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**SAN BERNARDINO LINE CHANGE**

Under authorization of the California Railroad Commission granted recently, all rail service east of Baldwin Park was discontinued on Sunday, Nov. 2, and motor coach service substituted to care for the transportation needs of the cities and communities formerly served by the rail lines.

New equipment was provided for the coach lines which operate over highways contiguous to our former rail passenger line, service leaving and arriving at the Union Stage Terminal at Fifth and Los Angeles Streets.

Not only will the new service be of a more modern and more comfortable character than the old, but the units of service offered is quite an increase over the previously operated rail service. It is quite certain that the patrons of our company will be well pleased with the change.

**OH, BOY; WHAT A LIFE!**

From a newspaper up north comes news of O. P. (Oscar) Davis, former Superintendent Western District, but for the past several years one of the world's best nomads, having worn out three luxurious trailers traveling from hither to yon over the expanses of the United States, Canada and Mexico as the fancy of he and Mrs. Davis dictated. It is evident, from the clipping received, and from previous word of him, that he is trending south, and doubtless the next we hear of him will be that the caravan has arrived on the desert near Palm Springs.

Here is the last word of the wanderer:

"O. P. Davis who wis Mrs. Davis have been trailer camping for the past several weeks at Rivers End, and during which time he has landed several fine limits of trout and dug some very fine potatoes, trolled and netted a fine 28 pound salmon over the week-end, the fish was sent to Gold Beach where it was canned."

**Los Angeles County Is "Big Business"****Greater Than Two-Thirds of the States**

Southern California Business, a publication of our famous Chamber of Commerce, is authority for the statement that from 10 different indications of business Los Angeles County is the outstanding "whopper" of the Nation: The publication says:

Exceeding two-thirds to three-quarters of the states of America in ten different business indications of prosperity is the standing of Los Angeles County revealed from a survey taken from figures all compiled before the national defense industrialization fully got under way.

This means that the County's standing today is undoubtedly even better because of the huge aviation, shipbuilding and other defense industries which have developed here.

With \$208,129,261 worth of building valuations, Los Angeles County leads 46 states, the compilation showed. With 1,093,290 auto registrations, the County leads 41 states. Forty states follow the County's total of 269,292 residential telephones.

Los Angeles County is ahead of 39 states in retail sales, with a \$1,314,497,000 volume, and in wholesale sales, with a \$1,585,624,000 volume. Forty-three states follow the County in service store receipts, totaling \$162,883,000.

The County leads 35 states in industrial pay roll, with \$166,630,467. In industrial production the area leads 34 states with \$1,219,433,652. Thirty states are behind the County's population of 2,785,643, while 29 states follow the County's 126,391 industrial employment total.

**RANDOLPH KARR MARRIES**

Coming as quite a surprise to the young man's many friends in the company was the marriage of Randolph Karr, member of our Law Department, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Karr; and Miss Ramona Rindge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Knight Rindge.

The ceremony occurred at the home of the bride's parents, on Hudson Avenue, Wednesday evening, October 29th, the Reverend Willis Martin, officiating. Some 150 guests were present at the ceremony.

After the couple's honeymoon trip they will return to reside for an indefinite time in the Fremont Place residence of the bride's late grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Willits J. Hole.

On behalf of Mr. Karr's many friends, congratulations are extended.

**INDUSTRIAL NOTES**

During the past month the Freight Traffic Department has continued their activities in locating new industries on rails of the Pacific Electric Ry., and were successful in adding the following to list of industries served by this company:

Coast Insulating Company purchased an eight acre parcel of property adjoining our Torrance Shops and are now constructing a plant for the manufacture of insulating and acoustical treatment materials. The plant should be in active operation in the near future and will result in a considerable volume of freight tonnage for our account.

The Harshaw Chemical Company of Cleveland, Ohio, purchased the control of the Menardi Metals Company, which concern has recently constructed a plant adjoining our El Segundo line right-of-way near Wise Station and track facilities are now being completed to serve that plant which will handle a considerable volume of ore and mineral products. The locating of this concern will also reflect considerable increased tonnage for account of Pacific Electric Ry.

Due to steady increase of their back log and additional new contracts, the Northrop Aircraft Co., located on our El Segundo line and Prairie Ave., Hawthorne, has found it necessary to construct the second spur track to handle their outbound shipments. This concern is growing rapidly and if present conditions continue they will, no doubt, in the near future be doing business which will be comparable to the other larger airplane concerns in Southern California.

**RETIRED FROM SERVICE**

Since the last issue of the Magazine the following fellow employees have retired from active service according to the official report of the Retirement Bureau.

Oliver Boyd, Uniform Department, 19 years service.

Steven Brown, Land & Tax Dept., 17 years service.

Brigg Snyder, Passenger Traffic Dept. (Redondo Bath House Division), 20 years service.

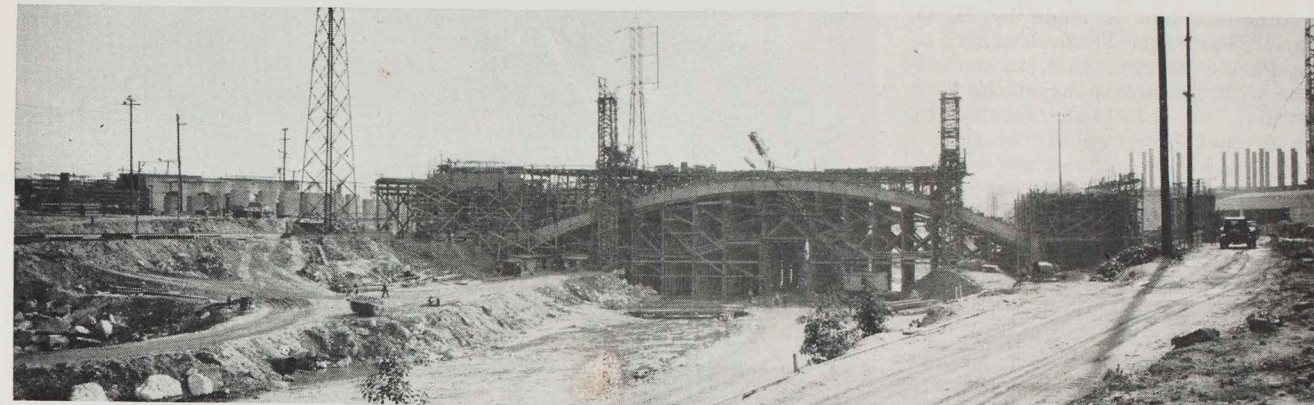
John R. Herrin, Engineering Dept., 17 years service.

Edward F. Scallin, Mechanical Dept., 19 years service.

Brown Kelly, Mechanical Dept., 23 years service.

Rhynold Zieber, Transportation Dept., 24 years service.

To all of the above, the Magazine, on behalf of their fellow employees, extends best wishes for many happy days amid pleasant surroundings.

**PROGRESS SHOWN ON THREE GREAT STREET PROJECTS**

**Pacific Electric Interested Because of Congestion Relief**

Three great projects are well on their way to completion that will doubtless prove of great relief from traffic congestion, and undoubtedly expedite service on lines of the Pacific Electric, both of rail and Motor Coach.

The grade separation projects, progress of which are shown in this issue of the Magazine are at the Los Angeles River and Aliso Street, Second and Glendale Boulevard, and the Figueroa and Arroyo Seco Freeway.

Work on the Glendale Boulevard and the Aliso Street projects have been under way for over a year, and in the case of the Freeway to South Pasadena and Pasadena, for almost a year, and completion of all these great public works will probably be made within the first half of the coming year.

During the past year, the Magazine has shown by the reproduction of drawings, the extent of the three projects, and it is felt that all employees will be interested in photographs of the progress made to date.

Last month we presented a picture from an artist's drawing of the City Civic Center as proposed, the first step to bring this into being began the last week in October when ceremonies were held on old Fort Hill above the Broadway and Hill Street Tunnels, which, in the course of time will be eliminated by the cutting away of the hill between Sunset Boulevard and First Street, thereby destroying one of the most historic spots of the city in the interest of city progress. When this has been accomplished the cork in "the bottleneck of traffic" will have been removed.

**STANTON SUB-STATION FIRE**

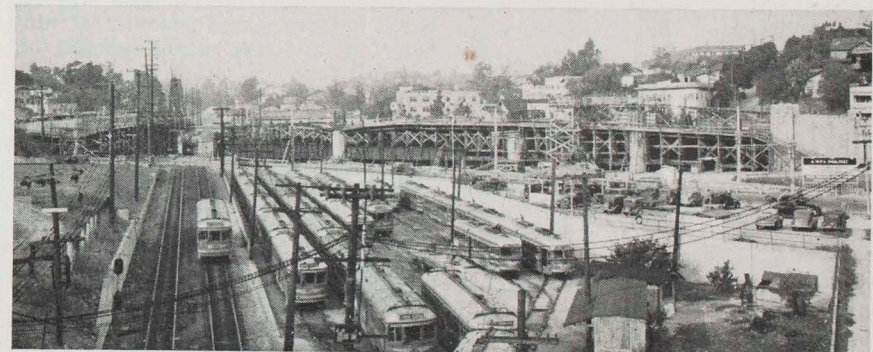
Some time after 8 o'clock in the evening of October 14th some folks living near the Stanton Substation noticed that the building was on fire.

**ABOVE—Aliso Street Viaduct looking South.**

**Right and Below—The great Arroyo Seco Project on North Figueroa.**



**BELOW—The Second Street-Glendale Boulevard Separation Project.**



This station is unattended from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., so that it was necessary to drive to the operator's home and notify him of the fire. The operator then notified Central Station, all lines leading in there were de-energized, and the Orange County Forestry Dept. truck and crew proceeded to extinguish the blaze.

The principal damage appears to be in the 15,000 volt wiring, water in the M G set, and some of the roof structure will have to be replaced.

During the night, after the fire

had been extinguished, Messrs. Greenwald and Mills succeeded in getting things straightened out so that traffic could be resumed on the Santa Ana Line. Pending repairs a portable sub-station has been set up at Stanton to carry the load.

"Hurrah! Five dollars for my latest story."

"Congratulations, young man. From whom did you get the money?"

"From the express company. They lost it."

TRANSPORTATION TAX IN EFFECT

Announcement is made by H. O. Marler, Passenger Traffic Manager of the Pacific Electric that, in accordance with the provisions of the New Revenue Act of 1941, enacted by the present Congress of the United States, a 5 per cent tax will be collected on one way and round trip fares over 35 cents, on 10-Ride Party Commutation Tickets where the rate per ride is over 35 cents on 40-Ride Individual Commutation Tickets sold for a distance of over 30 miles.

According to Mr. Marler, the tax to be collected on one way and round trip tickets is as follows for the amounts shown:

Table with 2 columns: Amount Range, Tax. Rows include \$ .40 to \$ .45 inclusive (.02), .50 to .65 inclusive (.03), .70 to .85 inclusive (.04), .90 to 1.05 inclusive (.05), 1.10 to 1.25 inclusive (.06), 1.30 to 1.40 inclusive (.07), 1.50 to 1.65 inclusive (.08), 1.70 to 1.85 inclusive (.09), 1.90 to 2.05 inclusive (.10), 2.10 to 2.25 inclusive (.11), \*2.30 (.12).

\* Tax on amounts over \$2.30 will be computed by multiplying by 5 per cent; fractions of less than one-half cent to be dropped and fractions over one-half cent or over to be increased to full cent.

On 10-Ride Party Commutation Tickets, tax to be collected at the time of sale will be as follows:

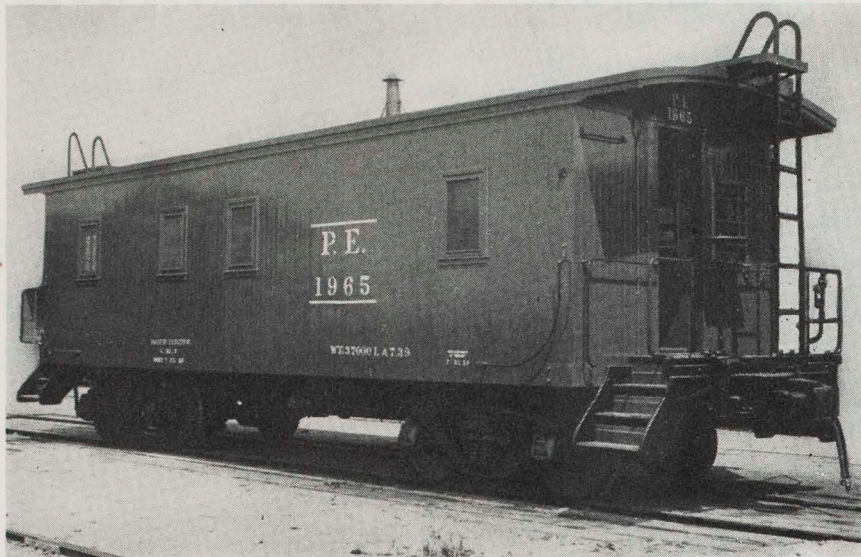
Table with 3 columns: 10-Ride Ticket Fare, Tax, Total. Rows range from \$3.60 fare + .18 tax = \$3.78 total to \$10.40 fare + .52 tax = \$10.92 total.

On 40-Ride Individual School Tickets the tax is as follows:

Table with 3 columns: 40-Ride School Ticket Commutation Fare, Tax, Total. Rows range from \$12.00 fare + .60 tax = \$12.60 total to \$16.00 fare + .80 tax = \$16.80 total.

No tax will be collected on any 30-Ride Commutation Tickets.

On Cash Coupon Transportation Tickets sold at \$5.00, tax of 25c thereon will be collected at the time of sale, and no tax will be collected



FREIGHT TRAIN CABOOSES

Two freight train cabooses completed this month and two to be finished by November 15th puts four more modern caboose cars in our freight service.

Six of the same type were built at the Torrance Shops in 1938 and 1939, and two more of the same type are contemplated for the coming year.

As an indication of what industries such as ours are up against this project is an illustration. This is the

first shop project that has been seriously affected by the defense program, it being necessary to salvage steel from old bridge girders and freight car underframes to get material for the cabooses.

With considerable extra labor and by modern welding processes this lot of odds and ends, as it were, were fabricated into frame members of proper dimensions and structural strength. On such materials as it was necessary to purchase, the price incurred ranged from 10 per cent to 100 per cent over former prices.

by Conductors, Operators or Agents when coupons are honored for transportation or exchanged for tickets.

Tax on fares for children will be based on the exact amount of the half fare and not on the amount of the full fare. In other words, on a half fare of 35c or less there is no tax, but on a half-fare of 40 cents or over the tax will be as shown in above table.

The Revenue Act of 1941 provides

that tax shall be paid by person paying for the transportation at time of purchase. The law provides penalties of fine or imprisonment, or both, for failure of the passenger to pay the tax as well as for failure of the Company to collect such tax.

"Did Dorothy reject Howard when he proposed?"

"Not in so many words, but she put him in class 5-B."

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CLAIMS' HUMOROUS SIDE
By Geo. E. Meyers

One portly gentleman whose trunk was found to contain a bottle of liquor tried to convince our investigator it should come under the classification of old clothing because it was his night-cap!

An elderly lady, accompanied by her maid, chauffeur and lorgnette, tried to intimidate us by asserting that if we did not pay her claim she would buy the company and fire the whole Freight Claim Department!

Then there was the woman who presented a bill for injury to a statue sent her by a sister. Our inspector had a hard time convincing her that Venus de Milo never had been exhibited with arms!

A woman in Ocean Park recently called the operator asking that she be permitted to talk with the Freight Claim Department, and wanted to reverse the charges as it was in connection with a claim for damage to her household goods.

To cap the climax, one of our ace investigators who is particularly adept in persuading poor widows to reduce the amount of their claims, recently had occasion to himself present a claim to a water heater company for defective parts, asking for \$100.00. Finally, after much bickering he agreed to accept \$15.00 in settlement.

AGAIN "ON THE JOB"

Many friends and acquaintances of both L. A. Lovel, Auditor, and J. L. Smale, Cashier, will be glad to know that they are so far recovered after a session in the Hospital to return to their places "on the works."

Neither of the gentlemen look much the worse for wear and tear, and it is sincerely hoped that their recovery is permanent.

On a dark and stormy night, the trainman was signaling to the engineer when he dropped his lantern to the ground. Another man, passing by, tossed it back to him on top of the boxcar.

In a few minutes the engineer came rushing up to the scene. "Let's see you do that again," he said.

"Do what?"
"Jump from the ground to the top of that boxcar."

He fondled the big check he had just received, representing the commission on a deal he had closed. "At last, my dear! Now that we have the money, I want you to go downtown tomorrow and buy yourself some decent clothes."

"I shall do nothing of the sort," his wife replied, "I'll get the same kind of clothes all the women are wearing."



J. C. STOCKBERGER



JACK BIRMINGHAM

CHANGES MADE IN FREIGHT TRAFFIC DEPT.

ROY SWANSON LEAVING CAUSES FIVE MOVES

Well! There was quite a "shoving around" done in the Freight Traffic Department on the 21st, and all caused by one man gathering up his "doll rags" and going elsewhere.

L. E. (Roy) Swanson created all the excitement when he tendered his resignation to become a member of the Rock Island's staff in Los Angeles. Upon Roy's departure, Jack Birmingham moved into Swanson's territory as T.F.A. Out on Birmingham's bailiwick moved J. C. (Johnnie) Stockberger; and onto his desk pounced J. E. (Joe) Blackburn for some time Secretary to Freight Traffic Manager Knoche. Finding the Secretary's chair and desk vacant for an instant, R. W. (Ralph) Perry at-

tached the chair and the job, while Roy McClelland who quit as Supt. of the Redondo Beach Bath House because the job ran out, slid into Perry's old job with a sigh of relief.

Much regret is expressed by almost everyone around the big building because of Roy's having gone elsewhere. He was one of the most wholesome, best liked fellows around these parts, and though he got married recently, even the girls still are fond of him.

Great guy, that fellow.

Much luck of the best brand to him.

And, also to the other fellows that moved up.

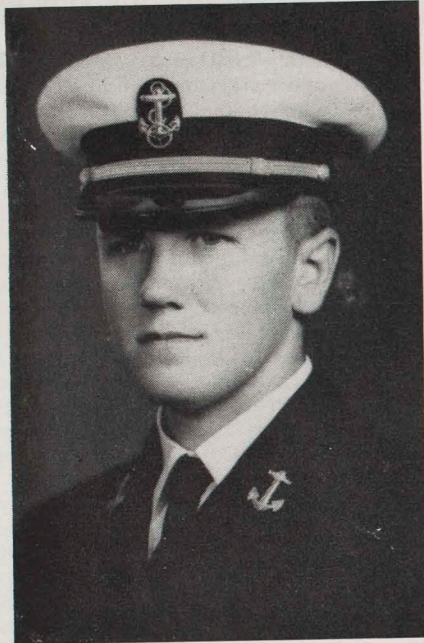


J. E. BLACKBURN



ROY McCLELLAND

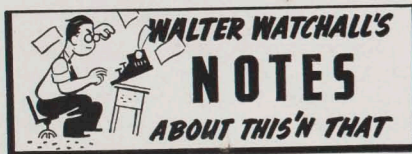
NOTE: Swanson and Perry camera shy. Fancy that if you can.



ROBERT MANLEY, U.S.N.

Last July the Magazine had the pleasure of announcing the appointment of Robert Manley, son of Mr. and Mrs. B F Manley, to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and displayed a picture of the young man in "civies".

In this issue of the Magazine we present a portrait of the young naval cadet in the uniform of that service. And—is father and all the family proud of this picture; and—well they may be.



Howdy-do, Ladies and Gentlemen; this is W.W. broadcasting over Station WOW with our microphone set up in the lobby of the P. E. Building ready to interview prominent P. E. people as they dash into the Best Drug for a cup of coffee on the way to work.

Here is our first victim, Ed Hasenyeager. "Well, Ed, why do you look so down-hearted this morning?" E. H.: "It's the old story, the weaker sex. The Amazons took us for four points last Friday night." Here is Roy Swanson. "Why did you leave the P. E., Mr. Swanson?" R. S.: "The P. E. was too big. Now that I have left it will be two big feet shorter." Here is Flody Gill. "What do you think of the paper shortage, Mr. Gill?" F. G.: "Is your steno a chisler. Do not get me wrong. Any day now, you might have to say, 'Miss Jones get your hammer and chisel, I want you take a letter'. We're back in the stone age."

Well, here is Jimmy Schafer. "What do you think would be a good Christmas present for a fellow's mother-in-law, Jimmy?" J. S.: "It

might sound rather odd but I'm giving mine a muffler." Now here comes Gladys Sondag. "Gradys, if your hubby just wanted to sit around the house and not go out night, what would you do?" G. S.: "That is easy. I would get him the latest copy of Esquire."

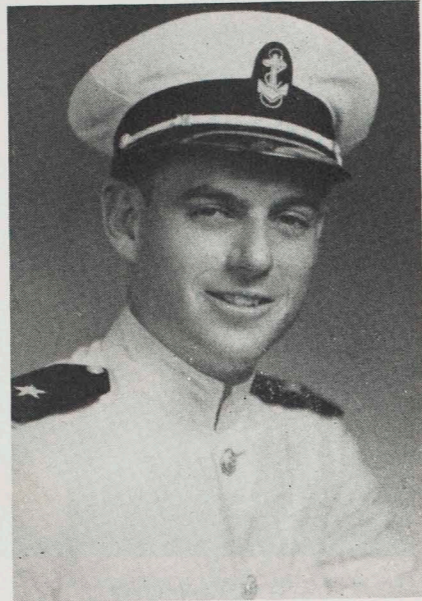
My, my, here is Herman Grenke. "Why is a football game like a dice game, Herman?" H. G.: "That is simple, the man who completes the passes gets the payoff." Here comes Clarence Swartz. "How do you account for the fifty per cent decrease in bank holdups, Clarence?" C. S.: "They have all gone into business. You should see the prices we are paying." Well, well, if it isn't Gus Guercio. "What do you think of the Far East situation, Mr. Guercio?" G. G.: "Oh everything is all right out our way. After all, Boyle Heights is not so far East."

Here comes Lois Brown. "How would you describe a vacation Lois?" L. B.: "They say a straight line is the shortest distance between two given points. Well, a vacation is the shortest distance between two given dates." Of all people, the old deer hunter, B. Manley. "Are you in favor of long courtships, Mr. Manley?" B. M.: "Some times it is necessary. I know of a fellow who has been engaged for twenty years. He's waiting for the Angelus Oil to come in."

Well the Editor, Mr. Thomas. "Do you think Senator Wheeler should back Charles Lindberg, Mr. Thomas?" Mr. T.: "I am not talking but I think the senator is just taking a flyer." Oh, oh, here is Grey Oliver. "How old do you think a child should be before it stops baby talk, Grey?" G. O.: "Not being a father, I can not say, but show me a good looking babe and I will start using baby talk." Here is Clara Doll. "Say, Clara, who is this mystery trio who call people on their birthdays?" C.D.: "Don't tell anyone I told you but it is E. Stevens, W. White and Mr. Giebel." Now comes Charlie Wakefield, well known traveler. "What do you say, Charlies?" "Next time, try the train."

And here is Jessie Eaton. "Jessie do you think a woman should black her husband's shoes?" J. E.: "Yes, a woman should black her husband's shoes and his eyes also if he needs it." Here is Mr. White. "Mr. White, do you prefer double features?" W. W.: "Can I help it if I got a double chin?"

Now, folks, do you know who are the two most important people in the world. Well, I will tell you. They are Baehr & Bakula. They are the men of the hour. They are prompt. They're right on the tick; they are face to face with the situation, hour



JEAN B. STEVENS

Very proud indeed is the father of the young man whose picture is shown above in the uniform of the U. S. Navy Aviation Service. The father is E. A. Stevens, Assistant to the Superintendent of Equipment, well known to his host of friends in the Company as "Ernie", and right well does he "strut his stuff" since son clothed himself in that uniform.

Jean was born in October, 1918 at Long Beach, where he received his education in the public schools and graduated from the High School of that city, following which he took his Electrical Engineering course at the California Institute of Technology, graduating in 1940 with the degree of Bachelor of Science.

Following graduation he entered the service of T.W.A. at Kansas City in the Engineering Department, where he was employed from June 1940 until May 1941, when he enlisted in the U. S. Naval Aviation Corps for preliminary training, and is now stationed at U. S. Naval Aviation Field, Corpus Christi, Texas, where he is receiving his intensive and final training.

Congratulations to "Ernie", and most sincere best wishes to Jean.

by hour, they are on the watch. They will sound the alarm when the time comes. (That was just put in to make it sound like a radio station. I could use a sponsor.)

My goodness, here is Bob Labbe. "Are you in favor of our good neighbor policy, Mr. Labbe?" B. L.: "Decidedly so. You should see the good looking blonde that lives next door to be." Now here is George Perry. "Mr. Perry, are you going to have a turkey for Thanksgiving?" G. P.: "That is something the heavenly bodies will determine." W. W.: "I don't get it." G. P.: "Well, if it is real dark the night before Thanksgiving, I'll have a turkey."

Blow me down, here is Marion Snowden. "Tell me, Winchie, what did you think when Mr. Hinkle brought you in to see one Walter Watchall?" M. S.: "Well, it was just like the man said after the earthquake, 'It was quite a shock', in fact, it was like the woman said when she

found the dog had chewed up the morning paper. 'You're ruined MY DAY'."

Well well here is Viv Labbe. "Are you in favor of Capitol punishment Vic?" V. L.: "No, the President has it tough enough as it is." Now we have a big engineer, Mr. Hayward. "What happened to your Trojans, Mr. Hayward. Mr. H.: "It is this way. When Coach Jones died and went to Heaven the team went to Hell." This is WOW signing off.

#### MASONIC CLUB COLUMN

By Ed Hasenyeager

This is the month for our Annual Reunion Banquet and your Entertainment and Dinner Committees have worked hard to provide for our enjoyment of this nineteenth annual affair. Brother Fred Geibel will be toastmaster for the occasion so we there should be "Never a dull moment".

Hurry and get your tickets for a good dinner, good music, and address by the Rt. Reverend Bertram W. Stevens, Bishop, Protestant Episcopal Church Diocese of Los Angeles; and a lot of fun besides.

#### Hospital News

Brother Ralph M. Cobb of the Engineering Dept. has been at St. Vincent's for the past four weeks. We hope he will soon be on the job again.

Brother Willis Brooks of the Mechanical Dept. at Torrance reports that the doctors have ordered him confined to his bed for 90 days because of heart trouble. That will be a tough assignment, so when possible drop in on Willis and cheer him up.

Mrs. High, wife of our beloved Newton D. High, (retired), met with a very painful accident on October 23 at their home. She fell by slipping on the kitchen floor, fracturing her hip. She is at St. Vincent's Hospital.

#### There will be no Regular Meeting on November 19.

On Friday, November 21, the Club is invited to assist in conferring the Master's Degree on a fellow employe at Torrance Lodge. See special notice for particulars.

#### The Test of Man

There's little satisfaction to be gained from doing things that hold no difficulties; it's the tough task that brings keen sense of worth and power to the man who wins the fight; his failures test his courage and his problems prove his might. Until a man has conquered loss and overcome defeat he can not fully understand just why success is sweet.

I'm thankful for my disappointments, for the battles lost, and for mistakes that seem to charge an overwhelming cost; I'm thankful for the days of doubt, and when it was



#### VANDERZEE'S NEW POSITION

Hessel VanderZee, of the Time-keeping Bureau, has fallen heir to a position in the Treasurer's Office, having been appointed Paymaster and Collector Clerk since the last issue of the Magazine.

Mr. VanderZee began work with the Pacific Electric in the Stores Department at San Pedro in April 1935. Later he was Timekeeper at the Torrance Stores until June 1931, when he transferred to the Central Time-keeping Bureau.

Congratulations are extended by the Magazine on behalf of his many friends.

hard to see that all things work together for the good that is to be; I'b glad for all that life has brought, because today I know that men must brave adversities if they would greater grow.

—O. Lawrence Hawthorne.

#### P. E. ROD & GUN CLUB NEWS

The regular monthly meeting held October 8 was just about a wash-out, insofar as attendance was concerned. Only about a dozen showed up. However, a very successful meeting was held and President E. L. H. Bissen-ger treated those present to refreshments at the P. E. Restaurant.

Applications for membership are still coming in and of course registration cards for both the field and fishing divisions are being received. Fishing Captain Scott Braley gave us a scare on his report as to the registrations turned in to him, evidently several registrations having been lost.

However, a later report disclosed these missing registrations have been found and entered on the registration books. So you will still get that prize you had coming.

Field Captain J. S. Harris is still sweating under the collar about some kind of an event to put on for the shooting division. The biggest problem is, how to get enough of you members out to our meetings, so we can find out what you want. Trap shooting can be had at a local club at a cost of \$1.65 for twenty-five shots. Your Field Captain proposes the Club furnish turkeys as prizes and put on a turkey shoot sometime near Thanksgiving. Of course before that can be done some interest has to be shown.

the officers of your Club try to be very democratic. At the beginning of the Tournament Season, the budget was set up in accordance to the visible income of the Club. Of course there was much wailing and gnashing of teeth because no Committee seemed to be allowed sufficient funds to carry out their program to their expectation. The only thing to do then was to cut and splice. No one seemed to be hungry at the time, so the Refreshment Budget was cut out and spliced on to other short ends. Results: a continual drop in attendance. Maybe the restoration of the eats will bring them back again. President Bissen-ger goes a step further and suggests a sprinkling of stag banquets at some of our down town hotels. That would give the fellows an excellent chance to express their opinions when they feel the best.

After all, much of the success of our P. E. Camp Arrowhead Outing for the opening of trout season is attributed to the social gathering the night before. Of course we who take that trip know that no other trip can quite come up to it, but if it is not stretching the imagination too far, maybe some of the attractions could be duplicated on a smaller scale. Anyway, this is your "problem child", so lend a hand to its solution.

Coming Attractions: The Annual Meeting and election of Officers for 1942 will be held Wednesday, December 10. The President's Annual Party and the awarding of prizes for the 1941 Tournament will be held Saturday, January 10, 1942.

A. M. Cross, chairman of the Entertainment Committee, has promised us a very fine show and he has never let us down on such a promise before and we don't believe he will this time. So make up a party of your family and close friends and make it a date to come to our Club theater on that night and see a free show equivalent to or better than you could find anywhere in town.

## PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

**Tuesday, November 11:**  
American Legion Post No. 321—Armistice Day Program in Club Theatre—8:00 p.m. All welcome.

**Wednesday, November 12:**  
P. E. Rod & Gun Club Monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, November 13:**  
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting & Program—1:00 p.m.

**Saturday, November 15:**  
P. E. Masonic Club Annual Informal Banquet—Blue Room of Hayward Hotel—6:30 p.m.

**Monday, November 17:**  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, November 18:**  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 19:**  
P. E. Camera Club Semi-Monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, November 20:**  
Thanksgiving Day—Club Rooms closed all day.

**Friday, November 21:**  
**NO CLUB DANCE** Watch for announcement of Christmas Party and Dance in December.

**Monday, November 24:**  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, November 25:**  
American Legion Post Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
American Legion Auxiliary Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, November 27:**  
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m.

**Friday, November 28:**  
American Legion Auxiliary Night Card Party—8:00 p.m.

**Monday, December 1:**  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 2:**  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 3:**  
P. E. Camera Club Semi-monthly Meeting—7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, December 4:**  
P. E. Women's Club Annual Bazaar—Club Ballroom Doors open all day.  
P. E. Women's Club Afternoon Card Party—1:00 p.m.

**Friday, December 5:**  
P. E. Women's Club Annual Bazaar—Club Ballroom Doors open all day.

**Monday, December 8:**  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 9:**  
American Legion Post Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
American Legion Auxiliary Semi-monthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
Automotive Transportation Engineering Class—7:30 p.m.

### "HERE AND THERE" WITH THE WOMEN'S CLUB

By Mrs. Lon Bishop

A splendid meeting on October 9 with Mrs. Jones, Vice Chairman of Red Cross Volunteer Work, giving such an interesting talk, concerning the various units included in the service. She presented a charming picture in her natty uniform and perky cap, surrounded by ten dolls, each dressed in the particular uniform of the corps in which she serves. When she had finished, there wasn't a question in the minds of her listeners, but what, some place, some some where in Red Cross, there is a place for every woman in America. Right now a call has gone out for

**ATTENTION  
BASKET BALL PLAYERS**  
It is desired to form a Basketball team for the Pacific Electric Club. A number of Basketball Players have already registered.  
Anyone wishing to join such a Club should leave their name at the Pacific Electric Club office their earliest convenience.

more sweaters, and there is plenty of yarn on hand. Don't you want to be a part of this wonder organization?

The second speaker of the afternoon was Mr. C. C. Dollarhide, President of the Retired Railway Employees of America, who spoke on a subject very close to his heart.

A very earnest gentleman who hopes in the near future to have Congress favorably impressed with an amendment which will add a great deal of comfort to the widows of deceased retired employees.

It was a very worthwhile afternoon, both speakers leaving a great deal of food for thought, and we regret more of our members were not present.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Fred Hendrick whose husband was stricken suddenly while at work in the shops at Torrance. Mrs. Hendrick, for the past few months, has been the Club's ambassador of friendship to the hospital, making her weekly visit with her flowers and basket of cheer.

Our hearts go out to her in this sudden bereavement.

Just a little reminder about the annual bazaar, held December 4 and 5.

A beautiful quilt to be raffled, also a Bullock's twenty-five dollar merchandise order and stop and think what that will buy "Him or Her" for Christmas. Chances are ten cents, three for a quarter. How many?

Glory be, another grandmother is on the loose—Grandma Shoup and she likes the sound of it better than President Shoup.

It's really something on our meeting days, you should be there, when they begin passing picture of "my grandchild".

We're only kidding, ladies, it's just a case of sour grapes with us.

We were "royally" entertained on October 23 by the Lancashire Drill Team, composed of twenty ladies, all of British descent. They put on one of the snappiest drills we've seen and were led through all their smart maneuvers by a high stepping, perky little majorette. We wish all of you

could have seen those women in red coats, blue trousers, white caps and shoes form a huge V for Victory, stepping it off to the tune of "There Will Always Be An England", and with two gorgeous flags—American and British, held in the center by members of the team.

Honestly, it did something to you. You were thrilled to a point where you wanted to stand and yell.

Afterwards tea was served by Mrs. H. Johnson and her committee, with lovely Hallowe'en favors for all.

Only one meeting in November but it will be another jolly party—November 13.

This is the last reminder we can make about the bazaar, open all day in the ballroom—needlework, aprons, candy, white elephants (no pink ones) and—and—O.K., Mr. Editor, we'll quit.

### LEGION POST

Oct. 14: 1st Vice Commander K. M. Brown in charge of meeting as Commander Clemens is still too ill to appear. Comrade Brinker of our Post is now in the Sawtelle Hospital. Comrade Fackler's wife has been in St. Vincent's Hospital.

Comrade William M. Peterson, who served in the 6th Regular Field Artillery is now a member of our post and the post Hospital Committee. He is confined to his bed in the Sawtelle Hospital. He has been helping Chaplain Nichols by keeping track of the non-compensated veterans, in Ward 3, to see that they always have plenty of cigarettes, whether they belong to the American Legion or not. This Post pays for the cigarettes, Chaplain Nichols and Comrades Peterson and Prince, see that they reach the right parties. Chaplain Nichols took to the Hobby Shop at the Hospital over 100 pounds of leather scraps, secured by Comrade Bone. He would be glad to take them any old tooth brushes he can get, especially the transparent ones.

Our Post has subscribed for the National Geographic Magazine, for one year, to be delivered to Ward 3 at Sawtelle Hospital.

Vice Commander 23rd District Goshorn talked about membership. This Post still needs a few more members to make our quota so please bring or send in your dues right away and help us to go over the top.

A committee consisting of Comrades Bone, Mead and Nichols met Committees from the L. A. Ry, Santa Fe, & S. P. Daylight posts, and arranged for a joint meeting and stag, of the four Transportation Posts for Nov. 4 at Patriotic Hall.

This post sent a letter to Governor Olson informing him that we are in favor of a full pardon for Richard

H. Krebs, otherwise known as Jan Valtin, author of "Out of the Night." Governor Olson thanked us for our interest in the matter and said he was giving it full consideration.

Oct. 28: Commander Virgil Clemens is at last able to handle the gavel. We were all very glad to see him, as he has been sick for about 2 months. For the first time since our election, every officer of this post was in his chair. We hope this will be the regular thing in the future.

Conductor George Earl O'Brien, who served in the Infantry has joined our Post.

The next 23rd District Meeting will be held with our post.

### AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY P. E. UNIT NO. 321

The regular monthly card party was held on the fourth Friday in the Club Rooms and a good crowd attended. Mrs. C. Newhouse was hostess. Let's keep up this good attendance. Tell your friends and bring them too—every fourth Friday. Don't forget a prize for the highest score at the end of the series.

We are happy to report Mrs. B. Fackler is home from the Hospital and getting along nicely.

Don't forget to call the American Legion Auxiliary Salvage Industries for disposal of any of your cast-off clothing, shoes, papers, tires, or anything that you don't want. This is a worthwhile project giving employment to a number of men who were unable to secure jobs and supplying many needy families with furniture and wearing apparel. The truck will call at your home if you call Angelus 1-7577 or TRinity 6027. The public is invited to avail themselves of this opportunity to help others help themselves.

Uniting the women of America for service to America is the big goal of the American Legion Auxiliary for 1942, according to Mrs. K. Brown, President of the local Auxiliary Unit.

The Auxiliary hopes to bring a greatly increased number of the eligible women into its own ranks and to inspire others to serve in the various forms of national defense activities open to women, said Mrs. Brown.

"National unity is essential to national defense," she stated. "The American Legion Auxiliary realizes that today all Americans must stand and act together for the protection of our country and of our free way of life. We know there is much that women can do to strengthen America against the dangers ahead, for in the Auxiliary and in other patriotic organizations we are doing it.

"The Auxiliary, with its broad program of service work, offers the ideal place for service to women whose

### ATTENTION!

Due to Thanksgiving Day being the day before the regular date of the Monthly Club Dance, it is deemed advisable to postpone the Monthly Club Dance for November.

Please watch for announcement of the Annual Christmas Party and Dance in December.

N. B. Vickrey, Manager  
Pacific Electric Club

fore, she is needed in the Auxiliary at this time. There is little she can do as an individual, but united with the other 520,000 women of the Auxiliary, her efforts can be made to count greatly."

The Pacific Electric Railway Unit of the Auxiliary is now actively enrolling its membership for 1942. Wives, mothers, sisters, and daughters of members of The American Legion, and of deceased veterans of the World War are eligible to membership, as well as women who themselves were enlisted in the World War forces. All are being invited to enroll in the Unit at this time.

Mrs. J. Braley is visiting friends in Oakland—visiting a friend and seeing the sights.

Commander Clemens has returned from the East and is greatly improved.

The Secret Pal Club is very active and we get a lot of pleasure out of the many surprises, and guessing who is who.

A hearty welcome awaits our new member, Mrs. Steinmueller and we hope to add more to our roster in the near future.

Martha Harper,  
Publicity Chairman.

husbands, sons, fathers or brothers served in the war of 1917-1918. In the Auxiliary there is something they can do for America today. They can take part in the activities by which we are training for the defense of our communities and homes in case war should come to America, or in the activities by which we are helping build up the forces that will keep war away from America.

"In the Auxiliary program there is something useful for every eligible woman to do, no matter what are her interests and abilities. As never be-

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THE P. E. BOWLERS AT THE ARCADE

**BOWLING NOTES**

At the end of five weeks of trundling the first three leaders in each league shape up as follows:

Westside: Hemet Bus Line, Vineyard, Five Aces.

Eastside: Freight Service, P. E. Club, North.

Schuyler of the Claim Team in the Westside League is leading the gang both as to high series and high game. His high series totaled 594 and his game was a nifty 244.

Those bowling at an average of 170 or over on the Westside include Jay Gowanlock, Schuyler, Percy Cross, R. Blum, E. Kantz, with such good bowlers as C. Gonzalez, Joe Shafer, M. Miller, right on their heels.

Archie Brahm's formidable Claim team got off to a rather shaky start and are now down in the ruck of the battle, however, they have been clicking during the last two weeks and the competition had better watch these babies.

The Hemet Bus Line sparked by a new member, Ann Shafer, have been out in front of the pack so far, but the leaders are so closely bunched that anything can and probably will happen.

R. Blum has his Vineyard club right in the thick of the fight and

although he is a new bowler in this league he will be one of the high average men from all indications thus far.

That surprising club, the Five Aces, with Gaylord Sayan, Jack Worthington, W. Hanratty, J. Church and H. Huber really going to town, is the most improved club in the league. They started clicking right after the opening night and have won 13 of their last 16 games. That is a mighty hard record to top.

Charley Hill's Schedule Bureau five, with a record of 10-10, are next in line, followed closely by the Passenger Traffic and Signal Departments. Three teams are tied for 8th place, the Electrical Team, Streamliners and the Wilshire Lines.

Tied for the bottom rung of the ladder, but close enough to start a real spurt and rush to the top, are the Freight Traffic and the Amazons. On the night of October 31, the Amazons came to life with a rush, winning four.

The Freight Traffic Department with what appears to be one of the best teams in the league, have been unable to untrack themselves to date, but when they start clicking with the low averages these good bowlers are now sporting, anything can happen. This is a real dark horse team.

On the East Side the Freight Service, composed of Charley Oliver, Herm Grenke, J. Krug, and the Lutes boys, Bill and Les, are all alone in the van of the league standings. They really made it convincing the other night when they slapped the mighty P. E. Club down for four in a row. Cuccia was seen slinking out the back door with a beaten look in them big blue eyes of his.

In second spot is Harry Hampton's North outfit, with Art Pabst, Brantly, Capt. Hampton, D Dardis and R. M. Jones going like a flock of houses on fire.

Cuccia, the man with the sour look on his phiz the other night, has his club in third spot, right behind the leaders, and this club composed of Pop Henry, Cuccia, DuBose, Engle and M. Cuccia, is the high average club in the league. Incidentally Pop Henry has the high series and high game totals for the league to date. His series of 648 is really something.

A new outfit, the B. of R. C. and the Motor Transit are close behind the leading three teams and by the time this goes to press may be still closer. Roy Wilson has a fine team and led by W. Randig, sporting a 178 average. He is aided and abetted by E. Swanson, R. Gibson, who inci-



THE P. E. SQUAD AT ATLANTIC AND WHITTIER

dentally went hog wild the other night, C. Allen and Capt. Wilson.

Bert Manley has his outfit in the second division at present but we will hear more from his team later on when the fighting gets really tough.

Marion Lutes is high "Man" on the Outlaws and this team of Lutes-Oliver-Robertson-Randig and Wilson is rolling along in great style. They took some tough beatings last year but they are dishing 'em out themselves this time.

The L. A. Freight Team, Capt. A. Robertson at the helm, and the Transportation Team, led by Capt. Nichols, are fighting it out with Capt. Baxter's Washington Street team at present for low honors. These three clubs are not far out of the fight and can give a good account of themselves from now on in.

Several old timers have rejoined the two leagues: familiar faces on the other hand have dropped out.

Returnees include Bill Lutes, C. Henry, J. Gould, while we miss the smiling countenance of Ralph and Edna Cobb, Norm Gilbert, Lloyd Covell, Doctor Patton, Doctor Schultz Eunice Covell, Grace Vail, Bob Crownover, W. Chase, Mrs. Chase and Mrs. Crownover, Mrs. Bert Manley, Frances Houston and a host of others.

Come out and see some of the slickers really go to town, or you can be entertained watching such dopes as Jones Houston, Perry, Swanson, Stad Loversys, Herm Grenke and many other tyros, trying to keep them out of the gutter.

Teacher: "Why should we always keep neat and clean?"

Pupil: "In case of an accident, ma'am."

Sturdy was reproving Roger as follows: "Don't you know, son, that when George Washington was your age he was well established in his own business?"

"Sure, Dad, and when he was your age he was President."

"So you traded in your old car at last," said the pessimist.

"Yes," said the optimist. "I'm not one to hold back on our defense program when the government needs scrap iron."

Maid: I'm sorry, but she said I was to tell you that she is not at home.

Caller: Oh, that's all right. Just tell her that I'm glad I didn't call.

Fond Mother (writing to her soldier son): "Well, son, I hope you have been punctual in rising every morning so that you haven't kept the regiment waiting breakfast for you."

**DEPARTMENTAL NOTES**

**PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES**

The time was October 21, 1941. The place, The Queen of Angels Hospital. The occasion, the arrival of Lee Edward Bushard. Weight: 7 lbs., 6 oz. and 100 per cent perfect. The mother, Ruth Bushard, formerly of this Department. The father, Lee Bushard, a buyer in the Purchasing Department of the Standard Oil Company. We might say he is a 1941 model and the Standard Oil Co. will keep him going. Oh yes, mother and father are fine and very happy.

If you are not very good in geography and want a little help, just call on Meda Hogankyke. This young lady just returned from her vacation visiting Salt Lake, Kansas City, New Orleans, San Francisco and way points.

Bob Johnson, star second baseman of the B. of R. C. Baseball team and pride of the Purchasing Dept. had a birthday on October 25th. The Mystery Trio called to wish him well. We all chipped in and bought him a HIGH CHAIR to sit in when eating his lunch.

Lois Brown has returned from her vacation which included a trip to the Grand Canyon, Carlsbad Caverns, El Paso and a dude ranch in Arizona. She says she thought of me when she took a trip to the Canyon floor on a mule. I wonder what she meant by that?

Now that the Redondo Beach Plunge is a thing of the past, George Quesenbery can now be found any Sunday morning in the Long Beach Plunge. When asked why he gave up swimming in the new washing machine, he said "My water wings got caught in the wringer."

Floyd Gill said the recent inventory was most interesting, and it was a pleasure to take. Oh, yes, well if the Auditor would send good looking girls like Gladys Sunday to all the stores the boys would like to take inventory every month.

Jimmy Livermore's two good looking daughters, Adelene and Doreen call my attention to Torrance seven, Gardena six, in a recent football game. I understand the Torrance team would only play providing they

**REPORT OF VITAL STATISTICS — OCTOBER, 1941**

Death Claims:	Group		
Name	Occupation	Died	Insurance Mortuary
Usher, Eugene F.—Brakeman.....		10-13-41	Yes Yes
Estell, Arthur A.—Electrician.....		10-14-41	No No
Richards, Walter S.—Conductor.....		10-14-41	Yes Yes
Hendrick, Fred R.—Blacksmith.....		10-17-41	Yes Yes
Smith, John W.—Retired Agent.....		10-20-41	No Yes
Downey, Leo W.—Conductor.....		10-31-41	Yes Yes
Boardman, Robt. T.—Motorman.....		10-30-41	Yes Yes

Employes' Wives' Death Benefit Fund:	Wife of	Department
Name	Died	
Allen, Violet Hale.....	10-6-41	Winthrop S. Allen.....Engineering

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partment, Bill has brought new blood and new ideas to us. The blood is all right, but the ideas, phooey. He is our general utility man and if you want any machine work, carpenter or other work done, just call on him.

D. M. Pearson is Bill and Voucher Clerk. She is the little old gal who pays and then bills. Little different from the usual run who always pay and pay. Anyway, if you want to know a hardworking girl who knows her vouchers and rental bills, meet Dot. Work a-gress with her as she advises having taken on 5 lbs recently. As she is the world's prize commuter I question whether it is the work. I believe the long sleep she has each morning and night from and to Santa Ana has something to do with it. Travel broadens one I've heard.

H. G. McDonald is the Manager of the Building. Mac is on the job all the time searching for new tenants and trying to satisfy those we now have. Improvements, changes and complaints are all the same to Mac—he lets Harry take care of them.

H. Gorman is his Assistant. Harry, the general utility man is a structural engineer and supervises all work done in the building, as well as, seeing that the janitors and elevator operators do their duties according to Hoyle. Harry wants to know what Hoyle knows about mopping a hallway or an office floor. However, if you have any complaints or wish to suggest any improvements, contact Harry.

Much more can be said of each of the persons listed, however, space is valuable and the story can be continued in next issue; also I don't know how they will react after all this praise. Through the following issues I will endeavor to give you a word picture of an individual member of the staff, outline our duties and give you the gossip of the office.

That's all for now, there ain't no more.

#### MOTOR TRANSIT NOTES My M. J. Creamer

**On Location:** Fred D'Arcy whizzing through depot. Since he has been over in the Big House (P. E. Bldg.) he is quite the stranger. Nice to have Saturday afternoons off but he deserves it after all these years of exacting work. Roy Wilson, Sup't., stopping in at the Dispatchers' office and sitting on the guest of honor chair—a make-shift box! Neil Seyforth getting weary — the hooves kinda bother him, says he. After wheeling buses around for so long and sitting—and NOW standing on the pavement with all those extra work and cabinet work. Nice hobby

pounds is quite another thing. John Puffer with nerry a word—all business! John did promise a picture of his youngster for the magazine soon. Charlie Cooper (our ol' reliable) makes things hum—yet always has time to say "hello". Walt Deal buzzing around like a beehive—plenty to do and DOING it! Henry Stone (our fashion plate) always hard at it. There'll be a few new faces in the Dispatchers' office and thereabouts with men breaking in as relief dispatchers. Those in line to go through the workout are F. A. Graftholdt, W. A. Buck, A. L. Robertson, J. A. O'Neil, our Jack Burgess (Santa Ana) and Jim Tucker. If you hear



Here's L. C. Bartula proudly displaying the deer he bagged out Colorado way. He is a line car conductor. His cheerful smile and genial disposition makes him a welcome visitor wherever he goes. (Well, welcome to everyone EXCEPT the deer!)

a few new voices crackling—you'll know it's not GILMORE (Walt Deal) or the regulars.

**Here and There:** Shorty Hall and Doc Beckett visitors . . . but oh so seldom. Doc Beckett was "on call" service when lights went out . . . and we had to resort to candle power for some two hours during rush period. Lotta fun—maybe some eyestrain—and oodles of comments from patrons. Naturally the clock stopped would have to stop and was taken off the wall and then the battery of inquiries . . . "WHAT happened to the clock?" Henry Stone says he doesn't mind L. E. Irby coming out to his house to see his wife, etc. IF he would just leave the ice box alone. . . . seems he has worn out a pathway from front door to the frigidaire—and all his cold refreshments vanish. (He didn't infer

what—perhaps he meant Coca Cola, huh, T'ain't bad!) Well, Irby—will let you in on something — E. W. Swanson, in addition to his patio on his estate in Rosemead has installed a bar and bought up such and such before the increase in prices and methinks it is well stocked . . . kindly confirm with Swanson before paying him a visit and thus save yourself a trip!

Heber S. Stevens talking to party of the second part over the phone and conversation didn't give us a definite clue. "You know, I can't talk over the phone with all these operators hanging around . . . you wouldn't want to talk to me with a gang of women hanging around listening to you, would ya? Let me call you later at a pay phone. . . . See you tonight, honey!" Well, patch that into a quilt—or the art of conversation!

E. W. Zirckel back from 15 days vacation. Said he didn't do anything but just rest. LeRoy Hall relieved in express office during his absence. Joe Hernandez is back with us. John Mickley is really planning ahead . . . and is going to buy himself a house trailer to attach to his car—build a hobby house and/or garage. Will live in trailer and have other facilities in garage. Will go in for some wood—at that!

A familiar face IS missed. None other than "Pete" our shoeshine man, who has long been on Fifth Street . . . doing his daily dozen. Has been suffering from rheumatism and arthritis and unable to work at present. Do hope that his recovery will be rapid and will be back with us soon. We are happy to report that Willamae Bracklin's husband is convalescing from major operation.

Understand some "delish" meals are being served at the Tucker-Burke restaurant in Whittier and at popular prices—whatdyemean POPULAR prices? 90 cents up or what? "Tuck" has to wash dishes for his feed as well as the boy. Tuck manages to find time to go in for a little horseback riding to keep the "figure" or is it JUST for exercise? Instead of dealing in "spirits" at Christmas time—will take orders for sandwiches . . . what kind do you want—or doncha?

Wake Wakefeld down our way saying hello. Reasons—he says was to get a haircut—and felt pounds lighter. How about some snaps for the Magazine sometime Wake? What's doing, Ivan Erhardt? How come we never hear any news about ya—or is everything a secret? Hello, Marion Snowden, how's your hatchet working nowadays—been parting anyone's hair with it lately?

Our goodly guest editor, G. R. Stevens (North Hollywood) has a

whopper of a book which should be ready for print soon. Both he and his wife have devoted many months to this book which should "bring home the bacon". Read some parts of the book and it is pack-jam with interest! He is one of the most cheerful conductors that P.E. can boast of and well liked by all.

If anyone can teach Guy Rhinard how to tango, please come forward. Just recently he has got in the dancing mood and both he and M. J. Freeman took in the Palladium one Monday night — "Sweethearts" night! Guy was dancing with such a beautiful blonde in a blue satin evening dress. Some of the Greyhound boys were on hand too and making it a "night" of nights!

J. D. McCollum's boy, "Kenny" is all signed up with the Navy. Had tonsils and adenoids yanked out but back in his glory. He was one of the boys photographed along with Jane Russel of the movies at the Navy Recruiting Station and is anxiously awaiting final summons. Should be IN the Navy before this comes from press and will give up his slacks for sailor jeans. Wonder if his name "Glamour Pants" will follow him down San Diego way. Bestest to you, Kenny!

**TAX! TAX!** Yep, they had us tax conscious for days—there was a mad rush to buy books and other tickets before tax deadline. Many remarked however, "the tax isn't near as bad as I thought it would be." (Talked to one chap from England over in these United States for flight training and his comment was that BEFORE the war, tax was around 33 per cent and has no idea of what the present tax rate is.) One frequent patron of the line stationed at nearby air base is swiftly losing his best pals in flight maneuvers . . . right in our own backyard. His original group of six has now narrowed down to just two and wonders if the "jinx" is on him, too. Still says he'll take to the air in any kind of weather in preference to driving a car around Los Angeles.

Welcome to the new faces and new drivers on our Motor Transit District. R. Kent, A. A. Storms, H. E. Hay, J. L. Dillard and J. A. Douthitt. Our family is expanding. With new service and equipment on the L.A. - El Monte--Covina-Pomona-San Bernardino (in effect) November 2—things will hum!

Mrs. Bill Kennedy was recently returned home from the St. Joseph's Hospital ending sojourn from emergency surgery. She's recovering rapidly and we hope will enjoy improved and lasting good health. Judging from the antics of the ol' kid himself (Bill) it was assumed by many that it was he who was

operated upon and with a dull case knife! Harry Dostal (Agent Riverside) off sick. Understand it's "hoof" trouble. Max Hess is at the controls.

**Chatter:** H. J. LeFaivre is quite the arrow-collar ad—should see him on his day off in all those sport togs! Howard Strong—beaming! Said his wife had left town—and then in the next breath contradicted himself so NO truth in the statement. A word to Pete Petersen—gang says they want to let you in on something—"there's a manual out that shows where the motor on our new Whites is located." Seems Pete had the steering flange off looking for motor trouble! The name of H. F. Pletcher has been given a new title of "Romeo". Swanson having heat trouble. With weather getting brr—he had gas heater in Maple Street express office hooked and asked Geo. Jehl to have gas turned on. "The gas is turned on," said Geo. (After much effort discovery was made that about 300 feet of gas line had been removed from express office some months ago and had never been replaced or connected with main gas line.) "You doity dog"—you stole 4.00 from me—I gave you a five-dollar bill instead of a one. . . . Guy was the target! Two days later the patron discovered her five-spotter in her purse and called to say that she found it—even though no apologies were offered. Babe Larson to buy movie camera. Reasons? Wants to take some picture of his baby boy. It's a grand idea at that—they'll be treasured in later years! Remember how handsome you were when a baby—or doncha? Our friend Maxwell of Greyhound (former dispatcher) is OUT of the Army now and back in harness—peddling tickets. Did eight months and mighty glad to be out. He looks a million—ye ol' army builds 'em up.

**Down Santa Ana Way:** Jack Burgess has been studying all the patent nerve remedies! A mysterious stranger rammed into a rear fender and kinked it and when he took the car into garage for repairs, the garage attendants backed it into something or other and caved in the back end. In the meantime the transmission gears became tangled and jangled the works. It's as good as new now with the innards fixed up and the outards ironed and painted. He won't park within six paces of even a shadow, let alone something concrete! Dick Butler recently took time off for a real vacation but came down with the flu. While recovering he accidentally stabbed himself through the leg with a crochet needle. Just WHAT he was doing with such a tool we can't state. . . . Dick SAYS he was making an emergency repair on a radio. Let's just

let it go at that. The Butlers DID have a dandy outing to Las Vegas and Boulder Dam before jinxed. Better luck next time.

L. C. Bartula and wife—a delightful vacation of sixteen days in the Tennessee Pass district of Colorado. Their time was completely filled with the abundant pleasures of the Rocky Mountain region where near relatives are engaged in mining and ore milling. He reported excellent big game hunting and bagged a fine deer. They also experienced the thrill of the first heavy snow fall of the season and the crisp cold of the high altitudes. (Will have to hold the coyote yarn over his head for the time being.)

Conductor Copeland reports having seen Bill Ethey, signal maintainer, climbing a pole to remove a poor old black cat from a lofty perch. Bill remarked that a man can always take a chance on bad luck if his conscience is easy. Good boy, Bill! Geo. Bauer found hunting poor up McFarland way . . . got the limit in a few minutes and had to quit before the sport was really enjoyed. Judging from the tension of his vest, it is suspected that the EATING lasted longer than the SHOOTING!

Nothing to report was the terse comment of Roy Roepke—but then Roy is so busy fraternally, socially and on the run—that he MAKES news rather than relates it. Neal Brock has been subsisting on lobsters prepared in every manner known to the culinary science—but he hasn't lost any adv-humph-- weight is the word. Yes, he caught them!

Homer Hammond's parents recently observed their golden wedding anniversary. The folks were the surprise guests of a sumptuous turkey dinner arranged by the members of the immediate family. 'Twas particularly gratifying to all in attendance in knowing that the anniversary was just one of MANY MORE to come. (The elder Hammonds enjoy perfect health and may we ALL join in hearty congratulations to you both.)

Someone told Hank Faulkner that a tire change isn't much of a job when one unbolts the spare wheel before attempting to remove it from the car. Maybe Hank would have made this discovery for himself after he had dragged the bus all over the lot! (Remember, Hank, 'yours truly' now wears glasses.)

Slick Towers had the antique recovered just in time for the recent rain. C. J. Kimball (Benny) is still palavering—his line is smoother than that of a corn salve salesman . . . so look for results! Tommy Daiker has the Santa Ana relief. Ira Casteel and Mustachio Spillsbury have been extra men working out of the tules. Kenny



Lucas recently resigned to accept employment hauling roofing tile and tar paper to San Francisco. Herman C. Cartright has been picking up NUTS (Walnuts we mean.) Sam Carr recently staked his eldest to a car. Charlie Rhinard planking out \$158.10 for a new roof—the rain beat the contractor though. Gordon Scott resigned on our Uncle in favor of an operator's job on the Laguna Beach-Santa Ana Line—MORE to this than shows on the surface. Al Henson and Johnny Hill competing for egg production. Johnny holds an edge so Al is thinking seriously of bringing out his automatic chicken waker-upper to offset the gain! John Bailey says "I don't know NOTHING—ye see I have to get in bed at sundown with this early run of mine." John has been mighty tight lipped since folks learned that he was seen walking around in the middle of a mud puddle without any pants some-time ago.

Well, boys, we can't REPORT news unless YOU MAKE IT! In the next issue we want to see notes on the following: Reeves, Wilhelm, Miller, Shaw, Mason, Uncle Geo. Hoffman, Larson, Dunson—and a whole lot more with long records or amateurs—it makes no never mind!

#### John T. Brown Retires

Retirement from service was recently announced by John T. Brown, who, since July 20, 1922 was employed by this Company in the mechanical department. "Brownie" as he is known to an unusually large circle of friends and likewise to a host of acquaintances, during a long and colorful career of interesting and varied experiences has disclosed many fine and rare qualities of character that have enriched each that know him. His subtle wit, ready smile and genial disposition are habitual. It is in an appropriate sense, therefore, that a brief summary of his life and connections here be made—both in personal and occupational history.

Mr. Brown is a Native Son, having been born of pioneer parents at Navarro, Mendocino County, May 30, 1876. His grandfather was the first practicing physician in that County. Brownie grew up in the rough and ready environment of the early West and was first identified in the transportation business when as a young man he drove commercial stage coaches drawn by four, and at times, six horses. Incidentally he is the only surviving member of the former numerous stage line coach drivers of that northern locality. Recalls many family anecdotes and touching historical incidents bearing on the coming of his forebears over the plains to California by covered wagon which



was pulled by the faithful old ox team of Gut and Gormand.

He entered into service of rail transportation with the Key Route at Oakland with whom he was engaged for seventeen years before coming into service of this Company.

Brownie's personal conduct and home life has been exemplary. Throughout his life he has been active in fraternal, religious, social and civic affairs. He has raised and educated three foster daughters together with his own daughter. He has been mentally alert and physically active and finds recreation through hobbies. Gains great pleasure as a violinist and for over fifty years has played on a fine old instrument which is now some two hundred and twenty-two years of age.

It is knowledge of the greatest satisfaction to everyone who knows him that "Brownie" was able to withdraw from active duty while in the best of good health and with youthful faculties and it is the sincerest wish of all that these blessings may continue to long endure. Mr. Brown resides at 602 Stafford Street, Santa Ana, and it was noted that the emblem on the door mat reads "Welcome". Both Mr. and Mrs. are rendered happy to renew old acquaintances and to begin new ones—so if in the neighborhood drop by and say hello!

Young Mosquito—"Soft pickings these days, aren't they?"

Old Mosquito—"Yes, and to think when I was your age I could bite girls only on the face and hands."

#### WEST HOLLYWOOD

By G. R. Stevens

Motorman S. S. Fonner and wife have taken their vacation. They went to Waverly, Kansas, where Fonner's mother resides. Stopped over in Manhattan, Kansas, for a visit with Mrs. Fonner's sister. They saw lots of snow in the mountains of Idaho and Wyoming, and saw high water in Kansas. Reports having a great time.

Motorman R. R. Scott has bought a new home located in West Los Angeles and has already moved in.

Motorman W. E. Mohan and wife of 8642 Lehigh Ave., Roscoe, celebrated their (Silver) 25th Wedding Anniversary and gave a party at their home. They received many letters and telegrams from St. Joseph, where the couple used to live. Congratulations and best wishes for many more years of happiness.

We are glad to report that Conductor Arthur Carstens is back on the job having been off on the sick list. He had three different operations in the Santa Monica Hospital.

Mrs. Annie Bruce, wife of Motorman F. L. Bruce of West Hollywood, was away twenty-four days on a visit to Ft. Worth, Texas, and vicinity with relatives and enjoyed a good trip.

Motorman Guy Shoun is planning on going bear hunting again this year up at his place. Herbert Cox and Cashier Gibbons are planning to go with him.

Tom Green and J. B. Green made a trip back east recently to Detroit and each bought themselves brand new cars. Tom bought a new Chevrolet, and J. B. one of those new 6-cylinder Fords.

Motorman J. W. Clay and wife are on vacation and are making a trip up through the Redwoods.

Motorman J. W. Lanning who has been away for so long is expected back on the job soon.

Lady Mountbatten was in Los Angeles recently speaking to the Red Cross workers. She expressed the deep appreciation of the British people for what the Red Cross is doing. The trainmen's wives at West Hollywood have been actively engaged in Red Cross work. The U S O is doing a grand service for the men in training in the way of entertainment. The letters the boys write home tell how well their efforts are succeeding.

Deer season closed on Oct. 15. Reports have it that many trainmen enjoyed venison. Duck season opened Oct. 15 and will close Dec. 14.

C. F. Bradehorst, was off two weeks with an injured hand.



This Hunter Got His Buck.

He expects to make a trip back to Omaha to visit relatives.

Congratulations go to W. A. Gibbons and wife, who celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary on Oct. 18. The occasion was celebrated by a party given at their home.

At the moment Conductor Gordon is batching. Mrs. Gordon and her mother are away on a trip east.

Among the genial crew in the mechanical dept. at West Hollywood car barn are Martin McGinnis, Bill White, Herbet McGlaughlin, Ben Brown, Luis Lamore, Homer Lucas and A. W. McCauley—all are a real bunch of fellows.

K. R. Cassels, out of West Hollywood, made his initial trip on freight braking in with H. E. Sanders on the 26th, a 3 P.M. job.

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs. W. S. Allen, wife of W. S. Allen, West Hollywood sub station operator, at Saint Vincent's Hospital. Mrs. Allen was well known and had many friends. She was Worthy Matron of the Hollywood Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star in 1939.

"Hello, where have you been?"

"Just got back from a camping trip."

"Roughing it, eh?"

"I'll say so. Why, one day our portable dynamo failed us, and we had no hot water, heat, electric lights, ice or radio for almost two hours."

Bricklayer: "Hello, Bert, where's that helper you took on—the chap that used to be an artist?"

Second Bricklayer: "Haven't you heard? Soon as he laid a couple of bricks, he stepped back off the scaffolding to admire his work."

#### CONDUCTORS' ACCTS. BUREAU

By Marion Snowden

"Blessed is the man who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving wordy evidence of it."—George Eliot. Hm—we know three gals who greatly need to be so blessed.

#### Winchie—at the old location

We lifted the following from Matt Weinstock's column, of interest as something to look forward to in our old age: Sign in the publicity office of Herb Drake, Orson Welles' personal representative: "Every ambitious employe should work every minute of the day, so he can get to the top and work and worry days, nights, Sundays, and holidays."

Our hat is off to Malarkey who reports in his monthly Local 1420 Bulletin that Winchie still has at least one constant reader. Thanx, Malarkey. Tell that constant reader that he must have seen us crawling into various and sundry dog houses.

Liking the looks of Walter Watchall's big feet in last month's magazine, we went up to see if they were really that size, and they ARE! He's a bashful cuss, but you'd never know it from "this'n that." Also went up to take stock of "Chimmie" Shafer's ticket stock. Wouldn't a small boy like those rolls and rolls of tickets! No wonder Chimmie likes his job. And then there's "Chass" Minick who tells us he's still in the groping stage. That gives us a little more confidence—we'll grope along together.

Dorothy Littlefield almost sprang a surprise on us by going to Las Vegas for a week-end wedding. Congratulations to the happy Mr. and Mrs. This comes close on the heels of a linen shower given for Dorothy by Odessa Carter. Invited guests were Ethel Chandler, Nina Robertson, Agnes Heckman, Dorothy Randolph, Esther Craig, Edna Abell, Florence Cox, Violet Phillips, Florence Haldeman, Opal Tucker, Betty Gorrel, Esther Quast, Lois Brown, Mildred Edwards, Helen Sawyer, and Martha Smith. Judging from the wide variety of linen gifts, Dorothy will have plenty of washing and ironing to keep her busy. Incidentally, FH accidentally put her invitation inside her package instead of her gift enclosure card. As the main stunt at the party, the guests had to "work" their names in dish towels. There's where Nina had a bad time with her sewing. Ts, ts, ts!—and she's on her way to being married herself!

We welcome our latest arrival in the office—Isa Henderson, a little winsome lassie who hails from Scotland. Hm—George Chrystal should come in and sneak a peek.



Should Auold Acquaintance Be Forgot?  
Lillian Hansman, Lyla Esmond and Steve Wilson in May, 1908.

Before the Camera Club exhibit fades into a memory, need we remind you that Tom Hinkle, erstwhile member of this office, was a several times winner. During the exhibit the Club lounge was usually crowded with admiring lookers. We hope the boys will put on another display soon.

With Tommy still on our mind, we might say that he has been promoted to the position of traveling auditor. (We bet THAT will break up that chronic static condition! And this is where we duck under his desk!) Winchie was appointed to his old job of Assistant Head Clerk—this Bureau. "For the duration" of breaking in, the white flag of truce was fluttering gently over two heads in a huddle—Tommy's and Winchie's, while the latter was busy trying to learn how to fill the former's shoes. During the first bewildering week of the process, Winchie had about decided that woman's place was in the home, but now that the mass of figures and accounts have settled into some sort of shape, she's glad Mr. Suman didn't have the same thought. So—we hope to be able to fill the bill within a reasonable time.

Anna Shofer bid in on the Motor Transit desk which she says is keeping her busy. Florence Cox takes over North and South Revising, and Nell Flanders takes Coxie's Accounts Clerk work. We know the good wishes of every one follow these folks in their new work.

Our deepest sympathy is with Margaret Hines and her family in the passing of her sister, as it is also with Anna Shofer and her family in the loss of her sister with whom she made her home for many years.

Some of the girls say they miss



**AH! THERE'S THE GAL!!!**  
"Winchie" (Marion Snowden) in person. The new Assistant Head Clerk Conductors Accounts Bureau, and—just about the writenist writer that ever writ for us.

Tommy from the "personal angle". As a parting gift, he pulled our arm-chair out by the roots, and for two weeks it was parked on the sidelines—bottoms up. It's been fixed now, and is better than ever with fancy rubber tires.

Grace Vail had a few of her best friends out one Saturday recently. Well, with a three months' leave to get ready for it, one can put on a pretty good shindig. The guests reported a grand time. Martha Smith won two prizes, one of which was for successfully pinning the tail on a donkey. Wonder where she got the experience???

Florence Haldeman moved not so long ago—from the beach to the valley—Van Nuys. It's like out in the country there where the cows and chickens have the run of the place. Their electric ice box regretted the move, apparently, for it wept all the way over—they had forgotten to take out the ice cubes. Now that their drunken piano has settled down with the helpful ministrations of the piano movers who swapped one leg for another, the family is all ready to enjoy the pleasures of rustic life.

Sign in Glendale: "Hal's Cafe. Direct from the keg."—When did they start serving coffee from kegs?

It won't be long until all the vacationers have gone and returned, these being the trailers for last

month: Esther Quast (are you listening, cousin?) who, with Lois Brown, took in such grand sights as Grand Canyon, Carlsbad Caves, and "the ranch" in Hereford, Arizona, where such notables as Florence Haldeman and Esther Ross vacationed at one time or another. Mildred Edwards took a "back east" trip where she saw the wonderful monument to the four Presidents in the Black Hills of South Dakota. While there she stayed with Sophia Niva who used to work in the PE Freight Accounts Bureau. On her way home, she spent a while in Portland with Gladys Curran, another old timer from the Accounting Department. Lola Ellis spent her week in San Francisco, which should be fairly nice at this time of year.

With vacations almost over, we can turn our attention to Christmas. Ho! Peeking through the keyhole, we see Mr. Suman looking over our box of Christmas tree ornaments—with a view to a BIGGER and BETTER Christmas this year—or do we dare to hope? Now don't forget to make up your Santa Claus list early.

Note to our friend Marty. Go ahead, Marty, we're piping down now, and you can have all the rest of the magazine pages for your notes from all departments. But before we go,—are you the cause of Jimmie Adams' no longer breaking into the calm of the air waves with his Station Static? All we ask is—give him a chance; he HAD something.

Last minute flash! After 20 years of efficient service, Marie Thomson has left the employ of the Company to travel in double harness. Our very best wishes go with you, Marie—and we're missing you like 60.

#### STATION STATIC By James J. Adams

Yeah, we missed out on writing this column for a couple of months. No, we did not have writer's cramp and we did not lose our pencil. Just a shortage of juicy material plus a desire to see if anyone missed us. (Note to Marian Snowden: We realize that we can't compete with "Sunshine".) Sample comment: "We had more jokes in the magazine since you quit writing in it." Oh! so it's jokes they want, eh? Well, we'll give 'em some good ones.

Rea Bowman has a weakness for bologna sausage. He carries three or four sandwiches of it in his lunch every day. So someone put some large rubber bands in to give him something to chew on. After chewing for several minutes, he took the rubber band out of his mouth and examined it. Thinking it to be the skin off the bologna he put it back



and chewed some more. His motto is "Look before you eat."

Harold Pickler and Pat Keane went East on their vacation. The train was very crowded, when who should get on but Clark Gable and Carole Lombard. Pat says he flirted with Carole the rest of the way to Chicago. What was Mr. Gable doing? Oh, he sat in the corner and sulked!

Don Gates took a trip to the "Ghost Towns" of Nevada on his vacation. While at Tonopah, Nevada, he was visited by a delegation of former San Gabriel Indians who came in from the Reservation to inquire for their old friend, Minor Musick.

R. G. McGaw is at St. Vincent's Hospital recovering from an operation. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Our congratulations to Madeline Stuart on her promotion to Assistant Manager of the P. E. Soda Fountain at Main St. Station.

Sibyl Mather spent her vacation visiting friends at Redwing, Minn. She had a wonderful trip and a good rest.

A sincere welcome is extended to Richard Burns, our new Relief Clerk. Dick has been known to many of us for some time as a member of the Railway Boosters. Best of luck, Dick, and "take it easy".

#### Vacations

Minor Musick—home.  
Grace Anstead—Fresno.  
Ray (Sunshine) Eastham — Denver, Colorado.  
Evelyn Cook—San Diego.  
Rae Ellen Bates—San Diego.

"Here's something queer," said the dentist, who had been drilling and drilling into a tooth.

"You sai dthis tooth had never been filled, but I find flakes of gold on the point of my drill."

"I knew it," moaned the patient, "you've struck my back collar button."

Real Estate Agent: "Could you let me have a bank reference before completing the sale? Just a formality, you know."

Purchaser: "I could, but it'd only make you unhappy."

Here at home we have a defense job to do—every hour, every day. It is not a new one—of planes and ships—brought on by the international situation. It is an old one, that has been going on for many years. It concerns people—how they live, what they need and their best opportunities to live usefully.

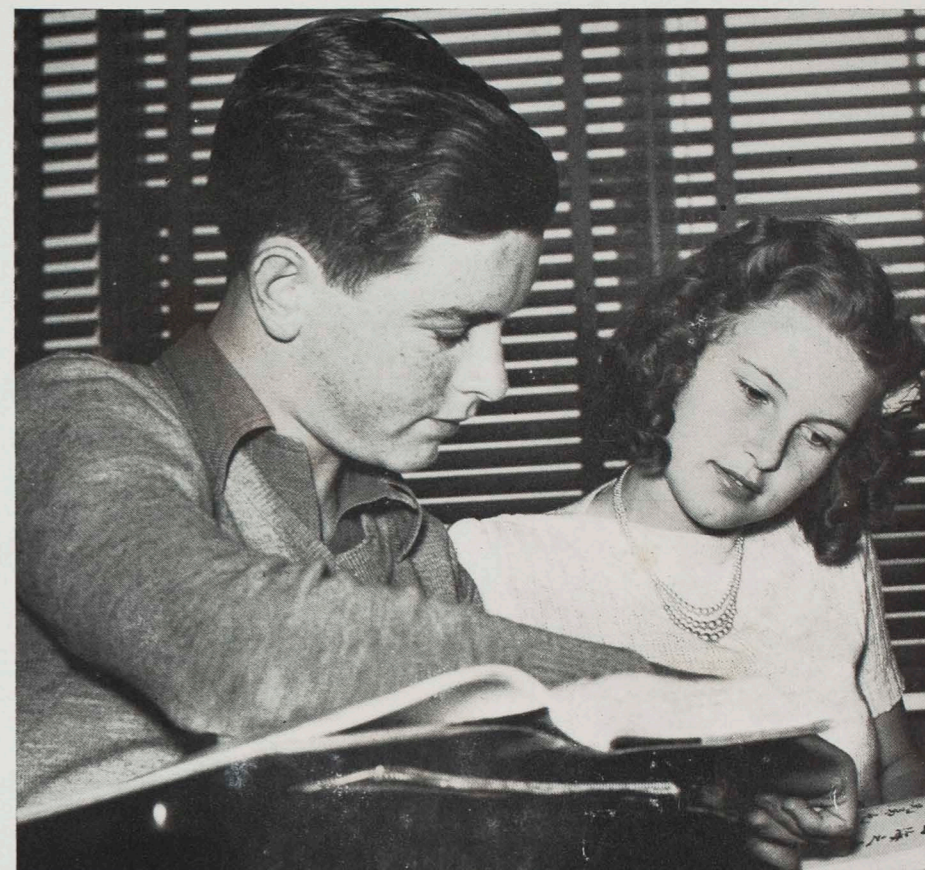
It is an American tradition to be a good neighbor. We care about the health and welfare of our fellow citizens, wherein lies the strength of our country. But too often we do not see or know of the casualties that go on around us. They are caused by the corrosive bombs of disease and social and economic maladjustment, which fall on too many citizens every day and shatter their security just as sharply as do the military bombs which fall from angry skies.

People are roused to instant action by the disruption that follows military bombs. Such havoc can be seen at once. But the tragedies caused by unseen bombs, too often go unnoticed. Their casualties may not make the newspaper headlines, but Chest hospitals and out-patient clinics know them. Daily the 88 health and welfare agencies of the Community Chest meet the social and human needs of our community and defend the Home Front against disease, discouragement, dependency and delinquency.

At this definite Community Chest Time, funds are sought with which the 88 Chest agencies of Los Angeles may carry on and enlarge the home defenses for another year. The Appeal for all is made jointly, instead of in 88 separate campaigns. October and November are designated as Chest months in some 596 other cities in America. Appeals may be simultaneous, but Chest funds are always used to service the pressing needs in the communities in which they were contributed. In every locality, the major portion is devoted to the health and welfare of children.

Today's children are tomorrow's citizens. Too often they are the defenseless victims of tragedies over which they have no control. Chest agencies do all in their power to prevent such tragedies, or to find the right solution or cure when they have happened.

Foster homes and institutions which give home-like care and education to neglected or dependent children, provide them with vocational training and spiritual, physical and mental well being, are important



Chest services. Day nurseries provide watchful guidance and care for small children during the week, while their mothers must be away from home at work.

Nationally known youth organizations such as the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Woodland Rangers, Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations—all Chest agencies—and Boy's and Girls' Clubs in community centers and settlement houses promote good fellowship among young people of all faiths and races. They provide play space for wholesome games in congested areas where playgrounds are virtually non-existent. Records show that juvenile delinquency has been checked between 60 and 75 per cent in areas which are serviced by youth group activities.

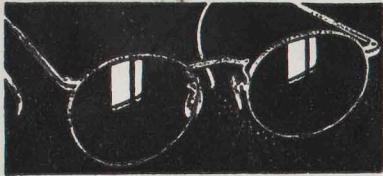
The physical handicaps that result from disease bombs are the casualties most readily seen and acted upon. Science has made great strides in orthopaedics and corrective treatments for burns, heart ailments and allergy cases. Through generous Chest subscriptions, many crippled children have had an opportunity to become strong and sturdy, and many others are looking hopefully to their own future well being. As an important preventive measure, regular

medical and dental check-ups are made in the out-patient departments of Chest hospitals and in the clinics of foster homes, day nurseries and community centers.

To continue unabated the correction and prevention of these tragedies, and to help insure tomorrow for thousands of children who are growing up in a world of chaos and change, let us make a united effort at Community Chest Time to contribute generously of our time and financial support to the home defenses.

In expressing his hope that the \$2,750,000.00 sought as the minimum figure in the 18th annual Appeal of the Los Angeles Community Chest on behalf of its 88 health and welfare agencies, Paul K. Yost, of the Security-First National Bank and general campaign chairman for the second successive year, says:

"Let us not lose sight of the fact that the corrective and preventive service of health and welfare agencies all over the country are limited only by the amount of funds raised in the general Community Chest Appeals. Our taxes build armaments for military defense, but our voluntary Chest gifts build the morale upon which freedom, justice and liberty rest."



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