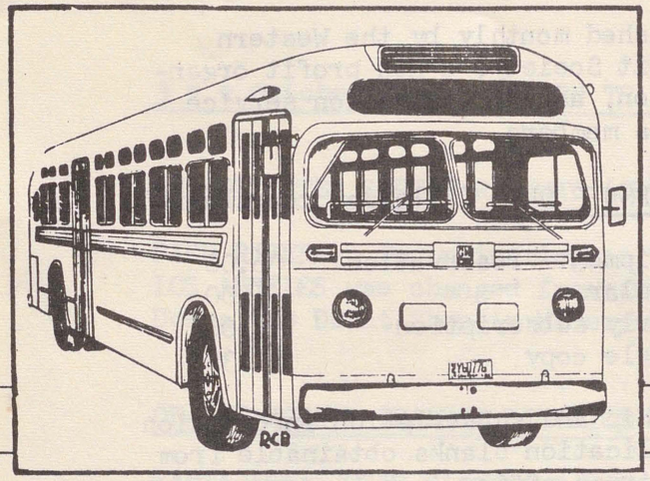


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C A L I F O R N I A

SACRAMENTO TRANSIT AUTHORITY (STA)

SACRAMENTO: STA's newest line, 17-SUNRISE MALL SHUTTLE began operation on Monday August 28th using coach 415, a T6H 4521A, with Operator R. Perry at the wheel. Sunrise Mall is Sacramento's newest regional shopping center and is located in the North Sacramento area. Line 17 begins at Sunrise Mall and travels via Sunrise Boulevard, Greenback Lane, Auburn Boulevard, Manzanita Avenue, Winding Way, Rampart Drive, Jan Drive, California Avenue, Sutter Avenue and Fair Oaks Boulevard to Manzanita Avenue to Sunrise Mall. A rough forty minutely headway is maintained from 8:30 AM until 7:00 PM Monday through Friday between Sunrise Mall and Manzanita and Coyle with generally every third trip extended to either Winding Way and Rampart or California and Casita Avenues. Depending upon the schedule connections to and from downtown Sacramento are made with Lines 10-ROSEVILLE, 11 and 12-TOWN AND COUNTRY-CARMICHAEL or 13-ORANGEVALE. No weekend or holiday service is offered.

AMADOR STAGE LINES, INC. (ASL)

SACRAMENTO: ASL revised its schedule for the winter cutting back its STOCKTON-RENO VIA JACKSON route which operates along California Highway 88 to operate between Stockton and Jackson. During the summer the bus operates east from Stockton Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday and west from Reno Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. During the winter on the shortened route service operates in both directions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

YELLOW CAB COMPANY (YCCo)

SACRAMENTO: YCCo has filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission to increase fares and alter certain routes to the Sacramento Metropolitan Airport. Presently YCCo has authority to serve the airport from Sacramento and West Sacramento points and uses a fleet of eleven passenger Checker Aerobuses painted yellow which are lettered "Yellow Cab Airporter". The main downtown Sacramento terminal is the Senator Hotel at Eleventh and L Streets.

MEETING DATES

Next meeting - Sunday, November 12

Future meeting - Sunday, December 10

Location: West side of Los Angeles 1/4 block north of Olympic Blvd., 3 blocks east of Fairfax Avenue

936 South Genessee Avenue
Los Angeles, California
7:30 PM

Transportation: SCRTD Lines 4 and 89

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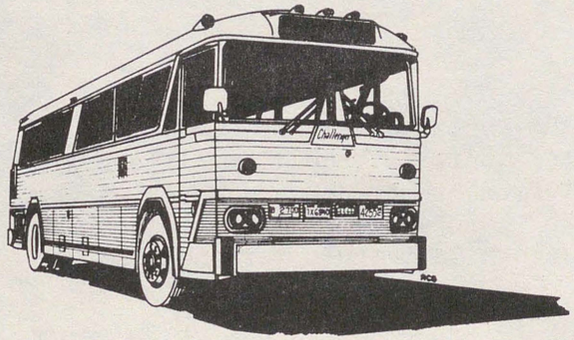
FIVE YEARS AGO IN "THE BOOSTER"

October 1967

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMPANY inaugurated service to Los Angeles International Airport from Ventura, Oxnard, Camarillo and Thousand Oaks using a new Flxible Starliner.

SOUTH COAST TRANSIT CORP inaugurated service to UC Irvine, El Modena Center and added schedules to the LAGUNA BEACH, HUNTINGTON BEACH and EL MODENA routes.

SAN BERNARDINO MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SYSTEM took delivery of 15 Flxible "New Look" transit coaches numbered 800-814 and powered by GM 4-71N engines.



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CONSOLIDATED STREET RAILWAY (CSR)

PICO RIVERA: Beginning August 14th the terminal of Line 3-SIMI VALLEY-LOS ANGELES was changed from Aristotle Street and Sinaloa Road to the Donna Lee Donut Shop in Madera Plaza on Los Angeles Avenue.

ORANGE COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (OCTD)

SANTA ANA: OCTD Directors have "given the green light" to four more new intercommunity lines (WT 9/72). They include: Line 2 - along Beach Boulevard from La Habra Boulevard to Pacific Coast Highway, Line 8 - from La Habra via Imperial Highway, State College Boulevard, Chapman Avenue, Main Street (Santa Ana) and Mac Arthur Boulevard to Newport Center and Fashion Island, Line 9 - along Katella Avenue from Seal Beach to Tustin and then east on Villa Park Road to Orange Park Boulevard in Villa Park and Line 23 - along Westminister Avenue (aka 17th Street) from Seal Beach to Tustin. A starting date of July 1973 has been set for these lines. With the exception of Line 9 which will run hourly, all lines will operate half-hourly on weekdays with reduced weekend service. The California State University at Fullerton service (WT 9/72) began as scheduled September 25th but on somewhat different routes than originally planned. On both routes the first bus leaves the campus at 7:25 AM, then 7:58 AM and this schedule continues until the last bus at 4:58 PM except for a lunch break from 11:20 AM until 11:58 AM. Ln 1-PLACENTIA operates via West Campus Drive, Nutwood Avenue, Placentia Avenue, Center Street, Murray Avenue, Chapman Avenue, KKraemer Avenue, Yorba Linda Boulevard, Bradford Avenue, Topaz Lane, Shappire Avenue, Quartz Lane, Placentia Avenue, Nutwood Avenue, State College Boulevard, Gymnasium Drive and West Campus Drive. Line 3-FULLERTON travels via West Campus Drive, Nutwood Avenue, State College Boulevard, Yorba Linda Boulevard, Bradford Avenue, Palm Drive, Placentia Avenue, Rastanchury Road, Associated Road, Imperial Highway, Orange Freeway (California Highway 57), Yorba Linda Boulevard, State College Boulevard, Gymnasium Drive and West Campus Drive. COMMUNITY CHARTER BUS SYSTEM is operating the service using TDH 5301s 5305-5308, late of PACIFIC SCENIC LINES. The buses are painted white from the roof down to the rub rail including the normally unpainted aluminum except for a red belt rail and silver below the rub rail and silver wheels. On both sides of the buses is written "California State University Fullerton Presents THE BUS" in dark blue, which is the name applied to this service.

HEMET BUS LINE (P. C. Cross d/b/a) (HBL)

HEMET: An application has been filed with the Public Utilties Commission to transfer the HBL certificate (RIVERSIDE-SAN JACINTO-HEMET) to GOLDEN WEST STAGE LINES, a Riverside based charter operator. GWSL was formerly known as ACE CHARTER COACHES. Present HBL schedule calls for two round trips on weekdays and one round trip on Saturday and one on Sunday.

NEVADA

NEVADA TRANSIT COMPANY (NTC)

RENO: On July 15th NTC, armed with a $25,000 yearly subsidy from "The Biggest Little City In The World" nearly doubled its transit coverage in the Reno/Sparks area with the addition of four lines -- 5-VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER and 6-SOUTHWEST RENO each operating hourly using the same bus and 7-NORTHWEST RENO and 8-STERLING VILLAGE, also running hourly utilizing one bus. For many years NTC operated only two lines -- 1-RENO-SPARKS and 2-RENO-NORTH SPARKS while service within Reno was provided by RENO BUS LINES and later PIONEER BUS LINES, both of whom eventually went out of business due to ever increasing costs. In late 1970 NTC established Line 4-SOUTHEAST RENO, its longest route, and continued with three routes until this summer. NTC fare is 35 cents system wide. Transfers between Sparks and North Sparks buses are free as are transfers between the West Reno buses. A 20 cent charge applies for all other transfers. Operators still make change and the buses have Johnson Type D hand crank fareboxes.

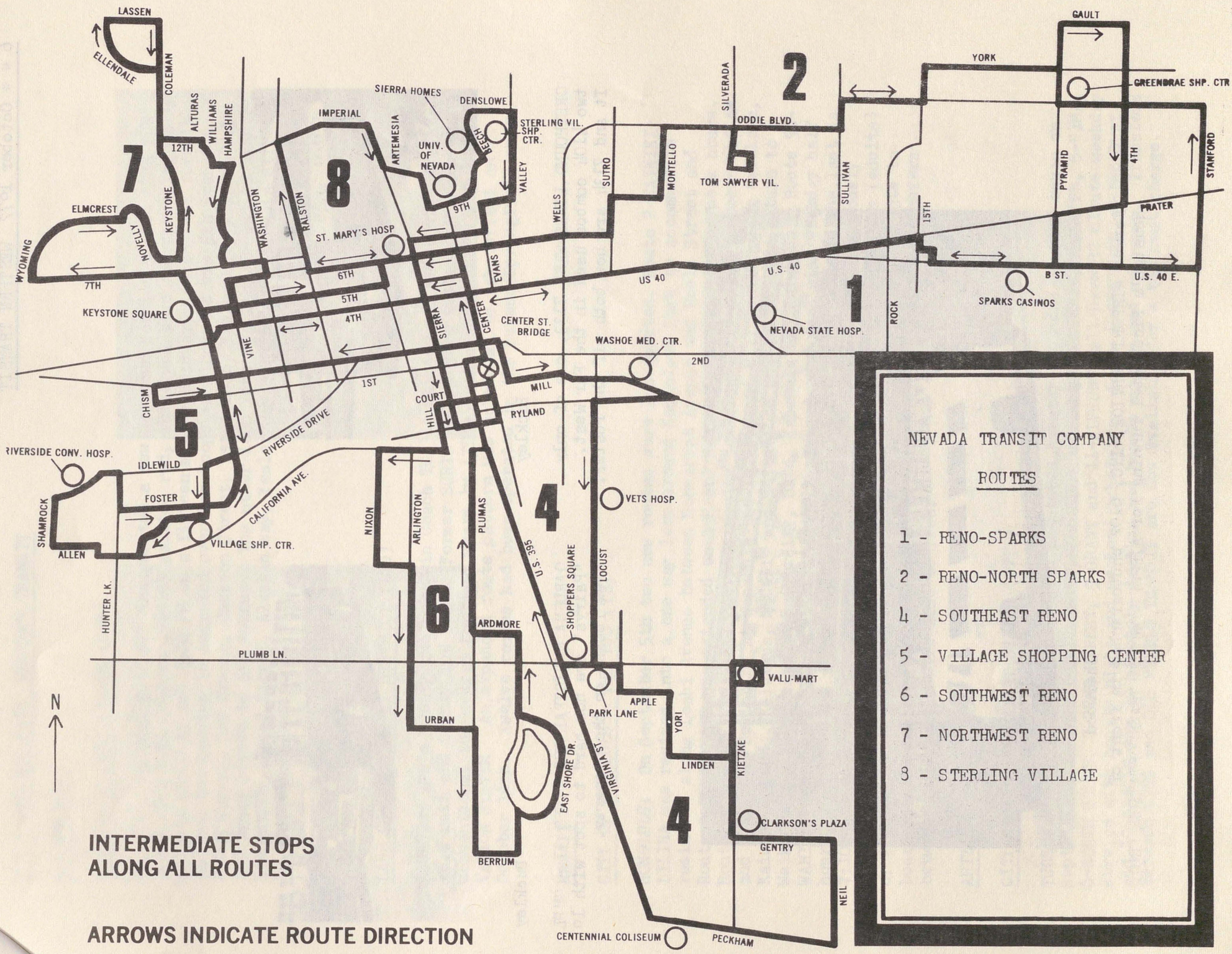
NEVADA TRANSIT COMPANY SERVICE TABLE

Line Name	Monday - Saturday First Bus	Hdwy	Buses Req.	Last Bus	Sundays and Holidays First Bus	Hdwy	Buses Req.	Last Bus
1-SPARKS	600AM	60*	1*	1201AM@	600AM	60	1	1201AM
2-NO. SPARKS	600AM	60	1	600PM	600AM	60	1	600PM
4-S. E. RENO	600AM	60	1	600PM	-	-	-	-
5-VILLAGE	700AM	60	1	700PM	-	-	-	-
6-S. W. RENO	730AM	60	%	730PM	-	-	-	-
7-N. W. RENO	700AM	60	1	700PM	-	-	-	-
8-STERLING	730AM	60	¢	730PM	-	-	-	-

* - 30 minute service operated 600 AM to 900 AM and 200 PM to 600 PM requiring second bus
@ - Friday and Saturday half hourly service 200 PM to 130 AM to and from Sparks Casinos requiring additional bus
% - See Line 5 for coach requirement
¢ - See Line 7 for coach requirement

ROSTER OF RECENT YEARS

Number	Make	Model/Serial	Seats	Year	Notes
9	White	782.1/304985	32	1944	Gone by 1971
11	GMC	TGH3501/018	37	1964	One door job
12	GMC	TGH3501/	37		One door job
15	GMC	TGH3301/001	35	1969	One door job
16	GMC	TDH4517/387	45	1960	ExLBPTCo 4504
17	GMC	TDH4517/1357	45	1961	ExLBPTCo 4507
18	GMC	TDH4517/1358	45	1961	ExLBPTCo 4508
20	GMC	TDH4517/1363	45	1961	ExLBPTCo 4513
21	GMC	TDH4517/1359	45	1961	ExLBPTCo 4509



NEVADA TRANSIT COMPANY

ROUTES

1 - RENO-SPARKS

2 - RENO-NORTH SPARKS

4 - SOUTHEAST RENO

5 - VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER

6 - SOUTHWEST RENO

7 - NORTHWEST RENO

8 - STERLING VILLAGE

INTERMEDIATE STOPS ALONG ALL ROUTES

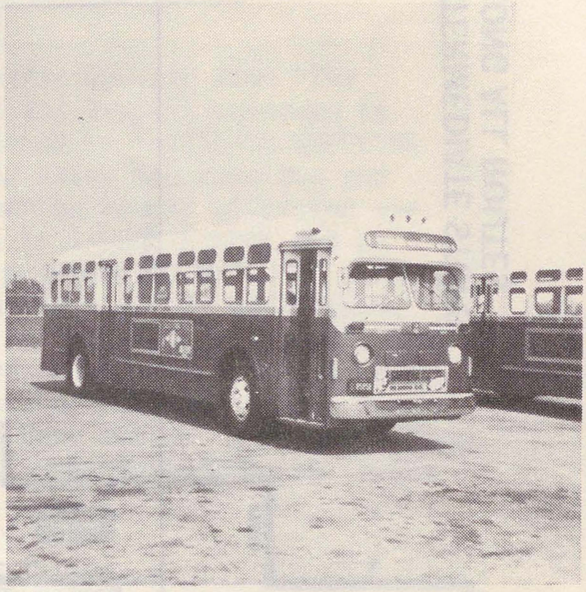
ARROWS INDICATE ROUTE DIRECTION

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Buckley

GREYHOUND LINES-WEST 7133, one of only two 4104 combos used in the Far West. It and 7134 are now both off the roster.



Buckley

GARDENA MUNICIPAL BUS LINES 37 - GMPL "Pairys" are now hard to spot with 10 "New Looks" on the property.



Sherwood

Former AIRPORT SERVICE, INC. 610? photographed in front of Houston's Rice Hotel running for AIRPORT GROUND TRANSPORTATION, INC.

WASHINGTON

SEATTLE TRANSIT SYSTEM (STS)

SEATTLE: On June 30th STS inaugurated a new downtown service titled "FUN RUN" using five Twin Coaches 195-199 painted red, white and blue and operating daily between 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM on a fifteen minute headway. A ten cent fare is charged and service is operated over two loops -- clockwise via 5th Avenue, Union Street, 3rd Avenue, Jackson Street, 1st Avenue, Yesler Way, Alaskan Way and Broad Street to 5th Avenue. The other loop runs via 4th Avenue, Cedar St, 5th Avenue, Broad Street, Alaskan Way, Yesler Way, 1st Avenue and Main Street to 4th Avenue.

OREGON

LANE COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (LTD)

EUGENE: LTD's twenty two new Twin Coach TC 31s painted off white with a gray belt rail and twenty TDH 3610s (Former SCRTD 6601s) have replaced the green conventional buses used for many years by LTD's predecessor, EMERALD TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. An expanded route pattern was scheduled to take effect on October 16th. Twelve routes had been operated in the Eugene/Springfield area.

HAWAII

CITY OF HONOLULU - THE BUS (TB)

HONOLULU: On September 5th two new routes were inaugurated, Route 2-WAIKIKI-LILIHA was revised into a one way loop around Kapiolani Park to accommodate residents along Leahi Avenue between Monsarrat Avenue and Noela Street and Route 3-RUGER-NAVY was extended onto Pearl Harbor Naval Base during peak hours. Route 5-UNIVERSITY-WAIKIKI operates Monday to Friday half hourly between 642 AM and 6:12 PM. Beginning at Kapahulu and Kalakaua it will travel along Kalakaua, Kaiulani, Kuhio, Kalakaua, McCully and Metcalf to University. To return to Waikiki it will operate on University, Date, Kapahulu and Kalakaua. Route 56-WAHIAWA-SCHOFIELD-WHEELER will run hourly seven days a week with weekday half hourly service. The first bus from Wahiawa Heights is 6:50 AM and the last is 7:10 PM. On September 11th transfer privileges were revised. Previously riders coming into Honolulu from rural (suburban) areas paid 50 cents (adults) or 25 cents (children) and then paid an additional 25 cents or 10 cents to board an urban bus. These are the costs which were eliminated. Transfers between rural routes will also be free.

ARIZONA

CITY OF TUCSON TRANSIT SYSTEM (CTTS)

TUCSON: With the arrival of CTTS new buses greatly expanded service began on September 1. Lines 1-UNIVERSITY, 2-PUEBLO GARDENS, 3-DAVIS MONTHAN AFB, 5-PIMA, 6-NORTH STONE, 7-22ND STREET, 9-GRANT and 11-ALVERNON all have 30 minute weekday service with hourly night and weekend schedules. Lines 4-SPEEDWAY, 8-BROADWAY and 10-ORACLE run 20 minutely daytime and hourly nights and weekends. Transfers between CTTS and OLD PUEBLO TRANSIT are now available for a ten cent charge.

CALIFORNIA continued

BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT (BART)

OAKLAND: BART's OAKLAND-FREMONT line "opened for business" on Monday September 11th with opening day ceremonies conducted at each of the routes' twelve stations. After the ceremonies dignitaries and newsmen boarded trains for a test ride with the first paying customers boarding about noon. Due to the present shortage of cars service is being run Monday through Friday between 6:00 AM and 8:00 PM. Weekend service is expected to begin in December. The system's air conditioned cars can travel up to 80 MPH but will average about 45 MPH. Computers in BART's Oakland headquarters will adjust speeds to keep trains on schedule. Attendants on trains are present only in the event of an emergency. The OAKLAND-RICHMOND will be the next to begin operation followed by the CONCORD route and finally the SAN FRANCISCO line.

ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT (ACT)

OAKLAND: In connection with the opening of BART's OAKLAND-FREMONT line ACT revised 27 routes including establishing six new lines and discontinuing one:

Line N, NX-SAN LEANDRO-SAN FRANCISCO: Almost all trips extended to BART/San Leandro, four minutes away from Estudillo and Bancroft, the former terminal.

Line 14-BROOKDALE-EMERYVILLE: All trips extended to BART/Lake Merrit Station.

Line 30-SAN LEANDRO EXPRESS: Discontinued - had run Monday thru Friday with 45 minute base headway and average 15 minutely peak headway.

Line 32-SAN LORENZO EXPRESS: Base service discontinued - now operates peak hours only.

Line 53-FRUITVALE AVENUE: Extended to begin at BART/Fruitvale, Monday to Saturday base service improved from 20 to 15 minutes, night from 30 to 40 minutely.

Line 54-38TH AVE-35TH AVE: Rerouted to serve BART/Fruitvale. Base service altered from 20 over entire line to 30 along 38th Ave and 15 along 35th Ave to Merritt College. Rush hour service thru routed, same as weekends. Evening and Saturday service now 45, was 40 and Sunday is hourly, was 45 minutely.

Line 55-DUTTON AVE-DAVIS ST.: Rerouted to serve BART/San Leandro with no change in schedules.

Line 56-SEMINARY-90TH AVENUE: Both legs extended Monday/Friday daytime to serve BART/Coliseum. Line 56C-85TH AVE-64TH AVE discontinued.

Line 57-MacARTHUR BLVD.: Most trips extended to Oakland International Airport replacing former Line 83A service. Evening service is now 15-30 instead of 20 and night is now 40 minutely instead of half hourly.

Line 60-EAST 14TH-MISSION BLVD.: New line between BART San Leandro, BART/Bayfair and BART/Hayward along the streets of its name, 16 minute peak headway and half hourly midday service.

A C TRANSIT continued

Line 62A-HESPERIAN BLVD-SAN LORENZO VILLAGE: New line from A Street & Hesperian via Hesperian to BART/BayFair weekday peak hours only on 16 minute headway.

Line 64-23RD AVE-SAN JOSE AVE: Rerouted to BART/Fruitvale weekdays. Night and Sunday service now 45 minutely.

Line 66-ALVARADO STREET-WASHINGTON AVE: New line between San Lorenzo, San Leandro and BART/San Leandro via Paseo Grande, Washington and Alvarado. Operates rush hours only at 16 minute frequency.

Line 79-HIGH ST: Rerouted to BART/Fruitvale via East 14th. Service to Park St. business area dropped and rerouted to Bay Farm Island midday.

Line 80-OAKLAND-CASTRO VALLEY-HAYWARD: Extended to BART/Hayward.

Line 81,81A,81W-OAKLAND-SAN LEANDRO-SAN LORENZO-HAYWARD: All rerouted to BART/Hayward. Weekdays and Saturdays extended to A and Foothill in Hayward.

Line 81B-WASHINGTON MANOR-BART SHUTTLE: New line from BART/San Leandro giving 30 minute service with Line 81 between Estudillo/East 14th and Lewelling/Washington.

Line 82-OAKLAND-HAYWARD: Extended to Fairway Park replacing Line 32 and serves BART Hayward and BART/South Hayward. 630PM to 830PM also serves BART/San Leandro.

Line 83-EAST 14TH ST LOCAL: Old Line 83A service to Airport assumed by Line 57. Now ends at Hegenberger Road & Hegenberger Loop. Peak hour trips extended to old Oakland Airport and Earhart Drive. Service remains half hourly

Line 84-CASTRO VALLEY-BAY FAIR: New line between BART/BayFair and Castro Valley via Redwood, Seven Hills, Castro Valley Blvd, Foothill and 159th Avenue. Runs half hourly midday and 16 minutely in rush.

Line 90/92-SOUTHLAND-PALMA CEIA: Rerouted to serve BART/Hayward. New Line 90A runs between downtown Hayward and BART giving combined three route, 15 minute buses.

Line91-CASTRO VALLEY-TENNYSON ROAD and 91A-CAL STATE HAYWARD: Both now serve BART/Hayward. 91 serves BART/South Hayward via Soto Road, Jackson St and Grand St.

Line 93-HESPERIAN BLVD: Rerouted thru BART/Bay Fair, then direct via Hesperian to Southland-Chabot College-Kaiser Hospital. Saturdays to Southland Center only.

Line 95-KELLY STREET: Extended to BART/Hayward.

TRANSIT IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTION

Proposition 14, the Watson Amendment, will, if passed, limit local property taxes to $7 per $100 of assessed valuation. It would ban property taxes for welfare and limit such taxes for education and require state funding of these functions from other taxes. It would limit to 50 cents the tax rate for county tax districts affecting ORANGE COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT's tax powers. The state sales tax would be raised to seven cents, but the special ½cent tax on gas being used for mass transit would be Eliminated. For these reasons SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT, BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT, A C TRANSIT, OCTD and CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PUBLICLY OWNED TRANSIT SYSTEMS have joined the List Of Organizations Opposed To Proposition 14.

EQUIPMENT REPORT

Below is a list of passenger equipment either acquired or disposed of by Western operators since our last report. Neither completeness nor currency is implied.

Name Of Company	Vehicle Nos.	Builder	Model/Serial Nos.	Comments
NEW EQUIPMENT				
Las Vegas Transit System	4554	GMC	T6H4521A/739	
" " " "	5305	GMC	T6H5306A/965	
Montebello Municipal Lns	60-61	GMC	T8H5307A/441-442	AM/FM Radios
Golden Gate Transit	813-832	GMC	T8H5307A/420-439	No rear door
Aztec Bus Lines	751	GMC	P8M4905A/177	
Intl Sightseeing Tour	unnumb	Prevost	T476/2051-72	
USED EQUIPMENT				
Orange County Transit Dist	111-114	GMC	TDH4519/1362-1363, 1374-1375	Ex Jax, Miss 1648-1651
" " " "	121-122	GMC	T6H4521A/105-106	Orig Austin 1832-1833
" " " "	131-132	GMC	T6H4521A/347-348	Ex Gray Line-Miami 1925-26
Antelope Valley Bus, Inc	627	GMC	PD4106/381	Ex OTC 0-408
Gray Line of L. A.	4803-4804	GMC	TDH4801/003,046	Ex PTD 2902, 2945
Aztec Bus Lines	801	GMC	TDH4801/015	Ex PTD 2914
" " "	unkn	GMC	TDM4801/018	Ex GLW 9467
DISPOSITIONS				
Eastshore Lines	II 307	MCI	MC5A/Unit 6010 Serial 6661	To Inquisitors Club (Seattle)
Consolidated Street Rwy	4301	GMC	PD4103/661	To pvt party
Greyhound Lines-West	7755,7805	GMC	PD4106/985,1035 /1408,1428	Sold to unkn
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Rapid Transit Lines(Houston)	517	GMC	TDH5104/050	To pvt party
Ventura Transit Lines	148	GMC	TGH3102/1365	Used car lot in Lynwood
East Los Angeles Comm Improvement Assn	703	GMC	TD3609/163	To pvt party in Alhambra

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