

PACIFIC ELECTRIC

Magazine

Vol. 20—No. 5



November 10, 1939

Community

Chest Time



"AMERICA'S GREAT HEART IS AMERICA'S GREAT STRENGTH"

PACIFIC ELECTRIC Magazine

Volume 20, No. 5 November 10, 1939

Published monthly by the Pacific Electric Railway, in the interest of, and distributed free to active and retired employes of Pacific Electric Railway and Motor Transit Lines.

Contributions of news items regarding employes or activities of the railway are invited, and should reach the Editor before 28th of the month.

Address all communications to the Editor at 623 Pacific Electric Building, Los Angeles, California.

E. C. THOMAS.....EDITOR

IT IS a fact not generally known, but that should be known, that the Community Chest agency provides for those persons and institutions that have no other means available for their maintenance. Persons and institutions under the Chest are not eligible and do not receive help from any Federal, State, County or Municipal funds.

THAT the promoters of the "Municipal Bus Line" that will be voted on December 12th were very well acquainted with the dictator plan put forth by the "Ham and Eggs" proponents can readily be seen when one reads the "muny" plan. The promoters of the "muny" plan saw to it very early in their proposals that self-perpetuating jobs at fat salaries was made a fundamental of the ordinance, and that they were to be endowed with power unrevokable by city authorities once the initiative ordinance were voted. Every employe of this company would do well to read the proposed ordinance, if for no other purpose than to become acquainted with the most bare-faced "racket" ever attempted in the transportation business.

IN TWELVE months the eighty-eight member agencies of the Community Chest, even though handicapped by lack of finances due to under-subscription to the Chest last year, served 523,000 people, of whom 201,550 were children and 321,950 were adults. These figures, broken down into totals of the four service divisions, include Family Welfare: 66,250 children, 230,750 adults; Child Welfare: 23,000 children; Group work-Character building: 59,500 children, 62,500 adults; Health: 52,800 children, 28,400 adults. As needs have not decreased, the Chest agencies are confronted by as large a load for the coming year. Volunteer to be a Chest worker. Give generously this year.

"Main Street" Station Going Modern

Craftsmen Giving the Big Waiting Room and Lobby "Face-lifting," "Finger-waving" 'n Everything.



Patrons, who for years have passed through the big Sixth and Main Street Station, are going to be very much surprised, and we hope well pleased, with the appearance the waiting room and lobby will present within a week or two, after the painters get through with their job of re-decoration.

The color scheme adopted is thought will be attractive to the eye, as well as being along lines of a more modern tone than that heretofore seen.

Not to be outdone in the matter of rejuvenation, the Pacific Electric News Service, which also operates the Restaurant, are contemplating and are hopeful of acquiring new refrigeration "island" storage and display cases, re-finishing of counters and tables, and other minor improvements that will add to the attractiveness of the restaurant, as well as add to the volume of patronage.

Effective November 25, complete revision of the menu will be made, with a view of giving patrons and employes a greater variety of foods, as well as some appealing "specials" at prices that will enable discontinuance of employe rate.

Paul Armelin, formerly Chef at the Arcade Station has been installed

in charge of the culinary department of the restaurant, much to the gratification of his many friends whom he served for years at the old Southern Pacific Station.

The infection has also spread to the barber shop in the Lobby of the Station, recently taken over by a new proprietor who has completely rejuvenated the shop by the installation of new fixtures, etc.

No, you won't recognize the old place when you next see it.

HIRAM L. BATES

To the Magazine comes report of the demise of Hiram L. Bates, one of the older generation of railroaders, at his home in Torrance on October 16th.

Mr. Bates was born in Westford, Vt., March 11, 1859 and after living on a farm at Greensboro, Vt., near his birth-place, until he was 21 years of age, he went to Chicago where he spent 9 years, during which time he went back to his native state to claim as his bride Jennie Paddleford, who survives him after 55 happy married years.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates came to Pasadena in 1887, later moving to Los Angeles where Mr. Bates was employed in the operation of horse cars, cable cars and electric cars. Upon the organization of the Pacific Electric he joined that company and was the motorman on the first car operated in to Long Beach from Los Angeles when that line opened in 1903. Shortly after that time he transferred to the paint shops of the company and became known as one of the most proficient car finishers in the country. He continued in that employment until his retirement from service eight years ago.

Mr. Bates has been a resident of Torrance since 1920 and is survived by his wife; his son, Versal, who is an armature winder in the Torrance shops; his daughter-in-law and two grandchildren.

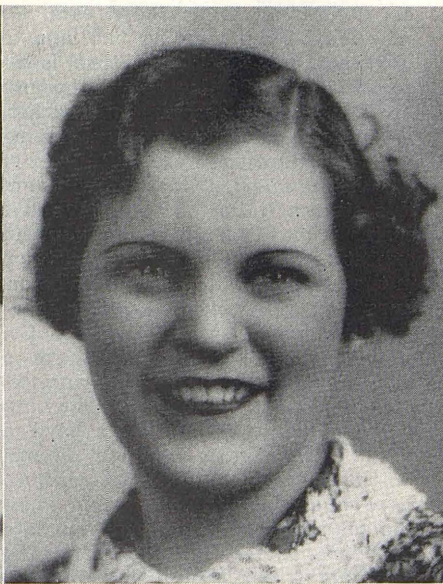
The sympathy of all his former fellow employes is extended the bereaved.

IT IS Community Chest time, and every employe of this Company will undoubtedly assist the cause to the best of their ability and means. While many of us may not have fared so well as we might have desired because of unexpected financial problems, the fact nevertheless remains that we have had employment, and gratitude for that blessing can best be reflected in our giving freely to the help of those less fortunate.

QUEENS STRIVE FOR TOURNAMENT OF ROSES HONORS



Dorothea Beranek



Bettie Enscoe



Odessa Carter

OF COURSE these young ladies are only three of the many Queens comprising the feminine portion of the Pacific Electric family; but, the ones shown herewith have been selected by their respective groups of friends to enter a contest of ballots by which one of them will be chosen to represent the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses on January 1st.

In the Tournament the Clerks propose to enter a float representing a streamline locomotive, the funds to provide which is to come from the sale of ballots in the "Queen Contest".

Not only have these young ladies, each with a more than pleasing personality, plenty of "oomph" and much pulchritude to contest each other for votes on the Pacific Electric, but, they must also endeavor to vanquish (some one of them) candidates placed in the race for the honor by employes of the Southern Pacific, Union Pacific and the Santa Fe railroads—and—at that—it is going to be a real friendly race.

Managers of the campaigns on behalf of the ladies are the "busy bird dogs" these days in their endeavor to retrieve all the votes they can for their candidate, and lessons in high pressure salesmanship could well be taken from them. Reminds a few of we older codgers of the era when "votes for wimmen" was a national cry.

The Magazine extends its best wishes to all of the beauteous ones, but begs to assure all concerned that "WE'RE NEUTRAL."

To quote an old adage, we "could be happy with either, were the other dear charmers away."

PACIFIC ELECTRIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

By Mrs. W. A. Hastay

October 5th was a red letter day for the Pacific Electric Women's Club. A lovely luncheon was served by the Committee on Ways and Means, under the chairmanship of Mrs. A. C. Smith to a large group of members and their guests. The occasion was so delightful that it was decided to program a similar get-together event in the near future. The afternoon was devoted to cards and other games.

Regular meeting of the Club with President, Mrs. F. M. Hart presiding, opened on Oct. 12th with the pledge of allegiance and singing "God Bless America."

After a short business session, a program was presented by Mrs. R. R. Crunk, program chairman. The entertainment was sponsored by the Los Angeles Playground and Recreation Department.

Songs and music were taken from the opera "Drums of Sacrifice", the music being by Mildred Sanger House, with libretto by Laura Sweeney Sanger Moore. The entertainers were Ruth Helen Jett, who gave several clever readings. Solos were rendered by Miss Dodie Brown, leading lady of the opera; and by James Adams, also of the opera company. They were accompanied by Lucile Shulak.

About 25 of the members of the Club enjoyed an interesting trip through the plant of the National Biscuit Company on October 18th; and, in addition to the educational value of the trip, each received a box of assorted cookies. The proceeds

of the excursion will be added to the Club funds.

Work is progressing nicely on the bazaar, and we are planning a "courtesy showing" on the 14th of November from 4:30 until 9:00 p. m., in order to accommodate those who do not find it possible to come during the day time on November 15th and 16th.

Our friends will be interested to know that 75 cents out of each dollar received by the Club is spent either for charity or hospital assistance; and, we will greatly appreciate your assistance in making our coming bazaar a success.

The Club has a beautiful "Hostess Set" that will be given away on the last day of the bazaar. It may be seen at the office of the Club, and tickets may also be purchased there.

The past presidents met with Mrs. A. C. Smith on October 19th. A lovely luncheon was served. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Frank Miller on December 21st.

The San Bernardino Club held their last meeting at the home of Mrs. C. H. Jones on November 3rd.

Torrance held their meeting on November 3rd with Mrs. Wallace Gilbert; Mrs. Barnard serving as hostess.

The Magazine was in error last month with regard to the offer made by President O. A. Smith. The offer was that "if there are ten or more ladies having 100 per cent Club attendance during the year, Mr. Smith will present the Club with \$50."

Before closing the last meeting of the Club, the members stood for a moment of remembrance, honoring one of our old members, Mrs. Lloyd.

WALTER WATCHALL

"There's a Mon Amang Ye Takin' Notes, and Faith He'll Print 'Em"

This month we again bring you an outstanding member of the P. E. family. When I called at the office of Mr. John P. Staddon for an interview, he said Walter, let me tell my public my story in my own words, so here it is.



"I was born in the City of Selingsgreve, Pa. in the 80's, and spent my childhood there. In 1910 I decided to get a line on the world and went to Philadelphia and caught on with the Rapid Transit Line of that city. In 1912 I decided to try my own line and went out selling for myself. In 1912 I made a bee line for the Pacific Coast and caught on with the P. E. Line, and been here from that day to this.

As to my hobbies, well I have many. I own a boat just a little smaller than the Queen Mary. I have to back it out of the channel to turn around. I like to fish and when I go out on my boat I always take Oscar Collins along just to scare him. I collect gold fish and have many at my home. Another of my hobbies is collecting false teeth and I like to scare little five year old boys by dropping them.

I live at Montrose and I like to tell of the nice fogs we have there but they cause me to have the worst lawn in the State. The only time my conscience bothers me is when I think of the chicken dinner I owe Miss Comer. During all these years here I have developed a line that no one can resist which makes me the best Claim Adjuster in the State and if you don't believe me ask Mr. Harris." There folks, is Mr. Staddon's own story.

Alhambra, Calif.
November 1st, 1939

Mrs. Willie Watchall,
Corn Crib, Iowa.
Dear Maw:

I sure am laughing up my sleeve today. I went to a Halloween party last night and won first prize. The funny part of it was that I did not have a costume on at all, had on my blue serge suit, you know the one you gave me when I graduated. The hostess handed me the prize and said "You win for the most original costume, you came as a looking glass."

You know Maw the Company announced a few days ago that they were going Streamlined. I went in and asked the boss if that included

the help and he said yes. You got to cut down 80 pounds and you better do something about those ears. So now Maw I am wearing ear laps to hold my ears back and that is no fun with this 99 degree weather we are having. And speaking of weather, we natives now say we are having our usual unusual weather.

I have a swell idea Maw about this stream lining business. When I spring it on the Management you can expect to find me riding around town in the Company Car with Vic Westenburg as my Chauffeur. That is what the big bosses do. The S. P. Co. (That is another big RR) have a train that runs here to San Francisco, and they call it "The Day Light Limited". Well my plan is to have a "Delux Day Light Limited" to run on the Alhambra Line. I am going to have one car with lounges in it so the people who have been out late the night before can sleep on the way into town. Then I am going to have a diner so they can eat breakfast, another car with pool tables and marble games, and one with a barber shop so fellows like Charlie Sein, Archie Sharp and Dale Hyde can come to work shaved. I might have one with a bowling alley in it. A lot of people are bowling now and the Conductor could set up the pins between stops. I expect a big promotion when they find out how smart I am so you can look for good news any time now.

You know Maw there is going to be a big float in the New Years Parade and they are choosing a queen for it. There are three girls running, Betty Emsco, Dorothea Beranek and Odessa Carter. They are all good looking and fit in with the new policy of the company, that is they are stream lined. The one who sells the most tickets gets to be Queen. And here is where I come in Maw. I won hands down, no contest in other words, I am to be King. At least a friend of mine heard George Perry the head man say, "That guy Watchall is going to be Crowned."

And Maw tell Paw if he goes hunting down near Corn City not to set out any muskrat traps as a fellow from here named Tighe is back home hunting and he might get caught.

Well it is time for the Lone Ranger so I must close but remember, they laughed when I picked up the locomotive, they didn't know I was a railroad magnet.

Your loving son,
Walter.

P.S. Send my cod liver oil, I forgot it when I was home.

One-half of the conversation of the majority of us is made up of forty-three common words.

SPARKS

In Head

"Now," said the school teacher, "give me a definition of space."

Junior stood up, flustered and red. "Space," he began, "is where there is nothing. I can't explain it exactly, but I have it in my head, all right."

Write Plain

Said the farmer's wife to the druggist: "Be sure and write plain on them bottles which is for the horse and which is for my husband. I don't want nothin' to happen to that horse before the spring plowin'."

Ladies Note

Quiggle—"Why is it that you women always insist on having the last word?"

Mrs. Quiggle—"We don't. The only reason we get it is that we always have a dozen arguments left when you stupid men are all run out."

Own Medicine

Barber (to regular customer): "I made a terrible mistake today while I was shaving a fellow."

Regular Customer: "What did you do, cut him?"

Barber: "No, that wouldn't have mattered so much; I cut myself."

Truth Will Come Out

Mother (on bus): "If you are not a good boy, I shall smack you."

Junior: "You slap me, and I'll tell the conductor my real age."

"Tommie," said mother severely, "there were two pieces of cake in the pantry when I went out, and now there is only one. How did that happen?"

"I don't know," said Tommie. "But it was dark, and I suppose I didn't see the other piece."

Man is but a worm. He comes wiggling along, then a chicken gets him.

"Does your husband talk in his sleep?"

"No! And it's terribly exasperating. He just grins."

"So you met your wife at a night club! Wasn't that romantic?"

"No, it was disastrous. I thought she was home taking care of the kids."

Experts estimate that the Amazon basin contains 300,000,000 wild rubber trees that never have been tapped.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB

- Saturday, November 11:**
P. E. Agent's Association Regular Monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m.
- Monday, November 13:**
Automotive Transportation and Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Electric Cars and Locomotive Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Car bodies, Trucks, Air and Electrical Equipment Class at Butte Street Yards—7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 14:**
Motor Coach Maintenance Class—7:00 p.m.
P. E. American Legion Post No. 321—Sponsors reunion of Pacific Electric Railway Veterans. All Veterans, their families and friends are invited—Prominent speakers and entertainment in Club Theatre—Doors open 7:30 p.m. (All welcome.)
- Wednesday and Thursday, November 15 and 16:**
P. E. Women's Club Annual Bazaar in Club ballroom—Doors open all day—Proceeds used to bring cheer to unfortunate of the Pacific Electric Family.
- Thursday, November 16:**
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Card Party 1:00 p.m.—Prizes.
- Friday, November 17:**
P. E. Club Regular Monthly Dance—Increasing crowds are enjoying the music of Flo Kendrick and her Dance Orchestra. Dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd., 8:15 p.m.—Visitors welcome.
- Monday, November 20:**
Automotive Transportation and Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Electric Cars and Locomotive Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Car bodies, Trucks, Air and Electrical Equipment Class at Butte Street Yards—7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 21:**
Motor Coach Maintenance Class—7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, November 23:**
Thanksgiving Day—Club rooms closed all day.
- Friday, November 24:**
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center.
- Monday, November 27:**
Automotive Transportation and Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Electric Cars and Locomotive Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Car bodies, Trucks and Electrical Equipment Class at Butte Street Yards—7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 28:**
Motor Coach Maintenance Class—7:00 p.m.
P. E. Post of American Legion No. 321 and American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321—Regular Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- Friday, December 1:**
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center.
- Monday, December 4:**
Automotive Transportation and Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Electric Cars and Locomotive Class—7:30 p.m.
Maintenance of Car bodies, Trucks, air and Electrical Equipment Class at Butte Street Yards—7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 5:**
Motor Coach Maintenance Class—7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 7:**
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Card Party—1:00 p.m.—Prizes.
- Friday, December 8:**
P. E. Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center.
- Saturday, December 9:**
P. E. Agent's Association Regular Monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m.

"MEET ME AT THE CLUB"

Let's Make This a Habit of Speech and Action.

One only has to scan the pages of the last issue of the Magazine to note the varied employe activities of our fellow workers—sports, social, educational, welfare, relief, all centering around our Pacific Electric Club and Vacation Camp.

Few companies do as much as our own to foster employe welfare activities. Almost a half million dollars are invested by the company in facilities at the Camp and our club building besides generous donations from time to time for improvements and operating expense. And then the Magazine, issued by the Company, brings you monthly the story of company and employe activities crowded with human interest.

Are you enjoying these privileges? Why not? Drop in of an evening and get better acquainted with your Club. It may be school night. If so, you will find groups of 20 to 25 employes diligently seeking self-improvement. It might be Rod and Gun or Legion night. They both have a line of stories. Some are fish stories and some just sound fishy. Of an afternoon you would find the Women's Club at work or play. Then too it might be some company activity, an Agents' meeting or a safety gathering and the like. Or if it is "spot" time you can seek the library and a good book or magazine. You may think you are a good shot, but you can always find some one around to play you at pool or billiards.

I suppose you are a family man with community interests, but you do meet the folks uptown. Your Club is the place, meals served until 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Get the habit. Just say, "Meet me at the Club."

Your Club President

ROD AND GUN CLUB NEWS

Members who were absent at our October meeting really missed a most interesting program of entertainment. Through the efforts of H. P. Bancroft, chairman of the entertainment committee, we were permitted to see motion pictures of the life and activities of the Coast Guard.

Many matters of interest came up for discussion during the business session, among them being the rule relating to the fishing line.

When buying a new fishing line, be sure that it is a standard Club regulation line (50'S LEA THREAD). Oftentimes a cheap nine thread line will turn out to be in reality a nine cord line, and that does not go with our alert executive committee.

Another grave mistake, which will no doubt cause no little amount of wailing and gnashing of teeth, was made by one member who sailed out to the briny deep and landed a granddaddy baracuda which must have looked about the size of those big shark we often see sunning their dorsal fins. This member had his prize fish weighed and measured, card signed by two witnesses who were apparently chance acquaintances he had met on the boat. Everything was done up in fine style; only, **he forgot to sign his own name.**

I was perfectly willing to oblige by signing my name to the card and let it go through; but, the majority of the members present voted to throw the card out. The Chair ruled the motion carried and so ordered. The executive committee and fishing captain had held that card up for more than three months trying to find the owner, but our Club has 790 members and to call on each one individually would be out of the question.

Someone will be disappointed. It is a good thing to read your cards

Are Your Wages Guaranteed?



ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS POLICY
OFFERED EXCLUSIVELY FOR

**Pacific Electric and Motor Transit Employees
Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Company**

WM. L. THOMAS, AGENCY 408 Pershing Square Building
See Agents at Terminals

J. J. HULL, Southern-Northern J. R. DOUGHER, Western
or P. A. DuBOSE, at P. E. Club
or Phone TRinity 3526

over before turning them in at the meeting, or, let a friend try to read them for you.

Another thing to watch on your deep sea fishing trip is your bag limit. California Fish and Game Laws have been amended to limit ocean game fish to fifteen in possession in any 24-hour period; and, it don't mean 15 of each specie. Also, California halibut come under the classification of game fish. Those not included in the 15 limit are: mackerel, sheepshead, rock fish, smelt, perch, ocean white fish, sand dabs and sculpins.

Oh boy, I don't need to worry; duck season opened October 22nd and runs to and including December 5th, with shooting hours set from 7 a. m. until 4 p. m. Jack snipe may be taken from 7 a. m. until sunset. Bag limit is ten per day, thirty per week, with no more than 20 in possession. Hunters may have three canvas-backs, red heads, huffle-heads, or ruddy ducks in their dauly bag limit of 10, or an aggregate of three birds of the different species. The possession limit of these ducks is six of any single species, or six in the aggregate.

Hunters, this season are asked to study the duck family and not to kill illegal ducks, for it is claimed that only 2 per cent of the hunters really know their species.

Don't forget to purchase your duck stamps before you go hunting.

Our deer hunters fared well this season, there being about 15 registrations turned in; that being about the number of our members to hunt for them.

Fishing Captain Scott Braley turned in the following report on fish registrations at the October meeting:

Regular members: Trout, 39 cards, 296 fish; Bass, 3 cards, 50 fish; salt water, 60 cards, 399 fish.

Junior members: Fresh water, 9 cards, 92 fish; salt water, 21 cards, 93 fish.

Total for the men, 102 cards, 745 fish.

Total for the Junior members, 30 cards, 185 fish.

Total for all, 132 cards, 930 fish.

This, of course, does not include any of those nice ones I bought on the boats last summer, and it does not mean an accounting of all the fish caught by our members, many of whom have caught probably as many as the grand total shown in registry. It just shows our laxity in registering our ordinary run of fish, and is one of the reason why we always have prizes left over at the end of each tournament season. If I could catch one, I certainly would register it. Then possibly turn it in at some museum.

After all, this fishing business is a kid's game.

BOWLING NOTES Standings and Averages Week of October 27

9. Claim	18	3	16081	817
3. Signal	15	6	16664	898
5. Frt. Traffic	14	7	16229	864
17. Glendale	14	7	15622	837
1. Amazons	13	8	15931	861
7. Psgr. Traffic	13	8	15846	849
11. Frt. Service	13	8	15761	805
13. Hill Street	12	9	16174	887
4. P. E. Club	10	11	16020	863
15. Schdl. & Rserch	10	11	15796	816
18. Gen. Office	10	11	15310	801
6. Engineers	9	12	15858	878
10. North	8	13	15575	899
8. Transportation	8	13	15547	867
2. B. & B. Dept.	7	14	15743	814
16. Wilshire Lines	6	15	16034	849
14. Medical	6	15	15780	872
12. Outlaws	3	18	14551	789

With the season getting fairly well along, some of the "morning glories" in the ranks are fading and their places are being taken by the consistent "in the pocket" bowlers. Among those forging to the head of the list are Harry Welch, now in the top spot, Guy Woolley, Jay Gowanlock, Ed Barnes, Bert Manley, John "Lefty" Kinney, Ted Cuccia, L. W. Davis, E. Cobb (The Mrs. not the Mr.) Jack Henry, G. Gonzalez, R. M. Cobb (The Mr.), Ed Hasenyager, "Smiles" Dietz and Jack Cross. They are the 15 high men (with apologies to Mrs. Cobb) in the league.

Several changes have been made in the standings of the various teams. The Claim, Signal and Freight Traffic fives have kept their places at the top of the heap, but the Glendale and Amazons are now in the first five, closely followed by the Passenger Traffic, Freight Service, Hill Street, P. E. Club, Schedule and Research and the General Office team. The balance of the league is strung out with the Medical and Outlaw teams having the dubious honor of bringing up the rear.

During October the following bowlers garnered in the high series and high game prizes: High series: Jay Gowanlock, L. Anderson, R. Millsap, Paul Jacobsmeyer. High game: Rose Cooper, H. Welch, Ed Hasenyager and L. Anderson (who also won high series during the month).

Last season when the fair sex entered a team, "The Amazons" a lot of the old rank and file thought they would be somewhat of a soft touch. They were for a while but now the club that has to face those ladies has a real tussle on hand. A second entry composed of members of the "powder gang" is now enrolled in our league. To date Marion Lutes, Clara Robertson, Cora Wilson, Frances Houston and Kate Ohlinger, have been taking it on the chin but they show a degree of sportsmanship I have never seen equalled by our male contestants. How many of the other teams could stand to take but three games out of 21 and still show up smiling like these little ladies do? Our hats are off to this outfit and we know they will be in there pitching. Once they start to click, with their low averages, they are going to leave a path of broken records behind them. More power to the Outlaws. If the old men in their families can only leave them alone without offering too much advice, this team will be on the up-grade soon.

The Medical Department entry has had their share of tough luck, losing many of their games by close scores, but they have some very good bowlers on this squad and will soon start clicking. Operative No. 399 reports that some of the trouble is apparently caused by a certain insurance man on the squad attempting to pin down a prospect as he is about to let go of the ball. These insurance brokers have to live, we suppose, but we expect any day to see one on the wing with an irate medico close behind him, swinging a big black ball.

On October 27th the two high ranking teams in our league met and although fireworks were expected the Claim Department managed to repel the Signal team by a 2-1 score. That Claim Department five is going to be a tough club to shove off the top of the heap. But it can be done.

"Bunny" Converse has been keep-

OFFICIAL DENTAL DEPARTMENT

Pacific Electric Railway & Motor Transit Company

Convenient term payments by pay roll deductions

Owned and operated by
DR. BEN A. PATTON

MARTHA NEAL, D.H.
DENTAL HYGIENIST

826 PACIFIC ELECTRIC BLDG.

TUcker 7272

ing a chart of the performance of his team-mates, and he says it looks like the path of a scenic coaster, ups and downs, with more downs than ups. What does he expect, all 200 games? Have a report to the effect that he has slaughtered another rabbit. Two a year, My! My! The manner of execution in this last case has not yet been officially reported but understand the rabbit was well along in years.

Laurel Jones, Spike Worthington, Pompador Perry and Joe "Smiles" Shafer are to be seen practicing every night before the battles. What that outfit needs is a "Beagle" special to bowl with, two balls connected by an iron bar. That would help them mow the pins down. Worthington finally came out of his stupor and led his team the other night and what he wasn't telling his mates about the game. However he has had a long, dry spell and his buddies over-looked the slight sarcasm in his voice. The first time he slips they will give it to heem, though.

Jack Cross and Reed Christiansen, helped out by Monte Brucker, Shafer and "Dodge" Earhart, have been rolling along at a nice clip. Cross looks very prosperous now that he has become a motor coach magnate and he has been scattering a lot of pins about.

Roy Wilson and Claude Allen are leading the Transportation Team with very good examples of consistent bowling. Aably assisted by Orr, Jacobsmeyer and Beckett, they are due to win the majority of their games during the remainder of the season.

Several newcomers, among them Crownover, Pagluiso, Millsap, Castanares, E. W. Swanson, J. Shafer and Malhiot have been increasing their averages from week to week and are helping their clubs take the opposition into camp. R. M. Jones, Black, Frank Epp and W. Ohlinger also have nothing to complain about. All are doing a first class job of pin smashing.

If "Cupe" Swanson, "Squirrel" Stockberger, "Worry" Birmingham, "Beagle" Jones, or "Double Worry" Houston had to carry an average like our top flight performers are now carrying, for instance Welch with an 184, they would have to call out the militia to escort them to and from the fring line.

"Mayor" Grenke, Lutes (The Mr.) "Screwball" Weir, John Kinney, what a load that boy is carrying, and Vanderpool, who compose the Freight Service club, have run into some tough luck lately and dropped a few points in club averages. Heard it was due to some of their members taking pointers from "Big Front" Oliver,

the man who is leading 17 Coats, and three little girls. There, my friends, is a bowler supreme. His slithering glide up to the foul line and the easy perfection with which he lets go of the globule is something to remember him by. With his physique, Grey will soon be pushing hard on the heels of a lot of good bowlers, however.

Bessie Chobostsky and Rose Cooper certainly enjoy the game and these two fine bowlers are two of the best sports in the league. Their after-the-league-get-togethers are enjoyed by all participants, including the man who is leading 17 Coats and three small girls.

Fred Billhardt has been a participant on several occasions lately and Saturday morning he was seen entering his office with the aid of a cane and a faithful henchman, who held him up on the other side. Fred and Grey are going to stage a catch as catch can match in the near future with no holds, bowling holds, barred. This is about an even up match and the man who throws with the wind will be the winner.

"Little Abner" Sayan and Jimmy Gould, of the General Office team, have jumped up their averages in the last few weeks, due to some very good bowling. Little Abner is one of our most enthusiastic performers.

have paid up their dues for next year. We hope to reach our quota very soon. We have also, a new senior member, Patricia Oglesby, who is our first junior to become a senior member.

Alice Newman appointed Mrs. Oglesby publicity chairman when the post was vacated by Juanita Braley.

Martha Harper, first vice-president, is on an extended vacation through California. Lily Malmberg is still in Sweden.

At the meeting of October 11, we had as visitors: Becky Benjamin, 23rd District vice-president; Sylvia Bennett, District Fidac chairman from the Watts Southwest Unit No. 320; and Mr. Welch from the blanket club we have been discussing. It was decided to put aside any plans for the club until after Christmas.

A stork shower was held for Patricia Oglesby at the meeting held on October 24. She received many lovely gifts from the members of the Auxiliary and an envelope containing a bank account for the baby from the post members.

The men were guests at the refreshments where a speech was given by Mr. Oglesby, the expectant father.

The next county council meeting is being held on November 3 at Patriotic Hall. All who can attend should go.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC AUXILIARY

By Patricia Iglesby

I want to remind all wives of Post members to be sure and remember the big show to be given in the Club theater on November 14. Tell all your friends, everybody is welcome.

Our chairmen have done splendidly and their work in the hospitals and needy homes is to be applauded. Bernice Nichols, Hospital and Rehabilitation chairman, has asked for jams, jellies, burned matches, old toothbrushes, beads and buttons, old silk hose, and all types of preserves. These things all go to the hospitals where the men make them into many lovely novelties and works of art.

We now have 13 members who

S. S. WILLIAMS RETIRES

Only one retirement comes on the list to the Editor for the November issue of the Magazine.

It is that of Sylvester S. Williams, who retired on November 1st after 27 years of service with the Pacific Electric, having entered the employ of the company November 1, 1912.

During his years of service in the Engineering Department Mr. Williams has made many friends among his fellow employes, who will miss him from the daily routine, but wish him a most happy and long vacation, and express the hope that he will drop around and visit them often.

**VITAL STATISTICS FOR OCTOBER—1939
DEATH CLAIMS**

Name	Occupation	Died	Group Insurance	Mortuary
Wilson Rogers,	Conductor	10/2/39.....	Yes	Yes
Lewis N. Smith,	Retired Carpenter	10/5/39.....	Yes	Yes
Lou M. Hatch,	Conductor	10/14/39.....	Yes	Yes
Hiram L. Bates,	Retired Mechanic,	10/16/39.....	Yes	No
Walter W. Widdess,	Switch Tender	10/17/39.....	Yes	Yes
Dave McCullough,	Laborer	10/18/39.....	Yes	No
Roy G. Weaves,	Trucker	10/22/39.....	Yes	No
Lewis B. Sims,	Brakeman	10/26/39.....	None	Yes
Stephen R. McNeill,	Signalman	10/30/39.....	Yes	Yes

EMPLOYEES' WIVES' DEATH BENEFIT FUND

Name	Died	Wife of	Department
Dorris Maria	Christensen,	10/4/39,	Hans N. Christensen, Transportation



SAFETY NEWS



CLASSIFICATION OF SEPTEMBER, 1939, ACCIDENTS

Train and Motor Coach Service Accidents During September, 1939, Compared With September, 1938.

	1938	1939	Dec. or Inc.	%
1. With Pedestrains	8	9	1	12
2. At R.R. Cross. (Other than Co.'s).....	0	0		100
3. Between Cars of Company.....	1	0	1	100
4. With Vehicles and Animals.....	136	117	19	14
5. Derailments	12	6	6	50
6. Equipment	0	1	1	100
7. Boarding Cars	7	3	4	57
8. Alighting from Cars.....	21	20	1	5
9. Injuries on Cars (not in collision).....	12	20		67
10. Falling from Cars.....	0	0		
11. Doors, Gates and Guard Rails.....	4	3	1	25
12. Ejectments and Disturbances.....	1	0	1	100
13. Employees	10	10		
14. Miscellaneous	13	6	7	54
Passenger Rail Total.....	167	136	31	
Motor Coach Total.....	43	45	2	
Freight	15	14	1	
TOTAL	225	195	13 Dec.	

ACCIDENT

"A word used to excuse neglect, to hide our weakness, ease our conscience and cover our failures."

—(Quoted from California Safety News.)

Many times when accidents occur one will say, how did it happen? When as a matter of fact the question should be, how was it caused? Because accidents do not just happen—they are caused. Therefore, it goes without saying that if the cause is removed accidents will not occur.

Those resulting in personal injury to employes may be caused by the willful failure to comply with safety rules made for their protection, carelessness in the manner in which they perform their work, or from failure of equipment or tools which may be used in their line of duty.

Supervision and proper training of employes is one of the best assets for the prevention of accidents. However, a large part of the responsibility rests with the individual employe. Supervisory forces in all shops should be alert at all times, watching for unsafe practices or violations of safety rules.

The frequent transfer of employes from one point to another, due to bidding on other jobs, also new em-

ployes coming into the ranks, increase to some extent the liability of accidents. Therefore, it is essential that such employes be given special attention.

While many safety features and rules are the requirements of the State Industrial Accident Commission for the protection of industrial workers, additional safety features and rules have been introduced from time to time in our shops. Yet occasionally an employe is injured through failure to observe those safety measures.

Briefly stated, the activities of the Mechanical Department in connection with safety work are as follows: Safety Committee meetings are held every two months at Torrance and District points to discuss accident prevention. The personnel of the committee is composed of one member from each shop who serves for a period of six months, when a new committee is chosen. All matters pertaining to safety methods are discussed, and minutes of the meeting are kept, copies sent to each District point, as well as to departments where items pertain to that particular department for attention. Personal injuries are also discussed with a view of preventing recurrence, and a list of such injuries, their causes,

and time lost, are posted on all bulletin boards throughout the shops.

A chart is also posted on all bulletin boards showing personal injuries involving time lost for the current month as compared with same month of pervious year, and the accumulative personal injuries from the first of the current year as compared with previous year.

During the first nine months of this year with a total of 115,416 man days worked there have been a total of 21 accidents to Mechanical employes involving time lost of 168 days, as compared with 118,254 man days worked with 16 accidents involving time lost of 203 days for the same period of 1938.

Even though it may seem unnecessary or sometimes just a little too much bother, isn't it worthwhile to wear those goggles and adhere strictly to safety rules as the particular work requires, rather than lose an eye or be seriously injured in some other manner? It must be remembered that injuries to employes, besides the physical suffering to the injured, result often in hardships for the family due to loss of time and wages.

Let each employe appoint himself a committee of one and resolve not to be involved in any accident from now on.

MOTORMEN ARE BECOMING MORE ALERT AT INTERSECTIONS

Sometime ago, through this column, we called to the attention of the motormen that they could expect all automobile drivers to make left hand turns at intersections without giving proper signals and urged that motormen use more precaution to avoid this type of accident.

In making a survey of recent accidents it is very gratifying to note that this particular class of accident has been reduced materially.

The management wishes to express its appreciation to the motormen for the effort they have put forth to avoid this class of interference. Their continued efforts along this line will be appreciated.

"159 KILLED—89 INJURED"

You would, no doubt, be very much surprised if you picked up the paper today and saw the above headlines as being the number of people killed and injured in railroad grade crossing accidents. However, the above headline will give you the exact picture of the number killed and injured at grade crossing accidents in the State of California during the year 1938. These accidents occurred at some of the grade crossings in the State of California, of which there are 11,393.

As a result of these accidents property damage to railroad equipment amounted to \$71,000.00 and the property damage to vehicles amounted to \$140,000.00, almost a quarter million dollars because of individual carelessness.

This loss of life has shown a gradual decrease since the year 1913. The casualties per ten thousand vehicles in 1913 amounted to 37.6, which has been decreased since, until in 1938 the casualties per ten thousand vehicles amounted to 3.1. There is only one conclusion that can be drawn from the above figures; the trainmen have become more alert to the existing hazards at grade crossings.

According to the figures of the California Railroad Commission, Pacific Electric Railway has 2,435 grade crossings. During the year 1937 there were a total of 429 accidents at all crossings. In 1938 this number did not change, either up or down; 429 accidents for that year. It is hoped that by the time the report is received from the Railroad Commission for the year 1939 our total number of grade crossing accidents will be materially reduced.

It seems to avail us but little to ask the automobile drivers to be more careful at our grade crossings and pay attention to the warning signals placed there for their safety, so if we hope to make any reduction in the number of accidents it is going to be because of the extra effort put forth by our trainmen.

If a crystal is broken in two and the parts placed in liquid crystal, the broken surfaces will be repaired and each part will grow into a new crystal.

France had the first "Greenhorns." They were persons who were made to wear green, horn-haped caps indicating bankruptcy.

Some of the species of flora in the southern Appalachian mountains cannot be found elsewhere except in the eastern mountains of Asia.

MOTOR TRANSIT OPERATORS TO BE INCLUDED ON SAFETY COMMITTEE

Now that the Motor Transit has officially become part of the Pacific Electric Railway, effective last month, a member will be chosen each month from the list of operators to meet with the trainmen at the monthly Safety Committee meeting.

It is hoped that each member of the Motor Transit group will watch the Magazine closely to determine who is to represent Motor Transit at the monthly meetings.

If you Motor Transit Operators have any suggestions that will make for safer operation do not hesitate to write them out and hand them to your representative so that he might present them at the meeting for discussion.

The library at the University of South Carolina, in Columbia, was constructed in 1840 and was the first separate building used exclusively for library purposes to be erected by a college in the United States.

Rats damage property and produce in the United States to the extent of about \$200,000,000 annually! These rodents affect a larger percentage of the world's population than any other pest in existence.

There are 101 recognized substances in milk, but no chemist has ever succeeded in putting them together and getting milk.

The wind of a tornado sometimes reaches a velocity of 500 miles an hour.

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Safety Committee membership for November will include the following trainmen:

F. L. Miller, West Hollywood
W. J. Green, Ocean Park
C. M. Kirk, Glendale
E. De Garmo, San Bernardino
E. W. Frazee, Hill Street
H. R. White, Los Angeles Street
F. C. Roberts, Pasadena
J. Gibson, Long Beach
T. C. Holyoke, Butte Street
W. E. Swartz, Macy Street

The next regular meeting of the Trainmen's Safety Advisory Committee will be November 24, 1939, 10:00 A.M. in the Pacific Electric Club Rooms, Los Angeles.

We are hopeful that during the month and prior to the date of the conference the above named men will be especially conscious of the accident problems on the districts where they are employed, submitting any suggestions or subjects for discussion of a constructive nature in the interests of advancing our efforts to prevent avoidable accidents.

Each employee having any suggestions will further this endeavor by writing each suggestion on a separate piece of paper and handing it to his committeeman so it may be presented at the meeting for discussion.

About 200 farm buildings in the United States and Canada burn every day—nearly 75,000 buildings a year. These represent a financial loss of about \$100,000,000 a year, to say nothing of the 3,500 persons who are burned to death each year in rural fires.

GRAHAM & ISBELL**FUNERAL DIRECTORS****915 WEST WASHINGTON STREET****PRospect 5590****PRospect 5501**

Our prices to P. E. Employees and their dependents always assures them of a better Service for less money than they can obtain elsewhere.



BY OUR
CORRESPONDENTS

OF THE
PACIFIC ELECTRIC
AND MOTOR TRANSIT
FAMILY



ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

By Victor P. Labbe

Let's all give our support to Dorothea Beranek who is running for Queen of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks Float at Pasadena Tournament of Roses, New Year's Day.

Gus Guercio went to San Francisco on his vacation. No Mint Canyon for him this year, says Gus.

Leonard Biehler spent his vacation on a trip back East. Says L. A. is the best place of all. Notice he came back with a new blue suit?

Gene Fogarty and Lorraine E. Held both refused to run for Queen in the New Year's parade. They claim the offers were not fattening enough.

Bill Moesby blushed when introduced to Dorothea Beranek. Claims he hasn't done that in 25 years.

Who makes eyes at "Lill" Arthur Hildebrandt once a week.

Vic Westerberg and wife had a fine vacation at World's Fair in New York. Also the baseball games and saw Notre Dame play—some trip.

E. C. Johnson and Ray Buford—fishing on the Klamath River—according to the postal cards received. They both caught whoppers.

Anyone wishing to do a good deed please send Bob Dornor an alarm clock so he can get to his car stop on time. The other morning the car had to back up 2 blocks to pick up Bob much to the disgust of the passengers.

Sylvester S. Williams retires from the service of the P. E. Ry. Co. after 27 years service. Here's to lots of more enjoyable years to follow and may the future reward you with health and happiness to enjoy your retirement.

Hugo Meninghilli has a perfectly good table lamp for sale or swap cheap.

Mrs. Hanseman knitted Nancy Kelly a beautiful blue sweater coat. What the occasion was no one seems to know. An addition is to follow says Mrs. Hanseman.

Gene "Stye" Fogarty came to work all dolled up in a new Teal blue suit, the latest black pumps and what an original hat. Some doll. Says she will wear this outfit until her other

black dress comes back from the cleaners.

Harold "Luck" Miller—2 straight wins.

Bill "Radio" Hibbard likes real dark brunettes. Don Lewis is neutral.

PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES

By Ray Cragin

If you walk into the P. E. Building and hear a noise that sounds like a hive of bees do not get excited as the hum is coming from the Purchasing Department. This is all brought about by a good looking lady. Miss Dorothea Beranek's friends are all working hard for the young lady trying to elect her Queen of the B. of R. C. float New Year's Day. Dot's opponents from our Company are Betty Emsce and Odessa Carter, two charming ladies. Not to mention the Queens from the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe and Railway Express Agency. All of Dot's friends are urged to buy until it hurts and to have their friends help.

Wild Bill Nicolay, the bridegroom of a few short months is our new file clerk. Every time the boss buzzes for the boy up he hops and says "Yes dear!" The little lady has him well trained at home and it helps at the office.

It is a revolution when men of the same army begin to fight amongst themselves. It all happened when one Charles Wakefield left Fort Curle at West Hollywood and moved into Camp Gill at 6th and Main. C. Curle called it desertion but F. Gill says any soldier will advance when he has a chance. C. Curle now calls 145 P. E. Building the "Old Soldiers' Home". Gill and Wakefield are not talking but Fort Curle better be well fortified.

The Following News from Torrance:

Dorothea Beranek was a caller at the Torrance Store last month and made a very favorable impression on all the girls and boys of the big industrial City. T'is said she is doing well at Torrance. Keep up the good work boys, "Fight on young D. Beranek".

Mr. Fred Hopkins one of Torrance's leading citizens continues to forge on to better and bigger things. On October 19th, at the third Annual din-

Missouri and stopped a while in Nenner of the Harbor District Philatetic Club Fred was installed as President for the coming year. This is Fred's hobby and when his term is up we can all rest assured the club will be the "best in the West". Nice going, Fred.

A few short weeks ago old "Two Gun" came home from work and said "My Love" I is itching. The wife said, "Hughey, my man, what itches you?" And then "Two Gun" said, "I is itching to get my shooting irons out and do a bit of hunting". So "Two Gun" Cain went back home to

BANKER'S CLOTHS

A small lot of dignified patterns such as salt and pepper effects, hair-line stripes, self patterns, medium small checks, silver gray mixtures, blue and gray serges. A few black and browns. Also Shetland worsteds, Tweeds and Flannels.

We cut generously and sew with extra heavy silk thread.

Because woven from extra long woolen fibres, press and shape will last for months.

Knox & Schaffer, Inc., Hollywood's most Exclusive Tailors assigned to the Board of Trade. Their stock was auctioned recently. We bought these luxurious woolens at our own price. These goods sell up to \$100.00 for business, dress suits and topcoats.

Now if you can be satisfied with a quiet pattern you will be able to get an excellent custom tailored suit for very little.

Goods On Sale Now!

Suit, O'Coat or Tuxedo **\$28⁵⁰** Tailored to Measure 90 day Charge Accounts Available

Two-tryons and your suit finished in 3 to 5 days. Possible only because we maintain our own workrooms.

We challenge anyone to bring us a sample of any \$85 or \$100 suiting that we cannot match at our special price.

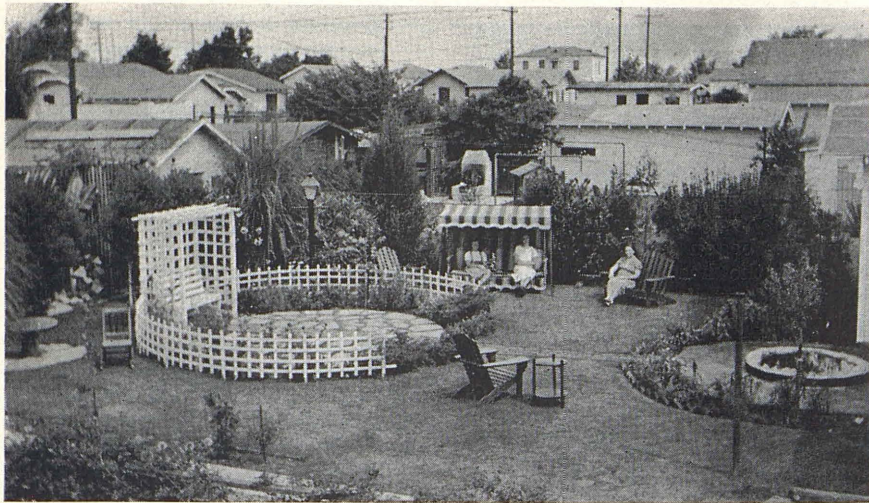
Our stock consists of the following IMPORTED FABRICS: Martin & Sons, Howardy-Hardy, John G. Hardy, Fisher & Son, Dormeul Frie's, Lippincott-Johnson, Kemp Booth, Biddle Bros., Standen & Co., W. P. Wills & Co., Sportina, Lowe Donald & Co., also John B. Ellison domestic fabrics.

TUCKER & CARLSON

CUSTOM TAILORS

448 So. Broadway

Mail Orders Filled—Send for Samples



Nebraska and showed the wild life of these two states some straight and pretty shooting. Storekeeper McCall says this place will need protection so he put little "Sling Shot" Robert Cain, "Two Gun's" son to work.

Fred Dilthey took his annual vacation and spent it at the Country Estate of the Diltheys. Fred has his little Ranch at Berros, Calif. and when ever he gets a chance he hits for this spot. It is near San Luis Obispo and Fred reports visiting this City and Santa Maria while away.

Nick Vasileu, the gentleman who always wears a smile, has returned from his vacation. He gave a dinner for his old Pal John Jackson and then took the wife and went to San Francisco to see the Fair and enjoy a few days around the Bay region.

About the middle of October, 1921, William Jolley slipped out of the City of Torrance and made his way to Dallas, Texas. Here on October 22nd he claimed the girl of his dreams, Miss Annie Ruth Shouse, his bride. On October 22nd, 1939, eighteen years later these two happy people celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary. We wish them many more happy years of wedded life.

My Torrance operatives have kinda turned me down lately. The reason I think so is that there is a very good looking young lady who works at the Torrance Store. It is not hard to figure out who I mean as she is the only lady at the Torrance Store. Her name is Miss Alpha Barrett. She has a very active life. Is interested in clubs, does some bowling and has many other activities but I don't seem to be getting any inside facts. Looks like I will have to invade the City of Torrance and get the low down.

Mr. Cliff Curle finished his inventory, bundled it up and sent it to the Auditor and then started on the vacation. He and the wife spent one week in the High Sierras and the second in San Francisco. He reports

the mountains were cold and the Fair hot.

The picture shown, is the rear of the E. W. Lock home in Torrance. This is a sample of the fine homes found in the Big Industrial City.

MACY STREET TERMINAL

By Chet Collins

This seems to be a time of home building and buying for many of the home boys. W. W. Wherry has recently purchased a new home in Temple City and plans to make this city his permanent home in the future.

R. C. McPherson and family are now investing in a small Rancho on Baldwin Avenue in Temple City, where Bob keeps himself busy in his idle minutes raising poultry, his hobby, he says. He claims he can supply anybody with unsurpassed 6 to 8 pound capons, and on short notice too.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Van Fleet are

the proud parents of a 6 lb. 13½ oz. baby girl, born Monday, October 23. Here's wishing them every success with their new arrival and may she bring them much happiness.

A. E. Wood has returned to work after taking over six months off to go prospecting in Northern California. Most of his time was spent on property near Redding, Calif. He states that he didn't hit the jackpot yet, but that he made medium wages while there, besides enjoying every minute of his stay up in the country with its attendant benefits to his health and well-being.

E. H. Trieschman was the most enthusiastic vacationer of the year, for when he returned to work he spent an hour or two with everybody telling them all about his trip and taking them along with him in his narration. I wish I could have been along to be in on the many interesting happenings along the line. He and his wife picked up a new sedan in Detroit and headed for Ohio, where he visited with his sister and other relatives around Dayton and Toledo. While in Dayton he was stopped by the police for making a right turn against the traffic light, and then wound up by visiting for two hours with the Police Traffic Commissioner whom he had previously known before coming to California. A reunion of 48 members of his family highlighted his trip, and they brought back over 40 pounds of popcorn, apple butter, and many other souvenirs from all of them. They found many changes in the old towns, many of the trolleys being replaced by trolley busses, and motor busses. On the return trip they stopped over 2½ days to see the San Francisco Fair before coming home. The trip was perfect, with fine weather, roads, and stopping places all along the line. While coming through Colorado the



**Old "Saint Nick" says:
"It Won't Be Long Now"**

SO COME AND MAKE THAT SELECTION.
WE'LL KEEP IT IN OUR SAFE FOR YOU—
PAY LATER—OR BUDGET IT

Diamond Sets, Elgin-Hamilton-Waltham Watches, Jewelry, Parker Pens,
Pencil Sets, Bill Folds, Clocks, Radios, Mix Masters,
and other Electrical Appliances.



BAEHR-BAKULA, Inc. 103
P. E. Bldg.

Southern Pacific, Pacific Electric and Harbor Belt Watch Inspectors

deer season was open and it is said that 9 out of 10 hunters bag a deer, and that's something to a California hunter.

Enroute East the Trieschman's were delayed a half day by a wash-out in Arizona, between Needles and Flagstaff. This required a change to busses for 150 miles and then a change back to the train. This was their first trip back in 15 years and the first good visit with relatives in over 23 years.

Herbert Clark is now out of the hospital and is convalescing from his recent illness. We all hope that he is able to get back on the job at an early date.

Hugh Cairns is coming along nicely at St. Vincent's Hospital, after having been injured at El Monte while working his run. We hope he can be back at work before too long and be heaving the old freight around again.

George Peak and Harold Riordan were shaken up in their recent mishap, but returned to work early. They're too tough to keep off the job long anyway.

P. J. Bever spent some time off last month having his tonsils removed, and on checking up I found he was at the hospital at the same time I was there, having a cist cut out of my throat. I'll sure have to hand it to the medical department for the splendid service and care which you receive when in their hands. It can't be beaten! Our friendly lawyer, O. O. Collins, was also a patient at the same time we were there, and I learned that he is the one who received some of those phone calls which I had been looking for. We are all getting along fine, according to last reports.

We all hoped to the last that W. W. Widdess would be able to recover from his illness and were sorry to hear of his death. Sincere sympathy is extended to his family and friends.

We all extend our sincere condolence to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. DuSan in the loss of Mrs. DuSan's father, L. M. Hatch, Saturday, October 14, who passed on after a short illness. They are renting their property in Alhambra and are moving to San Bernardino, where Mrs. DuSan can be in closer touch with Mr. Hatch's business interests.

A local man had quite a time last winter with animals. He says while he was busy keeping the wolf away from the door, the stork came in the window.

Father: "Who broke that chair in the parlor last evening?"

Daughter: "It just collapsed, all of a sudden, father, but neither one of us was hurt."

SIXTH AND MAIN NOTES

By G. V. Brown

Conductor H. P. Erlenmayer has certainly been having his ups and downs. No sooner had he gotten back on the job and feeling fine when his appendix began to fall apart and he went to the hospital—that was one of the "downs". Soon after he was released from the hospital his wife presented him with little Lewis Eugene Erlenmayer, 7½ pounds, who arrived at Bell Mission Hospital, October 19th at 7:56 a.m. Both Mrs. Erlenmayer and the baby are getting along fine, and fond father is "up", flying high and feeling fine. Heartiest congratulations to the family. Erlenmayer is very lavish in his compliments to the Medical Department, particularly to Dr. W. L. Weber; so much so that it would take a whole issue of the Magazine to tell his story.

Most of the Vacations are over and the boys back on the job. Among those who were able to indulge were: Terminal Foremen McCulley and Cason, R. R. Ruse, Reilly, Wolfe, Cleassen, and some others whose names do not come to mind.

"Sheriff" Holden tried to take a swan dive off of an "Express Wagon". Only result was to jam his arm a little. No dents in the pavement.

In order to get a vacation E. T. Barrett managed to mash his finger in a door or something resulting in a case of blood poisoning. Now doing all right.

Some of the bachelors are "on the loose" looking for home-cooked meals, so look out for them. They are said to be Motormen Burt and Moore, and Conductors Johnson and Jackson. We understand they recently raided Motorman Wolfe's place.

SOUTH FREIGHT DISTRICT

By J. E. Neville

The most sincere sympathy of all the South Freight employes is extended to the family and wife of L. B. Sims who passed away recently after a brief illness. Lou, as he was familiarly known to many of us, was highly regarded by all who knew him.

Mrs. J. Childs, wife of Jack Childs, conductor, after a long and serious illness, is still under the doctor's care and we hope she will soon recover.

We are informed of the unfortunate accident that occurred to Mrs. F. Hughes, wife of Frank Hughes. She had just taken Frank to work at Butte Street Yard and on returning home made the boulevard stop, when some driver, that should not have a license to drive autos, struck and demolished the car and sent Mrs. Hughes to the hospital. We are informed that wasn't seriously hurt and is doing fine and will be well soon.

J. E. Neville has been on the sick list for the last few days with a bad cold but is out again on the Torrance Freight.

W. E. Whalen spent a week at Catalina Island.

P. O. Morse and family were up North, deer hunting and bagged two of them. They claim as good as Thirty Bucks Every Week.

Charles Vintress and C. L. Smith were also deer hunting. They claimed there were plenty of them but invincible to them as German subs in the Pacific Ocean and if the boys need information for deer hunting, they are giving it at free classes.

Mr. Frank Anders and family spent a weekend at the P. E. Camp for the opening of duck season on the Arrowhead Lake. Reports plenty of ducks, but also plenty of duck hunters. The

NEW

Chef

Paul Armelin, formerly at Southern Pacific Central Passenger Station.

Menu

Balanced and Appealing to Individual Tastes . . .

Prices

In Effect Nov. 25th, doing away with Employe Rates but adjusting prices to equalize . . .

**Pacific Electric Employes
Invited to Investigate . . .**

They will find Foods to their taste at
prices more than reasonable . . .

PACIFIC ELECTRIC NEWS SERVICE

CAFE and FOUNTAIN

Main Lobby

Sixth & Main

boys at the camp had access to the boats while outside hunters could not get boats and so much for our Club and Camp. Frank claims he had good shooting until he reached the shore to find out that he only shot at mud hens. Better luck next time. The trip was not a mud hen trip after all for the party had a grand old time and all it takes to make a grand week end. So if you plan a week end party, take it from Frank—spend it at the P. E. Camp.

So the South Freight District reports everything is on the up and up. Plenty freight that means plenty of work, so let's keep it that way and be happy.

WEST HOLLYWOOD

By G. R. Stevens

With the warm weather of this past month it is hard to realize that the Holidays are about here with Thanksgiving a few days away. The boys at West Hollywood are making plans for a festive season with Tom Turkey heading the menu for Thanksgiving dinner. It is a day that the trainmen gather around with their families to have relatives for a grand reunion. Here's hoping it will be a happy one for all.

Motorman J. W. Clay and wife, accompanied by their daughter, Stella, have just returned from a vacation to Northern California. It was a real successful one for Motorman Clay. They made their headquarters on the Elk river and in the picturesque redwoods near Eureka,



Motorman Clay with his Dog, and Trout caught at Lake Arrowhead

California. Mr. Clay bagged a four point deer in Humboldt County that was a real prize as can be seen by the specimen he brought back with him. He caught a hundred and fifty pounds of fish, which included a fine steelhead. The rivers Mr. Clay fished were the Eel, Van Duzen, and Mad rivers. Mrs. Clay and daughter had a swell time enjoying the vacation immensely. They stopped enroute to visit the fair in San Francisco.

Conductor John H. Daly of Ocean



Stella, daughter of J. W. Clay, with Salmon Steelhead caught by Mr. Clay in Northern California

Park has been off three months ill and it is nice to see him back on the job again.

Ralph Brumigan was up in Mariposa County in July on a vacation and reports having venison.

Cashier Gibbons has returned from an enjoyable rail trip back east.

Conductor Cassells and wife made a trip to the World's Fair at San Francisco on his vacation and had a swell time.

W. McAllister and Gibbons have again postponed their trip to the South Seas on account of being afraid of being sunk by a submarine.

Also on vacation were G. R. Stevens and wife.

Dad Knows

Son: "Say, dad, what does it mean when the paper says some man went to a convention as delegate-at-large?"

Dad: "It means his wife didn't go with him, son."

To sell their products to the people in this far-flung land, national advertisers spent \$148,713,036 in newspapers in 1938—a larger amount than in any other medium of advertising.

Some spiders have a set of eyes for daytime use, and another for night.

TORRANCE SHOP NEWS

By Carleton B. Bell

I have thought of another good reason for regular annual vacations for the hourly Shop employes—it makes it so much easier to get news for this column. Now most of the vacations are over it is tough going for news. A fellow that has just returned from a fine trip likes to talk but the fellow that stays home has little to tell for this column. My vote therefore goes for more and better vacations.

Charles Bott recently celebrated his 80th birthday at his home in San Pedro. Mr. Bott was long an active member of the P. E. Family but retired a few years ago. In addition to celebrating his birthday Mr. Bott was honored by the Methodist Church where he belongs for completing sixty years as an officer of the Methodist Church, the last fifteen in conjunction with his wife, as Communion Stewards of the San Pedro Methodist Church. That is a wonderful record and richly deserving of the recognition it received. Mr. Bott and wife are now on a trip to visit the San Francisco Fair and to visit relatives in Oakland.

Another reason for this being a difficult day for news gathering is Dorothea Beranek, P. E. candidate for Queen of the Railway Clerks, who was visiting the Shops the same day. All the men, middle aged up to seventy years, were so a-twitter over the personable young lady that they could think of little else. I could fill this page with their twitterings, especially June Tarbit's.

Herbert Benson, upholsterer, has been making quite a stir lately with stories of his prowess with bow and arrow. Has been on several very successful hunting trips lately thus armed. We may be able to give him the title of "Biggest Liar" if his stories keep on improving.

Martin Munson recently returned from a wonderful deer hunt which was reported in last Magazine but when he returned to the same district last week in expectation of repeating his exploits he ran into all kinds of trouble. He hit the mountains about the same time as the big storm and he soon had many troubles to deal with instead of the deer he had hoped for. He spent most of his time digging his light truck and equipment out of the mud and sand after the torrents of water had washed it off the highway and then obliterated the highway. Munson considers he was lucky to escape with part of his equipment and what remains of his life. He was not really hurt but almost scared to death.

Milton Foster has been pinch hitting for George Foster by helping answer the many inquiries about the "Cat's Paw". If you want the latest dope on this place, please ask Milton.

Had a good look at the new seats for the 600 class cars. If looks are any indication they should make a great hit with the public. They are a real departure from the old line, even different in changing the direction in which they face. I was afraid to try their sitting qualities for the boss was close and if everybody that was interested in them tried them out they would be worn out before John Public got a chance at them.

Big Bill McCracken is on a trip as far East as he can get passes for. He would like to see his boyhood playgrounds along the Bowery in New York but his passes are not good that far East so he does the best he can and visits other big cities, but none like his "Little ole New York."

No wonder Charles Dyer has built up such a reputation as a fisherman—recently Charley was in the high Sierras fishing, having fine luck and, as usual recording weight and other data regarding each fine fish. No one within miles of his camp but a mountain family a couple miles away. While he was up there this mountain family had an addition to their little family and everything went smoothly but no way to determine the weight of the new baby until they thought of Charley Dyer and his fish scales—why of course they could borrow his scales to weigh the baby. And what do you suppose the baby weighed—just 19½ lbs. Will that spoil his records with the Rod and Gun Club? ? ?

Carl Gramling was seen proudly parading through the Shops with two beautiful women, one his charming daughter Mrs. Dorothy Weber and the other the sweetest little rosebud of a granddaughter I ever saw, Dorothy's three year old daughter Jo Anne. No wonder Carl's chest was out so far.

George Lallich, mighty hunter, distinguished himself in a different way this month. Was one of the very few from these parts to attend the National Legion Convention in Chicago. He and his wife also visited her family in a nearby city.

Ol Rice is giving Charley Brown a run for his reputation as champion possum trapper. Al got so tired of the possums feasting on his pet hens that he went and caught Mr. Possum and the whole family in a cold steel trap. Too bad Charley, you should have gotten there first.

Howard Clark is sporting a new Chevy DeLuxe Coach. Looks like a million dollars and Howard says he has not heard the engine yet.

Tom Kendrick also has come to life and is now driving a fine Plymouth

sedan. I know it is a wonderful car for it is a twin to my own.

But Dirk Mol steps out the strongest of all—he now drives a custom built De Soto. He felt so good over his recent marriage he just had to celebrate further.

Speaking of celebrations—George Thatcher claims he recently celebrated his twenty-third wedding anniversary by purchasing twin beds. It sure is hard to understand some people's idea of a fine time but George really does seem happy over the event.

Mel Sowdowsky and wife enjoyed a trip recently to San Francisco and the Fair. Mel saw many wonderful things and has many interesting stories to tell of the trip.

Anybody that enjoys color harmony has been enjoying Payne's fine new shirts. These shirts are planned for symphonic effect, being made in pairs, a loose outside shirt, something like chinese wear, and an inner one that is snugger with a high snug collar. Payne's outer shirt is a rich deep purple, almost blue, and the inner one a beautiful delicate lavender. Payne gives his mother the credit for this happy choice of colors and I have decided to save up my money and get Mrs. Payne to study my own color needs and then pick me out two of these colorful shirts.

Sorry to learn that Jimmy Lloyd's wife has just passed away. I was not able to learn any of the particulars. The sympathy of all your old friends at the Shop are extended to you, Jim.

Charles Chaplin (not movie) announces his second grandchild is a wonderful girl, born to his daughter Ada, now living near San Francisco.

A keen rivalry is being worked up in the Shop between golfers—yeah GOLFERS, and in the Blacksmith Shop too. A match game between George Anderson and Roy Brucker (Missouri to you) is an assured event in the near future with the entire Blacksmith Shop personnel as gallery for the show. Talk about this event has already reached the betting stage and further reports will be published as quickly as possible. (I'm betting on Anderson myself.)

Mrs. Gundersen, wife of Gus in the Tin Shop, is on a trip East to visit relatives. Gus is managing to maintain his weight but is getting tired of his own cooking, etc, etc. Better go along next time, Gus.

Plug Hat Neilson and Earn Lock are planning to purchase a plane and take a trip across the Atlantic to visit their old homes in Sweden and England, respectively, if and when the Ham-and-Eggs bill carries. By the time this is published you will know whether these sports are to take their trip or not.

Gilliam now warns all interested

persons that all is not so wonderful with the air conditioner he installed. It kept the house so cool that during the last warm spell he caught a bad cold when he got all het up working in the yard and then came in the house to cool off. He cooled off all right but caught a bad cold in the bargain.

Glad to see Pedro Fernandez back in the mill, even though he is minus a thumb. Losing a thumb did not seem to spoil his good disposition any.

Ed Murdaugh is also back after his six weeks through the East and is having a very hard time settling down to work, thinks he ought still to be riding the cushions.

During last big rains Watson Antis had a harrowing experience — roof leaked. He had to get up in the night and bore six holes in the floor to keep his bed from floating around. He thinks he is safe now, has the roof fixed over his bed and to heck with the rest of it, the bed is the only part he is really concerned about.

LONG BEACH TERMINAL

By H. C. Spence

Motorman W. W. Mooney is away on vacation to the Eastern States. He expects to be gone about 30 days.

Motorman Frank Henshaw and wife have just made a vacation trip to their old home at Omaha, Nebraska. Both were glad to get back to Long Beach.

Ed Lowery has been off several days on the sick list. He will be back to work again in a few days.

By this time every one has noticed the new piece of furniture at Morgan Yard. We can't figure out if it is the old English finish or just an old Spanish touch that everyone admires about it. Well anyhow, we understand Joe Navatil is the artist.

Our Station Janitor and Handyman McBride is the proud father of an 8 lb. baby boy born on October 20. Both son and Mrs. McBride are getting along fine and we wish them lots of happiness.

Bob Haynes, our congenial cashier, has returned from another fishing trip down at Railroad Canyon. Trip before last Bob had bad luck by turning his boat over and loosing his tackle and fish and all belongings. Bob always brings home a nice string of fish, but he ought to take McDougall along sometime when the boat turns over.

We regret to announce the passing of Mrs. Doris Christenson last month, wife of Conductor N. H. Christenson. We all extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

Walter Cooper on the Huntington Park Motor Coach line was off about 10 days on account of a bite on one

of his toes. Walter still can't figure out how that spider got into his shoe, but his toe was as big as a football for a few days.

We have it from pretty good authority that Pat Pope was married on Saturday, October 22nd. We have not seen any cigars yet Pat.

Our jovial ticket agent Mrs. Mable Sheridan has just returned from a two weeks vacation. Mable enjoyed a very pleasant motor trip, but says vacations are not long enough to suit her.

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

By W. C. Scholl

We begin this month by asking your humble pardon for not publishing our regular monthly notes in the last issue—or did you miss it?

Good news is in order for the first topic. We are very pleased to learn that our very good friend, Earle Moyer, is doing splendidly and expects to be out of the hospital very soon. We all wish him luck and are looking forward to seeing him back at the office. The work of Dr. Weber and his assistants is worthy of the highest praise and we should all be very grateful for having a medical staff that cannot be surpassed by any.

Do you remember the heat wave, or could you forget it? Extreme care had to be exercised when going through the office to evade the electric fans. Kenny Pomeroy and Louis Tighe were the air conditioning experts. Their equipment was unique and amusing; however, they claim that satisfactory results were obtained. Equipment consisted of paper towels, cheesecloth soaking wet draped over a wire waste basket with the fan deflecting cooling breezes over their smiling countenances. If you are interested in air conditioning your particular desk for the next heat wave, see either of the aforementioned (engineers?).

The Accounting Department was well represented at the recent B. of R. C. picnic held at Griffith Park. The majority of the P. E. Ry. baseball team was made up of Accounting Department members, who succeeded in beating out the Southern Pacific Co. team to the score of 9 to 3. Al Beaumont of our Timekeeping division of this department was teamed up with Guy Dick of the Transportation Department and won the tennis doubles. The grand prize of the day, which was a radio, was won by our elevator operator Hoffman, making it a clean sweep for the P. E. Ry. Co. The margin of victories were made with "Speed, Comfort and Safety".

The B. of R. C. Labor Day float was very rightfully ordained with the smiling face of our very comely

Gladys Soday — Nice choosing I would say.

The fun and joy as was experienced by some of us on picnic day was a day of sorrow for our friend, Phil Still and his family. Phil's brother was lost when the ill-fated fishing boat "Spray", was wrecked during the mountainous waves and high winds. To Phil and members of his family we wish to express our sincere sympathy.

This department feels highly honored in having two of its members as candidates for queen of the B. of R. C. float in the Tournament of Roses Parade at Pasadena on New Year's Day. In the order of present standing they are Betty Enscoe, who hails from the good ol' South, the land of beautiful women and fast horses, or, yeah, that's right—and there's our little titian haired princess who desires to become a queen—Odessa Carter. Let's get behind them and see the Accounting Department represented in the parade on New Year's Day. Pictures and article appear elsewhere in this issue.

We have received several requests that we publish from time to time pictures of young sons and daughters of members of our department so all you good folks bring in pictures of the apple of your eye, object of your affection, etc., and we will set 'em up. Of course, we must have the co-operation of all members, including Sam Taylor, Archie "Sugar" Sharp, Noble Cates, George Chrystal, and J. "Becky" Thatcher, only to mention a few of the laggards.

We express our sympathy to W. L. Brown, whose aunt passed away rather suddenly.

Again we hear wedding bells in the offing and this time for Olive Rohde, who has decided to say "I do" on November 4, 1939. Good luck to the bride and the lucky groom.

May Chisholm brought a badly burned hand all taped up to the office on Monday, October 30, 1939. May is practicing up on her cooking thus the burn. You're not withholding any news, are you May?

L. R. McIntire was a representative of the Company at the meeting of the N.R.A. Board in Chicago. Incidentally, someone said something about McIntire twins. I wonder if they refer to L. R. McIntire. That would make a swell picture for the Magazine.

Elizabeth Walton sustained painful injuries on her way to work October 23rd. A car backing out of a driveway knocked her down. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope she will be able to be back at her desk very soon.

Anyone in need of an Elk's tooth for their watch chain? Applicants see C. W. Knight, who is acting as di-

rector for one of his clerks. Hurry! Hurry! Supply is limited.

The following have returned or will return in the near future from vacations:

Irene Falconer, exploring the South; Grace Reed, San Francisco; Bill Keelin, home; L. Tighe, San Francisco and Lake Henshaw; W. S. H. Weeks, Arizona and New Mexico; A. Beseman, North and Carlsbad Caverns; E. J. Buehler, Home; T. L. Hinkle, North; Betty Gorrell, East; Laura Drake, Chicago; W. H. Alexander, Home; Gilbert Lamm, New York; Al Manhart, Salt Lake.

We wish to welcome three new members to the Accounting Department Roster—Frank M. Carr, Jr., Edgar Morris and Edwin J. Heyhmun.

Wm. Ed. Paul Keelin seen at Barker Bros. closing a deal for "one" occasional chair. What's the occasion, Bill?

The following from Geo. Chrystal: "If a spy was in the mint, would it be a mintspsy?"

CONDUCTORS' ACCOUNTS BUREAU

By Marion Snowden

Also during our absence from the P. E. Magazine pages, Richard Allen has come and gone, and all we have left to remember him by is his saying that while with us, it was like having a vacation. That might sound like a compliment to us, but—Oh, yeah? Sez he!

Recent visitors in the Conductors' Accounts Bureau were Edith Simeon Mayer and son, Edith Gray Owen, Vera List, Bertha Salisbury, Elizabeth Reckweg Amalong, Catherine Mautz, Nell Flanders, and last but not decidedly not least, our faithful friend, Miss Templeton. Taking advantage of a cool break in the weather, she came down to see (I betcha) if there was any change in the status of Anna Shofer, Esther Quast, et al. There being no change, she has great hopes for the vacations, now in progress.

Since our last appearance in the Magazine, our old friend Catherine Mautz has burst into print with an 8 pound son.

To get the late vacationers off our chest (and how we envy them!), we'll first pick out the "Home, Sweet Homers": Nina Robertson, Violet Phillips, and Ethel Chandler who moved from a rented home to a new self-owned one. San Francisco, northern suburb of Los Angeles, claimed Florence Cox, Arvilla Curran, and Dorthy Pearson, who also honored Berkeley with her presence. To Lytle Creek went Esther Ross. Agnes Heckman went to see the big ditch at Grand Canyon. Fannie Jones made

her yearly pilgrimage to her old home in Iowa, and stretched herself a little by going on to Minnesota. Grace Shreeves made a long three weeks trip to Chicago and other points unknown.

After many months away on sick leave, Esther Craig has returned to her old stamping ground, and we are glad to welcome her back.

Speaking of "stamping ground" reminds us of "stampede", and thereby hangs a tale. We are told that Elizabeth Linsen staged a one-man stampede for the clock at mid-day one week-day recently. She either thought it was Saturday, or was extra hungry extra early that day.

MOTOR TRANSIT NEWS

By M. J. Creamer

Thanks to Ivan Erhardt for taking over the controls on last issue and for the many kind words bestowed. Will not try to compete with Ivan in news items which covered everything of note but will carry on with the jig-saw.

Out of the Hodgepodge: Operator Edwin Barnett playing hero some weeks past by dashing out on Fifth Street to put out fire on Model A Ford. Walt Deal says his hens have gone on strike and thus no eggs. Walt is still wondering who sent him descriptive literature on the "I.Q." (Samaritan) treatment . . . but var-



C. J. Williams' (Central Timekeeping Bureau) cabin in Sleepy Hollow (Carbon Canyon) known as "Oak Way Lodge". With over 250 cabins located in his area, quite a community is growing. Natives living there permanently claim that the future holds much and perhaps it will be as well-known as Gilman and Murrieta Hot Springs some day.

ious operators also received the same. Looks like dirty work at the cross-roads! Tommy Henderson sold his chickens so once again is out of the chicken biz. R. E. Drayer started col-

lection to have old radio in dog-house repaired but winded up by getting a new Philco which is quite the improvement. (Those, however, who didn't donate 25 cents to the cause aren't eligible to listen.) Geo. Hoffman having button troubles. Joe Hernandez (Pomona) reports that his baby girl is getting to be a regular "Tarzana". Tipped bed over, pulled a 7-way lamp (\$14.96 worth) unto the floor—very much "busted" and to top it all knocked herself out for several minutes. (Note the proud paternal gleam in Joe's eye.) "Wake" Wakefield of Sup't office has a new hobby—collector of rare old parodies and riddles, his approach being, "How do you do, Mr. Ball?"

Funny Sights: Drayer touching a match to his sock to see if it would burn. Ouch! Rudd putting his finger into a light socket to see if the current was on. It was. WOW! "Soapy" Casteel sporting a 1937 Chev. Guy Rhinard who swapped his Chev for a Ford—and the Ford for another Chev—is now planning to swap same with the Junk Pile! Walt Rorick is thinking seriously of going East for a new car. Lady patron giving Howard Strong a gift—a small jar of passion fruit!

Not overlooking another trip as guests of Union Pacific Stages in September to Boulder Dam. M. T. was well represented again on this second trip. Those being along were Geo. Jehl (Agent L. A.), J. D. Puffer, clerk Riverside; Carl Williams and Max Hess (the happy twosome), San Bernardino; Bill Kennedy, Santa Ana; and your truly. It was a perfect trip and anyone not having seen the Dam before will marvel at its mammoth construction. Trip was made in one of Union Pacific's air-conditioned buses which are the last word in comfort and coolness. Excellent meals were furnished enroute as well as hotel accommodations and meals at Boulder Dam Hotel. The evening provided a night-tour of Boulder Dam, thence a sight-seeing tour to Las Vegas, where the wheels go round-and-round. An early breakfast next morning, thence a 3½-hour trip by fast cruiser over Lake Mead to Virginia Bay, visiting Wishing Well Cove. Ernie Schultz of El Monte was busy with his movie camera and his films should be most interesting. Union Pacific Stages deserve much praise and thanks for making these trips possible.

Motor Coach Record Clerk, Paul McDonald of Superintendent Wilson's office had the misfortune to lose his right eye last October, same being removed by Dr. Goldstein, specialist of the company clinic. Removal of the eye was necessitated by prevalence of a tumor not detected until

Paul went to have his eyes fitted with glasses. His many friends extend their sympathy but at the same time marvel at his courageous acceptance of loss of an eye.



Marian Goff, talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. (Operator) Wm. Goff, of Riverside, who recently gave a piano recital including compositions by Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin and Brahma, a remarkable performance for a child of ten. For some time she has been a featured radio artist and was in a production of "Tom Sawyer" at a Hollywood theater last August, playing the part of "Becky Thatcher." We are mighty proud that she is doing so well.

We extend condolence to Operator W. E. Dufour who recently lost his father. Mrs. Dufour and the baby were in a near-tragic accident when their car was overturned. At first it was thought injuries to both she and the baby were most serious but we are happy to report that both are recovering and except for shock and minor bruises, things once again will be normal.

We wanted to mention in last issue, the kindness of our agents at Anaheim and Norwalk, who, during the hot spell (remember?) were right on hand furnishing cool drinks to the operators. Anaheim provided them with cold lemonade and Norwalk kept the ice cubes tumbling into good ol' Aqua Pura. The drivers were most appreciative.

Walt Randig, returned from his vacation and hunting trip with two deer and the correct dope as we have it (not by the grapevine however) is as follows: After shooting a deer which must have escaped from someone's private stock and which apparently thought Walt was trying to feed him, Walt left the carcass with his wife while he returned to car to get a pack pole to carry deer down mountainside. Imagine his surprise to find upon his return that his wife had shot one of the finest-looking best-tasting deer of the season defeating Walt as the champ hunter

by one point. All Walt had to say was "I shouldn't have taught my wife how to shoot!"

Bob Towers away on a month's vacation at last—down to Mexico. Think the vicinity is Guadalajara. Failed to see Bob before departing but do hope his vacation is well-enjoyed. Adolph Zmoos (Bob's swimming partner) planned to go along but was unable to make it. He since, however, has decided upon a trip home to Iowa to visit the folk. Dispatcher Cooper returned from Boston—almost 3 weeks worth—meaning 4 days and nights on the road each way. Reports an excellent trip and no car trouble.

As the first streak of dawn shown over the mountain tops at Big Bear some two weeks ago, lined up as if in attack formation, sat those from Hollywood with everything in the line of shooting irons and attire that one could want or acquire. Those from Los Angeles with enough ammunition to finish a war—and those from San Bernardino among whom was our No. 1 Operator Gene Wickham. The din opened up and it is doubtful if the combined forces of "Hitler" could make any more noise but when the smoke cleared away, there sat "Wick" with his bag limit (ducks) and his thirty shells gone. "Wick" could not say whether they were all direct hits or not—there were so many hunters around—but he did get his share!

Early Byrd was the first to sprout out with the new Pacific Electric blue uniform and cap, which looks mighty nice. Maybe we carried the "hello conductor" too far? Early has been accused of being a new man with the company by many patrons who noted the change. Most of the operators have their new caps and uniforms ordered but some still declare they have a "few thousand miles left" in the ol' uniform britches—so will wait awhile.

We have more hi-lites of the coming nuptials of Alpha Sands, Statistical Clerk. It is found that the Sands name will be taken over by Walter D. Seagraves, L. A. Policeman, Wilmington Division, some 6 feet, 4 inches, blue eyes, brown wavy hair—tch. tch! She's sporting a carot rock—wow! Other gifts have been a Westinghouse Electric refrigerator and recently an electric washing machine and ironer—and it also was learned that he threatens to buy her a little red wagon to deliver clothes in. The wedding is to take place in November. Congratulations will soon be forthcoming.

Corrections are always in order: Some many months ago, lines were inserted to the effect that Slim Seifried wore the "pants" in his family and we believed it to be so—but all that has changed apparently as

"Slim" remarked when coming to work one morning recently, "I forgot to ask my wife for 26 cents lunch money this morning!" In September issue notation was made about our congenial C. J. Williams of Central Timekeeping Bureau having a cabin in Carbon Canyon and we are happy to know its exact whereabouts. The invitation "C. J." extends to all of the "boys" is most welcome. "Come over to Carbon Canyon and I will show you some real hospitality." says C. J. (His cabin is nearer Brea than Pomona, being about 1 mile beyond LaVita Hot Springs in what is known as Sleepy Hollow and only about 100 yards from Carbon Canyon Boat House and an equal distance from Tidwell's 49'er Dance Hall and Cafe. 5 miles from Brea on the Pomona-Chino road, 12 miles from Pomona via South Geary Avenue and about 35 miles from Los Angeles via Telegraph and Highway 101.

Perhaps Gary Evans of the Whittier office can explain why he had phonograph cabinet (box) made to order, spent much time with the paint brush adding the finishing touches and then decided he would have to get wire, nails, etc., for an aerial. Several days were spent installing same at his Long Beach home while his wife was vacationing in Colorado. We still do not understand the necessity of an aerial for this gadget—but hope he gets music or SOMETHING!

"Happy Boithdays" to youse in November. Operator Harry Fabun, Nov. 9th; Edwin Barnett, Nov. 19th and Sam P. Porter (mechanic) Nov. 29th. Operators celebrating anniversaries in service during October were Owen Whitaker, 13 years; H. B. Dunn, 11 years; Geo. Shively, 9 years; and Harry Finch, 6 years and for those in November: B. F. Blair, 11 years and C. E. Davidson, 10 years.

So sorry Pop Reynolds! "Pop" in the L. A. Express office was lifting a piece of luggage when the strap broke and a bit afraid of consequences when owner called for same, remarked to Swanson, "Hope he comes for it when I'm not on duty." Result: Owner called for same, knew the luggage was in bad shape, was most considerate and even paid Swanson 25 cents to rig up some sort of handle for same.

Before going to press (yes—even news after press) is that Tuckers are planning a Hallowe'en party at their home in El Monte which should be equal to the barbeque they had some months ago at their Alhambra home. All invited should have a gala time—even a hayride is scheduled. (Details later.)

Welcoming news from Santa Ana:

The reputation of being a good me-

chanic keeps Tommy Daiker busy on his time off, having made repairs and adjustments to a number of cars with uniformly satisfactory results. Speaking of cars — Al Henson had his Dodge completely overhauled and it's full of "pep" now! Johnny Hill bought a Ford V-8 and is well pleased. Superintendent R. R. Wilson and Assistant Superintendent C. M. Allen, were recent visitors in Santa Ana. Mr. Allen, in remarking on the splendid performance of his Mercury, gave a timely tip of value to all. He stated that his car "gives up to four miles per gallon more than the average, as a result of replacing the intermediate and high-speed carburetor jets with ones with orifices, a size smaller than standard." This is an inexpensive adjustment that should yield dollars per year in savings to all Ford owners and probably to other car owners as well.

Messrs R. W. Evans and R. A. Martin (Auditors) have been guests recently and they are so thorough and efficient that we believe it would be difficult for one to even 'steal' a glance—anyhow the unanimous opinion is that we shan't try!

"Hal" Doig has been in Santa Ana on a hold-down. "This bizness of living in hotels and eating in grease joints makes a man appreciate a home" says he. (Mrs. Doig—please note!) Bill Kennedy poses as a rabid pacifist, however, it has been noted that he slipped up to Jean, Nevada, recently and nailed some options on some large close-in zinc properties (They are to run for 6 months). Seems to be betting that the embargo will be lifted and that the "war" will reach a crisis before that time. Takes a lot of "brass" to put over a good war! Many wonder what it is, that was such an attraction to Hank Faulkner in France years ago, keeping him in such a fettle to hurry back over there. We have reached the conclusion that it was just plain ol' frog legs. Most of us are still content to stay over here and put up with chicken legs and such. "Newt" Potter has a substantial method of expressing appreciation. Some days ago he bought the finest chicken Al Henson had and sent it "all dressed for the oven" to a certain party. Dick Butler refuses to be 'bested' so he circulates some luscious vine-ripened tomatoes from his own garden (a lot better than throwing rotten ones) we'll agree. Then—Baby LeRoy Larson, gave away some mighty fine fish he caught at Big Bear. Guess this is enough as everyone will be wanting to move to Orange County. With two cars to look after, Jack Burgess is getting plenty of exercise polishing and tuning them up. If you want pointers as to short-cuts or kinds of polish to use—just ask him.

Proposition No. 1 on the December 12th Ballot

An analysis of the so-called **Municipal Bus Proposition** (Proposition 1 on the December 12 ballot) gives the voters plenty of reasons why they should

VOTE "NO"

**It Does Not Guarantee
A Five Cent Fare . . .**

Section 1 of Proposition 1 states that the purpose of the ordinance is to "acquire, establish, operate and maintain as a public utility a motor bus system of transportation for the inhabitants of the City of Los Angeles at a passenger fare including free transfer privileges of five (5) cents, **NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN CENTS FOR BOTH CHILDREN OVER SIX YEARS OF AGE AND ADULTS, CHARGED TO PAY THE ACTUAL CURRENT AND CAPITAL COSTS OF THE SERVICE.**"

Section 10, paragraph (c) of Proposition 1 states that the Board shall have the power and duty, "Subject to the approval of the council by ordinance to fix the rates and fares to be charged for transportation by means of said motor bus system of transportation within the city; **SUCH RATES AND FARES TO BE JUST AND REASONABLE AND SHALL CONFORM AS NEARLY AS MAY BE TO THE DECLARATION SET FORTH IN SECTION 1 hereof.**"

The proposition **DOES NOT GUARANTEE 5c FARES** and the promoters **NEVER INTENDED** that the buses would be run at a 5c fare, because they know that a Municipal Bus Line operating within the city limits of Los Angeles of proper capacity and equipment **CANNOT** be operated for 5c per passenger per ride.

**It Should Be Called the
Tax-Collectors Bus Line . . .**

If Proposition 1 should pass and a so-called Municipal Bus line such as is set forth be established, the conductor would collect 5c on the bus and the tax collector would collect about twice that much on his tax bill. The **REAL** fare would then be 15c. That is the history of other so-called Municipal Bus Lines.

Walter Winchell recently wrote that in New York the tax collector gets ten cents every time a passenger

IT IS NOT REAL MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

IT IS NOT A FIVE CENT FARE.

**IT WILL RAISE TAXES.
IT WILL THROW
TRANSPORTATION
INTO POLITICS.**

IT MEANS BOND ISSUES WITH HEAVY CHARGES.

**IT CREATES SPECIAL
JOBS FOR THE
THREE PROMOTERS
OF THE SCHEME.**

pays five cents for transportation on the "Municipally-owned" lines.

What About School Fares?

Section 1 of Proposition 1 eliminates low school fares when it states that "both **CHILDREN over six years of age and adults**" shall pay the same rate of fare. The present transportation system hauls over half a million school children every month at one-half fare.

Who Will Be the Bosses?

Section 3 of Proposition 1 names three men to be commissioners for four years at salaries of \$60,000, **PLUS EXPENSES.** The men named are inexperienced in transportation problems. Not one has had business experience of any consequence. One was repudiated twice by the voters, once after a term as Municipal Judge and again after a term on the Board of Education; another's strongest claim is that he operates a service station or two, and the third is an out-and-out promoter. They are to be given dictatorial powers to spend millions of tax money for a project of which they know little or nothing and **ARE NOT ACCOUNTABLE TO ANY OFFICIALS OR TO THE PEOPLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS OR EXPENDITURES.**

A General Manager . . .

Section 6 of Proposition 1 states that "the said Board shall appoint and shall have power to remove a General Manager for said Depart-

ment. Said General Manager shall not be a member of the Board, **NOR SHALL HE HAVE BEEN A MEMBER WITHIN ONE YEAR PRIOR TO HIS APPOINTMENT.**"

Wonder why that last line was inserted in this section? Is it possible that the Board of Commissioners intend to employ a General Manager at an exorbitant salary for one year and then have one of their own inexperienced number take over the job for the benefit of all of them?

Why should the people spend millions for equipment, interest on bond issues and salaries, just to build another political organization in Los Angeles?

In this same section it is stated that the "Board shall have power to create and/or abolish the positions required to administer the work of the department and to determine the salaries and wages of all officers and employees of the department."

Under the proposition, these inexperienced commissioners may hire any number of men they see fit and pay them any salaries they may wish.

. . . WHAT A WONDERFUL POLITICAL ORGANIZATION THAT WILL BE AND WHAT A FINE POSITION FOR THE TAXPAYER TO FIND HIMSELF IN. . . HE'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND THE BIGGEST "EIGHT-BALL" EVER MADE.

Now We Come to Section 7 . . .

Section 6 of Proposition 1 gives the Board authority to hire a General Manager and to remove him for "failure on his part to comply with instructions," and Section 7 of the Proposed Municipal Bus Ordinance (Proposition 1 on the December 12 ballot) tells us what the general manager is to do "subject to the rules and instructions of the board."

In other words the general manager, to be employed by the Commissioners, is to be merely a high-priced messenger boy and figure-head.

However, he will appoint, discharge, suspend, or transfer the employees, except "the Secretary and the chief accounting employee", whom the Board evidently wishes to control itself.

Paragraph (D) of Section 7 states

that it will be the duty of the General Manager "to recommend to the Board prior to the beginning of each fiscal year an annual departmental budget covering the anticipated revenues and expenditures of the department . . .".

Apparently the Promoter-Commissioners EXPECT losses and they want to know how much of the taxpayers money they must get to balance their budget.

Better Read Section 8 Carefully . . .

Here's where the tax-collector comes to clean out your wallet. They're now talking in millions.

...We quote from the section, "... the Council SHALL provide suitable business offices and office equipment and supplies for the commissioners and SHALL cause to be paid the compensation of the commissioner and secretary and of the necessary help, and the EXPENSES necessarily incurred by the commissioners in the performance of their duties. IN ADDITION THERETO, and pending receipt of revenues by the department, the Council SHALL CAUSE MONIES TO BE ADVANCED TO THE DEPARTMENT, ON REQUEST BEING MADE THEREOF BY THE DEPARTMENT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TEN PERCENT OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE MOTOR BUSES AND OTHER PROPERTY, . . . BUT THE COUNCIL SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO ADVANCE MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IN ANY FISCAL YEAR."

This proves conclusively that even the promotor-commissioners EXPECT an operating loss of at least \$250,000 a year which cannot be paid except out of TAX MONEY.

Better vote "NO" December 12 and save all this money.

More About Section 10 . . .

Wouldn't you like to be a friend of some one of the Commissioners and have a few lots that you'd like to sell? According to the Proposition, this inexperienced Board of Commissioners will have the power and duty to "buy, lease, or otherwise acquire, rent, use, operate, maintain, manage, control and/or sell or lease motor buses, automotive vehicles, equipment, garages, shops, works and PROPERTY."

Further powers include that the

Commissioners may "acquire by purchase, lease, conditional contract, equipment trust agreement, CONDEMNATION OR OTHERWISE ANY AND ALL PROPERTY THAT MAY BE NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT FOR SUCH PURPOSE, . . ."

Further along the Commissioners are given authority to spend further sums for oil, gas, tires, etcetera.

And Even More Powers . . .

These same promotor-commissioners are given the power to control and order the expenditure of ALL MONEY RECEIVED FROM THE FURNISHING OF TRANSPORTATION, or from any other source in connection with the operation of the system.

The Commissioners are further empowered to "return and pay into the general fund of the city from time to time upon resolution of the Board, from any surplus money in said Transportation Revenue Fund, any sums advanced or paid by the city on account of said Transportation System funds RAISED BY TAXATION."

So, you see, THEY know already that TAXES WILL BE RAISED . . . IT SAYS SO IN THEIR OWN PETITION. . . . AND WHO WILL GET THIS MONEY?

Proposition 1, Section 10, subdivision (F) paragraph 3, states that the Commissioners may spend money "for reimbursement to any other department of the city government, PERSON, firm or corporation on account of SERVICES RENDERED, or material supplies, equipment or funds furnished."

Who knows what value these same Promoters, who are to become dictatorial Commissioners under Proposition 1, will place upon the "services" THEY or their political henchmen have given in promoting this proposition on the December 12 ballot.

And They Want Ten Million to Start . . .

If Proposition 1 is passed, it will give the Promoters the authority to borrow ten million dollars for the purpose of acquiring, enlarging and extending their proposed transportation system.

That \$10,000,000 is a mortgage against YOUR property and you'll be paying another \$400,000 a year in interest through the tax collector.

DO YOU KNOW . . .

. . . that Class 1 railroads have about 1,767,000 freight cars, 44,700 locomotives, and 40,000 passenger cars...

. . . that 174 million pieces of linen and 535,000 blankets pass through the Pullman Company's laundries in a year . . .

. . . that the fire box of one of the largest locomotives in operation is 9 feet wide and 22 feet long—or as large as the average room in a small home . . .

. . . that a railroad passenger can now leave New York on Friday night and arrive on the Pacific Coast the following Monday morning . . .

. . . that all the cars and locomotives owned by the railroads of the United States, if coupled together, would make a train nearly 20,000 miles in length . . .

. . . that about 15 million tons of ice—enough to make six hundred million 50-lb. blocks—are used each year by the railroads to keep freight and passengers cool . . .

. . . that about two million tons of steel rail, enough to build a track ten thousand miles long, are normally purchased each year by the railroads of the United States . . .

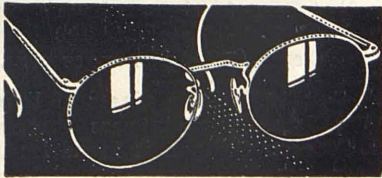
. . . that approximately 16,000 passenger trains are operated in the United States and somewhere in the land a train is either starting or ending a trip every five seconds . . .

. . . that railroad dining cars serve 25 million meals a year—which is equivalent to serving every inhabitant of a city of nearly 23,000 population with three meals a day for an entire year . . .

. . . that the building of a standard locomotive provides employment equivalent to the work of 50 men for one year, and requires more than 7,500 parts from 119 manufacturing plants . . .

. . . that last year the Pullman Company, the world's greatest house-keeper, purchased 220,528 sheets, 157,780 pillow cases, 20,253 ties, 455,829 towels, 24,318 headrest covers, 13,692 napkins, and 3,260 table cloths . . .

. . . that in a year, the railroads carry approximately 500 million passengers, or as many passengers as there are people in all of North and South America, the United Kingdom, France, Italy, Poland, Spain and Germany combined . . .



Numount **1** —DOWN
 — New stream-lined beauty,
 broader, unimpeded vision &
 far less danger of breakage.

4 —30 Days
 —60 Days
 —90 Days

DR. W.F. MORRISON
 Optometrist

at **The FAMOUS** in
 Los Angeles Pasadena
 Glendale Long Beach



for that
BETTER MOTOR
 another
ASSOCIATED
 product

SWIM . . .

Redondo Plunge

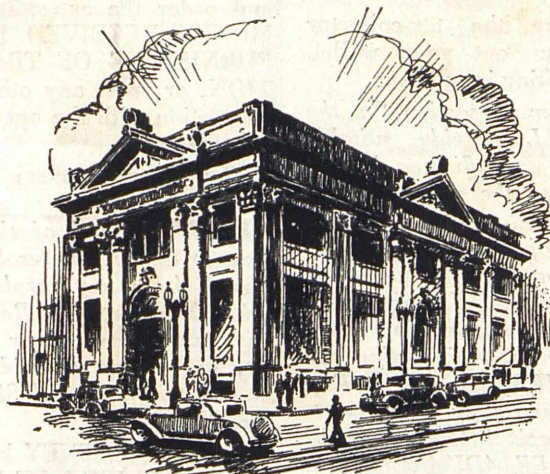
EMPLOYEE'S RATE
20c each

Just Present Your Pacific
 Electric or Motor Transit
 Pass or Club Card Identification

A Swell Time
. At A Low Cost

THE
FARMERS and MERCHANTS
NATIONAL BANK
OF LOS ANGELES

FOURTH AND MAIN STREETS



Your Pay Check is Payable at the

OLDEST BANK IN
 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
 ORGANIZED 1871 NATIONALIZED 1903

NO BRANCHES

Capital \$3,000,000.00 Surplus and Profits \$5,000,000.00

TRUST DEPARTMENT FULLY EQUIPPED
 TO UNDERTAKE ANY TRUST SERVICE
 ESCROWS HANDLED

SAFE DEPOSIT DEPARTMENT

Conservative Progressive Banking

Commercial Time and Savings Accounts Invited

Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Member Federal Reserve System