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E. C. THOMAS...

..EDITOR

"GOD Bless America." He always has, more than we have deserved; and we sincerely hope He will continue to do so; but the thought comes to us that we might (without offense) lend assistance by brushing off (ungently) some of the barnacles we have accumulated in the past decade; and, put an emphatic stop to all "isms" except American"ism".

COMPLIMENTS are coming thick and fast on the appearance of our rebuilt 600-class cars that are now in service, of which fifteen have been completed and others coming out of the shops at the rate of ten per month. Likewise, bouquets are being received on the new Motor Coaches that are beginning to arrive. Fifteen of the new "Twins" go into service on the Redondo Motor Coach Line on the 12th; a few of the "Whites" for replacements on the Motor Transit District lines are here with many others expected within 30 days; The first of our portion of Diesel Hydraulics for L. A. Motor Coach arrived last week with more to follow very soon, and there will be other news to tell later on. Our thanks to "John Public" for compliments received.

NOW that the company is "getting along" with new equipment, it is up to we employes to be "getting along" with a new stock and brand of courtesy to dish out to the patrons. With the many changes being brought about, the public will more and more be looking to us for information and service. Kindly attention and attitude, with complete information cheerfully given will do much to win and hold friends and patronage, and we all of us need both—in business as well as personally. The future success of this company, and by that is meant the future of our jobs, is squarely upon the shoulders of every employe. The company is doing its part—now let's do ours.

IN THE "CALCIUM GLARE"

From a San Fernando Valley paper of recent date we gather that the "movie spot lights" have been turned on one of our Motormen of the cars that serve a portion of the famous

The personage involved is Orville Clutterham, who came from the windy city of Chicago some five years ago and enlisted with the Pacific Electric in train service.

The distinction that has come to Mr. Clutterham is that he is an almost perfect double for William Powell.

Among other remarks by the newspaper printing the story were the following:

"We were so amazed at the uncanny resemblance that it was difficult to interview him."

"Our William Powell, of the Pacific Electric, is proud of a charming wife (who resembles Janet Gaynor) and two babies, one is a little blonde three-year-old daughter named Dawn, and a boy, Leon, who was one year old December 15. Had Mr. Clutterham offered his son to the M.G.M. Studios when they were looking for a baby to play William Powell's son in "Another Thin Man" what a coincidence that would have been. The child looks as much like Powell as he does his daddy-and as his daddy does Powell. And what a clutterup at the studio had Clutterham been assigned as the child's studio guardian. Powell would have gone daffy trying to figure out which one was he. Himself or the other guy. And Myrna Loy would have had 'Another Thin Man' and still-another thin man."

APPRECIATION TO MR. COBB

One of the outstanding instances of new business promotion in recent months was that of R. M. Cobb, Line Supervisor of our company, who secured the business of transporting eleven members of the Los Angeles Women's Bowling Team round trip from Los Angeles to Syracuse, New York where they will participate in the National Womens' Bowling Contest. Among those composing the Los Angeles Team is Mrs. Cobb who is well known nationally as a bowler.

The business secured by Mr. Cobb for the Southern Pacific against quite stiff competition amounted to the tidy sum of \$1030.80.

Mr. Geo. B. Hanson, General Passenger Agent of the Southern Pacific, writes with regard to the matter: "This is an outstanding piece of cooperation and you may be sure that we are deeply appreciative of Mr. Cobb's efforts, and I know that you will want to see that he is given all the credit that is due him."

FRED LARCOMB FRAZIER

On behalf of his many friends, the Magazine extends most sincere sympathy to the wife, daughter and relatives of Fred Larcomb Frazier, whose demise occurred on April 30th.

For the past 17 years Mr. Frazier has been a member of this company's personnel, and by his strict devotion to duty, as well as by other sterling traits of character, he won and held many strong friends in the organization, all of whom regret his passing.

He was born in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, February 25th, 1885, coming to California in 1921, and entered the service of the Pacific Electric in 1923. After brief service in both the Stores Department and Terminal Freight Office, he became Ticket Stock Clerk in the Passenger Traffic Department, where he continued until the date of his death.

In his demise, Mr. Frazier is survived by his wife, daughter Pauline, a brother in the East, and a number of relatives residing in Los Angeles and in Ohio.

Services were conducted at the chapel of Graham & Isbell on Thursday, May 2nd, followed by interrment at Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

WITH RETIREMENT HONORS

As of April 27th, the official list of retirements from service contains three names of employes who have given many years of service both to the company and to the public in their various capacities of employment. The best wishes of their fellows goes with them that they may find the remaining years allotted them cast in pleasant places. The list follows:

Emeterio Rangel, Engineering Department, 13 years service.

Herbert Clark, Transportation Department, 22 years service.

Jose Arriola, Engineering Department, 17 years service.

W. F. HIBBARD ADVANCES

Announcement is made of the appointment of W. F. Hibbard as Chief Calculator and Assistant Engineer, under jurisdiction of F. W. Spencer, Chief of Field Division, Engineering Department, succeeding L. W. Perry, retired.

Mr. Hibbard is a C. E. Graduate of the University of Southern California, entering the service of the Pacific Electric in July, 1935 and prior to his recent promotion has been rated as Junior Engineer in the Field Department.

Congratulations and best wishes are extended.

Don't forget that there may be a second section coming or a double track with a train coming in the opposite direction.-The Safe Driver.

Alhambra's Annual Story Book Pageant

The Story Book Characters of Childhood Re-enacted by Alhambra's Children

May 10, 1940

Begun four years ago primarily as a local feature of the City of Alhambra in which the children of that charming city might participate to the gratification of themselves and their parents and adoring relatives, as well as stimulate interest in civic affairs, "The Story Book Parade" has grown in interest and enthusiasm to such an extent that it is now known state-wide, and in quite a large measure nationally.

So popular has the event grown, and so true to the legendary characters with which we are all quite familiar, the event has been recently recognized as one of the outstanding features of the fiesta type by state organizations, that it has been listed by the State Chamber of Commerce and by the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce as a regular annual event of major interest.



The 1940 Parade was held on Saturday, May 4, and eclipsed any of those previously held both as to number of entries and for attendance of spectators, the estimate of the attendance exceeded 50,000 along the route of the parade, many coming from quite a distance.

"Baby's Boat-The Silver Moon." an elaborate creation of blue net representing the sky, from which twinkled hundreds of gold stars, while a large silver moon was awarded the grand sweepstakes prize. The miniature float was the handiwork of youngsters of the Garfield School in Alhambra. It was escorted by 10 little girls and drawn by a group of older schoolboys.

Second award in the sweepstakes class was for a float titled the "Memories of Stephen Foster." Little 6year-old Howard Rogers, representing Stephen Foster, sat at a white miniature piano and as he played the characters of Stephen Foster's music moved about the float.

Fifty boys and girls of the Emery Park Elementary School in Alhambra, dressed to represent international dolls and every era of the United States, assisted by a huge Chinese dragon, won third place in the sweepstakes class.

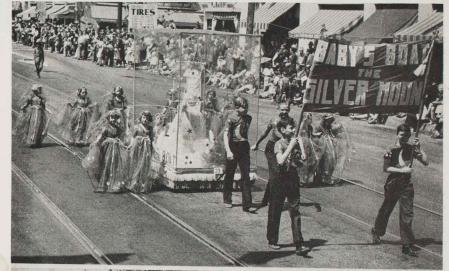
The parade was lead by Princess

the theme float, around which twisted a large dragon. The float was escorted by 12 "fairies."

The parade was presented in five

divisions and under 29 classifications. A huge brown shoe from which tumbled children was the first-prize winner of Class A. The entry was designed in the Child-Parent Nursery of Alhambra. Blue cellophane formed the undersea water effect for the "Pinocchio" float entered by the Monterey Park school, first winner in Class C.

One of the largest floats was that of "Cinderella and Coach," entered by the Park School. Wanda Johnson, in blue gown, rode in a large gold coach, drawn by six white card-Barbara Iverson, 8. Barbara rode in board horses and operated by six





Above—Baby's Float—The Silver Moon, from Garfield School, Alhambra, won the sweep-stakes prize. More than 50,000 spectators lined Alhambra's Main Street for the event.

Below-Marengo School of Alhambra entered the "Sunbcnnet" Babies riding the novel float

Left-Eight-year-old Barbara Iverson, of Emery Park School, Alhambra, led the parade as Princess of Beauty, riding the clever theme float, "Spirit of Fantasy." She is shown the float.

girls in "livery" costumes. This entry won Class D.

Shirley Stentz, posing as Betsy Ross, worked on a flag made of red, white and blue crepe paper. The entry was the craftsmanship of the Ramona School and was another first winner.

Among special groups offering floats, the Latin Club of Alhambra High School took a first prize with a float titled "Perseus and Andromeda." "Jungle Princess" was the contribution of the Eagles Club, a float that was awarded first.

Little 8-year-old Leo Leon Dennis, wrapped in burlap and with trapping outfit and guns, calling himself Robinson Crusoe, was sweepstakes winner among individual entries. Vivian Louise Campbell, representing a goose girl, won two prizes. Marjorie Memoli as Little Bo-Peep was another winner. Squawky Ferguson, 5, riding on a tiny wagon and dressed as Little Boy Blue, received a prize.

The Story Book Parade is sponsored each year by the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce. However, the children of the Southland put on the event, using their own originality and ideas in composing the parade.

HE'S A BIRD, WITH BIRD

One step more my friend and the brush will explode in a "blitz" of frightened quail-keep your gun to your shoulder and shoot fast for you won't get more than two shots-if more, then you are dog-gone lucky.

This action picture is not a very common scene in Southern California. Comparatively few hunters in this section of the country go in for this sort of shooting. And why I do not know. Certainly there's no good reason for it; and to this small group of shooters is reserved pleasant hunting experiences unequaled in the realm of small game.

The shotgun artist pictured here is none other than Glen Barkhurst, boss at Wingfoot Station, caught in the act of kicking out a bunch of birds located by his brace of English Setters. The dog at the side of Glen has the birds on point and the other is backing, or honoring the point. No right-living bird dog will flush quail except by accident, and when he discovers another dog on point, will stop dead still, pointing the dog on the birds.

This brace of dogs had approximately 180 birds shot over them during the past season, which attests to their good breeding and training. And now, between seasons, they have gone in for raising a family—in a big way, I should say-eleven pups having been born to them just two months ago. Puppies, you are just in time to be prepped for the com-



ing bird season, and with your pedigree, training should not be difficult.

This fellow Barkhurst should be considered something of an authority on the subject of bird dogs-having been secretary and treasurer of the Setter and Pointer Club of California for the period 1932-1939. Other pictures of his dogs can be found at Rod and Gun headquarters in the Club.

"HIGH BALL" WAS ORIGINALLY A BRIDGE SIGNAL

When a person goes "high balling" through a town or over the road, it means slang for speeding. To the railroad man it means the wave of a trainman's hand as a signal to the engineer to start or speed up the train. But the meaning of the expression "high ball" has an interesting origin.

Recently the last "high ball" was removed from a railroad brigde over the north branch of the Chicago River at Bloomingdale Avenue. At the suggestion of L. J. Denz, chief carpenter of the Chicago, Milwaukee was salvaged for museum purposes.

It consisted of a hollow metal ball 15 inches in diameter, painted red. The ball slides up and down an iron rod about 5 feet high. The rod rises

How It Worked

When the ball was high on the rod it meant all clear for approaching trains. To the river boats the red ball out of the box was the signal to halt. When the bridge was opened the bridge tender, operating the ball by a rope which ran over a pulley in the tope of the pole, dropped the ball out of sight into the box.

As long as the ball was in the box, the engineer knew he could not cross the bridge because of boat traffic. When the bridge was closed and the track put in condition the ball was again raised to the top of the pole.

COMPLIMENTS FOR COURTESIES SHOWN

Enroute to the "Personal Record" files of the Transportation Department, there have passed across the Editor's desk a sheaf of letters from patrons of the Company who were grateful and appreciative of the efforts of many employes to make their little journeys more comfortable; acts of kindliness and consideration that have reflected a moral worth of the employe involved in the incident; helpfulness extended to those less fortunate, many times involving a physical incapacity on the part of the party on whom assistance is bestowed.

These letters are the "Flowers of Gratitude" extended by grateful recipients of Courtesies, from the following employes:

J. G. Sproul, Motor Coach Operator, Pasadena.

L. E. Koch, Conductor, Western Dist. O. C. Jordan, Conductor, Northern District.

N. R. Koch, Conductor, Western Dist. C. L. Sullivan, Conductor Western District.

D. Tucker, Coach Operator, Western District.

W. G. Burnham, Conductor, Western District.

S. McLindon, Conductor, Western District.

E. A. Abbott, Conductor, Western District.

R. T. Galbreath, Conductor, Northern District.

C. H. Miller, Coach Operator, Long Beach.

Tom Slack, Coach Operator. L. H. Faulkner, Coach Operator.

CONDOLENCES EXTENDED

The many friends of Geo. H. Blyth, General Agent Passenger Department will learn with regret of his great loss in the passing of his mother on and St. Paul Railroad in Chicago, it April 22nd, after an illness extending over a period of several months.

On behalf of those friends the Magazine offers sincere condolence.

"Your methods of cultivation are from the center of a square wooden hopelessly out of date," said the AAA crop advisor to the old farmer. "Why I'd be astonished if you got even 10 pounds of apples from that tree."

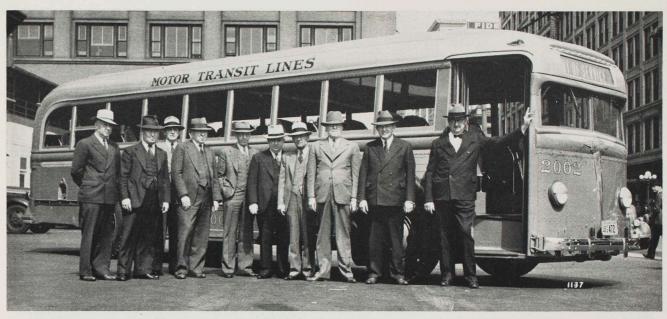
"So would I" replied the farmer, "It's a peach tree."

THE COMPARISON

A teacher was explaining the difference between the stately rose and the modest violet.

"A rose," she said, "is like a beautiful, richly-gowned woman, so proud she doesn't speak to anyone. But behind her is a small creature with bowed head-

"Yes, miss," interrupted Tommy. "That's her husband."



NEW "WHITES" ARRIVING

Several Received and Others On the Way

Tuesday, April the 23rd, officials of Southern Pacific, Pacific Electric and Motor Transit Lines placed their stamp of approval on the first of 24 new White suburban type Motor Coaches to be used by the Motor Transit Lines.

Additional coaches will be arriving from time to time during the coming 30 days, and as rapidly as they can be checked through servicing they will be assigned to runs.

Into these new White Motor Coaches have gone every proven development that contributes to the operator's imperative need today for coaches that will attract more riders and hold down operating costs.

The smooth flowing lines in the new White Motor Coaches have created a definite, distinctive suburban type coach body style. Many exclusive features, suchas all facing forward, sponge rubber, mohair covered seats, the last word in comfort, have been embodied in the construction of these coaches.

Nothing has been left to chance in refining and improving all known safety features making for safety of the passenger.

Particular attention for further passenger comfort has been incorporated in the interior lighting system. Patrons can now read their favorite newspaper while coach riding. No more eyestrain, as the interiors of these coaches are perfectly illuminated and the smoothness of operation makes night riding a pleasure.

Newly designed quietness made possible by advanced sound proofing construction throughout eliminates

Left to Right—G. E. Collins, E. A. Stevens, W. A. Bishop, F. E. Geibel, C. Thorburn, G. H. Squires, R. R. Wilson, H. O. Marler; C. R. Harding, Ass't to President, So. Pac. Co., and President O. A. Smith.

that tired feeling when alighting from these new White Coaches.

Greater flexibility and fastest coach acceleration make possible a coach ride that keeps up with the

The new White coaches give you greater passenger appeal. They look like what they are-fleet, comfortable, dependable, safe transportation.

CHAS. A. WAKEFIELD HONORED

Member of "P. E. Family" Becomes Head of V. of F. W.

Chas. A. Wakefield, well known in veterans circles was, on April 9th elected to the high office of Commander of M.G.M. Post No. 1476 Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. The post meets on the lot of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

Other officers elected at that time were: Major George C. Hart, Senior Vice-Commander; James A. Lee, Junior Vice-Commander; Jesse Roth, Quartermaster; Raymond Smith, Chaplin; Wm. E. Moats, Post Advocate; Jesse B. Green, Trustee; Thos. E. Zinken, Post Surgeon; Appointive officers selected by Commander Wakefield are:

Capt. Wm. F. Coleman, Post Adjutant; Reginal C. DeFratis, Officerof-the-Day; Robert Moran, Patriotic Instructor; Myron Murgittroyd, Post Historian; B. E. Nelson, Service Officer: Thomas Allen, Legislative Officer; Walter Mersch, Guard; John Noel, Sentinel; E. V. Porsch, Publicity Officer; Wm. R. Dougherty, Marne, Oise-Aisne and Meuse-Ar-

Hospital Chairman; Vere H. Dudley, Asst. Hospital Chairman: Thomas Allen, Buddy Poppy Chairman. There are other appointive offices yet to be filled, not yet announced by Commander Wakefield.

Commander Wakefield enlisted in the World War at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin in May 1917, in the First Wisconsin Cavalry, Troop "F". The regiment received its training at Camp Douglas, Wisconsin.

Later on they were sent to Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas, where they



were assigned to the 32nd Division. In this division he was assigned to Battery "F", 120th Field Artillery, sailed for France in February 1918, and saw service in the following major engagements: Alsace-Lorraine, 2nd Battle of the Marne, or Ainse-



gonne Offensive. His regiment actually saw six months service without relief.

During this time Commander Wakefield was advanced from Private to Sergeant of Ordinance, 120th F. A. For the heroic deeds of his division, the name "Les Terribles" was given them by the French General Mangin, and the Red Arrow, insignia of his Division was bestowed upon the division for having pierced to Hindenberg line at Juvigny, Soissons Sector. Commander Wakefield returned home with his regiment in May 1919 having served 14 months in France, most of the time in the trenches.

Joint installation with the Ladies Auxiliary of M. G. M. Post will be held Tuesday evening, April 23 at the Community Club House, 3824 Hughes Ave., Culver City, Asst. Department Inspector Roll McFall, will officiate for the Post, and Fourth District President Mary McFall will install the Auxiliary officers.

Couldn't Decide

Her car stalled at the corner and the traffic light changed red, yellow, green; red, yellow, green, etc. The polite policeman stepped up beside her car and said: "What's matter, lady; ain't we got any colors you

A man boasted that he had been in every hospital in town.

"Impossible!" said a friend. "What about the maternity hospital?"

"I was born there."

NEW MOTOR COACH SERVICE

Effective Sunday, May 12, the changeover from rail line to motor coach service will be made on the Redondo Beach-Playa del Rey Line, with the installation of the new Motor Coaches on the run which is over two routes out of Los Angeles, as shown in the April issue of the Maga-

On Wednesday, May 1st, two of the new coaches were taken over the route via El Segundo and demonstration made to the officials and leading residents of El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach and Redondo Beach. All were very much pleased with the riding comfort and appearance of the new coaches, and voiced approval of the new schedule of service that will be rendered by our com- with.

The 15 new "Twin Coaches" that are to equip the line are here and ready for entry on their duties. Operators are being instructed on line in order that they may not only be familiar with all the coach mechanism, but have first hand knowledge of all stops, fares and fare limits, as well as a familiarity of the entire routes in order to render the very best service possible.

One of the most attractive features of the new equipment purchased not only for this line, but for other lines, as well as for the reconstructed cars now going through Torrance Shops. is the new lighting systems, an illustration of the effect of which can be gleaned from the illustration here-

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"Retires" --- Not Retiring As Yet

Leon W. Perry to "Blitzfish" Streams of the North

Leon W. Perry, late of the Engineering Department (but never late on the job), is a popular guy, with a droll wit that very frequently devastates his friends (and he has a lot of them), recently heard the "call of the wild" and promptly responded by serving notice on the boss of the "bull ring" and upon the Railroad Retirement Federal Outfit that he was through, washed up, surfeited and down-right regusted with the work of calculating jobs, reviewing figgers (mathematical, not feminine); and, that from and after Tuesday night (12 midnight), April 30, A. D., 1940, TL with it. . . .

Interviewed as to further reasons for retirement, Mr. Perry ejaculated as follows:

"Now get this. I'm not retiring because of the age limit, because I'm still nothing but a young sprout of 60. I'm letting 'em take 5/30ths off my pension because if I stay here five years longer I'll be either nuts or murder some "punk" embryo engineer, and in either event I won't enjoy any pension that might be coming. So-I'm gettin' out; going North; up to Yreka; where men are men; liquor cheap and powerful; where fishin' is good; wimmen scar-

cer and don't bother you so much. Me for the wide open spaces (the wider the better), where there are purling streams that always have water and not dust in 'em; where you don't have to ride a hundred miles and walk fifty more to get to 'em; and, where when you throw a hook in with just a little morsel on it, you know your labor will not be wasted and you'll get a fish with every cast. Fishin' is just too d--easy up there. Why, if you walk along one of those streams up there with just a rod over your shoulder the darn fish climb up on a rock and beg for the hook. Yezzur, me for the wide open spaces."

Perry was born in 1880 in Chelsea. Mass. Back in the "cod" country where they kid themselves into the idea that they know all about fishing. Along in his earlier years he married a most charming lady, who in spite of many vicisitudes because of idiosyncrasies (none vicious), is still his wife; and the peculiar thing about it is that she is a great fisherman in her own right.

Leon joined Pacific Electric forces in 1922 as a Draftsman, and has been in almost continuous service. He assisted in the construction of the Hollywood Subway, and following its completion became Engineering Estimator, Chief Estimator and Assistant Engineer in succession.

His experience as an Engineer has been very broad, his record showing connection with the Boston Transit Commission, Massachusetts T. & T. Co., American Pneumatic Tube Co., D. & R. G. Railway, City of Denver, Union Pacific Railway, and the State of Nebraska Highway Department.

A dinner was given in Mr. Perry's honor on April 29th at Hotel Havward, attended by 38 of his many warm friends. Speeches were at a minimum, but fraternity was at the maximum and a good time was had by all. As a little souvenir of the event and an evidence of friendship, the "gang" presented Leon with a very fine "steel-head" reel.

For the present the Perrys have leased a home in Yreka, but as soon as the fishing is caught up with, they intend building a home there; and, if they are wise, there will be no "guest" room; otherwise, no retirement fund could withstand the influx of well-intentioned friends.

Making It Easy

New Hired Hand-Well, boss, what time do I have to git to work mornings?

Farmer-Oh, any time you like, jesso's it ain't later'n half-past four.

Her Time

"So you're engaged?"

"Yes, but I took my time about accepting him."

"You mean you waited until he actually proposed?"

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CAMP By H. E. DeNyse, Manager

The annual P. E. Rod and Gun Club round-up at the Pacific Electric Camp May 1, was pronounced just about the best from all angles the Club has ever held.

You have no doubt heard repercussions of it by this time. The entire group was on the lake by daylight and many fine catches were made by seven o'clock. The entire party was back in Camp around noon.

There were no blanks, everybody was in on the catch. Everybody knows of course, that fishermen don't lie, but just to keep the records straight, am giving below the complete score: Name No. of Fish

Scott Braley	2
B. F. Manley	7
D. E. Porter	3
W. G. Knoche	
E. L. H. Bissenger	6
H. P. Bancroft	6
Ned Rich	
Bob Lawrence	
Roger Le Mille	
A. C. Smith	
J. Wooderson	
K. L. Oefinger	
J. Quinn	5
L. Price	10
Geo. Woodruff	5
A. G. Fitzgerald	9
B. A. Collins	
Harry Pierce	
Frank Laws	
E. T. Malmborg	
J. R. Johnson	5
C. M. Wright	
A. Brahm	
A. M. Cross	
Geo. Anderson	
L. L. Loyd	
J. W. Clay	
J. Keith	7
	-
Total	183
Prize Winners:	171/ :
A. J. Fitzgerald	17 % in.
W. G. Knoche	
C. M. Wright	
Lee Rice	16 % in.

Name Length of Fish Nature is slowly moving into summer, and summer means vacation time, and beginning with May 30, we are hoping to have a full quota of employes' families and their friends in the Camp all during the summer. Can we do anything to help you make your vacation decision to come up to the Camp for rest and recreation. We have housing for 150 persons and especially want outing groups, large or small, during May and June, and will be glad to quote special rates for such parties.

Decoration Day is not far off, so make your reservations and bring a party for a four day outing. Every-



mountains by that time.

Nearby Blue Jay village is expanding with new buildings for markets and shops, the capacity of the year around ice skating rink is being greatly increased and bleachers are being constructed. A thriving mountain village is in the making.

All of our recreation facilities will be available again this summer at no extra cost, sightseeing trips, wiener bakes, swimming, tennis, badminton, dancing, etc., riding horses may be obtained at Blue Jay at reasonable rates.

In closing, may I remind you that our Company business, in all its ramifications, is our life line, and that the success or failure of every company project is your and my deep concern. To this end, I ask for the Pacific Electric Camp your loyal support, your interest and participation; that you become aware yourselves of the privileges and advantages of this recreational project, and that you pass along such information to others.

thing will be in full swing in the Employes, and Guests in Same Quarters:

r	er Day	Per WK.
Cabins (2 persons, 1 double bed)	\$2.25	\$8.50
Cabins, Double (4 persons,		
2 double beds)	4.00	14.00
Guests, same querters,		
per person	1.00	5.00
Dormitory Rooms, one person	n 1.00	5.00
Dormitory Rooms.		
two persons, each	75	3.00
Dormitory Rooms, guests.		-
per person	. 1.00	4.25
Rates include hadding for	4h	bf

beds shown, electric lights, gas for cooking and wood for heating. For each additional bed, add 25 cents per day or 50 cents per week. Over two days, weekly rate will apply, for additional beds.

Guests in Separate Quarters:

Pe	r Day	Per Wk.
Cabins, (2 person , 1 double bed)	\$3.50	\$15.00
Cabins, Double, (4 persons,		
2 double beds)	5.50	20.00
Additional persons, per person		5.00
Dormitory Rooms, 1 person		
Dormitory Rooms, 2 persons		
Children under 12 years old		
Rates include bedding, elect		
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for cooking and wood for heating.

Free transportation will be furnished employes over the Pacific Electric to San Bernardino and return. A round trip rate of \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for children between the ages of 6 and 12 years, between San Bernardino and the Camp may be obtained. Children under six years old are carried from

The Mountain Line Stages connect with the Pacific Electric car leaving Los Angeles at 7:20 a.mm week days, and 7:10 a.m. Sundays. Rates effective May 1st, 1938, until further notice.

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In order that this Magazine may be the outstanding publication of its kind, our Editor has gone to considerable trouble and Suspense to encircle himself with the best Assistant Editors obtainable regardless of cost (to his reputation). Walter Watchall goes behind the scenes and brings you a Thumb nail sketch and picture, or a story of the story writers.

Carleton B. Bell, Mechanical Department Notes, Torrance, Calif. An



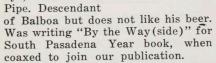
a wife and two children. Hobby, taming wild cats. Accomplishments, Torrance Councilman, and Legion Man. Likes to be called "Lord Plushbottom" by his fellow workers.

all around man,

Greatest achievement, sang in the Quartette of the Torrance Barber shop. Need I say more? Was writing feature stories of Night Court-ing for Torrance Bugle when he was persuaded to join our staff.

Joseph Elwood Blackburn. Freight Traffic Department Notes. An exceptional man.

Wife and hopes. Hobby, riding elephants. Accomplishments a consistent 100 pin man at bowling, and can take a bath and wash his car with one bar of soap. Pet nickname, "Popeye," smokes a



Clayton P. Scholl. Accounting Department Notes. An unusual man.



Wife and one child. Hobby, scaring ghosts out of grave yards. Lives next door to Rosedale Cemetery. Accomplishments, Married a good looking girl and wonderful cook. Pet Nickname

"Little Abner". Greatest achievement. Showed Junior how to run electric

umn for Shopping News when our Editor gave him a long term contract.

Ray W. Cragin. Purchasing Department Notes. A strange man. Wife and two children.



None to date. Was Editor of the Woman's Page for the Strawberry Park Sental before joining our staff.

Victor P. Labbe. Engineering Department Notes. A peculiar man.

Wife and two children. Hobby, taming rattlesnakes. Accomplishments, Successful farmer, a good sower of wild oats. Favorite Nick name, "Donald Duck". Greatest Achievement, ditching date with Mae

East. Was Sports Editor of Old Ladies Home Companion when enticed to join our little company.

> Alhambra, Calif., May 1st, 1940.

Mrs. Willie Watchall, Corn Crib, Iowa.

Well, Maw, here it is time to write but I am almost too tired. I just returned from our Gym class. This being May 1st, the boys decided to have a Maypole, there being no girls in our class, they put a ribbon in my hair and made me Queen of the May, gee was I excited.

I went up to Dr. Ayers, like the boss suggested, and boy, what a diet he gave me. He got out a pick and shovel and said one hour a day cutting weeds was the best diet he knew.

You know, Maw, I was up to our camp at Lake Arrowhead fishing with the other fellows, well I didn't get any fish but I was there. They fish different here. B. Manley and Dave Porter treated me swell they fixed my fishing tackle for me. They put a hook on the end of each oar and told me I could fish and row at the same time. I rowed for four hours but no bites. They said this using oars to fish was something new and they were not selfish. I used them all morning. Manley said I was so good at fishing with oars that if I came out to the bowling alley Friday night he would let me set up the pins and would not

train. Was conducting Obituary Col- charge me. So, Maw, I have something to look forward to.

> Your loving son, Walter.

MASONIC COLUMN By Ed Hasenyager

The Club will not hold its regular meeting on Wednesday, May 15. The informal Dinner Dance on Saturday, May 11, will be the only meeting in

On June 18 our last meeting before the Summer Vacation, we will expect all whose birthday is in May and June to be on hand at the 6:30 dinner as guests of the Club.

There is still time to get your tickets for the May 11 Dinner.

President's Message

Our club's membership consists of over four hundred active and retired Pacific Electric employes from all departments. In order for the Club to serve the purpose for which it was created the activities of the Club must be participated in by members from all departments of the service.

Our Round table Dinners are very enjoyable and go a long way in helping to cement the bonds of friendship among the individual members and between the various departments

of our Company.

If some of our members think that certain classes appear to run or have charge of the affairs of the Club it is only because that class is more in regular attendance than another. We need more trainment, more mechanical dept. men and more Motor Transit members of our Club in attendance at our meetings.

Come out and give us a hand in the affairs of your Club. We know that it is difficult for those living in districts to attend our meetings regularly. We will be glad however to welcome them when they are in town on that third Wednesday of each month.

Hospital News

The following brothers were reported ill, either at home or at St. Vincent's Hospital during the past month. We hope their recovery will be complete and rapid. Visiting hours 1:30 p.m to 3:30 p.m.; 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Harry G. Brown, conductor, southern district.

DeWitt G. Garlock, Freight conductor, West District.

Lloyd A. Finley, Motorman, West

J. M. Geopfert, District Foreman, Line Department.

He-"I think a husband and wife should divide responsibilities."

She-"So do I. You look after the bills and I'll take care of the money."

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GRADE CROSSING ACCIDENTS

The California Railroad Commission has issued the 1938 Annual Report on Grade Crossing Accidents. The report covers all accidents occurring at grade crossings, pedestrian or alleyways, between crossings where railroads occupy streets, at private crossing, and at grade separations, but not accidents occurring on street railways. In 1938, there were 1890 such accidents, which caused 164 deaths and 732 injuries.

All but 346 of these accidents were collisions between trains and motor vehicles. These 346 include accidents involving motorcycles, pedestrians, vehicles striking flagmen, crossing gates and other fixed objects.

The total number of highway accidents reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles in 1938 was 36,643. The 1890 grade crossing accidents amount to 5.2 per cent of this total but the figures are not really directly comparable, as all grade crossing accidents are reported while other highway accidents are reported only if someone is injured. The number of persons injured in all highway accidents was 51,150. Only 732, or 1.4 per cent of this total were injured in grade crossing accidents. However, the number killed in grade crossing accidents, 164 is 5.9 per cent of the total numbers, 2775, killed.

There were substantial improvements over 1937 in the figures for grade crossing accidents, injuries and deaths. The total number of accidents in 1937 was 2161; in 1938, 1890. In 1937, there were 829 injuries; in 1938 there were 732. Deaths were reduced from 184 to 164.

Ward Hall, transportation engineer, who compiled the report, estimates that the total economic loss due to grade crossing accidents was \$1,709,900. He points out that nearly three-quarters of the accidents occur at about one-quarter of the crossings. These are the busiest crossings and are provided with special protection such as flagmen, uniformed officers, crossing gates, automatic signals. traffic signals and boulevard stop signs. Nearly a quarter of the accidents at these Class "A" crossings resulted from vehicles running into the sides of standing or moving

SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR MAY

The next meeting of the Trainmen's Safety Advisory Committee will be held Friday, May 31, 1940, in the Pacific Electric Club Rooms, Los Angeles, California, commencing at 10:00 a. m.

The following members are selected to serve on this committee for the month of May.

Northern District	Terminal
B. W. McCullough	San Bernardino
P. H. Riordan	Macy Street
M. D. Flint	Pasadena
Southern District	
D. B. Graham	.Butte Street Yard
L. E. Goodman	Los Angeles Street
	Long Beach
Western District	
E. T. Peterson	Glendale
	Subway
A. E. Einert	West Hollywood
	Ocean Park

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

THE OTHER FELLOW IS CRAZY

An employe of the Panhandle Refining Company, Wichita Falls, Texas, in an article entitled "The Other Fellow is Crazy," made some comments that are worth repeating.

"If you pass a car on a blind curve. don't expect the fellow coming the other way to be sensible about it and go off the road and out in the field to let you by. He's just crazy enough to run right into you because you are on his side of the road.

"If you like to pass on a hill, don't be surprised if a car comes over the crest, and the driver doesn't either leap over you or under you. That would be the sane thing to do, of course, but you see he's crazy. Yes, he's crazy, but you are rude and that's what makes him crazy.

"For every accident caused by speeding, there are a thousand caused by low breeding.

"You may think it sissy to be polite, but a kiss on a warm cheek is worth two on a cold brow.

"Today we put a premium on agility rather than civility.

"Each year our manners become cruder as our gasoline becomes more refined.

"Wide roads won't prevent accidents, so long as they continue to fill up with narrow people.

"Good brakes on cars are no protection against bad breaks in be-

"The growing problem of automobile fatalities will not be solved around the drafting board, but around the family table. Then we can have a monster under the hood because there will be a gentleman at the wheel."

There are some things of great age that are as valuable today as they were when new. The Golden Rule is an example.

Don't depend on memory to tell you when a train is due; it's always train time at a grade crossing.

ACCIDENTS DO NOT HAPPEN THEY ARE CAUSED

Help In Removing The Causes DO YOUR PART

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

May 10, 1940

Thursday, May 9:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m. Election of Officers for the coming year.

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Friday, May 10:
P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at
Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd.
8:15 p.m. Spectators welcome.

Saturday, May 11:
P. E. Masonic Club Annual Informal May
Party and Banquet at Lakeshore Cafe,
2312 West 7th Street—7:00 p.m. Monday, May 13:

Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30 Tuesday, May 14:
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.

Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 16:
P. E. Women's Club sponsor Luncheon for Out of Town Clubs—12 noon. Followed by Semi-monthly Afternoon Card Party.

Friday, May 17:
P. E. Club Regular Monthly Dance—Free dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Departmental Groups are becoming recorder.

partmental Groups are becoming popular at these monthly functions. Make up a party and see what you have been miss-

party and the party and the party and the party and orchestra.

P. E. Club Bowling League Matches at Sunset Bowling Center, 5842 Sunset Blvd. 8:5 p.m. End of League Tournament Matches. Come out and pull for the forwards.

favorites.

Saturday, May 18:

P. E. Agents' Association Regular Monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m. Please note that this meeting has been set back one week account Masonic Club Annual Banquet. Monday, May 20: Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30

Tuesday, May 21: Motor Coach Maintenance Class — 7:00

Thursday, May 23:
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m. Installation of new officers for the coming year. Refreshments.

Friday, May 24: American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 321 Monthly Night Card Party. Bridge, Pinochle, Bunco and 500. Admission 25c. Refreshments. Monday, May 27: Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30

Tuesday, May 28: 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.

Thursday, May 30: Memorial Day, Legal Holiday. Club Rooms closed all day.

Monday, June 3:
Automotive Transportation Class — 7:30

Tuesday, June 4:
Motor Coach Maintenance Class — 7:00

p.m.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC WOMENS' CLUB NEWS By Mrs. W. A. Hasty

April 11th our president Mrs. Hart

called the meeting to order and after singing the club song and giving the Flag salute, a short business meeting was held and the business on hand was taken care of in short

order. Mrs. Hart turned the afternoon over to the program chairman, Mrs. Crunk, who presented an April Fool program.

Mrs. A. C. Smith read a paper impersonating Eddie Cantor. Mrs. C. O. Stephens and Mrs. Hasty sang two selections. Mrs. Daisy Burke conducted a brain teaser contest and Mrs. Elvah Wade Fuller sang two lovely selections. Mrs. W. A. Bishop read a paper she had written, a diary of the club history for the first few year of our club, to be continued at a later date. We hope to hear more of these papers they are enjoyed so by the club members.

A group of club ladies, dressed for the occasion then presented a very clever "Hoosier Hot Shot" Kitchen Band, which was more noise than music but seemed to be enjoyed by the assembly.

Mrs. Confer then held a quiz contest and at the conclusion Mrs. Ethyl Miller (Kate Smith) led us in the singing of "God Bless America."

Last week a pot luck luncheon was held at the home of Mrs. Cora King. The occasion being a surprise birthday and going-away party for Mrs. Langston who is to leave soon for the East.

The tables were beautifully decorated and Mrs. Langston was presented with lovely gifts. Those attending the delightful affair were the honored guest Mrs. R. C. Langston, Emma Bell, Martha Rand, Bertha Glick, Mildred Adams, Estella Wiston and Mrs. Kelly and the hostess Mrs.

At one o'clock April 25, we sang the club song and were led in the Flag salute by Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Miller, acting secretary, read the minutes and also an invitation from the Broadway Department Store, inviting the club to attend lectures and book reviews held in their store, and Mrs. Gramling, acting corresponding secretary, read a letter of appreciation from one of the men in the hospital.

It makes us feel we are doing just a little toward bringing a little cheer to the sick when we hear from one of the patients. Mrs. Adams the hospital chairman, has been so faithful her report from January through March showed 158 calls were made.

As spring is with us Mrs. Crunk thought we should have some lessons in Flower Culture, so Mrs. Altman, flower and garden expert from the May Co. was invited to talk to us and he gave many useful and instructive points on flower care and cul-

Rosa Emor Parish

Mrs. Helen Webb then talked on Wild Flowers on the Desert. She also read an original poem composed by herself. "The Wedding of the Flowers," which was described by using the names of different wild flowers forty of which she has learned to know on sight.

We were then favored with a duet by Mrs. Claud Lines and Mrs. De Marks, accompanied by Miss Madeline Baker.

Mrs. Miller read the revised By-Laws which are to be copied and presented to each of the new officers, to guide them through the coming year. It does us all good to hear our By-Laws read at least twice a year because as new members come into the club, it acquaints them with the laws of our Women's Club.

May 9 is election day. Come out and cast your vote for your favorite

LEGION AUXILIARY NEWS By Martha Harper

Interest of the American Legion Auxiliary is centered this month on the welfare of America's children, according to Mrs. A. Newman, child welfare chairman of Pacific Electric Railway Unit of the Auxiliary. Child welfare activities are being emphasized by the Auxiliary's 9200 Units, which are making plans for further development of this work that is bringing aid to many thousands of needy children each year.

"The Auxiliary, of course, is interested primarily in the welfare of the children of the dead and disabled World War veterans," said Mrs. Newman, "but we have found that we cannot promote the welfare of veterans' children unless we serve for the welfare of all children. Our direct aid is mainly for the children of veterans, yet our efforts are accomplishing much to bring health, happiness and opportunity to a vast number of children outside of veterans' families.

"'A quare deal for every child," is our motto. We give our active cooperation to all sound movements having this goal. Our support is behind legislation to safeguard childhood. We work to bring the benefits of new legislation to the children.

"When children of veterans are found in need, the Legion and Auxil-

Equipment

REP	ORT OF VITAL STATIST	ICS—APRIL	, 1940	
Death Claims			Group	Mortu-
Name	Occupation	Died	Insurance	ary
Harry Jodon-Re	etired Flagman	4- 2-40	Yes	Yes
	b-Retired Shop Foreman	4-10-40	Yes	Yes
James F. Langsto	n-Retired Welder	4-18-40	Yes	Yes
	-Ticket & Stock Clerk	4-30-40	Yes	Yes
Employes' Wives	Death Benefit Fund			
Name	Died	Wife of	De	partment

John Henry Parish

4-12-40

iary provide immediate aid. Last year aid was given to nearly 500,000 dependent children, with approximately \$4,000,000 being expended to provide food, clothing and shelter for them, to keep their homes together, to protect their health and to give them a fair start in life.

"We have three special objectives in our child welfare work this month. First, the locating of children of veterans eligible to benefits under new legislation. Second, the establishment of a health record for every child, with a birth record including a record of physical handicaps. Third, the study of the booklet 'Our Children's Future,' through which the Legion is carrying on a campaign for developing community concern and community responsibility for the care and protection of children.

"Legislation recently passed opens many possibilities of obtaining financial help for dependent children of veterans. We feel that it is our responsibility to find the children eligible for this help and aid them in securing it. Health records allow early detection and correction of physical defects, and are important in securing federal aid in many cases. We are attempting to show mothers the necessity for these definite records."

The Pacific Electric Railway Unit No. 321 was pleased to have as guests the following chairmen: Mrs. May Vance, National News Chairman; Mrs. May Waner, 23rd District Poppy Chairman; Mrs. Sylvia Winters, 23rd District Rehabilitation Chairman; Mrs. Lillian Taylor, 23rd District Education Chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Nolan, 23rd District Inter Unit Relation Chairman. Each spoke on their respective program, making this a particularly interesting meeting. Other guests were Mrs. Lingrave and Miss Lois Lee and Mrs. Mead, wife of Comrade Mead. We were pleased to welcome these guests and hope to have them again soon. Visitors are always welcome and we would like to have more of our Comrades bring their wives to our meet-

Awards to Essay Winners

Our Unit having sponsored an essay contest on Americanism, in the Mt. Vernon Jr. High School under the direction of Mrs. Pearl Stratman, Unit Americanism Chairman, will award medals to the winners who were Gloria Bustamente, First award and Harold Comlossy, second. Mrs. Dorothy Baker, 23rd District President; Mrs. Lillian Lyons, 23rd District National Defense Chairman; Mrs. P. Stratman, Unit Americanism Chairman were the judges.

Mrs. Lillian Lyons, 23rd District National Defense Chairman, announced she had received two very REGULAR MONTHLY DANCE HELD IN CLUB BALLROOM

FRIDAY, MAY 17th, is the date of the next Regular Monthly Club Dance held in the Club Ballroom.

The Management desires that all members, their families and friends avail themselves of these monthly functions.

Increasing crowds have been enjoying the music of a popular seven piece dance orchestra.

Free dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

fine essays from the St. Augustine School in Venice.

Mrs. C. Newhouse Unit Poppy Chairman has her plans well under way for the sale of Poppies this month. Don't fail to wear a Poppy for Memorial Day. Your Unit will have them in and around the Pacific Electric Building.

Several members attended the 23rd District Child Welfare Card Party at Inglewood and brought home two prizes for the Unit. We also had a good representation at the District luncheon and meeting on April 26.

May is the month for our Poppy

We can all do our bit to help the boys in the hospitals by helping to make this program a success. Many of the boys in the hospital have no income at all the whole year and the few dollars they are allowed to earn at this time helps to keep up their courage and very often is a real

blessing to their families. Mrs. C. Newhouse our Poppy Chairman states that a group of friends will visit the hospital while this work is under way. This will indeed give one a much clearer realization of the urgent need to put this over in a big way.

Once again LET US NOT FOR-GET when you see a member with her Poppies, and contribute generously.

The regular monthly card party will be held on May 24 at 8:00 p.m. Bridge, Bunco, 500, Pinochle. Prizes and refreshments. The public is invited to attend. Pacific Electric Club, 610 South Main Street.

Good Grounds

Judge: "On what grounds are you applying for a divorce?"

Mr. Brown: "Extravagance, your honor."

Judge: "Extravagance, how is that?"

Mr. Brown: "She kept on buying ice after I had installed a refrigerator."

Let's Find It

Inebriate: "Believe it or not, offisher, I'm hunting f'r a parkin' plashe!"

Officer: "But you haven't an automobile."

Inebriate: "Oh, yesh, I have. It'sh in the parking plashe I'm huntin' for."

Sure Did

Him: "Didn't the kiss I just gave you make you long for another?"

Her: "Yes, but he is away on a business trip and won't be home until next week!"

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BOWLING NOTES

May 10, 1940

At the end of thirty-two weeks of tournament bowling the teams in the Pacific Electric League are lined up as follows in the league standings: Fifteenth Week of Second Round

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Cobb and J. Stockberger gathered in the high series and high game prizes. A. Brahm and E. Cobb took care of them on the night of April 12; H. Smith and W. Ohlinger on April 19th, R. Perry and Ziegler on April 26 and Dr. Scholz and A. Robertson won these honors on May 3, 1940. All of the above bowlers turned in exceptionally fine performances to win the coveted honors.

In a spectacular finish, the mighty Amazons won the third and final game from the Passenger Traffic team when the mighty ladies won the third game in a roll off. Gold Bond Shafer and his hook ball failed at the last moment to blow the final frame. Gold Bond says this was due to the tension and the fact that his sponsors were heckling him.

Although the Claim Department have won but five games since our last going to press, they are out in front of the pack due to the fact that their opponents, the Freight Service and the North and Hill Street teams have also hit a slight slump. With but two weeks to go the Claim five has apparently secured a tight hold on first place. They need but win four of the remaining games to clinch the flag, while their two close runners-up have to take all remaining six games to win, should the Claim team win but three contests. It looks like it is all over but the shouting, as far as first place is concerned.

The second place clubs, the Freight Service and North, are tied with 57 games each and are staging quite a battle for the second spot.

On the night of April 5th the Freight Service dumped the Claim Dept. for three straight losses and it looked like the leaders were to be displaced, however the Freight Service have been in a slump since that time and are now tied for second

place three full games behind the leaders.

On the night of April 26 Capt. Worthington had his collection of stars, led by the great one bounce Perry, in high gear and they certainly gave the Freight Service a bad set-back when they took all three contests. They tell me they could hardly get the inflated noggings of Jones and his gang through the door after turning that trick.

Blackburn and his speed burners have been hitting a fast lick during the last five weeks, having won a majority of their games during that period. The same is true of the Transportation team headed by Capt. Jacob Meyer. The Medicos, aided and abetted by one of the insurance clan, have also taken the opposition into Camp. Dr. Castanares is a bowler who has been raising his average steadily and now sports a nifty 153. average. Dr. Millsap and Dr. Scholz are also sporting higher averages than formerly and Dr. Garrett has gone up along with them.

Smilin' Harry Hampton has his team in the thick of the fray due to steady, consistent bowling, and Ernie Pont likewise has been the sparkplug of the Hill Street entry, now in fourth place. Another mighty fine bowler on this outfit is Dietz with his 164. average.

Wilshire Lines, led by Capt. Epp, and the B. & B. boys, the pride of Capt. Manley, have been doing all right for themselves. Hootchy-Kootchy Cuccia has been having trouble getting his average bowlers to maintain their early season pace and the same goes for the P. E. Club team, dragging a heavy anchor.

The league winds up the season on May 17, and on May 24th the annual banquet will be held. Time and place will be announced later.

Best Way

Director: In this scene, my dear, the young man rushes into your room, binds you with rope from head to foot and then smothers you with hugs and kisses.

Actress: Is the young man tall, dark and handsome?

Director: Yes, why?
Actress: Then he won't need any

rope.

On the Course

A certain sportsman was playing over a golf course in Scotland, and playing very badly.

"Dear, dear!" he remarked at last, "there canna be worse players than myself!"

"Weel, weel, maybe there are worse players," commented the caddie consolingly, "but they dinna play"

CORRESPONDENCE

WEST HOLLYWOOD By G. R. Stevens

The opening day of Trout Season out West Hollywood way found enthusiastic anglers eagerly oiling up their fishing gear, getting their fish lines, poles and reels ready, for the annual trip to P. E. Camp at Lake Arrowhead and their favorite fishing hole to try for that big one that got away last year. Latest reports are that snow still lags on the rim of the world, and the other high mountain peaks which surround Lake Arrowhead. A good season at P. E. Camp is predicted as good cabins, a full lake and nineteen good boats assure the angler of a swell time. Unusually large catches by deep sea fishermen are reported and it looks like a happy



6-Pound Steelhead Caught by Al. Pierce, Western District

season also for the Isaak Waltons of the briny deep. A deep sea boat party reported having caught four twentytwo pound yellow tail and ten nice size deep sea bass off the coast of Mexico, south of San Diego.

The eleven year old son of Motorman Johnny Walker of West Hollywood won an Examiner flash bulb camera prize recently.

Motorman Honich is back after a twenty-nine days leave of absence.

Motorman Mohan of West Hollywood traded his Ford in for a beautiful Buick-8 automobile.

Agent Charles Mullins has taken six weeks off for a trip back east to

visit relatives. Mr. Sams is acting agent in his absence.

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Motorman Von has been off seriously ill.

It has just been learned that Motorman Lawrence's son is a baritone singer. The band comprised of trainmen and P. E. Employees at Hill Street meet for practice regularly at the Subway terminal trainman's music room and they're really good.

Retired Asst. Trainmaster O. L. McKee and wife returned to their home in West Hollywood after a leisurely trip through the east visiting old friends and relatives. The boys at West Hollywood are glad to hear McKee is back, but latest reports are he is still traveling.

Congratulations again go to the McGilvarys since another baby boy, christened Andrews, arrived. The McGilvarys are indeed proud of their family of six children . . . four boys and two girls.

J. R. Beakely, Motorman of West Hollywood, has railroaded thirty years in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and El Paso, Texas, and has been here eleven years. Beakely went across the border into Mexico, bought out two old saw mills, made cross ties, and when the price went down, he sold out and came here.

PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES By Ray Cragin

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These warm sunny days of the month of May has the boys and girls in our Department talking and reading about Vacationland. In order to get a cross section of how they felt about it I asked a few. Earl McCall says, "I want to dream by a mountain stream." Dot Beranek said, "I'll take a chance on a dude ranch." Floyd Gill replied, "Unless there is prevention, I'll attend the conventions."Jimmy Livermore says, "I may be bound for my old home town." Ruth Bushard remarked "The life for me is a trip to sea." Etc.

Jerry Wagnet decided he liked the open spaces best and bid in a job at Torrance. Edgar Morris was the successful bidder for the job. This young man comes from the Accounting Department and being from said Department we can expect nothing but the best.

Mr. Floyd Gill one of the busiest men in our big city has his work cut out for him. The Veterans of Foreign Wars hold their National Convention in Los Angeles in August and Floyd has been appointed Chairman of Registration of Delegates and Alternates. According to the Housing Committee 100,000 visitors are expected. Reservations from as far as

Bangor, Maine, have already been made. With a committee of 75, Floyd is going to have some very busy days. but the Committee in charge are wise and they picked the best man in town for the job.

The Following Notes From Torrance

Fred Hopkins's idea of substituting Mirrors for a Zoo at Torrance has failed. The natives of that city keep the Police Department busy with reports of seeing strange creatures and having nightmares so they had to call it off.

The result was nature lovers had to leave the city. Thomas Wilkes and family were seen at Balboa Park in San Diego watching the monkeys and birds. Tom says San Diego has strange birds but so has Torrance.

Eddie Rieber found Griffith Park Zoo a good place to take the family. Everything went well until Junior insisted he could see the same sights on the streets of Compton any day. By the way Eddie is sporting a neat looking 36 Chevy these days.

Another nature lover had his troubles the other day. It seems Ralph Long was out in the back yard making mountain music when a swarm of bees took offense at it and the result was when Ralph showed up for work he had eyes like a Chinese, he could not sit down and it was the opinion of the bees that he would make a swell pin cushion.

During the recent changes at Torrance, Frank Winterburg moved from the Casting Rack to the Bus section. The change did not bother Frank as he previously held the Section, however with all the new busses arriving this young man is going to be plenty busy but Frank is the man who can

Ed Hovt the Redondo Giant has replaced three front teeth that have been missing for some time. From all signs he is planning a busy summer. His influence has reached Harold Kirk who is now taking dancing lessons and hopes to be another Fred

Mr. Frank "Cap" Carr who recently retired was happily surprised one evening last month, when Will Lock, Tom Wilkes, Fred Hopkins, Bill Jolly, Jim Livermore, Eddie Rieber and Royce Robertson walked in unannounced. They presented "Cap" with an electric clock which strikes like ship bells, a present of the Purchasing and Stores Dept. The good "Captain" asks that we express his sincere thanks to all and remarked "It is just what I wanted." He also asked that we thank his many friends at Macy Street who presented him with a shaving set when he retired.

Is Fred Hopkins changing his hobby? This gentleman with his friend, Ray Coleman, recently took a trip through Hollywood and then to Grif-

fith Park. The reason was to see stars. Not seeing any in Hollywood they invaded the Planatorium at Griffith Park and had a look at Mizar. Next month is Venus.

FREIGHT TRAFFIC NOTES By J. E. Blackburn

Among many others who will doubtless find the new Redondo Beach bus service via Slauson Avenue, La Tierra, etc., an indispensable expedient for daily transportation to and from Los Angeles will be Dave Gleason who has been commuting for many years via the Los Angeles Railway from and to his home in Inglewood. In addition to saving him a little money, this new fast service should enable Dave to catch forty more winks on the cold wintry morn-

Roy Swanson and Ralph Perry spent a very enjoyable week-end recently with Fred Bixenstein at his cabin in the mountains near Big Pines. Understand the boys had a good rest, certainly much needed after the strenuous activities of the preceding week. It is reported the other boys had a hard time even getting Roy awake long enough to eat although I'll admit that is mighty hard to imagine.

The Stockbergers experienced an unfortunate occurence the other night en route to the bowling alley for the regular Friday night matches. Mrs. Stockberger had just deposited John safely at the bus stop with the car and was negotiating a left-hand turn at the nearby intersection when an oncoming car, reputedly traveling at such a high rate of speed its driver was unable to slow down soon enough to avoid her, crashed into the side of the Stockberger car and tossed it several feet up on the curb. Luckily, nobody was seriously hurt in the accident although Mrs. Stockberger received bruises and shock from the impact. The most damage was done to John's pocketbook as considerable work was necessary to put the car back in operating condition.

There is a certain newspaper vendor on the corner of 6th and Main whose voice, although plainly audible on the 6th floor, is intentionally (it is suspected) inarticulate when the latest war news comes out. In order to allay our curiosity when this man begins his shouting of war news, Ralph McMichael brought down his high-powered field glasses and it is a simple matter to scan the headlines of the up-turned papers to learn whether there is any reason for excitement. Personally, I think Ralph displayed a bit of resourcefulness but it has been suggested that his Scotch instinct prompted the idea.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT By Victor P. Labbe

L. W. Perry paid his last visit to say so long to the Engineering Department employes before leaving on his trip north, where he and Mrs. Perry will make their home. Everyone was sorry to see Leon depart but the best of luck and health to them both.

Arthur Hildebrandt is coming along better each day and although his progress is slow his father reports that he will soon leave the hospital. We, his fellow employes, hope for his speedy recovery and return to work.

Jean Fogarty is doing very nicely with her leap year proposals and intends to wear the veil before long. Percival P. Potts is the name.

Evelyn Emmons says she will blossom out with pink creations, etc., this summer and give us all a treat.

Rollin A. Podlech is getting the boat ready so he can have the Engineering Department down to Balboa for a boat ride.

Who received the book "What to Buy and What to Sell."

Nancy Kelly has her hat in the ring-guess who invited her to lunch. Ask Rollin Podlech, her press agent.

J. W. Buchanan off sick for several days with the flu. Has returned to work.

J. Geopfert in the hospital. Nothing serious we hope and back to work

Walter Stratman wearing last year's straw hat May 1. Well, nothing like rushing the season.

Helen Semnacher is learning to ride a bicycle and hopes to master the art so she can spend her vacation touring the Covina district.

Who is Fayle Compton hiding from with the dark glasses.

ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT By Noble Cates

Mrs. Sam Taylor took Sam for a boat ride last month. Did he burn??? Old Balboa residents thought it marvelous how Sam could reflect the sunshine. So did we for the next coupla days. Sam has also been doing his stuff on skates, both ice and

Cowboy Kenneth Pomeroy can be found almost any Sunday horse back riding in the wilds of Coyote Pass, Calif.

It won't be long now before Ed Uecker and family will be doing their Sunday driving in a new Dodge se-

When you hear the expression "It's

Tom Gentry it has still another meaning. When on the rifle range of the La Cienega Gun Club someone says "It's a bull" then someone has made a perfect shot. When Tom hears those words he says please say that again and tell me who you were talking to. Tom is one of the top five men at the Club.

All of us join in wishing a happy birthday to: May Chisholm, May 1; R. Handy, May 8; F. J. Ogden, May 23; Eunice Fisher, May 27; Harry Thomas, May 30.

Ruth Altpeter went to Chicago on her vacation.

Andrea Reshaw spent a week trying to influence the flowers around her new house.

Helen Bettis is spending a few days in Phoenix, Arizona.

Archie Sharp finished up his 1939 vacation exploring the neighborhood of his Alhambra home.

We welcome Emily Prior back from sick leave.

Harry Welch spent his vacation at home with a trip to Boulder Dam to break the monotony.

Wm. Brett retired from active service March 13 after 22 year service. The first years of his service was spent in the Engineering Dept. Mr. Brett resides at 2516 Griffin Ave.

The Timekeeping Bureau has moved again. They may be found on the 3rd floor on the 6th Street side of the building. Go to Room 366 for Group Insurance, Railroad Unemployment Insurance registry and Deductions; Room 372 for Time Allowances.

The bulge on that tissue paper around Edna Bare's finger MIGHT be a cluster of shiny stones. She declines to make a statement at this time. Maybe Watchall has the lowdown.

Richard Allen, who worked in this office recently and is now at L. A. Freight, is engaged to Miss June Dickey, daughter of Mr. T. E. Dickey. Their marriage will take place in the near future.

CONDUCTORS' ACCOUNTS BUREAU By Marion Snowden

Here's a new "Confucius Say", authored by Arvilla Curran, which packs a wallop that won't hurt any of us: "Him apt to burn up, who carry chip on shoulder."

Winchie at the Keyhole.

Friends, collectively we have changed our name. After lo these many years as "Conductors' Accounts Bureau", we've suddenly and com-Service Accounts Bureau". In other

it's an error, a boner, etc., but to any more, except on certain occasions, and we'll bet they know what we mean. My goodness! Such an imposing title is too much for us, so if it's all the same to our readers, and the boss, and the Company, Winchie would like to continue peeking through the keyholes of the old Conductors' Accounts Bureau, just for old times' sake. Besides, folks might pass us up without reading us, if they see that high-falutin' monniker, and that would never do!!!

With the title has come three new additions to our family, so graciously presented to us by that noble critter, Noble Cates, in last month's issue. He forgot to mention, however, that we were also presented with a coupla cuspidors !??!!! We ladies can only hope that Bro. Brown's and Tommy's aim is good, and do we mean GOOD!

Imagine turning gentle Mr. Brown and poker-face Tommy loose among these wild wimmen! It's a good thing they brought Amelia Grenke along with 'em to act as a sort of buffer for them.

Speaking of additions to our family, we still claim connections with Helen Quigley Maloney, late stenog, more lately MOTHER to a lovely baby girl born April 15th. Congratulations, Helen. You'd better start her out soon on the typewriter so she'll be able to peck her way through to our new Bureau. Hope you bring her up to see us soon.

Again speaking, (as women generally are), this time of boys, Nell Flanders and Catherine Mautz came up escorted by young Mautz, Charles by name, aged four months, and as fine a boy as ever smiled under a jockey cap, and above a three-inchlong pair of two-legged pants.

Well, well! These self-termed heavyweights, Dorothy Randolph, Ethel Chandler, Odessa Carter, and Dotty Littlefield (Baby Beef), have formed the BEEF TRUST, and are supposed to be on a diet. We wonder what sort of a diet, for we've noticed that they never pass up the candy when it's offered-or shouldn't we notice such things through a keyhole? Anyway, they will soon be sporting sylph-like figgers or else.

Our gals really get together and go to town for a good time. Mildred Edwards engineered a trip out to Huntington Library on Saturday recently, and all reported a nice time.

Florence Haldeman was honored on her birthday by a good-sized group who took her to new Chinatown for a chop suey dinner. An ingenious horoscope constructed by Martha Smith, and written in "Chinese" fashion, with all-day suckers for the signs of the zodiac, furnished amusepletely become "Passenger and Car ment for the entire party. In the traditional manner of the Chinese a bull" around the office they mean words, the conductors just ain't in it who (to our way of thinking) do so

many things backward, the guest of honor was un-intentionally presented with the bill by the waiter. Helen Sawyer, the cut-up, furnished amusement for the gals.

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Ha, vacations are about to start a momentum that threatens to hold until late in the year. Dorothy Littlefield went to Arizona again, but upon being approached by our sassiety editor, refused with much shy ducking of the head, to tell us a thing about it. So that's that till next year.

Esther Craig evidently had a gloriously fine time with friend husband and their boat, sailing over to Catalina where they spent a week. To make up for Dorothy's reticence referred to in the preceding paragraph, we will tell this choice bit about Esther. It seems that Jimmy Cagney also was at Catalina, reducing, so Esther said. (My goodness! Is she THAT chummy with him?) Esther and friend husband were suntanning (you should SEE her!) and sipping coke on the sand when along came Jimmy and a friend. Esther flutteringly struck a pose and hurriedly asked f.h., "Do I look nonchalant?" And then came the deluge!!!! Down poured coca cola on the whole front of her bathing suit! With wild clutching here and there, she watched the passing of Jimmy who really did walk nonchalantly and obliviously past in all his reducible glamour. So our guess is that Esther really did enjoy her vacation.

It is with sincere feeling that we express our sympathy to Violet Phillips whose mother passed on April 2nd at Glendale Research Hospital. Mrs. Phillips was known and loved by nearly every one in our department, and will always be held in loving memory.

One final word to "Uncle Tommus". Dear Unc: Yrs. recd. Contents noted and much appreciated—by the printer. I betcha. If you think these three pages are too much, I'm gonna pack up my doll rags an' go home, because it aint humanly possible for wimmen-folks to say in a few words what there is to say. Sure I can say things in five words, but who'd read 'em? And what am I writing for if not to be read? Well anyway, I'll promise that three pages is my limit. But Heaven help that Creamer guy and Friend Carlton B. Bell to boil theirs down!!!

(Isn't that just like a woman. Must go to extremes. For that you can make your limit four pages.—Editor)

Right Word

Visitor: Doctor, what can you say to a girl who is so scary she jumps into the nearest man's arms every time she's frightened?

Doctor: Boo!

MACY STREET TERMINAL By Chet Collins

We extend our hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Taylor, who are the proud parents of an 8 lb. 11 oz. baby boy, born March 29, in Monrovia. They have named him Gravson Elwood Taylor, Bob says the little fellow is last but not least.

A. S. Cooper has taken a leave of absence from April 6 to May 25, intending to return to his home town in the Middle West, for most of the time, where he will rest. No word has been received from him as yet. but we all hope that he is getting along well and really enjoying his

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Theede left Thursday, April 25, for a 26-day vacation. We hope he comes back all refreshed, and that they have a wonderful time.

H. J. Beck spent the first days of May trying to see if he couldn't haul in a whopper—it may be that he will have a whopper to tell when he returns from his trip up to the high Sierras, where he will make the supreme attempt. Here's wishing him

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Young left for a 30-day trip to the East April 26. He expects to take delivery on a new car while in Detroit and then to stop off at some of the National Parks enroute home. We all hope they have a successful and invigor-

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Owen left May 5 for a 2 weeks trip into our Western Vacationland. They expected to visit Death Valley, Boulder Dam, Zion, Bryce and Grand Canyons. I, for one, hope to have an opportunity to see some of the pictures which he will no doubt come back with.

TORRANCE SHOP NEWS By Carleton B. Bell

I promised last month that beginning in this column this issue an "HONOR ROLL" of new FATHERS among us would be first but a more important matter must come FIRST —it is none other than

THE FLAG of our Country. Since last issue of this Magazine it has become the practice of our Shop Superintendent, Mr. George Evans, to have OLD GLORY run to the top of the flag pole each morning and put away every night and I, for one, hereby salute THE FLAG and Mr. Evans and it might be well if each of us, mentally at least, salute THE Jack I accidentally used the little FLAG and all it stands for each

our work, for without these things in these troublesome times we might easily be killing our brothers instead of earning a living for our loved ones in peace and safety. And after reading the hooey that may follow hereafter please read again this paragraph and "Think on these things."

HONOR ROLL-New Fathers

To William Jones and Mrs. Jones was born on March 30, a son, William Ernest, weight 8 lbs., 7 ozs. This addition will mean six in the Jones family for papa and mama Jones each have a riding pony which were adopted into the family long ago, and now Bill, Jr., will soon have to have his pony, making six in the family. If you think the Joneses don't take their spotted ponies seriously just ask Dad Jones.

There surely must be more new fathers but I must have missed them, but Oooh, The grandfathers.

To Mr. and Mrs. Rex Sach, a grandson, Gary Michael Sach, born April 3, weight 7 1/2 lbs. Father Stanley and mother Betty are almost back to normal, that is they are bragging about their wonderful son, especially his fine large chest.

To Mr. and Mrs. Victor Gaspar, a granddaughter, on April 10, presented to them by their daughter Johanna McCool. This young lady weighed 9 lbs., 4 ozs. Mother and babe doing perfectly, grandfather reports.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Howe, a grandson, by their son Worthington Howe and wife, weight 7 lbs. Born about March 28.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hardesty, a grandson, born only last Saturday, April 27. (No wonder Joe was so figity last week.) to their daughter Lucy Bell Hardesty Graham at Taft, Calif. This young man also got a big start in life weighing 9 lbs. The above are just amateurs-

now comes Harvey Bernhard, Shorty to you. He used to win all the prizes for having the largest family at the old time P. E. picnics at Redondo Beach. All those kids of his have now grown up and are busy presenting their father and mother with grandchildren. Shorty informs me that he had 12 until very recently when the 13th arrived but will very soon be 14 as 13 has always been an unlucky number for his family. Shorty issues a challenge to all P. E. grandfathers to equal his score, say by the end of this year. Now be careful, folks, because Shorty seldom loses a bet and will do anything to win.

Biggest liar title this month goes to Jack Watson. I suppose everybody knows Jack well enough to understand this. In my conversation with Americanism "Damn". Jack immedimorning as we go in the big gate to ately took offense and declared it was the roughest language he had ever heard.

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Jack also reported that he recently had a visit from his old friend Earl Mover, former (and Jack says, the best) manager of the old time famous P. E. Band. Earl has been absent from his usual place in the P. E. Family for some seven month account of illness but Jack is glad to report that Earl is almost his old self again. Much strength to you, Earl, you're not a Shops man but most of us know you, anyway.

There may be others but I know the following tried their luck with the festive trout at Lake Arrowhead on May 1 - Blacksmith Anderson, Burt Collins, Augustus Fitzgerald, Conrad Offinger, Harry Pierce, and Frank Laws. (I wish there were not so many Andersons, only ten in the Shops now-one cannot call them all "Andy" and be understood.)

Other fishermen were the Tin Shop gang. They fished around San Pedro somewhere but failed to catch any fish. It was reported to me that the main trouble was no sinkers.

Still other fishermen were Roy Brucker and Big George Foster. They went to San Diego and likewise failed to catch fish. Their trouble was not shortage of sinkers because they had borrowed all the fishing gear owned in the Shops. There's a reason, as usual, but maybe it is best just to say that they overslept and missed the boat.

By the time this appears in print Elvin E. Goodman, in the Babbitt Room, will be married to Miss Ruby M. Lavender of Los Angeles. They are to be married in the Wee Kirk O' the Heather May 9 and expect to honeymoon in Avalon. Elvin has been with the P. E. Family about one year. Best wishes of the entire family are yours, Mr. and Mrs. Goodman.

While gathering these news was glad to see genial Jake Boreland back on the job after being off about ten days due to a strained back.

Elden Gilliam is reported to be mending rapidly as could be expected after almost cutting off his right thumb and half his hand last April 9. An operation was necessary to save the use of his thumb to Mr. Gilliam and the doctors seem to think he will eventually be almost as good as before but that will be some months yet. Incidentally "good as before" means a lot in this case, we did not realize just how good Gilliams was at his lathe and other wood working machinery until he was gone and other folks tried to keep up his good

Pop Wheaton is looking into the future very expectantly - as it is just four months and twenty-one days now till he can retire and draw a pension while watching the other fellow do the work.

Something must be done about this -Louis E. Brown is putting on too much weight. I saw him this morning just after a slight exertion and it had raised a sweat-watch your step, Louie.

Walter Gilbert reports taking Mr. Huffer on a trip to Indian Springs. No one can understand this who has not been there-with Walter.

Jake Hansen is driving a new Pontiac around these days-next to a Plymouth, I guess a Pontiac must be about the best car. Ask Jake.

Sorry to miss Esther Duncan from her machine in the Upholstery Shop. Esther had the misfortune to break her ankle on the wet night of March 30, slipped on the wet walks and turned her ankle over. We'll be looking for you, Esther, even if you are off two or three months. Those ankle breaks are mean ones.

John Hozeman reports a novel experience-heard strange noises in his garret, thought it must be a rat thought he had never seen such an animal or even signs of one thereabouts. However, John set a big rat trap and caught a fine big grey tree squirrel-yes, in his garrett at Venice only a block from the ocean.

Notice Earl Brucker, brother to the famous golfer Roy Brucker, has been promoted to head chef in the paint mixing room.

This should have been reported last month but got overlooked in the rush of too much business but is too good to be passed over completely. Concerns another of the many Andy Andersons, Tinner this time. Andy appeared at work one morning badly scratched about the face. Had visited his brother's ranch near Santa Ana the week before and had unwisely invaded the domain of brother's big prize bronze turkey gobbler. Mr. Gobbler attacked the intruder at once and knocked him down three times with terrific right and left spurs to the face. Only the timely interference of big brother, who understands gobblers, saved Andy from complete destruction. The gobbler was confined to a strong covered pen and only thus did Andy feel safe. Of course Andy claims it was lucky for that ole gobbler that he got put in that pen because he, Andy, had "Just begun to fight". That was just AFTER the penning, however.

Bride: "I would like to open an account at this bank, please."

Teller: "We shall be very glad to accommodate you. What amount do you wish to deposit?"

Bride (smiling): "Oh, I mean a regular charge account such as I have at the department stores."

LOS ANGELES CITY TICKET OFFICES By James J. Adams

The Southern California Passenger Association conducted a trip to Coronado on April 6th and 7th for members and their wives. Representing this department were Henry Eggert, Don Gates and yours truly. We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. G. H. Galyor, President of the Association and to Mr. Al Campione, manager of the Hotel Del Coronado for the many courtesies extended us, making our trip the most enjoyable we have ever had.

Lawrence Antiste Jr. is planning to spend his vacation on a farm near Gatewood, Mo. Beware of the "farmer's daughters", Andy-they know all the answers.

To Marion Snowden: Thanks for the plug and as a return favor, we asked Don Gates about fixing those three wrist watches of yours. But Don has gone in for bigger things-(He has his eye on the large clock to be removed from the Main St. Station). However, if you will take all the parts to Frank Kapitan at the Subway Ticket Office, he may be able to make one good watch out of the three.

Sibyl Mather and Grace Anstead were invited to an airplane trip by the Travellarians. Grace, despite her more modern ideas about other things, developed a severe case of nerves. Someone suggested celery as a remedy and she hied herself to the nearest vegetable stall and purchased a large quantity. One day as she was putting it in a glass jar on the window sill of the switchboard room, someone remarked that a produce strike had been called. The shock was so great that the celery slipped from her fingers and landed on the skylight two floors below. Miss Mather reports that she bore up well under the circumstances. and the trip was a huge success.

There is no truth in the rumor that Western Union calls Cliff Ferguson every hour for the correct time -although he claims to have the "correct time all the time".

It is funny how the "coffee and" boys like to be served by Madeline at the P. E. soda fountain. Her cheering smile and grand sense of humor are a sure cure for that "low down feeling".

Dave Martin was seen taking his young son on his first horseback ride the other day. It was on the Merry-Go-Round at Temple City. The way we heard it, "Pa" seemed to enjoy it more than the son.

Have you seen the new clock in the Main St. Station? It is a wonderful improvement and who are paid "clock watchers" appreciate it.

This, dear reader may be our Swan Song, but we could not resist the temptation to find out just what the "Freedom of the Press" really means. We refer to the accompanying picture of our genial (we hope) boss, Mr. Henry Eggert. We don't gener-



ally believe in signs, but the unhappy expression on his face leads us to believe there is something in this one. His explanation is that he was exiled to the garage due to his son, Robert having the measles. Daughter Bonnie gets credit for the sign. Our best wishes for Robert's speedy recovery and we hope his Dad gets out of the Dog — — beg pardon, garage, real soon.

MOTOR TRANSIT DISTRICT By M. J. Creamer

SIDELIGHTS: B. A. Rudd bestowing a box lunch, regular carton size for the "boys". Fried chicken, appetizing salad, cheese what AM, loaves of bread and a gal of orange juice, served boarding house style. Managed to light on a crust of bread, all that was left after the fray. Charlie Cooper had the last sandwich (Dagwood size) and D. J. Smithson was busy with the salad. A frequent treat by the Rudds—something they look forward to! That smile of Tommy Daiker IS contagious! John Mickley off a few days relieved by Art F. Kaufman. Walt Rorick to Boulder Dam and Las Vegas with the Shriners—what a trip! Richard Allen relieved. Edwin Barnett showing off his little daughter, Mary Ann, lifted her to the ticket window to say hello to Strong, only methinks the outburst of "Hello, Butch" was under advance coaching! Mrs. Tucker doing something original again!

This time a strip-tease on a bicycle . . . her daily exercise, and with the new-fangled house-coat getting tangled up in the bike, it ended something this side of amazement for the onlookers. Thinking seriously of a riding habit! L. E. Irby occupied during the hot spell with a sponge bath or something-wishing Fate would install a shower for the drivers . . . an excellent idea! Geo. Jehl goin' religious—attending a church dinner. Charlie Cooper away to see the wild flowers! Lawrence Allen and the wifie, visitors from San Bdo. . . . real busy up that way he has been. with all his spare time being devoted to learning the ins and outs of the ticket biz. "Pop" Reynolds sporting two pair of shoes from his son in Manila, products of the famous Hamilton-Brown people for whom he works. Over the grapevine: "Hook" Edmondson being locked up in the Whittier station with plenty of time to sit and think-and he did much pounding to make himself known! Is J. W. Hahesy running a limited to Santa Ana? L. S. Radcliffe away to the magic isle Catalina to show friends around. Hot weather has Geo. Homan in a "lather", gotta move the trailer to some shady spot-no use buying ice, it turns to steam! Glancing over an old copy of the P. E. Magazine (Sept. 1931) noted salutations to Slim Seifried as the "Man who sees all-knows all". (Now that he's taking the Greyhound Sales Development Course—we'll have strong

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more's strangest psgr. Lady boarded his bus, stooped to apparently pick up something-but upon leaving bus, handed him the REGISTRATION CARD of the bus. She thought it was some advertising circular—just something to read while on the bus. (It was safely protected in its frame but that didn't bother her.) "Doc" Denton topping them all, "Why back in Michigan, we had golpher holes so big (28 inches in diameter) that we couldn't plow. The boys used to sit near the holes with a shot gunjust waiting for them! WHAM!" Frank Pilkerton and wife, Soapy Casteel and the gal fren, away to Bakersfield. Packed a swell lunch-what an appetite, but it was discovered later that the "little man who wasn't there" was none other than the main entree, the lunch meat! (Safe at home in the frigidaire.) Luckily someone packed the sandwich spread or else—Anyway, gobs of fun for all, was reported.

HEADLIGHTS: Blackie Black-

competition.)

Poor Aileen (depot cafe waitress) embarrassed plenty, while eating soup! Walt Rorick waited until lunch counter was lined up and then uttered a gurgling sound, drawing everyone's attention toward Aileen—

she the ONLY one eating soup! Aileen is a good trouper though and incidentally quite a bowler, ladies traveling league. One reason for bowling might be so that she can still enjoy those tempting fruit salads with mts of whipped cream! Henry



WHERE'S THE LUNCH MEAT?
Frank Pilkerton and wife on picnic

Stone getting all set for Pioneer Days in El Monte next month-by growing a moustache (a clever little thing!) He belongs to a Masonic lodge (El Monte) and members are assessed three bucks if appearing at lodge sans trimmings. Some funny lookin' freaks are making appearances. Everyone swarming around the new buses. We ARE proud of them. Ben Blair was the first to take over the controls on a pay-load, one of the new Whites, No. 2002, Garvey Road Line. Patrons are responding quickly to this new equipment and their compliments and praise is most gratifying.

TAPS: Our deepest sympathies extended in the passing of L. S. Radcliffe's mother early in April. A beautiful floral offering was taken up amongst the M. T. "boys", who are always on hand in those trying periods. It was with deep regret we learned the passing of Robert (Bob) E. Hicks, City Psgr. Agent, Union Pacific Stages. Bob was long-known to many of the company, having worked as agent for us at Anaheim some years back. His friends were many and of long-standing, an excellent host and all-around good fellow. He added much merriment to the careful planning of trips to Boulder Dam which U.P. sponsored last year toward promoting closer relationship between the various transportation lines in the city. Bob has traveled on-but not forgotten!

SPUTTERINGS: Such words! Walt Deal, very much put out, "I didn't care about you mentioning about the chickens but inferring that I was late was TOO much. You've got such a LOUD mouth . . . grr!" Well, Walt, you told the others that so many thousands read the Magazine, first thing you knew, all your friends would be wanting free chickens. Incidentally, Walt, if you read the copy, it WAS stated that you got to work just BEFORE curtain call, so why all the fuss? Sticks and stones—but don't be too harsh on the boys when they merely hum a tune, even though it is "Oh, how I hate to get up in the morning!"

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STRANGE CARGO: The Riverside mascot (cat) stowed away on R. V. Haynes bus enroute to Long Beach. During the trip, the puss came forward, rubbed his fur against a lady's leg and "whoops m'dear"she fairly leaped! Cat returned on next schedule to Riverside and strolled back into depot to catch up on more sleep. Haynes was wondering what to show on his trip envelope—the dead-head psgr. Figuring this out pleze: Slim so busy in conversation-mapping out a bus trip for a lady patron, and just about to give it the finale, when she remarked: "I was just curious, it is my mother who is making the trip. She weighs over 250 lbs. and just can't sit in ONE bus seat . . . she wants to go by train anyway!" Rorick looking up rate for psgr, necessitating his referring to two tariffs. He laid one on the counter and went for the other. Patron meanwhile had turned tariff around and with a puzzled gaze, remarked: "You'll have to show me where to look!"

IN AND AROUND RIVERSIDE: Walt Randig with a prize radish patch at the side of the company shop. Nobody really knows who OWNS the car Shorty Hall is driving! The washing of car windows, buses and all that is understood by Shorty but gee whiz—the washing of private house windows surely has the boys ajitter. Suggest next time you pick a spot off the regular bus route! Elden Ray has traveled over 7000 miles between Riverside and El Monte via M. T.

THESE SCOTCHMEN! Operator calling all his buddies together to move the dog house. Lost a dime—but only discovered a Lincoln Head penny. Luckily they put the dog house back in the right place. A guessing game, ya shure: Who switched wires on Maxie's plugs? Who drained the gas tank? Who plucked two spark plugs which were not missed for several days? Why don't that new car make it between Pomona and Claremont in the same time as vice versa?

SANTA ANA HILITES: "Night mares" do happen according to Jack Burgess. Jack chaperoned one of his mares on a grass-eating expedition (the mare did the eating of course) when a busy bee tested the mare's reflexes-resulting in the horse running over Jack's little girl who was bruised and scared. In the melee, Jack sustained a broken wrist. Then a few days later, headlines: FRIGHT-ENED MARE'S WILD DASH THRU CITY STREETS DRIVE PEDES-TRIANS, AUTOS TO COVER! The police riot squad took chase although by taking short cuts over tops of autos and such the mare outran them for a few miles and capped the climax by leaping over the police car. The horse lost patches of hide, the police lost patience, and Jack lost about twenty berries toward patching up the assorted cars, the hurdles, mare didn't clear!

Sam Carr, deciding to shoot the works on a new five-room house in the south end-already started and it's goin' to be the "McCoy" says Sam. The John Hahesys made a trip to Sacramento, pleasure jaunt, and as it was a social occasion rather than a political mission, John may be posted on the honest side of the ledger. Tommy Daiker, time off from rocking the baby, to landscape his grounds. He even bought a wheel barrow and by using his personal magnetism (?) hitched "Babe" Larson to the handles and boy, did the dirt fly! (Wonder if Babe thought it a new game?) Charlie Rhinard has been studying color charts and combinations-even dreams of rain-

bows at night. Laguna Beach-Santa Ana Stages will soon blossom out in a cream and blue motif. A first class sanding and paint job! T'is rumored that the inter-office silver plated trophy for "special merit" was recently awarded to Harry Dostal, Riverside. Medal is handsomely engraved in gothic type "Totally Blind". (It seems that the coveted decoration was won hands down from Santa Ana). Page Mr. Dies-Swede Petersen and Ted Cook have been seen recently in possession of carrier pigeons! Newt Potter officiated for Bill Kennedy, when seized by that periodical urge to go prospecting out near Goodsprings, Nevada. Reported an unusually fine wild flower season in the bad lands but is mysteriously silent on the mineral possibilities! Ham Hammond and parents visited by his sis and bro-in-law, the Chas. Lakes and Mr. and Mrs. Pierce. (Mr. Pierce is one of the country's most accomplished magicians and is now touring the west. Should the opportunity present itself, be certain to see him, he's tops in his profession!) Johnny Hill knows all the ins and outs of changing inside rears. Al Henson reports an avalanche of fresh eggs. Benny Kimball still looking for bicycle stolen from his son. Dick Butler has a Ford V-8 to polish on days off in addition to the Chrysler. John Bailey still leading political oracle, although Hank Faulkner is showing an improved technique. Santa Ana can supply lots of argumentative talent for any controversial subject. (Page Geo. Shively.)

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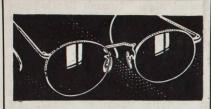
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