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E. C. THOMAS.....EDITOR

OUR leading article this month relates to the Convention of the American Transit Association, the representative organization of the Electric Railway and Motor Coach interests of the Nation. While our illustrations of the event would indicate that "fun sessions" predominated, that would be far from the facts. At no previous convention of the organization has a greater proportion of the time available been devoted to the discussion of matters pertinent to the operation of the industry. The play-time was all after working hours, so far as the male attendants were concerned. As for the ladies; well, who would not try to entertain them continuously.

SPEAKING of the Convention, and judging from the comments of the visitors, President Smith, General Chairman of Entertainment, certainly did himself proud and created a most favorable impression of the Southland with the varied character of the entertainment provided for our visitors. They certainly got everything from the classic, esoteric atmosphere of Huntington Library to the frivolities of Earl Carroll's famous "friskies."

SUMMER has drawn to a close. Labor Day, according to the railway calendar indicated its termination, for with that day most of the vacations are things of memory; and, to the school children school days are just ahead. As during the past few years, it is indicated that September will bring considerable heat and that may, to some measure, keep our beach traffic above normal. As Fall comes on, opportunities for outings in the woodlands present themselves for employes to stimulate party movements over our lines to connecting lines reaching the mountain areas of the San Bernardinos.

THE tragic end of our agent at Newport, killed at a railway crossing in the north while on vacation, further emphasizes the need for greater precautions on the part of all of us. Even though much of his life had been spent in the transportation business in which we are constantly schooled in matters of safety, the one moment came when a railway crossing sign was disregarded—and death ensued. How important it is that we must not only KNOW the rules of safety but must also PRACTICE them continuously.

IN THE news columns of the Daily News a few days ago was the account of an accident wherein a young boy was seriously injured by being run over by an auto. Accompanying the boy was his dog, who afterward stood guard over his unconscious young master and defied the world until the boy's mother reached the scene and took charge of affairs. It is very evident that the reporter covering the case was fond of dogs, (as are most people worth a dog's knowing; and, when a dog doesn't like a man there is something wrong with the man) and he wrote a story of the incident, the poetry attending which we believe the Rod and Gun Club would be commended for if they engrossed and framed and placed in a place of prominence in their Club Room. Here are the two verses that accompanied the article. Do they appeal to you?

*"I've never known a dog to show
Halfway devotion to his friend;
To seek a kinder man to know;
Or richer but, unto the end,
The humblest dog I ever knew
Was, to the man that loved him, true.*

*And I have known a dog to bear
Starvation's pangs, from day to day.
With him who had been glad to share
His bread and meat along the way.
No dog, however mean or rude,
Is guilty of ingratitude."*

NORTON REGAINING HEALTH

His many friends will be pleased to know that Herbert E. (Bert) Norton, is now well on the road to recovery after having undergone a major operation at St. Vincent's hospital.

Bert was a mighty sick man for several weeks and we are all very glad to hear that he is well on the way to complete health. Latest reports are to the effect he is taking nourishment in the way of thick, juicy steaks and is allowed to promenade around the hospital under his own power.

His smiling face has been missed in Room 221, also from the Bowling League meeting the other night.

Hurry up, Bert, we'll be glad to have you back.

FIVE MORE EMPLOYEES ARE RETIRED WITH HONORS

Five of our associates were last month retired from active service, according to information furnished by the Retirement Bureau. Many years of loyal service have been performed by the worthy ones who have just laid aside their active pursuits in the field of railroading.

That each may enjoy the rest, comfort and pleasure of their well earned retirement, with accompanying leisure time for the pursuit of happiness, is the sincere wish of fellow employes.

Those who retired last month and the number of years service rendered are as follows:

Rosetta Hassan, Equipment Dept.	12
Thomas Rosenfield, Equip. Dept.	21
John A. Davis, Trans. Dept.	27
Daniel A. Deal, Trans. Dept.	33
James J. Cleary, Trans. Dept.	33

EMPLOYEES OFFERED SPECIAL REDONDO PLUNGE RATES

Employees of Pacific Electric Railway, including Motor Transit District, also those of the Los Angeles Motor Coach Company, are accorded special consideration at Redondo Beach Plunge. The special arrangement also applies to dependent members of employees families and offers a substantial savings to those who enjoy swimming.

Although the arrangement has been in effect for quite some time, a survey of employees indicates that many are not familiar with the plan. Upon presentation of proper identification, pass, P. E. Club card, etc., a special reduced rate of 20c is made for admission to the plunge — the regular rate being 50c.—which includes suit, towel and use of locker room and showers.

Redondo Beach Plunge is the world's largest indoor warm, salt water pool, in fact it is a three pool plunge. One pool of shallow water provides a safe place for youngsters to enjoy themselves, a large medium depth pool is excellent for general water sports, while a third pool of deep water is confined to use of experienced swimmers and divers. A staff of experienced life guards are on duty at all times to insure the safety of Redondo Plunge patrons.

The splendid facilities provide for the comfort of women bathers. Free hair drying facilities are available. Complete beauty parlor service with experienced operators and many other conveniences are also available for women and children bathers.

A conscience is that sixth sense that comes to our aid when we are doing wrong and tells us that we are about to get caught.

American Transit Association Convention Held in L. A.

OVER 600 DELEGATES FROM THE NATION'S CARRIERS OF PASSENGERS MET IN LOS ANGELES LAST MONTH



Registration Headquarters was a very busy place.

FOR THE FIRST time in many years the annual Convention of the American Transit Association was held in Los Angeles on August 10, 11, and 12, the hosts being the Officers and Employees of the various transit lines of the city, both rail and motor coach.

Delegates to the Convention from the various companies throughout the Nation, to the number of over six hundred began arriving several days before the opening date, the majority of whom, however, arrived on August 9th on various trans-continental lines, one special train of seventeen cars originating in New York, having on board many of the most prominent persons in the industry, arriving about noon. The "Special" was met at the Union Passenger Terminal by the President of the Association, officials of the Pacific Electric and Los Angeles Railway and other west coast lines and extended a typical Spanish Fiesta - Western greeting, Jose Arias and his Spanish Troubadors providing just the proper atmosphere.

Wednesday, the 9th, was given over to registration, assignment of hotel accommodations and preparation for the opening of the Convention on Thursday.

On Thursday at 10:30 a.m. in the Music Room of the Biltmore the Con-

vention went formally into session with a greeting to the city by a representative of the Mayor, the response being made by the Association's President, Alfred J. Lundberg,



Many of the P. E. Family listen intently to the proceedings.

who is also president of the "Key System" at Oakland.

The opening address to the Convention was made by Dr. Rufus B. vonKleinsmid, President of the University of Southern California, and was a high-light of the convention, the distinguished speaker's subject being: "Today's Problems Are Tomorrow's Opportunities."

Convention's Business Program

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 10 A. M.

Address of the President.

"Today's Problems Are Tomorrow's Opportunities", Dr. Rufus B. von Kleinsmid, President, University of Southern California. "At the Turn of a Decade", Charles Gordon, Managing Director, American Transit Association.

12:15 P.M.—Claims Luncheon and Afternoon Session.

Address of the President.

"What Are Some of the Best Methods To Be Used to Discourage Litigation in Damage Claims?" Irving S. Fairty, General Counsel, Toronto Transportation Commission.

General Discussion.

"Why Should the Attitude of a Claimant in Presenting Claim Differ From That of a Person Presenting a Bill in a Commercial Transaction?", J. H. Handlon, Claim Agent Market Street Railway Company.

Discussion by M. N. Widenor, Claim Agent, San Diego Electric Railway Company; A. E. Nicoletti, Claim Department, Key System.

General Discussion.

"How May We Best Apply Psychology to the Adjustment of Claims?", Frank W. Reed, Assistant General Claim Agent, The Baltimore Transit Company.

Discussion by S. A. Bishop, General Claim Agent, Los Angeles Railway Corporation and Pacific Electric Railway Company; L. F. Wynne, General Claim Agent, Georgia Power Company.

General Discussion.

12:15 P.M.—Engineering—Rolling Stock Luncheon and Afternoon Session. Round-table Discussion.



Left to Right—Guy C. Hecker, General Secretary of the A. T. A.; Alfred J. Lundberg, President of the Association; the newly elected President of the Association, and Rufus B. vonKleinsmid, President of the University of California who was the honor speaker of the Convention.

Heating and Ventilating Trolley Coaches and PCC Cars.
Trolley Coach Standardization.
Cushion Wheels.
Truck Noise Reduction in Cars Other than PCC.
Elimination of Windshield Glare.

2:30 P.M.—Accountants' Session.
Round-table Discussion.
1. Machine Accounting—Application to Transit Industry.
2. Methods Employed to Segregate Rail and Motor Coach Accounting Under a Joint Operation.
3. Audit and Control of Expense Accounts.
4. Treatment of Depreciation.
5. Audit Department Organization.
6. Scope of Authority and Responsibility of a General Auditor or Comptroller.

2:30 P.M.—Operating Session.
Discussion Sponsored by Division on Development of the Revenue, George Ihnat, Chairman.

I. Can Riding Be Developed? How?
(a) By Market Surveys?
(b) By Advertising and Publicity?
(c) By Special Services?
(d) By Special Fares?
(e) Other Methods?
II. Policies Governing Extension of Service.
(a) How Do You Determine Whether an Extension is Justified?
(b) Is It Good Policy to Avoid Service Extensions?
(c) Under What Conditions Should Extensions Be Made When Their Profitableness Is Doubtful?
(d) To What Extent and With What Success Have Unprofitable Extensions Been Subsidized by Real Estate Promoters or Others Interested in the Extensions?
(e) If Extensions Requested Are Refused as Impracticable, What Measures Can Be Taken to Protect Territory, Already Properly Served, from Irresponsible Competition?

2:30 P.M.—Purchases and Stores Session.
"The Effect of Purchasing Department Policies on Public Relations of the Utilities", Frank Watkins, Manager of Purchases and Stores, Southern California Edison Company.
Informal Discussion.

1. Should Gasoline Be Purchased on

partment, Industrial Commission of Wisconsin.

Report—Committee on Accident Prevention, T. Fitzgerald, Chairman; General Manager for Trustees, Pittsburgh Railways Company.

12:15 P.M.—Engineering—Power.
Round-table Discussion.
Power Problems Incident to Operation of PCC Cars and Single Motor Trolley Coaches.
Determination of a Fair Method of Comparing Line Maintenance Performance.
Current Collection for Trolley Coaches.

12:15 P.M.
Round-table Discussion.
Methods of Preventing Scaling and Surface Cracking and of Resurfacing Concrete Track Pavements.
Wear of Rail at Car Stops.
Reheading (Half-Soling) of Rail.
Adjournment.

12:15 P.M.—Interurban Session.
"National Developments Affecting Interurban Electric Railways", C. D. Cass, General Counsel, American Transit Association.
Round-table Discussion of Interurban Problems.

Proposal to Require Interurban Electric Railways to Report to the I.C.C. under the Steam Railroad Classification of Accounts. Led by E. H. Utley, Comptroller, Chicago South Shore & South Bend Railroad.

Labor Relations.
Through Routes and Rates with Other Carriers.

2:00 P.M.—Bus Maintenance Clinic.



Ladies' Luncheon at the Uplifters' Club and the Chairman of the Hostess Committee, Mrs. Lou Fageol.

Basis of 60° Temperature or on Full Gallonage? Led by Ben Schupp.

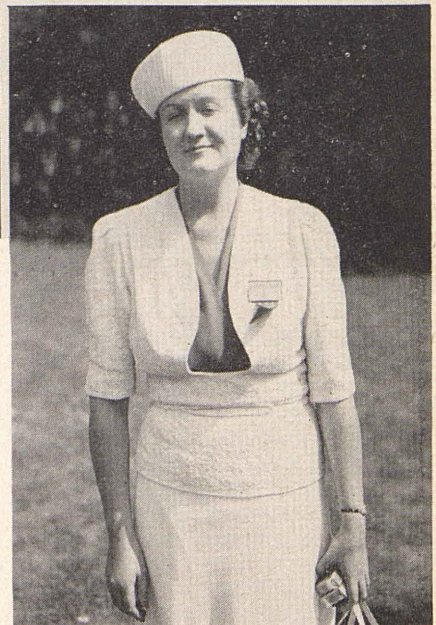
2. What Should Be the Policy of Buying Materials on Consignment? Led by Frank R. Lloyd.

3. Are Contracts Generally Used for Group Purchases? Led by Paul Paddock.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 10 A.M.:
"Employers' Responsibility in Labor Relations", Harrison S. Robinson, Oakland, California.

"Social Security—A Help or a Threat to the Transit Industry?", Frank Cliffe, Assistant Comptroller, General Electric Company.

"Operation of Wisconsin's Unemployment Compensation Act", A. E. Wegner, Associate Director, Unemployment Compensation De-





The Ladies of the Convention on the grounds of the Uplifters Club

"Testing for Gas Fumes", L. J. Grunder, Automotive Engineer, Richfield Oil Corporation.

Laboratory Demonstration of Motor Tune-Up and Carburetor Adjustment, Errol J. Gay, Research Laboratories, Ethyl Gasoline Corporation.



President Smith, Mr. Knoche and Mr. Marler examine a new kind of glass that cuts out sun rays.

One of the outstanding features of the Convention was the work of the Hostess Committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Lou Fageol, wife of the president of the Fageol Twin Coach Company. The women visitors of the Convention were unanimous in their praise of the arrangements and entertainment prepared for them.

Entertainment provided for the exclusive benefit of the women visitors and presented by Mrs. Fageol's committee was:

Thursday, August 10—morning—special motor coach tour to the homes of the movie stars, and through Hollywood and Beverly Hills. Luncheon at the Uplifters Club in Santa Monica, returning through Hollywood to the Columbia Broadcasting Studios for a tour and eavesdropping on a

radio broadcast.

Friday, August 11—afternoon—motor coach tour to San Gabriel Mission. View of rare old relics of the Mission Days and entertaining program by native choir of the Mission. Thence to the Huntington Art Gallery, the finest collection of paintings in America, including Gainsborough's "Blue Boy".

Composing the Entertainment Committee for Los Angeles under President O. A. Smith, General Chairman for Convention Entertainment, assisted by L. A. Reeves, of the Los Angeles Railway, were the following:

Ladies' tour and luncheon: A. W. Arlin, Co-Chairman, V. S. Herrington, Co-Chairman.

Dinner dance—L. H. Reese, Chairman, F. E. Billhardt, C. E. Morgan.

Tour for the ladies: G. E. Reyn-

olds, Chairman, M. M. Brockway, R. R. Wilson.

Sight-seeing tour and barbecue: Howard M. Lang, Co-Chairman, C. V. Means, Co-Chairman, W. G. Knoche, F. C. Patton, Ben Schupp.

Golf: Ray F. Gheen, Chairman, Herbert Hawks, A. E. Hitchner, C. H. Thrane, L. J. Turley.

Local transportation: F. C. Patton, chairman; G. H. Blyth, F. W. McDonald, E. Smith, Roy A. Wynne.

The general entertainment for delegates and their families was a dinner dance at the Biltmore Bowl on Thursday night attended by approximately 500 persons. The famous floor show of that hostelry had been augmented by the committee in charge, favors for the ladies provided, door prizes of quite unusual value and attractiveness distributed,



Absorbed in Barbecued Delicacies—not Railways. President Smith, of the Pacific Electric; President Harris, of the Los Angeles Railway; H. O. Marler, Passenger Traffic Manager of the Pacific Electric; Guy C. Hecker, General Secretary of the A. T. A. and an unidentified gentleman on the right.



The Barbecue Pits and a small portion of the Crowd.

and fun galore was rampant until the wee small hours of Friday morning. Friday night was a go-as-you-please affair, and the delegates spread throughout the town to the various night spots, some two hundred or more going to Earl Carroll's famous resort.

Saturday was the climax of the entertainment as well as the day of departure for the delegates to San Francisco for the remaining days of the convention, which had been divided equally as to the business sessions between Los Angeles and San Francisco. The entertainment for Saturday took the form of a Spanish Fiesta and Barbecue.

Throughout Friday night and Saturday morning, the barbecue chef and his assistants had been preparing the viands for the feast and at 11:30 a.m., Saturday the delegates and other visitors were conveyed by the Los Angeles Motor Coach Co. to the celebrated Fryman Ranch on Laurel Canyon Road, just off Ventura Boulevard where they were received by Jose Arias and his company of Spanish entertainers and a "day in Spain" produced. Barbecue dinner had been provided for 750 and was served under the spreading oak trees of the rancho while Jose and his troubadores "did their stuff"—and did they. The pictures tell only a part of the story.

Teacher: "Can any of you tell me the difference between lightning and electricity?"

Pupil: "Yes, sir—we don't have to pay for lightning."

VOTERS URGED TO REGISTER

Are you a registered voter?

To be qualified to vote at the important State Election on November 7, you must be properly registered. If you have never registered, or if you failed to vote last year, or if you have moved since your last registration—REGISTER NOW!

The deadline for registration to be qualified to vote at the next election is September 28.



Enjoying Spanish Viands 'neath Great Oaks.

ACCIDENT FATAL TO AGENT E. E. FITZPATRICK

A beloved and highly esteemed comrade was taken from the Pacific Electric family on August 18, when Elmer E. Fitzpatrick, Agent, Newport Beach, was killed in an automobile accident in Saskatchewan, Canada.

Just recently having left the hospital after a serious illness, Agent Fitzpatrick had gone to his former home in Canada to fully recover his health at the time of the accident which ended his life.

His death was a terrific shock to his family and his many friends in the Pacific Electric and Southern Pacific Company ranks.

He was born in Vinita, Oklahoma, November 18, 1898, and entered the service of the Pacific Electric on November 15, 1933, after having been in the employ of the Southern Pacific Company for a period of years. A gracious gentleman at all times, his departure from this life is felt by all.

A wife and three children survive him and to them we extend our sincere sympathy.

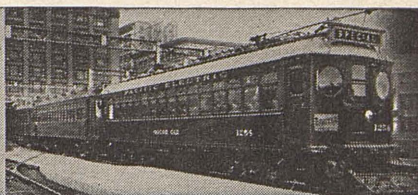
SYMPATHY EXTENDED

Sincere sympathy of his many friends and co-workers is extended to J. C. Furst, Conductor, Southern District, in the death of his mother, Mrs. Grace Birkofer, who passed away on the evening of August 30.

Mrs. Furst, who was 72 years of age, was well known to many Southern District employees.



SAFETY NEWS



CLASSIFICATION OF JULY ACCIDENTS

Train Service Accidents During July, 1939, Compared with July 1938.

	1938	1939	Dec. or Inc.	Percentage
1. With Pedestrians	8	3	5	62.50%
2. At R.R. Cross. (Other than Co.'s)	0	0	0	
3. Between Cars of Company.....	3	3	0	
4. With Vehicles and Animals.....	111	92	19	17.12
5. Derailments	10	5	5	50.00
6. Equipment	0	2	2	200.00
7. Boarding Cars	9	3	6	66.67
8. Alighting from Cars.....	12	17	5	41.67
9. Injuries on Cars (not in collision)	17	19	2	11.76
10. Falling from Cars	0	0	0	
11. Doors, Gates and Guard Rails.....	5	9	4	80.00
12. Ejectments and Disturbances.....	3	1	2	66.67
13. Employees	6	4	2	33.33
14. Miscellaneous	6	10	4	66.67
Total—All Accidents:				
Passenger Rail	164	144	20	12.20
Motor Coach	13	15	2	15.38
Freight	13	9	4	30.77
Total.....	190	168	22	11.59

TOTAL ACCIDENTS DURING JULY SHOW DECREASE

It is a great deal of satisfaction to note that all classes of accidents for the month of July, 1939 show a reduction of 11.59 per cent compared with those of July, 1938.

It is quite interesting to note that accidents to passengers boarding the cars were reduced 66.67 per cent and at the same time accidents to passengers alighting from cars show an increase of 41.67 per cent. In analyzing this situation the greatest number of accidents to passengers alighting from cars caused by women catching their heels while alighting. It is true that it is impossible for the company to provide non-skid shoes for all the lady passengers, but it is believed that it would be a great help if the conductors would caution the passengers to watch their step.

It is also noted in the chart that accidents caused by passengers being struck by doors have increased 80 per cent. Conductors are again cautioned to exercise extreme care in satisfying themselves that it is safe to close the doors.

Credit for the greatest percentage reduction in accidents goes to the freight crews. That department showed a reduction of 30.77 per cent. The passenger rail service shows a reduction of 12.20 per cent, while

the motor coach shows an increase of 15.38 per cent.

If you passenger rail and freight crews show the same corresponding reduction during the next month it is going to take a lot of effort on the part of the motor coach operators to make such a favorable showing. The race is on boys. Who has made the greatest reduction in number of accidents for the month of August—the Passenger Rail, the Freight, or the Motor Coach? We are awaiting your reports with interest.

SAFETY OF STUDENTS URGED AS SCHOOL SEASON OPENS

Before long we will again be transporting a great number of school children. Many of these youngsters will be riding on cars and buses for the first time. Train crews and bus operators must be on the alert to see that these children are transported in a safe manner.

Do you remember when you were a youngster? Remember when school opened and you met your schoolmates for the first time after the summer vacation? Times haven't changed. The youngsters will be full of vim and vigor and naturally will want to 'cut-up' on the cars and buses. Let's resolve that we will operate during the entire school year without an accident occurring to any

youngster—better still, why not resolve that during the next year we will not have any accidents.

After all, isn't an accident just an excuse for someone's carelessness?

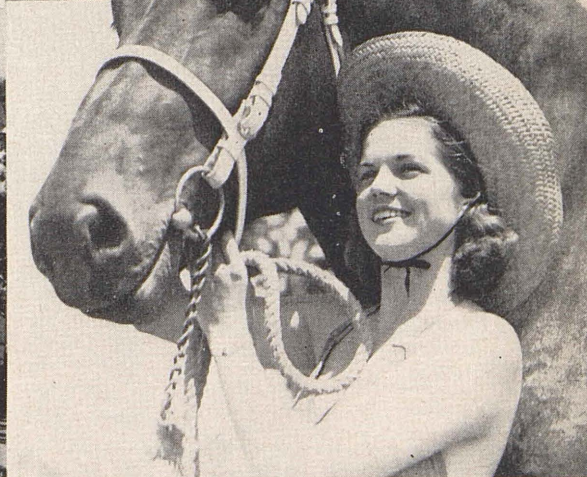
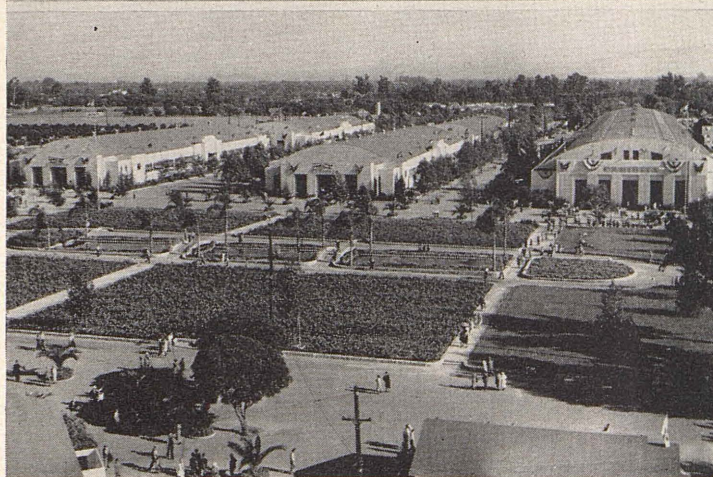
Many accident reports are being sent in with the following notation: "Auto driver made left turn at intersection without giving signal and I was unable to stop, right rear fender of auto bent, no apparent damage to P. E. car." Many others have the following notation: "I rang the bell vigorously to warn driver of automobile. I was behind him but he did not pull off tracks and when I set brakes I was too close to avoid interference." In view of these cases it brings one to the conclusion that all autos at intersections are going to make left hand turns without giving any signal and motorman should operate expecting just such an occurrence. If this suggestion were followed there is no doubt but what the number of accidents could be reduced.

Some of the trainmen will offer the remark that should the cars slow down at paved street intersections they would be unable to make the schedule. But which delays a train most, to slow down sufficiently to avoid an accident or to have an accident and then have to stop and obtain the necessary information from the auto driver involved?

In the case of striking an automobile from the rear, it appears that when this auto is first noticed on the tracks directly in front of train it would make for safer operation if a little air were applied and then the warning signal given to the driver of automobile.

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Safety Committee membership for September has just been announced. The representative of the several districts who will work on the safety Committee are: W. C. Mass, Hill Street; E. P. Linkroum, Glendale; F. P. Ream, Pasadena; M. C. Hooper, Macy Street; C. H. Keeling, Butte Street Yard; J. T. French, L. A. Street; R. D. Bowman, Long Beach; F. M. Wood, Ocean Park; L. W. Capps, West Hollywood; and J. T. Roberts, San Bernardino.



AN IMPROVED presentation of the exposition that last year attracted 637,000 visitors, the 1939 Los Angeles County Fair will be held in Pomona from Friday, September 15 through Sunday, October 1.

In anticipation of a record attendance due to the present influx of visitors, this year's event will be presented on a scale larger, more more lavishly and more colorful than those of former years, which have won for it the enviable title of the "largest and most beautiful county fair in America".

The Los Angeles County Fair Grounds are located midway between La Verne and Ganesha Junction on the Los Angeles-Pomona Line of Pacific Electric Railway. Our Motor Transit lines also operate service directly to the Fair Grounds main entrance. Thus our lines provide the major portion of Southern California with convenient transportation service to and from the "Southland's Fair".

Excursion fares have been published from many points on our rail and motor coach lines to and from the Fair Grounds, in connection with which reduced rate Fair admission tickets are available. It is quite evi-

dent that the economical and sensible way to reach and gain admission to the Los Angeles County Fair is via Pacific Electric Lines.

Every minute of the 17 days are planned to be filled with spectacular entertainment, including one of the foremost parimutuel horse racing events of the west, with both running and harness horses participating. Equine aristocracy will be on parade in the brilliant society horse shows. A mighty midway will provide a carnival of joy for old and young alike. There will be a million dollar livestock parade. There will be circus thrillers, fiesta, girl revues, famous bands and orchestras, drills, contests, fireworks and galaxy of other attractions too numerous to mention.

The 350-acre fair grounds park with its myriads of flowers, its sparkling fountains and placid pools, shady promenades, rest arbors, cool lawns and picnic areas will afford a treat to all. There are more than 50 buildings, many of these are of huge proportions.

This year new buildings, new landscaping, new exhibit centers and new facilities will greet visitors. The work is a part of the \$2,000,000 improvement program inaugurated a season ago. A great domestic arts hall to

house the exhibits of women's handiwork will be dedicated on opening day. Another new structure is a children's nursery where parents can leave their tots free of charge and under expert supervision.

Last year a national contest for a statue commemorating the endeavors of the young farmers of America was won by Lawrence Tenny Stevens, well known sculptor of New York and Boston. This statue now stands at the entrance of the Fine Arts Building and will be unveiled this fall.

An orchid show with whole blankets of costly blooms will be the feature attraction of the amazing floriculture divisions. More than 7000 head of large and small stock including the cream of the flocks and herds of the Far West will be viewed. Giant draft horses, bulls, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, goats, mules, etc., will fill row upon row of exhibit barns.

A distinctive feature of Los Angeles County Fair and one which has received attention over the nation is the special attention paid to the care and comfort of the visitors. There is no dirt nor dust. Shaded arbors over the grounds afford opportunities to rest.

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AMERICAN LEGION NOTES

By Orville R. Newhouse

July 25 — Commander Broberg made the following appointments for the ensuing year. Finance Committee: Chairman, W. G. Knoche, W. E. Sames, B. N. Broberg; Judge Advocate: David Kennedy; Service Officer: Roy E. Mead; Asst. Srsgt-at-Arms: O. C. Jordon; Membership Committee: Chairman, A. A. Malmberg, Vice Chairman, R. E. Mead, R. E. Withee, L. I. Mosier; Hospital Committee: Chairman F. W. Nichols; Rehabilitation Committee: Chairman A. A. Malmberg; Americanism Committee: Chairman W. L. Hume; Child Welfare Committee: Chairman V. G. Clemons; Community Betterment: Chairman, L. A. Finley; Boy's State Committee: Chairman, A. M. Cross; Disaster and Relief Committee: Chairman, B. N. Broberg; Boy Scouts Committee: Chairman R. C. Milnes; Conservation and Fire Prevention Committee: Chairman, A. M. Cross; Inter Post Relations Committee: Chairman A. W. Bone, E. P. Brac; Legal and Resolutions Committee: Chairman, E. L. H. Bissinger; National Defense Committee: Chairman Hubert Falls; Naturalization Committee: Chairman and Instructor, David Kennedy, R. G. Buford; Publicity Committee: O. R. Newhouse; School Awards Committee: Chairman F. W. Nichols, W. L. Hume; Sons of the Legion Committee: Chairman, O. C. Jordon; Ways and Means Committee: Chairman C. A. Newman; Women's Auxiliary Committee: Chairman F. A. Bryant, O. F. Fackler, C. A. Newman; Social Entertainment Committee: Chairman O. F. Fackler; Church Committee: Chairman, C. A. Newman; P. E. Camp Committee: O. R. Newhouse.

On account of illness in his family Comrade David Kennedy was forced to resign as a Delegate to the Department Convention. His resignation automatically moved Comrade K. M. Brown from an Alternate to a Delegate and Comrade C. E. Rose was nominated as an Alternate.

The Ladies Auxiliary surprised us with a brief but profitable visit as each member contributed to our Post Fund.

Comrade Nichols drew his own name for the door fund but declined to take same then drew Comrade Withee's name who also refused claiming it belonged to Comrade Nichols, so in order to settle the controversy the spoils were divided.

August 8th Meeting—Comrade C. E. Rose was unanimously elected as an Alternate to the Department Convention. Comrade C. E. Newman gave us a brief outline of the re-

organization of the Church which will be known as The American Legion Open Parish and will remain as originally planned non-denominational. The new Church Committee will include the names of some of the most prominent people in the United States. Comrade Newman expects to announce the date and place of the reopening in the near future. Chaplain Nichols made his usual and always interesting report on his visits to Ward 3 at the Sawtelle Veterans Hospital. Oh yes, door fund to Comrade Withee again.

August 22nd—The following Delegates and Alternates made the trip to Oakland: Commander B. N. Broberg; Past Commander C. A. Newman; Second Vice Commander, W. L. Hume; V. G. Clemons and C. E. Rose and all report a most enjoyable time. Commander Broberg gave us an interesting and descriptive report of the activities at the convention. Comrade Roy E. Mead was appointed Chairman of the Employment Committee by Commander Broberg.

Comrades make a note in the little book of our meeting September 26th. For at this meeting we are to be shown a Talking Moving Picture of about 40 minutes duration. This picture is educational and combined with our meeting will be an evening well spent.

Door fund this time Comrade L. A. Finley.

P. E. AUXILIARY UNIT NO. 321

By Juanita Braley

At the last regular meeting of the Pacific Electric Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary, the members were treated to a varied and interesting report of activities of the State Convention at Oakland the previous week. Our own Unit was well represented there; Mrs. Alice Dale Newman, President, and Mrs. Phyllis Withee, Treasurer, were delegates, with Mrs. Myra B. Clemmons as alternate.

We have had a busy calendar of activities the past week. Last Thursday night there was a trip to Angeles Abbey Mausoleum, where we were hospitably entertained and had an interesting evening.

Mrs. Lillian Lyons, Past President of the Unit, was hostess at the card party held on August 28 at San Fernando Veterans Hospital.

Mrs. Phyllis Withee sponsored a card party at Long Beach, which was well attended, a number of Unit members going to Long Beach for the event.

The P. E. Post sponsored a theatre party on Tuesday, August 29,

and there was a real evening for all at a price we could afford.

I wonder what's keeping some of our members away. Maybe too much vacation. With September here we hope to forge ahead with our work—and let's all get together and make this a banner year.

This is membership time, and let's each try to bring in at least one new member, urges Martha Harper, Membership Chairman. Those who are eligible and are not members, are depriving themselves of the rarest privilege obtainable, for everyone cannot be an American Legion Auxiliary member. So take advantage of that privilege while you may. You are cordially invited to attend a Unit meeting any second or fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Club at 610 South Main Street.

Mrs. Becky Benjamin, 23rd District Membership Chairman, announced that we have been challenged by the 20th District in a membership drive. Let's all do our part and pay our dues now—and win a prize for the Unit as well. We already have half of our membership paid for 1940, which is splendid. Now let's show our District Chairman that we are on the job.

Mrs. Newman, our President, has appointed the various chairmen for the year; also, we are proud to announce the appointment of two of our own members to the District—Mrs. Lillian Lyons, National Defense Chairman; and Mrs. Phyllis Withee, National Youth Activities Chairman.

Our chaplain, Mrs. Bernice Nichols, is to be commended for her efforts in Community Betterment and Hospital work. Anyone wishing to aid in this work may contact Mrs. Nichols through the Unit.

Plans are under way for a blanket club, announced Mrs. Margaret Quillin, Ways and Means Chairman.

"How'd you get along with your wife in that fight the other night?"

"Aw, she came crawling to me on her knees."

"Yeah? What did she say?"

"Come out from under that bed, you coward!"

"Sambo," said the magistrate reproachfully to the Negro before him, "I cannot conceive of a meaner, more cowardly act than yours of deserting your wife. Do you realize you are a deserter?"

"If you knowed dat lady as I does," replied Sambo, "you wouldn't call me a deserter. Ah is a refugee—dat's what ah is."

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

Tuesday, September 12:
P. E. Post of American Legion No. 321 regular meeting and American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321—8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 13:
P. E. Rod and Gun Club—7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 14:
P. E. Women's Club Presidents Luncheon and Regular Meeting—1:00 p.m.

Friday, September 15:
Beginning of P. E. Club Bowling League at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd., 8:15 p.m.—Spectators invited.

Monday & Tuesday, September 18 & 19:
Registration of Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 20:
P. E. Masonic Club Meeting—7:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 21:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Card Party—1:00 p.m. Prizes to winners.

Friday, September 22:
P. E. CLUB REGULAR MONTHLY DANCE—Dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Good music assured, make up a Departmental party and enjoy an evening of dancing on the newly refinished floor of the P. E. Club ballroom.
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd., 8:15 p.m.—Spectators welcome.

Monday & Tuesday, September 25 & 26:
Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 26:
P. E. Post of American Legion No. 321 Regular Meeting and American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 21—8:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 28:
P. E. Women's Club Meeting & Program—1:00 p.m.

Friday, September 29:
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd., 8:15 p.m. Spectators invited.

Monday & Tuesday, October 2 & 3:
Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 5:
P. E. Women's Club Card Party—1:00 p.m.—Prizes to winners.

Friday, October 6:
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd., 8:15 p.m.—Spectator welcome.

Monday & Tuesday, October 9 & 10:
Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 10:
P. E. Post of American Legion No. 321 Meeting and American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321—8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 11:
P. E. Rod & Gun Club Meeting—7:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

By Mrs. W. A. Hasty

The summer activities of the Women's Club were officially closed with a card party held on August 31.

A large group of ladies met at the home of Mrs. A. C. Smith on August 8 and enjoyed a lovely luncheon. Mrs. Frank Miller was co-hostess.

Plans have been completed for the first meeting of our new year to be held on September 14. It is hoped that every member will bring a prospective new member or one of our old ones that has not been participating in our recent activities. Let's start the new Club year off with a large attendance and show our new President, Mrs. Hart, that she has our backing to the fullest extent.

Mrs. A. C. Smith, the new Ways & Means Chairman, has been working hard and has many plans for activities during the next few months. She will appreciate the co-operation of all members and just such support

she will receive in making these plans for the future a huge success.

Those who will guide the Women's Club activities during the next year are: Mrs. F. M. Hart, President; Mrs. R. R. Crunk, Vice President; Mrs. J. R. Herrin, Recording Secretary; Mrs. R. C. Langston, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. H. A. Andrews, Treasurer; and Mrs. Elvah Wade Fuller, Mrs. Frank Miller, Mrs. W. A. Hasty, Mrs. H. Johnson and Mrs. Wm. R. Thomas, Board Members.

The Committee appointments for the new year are Mrs. A. C. Smith, Ways and Means; Mrs. J. B. Green, Welfare; Mrs. W. A. Bishop, Hospitality; Mrs. Daisy Burke, Membership; Mrs. Ed. Rand, Flowers; Mrs. Jane Rambeau, Housekeeper; Mrs. J. Adams, Hospital, Mrs. Wm. Baglin, Card Parties; and Mrs. W. A. Hasty, Press.

To enable out-of-town members to catch cars for home, a new time has been set for all meetings—Board meetings 12:30 p.m. and regular club meetings will start promptly at 1:00 p.m.

ROD AND GUN CLUB NEWS

By Arlie Skelton

Second Vice-President A. C. Smith presided over the regular monthly meeting held August 9th. This was very unusual as the Second Vice-President is officially seldom used. A. C. Smith conducted a very good meeting and showed ample ability. The nominating committee, no doubt, knew where Presidential timber lies. "I smoke Van Dykes."

Another unusual thing for this late in the season was the applications for five new memberships and one associate. They were elected by unanimous vote. While I do not have their names at hand they know who I mean when I say welcome to the Club boys and we hope you will endeavor to attend the meetings.

Fish registration cards are coming strong now. Some of the members are getting a bit careless in filling out their cards. Four cards were turned in last meeting that were not properly filled out. Some of them did not have the owners' signature, therefore will be hard to trace. And worse still they were almost certain prize winning fish. Someone is apt to be disappointed. Please remember these cards have to be read by someone to be of any value. Better check them over before turning them in. If you don't sign them the Secretary might sign his own name to them and in that way win a prize. The ones mentioned were turned over to the Fishing Captain with instructions to try to determine their owners and have the errors corrected. In the event this cannot be done, they will be referred to the Execu-

tive Committee for action and will probably be thrown out. Sorry, but that is the rules of the Club. They must be lived up to.

F. B. Patterson introduced as guest of the evening, Mr. Robert Glover of Pasadena. Mr. Glover builds second growth hickory rods for heavy duty salt water fishing. Looks like a good rod and is offered at an attractive price to Club members. If interested see yours truly at the Subway Terminal Tower. If we get a few orders, maybe he will donate one as a prize for next year.

Bowling season must be near at hand. Noted B. F. Manley, Harold Smith and others were late at our meeting. H. P. Bancroft and Scott Braley seemed to be of the opinion that it might have been B girls instead of bowling. However, after investigating the matter, it was definitely determined that it was really bowling.

Our old friend Joseph A. De-moine, the fair, square, or otherwise fisherman does most of his angling at Malibu. Understand he has some good catches of halibut to his credit. Was so impressed by the courtesy extended him he has been spreading the good news ever since.

A pitiful sight recently was Stephen R. McNeill, after a fishing trip to Kings River which necessitated considerable hiking in a country that is none too smooth for softies. Those hard to get to places are the places to go to get the fish. The easy to reach places get fished out early.

Have been wondering why (papa) Herb Hentkamer slipped me that good cigar the other evening on my way out of the Subway. There should be a reason for everything. Maybe this would be a good assignment for one of my secret operators. Maybe more on this score later.

Arthur Presler in the future will do his fishing with leather gloves on. Seems as though Arthur was out trolling a few days ago and as fishing was slow decided to catch up on some sleep he had missed out on by his early rising to go fishing. About that time an adult gentleman albacore spied the jig scooting through the water in hot pursuit of the boat and made a ferocious attack. The attack was a contact and the line went out at such a rate of speed that Arthur suffered severe line burns to the right hand. Arthur landed his fish and was all smiles. Somehow, wounds acquired in some ways, just don't seem to hurt much.

Billy Bison took Mrs. Bison out on their boat "Grey Goose," for a day fishing. Mrs. Bison was trolling a hand line, becoming tired of holding said line, tied it to the boat railing for a rest. Pretty soon what ap-

peared to be a sword fish dorsal fin appeared behind the boat, all hands made ready for a strike, when no strike was made the hand line was hauled in with it came the "dorsal fin" which turned out to be the long fin of an albacore that had been long since drowned by the long tow behind the boat.

Deer season opened early this year in Los Angeles county. Understand lots of deer are being bagged but they seem to be mostly forked horned and small. Reason: the big ones are still in the higher altitudes to escape the heat and the brush while their horns are in the velvet.

Dove season opened September 1st. There seems to be a good supply

Quail season opens November 15th. Be careful not to get them mixed with your dove shooting. There was a wonderful big hatch of young quail this year. Looks promising for a good shooting season.

BOWLING SEASON TO OPEN ON SEPTEMBER 15th

The lid will be officially blown off the 1939-40 bowling season on Friday, September 15, when 18 teams of the Pacific Electric League clash at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood.

Such was the decision reached at the organization meetings held at Pacific Electric Club on evenings of August 15 and 29. From the enthusiasm evidenced by those present at these preliminary meetings, the forthcoming season will be one of the most successful in the history of our league.

Election of officers for the coming season resulted in the following being named: Harry C. Hampton, President; Lester H. Lutes, First Vice President; Reed O. Christiansen, Second Vice President; and C. G. Gonzalez, Secretary-Treasurer. Ted Cuccia, whose appointment was effective with the close of last season, is League Manager.

The official team entry list, together with Captains of the respective teams, for the coming season, is

Team	Captain
Amazons	Dorothea Beranek
B. & B. Dept.	B. F. Manley
Signal	Ted Cuccia
P. E. Club	R. M. Cobb
Freight Traffic	Joe Blackburn
Engineers	E. J. A. Hasenyager
Passenger Traffic	P. C. Cross
Transportation	H. E. Norton
Claim	A. Brahm
North	H. C. Hampton
Freight Service	L. H. Lutes
Operating	Wm. Goetz
Hill Street	E. W. Pont
Medical	Dr. A. M. Scholz
Schedule & Research	J. Worthington
Wilshire Lines	F. E. Epp

Glendale Ted Wolfe
 General Offices G. O. Sayan

We were glad to receive the entrant composed of the fair sex, representing the Amazons. From the way this team improved toward the last of the recent season, they will be in the thick of the fight all the way. Also glad to have entries from two new teams—Medical Department and Glendale.

The meeting of August 15, was enlivened by "Squirrel" Stockburger, who interjected some very peculiar remarks at frequent intervals from his seat on top of, what I imagine, he thought was a tree trunk. Fortunately for the good of the league, but few of his remarks were taken seriously.

We missed the presence of our past President, Herbert Norton, however, word from the hospital is to the effect that he is progressing rapidly and will soon be out and on the firing line. His tireless efforts during the past two seasons have had a great deal to do with the success of the league.

"Cupe" Swanson, who tis rumored was one of the 40 Swedes who went through the weeds after one small Norwegian, was in attendance at the aforesaid meeting. That alone precluded the possibility of it being a silent meeting. While on the subject of rumors, we recently learned the authorities at USC are going to examine his speaking apparatus to see if by any chance they have finally located perpetual motion. While I don't think that is the answer, I do believe they will find his larynx is hung in the middle, on a pivot. Roy, however, getting on the serious side, is one of the hardest workers we have for the success of the league.

Last Friday Roy and Laurel Jones got poor Bunny Converse and "Stoggy" Houston between them and what they did to their morale was a shame.

Plan Active Off-Season At P. E. Camp

By H. E. DeNyse, Manager

HERE, at the end of another vacation season, may I hope that you have all had a restful vacation period! or have you?

If not, and you are all tired out from a "mileage" vacation all around the country, why not come up into the mountain area, to your own vacation camp, where there is rest, quiet and invigoration for tired and worried minds and bodies.

Come up for a week-end, or longer, September and October are wonderful months in the mountains. Now that summer activities and excitement are over, come to the Camp and enjoy a real rest, close to nature.

The Labor Day week-end brought a capacity crowd to the Camp, and many who waited until the last minute to make reservations were disappointed.

There was much fun and frolic—something doing every minute. Mrs. Peskett, our head pepper upper, dug down and pulled a lot of talent out of the Camp that no one suspected was there, and put on skits and playlets that were the "berries." But leave it to "Pesky,"—some dynamic personality, I "calls" it. And, listen, movie world, next time you better have your talent scouts up here.

Saturday night was the masquerade, and—well, I won't tell you about that, you should have been there.

August was a very busy month. The Camp was well filled, and, with but few exceptions, everybody expressed themselves as having had the best vacation they ever spent in the Camp. There was plenty of activity, sightseeing trips on Tuesdays, weinie bakes Wednesday evenings, Thursdays the big fried chicken dinners, which were so thoroughly enjoyed

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and became so popular that many had to be disappointed because of our limited dining room capacity. Programs and dancing in the Social Hall Saturday and Sunday nights, and the ice skating rink every day and night.

Now a word about the Camp.

First, let us start out from the premises that this is our Camp, we, the employes, are the keynote of this adventure, and our attitude and action with regard to it means its success or failure. The Camp was established by the Company many years ago, in a more prosperous era, not as a money making venture, but to give its employes a place to spend a restful, beneficial vacation at a price they could pay.

The Camp has never been self sustaining and if it is to survive, we, the employes must do something about it.

The two summer vacation months, July and August, do not produce enough revenue to carry the Camp through the remaining ten months. Even if we had the Camp filled to capacity during these two months, the revenue would not pay expenses for the whole year, so it became necessary to widen the scope of the Camp.

For that reason we have, during the past few years, urged the employe family to sponsor groups who would like to use the Camp during the off season months for outings and we are again urging you to lend your support to a Camp publicity campaign to secure such groups — Churches, Sunday Schools, Clubs, Fraternal Organizations, etc. You undoubtedly have acquaintances in such organizations who would be glad to know that you can extend to them the privileges of your Camp for their group.

The Camp is ideal for such groups, large or small. We have everything for their comfort and enjoyment. The new ice skating rink at Blue Jay Village, right at our door step, has proven a great attraction all summer, and will undoubtedly be even more popular during the winter months. Here is ice skating in a natural setting.

Work is going forward on the "Snow Valley" project, and this will be in full swing by snow time. Everything is being provided for winter sports in a big way, and it is only 14 miles from our Camp.

There is no Camp anywhere in the mountains that is as well equipped and located for year around activities as ours—it is on the main State Highway, accessible the year around, and is only two and one-half hours from Los Angeles.

We need your active participation in this drive for off-season patronage, and we here and now appoint each

Hemet Bus Line Operates Riverside-Hemet Route

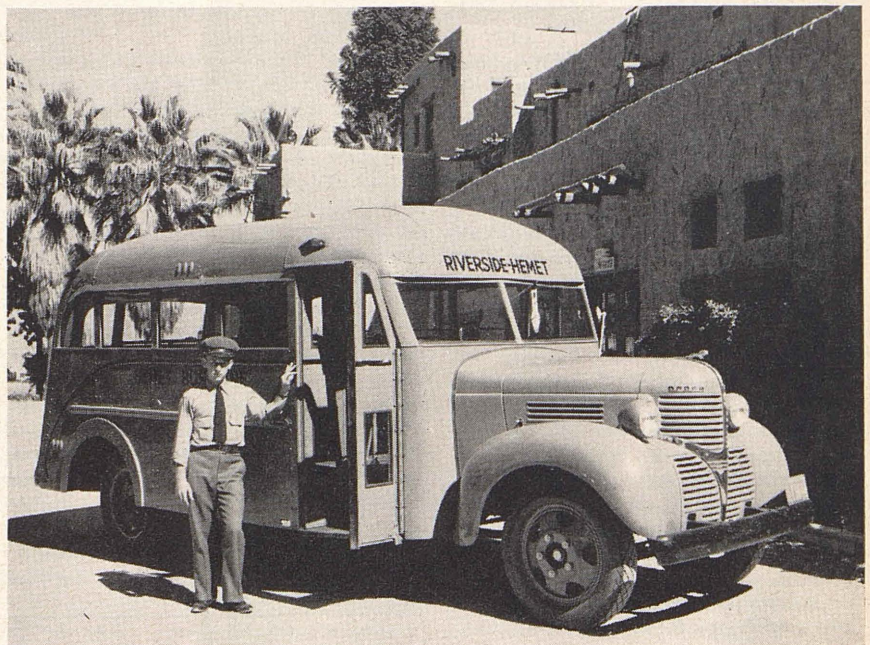
PROVIDING a modern motor coach transportation between Hemet and Riverside and connecting service with Pacific Electric Railway lines, operation of the Hemet Bus Line was inaugurated on August 24. The new service is in lieu of that formerly operated by Motor Transit Company.

Under the operating arrangement, a new motor coach of attractive design with comfortable seating capacity for 17 passengers was placed in service. This improvement, together with change in route between Box Springs and Beaumont Junction to follow the new Highway 60, instead of old route via March Field, thus providing service via the most direct route between the two termini of the line, and the establishment of special round trip excursion fares, offers substantial travel inducement.

The Hemet Bus Line schedule provides for two round trips daily between Hemet and Riverside, leaving Hemet at 8:40 a.m. and 3:35 p.m., and leaving Riverside at 10:35 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. The Hemet headquarters are located at Alessandro Hotel, with the service being operated to and from the Pacific Electric Depot in Riverside.

In taking over the operation of this service, the Hemet Bus Line adopted the former local fares as they applied thereto, also took over the handling of express shipments under substantially the same arrangements and tariffs as formerly in effect.

In addition to providing service between Hemet and Riverside, the Hemet Bus Line serves San Jacinto, Gilman Hot Springs and Soboba Hot Springs, with transfer of through passengers being made to and from our lines at Riverside Pacific Electric Depot.



New 17-passenger motor coach recently placed in service of Hemet Bus Line, operating between Riverside and Hemet, shown in front of Alessandro Hotel, Hemet, eastern terminal of line. Richard Kokes, Operator.

one of you a member of one "Better Business" Campaign Committee, so get busy, now.

Special rates for parties may be obtained at the P. E. Club, Los Angeles, or from the Camp, Twin Peaks, Calif.

Office Boy (nervously): "Please sir, I think you're wanted on the telephone."

Boss: "You think! Aren't you sure?"

Office Boy: "Well, the voice at the other end said: 'Hello, is that you, you old idiot?'"

Harold Hayseed had taken his car to a garage for minor repairs. "You wouldn't think it was a second-hand car, would you?" Harold said to the mechanic.

"Great Scott, no!" said the mechanic. "I thought you'd made it yourself."

"Doctor, my husband is troubled with a buzzing noise in his ears."

"Better have him go to the seashore for a month."

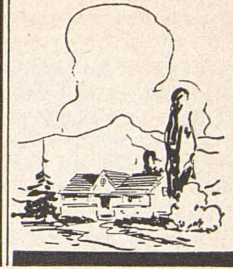
"But he can't get away."

"Then you go."



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ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

By Victor P. Labbe

Happy birthday to you: Will H. Fulton, 3; Fred A. Bixenstein, 5; Sarah C. Shipman, 6; Harold R. Searing, 14; Albert de Pfyffer, 18; Victor P. Labbe, 21.

It seems that Ed. Hasenyager was feeling out of sorts the other day and went to the doctor for a check up. His story is that Dr. Weber told him to slow down and do only one man's work and he would be O. K.

H. Copenhagen and family have gone to San Francisco for a vacation.

Art Hildebrandt and wife—camping trip.

Harold Miller at last took his vacation and has gone to San Francisco. Nick and Roscoe say his disposition has improved.

A symphony in blue—none other than Geo. McClure—says his wife will let him wear anything but a pansy in his lapel and a feather in his hat.

Sorry to see C. Erhman leave the service but hope to see him back real soon.

Thomas Jay Clark—the supposed woman hater took a few days off and went to Salt Lake City, to marry "the girl" August 8th. Her name is Dorothy McAllister. Lots of luck and happiness to you both.

Charles "Red" Quirnbach wishes to announce that there will be no more operations, he hopes.

Clara Doll has had several offers to go in the movies since Jessie Eaton took her picture while at Catalina. Blushing Clara is now coming into her own.

Who says Bob Dorner's 41 1/4" barracuda was a big fish. Since the publishing of this fact last month we have had a number of lead weight plungers come in with records of large catches comparing favorably with Dorner's big stuff. One burly, boastfully beach comber bobbed up bragging boastfully of bagging a 41 3/4" barracuda. But definitely Mr. Dorner!

Jean Fogarty has really been doing the town while her mother is visiting a married daughter in San Luis Obispo.

T. J. Johnson, Brea substation operator, was sporting an oversized lip recently, having lost a decision to Kid Yellow Jacket, a pugnacious wasp he encountered in his yard at 111 North Orange.

The wasp got the drop on Johnson with a power dive. Johnson fainted and then led with his right. The yellow jacket slipped inside the punch however, and landed stinger first on the Johnson kisser.

Johnson is recovering but the wasp is not expected to live.

Bill "Short Wave" Hibbard and wife on a vacation—S. F. Fair and northern California.

Ralph Cobb and family vacationing, very secret.

Anyone having a Spanish course they could loan, please let Russell Schaffe use it until he masters the language.

Dick Searing — vacation spent painting, swimming, etc. Hermosa Beach.

Hugo Meninghilli, vacation at Catalina, says he never even looked at the girls. He was called home to attend the wedding of his sister. Wonder if Hugo is married?

Harry Culp wishes to announce that he will lead the hat styles from now on. Says its according to the restaurant you eat in what styles you may wear.

Ray Buford and family to Convict Lake—fishing, hunting and really enjoying their vacation.

Nothing to report on Al Smith this month.

Will the party who left the Electrical Engineering magazine on L. W. Perry's desk please make himself known.

SUBWAY TERMINAL NOTES

By W. F. Servranckx

Sam Masterson passed away at the U. S. Veterans Home at Sawtelle on Monday, July 17, after a long illness. Sam, who was loved by all of us, was accorded a full military funeral, having served his beloved country during the Spanish-American war. Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Masterson.

That famous trio, Dan Keeley, James E. Tolbert and Barney Burnett, entertained several hundred picnickers at the Breakfast Club July 2nd, and everybody agreed that Dan had the best voice; he also won first prize riding that famous hobby horse.

Foreman A. W. Day and family spent their vacation at the P. E. Camp and had a wonderful time.

A post card sent from North Dakota addressed to the "Bull Pen Gang", Subway Terminal, was received the other day from J. D. Michael, who is prospecting for gold in that wonderful State, and reports a very good time.

D. O. King, Mrs. D. O. King, and D. O. Jr., just returned from an extended trip covering the entire U. S. A., visiting their parents and friends. We hope they all had a good time.

Extra, exclusive news! We understand that that well known romeo, R. E. "Sut" Gilbert has been taking health exercises at the Subway gym. Why do you ask, well our well trained staff of reporters advise me that he has decided to enter that well known outdoor school operated by

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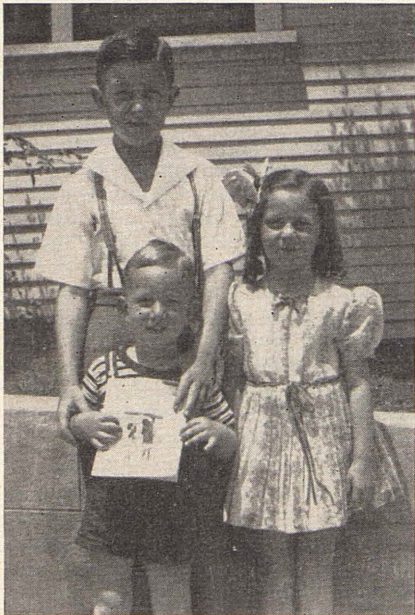
Dan Keeley and James Goodman for a full term. We can just imagine him parading up and down the beach at "Clifton by the Sea."

Famous expression by that well known Lotharis of Redondo Beach: Have you seen my cousin, Chief?

Had a visit from Jack Hugenot the other day, looks well but still suffering from that broken knee joint. Call again Jack, always glad to see you.

E. V. Stevens claims he is not hiding from any one, just a pair of high grade goggles says he, and not from Hollywood either.

Had a very pleasant visit from our old friend Steve Wilson, Assistant Superintendent of days gone by. Steve looks very good and is about to visit the Fair at San Francisco. Glad to see you, and hope you have a good time.



Children of Conductor and Mrs. E. A. Abbott
—Avory, 9; Vorda, 5; and Arvin, 3.

Among our talented trainmen is that well known candid cameraman Jack Kemmerer. Can he develop pictures? And touch them up. Boy he can make 'em look like a real human being. Look him up some time boys.

The latest fad around Hill Street is "mustaches." A contest is being held between J. R. Hollis, T. Alexander, L. P. Bricht, C. L. Morrell, A. C. Tanner, and last but not least, A. W. Day.

We understand that J. R. Bradehorst used to drive a horse car several years ago. We always thought he walked that way.

Flash from the briny deep! T. G. Cooney spent his vacation at Malibu Beach and wading through the surf a couple of hundred feet from shore our hero felt something biting him.

Upon investigation it was discovered that he had stepped on a set of false teeth. Could it be possible that C. C. Carney may be interested, he having lost a set of brand new molars in the above mentioned neighborhood.

Jesse Hanselman paid the boys a visit the other day and said he gets along very well at West Hollywood.

Just found out why F. P. Lee has such a downcast look. Friend wife went on a trip and Floyd is batching.

J. D. Hammack, one time said: Home cooking is O.K., nothing like it, but washing those darn dishes! J. D. is hoping that Mrs. Hammack returns very soon from Lake Elsinore.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. B. Bayerle who became the proud parents of a bouncing baby girl. No wonder that guy has been so happy lately.

Just imagine that guy at Ocean Park asking our good friend Dan Keeley if he had borrowed that certain guy's bathing suit. The idea of asking Dan such a foolish question.

Let's have some more pictures and let us know who is who at the Subway Terminal.

Joe Shafer: "Why didn't you watch where that ball went. I can almost see it from here!"

Caddy: "Excuse me, but your ball don't usually go anywhere and so it took me sort of unprepared like."

Officer: "Say, look here; you can't stop here."

Motorist: "I can't eh? Well, officer, maybe I shouldn't stop here, but you don't know this car like I do."

FREIGHT TRAFFIC NOTES

By J. E. Blackburn

August has developed, as usual, into quite a popular month for vacationing. Those taking advantage of the allotted two weeks this month include D. F. Gleason who drove north, taking in the Fair and visiting other points of interest. Dave had an interesting experience at the Fair, he being chosen to demonstrate at the television exhibit. Dave says he put in a plug for Southern California, but it's probably a safe bet he more specifically plugged Inglewood.

Ralph McMichael is spending the second week of his vacation at this time, having had one week in July, and is, figuratively, out looking for a pot of gold at the end of some rainbow. Ralph and family were just going to get in the car and start out, camping along the way.

George Meyers and family spent a very enjoyable two weeks at the Pacific Electric Camp. Just as an example of how enjoyable their stay was, they did not leave the Camp until 10:00 p.m. the Sunday night before George was scheduled to return to work.

Roy Swanson is away also as this goes to press. Roy planned to spend the first week high up in the Sierra Nevadas, fishing, among other things (which probably include a lot of sleeping). The second week or a part of it at least he planned to spend in Avalon on beautiful Catalina Island.

Considerable moving and altering took place in the Freight Traffic Department during the last month.

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When the Pacific Motor Trucking Company moved to new quarters on the third floor, a part of the space formerly occupied by that company was secured and all our claim files and other matter were moved from room 620 to the space secured which makes these records more accessible from the immediate office. The moving developed into quite a job with Ralph Perry and I donning overalls to move the Freight Traffic records while Frank Conners cracked the whip over the backs of George Meyers and Duke Carter during the movement of the claims. Ralph presented quite a handsome figure in a pair of white overalls borrowed from Bill Todd and pushed the two-wheel truck like a veteran.

MACY STREET TERMINAL

By Chet Collins

In the lovely setting of the Little Church of the Flowers in Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Glendale, Edna Maud Pitchford and Franklin L. Gryder were united in marriage at 8:30 P. M. Thursday, August 31. Many friends of the couple and families attended the ceremony, and the reception which was held at the home of the bride's parents in El Sereno. Their many friends wish them much success and continued happiness. At home soon at 4857 Hillsdale Drive, El Sereno.

A husky baby boy, Arthur George, was born to the I. E. Nicholson's, July 22. Nick is a mighty proud man these days and exhibits a clever announcement card.

Tough luck pursued Jack Richey all during the past month, having been bumped off his run he in turn bid in another and after having worked it one day was off over two weeks due to a badly cut finger. Before returning to work he was bumped and thus had to look around for another run.

Tom White's smiling face is again at Macy St. since he was bumped at Sierra Madre; and Ben Bowman is also back again, the result of a bump at Covina.

B. L. Copeland returned to work Sept. 1, after spending several weeks in Tennessee with his family, having gone East account illness of his mother. His brother, R. S. Copeland, was in the East at the same time, but did not return to work until Sept. 6.

S. Townsend left in late August for a trip to the Northwest where he visited with relatives and took in the scenic spots in Washington and Oregon.

R. D. Terfingler returned to work in July after an extended vacation trip, during which he visited Glacier National Park, Grand Coulee Dam in

Eastern Washington and many other places of interest.

Herbert Clark took a week off beginning August 7, which he spent at Big Bear Lake fishing. We haven't heard any fish stories yet but then he gets up too early to interview and our paths don't pass often. If he has my luck he had a good rest with no fish.

P. J. Bever was in San Francisco between August 17 and 21, where he took in the Fair and visited with friends. While there he saw several familiar faces, among them being H. T. Carter, who is now employed by the East Bay Railways. Carter's mother-in-law recently passed away and his wife is therefore in Kansas City, Mo. Sincere sympathy is extended to them in their bereavement and to him in his batching.

Bob Forsythe is spending three weeks this year on a trip. He plans to stop over in Illinois to visit relatives and then to go to New York where he will visit the World's Fair. The return trip will take him through San Francisco, where he will be taking in the San Francisco Exposition.

It is a pleasure to all of us to know that R. B. Headrick's wife returned home August 3, after spending 16 months at Olive View Sanatorium. We hope that she may now enjoy good health.

W. W. Widdess is still on the sick list, but we hope that he is making steady progress toward getting well and will soon be back on the job.

H. Kraft has been another recent addition to the sick list and we hope he will soon shake his illness.

W. H. Owen and his wife took a vacation trip through Oregon and Washington. A card from Klamath Falls, Oregon, reported that they were having a fine time and would be back around September 5. The fishing and hunting is fine according to his card.

J. W. Kipp took off a few days to do a little fishing late in August. We hope he had some good success and got a good rest.

G. V. Thompson spent three weeks with his folks who live in Washington, and I expect he spent plenty of his time seeing their scenic wonderland.

R. A. Yost has taken 90 days leave and is spending his time in Minnesota getting an eyeful of that beautiful country.

G. Osman spent his time off in Vancouver, B.C., visiting with his parents.

J. Purvis spent some time in August on a trip down to Baird, Texas. It was hot in spots but he had a good trip.

R. L. Mankins and family spent a pleasant vacation at the P. E. camp

during August and returned to work feeling fine.

Sincere sympathy is extended to L. I. Dennison in the loss of his wife who passed away August 6, after an extended illness.

WEST HOLLYWOOD

By G. R. Stevens

With the coming of early fall, deer season once more has rolled around and plans for that fall vacation are being discussed by many trainmen out West Hollywood way, the subject being chiefly in regard to that big buck they didn't get last year. Old timers agree it is no easy task, but notwithstanding motorman Hooper of West Hollywood has taken two weeks off to go deer hunting in the high Sierras, and around Tulare, where he hopes to take a big prize buck.

Also Motorman J. W. Clay of Hill Street aims to try again for a big buck up in Humboldt County.

Mrs. G. Jackson, wife of Conductor G. Jackson of West Hollywood, who has been gone fifteen months to New York, has just recently joined her husband here, and was Conductor Jackson happy.

Motorman F. J. Douglas was off thirty days with a badly sprained ankle, but is now back on the job.

Station Master Linninger, Subway Terminal, has a well trained pet duck, which he trained himself, and named Donald.

Old timers will be glad to know that former Conductor N. P. Cooper, now two years retired, is enjoying good health and wishes to be remembered to the boys who lifted hat checks in his day.

Motorman Nack is still angling for old coins, if you have any, look him up.

W. F. McIntyre bid it in and is now assistant to Charles Mullins.

Conductor C. F. Shultz is planning a fishing trip to Lake Henshaw, in San Diego County.

Tom Green, Mechanical Dept., is away on vacation up Klamath River way, for a few weeks of salmon and steelhead fishing.

Assistant Trainmaster O. L. McKee became the proud grandfather when a baby girl, Mary Jane, was born August 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McKee. It is reported that mother and baby are doing nicely. Clifford McKee, who works in the Mechanical Dept., says he likes being a father. Congratulations to the happy couple.

Congratulations also are extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bell, Hill Street, who were blessed August 2nd with a baby boy, James Edward Bell. Conductor Bell was around passing out the cigars in a big way. Mother

and baby are doing well. News travels fast. Conductor Max Tallman of West Hollywood reports he is expecting a happy event to take place at his home in September.

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

By N. Cates

We are all glad to hear Earle Moyer is doing so nicely: in response to flowers sent hom he writes as follows:

"Dear Old Gang: I want to take this means of telling you how I appreciate your wonderful thoughts in the beautiful flowers you have sent.

I am beginning to at least realize I am on earth—You don't know what this past four weeks has done to me.

Best wishes to all of you and thanks again for your beautiful thoughts.

(Signed) Earle"

Ask Earle to show you that document called "The Family Letter". Something very clever.

Bill Reed has been on leave of absence since July 6th taking a much needed rest. Most of the time was spent at P. E. Camp absorbing the mountain ozone and getting new wim and wiger to come back to work shortly.

I. M. Hurlbut—1 week vacation, driving to the Fair and seeing the sights in San Francisco, Sacramento and other points.

Learn to play badminton. Harold Heustis will teach you for practically nothing (not liable for injuries) on his own court.

And as for surf-boarding—Well, Tom Hinkle has been riding them high, wide and handsome down at Del Rey. Where the waves roll the heaviest there you will find Hinkle's surf board.

Bill Keelin, alias William Edward Paul Keelin, of whom we reported two or three months ago as having a lot of "Maureen" in his eyes: It is now reported that W.E.P.K., who has methodically shaved in the morning for years and years is now dewhiskering himself each evening sometime prior to his regular 8 P. M. date.

What the well dressed man should wear in summer: (By Yum Yum Herman)

White double breasted serge coat
White tie wih large blue dots
Blue pocket hankie
Pearl buttons on coat
Slate colored slacks
White shoes

—Yum Yum

Arthur Manhart left town on August 29th for a tour of California—on vacation—Los Angeles to Sacramento to San Francisco to Fair and return to L. A.

Charlie English served candy and

cigars on a surprise struck Accounting Dept. the other day when he announced the arrival of "Ann Louise," 7 pounds 5¼ ounces of joy at Huntington Memorial Hospital on August 12th. Mother and baby doing nicely.

Ferdie Ogden is on vacation—We don't know where—Probably "tuned" up that powerful Willys for a trip to London.

Doris Lindeman went to Portland. Ellen Sparks to Gallup, N. M.—She insists that she did not participate in the Inter-Tribal dance of seven thousand Indians at Gallup but when "Sparky" herself admits dreaming of tom-toms in the solitude of her Pasadena home, just draw your own conclusions.

Laura Drake to Chicago. Vacations in the Timekeeping Dept. are as follows:

Mrs. Ida C. Reis went to Victoria, B.C., Hassel Van Der Zee went to Sequoia, Charlie Sein to Catalina and Al Beaumont just stayed home, so he says.

If you don't believe that variety is the spice of life, take a look at the hide-outs where Conductor's Accounters spent their vacations in August:

Florence Haldeman—Resting and suntanning at home, at the beach.

Marie Claxton—Seal Beach (Chasing seals?)

Mazel Kratzer—Housekeeping at home.

Nina Robertson—Surfside. (No highlights, just Surfside).

Martha Smith—High Sierras and Big Bear, fishing and sunburning.

Mildred Edwards—Home at the beach.

Eunice Fischer—Colorado, where she put on pounds and pounds.

Lola Ellis — San Francisco and Coronado.

My goodness! Three boxes of candy and a box of cigars went the rounds of the office in the middle of the month! Reasons:

Florence Haldeman is a brand new UNCLE with a brand new NEPHEW.

Helen Maloney passed the candy as a parting treat to all of us, who have known her for nine years. She has shaken the dust of the office off her shoes and is taking up housewifely duties at home. As a goodbye remembrance, her many friends gave her a patio chair and table. (If noise on a typewriter means anything, Lois Brown is ably carrying on in Helen's place).

We're glad to have Bonnie King back from the hospital almost as lively as ever.

If Walter Watchall is still keyholing and spyglassing around, maybe he can tell us more about Dorothy Pearson's luncheon date one Saturday a few weeks ago.

Fortune still smiles on us now and

then, as witness that our one and only Esther Quast won 20 bucks at the show the other night. All her friends are extra nice to her these days—'sno use, gals, we saw the check going to the bank.

Fried chicken, and gravy jes a-lee-eekin' down dat checken's back—that's what Dorothy Littlefield served (but didn't cook) her guests. Odessa Carter, Esther Quast, Lois Brown and Nina Robertson one night lately. What the occasion was nobody knows, but they were all able to stagger up from the table, pile into Lois' "Turtle", and drive over to a bowling alley, where Lois won high score. (Do they count bowling scores as they do golf scores? Page Mr. Suman.)

And now come the developments of Grace Christensen's vacation at home. We could name one or two whose vacations at home have been flops, in the light of what happened to Grace.

Some of her intimate friends gave her a "bachelor" dinner at the Biltmore, with an aftermath at the Bowl to hear Pinky Tomlin. That should have been a hint to the ones not in the "know", but it wasn't, so she had to knock us down with a wedding ring on the Monday after the big event. And now she is Grace Vail. The Car Service girls gave her a mighty useful and pretty gift in a set of pottery dishes.

Honoring her new estate, Violet Phillips and Mildred Edwards gave her a shower at the beach, which netted her a lot of lovely gifts.

Wonder what pointers we unclaimed blessings might pick up.

Co-Authors of the column this month are Marion Snowden, Juanita Hoover (like a Japanese statesman, we did not mention Juanita's name) and Tom Hinkle.

LONG BEACH TERMINAL

By C. H. Spence

Our old friend Joe Engomar spent two weeks at P. E. Camp. He got up early, took a hike every morning and ate like a horse (he says). Ed Lowery was also up for a week. Conductor Allison and family stopped in for a visit but drove on up to Big Bear to make a real day of it. Conductor Mills from 6th and Main and his son also stayed a few days. H. A. Holmes from Butte St. Yards and his family were also spending a week and everyone having a good time. All this took place while your scribe and three sons were at P. E. Camp on a recent vacation trip. We enjoyed the Camp very much.

You could drive several miles more but the Camp and scenery could

never be equalled that we have at the P. E. Camp.

Motorman F. Rausch and wife have been on a vacation visiting in the Eastern States. Will be back soon.

Motorman H. W. Jenkins and family are leaving for a motor trip up to Oregon and Washington and will visit the World's Fair at San Francisco on the way home.

Charley Cottingham says he has a good run, only he can't see when the sun comes out. Anyone who gets up at 2:00 A. M. couldn't see much anyway. Right, Charley?

Did any of you fellows notice the facial changes in "Phantom Phil" Chapman, and Mel Prosper? F. L. McCulley once said that anyone attempting this radical change was guilty of breaking a certain commandment.

We also hear that Conductor J. H. Shelton, wife and daughter made a short visit to the P. E. Camp and also spent a few days at Catalina Island.

We have a few changes and new faces at Long Beach. Jim Leathy and Art Bennett are back on the Extra Board, and Harold Brown bid in a firing job at the Harbor Belt Line.

TORRANCE SHOP NOTES

By Carleton B. Bell

Looking around the Shops for news this time was a different experience than it has been for many years. There were many new faces, many of them old faces that have been away for so long they seemed new. Mighty glad to see all the old timers back, also to have so many new faces among us.

Speaking of new faces—too many to mention in detail—one is so exceptional that it demands special attention—Jesus Carrillo is a new man in Torrance Shops and the first new man in the Cabinet Shop for at least twenty years. Jesus is an interesting fellow to talk with and exhibits quite a wonderful specimen of his workmanship. Wears a Hollywood Beret! That is something new to the Shops, but is so becoming that I expect Ernie Lock, Dirk Mol, and other Mill and Cabinet beau brummels will be wearing them soon. Welcome Senior Carrillo.

Alfred Kitto and wife took a vacation trip north to Anacortes, Washington. Al came home after two weeks but the wife stayed a week longer and visited friends in Walla Walla whom she had not seen for twenty years.

Carl Larson went to Frisco to see the Fair during his vacation. Also visited in San Diego and San Luis Obispo.

Walter Neilson is to visit the Fair soon. With the help of some of the

devils in the Cabinet Shop is planning on making quite an impression on the San Franciscans by means of a high plug hat, full formal suit, gold headed cane, and big fat cigar. His friends seem to believe he got these ideas from his noted son, Hoss, of the N. Y. Giants and recently of University of Arizona. Be careful, Walter, you are older than your husky son.

Pop Wheaton has at last located a country home just to his liking where he thinks he can be entertained as well as take in a nice little income from his wide circle of friends. Pop's place is right next to the Nudist Colony near Elsinore. Pop has been tearing to pieces and hauling home much scrap lumber from box cars during the last few years. This lumber is full of knot holes and cracks and Pop has built a fence between his place and the Colony with this lumber. His friends, by paying a small fee, can enjoy the hospitality of his place and the peep holes in the fence. Smart man POP, don't see how come you have worked with us so long!

John Nolan is back and working in the Mill in place of "Greenfield is the name" making all kinds and sizes of boxes and cabinets and trying to keep up with "Greenfield's" reputation for being a trader.

Bill Parker recently attended the Department convention of the American Legion at Oakland. He reports a wonderful time, especially did he enjoy the Sally Rand program.

Louie Hankins now has a housekeeper for himself and Whitie. He declares that Whitie burned the spuds so often that he just had to do something about it and the housekeeper has solved the problem.

Charlie Boles and wife are taking a "Granddaddy Honeymoon" trip to Chicago, just for the train ride.

Augustus J. Fitzgerald and family recently returned from a trip during which they visited the Fair at Frisco, Salt Lake City, Leadville, Colo., then east to Kansas City and Warrens-town, Missouri.

Frank Thompson and family, including his wife's sister Mrs. Henderson of Tucson, Arizona, had a very extraordinary trip. Mrs. Thompson has always been a very patient wife and this trip proved it—it was her honeymoon after twenty-six years of being married to Frank.

Otto Martin, my old pal of office days, was a recent visitor at the shops. Sure was glad to see Otto again even though he has lost his beautiful complexion from working in the sun at his little farm in Temple City.

Burt Green was another of the old pals to visit the shops. Burt had just returned from a vacation trip to Fris-

co, Portland and other points in the North.

Ben Strobe took a trip to Grant's Pass, Oregon, with his son. Says he saw a wonderful *Gladiolus* show up there — those Grants Pass fellows sure grow the glads. Ben's son has far outstripped his dad in growing. Ben has to look up at least a foot to his boy.

Folks call on the phone and ask for people by all kinds of names, but a prize winner came over the wire the other day. Somebody wanted to talk to her "Lambie Chop" in the Winding Shop. Who do you suppose answered to that call — DANIEL BARNARD, and he's almost sixty years old. I wonder if Winnie wasn't kidding him just a little bit.

David Roberts took his vacation trip to the Fair.

Roy Sherman is batching, or almost so, for a few days. His wife is in the East and Roy's two fine daughters, aged 9 and 11, are his housekeepers. Really though, those daughters must be doing mighty well for Daddy has not lost a pound.

Mike Musulin makes a strong bid for the biggest liar this month. He returned to Torrance the other day after an absence of more than a year and claimed, when interviewed by this writer, to have just returned from the "Old Country" after a year's visit. Investigation reveals that he had been working at West Hollywood during all the time he claimed Venice, Italy, as his address.

Another competitor for the biggest liar title is Conrad Offinger whose main story is about tracking down and recovering a wounded duck by following the drops of blood on the dry grass.

George Lallich, mighty hunter, is the only one I happened onto that came in the first day of the deer season with a nice buck. Only a two spike 120 lb. buck he says. Would like to make it bigger for the sake of the story but too many of his fellow Club members know all about the deer in question.

Investigation and interest in the uses to which Walter Gilbert wants to put that 20-volt battery is still going strong, especially among the new comers. Dick Shulky as offered to build Gil one if his search is not successful.

Bill Blackmer and wife are to take a trip north to the Fair at Frisco. Bill thinks that will be about all the running around he does—needs some real rest, he thinks.

Hear lots of remarks about Jake Borland looking into the whereabouts of "The Cat's Paw". Ask him about this, he'll tell you!

George Dropulic is another machinist who visited Frisco and the Fair.

Bill Chapman is going East, probably on his way by now. Had hoped to take Dick Young with him but could not find the room in the car. Noticed Bill had a new helper—Carl Gramling by name.

Bennie Benson is a champion of some kind or other. He had all his teeth out and was eating sandwiches the next day at the Shop lunch hour. Bennie must be mighty tough.

Bill Richards took his family to the Frisco Fair for a few days to escape the heat of El Monte.

See Mrs. Fitzgerald now drives a brand new Chevy sedan when she comes to take the old man home. Congrats Fitz.

Fred Hendricks and wife on a trip to the Frisco Fair and the Big Basin country. That Big Basin is a wonderful country and Fred ought to have a wonderful time if he does not get homesick for the Blacksmith Shop.

Bob Boyd has been taking lessons in fishing lately, using the big water box by the furnace to practice in.

MOTOR TRANSIT NOTES

By M. J. Creamer

Vacation days for many still go on! Babe Larson reports an excellent time on his recent vacation at Big Bear. Caught 38 fish in less than two hours. Caught blue gill, bass and crappie, etc., at the lake. Ivan Erhardt and family also made a trip up to the lake during Babe's vacation and well-earned his title of "Two-in-one-Erhardt". Babe put a double hook on his leader line and Ivan totes in two good sized bass. "Tommy" Daiker was also reported along. Everyone had a good time. Babe was well pleased with his outboard motor though he plans to turn it in on a larger horse-power motor soon. We are happy to learn that Babe's brother, Chester Larson, is back from Tuscon, Arizona, and well on the road to a complete recovery from his long illness.

Carl Williams of San Bernardino spent a restful and interesting week at Big Bear—we know this—wherever Carl goes a good time is to be had by all! Operator B. A. Rudd has been on the Woodcraft Ranger special every Monday to camp grounds at Lake Arrowhead and has enjoyed these trips even tho there has been plenty of baggage to handle.

Operator A. C. Moore down to the beach and did ol' man Sol take advantage of his nice white skin. Operator Bob Cruson's wife and child away to Texas to visit relatives. Jim Tucker's wife and son back from a trip taking them into the wilds of Northern Oregon and returning via



A congenial twosome—Jack Butler and Henry Stone, Dispatchers, deep in concentration.

San Francisco and the Fair. Wonder if Tuck got the house in shape before their arrival. He let the electric washer over-run while playing Chinese Laundry during their absence and said he was sure that the kitchen floor was well scrubbed as a result!

Arno Laughlin was all set for a vacation at Catalina but didn't make it at the last minute. Instead his two boys went over to the Magic Isle for a week. Arno managed to keep busy redecorating his home inside and out. Henry Stone and wife down to Mexico City to vacation and it was a grand trip judging from his comments. E. Zirckel (Express office) on a two-weeks vacation, making short trips in Southern California. Lisle Farquhar sent a postcard from Yellowstone while on his vacation . . . a none too small bear portrayed on the card saying that he had seen one just like it on the road that day.

The hi-light of the past month was the Union Pacific trip to Boulder Dam—an all-expense tour provided by Union Pacific for various agents. Perhaps I may be overlooking a few on that trip but from reports, Motor Transit was well represented. Those on trip were: H. F. Dostal, Agent, Riverside, W. A. Turner, Ass't Agt., Pomona, J. N. Johnson, Ontario. "Pat" Paterson, Ass't Agt., San Bernardino. Jack Burgess, Santa Ana, A. L. Kopso, Agt., Long Beach, A. M. Thomas, Long Beach, Roy Wilson, our Superintendent, "Walt" Rorick and Howard Strong of Los Angeles. They stopped at the hotel at Boulder City and made a night tour of the Dam, thence to Las Vegas for a change in scenery—where things go on at a real pace. The second day provided them with a two-hour boat trip on Lake Mead. There is no doubt that this trip was enjoyed immensely.

Walt Rorick also spending part of his vacation at Balboa with family.

Charlie Stein was relieving during Walt's absence while J Marflham relieved during Zirckel's absence. L. L. McDonald returned to his ol' harness of dispatching cars while Henry Stone was vacationing.

AMBLING AROUND: Lawrence Allen has a movie camera now and is busy shooting rolls of the ol' celluloid. Even taking the ocean waves in reverse so guess we can call him in the land of "Reversia". Charlie Cooper singing away "Don't bring Lulu" (Explanation for this outburst was "You can't put that in the magazine—I didn't say anything.") Singing is another of his many accomplishments. Irby is sporting a new Dodge coupe, white sidewall tires n'everything—and well plezed! Guy Rhinard trading the "Chev" in on a later model Ford—before it fell to pieces. "Ole" Swanson out of the hospital—healthier than ever! Arnold Evans getting his required 12 hours sleep by catching up in the dog house daily. O. L. Gardner celebrated his birthday and 20th anniversary on Sunday Aug. 13th.

Max Hess carting his music box around—ye new fangled battery radio . . . destination for two days at Catalina—Intentions "No good at all." Max says that he and Carl Williams keep well occupied at times playing badminton. First local news from San Bernardino in many a moon. Poor Alex Petersen who recently welcomed the Sunday off on his run—and now only to lose it through a recent shake-up, all of which was most confusing to Alex. I "tank" he went home much regusted. Fall fashions will be displayed by Jim Tucker who is having another new suit built by his special tailor. Has been topping us all by a new outfit most every day—and speaking of suits did you see Slim Seifried in his new array . . . hot dog!

Geo Jehl and wife attending softball games at Glendale High quite frequently. Does it surprise you that Gilmore (Deal) of all people would be cuddling a baby on his lap (babies take to Gilmore we understand). He was quite busy feeding the baby ice cream and the baby was well contented but would probably have enjoyed the ice cream better had Walt put the ice cream in the babe's mouth instead of her eye . . . just a slip of the spoon we gather . . . or was it?

Condolences were extended to Ivan Erhardt and family in the passing of his father during August.

Is it too early to spring? Understand that Alpha Sands who just recently returned from a grand vacation is going to take a matrimonial step in the near future . . . sometime in December . . . and the "throb" seems to be some young officer from

Wilmington? Congratulations are in order! Wonder what Alpha Sands meant some days ago while Fred D'Arcy was talking to her over the phone—and just before he hung up, Alpha said "Just a minute . . . Funny Face wants to talk to you" and then Wake Wakefield came on the phone. . . . "Newt" Potter has one for the book. Some lady from the middle west tried to climb into a small Mack, 1600 type, via the back baggage doors. Sam was at the controls . . . maybe it was the first time for those new city gadgets, but it should of looked like a rather awkward way of boarding a bus.

Anniversaries noted during the month of September: Ralph Shaw, 17 yrs.; Jack Pettitt, 16 yrs.; Jeff Jeffery, 13 yrs.; I. H. Stone, O. W. Brown, S. W. Axton and O. L. Gardner, 10 yrs.; Neil Seyforth and A. C. Moore, 9 yrs.; J. E. Brown, 6 yrs.; Ralph Wilhelm, H. J. Eddo and Wayne Putnam, 4 yrs.—and the "lone ranger" Bob Cruson, skinning over the top with one year. Congrats. HAPPY BOITHDAYS TOO! A few of those celebrating same during the month of September are: E. W. Randig, Shop Foreman, San Bernardino, 4th; E. E. Brandt, 7th; L. E. Allen and H. Cotter, 9th; A. H. Doig, 14th; E. L. Worsham and "Hook" Edmondson, 15th; R. E. Wheeler, 17th; "Ted" Bryant, 20th; Arthur G. Evans, 23rd, and "Jeff" Jeffery, 27th.

Joe Hernandez has a hobby . . . that of riding a bicycle. He rented one not so long ago and pedaled into L.A. via Kellogg Hill (pumped up too). Was checked out of Pomona by official starter Turner who gave him two bells and away he sped, checking in at L.A. two hours later. No casualties until a kid in town "snitched" the bike for a ride and ran into an automobile and made a slight dent in his cranium—sending him to the hospital. Joe was greatly concerned over the bike (rented) and it was so damaged that he had to BUY it. As a result he now pedals six miles daily to and from work and on his day off, usually rides into L.A. or to the beach to enjoy a swim. "That's what marriage does to you" says Joe, "but if you are less fortunate—it might be skates."

Pomona had a visitor recently. None other than Clarence J. Williams of the Central Time Keeping Bureau. Many oldsters recall pleasant Williams since he was at the old Market Street office keeping the drivers' time. Many a driver was summoned to explain the mysteries of intricate code on their time cards. Williams has a cabin in Carbon Canyon not so far from Pomona and the invitations to "drop in" have been many.

Gary Evans, Whittier, stopped in

at the Pomona depot recently, introducing his wife to the Pomona gang. It appears from some comments that Gary is very fortunate to deserve such a pleasing mate. Bouquets to you Gary!

Turning controls over to Santa Ana we find: Agent Homer Hammond and mother returning from a vacation trip including Portland, Ore., and points of interest in that district. He also made the Labor Day trip to the San Francisco Fair as guest of the P. E. Ry. Co., and the Agents Association. This event was largely attended (nothing personal in this line Ham) and 83 per cent of the spending was done at Sally's ticket window. One agent from down around Garden Grove having seen the show seven times.

Postcard from the Richard Butlers dated Yonkers, N. Y., reports a leisurely trip full of interest including the World's Fair. Mentions that the weather is VERY hot. Suppose when he gets back he will tell of the 'goils' who 'woik' in the "shoit woiks" etc. Mrs. John Bailey and the girls have been vacationing at Marshfield, Ore. John has been batching during their absence. Said "I've been the luckiest man in the world for years and just now tumbled" (this after he washed and attempted to iron a shirt!)

Sam Carr also has been batching during the absence of his wife and family at the San Francisco Fair. The folks returned just in time to keep him from starving to death as he couldn't eat his own cooking and the pup WOULDN'T. Mrs. Jack Burgess recently made a trip to Phoenix, Ariz., spending a week with relatives and friends. Jack remained at home to look after the livestock, etc. Johnny Hill is marketing golden bantam corn, chickens, etc., and seems to make a pretty industrious farmer. Al Henson also is in the front ranks of the agricultural group and keeps the egg market well supplied. His oil lease has just been renewed. Bill Kennedy has all his finger nails chewed off (as usual) down to the quick figuring on a trip to Matzatlan, Mexico, sometime late this fall. Operator Haesy has been on Dick Butler's run. Operator Sams on "Baby" Leroy Larson's relief run, and this with Bill Goff on Wickam's old Long Beach run and Gene Wickham on the Los Angeles run—everyone is having a chance to get acquainted all over again!

Much laughter ensued when a lady patron asked for a ticket to Riverside with a "hang-over" at El Monte. Anyway we gave her the stop-over if that is what she wanted. S'long.

"Pa, what is influence?"

"Influence is what you think you have until you try to use it."

PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES

By Ray Cragin

During the month of August we found the vacation season in full swing. Earl McCall had a week of his vacation and found the lakes in the High Sierra's a mighty fine place to fish. We understand he had a sign on his fishing line saying "Fish under 18 need not apply". But evidently the repression had reached that country as he reports lots of small ones but few big ones.

Miss Mildred Fowler was also a vacationer during August. She reports a very good time and had only one fault to find with it and that was it was too short. She would not say where she spent her time.

Recent charges recently made found Jimmy Livermore on the Purchase and Freight Bill desk. Roy Ewing moved up from the Stationery Store and Charlie Wakefield left his friend at West Hollywood to come in and assist Mr. Gill in the Stationery Store. Jim Wagley of West Bell left his Torrance comrades and moved over to West Hollywood to take Charlie's place.

Mr. C. Fenimore was another vacationer last month. He spent the two weeks up in the Bishop country and from reports from that country the fish were glad when he broke camp and hit for home.

The following notes from Torrance:

Flash, Flash!

Red Beeler, better known as Ralph Long is the proud father of twin boys born Sunday, September 3rd. Step back boys and let a man with red hair to the front.

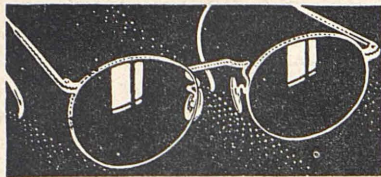
Mr. Ward McCall is back to work after his vacation. He played tourist and took in the sights of his own city. While looking over vacation literature he ran across a pamphlet put out by the Chamber of Commerce and decided to look around at home.

Two Gun Cain is getting over that hungry look. Investigation reveals that Mrs. Cain and the two boys have returned from the good old State of Missouri and Hugh is again getting that good home cooking.

Charlie Stock and family found the P. E. Camp a restful place to spend their vacation, that is one week of it. The other was spent by Charlie helping his new son-in-law build a house.

Tommy Wilkes and wife made that much delayed trip to San Francisco over Labor Day. Tom says he did not miss a thing at the Fair. Leave it to him to get around.

John Van Der Zee is back to work after a few days in St. Vincent. John reports the best of treatment and daughter Patsy was at hand to see that he received the best of care.



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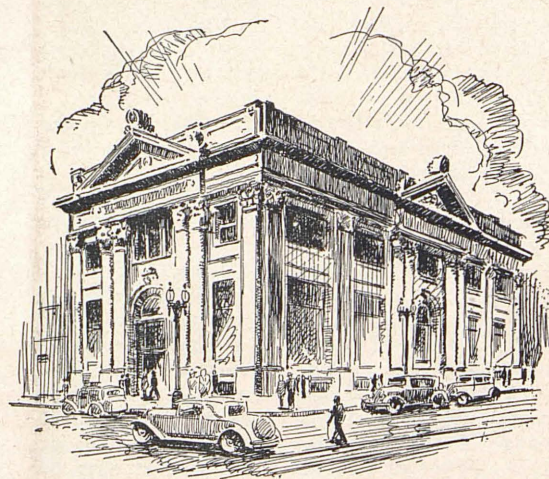
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