Nozze di Figaro," Oct. 15; "Lucia di Lammermoor," Oct. 22; "Orfeo ed Euridice," Oct. 29. Goodman Theatre; an inside look at 50 years, each Fri at 12:15, 5:45 thru Oct. 78 E. Washington. Free. 269-2900.

● CHICAGO SNOW FESTIVAL, Oct. 17-19, Donovan Hall, International Amphitheatre. Fashion show, cross country races, swap shop, T-shirt contest, auction, movies, and ski deck demonstration will capitalize on the theme, "Skiing, The Freedom Sport." A benefit concert will be held for members of the U.S. Olympic Ski Team, and the Utah demonstration team will be present. Fri from 5-11, Sat from noon-10, Sun from noon-6. \$2 at the door. Advance discount tickets thru Ticketron, ski clubs. 43rd & Halsted. 398-3815. Sponsored by the Chicago Metropolitan Ski Council.

● CHILDREN'S EVENTS, West Town Branch Library. Arts & Crafts each Mon from 3:30-5; Jugary Aprender (play time) each Tues from 9:30-11; Story Time each Fri, Sat at 1; After School Movie each Fri at 3:30; Double-Feature each Sat at 10:30. 1310 N. Milwaukee.

● CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN FABRICS from the Girard Foundation Collection, BRUCE CONNER DRAWINGS, thru Nov. 2. Museum of Contemporary Art, 237 E. Ontario. Mon-Sat from 10-5, Thurs from 10-8, Sun from 12-5. Adults \$1; seniors, students, 50¢. 943-7755.

● EVANSTON THEATRE COMPANY premiere season opens with "Jumpers" by Tom Stoppard, Sept. 28-Oct. 19. Season tickets, three plays for the price of two, from \$12.00. Tickets for individual performances from \$6.70. 816 Church St., Evanston, 869-7278.

● FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY--Two Hundred Years of botanical illustrations from Kew Gardens, England, thru Nov. 16. Includes 123 plant illustrations ranging from mushrooms to orchids. Pen-and-ink and watercolor the dominant media. Hand-colored lithographs and etchings of Kew Gardens also included. Hall 9. The Ancient Art of Weaving demonstrated by members of the North Shore Weavers' Guild on a two-harness, handcrafted Mexican floor loom. Mon, Wed, Fri at 10:30, 12 noon. South Lounge, second floor. Fall Journey For Children, "Plants That Grow On Other Plants," a free, self-guided tour focuses on the museum's botany halls. All children who can read and write are invited to participate. Journey sheets in English and Spanish

with Anit Leppiks

Things to do in the Chicago area

available at the information booth. Bring pen or pencil. Saturday Discovery Programs on varying topics offered continuously from 11-3. Topics include an explanation of mummy-making, sampling of foods from Hopi, Navajo, and Zuni peoples, and a short course on how animals are prepared for museum exhibits. Ray A. Kroc Environmental Education Program, "Pit 11," Oct. 1 for adults. Field trip planned to find fossil evidence of an ancient coal forest in a nearby strip mine. Advance registration necessary plus a nonrefundable \$6 fee to cover lunch and transportation. Lorain Stephens, 922-9410, ext. 360. Sat-Thurs 9-5, Fri 9-9 (free). Adults \$1. Families, \$2.50. Ages 6-17, students, seniors, 35¢. Members, teachers, U.S. military personnel, and children under 6 free. Roosevelt Rd. at Lake Shore, 922-9410.

● "GEOGRAPHY OF A HORSE DREAMER," Chicago premiere of a mystery play by off-Broadway playwright Sam Shepard, with "My Foot My Tutor," a play without dialogue by Peter Handke, thru Oct. 5. Leo Lerner Theatre, Uptown Center Hull House, 4520 N. Beacon. Thurs, Fri at 8:30; Sat at 7:10; Sun at 7. From \$3. 271-2436.

● GOODMAN THEATRE 50th Anniversary Season opens with Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" (a deceptively simple tale of everyday life in Grover's Corners, New Hampshire, at the turn of the century) Oct. 9-Nov. 9. "Benito Cereno," Nov. 20-Dec. 21; "Mourning Becomes Electra," Jan. 8-Feb. 8. "Bradleyville," Feb. 19-March 21. "Our Father's Failing," April 1-May 2. "The Devil's Disciple," May 13-June 13. 200 S. Columbus Dr. Plays open Thurs eve and run nightly except Mon; matinees Thurs, Sun. Subscriptions from \$27 for all six plays for price of five. Thru Oct. Special savings for seniors, students, groups of 15 or more. Tickets for individual performances available. 443-3800, groups 443-3820.

● HOMAGE TO FRANTZ KLINE paintings, and photographs of graffiti by Aaron Siskind Oct. 8-Nov. 3, David and Alfred Smart Art Gallery, 5540-50 S. Greenwood. The University of Chicago's regular collection of eastern and western art includes the Joel Starrels, Jr. Memorial Library of Modern Art. Tues-Sat, 10-4; Sun, noon-4. Free. 753-2121.

● INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW with entertainment Nov. 27-Dec. 2; tickets now available. Nation's greatest saddle-bred horses compete for "The International," for many years considered the "Court of Last Appeal." Competition will be in the following classes--Five Gaited, Three Gaited, Five Harness Roadsters, Hackney Ponies, Harness Ponies, Pleas-

ure Horses, and Equitation. Part of the International Live Stock Exposition, International Amphitheatre, 4300 S. Halsted. Reserved seats from \$3. Ticket price includes general admission to exposition. 927-5580.

● "JESUS CHRIST, SUPERSTAR," thru Oct. 12. Shubert Theatre, 22 W. Monroe. From \$7. Group rates for over 25 (ask for Blanch). CE 6-8240.

● LOGAN SQUARE LIBRARY FILMS (comedy) each Wed at 2 thru Dec. 17. Oldies such as W. C. Fields; mostly talkies. Logan Square Branch Library, 3255 W. Altgeld. BE 5-5295.

● LYRIC OPERA single performance tickets available thru Dec. 12: As of Sept. 1, the Lyric recommended "Otello," Oct. 11; "La Traviata," Oct. 17; "Le Nozze Di Figaro," Nov. 5; "Fidelio," Nov. 14; "Lucia Di Lammermoor," Nov. 28, Dec. 4; "Elektra," Dec. 6, 12; as having the best availability, although no guarantee was given. 20 N. Wacker. 346-6111.

● MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY winter hours now in effect. Hours: Mon-Fri, 9:30-4; Sat, Sun, & Hol, 9:30-5:30. 57th and Lake Shore in Chicago's Jackson Pk. Admission and parking free.

● NORTHERN ILLINOIS PRAIRIE SCULPTORS EXHIBIT thru Oct. 10. Bruce White and nine of his current and former students show constructionist, assemblage, welded, and cast approaches to work using steel, aluminum, fiberglass, leather, wood, and natural earth materials. One Illinois Center (Wacker, east of Michigan). Sponsored by Metropolitan Structures and I.C. Industries, Inc.

● OPERATION SNOWBALL fifth annual benefit with Arthur Mitchell's Dance Theatre of Harlem (ballet) Nov. 4 at 8, Auditorium Theatre, 70 E. Congress. Proceeds will go to the Mental Health Association. From \$15. 922-0703.

● RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS, Special Bicentennial Edition, Oct. 2-27, International Amphitheatre, 43rd & Halsted. Tickets available thru Ticketron, Amphitheatre box office. 329-1300.

● ROCKEFELLER MEMORIAL CHAPEL. Organ recitals with Edward Mondello every Tues at 12:15. Carillon recitals with Robert Lodine every Wed at 12:15. 59th & Woodlawn. Free.

● "SNARK" by Lauren Warren opens Oct. 10, Barry Street Loft Theatre. After narrative nonsense poem by Lewis Carroll. 656 W. Barry. 271-3119.

● SNOWMOBILE SHOW Oct. 17-19, Sportsman's Park, Laramie & Cicero (3300 S.). 242-1121.

● "STRANGLING ME" opens Sept. 25, Victory Gardens Theatre I, 3730 N. Clark. 549-5788.

● TONY BENNETT and LENA HORNE in concert, Sept. 23-28, Orchestra Hall, 220 S. Michigan. From \$5. 427-7711.

● TOURS of the University of Chicago each Sat at 10 from Ida Noyes Hall, 1212 E. 59th. Free.

● VERMEER STRING QUARTET Oct. 17; Guarneri String Quartet Oct. 31, Mandel Hall, 57th & University. Series tickets (five concerts) \$16. 753-2612.

CTA, International Fall Harvest of Holidays

By Elda Leal

Discovery Day

On Oct. 12, Christopher Columbus and his 1492 discovery of the Western Hemisphere--which, at the time, he believed to be part of the Indies--will be remembered in this city and throughout the world. A special salute will go to the Italian people, since it is believed that Columbus was born in Genoa, Italy, probably in 1451.

Some historians have argued about Columbus' real ancestry. A few believe that he was a Spaniard, a Portuguese, a Greek or an Armenian. Samuel Eliot wrote on this topic, "It only remains for some patriot to come forward and claim that Columbus was really an Indian, native to the shores he discovered, who had been blown across and so knew his way home."

Whether he was the first to land in the Western Hemisphere has also been disputed. Some historians believe that, as early as 500 years before Columbus, the Norsemen from Scandinavia had claimed the honor of discovering America.

Three countries are perpetually honoring Columbus. In South America there is Colombia. The United States has the District of Columbia (Washington, D.C.) and, in Canada, the West Province is called British Columbia.

Also to be remembered on this occasion is Amerigo Vespucci, from whom our country (America) takes its name. (Americans are all residents south of the border to the tip of the Western Hemisphere, inasmuch as the name "America" originated in South America.)

Vespucci was an Italian merchant explorer who was a better "reporter" than Columbus. Immediately after his exploration of the coast of South America in Brazil, Vespucci started writing letters which were circulated all over Europe, long before any reports from Columbus had been publicly circulated. In 1507, based on one of Vespucci's letters called *Mundus Novus*, a map describing the new land was published with the word "America" and the name was adopted. From South America, the name grew to include Central and North America.

Pumpkin Day

And now may I remind you that Halloween is also coming. Be ready with all the goodies for the children who will be knocking at your door and bring some for Murphy (Eileen Neurauter) from our Customer Service Department. She just might be knocking at your office door.

Last year Murphy toured several of our offices trick-or-treating, dressed as a cute though not so tiny "wahine" -- a Hawaiian girl. Her spirit and at-

titude were that of a young child bent on enjoying the fun and amusing everybody. This year I hope she wears something scary.

Halloween was something almost new to me when I arrived in this country several years ago. I had attended some costume parties, but I had never seen the children's enthusiasm in decorating windows and doors with pictures of black cats, skeletons and other ghostly and spooky things. So I asked more about it.

I was told that many, many years ago, the Druids, an order of priests in Gaul and Britain, believed that on Halloween, the day before All Saint's Day, spirits



came out to harm people. They also believed that cats were sacred and once had been human beings, changed into animals as punishment for evil deeds.

The Irish have a tale about Jack-O-Lantern. They say that Jack could not enter heaven because he had been a miserable person. Neither could he enter hell because he had made fun of the devil and so he had to walk the earth until Judgment Day.

Voodoo Week

Talking about spooky things and witches--during the last week in August there was a Worldwide Conference in Bogota, Colombia, where more than 2,000 practitioners of witchcraft, voodoo and mental power were reunited to demonstrate their powers and vow unity "to change the world for the better."

On the periphery of this conclave, vendors were making a very good business. Incense, wax dolls (through which a person with "the power" simply sticks a pin to inflict pain on his enemy), amulets -- all were available at quite reasonable prices.

The most illustrious, though, was the young man who came prepared -- with a stock of 50,000 brooms at 65¢ apiece. "My brooms are so good that you can mount them and fly," he shouted in jest. We heard he made a clean sweep of the profits.

Motorman For 41 Years Still Rides CTA At 94

By Anit Leppiks



John Ferguson -- a trolley pilot for 41 years.

At 94, John Ferguson is finding the CTA's pension plan is still working for him. Ferguson stopped in to chat with Employee Relations Director William Platt shortly after his 94th birthday to learn more about credit for past service.

Ferguson, who retired in 1951, became a streetcar motorman with the Chicago City Railway company in 1909. He was paid 20¢ an hour and expected to work 80 hours a week.

Working out of the 77th Street Car barn, Ferguson picked on the Halsted line during most of his career.

Ferguson admits the discipline was quite strict those first few years.

"One minute late and you were benched for a day," he says.

"And you had to wear your whole uniform--or you'd be called in."

He remembers that he was suspended for a day because he neglected to make a full stop at 103rd and Vincennes.

However, a disciplined life has apparently paid off. For with Ferguson, it's no exaggeration to say he looks 20 years younger than he is.

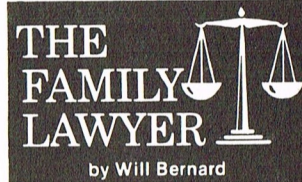
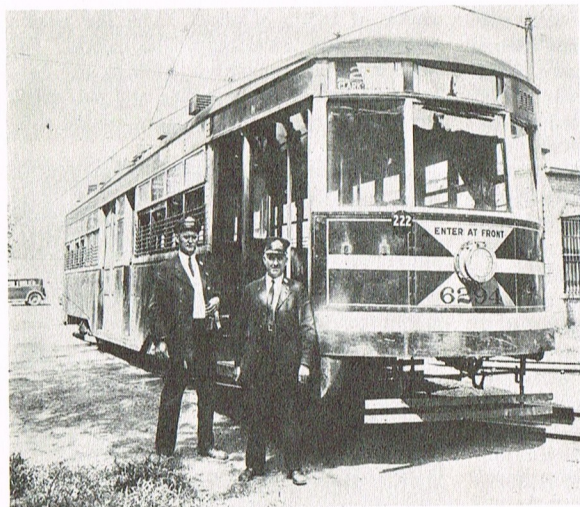
His bronzed skin reflects the hours he spends tending a family garden on the South Side. He boasts hibiscus as big as dinner plates.

Does Ferguson ever ride his old route?

"Yes," he says, but adds his favorite line now is the Dan Ryan rapid transit.

John Ferguson, 94, was born in Belfast County Down, Ireland, and admits he still likes to don the colors for an occasional St. Patrick's Day parade.

"A spiffy trolley in its day, we called them sedans." Ferguson (right) and his conductor, Charles Austin, at the Howard loop on the Clark-Wentworth line. "The 6294 was one of 100 streetcars bought by CSL in 1929."



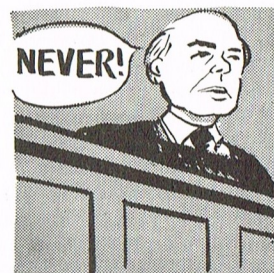
Never Say Never

"Never cross the street without looking."

"Never board a trolley while it is moving."

"Never drive on the wrong side of the road."

All of us have heard these words of wisdom at one time or another. They make good sense when they come from safety experts, who are accustomed to deal in broad generalizations.



But it's a different story in the courtroom. Courts, to do justice, must deal with specific individuals in specific situations. Courts deal with exceptions and anomalies and extenuating circumstances. And courts hardly ever say never.

Here are a few reasons why:

Crossing the street without looking was justifiable, one court ruled, because the pedestrian was relying on a green light.

Boarding a moving trolley was all right, ruled another court, because the passenger got a come-along wave from the conductor.

Driving on the wrong side of the road was permissible, ruled another court, because the motorist had to swerve to avoid hitting a child.

One judge who said never—and lived to regret it—was the famous Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes. In a case involving a truck-train collision, Holmes held that a motorist who comes to a blind crossing should never proceed without first getting out of his car and walking forward to check the tracks.

This rule, he said with finality, would settle the matter "once and for all."

But the Holmes rule lasted less than seven years. So many exceptions arose, poking holes in his logic, that the Supreme Court finally had to throw it out.

The incident might well have reminded a chastened Holmes of a warning he himself had once voiced against overconfidence.

"We have been cocksure," he had said, "of many things that were not so."

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THE INSIDE NEWS

AS REPORTED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

CTA SECURITY -

Well, it looks like I'm the new reporter on this beat. My name's FRANK PICKETT Jr. and if you send me your story, I'll make sure it gets in Transit News...Congratulations are in order for Chief BILLY BUTLER who completed his course in crime prevention, and Lieutenant ROBERT McELROY who completed a course in bomb and arson control...We welcome back to the West Unit R. FERGUSON and R. SMITH who completed their basic law enforcement course at Lisle university, Lisle, Ill. ..On Saturday, Aug. 9, Mrs. SHOPIE BOSLEY, the wife of Patrolman TOMMY BOSLEY, gave a lovely backyard bar-b-que. Among those present were Sergeant W. TALBERT and his pretty wife, BEVERLY, and Patrolmen R. HAWKINS and F. ROBINSON, of the 77th Street Unit...Vacationing during the month of July and August were Chief BILLY BUTLER, Sergeant PAUL WALLACE of the office, and J. (Little Joe Lewis) CONNORS of the South Section Unit...Patrolmen W. MCKENZIE and T. BOSLEY received commendations from the Oak Park Police Department for their outstanding work in reporting a burglary taking place in a drug store near Lake and Harlem. McKenzie and Bosley alerted the police by car radio and then gave chase to the suspect...Lieutenant SAM RINI, who is in charge of the Youth Division, will have his hands full now that the schools have re-opened. Last year, with the help of Chief BILLY BUTLER and a tact team of four plainclothes patrolmen, vandalism dropped 30 per cent...New home owners in the department who are trying to escape from the highlights of the big city are Sergeant WILLIAM TALBERT and Patrolman JOHN HIGENS...Sergeant G. EVANS is doing a wonderful job as our public relations officer. He is always "Johnny on the spot" when an incident occurs...Patrolman of the Month for August was awarded to MICHAEL CONSENTINO, a native of Chicago's South Side, who was chosen for his neatness and alertness. Officer Consentino came to the department on Sept. 20, 1970, and has worked as a patrolman on the South Section elevated lines. He has received two commendations from passengers for his neatness and courtesy in helping people on the Jackson Park line. Good luck, Mike, and keep up the good work...I would like to wish a speedy recovery to my wife, FANNIE.

- Frank Pickett Jr.

DATACENTER -

Congratulations to ATIS and MARGO MAKSTENIEKS on the birth of their second

son, SCOTT THOMAS, on Aug. 8. Atis is a systems analyst in the Administration and Planning Section...MARION SUTHERLAND, of our Key punch Section, was home for three weeks with torn tendons and ligaments, the result of a fall on July 5. To balance that "bad luck" with some "good luck", she won \$1,000 in the Grand Slam lottery...The Datacenter staff extends get well wishes to PAUL KOLE who is recuperating nicely from surgery. Hope to see you back soon!

- Jane McGuan

ELECTRICAL (Rapid Transit Signal Division) -

This is certainly an interesting time of the year for your news reporter. Talking to you guys and writing about your vacation fun gives me great enjoyment. I am looking forward to hearing from JACK PILIP who is on vacation in Florida; JIM REIDY who is vacationing in Ireland, and Big LOU GONZALEZ who is vacationing on a dude ranch in Colorado...I'll have to get down to Florida to see what all the excitement is about. It seems like every vacation season we lose a dozen or so of our signalmen to the "sun-kissed" place. ROBERT ALBRECHT and his wife, BARBRA, and their two children, BOBBY and ANGIE, just succumbed to two weeks of that Florida vacationitis. Before they were able to control themselves they had visited St. Petersburg beach (bet you never heard of that one) and Disney World, including its popular space ride. Bob said his wife helped out a lot with the driving...Signalmen RON BEDOE, WAYNE ALBRECHT and JOHN GAY assisted a CTA passenger at the Morse Avenue station who had fallen onto the "L" tracks and injured his head. Their quick thinking turned what could have been a possible death into a minor accident. It's a credit to them and the Signal Department...Our "one-year-old" club is getting very popular around here. We have guys waiting all year to get into this privileged organization. Congratulations and happy birthday to our new members: JIMMIE NESBITT, Aug. 29; RUSS SCHAEFFER, Aug. 28; VIC ZASTERA, Aug. 15, and JOE ROMBOUT, Aug. 28...Signal Foreman VIC ZASTERA has made the big move. His office has been relocated at Harlem-Lake where the accommodations are too nice to print in a company magazine. But would you believe that Vic's heart is still down on State and Van Buren? There must be something to that old saying, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks." Come on, Vic, live it up. ..TOMMIE LOWERY is replacing STEVE ZELLNER who is on vacation; DON HAW-

KINS is replacing Tommie Lowery. BOB ALBRECHT is replacing Don Hawkins; HENRY MURRY is replacing Bob Albrecht. WAYNE ALBRECHT is replacing DON COOTS who is on vacation. DAVE BATTERSON is also on vacation and being replaced by JOHN LONG for whom there is no replacement (take that however you want). FRANK HALPER is being replaced by a helper who has a helper who is going on vacation. EARL BELL will be spending a few days at 58th Street to look over the new equipment, and of course someone must replace him. The only one remaining calm through all this confusion is TED WASHINGTON who refuses to move. This was the South Side roster for the month of August. If anyone from anywhere can understand this, please help. Who said vacation time was fun time...Our man in Washington, D.C., and points east for two weeks has been Signalman DONALD HAWKINS. He and his lovely wife, JACKIE, with their two daughters, DONNA and DARLENE, took to the highway for a bit of sightseeing in the D.C. area. Don said, "Our nation's Capitol is a sight to behold." It must be great, the guy is still singing "America the Beautiful"...Signal Maintainer ELLJAH WILSON traded his tool pouch for a rifle as he spent two weeks with his army reserve unit in Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. This was no vacation, because of the extensive training in the class room and in the field, where Staff Sergeant Wilson, if you please, graduated as a hard pushing drill instructor. Elijah was awarded a diploma and that coveted "Smockey the Bear" hat. Congratulations are in order, and you other guys had better watch out; this man knows how to shout...Signal Helpers HARRY BARENDREGT and MIKE PEDERSOLI and their wives, JOAN and SUE, had an enjoyable vacation at Cass Lake, Minn. After getting over the initial shock of losing a wheel from the boat's trailer while traveling at 55 m.p.h., everything went smoothly. Fishing and eating fish three times a day was too much for Mike. He claims to have caught a 50

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pound walleye which was the catch of the week. Harry said it was the biggest fish he ever saw but by the time they left the poor fish had shrunk to 5½ pounds...ROBERT ALBRECHT, the pm man at 95th, has found out that keeping in shape can also save you money on gas. He rides his 10-speed bicycle to work every day. This guy does not know his own strength. He rides that thing every morning, hitches it to a post, grabs his tools and trots off down the track...Big DAN MORIARTY is now home from the hospital, and is his daughter ever glad to see him. All the fellows miss you, too...DENNIS DOBBYN spent four days of a well earned vacation with his family at a little place called Fish Lake near LaPorte, Ind. The outing was enjoyed very much by everyone. Dennis thought the name of the place was strange as he couldn't find any fish in the lake. No fish, just another lesson, Dennis.

- Tommie Lowery

FOREST GLEN

It's school time again so be on the alert. Every passenger pays our salary. Remember, you were young once and you didn't appreciate standing on the corner and being passed by for no reason...Operator CHRIST PANTOS and his lovely wife, VIRGINIA, spent some of their vacation at the national railroad convention in Dayton, Ohio. Here's a man who is quite a model railroad buff. In fact any railroad fan should pay a visit to Pantos' home and see

the beautiful layout he has constructed. The old boy has been working on it for years. Yes, it's all complete with his little engineer's hat which he puts on while demonstrating...Retired Operator ROCKY MALFESE paid us a visit. He's looking very good. At present he's sporting a Van Dyke beard. He ought to use a little "color back" on it 'cause it's snow white!..BILL ROWAN, our fine instructor, spent his vacation in the North Woods. Bill loves that part of the country. His fishing has improved also; suppose he's talking to the fish now?..ALICE GIRARD, the wife of Clerk SAM GIRARD, has been seen standing out on Higgins waiting for a bus lately. Sam says she needs to get out more often. ..Former Operator GEORGE HAAK, who worked out of Forest Glen for a number of years but retired from Keeler Garage, just came back from Florida with quite a tan. He has been on pension for three years. He says he has to stay young because his wife is younger than he is. Well, I think he's doing a good job of it...Supervisor BILL LANE just turned 52 Aug. 29. Happy birthday, Bill!..Sorry to report that Box Puller DAN MANZO had to spend some time in the hospital. He's home doing fine at present. All of us wish you the best, Danny...Box Puller JOSEPH T. GIUNTA is a grandfather once more and very happy about it, because it's a little girl this time. He says now they have three boys and a beautiful baby girl...Retired Operator JESCHKE and his wife are touring the northeast coast and Canada. Each year they take off on a very nice trip. ..News from the repair department comes from Foreman JOYCE who says his lovely wife is expecting. Well, at Joyce's age he didn't say what his wife is expecting, but we will all wait and see...Operator McCormack helped capture a couple of purse snatchers recently on his route. Congratulations for bringing credit upon our ranks...Supervisor ELLIS recently got his feet sunburned while playing golf in Colorado. He must have been playing barefoot...Retired Operator WALLY WARNER is looking great and says hello to all his old buddies...I understand MIKE GALVIN is doing fine since he retired. Come on down and pay us a visit, Mike...ED BURNITZ reports he has his first grandchild, a baby boy named MARK HARRIS...Operator PETE KUTCHEN was visited by his brother, GEORGE, and his wife, JULIA, from Hawaii...Did you fellows notice the Van Dyke beard Board Member DeCONTE is sporting?...ART WHITFIELD's wife's name is GRACE, but Art has been calling her Gracie. The lovely Mrs. doesn't go for it. Watch out, Art, don't call me Gracie anymore!..On the evening of July 19, Retired Operator RALPH GROAT and his wife, RUTH, went to their son's home expecting to do their first babysitting chore. But they were in for a surprise, as a retirement party was being held for Ralph attended by 50 friends and his family. A good time was had by all, thanks to

the efforts of his sons and daughters. He received enough booze in gifts to stock his bar for quite some time. Anyway, Ralph, we all know now where to go for a drink... As of this writing, Loader JOHN MAHNKE is on vacation, part of which was a honey-do one. But he and his wife, RUTH, did get away for a week visiting relatives and friends in Saline County in Southern Illinois, and in the St. Louis area. During his vacation he had a triple celebration--his 34th anniversary with CTA, Aug. 20; his birthday, Aug. 22 (age 49?), and his 19th wedding anniversary, Sept. 1. Last but not least, his mustache is one year old. Leave it to John to put everything close together...Summer is now drawing to a fast close so let's pick up on some of your trips...Note to repair department: in a very short time I'll have placed in your office a Transit News box. So, fellows, please make use of it. If you have news before the box is installed, turn it in to your foreman, JOYCE...Our pensioners do get around. Received a letter from Pensioner JOHN HECH who said that he and his wife took an eight-day Caribbean cruise. After returning home they went to Mt. Home, Ark., for two weeks and then to Connecticut for two weeks. Earlier this year they went on a trip to the Orient. John says hello to all his friends at CTA... Use your credit union--it is a fine place to save.

- W. A. Henry

KEDZIE

I want to start my column by congratulating our No. 1 man at Kedzie, Operator J. RICHARDSON, who took his pension Aug. 1 but didn't let me know. Richardson, we all wish you and your lovely wife many, many years of happiness in your retired life...Our softball team was in the playoffs and lost to 69th Street Garage, but watch out next year! Now our basketball team is getting started, so all you operators who can play the game sign up...I had Retired Operator BERLIN on my bus and we talked mostly about the old days. He asked about Retired Operators L. MARKOWITZ and A. DOMINICK. I told him I haven't heard from Markowitz, but I did talk to Dominick and he's doing fine. He loves working in his garden. Dominick says "this is the life"...My buddy, Operator GUY DiMEO, will be joining the ranks of the retired in about two months. I know he'll enjoy it. His lovely wife, DORA, won't have a dull moment around the house with Guy home... Your reporter and his family had their first family picnic in 22 years. It was just great. The weatherman was good to us as we had a beautiful day. Now if no one leaves town, we'll have another one next year...I talked to Retired Superintendent M. HARRINGTON and his wife, and we are making our plans to go to Sun City, Ariz., to see everyone again. I must say that everyone in Arizona is just great--that warm and friendly feeling can't be beat...

NEW PENSIONERS

CECILIA CULLEN, Ticket Agent,
North Section, Emp. 9-19-43
JAMES HENRY, Laborer,
Materials Management, Emp. 12-6-48
ROBERT KELLEY, Operator,
North Avenue, Emp. 9-2-42
RAYMOND LaFAIRE, Switchman,
South Section, Emp. 8-21-45
DANIEL LEAHY, Operator,
Beverly, Emp. 4-7-43
CHESTER PIELUSZYNSKI, Operator,
Archer, Emp. 3-13-43
WILLIAM SCHNEIDER, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 7-28-48
ARTHUR SMITH, Trackman II,
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 10-9-41
EDWARD ZIENTARA, Operator,
North Park, Emp. 6-6-43

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

PAUL BROTT, Bus & Truck Mechanic,
South Shops, Emp. 7-3-47
CHARLES JONES, Collector,
Archer, Emp. 2-12-52
OPAL WOZNIAK, Ticket Agent,
West Section, Emp. 7-1-61

To all the operators and their wives who are celebrating anniversaries this month, happy anniversary and best wishes for many, many more...To all the operators having a birthday this month, happy birthday...To all the operators who are on the sick list, we wish you a speedy recovery and hope to see you back on the job soon... Congratulations to Operator JOHN and PATRICIA HOPKINS who became the proud parents of a baby boy, JOHN PATRICK, born Aug. 16 weighing 7 pounds 11 ounces. Mother and baby are doing fine...Your credit union is always ready to serve you. By the same token, you should be willing to help your credit union. Save a little each payday and in this way you can help another operator in need.

- Raymond Graham

GENERAL OFFICE (Safety) -

To a baseball buff like MARY PAT BOYLE, E.R.A. means earned run average. Mary Pat, the eight-year old daughter of TOM BOYLE, manager of safety, plays for the



Mary Pat Boyle

Edgebrook-Sauganash Sox and is pictured "teeing-off" for her team in a "T-Ball" game held at Thillens Stadium. The Edgebrook league consists of 24 teams.

(Insurance & Pensions) -

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Pensioner ANN GOLDING who passed away on July 31...We were glad to see JUDY JOHNSON and ANNIE LOVE back at work after their successful minor surgery...THEO SCOTT and her husband, EDMUND, and their son, EDDIE, spent a two-week vacation visiting Six Flags in St. Louis, with a couple of days at the Wisconsin Dells. She said they had a wonderful trip.

(Medical) -

Belated birthday greetings are extended to REGINA DAREN, Aug. 1, and DIANE PECORARO, July 28. Diane and her husband, JOSEPH, who works at Skokie Shop, went on vacation recently, spending their time in parts of Wisconsin...It was good to see Dr. G. H. IRWIN again. He paid us a visit and said he is now spending summers in Pennsylvania and winters in Florida. His appearance was the same as when he re-

Service anniversaries in September

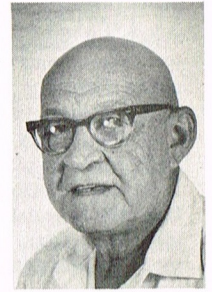
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Payroll Accounting



W. J. Thomas,
Schedules



A. M. Kasman,
North Park

tired--he never gets old...Dr. ILLA T. ROMAN and his family spent their vacation out East where it was really hot. They visited Independence Hall in Philadelphia, the historic city of brotherly love...Dr. GEORGE B. SILER and his family spent their vacation in Beloit, Wis. . . Dr. STEPHEN MOSNY flew up to Boston for a two-week vacation to visit with his daughter and grandchildren. We extend our sympathy to Dr. Mosny and his family in the recent loss of his wife. Also, to HARRY SOREGHEN, medical technician, in the death of his mother.

(Treasury) -

The welcome mat was extended to CHARLIE ABT who returned to work after an illness, and we're sure glad to see him back. Now we can get our paychecks early in the morning. Stay well, Charlie!..KAY CORCORAN spent her two-week vacation in and around Chicago, taking short trips here and there.

(Personnel) -

JOE O'SULLIVAN stopped in to see his old buddies in Personnel Development and Public Safety. Joe is in town for a few weeks visiting his son, JOHN, who recently purchased a home in Evergreen Park. Joe retired last year and he doesn't look any the worse for wear. Must be all those hours spent on the golf course in Mesa, Ariz...BILL and MARIE CLINE's family is growing. ELIZABETH ANN was born on April 30 weighing 6 pounds 12 ounces at Gottlieb Memorial hospital. She has a big sister, KATHLEEN, who is now 1½ years old. Keep up the good work, Bill, and maybe the next one will be a boy...ART HUBACZ of Public Safety and his wife, BERNICE, were in-



Elizabeth Ann Cline

35 years

H. E. Bason, North Park
A. J. Fiorito, TABEC
J. N. Knopf, North Avenue
W. Lohse, District D
J. A. Metke, Archer
P. J. Minogue, Maintenance
A. P. Schalk, Kedzie
J. L. Sojka, South Section
J. G. Winters, Archer

30 years

N. Azzarello, West Section
T. A. Byrnes, North Avenue
F. R. Calpin, South Section
J. Degnan, Archer
I. F. DiPiero, Skokie Shop
J. F. Fehlhaber, Electrical
F. A. Hanzlik, Beverly
J. G. Herron, Forest Glen
E. M. Micek, North Park
L. J. Monkus, Forest Glen
J. I. Newman, South Shops
W. A. Witkus, Forest Glen
W. Wittstock, 69th Street

25 years

R. J. Barrett, Skokie Shop
E. A. Brach, South Shops
J. Cross, Racine Maint. Term.
H. Dickerson, 98th Maint. Term.
C. Ferrante, Utility
J. V. Filarski, North Park
F. P. Gallagher, North Park
E. C. Kennedy, Skokie Shop
S. Kudelka, Mechanical Maint.
H. F. Laws, District A
J. M. Marek, North Park
G. A. Olsen, Skokie Shop
W. A. Patterson, 77th Street
L. M. Poe, South Shops
R. E. Reed, 52nd Street
J. A. Shanahan, 61st Maint. Term.

vited to have lunch with Governor Dan Walker on Aug. 10 in conjunction with Veterans day at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield, Ill...JIM TRETTON is recuperating nicely now and would like to thank all those wonderful people who sent him get well cards and best wishes. He hopes to be back on the job real soon... KATHY FABRY, Public Safety, and her husband, RICH, material coordinator at Skokie Shop, made their summer a little happier. They just purchased a 1975 metallic silver Ford Elite. Now they can enjoy riding around in the summer breeze in style. . . IRVIN HARRIS and his wife, LOUISE, were very proud when their 14-year-old daughter, MICHELLE, was selected as one of 22 finalists in the "Miss Right On" contest sponsored by "Right On" teen magazine. Michelle was selected out of over 7,500 entrants, and if she wins she'll fly to Los Angeles to meet the recording stars of her choice and appear on the TV show "Soul Train."..On Aug. 15, the CTA Technical Institute held its final event, a luncheon at the M&M Club in the Merchandise Mart. BERNIE FORD, representing the Chairman's Office, was present to award certificates to those who had attended the institute. When the presentations were completed, the members of the institute made a presentation of their own as a token of their appreciation for the time and effort put into the institute by Coordinators BARBARA COLWELL, TONY BORCIC and MARIO McMANUS. Pictured are AUDREY OLIVER (third from left) of



Barbara Colwell, Mario McManus, Audrey Oliver (DRTA), and Tony Borcic

the Denver Regional Transportation Authority presenting a dozen long-stemmed red roses to Barbara (far left) and record albums to (from left) Tony and Mario. Congratulations on a job well done!

- Regina Daren & Eileen Neunauter

NORTH AVENUE -

We at North Avenue are a team dedicated to keeping the fleet rolling, and it is always with pleasure that we welcome back members who have been off sick. Such welcomes are extended to Superintendent WARD CHAMBERLAIN, who underwent surgery, and Operator ALBERT LOWERY, who was hospitalized. FERN METTLER, the wife of Operator KENNETH C. METTLER, is also out of the hospital...Our

deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Switchboard Operator LOUIS DRAPP who died Aug. 2, and to Collector JAMES SMITH in the death of his mother...Our lone visitor during the month was Pensioner RALPH KUGELARD. . . Birthday congratulations are in order for Clerks MENASHA DALLAL and AL RHODE, Superintendent CHAMBERLAIN, and the daughter of Assistant Superintendent MIKE LACRIOLA, CHRISTINE ENGSTROM...The old welcome mat is out to our new employees of the month--H. GONZALEZ, C. OVERSTREET, J. CRESPO and L. BINFORD...The pleasant voice over the terminal phone at Pulaski and Peterson, that of EDDIE CHAPLESKI, was missing for a few weeks. It seems that Eddie packed up his wife, LOUISE, his daughter, and granddaughter, and made a tour of the southwest to Mississippi to visit Pensioner WOODRICK...The solemnity of the occasion at the Felician Convent on Aug. 3 found MARIANNE RUDDE, the daughter of Repairman JOHN RUDDLE, and his wife, ELAINE, receiving her white veil to become Sister Elizabeth Marie. She will continue her studies in Lodi, N.J. . . Get-well wishes go out to Operator WAYNE WARDLOW, who is recuperating in Franklin Boulevard Community hospital after an automobile accident...See you next time in print.



Sister Elizabeth Marie

- Aaron Pruitt

NORTH PARK -

JUDITH ANN KNIGHT, the daughter of Operator WILLIAM and ELKENA KNIGHT, was married to STEVAN BONADORE on Saturday, Aug. 16 at Hauge Lutheran church. The reception was held in the church basement and was attended by 300 guests, with a family reception held later at Sweden Manor attended by 100 guests... ARTURA VELDEZ Jr., the son of Operator ARTURA VELDEZ Sr., was inducted into the U.S. Army and is receiving his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. He will be going to college part-time while in service and will be studying wildlife conservation...Clerk RALPH BRANDISE, who is associated with the Grand-Elm AMC Jeep Inc. of 6940 W. Grand Avenue, Chicago, will help anyone interested in making a deal on a new or used AMC vehicle. Give him a buz at 622-9244...Operators FRANK CARDELLA, CARL GUSE, FRANK TINDLE, GEORGE SADLICKI and JIM MORRIS enjoyed a week's fishing retreat at Antikwa, Lake Ontario, Canada. The results were very gratifying and a large catch was shared by all...Operator LEROY CARR took 16 boy scouts up to Mirror Lake, Wis., for advancement and safety

canoe courses. Also on the agenda was a duck ride, a visit to Circus World at Baraboo, the Tommy Bartlett Water Show, and an Indian ceremonial dance. It wound up with a 50-mile hike around the bluffs of



Eugene John Lamch

Devils Lake. . . Day Instructor GENE BRACH became a grandfather for the first time when his daughter, EUGENIA LAMCH, and her husband, STEWART, became parents of a son named EUGENE JOHN, born April 12 at St. Joseph's hospital weighing 6 pounds 10 ounces. Congratulations!..JOAN STEINBERG, the daughter of Operator SEYMOUR STEINBERG, was graduated from Mayfair Junior college. She'll attend Northeastern university this fall. Seymour also reports that his daughter, ROSLYN, has joined the CTA as a clerk-typist in the Data Center... Pensioner WILLIAM STEINSPRING reports that his granddaughter, DAWN DIESI, was awarded a certificate and \$75 at the Civic opera building and an evening on the town with her family in a recent art and poster contest where she won first prize... Pensioner AL REMACK and his wife, DOROTHY, are on the go again. On the agenda was a trip to Door County, Wis., and then home. The next trip was to the Crater of Diamonds State Park in Arkansas to look for the little gems, with no luck reported. The finale was a stopover at Shawnee State Park in Illinois...Pensioner ROBERT CIESLA reports that he is feeling fine and sends his regards to his many friends... Superintendent MELVIN LINK and his wife, ELSIE, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at the Chateau Louise, hosted by their children. Mel's son, ERNIE, who is a SP4 serving in the U.S. Army at Fort Bragg, N.C., was a surprise guest at the party...Repairman ART MERTSKY and his wife, BARBARA, became parents of their first child when a daughter named DAWN MARIE was born on Aug. 4 at Loyola Medical Center in Maywood, Ill., weighing 4 pounds 3 ounces... Our sympathy and condolences are extended to Operator CHARLES SAUER and his family in the loss of his beloved mother, Mrs. BERTINA SAUER.

- Melvin Horning

LIMITS -

Greetings! Your on the case reporter here with just a little news this time... Pensioner BOB COLLUM, along with his wife and sister, spent three weeks traveling 6,000 miles through Canada and the west. They spent a day at the Calgary Stampede in Alberta and went through the Canadian Rockies to Banff and Lake Louise. They visited relatives in Van-

couver and had a wonderful time sight-seeing. Taking a ferry to Vancouver Island, they made connections with relatives from Spokane, Wash., who were vacationing there. Oysters they picked off the shore after the tide went out were roasted for quite a treat. After Victoria and the beautiful Butchart's Gardens, they came home through Washington, Idaho and Montana, stopping at Yellowstone Park...Now let's hear from a few more guys and gals about their vacations. They don't have to be as extensive as the Collum's to be newsworthy.

- Charles Turner

OPERATIONS PLANNING (Routes & Systems) -

With a tear in our eye, we said goodbye to EVELYN MARTIN, who has moved up the ladder of success to typist in the Insurance and Pensions Department. Her cheerful attitude and willingness to help will be sorely missed. At the same time, our summer employee, MARY BETH O'CONNOR, resigned to go back to school. Although we wish the best of luck to both of them, we suffered a double loss...Bon voyage to BOB VANCE, who just left for a three-week vacation in Europe. We will certainly be envious when we get postcards from him from such places as Paris, London, Zurich, Dijon and Geneva. We won't wish him a good time because where he goes he always has a good time...Summer festivities were in full swing when the entire Routes/Systems section was invited to FRANK O'DOWD's home for a barbecue. Baseball, volleyball, ping pong and other games of physical and mental skills were provided for entertainment. Frank has such an enormous backyard that the Chicago Bears could use it as their football field. HARRY and DANNY HIRSCH won first prize in the trivia quiz, but doesn't it seem convenient that the boss won? What do you say Frank? Thanks, Frank, for showing us a good time...Another year has passed in the lives of JILL LINNE and BOB VANCE. Happy birthday...Only one baseball game is left for our sluggers, FRANK O'DOWD, HARRY HIRSCH, TOM PRENDERGAST and MIKE GROVAK, to win. Since they will win, their final record will be 4-6. Not bad for the first year.

(Schedules) -

The department extends its deepest sympathy to Director W.W. WORCESTER upon the death of his mother...ED JOYCE is back to work after a short stay in the hospital. Keep well, Ed...JOE SABOL is now home recuperating. Hurry back, Joe!...WILLIE SCOTT and his wife flew to Hawaii to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. Congratulations and many more happy years together...Pensioners LeROY DUTTON, JOE DeGRAZIA, ARVIN KREUTZER, BILL DEVEREUX and GEORGE JOHANNES paid us a visit and all look very good... Mr. and Mrs. WALTER

THOMAS celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on Aug. 10. Congratulations and here's hoping you have many more happy years together... JUNE COLEMAN, the daughter of Traffic Checker VERNON COLEMAN, was graduated from Southern Illinois university in Carbondale. Her major was journalism. Congratulations!



June Coleman

(Passenger Controls) -

We welcome WITOLD GIERSEWSKI as transit planning engineer in our section. He previously worked for Simpson Electric. We look forward to a mutually beneficial association...STEVE WOLGEMUTH went to P. J. Hoffmaster State Park in Michigan for a bit of camping, sunning and swimming...BOB ALDWORTH just came back from his vacation in New Buffalo, Mich., where he tried out his new camera. Everyone is expecting some fantastic photos, Bob, so don't disappoint us.

- Kay Batina & Linda Grysbeck

SOUTH SECTION -

Our South Section has reason to boast and stick out its chest with pride this month. First, our Division 308 softball team ended the season as co-champions and went into the playoffs. On Aug. 3 they played Kedzie Depot and lost 13 to 7, but they went down swinging. We congratulate them and Manager-Coach JOE RAYBURN on a job well done...Ashland Terminal beat their complaint/commendation par by having more commendations than complaints. They also won the safety award for the second quarter and Aug. 14 was a big day for Ashland. All day long we had two lovely hostesses serving coffee, rolls, doughnuts and lemonade. Presentation of the safety plaque was made to Superintendent STAN CHRIST by General Administration Manager JOHN AURAND and Director of Transportation Personnel CARL GIBES. Also in attendance were Manager of Safety THOMAS BOYLE and many other guests. A huge crowd was present and prizes were raffled off. Conductor TERRENCE ATKINSON won first prize--two bikes. Second prize was won by Towerman DAVID DAVNEY--a tape recorder. Conductor FRANK SMITH won a picnic set, and Conductor JAMES MOSS won a night on the town at the Martinique/Drury Lane Theatre. Also presented with recognition awards for their good performance were Motorman ROBERT JOHNSON and Conductor STAN ZIELINSKI. All in all, it was a big day for Ashland Terminal...Yard Foreman JAMIE MORRIS sent a card from Florida saying he's having a super vacation down there...

Heard that Retired Superintendent JOE TVRDIK, who lives in Oakland, Ark., was in the hospital recently for an operation but is now home recuperating and should be back to his favorite pastime--fishing--in September...Our gals are going great guns--IVORY GRAHAM is our first gal to qualify as towerwoman. Congratulations, Ivory...We were all saddened to hear about the death of Carpenter JIMMIE ALLEN. He always had a smile on his face. Our sincere condolences to his family...Back to work off the injured list is Switchman JODIE RAND, and we're sure glad to see him back at his post...We were on vacation and missed Retired Supervisor DON MURPHY and his wife, GEN, when they stopped in Chicago on their way to Omaha, Neb., to see their son and his family. The Murphys live in New Port Richey, Fla. Sorry to have missed your visit, Don and Gen...On the sick list at this writing are Conductor STEPHEN BEARD, Yard Foreman JOSEPH PUGH and GREGORY WILLIAMS. May you all have a quick return to good health...Our sincere sympathy goes out to Agent VENETIA HELM in the recent loss of her father, and to his grandson, RAY HELM; to Motorman CHARLES LLOYD in the loss of his father, and to Conductor JOHN NEELAND in the loss of his father...Motorman ED O'HARE had a great vacation in California where he took in all the sights of Los Angeles. He especially enjoyed the Lion Country Safari where you drive through and all the animals are loose and the lions are roaming around...Congratulations to ROBERT DESVIGNES, former South Section superintendent, who was appointed recently to superintendent, administrative training, training service. All of us are very proud



Paul and Sadie Ducar

of Robert...Retired Conductor PAUL and SADIE DUCAR wrote me the nicest letter from Lompoc, Cal. They said the air is so fresh and clean, you don't need air conditioning. They keep busy all the time with the different senior citizen clubs they have joined and swimming. Sadie has a beautiful flower garden. In fact she won a blue ribbon recently for a single flower display of her fuschia...Passenger commendations are still pouring in for our South Siders. Conductor KNOX REEVES is fast becoming our most popular winner of the most commendations. This is the fourth one in a year for his clear and distinct announcements. Also receiving commendations were: Conductor ELREE JONES for her clear announcements and courteous manner, and Conductor PERRY TURNER for his helpful manner in explaining to a passenger how to report the loss of an article. Keep up the good work...Superintendent STAN and RUTH CHRIST had a wonderful

vacation in California where they visited Los Angeles and San Francisco. They rode the cable car and the new BART system in Frisco, went to Disneyland, and to Yosemite National Park...Retired Conductor JOHN SEERY who was in the hospital after breaking his wrists in an accident is home now and recuperating nicely...Hey everyone--life is great. Enjoy it!

- Verna Hartney

PLANT MAINTENANCE (West Shops) -

This will be a shorty news report. Sorry about that, but no one is bringing in news. Let's make it a big one next month. I'll be ready and waiting for all your news items...DANIEL ALBERTS was born Aug. 7 weighing in at 8 pounds 12 ounces. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. DANNY ALBERTS. Danny is a steamfitter. Congratulations to you both...I just have to get in another congratulations to our FRANK MONTEFALCO. Frank, who is a machinist leader in the Steel Fabrication shop, received the record Employee Suggestion Plan award for designing and building a tool to reface screw threads on car hoists. We are all very proud of you, Frank... Don't forget to bring in your news items--I'll be waiting.

- Jennie Scott

WEST SECTION (Agents) -

Hi! Now that the agents pick is completed, everyone has put away the Excedrin and tranquilizers. Thanks to Assignment Agent McPHEE who, with the help of Agent Supervisor KAREN DOMINO, did a fine job of running the pick...We extend our sympathy to FAY CAPRIO in the loss of her husband...ANN CINCETTI spent a few days of rest in Passavant hospital to bring down her blood pressure. We are happy to report she is now at home. MYRTLE APITZ is at home nursing a broken ankle. We hope to see both ladies back on the job very soon...Agent Supervisor KENNETH BROWN spent his two-week vacation fixing up and putting about his new home in Marengo, Ill. It was a labor of love and we wish him and his family a lifetime of happiness in their new home...HELEN CHRISTNER has returned from her vacation in Florida where she visited her parents. She brought mom and dad back with her, and now she will play hostess to them. Helen had a birthday on Aug. 4. Her son married a lovely lady with two children and made Helen an instant grandma. She loves it!.. GERRY LOMAX has returned to her job in the assignment office after a long illness. Welcome back, we missed you!..MARGE and SAM STIPATI are back from their vacation. They had a marvelous time in beautiful Hawaii and enjoyed a stopover in San Francisco on the return trip...MARY GALLAGHER is visiting in Ireland as we write this. We hear that she has extended

her vacation to include a visit to Rome. Lucky lady!..EILEEN CARMODY is also enjoying a vacation in the Emerald Isle... ELEANOR HASBROUCK and her two granddaughters enjoyed a bit of farm life when they visited relatives over the weekend in Galena, Ill...GENEVIEVE RUSIN found a briefcase on her way to work one evening. She checked the contents for identification and called the owner to report her find. The papers enclosed were valuable so, to show his great appreciation to Gen, the gentleman presented her with a check and forwarded a letter of commendation for her to the Mart...Once more I am appealing to all of you to send in some news. We need your cooperation, pretty please!..Your co-reporter, MARY WIXTED, is about ready for a take-off to Fun City--Las Vegas, Nev. We wish her luck...Keep smiling!

- Mary Wixted & Zita Doublin

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE (Skokie Shop) -

Did you ever hear that old song, "The Big Noise from Winnetka"? Whatever they meant by that big noise from Winnetka, I can't explain. But it's nothing compared to the noise we're hearing at the Skokie Shop office these days. What with the jackhammers, electric drills and saws going full

speed, it's enough to jangle your nerves and jar your teeth loose. But we've been waiting a long time for this work to be done. So we'll be patient until the remodeling work is completed and everyone is in their proper place. To LEO LIZAK and his crew, full speed ahead, but leave the torpedoes out of it...Several weeks ago it was moving day for Technical Services as they moved up to the mezzanine in the Paint Shop. TOM LYONS, Technical Services, went away on his vacation the week before and missed all the fun that goes with moving. Production Supply Control's moving day is yet to come, but by the time you read this, they will be nicely settled in their new offices in the old upholstery room on the first floor in the Paint Shop. So to all of you, lots of luck in your new offices... Vacation time is still in full swing, but we haven't been receiving too many reports on how and where you spent your vacations. BOB FLOWERS, terminals, spent part of his vacation at Six Flags in St. Louis, Mo., with his family and enjoyed a ride in the famous Arch... GENEVIEVE BERG, General Office, enjoyed a relaxing vacation with her family up in Door County, Wis...ALYCE MAY, General Office, and her husband, ED, retired Skokie Shop employee, returned safely from sunny California. Alyce told us how they enjoyed the trip to the West

RECENT DEATHS AMONG EMPLOYEES

ROBERT AKINS, 83, North Section, Emp. 5-9-44, Died 6-30-75
JAMES ALLEN, 49, Plant Maint., Emp. 5-14-47, Died 8-13-75
ARTHUR BATES, 68, North Avenue, Emp. 3-10-34, Died 7-5-75
MICHAEL BAZAL, 85, 77th Street, Emp. 8-13-18, Died 7-3-75
GEORGE BETTERMAN, 81, North Sec., Emp. 1-7-13, Died 8-4-75
ANDREW BISCHAK, 57, 69th Street, Emp. 8-20-47, Died 7-1-75
LAWRENCE BRAGULLA, 76, Kedzie, Emp. 1-31-27, Died 5-25-75
RAYMOND BUFKA, 74, Archer, Emp. 2-19-29, Died 7-18-75
MAURICE CAMPBELL, 69, North Sec., Emp. 1-27-48, Died 7-17-75
CHARLES CATINO, 69, Skokie Shop, Emp. 4-5-37, Died 7-1-75
EDWIN DAHLQUIST, 74, North Avenue, Emp. 9-24-23, Died 7-21-75
SAM DANK, 72, West Section, Emp. 8-13-48, Died 7-8-75
PAUL DENNEHY, 71, Utility, Emp. 7-2-28, Died 7-19-75
DALE EICH, 63, South Shops, Emp. 12-4-46, Died 7-18-75
ROBERT FULLERTON, 85, Devon, Emp. 10-7-13, Died 7-29-75
ANNA GOLDING, 62, Insurance, Emp. 11-17-43, Died 7-31-75
COPSIE HAL, 66, North Section, Emp. 4-17-49, Died 6-30-75

JOSEPH HOLCZL, 79, West Shops, Emp. 1-11-29, Died 7-15-75
WILLIAM HUFFMAN, 81, Forest Glen, Emp. 4-21-25, Died 7-21-75
ARTHUR KURTH, 87, Lawndale, Emp. 10-19-16, Died 7-18-75
ALEXANDER LANG, 79, Limits, Emp. 5-16-43, Died 7-25-75
CHARLES MARSHALL, 64, 77th Street, Emp. 4-14-47, Died 8-8-75
WILLIAM MAY, 98, Burnside, Emp. 4-1-07, Died 7-22-75
JOHN MULLNER, 85, Devon, Emp. 6-11-13, Died 7-8-75
JOSEPH O'CONNOR, 63, South Section, Emp. 8-22-41, Died 7-10-75
EDWARD PALEN, 70, North Park, Emp. 10-1-42, Died 7-6-75
EDWARD PARDELL, 76, Electrical, Emp. 5-2-22, Died 7-3-75
BERNARD PYZIK, 66, West Section, Emp. 11-20-45, Died 7-22-75
MACK ROBINSON, 81, 77th Street, Emp. 6-19-44, Died 7-23-75
DONALD SMITH, 67, North Section, Emp. 11-20-45, Died 7-15-75
WALDO STARR, 74, North Avenue, Emp. 2-3-30, Died 7-26-75
HOWARD WEST, 80, South Shops, Emp. 6-16-45, Died 7-16-75
WILLIAM WHELEHAN, 66, District C, Emp. 11-10-36, Died 7-8-75
JOSEPH WINTERS, 91, Cottage Grove, Emp. 8-3-23, Died 7-12-75

Coast and to Oregon where they visited with their daughter, KATHY, and her family...We were all very happy to welcome back ED BLICHARZ and GEORGE MICHAUD, both of Production Supply Control, and RAY BRZECZEK, terminals, who were on our sick list for a long time. It's real great having all of you back with us, and we sincerely hope you will stay on the healthy side for a long time...JAN BRODA, Paint Shop, and his lovely wife, ADRIENNE, arrived back safely after a most enjoyable trip to Poland, Jan's native land. Jan said they had a wonderful time. Jan was back home only a short while when he received the sad news that his father had passed away. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to both of you...BOB BUERGER, carpenter, is proud to announce that his daughter, KATHY, was second runner-up in the Miss Buffalo Grove beauty pageant, and received a \$75.00 scholarship. Bob is sporting a new Pacer automobile and drove it around during his vacation to break it in. One of the places he drove to was the Illinois Railway Museum in Union, Ill. He also had the opportunity to visit the Freedom Train while it was in Chicago...MARK DUNDOVICH's son, MARK Jr., is a member of the Indians Little League baseball team and they're proud to announce that they won first place in the American League at Shabbona Park. They played a championship game at Thillen's Stadium on Aug. 16 against the winner of the National League, and although they fought hard to win, they lost the game and came in second. Mark Jr. said, "We're going all the way next year and be the first place team." Mark Sr. works in the Electrical Department at Skokie...To FRANK VUKOVICS, electrical, and his lovely wife, PATTI, we say a happy third wedding anniversary. Now they only have 47 to go to celebrate their golden anniversary...To all of our new electrical worker apprentices, the best of luck. They are: GERRY PORCARO, RON TUCEK, PAT KENNY, WALTER BROWN, BRUCE VENHUIZEN, RAY HEGARTY, JOE MASELLA, BOB JANASEK and DAN HART...We were really hoping to have made a better showing in the news department this month, but we didn't succeed too well. So how about socking it to us next month, and help us have the longest column in the Transit News. See you next month!

(Rail Terminals) -

Congratulations to Pensioner GUY and MARY COLUMBO who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 9. Guy and Mary, who now reside in Tempe, Ariz., were here visiting their children and were feted at a surprise anniversary party given by them at the Casa



Mary and Guy Columbo

Royale Banquet Hall in Des Plaines, Ill. Guy, who retired in July 1970 after more than 39 years of service, was a car repairman at Wilson Terminal.

- Mary Hendrickson & Pat Harnett

(South Shops) -

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. TONY GRIMALDI, Area 312, on the engagement of their son, SAM, to ROSELENA SPIZZIRRI. Roselena is a 1975 graduate of



Roselena and Tony

Ridgewood High school and Sam attends Triton college and plans to attend medical school after graduation. Congratulations! ..It seems a few of our fellow workers have been taking trips out west this summer. CARL LIDZBINSKI vacationed for four weeks in the San Francisco-Oakland area and San Diego...RICH ZAJAC spent most of his vacation in Norwalk, Cal., with a few little side trips to Palm Springs, San Diego and Busch Gardens in the San Fernando Valley...EDDIE OLESKY visited San Diego and crossed the border into Tijuana. ..A warm welcome goes out to the latest member of our bus shops crew, Machinist ANTHONY BALLAY, who came to us from 77th Street Garage...My inside sources tell me that JOHN DOPAK is really doing well in his frisbee lessons...The Brake Department's STANLEY GRZYWNA is not taking a vacation this year until he feels that the department can operate efficiently without him...Machinist JOHN NEWMAN spent a lovely two weeks in Montreal...Congratulations to DAN ROBINSON on nailing down the shop inspector's job that was recently posted...Painter TOM TADEVIC and his nephew, TOM STUBER, tell me that you don't have to journey far to catch the big fish. Tom reports that quite a few big ones got away over at nearby Saganausk Slough, but they managed to pull in a nice 4 pound bass and a good catch of bluegills. .. TOM CICIURA recently purchased a summer cottage in Lake Delavan, Wis... There are quite a few fellows on vacation while I'm writing this column, so we'll catch up on them in next month's issue... Through my own personal experience and that of a few other guys that I talked to, we

all agreed that a visit to the American Freedom Train was really inspiring and a patriotic event. So if you ever get the opportunity to visit the Freedom Train, do so by all means. It's a great show piece of our nation's history and heritage...Mechanic RAY PAUS' son, ROBERT, was married to PHYLISS HARR on Aug. 2 at First Presbyterian church in Broadview...The following staff sergeants attended drill sergeant's school at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., from July 12 through July 25: WALTER KING, Area 318, ELIJAH WILSON, electrician, and ERNEST JOHNSON, Area 348. This was the completion of a year's course. The graduation ceremony was held on July 25 at which time the graduates received their drill sergeant's hats, awards and diplomas. At the ceremony, Staff Sergeant ERNEST JOHNSON was the recipient of the Commandant's Award, the highest award given from the Chicago area...At this time, we would like to extend our condolences to our co-reporter, JEANNE DIEHL, and DENNIS ROHE, Area 318, in the death of their father, BILL ROHE, Area 344, South Shops.

Seems like the Shops softball team that played in the CTA Softball League on Sundays should take a look at the contracts of WALLY (Hands) FUELNER, JIM (Bo) FELTZ, and JEFF (K.O.) JANKUS. These three play in the Dolton League and their team went undefeated during the year and won their tournament. It was also learned that they played the Shops team for beer one Sunday and took two games from them. They couldn't have done all this without Coach JOHN (Chooch) JANKUS...MARILYN HAYWARD and her crew just returned from a fun-filled trip to Orlando, Fla. Marilyn said the trip was enjoyed by everyone, especially to Disney World...Our condolences are extended to JERRY ANDERSON, unit supervisor, garages, in the death of his wife, DORTHEA...MARY GARRETT and her troops enjoyed a glorious week in beautiful Kentucky. Mary said the best part of the trip was the fact that there were no bugs there...ED EVANS and his family spent a week up in Wisconsin. Fun was had by all...A happy birthday is extended to "Gramps" JUVINALL who celebrated his 24th on Aug. 19.

- Jeanne Diehl & Lawrence Bernas

77TH STREET -

Although the 1975 softball season is over, the devoted team mates and co-workers at 77th Street would like to thank KARL FLEMING, for bringing a trophy to 77th Street, even though it was only third place, for the first time in five years. We all hope Karl will manage our softball team next year and bring home the first place trophy.

- Allison De Bonnett

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MISS MILLION TAKES HER TRIP: When Jan Johnson, 22, called the Travel Information Center (670-5000), she became the millionth caller since the center opened July 30 of last year. A Loop secretary, she called to find out how to go to a North Side beauty salon. She is pictured (with new hairdo) boarding Joel Montgomery's bus.

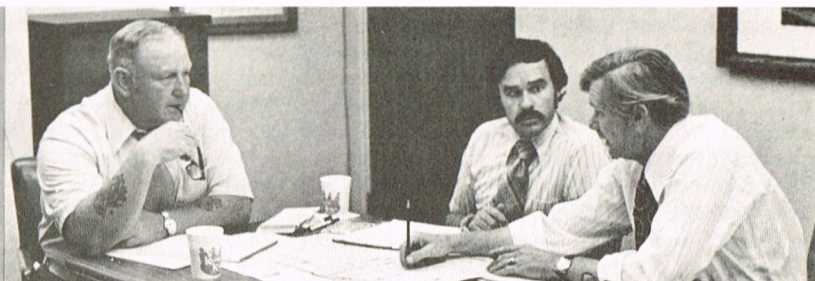
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL IN MOTION: CTA was front and center at Rotary One of Chicago in August. Because Triloki Nath Kaul, Ambassador from India was the speaker, Vad Malhotra, extreme right, was an honored guest. Malhotra is a distinguished visitor to CTA operations as described in Transit News article on Page 6. Pointing up the flag of India was Wallace D. Johnson, second from left, CTA Board member, president of Chicago's Rotary. Rotary member John L. Aurand, manager of general administration, was also on hand.



PUBLIC SERVANTS: Semi-finalists in the city's seventh annual Superior Public Service Awards program attended a luncheon to receive their awards this summer. Pictured with City of Chicago Public Works Commissioner Marshall Suloway are (from left) Bill Cline of Personnel Development, Jennine Gerard of Insurance, and Mary Boski who accepted the award for General Operations Manager George Krambles who was out of the country.



PLANNING A TRIP -- in fact, 60 of them: The first volunteers for next month's Mass Transit Rally tackled the job of routing Explorer Scouts throughout the city by bus and 'L.' They are CTA's Rally co-chairmen (from left), District A Assistant Superintendent Jim Ohse, Public Affairs Special Projects Coordinator Bob Heinlein, and Ironworker Barney Keller. To join the Rally volunteer staff contact one of the co-chairmen or write Transit News.



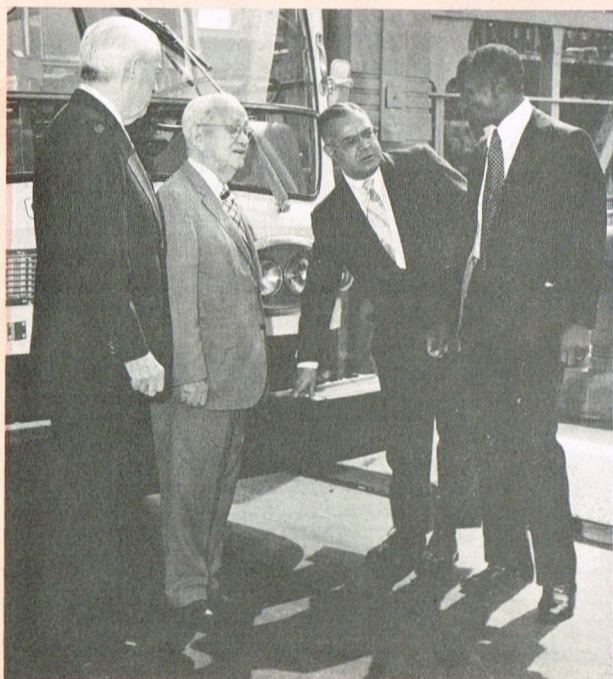
ORIENTATION IN TRANSIT: New students at DePaul university receive orientation on getting to class (and elsewhere) via CTA. Betty Edwards, Public Affairs, left, and Eileen Neurauter, Customer Service, right, co-manage CTA's information booth at the downtown campus. CTA was invited in by the university administration which recognizes one of main student requisites is commuting. Carnival-like orientation bazaar was held in DePaul's social hall.



what's news

A cost-of-living pay boost of $10\frac{1}{2}$ cents an hour for CTA bus drivers, "L"-subway motormen and craft union employees was announced Sept. 3. Altogether, approximately 12,000 CTA employees are affected by the latest cost-of-living pay adjustments, which are estimated to add \$3,500,000 to the payroll on an annual basis. With the latest cost-of-living increase, the top pay scale for bus drivers (with two years experience) is \$7.235 per hour.

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Chicago's first balloon bus bumper. . . an "easy-out" rear door. . . a soothing chime instead of a grating buzzer. . . a handy grab rail at the fare box. . . year-'round automatic temperature control. . . and a brightly lit stairwell. These are among the new features of the first of a fleet of new CTA buses that were inspected Sept. 4 by members of the Chicago Transit Board. Making the inspection on the Merchandise Mart Plaza of the first of the latest order of modern CTA buses were James R. Quinn, Vice-Chairman, and Board members Ernie Banks, Wallace D. Johnson, Lawrence G. Sucsy and Donald J. Walsh. Driving the bus was one of CTA's first women operators, Ophelia Ellis. By the end of the year, the CTA expects delivery of all of 600 new buses ordered from General Motors Corporation. The new modern buses are to replace outmoded buses of up to 15 years old. Costing \$64,210 each, the new buses are being acquired through 80 per cent funding by the federal government's Urban Mass Transportation Administration and 20 per cent "local matching" funding by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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A further improvement in the CTA's popular O'Hare Express bus service reduces inbound travel time to Jefferson Park by five minutes, and provides greater service in the cargo area of the International Airport.

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