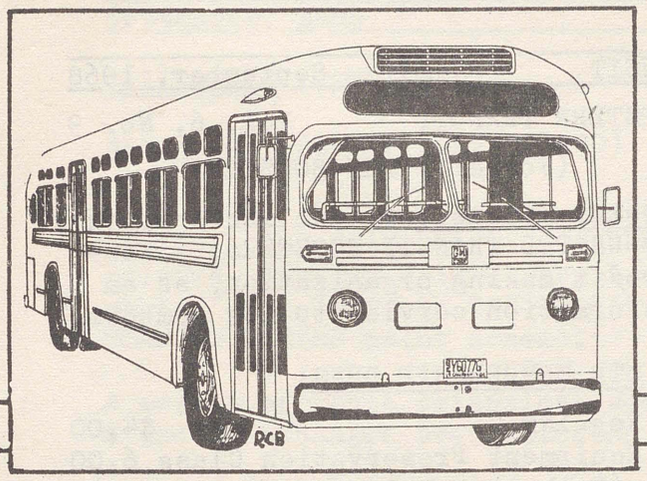


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C A L I F O R N I A

SACRAMENTO TRANSIT AUTHORITY (STA)

SACRAMENTO: The STA, its request for an additional $200,000 subsidy rejected by the Sacramento City Council, voted late in August to raise bus fares from 20 to 25 cents. Officials of the STA said approval of the subsidy would have forestalled the increase.

STA has fared better on another subsidy front. The authority will soon receive a $435,135 Urban Mass Transit grant to finance purchase of 15 new air-conditioned coaches and construction of a new garage and office building. The new coaches should replace the remaining GMC TD-3609's and TDH-3610's.

ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT (ACCTD)

OAKLAND: Line 78--CARLSON BLVD. will soon be extended to serve Crescent Park, a new Richmond development and a limited number of trips will be re-routed to the Bethlehem Steel Co. plant at Point Pinole. A special service contract with the Sherwood Forest area of El Sobrante has been renewed, assuring students of continued transit service to DeAnza and Juan Crespi schools.

AC Transit's "Ready-Fare" plan went into effect July 14 (TB, July 1968), and drivers no longer make change or sell tickets and tokens. The plan, set up to discourage holdups and assaults aboard buses, works around the clock. Here's what happens when you board an ACCTD bus: If you have the exact fare, you deposit it in the farebox as before. Transfers are issued as before. If you do not have the exact fare a driver will accept up to $5 and issue you a refund coupon. The coupon is in two parts. The passenger gets a stub. The other half is placed in a small envelope along with the money you presented. The envelope is dropped into the farebox by the driver. After five days, you take the coupon to an AC Transit office where it will be compared with the tag the driver placed in the farebox. Then you get your change.

AIRPORTRANSIT (Northern Division) (APT)

SAN FRANCISCO: APT has begun serving the San Francisco Greyhound Depot on the SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT route and has added the Oakland Greyhound Depot to the BERKELEY-OAKLAND-OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT line. Coaches 213 (Flxliner) and 1033-1035 (Starliners) are assigned to the Northern Division.

Club News

MEETING NOTICE

October Regular Meeting:

Date: October 13, 1968
Time: 8:00PM Sunday
Place: 936 South Genesee Avenue
Los Angeles
Location: West side of Los Angeles, ¼ block north of Olympic Blvd., 3 blocks east of Fairfax Avenue
Transportation: SCRTD lines 4 & 89

November Regular Meeting:

Date: November 10, 1968 (time and place as above.)

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New Staff Lineup Announced For WT As Squier Moves North

A new staff lineup for Western Transit was announced by General Manager Gerald Squire at the August meeting. Mac Sebree, a staff member for several months, was named editor, succeeding Squire who will continue to edit U.T.B. special publications, such as the annual SCRTD Survey.

Squire, fully recovered from the heart attack he sustained in June, takes on the post of Associate Editor/North while Assistant General Manager Ed Buckley becomes Associate Editor/South. The changes were occasioned by Squire's move to the San Francisco Bay area. He will continue his club functions, with special emphasis on developing U.T.B. activities in the northern part of the state. Sebree, promotion director of SCW, Inc., Los Angeles, has extensive experience in publications. He served for 11 years with United Press International.

Beginning with this issue, Western Transit adds two more states -- Oklahoma and Kansas -- to its Western States coverage area.

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SAN DIEGO TRANSIT CORP. (SDTC)

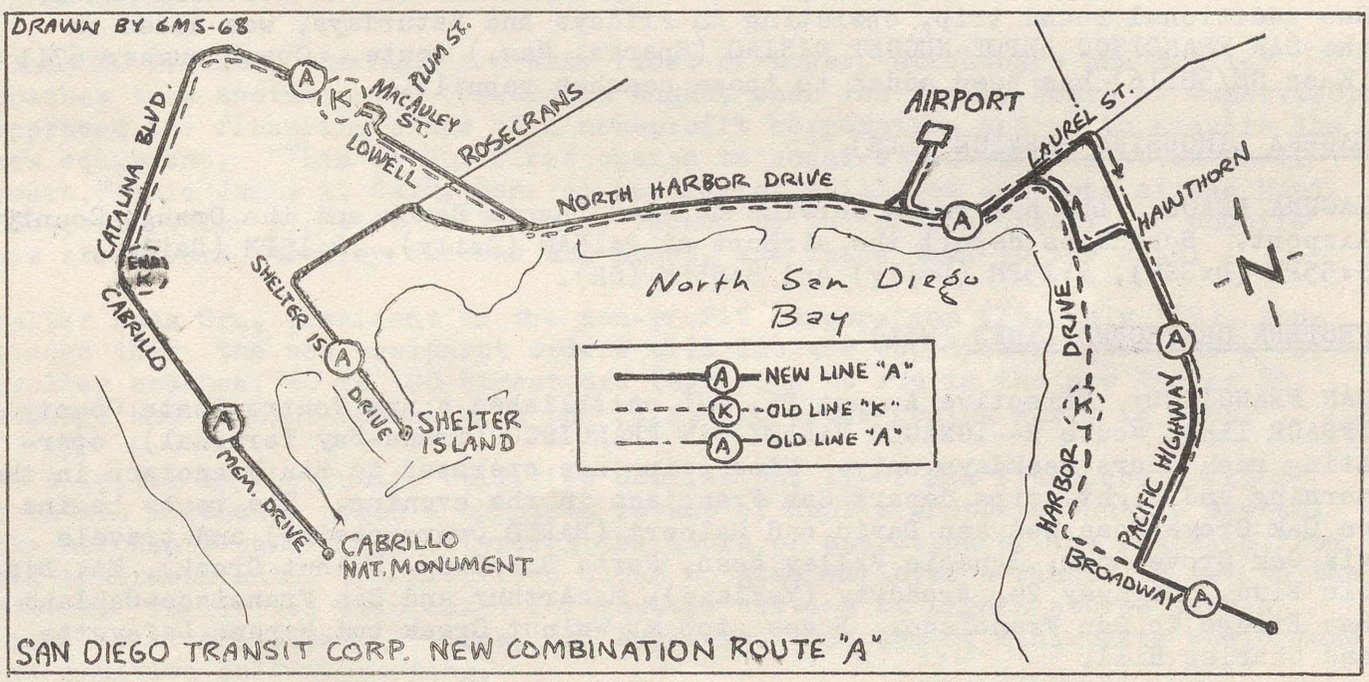
SAN DIEGO: SDTC is in the process of repainting the 200-series GM Coach TDH-5301's. As of August 18, coaches 207, 224, 226, 227 and 230-260 had been painted, leaving only 25 New Look coaches in the old livery of turquoise and white. All GM Coach TDH-4801's (501-550) still remain in the former SAN DIEGO TRANSIT SYSTEM paint scheme.

A series of route extensions were inaugurated recently involving lines 3, 11, A and K. Changes are indicated herewith:

Route 3--MISSION HILLS-OCEAN VIEW BLVD. was extended (all trips, everyday) from 40th and Ocean View Blvd. to 47th and Ocean View Blvd. to permit a direct connection with Line B--ALLIED GARDENS-FAIRMONT PARK-NATIONAL CITY.

Route 11--KENSINGTON-LOGAN HEIGHTS-SOUTH SPRING VALLEY. All trips formerly terminating at 47th and Logan were extended southward about one mile to 58th and Mira Flores.

Route A--AIRPORT and
Route K--CATALINA BLVD. were combined into one route and extended over two branches. The route is now known as Route A--SHELTER ISLAND or CATALINA BLVD. via Harbor Drive and Route A--AIRPORT with extended service to Cabrillo National Monument. The first-named branch goes via the airport, then via Harbor Drive and Rosecrans Ave. to Shelter Island; the second-named branch travels through the airport, then over the former Line K to the Naval Electronics Laboratory Gate and thence to the Cabrillo Monument. A 20-minute headway during the base prevails daily between downtown and Harbor & Lowell, with a 40-minute headway over each branch. Service to the Cabrillo Monument ends at 5:15PM; to the N.E.L.gate at 6:30PM. After that hour alternate trips terminate either on Shelter Island or at the airport. Four coaches of the 301-306 series (GM Coach TDH-5303's) are assigned.



SAN DIEGO TRANSIT CORP. NEW COMBINATION ROUTE "A"

CALIFORNIA (CONTINUED)

BAY RAPID TRANSIT CO. (BRTC)

MONTEREY: BRTC revised Line 6--DEL MONTE-SEASIDE on July 22 in the Seaside area. The new routing is as follows: From the downtown Monterey terminal at Alvarado and Franklin via Franklin, Figueroa, Del Monte, Broadway, Yosemite, Ord Grove, Fremont, Broadway and Del Monte to downtown.

LONG BEACH PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CO. (LBPTC)

LONG BEACH: The former TERMINAL ISLAND TRANSIT CO. routes have been incorporated into the LBPTC master scheme. The former TITCo. routes and their new numbers are Line 14--LONG BEACH-SAN PEDRO and Line 15--LONG BEACH-NAVAL BASE (Gates 1 and 5). These routes still do not offer transfers to or accept transfers from other LBPTCo routes. The downtown loops of these routes have been changed to loop via Pine, Broadway, Long Beach Blvd. and Ocean. Former terminal was Ocean and Pacific.

Fifteen new GM Coach T6H-4521's were placed into service during August. The coaches are equipped with all the safety features and have the usual Long Beach features. They are numbered 4562-4576.

HIGHLAND TRANSIT INC. (HT)

SAN PEDRO: Highland Transit's NINTH STREET line service hours on Sundays have been extended from 3:00PM to the last departure from Fifth and Harbor at 6:00PM.

AMERICAN BUSLINES INC. (ABL)

LOS ANGELES: Effective Sept. 8, ABL discontinued the summer-only LOS ANGELES-PHOENIX-DALLAS round trip leaving five daily schedules on the Southern Route. One additional round trip, operating on Fridays and Saturdays, was added on the SAN FRANCISCO DEPOT-NUGGET CASINO (Sparks, Nev.) route. Coach number 6711 (Kass SE/58116) has been added to those coaches rebuilt.

LAGUNA LIMOUSINE SERVICE (LLS)

LAGUNA BEACH: LLS has begun service between Laguna Beach and the Orange County Airport. Schedules depart the airport at 9:15AM (Daily), 12:15PM (Daily), 3:55PM (DxSSH), 6:15PM (Daily) and 8:55PM (SH).

WESTERN GREYHOUND LINES (WGL)

SAN FRANCISCO: Effective August 26, WGL established a new Contra Costa County SFBACR line, Route R--IGNACIO VALLEY-SAN FRANCISCO (Trans-Bay Terminal), operating rush hours weekdays only. Nine trips are operated to San Francisco in the morning and eight trips depart San Francisco in the evening. The route begins on Oak Grove Road between David and Meinert (BARTD Overcrossing) and travels via Oak Grove Road, Ignacio Valley Road, North Broadway (Walnut Creek), Mt. Diablo Blvd., Highway 24, Broadway (Oakland), MacArthur and San Fransisco-Oakland Bay Bridge to San Francisco. Buses stop at Walnut Creek but bypass Lafayette and Charles Hill.

All WGL commute fares were increased on Sept. 1, the result of a recent PUC

CALIFORNIA--WGL (CONTINUED)

decision. Minimum fare will be 35¢ and round trip fares are two times the one-way fare when the one-way fare is $1.00 or less. Commute books will now be honored on the SAN JOSE-SAN FRANCISCO NON-STOP EXPRESS schedules.

MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL BUS LINES (MMBL)

MONTEBELLO: MMBL has been awarded a $550,000 federal grant to purchase 10 new 45-seat air conditioned buses (presumably GM Coach T6H-4521's) to replace the oldest nine buses, 10 new electric fare boxes, and to cover 60 per cent of the cost of the corporate yard. This yard services all city vehicles except police cars. The grant could be increased to $733,596 if the Southern California Assn. of Governments (SCAG) completes a comprehensive transportation planning study of the Southern California area. MMBL also has plans for a new line to be established north to the San Bernardino Freeway, an integrated line operation with some (unspecified) SCRTD route, and integrated line operations with other local carriers.

SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL RAILWAY (SFMRy)

SAN FRANCISCO: The Muni has installed additional two-way radios (Motorolas) on coaches 2540-2569, 2650-2659 and assorted 2400-series Mack C49DT's, all based at Ocean Division. The 50-seat red and white Flxible demonstrator (which has been in San Francisco, Oakland, San Bernardino and New Orleans) is again in San Francisco and is currently assigned to Ocean Division. Line 38--GEARY mid-day Monday through Friday schedules have been revised to provide all "local" service operating to the Beach. Formerly "Local" and "Limited" trips alternated, the locals terminating at 11th Ave. and Geary, the limiteds continuing to the Beach Terminal.

Muni operators are now sporting new uniforms described as "Golden Gate Green" with gold shirts and red neckties. The caps feature an embroidered banner insignia, taken from the design on the front dash of the California Street cable cars.

Plans to re-equip the Muni's creaky fleet of buses, streetcars and trolley coaches took another step forward in August when the County Board of Supervisors approved the financing plans of a non-profit corporation set up to acquire the new equipment. "This is our first chance to acquire new rolling stock in 12 years," said James K. Carr, general manager of utilities and boss of the Muni. The corporation plans to sell bonds, backed by the city's credit, to acquire new streetcars, trolley coaches and buses, and lease them to the city.

Walter Haas Sr., president of the non-profit corporation (TB, July '68), announced that the new equipment orders will include 600 diesel buses, 80 to 160 trolley coaches, 60 to 100 streetcars (equipped to run in the new Market St. subway) and 50 mini-buses, with the first 200 buses coming early in 1969.

In a letter to the Public Utilities Commission, 11 of San Francisco's major downtown merchants urged a complete revamp of Muni's Shoppers Shuttle System. The merchants called for extending the hours of operation of the shuttles from mid-afternoon until after offices close to give employes a chance to get to the stores. The letter also asked for shuttle service on nights stores remain open, an extended service area, and suggested that use of mini-buses would make the shuttles self-supporting.

CALIFORNIA (CONTINUED)

BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT (BARTD)

SAN FRANCISCO: The regular session of the California legislature adjourned without passage of a bill to provide the additional $144 million in financing needed by BART to get its trains rolling in 1971. The bill, which would have doubled tolls on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, passed the Senate but died in the House in an 11th hour embroglio over an unrelated matter. The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce immediately sent telegrams to Gov. Reagan and Senate and Assembly leaders urging that the matter be settled in special session. It was expected that the governor would put the financing issue in his special session call, slated for September. However, the governor told warring legislative factions that he would submit the question to them only if they could agree on a plan to deal with the problem. Construction on the vast BARTD system will continue even if the aid is not immediately forthcoming, but the district will be unable to order any rolling stock until the financing is assured.

MARIN COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (MCTD)

SAN FRANCISCO: The MCTD, set up to eventually take over Marin County operations of WESTERN GREYHOUND LINES, is discussing a possible merger with the Golden Gate Bridge District. The GGBD operates the famed Golden Gate Bridge, across which all MCTD commute buses would pass.

ORANGE BELT STAGES (OBS)

BAKERSFIELD: On July 30 OBS discontinued service on its eastbound BAKERSFIELD-BARSTOW schedule to the Southern Pacific station in Bakersfield and the Santa Fe station in Barstow. This run connected with the Espee's San Joaquin Daylight in Bakersfield and the Santa Fe's Grand Canyon in Barstow. The Santa Fe train has been rescheduled, breaking the connection.

MODESTO-RIVERBANK-OAKDALE STAGE LINES (MROSL)

MODESTO: Service has been reduced along the Modesto-Riverbank-Oakdale Stage Lines, operating between the named cities. Service now consists of three round trips daily on weekdays, two on Saturdays and none on Sundays. The line recently lost a valuable mail contract.

STOCKTON METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT (SMTD)

STOCKTON: SMTD ended the fiscal year in the black with a few dollars to spare. The district received $130,000 in tax subsidy for the year, and income (including the subsidy) totaled $757,483, while expenses amounted to $726,324. The system took in $68,900 this June compared with $65,200 in June of 1967. Most of the increase was attributed to a growing charter service, with a slight decline reported in regular route business on the 43-bus system.

EMPLOYEES TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (ETS)

STOCKTON: A new carrier has commenced operations between Stockton and both the Sharpe Army Depot and the Tracy Defense Depot facilities. William Tanner, owner of ETS, operates Gillig and Crown buses, painted a light blue, in the service.

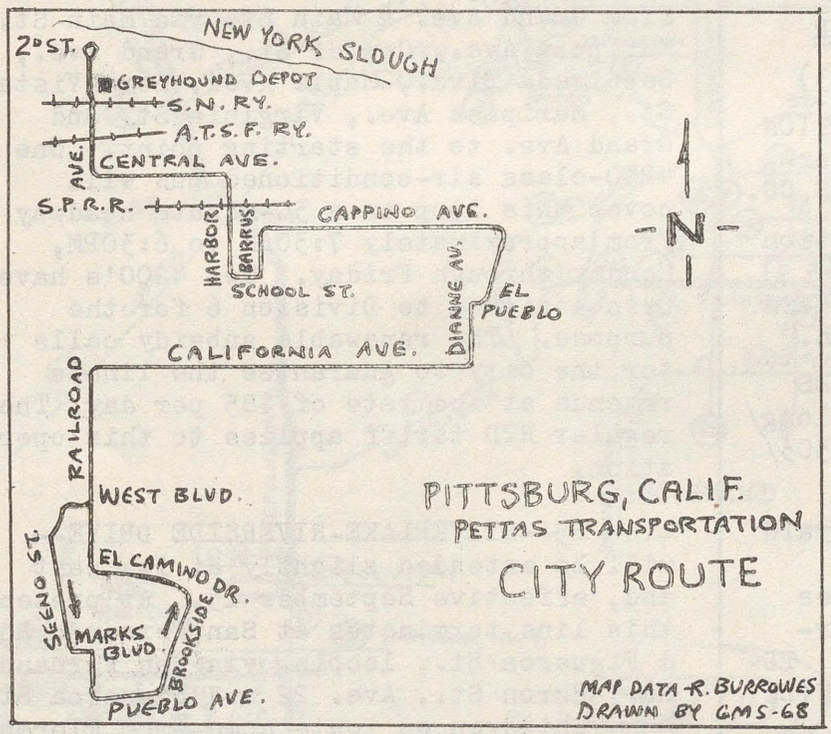
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GUITON CHARTER COACHES (GCC)

BERKELEY: Guiton Charter Coaches won a Class "B" charter party certificate after three days of hearings in San Francisco, marked by the opposition of the Charter Bus Association of California and several carriers. Guiton had been operating under a TCP permit but failed to obtain a Grandfather Certificate when such were issued last February.

PETTAS TRANSPORTATION CO. (PTC)

PITTSBURG: Pettas Transportation has entered into an agreement with the City of Pittsburg to provide a local bus service. Pittsburg had local bus service until 1962 and Pettas operated it. In fact, Pettas has been operating in the Pittsburg area since 1918, and is considered one of the oldest bus operators in California. After local operations quit in 1962, Pettas remained in the charter field.



The one-route local service was to be operated with a 30-passenger bus, with adult fare of 25¢, children 18 and under 15¢ and ticket books available at reduced rates. The city has agreed to subsidize the operation at $25.00 per day, six days a week.

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OBITUARIES

GEORGE H. HOOK, 64, president of (the new) PACIFIC CITY LINES and also president of the California Bus Association, died July 22 after a long illness. Hook began his transit career with INTERSTATE TRANSIT LINES of Omaha in 1928, serving there until 1940 when he joined PACIFIC CITY LINES, then a NATIONAL CITY LINES subsidiary. After serving in various positions Hook became vice president and handled the sale of several of PCL's holdings to public transit agencies. He became president of PCL in 1962 with properties in San Jose and Stockton. STOCKTON CITY LINES was sold to the STOCKTON METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT in June, 1965, leaving SAN JOSE CITY LINES as PCL's only remaining property. It is now the largest private urban transit operatin in the state.

CLESSIE L. CUMMINS, 79, inventor of the automotive diesel engine, died recently of an apparent heart attack at his home in Sausalito. He founded CUMMINS ENGINE CO. INC. at Columbus, Ind., and served as its president until retiring 12 years ago. 180 of SCRTD's buses are equipped with Cummins V8 engines.

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT (SCRTD)

LOS ANGELES: A group of 16 new bus lines, extensions and service improvements have been approved, to go into effect during September, October and November. Many of these are bound to be losing operations, but their cost will be offset by a state fuel tax exemption obtained this year. Six more routes still are under study, in addition to the vast service changes involved in the rapid transit program.

New Line 151--EL SEGUNDO LOCAL--goes into service September 9. This is a 4½ mile one-way loop operation, to be subsidized by the City of El Segundo on a three-month trial basis. The route is from Grand Ave. & Main St. via Main St., Mariposa Ave., Center St., Grand Ave., Sepulveda Blvd., Maple Ave., Loma Vista St., Mariposa Ave., Virginia St. and Grand Ave. to the starting point. One 4200-class air-conditioned bus will cover this loop on a 30-minute headway from approximately 7:30AM to 6:30PM, Monday through Friday. Two 4200's have been assigned to Division 6 for the purpose. The renewable subsidy calls for the city to guarantee the line's revenue at the rate of $85 per day. The regular RTD tariff applies to this operation.

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE BOOSTER

(Highlights of September, 1963)

+LONG BEACH PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CO. purchased and assumed operation of LONG BEACH MOTOR BUS CO.

+Former PERy Sixth & Main Station closed and LAMTA operations moved to temporary depot on Main to Spring between 5th and 6th.

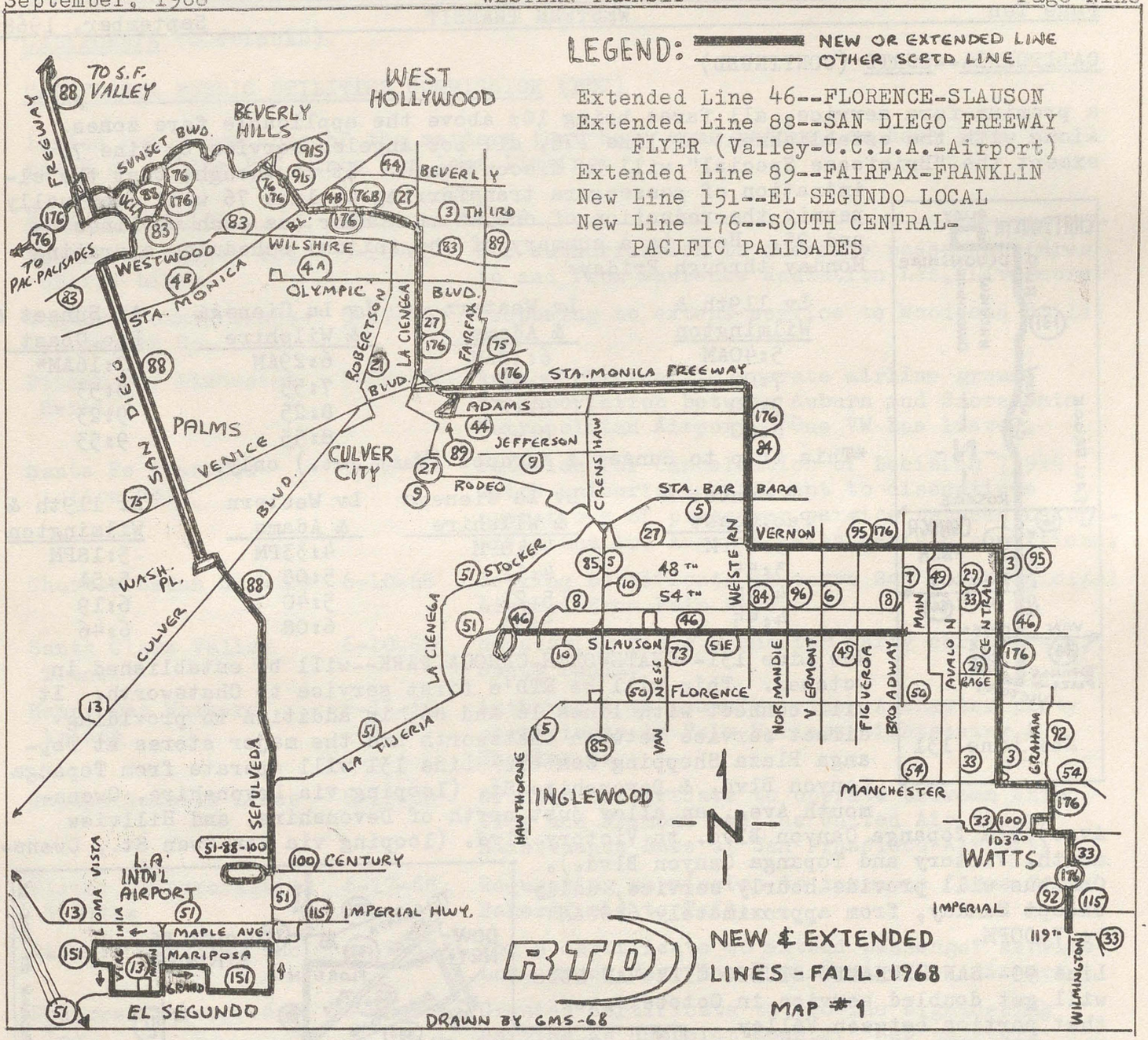
+MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL BUS LINES received its only (to 1968) long/wide transit coach, #47-TDH5303/479.

+Defunct GLENDALE CITY LINES yard housed several ex-MTA 6951's (TD4507's) and several coaches GCL used in last days of operation, including ex-PCL 8608, TD-3602/056, now property of U.T.B.

Line 65--SILVERLAKE-RIVERSIDE DRIVE--will be extended slightly at its east end, effective September 15. At present, this line terminates at San Fernando Rd. & Figueroa St., looping via San Fernando Rd., Huron St., Ave. 22 and Figueroa St. Many children en route home from Florence Nightengale Junior High board the buses at this point, which is adjacent to two bars. In order to provide a more suitable terminal, the loop will be extended, at all times, via Huron St., Ave. 26, and Figueroa. Although not mentioned as a reason for the change, this also will permit direct connections at Ave. 26 & Figueroa with lines 24 and 56.

Line 89--FAIRFAX AVE.-HOLLYWOODLAND-WESTERN & FRANKLIN--will be extended at its south end, also effective September 15. This will eliminate various problems related to the present turnaround at Venice Blvd. & Fairfax, while also providing new connections that should be of great value to present and potential patrons. The extension will be via a recently-opened portion of Fairfax to Adams Blvd., looping via Washington Blvd., Adams, and Fairfax. Connections will be made at the new terminal with RTD lines 27 and 44, as well as the CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL bus line. This extension will operate all day and evening, Monday through Saturday, as does the present service to Venice & Fairfax.

New line 176--SOUTH CENTRAL-PACIFIC PALISADES--will be established September 15, providing a long-anticipated direct rush-hour service between widely-separated communities. Large numbers of persons, primarily domestic workers, travel daily



CALIFORNIA--SCRTD (CONTINUED)

between South Central Los Angeles and Beverly Hills and points beyond. These passengers have been served hitherto by reverse-direction through rush-hour service to and from Los Angeles by line 76, but most have had to transfer one or more times to complete their trips. The new line will provide a one- or two-vehicle trip for most of these passengers. The route of line 176 is from 119th St. & Wilimington Ave., via Wilmington, 103rd St., Compton Ave. and 97th St. (northbound only), Graham Ave., Firestone Blvd., Central Ave., Vernon Ave., Western Ave., Santa Monica Freeway, Cadillac Ave. (westbound only), La Cienega Blvd., Burton Way, and the present route of line 76 to Pacific Palisades. It is anticipated that the four round trips to be operated on the initial schedule will serve approximately 200 present patrons per day, making this a near-capacity operation.

No local passengers will be carried east of La Cienega & Wilshire, and no stops will be made between Western & Adams and La Cienega & Wilshire. Line 176 will be

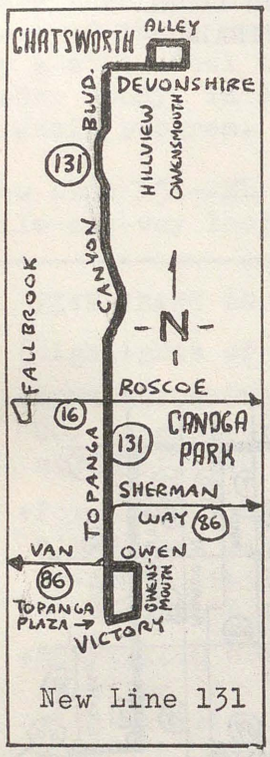
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a premium-fare service, all fares being 10¢ above the applicable fare zones. Along with the establishment of line 176, all Los Angeles service by line 76 except the "Briefcase Special" will be discontinued. It is thought that the elimination of passengers transferring to line 76 will eventually permit the reduction of one AM rush hour bus each on lines 84 and 95. Here is a summary of the initial schedule, operating Monday through Friday:

Lv 119th & Wilmington	Lv Western & Adams	Lv La Cienega & Wilshire	Ar Sunset & Pac.Coast
5:40AM	6:18AM	6:29AM	7:16AM*
7:00	7:42	7:55	8:53
7:30	8:12	8:25	9:23
8:00	8:42	8:55	9:53

*This trip to Sunset & Marquez (West Jct.) only.

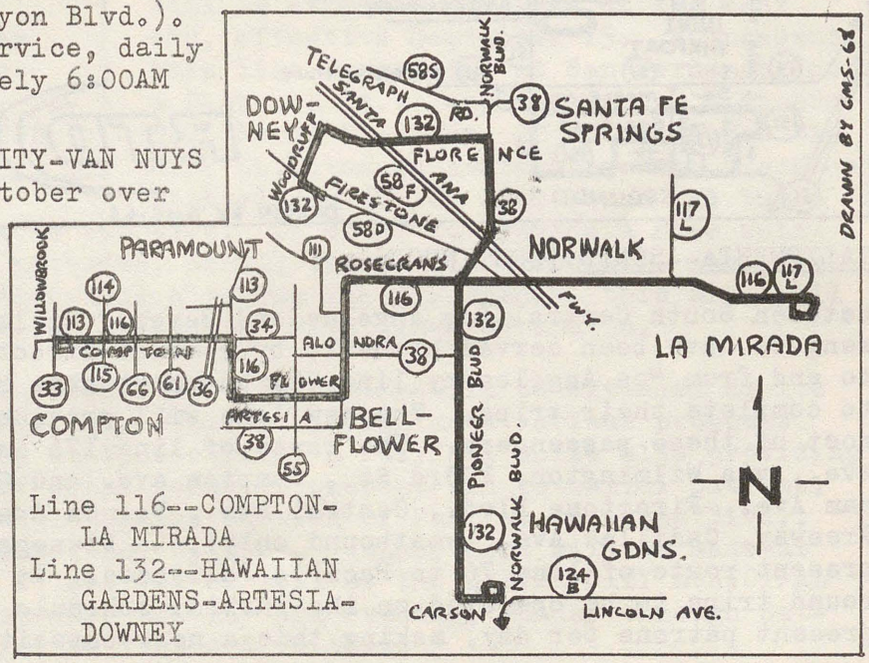
Lv Sunset & Pac.Coast	Lv La Cienega & Wilshire	Lv Western & Adams	Ar 119th & Wilmington
3:25PM	4:18PM	4:33PM	5:18PM
3:55	4:51	5:08	5:51
4:25	5:23	5:40	6:19
4:55	5:53	6:08	6:46



New Line 131

New Line 131--CHATSWORTH-CANOGA PARK--will be established in October. This will be RTD's first service to Chatsworth. It will connect with lines 16 and 86, in addition to providing direct service between Chatsworth and the major stores at Topanga Plaza Shopping Center. Line 131 will operate from Topanga Canyon Blvd. & Devonshire St. (looping via Devonshire, Owensmouth Ave., an alley just north of Devonshire, and Hillview Ave.) via Topanga Canyon Blvd. to Victory Blvd. (looping via Van Owen St., Owensmouth, Victory and Topanga Canyon Blvd.). One bus will provide hourly service, daily except Sunday, from approximately 6:00AM to 7:00PM.

Line 90--SAN FERNANDO-STUDIO CITY-VAN NUYS will get doubled service in October over that portion between Valley Plaza, Studio City, Sherman Oaks and Van Nuys. Including the present service, a combined 30-minute headway will prevail throughout the day between Victory & Lauren Canyon Blvds. and Victory & Van Nuys Blvds., Monday through Friday. Two additional buses will be required.



Line 116--COMPTON-LA MIRADA
Line 132--HAWAIIAN GARDENS-ARTESIA-DOWNEY

Changes effective in November will provide new and improved services to Downey, La Mirada and Hawaii Gardens. At present, line 116--COMPTON-ARTESIA-LA MIRADA--operates 12 weekday trips on approximately an hourly headway, from Compton to Norwalk. Seven of these trips continue to Hawaiian Gardens, the other five to La Mirada.

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CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (PUC)

Listed below are some of the matters that have come before, or have been disposed of by the PUC since our last listing:

Name of Carrier	Date	Item
Ronald C. Kelsey dba Sierra Lines	5-16-68	For authorization to increase passenger fares to and from Lawrence Radiation Lab, Livermore.
Ventura County Transportation Co.	5-17-68	Proposing to extend service to Woodland Hills.
Placer Co. Limousine Service	5-28-68	Asks certificat to operate airline ground transportation between Auburn and Sacramento Metropolitan Airport. One VW bus listed.
Santa Fe Transportation Co.	5-31-68	Petition for cancellation of Decision 73944 which authorized applicant to discontinue operations of passenger service between Bakersfield and Los Angeles, with certain conditions.
Charter Sedan Service	6-10-68	Seeking certificate to serve San Jose Municipal Airport from Palo Alto.
Santa Clara Valley Transit	6-10-68	Requesting class B charter party certificate, Santa Paula.
Happy Day Workers Agency	6-11-68	Authorized to transfer class A charter party certificate to Palm Springs Sightseeing & Charter Co.
Golden Gazelle Lines	6-11-68	Granted certificate to operate between Union City and Fremont and the United Air Lines Maintenance Base at San Francisco Airport.
Foster Transportation Service	6-17-68	Requesting permission to increase fares from Bakersfield to Taft.
Airport Service, Inc.	6-18-68	For a certificate to extend passenger service Long Beach/Seal Beach to Orange Co. Airport.
Squirrel Enterprises, Inc.	6-18-68	Granted certificate to provide sightseeing service in Humboldt County. New carrier.
Greyhound Lines, Inc.	6-20-68	Seeks to establish special service route between Sears Point and North Vallejo.
Happy Days Workers Agency	6-20-68	Petititon for rehearing filed by Greyhound Lines protesting transfer of class A charter party certificate to Palm Springs Sightseeing & Charter Co.
P. L. Reiner, dba Laguna Transit	6-25-68	Requesting permission to transfer certificate and assets to Ishmel D. Sumner, Edison D. Sumner and T. Durbin Thompson. The three are former employes of Reiner. Price of $15,890 is reported including 3 buses (#209 Coachette; #211 Junior Transit and #218 Minibus/240).
Highland Patton Lines	6-25-68	Operating authority revoked.

CALIFORNIA - PUC (CONTINUED)

Name of Carrier	Date	Item
Marin City Transportation Co.	6-25-68	Request for class B charter party certificate dismissed without prejudice. Applicant was issued a Permit in lieu of a certificate.
The Gray Line, Inc.	6-25-68	Granted authority to include Yerba Buena Island in sightseeing service.
A & A Tours, Inc.	7-2-68	Petition for rehearing filed by Gray Line Tours Co. dismissed. PUC had authorized A & A to operate between Santa Barbara and Solvang in sightseeing service.
San Diego Economy Line	7-2-68	Seeking to reroute, extend service and remove restrictions, San Ysidro, etc.
Cable Car Advertisers Inc.	7-2-68	Requesting class B charter party certificate San Francisco. Operates 7 "cable cars" mounted on Ford chassis.
The Gray Line, Inc.	7-8-68	Requesting permission to extend sightseeing service to Marine World near Redwood City.
Visitours, Inc.	7-9-68	Operative rights covering guided tour service in San Diego area revoked.
Charter Sedan Service vs. National Executive Service	7-16-68	Charter alleges that NES is charging fares on a per capita basis between San Francisco Airport and San Jose Municipal Airport.
Happy Day Workers Agency	7-16-68	Commission denies petitition for rehearing filed by Greyhound Lines (see previous entry)
East Los Angeles Community Improvement Assn.	7-16-68	Granted a certificate to operate between East Los Angeles and Vets Adm. Center, LA County.
West Valley Charter Lines	7-16-68	Certificate issued to provide service for United Air Lines employes between Santa Clara Valley points and UAL maintenance base, San Francisco International Airport.
East Los Angeles Community Improvement Assn.	7-17-68	Requesting a certificate to operate between East Los Angeles and Douglas Space & Missile Systems Division, Compton.
Gray Line Tours Co.	7-19-68	Granted temporary certificate to serve The Forum, Inglewood, Santa Monica, etc.

W Y O M I N G

PIONEER TRANSIT LINES (PTL)

CASPER: PTL has taken over, effective August 1, the CASPER-MEDICINE BOW and CASPER-RAWLINS routes of the former WYOMING MOTORWAY COMPANY. One round trip daily is operated over each route.

O R E G O N

ESTACADA-MOLLAKA STAGES, INC. (EMS)

PORTLAND: EMS, a Portland suburban operator, has filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission a petititon for charter operations beginning at Portland and extending to points within 40 miles of Portland over regular routes to various points in the United States. It is expected that CONTINENTAL PACIFIC LINES, MT. HOOD STAGES dba PACIFIC TRAILWAYS, and WESTERN GREYHOUND LINES will protest this application.

N E V A D A

LAS VEGAS-TONOPAH-RENO STAGE LINE, INC. (LVTRSL)

RENO: This carrier has begun operating a new route between South Lake Tahoe, Crystal Bay, Truckee and the Truckee/Tahoe Airport. One round trip daily operates between South Lake Tahoe and the airport, another between South Lake Tahoe and the city of Truckee.

T E X A S

DALLAS TRANSIT SYSTEM (DTS)

DALLAS: DTS has applied for membership in the American Sightseeing Assn. (ASA) and DTS General Manager Wilson Driggs said all sightseeing services now provided by the undertaking will be operated and advertised under the name of AMERICAN SIGHTSEEING. DTS is the first mass transit facility to become a member of the ASA. All other members, Driggs said, are sightseeing or charter service operators exclusively.

O K L A H O M A

CENTRAL OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION & PARKING AUTHORITY (COTPA)

OKLAHOMA CITY: Voters in July gave their approval to a $2.1 million bond issue to finance improved transit service. The money will be used to purchase 20 buses a year for the next three years and to build a garage and administrative headquarters for the system. COTPA at present is leasing equipment and maintenance services from the former private operators of the Oklahoma City system, CITY BUS CO. COTPA also purchased, for $774,500, the fleet of 56 buses it was leasing. The 60 new buses to be acquired during the next three years will be air conditioned.

METROPOLITAN TULSA TRANSIT AUTHORITY (MTTA)

TULSA: Tulsa is the latest large city to institute publicly-owned transit. A strike July 19 of operators employed by the private operator, MK&O TRANSIT LINES, led to creation of the MTTA, which hoped to get buses rolling again this month. MK&O has offered to lease buses to the city for about $12,500 a month. The city has agreed to appropriate an initial $60,000 to cover deficit operations of the MTTA. Curtailment of some mid-day bus service and a fare hike have been suggested as a means of improving the income situation of the system. MK&O has operated public transit in Tulsa since 1957, when it replaced TULSA CITY LINES, a NATIONAL CITY LINES subsidiary, as the local operator.

K A N S A S

TOPEKA TRANSPORTATION CO. (TTC)

TOPEKA: Public transportation in the capital city of Kansas is conducted by TOPEKA TRANSPORTATION CO., which operates 7 routes on a 30¢ base fare, or a token rate of 3 for 85¢. The current roster was obtained by Warren Quon:

Coach Number	Builder	Model/Serial Numbers	Comments
700-702	Southern	T35/ ?	Southerns for sale, or to be scrapped.
704	Southern	T35/1683	" "
705-706	Southern	T35/ ?	" "
707-710	Southern	T41/ ?	" "
711	Southern	T41M/3514	" "
713	Southern	T35/ ?	" "
900	G.M.Coach	TDH-4509/474	Ex-Denver Tramway Corp. 254
901	G.M.Coach	TDH-4509/502	Ex-DTC 282
902	G.M.Coach	TDH-4509/473	Ex-DTC 253
905	G.M.Coach	TDH-4509/001	Ex-Upjohn Pharme
906	G.M.Coach	TDH-4509/2663	?
907	G.M.Coach	TDH-4509/2051	Ex-Upjohn
908	G.M.Coach	TDH-4509/964	Ex-Upjohn
909-910	G.M.Coach	TDH-4512/2125-2126	Ex-White Transit 11 & 12 (Media, Penna.)
920	G.M.Coach	TDH-3612/203	
923	G.M.Coach	TDH-3612/212	Ex-DTC
924	G.M.Coach	TDH-3612/216	Ex-DTC
925-928	G.M.Coach	TDH-3714/021-024	Ex-Savannah Transit Authy.
929	G.M.Coach	TDH-3714/148	Ex-La.Transit 103, push doors
930-931	G.M.Coach	TDH-5105/ ?	Ex-DTC
932	G.M.Coach	TDH-5105/1314	Ex-DTC 977

Below is a service table for the TTC:

Route		Headways-MF		Sat.		Last
	1st Bus	Base	Rush	Base	Rush	Bus
1-OAKLAND-WEST 10TH	5:45AM	30(2)	20(3)	30(2)	30(2)	5:45PM
2-WEST 17TH-KENWOOD	6:15AM	35(2)	35(2)	60(1)	35(2)	5:45PM
3-GAGE PARK-HUNTOON	6:15AM	30(2)	30(2)	60(1)	30(2)	5:45PM
4-SOUTH TOPEKA	6:15AM	45(1)	30(1)	45(1)	30(1)	5:45PM
6-NO. TOPEKA-EAST 10TH	5:45AM	30(2)	30(2)	60(1)	30(2)	5:45PM
7-HIGHLAND PK.-W. 21ST	6:15AM	45(2)	40(2)	90(1)	40(2)	5:45PM

( ) -- Equipment requirements.

KANSAS --TTC (CONTINUED)

All buses are painted white on top and light green on the bottom, divided at the belt rail.

TTC was hard-hit by the tornado which struck the Topeka area in October, 1966. The company had two GM Coach Dreamliners, and both were wrecked. TTC received federal aid after the disaster, but only for restoration of its garage and yard. None of the aid money went for new equipment.

KANSAS CITY AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (KCATA)

KANSAS CITY: The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority has purchased, for $4,850,000, the private transit operator for the Kansas City Mo.-Kan., area, KANSAS CITY TRANSIT, INC. The Authority expects to take over operations by February 1, 1969. KCT now operates 349 buses, purchased from 1947 to 1962, most of them manufactured by G. M. Coach. The Authority hopes to purchase 25 to 30 buses annually to modernize the fleet.

E Q U I P M E N T R E P O R T

Below is a list of passenger equipment that has come to our attention as having been acquired or disposed of by Western operators since our last report. Neither completeness nor currency is implied.

Name of Company	Vehicle Numbers	Builder	Model/Serial Numbers	Comments
NEW BUSES				
Fiesta Coach	38	GM Coach	PD4107/1013	38 seat
	45	GM Coach	PD4107/1052	45 seat
Barrett Transp.	2822	GM Coach	PD4107/?	Sealed windows
Western Tours	21-24	GM Coach	SDM4502/130-133	
(Seattle)	--	GM Coach	S6M4503/001-003	May also have 004
Yosemite Transp.	71	GM Coach	S6M4503A/003	Glass roof
AC Transit	626-635	GM Coach	T6H5305/019-028	Incompl. Info.
Embree Buses	601-602	GM Coach	PD4903/217-218	
Community Charter	5301	GM Coach	PD4903/?	Green/Orange/White
Allen Transp.	712	GM Coach	PD4903/153	
Fresno Transit	664	MCI	MC5A/unit6002/serial6657	
Western Greyhound	8800-8809	MCI	MC5A/units6724-6733/serial7255/7264	
LBPTCo.	4562-4576	GM Coach	T6H4521/020-034	
Airportransit	11	Minibus	MBF-2D/435	
	12	Minibus	TMB-2D/441	18 wraparound seats
	411-412	Minibus	MB-1D/430,436	
	413-414	Minibus	MBF-1D/437,439	
Hertz Rent-A-Car	--	Minibus	MB-2D/?	2 door, 14 seats
USED BUSES				
LBPTCo.	RLH 7	Leyland/MCW Dbl deck; top 27 seats bottom 26		
	RLH 30	Leyland/MCW Dbl deck; top 30 seats bottom 26		
	RTL 564	Leyland/MCW Dbl deck; top 30 seats bottom 26		
	RTL 1037	Leyland/MCW Dbl deck; top 30 seats bottom 26 (All ex-London Transport)		

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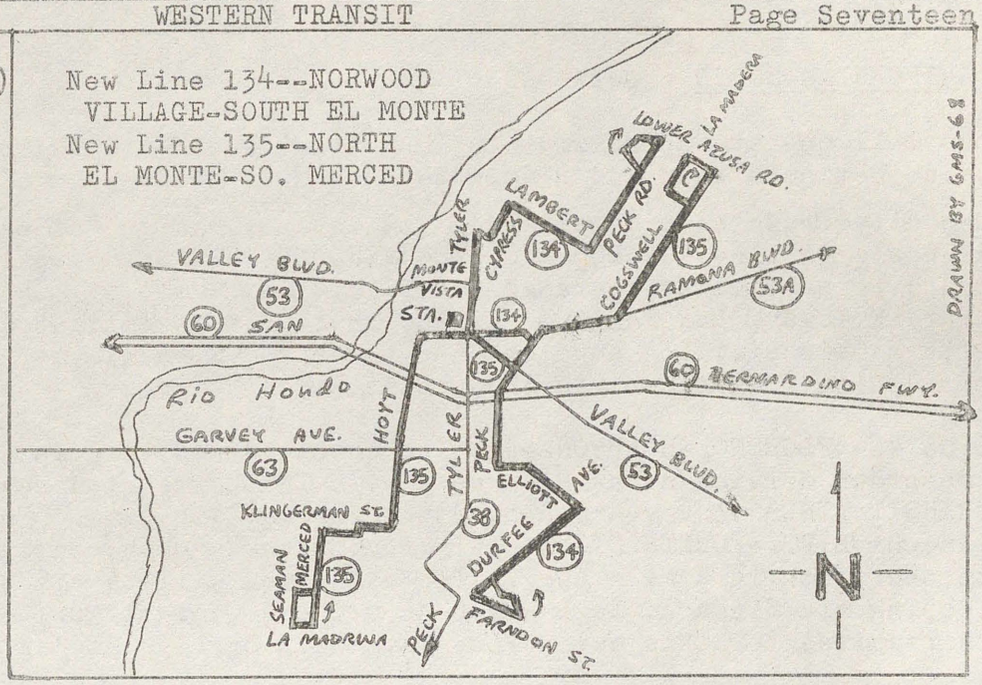
Name of Company	Vehicle Numbers	Builder	Model/Serial Numbers	Comments
Blue & White Bus Lns	108	GM Coach	TDH3612/1750	Ex ATCo 130
	109	GM Coach	TDH3714/035	Ex ATCo 131
	121	GM Coach	TDH4509/1325	Ex SLATCO 52
San Pedro Motor Bus	20	GM Coach	TD4007/659	Ex Montebello 20
	5601	GM Coach	TD3609/132	Ex STA 5601
Douglas Bus Lines	118	GM Coach	TDH4507/?	EX SCRTD 6900's
Gray Line of Los Angeles	5100,02, 03,05,08, 5109	GM Coach	TDH5103/532, 536,538,545, 555,556	Ex SCRTD 6401,5, 7,14,24,25
Eastshore Lines	416-417	GM Coach	SDM5301/301-302	Ex Nationwide Tours, Schenectady,NY
Ace Charter Coaches	20	GM Coach	PD4104/930	Ex WGL 7149
Golden Bear Div., Charter Bus Trp.Sys	197	GM Coach	PD4104/1265	Ex Arrow Chtr Lines 1203
Orange Coast Sightseeing Co.	214	GM Coach	PD4104/345	Ex GLOSF 214
Santa Barbara Transit Co.	304	GM Coach	PD4104/?	Ex ?
Gray Lines of San Francisco	232,34,37, 39,40,44, 46,47,56, 57,58,59,	GM Coach	PD4104/180,268, 131,825,867, 829,1104,1113, 935,1083,1094, 1099	Ex WGL 7207,7233, 7197,7104,7109, 7123,7128,7137, 7154,7164,7168, 7172
	474	GM Coach	TDM4801/025	Ex WGL 9474
Western Greyhound	0610	GM Coach	PD4501/547	Ex Baggage Car
Denver-Colo.Sprs.- Pueblo Motorway	8410-8414	Flxible	HiLevel/?	8411 ex CCL3425 8414 ex CCL3422
Executive Charter	104	Mack	C41GT/1807	Ex LBMB 7107
Gray Line Scenic Tours of Reno	101-102	GM Coach	PD/4104/?	
	123-124	GM Coach	TD3609/140,208	Ex STA 5609,5619
	Y55	GM Coach	TGH3101/267	26 seat,bge sect.
Calif.-Nev.GldnTours	121-122	GM Coach	PD4106/?	
Gray Line of Salt Lake City	282-283	GM Coach	PD4104/1399,1362	
	284-286	GM Coach	PD4106/?	
	287-288	GM Coach	PD4106/734, ?	Ex TNM&O L628,624
Greyhound Lines	0700	GM Coach	PD4501/391	Ex CGL 1222, 32 seats/baggage
Englewood & Fort Logan Bus Line	1	Mack	C47DT/1449	Ex DTC 145

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Continental Western Lines	4104,4102	GM Coach	PD4104/?	To Unknown
	4417	Flxible	VL100/10256	To Unknown

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New Line 134--NORWOOD VILLAGE-SOUTH EL MONTE
New Line 135--NORTH EL MONTE-SO. MERCED



The last La Mirada trip is too early for commute use. Under the new plan all line 116 weekday service will operate to La Mirada. New Line 132 --HAWAIIAN GARDENS-ARTESIA-DOWNEY--will be established to replace the Artesia branch of line 116 and provide a new service to Downey. Line 132 will operate from Norwalk Blvd. & Carson St. (looping via Horst Ave., Tilbury St., Norwalk Blvd. and Carson) via Carson, Pioneer Blvd., San Antonio Drive, Norwalk Blvd., Florence Ave., Woodruff Ave. and Firestone Blvd. to Pangborn Ave. (looping via Firestone, Pangborn, Nance Ave. and Woodruff Ave.) Two buses will operate on line 132 from approximately 6:00AM to 7:00PM, Monday through Friday. Line 116 Saturday service will continue between Compton and Hawaiian Gardens, as at present.

Two new local lines to serve El Monte will be established in October. Each will operate on a 60-minute headway from approximately 5:00AM to 7:00PM, Monday through Friday, and each will require one bus. Line 134--NORWOOD VILLAGE-SOUTH EL MONTE--will operate from Durfee Ave. & Slack Rd. (looping via Durfee, Farndon St., Kayann Pl. and Slack) via Durfee, Elliott Ave, Peck Rd., Ramona Blvd., Tyler Ave., Bryant Rd., Cypress Ave., Lambert Ave. and Peck Rd. to Lower Azusa Rd. (looping via Ranchito St., Elrovia Ave., Lower Azusa and Peck Rd.) Line 135--NORTH EL MONTE-SOUTH MERCED--will operate from Merced Ave. & La Madrina Ave. (looping via Alesia St., Seaman Ave., La Madrina and Merced) via Merced, Klingerman St., Central Ave., Klingerman, Hoyt, Ramona Blvd., Valley Blvd., Peck, Ramona and Cogswell Rd. to Lower Azusa Rd. (looping via Ranchito St., La Madera Ave., Lower Azusa and Cogswell).

New Line 133--WEST COVINA LOCAL--also will be established in October, linking the area south of the San Bernardino Freeway with the Eastland and West Covina Plaza Shopping Centers as well as providing connections with line 60. Line 133 will operate from Toluca Ave. & Service Ave. (looping via Sunset Ave., Service, Toluca and Cameron Ave.) via Sunset, Merced Ave., Glendora Ave., Vine Ave. and Citrus St. to Eastland Shopping Center. Service will be operated on a 30-minute rush hour and 60-minute base headway, Monday through Friday, requiring 2 buses.

New Line 87--RAMONA GARDENS-GENERAL HOSPITAL starts September 15. Ramons Gardens is a public housing project located north of the San Bernardino Freeway and east of Soto St. in Los Angeles. Line 92--SIERRA VISTA operates along Soto St. but a combination of distance and hills makes this service inaccessible for many of the project's residents. The new line will fill this void. Line 87 will operate from the General Hospital Outpatient Clinic (looping via Marengo St., hospital roadways, and Cummings St.) via Marengo and Soto to Murchison St. & Lancaster Ave. (looping via Lancaster, Murchison, Alcazar St. and Soto). One

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bus will operate approximately 12 hours (6:00AM-6:00PM) per day, six days per week, on a 30-minute base and 20-minute rush hour headway.

Expedited rush hour service will be established in October between Los Angeles and Glendale on Line 39--LOS ANGELES-GLENDALE-BURBANK. Two AM inbound and two PM outbound trips will be operated via Temple St., Hill St., Pasadena Freeway, Golden State Freeway, Los Feliz Blvd. and Brand Blvd. Estimated running time between 11th & Main St., Los Angeles, and the North Glendale terminus is 37 minutes, compared with 50 minutes via the present local service.

Line 46--FLORENCE-SLAUSON--will be estended westward in November to provide a new crosstown service along Slauson Ave. This extension was requested of LOS ANGELES TRANSIT LINES many years ago, but never came to pass. For most of its distance, Line 8--FIFTY-FOURTH ST. is only four blocks north, but the nearest parallel line to the south is a mile away. The extension will be via Slauson to La Brea Ave., looping via Slauson, La Brea, 62nd St. and Overhill Dr. Two additional buses will be required for this extension, will will operate Monday through Saturday.

New Line 136--PASSONS BLVD.--opens in October, providing north-south service through Pico Rivera. Line 136 will operate from Rosemead Blvd. & Telegraph Rd. (looping via Rosemead, Vista del Rosa, Manzanar Ave. and Telegraph) via Telegraph, Passons, Sunglow St., Passons, Washington Blvd. and Passons to Whittier Blvd. (looping via Passons, Whittier, Church St. and Glencannon Dr.) One bus will provide hourly service, 6:00AM to 7:00PM, Monday through Friday.

Finally, Line 88--SAN DIEGO FREEWAY FLYER--will be extended in November to Los Angeles International Airport, providing direct service between the airport, Westchester, Westwood and the San Fernando Valley. The extension will be routed via Wilshire Blvd., San Diego Freeway, Sawtelle Blvd. and Washington Pl. (southbound only) and Sepulveda Blvd. to the airport. One additional bus will be required for this major extension of line 88's hourly service.

All necessary preliminaries have been completed for the District's rapid transit bond election to appear on the November 5 ballot as Proposition A. A citizen's committee has been formed to conduct a major campaign for its passage. As a part of its public information program, SCRTD has borrowed the BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT's "Rapid Transit Design Car" for display at various points. Display locations include Watts, Hollywood Bowl, Lakewood Center, South Bay Shopping Center, Los Angeles County Fairgrounds (Sept. 13-17), Topanga Plaza Shopping Center (Sept. 20-22) and Valley Plaza Shopping Center (Sept. 24-25).

Regarding the recent retirement of coach 6517, the accident in which it was damaged occurred May 14. With the TDH-4801's (now 10 to 15 years old) due for replacement in the next few years anyway, repairs (which would have cost $3,000) did not seem justified.

RTD's offer to purchase the TORRANCE MUNICIPAL BUS LINES has been rescinded due to the prolonged negotiations, but talks on an eventual acquisition will continue.

6100-series Flxible 111-CC-D5-1's have been assigned on Saturdays and Sundays to lines 81--VENTURA BLVD.-HOLLYWOOD-BURBANK and 93--LOS ANGELES-VAN NUYS-PACOIMA out of Division 8. Of the 28 6100's assigned to Division 8, only 7 were previously being used on Saturday and 2 on Sunday. Additional repaints in the District's new livery not previously recorded: 2127, 2133, 2355, 5071, 5073, 5081, 5082, 5097, 5337, 5360, 5361, 5370, 5401, 5416, 5443, 5710, 5712, 5810, 5821, 5841, 5865, 5892 and 6641.