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E. C. THOMAS.....EDITOR

THE COVER PICTURE

The forming of "Swimming Parties" has become quite the vogue; and the great Redondo Beach Plunge has been the "Mecca" for many of them recently, evenings being the most popular time for them.

Possibly the picture may give some of our employes the incentive to make up a party among our employes for one of these evenings.

OUR HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

A circular issued by Dr. Wm. L. Weber, Chief Surgeon, to the officers and employes of the Company on July 1st, and bearing the approval of President Smith, places in effect a new scale of contributions to be made by all of us in support of the Hospital Association of the Pacific Electric Company.

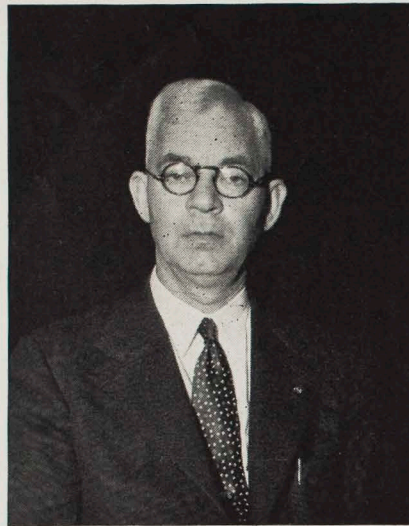
It provides that every employe whose monthly salary is \$124.99 or less shall contribute \$1.25 per month; from \$125.00 to \$199.99 shall contribute \$1.50 per month; \$200.00 or over shall contribute \$2.00 per month.

The circular also states that while the Company has always contributed a substantial sum each month to the support of the Hospital Association, its contribution, effective July 1st, will be increased.

The increase in the contributions to the Hospital Association, which must be kept upon a self-sustaining basis, is brought about by increases in the cost of drugs, supplies and hospitalization, and by the desire of the management to maintain, as has always been the case, a high standard of medical and surgical service for the employes of this company.

The expenses of the Hospital Department exceeded the income during 1939 in the amount of \$14,918.00; and for the first five months of 1940 ending May 31st, the loss has amounted to \$7,902.00.

One of two alternatives was faced by the Hospital Management, either income must be increased by a re-



ASST. SAFETY SUPERVISOR

C. T. Nolan Appointed to New Position

On July 15, 1940, a joint announcement was issued by Mr. C. H. Belt, Superintendent Rail Operations, and Mr. R. R. Wilson, Superintendent, Motor Coach Operations, approved by Mr. G. F. Squires, General Superintendent, covering the appointment of Mr. C. T. Nolan, Northern District Conductor, as Assistant Safety Supervisor, with headquarters, Room 224, Pacific Electric Building, 6th and Main Street, Los Angeles, California.

Mr. Nolan's railroading experience covers an unusually broad field of service, Telegraph Operator, Station Agent, Train Dispatcher and Assistant Chief Dispatcher on steam roads from 1902 to 1924, and on the Pacific Electric from 1924 to date as Passenger Conductor, One Man Car and Motor Coach Operator, Freight Conductor, and Freight Brakeman.

As is well known on this property, Mr. C. T. Nolan served as General Chairman of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen for the past seven years and his selection and promotion from train service to fill the position of Assistant Safety Supervisor was made solely because of his qualifications, fitness and ability to perform the particular type of work required in advancing our accident prevention program.

adjustment of contributions, or, the character of service rendered be reduced; and, it is certain that the decision of the Hospital Management to increase the scale of contributions, rather than depreciate the service will be unanimously endorsed by the employes of this Company.

We have all of us held our Medical Department in high esteem, and

have been justly proud of the fact that nowhere in the country, and in no industry of the Nation, has there been maintained a Hospital Association as outstanding in every detail as our own; whose services have been more diversified; whose hospitalization has been of such a high quality; whose staff has numbered more skilled surgeons or efficient physicians, or possessed of more courteous, efficient attendants.

Many of us have contributed for years and have had little or no need for the ministrations of this department, but we are grateful that over the past years we have had the counsel and advice of that department in maintaining our health, and that we have had the assurance of capable and speedy relief in the event ill health or accident should beset us. We have likewise witnessed the benefits accorded hundreds of our fellows who have fallen the victims of illness and accident; and because of our immunity thus far, we gratefully contribute to this, our foremost activity, in each other's interest, that our Medical Department may be maintained at the high standard of excellence that Dr. Weber has always maintained it.

Grateful indeed, are those who have experienced the kindly ministrations of our doctors, nurses and attendants; and grateful indeed are we who have not personally needed their services, for their kindly care of our fellows and friends.

A benediction upon these disciples of Aesculapius.

RETIREMENT HONOR ROLL

The retirement bureau of the company report the following employes who have been added to the "Honor Roll" since the last issue of the Magazine; and, to all of them we extend most sincere best wishes:

Alvin Potter, Transportation Dept., 20 years of service.

J. Richard Johnson, Transportation Dept., 0 years service.

Ernest T. Packard, Transportation Dept., 25 years service.

John H. Daly, Transportation Dept., 19 years service.

Wm. H. Fanning, Transportation Dept., 40 years service.

Michael De Lisle, Engineering Dept., 22 years service.

Carl F. Bonney, Mechanical Dept., 33 years service.

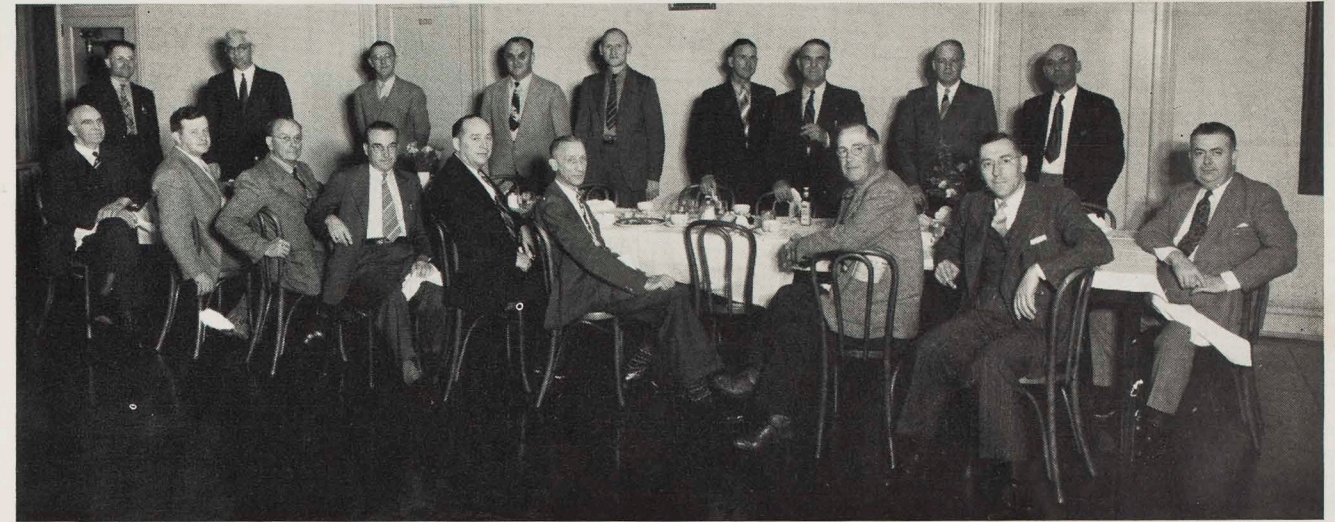
Bert R. Tipton, Mechanical Dept., 19 years service.

Edgar L. Martin, Engineering Dept., 32 years service.

Victor Felston, Transportation Dept., 22 years service.

Daniel S. Murray, Mechanical Dept., 26 years service.

Elmina Case, Mechanical Dept., 16 years service.



BACK ROW: Standing, left to right: L. I. Mosier, Assistant Trainmaster, Northern-Southern Districts; C. T. Nolan, Assistant Safety Supervisor; C. A. Shook, Motor Coach Supervisor, Motor Transit District; L. E. Netzley, Chief Supervisor, Motor Coach Operations, Motor Transit District; L. S. Jones, Schedule Supervisor; C. W. Coutts, Assistant Trainmaster, Freight Service; F. W. Nichols, Assistant Trainmaster, Freight Service; C. M. Allen, Assistant Superintendent, Motor Coach Operations; R. R. Wilson, Superintendent, Motor Coach Operations.

FRONT ROW: Seated, left to right: G. B. Miles, Train Service Inspector; L. T. Bashore, Safety Supervisor; A. P. Smith, Trainmaster, Pasadena; W. D. Pinkston, Schedule Supervisor; L. J. McGrath, Chief Supervisor of Schedules; C. P. Hill, Schedule Supervisor; C. H. Belt, Superintendent, Rail Operations; T. L. Wagenbach, Assistant to General Superintendent; G. F. Squires, General Superintendent.

Operating Staff Holds Dinner Meeting

Many Matters Discussed Relating to Transportation Practice

As is quite generally known in railroad circles, but probably little realized by the majority of people, the Transportation Department of a railroad is constantly confronted with many and varied problems in maintaining satisfactory and attractive service conditions.

There must be continuous and ceaseless efforts made on the part of the entire Supervisory force to encourage and foster the fullest cooperation among the many individuals engaged in the performance of service; to constantly strive to accomplish improvements and betterments; as well as to engage in studies of conditions with the view of bringing about more efficient, attractive and economical operation.

For the benefit of those who are not familiar with the purpose of Staff Meetings, let it be explained that the Transportation Department conducts Staff Meetings twice monthly, for the purpose of discussing the above mentioned problems and possible solutions, exchanging ideas concerning operating practices and methods of supervision; advancing suggestions for improvement in operating conditions and service, and including a general training program.

Varying somewhat from the usual and customary procedure of holding staff meetings devoted entirely to business matters, an enjoyable di-

version from the usual routine was experienced by the supervisory forces as result of a staff dinner held in the Pacific Electric Club July 19, 1940, as evidenced by the accompanying photograph of the occasion.

DISCONTINUE EASTSIDE LINE.

Service on the Atlantic Boulevard extension of the Garfield Avenue Motor Coach Line—between Monterey Park and Huntington Park—will be discontinued after the last trip on Sunday, Aug. 11, 1940.

The service that will be discontinued was established on January 15th as a trial operation over Garvey Avenue, Atlantic Boulevard, Gage Avenue, Pacific Boulevard and Randolph Street.

Results of the operation during the trial period showed conclusively that there was not sufficient travel to warrant the operation, and that a continuance of the line could not be justified.

No change in the route or frequency of service will be made on the Garfield Avenue Motor Coach line between South Pasadena and Monterey Park.

THE ALISO VIADUCT

Work is progressing on the Aliso Viaduct Project, one of the largest, if not the largest, grade separation projects yet undertaken in Los Angeles.

Pacific Electric trains of the Pasadena, Glendora, Sierra Vista, Alhambra and San Bernardino Lines

are now using the new "sho-fly" constructed by our forces, the Aliso Street Bridge across the Los Angeles River has been removed, and the piers that have stood in service for so many years are now being removed.

Before long excavation work for the new piers will be commenced, as will also be begun the lowering of the tracks of the Santa Fe and Union Pacific on each side of the river.

When completed, this project will be one of the most impressive sights of its kind in the city, as well as one of the most costly yet undertaken.

The detouring of our trains around the project has not resulted in as much delay or slowing of schedules as was anticipated.

SIGNALMEN HOLD PICNIC

Signalmen of the Pacific Electric, together with their families, held a most enjoyable picnic at Alhambra City Park on Sunday, August 4th. Many Signalmen of the Southern Pacific Company and their families were guests of our boys at the picnic. The morning was given over to swimming; and, athletic sports with prize awards filled the afternoon hours.

AGENCY CHANGE AT GARDENA

F. H. Bradley, Pacific Electric agent at Gardena, has been assigned temporarily to the passenger department of the Southern Pacific in Los Angeles, during the summer rush ticket sales. His place is being filled at the present time by J. C. Sams, relief agent.



Gee, August 1 again . . . almost Christmas. . . . Have you got your shopping list made out? . . . Roy Swanson should have Jean Fogerty on his. Saw him walking down the hall with arm around her the other day and she is such a nice girl. Wonder if Mrs. Fogerty knows this is going on.

Al Blunt repairing Motor Coaches at Redondo says he took his fishing pole with him, was a foggy day, when he was ready to go home he had hooked two fish. Some fog!

Ted Cuccia, real railroad man, likes to be around the tracks. . . . Tracks seem to fascinate him. . . . Trying to figure out how he can parlay a Watts local to a Long Beach Limited and come up with a Daylight Limited. Handicapper at heart, Bowling league should throw out averages and let Ted handicap them. Could prepare a chart every Friday night. Might read like this with probable pin average as shown:

J. Gowanlock—185

Good stretch thrower.

Herman Grenke—182

Prefers the rail.

Ed Hasenyager—168

Will bear down in stretch.

R. M. Cobb—167

Has beaten the top one.

B. Manley—165

Will scatter the maple.

G. Oliver—124

Room for improvement.

Johnny Stockberger—123

Thrown out last.

Did you have a birthday in July? Did the trio call and sing Happy Birthday? Ask Geo. Crystal, L. Becker, R. Ewing, Geo. Watson they know, very clever I'd say.

Heard in the hallway: Mrs. A.: I bet Monte Brucker can't touch the floor with his finger tips? Mr. B.: He couldn't do that sitting down.

Nancy Kelly back from vacation covered seven States and three National Parks in 10 days. She should drive at Indianapolis next year. Could run off 500 miles in a couple of hours.

Eunice Fisher wants a typewriter installed on Bus coming in from Redondo so she can do Steno work for Police Dept. Here is one Girl the law seeks for her talent and not her troubles. Should hire Florence Davis to help manage her many business deals.

What became of Max Schuring? Was clever writer and artist and he had cute dogs too and I don't mean them feet of his.

Glendale - Burbank Line Improvements

Street Improvements and Rehabilitation of Tracks Under Way

Early in July reconstruction and shifting of tracks was begun on the Glendale-Burbank Line, between Pacific Avenue and Brand Boulevard in Glendale, brought about by the opening and improvement of the south driveway of Glenoaks Avenue, the City of Glendale having originated the project some time ago. Completion is expected within a very short time.

Involved in the changes is the relocation of one of the Company's Section Camps.

A part of the rehabilitation plans of the Company is the re-construction of 6,577 feet of the 3-track section of the Glendale line, between Sunset Boulevard and Effie Street; and, the re-construction of 2,796 feet of double track line between Fargo Street and Loma Vista. These projects being commenced August 1st and completion is expected prior to the conversion of service to "all rail" sometime in September when the new "streamline" equipment shall have arrived and is ready for service.

The re-construction of this project will cost in the neighborhood of \$35,000.

EL MONTE AGENT HONORED

At the Annual Election of the El Monte Chamber of Commerce held recently, Claude Anderson, Pacific Electric Agent in that city, was re-elected as one of the 12 directors of that organization. The El Monte Herald says, with reference to the newly elected directors: "All are active civic workers, ready at any time to work unselfishly for the good of the community.

The Magazine, on behalf of the Company, congratulates Mr. Anderson on his popularity in his community, and commends him for his activity in its affairs of a civic nature.

NEW COACH TERMINALS

To care for Motor Coaches at terminals as well as to provide storage, a new terminal has been provided on California Street, just off of Hill Street, to care for Coaches of the Beverly Hills-Santa Monica Line, of this company; and the coaches of the Olympic Boulevard service of the Los Angeles Motor Coach Company. A new terminal for servicing and storage has been provided at Ocean Park, adjoining our Pier Avenue Station, the beach terminus of

the Beverly Hills-Santa Monica Line.

To provide storage space for Motor Coaches of our San Bernardino Line, Newport-Balboa Line, and Coaches of the Motor Transit District using the Fifth and Los Angeles Union Bus Station, a parking lot has been paved and improved on Maple Avenue between the Viaduct and the Maple Avenue Substation.

Facilities have also been arranged at Balboa to care for the lay-over of Coaches at that point.

COACH RE-ROUTE IN POMONA

Effective Aug. 1st the Los Angeles-San Bernardino Motor Coach Line was rerouted in the City of Pomona in order to bring the principal stop in that city at the Southern Pacific Station.

Permission to do this was obtained from the Railroad Commission in its order some time ago at which time the establishment of the line was authorized.

The route within the city of Pomona now is, Holt Avenue, Main Street, through Southern Pacific Station grounds, Garey Avenue, Holt Avenue, thence over route heretofore operated.

SHOP PROGRAM ON TIME

The rehabilitation program involving the reconstruction and refurbishing of the 600-class cars at the Torrance Shops is "on time" reports F. E. Geibel, Superintendent of Equipment. To date, exclusive of six cars of the 1200-class reconstructed for the San Bernardino Line, 50 of the 600-class have been put through the shops and are now in local service in Los Angeles, and a remarkably fine job has been done on them. By the first of the year 100 of that series will have been completed.

"JIMMIE" SHAFER—LUCKY GUY

The Passenger Agents' Association had a big Stag Dinner at the Hayward on the evening of July 25th, and among the other attractions was a "grand prize" for the holder of the lucky number stub of an admission ticket. James Shafer, of the Passenger Traffic Department was "it".

A great time was had by all who attended the "blow-out" which lasted far into the evening. The "humidity" is said to have been quite heavy in spots.

Research should be an organized effort to find out what you are going to do after you can't keep on doing what you are doing now.

—(Charles F. Kettering)



MAJ-GEN. WALT

For
Left to Right: Lt. Col. C. M. Reading
Lt. Col. C. H. Belt (Pacific Electric St)
Major D. H. Huddelson, Capt. R. D. Max

Railway Military

Over 10,000 Men With The Complete Equipment in Transit To Fort Lewis on Sunday, Aug.

In connection with preparation for Army and National Guard Joint Maneuvers and training at Fort Lewis, Washington, the railways serving the states of California, Nevada and Oregon, demonstrated during the first week of August what they could be depended on doing in aiding the defense of the Nation whenever called upon. Predominant in the West Coast movement was the Southern Pacific Company; and, in the handling of the Los Angeles contingent, the Pacific Electric played a minor part in handling of passenger equipment from the Armory at Exposition Park to a connection with the Southern Pacific.

Passengers traveling on Southern Pacific trains through California, Nevada and Oregon Sunday, Monday and Tuesday (August 4-6) probably noticed nothing particularly different from rail travel on any other days. Their trains departed and arrived on schedule, and the business of railroading apparently went on in the regular manner.

But along the same rails traveled one of the largest, most concentrated movements of soldiers, National Guardsmen, field equipment, tanks, guns, trucks and horses in the railroad's history.

On Sunday (Aug. 4), 23 special trains, averaging 30 to 35 cars each, were on their way, simultaneously,

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SAVE ON MEALS, ETC.

Many employes are now enjoying the advantages of Pacific Electric Restaurant and News Service coupon books which may be secured for cash or can be handled by payroll deduction. These books contain \$3.30 in coupons and are sold to employes for \$3.00, effecting a 10 per cent saving.

Coupons are accepted in payment for meals at Restaurants and Fountains operated by the company in 6th & Main Streets and Subway Terminals in Los Angeles and at Long Beach Station. They are also valid for trade at News Stands in these stations and at Pasadena Station.

Employes desiring to arrange for payroll deduction should request immediate superior to furnish approved Form 8998, Sales Authority and Deduction Order, for presentation at one of following concessions where coupon books are stocked. Books are also on sale for cash at these locations:

PACIFIC ELECTRIC RESTAURANT
6th & Main Streets Station

PACIFIC ELECTRIC RESTAURANT
Subway Terminal

PACIFIC ELECTRIC SODA FOUNTAIN
Long Beach Station

PACIFIC ELECTRIC NEWS STAND
Pasadena Station

total of 231 men leaving Sacramento, and total of 26 cars.

Main units of the 160th Infantry, 40th Division headquarters, 115th Medical and Quartermaster units, and 80th Brigade headquarters — total of 1597 men and equipment, of which 1325 men were 160th Infantry — departed from Exposition Park early Sunday morning, August 4th in three long trains with total of 102 cars.

Two additional trains left Sunday morning, Aug. 4. The first at 3:15 a.m., 17 cars, with 290 men of

the 185th Infantry and 115th Medical from Long Beach, Compton, Monrovia, Ontario.

That train picked up additional men and equipment en route at Hanford, Visalia, Fresno, Turlock, Modesto and Oakdale—making total of 981 men and 50 cars.

The second train with 624 men of 251st Coast Artillery from Long Beach, San Pedro and Glendale, left Los Angeles at 3:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 4 in 10 flat cars, 5 box cars, 3 kitchen cars and 19 tourist cars.



TUcker 7272? - "Information", - Please

What? Which? Where? When? Why? Who?

Pacific Electric "Information" had to have a new telephone switchboard, and now they've got it.

They had to have a new room—and they've got it also.

Why? Well because they had just worn the old one out talking to it. For years and years the girls had dished out information over the wires until they had been worn down to the thickness of silk thread. The switches had been shoved back and forth and forth and back until they just staggered into place; and, sometimes they didn't even stagger. Conversation began to get so mixed up that the customers got their information scrambled instead of straight up.

Yezzer, it's been a terrible strain on the old board, because we've got the "talkinest" set of eight wimmen in America. They have to be that way to get through the day with an average of 5000 questions coming over the wires every eighteen hours, backed up by 5000 different temperaments and some of 'em not so sweet; and, if you don't think these girls have a heavenly harp coming to them just stand alongside that switchboard almost any time, any day at any hour and watch 'em deliver the "Info".

A he-thing on that switchboard would last about as long as the proverbial snowball in—Yuma; and, not only that, he would be going down the road talking to himself and headed in the general direction of Patton or Norwalk—and going fast.

Folks, it's a sight. Just stick your neck around the southwest corner of the fourth floor hall some day and listen to what's going on in Room 401. It will make either a grateful Christian or a jibbering idiot out of you if you stay long enough, and you won't need to stay long.

It's no wonder that they just grunt when off duty.

You wouldn't even have a grunt left.

As for the new quarters—well, that's just an adjunct to the switchboard, however the girls like it. It's cooler these days, it's got a nice roomy "powder" room and sich—and—it takes their minds off of some of the eternal grind of "INFORMATION" PLEASE."

Alford—I think that new girl in the office has a soft spot in her heart for me. Says she's always thinking of me.

Boitsky—Why, man, a girl doesn't think with her heart. The soft spot must be in her head.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION

The word "Prevention" means, literally, "Before it Comes." As applied to accidents, if effective, it means that this particular accident will not occur.

Practically all hazards in traffic which cause death and serious injury come up suddenly and unexpectedly.

You who handle our equipment regularly know that you must be ready for a split-second move any time and at any place, and that the other fellow, be he driver or pedestrian, is liable to do just what he ought not to do under the circumstances and leaves it up to you to spring that priceless result of training, the subconscious movement to prevent, even before the mind acts to order such movement.

Your duty is to be at all times on the alert and remember that to allow your attention to be distracted for even one second may spell disaster. Your skill as an operator is of no value unless your attention is fixed on what is going on ahead of you.

We all admire the fellow who always has his machine under his control; that means he has himself under control too.

VISIT CRYSTAL CAVES

Percy Butler, of the Macy Street Mechanical Department, accompanied by his family, and his mother, Mrs. Ida Butler, who retired from Pacific Electric service some time ago, recently enjoyed a most interesting motor trip to Crystal Caves in the Sequoia National Park.

Mrs. Stubblefield—When my sister was in Europe before the war, she saw a woman hitched to a mule.

Mrs. O'Jawish—That happened at my wedding, too.

"I won't get married until I find a girl like the one that grandpa married."

"Huh! They don't have women like that today."

"That's funny! Grandpa only married her yesterday."

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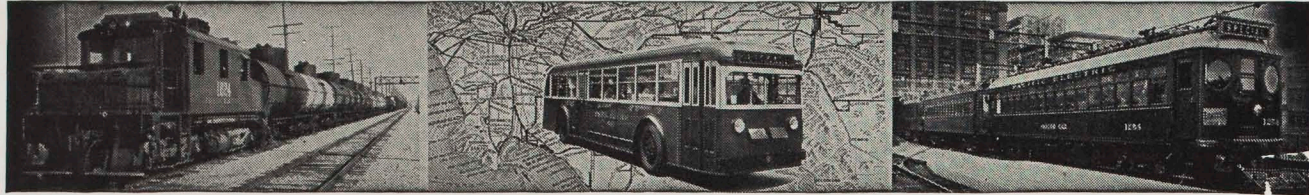
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SAFETY NEWS



SAFETY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Membership on the Trainmen's Safety Advisory Committee for the month of August, will consist of the following train and motor coach employees assigned to represent the different terminals and classes of services operated:

L. G. Wilson.....San Bernardino
W. C. Nolan.....Butte Street
J. Borger.....Pasadena
W. E. Coleman.....Macy Street
J. T. Tribbett.....Long Beach
E. C. Robertson.....Los Angeles
W. F. Reardon.....Subway Terminal
P. E. Stiller.....Glendale
C. A. Fuller.....West Hollywood
J. B. Yorke.....Ocean Park
H. B. McCollum.....Motor Transit Dist.

The date for the next regular meeting of the Trainmen's Safety Advisory Committee will be August 30, 1940, commencing at 10:00 A.M., at the Pacific Electric Club Rooms, Los Angeles.

During the month and prior to the date of the conference we are hopeful that the above named men will give some thought and study to our accident problems on the district where they are employed with the view of submitting any suggestions or subjects for discussion of a constructive nature in the interests of advancing our efforts to prevent avoidable accidents.

Any employee having any suggestion will assist your Committee if you write each suggestion on a separate piece of paper and hand it to your Committeeman so he may present it at the meeting for discussion.

DOOR ACCIDENTS—A SERIOUS PROBLEM

Strange as it may seem, during the first six months of this year our accident records indicate a total of 101 door accidents experienced on the system, which includes both rail and motor coach operations.

An analysis of these occurrences shows that 53 such incidents were caused while passengers were boarding either cars or coaches.

Study of this type of accident indicates they were attributable to the following causes:

Passengers struck by doors when boarding.

Passengers struck by doors, standing or leaning in doorway after having boarded car.

Passenger's hand caught between door and door sill, while boarding or alighting as doors were being operated.

Passengers struck by doors, account of door engine out of adjustment.

Passenger struck by doors while alighting.

Passenger's foot caught in step of front exit door being closed while attempting to board car.

Small child in arms of passenger alighting from rear treadle door caught as door closed.

Treadle step door of motor coach closed on passenger alighting.

Motor coach operator closed door on passenger boarding coach.

Passenger's foot, passenger standing in door well of motor coach, caught as door was opened.

Intending passenger cutting hand by pounding on glass of door, breaking same while calling attention of Conductor.

The cooperation of Conductors and Motor Coach Operators is earnestly solicited to assist in our campaign of eliminating as many of these incidents as may be humanly possible. The fundamental cure is carefulness on the part of our Conductors and Operators and your cooperation and assistance will contribute much in improving our accident record.

Trainmen should in each case, where doors are out of adjustment, and not operating properly, immediately report same to proper officer, in order that they can be properly maintained in good working order. Do not continue to operate the car figuring you have only one or two more trips, and can then turn car over to the next man without going to the trouble to do anything about it.

Trainmen and operators are the only ones who have this situation entirely within their control, therefore they are the ones who must bring about the desired results in this operation by eliminating the accidents.

Before closing the doors, observe very closely, making sure there are

no passengers in safety zone—in front of the doors or along the side of car or between the curb and safety zone who are intending to board your car or motor coach.

When closing doors on 600 and 700-class equipment with the left hand, at the same time hold your right hand in position to immediately reverse the closing movement of the doors, should some passenger suddenly rush forward to board your car. Devote your entire attention to the operating of the doors, while closing them.

A review of the accident reports as submitted by trainmen, in many cases clearly indicate the passenger was in plain view of the Conductor prior to the time of being struck by the doors and that more careful attention could have avoided the accident, also a big majority of these accidents are during daylight hours, and most of the accidents are at points where a very small number of passengers are boarding and alighting. It seems reasonable to believe that when door accidents are generally avoided at points where a great many passengers are handled at one stop, it is also possible to do so where only a few are handled.

Motormen can also assist the Conductor at stops, where the car is standing with doors open waiting for the traffic signal to change to "GO" by carefully observing through side view mirror whether or not there are any intending passengers approaching the doors, and when all is seen to be clear, give two taps of the gong to notify the Conductor that the signal has changed to proceed. In no case give away to violent pounding of the gong as this only causes further confusion.

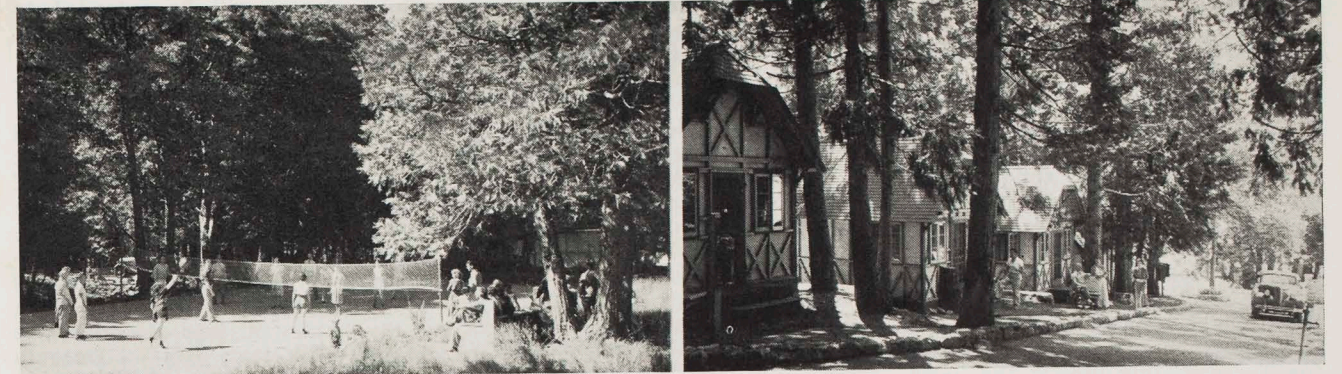
Jimmy—Elsie and her husband don't talk to each other any more.

Alma—You don't say?

Jimmy—No, they scream.

Mr. Smith: "Your wife used to be so nervous, now she doesn't seem to show a sign of it. What did you do for her?"

Mr. Blank: "That was easy. The doctor simply told her that her nervousness was a sign of age."



PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

Wednesday, August 14:
P. E. Rod & Gun Club Monthly Meeting 7:30 p.m. Refreshments.

Thursday, August 15:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Card Party 1:00 p.m. Prizes to winners.

Friday, August 23:
American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321 Monthly Night Card Party—8:00 p.m.—Bridge, Pinochle, 500 and Bunco. Admission 25c—Prizes to winners—Refreshments.

Tuesday, August 27:
American Legion Post No. 321 Regular Meeting—8:00 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321 Regular Meeting—8:00 p.m.

Friday, August 30:
Transportation Safety Advisory Committee Meeting—10:00 a.m.

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

Tuesday, September 10:
American Legion Post No. 321 Regular Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321 Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 11:
P. E. Rod & Gun Club Regular Monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m. Followed by Motion Picture Show.

Thursday, September 12:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY By Martha Harper

Installation of Officers for the coming year took place at a joint meeting with the Pac. Elec. Ry. Post. The meeting was opened by Commander Broberg who after welcoming the guests, introduced Mrs. Alice Newman, Pres. of the Unit. Mrs. Newman introduced the distinguished guests, among whom were Mr. O. A. Smith, Pres. of the Pac. Elec. Ry. Co., Mr. Neal Vickery, Manager Pac. Elec. Club. Mrs. Dorothy Baker, 23 District President. Mrs. Sylvia Winters, newly elected President of the Los Angeles County Council Auxiliary and Past District President, Mrs. I. Bergoon, Past County Council Pres., Mrs. Lucy Lee, Dept. Chapeau Salon 32 of the 40-8, Mrs. G. Greenleaf, 23 District Child Welfare Chmn., Mrs. R. Cronk, Pres., of the Pac. Elec. Women's Club, Mrs. Newman then turned the meeting over to Mrs. D. Baker, who was the Installing Officer, she was assisted by the Leonard Wood Auxiliary Drill Team who also gave an exhibition drill, which was enthusiastically received and made the cere-

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CAMP By H. E. De Nyse, Manager

In a recent issue of the Magazine I suggested that it might be a good idea to quit mulling over those vacationland folders you had acquired and come on up to the Camp, to a real, "one stop" vacation spot, where you will find everything for a complete vacation within our own camp grounds.

Some of you came and have gone, others have made reservations and are coming. But how about you? Still planning some long tiresome trip that you won't get over for a month after you get back on the job? Well, it just "ain't worth it."

You can get to the Camp in a couple of hours, not days, enjoy a good restful vacation and get back on the old job with a new lease on life. And you will be surprised at how little a vacation trip to our Camp will cost.

September is a delightful month in the mountains, so if you cannot come up during August, plan to spend a week or so with us next month.

Reservations, to Date, for August

J. N. Shafer	A. H. Doeg
Ruth Lindsay	J. Lowe
C. L. Mullin	E. J. Hasengager
A. G. Pederson	W. P. Emanuel
Jas. Selfridge	P. Bertolio
S. Tarver	Mrs. W. B. Nesbet
Orson Wells	M. H. Stowell
E. E. Campbell	W. A. Cunningham
M. Ghezzi	B. C. Edmonds
Jas. Cullock	Helen Seymour
H. E. Hustis	& Party
Chas. A. Speelman	J. E. Neville
Roy Atkinson	W. V. Roberts

mony even more impressive.

The following Officers were installed for the coming year: Mrs. Myra Belle Clemmons, President, Mrs. Lillian M. Lyons, 1st Vice Pres. Mrs. Kathryn Brown, 2nd Vice Pres. Mrs. Alice Newman, Jr., Past Pres. Mrs. Ellen Bryant, Secretary. Mrs. Phyllis Withee, Treasurer. Mrs. Bernice Nichols, Chaplain. Mrs. Maybelle Smith, Sgt. at Arms. Mrs. Cora Newhouse, Marshall. Mrs. Patricia Ogles-

by, Historian. Mrs. Anna Tucker, Mrs. Cora Newhouse, Mrs. Bessie Fackler, Executive Committee Women.

Following the Installation Mr. O. A. Smith, Pres. of the Pac. Elec. Ry. Co. was introduced. Mr. Smith then presented the Unit with the National Flag and the Unit Banner. These were accepted by Mrs. Lillian Lyons, 23 District National Defense Chairman and a Past President of our Unit. Mrs. Lyons very graciously accepted the colors and expressed the appreciation of the Unit and our pride in being the recipients of such beautiful flags. She then introduced Mr. Horton of Hollywood Post who dedicated the flags in a most impressive ceremony, assisted by the Leonard Wood Auxiliary Drill Team, this was followed by the singing of the Star Spangled Banner by Miss Alice Johnson.

Mr. Neal Vickery, Manager of the Pacific Electric Club spoke a few words; in which he expressed his pleasure in being able to witness such an impressive ceremony.

Mr. Jack Landis who has just returned from Boys State, having been sent there by the Pacific Electric Railway Post 321 gave an outline of what occurred there and presented the certificates of merits and awards he received. He then thanked the Post for having given him the opportunity to attend.

Mrs. Myra Belle Clemmons, the newly installed President then presided.

Mrs. Alice Newman who is now Jr. Past President was presented a Past President's pin by Mrs. Phyllis Withee, also a bouquet of flowers from her Unit. Mrs. Newman then expressed her thanks for the co-operation received in the past year and for the privilege of having served as President. She also expressed her pride in the pin presented her and said she would always cherish this with fond memories.

We were proud and pleased to have so many guests and to know that so many of this great family of Pacific Electric Railway Employees were interested in the affairs of the Unit.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

By Mrs. W. H. Shoup

We are glad to see the summer card parties so well attended. Every one seems to have a good time.

Our President, Mrs. Crunk, wishes the mothers of young children who would like to attend club meetings to know that next year there will be a nursery with competent women in charge to look after the children during the meetings, so we hope to see the attendance increase considerably.

A special board meeting was called for Tuesday, July 0th, at the home of the President.

A number of club women have enjoyed vacations this summer, among them Mrs. J. B. Green, who went to Chicago to attend the graduation of her son, Warren, from medical school.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller went to San Francisco to the Fair and had such a good time they are planning on making another trip to the northern city.

Mr. and Mrs. Crunk spent several days in Yosemite Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Booth also went to San Francisco, as did Mr. and Mrs. Hornbuckle and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Murphy.

Mrs. A. C. Smith, having acquired two new sons-in-laws during the summer is spending a couple weeks at Crestline resting after all the excitement.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ruppell spent several days at Catalina and Mrs. Hart and daughter Betty are enjoying an Eastern trip.

The different committees are busy working and planning for the Bazaar and will tell us something of what they are doing at the opening club meeting. So be sure to be there.

SUMMER BOWLING

A Pacific Electric bowling team, represented by Birmingham, Swanson, Perry, and Blackburn of the Freight Traffic Department and Don Houston of the Transportation Department, is entered in the Mercantile Bowling League at the Glendale Bowling Academy. This league is an 850 handicap league and the matches are played on Monday night.

The Pacific Electric team has given a fairly good account of itself so far, as reflected by the following tabulation of team positions after the first game of the final round:

	Won	Lost
Johnston Oil Tools	28	16
Pacific Electric	25	19
Glendale News-Press	25	19
Air Associates	19	25
Adam's Fountain Lunch	18	26
Johnston Testers	17	27

The quality of competition involved in this league is illustrated by

a reprint from the Glendale News-Press issue of July 30th which sets forth the results of the matches held on July 29th, the first matches of the final round.

Harper Leads Airmen To Win

Paced by J. Harper, who rolled 233 in his last game, Air Associates handed the News-Press a 3-1 licking in a Mercantile league match last night at the Glendale Bowling academy.

Pacific Electric downed Adams' Fountain Lunch, 3-1, and Johnston Oil Tools beat the Johnston Testers, 3-1. Summaries:

Glendale News-Press

Rupert	199	189	190	578
Whitworth	157	142	161	460
Gregory	195	175	141	511
Weigand	158	156	127	441
Anderson	180	124	136	440
Handicap +	36	36	36	108
Totals	925	822	791	2538

Air Associates

Shirey	135	166	164	465
Harper	176	170	233	579
Coughron	164	152	155	471
Stuber	142	174	172	488
Staley	192	157	170	519
Handicap +	57	57	57	171
Totals	866	876	951	2693

Adams' Fountain Lunch

Vallance	200	137	154	491
Wolfe	159	148	143	450
Bond	175	151	146	472
Hofman	99	152	140	391
Adams	147	169	147	463
Handicap +	34	38	38	110
Totals	814	795	768	2177

Pacific Electric

Blackburn	128	151	214	493
Perry	145	188	158	491
Houston	132	132	156	420
Swanson	173	179	132	489
Birmingham	169	157	216	542
Handicap +	32	32	32	96
Totals	784	839	908	2531

Johnston Testers

Parker	94	147	102	343
B. Johnston	144	149	102	395
M. Johnston sr.	118	123	144	385
M. Johnston jr.	154	119	158	431
Harris	158	154	168	480
Handicap +	104	104	104	312
Totals	772	696	778	2346

Johnston Oil Tools

Trimble	212	188	125	525
Highnote	114	119	104	357
T. Andrew	134	151	113	398
Bettis	157	162	133	452
N. Andrew	145	154	163	462
Handicap +	54	54	54	162
Totals	816	828	712	2356

P. E. ROD AND GUN CLUB

By Artie Skelton

Last month this column carried the conceptions of one of our good members, on the personnel at the Subway Tower. This, having met with the approval of the hundreds of followers of the P. E. Rod and Gun

Club column, will be extended to include a few more outstanding personalities.

There is Wallace Bone, better known as the "bone of contention," night trouble shooter for the Signal Division and general roustabout at the Subway and P. E. Building. If Wallace can't fix it, he is sure to call a signalman that can.

Further search through the archives unearthed two more members of worthy mention.

Sir Stanley M. Reid, the venerable second trick towerman at Oneonta Tower, in the suburb of the Crown City. When the silly old fog lifted over jolly old England, this old bean made his getaway, using Plymouth Rock as his stepping stone, into our good old U.S.A. He has never returned to his native shire and has no desire to (at this time). By Jove at that he is England's loss, and our gain.

Another is Wesley (Goodfellow) Scranton. League of Nations. Second trick operator at Watts Tower. A native "Buckeye", later an "Okie" where he held the position as postmaster in a one man town, but itchy feet and the lure of orange juice and sunshine caused him to migrate still further west. This closed the Post Office. Mr. Scranton is a whiz at pool, though he sometimes gets behind the eight ball. Not often, as "Snooker" is his specialty. He may be seen almost daily in action on exhibition games at the P. E. Club.

Donations are now in order for the purchase of toupees for Cecil Kirby, first trick operator at Slau-son Tower and Ned Rich, electric welder for the Engineering Department. They should be turned in to Lee Cash, Room 689 P. E. Bldg., as soon as possible. However, they don't put marble tops on cheap furniture. More details on this subject at a later date.

Important season's opening soon will be dove season and deer hunting season. No changes from the rules followed last year. It is our hope that all who go out for this sport will live up to the Sportsman's Creed and return home safely with a reasonable bag of game. Remember it is far better to miss a shot, than to

bag another hunter.

For the past several years it has been my privilege to hunt with a party of real sportsmen, in all the name implies. The Manley and Smith party is conducted from start to finish, in as fine a sportsman's manner as could be hoped for anywhere. Some of the long hikes make you so tired you wonder how you can ever live through it, but we always have and I have always considered it a great honor to be invited on these hunting trips.

Another member of our Club who we cannot compliment too highly on his good work is Scott Braley. Scott has been Fishing Captain for several years but is better known for his wonderful work with the boys in the Junior Division. Scott and his Juniors remind one of an old hen with a brood of chicks.

P. E. MASONIC CLUB

By Ed Hasenyager

If this appeared in a dispatch from Berlin—"Adolph Hitler has, in six years, built 44,000 bridges in Germany. His labor battalions have constructed more than 110,000 miles of truck roads and country roads. Under command of the Labor Front, 2,000,000 trees have been planted, and 5,200,000 dams have been built to control erosion" . . . the reaction would be: dictatorship certainly gets things done. A democracy can't match it. Imagine 5,200,000 dams!

Well! this work has been done, not in Germany, but in the U.S.A., by CCC boys, all enlisted on a voluntary basis, with nobody shoved around by a Fuhrer.—Samuel Grafton in N.Y. Post.

The visit of your Degree Corps to Golden State on July 18 was a complete success. The work was put on in the usual efficient manner. Although the attendance was good it is to be regretted that a club with a membership of nearly 400 more do not turn out at these visits.

Personals

Brother Newton High and Mrs. High are on a three weeks auto tour of the Northwest. The last heard of them they were at Crater Lake and reported having a delightful trip.

Brother Edgar Martin whom his friends all call "Big Ed", who retired on June 1 has had the misfortune to have had a rather severe heart attack. It is most sincerely hoped that he will have a speedy and complete recovery. We all wish him a long and happy retirement.

John F. King passed to his Great Reward on July 15. Brother King was a very active member of our club in its earlier days. We extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy.

DEPARTMENTAL NEWS NOTES

PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES

By Ray Cragin

Vacations are on in full force. Mr. Clarence Swartz has returned from a two week trip around the state, taking in the Fair and it is reported he once drove by HollyPark.

The head man of this Department, Mr. Thornburn left a few days ago for his vacation and was headed for the fishing grounds of Northern California. We understand he had a secret ambition to land a GREAT big trout and give his fellow officials something to shoot at.

George Quesenbery has returned from one week of his vacation and did he cover the ground. He made the P. E. Camp at Lake Arrowhead, had several swims at Redondo Plunge and then attended the Brotherhood Picnic at Catalina Island. Oh yes, we learn unofficially that he met a Sweet Young Lady at the Island and romance might be just around the corner.

Dorothea Beranek was also a visitor to Catalina Island for the Picnic. Dot says a girl needs an outing after passing S P invoices for a while.

Ruth Bushard attended the Purchasing Agents Picnic July 27th at Griffith Park. She showed the boys and girls how to run and came home with a nice big Mirror. She says come over some time and see your self as others see you.

Rosemary Gill, Daughter of F. E. Gill, our Stationer, won the State Honor test of the Junior Catholic Daughters and as a reward was given 10 Days vacation, expenses paid, at Camp Teresita Pines, a girls camp in the San Bernardino Mountains. The honor test consisted of not missing a meeting for 12 months, securing most members for the organization, and completing a course of study in home economics. Nice going Young Lady.

News from Torrance

Frank Winterburg, General Motors best customer, now has a new Pontiac. Frank says it is a Pontiac but his friends say when he lifted up the hood it was a Cheve. How about it Frank?

Little Sling Shot (Bob) Cain bought Franks Dodge and his Pop "Two Gun" has given up his billiards and summoned the family from Missouri to ride around town with them.

John VanDerZee found July a good month for a vacation. He sold the family trailer and purchased a Buick. With a new car and a vaca-

tion a man does not stay home so John traveled to Yosemite where he camped for a few days and then to the Fair. John Jr. who now resides in San Diego accompanied his Dad.

Miss Alpha Barrett, the lone member of the weaker sex at the Torrance Store, is also vacationing. The young lady had plans to journey to Moline and Chicago, Illinois, but there was some doubt if she would go. When leaving she had not made up her mind.

August Zurborg and family visited friends and relatives in Stockton and camped under the big trees in Calavaras County. August took in the Frog jumping contest and now is seen hopping all around the store.

You may have read the book "The Keeper of the Bees" but if you want to see him call at the Torrance Store. The young man was stung in four places the other day. Torrance, El Monte, Garvey and Monterey Park. The young man we are talking about is that Arkansas boy Ralph "Beeler Boy" Long.

If you see a sign in Torrance reading "Cow for Sale" do not be surprised. Fred Hopkins attended the Hollywood Bowl a few nights ago and when it was over he had missed the last bus for Torrance and had to stay in town. T'is reported Fred is going to sell his cow and move to Town.

Royce Robertson and wife and all the children attended the Picnic at Catalina Island. Fred Hopkins and Mother and Olca Davis who is proprietor of the P. E. Restaurant also made the trip.

Flash, August Zurborg is painting his house. Boy, do not go to Torrance; it is contagious.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

By Victor P. Labbe

The reports are very favorable regarding Arthur Hildebrandt who is confined at the Veterans Hospital at Sawtelle and he will be glad to see his old friends. The visiting hours are from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The overhead and signal dept. have just one cake after another.

Jean Fogarty plans to go to the mountains on her vacation. She hopes to find romance in the hills. H. E. D. will see to that.

Harvey Smith spent his vacation in the Rocky Mountains. Took a burro along. Harvey got kicked by the burro and says next time he'll go alone.

REPORT OF VITAL STATISTICS—JULY 1940

Name	Occupation	Died	Group	
			Insurance	Mortuary
Francisco Martinez—Laborer		7- 9-40	Yes	No
John F. Fing—Retired Foreman		1-15-40	Yes	Yes
John H. Elliott—Retired Watchman		7-15-40	Yes	Yes
William J. McDonald—Retired Foreman		7-15-40	No	Yes
Vernon A. Light—Motorman		7-21-40	Yes	No
William F. Judge—Retired Motorman		7-29-40	Yes	Yes

Employees' Wives' Death Benefit Fund

Name	Died	Wife of	Department
Allice M. Conklin	July 9, 1940	Harry L. Conklin	Transportation

Betty Demerle dreams of love and the boy friend she left in New York. Says knitting is a great help to make one forget.

Walt Dekema, the world renowned soccer player, from Holland, is planning on a team of his own. Applications will be accepted. See Doc Fulton, his manager.

Bet Geo. McClure spent his vacation at Hollypark.

Nancy Kelly went to Yellowstone and reports the fishing and hunting are exceptionally good this year.

Evelyn Emmons is dolling up lately. Could it be a new heart throb?

Jim Flathers is batching while the family are back to Marshalltown.

Hope H. Miller enjoys his vacation at the Fair — why not Blue Jay, Harold?

Big boy Ed Martin retires and sure sorry to see him leave—33 years is a long time, though.

Harry Gorham and family went to Canada for their vacation.

Ray Buford is learning the baby-trade very fast. Claims he will enter the next contest and will be known as the fastest "baby valet" in the world.

Grandpa Compton will soon take the camp-fire girls on their annual vacation.

The Oakmont Country Club holds quite an attraction for one of our stenographers.

Russell Schafle and family are going to Catalina again this year.

Rollin A. Podleck, Jr., is offering free rides this year on his boat to anyone brave enough to trust in his "skipping".

Ray G. Buford, Road Master, Southern Division, is the proud father of a baby daughter. Born June 25th at Community Hospital, Long Beach. Name, Marguerite Rae Buford.

L. F. Prince, towerman of the Engineering Department, returned a few days ago from a vacation in Tennessee, and while there visited his old home town of Nashville for the first time in twenty-five years. While there he discovered an old photograph taken on his wedding day, 27 years ago, on which appeared, in addition to his own picture, that of his father who was 92 years of age on that date.

LOS ANGELES CITY TICKET OFFICES
By James J. Adams

Memories of a wonderful vacation—Sunrise on the desert near Las Vegas . . . Boulder Dam in all its grandeur . . . San Francisco, and the Fair with its many thrills . . . and then home again and back on the job for another year.

The gals of the information force have gone "high hat" on us since moving into the new switchboard

room on the 4th floor. It is a big improvement over the old spot, being much more quiet and having better ventilation.

Harry Dietsch left for San Francisco and points north on his vacation. He said that he was driving till his wife told him to turn back. Some time later we received a decidedly "French" postcard from him. Hope Mrs. Dietsch didn't lose her voice and have him land in the middle of a war.

A welcome arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Laury Murray, was a young lady named Donna Lee. Contrary to reports put out by a proud but excited papa, her correct weight was 7 lbs. 9 oz. NOT 7 lbs. 9 lbs. Trying to make a heavyweight out of her, Laury? First thing you know she'll be on a reducing diet.

Speaking of diets, brings to mind Pete Roller and his buttermilk. He started drinking it for his health and now he's got the habit and craves the stuff so much he has the milkman deliver a quart every morning. We rushed down to window No. 3 the other day to answer the phone and crashed into a couple of "dead soldiers" — empty bottles to you — We're gonna sue him if it happens again.

The proposed Draft Bill has some of the boys all excited, particularly the four or five bachelors, who may be on the first call. We expect to have some nuptials to report in the near future.

Evelyn Cook took a spin out the new Arroyo Seco Blvd. She reports it is quite a temptation to step on the gas, but there are plenty of reminders in the form of motor cops that

there is a speed limit of 45 miles per hour.

A Stag Smoker sponsored by the Southern California Passenger Association was given at the Hayward Hotel on July 24th. A good time was enjoyed by all who attended, including Henry Eggert, Norman T. Sewall and Bob Goodell.

Don Gates has taken up photography as a new hobby. He has been taking "candid camera" shots around the station, catching some of us at work. Better have them framed and autographed, Don. They may be valuable some day.

The Russell vs. Gates Pool Tournament shows signs of coming to life again. In some mysterious way they both got out on the same night, and while they were a little out of form, due to lack of practice, we would like to see this keenly contested match resumed.

Some of the boys at the Subway Terminal have been adding to their store of knowledge through the set of Encyclopeda put out by a local newspaper. After reading through one volume, Ray "Sunshine" Eastman was forced to admit it contained one or two things he didn't already know.

Lawrence Antista went on a fishing trip last week. Something went wrong as he didn't get a single fish. "Had a swell boat ride, though", says Lawrence.

Odds and Ends

"I sent my little boy for two pounds of peaches and you sent only a pound and a half".

"My scales are right, madam. Have you tried weighing your little boy?"

ACCOUNTING DEPT. NOTES

By N. E. Cates

Bob Labbe went on a long motor trip to Yosemite and Lake Tahoe. Reports are that he had a very pleasant trip. No Ford troubles except the horn would not work for 10 miles of tortuous mountain curves. Can't figure out whether it was the altitude or attitude, or is it just a Dud.

Mrs. Mathews on vacation the first part of this month. Cannot find where she went or what she did—seems to have been prearranged.

John G. Browne had a half day vacation on the occasion of his wife's birthday—are we all so thoughtful?

"Charles Sein is the bestest housekeeper". It all comes about this way. He and his family spent 10 days at P. E. Camp. Charles played tennis, pinochle, pool and went fishing; his better half caught a cold and now Charlie has had to do the chores around the house. We will have to ask Mrs. Sein before we believe that Chas. is the "bestest" housekeeper. I doubt it. Any way the job has rendered him speechless.

My oh my! those Catalina parties must be wows! Four people from Central Timekeeping went over and all they would say was "well"—but how they said it.

Earle Moyer is organizing himself another worry — a Camera Club. There are plenty of devotees around here—and something good should come out of it. Rules, regulations and restrictions, if any, will follow.

Mr. Lovell, at this writing, is on vacation at Warner Hot Springs. It should be warm enough there at this time of the year. I bet he locates the quail coveys while there.

Harold Huestis spent his vacation around home fixing a water pipe, however, he did not expect that job to take up all of his time as he had P. E. Camp on his visit list.

There is one particular phase of Archie "Sugar" Sharp's duties that he enjoys more than the balance of his work. It is found that he enjoys his self-assumed duties a great deal more than he should. Archie says that if he finds it necessary to spend over-time on this "Work" he will not claim the customary time and one-half allowance.

Leo "Boyer" Becker (minus the hair) is also on vacation the first part of this month. He recently moved to Ocean Park so he probably will spend his vacation at home.

Bill Reed took a week leave of absence along with his vacation.

Chas. English on vacation at this time. Will inspect various local points of interest.

Happy birthday to:

Fred Middleton	Aug. 2
Ken Pomeroy	Aug. 5
Bob Labbe	Aug. 7
Herman Grenke	Aug. 9
Mr. Chas. H. Keller (Retired)	Aug. 12
Ual Drake	Aug. 16
W. L. Brown	Aug. 19
Mildred Upmeyer	Aug. 19
H. D. Turner	Aug. 20
N. Cates	Aug. 20
Alice Karagan	Aug. 25
Elizabeth Walton	Aug. 26
Roy Culverwell	Aug. 27
Miss Clara B. Templeton (Retired)	Aug. 30
Mrs. Rosamond B. Marley (Retired)	Aug. 30

I got it from:

Mr. Cattle—"You know what the slip said to the pillow? (I gotcha covered)."

Dale Hyde—"How would you like to scuttle this?"

Harry Thomas — "Do not know what I will do without this calculator when I retire. It's been doing all of my thinking for me."

CONDUCTORS' ACCOUNTS BUREAU

By Marion Snowden

Remember this: "Treat the other man's faith gently; it may be his all in life."

Winchie At The Keyhole

They say that murder will out. Months and months ago, our noble colleague, Noble Cates, bawled us out for holding up the Magazine by not getting our contributions to his column in on time. Humph! and a coupla snorty and snooty sniffs!! Referring him to the little bitty type on page 2, paragraph 2 of Uncle Tommus's hint in every Magazine, we might ask Noble to explain how he knows so much about the opinions of the folks who came back from the Fair on July 1st, if he didn't re-nig on getting his notes in on time. Now we know why the Magazine is a week or two late sometimes. Unc, we wouldn't stand for it.

Treasure Island visitors from our office were Mildred Edwards, Florence Cox, Lois Brown, Helen Sawyer, Dorothy Littlefield, Grace Shreeves, (repeaters from last year), Esther Craig, Martha Smith, and Odessa Carter. What they liked best seems to be a secret, so we'll guess it was Sally Rand's Ranch. Southern Pacific certainly treated the gals royally. Lois Brown candid camera-ed her way around with great success, judging from her many excellent little pictures.

This month we have to back-track again. It seems that the money honest little Martha Smith found in

Conductor Wheeler's envelope was in eight one dollar bills instead of a \$10 bill. Now Martha is worried for fear he might put in a claim for a refund on the strength of that item. Don't worry, Martha; anyone appreciative enough to make you that lovely scrap book wouldn't be foolish enough to believe everything he sees in print. (One of our complimentary (?) friends' (??) suggests that we join the ranks of newspaper reporters, for they never get anything right, either.)

Sign on a drug store window at Third and Catalina Streets, L. A.—"George Perry—Here Now". Hm—wonder what he was doing away over there.

Florence Cox entertained visitors from Portland, Me. by taking them to the Pilgrimage Play and the opening of Hollywood Bowl. Bet that night-time outdoor entertainment is quite a novelty to the "way down easters".

Ethel Chandler's daughter Aline graduated too late last month to make the Magazine, so she gets honorable mention this time.

News in the Car Service office died out with the loss of Florence Davis's diamond. The bit of glitter hasn't been found yet, but don't let that hold you back, gals.

Dorothy Littlefield is batching again out at the old homestead while her sis is away on vacation. To keep her hand in at cooking, she invited Odessa Carter out to cook for. "While the cat's away, the mice will play", so Dorothy entertained Violet Phillips, Helen Sawyer, Nina Robertson, Odessa Carter, and Betty Gorrell at a birthday dinner. We hope the mice had a good time.

More entertaining—Dorothy Randolph and Agnes Heckman at Catherine Mautz's for lunch. Alma Louise Abell down at Mother Edna Abell's one week-end. Marie Thomsen and her boy friend Rollin (15) at a show.

Grandpa Sherlock ducks in and out every so often to hand out candy to his girl friends.

Matilda Johnson Garball and Elizabeth Reckweg Amalong dropped in at noon recently, and Mildred Corbett, with small daughter chattering noisily, made their way through the office.

Once upon a time not so long ago, a candid camera man snapped a group of three of our most likely looking inmates. Imagine their surprise, chagrin, amazement, or what had they, when the two-bit picture disclosed a 6 foot he-man!

At last we've simmered down to the vacations. And to keep all you nosy ones from killing yourselves with curiosity, we'll start off with Mr. Surian, who went to Washington, D.C. and Maryland. What he did there is none of your business,

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but from the rested suntanned look on his face, we bet he had a good time.

Emma Taylor, at home — which didn't mean a thing to her. Grace Vail, Lake Tahoe, Reno, Yosemite, and a whole week at home. My goodness! She must have hurried thru those places in an airplane. Maybelle Wirz, camping at Holly Meadow, High Sierras, with their covered wagon. Nina Robertson, Catalina and home. Dorothy Randolph, at home working in the garden. Well, well,—there's no place like home, apparently.

Another elegant paint job is just completed in our office, which brings Tommy Hinkle's underpinning more into keeping with our color scheme. One more suggestion — If the coat cupboard doors were painted a sad looking gray, the dirty finger marks wouldn't show so plainly on them. Hints as to scrubbing them having been of no avail, how about disguising the dirt, — or doesn't any one care?

WEST HOLLYWOOD

By G. R. Stevens

Vacations are more in evidence at West Hollywood now that the warm summer days are here. Many trainmen are taking time off to visit the San Francisco World's Fair, and enjoy the many interesting exhibits on display. Making the trip recently by rail were Conductor H. Butcher, Conductor J. Fraley, Motorman G. Jackson, and Conductor J. Hammack. All report having had a swell time.



AT SAN FRANCISCO'S FAIR
Left to Right: Conductor H. Butcher, Conductor J. Fraley, Motorman G. Jackson, Conductor J. Hammack.

Walter Morris took a twenty-one days leave of absence for a vacation trip to Yosemite Valley.

Conductor Dodge's two sons are back from an extended trip to the mid-west where they visited relatives.

Motorman H. L. Raney is planning a long vacation trip this September via steamer through the Panama Canal, across the gulf of Mexico to Huston, Texas, thence back across country to S. F., where he will visit the World's Fair.

Congratulations and best wishes to George Burkhardt who was married in June.

Conductor Carstens of West Hollywood left on a thirty day vacation to visit his mother in Kansas.

Motorman J. W. Clay of Hill Street and wife are enjoying a thirty days vacation rail trip through the East. They made a stop at Washington, D. C., then traveled on to New York City where they took in the New York World's Fair. They expressed it as a fine exhibition, but liked the S. F. Fair best. From there they traveled on to Providence, R. I. and Boston, Mass., visiting friends and relatives en route. The happy couple on a sort of second honeymoon spent two weeks visiting at Bar Harbor, Maine, making part of the trip by boat. It was Motorman Clay's first visit to the New England States, while Mrs. Clay comes from New England. Returning to Niagara Falls they made the trip on the "Maid of the Mist". Mr. and Mrs. Clay were accompanied by their lovely daughter, Stella.

Motorman C. F. Smith of West Hollywood has a six acre ranch in San Fernando valley on which he raises Polo ponies as a hobby during his spare time.

Conductor Frank Mauk is taking a six months leave of absence and is going down south to New Orleans. He plans to go on to Washington, D. C., and New York City, returning by way of Kentucky for a visit to his boyhood town.

Conductor Dan Keeley of Hill Street practices voice and is an ardent piano player having played for eight years.

Congratulations go to Conductor Shields of West Hollywood who was married recently.

FREIGHT TRAFFIC NOTES

By J. E. Blackburn

Vacations are coming and going at this peak of the season as methodically and surely as the march of time. Most of us, of course, would like very much to slow down the incessant progress of time during those two short weeks but it usually seems that time speeds along at many times its normal rate.

Looking at some of this year's vacations in retrospect: Frank Connors and family spent a very enjoyable two weeks during the early part of July in Yosemite Valley. Ralph McMichael and family motored north to Portland, Oregon, via a route that is almost within sight of the ocean for the entire distance until it is necessary to turn inland for Portland, making the southbound trip over an inland route with stop-

overs at various points of interest including the San Francisco Fair.

D. W. Layne attended the Optimist International convention at Kansas City and traveled on east with his family before returning to California. C. C. Dickson and John Stockberger are probably out on the Montebello fairways as this is being written. These two men have been looking forward for many weeks to fourteen consecutive days of nothing but golf, having arranged their vacations to run concurrently so each would have the benefit of the other's companionship. John, however, had a little difficulty in getting started on his vacation as it was necessary for him to return, after being away one day, for three days while Ralph McMichael checked out rates for the consolidation of lumber tariffs in San Francisco.

Your informant took a week during the first part of July, part of which was spent at the beach and in a short motor trip to La Jolla and San Diego. Incidentally if you are ever in San Diego and hungry, try Ye Golden Lion Tavern on Fourth Street in the Metropolitan district. The prices are moderate and the food is excellent. This information is stated merely as a favor to whom-ever may find it useful, no commercial consideration being involved.

Ralph Perry and Roy Swanson both say they immensely enjoyed their week-end trip to San Francisco on June 29th and 30th for the celebration of Southern Pacific Day at the Treasure Island Fair.

Elsewhere in the Magazine this month is an article showing the current stands of teams in the Glendale Mercantile Bowling League from which you will notice the Pacific Electric team, represented in the majority by members of the Freight Traffic Department, is in second place after the first week of the final round. Come on over to the Glendale Bowling Academy some Monday night within the next four weeks and we shall be glad to have your moral support. The major portion of the teams are pretty well bunched and at the present time, almost any one of the six teams may win first place.

MACY STREET TERMINAL

By Chet Collins

The El Monte Baseball club had a rousing session at Temple City July 30. The following day they exhibited many skinned knees and sore spots. What we're wondering is: how they lost the game when Purvis was the umpire.

Sickness struck hard at us during the past few months, keeping some

of us off work for several weeks. A. S. Cooper has again taken a rest, and we hope that he will be able to lick his difficulty and return to work. E. R. Smith, G. W. Kinder, B. E. Edwards, G. W. Jeffrey, and P. L. Chapman found it necessary to take several days off to recuperate from illness. G. G. Ganes entered the hospital July 26 for removal of his appendix. He is doing fine and will be back at work soon.

V. A. Light was not so fortunate as the above for after a long and hard fight to keep the old spark kindled he succumbed July 21 at St. Vincent's Hospital. We were all pulling for him and hoped for his ultimate recovery. Funeral services were held at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, July 25 and were attended by many of his friends. Lee Goodwin, Zip Myers, I. M. Cammick, and L. T. McCabe were among those serving as pallbearers. The 48 beautiful floral pieces were a fine demonstration of the high regard in which he was held. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Light in her loss and want her to know that it is our loss too.

C. E. Young returned in June from his eastern trip, where he picked up his new car. He was highly pleased over his trip and enjoyed the new Plymouth very much.

W. C. Richardson hasn't yet forgotten that he was down in the far South this spring, and reminds me of the progress made in many sections there nearly every time I see him.

B. L. Brown spent 3 weeks in June up in Monterey County where he loafed and loafed.

Vacations are now in order for many of us, and I hope that all can have a good rest with a change of scenery thrown in for good measure.

O. W. Hale has taken ninety days leave, most of which time will be spent traveling about the country. That time will go fast and he'll be back before we know it.

H. Wiser spent a month in Montana where he enjoyed the fishing a lot, telling us some tall yarns about the vast numbers of fish there. He says it is grand country and wishes it was closer, so he could catch more of those fish.

K. F. Riordan hasn't yet returned from the leave started June 17, when he went to Vancouver, B.C. to visit with his folks. He should be back any day now with the full details of his trip and also news about the Fair in San Francisco.

C. E. Cantrell, F. Coe, J. W. Merrill, and C. H. Killgore all took time off in June to visit the Fair during the S.P. days. They said they enjoyed it very much, and especially the water show.

G. Powell has left for the East, where he will visit with his father, sisters, and brothers. While there he intends to obtain a birth certificate to prove that he was born.

Clay Pearce returned to work in July after nearly a year's leave, which was spent in Arizona with his family. Welcome home, Clay.

H. D. Dowding spent his vacation at Star City, Canada—which sounds magnificent. He arrived 2 hours and 35 minutes behind his driving schedule, due to his not figuring on the mud roads he finally had to traverse. He reports a fine time while there.

LONG BEACH TERMINAL

By H. C. Spence

We were all sorry to hear of Bill Coll taking sick on the job about 10 days ago. After an operation at St. Vincent's Hospital, Bill is feeling fine and we hope he will be back on the job again soon.

Did you fellows all hear the news about "Buck" Brown being a grandpa? A boy was born to Harold's son up in Oregon and we hope that "Buck" will recover soon.

Harold Jenkins and family are away on a vacation in the east. We understand that Jenkins is driving a new Plymouth car home.

About the oddest thing for a person to find, happened to Ambrose Fortuna the other day. While driving a motor coach on the Long Beach-Huntington Park Line, Ambrose found a good sized turtle wandering around on the boulevard. He towed the thing home and is going to make a pet of him "if" he can keep it chained to the fence post.

Motorman Frank Steele worked his last day on July 31st. Frank is going to retire on his ranch out at 29 Palms.

Jack Gibson has returned to work after having been on sick list for several weeks. Jack is working on the Long Beach and San Pedro Line.

Geo. Towner has been off sick several days on account of sickness. He will be back soon on his Los Angeles run.

Our old friend "Pop" Wheeler has taken a leave of absence and has gone to visit his son in Florida. We will all miss "Pop".

NEWS FROM EASTERN DISTRICT

Nothing having been in the Magazine for some time concerning activities on the Eastern District, will attempt to give a few of the highlights of the past few months.

In and around San Bernardino, much has happened. L. M. Duke, formerly Assistant Agent, has taken

over the duties at Fontana, and is now a full fledged Agent. Have to say the "Iron Duke" is missed around here. Anyway, Duke reports that all is well and that business will show an increase if he has his way. R. R. Corey, who had been doing Relief Agent work at Fontana, has assumed duties of Assistant Agent at San Bernardino. Russell says that everything seems to be under control except, of course, things may come and things may go, but Carroll Collins goes on forever.

Max Hess, lady-killer deluxe, still making his "rounds". Sometimes in Riverside and then in San Bernardino. At least Max is a cheerful person with no worries. Sammy Harts-horn, Freight Office, San Bernardino, carries the worries of the world on his shoulders. Sam insists that the proper way to play pool is to shoot hard and roll all of the balls on the table each shot.

B. G. Jones, Assistant Trainmaster, leaves on a vacation August 5th. Says he is going to the beach, also Salt Lake City. This sounds good but we bet he sleeps the first five days. Rumor has it the trip to Salt Lake City is to see if his "little" son can float in the salt water. (What a reason)

Gordon Gould, Agent, Riverside, is hereby nominated as having the saddest life on the Eastern District. Everything happens to Gordon, so he says. Anyway, Gordon is doing a swell job in Riverside and promoting plenty of business, so be just as sad as you want, Gordon.

What's this about Bill Fay, Clerk, San Bernardino, and those trips to Rosemead?

J. F. Hawkins, after running on P. E. rails for 38 years, retired the 8th of June, and is spending his time making real leather trip sheet holders and punch holders for a very nominal sum. The work on these articles is exceptional and well worth the small amount Frank charges.

A. W. Housley, Agent, Corona, is a real go-getter. Has more than doubled business since taking over and says the coming months will see him going stronger than ever. More power to you, Housley, keep up the good work.

Bruce (Bo-knee-toe) Emanuel, truck driver with the Line Gang, is having a swell time since the Line Car is being used. The only trouble is that good old "Bo", for some reason, has to buy the coffee practically every morning. "WHY?"

About a year ago when L. J. Middleton, Conductor, returned from his vacation, it was reported that what appeared to be a spare tire was around his middle. It hurts deeply to have to report that the same has

happened again this year. "Mid" should watch his diet, he positively waddles around the Freight Yard.

Don't know why it always happens, but Roy Clary, he of fire-fighter fame, is working on the straight-away freight, being in San Bernardino every other day. Shortly after Roy arrived in San Bernardino the first time, a fire was reported in the San Bernardino Mountains. It is with pleasure we report that Roy did not attempt to drown this fire. However, Ralph Dayberry, Engineering Department, took his men up and were in the thick of the fire-fighting for over 24 hours. Ralph reports it was plenty hot and he looked plenty tired upon his return to San Bernardino.

Brakeman J. J. Raker, also known as a Collector and Prospector, leaves the 8th of August on what is reported to be a prospecting trip.

Fred (Do we have to go to Corona?) Sauerwein is automobiling north at this writing. Took several packages of film along. Going to make pictures to add to his present collection which covers the entire life of his little girl Shiela.

And speaking of children, little Jackie Rouchleau, age 4, and son of F. A. Rouchleau, Motorman, sure got his "Pop" in hot water. "Phil" positively refuses to let him ride on the car he is operating. The story goes that little Jackie was a passenger on his dad's car when a policeman boarded same. Jackie asked the policeman numerous questions, including if he had a gun? The answer being in the affirmative, he then inquired if the policeman was going to shoot somebody? When little Jackie's quiz-program was over, and the policeman got off of the car without taking both Phil and Jackie to the "jug", it was certainly a relief to Phil—no more street car rides for Jackie until he gets large enough to stop asking questions.

T. F. (Ted) Shafer, formerly at Gardena, has bid in the Agents job at Rialto. Mr. Hamble who had been at Rialto for many years, having retired. Welcome to the District, Ted, and let's hear from you.

Our good friend, Amos Pattan, Night Foreman at the Carhouse, is away on what is reported to be a "search for talent" trip. Each year Amos plans a trip, and ends up going where the Mrs. decides. Anyway, Amos, hope you have luck, and any highlights of your trip, we are sure, your old pal, Oscar Swanson, will appreciate hearing about.

Anyone having information concerning the recent trip E. G. Erickson and (?) made to the P. E. Camp, please advise Glen Jackson. It has been rumored that an important announcement is forthcoming.

TORRANCE SHOPS NEWS

By Carleton B. Bell

HONOR ROLL—James M. Scarborough (Tex to you) was kinda worried before the arrival of his little son recently. Tex belongs to the National Guard, (Anti-Aircraft, at Long Beach) and they have a practise of fining their members when they bring girls into the world. They seem to think that boys make better recruits so that is what they expect their members to produce. The young rookie is Melvin O., weight 8 lbs.

Pipe Fitter Floyd P. Rogers took the big leap and married Joy Lawson of Southgate July 13th. The wedding took place at the home of the bride. After a week's trip to Yosemite Valley they set up their home in Torrance. Congratulations to Mr. Rogers and wishes for the best of everything to the little lady.

Walter Gilbert is again a proud Grandfather, his daughter presenting him and Mrs. Gilbert with a 4 lb. 6 oz. granddaughter, Marlene Jo Lavin, on July 16th. Wonderful fine things often come in small packages and this is the case here but little Marlene has lots of time to grow—and HOW they do grow.

Mr. and Mrs. Earn Lock of Torrance celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary July 4th. An old time member of the P. E. Family, Fred Hansen, hammersmith, put on the celebration for the Locks with a big dinner at Freds, with lots of chicken and everything, even firecrackers. They must have had a wonderful dinner cause Oh! Oh! how that man Fred Hansen likes to eat.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus J. Edwards (That's Bud) celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary July 10th. Bud was just too busy officiating at the semi-pro baseball series in Torrance to really celebrate right but did take time out for a big feed with the wife and two kids at Chinatown.

Billy McCracken enjoyed a rather unique celebration of his 27th wedding anniversary, July 15th. Billy always eats his noon meal at Mrs. Davis restaurant across the street. Mrs. Davis heard tell of the coming anniversary and put on a special feed for Billy and adorned his table with flowers and a pretty little cake with candles in it. Loud and long applause for Billy and Mrs. Davis' thoughtfulness.

Burt A. Collins and wife were another couple that celebrated a wedding anniversary, the 28th in their case. All the Collines, Grandpa, Grandma, daughter Dorothy, her hubby Frank Laws, (Machinist) and the two wonderful grandchildren,

had a wonderful feed at A Little Bit of Sweden. How such a small man can get away with such a big feed is a never ending mystery to me.

Andrew Pervan, Painter, was married recently to Mrs. Kordic of San Pedro at a lovely ceremony in the Alpine St. Anthony's church in San Pedro. This almost was a P. E. Family affair, Mrs. Gasper was matron of honor, George Valaravich was best man, and the wedding dinner was served in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gasper, and the guests included Mr. and Mrs. Bob Musulin and family—all P. E. Shop folks. Mr. and Mrs. Pervan are now making their home in Gardena.

The loud talk in the blacksmith shop about who is the best golfer is all over. Young and handsome George Anderson maybe couldn't out talk Roy Brucker but when he brought his golf clubs and was willing to play the long threatened game Mr. Brucker just folded up and said he had to hurry home to take his wife to the Dentist. I guess Mr. Brucker will better stick to talk about football and horses hereafter, he actually sometimes knows what he is talking about there — average about 37½% I think.

Tommy Fitzgerald, son of Augustus Fitzgerald in the bus gang, was a lucky boy. He was selected by his High School principal to accompany him on a months hunting and fishing trip in the highlands of lower California. He will be out of touch with all civilization for the whole time. Expects to be loaded down with everything from quail and trout to bears and manta rays when he returns.

Personal accidents took their toll in an unusual way this month—Fred Wurm lost a finger and Nels Swanson was badly bruised and shaken up when he fell from a ladder in the power house. Both are getting along per schedule and will be back in due time.

Herb Seeley and Nick Arena are both in the hospital following operations. Herb for strained tendons in his right arm from which he should return before long. Nick is having a much harder time following a much more serious operation, on his brain. We wish the best of luck to Nick and hope the time will not seem too long.

Several of the retired men were visitors this month—Ed. Badgley, Chas. Hall, and Jack Walden were those seen by me. All looked fit and evidently benefiting from their easy life. Badgley suggests an association of retired men, or something of the sort. Might not be a bad idea. Better get together BOYS.

Versal Bates recently won a unique

contest at the Torrance Christian Church S. S. picnic by guessing the exact number of navy beans in a quart jar. Upon questioning Mr. Bates they found out he was a native of Boston and immediately a protest was filed on the basis of his being a professional. Don't know whether or not Bates has received his prize yet. Stay with 'em Bates.

Frank Beckwith recently acquired a new Willys sedan. Frank was so tickled with it that the first day he drove it to shop he had to go out at noon to drive it around the block.

Another new car is the Plymouth sedan driven nowadays by Johnnie Martin, trimmer. He and Alva Plowman have great arguments over the relative merits of a sedan and a motorcycle. Johnnie is always on time to work but Alva was late one day recently so guess the preponderance of evidence is on the side of the Plymouth sedan. It's gotta be, I have one also.

Mrs. Alma Nixon is back on the job after a wonderful vacation during which she and Mr. Nixon spent a week in Frisco, visiting the Fair and all the wonderful parks around there. Sure is good to hear Alma's voice on the phone again, even tho it is not quite normal account removal of a large molar. Alma's voice is winning tho, no matter how it may be altered.

Mr. George Evans and wife have returned from an extended train trip thru Eastern states. Mr. Evans must have had a good time because he looked much rested and glad to be back pushing the streamliners along.

Joe Hardesty is another to return lately from a vacation trip. Joe and his wife spent most of his vacation visiting their daughter and the new granddaughter in Taft. Joe declared the weather was fine but it is easy to see that he was glad to be back too. There is a big difference between Redondo Beach and Taft.

Just who is it they call "The Goat" in the Upholstery Shop? It seems he is growing a Van Dyke beard. I was so overwhelmed at seeing Esther Duncan back on the job after four months off with a broken ankle that I forgot all about looking up the aforesaid GOAT, but he is there somewhere. Esther's hard luck is not over yet. The first day back on the job she got blisters on her elbows from leaning on the machines too long. She may have other troubles too but you'll have to use your imagination about that. After all four months would naturally soften one up a bit.

Sanford A. Whiting, Armature Winder at Torrance Shops, has been a member of the Torrance American Legion for many years, in fact ever

since his kids were babies, and then some. All these years he has watched fine young students in the local Junior Hi-School receiving the American Legion award, one in each graduating class, and looking forward to the time when his own son or daughter got to that place in school and would have a chance at this award.



Well, finally his long cherished desire was fulfilled and the Hi-School Faculty awarded the coveted medal to Eileen Whiting, age 14 years, on the basis of excelling in scholarship, leadership, character, and service. No wonder Eileen's parents are proud of her accomplishments and we hereby salute both Eileen and her parents.

This was especially pleasing to Whiting as this was the first time that the local award has been made to a daughter of a member of the Torrance Post.

There are more of the Whitings coming along and they may break into print almost any time—they're that kind.

Notice George Wheaton and Vincent McGinnis are getting spiteful about each other now that both are almost to retire. George is actually counting the hours now but Mac is reticent about his retirement date. These two used to live together so you may guess that it is worth while when they start talking about each other—they both know plenty and don't give up easy.

Jack Harper, Carpenter, is a great fisherman. Usually goes out every other week on a live bait boat with several other shop men. They charter a boat for \$20.00 and split up the

cost among the bunch. Leave from Long Beach. If you like to fish better see Jack or Earl Brucker, in the paint mixing room. Earl is having a hard time making good as a fisherman and keeping out of the doghouse. It seems he usually blamed his lack of luck as a fisher upon his lack of proper equipment. His wife presented him with the best pole, reel, and line that money can buy and the first time out caught several big fish that all got away and brought home two measly mackerel.

Another suggestion is from Wireman Earl Shulkey—he suggests a swap column. He says he would like to swap away a piano, house trailer, shotgun, and wife; but let the swapper beware.

Hear that Jim O'Conner is trying to swap his old Buick off for a Pontiac. You might make a trade Jim, if you would throw in your bull frog as boot.

Another serious accident, to Ollie Beylotte, was when a 10-32 hex nut jiggled off his bench and dropped smack on his pet corn. The scream was heard clear at the other end of the shop but the injured one has already recovered. Ollie is the human picture gallery working with June Tarbit. (Guess I'd better stay away from there.)

Oliva Chicoine returned to work after a month's auto trip with his wife and two brothers in law, Clarence and George Burnett, during which they visited many points in New England, scenes dear to the childhood of all these folks. Most of the time was spent in Springfield, Mass., birthplace of Chic himself. Chic saw sisters whom he had not seen for 25 years. Drove over 8000 miles altogether. Missed all the rains and hot spells.

Saw several pleased men in the Blacksmith Shop. Bob Boyd, Alfred Soloman, and Louis Bayer, all have been batching and kinda losing out the last few weeks but things are different now—their wives are back home and they are eating regular. Louis says he would have gone along with wifey but had to stay home to feed the pigeons.

Norman Nunn has just left for Salt Lake City to attend the funeral of his brother who was killed there in a mining accident.

Mrs. George Foster and Mrs. Johnnie Julian are to do the family fishing for a while. They think their luck, if any, will be at least as good as hubbies. What's the matter boys, have you not been bringing home the fish???

Papa William Jones proudly announces that Bill Jones Jr. recently had his first horse back ride. Baby Bill now has four teeth and weighs 18 lbs.

The best news for a long while is that from Jake Borland to the effect that his wife is back home after six months or more in a hospital. No wonder Genial Jake is all smiles.

Evelyn Smith, daughter of Babbitt Room John Smith, is quite a soft ball player. She has organized a girls team which she calls the Indians. They recently played the Cowboys at Orange County Park and scalped them, 25 to 1.

MOTOR TRANSIT NOTES

By M. J. Creamer

DOTS AND DASHES: Lem Somerville and wife made a recent trip to Mt. Wilson. T'was a nice ride but just too many people and TOO much traffic (Bus drivers don't encounter traffic as a rule, huh?). E. W. Swanson back from Oregon . . . most enjoyable trip. A. H. Doig and friend returned from a week's fishing trip at Green Lakes (near Bridgeport) and reported good catches. Mrs. Doig plans to go to P. E. Camp for her vacation. John Smith and family enjoyed a very pleasant week camping at Sequoia and Gen'l Grant Park. He remarked that it was the most restful vacation he has ever had. Drove his "Merry Olds" with the trailer. Others planning vacations are L. S. Larson, S. W. Axton, L. H. Farquhar, R. V. Haynes, W. L. Wybrant, R. Butler, J. Pettitt, and B. R. Fredenburg but destinations must be a SECRET! The Jack Butlers spent two enjoyable weeks camping at Lake Tahoe.

Charlie Stein was with us for a few brief days while Walt Rorick vacationed at Balboa. Charlie seemed much put out about a rumor of his being married. "Who started this rumor anyway—just wait until I get my hands on that Max Hess" (Stein says that he won't consider getting married until he has one thousand pesos in the bank. Awow!) Wonder how many of youse had a nest egg like that to start on . . . but perhaps the firefly (LOVE) "paige Howard Strong", hasn't flown in his window yet. Joe Hernandez with us a few days—then GWTW. Frank "Art" Kauffman has been breaking in at local ticket sales at our depot in spare time and conquering the game. All credits to him for this is on his own time in addition to working his full shift in other departments. Frank is quite the sailboat enthusiast and recently sold his sail boat. A group of his friends however, are planning the purchase of a 5-foot ketch. Great sport! Well, Walt Rorick has UP and DONE it again . . . purchased a 35-foot cabin cruiser, twin-screw, lycoming motors,



Jack Butler, Guy Rhinard and Charlie Cooper—looking at the "birdie". Jack and Charlie are SERVICE DIRECTORS, while Guy is just a plain ticket-selling mongrel.

sleeps 10, carries 150 gals gas and has all the latest gadgets on it for fishing, ease and comfort. They have it tied up at Balboa (California's Paradise) and he and the family are all agog—new curtains, new paint n'everything. Walt had a little difficulty handling the starboard and portside motors for tying up at pier but has it under control now. Later they plan a trip to Santa Barbara. Bob Cruson has hit upon an idea . . . to interest (?) who has money in the bank to purchase a fancy car . . . and he will teach (?) how to drive. Personally he doesn't think (?) can learn . . . so he will have the car to drive. (Smooth angle, huh, what?) Have you seen the massive ring Ira Casteel got for his birthday . . . sparkler n'everything . . . and he admits that it came from the little lady to whom he gave the diamond-studded cross not so long ago . . . but he FURTHERMORE . . . wants us to believe that it all means JUST FRIENDS!

RANDOM TALK (figuratively speaking maybe . . .) Charlie Cooper: "I've been scratching bed bugs all night" (meaning he was plenty busy). During the heat wave he gave us some good advice on how to keep cool . . . all yee men listening . . . just delete the undershirt if you HAVE one and let the cool breeze blow. (Well, I tried it Charlie—and maybe now you have an equal effective remedy for a cold?)

What's this about M. J. Freeman spending so much time on the OUTSIDE of garage where his car was parked . . . no could get in? Did he lose his keys? Max Hess putting on the "Ritz" . . . driving a new Buick into the L.A. depot parking lot. Well Max, don't give us any of that "IT'S MINE" . . . cuz we know t'aint so . . . the limosene belongs to the g.f. Friday. Max plans to go to Catalina

on the special Brotherhood trip soon to give ALL the girls a treat over there. After falling down on your conquest in Las Vegas . . . we wonder! (Better take along your portable radio—just in case you get lonesome and ALL the girls don't turn out to WELCOME you. ZAM!) Elden Rae a frequent visitor from Riverside. His smile wears well—so cheer us up more often!

The Grapevine relayed the news that Henry Stone had purchased a "honey" of a car and after double-checking with others got the remarks "Oh—it's just a Mercury!" Henry is mighty pleased with it! Walt Deal is getting seriously interested in a new Ford. (Plans to take me on a ride when he sends the old one to the junk heap!) Y. B. Jeffery and Geo. Shively building patios on their homes. George has really lost plenty of poundage . . . says he feels much better—but with all this streamlining so suddenly—careful Pal. Adolph Zmoos returned from brief vacation, two days at Catalina and Seal Beach each . . . mighty nice coat of tan. Guy Rhinard training to San Francisco for three days to see the FAIR and dazzle those northern folk with his SOUTHERN charms. T'is rumored that "Hook" Edmondson and "Newt" Potter are the best of friends . . . but WAS that really a BRIDGE party? H. E. Anunson is sporting a mustache—reasons unavailable.

Ira Junkins—will ya ever learn? **"PAGING WM. PENN"** (Guess he got a cigar anyway for his troubles) And did you notice his new cheaters . . . "glasses" to youse—looks most dignified. "Just had to come to them" he says (like all of us). Probably from the glare from the white wall across from side of depot exit which can only be described by one word "TERRIBLE". (Come take a looksee! Geo. Jehl, please take note!)

Welcome on the Mat—to P.E. men now working out of our Los Angeles depot: Beardsley, Bryant, Cleason, Greene, Herring, Hall, Hubble, Johnson, Martin, Mussellman, Snedaker, Shelton, Smith, Spence, Purvis, and Whipple. Motorman C. Webb who was driving the new limited San Bdo lie decided that he would rather run the big RED CARS instead—so back to his first love. Conductor Swanson says he likes his car on the Balboa line. What's this about H. B. Mussellman having all ears at his command while explaining that in all his driving he had NEVER seen any bus, private car, etc., that he couldn't bring out of a skid by merely turning wheels in opposite direction. Gang says they'd like to know more about it—or is patent pending?

Condolences were conveyed by many of the "Motor Transit" boys

who recalled pleasant associations with Johnny Farquhar, Pacific Greyhound driver (formerly with M. T. Co. some years back) who passed away in San Francisco last month. Burial was in Alhambra, Calif.

Switching controls to Santa Ana: Seems like the "gang" in and around Santa Ana are too slow or lazy to create any news ripples, so in canvassing the younger generation, much of interest has been found.

Jack Burgess' horses are again in the news. GOOD NEWS this time! In the July 4th Rodeo held at Orange County Park, Jay and Maxine (Jack's children) entered into the various events and won four FIRST ribbons, one SECOND ribbon and TWO third ribbons. (Slim picking for the rest after this raid.) Maxine also entered the exclusive Santa Ana Horse Show and won the admiration of all for her skill and poise in riding. The young ones take after the Mrs. as she is recognized as one of the leading equestriennes of this area. (No offense Jack).

Benny Kimball's wife and brood have been vacationing in Omaha, Waterloo and later at Fargo. The boys pitched right in and helped their "uncle" put up hay. Bobby is actually driving a tractor. Benny Jr., is tromping the stack and Benny is rightfully proud of photo showing all this action in a field of timothy back in Iowa. Benny is installing a new motor in his car, intended to drive East but now—no soap!

Crystal Bailey is planning a visit with friends in the ol' home town, Ontario, while little "Joyce" (the sunshine girl) has been spending a number of happy days with her brother in Long Beach. John has a fine bunch of kids and is—well, mighty proud of them!

Have often wondered the reasons why Dick Butler's two cars are always so slick and spotless . . . and the secret is out. His boy, Bud uses a lot of his time in this direction, maybe for a reason as he is often seen wheeling Santa Ana's prettiest in one or other of the cars. It's all right "son", we know a lot of talent who would willingly wash half the cars in Santa Ana for the same BREAK (but couldn't supply the personality and handsome appearance which is yours.)

Tommy Daiker reports that "Judith Anne" has increased her vocabulary from da to DA-DA-DA, says she means "pappy" but you know how he brags! There is a jealous note in Babe Larson's voice when he claims that Tommy's little girl is the cutest-ever. Well, Babe you know the solution! Babe, incidentally, is oiling up the outboard motor and imagine his address in the near future will be Big Bear Valley where



Viola and Ardamae Hill (ages 13 and 10). Johnny Hill is mighty proud of his two girls and they ARE lovely!

the carp, blue fins, bass, trout and mosquitos are biting! He is heading east next month to visit his mother who is ill.

Loretta, of the Kennedy household, is spending a three-weeks vacation in and near Bozeman, Montana, a portion of the time on one of the great ranches in that district which is owned by friends of the family. Kennedy, it goes without saying, is tickled pink as the girl earned and saved all the necessary money for clothes, luggage, tickets and expenses . . . all net profit to him! (He looks rather worried, as it is rumored that the country abounds in cow-pokes and sheep-herders, but we reckon that dizziness doesn't run through all families.)

Another PRIZE item (see picture) Viola and Ardamae Hill, (John's hopefuls in the vacation Bible School Convention at Tustin, were awarded first prizes for perfect attendance. Viola (age 13) received a \$2.00 recognition for outstanding memory and another first prize for neatness in preparing and keeping her books and records. She has earned more than enough money in competitions to pay her expenses at the Forest Home encampment for a full week. Both girls are avid students of the violin and their adeptness is the subject of much favorable comment.

Al Henson has three fine sons: Charles, Russell and James and altho Al's well-known modesty prevents a

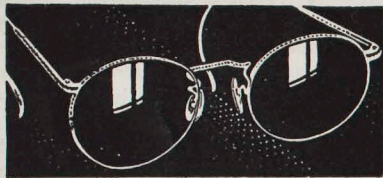
full account of their activities and achievements (it is certain that much will be heard of these little fellows later on and all to Al's credit! These chaps scored a hundred in Sunday school attendance and that's something!

Sam Carr laments over the fact that Sidney and Delbert, exhibit no enthusiasm over pulling out weeds from the expansive lawn surrounding his new home. This ailment sorta runs in the parental side of the family . . . maybe? Set them an example Sab. Noted that the oldest boy was out to get an operator's license the other day . . . some suspect that he has ideas about sowing wild oats and such instead of harvesting them out on the lawn . . . anyhoo—it's more fun to use the family car than the lawn mower.

Charlie Rhinard has taken his wife, Julia K, and the baby to Yosemite Valley points for a real vacation. A couple of mighty swell young ones.

Ham Hammond seen scooting around with a handful of snapshots resembling a full deck of pinochle cards, young nephews, in a variety of poses both formal and informal. The little ones have found out the direct approach to the "penny" pocket, the chewing gum cache, etc. WATCH OUT or he will button-hole you and point out one or other of the sprouts and begin . . . "see that little one there . . . you'd never guess he is only three—last nite he said the cutest thing etc. etc."

Dear Marion: (littl' "boid" told me that you were down in our famous depot last month and out of curiosity wanted this Creamer guy pointed out to you . . . the body was absent (day off) but maybe it was ripe tomatoes you were carrying. SOOH . . . I like to TALK better than to READ . . . WHAM! Well, it's just like this—the school house burned down before I had a chance to finish my edukashun and whether it be Conductor of Car Accts Bureau or PSGR & CAR SERVICE ACCTS BUREAU . . . makes no never mind as long as you knew what I was yapping about. Will ya f'give me? When this comes from press, I'll be off to Oregon and Washington with "pappy" in his new chariot . . . to see the Fair . . . the tall Redwoods . . . a glimpse of Mt. Rainier and the home town TACOMA . . . then too—a side trip to ESTACADA, OREGON to see "mammy". It's time off WITHOUT pay, doncha know (you lucky people) so meanwhile you can figure out a graceful way to "starve" and lemme know when I get back. Smooth sailings—Marion, and if I could and would . . . an ORCHID to you.



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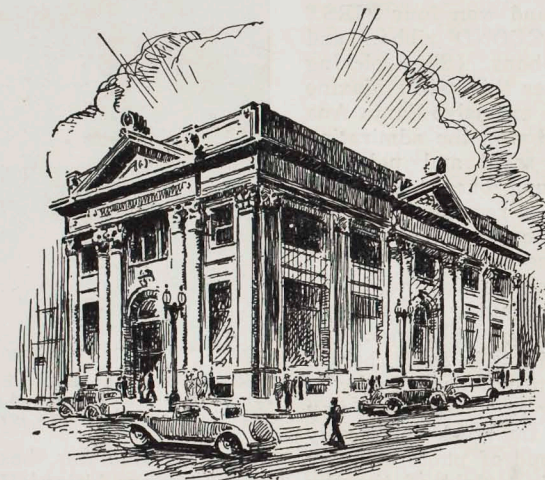
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