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WELL, well. A little good news has at last come from Sacramento. Very recently two measures originating in the Senate have passed both branches of the Legislature and have been signed by the Governor that will help slightly to reduce the discrimination that exists between municipally operated transportation and that provided by the "common carriers" of the State. Heretofore, vehicles operated by municipalities for the transportation of persons have been exempt from the payment of registration or license fees. Under the measures that have become law, a vehicle to become exempt from fees must be **owned**. Those under lease, lease-sale, or rental-purchase agreement are not exempt. Also, it is provided that any vehicle used by a municipality for hire, compensation or profit is not exempt. Such vehicles as fire engines, whether purchased under lease or time-payment plan, or wholly owned, are exempt. Now, if some action is taken, as should be, to compel payment of ad valorem taxes, the same as other property owners do, we shall be still further along toward the equitable distribution of taxes upon transportation agencies.

JOIN HONOR ROLL

The official retirement list as received from the Pension Bureau this month contains the names of three of our fellow employees, who retire after from 17 to 39 years of loyal service. To each of them the Magazine extends very best wishes, on behalf of their fellows, and trusts they will find the remaining years filled with comfort and added joys of living. Following are those retiring:

Welday B. Abraham, foreman in the Equipment Department, 28 years service.

William E. Beck, Warehouse Clerk, Transportation Department, 17 years service.

George A. Brown, Traffic Officer, Transportation Department, 39 years service.

New Industrial Plant on Pacific Electric

Great Lakes Carbon Company
Located at Thenard and
Long Beach

Another great industry has come to the P. E. Lines for the reason that we were possibly best equipped and in a more advantageous position to supply its needs for transportation of both crude and finished products; that industry being the plant of the Great Lakes Carbon company, with offices in New York and Chicago, and construction of rail facilities are now under way at Thenard; which, when completed will enable the Great Lakes Carbon Company to move in construction material and machinery. The desire of that company is to have the plant on production by April 1st to 15th.

The local engineer of the company, Mr. E. W. Seckendorff, has been in Los Angeles for some time, in connection with location matters and advance preparations of the industry.

A second unit of the plant, consisting of Shipping facilities will be located at Long Beach, where agreements have been completed with that city for a tide-water location, wharfage, and other necessary appurtenances.

The purpose of this industry is to convert petroleum coke (the residue of oil refining) into pure Carbon by calcinating process, the Thenard plant being used solely for that purpose.

Contracts have been entered into between the Great Lakes Company and the Shell Company for a minimum of 112,000 tons of petroleum coke per year, from which quantity 75,000 tons of pure carbon will be produced. This means that the Pacific Electric will move 2250 cars of petroleum coke from Dominguez to Thenard each year; and, 1500 cars of Carbon from Thenard to Long Beach.

Exclusive of trackage, the Great Lakes Coke Company investment in the new plant will be approximately \$500,000, while the city of Long Beach will expend something like \$150,000 or wharfage and other facilities necessary to take care of the shipping of the finished product which largely goes to foreign countries. Its use is a necessary ingredient in the production of high grade steel, and is usually handled in 5000 to 6000 ton lots, the usual full capacity of the steamships.

The many details of location, traffic arrangements, etc., involved in the acquisition of this new industry on Pacific Electric Lines, were handled through the Industrial Di-

vision of the Freight Traffic Department, under the supervision of Freight Traffic Manager, W. G. Knoche, final approval of agreements being given by President O. A. Smith recently.

The construction of industry spurs both at Thenard and at Long Beach are being brought to completion by our Engineering Department, and Shanahan Brothers have contract for rail construction within the plants.

THE PACIFIC ELECTRIC in entering upon a new era of its existence as a transportation agency, with a very definite program for the improvement of its physical properties in the way of new cars, new motor coaches, and the complete rehabilitation of its present rolling stock and facilities necessary to the operation of its services. With this program accomplished by the owners of the property, the duty automatically rests upon the shoulders of every employe to make the best possible use of the facilities provided in the cultivation of better relations with our patrons; to lend individual assistance in the acquiring of a larger volume of business (both freight and passenger), in order that the cost of the new facilities may be retired, and provision made for the purchase of additional vehicles as further expansion shall become necessary. To all of us, the welfare of this Company is, or should be, a very personal matter; for failure to achieve what we have set out to do, will reflect upon every one of us.

WILLIAM H. MUNDHENK.

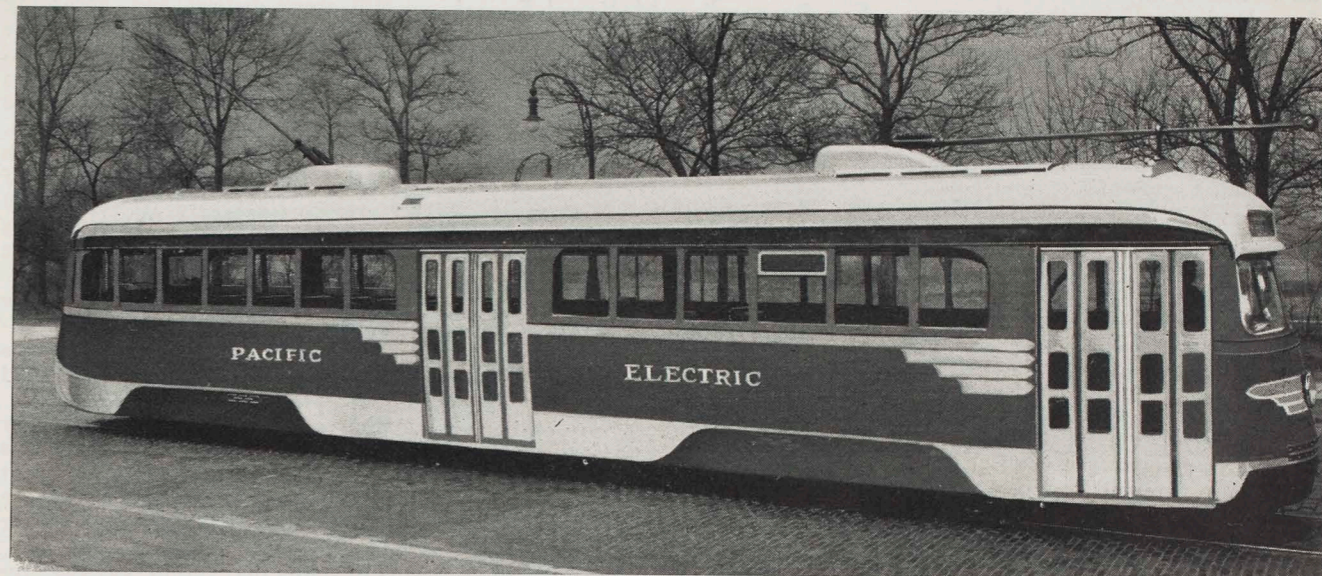
It is with expressions of regret on behalf of his many friends and acquaintances that the Magazine this month chronicles the passing of William H. Mundhenk, for the past 19 years employed as one of the Ticket Agents at Sixth and Main Station. His demise occurred at St. Vincent's Hospital on February 10th after a very brief illness, the immediate cause being a heart attack.

Mr. Mundhenk was born in Barrington, Ill., May 30, 1882, being at the time of his death in his 58th year.

Prior to coming to the Pacific Electric in May, 1921, he had been in the employ of the Aurora, Elgin & Chicago Railway, located at Elgin, for something over 19 years in the same capacity in which engaged for this company.

Funeral services and interment were held at Inglewood Cemetery on Monday, Feb. 12th, many friends of himself and family being in attendance.

Thirty New Cars As Part Of Improvement Program.



ORDERS PLACED FOR THE LATEST AND GREATEST OF THE "PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE" TYPE TO LEAD OUR RE-BUILT 600s

As intimated as a possibility in the last issue of the Magazine, in which it was stated that 10 new cars of the "Presidents' Conference" type had been ordered from the Pullman Company, the new equipment being intended to be used as base service of the Glendale line, President O. A. Smith this week confirmed the forecast with the announcement that an additional twenty cars had been authorized, making a total of thirty.

It is expected that delivery of the new equipment will begin in August, and their arrival is looked forward to by all of us with great anticipation.

These new cars are to become outstanding leaders for our completely rebuilt and rejuvenated 600-700s and when all have been assigned to the lines for which they are intended, will make an imposing array of fine suburban cars, the exterior and interior of which will be resplendent in pleasing colors, while the lighting arrangements will be a long step ahead in the matter of illumination.

Assignment of the new cars on their arrival will be made to the Glendale Line (10 in base service), and 20 to the Hollywood Boulevard-Vineyard-Santa Monica via Venice Line, the latter assignment being made upon authority of the Railroad Commission by its latest order, just received.

Description of the new equipment from a mechano-technical standpoint, as well as a brief history of the development of the "Presidents' Conference" type of equipment is given by F. E. Geibel, Superintendent of Equipment, as follows:

"When it became not only desirable but necessary to develop a new type street and suburban rail car it was too big a job for one manufacturer or operating company. It was the task of the industry as a whole. Some seven years and over \$700,000 were spent in the development. The money was contributed by operating as well as manufacturing companies, and the work was directed by a committee of the American Transit Association known as the Presidents' Conference Committee. Hence the name P.C.C. type car.

"A special group of engineers, forgetting the old principles of street car design, started out on some very radical lines to develop a new vehicle, something that could compete with automobile traffic in speed, comfort, and quietness. The first sample cars were in trial service in 1933, but not until 1936 and 1937 were the first groups of cars in operation in regular service. The car has proven entirely satisfactory from the standpoint of rider appeal, flexibility of operation and low operating cost.

"The new car as developed was for single end operation as this type of car is used in most of the eastern cities on account of simplicity and low first cost. The first double end cars were recently placed in service on the San Francisco Municipal Railway. On account of the Hill St. tunnel and other operating features in our service it was not only necessary to have double end operation but to arrange the cars for train operation as well. This entailed some further

development in the control equipment and increased the price several thousand dollars over the standard car. The cars now on order, therefore, are for double end, multiple unit operation but embody all of the features of speed, comfort, and flexibility of the standard car.

"The trucks are of special design, making use of rubber springs instead of conventional steel design. The wheels use rubber between the disk supporting the tread and the center or hubs, producing not only a quiet but a very resilient wheel. The motors, two 55 H.P. per truck, are mounted lengthwise of the trucks and employ the same type of gear in transmitting the power to the axles as is employed in the modern automobile or motor coach. The body construction makes use of hollow steel sections resulting in high structural strength combined with light weight. In addition these hollow sections are used as conduits through which are run the control wiring and air piping. The larger sections serve as the air ducts for ventilation of the cars and equipment.

"The control, by foot levers instead of the conventional hand type, provides uniform acceleration up to a maximum of 4 1/2 miles per hour per second and a braking rate up to 8 or 9 miles per hour per second in emergency. The braking is principally through the motors acting as generators to produce a retarding force. This braking is supplemented by magnetic track brakes and finally by standard air brakes as the stop is made, the air acting as the holding brake when standing. With proper adjustments even at the higher rates the starting and stopping are smooth and comfortable.

"In order to reduce the size and consequent weight the equipment is air cooled by means of a ventilating fan. During cold weather the warm air coming from cooling off the equipment is circulated through the car and becomes the heating system. In warm weather this air is blown out and the ventilating air for the car comes direct from the outside. Thus is provided a ventilating and heating system with the natural heat losses of the equipment being put to a profitable use.

"The seats, rubber cushions and mohair covering, the lighting and interior finishes are identical with those described for the 600-700 class in a recent issue of the Magazine. As a matter of fact these features in 600-700 class were patterned after the P.C.C. design. The exterior finish of the new cars will be the same general scheme as the 600-700 class adapted to the streamline contour, a combination of red, orange, and aluminum. The 30 cars now on order represent the very latest in urban and suburban cars."

BEACH LOCALS NO MORE

Local street car lines in the City of Long Beach were discontinued on February 24th, with the exception of one round trip on each line each day, announcement of this action having been made by President O. A. Smith immediately upon receipt of authorization by the Railroad Commission on Feb. 20th.

This is a part of Pacific Electric's rehabilitation program for the system and is in accordance with agreement entered into between City of Long Beach, Lang Motor Bus Corporation and Pacific Electric. Simultaneously with the reduction in service by Pacific Electric, Lang Motor Bus Corporation will provide bus service in the City of Long Beach in the area served by Pacific Electric street car lines. At the same time Long Beach Motor Bus Company, which is controlled by the Lang Company, will provide a service between Long Beach and Seal Beach to take the place of Pacific Electric service between these points.

This is the first step in carrying out agreement between the City of Long Beach, Lang Motor Bus Corporation and Pacific Electric Railway. Authority of other regulatory bodies and the courts is necessary before fully completing the transaction, including abandonment of tracks and deeding to the city certain property by Pacific Electric.

This service reduction by Pacific Electric does not in any way affect the interurban rail service to and from Los Angeles or to and from Wilmington and San Pedro, which services are not affected.

More Visitors Than All Other Resorts

San Bernardino National Forest
Host to 1,630,252 During
the Year of 1939

Few of us, being so close to the subject, have realized how popular our own San Bernardino Mountains and those adjacent thereto are as a recreation area. We are prone to take them just as a matter of course; individually we visit some of their resorts occasionally; but, except vaguely, we do not visualize their immense drawing power.

A report giving accurate estimates of the numbers of recreational visitors to the San Bernardino national forest during 1939 was submitted to the San Francisco regional forestry office by Supervisor William V. Jones recently, and a summary thereof, appeared in the San Bernardino Sun of Feb. 10th.

The document, which breaks down the total of 1,629,252 visitors between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31 of last year into various usage classifications, was compiled by district rangers and the official personnel from all sources of information in the forest, including "electric eye" counts at Panorama point and in the Cajon pass.

The total of more than a million and a half persons to use the forests was **greater than the total visitors to all of the national parks in western United States.**

Total forest visitors in primary classifications are as follows for all districts:

Summer home residents and guests.....	242,000
Hotel and resort guests.....	175,297
Campers	113,851
Picnickers	175,634
One-day winter sports.....	45,500
Scenic visitors	876,950

TOTAL.....1,630,252

For report purposes the totals, excluding those persons who entered the timberlands to view the scenery, were further broken down to show the numbers who engaged in various sporting activities. During the year 15,830 hunters, 76,112 fishermen and 98,300 winter sports enthusiasts used the forest areas.

The district visited by the greatest number of persons was Lake Arrowhead, with more than a million guests. Scenic visitors account for 876,950 of the total, the rest being summer residents, guests of hotels and resorts, campers and picnickers.

Big Bear district was second in the primary use classification with a total of 255,142 persons. Only 5,000 estimated persons were spectators in the area.

Mill creek district had, according to the report, 58,160 persons in the primary use classifications and approximately 20,000 scenic visitors. In this district were 2,610 hunters, 1,832 fishermen and 5,000 snow sportsmen.

San Jacinto district was fourth with a total of 71,500 visitors. Of this figure, 7,920 were hunters, 5,280 fishermen and 3,300 winter sports users. Only 4,000 entered the district as sightseers.

The Cajon district reported the smallest totals, with only 26,000 total visitors. Of this figure 10,000 were scenic tourists, 1,600 hunters and 14,400 primary use visitors.

The report showed that 74.75 per cent of the total for the five districts were primary users, 2.10 per cent were hunters, 10.10 per cent were fishermen and 13.05 per cent winter sports users.

Although the Cajon district reported the smallest number of visitors, an "electric eye" a photo electric cell counter on the Cajon highway, recorded 3,176,576 persons passing through a part of the district.

The report estimated summer home residents spent an average of eight days a year in the forest; hotel and resort averaged four days; and, campers five days.

An ultra-smart city man was driving through a small town when he thought he would show his friends how clever he could be at the expense of two yokels. He called them to the car.

"Can either of you tell me this? If it is 40 miles from here to Buffalo, and butter is 40 cents a pound, how old am I?"

One of the yokels thought for a moment and then said: "Forty-four."

"Marvelous," said the city man. "How on earth did you find that out?"

"Well," replied the yokel, "I have a brother who is 22 and he's only half nuts."—B. C. Electric.

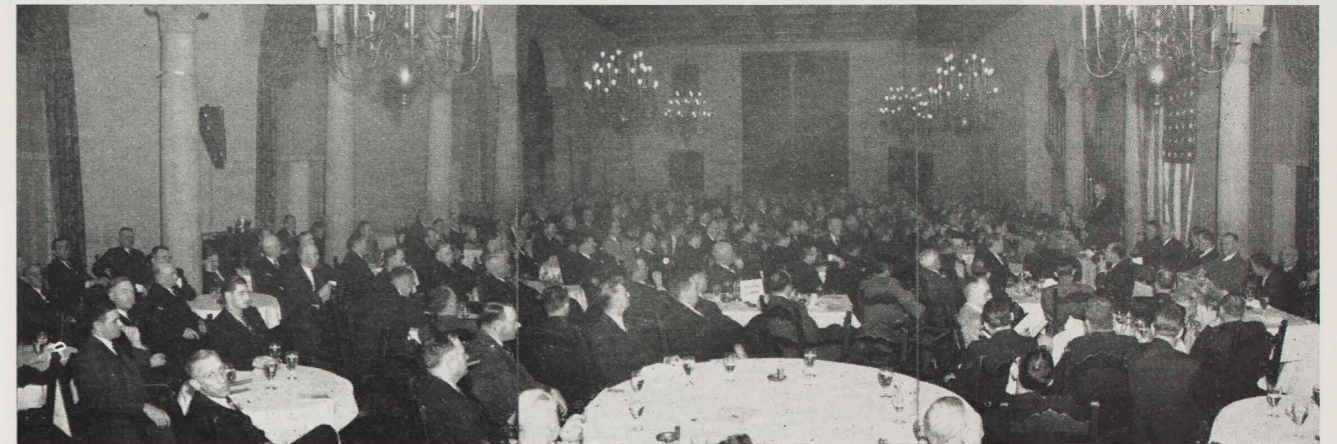
The top sergeant sang out just before the company was dismissed: "All those fond of music step two paces forward."

With visions of a soft job in the band half a dozen men stepped out.

The sergeant growled: "Now then, you six mugs get busy and carry that piano up to the top floor of the officers' quarters."

John and Henry were working in the garden, and John, the older brother called: "Mother, please come speak to John. He thinks he is a woman."

Eighteenth Annual Agents' Association Banquet Feb. 10



The Annual Banquet of the Pacific Electric Agents' Association is always looked forward to with a great deal of anticipation by not only the Agents of the system, but by many of the Department heads and numerous industrialists, packing house managers, municipal officials and other outstanding individuals in Southern California, for it is always a very worth-while event.

The "honor guests" at the Banquet held at the University Club, on Saturday evening, February 10th, were the following Pacific Electric Agents:

Claude Anderson, J. B. Black, W. H. Bratton, F. M. Brown, T. J. Diebolt, A. E. Dorrell, M. E. Gilbert, N. F. Graham, G. C. Haase, H. C. Hall, C. J. Hileman, D. W. Holtby, A. W. Housley, J. F. Jenkins, Cleve Johnson, R. L. Kennedy, N. L. Knox, W. A. Krafft, A. G. Owen, F. C. Pittinger, Elden Rea, E. A. Riley, J. N. Rountree, T. F. Shafer, L. A. Vincent, Clyde Whiteley.

The Toastmaster of the occasion, introduced by the president of the association, Claude Anderson, was none other than our President O. A. Smith, who graced the position like a veteran; and following the consumption of viands, interspersed by musical numbers by Don Roland and his tunesmiths, introduced as the speaker of the evening, Dr. W. Balentine Henley, Director of Co-ordination, of the University of Southern California.

Dr. Henley's discourse was indeed a masterly one; entirely too brief so far as the audience was concerned, and dealt with the importance of co-ordination and co-operation of all individuals constituting the fabric of which a company is composed, bringing out the individual importance of every employe, who by loyalty and concentration of effort when combined with that of his fellows, produce the successful operation of industry and business. We have had the



pleasure and profit of listening to many fine speakers during the eighteen years of the Association, and into the memory of all those who heard Dr. Henley will go the address of that gentleman as one of the best among the best ever delivered before the assembly.

It was not the first time that Roland and his tunesmiths have brightened Pacific Electric occasions, and, doubtless will not be the last.

The officers of the Agents' association for the current year are: Claude Anderson, President; Harold K. Moss, Vice-President; Carl J. Hileman, Secretary.

Arrangements for the Annual Banquet of 1940, which was one of the most complete and successful in every detail, was Charles P. Hill, Assistant Supervisor of Schedules. The number in attendance being 225.



President O. A. Smith, Presiding.
Association President Anderson at his right.

Quaint Museum on Historic Site Saved



Campo de Cahuenga Park and Museum Now Under Care of Native Sons

Saved for those who come after us who delight in the romance of California, is one of the most quaint and interesting of Museums located on the site at which was signed the treaty ending our belligerency with Mexico in 1847.

Autographed shaving mugs from the city's early tonsorial shops and massive, framed portraits of the pioneers who owned them are included in the collection of the quaint little museum at Campo de Cahuenga.

Few are aware of the museum's existence. Yet within its walls are many treasures for posterity, including a table across whose boards a historic peace pact was sealed and a limb from the tree by which Don Francisco Lopez discovered gold while digging for wild onions in Placeritas Canyon.

Lest Los Angeles lose these and many other relics of its history-making period, Ramona Parlör of Native Sons of the Golden West have taken over the museum and park which marks the site at which Gen. Andres Pico and Lieut. Col. John C. Fremont signed the treaty closing military activities between Mexico and the United States in 1847.

The death recently of Adolph Rivera, who lived there, brought about the problem of a caretaker. Rivera, scion of an old and honored California family, built the museum and

filled it with historic keepsakes which he believed would retain for coming generations the saga of the Golden West and the City of the Angels.

Gerardo Guzman, member of Ramona Parlör, has accepted the post of caretaker and is directing remodeling work on the museum where exhibits will be open to the public soon.

"This," said Guzman pointing to a place now covered with lawns and flowers, "was the foundations of the Don Tomas Reliz adobe where the articles of capitulation were drawn nearly 100 years ago."

The park faces Universal Studios on Lankershim Blvd., just a few blocks from the Universal City stop on our San Fernando Valley Line, on land which originally was part of the

San Fernando Mission grant. Guarding it is a strange wall of pinkish stucco with iron gates marked by a slab of rock from the old City Hall in Los Angeles.

APPOINT SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR MARCH

The next meeting of the Trainmen's Safety Advisory Committee will be held Friday, March 29, 1940, in the Pacific Electric Club Rooms, Los Angeles, commencing at 10:00 A. M.

The following members are selected to serve on this committee for the month of March:

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| Northern District | Terminal |
| A. E. Babcock..... | San Bernardino |
| W. C. Roberts..... | Macy Street |
| W. H. Fanning..... | Pasadena |
| Southern District | |
| F. B. Howe..... | Butte Street Yard |
| A. Pedvin..... | Los Angeles |
| T. Mijanovich..... | Long Beach |
| Western District | |
| H. W. Bradbury..... | Glendale |
| C. W. Wood..... | Subway |
| B. B. Starr..... | West Hollywood |
| W. J. Green..... | Ocean Park |
| R. Butler..... | Motor Transit District |

This conference will be devoted to consideration of subjects relating to safety and our accident problems and we hope to have a program which will prove of interest and educational value.

Rank Injustice

"Rastus," said the judge, "your wife complains that you never work. How about it?"

"Dat woman's crazy, Judge," replied Rastus. "Ask her what Ah was doin' de second Toosday in July last yeah."

Minor Matter

First Golfer: "Shall we play again next Saturday?"

Second Golfer: "Well, I was going to get married on Saturday, but I can put it off."

OFFICIAL DENTAL DEPARTMENT

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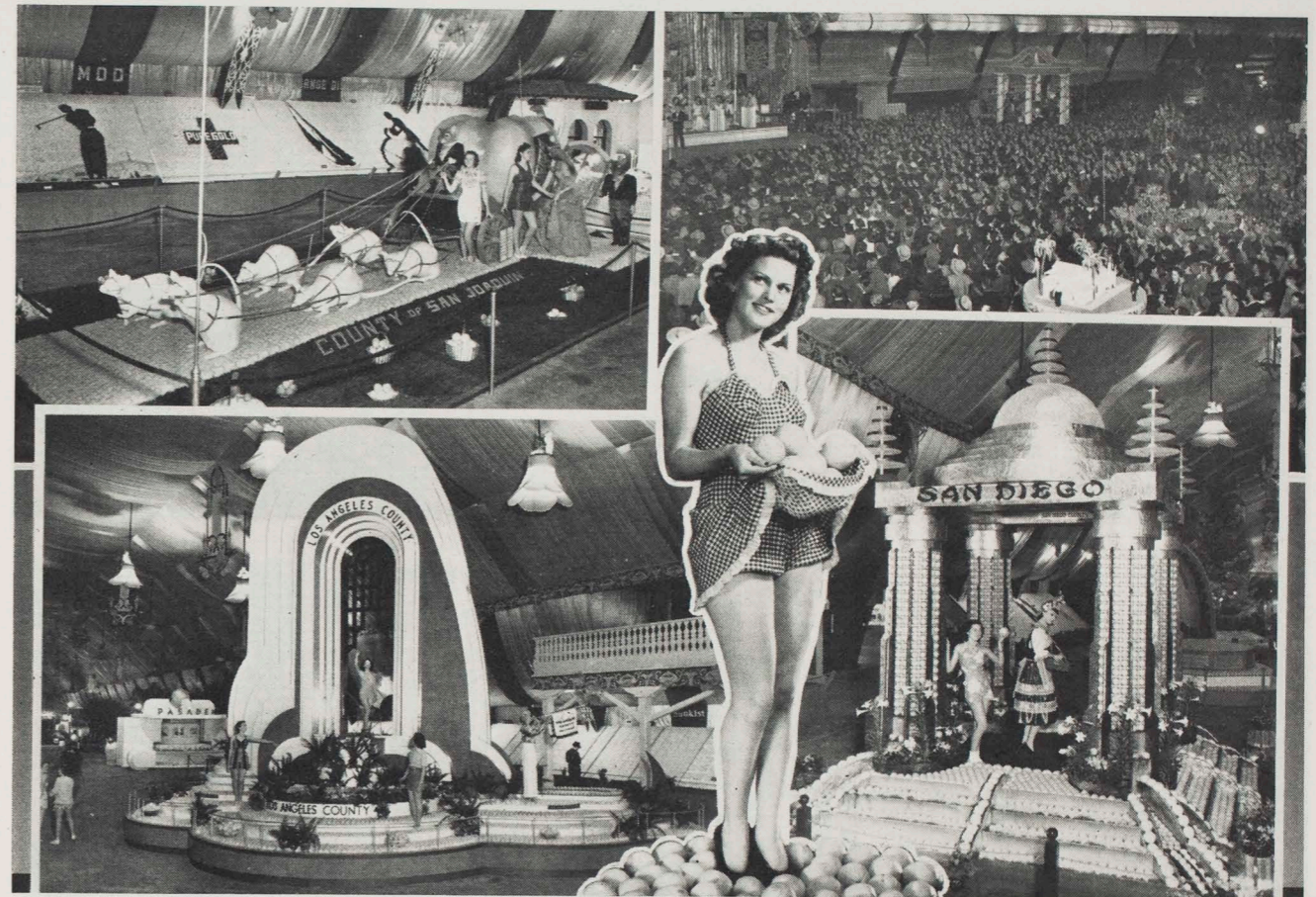
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PACIFIC ELECTRIC CAMP By H. E. DeNyse, Manager

A lot of water has run under the bridge since our Camp was established in this ideal mountain spot near Lake Arrowhead.

From a primitive adventure, when all who came helped with the Camp work to a modern Camp providing full equipment for easy housekeeping, electricity and gas in every cabin, replacing the oil cook stoves and kerosene lamps.

During the past few years tennis and badminton courts, pool and ping pong tables have been added to the many other recreational features, and we now have a modern camp unequalled anywhere in the Southern California mountains for the prices charged.

While Mother Nature has short changed us in the scanty snow fall so far this winter, you never can tell about this unusual California weather and it may be that we will have a real snow flurry up here before spring crowds winter out of the picture, so don't put those winter togs and other equipment away for a while.

However, while snow is a big winter asset, there need be no dull days at the Camp, with indoor and out-

door sports and equipment available for all, and no matter how unusual the weather may be outside there are always things to do inside, play pool or ping pong, dance, have a game of cards, or just "sit," and enjoy the roaring fire in the big Social Hall fire place.

May I again remind you, each and all, in making up your recreation

budget, don't overlook your best bet, your own Pacific Electric Camp, for week-end parties, dances, etc, and part or all of your annual vacation.

Reservations in advance are desired but not necessary during the winter months. We are always ready for you, so come on up. A little real winter weather will do you a lot of good, and it costs so little.

Are Your Wages Guaranteed?



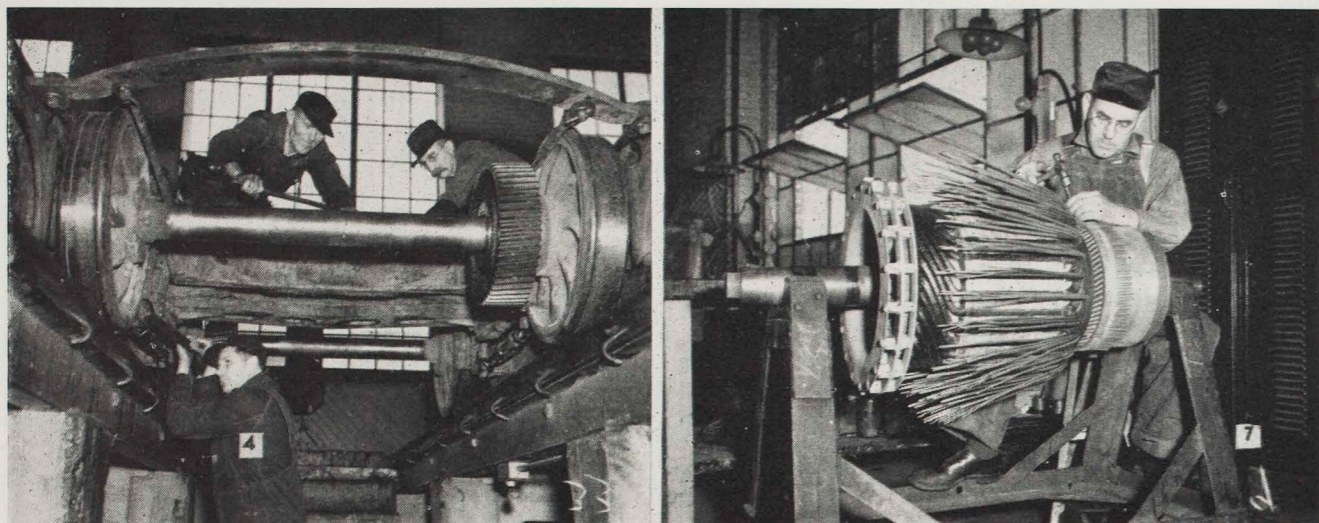
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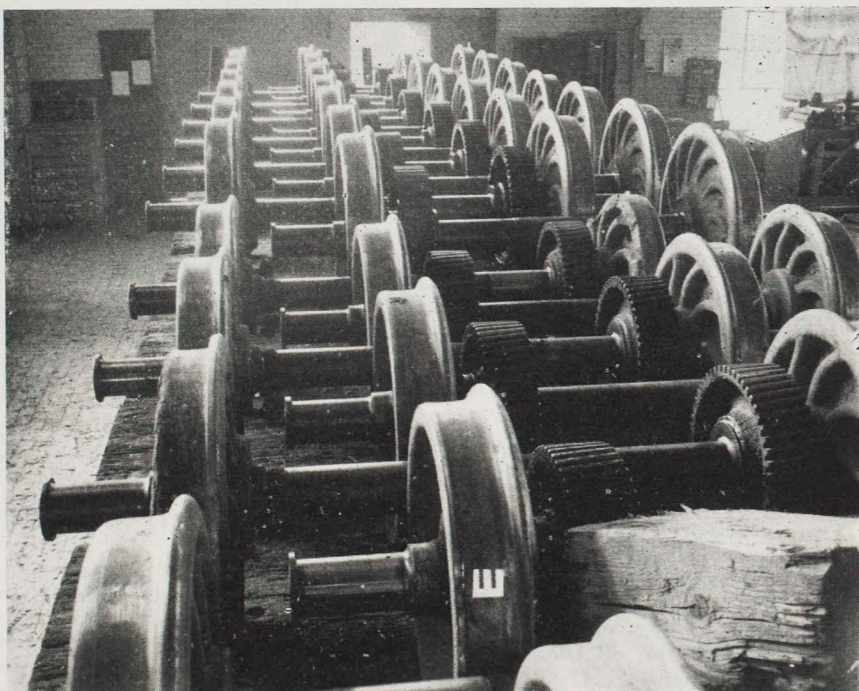
J. J. HULL, Southern-Northern J. R. DOUGHER, Western
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Our Cars Getting "Face-Lifting" and "Beauty" Treatment



Down at Torrance the Company is now operating one of the largest "beauty shops" in the country. The artisans down there are doing "face-lifting", body-stretching, heat-treatment, acceleration-urge, detarding-strengthening, joint-elasticity, and complete cosmetological treatment to some 200 patients. The patients are not human, but they are very essential to the needs of human beings. In this case, they are cars of the 600-700 and 1200 class, undergoing the process of complete rebuilding.

With a roving photographer the Editor a few days ago made a tour of the big shops and was able to get a few "shots" of what is going on down there. There is not a nook or cranny of the vast place but that is the scene of some kind of activity essential to the rejuvenation of the equipment destined soon to grace the rails and contribute much to the com-



1—Edgar White tempering car springs in the fiery furnace.

4—Car Trucks must be safe and sound, so George Volarevich and Thomas H. Higgins (top), and Louis E. Brown (bottom) do their part in making things right.

7—Speeding up the "big red cars" requires a re-winding of the motors—and that is what Wm. P. Taylor is doing.

fort of our transportation patrons.

It is an interesting as well as an instructive sight to see one of these cars going through the shops. To see all the wiring disconnected, trucks rolled from under the car bodies and sent to the department interested in that particular piece of mechanism where they are taken apart, worn pieces replaced, wheels ground to proper size and contour, springs tested and matched, bearings renewed, motor detached and sent to the winding room for complete overhaul with re-winding to increase acceleration; in fact dozens of things happen to the trucks alone upon which the car body rides.

To other portions of the car other workmen certainly "do things". Every piece of mechanism is removed and sent to the proper department until all that is left upon the work trestles is the stark, bare, steel car body, and from that, even the paint is burned off and the interior finish completely stripped.

Then, moving over to another section of the shops, we find a new scene being enacted, a transformation process begun. Here we see a group of men with acetylene torches cutting away metal to make a place for a new design of head sign; trimming off bumpers to adapt a new type; alter-



ing a contour here and one there—each operation in conformity to a uniform design. On another car, a short distance away another group is engaged in welding new skirting to the side-sills, new trimming on the bumpers; and, here and there completing other alterations as decreed by the plans.

As we move from place to place in the shops, we pass other cars, each undergoing certain operations, while from time to time parts, completely renewed, arrive on the erecting floor and are fitted into their proper place in the car construction.

On down the long line our journey wends; and, gradually, yet steadily, under our eyes, we have witnessed the growth of the car from bare, un-beautiful aspect, to, at the end of the tour, an object of beauty and utility; resplendent in new paint, new fittings, new individual lights for each seat, new seats with comfortable springiness and pleasing mohair covering. In fact, new **everything**.

In similar manner the rejuvenating process is applied to Motor Coaches as only in some of the details do the mechanical processes differ.

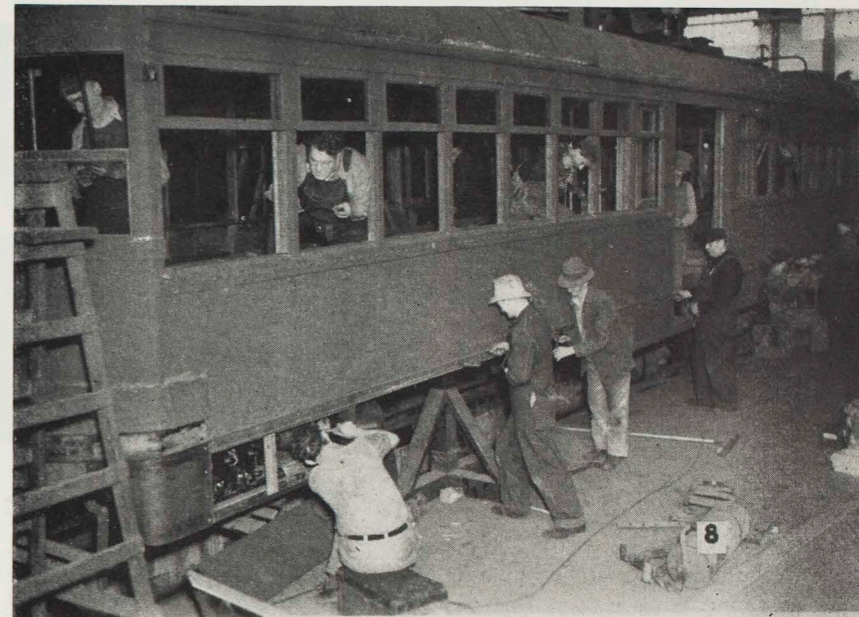
Ere long, we will begin to see the result of the labors of these many craftsmen. Artists in their line. Many of them long in the service and esteemed for their great ability. Wait until you see some of the equipment they are now turning out. That will speak in their praise louder and more effectively than we can in cold print. To them be the honor of jobs well done.

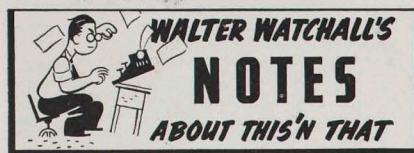
2—Louis Bayer (left) and William Prediger (holding axle) face a lot of heat as they run axels through the tempering furnace.

8—"The Big Red Car" doesn't look so good now—but wait until these men get through with it.

9—Having their faces lifted in the Pacific Electric Beauty Shop.

10—Looking down the line as the "face-lifters" lift.





Signs of spring. Gladys Sunday and George Perry discussing bathing suits. T'is said these two are going to exchange suits for the summer. Sugar Sharp says he has a new idea for suits this year. He calls it the Ghandi Special, saves taking a towel along to dry with when you come out of the surf.

Why does John Buchanan use George Billhardt for a body guard when he goes to court for jury duty. Some say the legal advice he received from a well known P. E. Attorney was the cause of it. John says Jurors should have a body guard.

Sweet young thing says to George McClure. "Who ever heard of a race for cigars? I see they are having a race at Santa Anita for fillies. Speaking of the track, the crying towel privilege would be a money maker.

Vic Westerburg writes: "I think the Theme song Idea is swell." He suggests a few. Nancy Kelly might sing "Smoke Gets In My Eyes" when Hildebrand lights that cigar. "This Changing World" might fit L. Biehlers hair. "My Resistance Is Low" would be a tonic for R. Bushard. "I'm In The Mood" for Jessie Eaton. All the girls in the Auditors office would sing "Oh Johnnie, Oh" when Johnny Thatcher walks by. Bonnie Bettis could lead them. "He believes All the Things You Are" was written for Roy Swanson. And for Walter Watchall, "Scatterbrain" is the right number.

Johnny Stockberger has a new way of telling time. When he comes in in the morning at eight he lights that pipe of his which holds two pounds of tobacco. When it is burnt out he goes home, his eight hours are up.

Walter Stratman is a popular man. Had a birthday on February 29th. Received a Singing Birthday Greeting by Western Union from the gang. Or was it by Western Union?

Alma Nixon our Torrance telephone girl must belong to the Girl Scouts. Seen a couple of Sundays ago in San Diego carrying a Policeman across the street during a rain storm. Her daily good deed, I presume.

This being Leap Year I have a suggestion for Mr. Geibel our Club President. Why not have an "Advice to the Lovelorn" in the Club. Might as well take advantage of N. Vickrey's vast experience. Who is better qualified to give a maiden advice?

Watchall Talks to R. & G. Men

With the fishing season only a short way off your reporter interviews

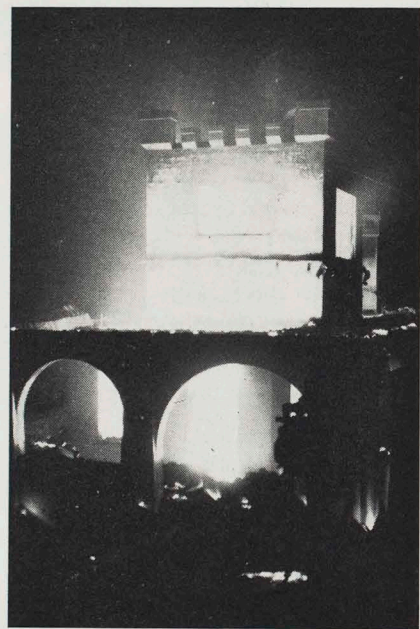


In Remembrance of Past Glories

prominent Rod and Gun Club members. When questioned Mr. Bancroft threw out his chest and said: "I will be a big prize winner this year. I will catch so many fish I will have my choice of the prizes." Hal Smith says: "I will catch such big fish I will have to use my crane to land them Crockers." Dave Porter whispers: "Being in the upper brackets I spend all my time fishing for Freight Business." Ray Buford howls: "I am going to trade my fishing tackle for a bathing suit. I like to swim after them." Scott Braley chirps: "I think they should handicap the fisherman like they do in a horse race. I am so good it is not fair for the others to have to compete with me." Frank Patterson says: "The Club should have a school for the fishermen. Fellows like Manley, Porter, Braley, Skelton, Smith, May, Ofinger and others should be taught there is other fish besides mackerel and perch." Harry Pierce predicts: "I will be the leading hunter again this year. I have a notion to hunt rabbits with a BB gun and give the others a chance." Roger LaMelle says: "I am too smart for the rest when it comes to knowing what tackle to use. I am going to use a piece of string and a pin this season so the rest will have a chance." B. F. Manley startles us with this: "I have won prizes for the biggest deer, had prizes for the biggest fish, quail shooting is no effort for me, doves love to fly in front of my gun. Ducks give up when they see me aim. Trout fight to get on my hook, rabbits are often seen hitting themselves behind the ears when I come along. I am always one two in every division. Besides I roll a nasty bowling ball. I don't see why the boys do not call me SUPERMAN of the P. E.—After all, Mr. Manley.

He: "Honey, I've brought something for the one I love best. Guess what?"

She: "A box of cigars."



Dear to the memories of all of us of the Pacific Electric family, was Mt. Lowe, famed throughout the world in years gone by as a unique resort; and, many were the happy days some of us have spent there. The closing chapter was written on February 3rd, when the Incline Power House became ashes of the past. The views above illustrate the final chapter of destruction and a last view of the well-known landscape below with the remains of a charred sentinel standing in the foreground.

Escape

"Has your husband any hobbies?" asked the neighbor who was calling. "No," said Mrs. Newritch, "he has rheumatiz a good deal, the hives now and then, but he ain't never had no hobbies."

"Conductor, will you help me off the train?"

"Sure."

"You see, I'm stout and have to get off the train backwards. The porter thinks that I am getting on and gives me a shove on again. I'm five stations past my destination now."

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB BULLETIN

Monday, March 11:
Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30 p. m.

Tuesday, March 12:
Motor Coach Maintenance Class — 7:30 p. m.
P. E. American Legion Post No. 321 Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p. m.
American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321 Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p. m.

Wednesday, March 13:
P. E. Rod & Gun Club Regular Meeting—7:30 p.m. ADDED ATTRACTION: Pan American Airways present a picture in sound and color pertaining to trip of China Clipper—8:45 p.m. Families of all members invited.

Thursday, March 14:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m. Annual Birthday Party—Refreshments.

Friday, March 15:
P. E. CLUB MONTHLY DANCE—FREE DANCING FROM 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. To Members, their Families and Friends: You are missing a good time by not attending these monthly dances—All the latest dance music by a seven piece orchestra.
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd.—8:15 p.m. Spectators always welcome.

Monday, March 18:
Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19:
Motor Coach Maintenance Class — 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20:
P. E. Masonic Club 6:30 p.m. Round Table Dinner followed by Regular Monthly Meeting—See Article in P. E. Magazine relative to birthdays during the month.

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

Friday, March 22:
American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321 Regular Monthly Night Card Party. Bridge, Pionchle, Bunco & 500—8:00 p.m. Admission 25 cents. Prizes to winners and refreshments.
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd. 8:15 p.m. Spectators invited.

Monday, March 25:
Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 26:
Motor Coach Maintenance Class — 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 27:
P. E. American Legion Post No. 321 Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321 Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 28:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m. Refreshments.

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

Monday, April 1:
Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 2:
Motor Coach Maintenance Class — 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 4:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Card Party—1:00 p.m. Prizes to winners.

Friday, April 5:
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd. 8:15 p.m. Spectators invited.

Monday, April 8:
Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 9:
Motor Coach Maintenance Class — 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 10:
P. E. Rod & Gun Club Regular Monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m. Refreshments.

Thursday, April 11:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m. Refreshments.

P. E. WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

By Mrs. W. A. Hasty

On Feb. 8th about fifty ladies meet in the club room and enjoyed a lovely pot luck lunch. Much credit goes to Mrs. A. E. Smith, the ways and means chairman for these most enjoyable get-togethers.

After lunch a short business session was held with Mrs. Hart, president, presiding. When all routine business was taken care of the meeting adjourned and a jolly hour was spent in the opening of the Valentine box and the distribution of mystery friend gifts.

The ladies of the Torrance Club then favored us with a clever skit. Twelve ladies from the assembly were chosen and a quiz court was held. Mrs. Howe presiding as judge of the court, and the jury and clerk fixed and collected the fines. Each member at the end of the hearing, was given a stock of gum as a prize. Those Torrance ladies sure know how to entertain as they prepared the program on their way to the meeting.

There was no meeting on February 22, as the club house was closed, but Feb. 19 was one of the outstanding days of our Club year as the ladies made their annual trip through Helm's Bakery and a lovely lunch was served in the Hostess House amid such happy, pleasant surroundings. After which the very sweet hostess lead us through all departments of one of the most efficient bakeries in the United States.

Mr. Helm has this convenience for Clubs to help them with their charity work as all money derived from the sale of tickets goes into the Club fund.

After the trip through the bakery

CLUB PRESIDENT'S CORNER

On my return trip from Chicago about the middle of last month, on waking up, the snow through Kansas was even with the car window sill. While I am no singer, I did hum "California, here I come." Was East in connection with the order for the new cars, description of which you will find elsewhere in this issue.

While back I contacted several of the operating companies, and all are interested in hearing of our employe activities as well as our plans for improved service. In addition to numerous orders for motor coaches and trolley coaches there are now on order with Eastern manufacturers the following P.C.C. type cars: For Pittsburgh, 100; St. Louis 100; Washington 34; Cincinnati 26; and Toronto 40.

It is very encouraging to note the general trend toward improving city transportation facilities and the enthusiasm with which the employes tackle the job.

FRED E. GEIBEL

we were treated to a food demonstration by our Hostess. During the afternoon prizes of a cake, cookies and loaf of bread were drawn by ladies who had lucky tickets.

February 29 was spent visiting and lunching in Olvera Street, by a group of the Club ladies who meet at the Club at 11 o'clock.

March 14 will be the birthday party and big plans are already on the way for the day of days.

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MASONIC CLUB NEWS NOTES

By Ed Hasenyager

A little less of ME and a little less of YOU

And a little more of US

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And a little more of OURS

Put to work for US would make this world

A finer place for ALL of us.

—Masonic Creed.

The next regular meeting will be held on March 20 at 7:30 P. M. Preceded by the popular round table dinner at 6:30 P. M.

There will be no Special Bulletin this month.

The response to the invitation to those having birthdays in January and February was gratifying. There were eight present. Brother T. H. Ewers was absent due to a severe cold. Those present were: Brothers A. J. Spear, F. W. Patterson, H. K. Moss, W. A. Gillespie, C. E. Hunt, L. E. Swansen, Oscar Gough and John L. Niss. Glad you were out and come often.

Those having birthdays in March are especially invited to our March meeting and dinner at 6:30 at the Club. You will find an enthusiastic group awaiting you.

"California Boys' State"

The Club will sponsor a boy to attend this gathering the week of June 22 to 29, all expenses paid. All you Brother members of our Club who have boys eligible. He must be a Junior in High School, should have him make formal application to take the mental test. See a more complete notice elsewhere in the Magazine regarding this Boys' State.

Registrations must be in not later than May 15. The Secretary will take them.

An outstanding event of interest to all Masons during the month of February occurred on February 4, at 8:15 A. M., when 3165 Master Masons from all parts of Southern California gathered at the Biltmore Bowl for the annual breakfast. Sponsored by the Masonic Employment Service at 1031 South Broadway, Los Angeles. It was really a grand meeting, well worth the effort to attend. This service should be made use of all establishments in need of competent help.

The Club is indebted to Brother Charles Hunt for the appropriate design on the new membership card. Brother Hunt made the drawing and the cut was made by Hiram's Masonic Journal, a copy of which most of our members have been receiving for the past year.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Zeldia Ann Sloane, wife of Brother H. H. Sloane of 1244 East Villa St., Pasadena, on February 12.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB REGULAR MONTHLY DANCE

The next Club Dance will be held on Friday, March 15th, 1940. You are missing a good time by staying away from these monthly dances held in your own Club Ballroom.

There is always good music by a seven piece dance orchestra which has a supply of all the latest musical numbers.

Members, their families and friends are cordially invited to enjoy an evening of free dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 P. M.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family and friends.

Hospital News

The following brothers were reported ill, at home or confined to the St. Vincent's Hospital during the past month. We hope their confinement will be brief and their recovery complete:

DeWitt G. Gartuck, Freight Conductor on the north district, hospital.

Russell H. Duguid, assistant to the Electrical Engineer, at home.

Joseph H. LeClaire, Conductor south district, hospital.

Joe Smale, our genial Cashier, absent a day or two.

Jim Kenner off duty fora few days at home with a severe cold.

Don't forget to visit that sick Brother. He needs your encouragement.

In order to make this column complete and interesting to everyone send in your notes to the Secretary.

LEGION AUXILIARY

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Looking forward to spring, women of the American Legion Auxiliary throughout the nation are planning projects for the improvement of their communities, according to Mrs. Anna Tucker, community service chairman of Pacific Electric Railway Unit No. 321.

These projects will be carried out during the spring and summer months, and will be part of the Auxiliary's annual contribution toward the building of a better America, Mrs. Tucker said. Every one of the Auxiliary's 9,100 local Units is expected to complete at least one project for betterment of its community each year.

Many Units are planning to carry out beautification work in their communities this year. Some will plant trees along highways, streets and in parks, dedicating the trees to the

memory of men who died in the nation's service. Others will plant and maintain beds of memorial poppies or other flowers; sponsor clean-up and paint-up campaigns, and similar efforts to improve community appearance. In rural communities erecting attractive road signs and encouraging the painting and proper erection of mail boxes will be a project of Auxiliary Units.

Projects for the improvement of community health conditions will be the choice of hundreds of Units. They will sponsor health clinics, aid in public nursing service, and provide drinking fountains, ambulance and hospital equipment. Campaigns to raise funds for the purchase of "iron lungs" will have Auxiliary support. Some Units will form blood donor squads to supply blood to those in need of transfusions.

Extending library facilities will be another widely sponsored project, with Auxiliary Units taking the leadership in establishing public libraries in communities now without them, and in developing library service for rural communities. Campaign for donations of books to libraries will be conducted, and hospital libraries developed.

Traffic safety campaigns will be a community service project of many Units, working in cooperation with the schools, police and other agencies.

Community service will be emphasized throughout the nation during March, when the American Legion's 21st birthday will be celebrated. Birthday parties given by Auxiliary Units for their Legion Posts will have service to the community as their motif.

As Chairman of this service, I should like to express my appreciation to all Unit members, for their wonderful cooperation in this work. We shall ever strive to make "Our Service" to the community a commendable one.—Anna Tucker, Chairman Community Service.

Efforts to open educational opportunities for all children of deceased World War veterans will be intensified during the coming year by the American Legion Auxiliary, according to Mrs. Neuman, chairman of the Education of Orphans of Veterans Committee of the local Auxiliary Unit. Many of these children are now completing high school and help for them must be made available at once if they are to have opportunity for higher education, said Mrs. Newman.

Federal aid is available to children of men who died in war service or since the war of service-connected disabilities who are attending approved schools or colleges. Additional state aid is provided in 37 states and the District of Columbia. Four states provide aid for children of all de-

ceased veterans. Scholarships are available in many colleges and vocational schools in all parts of the country. Educational loan funds are maintained by many Auxiliary Departments and a number of special scholarships are offered.

While continuing endeavors to secure aid for children of deceased veterans in all states and to open additional scholarships, the American Legion and Auxiliary will make intensive efforts to locate all such children and acquaint them with the benefits to which they are eligible. A nationwide survey of these children will be made, with more than 30,000 volunteer workers taking part.

The local Auxiliary Unit plans to cooperate in this activity and will endeavor to bring information regarding available educational aid to all children of deceased veterans in the community.

Regular card party March 22 at 8 P. M. Club Lounge, cards and bunco. Prizes and refreshments.

Mrs. Winnifred Parmenter, 23rd District Hospitality Chairman and several other members were guests at the regular meeting on Tuesday.

Several Unit members attended a luncheon at Helms Bakery and were escorted on a tour through the bakery which was very interesting.

A splendid program on National Defense and Americanism was enjoyed on February 13th. A beautiful flag drill was presented by Mr. Horton of Hollywood Post, assisted by the Maywood Auxiliary Drill Team, and Mr. Geo. Withee, who gave a reading on each flag as it was presented. Mrs. L. Lyons was chairman of the evening.

ROD AND GUN CLUB By Artie Skelton

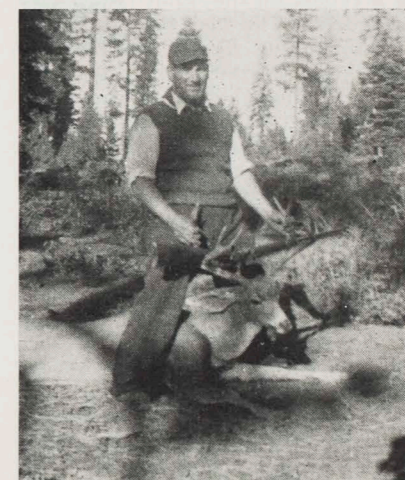
February 14th meeting got away with a bang. Our brand new president A. C. Smith had a lot of new ideas and it looks like he will put them over beautifully. A good crowd was present and two valuable door prizes were drawn.

C. G. Gonzalez won a hunting knife and sheath. Carl Weatherby drew the second prize which was a glorified ash tray. That is an ash tray with an artificial trout perched on top of it. So everybody was happy and a good time was had by all.

Word just came via grapevine from Los Patos that much concern is being felt over the behavior of one of its very popular citizens, Mr. B. F. Manley. Mr. Manley is well known all over the state of California as a hunter and a fisherman. There are indeed few fields in the state he has not covered. However, he has always restricted his sport to hunting and fishing. Golf and such sport as that

were alright of course for those who liked them, but Burleigh just preferred his nature a little more raw. Recently owing to storms, etc., fishing conditions have been very bad, yet every Sunday would find Burleigh out presumably at a newly discovered fishing hole. Finally some of the Los Patos natives trailed him and the end of the trail was the municipal golf course. There, they found Burleigh, striking the pill with all his might, then chasing it like a little puppy dog with a ball on a lawn, and having the time of his life. Congratulations Burleigh, I believe you have something there. If fishing conditions don't get better there will be a lot more of us out there chasing 'em with you. Of course at present it is causing a lot of head shaking around Los Patos Camp.

Then there seems to be some sort of a feud brewing between our ex-president W. G. Knoche and Mr. Thorburn. From the small amount of evidence that has leaked out, it seems



Paul Turri, of the Signal Department, and his prize-winning deer of the 1939 season. Award made by the P. E. Rod & Gun Club.

that Mr. Thorburn caught a steelhead trout last year, duly registered same according to the existing rules and by-laws as interpreted by the party of the first part. It seems that when Mr. Knoche, who will be referred to as the party of the second part, passed out his prizes last year, he either deliberately, negligently or accidentally overlooked Mr. Thorburn's prize on his steelhead trout. And Mr. Thorburn immediately started bringing pressure to bear on Mr. Knoche. On Mr. Thorburn's list of don'ts, neglect, is up near the top and it looks bad for "Willie". However, the darkest hours are usually those just before the break of day.

Well, the main topic of conversation around the club house now seems to be the "Year Book," and why do we have to wait each year until the year is half gone for our year book.

Answer is simple. We have to have advs. to pay for the book. A club of this kind naturally looks to the fishing concessions for their advs. And this is their off season of the year. So we have to wait until they start making money before they can advertise their business and give us our year book. Solution? Yes, let's have a fiscal year instead of a calendar year, and say start it May 1st. Award the prizes in April at a time when everyone is interested in new equipment to start the fishing season. That way we can start the year with our year book in hand. This being our twenty-fifth anniversary year would be a good time to discuss changes for the good of the club. Another thing that is badly needed at this time is a list of the names of all the charter members. I believe there were sixteen names on the original charter. The club's membership now stands at seven hundred and ninety. Quite an increase in the family, eh, what?

BOWLING NOTES By Don Houston STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Claim	45	24
Freight Service	43	26
Hill Street	40	29
Wilshire Lines	39	30
North	37	32
Signal	35	34
Bridge & Building	35	34
Amazons	35	34
Passenger Traffic	35	34
Glendale	34	35
General Office	34	35
P. E. Club	33	36
Engineers	33	36
Freight Traffic	32	37
Transportation	32	37
Schedule & Research	30	39
Medical	29	40
Outlaws	20	49

Standings in the Bowling League have tightened up so that any one of the first ten teams have a fine chance of coping the league lead in the next four or five weeks. The Claim Department, after badly out-distancing the balance of the league for a long time have finally met up with some bad luck and this with good bowling on the part of their opponents has cut their league lead to a point where they are only two full games ahead of the second place Freight Service team. The Freight Service are none too secure in their hold on second place, the Hill Street and the Wilshire Lines outfits thundering right on their heels.

Should any of these first four teams slip there are any number of game hungry clubs behind them ready to take advantage of any opportunity to knock the big boys off.

The league has really produced some excellent bowling on the part

of various individuals, and heading the list of such achievements is the old grey eagle, Burly Manley, who on the night of February 7th astonished the natives out on Sunset Boulevard with a pin smashing game of 275. This gentleman was really sizzling and with a little more luck could have had one of those "300" games. On the same evening Ed Hasenyager wasn't so cold himself, finishing out the evening with a nifty 613 plus 78, for a high series of 691.

Other winners of high series during the past month were, Max Irwin, bowling with the Passenger Traffic; Frank Epp, the boss man of the Wilshire Lines; Ted Cuccia of the Signal Department. Winners of high games were R. Kissick of the Wilshire Lines; H. Huber of the Glendale club and C. Robertson of the Outlaws, who turned in a smashing 184, plus 84, or a total of 268. This little lady, next to the bottom of the average list, really went to town and showed some of the "experts" how the pins should be taken care of. When she finished this game the noise those Outlaws made could have been heard as far north as Santa Barbara. That team really sticks together and the way they are going are a mighty tough aggregation to handle. Incidentally on the night Mrs. Robertson got her high game the Outlaws turned back the league leaders two games to one.

Jay Gowanlock continues to show the rest of the league how it should be done and his 185. average certainly speaks for itself. Ted Cuccia has also done all right for himself, as his 177. average would indicate. Its a mystery how the Signal team loses any games with such high average men as Cuccia, Welch, Barnes, Woolley and Yeager flinging them down the alleys.

Gonzalez, L. W. Davis, Kinney and a newcomer, Gruber are the others in the magic "170" average circle. The battle between the Cobbs shows the Mrs. still leading the Mr. by a two point margin, however Ralph says that won't keep up much longer as he is really going to level on them from now on in.

Averages indicate that Art Pabst and Ed Hassenyager are not doing their teams any harm, these two worthies clicking the maples for 166. averages. Burly Manley and Chester Davis are also going along in nice style and the same goes for R. M. Jones, Dietz, Crownover and "Worry" Birmingham. Charley Oliver has made a real threat out of the P. E. Club with his consistent bowling and his Mrs. is generally there to see that he keeps up the good work. We learn that it's a case of good games, good breakfast, bad games, no breakfast

in the Oliver household. Incidentally he's been eating regular.

Lead by Ernie Pont and Dietz the Hill Street team stays right up there in the running and these two bucks get lots of help from Niekamp, Bau-dish and Eaton.

"One bounce" Frank Epp has to keep rolling 'em along or he will find himself under one of the twin coaches out in the garage some fine morning. The way the Wilshire Lines are going they look like the dark horses of the league.

We've got leaders, runners-up, etc., but the real mystery team of the league is the Schedule and Research. They will knock off one of the high powered clubs and then turn around and take a real shellacing from some of the lower bracket clubs. The last outfit to give them a spanking was the Outlaws and the way the timetable boys went to pieces in that encounter was something to see. Worthington wouldn't bowl, Shafer couldn't, Jones didn't and we haven't had a report on the other two, Perry and Ziegler. The last seen of Perry he was running like a deer for the nearest exit. Never having seen him go into a gallop before it was worth a lot to the assembled multitude to see his movements, and when he took the curve past the cigar counter he was on two wheels.

The Medical Department team, assisted by the mighty Loveys, has been climbing the percentage ladder, their latest victims being the Glendale team who were taken into camp by a 3-0 score on March 1. The Docs must have thrown a scare into Loveys as he hasn't made a chirp during the last few nights and I've been told he has been given an ultimatum of good games or—operation. Dr. Castaneres, Millsap, Garrett and Dr. Scholz don't fool when they give this young man his instructions. In addition they are holding up their part of the bargain by showing him how a bowling ball should be handled.

Bert Norton has returned to the bowling wars with a vengeance, and his average has been going up like a rocket. He should really help the Transportation club take care of the opposition from now to the end of the league schedule.

Harry Hampton and E. W. Swanson and of course the Jones' boy, R. M., have been going yeoman work for the North squad and having been getting lots of help from Maddy and Brantley. This club is in fifth place and is right in the thick of the fight. It would be no upset for them to win the league title if they keep up their present work.

The job of holding up "Jake" Jacobsmeyer has proven quite a task for Claude Allen, Roy Wilson, George Orr and the returned prodigal, Bert

Norton, but Jake has had his warning from the rest of the gang and he will either bowl well or be in the dog house.

You see some funny sights during the course of the evening and one of the funniest is to see Grey Oliver or his worthy constituent, Capt. Sayan, try to pick up a split, egged on by "Two Bucks" Gould and "Parlay" DuBose. DuBose, being a left hander of course is very competent to show 'em how not to throw the pellet and Gould gives 'em advice just as a matter of convenience, to him. When Sayan misses, he generally can tell Grey what the cause was, when Oliver misses he gets a look on that frozen phiz of his that stops all conversation. When either of them picks up the split you'd think a new president had been elected.

Another bird who generally misses 50 per cent of the singles he shoots at is our good friend "Gold Bond" Shafer and he has lots of company in Houston, Hanratty, and Ned Rich. However being on the "wrong" side of the average sheet we can be excused for such practices.

Brucker and Sayan, incidentally, and of course "Round House" Orr, have the biggest assortment of curves ever witnessed on the alleys. That hook of Orr's could be sent around a reverse curve and never leave the alley.

The antics of the General Office team have about made Sayan, In-Sayan, according to a report from underworld sources, report being turned in by Operative Jones of the gopher detail.

Marion Lutes, Frances Houston, Cora Wilson and Kate Ohlinger, and of course the star of the outfit "184" Robertson, have about given up on 17 Coats and Grey, the pride of the General Office. They have an idea these birds are leading them due to a sense of chivalry and this is to let them know it's due to no such thing—the dubs can't do any better. It's an even bet the girls have these gentlemen in their proper place before the season winds up.

Matter of Form

"Sorry, madam, but licenses are issued only when your form is filled out properly."

"Why, I like your nerve, sir. We can get married no matter what I look like."

"What's the matter, Jenkins, can't you satisfy this customer?" snapped a shoe store manager.

"No, sir," replied the salesman. "He wants two shoes that squeak in the same key."

DEPARTMENTAL NOTES

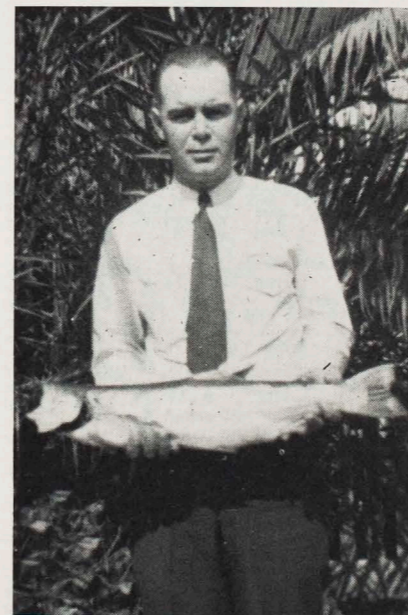
WEST HOLLYWOOD

By G. R. Stevens

Motorman W. A. Smith of West Hollywood is well versed on music and he can expertly play the piano. He is intensely interested in ballads, especially European compositions of 1875 to 1890. He points out that the top flight songs of any day that survive the wave of popularity and are played and sang year after year are the ballads, and in his studies he found the ballad "Maggie Murphy's Home", an Irish song, dating back to 1790. He also draws attention to the melodies of the era from 1890 to 1910, among which is "Londonderry Air", "I Love Sweet Jeanie With the Light Brown Hair" and others by Stephen Foster from 1856 to 1869. Stephen Foster's songs are popular now, especially since the picture Swanee River, a picture purporting to be the life of the beloved music composer.

Our new day Terminal Foreman at West Hollywood is E. B. Griffin, who bid it in. Mr. Griffin comes from the Northern Division where he was Pasadena Terminal Foreman for several years and has many friends. Though he is a stranger among us right now we know he won't be long. His daughter and son-in-law recently became the proud parents of twins, both girls. Congratulations to the happy family.

The trainmen of West Hollywood who were here when the terminal was up in the old brick building on the boulevard will remember Mr. and Mrs. Hitchens who had the restaurant in the waiting room, and later across the street when the terminal was moved to its present location, will be interested to know they are still residing in West Hollywood, although not in the restaurant business, wish to be remembered to the boys.



Motorman John C. Hearn went fishing up above Santa Barbara recently and caught a big six and one-half pound rainbow steelhead in the Santa Yenz river. Conductor R. A. Pearce of West Hollywood caught a 26 and one-half inch steelhead trout in the same river a week later using fresh spawn. Conductor J. C. Kennedy was along on the trip. They liked it so well they are going again. Motorman Rhode is planning on going up there to try his luck.

Motorman R. Scott was lucky recently when he won one hundred dollars on CASH night at the Carmel Theatre.

Motorman Wm. McAllister of West Hollywood served on the P. E. Safety committee for February.

Motorman F. L. Bruce of Hill Street has bought a lot over in San Fernando valley and built a new home on it.

D. G. Garlock, West Hollywood freight conductor is confined in the St. Vincent hospital recovering from injuries received in an accident. Reports are he is doing nicely.

Conductor C. L. Abbott of Hill Street also is in the St. Vincent Hospital recuperating from a fall sustained while on duty.

Motorman B. V. Peacock is back from a rail trip to Des Moines, Iowa where he visited relatives.

FREIGHT TRAFFIC NOTES

By J. E. Blackburn

More on the matter of bottled water: George Myers did his bit this month and put up a couple of bottles just to show us he isn't too light for such heavy work after all. As stated previously we will now have to confess that we've seen about everything. It would certainly refresh our memories, though, if Frank Connors should be seen hoisting a five-gallon bottle around once in a while. You know, it might be productive of some good results if a campaign of this kind were started in connection with the cleaning of the pencil sharpener. Or perhaps a score card could be provided for these incidental activities just to see who has the most initiative.

George Meyers became a proud grandfather during the month of February of an eight-pound six-ounce baby boy born to his eldest daughter on Valentine's Day. It was thought for a while that George had attained the distinction of the first grandfather in the Freight Traffic Department; however, an unconfirmed rumor has been circulated to the effect that Dillard Layne achieved that honor some time ago but didn't let it be generally known.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Ralph Perry whose mother passed away during the last month, the end coming a few hours after she was stricken with a heart attack at her home in San Bernardino.

There isn't very much that can be said these days about the bowling team except that we have been losing for the past two months about as consistently, if not more so, as we were winning for a while, during that period having fallen from second place to a tie for eighth in the league standings. What this precipitous drop was attributable to is a matter of conjecture by the members bad luck while another thinks it is due to of the team—one thinks it is a matter of unprofessional failure to stand up under the pressure placed upon us as a close contender for top honors. Whatever the trouble is the fact remains that we have lost twenty-one points out of a possible twenty-seven since December 15th when the downfall began. It may be a coincidence but it just so happens that we have had no moral support from the office since that time either.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

By Victor P. Labbe

Ed Hasenyager was unlucky enough to lose his overcoat while eating lunch at a health cafeteria.

George Estes paid us a visit the other day and certainly looks good. Everyone is glad to see you looking so fine George.

Ronald Podlech is now a first class fisherman. Well by that I mean he certainly can tell them. It won't be his fault if he doesn't win a prize.

Russell Duguid would like to golf, bowl, etc., but says his home work takes all his spare time.

Evelyn Welch, now nearing championship form in ping pong, wishes to challenge all comers.

Mr. Lynch came to work the other day with a peach of a black eye and he had an iron clad alibi. Claims a 5 year old boy did

it while he was giving him a boxing lesson. Burleigh Manley made such a high score at bowling that he had to buy a new hat the next day. Understand he is going to give up all the Manley sports and take up golf. Claims he has reached that age now. J. W. Buchanan has been spending his spare time on a jury trial.

Harry Culp was off sick but back to work again.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs. Sarah B. Kelly.

Hugh Nickerson will soon have open house.

Wonder where Harvey Smith has been hiding? This is leap year girls.

Jean Fogarty plans to spend her vacation this year on a dude ranch. Claims she may find love and romance. Let's hope so.

Ralph Pratt is trying to beat Dick Searling's record on moving.

Russell Duguid finally recovered and is back on the job again.

Martin Calebs are expecting a blessed event real soon.

Miss Comer says to end all arguments as to who owes who a dinner. She will gladly take Mr. Stadon to dinner any evening he chooses.

Fred Spencer is wearing a beauty patch on his forehead.

Who sat next to Jimmy Ray at lunch the other day that made him forget to eat.

Gus Guercio seen taking in Sally Rand's show at the Orpheum. Some gal says Gus.

Bill Hibbard and Don Lewis trailing a brunette west on 6th Street.

Geo. McClure would like to get a new system for Santa Anita. He's tired of buying feed all the time. Try your wife's system, George.

PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES

By Ray Cragin

Have you noticed the way Mr. Thorburn's chest is out these days. Well there is a reason for it. The headman of our department is a Grandpa for the second time. He lost no time calling on the new arrival. A hurry up week end trip north was the result.

If you want to have fun says George Quesenbery, take a tip and take a dip in the Redondo Plunge. George is a regular swimmer at Redondo and it is rumored he might try for the Olympic team in 1948, that is just as soon as he gets in shape.

Not much news from the VFW headquarters at 145 P. E. Bldg. Charles Wakefield was off a few days and it was reported he had the flu but C. Curle of West Hollywood said he was captured at Camp Curle spying and they had him in their prison camp for a week.

Dot Beranek is quite proud of her bowling team and expects to wind up near the top at the end of the season. We understand she had several lessons in knocking the pins over in Wisconsin on her vacation.

Notes from Torrance
Charles Stock also became a proud Grandpa during the last month. A young man by the name of Orville W. Pratt arrived at the California Hospital on February 17th. Mother, son and grandfather are all doing well.

Ralph Long, you know the father of twins, and Bob Cain the bridegroom-to-be, were visitors at the Orange Show last month. They also visited other places in San Bernardino they tell me.

Ed Hoyt and Harold Kirk took advantage of the recent snows and went skiing last month. Ed collided with a few of the boys on the course and ended up hitting the ski house and it cost him three dollars and a half. His friends told him not to use skis the next time.

Tired of paddling a canoe on the Venice canals, Frank Kinterburg moved to Redondo. Frank says that extra hour of sleep in the morning is another reason for moving.

Fred Hopkins reports his mother much better after a recent illness. This is good news to all his many friends.

"Cap Pistol" Kitto wishes his friends would call him Professor Kitto. He is now a professor at the Institute of Anthropology. He is busy in the research department. He hopes to prove that "Two Gun" Cain is a descendant of the SHOWME tribe of Missouri, that his right name is Chief Throw-the-Bull.

On March first, Mr. Frank M. Carr, Storekeeper at Macy Street, took his pension under the Railroad Retirement Act. Mr.

promises bigger and better news for next month—I'll be seeing you, John.

John B. Smith's daughter Evelyn recently spent a wonderful day on Mt. Wilson with the girls from St. Anthony's High School.

Fred Wurn had a brand new kind of worry but by the time you read this his trouble should be solved. Fred had been troubled with a loose tooth for several days and now as I call upon him just after lunch the tooth is gone altogether and he did not know when it came out or what became of it. I have my own ideas as to where it went but it is up to Fred to prove me right, or wrong.

Bill Solon is today, Feb. 26th, completing thirty-four years with the P. E. Family, starting out with the L.A.R. at their Redondo shops when Redondo was a real beach metropolis. Bill must be a hard chewer, hence a hard worker, for he reports wearing out four good sets of store teeth during the thirty-four years. He recently drove out to Death Valley to visit with his son who is employed in a 3-C camp there.

David M. Byers comes up with the kind of news we used to get more of—Dave got married on Feb. 18th to Mildred Palmer at Visalia, spending their honeymoon at the P. E. Camp. Congratulations, folks.

Walter Burgess reports NO HUNTING this last month but may have fishing story for next month—We'll be seeing you too, Walter. Underground sources inform me that Walter got into the big time boys for \$40.00 out at the Santa Anita track last Sunday.

Bill Sutherland was an unusual casualty recently, stayed too long under the big infra red lamp in the Doctor's office and came to work next day with a wonderful sunburn. Just give yourself time, Bill, you'll learn.

Gus Gunderson and family recently spent a week end at Big Bear in the snow. His big 3 year old boy had a great time but failed to find the BEAR. Make dad take you up there again, son, and maybe you can find the bear next time.

Sorry to learn that John Anderson, of the Tin Shop, lost his mother-in-law on February 23rd.

SUBWAY TERMINAL NOTES

By W. F. Servranckx

Another old timer has left our ranks after 38 years of faithful service to take a well deserved rest, and to give him a grand send off, about 125 fellow employees and their wives attended a testimonial dinner complimenting Jas. L. Kincaid retiring depot master. It came as a complete surprise to our honored guest. He having been told by his family to be sure and keep January 13 open. Jim wanted to go fishing and play golf, but he was finally persuaded to keep a dinner engagement on the above night, and just imagine when he walked in the Glendale Masonic Hall, and saw several scores of his friends. Jim just did not know what to make of it. Well we all just sat down to dinner and after we all had enough to eat, Mr. X acting as master of ceremonies, introduced the Hon. Judge Clarence Kincaid, son of our honored guest, who gave a wonderful talk, F. L. McCully, L. S. Jones, A. C. Moll, George Miles, Jim Cook and last but not least our own Steve Wilson, Clarence Snodgrass and several others too numerous to mention. Music was supplied by "Dad" and the two Fortner boys and that big he man mechanic, R. C. Byrd and his banjo.

L. V. Nelson rendered two beautiful songs.

C. P. Wagner as the Swede from Minnesota, and that great wizard of magic, C. C. Carney, we don't know how many purses disappeared. C. L. Settle may know.

Conductor M. E. Shay on behalf of the trainmen presented Mr. Kincaid with a beautiful traveling bag, as Jim will have plenty of time to go without having to worry about the alarm clock at 6:30 A. M.

Wishing you all the luck and a very long and happy life, Jim all we can say is call again, we will miss you.

Conductor and Mrs. T. M. Day are the proud parents of a baby boy and Tommy presented us all with a good cigar. Congratulations.

Mrs. J. E. Tolbert was painfully but not seriously injured the other day due to a fall. We are pleased to learn that she feels much better.

In St. Vincent Hospital are C. E. Abbott,

Geo. Ashston, Chas. Gerlach, Geo. E. Ralls, and were visited by yours truly and they all take this opportunity to say hello to you all.

Don't forget that big dance Zina Lodge is giving March 16 at the Boy Scouts Cabin, Robertson and Melrose. Come and meet the Irish, Irish doughnuts and coffee will be served by Brother and Sister J. R. Walker.

It seems that our good friend O. L. McKee has a lot of time on his hands to remember the boys through the mails. Glad to hear from you Mac. We have now on record all the views of Ohio.

Mrs. Loyd and Mrs. Knap recently returned from a vacation to Eastern Kansas, where they visited over the holidays with Mrs. Knap's parents and relatives. They reported a lot of snow and 10 below zero weather and enjoyed it. Can you imagine? Brrr. As shown by the accompanying pic-



ture, but as the old saying goes one does get the holiday spirit when the ground is white with snow.

We were sorry to hear during their absence, of the sudden death of Loyd Knap's mother at Los Angeles. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

On the way home from that big meeting the other night O. P. Hotchkiss, had his auto pushed a little way up Glendale Boulevard and was our good friend Andy Grenty surprised to see O. D. and N. Lambert, crawling out of that big Dodge. Lambert was heard to remark "Gosh, I know very well I should have one of those policies." Well you know where to find me, Nolan.

Conductor G. D. Burnett claims that it is the "flu" what gives him that tired feeling. We believe you Barney but we will ask Billie.

Dan Keeley says eat a lot of carrots, spinach and grapefruit if you want to feel good. Thanks, Dan.

MOTOR TRANSIT DISTRICT

By M. J. Creamer

A few changes—in this ever changing "world" effective Feb. 5th, when bumpty-bump went the roads. Owing to abolishment of position in Baggage & Express room, Lawrence Allen moved in on San Bernardino bag and baggage! M. J. Freeman (San Bdo) took over at Pomona, replacing Joe Hernandez who is down at the Freight House on extra work. Joe is commuting back and forth to Pomona. Walt Rorick, catches himself going and coming by relieving for a couple of hours in Express office during their rush period. Ed Zirekel, who replaced Lawrence Allen, played a "Highland Fling" over a couple of suitcases and winded up by being off work for a week to recover from his injuries. A bad fall, but luckily it was no worse. John W. Olson and T. Markham took over at intervals to carry on.

Dots and Dashes Mrs. Henry Stone, making a hurried trip to Parker Dam, motoring to visit her sister-in-law (Henry's sister) who was injured in an automobile accident recently. Bob Cruson's wife and daughter returned from Amarillo, Texas for the 'steenth time and are located in Montrose. Welcome back to

the Mrs. and family—but we're holding our breath—as she is destined to be the best traveler of this era.

Ira (Soapy) Casteel buying his best girl friend something lovely in diamonds in the shape of a cross (couldn't it have been in the shape of a heart?) Soapy says he already had the diamonds—sooh—we DO have a rich man in our midst. We learned that she was just TOO—TOO pleased and very happy (ma chere). Haven't got more diamonds at home, Soapy—something about the size of a carrot or so, that you'd like to dispose of? Soapy is the thoughtful one as his good deeds lead one to believe—should a fair maiden feel cold—he'll gladly loan out his jacket. (Moral: please don't talk "flu" to us anymore).

Frank Pilkerton's birthday party must have been a surprise to him—or did he suspect? His little wife engineered the whole plot by taking him to the races and letting him have full reins for the day. Those invited (no, I wasn't) with the aid of the manager of the apartment, gained entrance and were well occupied in the apartment when they returned. A house full of guests—many nice gifts! By flapping ears around in the breeze, learned that Mr. and Mrs. Rudd, Walt Deal, Ira Casteel and A. M. Spillsbury and a few others were in attendance.

News items left out of the news but just seeped through: That Operator E. B. Dunson and Bob Griffith have both remarried. Whoa, don't say that the gang can't keep secrets! Bestest to youse!

Sidehill C. E. Barnum reports that in last issue I had him ALREADY moved into his remodeled home two weeks in advance—so although I was a bit premature—at least it was HOT off the griddle!

Richard Allen, returning to the fold at the depot to brush up now that he says he has a four-hour lull in his schedule. Observed madly pushing tariff books around and digesting contents—or were you just turning pages?

Freeman Morgan, getting plenty of exercise, stooping to conquer—only this time it's retrieving match covers for a lady who is desirous of obtaining the required some thousands, for a sight-seeing dog for a blind friend of hers. Perhaps the information conveyed that Eddie Cantor sponsors this is true, however, Freeman thought that a few lines inserted in the column, might interest the gang and that they would save them also and turn them over to him. So there it is . . . best of luck, Freeman!

Dear Marion Snowden: Alpha (Seagraves) suggests that I invite you over to her house to watch her cook dinner ANY evening . . . so there's a standing invite. Guess after watching the procedure—she might pull up an extra chair, but still she didn't say that—so take it as is! Geo. Jehl, made an inspection tour of Conductor of Accounts Bureau and actually got the inside dope on your desk, Marion—you know the antiques and relics! Maybe he just wouldn't believe—but anyway he saw—and I think he meant JUNK when he referred to those relics. Whassamatter, hasn't the junk man been around lately? Any rags? and bones?—and as for hair? (Maybe I'd better keep quiet) or that might be G.W.T.W. (Geo, incidentally has a marvel desk—if you're looking for anything and can't find it—just look in his desk, magazines, wrapping paper, rope—well just everything! Geo celebrated his birthday by attending Agent's Banquet at University Club last month—\$2.00 a plate, my! Too hot to handle—and too choice to keep—but WHY did your wife, George, have to make a personal visit to chef at certain restaurant to inform him NO more garlic in your meals

Stranger than Fiction: "And please may I have a refund on this ticket? (It was a \$2.00 show bet on a horse at Santa Anita—guess the nag didn't come in and the chap wanted his money back—but after explaining to him that it was NOT a bus ticket, he still seemed mystified. Famous last words: "I want my baggage!" (Baggage room closes at 9:30 P.M. now instead of 10:30 P.M. but signs are such foolish things—doncha know.)

Arno Laughlin is already making plans for a trip East early in June. After all, it won't be long before that time of the year—and vacations? For those that rate 'em—something to look forward to and are we envious! Walt Rorick getting hopped up for a trip to Yosemite and to dabble in the snow. Guy Rhinard sporting that long-planned pair of shoes \$11.00 worth and after several visits to the store he finally got them stretched into something this side of comfort. His niece and her husband and son

are out from Parma, Mich., making their home in Santa Ana. All this brr weather in the East—and leaving there with the wheels on their car frozen solid, and now being able to enjoy a Sunday afternoon—to stretch out on the lawn—with sunshine galore and IN February, still surprises them. (Chamber of Commerce, please take note. Carbon copy to Florida.)

We are sorry to learn that H. H. Howard, Agent, El Monte, who has been on sick leave, trying so hard to recover from his injuries some many months ago and his long confinement in the hospital, is back in the hospital again . . . this time with pneumonia. The cards are bound to change and we do hope that you get a NEW deal soon. A rapid recovery to you. L. S. Radcliffe's mother suffered a light stroke recently. "Rad" stayed home with her for several days. His mother has been so active and so interested in daily life, that we likewise hope her recovery will be complete. Hello to "Pete" Peters once again from the gang.

O. W. Brown has reasons to be proud of his son, who is a student at Glendale High. He has been awarded a 4-year scholarship, due to his excellent grades. He has been very active in other school doings and all this is worthy of much praise!

Bob Cruson has his "off" days as we all do, and trying ones at that, judging from encounter with elderly gentleman who boarded his bus and insisted that bus would go the route he desired. Passenger refused to pay fare unless Bob took him where he wanted to go. As a last resort, Bob called Dispatchers to get their verdict and while verdict was being rendered and to avoid a trip to the Cell House—passenger disappeared! Who says the life of a bus driver is a bed of roses?

Edwin Barnett, the genius of invention, relating to others about his new hot air heater on his car, made from an oil can, a Hydraulic fluid can and a sardine can (sounds canny) but the work of art should be something in itself. Geo. Hoffman still living in his home on wheels (trailer) and managing to keep busy planting flowers on that leased inch of ground. Is figuring on a big paint job—you know, the roof on his trailer and about a quart will do the job. A lot different than those who plan to re-roof on their permanent shattos. Observed debating as to whether to buy another jalopy or fix up the ol' Dodge so guess the Dodge will get a few extra parts—junk yards can furnish missing parts!

"Sure, who wouldn't?" (in retaliation to such remarks) "If you buy the coffee, I'll have some" (Jack Butler) Have you seen his new "stars and stripes" uniform? Hot Dog! 17 years worth of hash marks and stars on the sleeve (Don't say it seems just like yesterday). R. Hayman demonstrating rules of "Eddycat" by quaffing coffee from a saucer, spilling the coffee on the counter, mopping it up with a napkin and then complaining to the waitresses about the counter being messy. No wonder the poor gals give up and go back home! Arnold "Boog" Evans scanning the pages of a magazine, such beautiful models, 1940 "oomph" gals and remarking, "Who cut out one of these pictures?" WELL—who did?

Manuel Rankin's dog has been accused of biting a Mexican goat out on those rolling plains near Watts. (Although his dog was found later—dead, the impression imprinted on some of the gang was to the effect that Manuel didn't feed his dog, thus causing dog to bite the goat and in so doing, it was his own undoing! Confess, Manuel—what's this all about?

FLASHES: (sparks later) L. L. McDonald displaying his "Jitsu" tactics some weeks back when he encountered the wrath of one of our elite guests early in the wee hours and who decided to take "Mac" on for no reason. No fight, the bum just rolled over and around like a top, gained his feet and lit out for parts unknown! Walt Rorick, the prankster at heart, upsetting the equilibrium of none other than Howard Strong by having him framed . . . a looking glass did the work, and SUCH modesty, but it WAS a good haircut! (Walt, assumes all risk for reprint of this item which was strictly warned off the press account results pending—but then to MOST of the gang—FUN is FUN! Walt Deal (Gilmore) loves to smoke cigarettes in case anyone is interested—that is, OTHERS cigs. (I don't think his budget (?) covers that wasteful expenditure, so a word to the wise should be sufficient. He rolls his own (Bull Durham) when times are tough. The gratifying phrase he uses is "Thanks, pal!" (meaning what? could it infer Thanks Sappo?"

"Winks" our congenial waitress at Denton's (depot cafe) is sporting a grinding plate (she makes no secret of it) and we marvel at her LOVE for pain. Imagine having a flock of downstairs teeth yanked and replaced all in one sitting and then "back to work" next day SMILING . . . it beats me! Probably hitting the news elsewhere in the departmental section was that of a toper who recently drove his car through the subway terminal (tunnel) and emerged into the lighted terminal, weaving his way up the ramp in a most melodious mood. When inquiries came forth as to "how come" and didn't you know it wasn't a street?"—he could only shoot back with words, "It was bumpier than ___ (if you know what I mean). John Law took him away and the car remained for the flat car! A goodly crowd was on hand!

Our sincere and best wishes go out to R. W. Evans, Traveling Auditor, a familiar face to all in his long association with the company, who retired during February. Noted that he was loaded down with train schedules. Could it be a long-planned trip in view?

Happy birthdays in March to the gang: Operator R. C. Fabun, Mar. 4th; R. J. McMullen, Mar. 6th; J. W. Hahesy, Mar. 9th; E. C. Pearson, Mar. 13th; E. C. Hicks, Mar. 17th; Alex Petersen, Mar. 20th; and O. W. Brown, Mar. 24th. Many happy returns! Anniversaries being celebrated too! L. E. Netzey, Supervisor, his 23rd year and H. H. Howard, Agent, El Monte (sick-leave) his 18th year. Others are W. A. McKenzie, 13 yrs; "Shorty" Mason, 12 yrs; Bob Griffith, 4 yrs, and the twins, W. E. Dufour and A. M. Spillsbury each with 3 years G.W.T.W.

IN and AROUND Riverside: Operator Gene Wickham trying to get his bookkeeping done using only a mild revamped version of the King's English. After all, Wick says, "You can't teach an ol' dog new tricks and make him like it, at least not ALL at once!" Lady trying to find out who was at fault after being given a five-cent ride in the wrong direction. Operator picked up her ticket, let her off, before she discovered she rode west instead of north. Traveling Auditor R. W. Evans and his shadow, J. R. McDonald, giving the books the once over at San Bernardino. Not mentioning any names but there are some operators who could go in for a little spring gardening or training. It seems after loading 82 pieces of baggage atop car 1875, it was fully 15 minutes before they could get up enough steam

to raise their feet high enough to get into the bus. It takes practice, McGee! Anyway, these tourists should not travel with so much luggage, eh what? That NO policeman—that's Operator Nels Petersen looking for a suspect!

When the newlyweds boarded the train the embarrassed groom tipped the porter libelously not to disclose that they were just married.

On the way to breakfast next morning the couple was the object of many grins, stares and craning of necks. Furious, the groom upbraided the porter.

"Nassuah, Boss," George defended himself, "Ah didn't tell 'em. When dey asked me if you was jus' married Ah says 'No, Suh, dey is just chums.'"—(Crail)

Family Dictionary

"What's inertia, Dad?"

"Well, if I have it, it's sheer laziness; but if your mother has it, it's nervous prostration."

The list of prize winners at a recent picnic was announced as follows:

"Mrs. Smith won the ladies' rolling pin throwing contest by hurling a pin seventy-five feet."

"Mr. Smith won the hundred-yard dash."

"Choir practice was out early tonight, wasn't it? How did it happen?"

"Oh, somebody blew an outo horn outside and a minute later the male quartet was all that was left."

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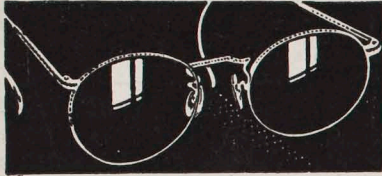
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