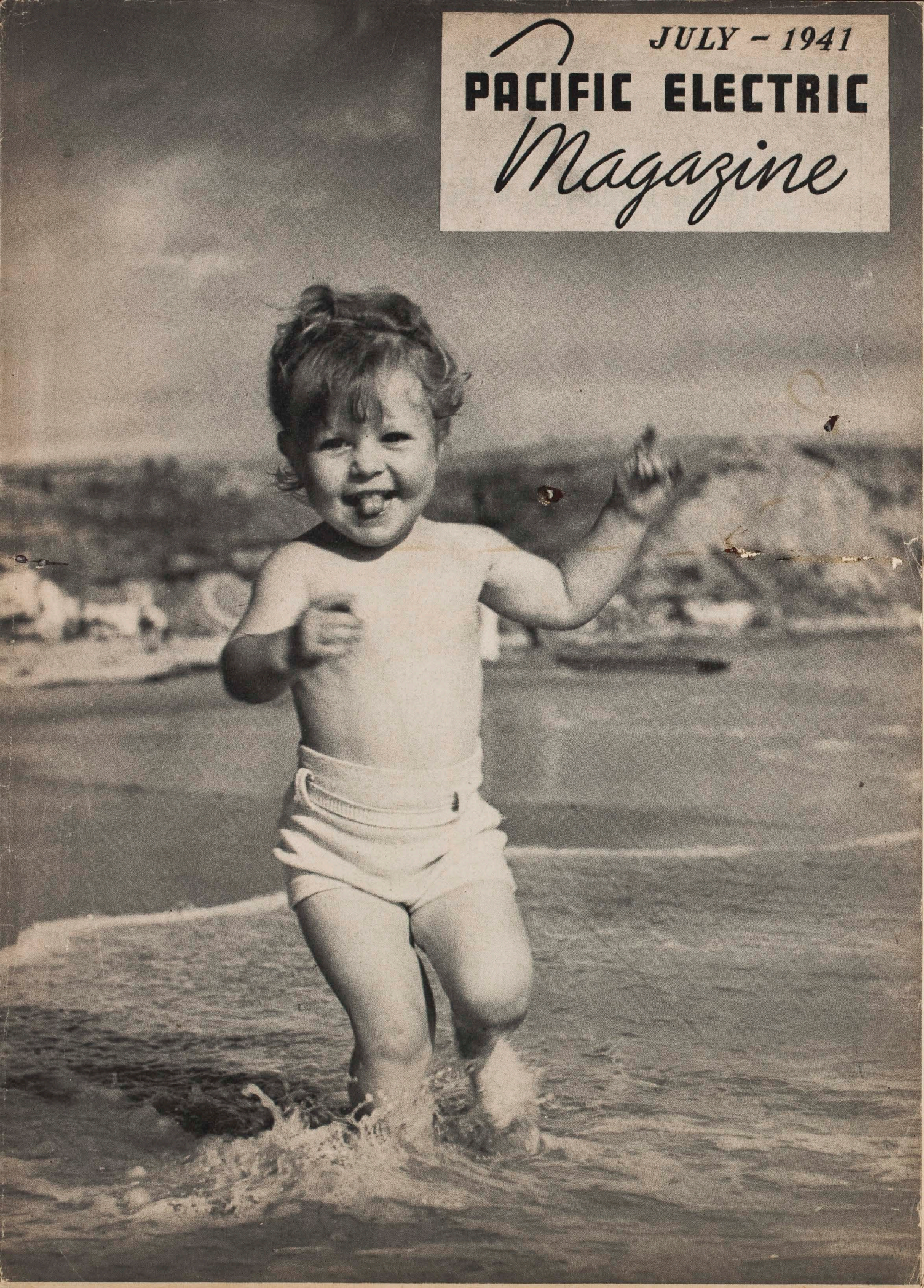


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To All Employees of Pacific Electric Railway

Record rains last winter have resulted in heavy growth of grass and underbrush in the mountains of Southern California and other areas of the west, and as the summer season advances the danger of forest fires becomes alarmingly greater.

Last year smoke alone "shorted" the Boulder Dam transmission line, resulting in the shut-down of many Southern California industries for several hours, and one fire last season in San Bernardino County put 80 per cent of Los Angeles City power lines out of commission. By these two incidents you can judge the seriousness of the situation that would be created by a large fire.

THIS IS A PROBLEM IN WHICH EACH EMPLOYEE AND EVERY MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY CAN AND SHOULD HELP.

Do not smoke in any mountain or foothill area, or where there is dry grass or underbrush. Smoke only within the cleared boundaries of a Camp or Resort, and even there exercise great care. Do not carelessly throw away any lighted match or a burning cigarette. See that both are definitely put out and further safeguard by grinding them under your heel.

Make no camp-fire any place without a Fire Permit, and when leaving camp for any purpose, whether for a brief period or permanently, *be sure that every vestige of fire has been extinguished.*

Assist in seeing that others do not violate rules of safety. Dangerous situations if not corrected should be reported to nearest Ranger or Fire Warden. Carelessness of others jeopardizes not only their own safety but creates a hazard for you and your family.

BE CAREFUL YOURSELF — CAUTION OTHERS.

Every employee of this Company is earnestly requested to aid in this campaign for safety.

O. A. SMITH,
President.

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E. C. THOMAS.....EDITOR

1941 BOWL SEASON

World-famed Hollywood Bowl opened its great series of Symphonies, Ballets and Musical Features on the evening of July 8th with a record-breaking attendance at the opening performance; and again Mrs. Leland Atherton Irish has demonstrated her unexcelled organization ability as well as demonstrating her ability to gather together many of the world's greatest musical artists for the pleasure and profit of the people of Southern California.

This year's series of events at the Bowl run from July 8th until August 29th, performances being given each Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening.

As a guide to the programs to be given, it will be well to keep in mind the following:

Tuesday Nights—Operas and Ballets.

Thursday Nights — Famous Soloists.

Friday Nights—Symphonies under the batons of some of the greatest of conductors.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

At a reception tendered a host of friends on Sunday evening, June 8th by Mr. and Mrs. Warren W. Braley, of 10207 Walnut Ave., South Gate, announcement was made of the marriage of their daughter, Juanita Doris Clark to Glen Raymond Walters, on the day previous.

A brief honeymoon was spent at Las Vegas, Nev. and at Boulder Dam.

The young couple will be at home to their many friends in the near future at Downey Manor, where they are building a new home that is rapidly nearing completion.

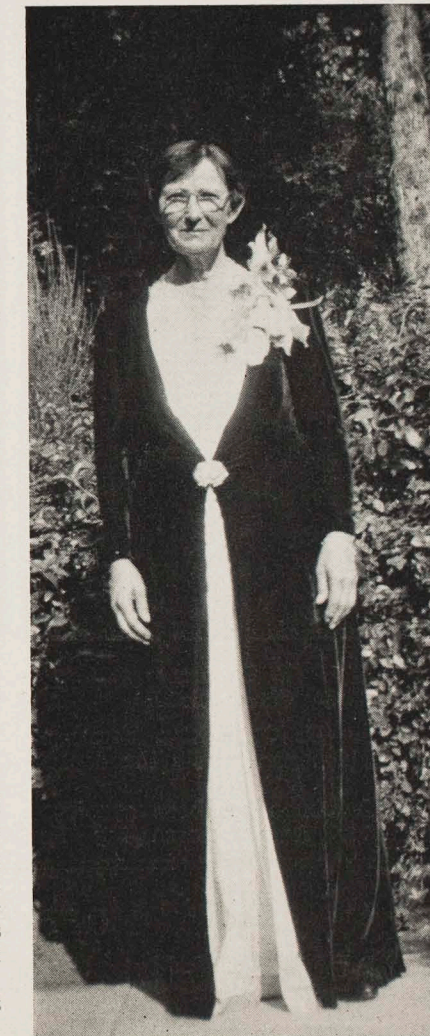
Their many friends extend best wishes for a future of great happiness.

Mr. Braley is connected with the Transportation Department as Freight Conductor, Southern District.

Patron of Railway For 40 Years Retires

Miss Crabtree Honored by South Pasadenans on Retirement from Her Career As An Educator

Men and women of mature years; youths of High School years, and young children of the present day went in throngs to the Marengo School Auditorium in South Pasadena on June 13th to do honor to Miss Mattaline Crabtree, who on that day concluded 40 years service as a teacher in the Marengo School.



In addition to those who were in attendance at the reception tendered her under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers' Association, letters and cards of greetings were sent her by scores of her former students and friends.

The Pacific Electric Railway desires to add its appreciation of this outstanding woman of the Educational world, for her kindness, considera-

tion and courtesy extended those who were honored to serve her with transportation during the forty years she has been teaching in South Pasadena; and, she most graciously bestowed a compliment on the men of our service, when she said "I alighted in South Pasadena, Sept. 9, 1901 on the old Pacific Electric Line at Mission and Meridian, where the road turned to go over the viaduct to Columbia Street and on to Fair Oaks. I rode the first Short Line and first Edendale cars, and so far as I know I have ridden over every one of the lines of the Pacific Electric. I have always been served with courtesy and consideration by "the boys" all these forty years. I never felt the need of a car, because I knew that the Pacific Electric would always get me to school on time. My thanks to all of you for your kindness and courtesy."

Miss Crabtree was one of 10 children born to Cyrus Ware Crabtree and Hermine Rebekah Crabtree at Madisonville, Ky. She had seven brothers and two sisters. Her parents established themselves on a farm when she was very young, so that their children might grow up in the country. One-time journalist and scholar, her father was able to give his children the best educational opportunities of the period. It was through her father that she became acquainted with writers such as Shakespeare, Milton, Byron, Dickens and Victor Hugo. On Sunday, Miss Crabtree's mother told her children Bible stories.

Miss Crabtree has been teaching school for 47 years, starting in Lexington, Ky. After a summer in Europe, she came to California and started work in California. Her first five years were spent at the El Centro School. She then became principal for two years of the Lincoln Park Grammar School.

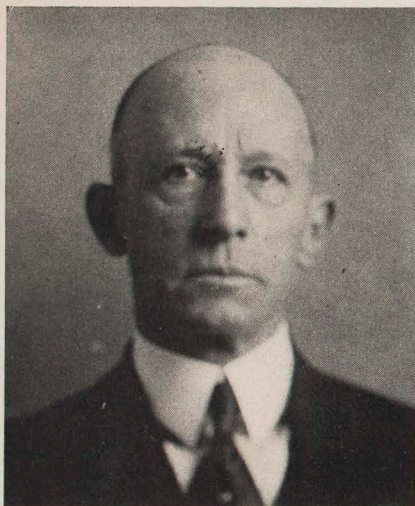
She has studied constantly to make herself a progressive teacher, and she has the distinction of being the first physical education instructor in the elementary schools. She fitted herself by study with experts in that field. The thing that she has stood for throughout her teaching career has been the development of character. Long before the unit system of education came into vogue, Miss Crabtree was using methods similar to those used by modern teachers.

"How far do they trace their ancestry?"

"The grandfather, a City Bank Director, was traced as far as China; there all traces were lost."

HENRY GENTRY RETIRES

One of the most popular fellows in the railroad business, Henry F. Gentry, Travelling Passenger Agent of the Pacific Electric, retired from active service on July 1st, after 23 years with this company, and a number of years with other railroad interests.



Among Henry's principal duties during the past several years has been that of handling Steamer traffic between Los Angeles and the Harbor at San Pedro and Wilmington, and during that time he has gained a wide acquaintance among shipping men and officials, as well as acquiring the acquaintance of many celebrities.

Henry originated in "the blue grass country", comes from a long line of Gentries, and was to the manner-born in gentility, courtesy and those other attributes that mark the men of the old South, and win for them the high esteem of everyone. He is going to be missed very much by those with whom he has come in daily contact over the past years.

Mr. Gentry's service with the Pacific Electric dates from July 18, 1918, when he began work as a Ticket Clerk at Main Street Station. By progressive stages he has filled positions of the Stock Department, Agent of the Passenger Department, Ticket Stock Clerk, and since May, 1925 has been one of our Travelling Passenger Agents.

Prior to coming to the Pacific Electric Mr. Gentry was in the employ of the S. P., L. A. & S. L. Railway for a number of years, and had had other railroad experience. His many friends wish Henry many years, and happy ones, with full enjoyment of his prolonged vacation.

Promotions Made

Due to the retirement of H. F. Gentry, several promotions have been



1. T. E. Gentry
3. Chas. Minick

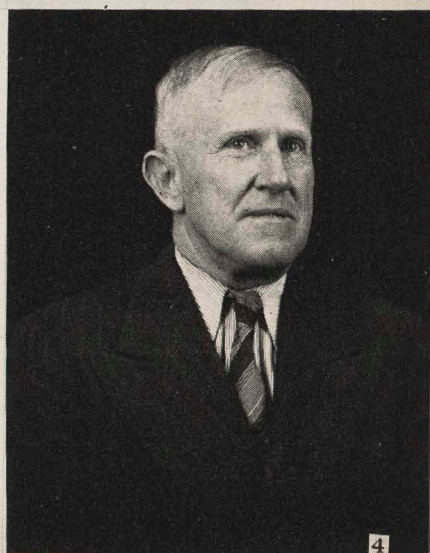


2. J. N. Shafer
4. Ralph Dimon



made by H. O. Marler, Passenger Traffic Manager, within the department.

Ralph Dimon has been appointed Passenger Agent, succeeding Mr.



Gentry to his duties and taking over additional duties as assigned.

Charles Minick, Ticket Stock Clerk, succeeds Mr. Dimon as Ticket and Bill Clerk, Passenger Traffic De-

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partment; Mr. Minick being succeeded by James N. Shafer as Ticket and Stock Clerk. T. E. Gentry, Literature Clerk, becomes Steno-Clerk Passenger Dept., his former place being filled by a new appointee, Frank J. Screech, who entered Motor Transit Service in 1925, from thence to Accounting Dept., and joined Passenger Traffic Dept. on July 1st as Literature Clerk.



MECHANICAL DEPT. REVIEW

By F. E. Geibel

The Torrance Shops and all outside points of the Mechanical Department return to a six day week July 7, 1941. Where the man-days are sufficient to meet the demands of the present service it necessarily means some readjustment of the forces. At Torrance it is hoped that conditions will warrant continuing as at present except for such changes as are necessary to balance up the force in the various departments.

The 600-700 class rehabilitation program is nearing the end. As of July first 139 will have been completed and in service. There will be only 9 of the old ones in service, and with 12 in the shop undergoing repairs, the first week of September will see the end of this program; that is, provided there are no further delays in material.

Material is being assembled for the construction of four new caboose cars. These will be similar to the ones completed in 1939. Again we face the present material situation, although the government realizing the need for freight equipment has recently eased up on steel for freight equipment. This work should be started during July.

All of the old motor coach equipment has been sold with the transfer of the Pasadena and Glendale local lines or otherwise taken out of service. Of the 77 new coaches placed in service last year 24 replaced some of this old equipment. The 415 class coaches released from the Los Angeles-Glendale line have been overhauled, painted the new colors, and assigned to other services. Program is now under way for painting all of the motor coaches in the new colors. Motor coach to replace the old No. 217 running between Pasadena and Alhambra is on order, and shipment is expected soon.

Lochhead Steps Up--Hill Steps In

Southern Pacific Changes Bring Us A New Supervisor



T. B. LOCHHEAD

Due to the retirement of C. R. Walsh, as Assistant Manager of Dining Car, Hotel, Restaurant and News Service of the Southern Pacific Company, at San Francisco, Mr. H. E. Lynch, Supervisor of Supplies and Equipment, was appointed by Manager H. A. Butler to succeed Mr. Walsh.

Following this, came a succession of appointments by Mr. Butler; Mr. T. B. Lochhead, formerly Supervisor of News Service and Restaurants, Pacific Electric Lines, going to Southern Pacific at San Francisco to the position formerly occupied by Mr. Lynch.

T. B. (Tommy) Lochhead has been



C. F. HILL

in the service here for quite a long time and acquired many friends who will be glad to know of his promotion. We are going to miss that Scottish burr of his around here, as well as his never-failing geniality. He has our very best wishes in his new position.

Succeeding Mr. Lochhead here is Mr. C. F. Hill, who comes to us from Sacramento, where he has been in charge of Restaurant and News service.

Mr. Hill comes to our service with many commendations from his friends in Sacramento, where they are legion. He has been thoroughly trained and schooled in his business, is very congenial and we know he is going to get along on fine fettle with us.

The demand for freight cars has made it necessary to repair and return to service all available freight equipment stored on account of bad order. An extra crew is handling some of this work at Torrance. On account of the rock movement to Long Beach it has been found convenient to open up the old Fairbanks Car House at Long Beach as a freight repair point. General repairs and painting are being done at that point. Approximately 100 freight cars have been painted during the past two months.

Locomotives and express cars are now coming in for repairs and painting. A double deck motor coach formerly used in Los Angeles Motor

Coach service is being converted for rail service in Mexico.

This about rounds out our present plans for the next few months.

OUR U. S. O. CAMPAIGN

At the request of the Federal Government, the six great private welfare agencies (The Salvation Army, National Catholic Community Service, Young Men's Christian Association, Young Women's Christian Association, Jewish Welfare Board and National Traveler's Aid), have combined their resources to provide a program of religious, spiritual, welfare and social benefits for the nation's armed forces and defense

workers. The Government will build some 360 service club-houses adjacent to as many camps, naval stations, defense production centers and overseas bases. The club-houses will be leased for a nominal sum to United Service Organizations who will staff and operate them. These clubs will be strictly non-profit—for the benefit of our national defenders—the connecting link between life in the service and life at home—in fact, a home for the boy away from home.

Los Angeles' quota of the USO national campaign is \$286,175. If every man, woman and child in Los Angeles who believes that this appeal should succeed will do his or her part—without further delay—we can say to the rest of the country that Los Angeles has again done its share in a national emergency.

Committeemen from the various departments of the Pacific Electric have been appointed and they will make a canvas of our employes to give them an opportunity to contribute such amounts as they desire to the welfare of our boys who are now in training for the defense of the Nation. There is to be no coercion in this matter, and it is to be entirely a free-will offering on the part of each employe.

Make no mistake—the USO appeal is a direct answer to a real national defense emergency. More than one and one-half millions of our boys have been taken from their homes, schools and jobs to enter the services of their country. Their welfare and character have been seriously threatened because of lack of proper facilities for their recreational and social activities while they are off the reservation. Vicious and unscrupulous elements—concerned with national destruction rather than morale and national defense—have taken advantage of the situation to exploit the boys in service. The USO is not a "paper plan" or theory. It is a living vital program organized by and supported by men and women of every creed, of both major political faiths, who stand united on the one single question of preserving the character of America's vast new army of youthful defenders. This country had to have the USO: And the USO has to have your support.

MRS. J. E. DOUGLASS

The many friends of J. E. Douglass, Trainmaster Western District, will learn with sincere regret of the death of Mrs. Douglass which occurred on Sunday, June 22d.

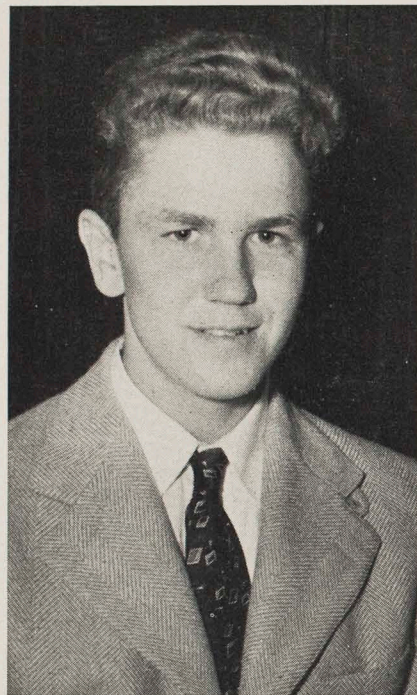
To the bereaved family, we extend the sympathy of a host of fellow employes of Mr. Douglass, who for many years have worked with him in this company, and by whom he is held in high esteem.

Robert Manley Enters Naval Academy

Many Friends of the Young Man and His Parents Much Pleased By His Accomplishments

Joy reigned in the family of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Manley on June 25th, when news came to them that their son, Robert has passed the final examination at Annapolis and had entered the United States Naval Academy there.

The receipt of the news was also



very pleasant tidings to a host of friends of the Manley family; the father of the young man, B. F. Manley, having been in the employ of the Pacific Electric for many years, and is at present Supervisor B & B Department of the Engineering Division.

The achievement of Robert Manley, who is 17 years of age, is an outstanding example of what our young men may accomplish if they

possess the courage and persistence necessary to achieve their ideal.

Long ago, Robert made up his mind that he was going to qualify for the Naval Academy, and mapped his course to that end. It is true that he had all the help and moral backing that his fond parents could give him, but notwithstanding all that, the final victory over all obstacles had to be accomplished by himself.

It meant days and nights of intense application to his studies, and those studies embraced five groups of essentials, all of which he mastered, passing his competitive test with a grade of 83.2 per cent. This is said to be a high grade.

To gain an idea as to what this young man had to store within his consciousness, his course consisted of:

English, I, II, III and IV.
Mathematics, Algebra I and II;
Plane Geometry, Plane Trigonometry.

United States History.
Sciences: Physics, 1st year; Chemistry, 1st year; Mechanical Drawing, 1st year; Spanish, 1st and 2nd year; Latin, 1st year.

Miscellaneous: Civics, Citizenship and Public Speaking.

Robert's school record shows that he attended the Elementary Schools at Bell, where the family resides; Huntington Beach High School, where he graduated in June 1940; and then attended Rutherford Preparatory School at Long Beach for the past year.

His appointment to the Naval Academy at Annapolis was made by the Honorable Harry R. Sheppard, Congressman from the 19th District, following which he passed all local examinations, was sent to Annapolis, and passed his final physical examination on June 25th and admitted to the Academy.

Robert has the most sincere congratulations from the Magazine on behalf of his own and his family's friends; and, we can all well imagine the pride in which he is held by his immediate family.

P. E. BUILDING CHANGES

By H. G. McDonald

The Editor has inquired the reason for so much activity in the building, particularly during the past few months,—he wanted to know "what it was all about."

There have been several moves of considerable floor area that have been completed during the past five months, in fact the total area that has been changed and improved exceeds 25,000 square feet of floor space. One major move was the Tidewater Associated Oil Co., offices from the 7th to 8th floor. This tenant desired to consolidate the area occupied by their various offices so that there would be a central reception room available to take care of all departments. It was decided that the 8th floor offered the best layout to meet their requirements and plans were developed accordingly. In order to make the space available for the Oil Co., it was necessary to move five tenants involving approximately 7000 sq. feet.

It is not an easy matter to move a tenant from one space to another, because they may be satisfied with present quarters, like the particular location and space arrangement and hesitate to make a move that involves inconvenience, some extra expense as well as disruption of the normal business activities. The tenants had some idea of the anticipated move before approaching them, through the usual underground channels, so they were ready for me when I called to request their co-operation. They were approached on the basis that quarters of equal desirability or better would be arranged and with a minimum of inconvenience in accomplishing the move. Tenants without exception expressed a desire to co-operate and with that spirit as a starting point, it is gratifying to say that the Building received such support, 100 per cent. This is illustrated by the letter from Mr. J. M. Clark, Chief Inspector of the Trans-Continental Freight Bureau, as follows:

"Several months ago, you asked me if we would be agreeable to move to another location, to make room for a tenant who desired a large portion of the 8th floor of this building; and having been on the 8th floor for approximately 14 years and being well satisfied, the request did not register favorably; but I agreed to co-operate; and watched with interest the various moves, etc. that were necessary to make a move of this kind. When we decided on our present location you suggested I outline our requirements; and when we moved into our new quarters, May 19th, everything was as ordered. Our new

PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY BOARD OF PENSIONS OFFICE OF SECRETARY

To Employes Leaving the Service:

The Railroad Retirement Act makes no provision for refunds of amounts paid into the annuity fund, to employes leaving railroad service. Refund is made only in the event death occurs before annuity benefits are disbursed. A beneficiary then receives 4 per cent of the total compensation earned by the employe from the railroad subsequent to December 31, 1936, less any annuity benefits paid to him.

Rights acquired under the Act while in Railroad service are not invalidated by reason of leaving the service and taking other employment. These rights are briefly as follows:

1. At age 65 you may file for an annuity based on your compensated months of railroad service (not exceeding 30 years) and your average earnings.
2. At age 60, if you have less than 30 years railroad service and are totally and permanently disabled, you may file for an annuity as stated above, but such an annuity is subject to a deduction of 1/180th for every month you are under 65.
3. If you have 30 years railroad service and are totally and permanently disabled, you may file for an annuity at any age. Such an annuity will be based on your 30 years service and average earnings, without deduction.
4. If you have 30 years railroad service and are past 60 years of age and wish to retire before you are 65 you may file for annuity. Such annuity is subject to a deduction of 1/180th for each month you are under 65.

M. S. WADE, Secretary

offices are far superior to the old ones and I wish to compliment you on the efficient and courteous manner in which the whole move was taken care of.

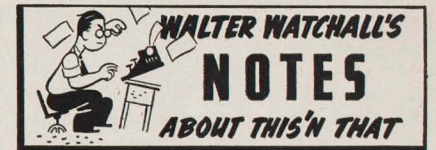
It will be a pleasure to work with you in the future, should a similar occasion arrive."

The other tenants seem equally pleased with their new quarters.

A major move of this character, which involves work by carpenters, plasterers, electricians, linoleum layers, venetian blind repairmen, floor finishers, plumbers, painters, requires a great deal of planning to properly coordinate the work. It is not a "one man" job, but one that called for each to do his part and to all of these men goes the credit of completing the job in a creditable manner and each one has my sincere appreciation for their part.

In addition to the Tidewater Associated move, space has been prepared for the Freight Service Bureau of the S. P. Co. on the 3rd floor; Pullman Chart Room of S. P. Passenger Dept. has been moved from the 3rd to the 4th floor and a Ticket Making Office has been established; Freight Dept. of P. E. has been moved from the 6th to the 5th floor and the Legal Dept. enlarged to the extent of approximately 2500 square feet.

So, now you have a general idea of the reasons for the activity in the Building during the past five months that makes up the total of approximately 25,000 sq. feet of floor space that has been altered and improved and as a consequence, the tenants made happier.



He got my picture,
I know not where,
Or how it looked
He did not care.
I know what to do—
A certain guy I'll sue
I'm going to see my lawyer,
So look out Mister Moyer.

How did you like my picture? I don't remember being on Earl's lap. As I recall it, he always had a blonde on his lap. When a cute one named Sarah came along he held on. Adele Dole says I WAS cute. Guess that just about leaves me out of the picture. I never could get ahead of the Moyers.

Well, here we are into the month of July. This is the time of year honeymooners return. Evelyn Emmons and Hubby are home. Niagara Falls was too far away so they did the next best thing. They went to Boulder Dam. As Evelyn and Doc stood looking over the top, he said: "Evelyn, dear, I'll love you until this Dam runs dry." Evelyn replied: "Yes, dear, and if you cease to love me, my every tear will be bigger than Lake Mead."

They returned home on the morning of the Fourth. Doc said, "Now Evelyn, dear, I have a surprise for you, a cozy little apartment." She said "Oh, no, we must live with mother." It was then they had their

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first argument. It being the Fourth he asserted his Independence. She cried and cried, and then said, "At the Dam you said you would love me always." Doc replied, "Yes, I was a fool to say that, I am just a Dam fool." Finally her warm salty tears melt away his icy stare. Here is where appeasement sets in. She wins. They move in with Mother, but not for long. They soon find the mother-in-law is an interventionist, the son-in-law an isolationist. The result—a non-aggression pact.

Dr. Castanares was wed last month at Old San Gabriel Mission. Those at ringside tell of lots of excitement. Dr. Scholz was seen giving the groom a snort of Anti-Knee-Knock. Dr. Gibson gave him a light anaesthetic, and Doctor Ayers was seen walking around with an electric fan just in case he needed air. Chief Surgeon Dr. Weber stood by with first aid equipment just in case.

Weddings should be changed. They are too much like prize fights. They both require a ring. The preacher is the referee, the bridesmaids second the bride while the best man seconds the groom. As the wedding bell tolls they come out swinging. She lands a one two and he pays toll from then on, this continues until the judges are called upon for a decision.

Did you like the picture on the front page of the Magazine last month? Vic Westerburg wants to know the identity of the young man diving. That calls for a contest for our two million readers. (Circulation dropped off four million after seeing my picture last month). Just tear the top off a carton of cigarettes and mail contents with letter, not over 25 words, I think it is Roy Swanson because—First prize, a gas mask to be used in reading this column. Anyone related to R. Swanson not eligible for this contest.

SAMUEL RIGBY

Samuel Rigby, 71-year-old trolleyman with the Pacific Electric Railway, of 1509 Florida Street, Long Beach, died June 18th at a hospital there. He was born in England, and came to the United States when he was three years old. He had resided in Long Beach for 17 years. He was a member of the Order of Railway Conductors, and of the Neighbors of Woodcraft in Colorado.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Blanche Rigby; two sons, John Rigby, Long Beach, and Daniel K. Rigby, stationed aboard the U. S. S. Saratoga; a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Williams, Long Beach, and a sister, Mrs. R. J. Lane, Pennsylvania.

Condolence is extended to Mr. Rigby's family and friends.



Hollywood Bowl Season has opened and the crowds are larger than last year

NO GREAT SACRIFICE

The haughty senior girl sniffed disdainfully as the tiny freshman cut in. "And just why did you have to cut in when I was dancing?" she inquired nastily.

The freshman hung his head in shame. "I'm sorry ma'am," he said, "but I'm working my way through college, and your partner was waving a five dollar bill at me."

Don't think every sad eyed woman has loved and lost—perhaps she got him.

ALONG THIS TIME OF YEAR

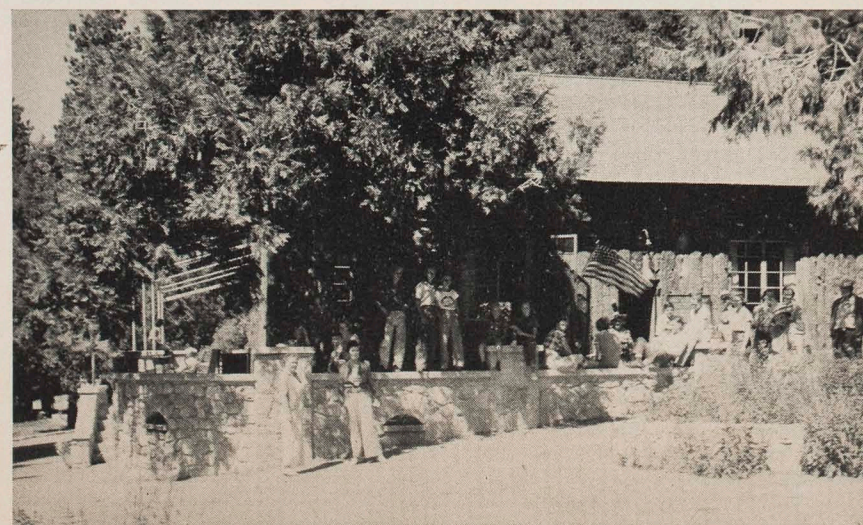
A bunch of the germs were whooping it up
In the bronchial saloon;

Two bugs on the edge of the larynx
Were jazzing a ragtime tune,

While back of the teeth in a solo game
Sat Dangerous Dan Kerchoo;

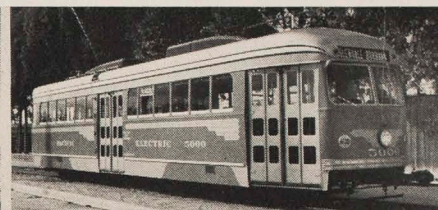
And watching the pulse was his light of love,
The lady that's known as Flu.

—Author brilliant but unknown.



The greatest joys of a Summer Vacation await employes at the Pacific Electric Camp. Make reservations quickly if you expect to go.

SAFETY NEWS



SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Members on the Trainmen's Safety Advisory Committee for month of July will consist of the following train and motor coach employes to represent the different terminals and classes of service operated:

- E. G. EricksonSan Bernardino
- B. PerryMacy St.
- A. R. ReidPasadena
- C. D. RulisonLos Angeles St.
- A. D. ThompsonLong Beach
- L. A. PetersonButte St.
- C. C. TuckerHill St.
- L. E. HawleyGlendale
- W. E. SmartWest Hollywood
- P. R. HannaOcean Park
- Y. B. JefferyMotor Transit

The next meeting of the Trainmen's Safety Advisory Committee will be held Friday, July 25, 1941, in the Pacific Electric Club Rooms, Los Angeles, commencing at 10 a.m. Arrangements will be made with your Terminal Foreman to hold you from your regular assignment on that date to enable you to attend this meeting.

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 to you and of educational value.

During the month, and prior to the date of conference, we are hopeful that you will give some thought and study to our accident problems on the district where you are employed, with a view of submitting any suggestions or subjects for discussion of a constructive nature and in the interests of advancing our efforts to prevent avoidable accidents. Please have your suggestions in writing, each suggestion on a separate sheet of paper, so that after they are discussed, they may be handed to the Chairman for further study and handling.

STEP ACCIDENTS—PASSENGERS FELL WHILE BOARDING OR ALIGHTING

Northern District	5
Southern District	2
Western District	6
Motor Coaches	4

There was an increase of both door

and step accidents during month of May, 1941.

Please watch the door operation very closely; also form the habit of warning passengers to "Please watch their step" when boarding or alighting.

TRAINMEN AND OPERATORS PERSONAL INJURIES DURING MAY 1941

Northern District
Conductor on box motor sprained his back when loading water pumps and pipes at Pomona, 5-9-41.

Southern District
Motorman A. A. Bish stepped onto track directly in front of engine, was run over and killed at Watson, 5-29-41.

Brakeman dropped ground throw switch on big toe of left foot Wing-foot, 5-29-41.

Brakeman stepped on a stick with a nail sticking up through it and the nail penetrated ball of foot when switching Citrus Grower's packing house at Garden Grove, 5-27-41.

Conductor stepped off of foot-board into a hole and turned ankle, Long Beach yard, 5-26-41.

Western District
Conductor injured his side turning car seats on car 5011, seat hard to turn, Burbank, 5-10-41.

Motorman injured when group box lid dropped on his toe, Glendale Blvd. and Temple St., 5-10-41.

Conductor cut tendon of middle finger when closing car window that was stuck. Window let loose suddenly catching finger on sharp edge of window holder on top, Huntley Drive and Santa Monica Blvd., 5-9-41.

Motor Coach Service
Operator injured 3 fingers on left hand. Vibration of motor caused door to drop, catching fingers, Whittier, 5-31-41.

Total of 7 employes injured and one killed during May, 1941.

The Northern and Western District freight trainmen, and the Southern District passenger trainmen maintained a perfect score of no personal injuries during this period.

The matter of boards with nails in them, group box lids dropping off, hole in Long Beach yard, car seats being hard to turn, have been turned over to the various departments for improvement and correction to avoid recurrence. Every effort is being made to provide employes with safe equipment to use in performing their work. Please give serious consideration to the accidents which your fellow workmen unfortunately ex-



perience, and at all times do your part to avoid injury to yourself and others by doing your work the safe way—STOP—THINK—LOOK AND LISTEN.

TRAIN MEETING OR PASSING

We are still experiencing serious and fatal accidents at crossings between trains, auto traffic and pedestrians in two, three and four track operations, caused by traffic waiting until a train going in one direction passes over the crossing, then drive directly onto track in front of a train moving in the opposite direction, and in cases where passengers who have just alighted from a train, cross track in front of train from which they alighted and step directly in front of a train moving on the next track. These accidents can and should be avoided. In any case where trains are running in such positions that they will meet at or near a crossing or one train will pass another at or near a crossing, the motorman of each train should reduce speed to the extent of bringing their train to a complete stop, if necessary, in order to prevent accidents to either traffic or pedestrians. Please study this kind of accident hazard and take the proper steps to eliminate all such accidents.

QUALIFICATIONS ON LINES

The following governs in respect to qualification by lines: To retain qualifications on a particular line, trainmen in passenger service must have operated over the line within a period of one year, or otherwise have made a student trip thereover within a past 12 months period. To retain qualifications on a particular line, freight conductors and freight motormen must have operated over the line within a period of one year, or otherwise have made a student review trip thereover within a past year's period.

Freight brakemen, trolley men and firemen when under direction of conductor and motorman or engineer will not be required to make student trip after once qualified.

Under instructions and direction of proper authority, trainmen will be required to make relays or perform other required services as conditions or emergencies may warrant, provided, however, under no circumstances will trainmen operate over portions of lines governed by single track rules on which not qualified, without assignment of a qualified pilot. Should any trainman be given an assignment on which he is not qualified as above, he will immediately notify the Terminal Foreman or other officer making the assignment, explaining in what respect he is not qualified to work such assignment.

DOOR ACCIDENTS DURING MONTH OF MAY, 1941

Northern District

Two cases of passengers struck by doors.

Southern District

None.

Western District

Seven cases of passengers struck by doors.

Motor Coaches

None.

PASSENGER AIR BRAKE TESTS

Item No. 23, Original Page 7 to Special Rules in effect May 25, 1941.

Observation shows trainmen are not at all times complying with requirements of making proper brake tests. Please study this rule carefully and see that proper brake tests are made in strict accordance with the provisions of this rule. To do this will require the close cooperation and attention of all members of each crew.

PASSENGERS FALLING DOWN

We are still experiencing many accidents where passengers are being thrown in the aisles caused by sudden and fast acceleration of equipment after passengers board, and before they are seated; also passengers being thrown in aisles caused by sudden and severe deceleration when passengers are standing in aisles preparatory to alighting. All 5000 class cars and motor coach equipment are provided with an inside view mirror which enables the motorman or operator to observe at all times whether or not any passengers are standing in the aisles, when passengers have not been seated after boarding or have left their seats to alight or when there is a standing load. This class of accidents can be greatly reduced by motormen and operators taking this into consideration

and operating the equipment accordingly. When any passengers are standing in the aisles, operate your equipment with a smooth and gradual acceleration or deceleration and operate in such a manner that emergency stops will not be necessary in order to avoid interference with auto or pedestrians. Many of our accident reports show the equipment is being operated in such a manner that motorman or operator get themselves in a position where it is either a case of an interference if emergency brakes are not applied, and a passenger being thrown in the aisle if they do make emergency stop. Please give this serious consideration and eliminate accidents from this cause, sacrificing schedule for safety to the extent necessary to accomplish this.

SAFETY SHOES

STEEL GUARDS FOR YOUR TOES

A month seldom passes where one or more employes in train or yard service, or freight house forces, does not receive foot injuries. Arrangements are now under way to provide convenient facilities for purchase of safety shoes.

A truck equipped similar to a regular shoe store will make calls at various locations on the property as requested, and shoes may be selected and properly fitted and employes desiring to do so may purchase such shoes under a payroll deduction arrangement. When arrangements are completed notice will be posted for your information.

It is recommended that each one carefully investigate the advisability of taking advantage of this additional safety protection.

Further information can be obtained at Room 217, Pacific Electric Bldg., 6th and Main Streets, Los Angeles.

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CLASSIFICATION OF APRIL RAIL AND MOTOR COACH ACCIDENTS APRIL 1941 COMPARED WITH APRIL 1940

	Rail—passenger				Motor Coaches				Freight & Box Motors			
	1941	1940	Dec.	Inc.	1941	1940	Dec.	Inc.	1941	1940	Dec.	Inc.
1	4	4			0	0			0	0		
2	0	0			0	0			0	0		
3	0	1		1	0	0			0	1		
4	100	82		18	22	18		4	12	8		4
5	6	1		5	0	0			7	9		2
6	0	2		2	0	1		1	0	0		
7	3	6		3	2	2			0	0		
8	11	15		4	3	0		3	0	0		
9	20	17		3	14	10		4	0	0		
10	0	0			0	0			0	0		
11	6	7		1	0	4		4	0	0		
12	0	2		2	0	0			0	0		
13	4	6		2	0	0			3	2		1
14	13	6		7	0	1		1	5	2		3
Total	167	149		18	41	36		5	27	22		5

TOTAL NUMBER OF MILES OPERATED PER ACCIDENT

Passenger Rail Service		Motor Coach Service	
April 1940	5776	April 1941	15874
April 1940	7753	April 1940	19910
Decrease—1977 miles per accident.		Decrease—4036 miles per accident	

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

- Thursday, July 10: P. E. Women's Club Red Cross Sewing—10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, July 16: P. E. Camera Club Semi-monthly Business Meeting—7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, July 17: P. E. Women's Club Red Cross Sewing—10:00 p.m. P. E. Women's Club Semi-monthly Card Party—1:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 22: P. E. American Legion Semi-monthly Business Meeting—8:00 p.m. American Legion Auxiliary Semi-monthly Business Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, July 24: P. E. Women's Club Red Cross Sewing—10:00 a.m.
- Friday, July 25: American Legion Auxiliary Monthly Night Card Party—8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, July 31: P. E. Women's Club Red Cross Sewing—10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, August 6: P. E. Camera Club Semi-monthly Business Meeting—7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, August 7: P. E. Women's Club Red Cross Sewing—10:00 a.m. P. E. Women's Club Semi-monthly Card Party—1:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 12: P. E. American Legion Semi-monthly Business Meeting—8:00 p.m. American Legion Auxiliary Semi-monthly Business Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 13: P. E. Rod & Gun Club Monthly Business Meeting—7:30 p.m.

P. E. MASONIC CLUB By Ed Hasenyager

Vacation time is here. Our club will have no more meetings until Wednesday, October 15 at which time we will plan for our annual Stag Dinner to be held on Saturday Evening, November 15. The place to be announced later.

Our visit on June 20th to Granada Lodge in Alhambra was enjoyed by about 40 of our members. The Degree Corps demonstrated the fact that even though they do not work as a team often they are really proficient

in the work assigned them. Brother Pfeil, working for the first time in the West displayed a knowledge of the work that will assure him a regular place on the team. Brother Noble Cates in the South and Brother Guy Wooley as Jr. Steward also new faces on the team will no doubt be assigned to these stations regularly in the future. It is encouraging to your officers and the Director of the Degree Team that we are able to find new members willing to carry on in the work as the older members pass on.

We missed Brother Hansen "The Big Bad Man" but Brother Briggs filled in in his usual masterful style.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Agnes Marie Douglass, wife of Brother "Jim" Douglass of 3840 Motor Ave., Culver City, on June 20th. We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family and friends.

Hospital Notes

Since last issue several of our brothers have been confined to the hospital. At this time Brothers W. H. Lyons and A. Hornbuckle would be glad if some of our members would visit them.

How Old Is Masonry?

This question has been asked many times. From the "Northern Illinois Masonic Journal" we find this interesting comment.

"According to John O'Hart, eminent Irish historian, regular Masonic meetings were held 3,200 years ago.

"A brass square was found in the foundations of an old bridge at Limerick, Ireland. It was dated 1507 and carried the inscription, "I will strive to live with love and care, upon the level, by the square."

"When the old obelisk known as

Cleopatra's needle was moved from its base in Egypt, where it had stood for 2,000 years, for the purpose of being shipped to New York, a square and a compass were found inscribed upon the base. This Obelisk may now be seen in Central Park, New York.

"Frescoes on walls of the Temple of Rameses II, at Babel Molank, in Egypt, represent scenes in Masonic institutions. The Temple was built in 1720 B.C."

WOMEN'S CLUB By Mrs. Lon Bishop

The post cards are beginning to arrive "having a grand time, caught the limit, wish you were here."

That means vacation days are at hand and Club meetings over for the summer.

There is one faithful hard working group, though, to whom vacations do not mean a thing. Namely, the Red Cross workers who will meet every Thursday at 10 a.m. Come and help.

The first of the summer outings was a picnic given by the San Bernardino Auxiliary at Paris Hill Park in San Bernardino. About thirty of the members went over and had a perfect day, as is always the case when that group entertains.

The long awaited Quizz program given by the Homemakers Club was held June 11th in their auditorium in Hollywood.

Two clubs competed for high money (\$30) with three members from each as contestants.

We thought it a smart plan to have our contribution to the Magazine ready days in advance and being confident of victory wrote it up as follows:

"The Women's Club participated in a very exciting program at "Kwiz Kollege". Making short terms of the Sophomore, Junior and Senior years and going over the top with a veritable whizz bang—" ? ? ? Well, it wasn't as whizzy as we expected—but no one can say our girls didn't try to keep their minds on the questions, but with that fascinating, scintillating Stu Wilson in the Professor's chair, well, it was disconcerting to say the least.

We understand one of our Past Presidents (who is President of a Legion Auxiliary in Culver City) had her Club up for an I.Q. and also ran.

She even tried bribery, sneaked up before class and placed a "beeg" beautiful, highly polished red apple on teacher's desk, with a note all love and x's—but it didn't get her anywhere—all we heard was "thank you, child, for your thought of the old Prof."

Don't forget the card parties.

Chairman Mrs. Will Steward and Co-Chairman Mrs. George Steward have planned some nice parties and will run the summer tournament as usual.

We hear talk of the annual bazaar already, but remember the days are slipping by. It's only 183 or even less days to Christmas and we are going to tip you off as time goes on. of the many nice things you will be able to pick up at the affair. The annual Club picnic given at beautiful Echo Park on June 26th was a huge success and Mrs. Emma Sutter proved herself both a supervisor and an "entertainer"—fifty members present to enjoy the day.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Frank Weimer, in the loss of her beloved husband

Mrs. Weimer, up to the time of her husband's illness was one of the Club's most active members and Mr. Weimer loved by all who knew him.

"Another link broken in the household band.

But a chain is forming in a better land."

Our contribution to Magazine had already been sent in, when we learned of the very sudden death of Mrs. Emma Sutter. She was Chairman of the Day at the Club's Annual Picnic at Echo Park on June 26th and was unusually lively with her songs and dances. She must have been stricken shortly after returning from the picnic and was found the next morning by one of her neighbors.

Our hearts are shocked and saddened and our deepest sympathy goes out to her loved ones.

RED CROSS ACTIVITIES

A Pacific Electric Red Cross unit was organized January 30th to meet every Thursday morning at 10.

The Chairman Mrs. J. L. Columbus reports grand work being done, but the larger the sewing group, the greater the good accomplished—so she has issued another call for workers.

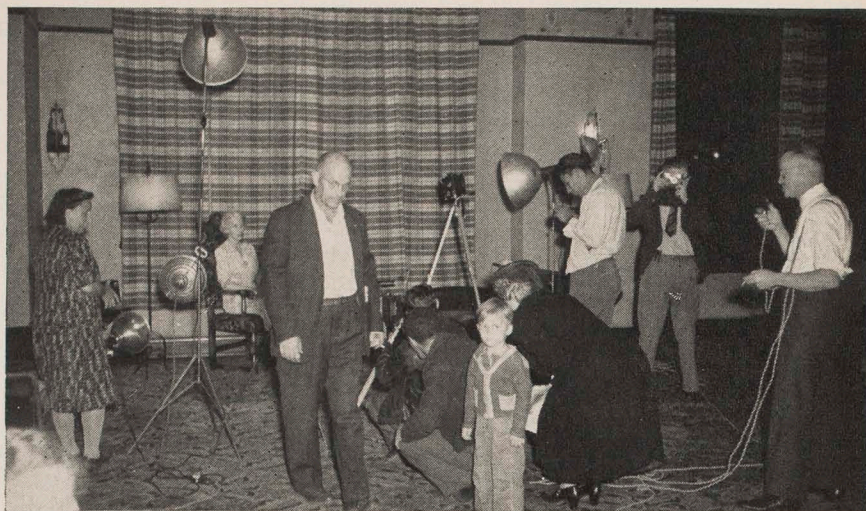
Supplies and power machines are furnished by Red Cross headquarters.

The need for finished garments grows greater each day, so please come up and let the Chairman show you the work that is being done and then if you wish to work at home, take some material or yarn back.

This unit will carry on during the summer months.

Below is listed the completed work:

16 baby layettes—26 pieces each; 32 children's dresses; 6 knitted children's suits; 16 sweaters; 25 dozen diapers; 5 large crib blankets; 6 baby quilts; 10 baby dresses; 9 baby gowns; 30 baby socks; 26 bonnets; 18 bibs; 8 kimono's; 23 pair booties; 1 large quilt; 7 wool skirts.



THE CAMERA CLUB

The meeting of June 4th was devoted to the study of Night Photography", the Main Lounge of the Pacific Electric Club being used as a studio, and our good friend Miss Helen Bettes, of the Accounting Department acting as model for the pictures, as can be seen by the accompanying illustration, this picture being taken by Vice-President McMichael. In some future issue of the Magazine we will show the winning picture, which has not as yet been selected.

The meeting of June 18th was not well attended, and after a brief review of quite a lot of good pictures taken by the Butlers, the members went to the dark room to watch Ken Pomeroy "do his stuff" in the developing line.

Due to your correspondent going on Vacation, this column is not very well filled this month.

All members are urged to be present at our next meeting, as an important matter is to be brought before us for discussion and decision.

ROD AND GUN CLUB NEWS By Arlie Skelton

The regular monthly meeting of the Club was held June 11th with all officers present with the exception of Vice President L. L. Loyd and Executive Committeemen W. G. Knoche and D. E. Porter.

Twenty-five members were present, out of a membership of eight hundred and four. Not bad.

Thirty-two fish registrations and J. S. Harris' regular monthly weasel scalp were turned in. He being the Field Captain and the holder of such registrations, just wonder if that could be the same scalp coming in each month?

Two of the fish registrations had to be returned to the owners on account of being incomplete. Better watch that boys, as all registration

cards are being checked very closely, and all those not properly filled out are being sent back with instructions to have corrections made and returned to the Recording Secretary or mailed to the Club not later than the next regular meeting. This is to give all members an equal chance to have corrections made in ample time.

President E. L. H. Bissenger is very unhappy over the year book situation this year. "Bing" proposed to set a precedent this year by having the year book out before the May 1st opening of trout season outing to the P. E. Camp. Having failed on that, it now looks like the year book will be even later than usual this year. This is a very discouraging situation to the members as well as to the advertisers, yet it reverts back to the same cause. A few members have to gather the ads to pay the expense of the year book and that few can only cover a certain field within a certain length of time. That is why the year book gets out after the year is half gone.

Those who squawk the loudest about it are usually those who don't bring in any ads.

What this Club needs is a lot more members like Scott Braley. He isn't much to look at nor does he do much talking, but he sure does a lot of acting. Scott gets practically all the ads for the year book; procures prizes for the ladies and the junior members; arranges fishing parties, and keeps the records on fish registrations; and, he does it all at little or no expense to the Club. As a shining example of his personality, once upon a time a prominent member of this Club tried to procure an ad from a certain sporting goods store. Unable to close the deal, he sorrowfully mentioned the fact to Scott. Scott said, "Come with me". Next scene showed Scott and his pal leaving the store with the coveted ad and a valuable prize donated for the junior department of our Club.

This month we find our hero busily making plans for another annual affair of the Club. The annual surf fishing contest and chowder party to be held at Los Patos Camp the week-end of July 19th and 20th. Fishing contest to start at noon July 19th and closes Sunday noon, July 20th. Boundary lines will be San Francisco on the north and San Diego on the south but all fish must be registered in at Los Patos Camp not later than noon Sunday, July 20th. A big chowder feed will fol-



low the closing of the fishing contest and special prizes will be awarded to those catching the largest Corbina and Croaker. Final announcements on what the prizes will be and rules of the contest will be announced at the July 9th meeting.

It is a Scott Braley project and is bound to be a success.

H. P. Bancroft has been authorized to act as a committee of one to have our coo-coo clock repaired and restored to running order in our Club room.

Mr. Killingsworth of the Union Pacific Rod and Gun Club, who has been caring for our clay pigeon traps, reports he can no longer care for them and asks this Club to re-claim them.

B. F. Manley and Dan Deal were authorized to negotiate their sale at twenty-five dollars each. Fifty dollars for the two traps which is considered a bargain in their state of good repair.

Yours truly recently enjoyed a very successful fishing trip to Henshaw lake. Along with limits of crapie and blue gill was able to land some nice size bass. The largest of which weighed five pounds after being de-hydrated for eight hours. There not being an approved scale available at the lake it was necessary



JOINT INSTALLATION OFFICERS P. E. POST AND AUXILIARY

Comrade W. H. Pascoe, of 223 Walnut St., El Segundo, was operated on at St. Vincent's Hospital, May 13th. Last report he was at home.

June 8th:—P. E. Ry. Post 321 elected Officers for the ensuing year. Comrade William Parker, of Southeast Post 320, acted as Judge of this election.

When Adjutant C. A. Newman started on his vacation he arranged for Comrade R. E. Withee, to act in his place at our June 24th meeting. Unfortunately Comrade Withee had an eye hurt June 21th. Extent of his injury unknown, but he was unable to attend, so Comrade L. F. Prince acted as Adjutant for this meeting. On June 24th, Commander W. E. Sames, was injured. An oil can fell several stories and the spout stabbed him in the back, therefore he was home in bed, and 1st Vice Commander V. G. Clemons, acted as Commander.

Distinguished guests: — Adjutant 23rd District E. W. Gosharee, of Teddy Rough Rider Post. Commander C. L. Lilywhite, and Comrade Ed McMahon, of Teddy Rough Riders; and Commander Basset and Past Commander Bill Bailey, of Venice Post 177. Comrades Gosharee, Lilywhite and Bailey are running against each other for the same post, 1st Vice Commander 23rd District.

A. W. Rommel, P. E. Photographer, had a busy evening, June 24th. At 8 P. M. he was taking pictures at an S. P. meeting in the Club Theatre. At 8:30 P. M. he was taking a picture of our newly elected Officers, and then he waited in the upstairs hall until the ladies of the Auxiliary finished electing their Officers and then he took their picture.

to wait until we reached Oceanside for the official weighing in procedure.

Deep sea boats along the coast from Malibu, to San Diego, are enjoying capacity loads on Sundays. Reservations are necessary several days in advance. There seems to be some sort of a grudge fishing contest going on between the Manleys and the Braleys at Los Patos Camp.

Among the stack of registration cards placed before the Secretary to read at last meeting, they seemed to be separated into three groups by means of rubber bands. On closer examination it was determined one pack was all Manleys; another was all Braleys, and the third pack was just plain Rod and Gun Club members.

Roy Ratliff, motorman, Van Nuys line, has purchased a new fishing outfit exclusive for tuna fishing around Catalina Island. So far the best he has produced is big white sea bass and barracuda; but he hasn't given up hopes.

Herbie Hautenkamer is still chasing mackerel on his fishing jaunts. Claims he is waiting for the year book to come out so that he can choose his prize and do his fishing accordingly.

Legion Officers: sitting, left to right:

Commander V. G. Clemons, promoted from 1st Vice Commander. Served in 37th Balloon Co., now foreman Mechanical Dept. at Macy St.

1st Vice Commander K. M. Brown, promoted from 2nd Vice Com., formerly Sergeant-at-Arms. Served in 10th Division Army. Now Yardmaster L. A. St. Yds.

Sergeant-at-Arms Orville F. Fackler. Served in Co. D. 63rd Infantry. Signalman P. E. Ry.

Finance Officer O. R. Newhouse, re-elected without opposition, has been Historian. Served in Motor Transport, now Conductor, South.

Standing:

Chaplain F. W. Nichols, again re-elected. This is good news for the Veterans in Ward 3, Sawtelle Hospital; who would miss him if he quit visiting them. Served as 2nd Lt. in Infantry and Air Service. Now Assistant Trainmaster in charge of Box Motors.

Historian James E. Davis. Executive Committeeman L. A. Finley. Was Sergeant-at-Arms. Served in Ammunition Train A. E. F. 1st Army. Motorman West.

Roy Mead, re-appointed Service Officer. Served in several battles with U. S. Engineers. Now P. E. Signal Dept.

Officers not in picture include:— Junior Past Commander, W. E. Sames; Past Commander C. A. Newman, re-appointed Adjutant; and, 2nd Vice Commander H. K. Riordan.

Past Commander B. N. Broberg has been appointed Judge Advocate.

Comrades B. R. Goodwin and L. F. Prince are on the Executive Committee.

Delegates to Dept. Convention and 23rd District meetings:— Comrades Clemons, Nichols, Newhouse and Broberg. Alternates:— Comrades Newman, Rose, Blackwell and Karalis.

New Auxiliary Officers: Front row, sitting, left to right:

Alice Newman, treasurer. Mabel Smith, Executive Committee. Cora Newhouse, 2nd Vice President; Kathryn Brown, President; Myra Belle Clemons, Junior Past President, Bessie Fackler, 1st Vice President, Martha Harper, Secretary.

Standing, left to right:

Juanita Braley, Sergeant-at-Arms. Bernice Nichols, Chaplain. Lillian Lyons, Executive Committee. Ellen Bryant, Executive Committee. Sarah Harris, Historian. Margaret Quillin, Marshal.

We hope our injured Comrades will recover in time to take part with us in the joint installation of Officers in the P. E. Club Ball Room Tuesday, July 8th. The Leonard Wood Woman's Drill Team will install the

Officers of the Auxiliary and the Service Battalion, sponsored by Teddy Rough Rider's Post, will furnish the installing Officers for the Post. Several members of our post belong to this battalion, and Our Adjutant C. A. Newman is battalion Adjutant.

Our Post presented the American Legion School Award to James Campbell and Gloria Anchondo, at the Robert Louis Stevenson, Junior High School, Thursday morning, June 26th. Dr. Robert Ziegler was guest speaker. Past Historian Walter L. Hume has been Chairman of our School Award Committee for the last four years.

OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE

Just a short time ago President Smith, through the columns of the Magazine, called attention to the opportunity employes of this Company now have in rendering a valuable service to the members of the Army and Navy of the Nation, and each day that opportunity is growing.

Throughout the country now men are assembling in cantonments and undergoing preparation for service if, and when needed. These "Draftees" are the sons of our neighbors and friends, taken from their homes and from their usual walks and activities of life, many of them never before away from home, and placed under the discipline of the Army and Navy with many thousands of other young fellows drawn together in a similar manner.

From time to time these young men are granted leave to visit their families or friends, possibly to make journeys to cities that are strange to them, either on duty or for their own pleasure. In many cases they have no knowledge of their surroundings or the locations they desire in cities visited, and must rely on others for direction and guidance.

Probably no class of people during the months to come will have greater opportunity to be helpful, considerate and kindly as railway employes, and we should welcome the chance to be of assistance to them. Let us be helpful to them as we would like some one to be to our own son or brother. Let us go out of our way to see that every courtesy and kindness possible is extended them, and to make them realize truly that we do not have to serve the Nation in the capacity they are serving, gratefully appreciate the service they are rendering on our behalf.

"Old-fashioned girls liked spinning wheels. So do modern girls—four of them."

Definition: An old maid is a girl who knows all the answers, but who has never been asked any of the questions.

RATE CLERK'S NIGHTMARE

It has been said by some "sourpuss" Passenger men, that all Freight men are recruited from the "old horses" of Passenger Departments, but that is neither here or there, for it seems that they even have their troubles in Freight Departments as evidenced by a bunch of wheezes sent to the Editor by Agent W. A. Cunningham, of Glendale Freight Station, entitled "The Rate Clerk's Nightmare" and copied from a little publication known as "The Baxter Vacolighter."

If rates are found in Item one, That means your work has just begun.

Refer to Section fifty-four, Then scratch your head and look for more.

If searching high and low should fail, You'll have to use the mileage scale.

If distance from, is greater than The distance between, reverse your plan.

And try and get the shortest route From up and down to in and out.

Section Circle seven reads "If rate is less, or else exceeds",

Use tariff Four and Twenty-eight, To find the lowest rate of freight.

But all these rates are now taboo, Except in Item Twenty-two.

And even then they don't apply Until effective in July.

So don't look now, just hold the place, And check for Thirty days of grace.

Pages Nine and Ten define The penalties for "Out of line".

But don't use these, at least not yet, They might be further on upset.

Two plus Two should equal four, But Section "P" might make it more.

"X" quite clearly marks the spot, But some are there and some are not.

So use the rules of common sense, Except as changes in supplement.

A colored man was being arraigned before a justice. The justice asked if he would like a lawyer to defend him.

"No, jedge," came the reply. "I don't think I wants no lawyer. But I'd certainly 'preciate a couple good witnesses if you got 'em!"

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

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

Wife: "But he can't get away."

Doctor: "Then you go."

Pa: "I think I'll have to go downstairs and send Nancy's young man home."

Ma: "Now, Elmer, don't be hasty. Remember how we used to court?"

Pa: "For gosh sakes, I hadn't thought of that. Out he goes!"

"Shall we have a friendly game of cards?"

"No. Let's play bridge."

DEPARTMENTAL NOTES**ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT**
By N. E. Cates

A banquet to Ivan Erhart on the desk arrangement in the Transportation Dept. It looks very nice, Ivan.

Our Club Cafeteria continues to serve tip top lunches—what this cafeteria means to us is what the SP "Californian" means to the traveling public—Economy. Welcome to those Southern Pacific and P. F. E. employes who like to eat there. You will find ten or more PFE girls and boys around one table.

Two of the boys from Land and Tax Dept. sat down to lunch and ordered Welsh Rarebit; upon being served Bill Clarke says to Bill Todd: "This don't look like rabbit to me."

Due to the retirement of Mr. H. F. Gentry in the Passenger Traffic Department, a number of our friends had promotions—Ralph Dimon steps into Mr. Gentry's job. Chas. Minick leaves ticket stock work to Jimmie Shafer and Tom Gentry takes over the stenosis job. Congratulations boys, won't you please try to make it easy for the Chief Clerk, Mr. Blythe?

Leo Becker, Asst. Head Clerk, Freight Accounts, surprised us the other day with candy and cigars; it was the occasion of the birth of Arnold Melvyn, born June 10 and he weighed 7 lbs., 1 ounce. That's something to brag about. Congratulations, Leo.

The month of June was graduation month.

Richard Kuck graduated from So. Pasadena High School and will attend Pasadena J. C. come next September, course—Engineering.

Allen Weeks graduated from P.J. C. and will enter U. C. this fall. Course—Engineering.

Snowy, I don't think you are in the dog house for revealing the recipient of Ray Hileman's flowers. Dorothy is a good sport. I am sure she appreciates the flowers.

Juanita Hoover did a few days in St. Vincent's last month and we expect her back to work soon.

Mr. Knight had a two weeks' vacation trip to Missouri.

Earle Moyer vacationed at Big Bear with his family. Beware of those fish stories and what do you think of that sun tan?

Carl Zittleman left the service July 5; he wants to take a vacation before being called into the service of the R.A.F. He has been accepted, however has not been notified when to report. His flying time amounts to 260 hours up to the end of June.

Birthday Greetings to you:

Margaret Taylor	July 5
Edna Bare	July 7
A. L. Marsh (retired)	July 7
Helen Bettis	July 8
Hessel Van der Zee	July 10
Ruth Bushard	July 11
George Chrystal	July 18
W. S. H. Weeks	July 18
S. A. Bishop	July 21
Robt. Yerxa	July 22
Leo Becker	July 23
George Watson	July 23
C. W. Knight	July 24
Dorothy Peterson	July 25
Gilbert Lamm	July 26
Lon McIntyre	July 26
Dale Hyde	July 28
George Perry	July 31

Sound proofing material is being installed in the dispatcher's office on the second floor.

Frank Screech was awarded the job in Passenger Traffic left vacant by advancement of Tom Gentry.

Bob Houseman in Central Time-keeping Bureau is on a leave of absence, and Jimmie Owen will take care of Bob's work meantime. Charlie Sein takes over Jimmie Owen's job as Senior Timekeeper. The Lead Checker's Job in Prior Service was given to Hessel Van der Zee.

Geo. Watson on vacation will divide his time between home and the P. E. Camp.

Ken Pomeroy also selected P. E. Camp to spend a vacation.

During Juanita Hoover's sick leave Chas. English has been waltzing around with "Penelope". Chaperoned by Gladys Sunday.

Now to get Doris Lindeman to type these notes, I hope.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT NOTES
By Anna Setic

The story of Dr. S. Castanares wedding as told to Anna Setic by Doctor Gibson.

Now It Can Be Told

Dr. S. Castanares was finally promoted to that station in life from which no man has remained the same.

Bachelor to Benedict.

The Doctor was married on June 4th, 1941 to Miss Doris Thurber, charming daughter of Dr. Packard Thurber.

The wedding took place in the San Gabriel Mission. Rev. Fr. J. De Prada, Pastor of the Mission, performing the ceremony.

The spot was beautiful. The couple both adorable people, and the sky a bit overcast, because the sun did not

want to come out and take any of the brilliance from the occasion.

The wedding breakfast at the bride's home was beautiful, filling and lively. The gifts numerous—and flowers beautiful.

The bride was a beautiful one—and the groom a picture of peace and contentment. They went off on an extended honeymoon, their many friends felicitating and wishing them the greatest success in their newest venture.

Pauline Morel will soon be back to work after a minor operation at St. Vincent's Hospital. This will be good news to her many friends.

Doctor Kidder is also expected back after several weeks absence due to ill health. His return will bring happiness to all.

STATION STATIC
By James J. Adams

When we first read Earl Moyer's column in last month's Magazine we got a big kick out of it. Then we took a second look at his prize picture of Walter Watchall and a flash of mental lightning jogged our memory back some thirty years. Could this be THE Ray Cragin we



knew as a boy who lived on East 4th Street? The firm set of his jaw and the clenched fists assured us that it was. "A round plump little fellow who just loved to climb into your lap and cuddle up and be rocked to sleep." IZATSO Mr. Moyer? When we knew him he was as tough an hombre as ever played "cowboys and injuns" in ol' Hollenbeck Park. Them was the days before the Lone Ranger and Hi Yo Silver. He probably won't remember the little fellow in this picture as he was generally hiding be-

hind a tree, scared to death of being scalped just as he is of the editor's blue pencil on this story. Ah well, as the Scotchman said as he bought a globe at the 5 and 10, "It's a small world at that!!"

Many changes in this department last month due to an agreement between the B.R.C. and the Management.

W. E. Kennedy from Pasadena ticket office to Main St. Receiving Cashier.

J. A. Lewis from Main St. Parcel Room to Pasadena ticket office.

R. G. McGaw from San Pedro ticket office to Subway, Receiving Cashier.

H. Fuqua from Main St. Receiving Cashier to Long Beach ticket office.

A. E. Brownell from Parcel Room to Main St. Receiving Cashier.

Joe (Ho Hum) Stein from Subway Receiving Cashier to Main St. Parcel Room.

Old Doc Stork celebrated Decoration Day by delivering a precious little bundle to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Roller. The young lady's name is Mary Ann. Pete is so proud we'll bet he tells her the flags are put up for her birthday! The happy smile—more than usual—of our Information Clerk, Sibyl Mather is due to the arrival of a Grand-niece on June 25th. The young Miss is the

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Condon. (Nan Mather)

Bessie Bundy reports a wonderful vacation which included a trip to the Redwoods and Crater Lake. She says she saw everything in threes. (Musta been good stuff) 3 deer, 3 rainbows and 3 bears (What! No Goldilocks?) Also went through the Elk Reservation but did not see any Elk. First time we ever heard of a bashful Elk. Next time call out "Hello Bill!!" and see what happens.

We spent a week of our vacation at the P.E. Camp and had a wonderful time. Had the pleasure of meeting Mr. DeNyse who has made many improvements for the coming season.

The Cash Receivers at the Subway have gone down, and we do mean! Their office having been moved to the lower subway level. That leaves Assistant Agent Norman T. Sewall all alone in what we believe to be the largest private office in the world. It's about three feet smaller than the Grand Canyon!

Lawrence Antista has seen action already since he has been in the army. The 115th Quartermaster Corps of which he is a member was detailed to the disturbance at the North American Aviation strike. We spotted his picture in a local newspaper, bayonet and all. Looks like his new boss, Uncle Sam, means business.

PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES

By Ray Cragin

James Wageley was off a few days last month with a sore eye. When he returned to work he refused to talk. He was accused of looking through a key hole; the eye gave way while eyeing an oomph girl and the little lady being a good shot.

A bundle from heaven arrived at the Oakley home on June 9. Weight seven pounds six ounces, and registered under the name of Euel James. The young man's mother, Virginia Oakley was a stenographer in this department for several years, and all members of Room 609 send congratulations.

The Fenimore clan of Gardena is growing. Six months ago it was the arrival of a new granddaughter. On Sunday, June 29th Robert Fenimore was wed to Isabelle Russo at the Fenimore home. Seventy-five friends being on hand to view the ceremony and drink punch. One of the highlights of the occasion was a solo by Miss Muriel Fenimore. This is on the Q.T. but it was rumored that some one tried to spike the punch so that Dad would sing.

After several years service in the Purchasing and Stores Department Mrs. Ruth Bushard has resigned. The

young lady has decided to desert the Underwood for the Maytag. Ruth had planned this for some time but we being such nice people she had a hard time breaking away. We are all very sorry to see Ruth leave us. Her beaming smile and wisecracks will be missed. The best of luck, Ruth.

Two new members have joined our force recently. Miss Lucille Paige managed to find her way out of the fog of Venice and now daily spreads sunshine throughout the office. Oh yes, she wears a Stop and Go Signal just to keep the boys in their place.

Another newcomer is Bernardette Darmedy, who just a few months ago found her way out of the Fog of Lake Michigan at Chicago. She received the thrill of her life during the recent quake. To these two young ladies we say welcome.

Dorothea Beranek is now vacationing in Wisconsin. It seems she has one of the problems every young girl faces. A handsome young man in Wisconsin who has worn out the right knee of his trousers, and a good looking clever young man of this city. Both young men painting her pictures of a Rose Covered Cottage.

Ray Milne has returned from his vacation. He tells us it was spent at the various beaches proving to the young ladies that there is a successor to Clark Gable.

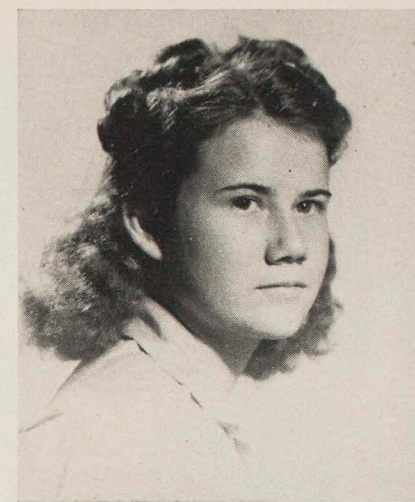
Floyd Gill attended the Veteran of Foreign Wars State Convention June 22nd, 23rd and 24th at Santa Barbara. The Alex Berger Post No. 1013 of which he is a member won fourth prize in the Ritual contest. He is now back at Outpost 145 of the P. E. Bldg.

The following notes from Torrance:

Frank Winterberg, wife and son Franklin, have returned from a vacation spent visiting relatives in Milwaukee, Chicago and way points. In order to get in full mileage on his vacation he hurried home, took a trip to San Diego and had a week left to spend at home.

Warning. Do not eat spareribs unless you have your teeth insured. Mr. Will Locke had the misfortune to break a plate while eating spare ribs. The plate was the one in his mouth and not the one in front of him on the table. From now on it will be ground round.

August Zurborg and family are vacationing. The Grand Canyon, Carlsbad Caves, Arkansas and Indiana were the points marked off on their road map. Miss Moonyeen Zurborg whose picture you see played in the National Tournament of Music last month in this City. This is the fifth consecutive time she has played in this tournament, and her picture will appear in the book which is circulated all over the United States.



Her brother Billie also took part in this tournament, playing the bass viol. The children's teacher is Viola Niland of Redondo Beach. Dad and mother are both talented musicians.

We often wonder just what became of Deacon Burt Ordway. Some say he imagined he was a bear and is hibernating in the Torrance mountains. Others say he is often seen fishing the Torrance River for Sword fish. We called upon our friend Jimmy Livermore to investigate. He brought back the report that he is daily seen sitting on the Curb in front of the Torrance Stock Exchange when not occupied at the Casting Rack.

Fred Hopkins has gone on an extended tour of the East. His plans called for a visit to Chicago, New York and his old home in the New England States. We assume Fred will return with many stories of what is doing on the Atlantic Coast.

TORRANCE SHOPS

By Carleton Bell

HONOR ROLL: Floyd P. Rogers and wife, brand new baby boy born June 17th, weight 8 and one quarter pounds. Sorry not to see Rogers personally to get all the dope on this addition but when I looked for him he was busy bringing his wife and new son home from the hospital.

Just a year ago I had the pleasure of reporting the marriage of Ed Meredith. Now it is an added pleasure to report the addition to the Meredith family of John Edward, born May 21st, weight six and one-half pounds, at the Methodist Hospital in L. A.

James Russell and Ruby Jackson, married May 18th at Yuma, Arizona. The new Mrs. Russell was a resident of Kentucky and the two arranged to meet at Yuma and get married. They now are living in Torrance. Russell is a sheet metal worker.

Walter Gilbert is again grandpa. His daughter presenting the Walter Gilberts with their second grandson on June 16th, weight 5 lbs. 1.75 oz. (Fractional part of the oz. very important).

James Godwin and Jane Raub, married May 24th at the Wilshire Wedding Chapel in Los Angeles. Mrs. Godwin was a resident of Hermosa where the couple now live. They spent their honeymoon among the pines of Big Bear. James Godwin is employed in the Paint Shop.

George Goff, no not married nor newly parent or grandparent, but deserves honor roll mention for coming early every work-a-day to raise the flag about 6:30 a.m. George conducts this raising as a ceremony every morning and very evidently takes great pride in seeing to it that it is done as befits the most beloved and honored flag in the world. If you want a first class lesson in practical Americanism just come a bit early some morning and stand at salute while George raises Old Glory to the top of the fine new pole at the shop.

Congratulations to each one of these happy folks.

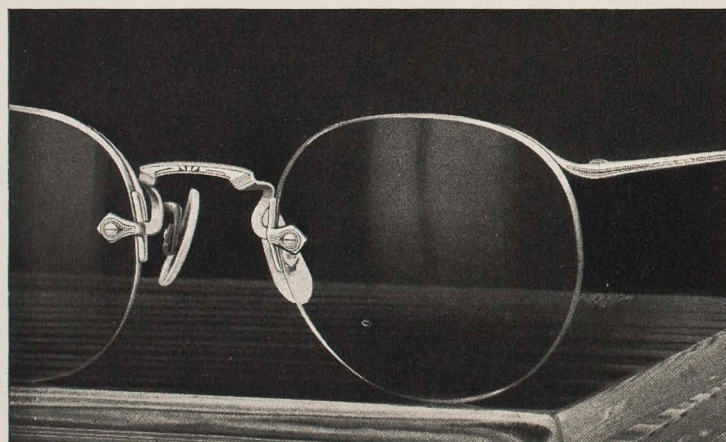
I also want to congratulate and thank Willis Brooks for the fine job he did last month in pinchhitting for me while I was enjoying myself in St. Vincent's Hospital. Walter Winchell in a case like this would undoubtedly say "Orchids to you." I think a change of line once in a while is good for the readers of this column.

Which reminds me—I did enjoy most of the time spent in the Hospital under the care of Dr. Weber and Staff, but especially the fine corps of nurses. Little half pint Miss Newman, who does more work to the ounce of weight than any other person I ever saw, I will not soon forget. She was always so darned happy that you could not help but absorb some of it. Another unforgettable was Miss McCarthy "And my head is not made of wood" who spelled Miss Newman off once in a while. Her Irish wit, eyes, smiles, and just all around good looks made a niche in my memory that will be hard to erase. I saw a lot of others too and not a dud in the bunch. But how glad I was to get back to work. I did not realize how good the old gang did look 'till then.

Pewee Leatherman and wife are taking a trip to Chicago, Toledo and a Leatherman roundup, to Pittsburgh and the Westinghouse factory where he has cousins working. Due to Pee-wee's modesty I could not get all the particulars.

That Tin Shop is the darndest place for all kinds of news—for instance—Denver Root often sells eggs

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to fellow workmen. One morning he came in and called out "Who wants this dozen eggs for 35 cents? Jim Cullen wanted them and paid the 35 cents but upon opening them found they were a dozen canary bird eggs. The joke was enjoyed by all but Andy Anderson who was working in the Carpenter Shop. Come quitting time and Andy back to the Tin Shop with no knowledge of the little eggs—and he wanted a dozen eggs—he also bought the canary eggs.

Big hearted Denver Root brought a dozen hen eggs in next day to make things right but the gang took possession of them, boiled them, and passed them out to all concerned, so the only thing left for Root to do was dig up the 35 cents he had gyped somebody out of and square things off for cash. It all wound up with nobody out but the poor canary mother birds that had their nests robbed.

Denver Root is expecting to have quite a time while his wife is on a trip to Holdreg, Nebraska, to visit her parents and brothers and sisters, almost a reunion. Denver keeps the new Chrysler with him, but the Mrs. made a record of the mileage.

That Tin Shop gang is still wondering if little Billy Jones has found that metal stretcher yet.

Conrad Offinger had the misfortune recently to badly mash his right forefinger. While still bleeding freely poor Anaheim hung on to his hand and cussed loudly, (as who wouldn't at such luck) and everybody supposed it was all because it hurt so but when his ravings became more coherent so as to be understood we found he was saying, "It's my shooting finger, my shooting finger, I hope they don't cut the ** --- off." Anaheim is not sure yet whether or not most of the finger is left but I actually believe he is praying for a whole finger "My shooting finger." Anyway, Anaheim, everybody is sorry for you and you can apply it as you see fit, pain or shooting.

I read a fine letter from Burt Norman, now working in a torpedo factory in England. He still has hopes of getting started home during August. Burt attributes his good luck so far to missing the bombs to a rabbit's foot which George Goff presented him with just before he left for England. This rabbit's foot had proved its value by making George a mighty lucky winner at the Hollywood races. Think George wants Burt to get back so he can have the charm and win at the races again.

Walter Bloomfield is having a great time with a lot of paint brushes and buckets of paint. Is painting the house, garage, chicken pens, workshop, and fences. Evidently Walter's

retirement only meant from railroad work.

Al Rice spent most of his vacation just loafing around home but did spend a few days with son Edgar and wife up Saugus way. Al had a little trouble with his heart which worried him some but it has worked out to the advantage of those who have to find him once in a while—he hangs around the house a bit more and is much easier to find. It used to be best just to stand in one place along Al's beat and stop him as he whizzed past.

This is not news to the Shop men but will be to all others, especially our retired brothers. The Tin Shop is being moved, bag and baggage, from their old location to a new one in the space formerly occupied by the register men, also part of the Mill. This is a move prayed for by the Sheet Metal Workers for many a month and will save them many miles hiking back and forth and also provide them with badly needed additional space. Peewee looks lost in one corner of the big Mill but we'll get used to it.

Guess the Bill Thomases will see much of Southern California this summer. They are now seeing things through the windows of a shiny new Chevrolet sedan—30 miles per gal., says Bill.

Roy Brucker and wife are now in the midst of a wonderful six weeks trip through the East in their new "Kingston Gray" Chevrolet. They are viewing the wonders of Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks on the way. Of course the Blacksmith Shop is having a hard struggle to keep up with their usual quality and quantity of output without Roy but everything will be all right very soon after he gets back on the job. The way little brother Earl worships big brother Earl is a beautiful thing to see—and hear.

In my rounds could not help but notice the absence of Harry Phillips and Eddie Finley from their usual spots in the Winding Room. Understand they are in the Hospital and it would relieve the tedium if you should drop in to see them and say hello.

Bill Prediger is very persistent about getting into print, maybe because he has such a good publicity agent (Edgar White). This time he is offering the family washing machine for sale because with the fine new water Santa Monica supplies he only has to hang his dirty laundry on the line and turn the hose on it to make it spotless. Also looks like a youngster with his new set of bargain teeth.

HONOR ROLL PLEASE. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kendrick celebrated

their Forty-third wedding anniversary on June 30th. They had a wonderful dinner and a few friends in to enjoy it with them—and if I know them, they played cards afterward. And of course Tom had to brag a bit too. With that long experience Tom's advice on the subject of happy marriages should be worth something. It goes something like this—if the wife likes cards and music the husband should make it his business to like them too—if the husband likes baseball and camping trips the wife makes it her business to like them too. It has worked fine in the Kendricks family.

Word comes that Eric Chaplin is now a Sergeant Musician First Class in a regimental band at Camp Roberts. Don't forget about Eric and we will report his rise as we learn of it—he will get places in the musical world, says me.

Clyde Sellers makes a dangerous brag—claims to have the two handsomest children in the whole P. E. family. I have not seen Mrs. Sellers but she must be a beautiful woman for beautiful children must inherit their beauty from somebody. Maybe we can have a picture of Clyde's pride and joy for next month.

"At long last" good luck came to Frances Coy, auto mechanic. He has been barge fishing for 20 years or more and always trying for the "pot". Last week he won his fisherman's heart's desire—a \$3.50 "pot" on a ten and one-half pound yellowtail.

George Carrol and daughter Gertrude are on a trip to visit relatives in Providence, R. I. Oliver Smith is on a two weeks visit (with wife and son) to the old home in Kansas. Fred Murray and family are on a two weeks trip to Northern California and Yosemite Valley.

Grandpa Shorty Bernhard is near to achieve his cherished ambition of having a softball team made up of his grandsons. He now has the nine boys and says as soon as they all can walk he will begin training them in the fine art of soft ball. Claims to almost have a team of girls but is sure he will have in about two months. Don't sell Shorty short, he has always made good on his claims about his family so far. Anyway fifteen grandchildren and still on the job at the P. E. Shops is a record in itself.

That big handsome blond gentleman in the Mill turned out to be just what anybody would guess him to be—Elvin (Johnnie) Johnson. Hails from that warm spot noted for its early oranges and for being the gateway to Sequoia National Park—Visalia. I'll bet those trees don't look quite so big when Mr. Johnson stands among 'em. Welcome to the family.



Just before the deluge—see the schooners?

CONDUCTORS' ACCOUNTS BUREAU

By Marion Snowden

Remember this: "To succeed, one must make it his business to mind his own."

Winchie at the Keyhole

Vacations are crowding thick and fast, and here's the list of June unfortunates who can no longer look forward to two weeks off:

Mr. Suman, who drove to points north, getting back just in time to make this month's column. It is alleged that he's glad to be back at the office where he can rest. ? ? ?

Edna Abell, the gallingest gal in the office, who took in Carlsbad Caves, Juarez (with a lifted eyebrow), an Indian village near Albuquerque, (ye gods! we hoped we'd never have to spell that jaw-breaker again.) and Denver. She also took in a dining car steward who has promised her a dinner (with the other eyebrow lifted!)

Fannie Jones who made her yearly pilgrimage to points in Minnesota, Iowa, and Dakota—North or South, she didn't say.

Emma Taylor who vacationed at home loafing, the loafer.

Winchie who spent her two weeks roasting in St. Louis, freezing in Des Moines, and swimming through Kansas. And did California look good to the little old glad-to-be-home eyes! (California C of C please copy.)

Ann Shofer is still away, and as she snuck off while we were gone, we're not sure of her itinerary, so more later.

If we've forgotten anyone, please forgive it, and we'll make amends next month.

Well, can you imagine that! Nina Robertson is hiding behind a lovely diamond engagement ring. She expects some day to walk back from the altar on the arm of Arthur Pincombe. So that's part of the romance that's sifting through the office.

Speaking of weddings and all that, we hear that Dr. Castanares was a June bride. Congrats, Doc. If you're one of the boys on the bowling team, that hefty throw might come in handy with the housework and dishes.

Our little "candy lady", Mrs. Eisele, is at her sister's home now, and is very grateful to her many PE friends who have sent her cards and remembered her with gifts. We are glad to know that she is a little better, though still confined to her bed.

Grace Shreeves, past master in the art of cooking, baked a lish cherry pie for FH and Dovie Brown. During the cutting business, Tom Hinkle hung lovingly about with his tongue hanging out at the thought of sinking his chippers into the flaky crust. In the face of his hopeful drooling the two meanies ate the entire pie without leaving a crumb!

Rumor has it that Florence Davis, that small bundle of loquacious energy, was tongue-tied when she was young. It's still tied—but in the middle, and is loose at both ends.

Maybelle Wirz, on Tuesday morning: "Did anyone listen to 'Those We Love' last night?"

Alice Elliott, in priceless innocence: "I did."

M. W. all ears to hear the episode: "What happened?"

A.E.: "I listened down here for 8 hours yesterday." And nearly everybody laughed.

Mildred Edwards has taken up Native Daughtering in a big way—goes to all the doings—this time, the convention.

Martha Smith was off one afternoon to go fishing at Big Bear. She and others in the party caught 19 fish. Judging from her success recently, she probably caught 18 of them.

Esther Craig entertained a mob at her beach home in Corona del Mar one Saturday. It might be easier to mention the names of those who were not there, but we'll spare those meagre details. There were so many there they couldn't talk about anyone, so Martha Smith did some imitations of the office notables, and Nell Flanders did a strut of some kind. We'd like to put in a picture of her, but she dared us to, and that didn't sound so encouraging for our hair, so we gave up the idea. Except that a few of them were ill next day, they had a good time.

Lois Brown has advanced to skirts and cane after several weeks in slacks and crutches due to her foot injury. Bet she'll think twice before she kicks again.

Old timers entertained another old timer in the office one noon—Cordia Trabue Peck.

Elizabeth R. Amalong, that lucky penny who is always turning up at the office, sent a card from Vancouver advising all pass entitlers to make the trip. Thanks for the card and tip, Liz; sometime we'll do that.

We hear that Ralph Dimon is graduating to another job. Well, that's fitting at graduation time in June. Now we can no longer dump our "copy" off on him on the 28th of each month. But maybe Mr. Minnick will take over that job along with the Dimon desk. Anyway, congratulations to them both. And how we'll miss Ralph's semaphoring from the front of our office to the back!!!

Gum this one over, all you grandpas throughout the building:

Willie: "Grandpa, have you lost all your teeth?"

Grandpa: "Yes, Willie, I'll be 95 in April, and haven't a tooth in my head."

Willie: "All right then, I guess I'll let you keep my bag of popcorn while I go on an errand for ma."

A fly and her daughter were walking on the head of a man who was very bald. "How things change, my dear," she said, "When I was your age, this was only a foot path."

SOUTH FREIGHT DISTRICT

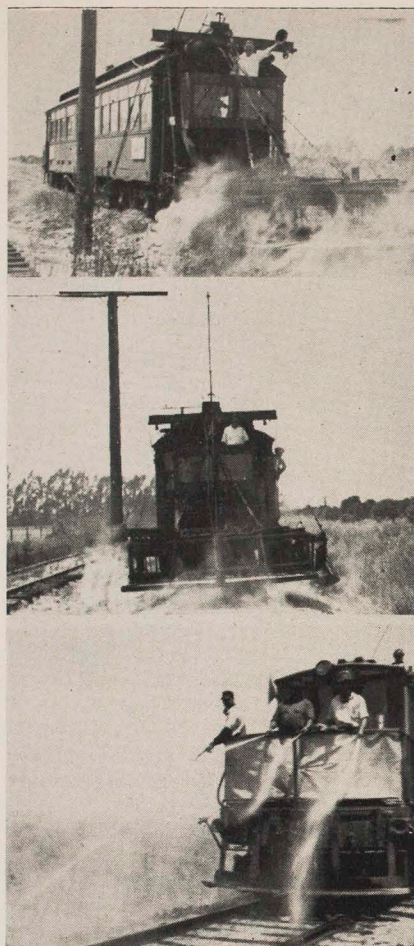
By J. E. Neville

Vacation time on the South Freight District. Conductor W. H. Wise and family auto trip to Detroit, Michigan and Washington, D. C. Visiting friends and relatives. Bill was sporting a new De Soto on this trip and had a splendid trip which all the family enjoyed . . . every mile of it. They have met with Conductor Charles Wilson and his family in Washington after a long chat have resumed the trip back home to California. Motorman John Dees and family in their 1941 Hudson have taken a vacation East to New York visiting friends and relatives. On their return stop at Washington, D. C., they had the pleasure of visiting the White House while in session and return to Los Angeles after enjoying a lovely voyage by all.

We are very sorry to hear of a serious auto accident on June 15th at Lusk, Wyoming, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thomas and sister-in-law while returning from their Eastern trip where they had visited friends and relatives and very enjoyable trip for all to Lusk, Wyoming. We were informed that after they left Lusk, Wyoming, a very heavy wind storm struck them and their car was overturned. Mrs. Al Anderson, sister-in-law of Mrs. R. Thomas, sustained a pelvic fracture and a broken leg of which she died two hours after the accident. Mrs. R. Thomas, wife of Ray, was also seriously injured and is still hospitalized in Wyoming. Ray is reported unhurt. Our sincere sympathy to Ray and his family, and a speedy recovery to Mrs. Thomas.



C. C. Welch relieved yardmaster, entered his railroad career with Pacific Electric R. R. as a car inspector in 1924. June 1927 transferred to the transportation department as a brakeman. July, 1929 was promoted Freight Conductor and in June 1938 Yardmaster. C. C. has made friends with all whom he came in contact with and we wish him the best of luck.



1. Weed Burner at work.
2. Just getting hot.
3. Water train fire fighters Carl Shenefield and three helpers.



Crew on Weed Burner, T. C. Holyoke, Motorman; F. X. Girard, Conductor; Tom Rooney, Assistant Engineer; Joe Norte, Weed Burner Engineer.



Train Crew: J. E. Neville, Conductor; P. O. Morse, Motorman; L. A. Christie, Brakeman.

Illness and Recuperations

Brakeman L. Dunham at St. Vincent's Hospital.

C. A. Boluss, a sprained ankle. At home.

J. W. Anstrom at home doing very well from injury received several months ago.

In Memoriam

Once more it becomes our sad duty to extend our sympathy in the death of Sam Rigsby who died recently. Our condolences to his family.

MOTOR TRANSIT NOTES

By M. J. Creamer

HITHER AND YON: Art "Frank" Kauffman, still with Uncle Sammy at Fort Lewis, Wash., sojourned south-bound on furlough for few brief days—grabbed the S.P. from Portland, Ore. The truth will "out"—he did get a rate order for is R.T. ticket but didn't figure it's cost so much and after buying ticket had the tidy sum of some odd forty cents for his two-day eats and incidentals enroute. Ah! those vacationers—the delish meals, steaks smothered with mushrooms—he said they DID look good . . . but his menu was confined to a candy bar or fruit and some good hearted traveler set him up to a piece of pie and coffee on the last lap—yet he arrived and peddled his way down to "Lost Man's Canyon" (Fifth St.) depot where he borrowed the good ol' two-bit piece from Bro. Tucker for carfare home (repaid same promptly too). All mighty glad to see him. Likes Ft. Lewis okay and remarked that his work in the Transportation Department of the Army is just like the real thing—except for the salary but will soon be out to collect the dividends! (Yea, I got that sheaf of papers to fill out too—so maybe by the time he says hello again—I'll be saying Adios—who knows?)

HILITES: Nope, that wasn't Flash Gordon who just passed by—it was J. R. McDonald (Auditor) with his new necktie—and it had just that word to describe it "flash". Yep, they (the whole gang) swooped down on us last month and really had open house or crowded house and in "muffled tones" they did count tickets. (Doggone—the printer puts them in rolls—it's eased maybe—and then we have to rip 'em apart for tube stock which is easier for us—and so she goes.) Ed. Perry and E. Widdin (Auditor) Pacific Greyhound were on hand to check their stock too.

Jim Tucker "Yumps" from real estate to Used Car dealings—having just sold his 1929 (?) Dodge to Ira Junkins and then along comes E. W. Swanson to unload his 1931 Buick on Freeman Morgan—so "Ethyl" should have a lot of dates between

the two of them. Ira after buying said car was a bit curious after finding that there was no spare tire and looked under hood to see if motor was there and was satisfied! If you see Ira Casteel meditating and gazing off into space—it's probably deep thoughts connected with a new gas buggy. Was going to be a new Buick but might be a Chev or Plymouth so it's IF and WHEN.

Bob Cruson back to work after some weeks of illness and glad to be in harness again. His wife and Bob's sister "Jewell" made a recent trip from Oklahoma to visit Bob. T'was Jewell's first trip to California and she enjoyed it we know. After all, nothing like Sunny California—rain or shine! L. S. Radcliffe back from his month's vacation, covered over 6000 miles driving his own car and of ALL things—alone! Combined pleasure with business and his trip took him to Chicago via Albuquerque, Roswell, N. M., Okla City, Tulsa, Topeka, Des Moines, returning via Sioux City, Casper, Wyo., and Salt Lake. In pink of condition and know his trip was well-enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Jehl having house guests. Mrs. Jehl's brother, Bill Webb and his wife, drove out from Healdton, Oklahoma and enjoyed their trip. Wake Wakefield back from his vacation—the first week was a lull as JUST BEFORE (not Christmas) but PAYDAY—but the last week must have made up for the rest period—or did it Wake?

Congratulations! (Even if it came over the grapevine): Watson A. Turner, (Agent, Pomona) made a quickie East and took the "Vows" and now it's MR. and MRS. Turner. The best of all wishes to both.

Fishermen? We have 'em! Bill (Tribble) Phil (a friend) and Babe (Larson) fishing at Lake Puddingstone (near Pomona) and caught the limit of crope. Babe said he couldn't catch a !@!?!& thing with his \$15.00 rod and reel so slammed it down in the boat and used a 15c bamboo pole. L. Irby and Henry Stone were out fishing too and caught one lone Blue Gill. H. A. Bubier and H. E. Anunson having tough luck of it too. Babe holds the secret tho we think—that of staying close to shore. All fish caught by the trio weighed from three-quarters to one pound each—mighty nice catches.

Jack Butler—one of the regular troupe and well-known to all our many patrons up and leaves the M.T. fold for Dispatcher opening with P. E. (Calif. St.) and we can't blame him for that. Nice hours n'all—but the patrons are asking about him and all we can say is that he's moved uptown. Those snoozy clothes he wears makes us wonder how smooth is velvet? John D. Puffer formerly



Donald W. Petersen (age 21) son of Pete Petersen who is 1st Lt., in the United States Air Force. Was recently transferred from Randolph Field to Singapore area. "Pete" is mighty proud of his boy and we look forward to his further laurels. Happy landings always!

at Riverside is on Jack's job and doing right well for himself.

They're At It Again! Operator J. E. Beardsley was the victim of the Phi Gamma Chi Sorority from Poly High and Wilson High (L. B.) Group boarded his bus at East Long Beach enroute to Balboa and tendered fares in pennies . . . some 350 of them. All he could do was hold out a box and say "dump 'em in here". The antics the "pledges" were put through even on the bus kept the passengers in stitches—like measuring the length of the bus NOT with rulers or a line but with rolls of tissue paper . . . Beardsley was even more surprised when every cent checked out to a complete count!

Just Chatter: Slim Seifried busy building a fish pond on his place—especially for his pet turtle. Jennie Larson washing clothes on her day off. H. Christensen and wife and daughter, breezing through depot. H. S. Stevens confides that his first name is "Heber"—well, it could have been Heebe Jeebies! Yep, he's from Salt Lake and that's the swell ozone! Operator Barnett inviting Guy Rhinard out to see his Bull Frog farm and have a special dinner. What about this bull frog idea or is it just plain BULL? Card from Willamae Bracklin vacationing in Beaumont, Texas—having a good time

and enclosing "love to all my co-workers" . . . thanks! Roy Wilson down our way collecting some of his suits in for cleaning and pressing . . . incidentally Roy, what do you do with the old ones? Bill Kennedy, (Santa Ana) in town for Agent's meeting. Harry Dostal dashing by to say hello. O. W. Brown—not bragging but his words—"I've been doing things right all my life and what has it got me?" Passenger flooring Bob Cruson "That's a mighty fine ride I had"—and tossed him four-bits! (Ah—let's put it in reverse at the ticket counter) \$1.10 one way to Riverside ? ? ? YOU—YOU HIGH WAY ROBBERS!" Wonder what Mr. Roundtree's secret is for gaining weight . . . hardly knew him when boarding same street car. Lodge 30, OUR Lodge of Local Brotherhood Ry Clerks is gaining and has gained considerably in past months. A grand time was had by all attending the big Catalina Island excursion June 28-29th.

Geo. Hoffman planned to take vacation but bought a new house trailer 24 foot one—so NO vacation! Stanley Moore displaying Oscar Rankins' prize belt which he received with light heavy-weight championship of California. Guy Rhinard going in for "Wheat Germs and Middlings"—some kind of cereal with all the vitamins—what next? Some touching scenes and fond farewells as last buses depart for Riverside (March Field, Camp Haan) on Sunday nights. One of the boys engaged in the Goodnite smack with the young lady and noting searching eyes turned upon him remarked, "Step right up, you're next!" (and did the little lady blush!) Page Walter Watchall! Tut! tut! Dear Marion Snowden: Just because I poked my head in the Supt. office and Ivan Erhardt introduced me to some of the "gang" and because I had one ear open and heard — and pried for some news items—I'm supposed to be stealing news from other departments. Well, well, the "grass is always greener in the other fella's yard" but don't forget—you have to pass their house to get to your house and why didn't you grab the extra notes? Maybe you would like to part my hair with an axe sometime—wouldn't ya?—that is, YOU—amongst others?

We are saddened at the passing of Ira Junkins' father "Samuel" in Bloomfield, Iowa, last month. Had so hoped that his health would improve and that California would be his home for the remaining years. He was the last surviving member of a family of 18 children.

Doc Beckett's son-in-law, "Aub" (Aubery) Hughes of Alhambra was severely injured in his cafe on Valley Blvd. (Y Station) last month,

when car plunged through cafe. Injuries were numerous but we are happy to learn that he is on the mend and that his recovery will be complete.

Down Santa Ana Way: Jack Burgess is about to graduate from the local dental institutes. His degree—he says, will be “Commodore of the China Clippers”. Well—this is an age of preparedness. Jack is sporting the sleekest blue Buick Century seen in these parts. Mrs. W. T. Daiker has been absent in the east (near Omaha) where she was called by the illness of near relatives. It is hoped by a wide circle of friends that ere she leaves for home—all will be recovered and in lasting good health. Noticed Tommy wearing a brand-new store shirt. Says he just wanted to try out the fabric but we suspect that he forgot to send the laundry out! Benny Kimball has planned a wonderful vacation for his little brood. New Orleans, Memphis (throughout the wheat and corn belt) into Canada and home down the coast. Lots of pleasant stopovers for visits with friends and relatives will enliven and enrich the excursion. The delight of the three children is boundless—makes one wish they were a youngster again. If Benny loses weight in the near future, t’will be because ONE of the BEST cooks and homemakers hereabouts is taking an earned rest. This “ain’t” because the office force some time past enjoyed a double thick lemon pie neither (but it helps.)

While their trip was shortened in time limit (absence from work due to National Emergency) the J. T. Baileys are now somewhere down in the cool green expanses of the Ozarks. (Boy, it must be swell to be among people who are friends to ALL the world and who live just for the wholesome joy of life). Those Arkansas and Missouri hill-billies might run without shoes, whiff on corn cobs and swig their necessities out of crockery jugs neat, however in just common human values they head the list. Such is a label that can be tacked on our pal John, although he began wearing shoes when he came west.

This line of thought brings our attention into focus on good ol’ J. N. Johnson, the Texan (Ontario) among others. A lot of people are not soon forgotten even if they don’t rob a bank now and then or run away with a neighbor’s wife.

Charlie Back, L. A. Freight Dept. son of J. B. Black, popular agent, Orange, recently has done some voluntary “breaking in” work. Came in handy too, for he was drafted to do a little pinch hitting the other day and stood the test. With an infectious grin—a good personality and a wil-

lingness to “hit the ball” it is predicted that Charlie will go places when he gets a “break”. He is, at present, on the night shift and computes daily.

It appears that there is a fine line of distinction to be drawn between downright laziness and ambition. Seems that Johnny Hill is shopping around for a garden tractor—whether to get out or get into more work is the question. Now that his feelings have been squelched it might be added that he wants to speed up and increase the present output of the hardest worker in this county.

Al Henson finds time to do many things well, such as operating motor coaches, raising poultry and truck gardening, and to be faithful to his spiritual commitments. In the last plug we could enumerate many fine things that Al is doing earnestly and quietly that proves him to be a much better man than one might even suspect—of this we are sure—his duties profits everyone!

Mrs. Dick Butler in pursuing the “good neighbor” policy recently herded a bunch of wandering ducks off the street into her back yard so that passing cars wouldn’t annihilate them. When Dick entered the scene the ducks had exterminated his prized collection of fishes in the garden pond—so what? The only plausible answer to that kind of a situation is roast duck and apple sauce.

Good associations profit everyone. The other day a feeble old lady called at the desk and said, “I want to report Mr. Charlie Rhinard to your company—he’s the MOST considerate man I have ever seen.” (Such an attitude has paid dividends as the Laguna Beach Santa Ana Stage Line is putting on a new coach right away.)

Sam Carr has squared up his shoulders a lot—you see, his oldest boy recently graduated from Junior High (along with young Kimball) and he’s right proud that his boys take to book learning, ciphering and the likes. Sam splurged on the boy considerably as a mark of appreciation and we all agree that it was money well spent.

Ham Hammond has added sharks livers to his growing volume of freight traffic—this is no secret so long as one’s—olfactory nerves are functioning. They move to Monterey where they are converted into vitamins and such. If you want to learn how the other half lives—just hang around a freight station—everything conceivable is transported from baby buggies to tombstones.

Hank Faulkner had the good fortune of seeing our Uncle testing out the 14-inch coastal gun the other day. Says he now understands the

principal differences between a gun and a mule. Reports that an innocent observer lost his pants in the excitement—the air currents and concussions just whizzed them right off into space. Says our Uncle henceforth will keep the firings a secret to avoid concentrations of old maids (didn’t get the drift)—but anyhow as long as they have ammunition for the jigger, we won’t be pestered with unwelcome guests.

Foreign Correspondent — Didn’t know we had one in our midst, did ya? He’s covered the bus front in good manner. Let’s take his travel routine for two days and tune in on it—all orchids they are: Leaving Brea 6:32 a.m. Operator Ellis Dunson. Good ol’ reliable Ellis, I call him reliable because he always gets you there on time. Nothing ever seems to bother him. Just naturally quiet but knows what the score is all the time.

Leaving L. A. 5:00 p.m. (return trip). Operator Tommy Daiker. Good natured and greets everyone by their first name. Doesn’t have a lot to say but is popular all along the route. Tommy drives a tough schedule but gets along alright. Nice going, Tommy!

Leaving Brea 6:32 a.m. (Relief driver) Leroy S. Larson. This boy is a “slicker”—he knows all the answers and quick on the snapper back. Gets lot of laughs—is usually one step ahead of them all the time but the cash customers like it. (This one amused me: “a lady boarded bus at La Habra and wanted a ticket for L. A. “Babe” started cutting and the lady was throwing a barrage of questions at him. “Babe” started scratching his head and said “Wait just a minute lady—until I get this ticket cut—I have a one-track mind.”

Leaving L. A. 5:30 p.m. (Relief Driver) C. J. Kimball. Clarence J. (same as our foreign correspondent) but “Bennie” to everyone who knows him. This boy is really the gal’s favorite—in other words he wows the women. They feed him fruit, cookies and candy and make quite a fuss over him—especially the attractive lady who gets off at Painter Ave. and Whittier Blvd. . . a bit plump and decidedly blonde (?) All the while this is going on, Allen Tribble is wondering what has that guy got that I haven’t? If it’s hunting—I’d say one more shot. Incidentally Benny—what was it June brought you and said “You asked for it and here it is!”—and then the big laff. (Thanx to C. J. Williams).

If all the boarders in all the boarding houses were placed side by side at one table, they’d reach. Ever stop to think of that?

A Card File’s Interesting Story

Notes of History Made Over Long Service Period

A short time ago, A. H. Ballard, who was for many years Chief Operator of the Electrical Department, came to the office of the Editor and handed him a packet of file cards, with the remark: “possibly you may find use for these.”

Looking over the cards he had submitted, we found that during the years he was in charge of Central Station, he had methodically entered memos of interesting events that came to his notice, that when read today are of very great interest.

So interesting are they, especially to the Editor, that he believes there are many others in the Company who will enjoy reading the memos; so, from month to month, until we have completed the file, we will publish a few of them, and let the “old-timers” reminisce as we have. Here they begin:

The July 17th, 1876 Evening Express says: “Los Angeles is now the center of 208 miles of railroad, of which 130 miles—on the way to Fort Yuma—terminate at Seven Palms, twenty-five miles terminate at Anaheim, nineteen at Wilmington, fourteen at Santa Monica and twenty—on the route to San Francisco—at San Fernando.”

First Horse Car in Los Angeles started in 1874. It was operated on Spring Street over 2½ miles of track.

First Electric Light Bulb made by Edison in 1879. First used in Los Angeles, May 6, 1888.

January 1, 1855. Railroad completed across Isthmus of Panama and placed in service.

September 6, 1876. Southern Pacific completed from Los Angeles to San Francisco.

October 26, 1869. Steam railroad completed from Los Angeles to Wilmington.

March, 1887. Santa Fe Railroad completed to Los Angeles.

From the Express, Oct. 19, 1875: “Five months ago the site of Santa Monica was a sheep range, a single oak tree breaking the monotony. Now more than 100 houses, more or less imposing, mark the spot; a fine wharf extends a half mile into the

bay, and yesterday the first passenger train brought passengers direct from the steamer almost into Los Angeles. Quite a change in so short a time.”

Grading for the Los Angeles and Independence road has reached the crossing of Figueroa street near the race course. Tomorrow, the graders’ camp will be moved to Main street.

From the Express, January 28, 1876. The steamer Senator took 472 boxes of Los Angeles oranges to San Francisco today.

The new horse car line to East Los Angeles is making as rapid progress as the wretched condition of the streets will permit.

WITH THE “JOKE-SMITHS”

I rose and gave her my seat;
I could not let her stand—
She made me think of mother,
with
That strap held in her hand.

The two commercial travelers were discussing the careless way in which trunks and suitcases were handled by some railway companies.

“I had a very cute idea for preventing that once,” said one of them, smiling reminiscently. “I labeled each of my bags ‘With Care—China.’”

“And did that have any effect?”
“Well, I don’t know; you see, they shipped the whole darned lot off to Hongkong.”

A few minutes after an alarm of fire was given in a hotel, one of the guests joined the group that were watching the fire, and chaffed them on their apparent excitement. “There was nothing to be excited about,” he said. “I took my time about dressing, lighted a cigarette; didn’t like the knot in my necktie, so I tied it over again—that’s how cool I was.”

“Fine,” one of his friends remarked, “but why didn’t you put on your trousers?”

The supervisor of a Western railroad received the following note from one of his track foremen:

“I am sending in the accident report on Casey’s foot when he struck it with the maul. Anyway, under ‘Remarks,’ do you want mine or do you want Casey’s?”

Senior: “Hurry over to our fraternity house, doctor, there’s a fellow here who has something the matter with his eyes.”

Doctor: “Must be serious if you wake me up at this time of night. What’s the trouble? Does he see elephants and snakes and things?”

Senior: “No, sir, that’s why I called. The room is full of them and he can’t see any.”

Wash White got a job in a saw-mill. The boss put him in charge of a buzz saw, showed him how the saw worked, warned him of its dangers, and then went away.

Wash was fascinated by the shining, whirling saw. But was it, truly, as sharp and terrible as the boss had said? To test it he touched it gently with his finger. Bzz! and the finger was no more.

As Wash was ruefully tying up his hand in his bandana, the boss came back.

“Hullo there, Washington. What’s the matter?”

“Buzz saw done cut off my finger, sah.”

“How the dickens did that happen?”

“Ah dunno, sah,” said Wash. “Ah just touched de darn contraption like this an’—Fo’ de lan’ sake, der goes anudder one!”

“Com-pa-nee, atten-shun!” bawled the drill sergeant to the “awkward squad.” “Com-pa-nee, lift up your left leg and hold it straight in front of you.”

By mistake one member held up his right leg, which brought it out side by side with his neighbor’s left leg.

“And who is the galoot over there holding up both legs?” shouted the hard-boiled sergeant.

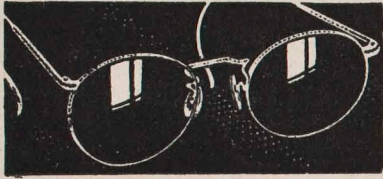
REPORT OF VITAL STATISTICS—JUNE 1941

Death Claims

Name	Occupation	Died	Group Insurance	Mortuary
William L. Brett, Retired Timekeeper		6-8-41	No	No
Frank S. Weimer, Retired Carpenter		6-12-41	Yes	Yes
Sam Rigby, Trolleyman		6-18-41	Yes	Yes
William A. Dickinson, Motorman		6-21-41	No	Yes

EMPLOYEES’ WIVES DEATH BENEFIT FUND

Name	Wife of	Department	Died
Ethelda Grace Larson	Hans W. Larson	Engineering	6-6-41
Agnes Marie Douglass	James E. Douglass	Transportation	6-20-41



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