



## Getting to know Big Bend

Big Bend is making a big hit all around town with CTA riders.

Big Bend is the name the CTA has given its 20 new articulated buses--the extra long diesel-powered transit vehicles consisting of two sections that are hinged to bend in the middle.

Since being delivered in late February, the Big Bend buses have been making their debut on many different routes throughout Chicago and suburbs served by the CTA.

The Big Bend has 64 seats and is 55 feet long, as compared with 50 seats and 40 feet of the standard CTA bus. Both types of buses are 8½ feet wide.

The two sections of the Big Bend are connected by bellows-like panels and a turn-table arrangement that coordinates the turning movements.

The Big Bend buses are air-conditioned and have other outstanding features such as wide doors, easy steps, and panoramic windows.

The CTA's 20 Big Bend buses, which cost approximately \$3,500,000, were ordered as part of a project in which the CTA and 10 other transit systems have com-

bined their efforts for a test program of this type of high capacity bus.

Funds for the CTA's purchase are being provided by the U.S. Urban Mass Transportation Administration, Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Regional Transportation Authority.

The order was placed under a joint venture contract with AM General Corporation, headquartered in Wayne, Mich., and Maschinenfabrik-Augsburg-Nuernberg (M.A.N.) of Munich, West Germany.

To acquaint riders fully with the features of Big Bend, the CTA is distributing a colorful leaflet on the buses as they operate on various routes. The leaflet also gives tips on riding Big Bend--how to use the front door and rear exit door and a "Stop Request" sign.

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# When reporters rode streetcars

*Editor's note: We wish to thank Irv Kupcinet of the Chicago Sun-Times for permission to reprint his column of Feb. 14 recalling the news coverage of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre. We believe Kup's column will be especially interesting to older retirees, particularly from the standpoint of how well the streetcar did its job, even for reporters of police stories.*



## Kup's column

On this 50th anniversary of the St. Valentine's Day Massacre, a day that lives in gangland infamy in Our Town, we turned to the first reporter on the scene. He's Walter Trohan, who had a long and distinguished career with the Tribune and now is living in retirement in the Washington area. Fifty years ago Trohan was a young reporter for the City News Bureau, which serves Chicago's metropolitan

newspapers. Trohan was on the rewrite desk that memorable day when a young and inexperienced reporter, John Pastor, phoned in the first news of the massacre from his post at police headquarters. It was a badly mangled and underestimated report: "Six men have been injured in a fight in a garage on North Clark Street."

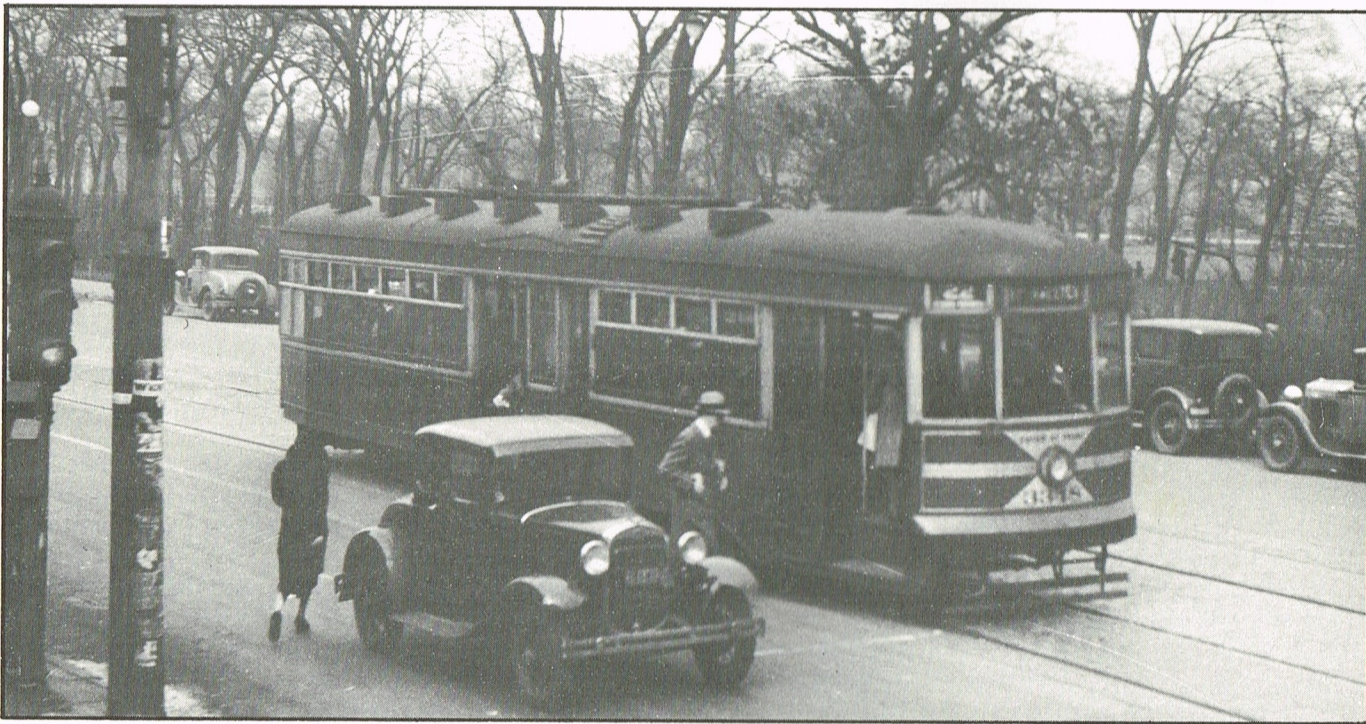
Trohan, sensing a big story, "bulletined" the news to all newspapers pronto. To this day, Walter carries that bulletin with him as a memento to indicate how ridiculous was his first report of the massacre. A short time later, Pastor

phoned in again, this time with more accurate information: "Seven men, not six," he screamed, "and they were machine-gunned to death in a garage at 2122 N. Clark." Trohan put out a second bulletin and then turned to his boss, the late Isaac Gershman, and declared, "I'd better get up there immediately. Can I take a cab?" "No," replied Gershman, working on a short budget. "Take the Clark Street streetcar. It runs right up to the garage."

When Trohan arrived on the scene he saw "the most gory mess," with the seven bodies shattered by machinegun fire and blood all over the garage floor and walls. It didn't take long for the police to determine that the victims were members of the Bugs Moran gang, totaled by their rival gang headed by Al Capone. Trohan shortly was joined by other members of the press, including Willis O'Rourke, who worked for a Hearst publication. O'Rourke looked down at the shattered heads on the floor and commented, "I've got more brains on my feet right now than in my head." . . . "That could be easy for you, Willis," Trohan responded.

Trohan still recalls the best lead on one of the newspaper stories about the massacre—"Chicago gangsters today graduated from murder to massacre"—and adds, "That line has stuck with me to this very day. I wish I had written it." . . . The massacre was planned by the Capone gang to wipe out the Morans, but "Machinegun Jack" McGurn, who did much of the killing that day, had a personal score to settle with two of the victims, Pete and Frank Gusenberg. They previously had gunned him down in a telephone booth. McGurn made a miraculous recovery and vowed "to get even."

Chicago newspapermen of that era long have argued over who was first on the scene at the massacre. Trohan was the first reporter, while Tribune photographers Mike Fish and the late Fran Byrne, later our colleagues on the old Chicago Times, were the first cameramen to reach the garage . . . Valentine's Day, 50 years ago, was a memorable occasion for Trohan. After covering the massacre of seven gangsters, he took his wife to the Auditorium Theater to see "Macbeth." Shakespeare gave him 11 violent deaths.



This is the type of streetcar operating on Clark street in 1929. It was fondly called a "sedan" by the motormen because of its smooth opera-

tion, but was officially known as the FECE (front entrance, center exit) by the Chicago Surface Lines.

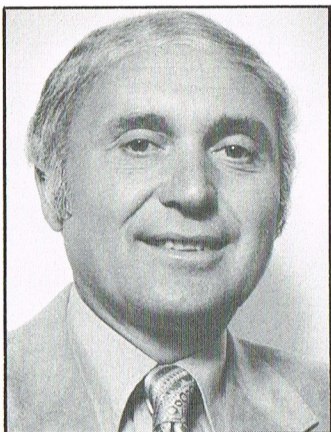


# Two new cta board members

## Nick Ruggiero

Nick Ruggiero, of Evergreen Park, became a member of the Chicago Transit Board at the Board's meeting on March 7.

Ruggiero, who was appointed by Gov. Thompson, succeeded Lawrence G. Sucsy, of Evanston, who had served on the CTA Board since 1971 as an appointee of former Gov. Ogilvie.



Ruggiero, who is 47, is a distributor of industrial materials for the 3M Company, and has been active in civic affairs.

He was a member of the board of the Evergreen Park School District 124 from 1968 to 1974, and served as chairman of the Police and Fire Commission of that suburb from 1976 to 1978.

He is president of the Sons of Italy Lodge No. 2200 in Evergreen Park. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War from 1952 to 1954.

He and his wife, Santa, have a daughter and four sons.

## Howard C. Medley Sr.



Howard C. Medley Sr., of the Hyde Park community, has become a CTA Board member. He was installed at the Board's meeting May 2.

Medley, who was appointed by former Mayor Bilandic, fills a vacancy caused by the retirement of Donald J. Walsh.

Medley, who is 51, is president of Medley's Moving and Storage Company. He is also a

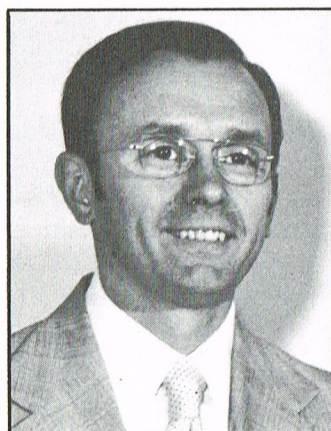
director of the Seaway National Bank, and previously served 14 years in transportation with the Chicago Post Office.

Active in civic affairs, he served four years on the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners. He is a director of the Southtown Y.M.C.A. and Southwest Community Mental Health Center; a member of the Sixth District Police Steering Committee, and a lifetime member of the N.A.A.C.P.

He was graduated from Tilden Technical High School and studied at Malcolm X College. He has four children, all adults, and four grandchildren.

## Sucsy honored

In a resolution adopted at their March meeting, members of the CTA Board expressed their appreciation to Lawrence G. Sucsy for distinguished service on the Board. Sucsy joined the Board in 1971 as an appointee of former Gov. Ogilvie.



The resolution cited Sucsy especially for "having initiated significant innovations, such as the CTA's new monthly riding pass and the plan for emergency public telephones on station platforms."

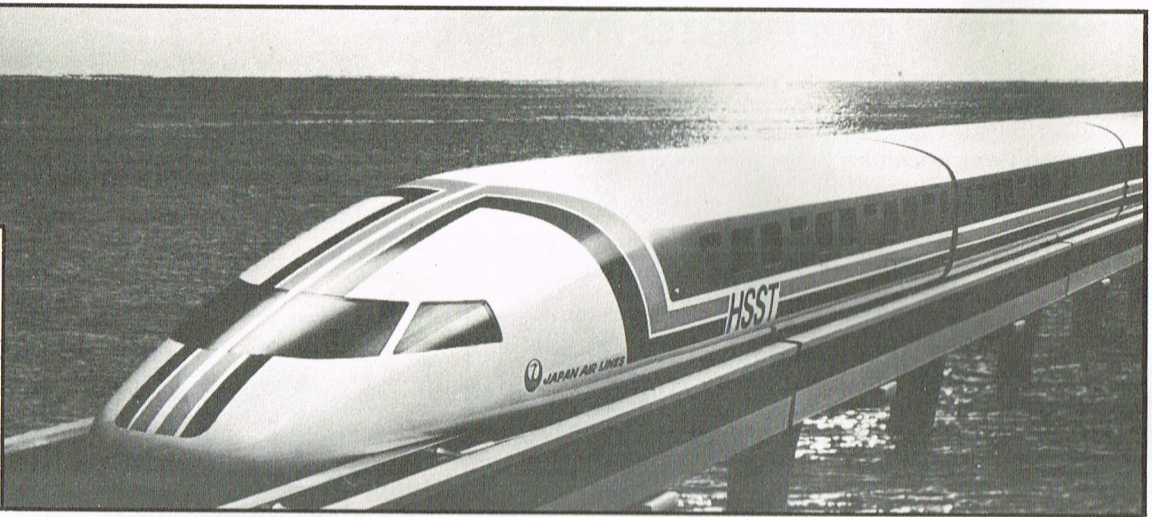
It also stated that, "while serving the interests of all riders, he took special interest in the transportation needs of suburban communities, such as the institution of CTA bus service in the City of Evanston." Appreciation also was expressed for "his support and encouragement to the management and staff in the implementation of the directives of the Board."

Sucsy is president of Sucsy, Fischer & Co., an investment banking firm specializing in corporate finance.



Christopher Cohen (left), midwest regional director of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, receives a supply of CTA monthly passes for his staff from David Kruger, CTA Director of Sales. For May, 866 companies and organizations bought approximately 40,000 monthly passes, which the CTA sells for \$25 each. Sales of the CTA passes have been increasing substantially each month. The passes are made available to employers and organizations on the basis of minimum order of 10 passes.





## Come along to Japan

### *For a ride on the HSST*

By Paul Kadowaki, Superintendent, Bus Instruction

I have just had the privilege of visiting Japan as a guest of Japan Air Lines to see and ride the High Speed Surface Transport (HSST).

The HSST is a revolutionary new means of transportation that utilizes magnetic levitation with linear motor propulsion. It is being developed by Japan Air Lines to provide future air travelers with fast transportation between an outlying airport and a downtown area.

#### 15-hour flight

On the snowy day of Dec. 1, after a five-hour delay at O'Hare, I was on my way to Japan. A 747 can fly from Chicago to Japan via San Francisco in 15 flying hours.

On the day after my arrival in Japan, I visited the head office of Japan Air Lines in Tokyo. There, I met the officers who had been involved the last four years in developing the HSST. They discussed their experiences and studies.

My ride on the HSST was not scheduled until Dec. 14 because changes were being made involving the installation of a transistor chopper motor and adjustments to the test track. This gave me a week to do what I like—to ride trains and buses.

#### Visits modern shop

Officials of the Japanese National Railways (JNR) had invited me to their Hakata General Maintenance Shop and Yard for the Shinkansen trains (Bullet trains). This is a very modern shop and yard, which also includes 1,600 housing units for employees. The shop makes use of many automated tools for the maintenance of trains.

On Kyushu, one of the four major islands of Japan, there has been a water shortage. Therefore, all trains leaving Hakata must stop at Shimonoseki, the first stop on the main island, to get a supply of water suf-

Artist's concept of future HSST transportation.

ficient for passenger comfort all the way to Tokyo. The water shortage was caused, interestingly enough, when the seasonal typhoons missed Kyushu Island last fall.

#### Wear white gloves

I rode JNR trains and some of the private railroad lines and buses in several metropolitan areas. One of the things that I thought was interesting is that all crew members of trains wear white gloves.

Also, there is a very heavy volume of riders on the various lines. For instance, the Umeda station in the city of Osaka, which is a transfer point and a terminal for several lines, handles 1 million passengers a day.

At a relief point, the two crews salute each other, and the motorman being relieved briefs the other motorman on how the equipment has been functioning.

#### Distinct announcements

Conductor announcements are always clear and distinct. Announcements are always begun by thanking the passengers for their patronage and by giving the destination points of the trains. Transfer points for other trains of the same company and other companies also are explained.

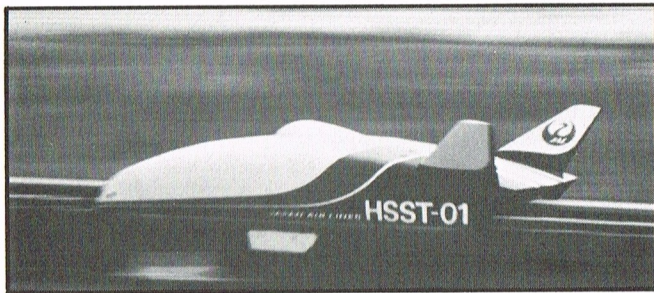
All buses are equipped with a standard gear shifting transmission. The buses provide much more standing space than seating space.

The streets in Japan are narrower than in American cities. Many cars and buses operate in streets equivalent in width to our side streets. At the Takenozuka station, a bus terminal on Tobu's Isezake line, I saw a turntable employed to turn buses because there was not enough room to maneuver the bus around.

Stores in Japan are well stocked with merchandise. The packages, no matter what shape, were all neatly wrapped. Many of the purchases I made in Tokyo were less expensive than in the United States.

Restaurants were filled with customers. The restaurants have show windows which display the food





**HSST-01 unmanned test vehicle, 187 miles per hour!**

and prices, thereby making it easier to order. I saw McDonald's, Dunkin Donuts, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Shakey's Pizza restaurants.

At the offices of the Japanese National Railways, I visited persons whom I had met when they visited us at the CTA or when I had visited and toured the JNR system in 1975. The JNR also has been testing a magnetic levitation train similar to the HSST.

On Dec. 14, which was the day before my departure, I was driven to the HSST-02 test area in Kawasaki. The test area is part of a landfill in Tokyo Bay, and the land is still settling. The JAL engineers have to constantly adjust the concrete foundation of the test track to keep the rails level and straight.

#### **187 miles per hour**

Work on the HSST began in 1974. By February of 1978, the HSST-01 (unmanned) achieved a speed of 187 miles per hour.

The length of the test track is only about 1 mile. As I watched, the HSST-01 sped by smoothly and quietly. The HSST has the appearance of a fuselage of a plane.

Then came my long-awaited ride on the HSST-02.



**HSST-02 test vehicle carries a driver and six passengers.**

The HSST-02 test car can accommodate six passengers and a driver. Flashing red lights along the track indicated that the power was on. With the power on, the car was lifted about three-eighths of an inch off the rail. Since there is no contact between the car and the rail, the car floats without friction. I was able to push the two-ton car by hand.

#### **Quiet, smooth, fast**

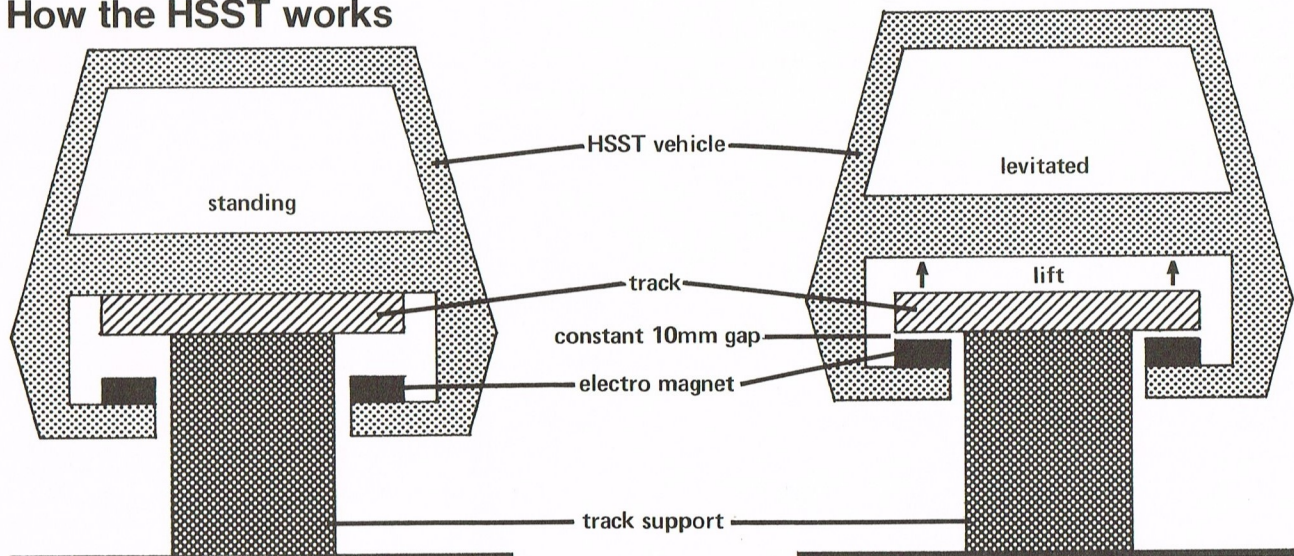
I stepped into the car and had a seat. The car began moving. It was amazingly quiet, smooth and fast.

What a ride! I was actually riding on the HSST--the train I had heard so much about. It was an exciting experience.

Japan Air Lines describes the HSST as "Tomorrow's Answer Today."

From June 1 to July 15, HSST-01 will be displayed at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry as part of the "Japan Today: Innovative Technology" exhibit.

### **How the HSST works**



To levitate the HSST, electric power is supplied to the electro-magnets. The magnets are attracted to the underside of the track. As the magnets pull upwards towards

the track, 'lift' is produced which raises the HSST off the track bed. The gap between the magnet and the underside of track is kept at a constant 10 mm.





Stuart Maginnis



Ludwig Scheuerle



Julius Dain

## promotions

Stuart W. Maginnis, former director, Training/Development programs, has been appointed director of Support Services in the Maintenance Department. In this new position, he oversees the functions of the department in the areas of Office Procedures and Budget, Instruction, and Safety.

Maginnis joined CTA's Maintenance Department in 1950, moving into training two years later as a training assistant. He became training coordinator in 1964, supervisory training coordinator in 1966, and supervisor of Employee Development and Technical Training in 1972. Maginnis and his wife, Arla, live in Forest Park. They have two sons and a daughter; the youngest, Scott, is a CTA security officer.

Ludwig P. Scheuerle, former assistant superintendent, Service, has been appointed district superintendent, Rail, South District. Scheuerle started his CTA career in 1958 as an extra guard in the West Section, where he later served as motorman, switchman and yard foreman. He was chosen line supervisor in 1970; then controller, assistant superintendent, Rail, and assistant district superintendent. Scheuerle and his wife, Josephine, are the parents of two daughters and live in Cicero.

Julius W. Dain, former supervisor, Instruction, at the Technical and Behavior Educational Center (TABEC), has been chosen superintendent, Methods/Standards (Automotive), Vehicle Maintenance. Dain began his transit career 42 years ago as a shop stockroom clerk with the Surface Lines. He served as a car cleaner and a car repairer before becoming a bus repairer in 1945. He was named supervisor, Vehicle Maintenance, in 1953; general foreman, Garages, South, in 1958; and superintendent of garages in 1963; moving to

Instruction 10 years later. Dain and his wife, Mary, live in Palos Park. They have two sons and a daughter.

Richard A. Juvinall, who became superintendent, Methods/Standards (Automotive) in 1978, has been reassigned as superintendent, Methods/Standards (Rail).

George G. Hatchett, former controller, Operations Control, has been named assistant superintendent, Service, District B. Hatchett became a streetcar conductor at 77th Street in 1946. He was promoted to district supervisor in 1959, and became a dispatcher, Operations Control, in 1971. He and his wife, Eleanor, live in the Chatham neighborhood on the South Side. They have two sons, a daughter, and five grandchildren.

Robert D. Heinlein, special projects coordinator, Public Affairs, since 1975, is now assistant superintendent, Control Center. Heinlein started with CTA as a file clerk in the Claims Department in 1956 and joined Public Affairs the following year. He became assistant editor of Transit News in 1964 and editor in 1967. He was named assistant director of Public Information in 1973. Heinlein and his wife, Patricia, live in Schaumburg and have a daughter and a son.

John J. Jarecki Jr., who most recently was a management/professional intern, Transportation, has been selected assistant superintendent, Service, District D. Jarecki began with CTA as a driver at North Avenue in 1960. He became a bus service supervisor in 1974, and an m/p intern three years later. He and his wife, Roberta, have a son and a daughter and live in Franklin Park.

Also in Transportation, Bruce J. Anderson, former acting principal safety analyst, has been chosen assistant superintendent, Service, Rail. Anderson joined CTA as an extra guard in 1959, and remained in the North Section as a conductor

and switchman, before becoming an m/p intern in 1977. He and his wife, Janet, have one daughter and make their home in Skokie.

Junius Blaino, former assistant superintendent, Forest Park, is now assistant superintendent, Agents, as is Rosemary Roberson, former unit supervisor, Agents. Della Richards, former m/p intern, has become unit supervisor, Agents. Rozenda P. Hall, former agent supervisor, has been reassigned as ticket agent instructor, Transportation-Support Services.

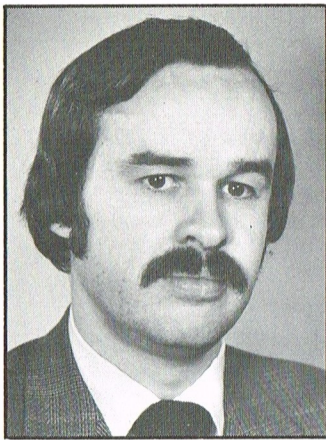
Willie B. Scott, former schedule maker, Operations Planning, has been chosen supervisor, Traffic Analysis, in the same department. Also in Operations Planning, Robert J. Grady has moved from traffic planning technician to supervisor, Traffic Planning. Claude Stevens, former conductor, North Section, is now principal safety analyst, Transportation-Support Services.

Florence A. Salus, former personnel relations administrator, has been named supervisor, Instruction/Personnel, Maintenance. In Human Resources-Employment & Placement, Geraldine Tapling has moved from interviewer to unit supervisor, Employment.

Recently named management/professional interns in the Control Center are former bus service supervisors Bruno Romej (District D), James H. O'Conner, and Edward Reaux (both District B).

In new positions as m/p interns, Personnel, are James W. Zepp, former switchman, North Section; David Schaefer, former trainee, Human Resources-Training/Development programs; and Mario McManus, former rail instructor. Ernestina Avila, former training coordinator, Training/Development programs, has been selected m/p intern, Vehicle Maintenance; Robert C. Lee has moved from field service engineer to unit supervisor intern, also in Vehicle Maintenance; and Norman Herron

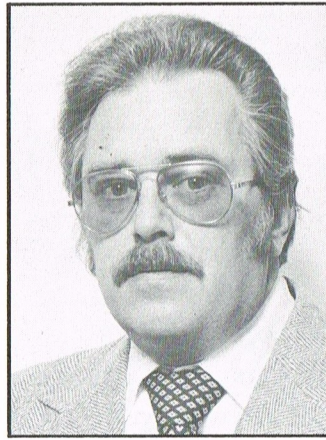




Robert Heinlein



George Hatchett



John Jarecki



Bruce Anderson

Jr., former bus instructor, Training Center, has become m/p intern, Transportation-Support Services.

Four new transit professional trainees have been selected for Human Resources-Training/Development programs: Arnetta Driver, former records clerk, Materials Management-Stores; Lena Phillips and Daryl Lampkins, both former conductors, South Section; and Michael McGovern, former driver, Forest Glen.

Edgar W. Angel, former specialist, Human Relations, has become an interviewer, Human Resources-Employment & Placement. In Materials Management-Procurement, John Meneghini has moved from procurement analyst to buyer.

In new positions as station clerks, Transportation, are Richard Foerstel, former janitor, Plant Maintenance; William Howell, former mail clerk, Management Services; Barbara McBroom, former accounts payable clerk, Financial Services; and Michael Guice, former power record clerk, Maintenance.

Guy A. Stutley, former driver, Limits, has become travel information representative, Management Services. New as traffic checkers, Operations Planning, are Samuel Highsmith Jr., former cash box puller, North Avenue; Edward Dixon, former chairman, Engineering; and Charles Barbee, former driver, Archer.

Now serving in Financial Services as accounts payable clerks are Louise A. Muhr, former calculating machine operator in the same section; Joan Nathaniel, former conductor, West Section; and Maria Grabowski, former personnel research clerk, Human Resources-Employment & Placement. Also in Financial Services, Vivian Robinson, former ticket agent, West Section, has become payables utility clerk. Cornelius Graves, former laborer, Maintenance, is now turnstile collector, Treasury.

Charles N. Harper, former bus and truck mechanic helper, South Shops, and Don A. Hoard, former conductor, South Section, have been selected stock clerks, Materials Management-Stores. Also in Stores, Willie Henning has moved from laborer to mobile equipment operator, and

Denise Calhoun, formerly an unassigned clerk typist, Human Resources-Employment & Placement, has become a utility clerk.

Now in Management Services as special delivery mail clerks are Wesley Cobb, former driver, North Avenue, and Eddie L. Terry, former cash box puller, Kedzie. Josephine Maslic, former keypunch operator, Datacenter, has been selected utility clerk, Materials Management-Procurement. Reginald Jones, former designer, Operations Planning, has become a bus driver, and Mary Ellen Garcia, formerly an unassigned clerk typist, Human Resources-Employment & Placement, is now a typist, Transportation.

Five former bus repairers have moved to South Shops as bus and truck mechanics: John L. Vine Jr., from 69th Street; James Johnson, from Campaign; Major F. Warren, from Limits; and Michael J. Gray and Allan R. Basden, both from 77th Street.

Also in Vehicle Maintenance, Glenn McCarthy has moved from car servicer, Kimball, to terminal combination clerk; Diana D. Miller, from stenographer to administrative secretary, South Shops; and

Kenneth J. Bohn, from car repairer, Wilson, to electrical worker, Skokie Shop.

Reassigned to Skokie Shop as shop tractor operators are John Carello, former car servicer, 54th Avenue, and David Perez, former driver, North Park; and as electrical worker apprentice, Jerome Haymaker, former bus repairer, Campaign.

Appointed service truck chauffeurs, Transportation-Utility, are Lonnie L. Carter, former driver, North Avenue; David A. Cales, former conductor, West Section; George Mosely, former trackman, Plant Maintenance; and Thomas E. Dolan, former bus servicer, Vehicle Maintenance. Walter Phillips, former driver, Forest Glen, has become a bus repairer, Vehicle Maintenance.

New as trackmen, Plant Maintenance, are George Burgess, former driver, Beverly, and former bus servicers Jonathan Hernandez (North Avenue) and James Blatz (North Park). James A. Williams, machinist, has moved to Plant Maintenance from Skokie Shop; and in the same department, Rosemary Brady, former clerk/stenographer, Financial Services, has become material control clerk.



Sok P. Paek (right), CTA news representative for the Oriental community, is presented with a plaque of appreciation by Yong Hwa Kim, Chicago bureau chief of *The Korean Times*. The presentation was made at a recent celebration of the newspaper's eighth anniversary. *The Korean Times*, a daily publication, is printed in Chicago and distributed throughout the United States to 50,000 subscribers.

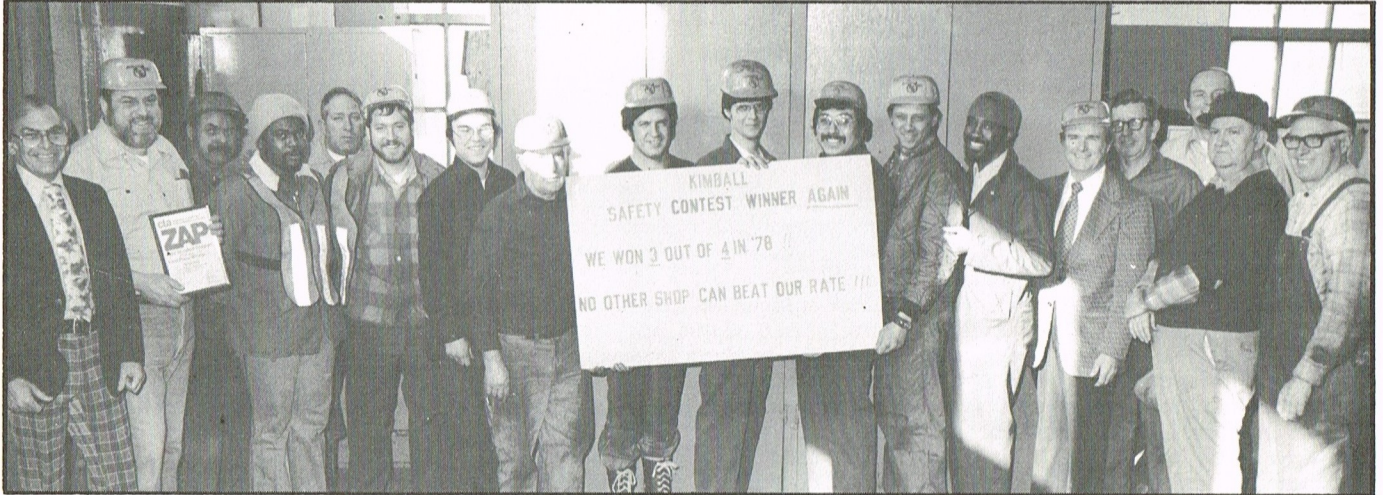


# safety awards

Two rail terminals shared first-place honors in the Maintenance Department's Zero Accident Program (ZAP) for the fourth quarter of 1978. Kimball won its prize while completing its third quarter of the year with no recorded accidents. The 61st Street-Racine

shop unit also was a winner, taking its second first-place award of the year. In second place was 54th Avenue, which received two quarterly awards earlier in 1978.

In garage competition, Forest Glen captured first place for the first time in the year. Beverly took second place, having finished first in the first quarter. The ZAP awards are based on the number of employee accidents per man hours worked.



The shop crew at Kimball wants everyone to know, so they spelled it out. Their sign says: "Kimball. Safety Contest Winner Again. We won 3 out of 4 in '78!! No other shop can beat our rate!!!"



John Joyce (left), day foreman, accepts the congratulations of Tom Gecan, supervisor, Bus Garages (North), on behalf of Forest Glen, which won first place in the Maintenance Department's safety contest among garages.



Trying harder to win the Maintenance Department's safety contest are second-place crews at 54th Avenue led by John Molloy, day foreman, holding ZAP award.

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At Beverly, John Guineen (left), day foreman, receives the second-place award for safety from Tom Donnelly, unit supervisor, Bus Garages.



Taking part in the ZAP award ceremonies at 61st Street are (left to right): Jim Dudley, supervisor, Safety; Clinton Donley and Claude Dunlap Jr., both car repairers; Sean Scott, combination clerk; Leon Fields, day foreman; Don Phillips, car servicer; Ben Smith, car repairer; Dick Lorimer, unit supervisor, Terminals; and Bob Flowers, superintendent, Rail Vehicle Maintenance.

Archer won the fourth quarter (1978) Public Safety Award for garages. Archer recorded a traffic accident frequency rate that was 21 per cent below the systemwide average, and a passenger rate that was 47 per cent less than the average.

Among rail terminals, Ashland came in first, with a combined passenger and traffic accident rate that was 72 per cent below the systemwide average. The fourth quarter awards were the first safety awards of the year for both Archer and Ashland.



Special recognition certificates were presented to motorman John Bassett (second from left) and conductor James Moss when Ashland terminal won the quarterly Public Safety Award in rail competition. Taking part in the ceremonies were Ardis Morris (left) and Jim McLean (right), assistant superintendents at Ashland and 61st Street, and General Operations Manager Harold Geissenheimer (center).



Drivers Angel Cruz and Rosalyn Burke share the lime-light with Archer superintendent Joe Steinbach, who holds Public Safety Award won by Archer drivers for their performance during the last quarter of 1978.





**EDGAR G. MOLLINEDO** (North Park garage) was admired by Ruth Murdoch, of North State street, for remaining pleasant and courteous one night when bad weather put his Clark Street bus behind schedule. "He took a lot of flack from people getting on because they had waited a long time, but he kept his cool, and whenever anyone got off the bus, he said, 'Please be careful' and 'Have a nice evening.' At one stop he was about to pull away from the curb when a man knocked on the door. He let the man in and apologized that he had not seen him sooner."

(CTA photo by Julius Brazil)

**ROBERT T. HALLEY** (Archer garage) was commended by Eleanor Macak, of West 38th place, a rider on his 35th Street bus. "It is extremely gratifying to find such a gentleman in these times of 'every man for himself,' and I wish to call his fine attitude to your attention. This excellent driver is unfailingly courteous, considerate, cheerful, and understanding, especially with senior citizens such as myself. He extends himself to be helpful, and to do that little 'something extra' that does so much to brighten one's day."

(CTA photo by Eric Blakely)



## commendation corner

Teamwork in finding a missing child resulted in commendations for three employees on the Logan Square-Kennedy rapid transit route from Dorothy D. Cecchini, whose husband has law offices on West Washington street. "In our confusion while trying to board a train in the crowded Dearborn subway, the doors closed and the train pulled away with our six-year-old grandson on board. My husband ran up the stairs and contacted the station agent (ELNORA McKENZIE) who, although very busy, immediately began to make the necessary calls. After 15 anxious minutes, she told us Tony was safe at the Jefferson Park terminal. We would also like to thank MICHAEL KELLY (West Section), the conductor, who handled the problem calmly and reassured our grandson, and CHARLES COTTON (West Section), the train motorman."

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**ANTHONY C. ZENNER** (Limits garage) was praised by Lucille Ranguette, of Pine Grove avenue, for his consideration of the elderly on his Wilson-Michigan bus. "He's the only driver I've ever heard who calls attention to the senior citizen seating. I am 73, and have been riding public transit for 35 years. Very often, seniors stand in front of these signs while young people sit. If the drivers would call attention to the seating arrangement when they see older people boarding a bus, it might help take care of the situation."

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Among other operating employees receiving commendations recently were:

Hasan Abdelqader, Lenzie Alford, Pedro Alicea, and Alphonse Austin, all of North Avenue; Elden Adams and Emily Allen, both of Limits; Angel Alban and Louis Arias, both of Forest Glen; Arthur Allen, District B; Betty Allen, 69th Street; Andrew Anderson, Francisco Aragon, Albert Armes, and David Arreguin, all of North Park.

Donald Baber, Treasury; Evon Barber, S.T. Burton, and Bobbie Byrd, all of North Avenue; J. D. Battles, James Benson, Rudy Boffero, James Brooks, and Willie Burton Jr., all of Kedzie; David Benson, Steven Branch, Harold Brown, Robert Brown, and Ernest Buchanan,

all of North Park; Jacqueline Berns, North Section; Adonis Berrios, Mickey Bess, and Joe Brionez, all of Forest Glen; Fatima Bey-muhammed, William Boyd, and John Brown, all of Archer; Alvin Branch, 77th Street; Harry Brown, Beverly; James Brown and John Burgess, both of Limits; and Robert Buries, 52nd Street.

Luis Cabrera, Anthony Coleman, and Richard Crites Jr., all of Limits; Johnnie Calhoun, John Chapman, Rafael Collazo, and LeRoy Crume, all of Archer; Ferdinand Campos, Jessie Cavanero, Philip Chesher, Mohammed Choudry, Allen Clark, Manuel Clas, and Mary Cobleigh, all of North Park; Osvaldo Carrasquillo, of North Avenue; John

**JAIME COLON** (Limits garage) was congratulated by Shirley J. Miller, of Stratford place, for his handling of a No. 135 Wilson/LaSalle Express bus. "Although conditions were terrible, he was courteous and considerate of his passengers and those who were trying to board an already crowded bus. He was cautious and concerned, not only for his bus, but also for other vehicles and pedestrians who were trying to make their way. Most of us had been waiting a long time for a bus, and were cold and ill-tempered, but this driver's good nature and compassionate attitude calmed everyone down and made the long trip enjoyable."

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**RALPH STRICKLAND** (Forest Glen garage) was admired by Sharon A. Marquez, of Byron street, for staying on the job driving his No. 91 Austin bus "when he could have gone home and relaxed after a tough day of fighting heavy traffic and angry, cold crowds. He was scheduled to turn around at Division street for his last run, but when he saw a number of half-frozen people standing there shivering, waiting to go farther south, he told them to board the bus and continued on his way toward Roosevelt. He never complained once, and stopped at every stop to squeeze the people on. He was a real doll through it all."

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Christner, Charles Cieslinski, and Oscar Coleman, all of Forest Glen; Berry Clark, Isaac Clark, and Mary Conley, all of 52nd Street; Elijah Coleman, District B; Briggs Connell Jr., 69th Street; Anthony Cook, South Section; and Richard Crane, West Section.

Edmund Daddezio and Jerry Dubin, both of North Avenue; William Davidson and Miguel Delgado, both of North Section; Bart Davis and George Duszynski, both of Forest Glen; Leon Davis and Travis Dixon, both of 77th Street; Kerry Debruce and James Degnan, both of Archer; Oscar DeSoto, Robert Dluger, William Douglass, and Wilfred Dupree, all of North Park; Burnett Devers, Kedzie; Roberto





William E. Jaycox (Forest Glen garage) was the driver of a #40 O'Hare Express bus ridden by D. Shappert, of Pueblo avenue, who wrote: "Since the #64 bus had been delayed for some time, a number of us were ushered to his bus at the Jefferson Park terminal. He was very accommodating, especially to the older people and those who had been standing and freezing for quite a while. He assured us that somehow everyone would be able to get to their destination. He handled the situation in such a pleasant manner that we left the terminal cheering him as if we were going off to a football game."

(CTA photo by Julius Brazil)

FREDERICK R. PEPKE (Limits garage) "has to get the award as the nicest, happiest, most cheerful bus driver in the city," wrote Dianne Witkowski, of Cornelia avenue, a rider on his No. 156 LaSalle bus. "He is always pleasant, says 'Good morning' to everyone, and will go out of his way to be considerate to his passengers. Usually in the morning everyone is pretty grouchy, but after riding with Fred, you automatically relax and find yourself smiling. To top it all off, he is an excellent driver."

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BURNETT D. DEVERS (Kedzie garage) was complimented by Mrs. C. E. Loeb, of DeWitt place, for his handling of a No. 125 Water Tower Express bus. "This man is very courteous, knows most of the passengers that board his bus, and always has a cheery 'Good morning' for everyone. His driving has been outstanding. When people leave the bus, he cautions them to be careful; also, if he sees someone running down the street for the bus, he waits for that person. On one occasion this happened to me, and I was very grateful for this courtesy."

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JOHN E. HARVEY (52nd Street garage) was praised by Patricia Harmon, of South Michigan avenue, for "a wonderful job" one cold Friday morning on his No. 38 Indiana bus. "He had concern and compassion for his passengers. He took the time from his own lunch hour to drive people downtown instead of pulling into the station and leaving them out in the cold. I would like to commend him on an outstanding performance."

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Diaz, Limits; and Richard Dunbar, 52nd Street.

John Eason, North Park; James Edwards and Anthony Espinosa, both of North Avenue; Roosevelt Eckles, Raphael Edwards, Anthony Ellis, and Morris Ellison, all of 77th Street; Casper Elder Jr., South Section, and Virginia Enriquez, Archer.

Kenneth Fabian, Angel Flores, Robert Foster, and William Fox, all of Forest Glen; Harry Filip, West Section; Harmon Fisher and Verla Friend, both of North Avenue; Carlos Flores, North Section; Elbert Ford and Leroy Franklin Jr., both of 77th Street; Robert Friestad, Limits; and Raymond Furmanski, North Park.

James Gaines, Raymond Gosha, and Noble Graves, all of Limits; Ted Galus, Jorge Gonzalez, Juan Gonzalez, Wallacene Good, and Odell Granger, all of Forest Glen; Albert Garner, George Grafer, and Mary Guice, all of North Park; Ivory Giner, Kedzie; Frank Goudeau, 69th Street; Robert Gray and Evarin Guardiola, both of North Avenue; Paulette Greer, Archer; and James Griffin III, 77th Street.

Lee Hall, District D; Mary Hall, Oscar Herring, and Thomas Houston, all of 69th Street; Robert Hampton and Eugene Harper, both of 77th Street; Theodore Harper, Walter Harris, Ernest Hemphill, and George Henley, all of Archer; Melvin Harris, William Harvey,

John W. James (77th Street garage) was praised by Walter Whitton, of South Halsted street, in a letter signed by eight other regular riders on a Halsted bus. "He always has a 'Good morning' greeting to people getting on, and a 'Have a good day' when you are getting off. When it is slippery, he tells you to watch your step—very considerate. He waits at intersections for steady customers he knows are trying to catch the bus. We all appreciate him immensely. Riding with him in the morning sure makes for a good day—to be sure."

(CTA photo by Bert Cadney)



JAMES B. KOLSTAD (Beverly garage) is "an outstanding employee," according to Charles Craine, of Oak Lawn. "He is on the South Kedzie run between 63rd place and 115th street. He is extremely courteous, calls out every stop, and greets each person as he enters and leaves the bus. On 'Sweetest Day,' he had a piece of candy for every female passenger—regardless of her age. He represents what the CTA should be every day."

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EDUARDO F. PESCATORE (Forest Glen garage) was recognized by Jean Peterson, of Dakin street, for "an act of kindness and for his courteous behavior on his Irving Park bus. He cautioned everyone to watch their step getting off the bus. At one stop, two elderly ladies attempted to get off—one with a cane. He asked if they needed assistance, and when one was afraid to step down, he got up and actually lifted her off. He deserves a commendation."

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WALLACENE M. GOOD (Forest Glen garage) was commended by Vic R. Novales, of Lakeside place, for "bringing hope and cheer to most of us commuters who were stranded on her No. 81 Lawrence bus for almost three hours one night" during the snow emergency. "There was chaos on the street, with cars stalled in both directions, and almost everyone was late and concerned about not getting home. But this driver succeeded in putting us all at ease and bidding everyone a 'Good night' or 'Be careful' when leaving the bus. People like her make any organization like yours a respected and honorable one."

William Head, Johnnie Howard, and Donald Hudson, all of Forest Glen; Lee Vester Harrison and John Harvey, both of 52nd Street; Ollie Harry, Miguel Hernandez, James Holland, Otto Houston, and James Howland, all of North Park; Charles Hicks and Ralph Howard, both of North Avenue; and Willie Hodson, Kedzie.

Ladell Jackson, North Avenue; Zeke Jagst, Samuel Janke, John Jimenez, and Loleta Jones, all of North Park; Elvin James, William Jennings, and Conley Johnson, all of 77th Street; Mildred James and Heartnel Johnson, both of Beverly; Richard Jaranilla, George Johnson, and Betty Jones, all of Limits; Edgar Jeffery and Francisco Jimenez,





Robert E. O'Neal (Kedzie garage) was thanked by Agnes Heldmann, of South Ridgeway avenue, "for his care, courtesy, and concern" while driving a #60 Blue Island/26 bus one cold Friday morning. "All the way downtown, the driver exerted the utmost care, though hampered by poorly cleaned streets and heavy traffic. He not only informed a blind rider when to get off at his stop, but signalled a pedestrian to help him cross the street. Moreover, people who were unfamiliar with the bus route and sought information were all courteously and patiently answered by this outstanding employee—a real gentleman."

Antonio G. Poulos (West Section) was commended by Peggy Vendel, of River Forest, "for his kind and considerate attitude toward the riders" on his Congress-Milwaukee train. "Just after the January 13 blizzard, there were untold difficulties with service, yet his courtesy and communication with the passengers made the ride not only bearable, but even enjoyable. I think the secret to his success was not only his kindness and understanding, but even more his honest communication of facts to the passengers."

(CTA photos by Julius Brazil)



LEON A. DAVIS (77th Street garage) was one of several CTA employees praised by Marion Davis, of Eberhart avenue, for their service during the weather crisis. "I take my hat off to your bus drivers, conductors, and motormen. Their patience and dedication is beautiful in this kind of weather. It's a special pleasure to ride with driver #7685 on the King Drive line that I take every day to the Loop and back. He is very patient and always has a ready smile—a very likable person."

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JODIE J. McGUIRE (North Park garage) was the driver of a Sheridan Road bus that Ida Seifer, of North Lake Shore drive, was riding late one Saturday night. "The driving was hazardous on account of extremely bad weather. However, the driver was very cautious, and stopped for as many passengers as the bus could accommodate. She was a fine human being, and her performance was appreciated by everyone on the bus. She was most courteous, and her main concern seemed to be the safety of her passengers."

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GEORGE W. BENSON (69th Street garage) was appreciated by Bernice Husenger, of West 57th street, a rider on his No. 55 Garfield bus. "During the recent snowstorm, the buses were late, and the streets icy, but the drivers were courteous and helpful. Driver No. 2711 took the trouble to contact his supervisors to get permission to drive his passengers west to Cicero instead of St. Louis, where his run was to have

ended. Some of the people had been waiting a long time for a bus. We were all frozen—but grateful for his thoughtfulness."

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BERNARD J. MURPHY (North Avenue garage) was praised by Dr. Jimmy Knowles, who has offices on Fullerton avenue, for his help during the blizzard. "One of my patients had to have an emergency operation at a hospital some distance away. My car was snowed in and no cabs could come for at least 30 minutes, so I decided to take the Fullerton bus. When I boarded the bus, Mr. Murphy noticed my concern, asked me what the problem was, and told me he could call ahead for a police car to pick me up. The police arrived and got me to the hospital soon enough to participate in the operation. Thanks to the awareness and concern of Mr. Murphy, the CTA, and the police, my patient was comforted and the operation was a success."

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ANTHONY W. ELLIS (77th Street garage) was acclaimed by Beulah L. Jones, of Cottage Grove avenue, who said, "He is a wonderful, kind, and considerate driver—especially to senior citizens during this terrible winter. I am so happy I am on the Cottage Grove bus line, and with drivers like No. 5600, I always feel safe getting on and off the bus. I have used public transportation in Chicago for 63 years, and I am very pleased."

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both of Forest Glen; Hamp Johnson, West Section; and Willie Johnson, Kedzie.

Nicholas Kallans, John Kephart, Hosseinali Khalvati, and Robert Kremer, all of North Park; Andrew Karkosa, Beverly; Veronica Kelly, South Section; and Thomas Kissel, Forest Glen.

Lazaro Lafita, District D; Harvey Landing Jr., Beverly; James Larry, Lee Lampley, and William Loftin, all of 77th Street; Jeanette Lathan, West Section; Albert Lawson Jr. and Shirley Louis, both of North Avenue; James Latson, Ricardo Leiva, Walter Lewis Jr., and William Long, all of North Park; Jose Levia, Forest Glen; James Lewis, 69th Street; Paul Lewis, Kedzie; Giles Liddell, Limits; and Ralph Lindquist, Archer.

James Majszak, Isaias Molina, Seymour

Motion, and Blanca Muniz, all of Forest Glen; Pierino Mannarelli and Donald Minefee, both of 69th Street; Michael Marren, Patricia Marshall, Rosali Molina, Edgar Mollinedo, Howard Monroe, Jeff Moore, Harley Morris, and Robert Moskovitz, all of North Park; William Martin, District C; Harold Mayfield, Jerry McKenzie, Derek Minor, and Edward Mrozek, all of 77th Street; William McCaskill and Albert Moore, both of North Section; Willie McFall, Limits; Loeffler McGee, Kedzie; Walter McKinney, Archer; Francisco Medrano, West Section; Wade Montgomery, 52nd Street; Michael Moore, District B; Abraham Morgan, Jose Mulero, and Bernard Murphy, all of North Avenue; and Melvin Morgan, District D.

Joe Nash and Harold Niemiec, both of

North Park; Harold Nathan, 77th Street.

Doris O'Neal, West Section; Silvia Ortiz, Forest Glen; Donna Otero, North Park; and Clara Owens, Kedzie.

Fanny Patton, Archer; Thomas Perez, Milan Placko, William Pleas, and Mostafa Pousitinchian, all of Forest Glen; Robert Pendleton, Frederick Pepke, and Victor Priolo, all of Limits; William Person Jr., and Antonio Poulos, both of West Section; Robert Pittman, Kedzie; Michael Powell, North Section; and Steve Preston, 69th Street.

Leonard Quinlan, North Park.

Moises Rajczyk, Manuel Ramirez, Oswald Ramsay Sr., Oscar Repelin, Eddie Rivera, Jesus Rivera, Sixto Rivera, William Robinson,





Elbert L. Ford (77th Street garage) was praised by Vonnie J. Keyes, of South Hamilton avenue, for his handling of a 79th Street bus on one of the worst winter nights. "He got off and on the bus, constantly assisting other drivers along the way. He was an incredible driver, and maneuvered through the traffic with a great deal of confidence and skill. As passengers left the bus, they commented on his driving ability and his help in directing others around obstacles to keep traffic moving. He certainly did more than his share to get frustrated passengers to their destinations."

(CTA photos by Mike Hoffert)



Charlene S. McFadden (Archer garage) was thanked by Catherine J. Walsh, of South Paulina street, for the way she handled her 47th Street bus on Sunday. "In all my years of riding buses, I have never met or ridden with a more courteous bus driver. She not only handled the bus like a professional, but was kind and sweet to everyone. My sister, my uncle, and I saw her go out of her way and miss lights she might have made in order to pick up passengers because it was Sunday and very cold out. Please let her know that her kindness is appreciated."

EDWARD WALLACE, motorman, and WILBERT MATTHEWS, conductor (both North Section), "deserve special praise for their outstanding efforts to keep us informed as to why we were delayed" one morning during the snow crisis on a southbound main line train near Wilson. S. L. Scotese, of Lunt avenue, said, "Knowing what was going on and why helped reduce the anxiety of the riders, and turned a 'nightmare' into a half-way pleasant experience. Also, please know that cashier #1285 (PEDRO ALVARADO, North Section) at Lunt deserves praise for always being on time and for being so pleasant as we pay our fares."

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TOMMIE L. STEWART (District C) was complimented in a letter signed by 17 employees of the veterans hospital on East Huron street. "When we were coming out of the subway at Chicago and State during the critical weather period, he always tried to have a bus waiting to take us to the hospital. He seemed to care if the people got to work on time or how cold they were standing for a bus. He really helped us make it through the winter. He always managed to get a smile or laugh out of the crowd, taking their minds off their problems until he had the chance to find a bus for them. We say thanks for a job well done."

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HOWARD JONES (Archer garage) was singled out by Mrs. A. J. Colletti, of South Loomis street, "for his calm, considerate, and just plain good attitude toward myself and many more riders on the Archer bus line. Through all the frustration of the winter months,

we had the good fortune to find him driving in our direction. He made it a point to get as close as possible to the curb to pick us up. He was never disgruntled--always nice. We appreciated his courtesy."

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ROBERT E. HARPER (Forest Glen garage) was noticed by Maria M. Tikasz, of Forest Park, who rode his No. 91 Austin bus one morning in February. "The street overflowed with parked cars, and many of the cars ahead of us seemed to be making left turns. The road conditions were unbelievable and the bus was packed to capacity. This driver never lost his patience. He handled the bus and passengers very skillfully, though it was slow going. He was never angry, always asking us to move back, etc., in a very humane tone. He was a good and kind driver."

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GUSTAV W. ZEHLES (West Section) is the conductor on a Logan Square-Kennedy route train that Michael Caponi, of Oconto avenue, frequently rides. "Each time he is pleasant and calls all the stops. Often he has gotten the people on the train to laugh with his good-natured humor. One morning for some reason the doors of the first car didn't open, causing a delay of 15 minutes. Because of his pleasant demeanor, he was able to joke about the incident--thus keeping a pressure-filled situation tolerable by loosening everyone up. It was surely a welcome relief."

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Francisco Rodriguez, Ramon Rodriguez, and Robert Rowe, all of North Park; Marvin Reddix and Ramon Rosario, both of North Avenue; Billy Richardson, West Section; Edward Rivers and Paul Rodriguez, both of Archer; James Rivers, Freddie Robinson, and Jack Robinson, all of Kedzie; and Cleveland Robertson and Janice Ruffin, both of 77th Street.

Santiago Sanchez, Helen Stearns, and Willie Surlis, all of 77th Street; Donald Schauble, Patrick Smith, and Joe Spears, all of Forest Glen; Dennis Sebo and Clydie Stuart, both of Limits; Frank Serrano and Marion Stubbs, both of North Avenue; Robert Sevier and Leevon Skinner, both of 69th Street; Clarence Shepard, District B; Blanche Silva,

Joseph Smoot, and Clifford Sutherland, all of North Park; James Skopek, District D; Duane Smith and Clarence Speights, both of Kedzie; William Smith, 52nd Street; and Jerry Stanley and Carolyn Sykes, both of Archer.

John Talton, Hugo Trevino, and Jairo Triana, all of Forest Glen; Will Tate, Henry Terry, and Queen Tiner, all of Kedzie; Candis Thomas, 77th Street; Roger Thomas and James Thompson, both of North Avenue; Irene Thompson, Beverly; Melvin Thompson, 69th Street; Edward Tierney, West Section; and George Torson, North Park.

Earnest Usher, Forest Glen, and Conrado Uy, North Park.

Richard Vaughn and Manuel Viruet, both

of North Park; and Jesus Vazquez and Floyd Vick, both of Forest Glen.

Patricia Wade and Harvey White, both of 69th Street; Lonnie Walker, Leon Washington, Andrew Webb, Roosevelt Williams, Columbus Woods, and Helen Woods, all of 77th Street; Cleven Wardlow and Donald Wardlow, both of Limits; Larry Ware, Beverly; Robert Washington, 52nd Street; Freida Wells and Sammie Woods, both of North Park; Jerry West Jr. and Jerry Williams, both of West Section; Bobbie Joe Wheeler, North Avenue; Albert White Jr., Archer; Donald Wilson, Central District; Robert Wilson, Kedzie; and Austion Woolfolk, Archer.

Charles Young, West Section, and Walter Young, Kedzie.



## Seniors' Luncheon-Dance

More than 400 persons on March 28 attended a luncheon-dance of the CTA Senior Citizens Retirement Organization. This was the largest gathering in the organization's four-year history, said Joe Nolan, general manager of the organization. The luncheon was at Niko's restaurant, 7600 S. Harlem av., Bridgeview. The organization now has more than 1,200 members, Nolan said.



Peter Gobeli (Archer '70) and wife, Harriet.



Douglas Thime (North Av. '75) and wife, Hazel.



Earl Larson (Archer '74) and wife, Louise.



Joe Cappeletto (Schedules '76) stands between Peter Zacharias (Transportation '73) and Zacharias' wife, May. Wallace Stoltenberg (Schedules '70) is at left.



Ray Kocmoud (77th '77) and wife, Lucille (at left), and Bill Pinasco (Forest Glen '75) and wife, Pat.



John Hanily (Lawndale '65), Ray Corbel (Gen. Office '75), and John J. O'Connor (52nd '68).



From left, John O'Connor (Beverly '68), John King (Beverly '74), Ernest Hill (52nd '72), and John Schloeder (West Section '76).





Mrs. Ernest Hill and James Harding Sr. (52nd '76).

(CTA photos by Julius Brazil)



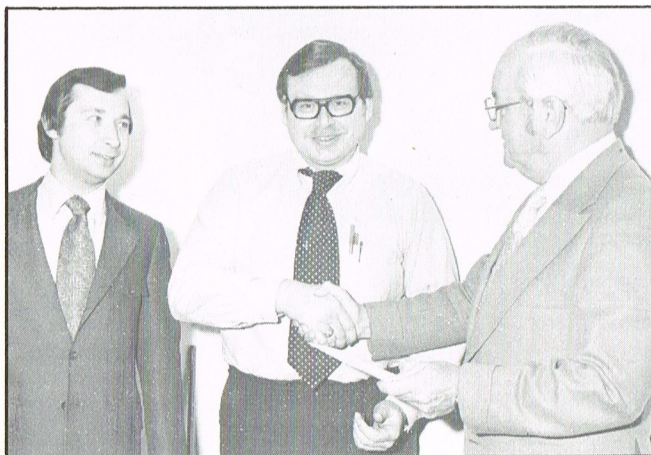
George Nash (Control Center '78) and wife, Virginia.



Raymond J. Noreen (Beverly '78) and wife, Clara.

## Bonus for early suggesters

To keep those good ideas coming in--in 1979--the CTA Employee Suggestion Plan is continuing the practice of awarding the first 20 employees or retirees who submit eligible suggestions each month with a pair of tickets to some special event. Among the entertainment offerings you may have the chance to enjoy this year--free--are: Chicago Cubs and White Sox baseball games; the Great America amusement park; a Chicago Bears football game; the Ringling Brothers Circus; and various stage plays. To learn which tickets will be awarded any given month, check your Suggestion Plan bulletin board.



A Suggestion Plan award of \$420 was presented to Maynard Ellis Jr. (center), senior applications analyst, Datacenter, by Joseph Repplinger, manager, Maintenance, who is also vice chairman of the Executive Decision Committee. Ellis designed a data entry stand to hold documents at eye level for data entry operators. Next to Ellis is Gene Jendrach, Suggestion Plan coordinator. (CTA photos by Mike Hoffert)



Repplinger gave a check for \$60 to Richard Grajek (center), electrical worker at South Shops, for suggesting that box covers for bus engine compartments be fabricated in two parts. On the left is Ray Fleming, superintendent, Administrative Training/Training Services, another member of the EDC. Louis Domokos, a welder at Skokie Shop, won \$140 for designing a new welding jig for 2200 series cars, but was not present for the award ceremony.



# NEW PENSIONERS

## Jan. 1 Retirements



**E. REILLY**  
46 Years



**F. MOMMSEN**  
42 Years



**C. GRECO**  
41 Years



**J. BARKAUSKAS**  
41 Years

JOHN A. AICHINGER, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 10-31-45  
LeROY J. ALBERS, Bus & Truck Foreman,  
South Shops, Emp. 12-15-45  
JOHN AMBROGIO, Janitor,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-18-57  
JOHN G. ARENDT, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 2-15-51  
JOSEPH BARKAUSKAS, Elect. Worker,  
South Shops, Emp. 3-16-37  
WALTER BERNAL, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 6-7-45  
JOHN BISHOP, Janitor,  
52nd Street, Emp. 12-16-43  
ELRAY BLAKE, Painter,  
South Shops, Emp. 9-18-36  
PATRICK BRENNAN, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-22-48  
WILLIAM BURBATT, Operator,  
Beverly, Emp. 2-16-46  
MYLES BURKE, Machinist,  
South Shops, Emp. 2-25-46  
BENEDICT BUTKIEWICZ, Engine Washer,  
69th Street, Emp. 9-17-47  
AUSTIN BYRNE, Machinist,  
South Shops, Emp. 1-8-48  
SAMUEL CANELLA, Mobile Equip. Oper.,  
Skokie Shop, Emp. 2-7-41  
ROBERT CARPENTER, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 8-31-45  
HENRY CARTER, Car Repairman A,  
61st Street, Emp. 11-7-53  
VIRGIL CHAMBERS, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 8-29-41  
JOHN CIEZADLO, Shopman II,  
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 4-8-46  
NICOL CINQUEPALMI, Ironworker Helper,  
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 5-5-47  
WILSON COLEMAN, Director,  
Security, Emp. 1-8-45  
EARLE COOKE, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 12-15-47  
NICHOLAS COSTANTINO, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 5-22-50  
JESSE DANIEL Jr., Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 9-7-48

TERESA DeLEONARDIS, Accounts Payable  
Clerk, Financial Services/Operations,  
Emp. 12-3-64  
JOSEPH DRAG, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-9-42  
JOSEPH DuCREE, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 5-31-46  
RALPH ELLISON, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 10-1-41  
ROBERT FLOOD, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 9-10-73  
RALPH FRALE, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 10-29-46  
ELI FREEDMAN, Travel Agent,  
Management Services, Emp. 5-10-46  
MICHAEL GALLO, Carpenter,  
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 4-19-46  
WALTER GAUGER, Conductor,  
West Section, Emp. 10-29-45  
WILLIAM GERBER, Stock Clerk II,  
77th Street, Emp. 11-24-47  
JAMES GOLDEN, Motorman,  
North Section, Emp. 2-24-42  
CHARLES GRECO, Technician V,  
Vehicle Maintenance, Emp. 8-4-37  
JOSEPH GRZELAK, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 2-14-46  
JOHN GUBBINS, Special Projects Analyst,  
West Shops, Emp. 8-27-45  
JOSEPH HAAS, Emergency Serv. Chauffeur,  
Transportation, Emp. 6-18-45  
JAMES HAGERTY, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 6-10-41  
JAMES HALL, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 12-29-43  
WILFRED HALL, Relief Clerk, Financial  
Services/Operations, Emp. 11-19-48  
HARRY HANSON, Collector,  
Archer, Emp. 4-14-42  
CECIL HARRIS, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 12-6-48  
JAMES HERRON, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 9-18-45  
HARRY HESS, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 10-1-41  
WILLIAM HODGSON, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 5-16-46  
FRANK JACOBS, Bus Repairman,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-12-48  
JAMES JEFFERY, Collector,  
Limits, Emp. 9-12-47  
ANDREW JOHNSON, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 11-26-48  
CLEMENT KACZOROWSKI, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 4-11-47  
FRANK KAISHER, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 2-25-48  
PAUL KAROWSKY, Motorman,  
North Section, Emp. 11-16-42  
THOMAS KILL, Supervisor,  
Rail, Emp. 5-27-42  
JOSEPH KINAHAN, File Clerk,  
Human Resources, Emp. 10-15-48  
CHARLES KING, Box Puller,  
North Avenue, Emp. 5-1-41  
JOHN KIRBY, Clerk,  
Beverly, Emp. 10-22-42  
EDWARD KISMAN, Operator,  
Beverly, Emp. 9-17-42  
JERRY KNOPF, Assistant Superintendent,  
Transportation, Emp. 9-26-40  
EDWARD KOSCIENSKI, Janitor,  
Limits, Emp. 4-28-42  
EDWARD KRAUSE, Chief Clerk,  
Beverly, Emp. 11-21-41  
LOUIS KRAUSE, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 9-9-42  
GEORGE KUBANDA, Garage Instructor,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-18-46  
RAYMOND KULCZAK, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-17-46  
GEORGE LACEY, Bus & Truck Mech.,  
South Shops, Emp. 9-10-46  
JOHN LACKHOUSE, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 10-20-45  
ROBERT LEGG, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 10-2-45  
ARTHUR LUCKEY, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 9-29-47

JAMES LYONS, Stock Clerk II,  
77th Street, Emp. 9-26-44  
THOMAS LYONS, Supt., Rail Methods &  
Standards, Skokie Shop, Emp. 6-29-49  
JOHN MARASOVICH, Stock Clerk II,  
77th Street, Emp. 9-14-42  
MARIO MARIANO, Bus & Truck Spec.,  
South Shops, Emp. 3-19-46  
RAYMOND MATHIS, Upholsterer,  
South Shops, Emp. 8-26-42  
WILLIAM MAVRINAC, Trackman II,  
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 8-21-45  
STANLEY MAZEIKA, Bus Repairer,  
Archer, Emp. 5-13-42  
JEFF McKENNIE, Bus & Truck Mechanic,  
South Shops, Emp. 6-16-48  
ALFRED MEDNUS, Collector,  
Archer, Emp. 5-12-48  
EDWARD MICEK, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 9-18-45  
WILLIAM MILLAR, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-18-45  
GEORGE MILLER, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 6-17-46  
FRED MOMMSEN, Print Shop Foreman,  
South Shops, Emp. 10-1-36  
ARTHUR MULVANEY, Conductor,  
North Section, Emp. 10-23-41  
JOHN MURPHY, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-25-41  
GEORGE NASH, Controller,  
Transportation, Emp. 1-9-46  
JOHN NASH, Car Repairman A,  
61st Street, Emp. 11-18-47  
WILBUR NAYLOR, Janitor,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-10-46  
FRANCIS NEUBAUER, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 7-6-48  
JAMES NORRIS, Employee Counselor,  
Medical, Emp. 1-11-50  
JAMES O'BRIEN, Telephone Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 11-2-50  
JAMES PERKINS, Mail Clerk,  
Administrative Services, Emp. 12-26-48  
ABE PETAK, Conductor,  
North Section, Emp. 10-21-43  
HOWARD PRATT, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 1-8-46  
OTTO PROKES, Bus Repairer,  
77th Street, Emp. 12-3-46  
WALTER RAPACZ, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 9-21-43  
EDWARD REILLY, Supt., Traffic Data,  
Operations Planning, Emp. 9-13-32  
SAMUEL RINI, Security Officer II,  
Transportation, Emp. 12-23-42  
JAMES RIORDAN, Motorman,  
South Section, Emp. 6-25-42  
STANLEY ROMANOSKY, Bus & Truck Mech.,  
South Shops, Emp. 8-3-53  
ROBERT ROSE, Street Collector,  
Kedzie, Emp. 5-19-43  
STEVE RUDOKAS, Conductor,  
South Section, Emp. 8-3-53  
KENNETH RUEHLMANN, Conductor,  
North Section, Emp. 12-3-45  
JOHN SABIN, Lineman,  
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 8-7-47  
JOSEPH SALABURA, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 11-26-45  
ROY SCHNEIDER, Security Officer I,  
Transportation, Emp. 5-2-42  
PAT SCIORTINO, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 3-13-43  
LAWRENCE SHELBY, Lineman Helper,  
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 7-16-52  
EUGENE SMITH, Lineman,  
Plant Maintenance, Emp. 4-18-46  
STEVE STACHOVIC, Street Collector,  
Archer, Emp. 8-2-48  
THOMAS STAPLES, Supervisor,  
South Section, Emp. 1-29-46  
JEROME STEWART, Rail Janitor,  
Maintenance, Emp. 12-1-50  
THEODORE STRAM, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 9-17-42  
LILBON STREETER, Collector,  
Limits, Emp. 5-21-48  
PHILIP SUTKUS, Collector,  
Archer, Emp. 6-12-46



EDWIN SZACIK, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 10-10-45  
JOHN TARCZUESKI, Bus & Truck Mech.,  
South Shops, Emp. 11-1-47  
HAROLD THEDENS, Conductor,  
South Section, Emp. 9-30-47  
HENRY THIEDE, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 7-29-46  
EARL TINSEY, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 2-8-45  
ALBERT TONEY, Bus & Truck Hlpr.,  
South Shops, Emp. 2-13-46  
JAMES TOOLIS, Buyer I,  
Materials Management, Emp. 8-26-46  
PATRICIA TRANT, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 7-25-39  
FELIX VELINSKE, Bus Repairman,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-18-42  
WILLIAM VESSELS, Operator,  
52nd Street, Emp. 6-28-46  
JOHN VIOLLT, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 3-24-43  
JACK VITALE, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 3-7-46  
JOHN WISE, Clerk,  
Limits, Emp. 4-29-47  
JOHN WISNIEWSKI, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 8-14-46  
PETER ZACCARIELLO, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 9-30-46  
PAUL ZAZULA, Law Coordinator,  
Law, Emp. 8-27-41

#### DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

ENOCH COX, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 7-25-52  
LEWIS REED, Unassigned,  
Human Resources, Emp. 4-19-51  
RICHARD WALSTON, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 1-10-49

### Feb. 1 Retirements

NED P. ALEO, Trackman II,  
Maintenance, Emp. 6-05-43  
RICHARD A. BRADY, Chauffeur,  
Utility, Emp. 7-02-42  
LOWELL A. BRUBACH, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 7-21-48  
EDWARD T. DEVLIN, Lineman,  
Maintenance, Emp. 9-16-46  
THOMAS DIXON, Operator,  
52nd Street, Emp. 1-14-46  
EDWARD P. GREEN, Clerk,  
South Section, Emp. 3-25-57  
EDWARD M. KELLY, Chauffeur,  
Utility, Emp. 1-17-49  
JOHN J. LEONARD, Conductor,  
West Section, Emp. 1-08-47  
JOHN B. MC GILL, Operator,  
Beverly, Emp. 10-03-46  
JOHN W. MILLER, Operator,  
Limits, Emp. 11-21-50  
CLARENCE P. MOORE, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 1-14-49  
CARL W. PERSON, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 10-23-45  
ROBERT E. POWELL, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 1-13-51  
MILOS A. RUZICKA, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 9-23-46  
WARREN SCHOLL, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 9-26-40  
CLINTON R. SIDMAN, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 5-22-46  
GENE A. SILICANI, Shopman I,  
Skokie Shop, Emp. 1-29-48  
FRANK SKRZYNSKI, Bus Repairer,  
Kedzie, Emp. 10-07-47  
FREDERIC H. TUNAITIS, Operator,  
Archer, Emp. 8-11-41  
HOWARD H. WALTERS, Bus Repairer,  
North Avenue, Emp. 11-03-47  
WALTER P. WENTZEL, Supervisor,  
District D, Emp. 4-30-42

#### DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

HARRY O. FREYER, Foreman,  
Skokie Shop, Emp. 9-19-63

BILLY G. SANDERS, Unassigned  
Human Resources, Emp. 12-02-66  
LEROY STIGLER, Janitor,  
Blue Island, Emp. 12-19-46

### Mar. 1 Retirements



J. P. FLYNN  
42 Years



C. C. CACIOPPO  
41 Years

PATRICK F. BROWN, Operator,  
North Park, Emp. 3-06-44  
CARLO C. CACIOPPO, Steam Fitter Foreman,  
Maintenance, Emp. 1-20-38  
JOHN J. DUBINSKI, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 2-20-43  
JOHN P. DUFFY, Stock Clerk I,  
Materials Management, Emp. 9-27-48  
EDMUND M. DWYER, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 5-29-47  
ROY G. ELLERBECK, Electrical Worker A,  
South Shops, Emp. 4-17-39  
WILLIAM C. ERICKSON, Operator,  
69th Street, Emp. 9-15-43  
OTTO ERTL, Chauffeur,  
Utility, Emp. 12-16-47  
JOHN P. FLYNN, Asst. Supt.,  
West Section, Emp. 1-21-37  
JAMES J. FOLAN, Car Servicer,  
Linden, Emp. 10-29-56  
VICTOR J. JUKNUIS, Operator,  
Kedzie, Emp. 7-12-42  
ROMAN C. KAPLAN, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 9-24-47  
BERNARD W. KERPEN, Supervisor,  
District C, Emp. 10-31-42  
ROMAN J. KUSEK, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 1-14-47  
FLOWERS MASON, Chauffeur,  
Utility, Emp. 1-29-51  
HUGH V. MC CAHILL, Bus Servicer,  
North Avenue, Emp. 9-06-47  
HUGH L. MC CAULEY, Switchman,  
North Section, Emp. 3-20-42  
JOHN P. MILAS, Carpenter,  
Skokie Shop, Emp. 7-12-39  
GEORGE W. MORSI, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 1-06-47  
RICHARD PALAZZO, Shopman I,  
Skokie Shop, Emp. 10-06-45  
ANTHONY J. POCARO, Supv. Rail Veh. Term.,  
Skokie Shop, Emp. 10-06-42  
JESSE RODRIGUEZ, Superintendent,  
52nd Street, Emp. 2-24-49  
RALPH W. TRACY, Spec. Asst. to Mgr.,  
Transportation, Emp. 9-13-48  
DENNIS J. TRANT, Conductor,  
South Section, Emp. 2-27-46

#### DISABILITY RETIREMENT

DONALD C. GRAY, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 1-10-66

### Apr. 1 Retirements

MOSES F. ASHLEY Sr., Motorman  
South Section, Emp. 10-13-43  
ARTHUR J. BEAUCHAMP Jr., Prod. Planner,  
Maintenance, Emp. 9-08-42  
JOSEPH N. COLLYMORE, Travel Info. Agent,  
Management Services, Emp. 2-19-51  
OLIN C. DANHOUR, Operator,  
Beverly, Emp. 10-24-56

JUNUS J. EVANS, Rail Janitor,  
Maintenance, Emp. 10-23-56  
LEO A. FELCKOWSKI, Unit Supervisor,  
Maintenance, Emp. 1-08-46  
ALBERT FENNEMA, Substation Attendant,  
Maintenance, Emp. 7-30-45  
PAUL Z. FOX, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 11-05-45  
HOWARD G. GEIER, Chief Operator,  
Maintenance, Emp. 3-23-38  
JOHN J. HARTMAN, Operator,  
North Avenue, Emp. 2-02-53  
ELWOOD F. JOHNSON, Ticket Agent,  
North Section, Emp. 11-25-47  
LAWRENCE A. LARSON, Operator,  
77th Street, Emp. 8-26-42  
LEONARD MALICKI, Operator,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 6-18-47  
CHESTER R. MATUSZEWSKI, Foreman,  
Maintenance, Emp. 3-29-37  
THOMAS P. MC NICHOLAS, Carpenter,  
Maintenance, Emp. 12-02-48  
WALTER J. MOTYKO, Operator,  
Beverly, Emp. 8-02-48  
JOSEPH F. MULE, Conductor,  
West Section, Emp. 12-01-47  
WILLIAM G. NESSLER, Mobile Equip. Opr.,  
Materials Management, Emp. 9-07-48  
CHARLES F. NOLTE, Lineman,  
Maintenance, Emp. 6-10-46  
MITCHELL P. ROMAS, Bus Repairer,  
Kedzie, Emp. 2-07-47  
HARRY W. RONS, Clerk,  
77th Street, Emp. 5-03-45  
WILLIAM F. SHEAHAN, Foreman,  
Maintenance, Emp. 6-01-36  
JOHN M. SHEEHY, Area Superintendent,  
Security, Emp. 3-10-75  
RAYMOND R. TROY, Bus Repairer,  
Forest Glen, Emp. 1-06-49  
MARSHALL WASHINGTON, Operator,  
52nd Street, Emp. 10-02-51

#### DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

STEPHAN CHMELOVSKY, Laborer,  
Maintenance, Emp. 4-14-59  
JOSEPH P. COAD, Laborer,  
Maintenance, Emp. 1-06-58  
ISAIAH T. HARRIS, Rail Janitor,  
Maintenance, Emp. 5-07-68  
TOMMIE NORWOOD, Foreman,  
Maintenance, Emp. 2-20-68



C. R. MATUSZEWSKI  
42 Years



W. F. SHEAHAN  
42 Years



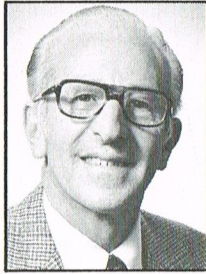
H. G. GEIER  
41 Years



## Service anniversaries in January

### 40 years

D. E. Riess  
Placement



### 35 years

R. McCabe, North Avenue  
W. F. Stasulas, West Section

### 30 years

M. H. Adams, Douglas/Congress  
L. Blake, 77th Street  
R. L. Desvignes, Area South  
R. E. Flowers, Skokie Shop  
H. A. Fullriede, Engineering  
E. Jones Jr., Ashland/95th  
E. M. Kelly, Utility  
W. N. Kinnish, Trans. Administration  
R. J. Kourakos, North Park  
S. L. Kubicz, North Park  
S. Kuropas, South Shops  
T. C. Lenoir, 77th Street  
W. A. Loftlin, Ashland  
E. Marcantonio, Forest Park  
L. L. Matthews, District A  
C. P. Moore, 77th Street  
J. O. Mulligan, Ashland/95th  
R. E. O'Brien, North Avenue  
D. T. O'Donnell, Methods & Standards  
W. O. Simpson, Ashland/95th  
R. R. Troy, Forest Glen  
R. G. Vandermeir, North Park

### 25 years

J. L. Broadnax, South Shops  
P. F. Carnes, Central District  
W. S. Edwards, Central District  
L. V. Foster, West Section  
R. Goldman, Limits  
R. D. Hardin, Limits  
A. Hodges, Kedzie  
A. J. Howard Jr., Library  
A. N. Jackson, Stores South  
T. J. Jackson, Kedzie  
M. L. Johnson, Archer  
J. L. Kincade, Limits  
J. W. Koger, South Section  
C. T. Lindsay, Kedzie  
B. B. Long, 77th Street  
M. Mitchell, Kedzie  
M. Pacholik, 69th Street  
T. H. Warren, 77th Street  
W. G. Washington, 77th Street  
J. G. Weber Jr., North Park  
R. F. Zimmerman, Forest Glen

## Service anniversaries in February

### 35 years

H. Goldman, Forest Glen  
W. T. Ruddle, Kedzie  
R. M. Schneider, Vehicle Maint.  
W. A. Taylor, Control Center

### 25 years

A. E. Angst, Materials/Payable  
G. E. Booker, Control Center  
J. E. Brazil, Adm. Services  
B. Byers, 77th Street  
S. Clark Jr., 69th Street  
J. Dentley, 77th Street  
V. J. Ecter, 77th Street  
M. V. Edgar Jr., North Park  
W. Harris, District C  
T. Hubbard, South Section  
R. Lane, District C  
A. B. Lewis, 77th Street

## Service anniversaries in March

### 35 years

M. M. Dorgan, Datacenter  
J. P. Kmiec, North Park

### 30 years

C. J. Florence, Jefferson Park  
G. P. Daly, Kedzie  
N. J. Kujawa, South Shops  
P. P. Malone, Electrical  
J. J. Molloy, 54th Maintenance  
D. A. Murphy, South Shops  
P. S. Sauve, Electrical  
J. Vasa, Campaign Area

### 25 years

M. Albano, Adm. & Development  
B. G. Culbertson, Security  
H. Lloyd, 52nd Street  
J. S. Pavel, South Shops  
A. G. Sanfilippo, Forest Glen  
J. J. Skopec, District D  
L. E. Tucek, South Shops  
T. Ulasz, North Avenue  
Y. Walker Jr., 77th Street  
J. M. Wealer, District D  
S. J. Zahora, Stores South

## 30 years

J. D. Allen, Douglas/Congress  
R. L. Crawford, Forest Park  
D. Daly, Campaign Area  
A. Digianfilippo, Wilson  
C. E. Filipek, Forest Glen  
P. Gaza, Kimball  
W. Green, Kedzie  
B. Hill, Maintenance  
A. J. Karkoska, Beverly  
R. F. Lorentz, North Park  
R. F. Loughran, Travel Info. Ctr.  
L. H. Lykins, Rail South  
G. Millonas, Plant Maintenance  
W. E. Nash, Rail South  
W. W. Postada, Douglas/Congress  
D. E. Reed Jr., Electrical  
J. E. Roberts, Jefferson Park  
J. Rodriguez, 52nd Street  
J. J. Russ, Skokie Shop  
F. R. Simmons, South Shops

T. V. Mulvey, 52nd Street  
W. W. Owens, Forest Glen  
I. Peterson, Stores  
H. E. Sams, Limits  
D. V. Schaffer, Forest Glen  
R. Wilson, 77th Street

## Service anniversaries in April

### 40 years



T. E. Pietrus  
South Shops

### 35 years

C. Petrella, Accounting

### 30 years

C. Gillespie, Maintenance  
K. O'Flaherty, Forest Park  
B. Tetyk, South Shops

### 25 years

L. S. Lachowicz, West Section  
L. C. Nelson, Forest Glen



# retirement parties



Three generations of a CTA family — the Porcaros — joined the festivities honoring Tony (second from left), when he retired as supervisor, Rail Vehicle Terminals. Others (from left to right) are Tony's wife, Dorothy; daughter-in-law, Anne; son, Jerry, an electrical worker apprentice, Skokie Shop; father, Frank, retired carpenter, West Shops; and his mother, Florence.



Annie Coleman beams her approval as her husband, Vic, former director, Security, accepts the good wishes of Jim Blaa, manager, Transportation, at a farewell reception. The event marked the close of a transit career that began when Vic became a bus driver with the Chicago Motor Coach Company at 52nd Street garage in 1945.



Ed Mitchell (standing), director, Transportation-Support Services, struck a responsive note in remarks delivered at Vic Coleman's retirement party.



Jesse Rodriguez, superintendent, 52nd Street garage, cuts the cake at a retirement reception which also commemorated his 30 years of service with CTA. Joining in the send-off were (left to right) Fran Knautz, retired special assistant; Laverne Downs, bus driver; Marc Turner, janitor; Jesse's wife, June; and Jack O'Connor, director, Central Counting.



June Rodriguez holds mementos of her husband's service with CTA, while Jesse accepts the good wishes of bus operator Bob Holmes, who is also an executive board member of Division 241, ATU.





Paul S. Zazula, former law coordinator, ended 37 years of service in a much different setting from the one he started out in as a streetcar conductor at North Avenue. Surrounding him at a farewell reception in the CTA Board Room were Law Department clerks and stenographers (left to right) Katie Barry, Pat Baker, Sharlene Wilkins, Elaine Varvaro, Anna Maria Kristman, Linda Kelleher, Joan Trier, and Geri Hecker.

Retiring after 33 years with CTA — the last eight as a bus controller — George R. Nash (left) accepts the good wishes of Mike LaVelle, director, Service, at a farewell in the Control Center attended by his wife, Virginia, and friends. George's retirement ends a family tradition of transit service that began in 1882 when his grandfather, John Knight, joined the Chicago West Division Railway Company as a driver of horsecars.



Rounding out 30 years with CTA, Joe Kinahan shares cake-cutting honors with his wife, Peggy, at a retirement party organized by his friends in the Personnel Records Section, where he served as file clerk. Joe started with CTA as a bus cleaner just a few days after arriving here from Ireland in 1948. A son, Jim, is a bus repairer at Forest Glen.

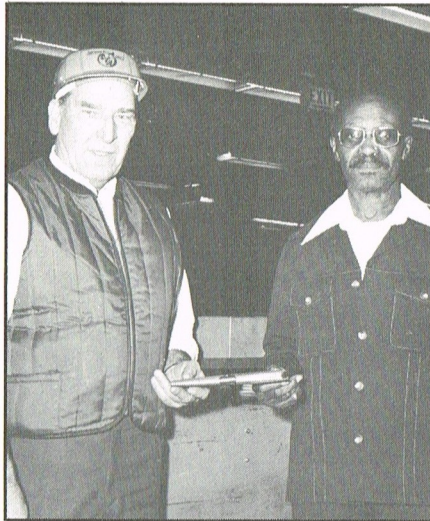


James Patterson, who retired in 1958 after 40 years as a motorman with CTA and Chicago Surface Lines, and his wife, Sarah, recently celebrated his 85th birthday and their 55th wedding anniversary. They live in Harvard, Ill., and have three sons and one daughter, eleven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



## South Shops celebrates retirements

A group retirement party was held at South Shops for 10 employees with a combined total of almost 338 years of service with CTA and the Chicago Surface Lines. The retirees came from among the ranks of electrical workers, painters, and upholsterers, as well as machinists and mechanics.



Albert Toney (right) looks like he's ready for a life of leisure as he receives his retirement wallet from Frank May, bus and truck mechanic leader. Toney, a bus and truck mechanic helper, stepped aside after almost 33 years on the job.



LeRoy Albers (left) retired after almost 33 years with CTA and the Chicago Surface Lines. Congratulating the former bus and truck mechanic foreman at the farewell reception was Nick Simonetti, unit supervisor, Bus Shops.



Austin Brynes (left), machinist, holds the retirement wallet presented to him by Nick Simonetti as he prepares to bow out after almost 31 years with CTA.



Congratulations are also in order for Joe Barakauskas (holding wallet), an electrical worker who retired after more than 41 years in transit maintenance. Taking part in the send-off are Ted Pietrus and Roy Hagen (right), foreman, Electrical Workers.



Elray Blake, a painter with more than 42 years on the job, displays retirement wallet presented to him by Ted Pietrus (left), unit supervisor, Body Shop. Winmon Lewis Jr. (right), acting foreman, Paint Shop, holds a farewell poster.



Myles Burke (left), unit supervisor, machinists, prepares to accept his retirement wallet from Jim Forrestal, unit supervisor, Bus Shops. Burke was in transit maintenance for just under 33 years.





## Harry Polland Dies

H. L. (Harry) Polland, retired Public Information Director of the CTA, died March 4 in Sun City, Arizona.

Mr. Polland, who was 79, had lived in Sun City since retiring in 1964. He is survived by his widow, Lillian, and a brother, Charles, of Lamar, Colorado.

He joined the CTA upon its formation in 1945, and over the years he was well known not only for his ability as the spokesman but also for his dedication.

The late Virgil Gunlock, then CTA Chairman, once remarked to newspaper reporters: "Harry Polland is so conscientious and concerned that one would think he owned the CTA."

Mr. Polland had had an outstanding career in public relations and journalism before coming to the CTA. In the early 1930s, he served as information assistant

to Gov. Louis L. Emmerson and Gov. Henry Horner.

He also served for six years as information director of Chicago's former Department of Subways and Superhighways, which built the State and Dearborn street subways and began construction of the expressway system.

During World War II, he was deputy administrator of the Chicago Area Office of Defense Transportation and deputy chief of communications of the Office of Civil Defense for this area.

As a newspaperman, Mr. Polland worked for the Joliet Herald-News, the Springfield State-Journal, the Associated Press in Springfield and Chicago, and the former Chicago Herald and Examiner.

For the Herald and Examiner, he was a general assignment reporter, rewrite man, assistant political editor, and legislative correspondent. His assignment as a rewrite man was during the height of the Capone era when a gang slaying or bombing was almost a daily occurrence.

Among the gangster news stories written by Mr. Polland were the murders of the notorious Genna brothers and the machinegun slayings of the O'Donnell brothers and Assistant State's Attorney William H. McSwiggin.

In handling the latter story, Mr. Polland paraphrased a line from the Cock Robin nursery rhyme to begin his story with the provocative question: "Who Killed McSwiggin - - and Why?"

The murder was never solved, but Mr. Polland's unusual "lead" to his story became a footnote in Chicago journalism.



Jeff McKennie, bus and truck mechanic, has a parting word for Nick Simonetti as he brings to a close his 30½ years of service with CTA.



George Lacey (right), bus and truck mechanic, is surrounded by well-wishers, as Nick Simonetti gives a parting handshake. Lacey's career in transit maintenance spanned more than 32 years.



Stanley Romanosky, bus and truck mechanic with CTA for 25 years, accepts the send-off wishes of Nick Simonetti as he joins the ranks of retired CTA employees.



Another long-time employee accepting the best wishes of Ted Pietrus was Raymond Mathis (center), an upholsterer with over 36 years of service. Waiting his turn to salute Mathis is John Kurgan (right), foreman of the Upholstery Shop.



# IN MEMORIAM

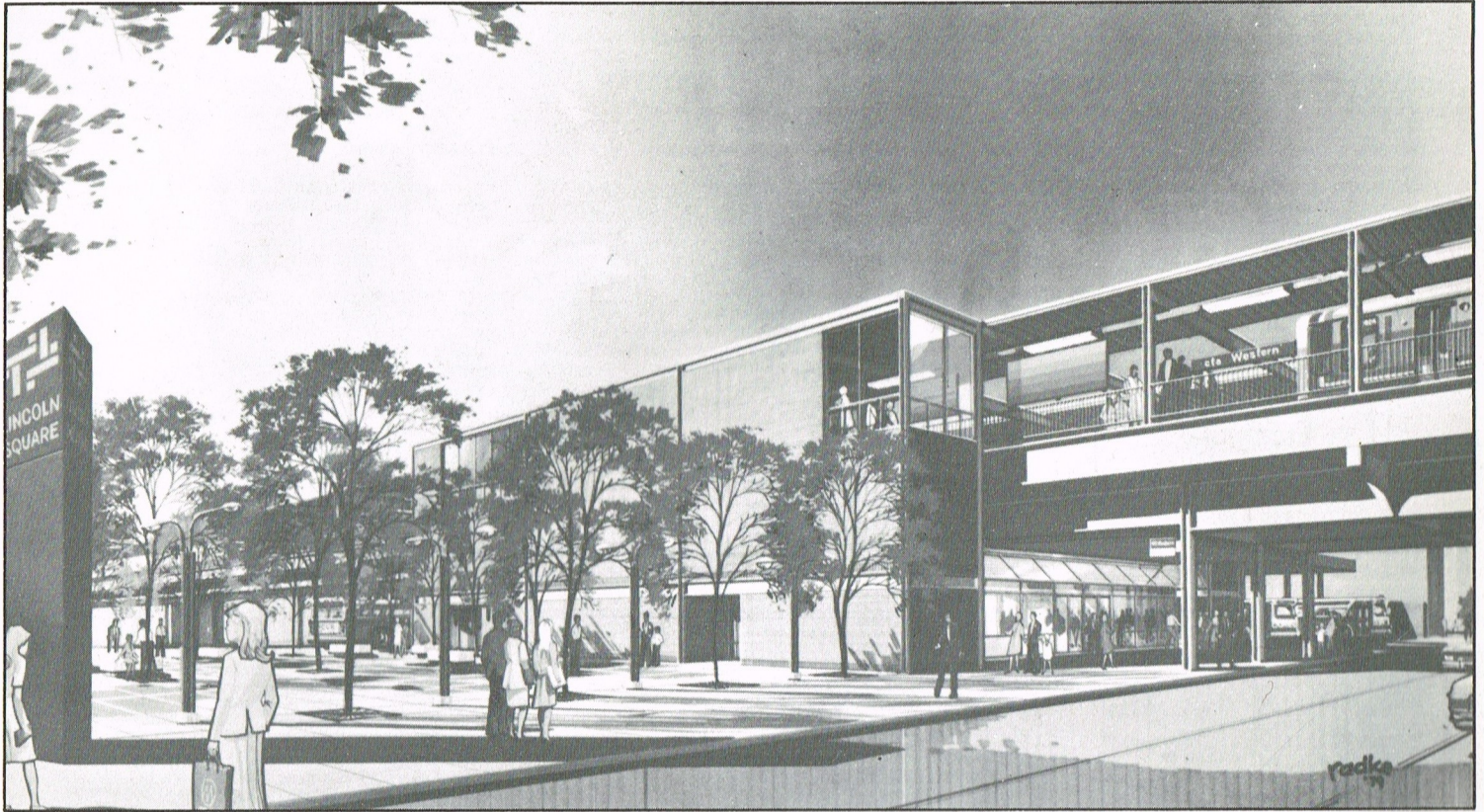
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Emp. 7-17-37, Died 1-15-79  
WILLIAM ANDERSON, 79, 77th Street,  
Emp. 6-29-26, Died 2-25-79  
JOHN S. APPLE, 84, Beverly,  
Emp. 6-09-26, Died 1-31-79  
FRANK J. BARKER, 84, Trng. & Acc. Prev.,  
Emp. 6-25-28, Died 1-20-79  
JOHN J. BARRETT, 78, North Park,  
Emp. 4-14-42, Died 1-20-79  
VICTOR H. BELANGER, 78, 77th Street,  
Emp. 10-12-25, Died 11-04-78  
BENJAMIN E. BENSON, 82, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 11-26-20, Died 11-20-78  
MENNO BIEZE, 88, Devon,  
Emp. 5-09-16, Died 2-16-79  
JAMES BLASINGAME, 57, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 9-15-60, Died 1-26-79  
EDWARD P. BORDES, 70, North Park,  
Emp. 11-30-36, Died 12-26-78  
ANDREW BOURNE, 63, West Shops,  
Emp. 1-13-36, Died 2-17-79  
WILLIAM CAPPS, 61, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 12-31-53, Died 1-15-79  
PATRICK J. CARROLL, 75, North Avenue,  
Emp. 9-30-29, Died 12-04-78  
GEORGE CASENSKY, 83, Lawndale,  
Emp. 1-25-19, Died 12-01-78  
WILLIAM J. CONLEY, 78, West Section,  
Emp. 12-09-26, Died 2-18-79  
JOHN H. CONLON, 67, Claims,  
Emp. 12-01-30, Died 2-18-79  
ANNA M. CONNOLLY, 87, West Section,  
Emp. 4-26-43, Died 1-29-79  
PETER J. CONNOLLY, 83, South Shops,  
Emp. 3-14-38, Died 1-02-79  
WILLIAM W. CORBETT, 77, Claims,  
Emp. 4-22-42, Died 12-25-78  
GEORGE DEBOTA, 84, Way & Structures,  
Emp. 8-05-42, Died 12-09-78  
PAUL M. DEDRICK, 93, West Section,  
Emp. 4-18-16, Died 10-24-78  
JOSEPH L. DEGRAZIA, 69, Schedules,  
Emp. 10-08-28, Died 1-13-79  
ROSE DEMURO, 79, West Section,  
Emp. 8-12-47, Died 11-20-78  
VINCENT R. DESTEFANO, 73, South Shops,  
Emp. 10-16-53, Died 2-20-79  
HENRY DINGLEDINE, 89, 77th Street,  
Emp. 1-14-29, Died 12-12-78  
OTTO DODE, 86, Devon,  
Emp. 5-04-21, Died 2-13-79  
THOMAS F. DOLAN, 81, Lawndale,  
Emp. 12-04-20, Died 11-06-78  
HUGH DONNAN, 82, 77th Street,  
Emp. 12-01-23, Died 1-13-79  
FREDERICK R. DRAWERT, 72, Beverly,  
Emp. 3-30-34, Died 12-21-78  
MARTIN DUNLEAVY, 77, Security,  
Emp. 10-29-43, Died 2-10-79  
RUSSELL L. ELDERKIN, 71, West Section,  
Emp. 10-12-26, Died 1-02-79  
JOSEPH P. ESPOSITO, 65, North Park,  
Emp. 2-20-43, Died 2-18-79  
ANNA G. EVANS, 87, North Section,  
Emp. 2-08-29, Died 2-21-79  
WILLIAM FAHEY, 86, District C,  
Emp. 2-26-15, Died 11-08-78  
JOSEPH W. FICEK, 85, West Section,  
Emp. 1-20-47, Died 11-30-78  
WILLIAM S. FISCHER, 76, North Section,  
Emp. 6-22-44, Died 1-24-79  
MAX F. FLEMING, 80, North Avenue,  
Emp. 9-10-23, Died 2-14-79  
JOHN FRAN, 84, Devon,  
Emp. 12-03-24, Died 12-10-78  
RAYMOND FRENETTE, 62, Archer,  
Emp. 7-10-41, Died 11-28-78  
ANTHONY F. GALLAGHER, 75, 69th Street,  
Emp. 7-13-23, Died 2-19-79  
WILLIAM GOSS, 94, North Section,  
Emp. 2-16-18, Died 12-03-78  
EDGAR GRAHAM, 66, Limits,  
Emp. 11-12-51, Died 12-19-78  
LOUIS T. GRYGIEL, 76, South Section,  
Emp. 1-06-30, Died 1-20-79  
HARRY C. HADERLY, 91, Devon,  
Emp. 3-13-24, Died 2-06-79  
CORNELIUS HAFEEY, 72, Engineering,  
Emp. 6-20-39, Died 12-26-78  
EDWARD N. HALLINAN, 82, 69th Street,  
Emp. 12-14-23, Died 12-16-78  
JAMES HANLON, 60, District B,  
Emp. 4-10-46, Died 1-06-79  
OTTO HARTUNG, 89, Elston,  
Emp. 8-11-13, Died 11-09-78

WILLIAM M. HAUPERT, 81, West Shops,  
Emp. 2-13-23, Died 2-19-79  
MICHAEL J. HEAFEY, 75, West Section,  
Emp. 3-30-25, Died 2-08-79  
WILLIAM R. HEIZE, 70, West Section,  
Emp. 3-08-34, Died 12-04-78  
EDWARD R. HENDRICKSON, 74, Skokie Shop,  
Emp. 9-29-30, Died 11-12-78  
ANTHONY HENEGHAN, 84, 77th Street,  
Emp. 12-30-19, Died 1-12-79  
MATTHEW HILLGOTH, 70, West Section,  
Emp. 11-27-33, Died 11-18-78  
WILLIAM HOOKS, 53, 52nd Street,  
Emp. 10-28-57, Died 1-03-79  
ROLAND HOWARD, 77, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 1-15-29, Died 1-10-79  
RUTH E. HUGHES, 80, Howard,  
Emp. 10-15-45, Died 10-15-78  
EDWARD B. HUTTEN, 77, District C,  
Emp. 11-23-22, Died 11-16-78  
WALTER H. JANDT, 83, Internal Auditing,  
Emp. 4-23-45, Died 12-29-78  
CHARLES F. JELINEK, 79, 77th Street,  
Emp. 10-26-21, Died 12-07-78  
CARL V. JOHNSON, 80, Kimball,  
Emp. 8-30-26, Died 1-30-79  
CHARLES E. JONES, 60, Archer,  
Emp. 2-12-52, Died 11-25-78  
WALTER JUSKIEWICZ, 86, Devon,  
Emp. 7-24-43, Died 12-12-79  
EDWARD S. KAWCZYNSKI, 67, Archer,  
Emp. 2-27-43, Died 1-21-79  
WALTER H. KILVER, 77, 69th Street,  
Emp. 1-16-43, Died 11-27-78  
MARGARET F. KING, 86, West Section,  
Emp. 5-10-40, Died 11-21-78  
LEONARD KREMER, 59, Skokie Shop,  
Emp. 2-02-53, Died 11-19-78  
OSCAR A. LANDOR, 61, South Shops,  
Emp. 3-01-48, Died 12-15-78  
FRANK LANSMAN, 91, Lake Street,  
Emp. 7-08-09, Died 1-20-79  
STANLEY G. LAU, 70, West Section,  
Emp. 12-17-40, Died 12-12-78  
PATRICK LEAHY, 74, Utility,  
Emp. 4-05-26, Died 11-17-78  
RUTH LEE, 75, North Section,  
Emp. 10-31-53, Died 1-24-79  
AUGUST W. LOHMEIER, 69, Kedzie,  
Emp. 11-26-45, Died 2-01-79  
JOHN A. LOHRMANN, 69, District C,  
Emp. 3-05-28, Died 11-03-78  
WILLIAM LOHSE, 65, District D,  
Emp. 9-23-40, Died 1-04-79  
JAMES A. MALLOY, 64, 69th Street,  
Emp. 3-31-43, Died 1-10-79  
ROBERT J. MALONEY, 67, West Section,  
Emp. 11-18-36, Died 2-08-79  
ROBERT E. MARTIN, 49, 77th Street,  
Emp. 2-10-66, Died 12-28-78  
CORNELIUS MAYS, 54, Central Counting,  
Emp. 6-14-48, Died 2-13-79  
WILLIAM A. MC GRATH, 65, Financial Serv.,  
Emp. 12-17-48, Died 2-13-79  
PATRICK MC HALE, 83, Way & Structures,  
Emp. 3-14-23, Died 11-01-78  
EVAN G. MC ILRAITH, 92, Executive,  
Emp. 4-01-23, Died 12-08-78  
PATRICK H. MC NAMARA, 86, 77th Street,  
Emp. 1-11-22, Died 12-09-78  
GEORGE W. MOKATE, 73, North Avenue,  
Emp. 10-20-33, Died 11-09-78  
LOUIS E. MONTROYE, 69, Plant Maintenance,  
Emp. 12-01-45, Died 11-78  
WILLIAM C. MOOS, 86, Archer,  
Emp. 12-09-13, Died 12-13-78  
EDWARD MORRIS, 84, Limits,  
Emp. 5-21-26, Died 1-10-79  
ERNEST MUELLER, 46, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 9-12-57, Died 12-21-78  
FRANK MUSSATO, 74, Kedzie,  
Emp. 10-03-27, Died 2-07-79  
EDWARD O'HARE, 64, South Section,  
Emp. 3-16-59, Died 1-26-79  
ANDREW OLEI, 90, West Shops,  
Emp. 9-14-20, Died 11-19-78  
HILDUR OLSON, 80, Accounting,  
Emp. 10-30-18, Died 12-16-78  
DENNIS J. O'MAHONEY, 72, North Section,  
Emp. 12-08-27, Died 1-26-79  
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STANLEY A. OSIKA, 71, 77th Street,  
Emp. 1-26-46, Died 1-14-79  
ANDREW A. PACEWICZ, 73, North Park,  
Emp. 5-15-42, Died 1-14-79  
HARDIN A. PAULSON, 76, North Section,  
Emp. 8-12-44, Died 11-25-78

ELY PESTINE, 71, North Park,  
Emp. 8-25-41, Died 11-01-78  
ELMER W. PETERSON, 87, Devon,  
Emp. 11-19-19, Died 12-09-78  
CARL B. PIERSON, 83, 77th Street,  
Emp. 3-15-26, Died 12-13-78  
EDWARD PINKOWSKI, 67, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 7-11-45, Died 2-23-79  
FRANK W. PINTA, 72, South Section,  
Emp. 8-23-45, Died 2-17-79  
ROLAND F. PREUS, 71, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 6-26-41, Died 11-26-78  
PATRICK J. QUEALY, 80, North Avenue,  
Emp. 10-09-20, Died 11-26-78  
GEORGE J. RANKIN, 81, Douglas,  
Emp. 1-15-24, Died 11-13-78  
WILLIAM H. REJEWSKI, 66, West Section,  
Emp. 7-26-43, Died 2-13-79  
NORMAN RIDDLE, 68, Central District,  
Emp. 12-07-36, Died 12-27-78  
FRANK RITROVATO, 58, Archer,  
Emp. 4-06-41, Died 12-22-78  
JOHN J. RUH, 80, West Shops,  
Emp. 12-07-18, Died 11-07-78  
WILLIAM J. SCHIESTEL, 70, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 5-15-41, Died 11-16-78  
FRED W. SCHMIDT, 67, Keeler,  
Emp. 11-29-33, Died 12-28-78  
ALFRED M. SCHROEDER, 63, Beverly,  
Emp. 1-09-46, Died 12-17-78  
ERWIN H. SCHUPPERT, 91, Way & Structures,  
Emp. 9-11-44, Died 1-19-79  
ALBERT SEEGER, 83, South Shops,  
Emp. 5-18-17, Died 10-26-78  
JOHN P. SEERY, 75, South Section,  
Emp. 8-08-27, Died 11-03-78  
JESSE F. SIMS SR., 52, Beverly,  
Emp. 7-23-52, Died 1-19-79  
WILLIAM A. SINKLER, 80, 77th Street,  
Emp. 2-21-24, Died 1-12-79  
FRANK T. SLATER, 64, West Section,  
Emp. 7-02-48, Died 2-14-79  
HENRY SMITH, 64, District A,  
Emp. 5-17-54, Died 2-08-79  
LALA S. SMOOT, 76, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 5-17-26, Died 11-06-78  
FREDERICK C. SOHNS, 88, 77th Street,  
Emp. 6-13-16, Died 1-18-79  
KARL J. SORENSEN, 72, District D,  
Emp. 11-09-36, Died 11-16-78  
EDWARD SOUVIGNY, 63, Limits,  
Emp. 9-27-48, Died 2-19-79  
JAMES R. STAHL, 90, 69th Street,  
Emp. 1-06-14, Died 1-10-79  
ANTON P. STEFANICH, 78, Frog Shop,  
Emp. 7-28-29, Died 2-03-79  
DOROTHY T. STEMBRIDGE, 76, Stores,  
Emp. 9-10-43, Died 2-07-79  
PETER A. STOLZ, 73, West Section,  
Emp. 4-08-26, Died 2-20-79  
DOMINICK J. SWEENEY, 75, North Section,  
Emp. 8-29-29, Died 12-27-78  
THOMAS F. SWEENEY, 63, Maintenance,  
Emp. 9-01-48, Died 2-14-79  
DAVID C. THAYER, 93, Devon,  
Emp. 8-16-23, Died 11-06-78  
GEORGE E. THINEMAN, 75, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 2-05-43, Died 11-06-78  
ALTHEO THOMAS, 60, 77th Street,  
Emp. 1-26-51, Died 1-13-79  
OTTO S. TORK, 66, Lawndale,  
Emp. 1-14-36, Died 1-18-79  
JOSEPH UZANDENIS, 88, Shops & Equipment,  
Emp. 2-18-20, Died 1-03-79  
EDWARD VANDEFLUTE, 74, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 12-30-44, Died 11-15-78  
BARRETT WADE, 29, 95th Dan Ryan,  
Emp. 6-04-70, Died 11-19-78  
PATRICK J. WALSH, 72, South Shops,  
Emp. 3-20-43, Died 11-18-78  
ROBERT WEST, 48, 63rd Street,  
Emp. 7-16-71, Died 2-04-79  
CHARLES W. WHITING, 87, West Section,  
Emp. 12-29-16, Died 2-06-79  
LEE A. WILKENS, 64, South Shops,  
Emp. 7-11-45, Died 1-08-79  
JOHN WILSON, 75, 77th Street,  
Emp. 3-24-43, Died 1-03-79  
JOSEPH WITEK, 91, North Park,  
Emp. 2-17-44, Died 1-29-79  
ROBERT H. YOUNG, 77, Keeler,  
Emp. 3-17-24, Died 1-21-79  
ALBERT P. ZELAZO, 85, West Shops,  
Emp. 9-13-20, Died 12-04-78  
WILLIAM ZERLANG, 74, 77th Street,  
Emp. 3-05-45, Died 11-27-78  
GEORGE R. ZOLD, 78, Forest Glen,  
Emp. 12-27-26, Died 11-03-78



# Modern 'L' station at Western on the Ravenswood



Artist rendering of new CTA elevated station to be built at the Western avenue stop on the Ravenswood rapid transit route. With two elevators and two escalators, the station will be fully accessible to all riders, including the elderly and handicapped. The design has been coordinated with the Lincoln Square Mall project, a joint development of the city and the local business community. The

station, of steel, brick and glass construction, was designed by the architectural firm of Vickrey-Ovresat-Awsumb Associates. The CTA Board has authorized the award of a \$2,130,000 contract to Ross, Lynn and Norman Construction Company, of Skokie, the low bidder. The project, funded by the federal and state governments, is scheduled for completion during the summer of 1980.

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