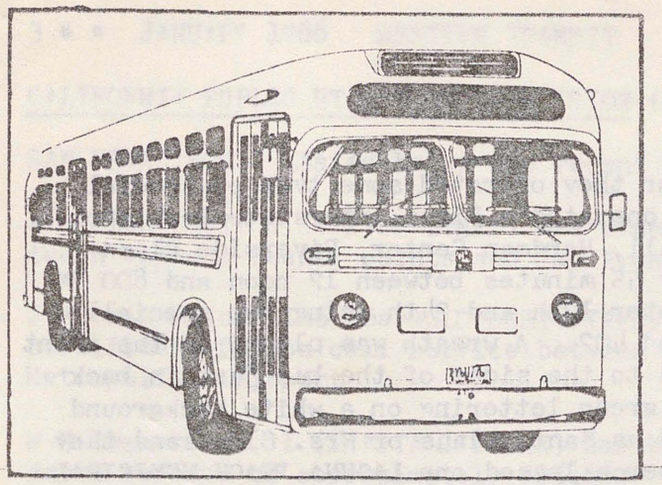


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VALLEJO TRANSIT LINES (VTL)

VALLEJO: On September 28th VTL introduced the VALLEJO BARTLINK, an express bus service between Sereno Transit Center, downtown Vallejo, Curtola Park And Ride, Crockett, Richmond's Hilltop Mall and the BART/El Cerrito Station. Service operates Monday through Friday between 600AM and 800PM with an approximate 15 minute headway during peak hours (4 buses) and hourly midday service using 2 buses. Most peak hour trips bypass Crockett and Richmond. The regular adult one way fare is $1.50 and after 800AM a 75¢ discount fare is available for seniors and disabled. Monthly passes are also available. Fares between Vallejo and Crockett are 75¢ (35¢ for seniors and disabled) with transfers to/from WESTCAT available. Transfers to and from AC TRANSIT at Hilltop Mall are also available. Three 40 foot Gillig Phantoms (#59-61, 40'6T36V02/H1081598-600) were recently purchased primarily for use on the BARTLINK service. The five route local city system (1-RANCHO VALLEJO, 2-MARINE WORLD-SPRINGS ROAD, 3-TENNESSEE-GEORGIA, 4-TUOLUMNE STREET and 5-BEVERLY HILLS-REDWOOD) and 30-VALLEJO-SOLANO COLLEGE were rerouted and rescheduled. Timed transfers have been instituted for all buses serving the downtown on street terminal at York and Marin and Lines 1, 2 and 5 meet at Sereno Transit Center which is north of downtown. Line 30 now has five weekday round trips. Supplemental service is available school days on 6 and 7-RANCHO VALLEJO, 8-GLEN COVE/GREENMONT and 9-DONCASTER. Sunday service, which had consisted of three buses operating the SUNDAY SHOPPER and SUNDAY TOURIST, operating loop type routes, was discontinued with local lines operating Monday through Saturday and the others running on weekdays only.

FOOTHILL TRANSIT (FT)

LOS ANGELES: FT assumed operation of the former RTD Pomona local lines (192-ARROYO AVE/194-WEST 9TH-ARROW HWY and 291-FOOTHILL BLVD-GAREY AVE/293-INDIAN HILL-RESERVOIR) on December 27th using a fleet of eleven Ford Econoline 350 Diesel/Falcon T/A buses operated by LAIDLAW TRANSIT, INC. under contract to the County of Los Angeles. Buses are numbered F100-F110 and are in FT's blue and white scheme. They have 20 forward facing upholstered seats plus one wheelchair position, two doors plus a special door for the Braun lift, one piece curtain headsigns with side route number boxes, Diamond fareboxes, two way radios, air conditioning and all white interiors. The units are lettered on the sides, "Foothill Transit - Operated by Laidlaw Transit, Inc., TCP 143-A, A Private Enterprise". The LTI operating base is located in Upland and at least one FT Gillig, F213, assigned to the Embree Buses, Inc. operation, has been working lines in Pomona. The previous RTD routes and schedules and fare structure continue to the followed. The plan for shared operation of RTD Lines 495 and 498 (WT 12/87) has been delayed until at least next June.

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SPECIAL BUS OPERATIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Several properties painted up buses for the holidays or they operated some type of special service. For the third year RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY operated a First Interstate Bank sponsored RIVERSIDE SANTA EXPRESS, a free service Tyler Mall, Hardman Center, Riverside Plaza and the downtown RTA Terminal. Service operated every 45 minutes between 12 noon and 800 PM weekdays and 1000AM to 600PM on weekends between December 12th and 24th using two specially painted and decorated 30 foot Gillig Phantoms, #400 and 402. A wreath was placed on the front of the bus, there was a cut out of Santa Claus affixed to the sides of the bus just in back of the last side window and a SANTA EXPRESS sign with green lettering on a white background replaced the RTA logo. The bus operators were dressed as Santa Claus or Mrs. Claus and they gave out goodies. In Laguna Beach the Chamber of Commerce leased one LAGUNA BEACH MUNICIPAL TRANSIT LINES vehicle to operate one morning trip from the Dana Point Royce Resort Hotel in Dana Point and Ritz Carlton Hotel in Laguna Niguel to downtown Laguna Beach with one afternoon return trip. In Huntington Park the City Council and Chamber of Commerce made arrangements for free bus service along Pacific Boulevard on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays during December using DIVERSIFIED PARATRANSIT vehicles. DP operates the city's Dial-A-Ride program. Two agencies had painted buses - SANTA MONICA MUNICIPAL BUS LINES splashed 5128, a GMD T8H5307A, while COUNTY TRANSIT used 4835, TDH5302/681 for the third year in a row. The coach was painted in a holiday scheme by the art department and its students at West Valley College.

FOSTER'S TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (FTS)

TAFT: On October 1st FTS established a daily except Saturday and Sunday service between Bakersfield and Santa Maria serving enroute Valley Plaza, Pumpkin Center, Panama, Old River, Valley Acres, Taft, Maricopa and New Cuyama. The trip originates in Bakersfield at 755AM arriving Santa Maria 1110AM returning from Santa Maria at 250PM arriving Bakersfield 605PM. Until recently FTS operated three round trips per day between Taft and Bakersfield using vans and WT sources are not sure if this service still continues. Although much of this area is still open and not highly populated there is some intercity history to be told. In August 1928 the California Railroad Commission issued a passenger stage certificate to Paul Derkum dba Derkum Stage Line to operate between Taft and Santa Maria. Derkum had been operating in the Bakersfield area since purchasing Bakersfield-Arvin and Bakersfield-Buttonwillow (4/29/25) from William Giminicani. C. E. Sansome had been operating service to points in the oil fields in Kern County dating to 1920. On April 18, 1928 he and Derkum were granted a psc to operate between Bakersfield and Santa Maria. On August 15, 1928 he sold his interest to Derkum. On October 5, 1931 service to Santa Maria was authorized to be suspended and the psc was revoked for non use on July 22, 1947. Interest in the area was revived when oil was discovered in the Cuyama Valley about 1948 and many workers moved into the area. Charles Nash dba Santa Maria Transit Lines was granted a psc to serve between Santa Maria and Cuyama, on November 9, 1948 a psc was issued to Thomas L Garrett dba Cuyama Bus Lines and AIRLINE BUS COMPANY was granted a psc to operate from Taft to Cuyama as a branch of the SAN FRANCISCO-LOS ANGELES service. It is believed, however, that none of the three carriers ever operated into the area and by August 1949 the Public Utilities Commission cancelled the certificates.

FUN BUS SYSTEMS, INC. (FBS)

ANAHEIM: Additional AIRLINK changes occurred on November 16th. Half hourly all day service is now provided (600AM-1100PM) on the DISNEYLAND/ANAHEIM-LAX service with trips non stop from the Disneyland Hotel. A new route, DISNEYLAND-BUENA PARK-LONG BEACH AIRPORT-LAX, was established provided eight daily round trips between these points and a second Buena Park stop was added, this at the Buena Park Hotel. The Disneyland-LAX fare of $9.25 was increased to $9.75 although other adult fares and all childrens fares remained the same.

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CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (PUC)

SAN FRANCISCO: Listed below are recent decisions of the Commission:

A Guiton (GUITON CHARTER LINES) was granted a passenger stage home to work certificate between Alameda County points and San Francisco

J Morris & Sons Inc dba GOLD DUST AIRPORT has been authorized to extend a passenger stage certificate for on call service between Sacramento, et al, counties and the Sacramento Metropolitan Airport

W H Weggers et al (SHASTA SKYHAWK) has been authorized to increase passenger fares for a gross revenue of approximately $25,600

CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (LADOT)

LOS ANGELES: LADOT will soon be issuing Request For Proposals for three different contracts. The first is the FAIRFAX TROLLEY requiring a minimum of three vehicles to operate two fixed routes six days per week in the Beverly/Fairfax, Farmers Market, Beverly Center area of the city. The next is for DASH/Downtown Los Angeles (which is believed to also include DASH/Westwood on Friday and Saturday and DASH/Venice in the summer). The city is evaluating vehicles with an eye toward city purchase and ownership. Present contractor DIVERSIFIED PARATRANSIT, INC. owns the nineteen Econoline 350/Champion vehicles used in this service. The third line is the WATTS CIRCULATOR, also a fixed route needing three vehicles (two scheduled plus one spare) for a community circulator which will be new.

ROSEVILLE COMMUTER (RC)

ROSEVILLE: The City of Roseville is located in Placer County but is provided service by REGIONAL TRANSIT of Sacramento with selected local and express buses. With the opening of the Light Rail Line last year service on Line 100-ROSEVILLE EXPRESS was reduced and passengers were required to use a combination of bus and rail to make their home to work journies. In order to restore one vehicle rides the county transportation coordinator issued RFPs for establishment of peak hour commute service with a 21 month contract requiring three buses. Four firms (WESTERN GREYHOUND LINES, COMMUTER BUS LINES, ALL WEST TOURS and CHEROKEE TOURS) submitted bids. WGL was the successful bidder with a rate of $130 per round trip or $99,840 for the contract using a fleet of three MC 9 buses from their Sacramento pool of buses.

LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

SACRAMENTO: Several new laws became active in California on January 1st which directly or indirectly affect public and private carriers. The first is legislation which will allow counties to create local transportation authorities with power to levy up to an additional penny of sales tax, subject to approval of voters, for transportation purposes. Riverside and San Bernardino Counties are working toward a November 1988 ballot. Another statute prohibits smoking on passenger vehicles except to the extent permitted by federal law and airline companies and AMTRAK have stated this would allow them to continue the present practice of designating a specified number of rows in vehicles. Representatives of TRAILWAYS, INC. and GREYHOUND LINES, INC. have also indicated that they have not yet received instructions on changes to their designated seats policy although they presently do operate some schedules which are designated as non smoking. Waiting rooms must now provide a contiguous area of not less than 75 percent of any area made available as a non smoking area. The last law covers all drivers of all vehicles. Under the new "anti gridlock" law drivers of vehicles who block intersections can be cited under sections of the law. First offenders would be fined $53 with $500 fines for chronic offenders. The City of Los Angeles will be deploying a force of 15 policeman to monitor 100 intersections designated as chronically blocked with many of these on the west side and the Valley.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT (SCRTD)

LOS ANGELES: The Winter Shake Up took place on December 27th including a number of service changes. Line 351-AVALON BLVD LIMITED operations were changed so that buses now make all stops south of Century and Avalon, make selected stops to 9th and San Pedro, and make all stops west of that point. Line 410-GLENOAKS BLVD EXPRESS received additional peak hour trips to have five each peak period. Line 420-LOS ANGELES-VAN NUYS-PANORAMA CITY late night and owl trips were extended from Van Nuys and Sherman Way to the daytime terminal at Van Nuys and Roscoe. On Saturday Line 444-LOS ANGELES-ROLLING HILLS-PALOS VERDES now has thirty minute headways between Palos Verdes and Artesia Boulevard with hourly service beyond Artesia to downtown. Line 192-ARROYO-SAN BERNARDINO AVE/194-WEST 9TH-ARROW HWY and 291-FOOTHILL BL-CAREY AVE/293-INDIAN HILL-RESERVOIR were discontinued and replaced by the new FOOTHILL TRANSIT. A new operational plan was introduced on Wilshire Boulevard. During morning and afternoon peak hours buses will have a combined frequency of 1 to 1½ minutes with buses evenly divided between local lines (20, 21, 22) and limited lines (320, 322) for a 2 to 3 minute headway. During non peak times combined limited and local service will be operated every 3-4 minutes with local buses on 21 and 22 every 7-8 minutes and limited 320 every 7-8 minutes. During midday periods Line 20 does not operate and all service between Santa Monica and Los Angeles will be operated by Line 320. Since limited buses only stop about every one half mile between Santa Monica Blvd. and St. Paul Avenue near downtown passengers destined to a local stop or originating at such a stop needs to transfer to/from a local bus at an appropriate limited stop. With Line 185 moved to Division 9 on November 22nd and 192/194 and 291/293 cancelled the 4130-4148 series Carpenter buses have been transferred to Division 9 for the 185, 270-MONROVIA-EL MONTE-CERRITOS and 280-AZUSA AVENUE. Ten peak hour buses on Line 480/481 and four peak buses on Line 484 were transferred from Division 9 to Division 16 along with an appropriate number of 7600 series Grumman Flxible 870s.

RTD Directors and LOS ANGELES COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Commissioners have endorsed a plan to consolidate the presently divided responsibilities for building Metro Rail and the several light rail lines. It is expected that if this plan is implemented RTD officials would concentrate their major activities on administering the present bus system while LACTC would spend its time on planning and fiscal issues. The action has been viewed as an effort to offset expected legislative attempts to impose transit reorganization in Los Angeles County as was done last year.

During December a majority of RTD Directors refused to endorse any plans for fare increases or service reductions in order to balance its budget and, instead, voted to appeal to the LACTC to waive its rules and allow RTD to trade fare box revenues to cities for their unused Proposition A funds. The Commission has previously rejected similar requests. Staff recommendations for fare changes included a dime hike in the cash fare and a $2 increase for monthly passes.

SFO AIRPORTER, INC. (APTR)

SAN FRANCISCO: On December 3rd the San Francisco Airports Commission terminated APTR's permit to provide service effective in thirty days. APTR management had suspended service on December 1st after a strike by operators who are represented by the Teamsters Union. APTR recently asked the commission to waive the monthly fee they pay and instead pay the rate that the shuttle vans do or 35 cents a loop. Based on the present formula linked to the number of arriving passengers at SFO the carrier currently pays $517,000 annually while the per loop fee would mean $4,800 per year. The airport is currently appealing an order by San Francisco Superior Court Judge Roy Wonder that the city pay APTR some $3 million for allowing competitors to pick up passengers at the airport.

WEST COACH MOTOR COACH SOCIETY spring excursion to Santa Barbara via Glendale, San Fernando and Santa Paula using PD4151 coach, former PACIFIC GREYHOUND LINES 4319, PD4151/353, departing the Society's museum in La Puente at 1030AM

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ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT (ACT)

OAKLAND: Last month the AC Board selected Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Inc., one of the country's leading transportation consultant firms, to provide a variety of short term top level management services in the coming months. The firms activities will include an in depth analysis of the management staff as well as financial, operational and personnel functions and practices. Neil Peterson, former executive director of Seattle Metro Transit, has been hired as interim general manager beginning immediately and extending for six months. Gene Gardiner, the previous General Manager, retired on January 1st after a twenty six year career with ACT. Service changes on several transbay lines were instituted December 13th, all of them reductions. Line F-BERKELEY will now operate every 20 (rather than 15) minutes all day on weekends and holidays. Line K-HAVENSCOURT has been reduced to operating weekday peak hours only while three branches of B-HAYWARD were discontinued. BD, BF and BH which all operated peak hours only inbound to San Francisco in the morning and outbound in the afternoon were dropped since alternate service on BART is available. The transbay fare schedule was also changed. Previously such fares were distance based, but now the charge is flat and is $2 westbound to San Francisco and $1 eastbound. Line 10-DEL NORTE is to be extended to provide commute hour service to the Marina Bay Development while 63-SOUTHSHORE-WEST ALAMEDA will be extended to provide peak hour service to the new Harbor Bay Business Park in Alameda. In addition to the specially decorated Christmas buses listed on Page 2 this issue ACT painted two Gillig Phantoms, 1343 and 1422, and operated them throughout the system. Assembly Bill 2722 (Eastin, D-Union City) has been introduced in the state legislature which would, among other things, permit the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to act as trustee of ACT (WT 12/87).

COUNTY TRANSIT (CT)

SAN JOSE: December 14th saw the opening of the first six miles of CT's new light rail system. Trains operate between First and Younger near the San Jose Civic Center, north of downtown, to Tasman and Old Ironsides Avenue in Santa Clara along North First Street and Tasman Avenue. There are twelve stations on this segment. During December all riders were charged 25¢ to introduce the system, but beginning this month regular CT fares are being charged. Service operates between 600AM and 900PM daily with ten minute headways Monday thru Saturday, fifteen minutes on Sunday and every half hour after about 630PM every day. Community meetings will be held this month to discuss proposed changes to numerous bus routes in the north county and to provide for bus connections with the LRT. Lines involved include 20, 21, 33, 36, 44, 56, 57, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 75, 82, 83, 85, 123, 140, 142, 144, 160 and 302.

BEAR FLAG EXPRESS (BFE)

YOUNTVILLE: The citizens of this Napa County town received improved public transit service starting December 1st as BFE began providing connections to "The Vine", the local system in Napa. The wheelchair accessible system passes through Yountville five times per weekday and three times on Saturday.

BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT (BART)

OAKLAND: The express bus service contracts which were rejected by the BART Board (WT 12/87) covered about half of the contract express service. BART is currently in process of developing contracts for all of the service which would become effective next September and require the provider to purchase 50 buses as well as operating and maintenance facilities. Based on the previous contract it is expected that there will be a large number of contract bidders. A bill has been introduced in the legislature (AB 2733) which would permit BART to extend service only to areas in counties already annexed and require additional station in existing district boundaries for each one within annexed territory.

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METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT BOARD (MTDB)

SAN DIEGO: Construction recently started for the MTS Tower, a $35 million major transit center and ten story office/mixed use building which will house MTDB headquarters (currently in downtown San Diego on C Street) and offer space for County of San Diego offices. The MTS Tower, which is being developed through a public-private partnership, will be built over existing trolley tracks at the 12th and Imperial Transfer Station creating a transit center where SAN DIEGO TROLLEY, SAN DIEGO TRANSIT CORPORATION and YELLOW AND PINK BUS LINES (AMARILLO Y ROSA) services will converge. The project will also include construction of SDT's third rail line, the BAYSIDE LOOP.

OMNITRANS (OMNI)

SAN BERNARDINO: The OT Board recently voted to designate February 29th, Leap Year Day, as a free ride day on OT buses as part of a campaign to promote riding the bus. Free rides would be offered system wide that day. In another program designed to stimulate ridership, Line 18-HIGHLAND CROSSTOWN began offering free rides on Saturday only beginning January 16th and continuing for seven Saturdays. Offering free rides for one day is estimated to cost $1655 while the Saturday change would cost only $122, but it is expected that any increase in long term patronage will more than offset the revenue.

AIRPORT BUS OF BAKERSFIELD, INC. (ABOB)

BAKERSFIELD: ANTELOPE VALLEY BUS, INC. of Lancaster has filed applications with the California Public Utilities Commission to acquire control of ABOB through acqusition of outstanding stock from Coastal Engineering Company. ABOB operates a fleet of at least ten Eagles including both Models 05 and 10 with airport service between Bakersfield and Los Angeles International Airport (five daily round trips) and offering a number of escorted tours originating in the Bakersfield area.

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

PHOENIX: Drivers and other employees of LVTR have agreed to end their 12½ day walkout. The company's offer, which was accepted on a vote of 64 to 42, calls for pay of $456 per week for the drivers. During the walkout the company had been able to maintain the two schedules per day between Reno, Las Vegas and Phoenix.

CITIFARE (CF)

RENO: CF provided free rides on New Years Eve from 700PM until 200AM anywhere on the system with the loss in revenue provided by Long's Drug Stores and John Ascuaga's Nugget Casino. On January 2nd Reno experienced a Stage One smog alert and, again, CF provided free transportation as an incentive to reduce auto usage.

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The WEST COAST MOTOR COACH MUSEUM excursion to Santa Barbara (see Page 4) is planned for Sunday March 13, 1987 with a 1030AM departure from the Museum on Valley Boulevard in La Puente.

During this year WTS will celebrate its 25th anniversary and we are developing plans to celebrate the occasion. Ideas received so far include transit property and charter bus firm visits, selected manufacturers, LACTC or Metro Rail activities, dinner speaker(s), banquet and after dinner entertainment. Please forward your thoughts and ideas to the Editorial Office at 1506 Nottingham Lane, Anaheim, California 92802. It is expected that one Saturday in August will be selected as the day of the event.

CITY OF PHOENIX TRANSIT SYSTEM (PTS)

PHOENIX: Additional information is available on the September 8, 1987 PTS service changes (WT 12/87). Evening service was added on 0-CENTRAL, 3E-EAST VAN BUREN, 3W-WEST VAN BUREN, 13-BUCKEYE, 19-19TH AVENUE, 24-24TH STREET, 29-THOMAS, 50-CAMELBACK and 61-SOUTHERN. Revised 13-BUCKEYE ROAD begins at 32nd and Durango via Durango, 35th Avenue, Buckeye (alternate trips using Mojave between 7th Avenue and 16th Street) and into Sky Harbor Airport. Former Line 18-MOJAVE was absorbed by the new 13 which no longer travels downtown. Seven other routes received expanded service mostly in the form of additional span of service. These include 7-GRAND-MAIN, 7-7TH STREET, 10-ROOSEVELT, 90-DUNLAP and three express lines, 531-MESA EXPRESS, 560-MARYVALE EXPRESS and 581-NORTH MOUNTAIN EXPRESS. Adjustments were also made in the price of Big 10 tickets and passes so that the prices of these instruments now equal the cash fare prices.

GREYHOUND LINES, INC. (GLI)

DALLAS: Additional October 25th schedule changes include two additonal LOS ANGELES-LAS VEGAS and one additional SAN DIEGO-RIVERSIDE-LAS VEGAS round trips. GLI has introduced Lucky Streak service in Las Vegas which provides Greyhound passengers bonuses and incentives at the Tropicana, Flamingo Hilton and Union Plaza casinos which hotels are now also GLI stops. Passengers can also join the Valued Passenger Frequent Rider Program and receive free transportation after collecting ten lucky stamps. A number of MC-9s have been lettered "Lucky Streak" in addition to the regular Greyhound lettering. Also started October 25th was a new service between Phoenix and Las Vegas operating via Laughlin (the boomtown on the Colorado River) and Bullhead City. Service consists of two daily round trips between Phoenix and Laughlin plus another Phoenix-Las Vegas round trip via Laughlin and one round trip via Kingman. Service in this area formerly operated by SUN VALLEY BUS LINES, INC. is no longer appearing in Russell's Guide and it is not known if GLI purchased SVBL or if the service was discontinued. GLI has announced that it will purchase fifty new Eagle Model 15s from Eagle International, Inc. of Brownsville, Texas. GLI Holding Company, Inc., owner of GLI, TRAILWAYS LINES, INC. and Eagle International plans to purchase buses from both Eagle and Transportation Manufacturing Company. Six of the new buses were to be built in late 1987 with the remaining units to be produced in the first half of this year.

SUN CITY AREA TRANSIT (SCAT)

EL PASO: Restoring service to the Buena Vista area on the westside the BUENA VISTA SHUTTLE was started on December 4th. Operating every two hours using one Citycruiser bus and connecting with 12-COUNTRY CLUB the line begins at the Machuca Apartments and travels via Sunland Park Drive, Doniphan, Racetrack Drive and looping thru Buena Vista via Torres, Vista, Hill, Zapal and Torres to Racetrack. SCAT is now considering using smaller vehicles, perhaps taxis operated by a taxicab firm. Beginning January 4th fifteen overloaded trips on weekdays plus two on Saturday and one on Sunday will receive "trailers" or second sections. The second section will actually be scheduled about five minutes ahead of the regular trip in an effort to split the load of passengers between the two buses.

PASO DEL NORTE STREETCAR PRESERVATION SOCIETY

EL PASO: The Society has been granted two more years to renovate nine former EL PASO CITY LINES PCC electric streetcars by the City Council. However, a place to operate the renovated cars is still unknown. Downtown streets have been ruled out because the cars take up much room and can block traffic. They city plans to purchase buses with rubber tires which will resemble streetcars for a downtown shuttle. The Society is leasing the streetcars from the city for $1 each.

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EQUIPMENT REPORT

PROPERTY	FLEET NOS	BUILDER	MODEL/SERIAL	NOTES
-NEW-				
Arrow Stage Lines (AZ)	(9802,9808	Setra	S215HDH/G10300h1,H1030059	
	(1025	TMC	102A3/HR005895	
Arrow Stage Lines (NE)	(8555-8556	MCI	96A3/FP0h00h7-h00h8	
	(8557-8558	MCI	96A3/FP0h0269-h0270	
Quality Coaches (Sacto)	97-100	MCI	102A3/FR005030-05033	
South West Chtr Lns (Phnx)	unnumb	VanHool	350T/H2015792	
Foothill Transit	F100-F110	Ford/E1D	Econ350Diesel/Falcon T/A	20 seat, WC
Carson Circuit	(813-820	Ford/Dmnd	Econ350/Diamond	819 is HHR11587
	(			820 is HHR11588
Claremont Unified Sch Dist	9,10,15	Gillig	6V92-13/H1030191-30193	
Orange Unified Sch Dist	(10	Gillig	SR6V92TQ-15/H1030208	
	(18,21	Gillig	SR6V92TA-18/H1030209,211	
-USED-				
America West Stages	821	Flxible	111-DC-D06-1/57114	OCTD 1315
Amador Stage Lines	114	GMC	TDH4519/480	SAMTRANS 114
Peerless Stages, Inc.	349	GMC	TDM5301/023	Amador 5522
Gray Lines of Los Angeles	(4979-1 to	MCI	MC9/S13773U3h1h9,S1377hU3h150	Flyaway 81,82
	(4979-7	MCI	MC9/S13775U3h2h2,S13776U3h2h3	Flyaway 83,84
	(	MCI	MC9/S13777U3h390-S1377?U3h392	Flyaway 85-87
TBL Charter	unnumb	TMC	MC8/1873	GLW 1107
Hot Dogger Tours	523	TMC	MC8/1978	GLW 7819
Peninsula Charter Lines	334	Prevost	LM103/LM103-2721-80	Calif Chtr 4504
Carson Circuit	701	Ford	Econ 350/Escort II	Whittier Transit 701
-DISPOSITIONS-				
Orange County Transit	(774,776,778	Transc	2221S/7082,7084,7086	to pvt parties
	(777	Transc	2221S/7085	to Orange County Sheriffs Dept
Americoach	341-342	MCI	MC9/BP036085-36086	to Peerless

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COUNTY TRANSIT 6512, a 1959 GMC TDH 4512/3263 (the last one built) was restored to its original SAN JOSE CITY LINES colors in time for CT's tenth anniversary in 1983. It recently underwent some body repair and rust removal. Five inch Railroad Roman type numbers were located and applied to the bus. What is still needed is a set of GM front chrome wings and GM emblem to make restoration complete. If any reader knows where these can be obtained please contact Jim Husing, 1118 Blackfield Drive, Santa Clara, California, 95051.

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