

# **ANNOUNCING**

## **Service Improvements**

**N. Central Extension**

**W. Foster Extension**

**Higgins Road**

**Effective Feb. 20, 1955**

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**TO IMPROVE** service in the northwest section of the city, three of the eight local transit lines will be rearranged in the area bounded by the city limits on the north, Central Avenue-Lehigh Avenue on the east, Foster Avenue on the south, and Canfield Avenue on the west.

Involved in this rearrangement of transit service, which becomes effective Sunday, February 20, 1955, are the North Central Avenue extension, the West Foster Avenue extension and the Higgins Road routes. The new service will provide for the following:

1. Consolidation of the West Foster Avenue and the North Central Avenue extension bus routes.
2. Revision of both the east and west terminals of the Higgins Road bus route.

#### **WEST FOSTER AND NORTH CENTRAL EXTENSION ROUTES CONSOLIDATED**

The northern section of the consolidated West Foster-North Central Extension route will operate as a clockwise loop, via Caldwell, Touhy and Lehigh-Central, making CTA service conveniently accessible for the first time to residents adjacent to Caldwell Avenue, between Devon Avenue and Touhy Avenue, as well as to residents adjacent to Touhy Avenue, between Lehigh Avenue and Caldwell Avenue.

Northbound in Central Avenue, buses of the consolidated route will

operate through the off-the-street terminal on Central Avenue just north of the intersection of Milwaukee and Foster Avenues where a direct transfer connection will be made with northbound Milwaukee Avenue buses. The new service will also provide more direct routing for students who attend the Taft High School at Bryn Mawr Avenue and Natoma Avenue.

On weekdays and Saturdays, the consolidated route will operate from 5:30 A.M. to 1:15 A.M. On weekdays it will provide service at seven-minute intervals in the rush hours, and at 15-minute intervals during the midday and evening periods. On Saturdays and Sundays, the service intervals will be 15 minutes and 20 minutes, respectively. The hours of operation on Sundays will be from 8:30 A.M. to 9:30 P.M.

#### HIGGINS ROAD ROUTE IMPROVEMENTS

The new loop operation for the west end of the Higgins Road route will eliminate the hazardous "U" turnbacks in the street at Higgins and Canfield, and will more conveniently serve residents adjacent to Canfield Avenue, between Higgins Road and Devon Avenue, as well as provide service on Talcott Avenue, between Higgins Road and Canfield Avenue, for the first time. The Talcott Avenue leg of the route will also conveniently serve the new Resurrection Hospital and the Resurrection High School.

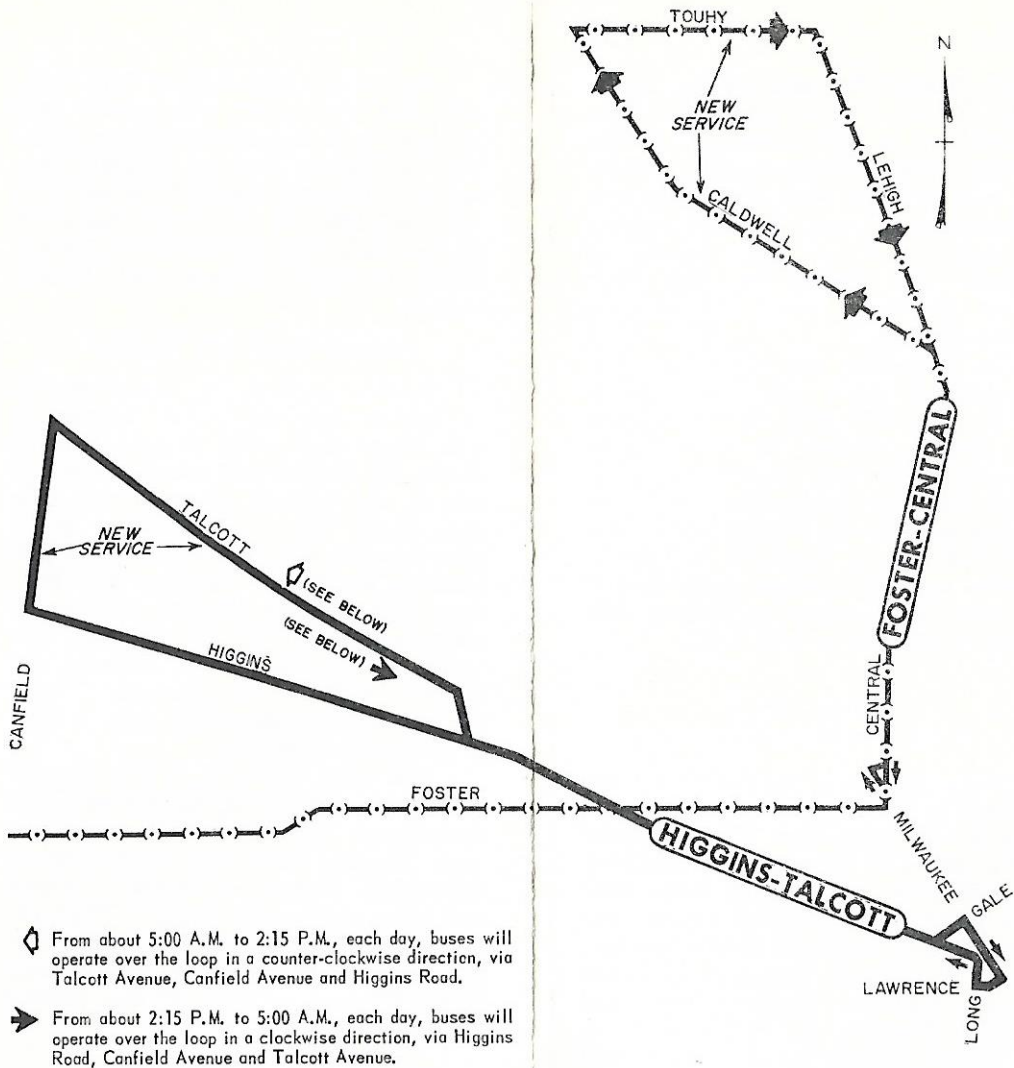
From about 5:00 A.M. to 2:15 P.M., each day, the buses will operate over the loop in a counter-clockwise direction, via Talcott Avenue, Canfield Avenue and Higgins Road. Between 2:15 P.M. and 5:00 A.M., the buses will operate in a clockwise direction via Higgins Road, Canfield Avenue and Talcott Avenue.

### Around-the-clock Service

Service intervals on weekdays will be four to four and a half minutes in rush hours and seven to nine minutes during the midday and evening. On Saturdays, the service intervals will vary from seven and a half minutes in the peak hours to 15 minutes during the late evening hours. On Sundays and holidays, the service interval will be 15 minutes during most of the day. Between noon and 6:00 P.M., however, the interval will be 12 minutes. "Owl" service will operate seven days a week at 30-minute intervals.

The east terminal of the Higgins Road route will be slightly revised. The turn-around will be made clockwise from Higgins Road via Gale Avenue, Milwaukee Avenue, Lawrence Avenue and Long Avenue to Higgins, thus enhancing the convenience of the passenger interchange with the Chicago and North Western railroad at the latter's Jefferson Park station.

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◁ From about 5:00 A.M. to 2:15 P.M., each day, buses will operate over the loop in a counter-clockwise direction, via Talcott Avenue, Canfield Avenue and Higgins Road.

➤ From about 2:15 P.M. to 5:00 A.M., each day, buses will operate over the loop in a clockwise direction, via Higgins Road, Canfield Avenue and Talcott Avenue.