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CLARK-WENTWORTH ROUTE REVISIONS

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CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY'S only remaining streetcar route, Clark-Wentworth (No. 22), will be split into two parts Sunday, September 8, 1957, and buses will be substituted for streetcars between the existing north terminal at Howard Street, and a new south terminal at Harrison Street, just south of the Loop.

Seventy-one odorless propane (LP-gas) buses are assigned to this route, designated as "Clark," replacing 39 streetcars.

The south part of the former Clark-Wentworth route, now "Wentworth," is being served, Mondays through Fridays, by 48 streetcars, operating between the existing south terminal at 81st Street and Halsted Street, and Kinzie and Clark Streets, just north of the Loop. On week-ends, buses will replace the streetcars.

"Clark" Route

The routing of the "Clark" line is south in Clark Street from Howard Street to Harrison Street, east to Dearborn Street, north to Kinzie Street, west to Clark, and north to Howard.

On the Clark bus route headways during the morning and evening rush hours are reduced from two and one-half minutes to one and one-half minutes. Midday intervals remain at four minutes and evening service will continue at four to seven-minute intervals. "Owl" service operates at 30-minute intervals during the late night and early morning hours.

"Wentworth" Route

The "Wentworth" routing is east in 81st Street from Halsted Street to Vincennes Avenue, northeast to Wentworth Avenue, north to Cermak Road, east to Clark Street, north to Harrison Street, east to Dearborn Street, north to Kinzie Street, west to Clark Street, south to Archer Avenue, southwest to Wentworth, south to Vincennes, and southwest to 81st, and then west to Halsted.

On the Wentworth streetcar route headways are not changed except during the "Owl" period when 30-minute service is provided.

Advantages

Splitting of the long Clark-Wentworth route into two shorter lines provides additional service, both northbound in Dearborn Street and southbound in Clark Street for riders in the area between Kinzie Street and Harrison Street where operations of the two lines over-lap.

The shorter routes insure more regular service through closer control of operations. Service delays on one of the new, shorter routes will no longer disrupt service on the other new route, as is the case with long, through routes.

Loading Zones and Transfers

Southbound in Clark Street and northbound in Dearborn Street, between Kinzie and Harrison, Clark buses will make service stops at safety islands in the streetcar track lane. Over the rest of the route nearside curb stops will be made.

Transfers between the Clark and Wentworth routes may be made at Clark and Kinzie Streets and at Clark and Harrison Streets.

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