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TO ALL CONCERNED:

Materials and supplies have become a matter of vital importance to operation of the Pacific Electric Railway.

Today's situation is very tersely outlined by Mr. Donald M. Nelson, Executive Director of Supplies, Priorities and Allocations Board, as follows:

"In terms of every-day life, we cannot waste anything—not the labor of one man, not the use of one pound of material, not the service of one useful bit of machinery. . . .

"To begin with, we must greatly increase our defense production. Military requirement schedules must and will be stepped up. In every conceivable way we must turn our matchless, productive plant to the job of stocking the arsenal of democracy. We must outdo everything we have yet planned.

"At the same time we must provide the things which our civilian economy needs. *Notice—I said the things that it needs.* Every thing that it does not really need is, in a sense, and for the duration of this emergency, sheer waste."

All materials required by the Company are governed by a system of priorities which is the rationing of the limited amount available, first, to war requirements in the order of their importance and, second, to essential operations required to carry out the defense program.

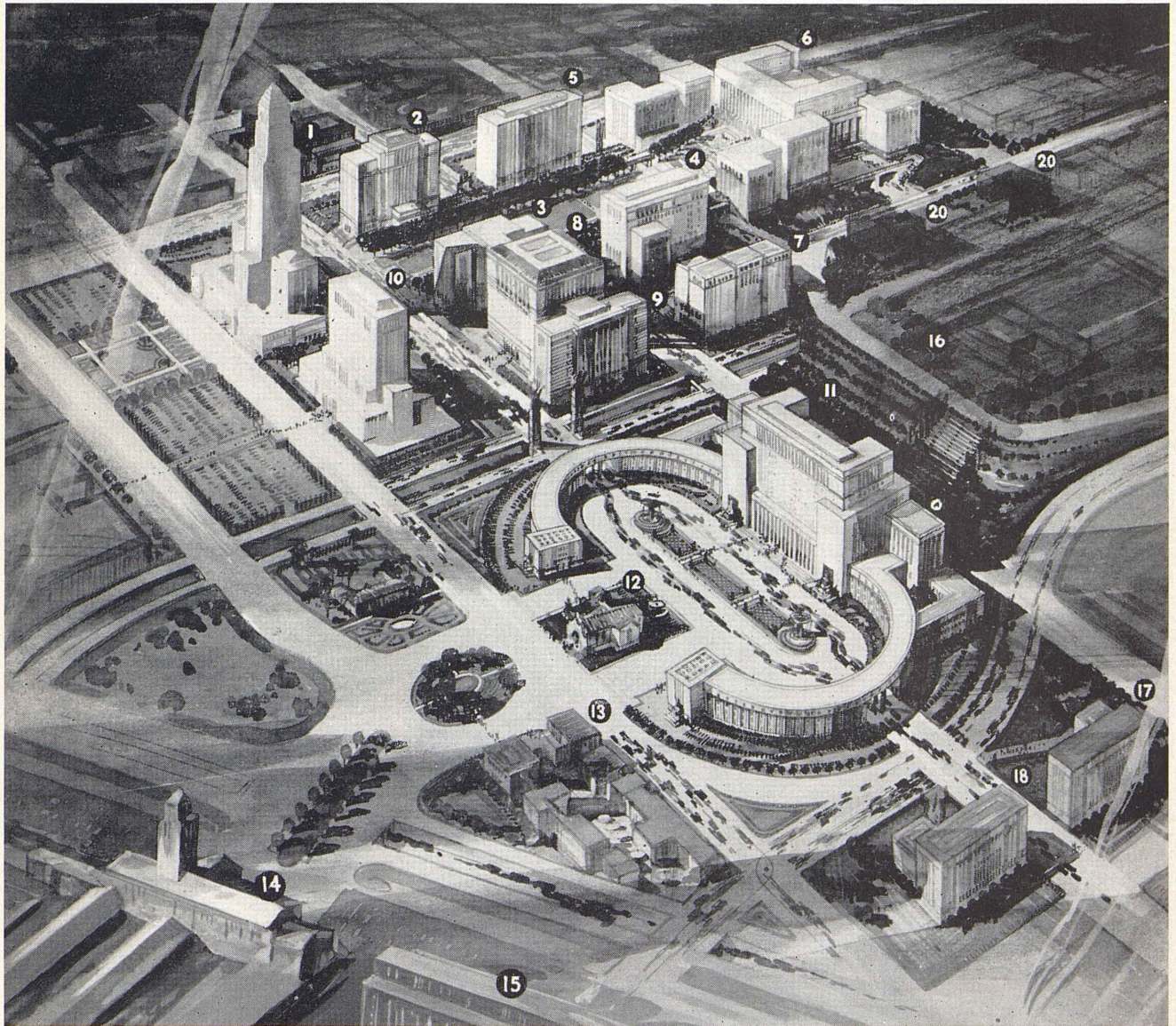
Material is essential to practically all maintenance work of the Company and inability to secure necessary materials will result in interruptions to both service and employment.

This means that all who use material should exercise the utmost care in making material now in use last as long as possible. Requisitions for replacements should be made only when absolutely necessary.

All employees are urged to give this matter their full cooperation, in order that the defense program may be effective, also that the Company's operations may continue if possible without interruption to service or employment.

O. A. SMITH, *President*

MASTER PLAN FOR BEAUTIFUL CIVIC CENTER ADOPTED CITY, COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES AGREE



CIVIC CENTER MASTER PLAN

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| 1. City Hall | 5. Future State Bldg. | 9. County Building | 13. Olvera Street | 17. Future Building |
| 2. State Building | 6. Water & Power | 10. Federal Building | 14. Union Station | 18. Future Building |
| 3. Hall of Records | 7. Police Building | 11. County Courts | 15. Post Office | 19. Unassigned |
| 4. Police Building | 8. Hall of Justice | 12. Old Church | 16. Central Jr. High | 20. Unassigned |

Scientifically planned for beauty and utility . . . designed to relieve traffic congestion in the downtown area . . . a master plan for the proposed City, County, State and Federal Administrative Center has been officially adopted by the governmental agencies involved, and now seems to be definitely assured.

This is the result of a special committee formed about two years ago by Mayor Fletcher Bowron and Roger Jessup, chairman of the board of supervisors. The committee consisted

of the chairman of the board of supervisors; president of the city council; president of the regional planning commission; president of the city planning commission; the city engineer; the engineer of the regional planning commission; the district engineer of the State department of public works; the engineer of the department of water and power; the United States collector of customs; and the mayor, ex-officio.

The Southern California Chapter

of the American Institute of Architects contributed the services of its members, who prepared the general architectural scheme and building plan. The administrative Center plan was evolved by the architects only after many conferences and discussions with interested officials and citizens.

Full information regarding present and prospective building needs, plans and proposals for highways, parkways and freeways were secured from the division of highways, the City Engi-

neer, the County engineer, the Regional and City planning commissions and other agencies.

The plan as presented may be said truthfully to represent the composite judgment and opinion of the foremost planning and engineering authorities of the County.

Since completion of this plan the Federal Government has acquired property bounded by Los Angeles, San Pedro, Commercial and Market streets, upon which to erect a United States Customs Building.

In connection with the plan the committee points out that, because of dividing the buildings into separate groups, there will be no prolonged awkward period of incompleteness. It will be unnecessary to withhold our pride in, and enjoyment of the Administrative Center until the last building is completed, as practically all buildings have been planned so that portions can be built at different periods.

The Administrative Center will be the very heart of the entire County and it will have the requisite dignity and impressiveness to adequately symbolize the resources and greatness of this region.

Supervisor Jessup states that it will provide a great setting in front of our beautiful station, a wonderful architectural billboard as it were, so that arriving strangers will at once sense the historical background, beauty and romance of our great Los Angeles region.

The Administrative Center contains 173 acres and during the past twenty years, many valuable sites within this area have been brought into public ownership, and nearly \$35,000,000 worth of public buildings have been erected thereon. The public has, at the present time, in land and improvements, an investment of some \$42,000,000 in this area.

Not including the Union Station there are approximately 12,000 people employed by governmental agencies within the Administrative Center. It is conservatively estimated that over 5000 people do business with these agencies daily.

When the new State, police, county courts, water and power and other governmental buildings are completed there will be over 18,000 employees concentrated in the Administrative Center area and the number of the general public doing business therein will be doubled or trebled.

This great improvement is now well under way in downtown Los Angeles. As the work progresses property owners in the areas adjacent will improve their properties; tenants on the land to be acquired for the Administrative Center must relocate. This will induce construction of new

buildings or rehabilitation of others now standing.

The concentration of thousands of employees within the Administrative Center will induce private capital to inaugurate a long-contemplated housing program in the Bunker Hill and adjacent districts. These factors not only will provide work but will result in the correction of "blighted areas" now existing on all sides of the Administrative Center.

RAY SOLTER

Stricken suddenly while at work on Saturday, September 13th, Ray Solter, for almost 20 years a Signalman of the Pacific Electric, and well and most favorably known to a host of fellow employees, was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital where he passed away on Sunday, Sept. 14th.

Mr. Solter was a resident of Lynwood, where with his family he made his home at 3223 Virginia Avenue during the past two years. He was born May 3, 1900 in Mutual, Oklahoma and served in the United States Navy during the World War.

Surviving are two daughters, Bety Rae, 16, and Virginia Mae, 10; his wife Mrs. Ethel Solter; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Solter of Monrovia; two sisters Mrs. Edith McCann of Huntington Park and Mrs. Esther McElroy of Los Angeles; and three brothers, Loren of Los Angeles, Hugh of Ontario and Oscar of Los Angeles.

He was a member of the Methodist church. Funeral services were held at the Todd and Reeves Mortuary in Pomona at 2 p. m., Wednesday, Sept. 10th and burial was made in Bellview cemetery. Rev. Gordon Whipple, a friend of the family, formerly of Chino was in charge of the service.

To his bereaved family, on behalf of many friends in this company, most sincere sympathy is extended.

EDWIN R. DANIELS RETIRES

One of the most popular members of the old guard at West Hollywood, Edwin R. Daniels, retired from active service recently, after a service with the Pacific Electric dating from 1912.

Mr. Daniels was born August 4th, 1876 in Toledo, Ohio. At the age of seven he migrated with his parents to southern Missouri, in the Ozark Mountains, where his father engaged in the cattle business.

In the year 1900 he made a trip to Arizona and secured employment at Grand Canyon in various capacities with the Santa Fe Railway.

Was appointed night foreman at West Hollywood (then Sherman) in 1912, and appointed day car house foreman at West Hollywood in 1914, and in 1938 was appointed foreman in the repair shop.

During Mr. Daniels' service with the Pacific Electric Railway he has proven one of our most loyal and conscientious employees. We will all miss Ed and wish him many years to enjoy his well earned pension.

ANOTHER BIG INDUSTRY

Announcement was made on September 25th that the Phelps-Dodge Copper Co. will begin immediate construction of a \$3,000,000 plant on Garfield avenue in the county just opposite the Laguna Sub-Station on our Whittier Line.

The plant will produce cupronickel, aluminum, brass and admiralty condenser tubes needed by the navy, maritime commission and utility companies.

Phelps-Dodge, for years has operated its Inca Manufacturing Co. division in Vernon, producing radio transformers, magnets and copper wire for neon and fluorescent lighting systems.

For many years the Phelps-Dodge Copper Co. has been the leading producers and refiners of copper in Arizona.

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"Honor To Whom Honor Is Due"

Well Deserved Tribute Paid a Talented Employee

Once in a "blue moon" a letter comes to the Editor that brings to light an interesting story, and in the case of the one just received also discloses some interesting attainments of a fellow employe who has studiously avoided "the lime-light", been a most quiet, reticent personage; has lived among us for these many years; and yet, has accomplished much more than any of us have known about, even though we, in the big office building, have daily passed her going to and from her duties. We are going to publish that letter just as it came, for it speaks for itself better than we can re-tell it. We hope the little lady mentioned will not take offense at our invasion of her personal life, but we feel the tribute paid her is justly due, and that her friends in the company (and they are many) will be glad to share the information and commendation with us.

Here is the letter:

"During the summer just past I worked as a draftsman for the P. E. I worked in room 651 which I believe is on the same floor as the Magazine office. I received several copies of the Magazine and noted that you often run pictures of company employes. On the side I am a free lance writer for science publications. Besides five high school text books, I have contributed about fifty articles to various magazines and I am always on the look for interesting material and for interesting people.

"In the drafting room I ran on to an interesting person in form of Mrs. Talmantes who works with land areas, deeds, and so forth. Lady mathematicians are rare and the lady in question knows her figures. She has been engaged in engineering work for about forty years and many people with half her ability and experience are looked upon as engineers, and good ones at that. Her engineering experience has been with land surveys, mining development, city subdivisions, and railway procedure. She has been working for the P. E. for twenty-four years.

"I believe Mrs. Talmantes was born in Kansas. She received her high school education in Utah and her college education in the University of Hard Knocks—and formal college or not—do not think for a minute that she does not have that college education. She knows her engineering procedure and the figures associated with land area procedure

are easy for her. When land areas are formed by intersections of several curved lines the problems become difficult but if existing mathematical formulas are not available this lady engineer just develops an original formula of her own and in so doing adds to existing mathematical knowledge.

"She is an inventor and receives royalties from an umbrella patent. She is a voluminous reader of the best literature and has a command of the classics that would be the envy of an English teacher. She is generous almost to a fault and has spent much of her time and substance



aiding the less capable or the less fortunate.

"Mrs. Talmantes' son is a selectee in the U. S. Army and is stationed some 200 miles north of Los Angeles. He gets home every two weeks and usually brings several companions with him and his mother takes them in and acts as an independent unit of the United Service Organization. His home is their home during their stay and they are urged to come again. This lady engineer would have liked to have led a quiet home life but fate decreed that she be an active part of the great Southwest's rise to prominence. She has seen the southwestern deserts bloom with vegetation and she has seen factories, mills, railroads, mines, smelters, and highways follow the irrigation canals into the wilderness. She has contributed to the greatness of Southern California and to the West.

"I am unfamiliar with the policy of the P. E. Magazine but I am sending in this photograph as a possibility or as a suggestion. I took the snapshot on August 23, the day I left the Company's service to return to

my work at the Albuquerque High School. If you should wish to follow this lead you probably could obtain a better picture. If you do not wish to use any of the material you may return same to me as I always buy a round trip ticket for all my manuscripts.

"Incidentally, my summer's work for the P. E. was very enjoyable. I graduated from college as a civil engineer back in 1924 and did some work in that line with the Wyoming State Highway Department, Oregon Shortline Railroad, Idaho Reclamation Service, and the Hecla Mining Company. During "depression" times I specialized in science teaching and in attending graduate schools. I spent ten summer sessions at the University of Southern California receiving a doctor's degree in chemistry from that school in the class of 1940. Accordingly I am well acquainted with Southern California and the P. E. I even hope to be back to work for the company again next summer if conditions should be favorable for such a thing. My engineering work has always been of assistance to me in teaching high school physics and I have been back at that since August 25."

Very sincerely,

Dr. E. R. Harrington,
Head of the Science Dept.,
Albuquerque High School,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

FIRE DESTROYS BRIDGE

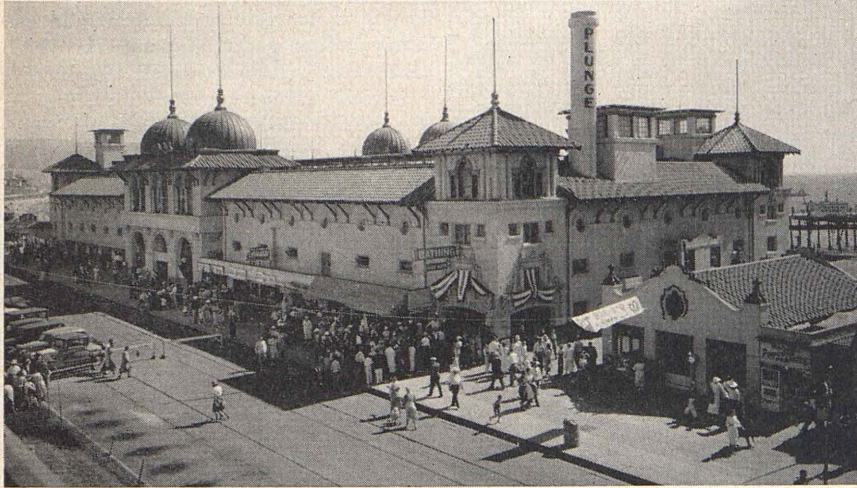
Fire, originating from some unknown cause, but probably from carelessness on the part of some unknown person, destroyed about 350 feet of the easterly approach to the bridge across the San Gabriel River on the Whittier line on the night of September 21st, resulting in a loss to the company of approximately \$50,000.

Replacement of the structure was immediately begun by our Engineering Department and service has been renewed. During the interference with freight service all traffic originating east of the river was detoured via the Union Pacific into Los Angeles.

BACK ON THE JOB

The many friends of Ethel Merriam, of the Real Estate and Tax Department, will be glad to know that after ten months, most of which were spent in Hospital because of an accident, she is again at her desk. While she is yet somewhat handicapped in walking, she is nevertheless getting around in a surprisingly good manner, and looks "like a million". Return was made to "the job" on September 15th.

Bath House Is Closed Permanently



Redondo Beach Spa Rounds Out 33 Years as Resort

Thirty-three years ago, in the heyday of Beach Resort competition, when each was trying to out-rival the others in building attractions, the Redondo Beach Bath House opened its doors for the entertainment of the public with much fan-fare of trumpets, brass bands, bill boards and pageants of notables.

At that time there were quite pretentious similar structures at Ocean Park, Venice, Long Beach and Bimini; but, the new Redondo Bath House struck a higher note on the scale of publicity. It possessed the largest indoor plunge in the world; the only continuous, ever-changing, warm water salt bath, and everything that went with it. **And was it promoted.**

The great bathhouse was originally built by the Redondo Land and Water Company, a subsidiary of the Los Angeles & Redondo Railway. In 1911, at the time of the consolidation of the electric railway interurban systems of Southern California, the water front at Redondo Beach came into the possession of the Pacific Electric Railway, and has since been operated by this company.

Very soon after that time, a desire began sweeping over the various communities of Southern California for the acquisition of "Municipal Plunges" with the result that within the past several years almost every city of 5000 population or over has its "municipal plunge". Then the High Schools of the various communities took up athletics in a big way; and, as an essential feature of athletics swimming came high on the list, so a pool must be provided. Today, the High School that does not have a Swimming Pool is a rarity.

Very naturally, all this competition, in most instances the use of pools being operated at an "at cost" basis, and in many instances free, the revenues of the Redondo Beach Bath House in particular, and those of other beach resorts in general, experienced a steady and constant decline.

Coupled with this loss of revenue because of the decline of patronage, came increased operating costs, increased maintenance costs and an ever-mounting tax bill; the end of each year, for many years past, showing ever-increasing net losses to the company.

The time came when these losses could not longer be countenanced. Diligent studies and analyses convinced the management of the Pacific Electric that the future held no encouragement to continue the operation of the Redondo Bath House; and, decision was made to permanently close that resort on Sunday, September 28th.

As to what disposition will be made of the property no determination has yet been made.

FAIR BREAKS THE RECORDS

The Los Angeles County Fair this year broke all previous records in the matter of attendance, and also became America's largest fair as judged by the same standard.

The Pacific Electric also broke records in the way of passengers handled to the Fair; the rail lines handling 24,855, an increase over last year of 25 per cent; the Motor Coach lines handling 10,216, or an increase of 13 per cent. Total 35,070.

"Why don't you drown your sorrow, old man?"

"Ah, she can swim."

CREDIT UNION OFFICERS

By R. V. Rachford, President.

After two and one-half years hard and faithful service as Treasurer of the Credit Union, Mr. Raymond P. Colville has resigned to take effect October 1, 1941. Mr. Colville was the first Treasurer and has served in this capacity while the organization has grown to the point where assets for the month of August were \$38,784.58.

The Credit Union has, during this period, loaned a total of \$100,000.00 and that is something of which we are proud especially in view of the fact that we have sustained no losses.

The Board of Directors, at their meeting on September 15, 1941 elected Mr. J. B. Haines to serve the unexpired term of Mr. Wm. Wilkins, as a member of the Board and on the resignation of Mr. Colville, elected Joseph C. Lortie to serve for the remainder of this year as Treasurer. Mr. Harold C. Cutshaw was elected Vice-President.

Upon acceptance of the office of Treasurer, Mr. Lortie stated that the Credit Union Office will remain open for business until 6:00 p.m. every evening and on Saturday afternoon. It is believed that this change in office hours will prove beneficial to the members.

Miss Paige, who has been doing the clerical work for the past two months, has accepted a position with the Pacific Electric Railway and we now have in her place Mrs. Helen Maxwell. Credit Union work is not new to Mrs. Maxwell since she has been employed by a Credit Union in Sacramento. We believe that members will find her services in this capacity to be helpful.

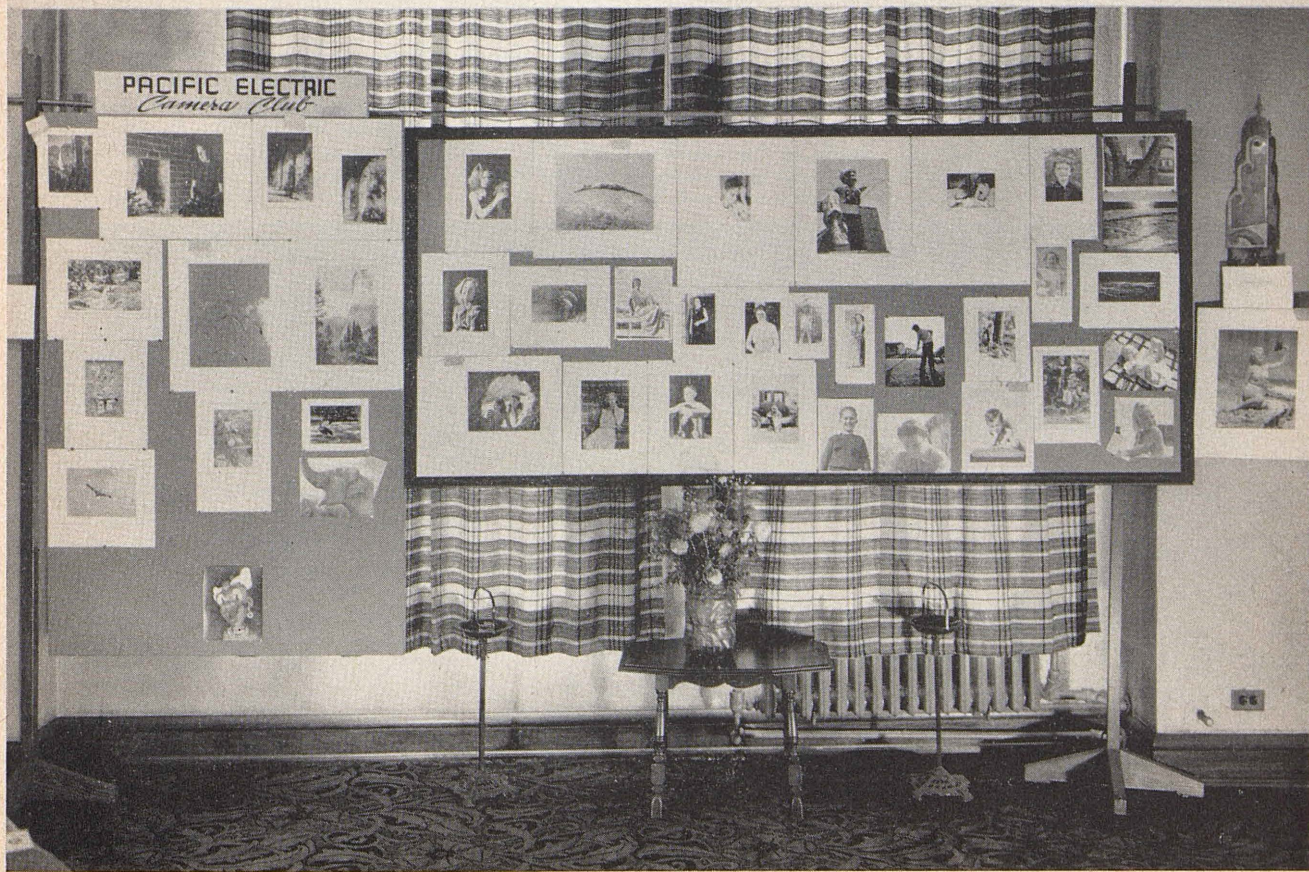
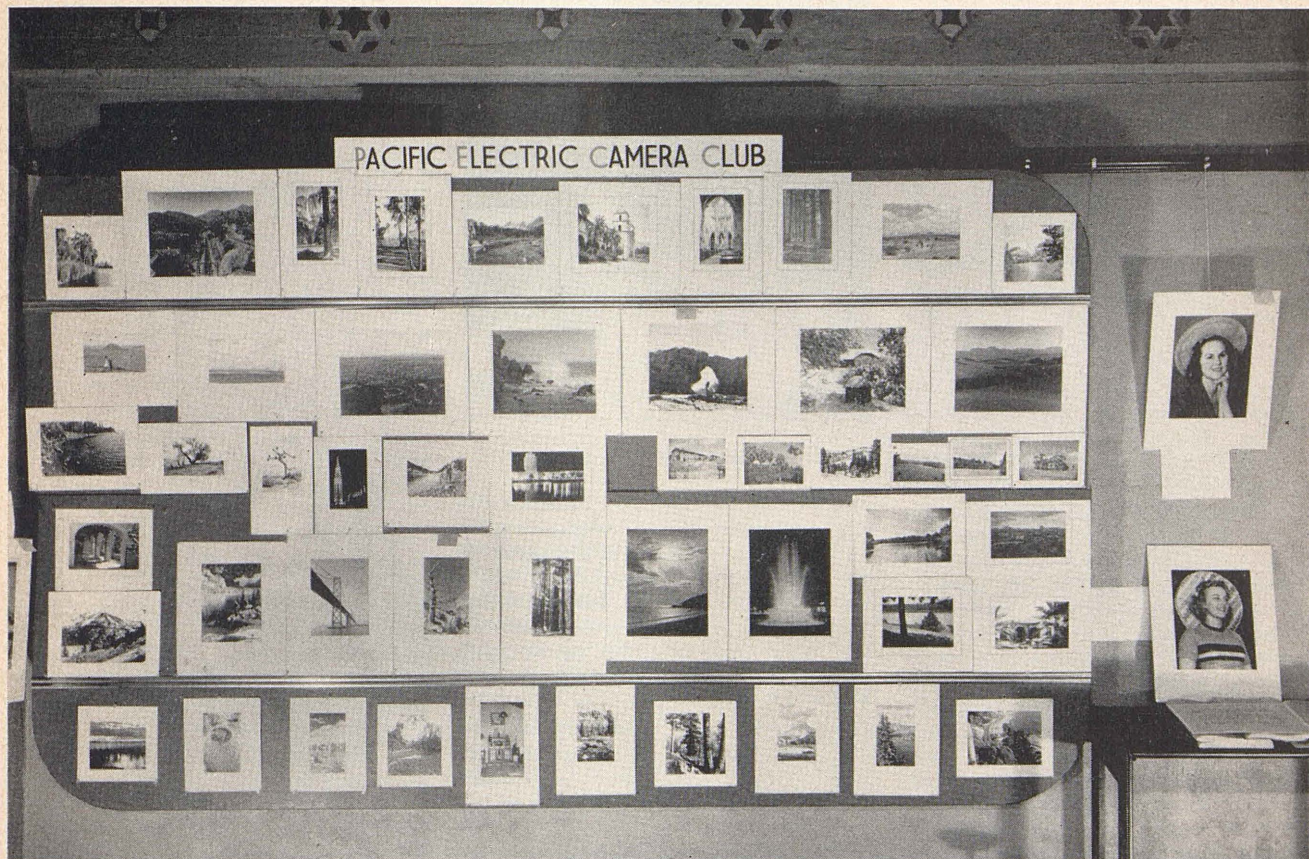
If you are not yet a member of this organization you are invited to call at Room 352 Pacific Electric building and learn how membership can be helpful to you. We are under the direct supervision of the Farm Credit Administration of the United States Government and do not believe you can find any investment that is more safe.

Shares invested in the Credit Union are used to make short term loans to members. These loans are made for provident purposes only and the low rate of interest which we charge makes it possible for employes to avoid the clutches of loan sharks and in many cases save them from loss of their property and garnishment of their wages.

"Just look at old Phillips over there—thoroughly enjoying himself! And I've always understood he was a woman-hater."

"So he is; but she's not with him tonight."

OUR CAMERA CLUB'S FIRST SALON



P. E. CAMERA CLUB

By E. Moyer

The first salon of the Camera Club will be history when this page is printed, but I believe all will agree that not only was it a complete success but one that will be remembered for some time by all who participated therein and by those who viewed it.

There were 87 enlargements, 168 Kodachrome 35mm. transparencies, and 105 contact prints; all of which were entered by eighteen members of the Camera Club and only one non-member contributed to its success. Thanks Mr. R. M. Crist for your contributions and congratulations on your prize winning picture.

The salon was set up on Tuesday evening, September 16th and officially opened at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 17, for a three day showing. However, the salon was such a success from the very beginning that P. E. Club Manager Vickrey agreed to our leaving it up for one week.

Wednesday evening, September 17, at 7:30 p.m., Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Artran of the Los Angeles Camera Club, of which Mr. Artran is president, acted in the official capacity of judges of the various classes except the Motion Picture Class. Upon arrival we asked them if they would give us "the whole truth and nothing but the truth" and told them we wanted it and could take it. Well, we got it: and, I want to say that we acquired more education on photographic fundamentals than any of us have had in our entire time of picture work, and some of us have been at it for a good many years.

One of the real reasons we all learned a great deal was their open



Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Artran, Judges

and frank discussions, suggestions and criticisms of the errors made in our work and the explanations of and reasons for praising work which was good, as well as demonstrating their points on each point, and believe it or not they did not pass up any of the 87 enlargements in the entire exhibit.

Following the enlargements the 35 mm. Kodachrome transparencies were judged and then the contact prints, it was 11:00 p.m. before the job was completed.

The officers and members of the Camera Club wish to take this means to again thank these two fine people for their work on our behalf and we hope that they may find time to be with us whenever they can. Both were given honorary membership cards in the Camera Club.

Those who entered in the "Still"

exhibits were: R. L. McMichael, Freight Traffic Dept.; F. G. Wakefield, General Supt. Office; T. L. Hinkle, Accounting Dept.; Kenneth Pomeroy, Accounting Dept.; Paul R. Hanna, Motor Coach Operation, West District; V. R. Bates, Mechanical Dept., Torrance; P. A. Butler, Mechanical Dept., Macy St.; Mrs. Ida Butler, Retired Mech. Dept. employe; Ned Rich, Engineering Department; Dr. F. W. Kidder, Medical Dept.; U. L. Drake, Accounting Dept.; H. G. McDonald, Manager P. E. Bldg.; H. D. Turner, General Claim Dept.; Cordelia Butler, daughter P. A. Butler; Frank Santoyo, Engineering Dept.; Manuel Santoyo, Engineering Dept.; Barbara McMichael, daughter of R. L. McMichael; E. Moyer, Accounting Dept.; R. M. Crist, So. District, Conductor, non-member.

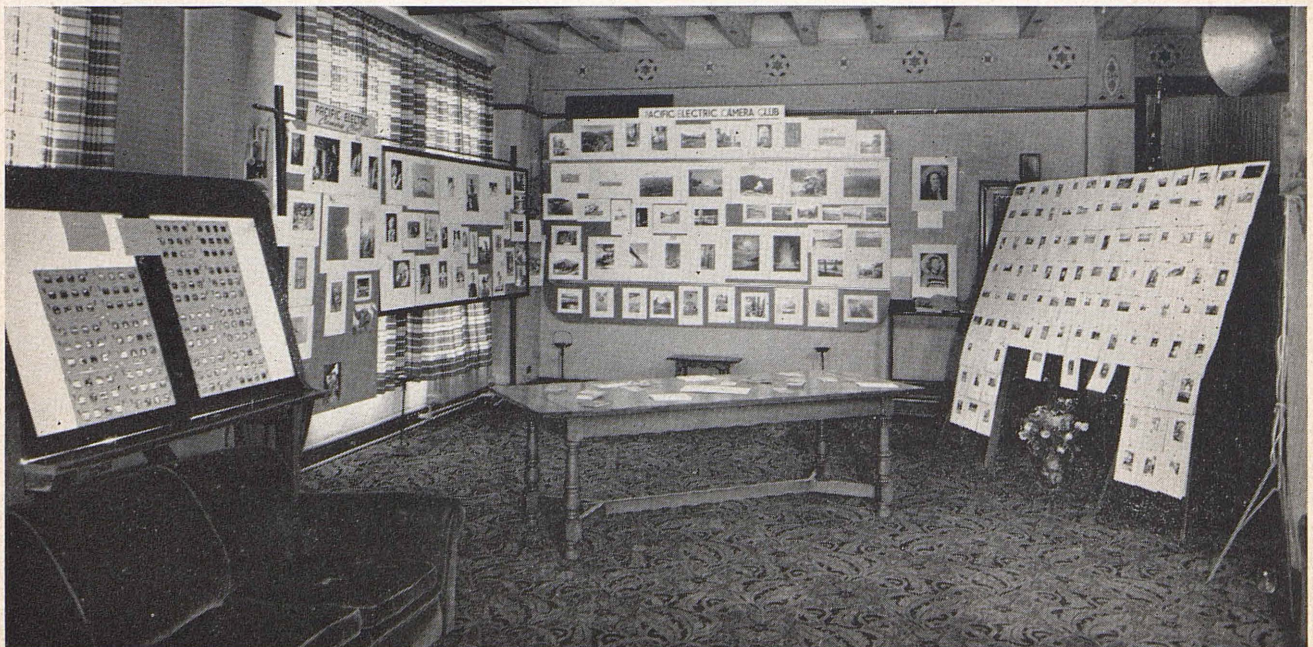
Suitable prizes were secured for the First place winners in each class and in this connection the Club wishes to express its appreciation and thanks to Mr. O. A. Smith, N. B. Vickrey, Mr. Duncan of B. B. Nichols Photographic Supply Co., Mr. Hatfield of Defender Products and others for donations of the prizes. Also our thanks to Messrs. Geo. Blyth, Bert Carrington, H. G. McDonald, N. B. Vickrey, and Mr. Holmes for their assistance in making our exhibit such a success.

The winners in the various classes were as follows. The various classes were printed in last month's Magazine:

Class No. 1: Mr. R. L. McMichael, first and Mr. T. L. Hinkle, second.

Class No. 2: Kenneth Pomeroy, first and T. L. Hinkle, second.

Class No. 3: T. L. Hinkle, first and second, (Hink sure went to town on the gang).



Class No. 4: Paul R. Hanna, first and T. L. Hinkle, second.

In a special class for hand colored enlargements, your scribe took both first and second. In a special class created for the 3 film natural color work our own Dr. F. W. Kidder was awarded two certificates of merit by the judges, the first being for a very lovely and beautiful picture of Miss Loraine Hawley of the Doctor's staff and second for an exquisite picture of a young lady, taken on the rocks at the sea side.

In the Kodachrome 35 mm. class, U. L. Drake all but cleaned the slate. Mr. Drake taking first in Classes 1, 2, and 4, with our Vice-President McMichael taking first in Class No. 3. In Class No. 1, Mr. Ned Rich took second and again Mr. Drake came back and walked away with second place in Classes 2, 3, and 4 (some guy this Drake with the Kodachrome). BUT—where was he with his movies? (Dern him.)

In the contact prints it was a battle between our Vice-President McMichael and our secretary F. G. Wakefield with P. A. Butler and yours truly running second. Mr. Butler and his family, who are truly beginners, are to be complimented for their efforts and work and for the number of prints submitted.

Class No. 1 was taken in stride 1-2 by Mr. McMichael.

Class No. 2 was divided by Mr. McMichael, first and P. A. Butler, second.

Class No. 3 was divided by F. G. Wakefield, first and your book-writer, second.

Class No. 4 went 1-2 to F. G. Wakefield.

In addition to suitable prizes for first place winners, a "Certificate of Merit" was issued to each. All second place winners were issued a "Certificate of Merit".

R. M. Crist, a South District Conductor, was the only non-member entrant and was awarded a "Certificate of Merit" for a very good contact print of his young son. Mr. Crist also entered five or six other very good prints.

On Friday evening, September 19th we gathered together in the P.E. Club Library for the motion picture 8 and 16 mm. competition. Mr. C. L. Schultz, of the So. Pacific District Passenger office, an authority on motion pictures, acted as judge and a very entertaining couple of hours were spent viewing the picture entered in this class.

The awards were as follows:

16mm., black and white, Mr. Ed Rieber.

8mm. color, first, R. L. McMichael.

16mm., color, second, Roger Robertson.

Mr. Schultz spoke very highly of

the pictures submitted stressing various points which would better the films such as some having too long shots and in some cases too short. He also recommended the use where ever possible of a tripod stating that better shots can always be taken in this manner whereas in many cases without the tripod the shots are not steady or properly framed also there is a bad habit of many movie shooters to pan too fast when holding the camera in the hand. Mr. Schultz stated the work presented, as a whole, was very good with a few exceptions. Mr. Schultz was also presented with Honorary Membership Card in the Camera Club.

The entire Salon, much to the satisfaction of all, was well attended and we hope that everyone enjoyed the time spent there. We sincerely hope our exhibit may be the means of bringing more members into our Club and that the next Salon may be twice the size of the one just closed. Even though these exhibits are a lot of work, not only before but after they are over, each and everyone of us have a lot of fun and enjoyment and if we have created something that has been a pleasure to our fellow employes and friends we feel well paid for our efforts and besides work of this nature is always a plea-

sure to us, or should I say most of us.

As President of the Camera Club I wish to personally express my appreciation to all who contributed to the success of our first Salon and especially to those members who so willingly assisted in the task of setting up and taking down the various exhibits and other work in connection therewith.

Remember our regular meeting nights are shown in the monthly Club Bulletins and all employes and their families are welcome to come and are invited to join with us in enjoying this greatest of hobbies the recording of our memories in pictures. Our Club slogan is "Pictures are your life's Memorandum Book."

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Los Angeles Chapter of the Retired Railroad Employees of America will hold its regular monthly meeting in the Pacific Electric Auditorium, 627 South Los Angeles St., on Thursday, October 23 at 1:15 p.m. Election of officers and other important business.

Retired Pacific Electric Railway employes and their wives are cordially invited.

C. N. Johnston, Sec'y.

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Regardless of what you might read elsewhere in this magazine this is positively the Sweepstakes winner of the recent show held by the Camera Club. The judges decided this picture

was in a class by itself. This is a picture of the Club President taken while at work in his dark room developing.

WALTER WATCHALL



Alhambra, Calif.
October 1st, 1941

Mrs. Willie Watchall
Corn Crib, Iowa

Well, Maw, here it is the first of October, and I thought it would be nice if I wrote and told you what is going on here in California, and besides it will soon be Christmas and you will know where to send my Christmas present.

I suppose Paw has the crop harvested and the cellar full of red apples. How many pigs did you raise this year, and does Paw miss me?

Things are booming in this part of the country. Everybody is making big money but me. I went in and asked the boss for a raise but I guess he did not understand me, or he used to be a football player, as he raised me out the door with his foot, but I was determined and went right back in. I told him I wanted more money as I was a good Company man. He said I was doing the Company good alright. He thought for a while and then told me about

the big men in Washington. He said I was a big man and should be patriotic. He said he was going to make me a dollar a year man.

I wonder, Maw, if you could send me some of them big red apples? I have an idea. I am going to start the A.A.A.P.A. of A. That is the All American Apple Polishers Association of America. I hope the boss likes apples.

You know, Maw, the S.P. Co. (that is another big Railroad out here), well, they have one of them Quiz shows. I went out the other night and got on the program. When it came my turn the guy asked me what B.C. stands for. I said "Before Catalogues". He must have been a football player too, Maw, I got home early.

This being fall, Maw, I was just thinking. A lot of us people are reaching the fall in our lives. It is a funny thing, just when you are getting good sense and begin to enjoy life, you start to fall apart. Your hair comes out, you lose your teeth, your eyes go bad and you begin to get childish. You are just like you were when you were born. No hair, no teeth, you don't get the benefit of your eyes and you are in your childhood.

I guess you know the Draft Board turned me down. They checked me over and said my feet and head were alike, both flat. They said my I.Q. was very bad. I never had eye trouble before. They put me in Class 9Z, and said they might call me in February. I said "Why February?" and they said "It would be a damn cold day when they put me in the Army."

I will let you in on a little secret, Maw. I am in love with a cross-eyed girl. She says other people don't see me like she does.

Your loving son,

Walter

"So you complain of finding sand in your soup?"

"Yes, sir."

"Did you join the Army to serve your country, or complain about the soup?"

"To serve my country, sir—not to eat it."

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Tremendous Movement to Long Beach U. S. Fleet Operating Base.

One of the largest, if not the largest single freight traffic movements in the history of the Pacific Electric is now being made to the U. S. Fleet Operating Base at Long Beach.

The movement of aggregates in connection with this project is in line with call for bids issued by Guy F. Atkinson and George Pollock Companies, contractors, U. S. Fleet Operating Base, for approximately 600,000 tons (approximately 12,000 cars). Subsequent to the original call for bids, in line with revised plans, there was awarded to the rock company orders for 50,000 additional tons, approximately 1000 cars.

The successful bidder for the aggregates was the Consolidated Rock Products Company with operating plants in the San Gabriel Wash area at Crushton and Rivas. Due to the tremendously large volume of rock to be moved, it was not possible for the plant at Crushton to produce sufficient quantities of rock to take care of the orders and it became necessary for the Rock Company to re-open its plant at Rivas which plant had been shut down for a considerable period of time. The aggregate is moving from both plants, being divided approximately fifty per cent to each plant, the percentage moving from Rivas, however, being determined by the demand upon the Crushton plant for other commercial business.

The movements started in August on a small scale, the first movement being for preliminary work such as foundations and small pourings of that type, the volume being gradually stepped up as work proceeded with the peak of possible requirements: 540 cars for week beginning September 1st, 870 cars for week beginning September 15th, and declining again to approximately 570 cars for week beginning October 6th. It is anticipated that the heavy pouring will be completed by the middle of October, and from that time until completion, carload movements will gradually decrease.

Wife—John, is it true that money talks?

Husband—That's what they say, my dear.

Wife—Well, I wish you'd leave a little here to talk to me during the day. I get so lonely.

P. E. MASONIC CLUB

By Ed Hasenyager

The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, October 15, 7:30 p.m.

The principle business of the evening will be to make final arrangements for our annual Reunion and Banquet which will be held on Saturday, November 15. Every member should mark these dates on their calendar and plan to attend.

The entertainment committee has arranged with the Canadian Pacific Railway to show their recent picture "From Coast to Coast". This picture is reported to be especially interesting.

Brother A. P. Smith, Trainmaster from the Northern District, is at St. Vincent's since September 12.

Brother J. L. Smale we are sorry to report has been confined to the hospital and his home since September 6 on account of a sudden illness while on duty.

Brother C. F. Richard has been absent from his duties in the Substation Maintenance since early in June, and due to his ill health will retire.

Brother L. H. Lovell was stricken with a heart attack while on duty on August 28 and is now at home and said to be convalescent.

We sincerely hope that all of these brothers will make a speedy recovery.

Don't forget to visit these brothers when possible.

Brother C. M. Warnecke (retired) suffered a painful injury some time ago while visiting at his daughter's home in West Hollywood but has recovered sufficiently to have returned to Berkeley where he has been living since his retirement in 1935.

THE HONOR ROLL GROWS

From the Auditor comes the following list of employes who have retired from active service since the last issue of the Magazine. To all of them we extend most sincere best wishes for pleasant days along pleasant ways during the remainder of their life span, and may it be long.

Marshall T. Shaw, Engineering Dept., 15 years.

Wm. D. Yarger, Mechanical Dept., 23 years.

George W. Hayes, Land and Tax Dept., 31 years.

Clifford F. Kellogg, Transportation Dept., 23 years.

Wallace W. Montrose, Transportation Dept., 21 years.

Merced C. Moreno, Engineering Dept., 5 years.

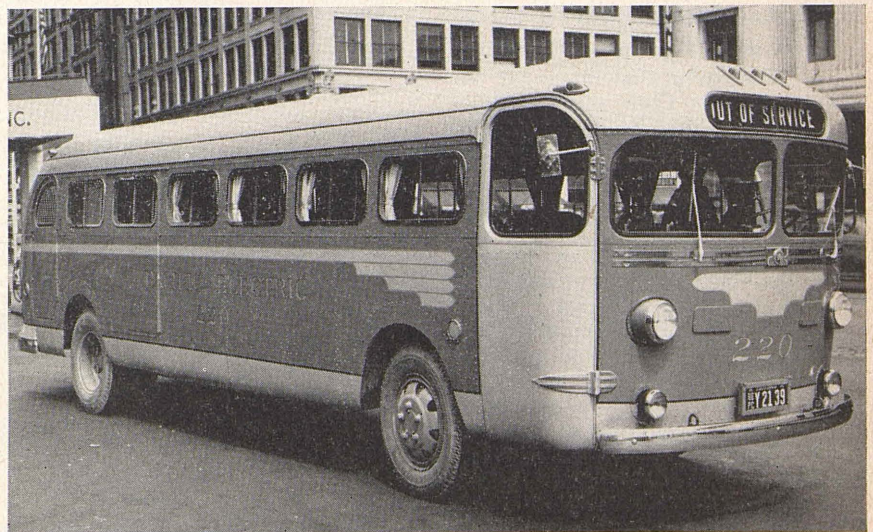
Jacob Ostrow, Engineering Dept., 20 years.

Chas. F. Richard, Engineering Dept., 22 years.

Jesse H. Ickes, Transportation Dept., 21 years.

James Gilbert, Mechanical Dept., 37 years.

John E. Post, Mechanical Dept., 31 years.



SPECIAL COACH IN SERVICE

On September 15th a new type of Motor Coach was placed in service between Pasadena and Shorb to take care of passenger interchange for the Southern Pacific company between those two points.

This coach was especially designed for the service intended, having a

seating capacity of 14, and baggage compartment in rear. It was built by the Yellow Coach Co., of Pontiac, Michigan, powered by six-cylinder engine, length 30 feet, 2 inches, 192-inch wheel base, and is finished throughout in the same manner and color scheme as our other new motor coaches.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB MONTHLY BULLETIN

- Saturday, October 11:**
P. E. Agents' Association Meeting — 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 14:**
American Legion Post Meeting—8:00 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary Meeting — 8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 15:**
P. E. Masonic Club Monthly Meeting — 7:30 p.m.
P. E. Camera Club Business Meeting — 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, October 16:**
Women's Club Afternoon Card Party — 1:00 p.m.
East Side Bowling League Matches — Whittier and Atlantic Bowling Center — 5158 Whittier Blvd.
- Friday, October 17:**
P. E. Club Monthly Dance—Family groups and departmental parties welcome. New Orchestra noted for their toneful melodies. Free dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.
West Side Bowling League Matches — Arcade Recreation Center — 542 South Broadway
- Thursday, October 23:**
Women's Club Afternoon Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m.
East Side Bowling League Matches
- Friday, October 24:**
American Legion Auxiliary Night Card Party—8:00 p.m.
West Side Bowling League Matches
- Tuesday, October 28:**
American Legion Post Meeting—8:00 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary Meeting — 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, October 30:**
East Side Bowling League Matches
- Friday, October 31:**
West Side Bowling League Matches
- Wednesday, November 5:**
P. E. Camera Club Business Meeting — 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, November 6:**
Women's Club Afternoon Card Party—1:00 p.m.
East Side Bowling League Matches
- Friday, November 7:**
West Side Bowling League Matches
- Saturday, November 8:**
P. E. Agents' Association Meeting — 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB

Wednesday, September 17, 1941

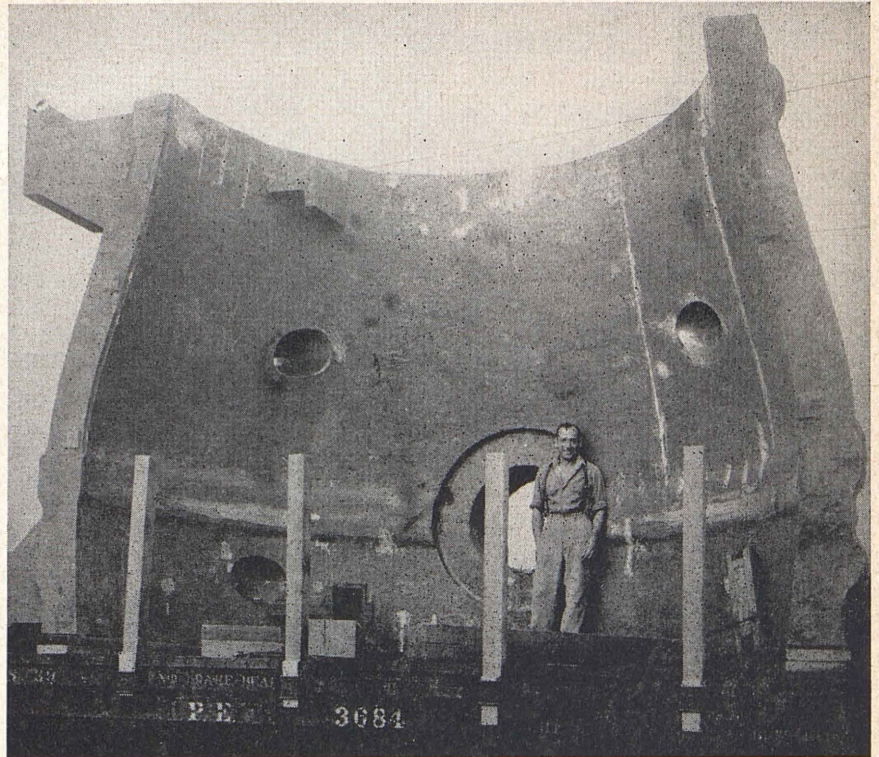
The Executive Committee of the Pacific Electric Club met in Room 200, P. E. Club Building at 2:00 p.m. Meeting called to order by Mr. F. E. Geibel, Club President.

Roll call showing the following members absent: C. H. Miller, C. J. Hileman, J. G. Rovai, E. R. Daniels, F. L. McCulley, H. P. Bancroft, H. P. Tieman, and Alpha Barrett.

Minutes of previous meeting held July 30, 1941, were read and approved.

Mr. Vickrey read bookkeepers report of receipts and deposits of Employes Emergency Relief Fund as of August 31, 1941, Club Membership report for August, Report of Vital Statistics for the month of August and names of employes confined at St. Vincent's Hospital as of September 15, 1941.

Mr. Geibel commented that from minutes of previous meeting there was no unfinished business. Pointed out to the new Committee that while the Committeemen from various departments were elected by a Club Election, the management of the



LARGEST STEEL CASTING PRODUCED IN THE WEST

The above photograph shows the bottom half of a 168-inch Butterfly Valve to be used at Boulder Dam for generating electric power. The casting was produced by the Torrance Works of the Columbia Steel Company from a special alloy steel. This casting weighs 90,000 lbs. and measures 10 feet 8½ inches in height, 15 feet 5 inches outside diameter and 14 feet inside diameter. The complete assembly will act as a shut-off valve between the pen stocks and turbines. It will be hydraulically operated and will control the flow of 3,600,000 gallons of water per minute at a pressure of 300 lbs. per square inch. The casting was shipped via the Pacific Electric Railway to the Consolidated Steel Corp., Los Angeles, for milling.

Railway reserved the right to select four members of the Executive Department to serve on the Committee, these being appointed by Mr. O. A. Smith, President of the Company. He then introduced Mr. L. B. Denton, Assistant Chief Engineer, who served on this Committee the past term, Mr. T. L. Wagenback, Assistant General Superintendent and Mr. G. E. Collins, Assistant to the

President who were appointed by Mr. Smith.

Mr. Geibel commented on the work being done by the Mechanical Department and reported completion of the 600-700 type cars and a shortage of material was holding up work on the 1200 type cars, a shortage of cars on the Western District necessitates the re-conditioning of 10 of the 900 type cars for peak hour

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THE NEW CLUB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

service. Also reported that 45 new Motor Coaches were arriving and being conditioned and put into service on various lines.

Report of the Annual Election was made and the following will constitute the Executive Committee for the ensuing year:

Executive Representatives:—G. E. Collins, F. E. Geibel, L. B. Denton, T. L. Wagenbach.

General Offices:—C. C. Dickinson, Grey Oliver.

Gen'l Supt's. Office:—D. F. Houston.

Transp. Dept. (No. Dist.):—C. H. Miller, J. G. Rovai; San Bernardino: Fred Sauerwein.

Transp. Dept. (Southern Dist.):—6th and Main, F. L. McCully; Butte Street Yards, J. E. Neville; Long Beach, H. F. Tiemann.

Transp. Dept. (Western Dist.):—Subway Terminal, R. M. Hightower; West Hollywood, K. R. Cassels; Ocean Park, H. G. Garrison.

Motor Transit Dist.:—M. M. Somerville.

Station Agents:—C. J. Hileman.

Local Freight House:—G. W. Orr.

Torrance Shops: — Machine and Blacksmith Shop, Jack Watson, Roy Brucker; Paint and Erecting Shop, G. W. Thatcher.

Mechanical Dept. (No. Dist. Points):—E. E. Hunkins.

Mechanical Dept. (So. Dist. Points):—A. J. Andrews.

Mechanical Dept. (West Dist. Points):—E. R. Daniels.

Engineering Dept. (Sub-Stations):—Gus Dunlap.

Engineering Dept. (General): — Robert Dornor, H. P. Bancroft, F. N. Compton.

Accounting Dept.: — William E. Reed.

Purchasing and Store:—Alpha R. Barrett.

Harbor Belt Line:—Paul H. Mann.

L. A. Motor Coach:—N. K. Miller.

At this point Mr. Geibel asked that Mr. Vickrey act as temporary Chairman of the meeting as he wished to retire to nominate the new President of the Club for the ensuing term. Whereupon Mr. Geibel nominated Mr. G. E. Collins to serve as President of the Pacific Electric Club for the next two years. The motion was duly seconded and Secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of Mr. G. E. Collins.

After a few appropriate remarks, in which Mr. Geibel outlined the accomplishments of the Club and expressed his appreciation for the support he had received during his term of office, Mr. Collins took office as President of the Pacific Electric Club.

With President Collins presiding, he remarked that while Mr. Geibel explained about the members of the Committee from the Executive Department, he failed to mention that he still would be one of the Committee. Mr. Vickrey then called attention to the fact that Mr. Geibel was the only President of the Club to hold that office twice. Having served previously from 1927 to 1929, and again from 1939 to 1942, and was the Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. of the Pacific Electric Club.

A brief recess was called to have members of the Committee photographed for the Pacific Electric Magazine.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Governing Board:

Mr. Vickrey explained that one of the duties of a new Committee was to appoint a Board of Governors, which is to consist of 11 members. 7 to be selected from Committeemen of various departments and the four members of the Executive Department. Distribution of members to be as follows:

Northern District Trainmen—One member.

Southern District Trainmen—One member.

Western District Trainmen—One member.

Mechanical Department — One member.

Engineering Department — One member.

General Offices, Agencies and Purchasing and Store Dept.—One member.

Motor Transit and L. A. Motor Coach Co.—One member.

After a brief discussion it was moved and seconded to postpone naming of Board of Governors until the next meeting.

Shortage of Magazines for L. A. Motor Coach Co.:

Mr. N. K. Miller reported a shortage of Magazines sent to L. A. Motor Coach employees. Reported that there were about 350 employees working out of the two terminals and were only receiving about 25 Magazines. Mr. Vickrey to check in and see that proper distribution is made.

Drinking Fountain at Long Beach Freight Station:

Mr. Neville reported no drinking fountain facilities at Long Beach Freight Station and that 25 or 30

men work out of this point. Mr. Wagenbach replied that these yards were used jointly by the P. E. and S. P. and improvement at this point was under consideration.

Flag at Macy Street Shops:

Mr. Hunkins reported that the Company had erected a flag pole at Macy Street Shops, but the flag is in threads. Mr. Geibel replied that a flag had been ordered and should be here shortly.

Restriction of Mortuary Fund Members:

Mr. Compton inquired if the Mortuary Fund suffered any ill effects or gained in membership by the 50 year age restriction placed by the Committee at the November 22, 1939, meeting.

Mr. Vickrey replied that some new members were brought in by this action, but pointed out that this fund should be worked on and tried to build up. Suggested that Committee members from various departments talk it up among fellow employes and try to build up the fund.

Mr. N. K. Miller inquired if employes of L. A. Motor Coach company were eligible for this fund. Mr. Vickrey replied that when the L. A. Motor Coach employes were brought into the Club they were not interested in the Mortuary fund but saw no reason why they should not be permitted to join if they desired.

New Club Membership Drive:

Mr. Neville asked that a list of non-Club members of various departments be sent to the Committeemen as quite a number of new men have recently been employed.

Mr. Wagenbach inquired what procedure was used in interesting new employes in the Club.

Mr. Vickrey replied that the Instruction Department of the Transportation Department was bringing students through the Club and showing them the facilities and also the Superintendent of Employment explained the features of the Club to new employes. However, a form letter is sent to all new employes from the Club office which has induced quite a number of new employes to join.

Mr. Vickrey further pointed out that a complete list of non-Club members in various department would be made up and sent to each member of the Committee in the near future.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

"We go away for our vacation every third year."

"The first one we talk of last year's vacation, and the next year we discuss plans for the following year."

"What do you do the other years?"

BOWLING NOTES

The Pacific Electric Bowling League, season 1941-1942, got off to a fine start with a total of 22 teams participating.

On the Eastside ten clubs, consisting of the following team entries started the ball rolling at Whittier-Atlantic Alleys:

Team	Captain
Freight Service.....	L. H. Lutes
B. R. C.....	R. C. Smith
P. E. Club.....	Ted Cuccia
Outlaws.....	C. Wilson
North.....	H. Hampton
Washington St.....	Bill Baxter
Motor Transit.....	E. W. Swanson
Transportation.....	F. W. Nichols
B & B Dept.....	B. F. Manley
L. A. Freight.....	A. L. Robertson

The Westside, rolling on the Arcade Alleys, have a total of 12 teams, as follows:

Claim Dept.....	A. Brahm
Hemet Bus Line.....	D. F. Houston
Wilshire Lines.....	F. Epp
Signal Dept.....	E. H. Eaton
Vineyard.....	R. D. Blum
Pass. Traffic.....	J. N. Shafer
Streamliners.....	E. Pont
Five Aces.....	H. Huber
Electrical.....	K. Coats
Freight Traffic.....	Roy Swanson
Amazons.....	B. Chobotsky
Schedule.....	C. P. Hill

There have been several changes made in the line-up of the various teams and many new bowlers will be in the starting line-ups on opening night.

The Freight Traffic team went way out in the woods and came back with a sweet, gentle and innocent trundler by the name of Laurel Jones. That team, men while it may not be the best, is in line for a consolation prize for they are sure to be the noisiest. When you put Swanson, Perry and the newcomer, Mr. Jones, in one line-up, you got something.

The Hemet Bus Line, formerly the Westerners, have added a young lady by the name of Ann Shafer, to their line-up. The young lady is quite a bowler and any clubs anticipating a push-over may be somewhat surprised.

The Amazons, with tough luck on their side last season, finished far down the ladder, but with a year's competition under their belts, or under their hats, these comely lassies will be tough to vanquish. Bessie Chobotsky says she has them in the pink of condition for a hard campaign.

Archie Brahm, with his championship team intact, is not anticipating any walk-over this season and he had a worried look on his pan the other day when he looked over the line-ups of the competition. Archie has a fine

club and appears to be the team to beat for the flag.

The Wilshire Lines and the Vineyard teams from the Los Angeles Motor Coach are at present an unknown quantity but if they have such bowlers as L. W. Davis, Crownover, Chase, Epp, Hendricks and Anderson on their clubs they will be in the thick of the battle all the way.

Jimmie Shafer has his Passenger Traffic squad ready for action and Marty Brucker has been observed taking his practice shots while strolling down the hall on the 6th floor. Understand this club has a somewhat revised line-up and at this time is in a "dark horse" classification.

The Hill Street team, re-named the Streamliners, and the Glendale Team now known by the name of the Five Aces, are very much in the picture this year. Some of the new bowlers on these teams have a season's competition to help them knock over the opposition.

Charlie Hill has a new entry, the Schedule Bureau, and he has lined up a fast club. Some of his assistants are Mike Smith, John Kinney, and Paul Durbin.

The Electrical Department, under the leadership of K. (17) Coats, with Ed Hasenyager and other good bowlers in the line-up, is also in there fighting for the top spot.

On the Eastside the P. E. Club, Freight Service and North teams loom the most dangerous at this time, at least going on past performances, however if Swanson gets the Motor Transit hitting on all five and Bert Manley gets his outfit to bowling the games they are capable of, the fight will be a real one. The Outlaws, profiting this year with a little more favorable handicap system, will be tough to conquer, and they were tough enough last season.

All in all a very fine season is looked forward to and if the attendance on opening night is a criterion, our boys (and girls) will have a big following throughout the entire season.

You don't win all the time, but the fun is tremendous.

ROD AND GUN CLUB NEWS By Arlie Skelton

The Sept. 10th meeting was well attended considering the amount of members still out of town on vacation trips. Harry Haines of the Harbor Belt Line showed a very interesting moving picture taken on a recent vacation trip to Zion National Park, Utah.

Harold Farmington gave an interesting demonstration of Li-Cut live bait for all sorts of fresh water fishing. If it is half as good as he claims it is, a lot of garden hackle will sleep peaceful through next May

1st, opening of trout fishing.

Word has just been received from H. L. Killingworth of the Union Pacific Rod & Gun Club that our two target traps, which we authorized him to sell, have been sold and delivered to H. A. Perk of the Roaring Gulch Skeet Club. We still have a couple of hand target traps of questionable repair, which might be set up for practice target shooting.

In keeping with the promise of last month to give you a line on the deer hunting trip to the High Sierras we offer the following: Contrary to all superstitions the trip was started September 13th. Being a native from Arkansas that just sort of leaves a tingling feeling around the knap of the neck. Thirteen people planned to make the trip but two changed their plans and went elsewhere, thereby lessening the superstition to some extent.

Eleven hale and hearty and very playful boys and girls met at the foot of the trail late in the afternoon and set up camp for overnight. Answering the roll call was Frank (Dad) Manley, Mr. and Mrs. Burley F. Manley, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coffman, Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. H. Bissenger, Mr. Roy Wilson and myself, who will from here be known as the caboose, as I was usually the last part of the party to get over the hills. Dinner was cooked and served cafeteria style. Bedrooms were selected according to preference over ten thousand acres of foothill ground. The coyotes sang us to sleep and the birds woke us up at the break of day. After a hearty breakfast and things were packed away and made ready for the pack train, Mrs. Bissenger was seen checking over the grocery supplies. Edward being a good attorney started questioning her activities.

Mrs. Bissenger dreamed the night before that she had forgotten to put the tea in. She was determined to have some tea, even if she had to drive the 200 miles back to L. A. to get some. "Bing" soon found the tea and we were on our way with twenty-four head of stock and ample supplies to last the ten days outing. We arrived at camp at 11:45 a.m. and all hands spent a busy afternoon setting up camp and getting wood in and cut for the busy days just ahead. Monday was spent resting and light recreation. Mrs. Harold Smith and myself having proved to be the champion 500 players on a previous trip, we were forced to defend our title to the satisfaction of Jack Coffman and Roy Wilson.

Tuesday was the big hunt. B. F. Manley and I managed to bag our bucks on the opening morning. When we reached our favorite hunting spot

P. E. CLUB ANNOUNCES 2ND MONTHLY DANCE OF THE SEASON

Friday, October 17th is the date of the second monthly dance of the season. These monthly functions are held on the third Friday of each month. A nice crowd enjoyed the opening dance to the toneful melodies of a new Ten Piece Orchestra.

Family groups and departmental parties are always welcome.

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

we were greeted by a most beautiful sight. There was a red hat and coat perched on every rock and a horse tied to just about all the trees. With range cattle grazing in the meadow below, the shooting bombardment sounded like a fourth of July celebration, and why no hunters or domestic animals were hit, we will never know.

One thing I learned the hard way, never ask Harold Smith where to take a buck to await the arrival of the pack mule. It will always be a tree on top of the ridge. He never looks down hill. Thanks to Roy Wilson's kind assistance, I made it. During the balance of the week hunting came pretty hard and slow. However, by the end of the week, Smith, Bissenger and Coffman had bagged their bucks and we were content to call it a swell trip and a very successful one as compared with the average hunting parties.

Every one seemed so congenial and seemed to get a lot of good out of the trip.

I learned how to ride a horse, replenish a partially filled ammunition magazine and that rock ballast is good on a railroad but no good under a sleeping bag. It hurts the worst when it is too cold to do anything about it.

The ladies did their stuff again this year, cooking in "dutch ovens". Hot biscuits, pies and etc. Well, they are just better cooked that way.

Then there is the art of our own B. F. Manley at cooking hot cakes and buck steaks.

If you can't take my word for it, ask Bissenger. He don't keep that girlish figure by dieting.

Outstanding hiker and angler was Mrs. Bissenger. She kept the camp supplied with trout and never seemed to get tired.

WOMANS CLUB BREVITIES

By Mrs. Lon Bishop

The "Old Friendship" (chartered for the day) with seventy-five members and friends of the Women's Club aboard, manuevered out into nice smooth waters on September 11th and the fourteenth year of the Organization was appropriately launched.

It was a grand day for a boat ride and after lunch aboard, a little music and expressions of friendliest encouragement from our guests: Miss Mather, and Messrs. Geibel, Thomas and Vickery. First Mate Hasty decided to heave or hove back to shore before somebody began to (no, wait a minute, that was another time we are thinking of.)

Anyway the guests were brought back to land, because after all, some one has to work. The above refers to the Club's first meeting with the new President Mrs. Shoup in the chair.

Resplendent is the way to describe the First Lady, with a lei of exotic gardenias around her neck and seated between two of the company's finest (the envy of every Past President).

Every passenger wore the lovely colored leis and with soft strains of "Aloha", multitude rolls of serpentine and pennants flying from all the masts, it looked as if someone had made a grand start for another happy year.

Mrs. Hasty had an old sailing ship in front of the President's table, with a gang plank leading off from it and tiny ship favors at each plate. A few sound effects, a ??? ??? or two would have made it quite realistic.

There was a little rocking of the boat (two of our big brothers just can't seem to get along), but it was so evenly done, nobody got wet.

We missed Mr. Smith and Mr. Thorburn and hope they will be able to be with us another time.

In last month's Magazine, a poem was printed and by mistake we wrote it had been copied from a Christian Science Journal. It should have read from a Masonic & Eastern Star Review marked "Delco Doings".

Mrs. Steward has plenty of room for more card players. Come on up and "unlax".

At the September 25th meeting, a very interesting and instructive film was shown by Mr. L. C. Beauchamp, representing the Luer Meat Products Co., and entitled "Meat & Romance". We always thought that when a cow became just plain meat, all chance of romance was over, but we got the "gist" of the romance before the picture was finished. You see, it was just a lovey dovey couple whose lives were made happier, because the young bride was being taught intelli-

gent buying and cooking of the various cuts of meat.

It was a splendid film and was followed by a short one depicting Yosemite in the autumn time of the year and the members gave a vote of thanks to Mr. Beauchamp for a very pleasant afternoon.

Program Chairman Mrs. Hasty has some splendid entertainment planned for coming meetings.

Won't you join us

AMERICAN LEGION NOTES

By James E. Davis

Commander Virgil G. Clemons has been ill for some time, in Ohio. He is just getting up from an attack of typhoid fever. We sincerely hope he will be with us again soon. Meanwhile his substitute, First Vice Commander K. M. Brown has been carrying on in a highly satisfactory manner.

September 9th the following comrades joined our post: Motorman Galen Forney Micheal, who served in Motor Transport Corp 405. P. E. Newstand employee, B. Robert Stjepich, who served as a cook in the Quartermaster Corp. Car Cleaner, Fern Leslie Cain, who was a Quartermaster in the United States Navy. San Bernardino Trainman, Edward Steinmuller, Jr. Medical Department U. S. Army.

23rd District Vice Commander Jerome L. Hubert gave us a very interesting talk on getting membership dues paid up. He told us how important it is to get all dues collected as soon as possible. It not only gets the Post and members who get the dues collected citations and other rewards but enables the Post to function properly without getting into financial difficulties.

Adjutant C. A. Newman is offering a prize to the gogetter who brings the most members. I believe collecting dues for 1942 from old members applies on this trophy as well as getting new members. This post is trying to win the 23rd District membership trophy, which I believe is awarded to the post which has obtained the greatest percentage of membership, based on their 1942 quota, before November 11th.

Veterans, now is the time to join us and help us win this trophy. Comrades already members of this Post please remember that to help us win, your dues should reach the Adjutant in plenty of time for him to send them to Department Headquarters before November 11.

Recently a veteran, not connected with our Post in any way, died. Our Service Officer, R. E. Mead, assisted his widow in getting what was coming to her from the government, a

U. S. Flag, grave marker, funeral expenses, etc. This is only one of the many things the American Legion does for veterans and their dependents.

September 23: Visitors at this meeting included Jake Steinberg, L. A. Post 5, Disabled Veterans, and Cal. Hut Post of the American Legion. Past Captain Fourth Area, Sons of the American Legion, Carroll Parish, Jr., who talked about the future of the Sons of the Legion and delegations from three transportation posts; Commander Leo L. Leasman, and Adjutant R. H. Manning of L. A. Railway Post 541. First Vice Commander Kirkland and Comrades Lester Knoblik and H. O. Harries of Santa Fe Post 573; and Robert J. Young, Junior Past Commander of S. P. Daylight Post. These Comrades were members of Committees appointed by their posts to confer with a Committee from our post to arrange for a joint meeting or meetings of the four Transportation Posts.

We believe such a Committee was appointed after the adjournment of our meeting, but have not heard who was appointed on this Committee.

Second Vice Commander H. K. Riordan, who has been on an extended vacation occupied his chair, last night for the first time since his election.

November 11th, Armistice Day, is our regular meeting night. Arrangements have been made for a moving picture show in the P. E. Club Theatre at 8 p.m. Defense picture will be shown which show actual battle scenes in the present war, some of which were smuggled out of Europe. A guest speaker named Pulka, who fled from Czechoslovakia, after Hitler took over, will tell from his own knowledge something about the actual conditions in Central Europe. His lectures have been endorsed by the Americanism Committee of the Department of California, of the American Legion.

23rd District Commander Benjamin and County Council Commander Hartsock have promised to take part in this meeting. We hope to have Comrade Pat O'Brien as Master of Ceremonies. The picture will be standard size talking pictures.

This meeting will be open for everybody. No tickets. No admission charges. Everybody come and bring your families and friends.

If you have any old tooth brushes, especially the transparent kind, please give them to Chaplain F. W. Nichols for the Hobby Shop at Sawtelle Veterans Hospital, where they would be used to make various articles.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

By Martha Harper

The Unit card party was attended by a large crowd. We hope to increase the attendance especially during the series which is now on. Mrs. Jacobs was hostess. Don't forget—a card party will be held every fourth Friday evening in the club.

We are glad to hear that Comrade Commander Clemons is on the mend and will soon be home again.

Mrs. Fackler, First Vice President and Membership Chairman, is quite ill and is in St. Vincent's Hospital.

We hope she will soon be well and be with us again.

Mrs. Braley and Mrs. Harper have just returned from a trip north—having visited many interesting places.

We are glad to welcome back Comrade and Mrs. Riordan, who have been in the East for some time.

The next district meeting will be a luncheon. Fred Whittaker Unit will be hostesses, the date to be announced later.

Mrs. Clemons, Jr. Past President, has just returned from a lengthy tour of the country. We are so glad she is back and enjoyed her talk on the interesting events of her trip.

Mrs. Bryant, who spent the summer in New York, has returned and gave us the highlights of her trip. It is good to hear the news of other places.

Most of our vacationists have returned and attendance is good. Now we can settle down for the year's work.

Rekindling America's patriotism and building better citizenship has been one of the American Legion Auxiliary's major undertakings this year, reports from the organization's 9,310 Units and 52 Departments, now being received at national headquarters show Mrs. Tucker, Americanism Chairman of the Pacific Electric Railway Unit, has directed this phase of the Auxiliary's work here.

Auxiliary Units throughout the nation have sponsored 4,038 Girl Scout troops, 339 Campfire Girl groups and 204 4-H clubs, all of which helped teach Americanism to young Americans. Units presented 7,008 flags to schools, Scout troops, churches and other organizations.

Auxiliary conservation work resulted in the planting of 21,960 acres of forest, with 2,026,022 additional single trees planted through the efforts of Auxiliary members.

Four hundred and fifty orphans of World War veterans have been assisted in securing higher education this year through loan funds of the American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Malmberg, Chairman of the Education of Orphans of Veterans Commit-

tee of the local Auxiliary Unit, has announced.

New educational loan funds have been established by the Auxiliary in a number of states, and in others existing loan funds have been increased. Loans are made to qualified orphans of war veterans who otherwise would not be able to attend college.

In addition to the loans, the Auxiliary has worked with the Legion to secure scholarship and other educational aids for children of deceased veterans.

With all previous membership records broken, the American Legion Auxiliary's enrollment will approach 525,000 this year, according to Mrs. Fackler, membership chairman.

On August 8, time of the last membership tabulation, the Auxiliary had 518,328 members actively enrolled for 1941. This was an increase of 14,029 over the highest previous record, established last year.

Formation of new Auxiliary Units this year increased the number of Units to 9,310, the largest in the history of the organization.

Twenty-two iron lungs have been purchased by Auxiliary Units this year for donations to hospitals in their communities, Mrs. Jacot, Community Service Chairman of the local Auxiliary Unit, has announced. One X-ray machine, three inhalators, two baby incubators, three fracture beds and two oxygen tents were also purchased for hospitals. In addition, two blood transfusion machines were sent to England, and two seeing eye dogs were purchased.

WEST HOLLYWOOD. CHALLENGES

The Trainmen at West Hollywood are going out for "Soft Ball" in a big way; and, after winning nine consecutive games are seeking other teams to conquer.

Some time ago G. V. Banta and "Red" Taylor organized the team and to date have played against West Hollywood Lion's Club, San Vicente Playground, Ralph's Market, Glendale P. C. Lines and Duplex Sash & Balance teams. Further competition will be welcomed.

Our West Hollywood team plays at the new San Vicente Playground Monday and Wednesday evenings of each week.

Members of the team are:

"Dake" Boardman, "Ray" Raney, Glen Banta, "Mac" McKee, "Bob" Maris, "Red" Taylor, "Pat" Garrison, Herb Raney, "Scott" Churchill, "Chuck" Whittle, "Tom" Wilson, "Ray" Shimmin, "Johnny" Johnson, A. M. Munsell, Leroy Stack, P. E. Holmes, Bill Williams, scorekeeper.

O. L. McKee, retired supervisor, is one of the most ardent Soft Ball fans of the district and rarely misses a game.

DEPARTMENTAL NOTES

WEST HOLLYWOOD

By G. R. Stevens

Reminiscing again. How many of the boys remember the old Hill Street Station when all the cars to Hollywood came out of the station onto Hill Street. Our city being one of the fastest growing cities in the country it hardly seems possible that where the Subway Terminal now stands, was the home of Boyle Workman, pioneer Angeleno; Boyle Heights being named for Boyle Workman who was born in the first house ever to be built east of Alameda Street.

Conductor Nolan Shields and wife are the proud parents of a baby girl born September 5th at the Hollywood Hospital. The baby weighed 7½ pounds and christened Janet Lorena Shields. Congratulations to the happy parents.

Deer season opened with a bang this year with most of the hunters returning with venison. It is reported that big bucks are more plentiful this season.

Bus Operator L. P. Patterson and wife went to the mountains for two months to rest. Patterson hunted two days at Mammoth Mountains, near Bishop, and bagged two large mule deer, both three pointers. There are many lucky hunters this year. At Ono reports are that 14 big bucks were registered and taken out in a single day. An interesting experience is told by a hunter who was camped out in the mountains. There were plenty of deer close by and the party were anxiously waiting for the opening day. A bear decided to raid their camp, and tore the coolers all to pieces, making away with all the bacon and hams. He was routed by the dog. Mr. Bear returned but this time the hunters were waiting for him, and bingo—a rug!

Motorman J. F. Hatton and wife recently made a trip to Lansing, Michigan where they purchased a brand new 1941 Oldsmobile. They drove on to Buffalo, Newark, N. J., and Philadelphia where a stop was made to enjoy a visit with sister and relatives. The return trip was made by way of Pittsburg, Kansas City and Texas. Motorman Hatton is more than pleased with the performance of his new car.

Motorman C. J. Sutter and family have just returned from a swell vacation of twenty-four days. Sutter reports they enjoyed a fine rail trip back to Tenn., Kentucky, Indiana,

and Illinois after having visited relatives and friends enroute.

C. R. Young is away on a thirty days leave of absence for a rail trip to his ranch near Midlothian, Texas. Motorman Young's wife and family are already there.

There is no place like home and the old folks when vacation time rolls around. Conductor H. C. Hunte took off ten days and went back to Colorado to visit his mother, and enjoy good home cooked meals.

H. E. Rathbun away with the S. P. for awhile is back again with Chas. Mullins, ticket agent. F. W. MacIntyre is also back at West Hollywood.

Conductor Kenneth R. Cassels of West Hollywood is our newly elected P. E. Club Committeeman representative recently elected by West Hollywood trainmen.

We are glad to report that Motorman L. W. Lanning is up and around again after being injured in an auto accident.

Conductor E. A. Abbott and family enjoyed a two weeks vacation rail trip back east to Burwell, Nebraska where they visited relatives.

Freight Conductor George Baker was off sixty days. George did not travel this year, but instead, he remained at home and rested.

Pat Keane, passenger director Subway turnstile, and Harold Pickler are planning to be away fifteen days on an extended rail trip that will take them to Chicago, Tenn., and New Orleans.

Conductor Truman Baker, wife and family was off seventeen days to visit relatives at Sedalia, Missouri.

Conductor R. F. Hintz was off sick for a week—was missed by the Wednesday Club of which he is secretary. W. W. Byers of Hill Street was on the sick list for three months. It has been reported that Motorman M. R. Skemp of West Hollywood has been off sick for nearly a year.

Robert Scott, West Hollywood motorman, and Lloyd C. Luebbe, conductor, are in St. Vincent's Hospital. A speedy recovery to these trainmen is the well wish.

It is with sorrow that we report the passing of Mrs. Ireland and "Buck" Mattox.

"Oh, George, do you realize it's almost a year since our honeymoon, and that glorious day we spent on the sands. I wonder how we'll spend this one?"

"On the rocks."

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

By Victor P. Labbe

Rollin Podlech and family vacationed at Balboa and Catalina, also San Francisco.

Betty Demerle is counting the days until she sees her home town, New Jersey, or is it the boy friend she is so anxious to see?

Roy Ewing says the girls are even prettier this year at the Venice High night school. What are you taking up, Roy?

Tom Roscoe has a new electric clock to play with now.

Al Smith is intending to enter the baby contest this Fall as the fastest diaper changer in the world.

None other than L. V. Blackburn of the Field Dept. will also enter the same contest.

Paul du Par is raising beans in the Valuation Dept. What is the ledger value of your crop, Paul?

Jean Fogarty came back from her vacation in Vancouver, Portland, Seattle, etc., feeling fine and claims all four girls had a wonderful time.

Ralph Perry, the girl hater, finally went and did it. Congratulations to you both. Don't listen to Roy Swanson though.

Clara Doll is thinking seriously of double harnessing again. Well Barnum was right.

Freddie Bixenstein is back to work after a vacation spent at his cabin near Little Rock.

Jessie Eaton is really dolled up lately. She says the reason: vacation ahead and one must be dressed up for the occasion.

Burleigh Manley claims the record for deer this year. Wonder what Hal Smith did on the trip.

Wonder where all the presents went to that Jean Fogarty promised to bring back from her northern trip. Probably saving them for Christmas presents.

H. P. Bancroft is in the money now. Page Mrs. Bancroft.

Harvey Smith is wondering if the U.S.O. has any good looking red heads that are interested in boating. Understand Betty Demerle would like to take up boating so why go to the U.S.O., Harvey?

Sure glad to see Miss Merriam back on the job again after a long sojourn at the hospital. Certainly have to hand it to our medical dept., as they really know how to bring us out of it.

All the cuties are getting married lately. Is it the war call or what. Dorothy Littlefield has a beautiful new sparkler. Dot Beranek is on this year's list and what are you going to do, Odessa Carter?

Evelyn "Emmons" Tenney, to you,

is doing great things since her marriage to the Doctor. Claims she can bake, cook, iron and sew, all in a few short months. Wonder how the toaster is doing?

Jean's ex-boy friend—Carl—was in to see the gang—all dolled up in his uniform. He is now at San Luis Obispo. Some Lt.-Colonel's connection understand does wonders.

PURCHASING DEPT. NOTES

By Ray Cragin

California wins over Wisconsin. No that is not the result of a football game. This is how it is. A few days ago Miss "Dot" Beranek came to work wearing a beautiful diamond ring. It was only a few short months ago the young lady could not make up her mind between the boy in Wisconsin or California, but now it can be told. The local boy won and from present plans November is the month. Oh yes, the lucky man is Ned Shafer.

The Headman in our Department, Mr. Thorburn vacationed in September. One week was spent fishing and one week at home. We did not learn the results of the fishing trip but he returned with his head high and his chest out. We understand the reason he did not tell about the fish he caught was that it might discourage the members of the Rod and Gun Club.

George Quesenbery also vacationed last month, and spent considerable time at the Redondo Beach plunge. He is very fond of swimming and the closing of the plunge caused the boy to feel sad. However he has solved the problem. Recently he bought a washing machine for a friend so he says but we understand he will now swim at home.

Bob Jonston that young man about the office now sings the St. Louis Blues. He is a strong Cardinal fan and the Brooklyn cheers caused him tears.

Lois Brown left the first of the month for her vacation. She planned to visit Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Texas and New Mexico. A cattle ranch in the latter state being the main objective. Maybe she will bring home a cowboy for a souvenir. It might be a vacation but it looks like an endurance test.

Floyd Gill had a birthday on September 23rd. The Mystery Trio called to wish him happiness and he received a few phone calls from his friends. It must be nice to be popular.

Charles Wakefield and wife attended the National Convention of the American Legion in Milwaukee last month. They had a wonderful time at the convention but met with

a very unfortunate accident in New Mexico when returning home. While driving through a heavy rain and wind storm their car skidded and they hit a stone wall. Fortunately they were not injured but their car was badly wrecked and they had to continue home by train.

The only news we received from Torrance was that the boys were very busy with the annual inventory and they did not have time to look for news.

ACCOUNTING DEPT. NOTES

By N. E. Cates

Mr. Lovell is now home from the hospital and well on the way to recovery and all of us are looking forward to his early return to the office.

I understand that the reason Mr. Weeks refused to enter his pictures in the Camera Club Salon was because it was not a beauty show.

Hartley Hendricks of the General Claim Dept. left the service on September 12, after 10 years service. I understand Hartley has accepted other employment locally.

Roy Culverwell is on vacation in Minneapolis, Minn.

Robt. Pabst went fishing up near Sequoia National Park.

Vincent Tower visited P. E. Camp for a week.

Gleason Humphrey transferred from the Medical Dept. to the Claim Dept. to fill the vacancy in that office. Gleason is better known to us as "Glen".

Vincent Tower was moved up to take Hartley's job as outside investigator.

Mr. Wade, our Treasurer, visited Mesa Verde National Park on his vacation, made stops also at Grand Canyon in Kaibab Forest, Zion National Park and Boulder Dam. Joe Smale is at Seal Beach recovering from a brief illness, will be back to work soon. Mr. Benson has been taking care of the cashier's window during Joe's absence.

The Disbursements Accounts Bureau was out on inventory work, Tuesday, September 30th. Earle Moyer, Archie Sharp, Thos. Dickey, Ed. Campbell and Mr. Buehler went to Torrance Store. P. M. Still took care of West Hollywood, 6th and Maple and Macy Street, Gladys Sunday checked Stationery Store, J. P. Hoagland checked M. & S. on line from P. E. Bldg., to Sierra Vista. A. F. Manhart—8th St. Yards and Butte St., Mr. Weeks, Pasadena and Arcadia, Al Hanna on the Bellflower line, Dale Hyde—Dominguez Jct. to Long Beach, Louie Tighe—West Hollywood and Van Nuys.

A phone rings in Miscellaneous Accts. Bureau promptly answered by George Chrystal, there follows a quick buzz for Chas. English for the call was for him. A long pause begins and ends when Geo. buzzed a second time for Charlie, "I'm sorry," says Charlie, "I was only reading my Work and Method instructions and did not hear you buzz the first time."

Mable Wells is now on a job in Central Timekeeping Bureau. Mrs. Dale went to San Francisco and Lake Tahoe for her vacation. Suzanne Jacquemin has a new Buick sedan, so I hear, she bets all the boys are jealous. If they are not they would still like a ride. Mr. Knight also favors the Buicks.

Peggy Cherrier week-ended at Catalina a couple weeks ago, enjoys dancing at the Casino.

Bill Keelin enjoyed a vacation at home for a week.

Andy Reshaw visited Sequoia, Yosemite and San Francisco. Miss Bettis made a hurried trip to Sacramento and San Francisco. She went by air liner from San Mateo to Sacramento.

Happy Birthday to You:

	October	
Clayton Scholl	3	
Andrea Reshaw	5	
W. H. Alexander	7	
J. J. Stodom	8	
Bob Houseman	11	
J. G. Browne	14	
Jesse Kremer	15	
H. C. Kuck	21	
Frank Hardesty	22	
Chas. English	22	
Al Hanna	23	
Tom Gentry	26	
Harold Huestis	29	
Helen Sawyer	29	
Cy Saunders	31	
Nina Robertson	31	
Glen Stancer	31	
J. K. Hubbard	31	

George Perry is still "doing time" on the jury so we don't see much of George anymore. Mr. Manhart had a long train trip for his vacation—visited New York and Niagara Falls.

Our sympathies are extended to our good friend, Miss Bell, on the passing of her brother, Francis A. Bell, General Freight Agent of A. T. & S. F. Ry.

Dorothy Littlefield is to be married soon to Frank Showalter of Southern Pacific Company Passenger Department.

Grave Vail is on a three months leave to live at Riverside so as to be near hubby. Seems that hubby is needed to keep the B-19 in condition.

"I wonder how it is we can't save anything."

"It's the neighbors, dear—they are always doing something we can't afford."

SUBWAY TERMINAL

By F. W. Servranckx

Our grand popularity contest being over now, it is with great pleasure that we announce the winner, none other than that "Long Horn" Adonis from Texas, Ray Hightower, who was elected to be our new club representative, over a large field of opponents. Now, says he, I will have at long last have a chance to prove that they have large rabbits in Texas. Confidentially, boys, he told me cigars are on the way? Attention, Bro. G. Hall.

Many inquiries have been made as to why R. L. DeMoss has such a cute bald spot. Our reporters told us that "Baldy" made his exit from that Indian Reservation in Oklahoma so fast that it scorched all of his hair off. We will not quote Bill O'Hern, because he has the inside dope. Ask him.

We are indeed happy to hear that Trainmaster A. C. Moll is back at work after a brief illness. We sure missed his genial smile.

John W. Booth looks very serious these days. Of course they all get that way when they are love. Cheer up, J. W., you know that old adage two can live just as cheaply as one.

Another visitor from "way out" calls frequently at Hill St. None other than Bob Maris, who is renewing old and new acquaintances. Call again, Bob, we always enjoy your interesting talks, on modern designs.

Jess Hauselman wants to tell everyone that he enjoys his new teeth, and will outbite anybody when he gets used to them. The old boy has not changed one bit and is just as handsome as ever.

We understand that "Yard Bird" is organizing a "Sour Puss" Club, and that his membership is growing steadily, just in competition with that West Hollywood Friday Morning Club. Look out, T. L. Baker, "Snuffy" will call on you for that turkey dinner.

Don't forget the big shindig at the Biltmore October 17, 18, 19, especially because Brother O. Torgan is to make a speech.

A. V. Hand was on the sick list because of a badly sprained ankle. We can't understand why he had to step on that rock, and all that just after Mrs. Hand returned from an extended trip East. A. V. informed us he lost 8 pounds while his wife was gone. That shows what home cooking can do for you.

And what has become of the "Clip Club". Quite a few members waiting to hear from their Prexy.

Jack Kemerer is leaving October 15 for Pensacola, Florida, where he

will join Uncle Sam's Naval Armed Forces, as photographer. Let us hear from you Jack and maybe you will send us that picture you promised of J. T. Johnston.

CONDUCTORS ACCOUNTS

BUREAU

By Marion Snowden

Remember this: "Too many stock their brains at the crazy notion counter," which goes well with this: "Some folks' conversation might well be termed gabbage."

Winchie At The Keyhole:

Headline: Women are coming to the front. Of last month's Magazine, we see that Noble Cates is up to his old tricks again—dragging his feet on his notes till past the last minute and then springing the writing of them on some pore female. But keep on doing it, Noble; Maybelle makes a good pinch-hitter. And then again, she may get the job permanently.

There's talent in this office. Donna Fuller is appearing in a play called "How'm I Doin'?", and judging from the write-up they've had, we'd say she's doing pretty well. Maybe Donna's the gal who has been seen talking to herself on the Hollywood cars. ? ? ?

Speaking of Hollywood makes us think of the turnstiles in the Subway, and that reminds us that for a period of three weeks, all was dark and gloomy over there. No, not a blackout, nor a smoke screen, nor a movie in progress. Nope, none of these. "Sunshine" Eastham was away on vacation, and did his friends and passer-throughers miss him! While away, he remembered at least two of his girl friends with souvenir folders. Now he's back, and all is bright and sunny again. (You're welcome, Sunshine.)

Movies remind us of Bill Scholl, better known as—well, well! our old friend Clayt, who looks like Ronald Colman. Don't you think so, or don't you think?

Can you imagine this! Emma Taylor, down in Mexico on a leave, was invited to the grand party given for King Carol, Mme. Lupescu, and all the big-wigs in that neck of the woods. What tales she can tell when she comes back!

Esther Craig and cousin went to Catalina one Saturday when Esther's boat was scheduled to be in the races. At least, we heard so. Not responsible if her boat was scratched at the last minute.

Dorothy Randolph has moved to Long Beach—from the mountains to the sea, and she still gets to work on time.

Alice Elliott's sister, Ethel Strib-

ling Stephens, old time member of this department, and her big daughter Margaret were in the office to see the few oldtimers who are left up here.

In another of our shake-ups in the office, Winchie was presented with the old carpet-padded pullman step that has been her traveling companion in many moves about the place. Now all we need is a nice three-drawer chest and a couple of tables to make our corner completely furnished.

Edna Abell made another trip to San Luis Obispo where she saw Arvilla Curran's daughter, Aileen.

Maybelle Wirz made a flying trip to San Diego and really flew by airplane.

There's a new face at the clock these days, Loriston Noble, who runs Henry Aldrich (Ken Williams) a close second. Remember, Ken? You tell Lorrie what we mean.

Have you had the joy of hearing the Mystery Trio sing a happy birthday greeting to you on the telephone? They hang up before they can be thanked, but they are none the less appreciated. And they have beautiful voices. Take a bow, boys. We listened to their birthday serenade the other day, blushing furiously. On behalf of all who have been so honored, we thank you.

Several of the girls went out to see Catherine Mautz's new baby boy, Wesley Allen. They might have asked little Charles, "How old is your baby brother?" and Charles might have answered, "He isn't old at all. He's a this year's model."

Ann Thetford with young Bobby, and Irma Engel Powers with little Donnie were visitors one noon. And Elizabeth Reckweg Amalong brought a little black-eyed girl up—a neighbor, Liz says. Hmm. . . . Okay, Liz.

Arvilla Curran has threatened to murder us if she's in the Magazine any more. She'd be mad as a wet hen if she didn't get in—so, go ahead, Acie, and do your worst.

Now we know who is CBT's boy friend at the office who keeps her informed of goings-on, but we won't tell—yet.

After Marie Thomsen had decided that her dog is a collie-setter—front end collie, rear end setter (how appropriate!)—a vet ups and tells her it's a pointer-airdale. We still insist on the rear end being a setter, but how that front end does change!

We extend with sincere sympathy our condolences to Alice Elliott and the members of her family in the passing of her brother Lewis. He left a host of friends who will long remember him.

Those who knew Mrs. Eisele, our little "candy lady", will be sorry to know that she passed away in Sep-

tember after a long and painful illness. We still miss her friendly presence since she stopped coming in.

Now let's see who is back from vacation with sleeves rolled up and rarin' to go . . . on another one. Violet Phillips—moving, and that's a sleeve-rolled-up job. Maybelle Wirz—Lake Hughes and Forest Home. She must have loafed, as the question as to where she went was answered by the bare names of the places. Florence Cox—Oakland. Just before she left, Esther Quast treated her to a free milk nickel stick, which Coxie said she'd waited a year to get. Moral—leave sooner next time. Agnes Heckman—Sequoia—up there where Nature builds on a grand scale. Grace Shreeves—at home entertaining out-of-town visitors. Martha Smith—Twin Lakes, Tamarac Lodge. That gal does get around and into all sorts of things—earthquakes, snow, and moving picture shots. She and Gene Autrey helped make history in celluloid—Gene in the movies, and Martha in a kodak. Esther Ross—home. Well, at least she didn't have to jump out of bed in the wee small hours at the sound of the alarm. Tom Hinkle—Laguna, where he acquired a grand sunburn. That sea air must have agreed with him, for he's still half asleep. (Is that a crack?) Last on the list is Florence Davis, who takes a paragraph of her own.

"The last the best of all the game"—that's Florence Davis. The rest of the column will be filled up with her doings, so pin back your ears and settle down. Here goes: Zion National Park, Yellowstone, Boulder Dam (no—"Peanuts" would never go to Hoover Dam!) Virginia City, Reno, Salt Lake City Tabernacle, San Francisco, Lake Tahoe, Fort Ord, Monterey, and Home. Whew! We're all tired out and need a vacation ourself. Somewhere along the way, she slid down a mountain and skinned her face. She rode, et, and slept and looked like a toy balloon. But on her return to the office, one look at her desk made her lose five pounds. She says now she's going to pull a tuft of hair out on her forehead, stick on a tail, and look like a horse if she's going to work like one. By this time next year she will have forgotten all about the forelock and tail, and will be ready to tear out again.

Our best to Mr. Lovell and Mr. Smale, both of whom are still in the hospital, according to latest information. We hope soon to see them plugging away at the old jobs. And if good thoughts help any, (and we believe they do), we're thinking nice things about you both.

MOTOR TRANSIT NOTES

By M. J. Cramer

You'd hardly KNOW the place—the changes made in our depot! It's ALIVE with the combination of P. E. and Greyhound passengers. The first Sunday night after a soldier pay day should be a WOW! With five and six coming down to see one passenger off—they just sorta hooked one leg on the other and made the best of it. Everyone has their share of extra information—and how some folk mill around. Many wanting Greyhound tickets and information come to our P.E. counter and vice versa . . . so it's a grand game of ticket clerks pointing fingers at each other. Might not be social "EDDYCAT" and all that—but HOW else can it be done unless someone installs a turn table? Greyhound brought with them a fine crew of ticket mongrels. G. S. (Foghorn) Powell, Harry Leonard, Max Hayes, Dale Williams, Pat Losien, Jerry Rudrauff, Frank Jerome, Cedrick Garuham, Geo. Bowen, Andy O'Callaghan, Bob Wright, Robt. Patton, James Rousey and the "Count"—Ivan Glavadonovich (put that to music if you can). Then there's Mr. Crandall's crew of Chet Larson, John Karstedt and Tony Figueroa. The Dispatchers, Vern Laughan, Roy Bailey, Al DeRose and Holly Scofield. The Baggage Department in charge of our ol' friend Merriweather and Denver Rose. I don't guarantee the spelling of any of these names—but WELCOME to all!

RANDOM INQUIRIES: (Passenger after pacing around depot for some time, finally came to ticket window) "Am I in the right depot or has some changes been made here?" WHERE do I go NOW? What happened to the Interstate Restaurant . . . where did you move it . . . I want a coca cola! WHERE do we sit—or DO we JUST stand? Are they going to FIX UP this depot after Greyhound moves out? (Norwalk Bound) "I left my watch at home, will you please give me a time table so will KNOW when to come back?"

ADD FUNNY SIGHTS: (Space occupied by Interstate Restaurant heretofore was made into an added waiting room). Don't know whether we should call it the men's lounge or what . . . one soldier boy, finding not enough seating room, merely laid down on the floor and went to sleep. A Fifth St. "Vino" tips over the Fortune Telling machine and amidst shattering glass WONDERED what happened! If you saw the Greyhound gang trying to move that safe

upstairs to Roy Wilson's old offices—you'll wonder HOW they'll ever get it down again . . . it just didn't want to budge even with a block and tackle. Greyhound calls points served on our lines, El Monte, Pomona, Glendale, Burbank, San Fernando etc., and a mad rush starts to their gates with passengers holding P. E. or Asbury tickets in spite of the fact that announcer says clearly "passengers holding Greyhound tickets only." We like the way one fellow announces Chicago—sorta like SHEE-COG-O. Well, it's all in the game—has been a lot of fun and never a dull moment!

The Pomona Fair went over with leaps and bounds and tacked up a new record in sales—and that's JUST what we wanted. Everyone enjoyed it!

HERE & THERE: Jim Tucker and wife back from vacation and DID they double-cross us. You know, it was planned to head north to Seattle, Vancouver, B.C., Calgary, Alberta, etc., and they had a whole sheaf of passes but settled for a trip to Yosemite and called it a real RESTFUL vacation inasmuch as time was limited. Could it be that Mrs. Tucker was heartbroken when she heard the neighbors relate that her name was called out at local theater (bank nite) and missed out on the \$100.00 prize money? We have it on the Q.T. that the Tuckers and the Paul Burkes are to open up a restaurant in Whittier (across from the Hoover Hotel) shortly. Hope Mrs. Tucker will serve some of those delicious Parker House rolls and that Mrs. Jehl can drop out for the "hot biscuit" days! Each has their specialty!

Marvin Freeman at the controls down our way and going out in the high falutin' society . . . dining at the Beverly Wilshire with friends who were honeymooning . . . ah me!—it's such a long jump from down Fifth St. way. Marvin enjoys deep sea fishing and has made several such trips off Catalina recently. Walt Rorick, our good friend, left us when he bid in position at Glendale (freight warehouseman clerk) and it was just what he wanted . . . says he. Well, with Agent Cunningham as the "Maestro" and with what Walt knows about freight and city-wide information . . . things should HUM! Will have to grab a "look-see" some time . . . as I hear they have all kinds of gadgets in the office to save time and footsteps . . . and what's this I hear about a certain CODE system . . . sounds interesting! Many friends have inquired about Walt and say that they miss him . . . so we'll extend EVERY good wish in this new position . . . which means nearer to home—Sundays off—daylight hours n'everything! Say hello soon, Walt.

Yep, I done it again—picked a name from the sky! In last month's yarn—had B. C. Lamb's baby girl's name (born August 28th) down as Lorna Dean whereas her correct name is Linda Diane. So sorry—B. C.—don't know where I got the wrong dope. We hope that she will be every bit as lovely as the name Linda Diane sounds!

Operator Geo. Hoffman, while working relief run out of Riverside—was living in his house trailer. The first night he parked it in the city park downtown and was run out by the local cops. Later—the Sheriff ran him out of town and told him NOT to park his home on wheels anyplace within the city limits. Seems he parked it next to a beer joint (or do you like the word, "cocktail lounge" better?) and it was swell to see two floor shows nightly from his trailer window! Bob Cruson—likes tourist cabins or these autel courts better—but might be wrong! Young Kenny "Mac" McCollum says he can get most any young lady to turn her head around and look back at him while walking down the street. Well, Mac—we KNOW you're HANDSOME as all get out—but where does all this "oomph" fit in? Could it be that Guy Rhinard has been coaching you in glamour? Or—that Leroy Hall (who relieved at Pomona during the Fair) has confided—and exposed some of that personal magnetism—or what is it—that he has up his sleeve?

Bob Towers scooting down the street. Shorty Hall and Doc Beckett saying hello. C. E. Barnum says NO news . . . might be able to dig up a picture for the Magazine but would have to be of his home, showing before and after remodeling. Slim Seifried back from Kansas—an enjoyable trip—right out in Gawds country . . . farm, cows, chickens n'all (the feathery kind) but they couldn't get him to milk a cow as he often boasted. It's early to bed and early to rise for him these days and the Chevy is working overtime to and from work. Mother has been vacationing in California from Estacada, Oregon and likes it very much—far different from the rains in Oregon and Washington but says must hurry back to order winter wood, etc. WONDER what a cord of wood would cost in Southern California or would it be cheaper to buy some gold nuggets? Ivan Erhardt finishing up his vacation—he split his two weeks into two (one-week vacations) but narry a word as to where he headed for! Alpha Seagraves doing nip-ups on the Information Desk at the P. E. Lobby . . . really, Alpha you didn't tell us you could peddle all that info—but maybe Officer Seagraves has taken you on a real sightseeing tour

of the City!

WHASSTHIS? Our reliable "Pat" McKee in the drug store cafe (depot) walking down the street with Operator V. Whipple . . . tut! tut! Aileen Turner looking grand these days—right back in trim and with a white collar job! Whitey (Arnold) Evans feeling in the bestest these past weeks at Pomona. Charlie Cooper—singing (well some call it that) "I Found A New Kind of Love" (maybe JUST what the Doctor ordered or do you KNOW a good Doctor?) Guy Rhinard severing ties of long standing and it won't be MR. and MRS. as before—or at least not for another year! Joe Hernandez preparing to dust off the baby crib—yep there's a new arrival on the horizon if what he tells is the "honest injun".

MORE CHATTER: Since Benny Kimball has been on special duty elsewhere (off his Santa Ana run) Kenneth (Nick) Lucas has been holding down his run and doing a swell job—and we'll have to give the "rookie" credit! Allen (Bill) Tribble says he would have bid in Edmondson's run IF it wasn't for that "screwey" Sunland trip on Sunday. Whadda ya mean—"screwey"? Bill saved himself 3 Herman and 6 bits the other night on the bus . . . he was talking to a Brea rancher who was lugging home a pair of long-handled pruning shears. Bill remarked, "Doggone it—that's just what I need to cut my rose bushes with." The good man said, "Do you want them?" Bill blabbered, "Heh, heh—sure!" AND—blamed if the rancher didn't haul off and GIVE them to him. How's that?

Fishing will be N.G. at Big Bear Lake next year . . . REASON? . . . Babe Larson caught most of 'em. He wanted to bet C. J. Williams that he caught more fish than he did at Big Bear this past summer. He said (quote) "I must have caught a million!" (WHATTA WHOPPER!) Eugene Wickham says he made a trip up to Hogan's Ranch in the San Bernardino mountains one early morning recently and that there was about one-half inch of ice on the lake . . . sooh WINTER is coming . . . or is it? Frank Kauffman (Fort Lewis) down California way on furlough and FLEW! Adolph Zmoos—also on furlough (both in the army). 'Twas mighty good to see them!

Congratulations to O. L. Gardner in his recent marriage. Wondered where all the cigars came from. During Fred D'Arcy's absence from local terminal, attempted to order some stationery for them and noted all the cigars in the stationery cabinet. . . . Thought maybe our good friend F. E. Gill was shooting them out on requisition! Walt Deal is wearing a "halo" around his head these days! Dog-

gone—didn't think he could be so NIZE . . . not even a "woof-woof!" R. W. Evans (retired Auditor) paid us a visit recently and looks "fit as a fiddle" . . . always glad to see him. He relates that his daughter gave birth to a baby boy last month—so this makes his second grandchild. Gary Evans, his son (Whittier) was presented with a baby boy not many weeks ago.

DOWN SANTA ANA WAY: (Thanks to Bill Kennedy). "Didn't reckon you knew I was a grandpappy now," whispered John Bailey grinning from ear to ear like a jackass eating briars. Yep, it's a little seven and a half pound girl. Bailey's son and wife are the proud parents. Good health and happiness to ALL the Baileys. Even with the aid of pom-mades and tonics and such, Geo. Hoffman has despaired of raising hair—has decided to switch from scalp to sod. This with a three acre ranchette recently purchased out on north Main st. (Riverside) a two-room house 'n' all. Should any of the boys feel their belts growing loose during the winter months, drop in and see Geo. in this new location. Is planning on pigs and pumpkins and the likes—but a friendly tip to all accepting the invitation is to wear a bright RED necktie so as not to get mixed up with the stock. Speaking of stock—it seems that genial M. Sams is an ol' cow hand—understand he was chasing a stray cow along the run. Ahem!

Geo. Bauer has oiled up the old double-barrel in readiness for a duck shoot up McFarland way. Geo. is a pretty straight shooter so without doubt his trip will be a success. Neal Brock spends all his spare time fishing as usual and now expects to expand his operations. He was seen assembling a lobster trap and with the opening of the season, should be on location at the San Clemente pier. If his luck holds out—he'll get the limit!

Kenny Lucas has been out here in the sticks for a time. Holding down Benny Kimball's assignment while C. J. is up among the City slickers negotiating and working extra board runs, etc. Hope is doing o.k. as is customary — 'tis heard that he is learning to talk with his hands n'all.

When Johnny Hill seems to be grouchy it's a sure sign that he is feeling fine—and is trying to hide it! He was up late the other night taking a ladies' special to the Ice Follies. The sisters gave him a free ticket to the show which he said was swell—the show. He conducted special side trips into all the service stations on the way home. "The bus sure used a lot of gas according to that," commented Al Henson on hear-

ing the report. We are happy, nevertheless, to say that a good time was had by all.

"The car number is such and such," is Herb McCollum's sarcastic salutation on coming into the station—you see the numbers straddle the baggage box so that when the box is open—the bus is effectively camouflaged—the war theme, we guess, explains it! Dick Butler hollered "Will see you all sometime next month," meaning that he was leaving on his annual vacation — well, we'll ALL have a little rest now, thanks Dick! Speaking of vacations: Earl Klepper and wife of the Laguna Beach-Santa Ana Line recently drove to San Francisco, stopped in at the Red Wood Bowl to photograph the deer (No, MRS., the word IS spelled correctly) and so on. Both report a delightful excursion. Chas. Rhinard and family, also of the said line, braved the mosquitoes and poison oak for an outing—to a mountain home and several elsewhere for a couple of weeks. No visible casualties. Gordon Scott and Clarence Bringle who were loaned to our Uncle by the same line dropped in to say "hello" while on furloughs. Both seem to like the Uncle okay and may stay throughout the duration, although Scotty was infected by the matrimonial disease which may cause him to withdraw. Says he don't think the ARMY will have to fight after all, huhm!

Although Bob Drayer claims that the country benefits by marriages—is prejudiced by the fact that he inherited Otto Gardners' run down in Fullerton as a result of Otto's nuptial commitments. We all hope that the Gardners will enjoy all the happiness that the venture can yield and that Bob will be able to find a good house with reasonable rental like he is searching for. Welcome to the "jungles" Bob!

Ham Hammond reminds us of the cross-eyed juggler between incoming freight and outgoing freight—you see, the beans are NOW rolling. Freight is getting heavier all the time and we ain't seen nothing yet as the new air training school will be underway soon.

Jack Burgess keeps his new Buick polished up like the seat of a ticket agent's blue serge suit . . . says he is thinking about moving into a location where there aren't so many sea-gulls.

It took a lot of diplomacy to prevent R. Shaw from committing mayhem on the person of Bill Kennedy. Seems that a Jewish lady with a personality of a swarm of riled hornets, told Shaw that the ticket agent promised her (meaning Shaw) that he would make a roadside stop and carry her seventeen odd pieces of non-de-

script baggage up a flight of stairs for her. OF COURSE—HE DID! Shaw aged seven years during the ordeal but now—is back to normal!

Sam Carr has been taking double dosages of sulphur and molasses lately as Chas. Rhinard advocates a downward revision of rates. This with a new school to be built, too. Tommy Daiker is thinking of buying a longer belt—blames it on the cook—okay, Bud, "yours truly" can use the old pants hanger-upper!

MORE SIGNS: A fruit and vegetable market on Highway 101, displays a sign . . . "NOW . . . PASSION FRUIT?" A sidewalk sign on Boyle Heights reads, "I COULD DYE FOR YOU (also cleaning and pressing)" (Carbon copy to Gordon Gunn) . . . and at the 6000 block on Whittier Blvd., a sign over and around Lees Dept. Store reads, "I AIN'T MAD AT NOBODY". (Wonder if Walt Deal had a hand in that motto.)

Mrs. Dinocan—"I wonder if you would be so kind as to weigh this package for me?"

Butcher — "Why, certainly; it weighs exactly three and a quarter pounds."

Mrs. Dinocan — "Thank you. It contains the bones you sent me in that four-pound roast yesterday."

A woman went to a gardener and insisted on choosing a cabbage that was still growing; on picking out the large head, she asked: "How much for this one?"

"Ten cents," replied the gardener.

"Too much," she said, "What about the price of this little one?"

"Five cents," was the reply.

"All right. I'll buy it," and she paid on the spot, then added, "Don't cut it now. I'll call for it two weeks from now."

Army Sergeant: "Have you any preference?"

Draftee: "Yes, sir."

Army Sergeant: "What would you like to be?"

Draftee: "An ex-service man with a pension."

His relatives telephoned to the nearest florist's. The ribbon must be extra wide, with "Rest in Peace" on both sides, and if there was room, "We Shall Meet in Heaven."

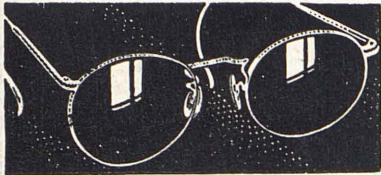
The florist was away and his new assistant handled the job. There was a sensation when the flowers turned up at the funeral. The ribbon was extra wide, indeed, and on it was the inscription:

"Rest in peace on both sides, and, if there is room, we shall meet in heaven."

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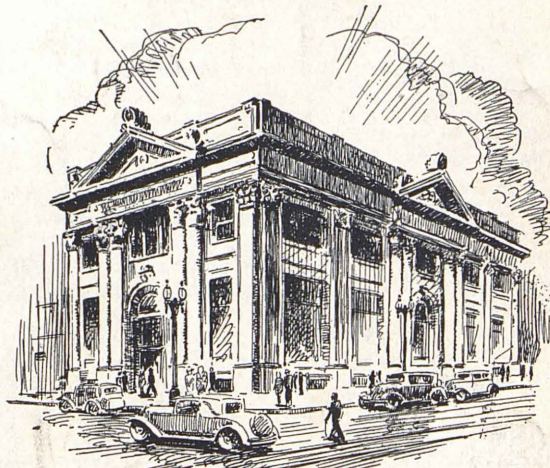
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