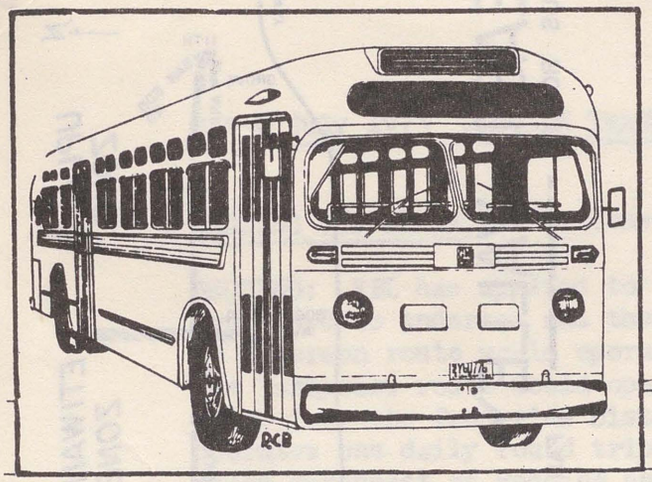


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SAN BERNARDINO MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SYSTEM (SBMTS)

SAN BERNARDINO: A series of route and schedule changes were instituted on June 18th by SBMTS. Line 3-MUSCOY-STATE COLLEGE was revised to operate all day on a 45 minute headway using three buses six days a week instead of hourly midday/half hourly rush hours using two/four buses. Line 4-MUSCOTT was changed Monday-Saturday to an all day twenty minute headway with two buses from a thirty minute midday headway (1 bus)/ fifteen minute peak (2 buses). Line 5-MARSHALL SQUARE-SOUTH WATERMAN now includes the BUNKER HILL route, formerly a part of Line 6-28TH & VALENCIA. In the past the Bunker Hill schedules were actually worked by Line 5 buses although the route was considered part of Line 6. Line 6 was rescheduled to provide forty minute all day service. Line 13-WEST COLTON was changed from a 30/60 to a 40/80 headway (WT 5/73). Line 2-SHANDIN HILLS-NORTON AIR FORCE BASE schedules were changed so that Monday/ Friday midday service on the Norton AFB leg is half hourly, same as Shandin Hills. Saturday service on Shandin Hills is now hourly rather than half hourly and Norton AFB remained at hourly.

GREYHOUND LINES-WEST (GLW)

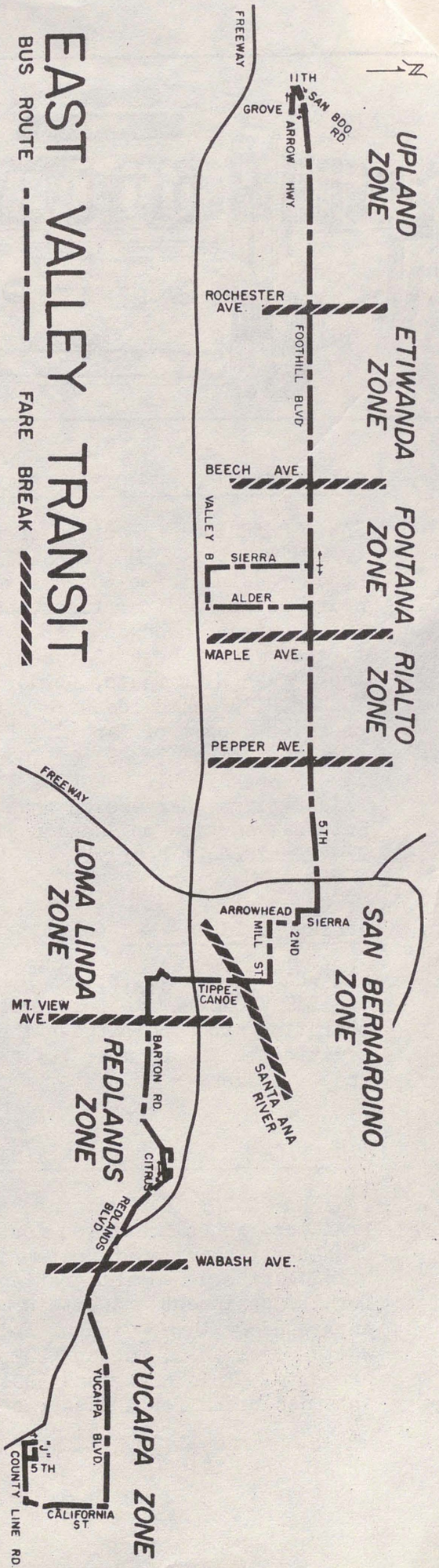
SAN FRANCISCO: V.I.P. BUS PLUS service was inaugurated June 23rd between LOS ANGELES and LAS VEGAS (Leave Los Angeles 830 AM and 500 PM - Leave Las Vegas 800 AM and 530 PM) operating non stop between the two cities. A $2.00 surcharge each way is charged in addition to the regular bus fare and the VIP Bus features a hostess aboard and snacks and beverages.

SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL RAILWAY (SFMRy)

SAN FRANCISCO: SFMRy is presently looking into the possibility of transporting San Francisco school children for the next school year. Currently ASSOCIATED CHARTER BUS COMPANY transports students for the San Francisco Board of Education in compliance with court ordered integration. but the County Grand Jury recently criticized ACBC for its equipment and late operating schedules. Coach 2657, a Mack CH6DT, is to be shortened by three windows and will be assigned to Line 39-COIT TOWER replacing 60-62, White Model 782s. Coach 5002, a second Western Flyer trolley coach, is now on the property. This coach and 5001, also a Flyer, will be tested before SFMRy places its intended order for a number of new trolley coaches.

EAST VALLEY TRANSIT (EVT)

SAN BERNARDINO: Barely six weeks in operation EVT extended its one route, FONTANA-REDLANDS, on May 21st on both ends -- from Fontana westward to Upland and from Redlands east to Calimesa (see map). This route is operated as SAN BERNARDINO MUNICIPAL TRANSIT SYSTEM Line 14 (WT 5/73). Although SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT's Line 60 ran to Yucaipa this is the first time in many years that Calimesa has had local transit service. Three trips are run Monday/Saturday departing Upland at 800 AM, 1201 PM and 400 PM and Calimesa at 1000 AM, 200 PM, and 600 PM. These schedules are spaced as to provide some thirty minute service between Redlands and Fontana. All buses operate without benefit of headsigns but use windshield cards and side window card signs- Upland buses read "UPLAND VIA CUCAMONGA", Fontana buses use "FONTANA", Redlands schedules say "REDLANDS VIA LOMA LINDA" and Calimesa buses read "CALIMESA VIA YUCAIPA". In addition to the extensions the line was rerouted in Fontana to operate in a large loop serving the downtown area and Kaiser Hospital. Buses travel via Alder Avenue, Valley Boulevard, Sierra Way and Foothill Boulevard. Trips on the even hour run the loop clockwise and those on the odd hour operate counter clockwise. The coaches are operated in their SANTA MONICA MUNICIPAL BUS LINES paint scheme - white roof, light blue around the windows, darker blue belt rail and silver below with a rectangular insignia reading EAST VALLEY TRANSIT in black against a white background. EVT and SBMTS are considered separate systems and transfers are not issued between the agencies and the senior citizen "Free" rate of SBMTS and childrens fares of SBMTS are not valid on EVT buses.



GREATER BAKERSFIELD METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT

Bakersfield: During March GBMTD reduced service on Line 8-STATE COLLEGE from 40 minutely from 740 AM to 540 PM to hourly schedules between 800 AM and 500 PM. This line operates Monday through Friday only using one coach, usually a TDH 3612.

REDDING BUS LINES, (N. T. Chastain d/b/a)(RBL)

REDDING: RBL has applied to establish two routes from downtown Redding, one southward to Anderson and the other to serve the Bonnyview area. The Redding to Anderson route would operate on the east side of the Sacramento River and the Bonnyview route would operate south from Redding on the west side of the river into the Bonnyview District which is north of Anderson. Currently RBL operates one daily round trip between Redding and Alturas which is about 186 miles northeast of Redding and also holds an "On Call" Certificate between Redding and the Shasta Dam via Central Valley and Project City which service is operated on a minimum of two passengers. It is proposed to run three round trips per day (Monday through Friday) using one bus to Anderson, to Bonnyview and to Shasta Dam. Fares on the Anderson-Bonnyview routes would range from 50 cents to $1.50 one way with a round trip for an additional ten cents if used on the same date. The present RBL fleet includes the following:

1957 International	12 passenger
1955 Chevrolet	10 passenger
1962 Chevrolet	10 passenger
1962 Chevrolet (combination panel)	10 passenger
1963 Chevrolet	10 passenger
1969 Chevrolet	10 passenger
1964 Ford Sedan	

LAGUNA BEACH MUNICIPAL TRANSIT LINES (LBMTL)

LAGUNA BEACH: June 18th saw establishment of transit service into Mission Viejo as LBMTL Line 4-LAGUNA HILLS-MISSION VIEJO was extended east and south from the Laguna Hills Shopping Center. Monday through Friday two hourly schedules (700 AM to 500 PM) are run with four round trips on Saturday (Leave Laguna Beach at 1000 AM, 1100 AM, 300 PM and 500 PM with return from Mission Viejo five minutes after arrival. One way running time is 25 minutes. Line 4 is routed from the Laguna Beach station via Broadway, Laguna Canyon Road, El Toro Road, Paseo De Valencia (serving Laguna Hills), El Toro Road, Muirlands Boulevard, La Paz Road, Pradera Drive and Chrisanta Drive to La Paz. Service to Laguna Niguel (two trips Monday to Friday) on Line 2-SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY was discontinued. Half hourly weekday service on Line 1-NORTH COAST HIGHWAY was reduced to hourly and a new line, 1A-MONTEREY-HILLCREST which also serves the north side was established. Line 1A operates via Broadway, Monterey, High Drive, Coast Highway, Beverly, Hillcrest, High Drive, Cypress, Beach and Broadway to the Laguna station. Weekday service on Line 5-BLUEBIRD CANYON was increased from three to five trips and Saturday schedules on Line 5 and Line 3-TOP OF THE WORLD was also begun.

GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT (GGT)

SAN RAFAEL: On June 3rd GGT established Line 61-INVERNESS-BOLINAS connecting the western Marin recreational areas for the summer season. Express buses from Santa Rosa/Petaluma to San Francisco and return will be Line 70 with Line 72 coaches still stopping in San Rafael. Line 20-SAN FRANCISCO-MARIN CITY-CORTE MADERA-SAN ANSELMO will no longer stop in Sausalito on weekends.

PINK BUS LINE (PBL)

LA HABRA: PBL re established its LA HABRA-HUNTINGTON BEACH (Beach Boulevard) route on June 15th operating hourly schedules as before (WT 8/72) and also is operating under contract a beach route for the City of Garden Grove as it did in 1972. Beginning at Valley View and Chapman buses traverse Chapman, Harbor, Trask and Brookhurst to Huntington State Beach. Three trips are operated Monday to Saturday leaving Valley View at 800 AM, 1000 AM and 100 PM with three return trips in the afternoon. All passengers must board in Garden Grove south bound or be discharged northbound. The fare is 25 cents each way with an All Summer Pass available at $4.00. Operated by LONG BEACH PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY and supervised by Mike Kadletz, one of PBL's owners, is yet another beach bus operation. Using LBPTCo's C49DT Macks three daily trips are run on two different routes. Route A begins at Paramount's County Human Relations Office on Colorado Avenue, then stops at Long Beach's Hamilton Junior High, Jordan High, Lindbergh Junior High, Orange Avenue & Bixby Road, California & 15th, Orange & 7th and will discharge at 54th Place and Ocean and at 72nd Place and Ocean. Route B begins at Lakewood High, Marshall Junior High, Milliken High, Stanford Junior High, Wilson High with the same discharge points. A court hearing began June 27th wherein PBL has filed suit against ORANGE COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT charging "unfair competition" and has also filed for triple damages for "unfair trade practice" claiming their BEACH BOULEVARD line has lost customers to OCTD's Line 41-HARBOR BOULEVARD. PBL has also rejected OCTD's request to submit to arbitration to settle on a price by which the district would buy PBL (the last offer was $32,000). This opens the way for OCTD to file a condemnation suit to determine PBL's value. Under state law a public transit agency may not compete with a private company but must buy the firm out for a price not less than the average of three years operating revenue (about $18,000 in PBL's case).

VENTURA TRANSIT LINES (VTL)

VENTURA: VTL revised its routes inaugurated last July (WT 9/72). In January the Loma Vista Road branch of the OJAI-MAIN STREET line was cut back from Loma Vista and Victoria to Loma Vista and Day Road with weekday service after about 700 PM (it had been running until 900 PM) discontinued. Sunday service now ends at 600 PM instead of 830 PM. In January the PIERPONT-TELEGRAPH ROAD line was extended eastward from Telegraph Road and Victoria via Victoria to Crocker Avenue. The BRISTOL-TELEPHONE ROAD line was revised to operate in a large loop in Saticoy via Telephone Road, Violeta Street, Campanula Avenue, Darling Road, Wells Road, Blackburn Road and Saticoy Avenue to Telephone Road. The hourly service on these two lines remains as before. Plans are presently under way toward the establishment of a transit district in Ventura County - SOUTH COAST AREA TRANSIT (SCAT) which would include the cities of Ventura, Oxnard, Port Hueneme and Ojai and absorb VTL and OXNARD MUNICIPAL TRANSIT LINES. Fillmore, Piru, Simi Valley and Thousand Oaks are also discussing the possibilities of being included in the district.

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GRAY LINE OF LOS ANGELES (GLOLA)

LOS ANGELES: GLOLA is now offering a new tour - THE HAROLD LLOYD ESTATE following the granting of a Los Angeles city permit to visit the estate which specifies that only buses may enter the grounds. The tour departs the Beverly Hilton Hotel every half hour from 1100 AM to 130 PM daily and reservations are required. Adult fare is $4.50 and children $2.25. An expanded HOLLYWOOD-BEVERLY HILLS tour available from Anaheim and the International Hotel located on Century Boulevard near Los Angeles International Airport also includes a stop at the Lloyd Estate. The tariff on this tour is $7.50.

ORANGE COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT (OCTD)

SANTA ANA: Free transfers between OCTD and LAGUNA BEACH MUNICIPAL TRANSIT LINES were established on June 18th (WT 6/73). A passenger boarding an OCTD bus who wants to transfer to LBMTL obtains a transfer from the OCTD operator and will surrender it to the LBMTL operator upon boarding the bus in Laguna. When a rider starts on LBMTL he will be issued one of their transfers and the operator on Line 57-SANTA ANA-LAGUNA BEACH will check to be sure the month and day of issue are correct and will pull the LBMTL transfer. If the customer desires a further transfer he will be issued an OCTD transfer. As a part of this transfer agreement OCTD and LBMTL will coordinate service with each other and LBMTL has agreed to terminate its outside-the-city routes when OCTD establishes routes in those areas. The Urban Mass Transit Administration (UMTA) has awarded OCTD a $10.9 million federal grant which will cover two-thirds of the costs of 162 new 36 passenger air conditioned diesel buses, a $3.1 million administration and maintenance base in Garden Grove, 195 new fare boxes, 60 passenger shelters, 12 service vehicles, 205 two way radios and a communications base station. General Manager Gordon Fielding announced that 63 of the new buses will be ordered in the near future for delivery in the spring of 1974. The district, which receives funds from the state gasoline tax and a 4.5 cents per $100 valuation tax rate, will be required to put up $5.5 million or one third of the cost of the five year capital improvement program. OCTD Directors have called for a public hearing on the pending sale of PINK BUS LINE assets. PBL had requested the Public Utilities Commission to waive the hearing on the ownership change. Chief Assistant County Counsel Clayton Parker recommended the district oppose the waiver so that a hearing could determine whether the sale would be in the best interests of the county. Parker said that Paul Kadletz, one of the two brothers who started the PBL partnership has sold his half interest for $22,500 to Howard Ahmanson, 23 year old son of the founder of Home Savings and Loan. Ahmanson has already put $15,000 capital into the company and five more buses have been purchased. PBL is also seeking PUC approval to incorporate.

SYNANON

POINT REYES: Free weekend shuttle bus service within the Point Reyes National Seashore has started and will operate through Labor Day. Synanon Foundation is providing a 16 passenger Mercedes Benz bus under a special pilot contract with the National Park Service. Operating half hourly buses start at 1000 AM between the Seashore headquarters near Olema and Limantour. The last bus from Limantour will depart at 530 PM.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT (RTD)

LOS ANGELES: The 4300 series Flxible coaches have been placed into service with 4300-4333 assigned to Division 8 for use on Lines 15-SAN FERNANDO-OLIVE VIEW, 16-NORTH HOLLYWOOD-SUN VALLEY-ROSCOE BOULEVARD, 74-NORTH HOLLYWOOD-RESEDA-SAN FERNANDO, 90-SAN FERNANDO-STUDIO CITY-VAN NUYS, 121-SAN FERNANDO VALLEY-ROSCOE BOULEVARD-LOS ANGELES FREEWAY FLYER, 122-LOS ANGELES-BURBANK-VALLEY PLAZA-VAN NUYS FREEWAY FLYER, 138-FULTON-WOODMAN AVENUES, 139-CHATSWORTH-NORTHRIDGE-PANORAMA CITY-VANNUYS and 143-ENCINO-BALBOA BOULEVARD-GRANADA HILLS and 4334-4341 to Division 2 for Lines 140-KERN AVENUE, 141-FORD BOULEVARD and 142-CITY TERRACE. The latter eight coaches are painted champagne gold and chrome yellow but have the blue EASTERN CITIES insignias and a special notice in both English and Spanish was issued advising area residents that although the buses were a different color these were their buses and that there would be no change in routes or fares.

Coaches 4216-4220 and 4222-4224 which had been painted blue and white and were assigned to Lines 140, 141 and 142 have all been repainted in standard RTD colors and assigned to Division 13 for use on Lines 62-EASTSIDE LOOP-RIVERSIDE-LA SIERRA, 82-GRAND AVENUE-STREETER AVENUE and 99-HARDMAN CENTER-FAIRMONT PARK replacing the 4000s which have been in Riverside for about six years, almost their entire RTD careers. 4000-4003 have been sent to Division 10 for Line 19-GLENDALE-LA CANADA-PASADENA and 4004-4006 are now at Division 2 for Line 111-BELLFLOWER-HUNTINGTON PARK.

To aid people in getting around Griffith Park Line 202-GRIFFITH PARK MINI-BUS LOOP was established to operate Sundays only from June 3rd through September 23rd on a forty minute headway between 1000AM and 520 PM using two buses (since decreased to twenty minutes and four buses). The line begins at the Los Angeles Zoo Parking Lot and travels via Zoo Drive, Griffith Park Drive, Mount Hollywood Drive, Western Canyon Road, Vermont Canyon Road, Vermont Avenue, Los Feliz Boulevard, Griffith Park Drive and Crystal Springs Drive to the Zoo Parking Lot. The line serves the Zoo, Traveltown, Observatory, Bird Sanctuary, Pony Ride, Train Ride, Merry Go Round, Golf Course Clubhouse and Observatory. On the first day, June 3rd, BR 1 had coach 1117 and BR 2 1104 and WTS Member Warren F. Quon had the distinction of being the line's first passenger. Coaches 1101 and 1105 were also on the route carrying VIPs and the news media. A 25 cent fare is charged and each passenger receives a pass stating "Griffith Park-Day In Park-Mini Bus-25¢-All Day" which allows patrons to board and alight Mini Buses as many times as they which on that day. Transfers and Monthly Passes are not valid on Line 202.

Line 119-SUNLAND LAKEVIEW TERRACE, established last December 4th to link the Sunland/Tujunga area with the San Fernando Valley will be discontinued July 13th. The line had been established on a six month trial basis and had transported an average of 105 passengers during its five day week collecting $25 in weekly revenue but costing an average of $775 per week to operate. RTD officials have indicated alternatives for more bus service will be explored as well as expanding bus service in the Sunland area.

Line 146-ONTARIO-UPLAND (WT 6/73) operates on a ninty minute headway between 624 AM and 610 PM on the route previously outlined. A thirty cent fare applies over the entire line with transfers available to and from Line 60.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT Continued

A new type service (Subscription Commuter Buses) was inaugurated on April 30th with the beginning of Line 505-WEST VALLEY-FINANCIAL CENTER SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE. The service operates Monday through Friday for those riders who purchase a $40 Subscription Monthly Pass and all patrons are guaranteed a seat - as of July 1st Line 505 which began with one bus had three. Generally the high numbered 1000 series T8H 5307As are assigned to these lines. Line 505 begins at Platt Ave. and Victory Blvd. and travels via Platt, Vanowen St., Topanga Canyon Blvd., Ventura Blvd., Reseda Blvd., Burbank Blvd., Ventura Freeway, Hollywood Freeway, Hope St/ Flower St to 6th Street returning via Flower, Wilshire Blvd., Figueroa St, 3rd St., Harbor Freeway, Hollywood Freeway, Ventura Freeway, Burbank Blvd., Reseda Blvd., Ventura Blvd., Topanga Canyon Blvd., Vanowen St. and Platt to Victory Bl. On July 2nd three similar lines were started. Line 507-SIERRA MADRE-ARCADIA-FINANCIAL CENTER SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE begins at Sierra Madre Blvd. and Santa Anita Avenue traveling via Santa Anita, Huntington Dr., Del Mar Ave., San Bernardino Freeway (including Busway lane), Santa Ana Freeway, Arcadia St., Los Angeles St., 3rd St. and Flower to 6th returning via Figueroa St., 4th St., Los Angeles St., Aliso/Commercial Sts., Vignes St., Santa Ana Freeway, Mission Road Off Ramp, cross Mission Road and onto San Bernardino Freeway (including Busway lane), Del Mar Ave., Huntington Dr. and Santa Anita Ave. to Sierra Madre Blvd. Line 508-HACIENDA HEIGHTS-WHITTIER-FINANCIAL CENTER SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE starts at Colima Road and Hacienda Blvd. and operates via Colima Rd., Whittier Blvd., Magnolia Ave., Beverly Blvd., Pioneer Blvd., Interstate 605 Freeway, Pomona Freeway, Santa Ana Freeway, 4th St., 4th Place, 3rd St. and Flower to 6th returning via Figueroa St., 4th St., Pecan St., Santa Ana Freeway, Pomona Freeway, Interstate 605 Freeway, Beverly Blvd., Magnolia Ave., Whittier Blvd. and Colima Rd. to Hacienda Blvd. Line 509-PALOS VERDES-SOUTH BAY-FINANCIAL CENTER SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE begins at Silver Spur Road and Hawthorne Blvd. traveling via Hawthorne Blvd., Artesia Blvd., Harbor Freeway, Pico Blvd. (inbound), 11th St.,(outbound) and Flower St. to 5th St. The return route is the same. Line 505 operates out of Division 8, Lines 507 and 508 from Division 9 and Lines 509 out of Division 12. The downtown terminal for all these lines is the ARCO Towers and a special RTD ticket office has been established there to handle the sales of the special Subscription Passes.

Two additional Sunday only Mini-Bus shuttle routes, designed to aid beachgoers have been inaugurated in Manhattan Beach and Malibu. The buses used on these lines have been outfitted with a carrier attached to the back of the coach which is designed to handle surfboards. Both lines operate out of Division 3 which requires a considerable amount of deadhead time. Line 203-MANHATTAN BEACH MINI-BUS LOOP started July 4th using two coaches, 1114 and 1117. WTS Members Warren Quon and Jerry Squier were on board the first trip and Member Tom Helliwell was on the second. Line 203 begins at the TRW parking lot (Marine Ave. and Aviation Blvd) and runs via Marine Ave., Sepulveda Blvd., Rosecrans Ave., Highland Ave., Marine Ave., beach front access roads, 23rd, Manhattan Ave., Marine Ave., Highland Ave., Rosecrans Ave., Sepulveda Blvd., Marine and parking lot access roads. Using one bus Line 204-MALIBU MINI-BUS LOOP was scheduled to begin July 8th from Malibu Civic Center via Civic Center Way, Prauts Road, Service Rd., Pacific Coast Highway, Cross Creek entrance to beach access roads and loop beach area counter-clockwise returning via dirt roads through parking lot, cross Pacific Coast Highway, Cross Creek Road and Civic Center Way.

LAS VEGAS TRANSIT SYSTEM (LVTS)

LAS VEGAS: LVTS instituted a number of changes on May 5th - the 1015 PM trip from downtown which was the last trip of the day except for Line 6-LAS VEGAS BOULEVARD SOUTH was dropped, 915 PM being the last trip now. The midday headway on Line 4-KELSO-TURNER was reduced from half hourly to 45 minutely and Line 1-HYDE PARK had an alternate inbound route added - from Valley View and Sahara via Sahara and Rancho Road to West Charleston Boulevard. This route is operated between 1015 AM and 345 PM with trips before and after these times via the regular route - San Bernardino Road, Las Verdes, Oakey, Dormak and West Charleston Boulevard. Evening service (after 600 PM) on Line 3-NORTH LAS VEGAS-SALT LAKE HIGHWAY was reduced from six trips to three departing downtown at 645 PM, 745 PM and 915 PM. The hours that school fares apply have been extended to 600 AM/615 PM. They formerly applied from 630 AM to 430 PM.

SPOKANE TRANSIT SYSTEM (STS)

SPOKANE: Thirty brand new T6H4523As are now in the process of arriving (See Equipment Report). They are painted white with a diagonal green and yellow stripe cutting from the roof down through the first long window on the side (similar to Atlanta's MARTA scheme) with a large block lettered "STS" on the front below the windshield. The coaches are EIP equipped and their interiors are of various color schemes differing from one bus to another. Eighteen more coaches have been ordered for 1974 delivery insuring a fleet of 48 new buses in time for "EXPO 74" which will take place in Spokane. It is expected that the TDH 4507s, 4509s and 4512s will be retired after all new coaches have been placed into service.

TRI COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT (TRI MET)

PORTLAND: A new crosstown line was instituted June 4th as Line 77-EAST-WEST TRANSFER commenced operations operating six days a week every half hour from 545 AM to 915 PM using two coaches, normally 600s (Flxible 45 seaters). Beginning at NW Marsall and NW 25th buses travel via NW 25th, NW Lovejoy, Lovejoy Ramp, Broadway Bridge, NE Weidler, NE 24th, NE Broadway, NE 45th, NE Hancock, and NE Sandy Boulevard to N. Broadway. Returning coaches operate via NE Broadway Broadway Bridge, Lovejoy Ramp, NW Lovejoy, NW 14th, NW Northrup, NW 23rd, and NW Marshall to NW 25th. Forty new coaches for TRI MET are due this month - the 42 seat Flxibles (35' by 102") will be numbered 700-719 and the 49 seat T8H5307As will be 900-919. The U. S. Department of Transportation has awarded TRI MET a $2.7 million grant toward purchase of 80 new buses (these do not include the 40 coaches listed above). Bids on the buses will be opened in about one month with delivery expected in one year. TRI MET began a five year program of purchasing 40 new buses per year about two years ago and this grant covers purchase of buses for years two and three of the five year plan.

VANCOUVER TRANSIT SYSTEM (VTS)

VANCOUVER, WASH. Vancouver's Senior Citizens began riding VTS buses for 20 cents a ride rather than the regular rate of 35 cents on June 18th. Seniors comprise 40 per cent of the systems riders and $14,000 less revenue annually is expected as a result of this change in tariff.

MEETING DATES

Next meeting - Sunday July 8, 730PM

Future meeting - Sunday August 12, 730PM

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3 blocks east of Fairfax
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CLUB NEWS

A dozen WTS Members and guests enjoyed the June 30th "Santa Barbara Field Trip" aboard CONSOLIDATED STREET RAILWAYS Coach 3001 stopping at OXNARD MUNICIPAL TRANSIT LINES, AUTO BUS COMPANY, VENTURA TRANSIT LINES, CHANNEL ISLANDS BUS SYSTEM, MELNI BUS SERVICE and SANTA BARBARA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT. Special thanks are in order for WTS General Manager Loren Joplin who provided the bus, WTS Members Bob Burrowes who made the advance contacts with all the companies and who prepared the excursion flyer and to Mike Campbell and Ed Buckley who each drove a segment of the excursion. Additional "Garage Visit" excursions are under consideration.

W.T.S. Tenth Anniversary Dinner - Saturday August 25th - Flyer to follow.

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	Comments
NEW EQUIPMENT				
SCRTD	4300-4341	Flxible	111-DD-D06-1/ 57156-57197	V8,45 seat
Regional Transit (Sacramento)	4900-4921	Flxible	111-CC-D06-1/ 57295-57316	49 fwd facing
Yakima City Lines	43-50	GMC	TDH3302A/022-029	
Spokane Transit System	101-130	GMC	T6H4523A/260-289	
Vancouver (Wash) Transit System	77-82	Twin	TC31/25203-25208	
Lane County Transit District (Eugene, Oregon)	-	Twin	TC31/25245-25266	
Aztec Bus Lines	752-755	B & C	05SE/9001,9002,-,-	
Airport Service, Inc.	4301-4304	MCI	MC7/-	
Greyhound Lines-West	7418-7429	MCI	MC7/-	43seat,RR
USED EQUIPMENT				
Arrow Charter Lines	II 1105	GMC	TDH4801/010	ExRTD 2909
Gray Line of Los Angeles	4811-4820	GMC	TDH4801/181,-, 225,250, 259,189, -,244, 257,262	ExRTD 6515,- 6559,6584, 6593,6523, -,6578, 6591,6596
Vancouver-Portl nd Bus Co	9-10	GMC	TDH5301/3114, 3118	Ex SMMBL 5312,5316
Solano Bus Company	21	Kassb	SE/58103	ExCWL 14710
Douglas Charter Lines	90,92	GMC	PD4104/2526,2796	Ex Calif Pacific Stage Lines 7102,03

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OF COLORADO (PSC)

BOULDER: Following the signing of a contract between PSC and the City of Boulder expanded bus service began on Sunday June 17th. At that time the number of routes increased from two to five with four of them operating half hourly and the fifth every forty minutes. On August 1st service will again be stepped up with all buses operating on 15 minute headways during peak hours. A fare increase (to 25 cents) will also go in effect (present fares are adult - 15 cents and child - 10 cents).