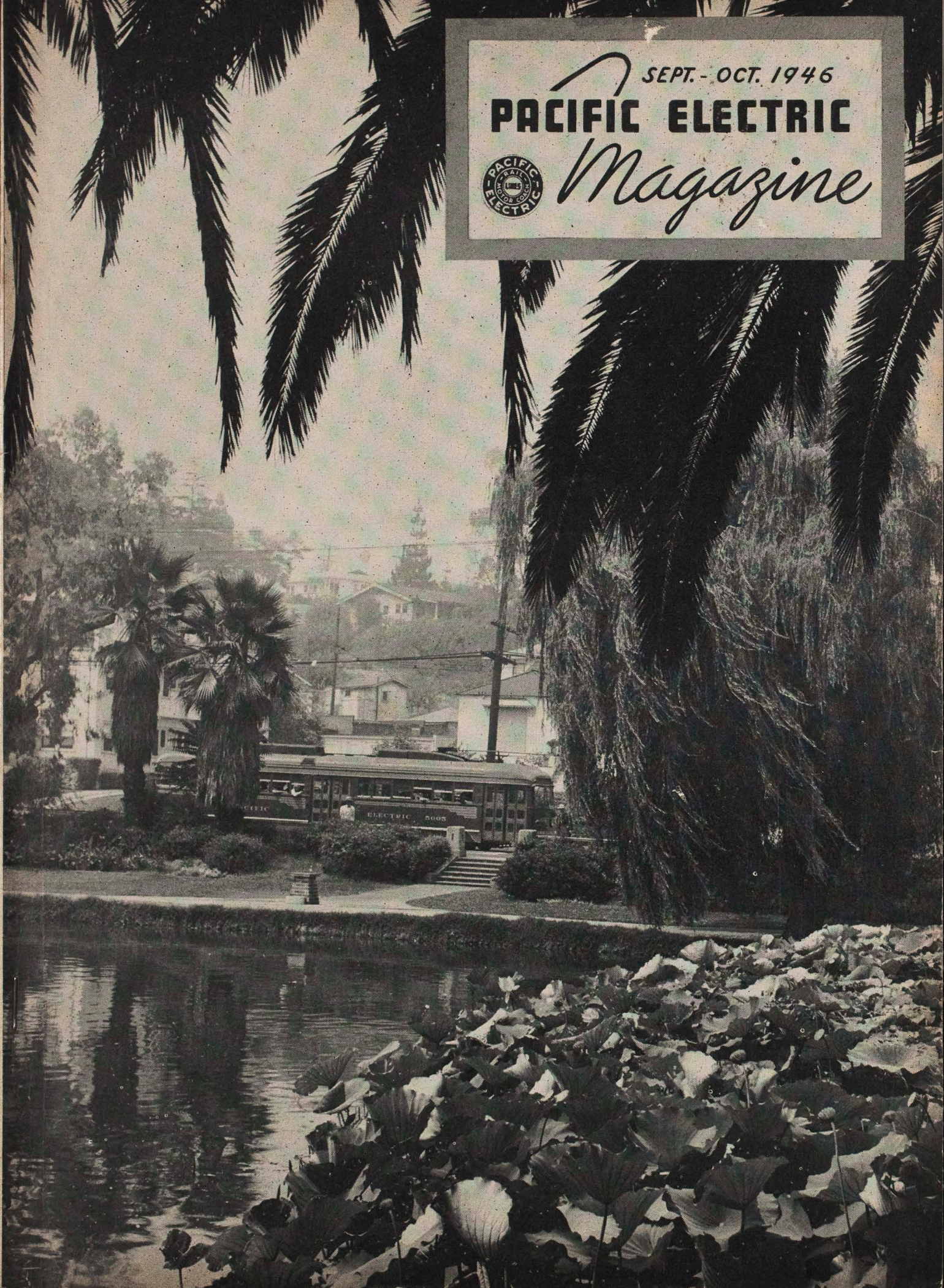


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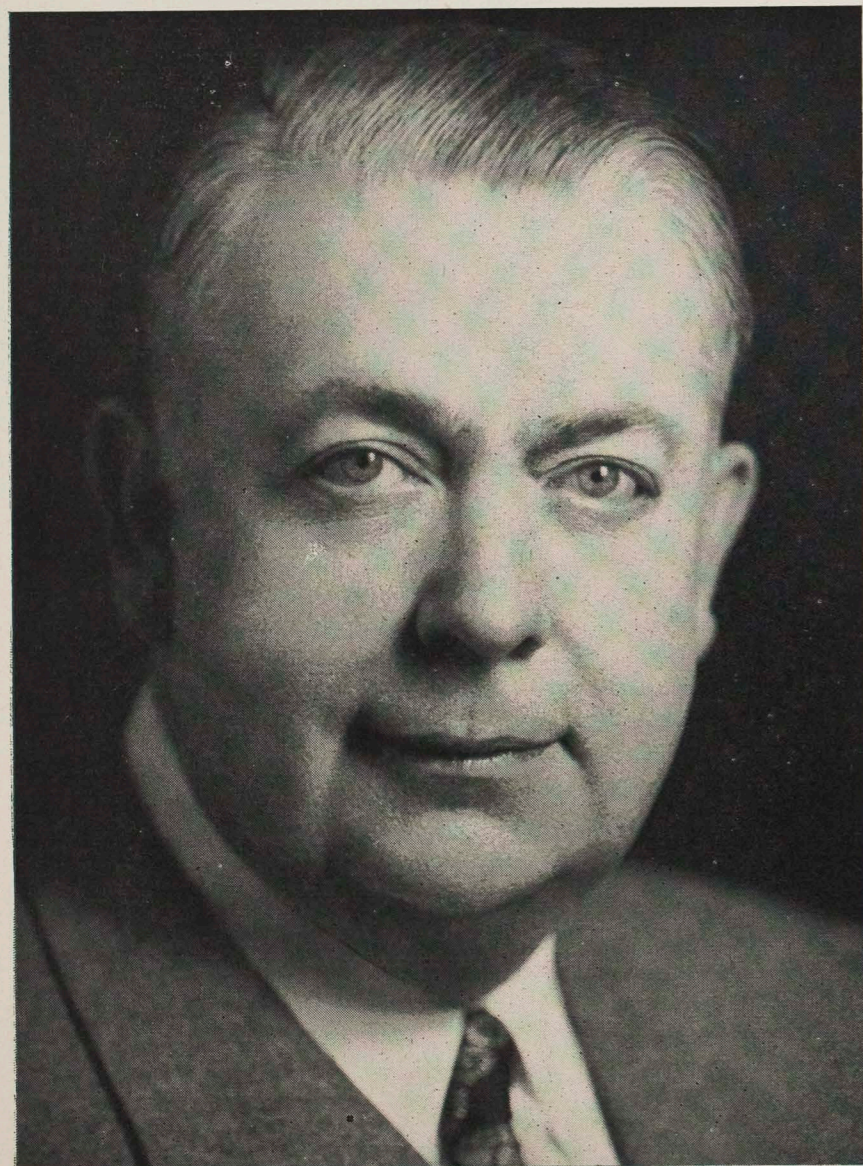
# TRANSPORTATION EXECUTIVE CHANGES FOLLOW PROMOTION OF G. F. SQUIRES

## T. L. Wagenbach Becomes New General Superintendent As Mr. Squires Is Appointed Assistant To President

*C. H. Belt, H. L. Young, R. R. Wilson Also Awarded New Posts*

THE APPOINTMENT of General Superintendent *George F. Squires* as Assistant to the President headed the announcement by Pres-

ident O. A. Smith in July of several important changes in the Executive and Transportation Departments, effective August 1.



**GEORGE F. SQUIRES**, newly-appointed Assistant to the President, and former General Superintendent of the Transportation Department.

Mr. Squires' principal duties will be connected with operating matters pertaining to the Transportation, Engineering, and Mechanical Departments. He brings to his duties 38 years of widely varied railroad experience, which began in 1908, when he entered station service with the Los Angeles Pacific Company, three years before its consolidation with the present Pacific Electric Railway Company. Up to 1915, his assignments were in station work, in which he progressed through the positions of Warehouseman, Clerk, Cashier, and Telegraph Operator to Agent at several points on what is now the Western District. He then transferred to train service, working as Freight Brakeman, Passenger Conductor, Car House Foreman, and Dispatcher. During 1916 he entered the Traffic Department, where, after fulfilling various assignments in both freight and passenger traffic, he served as Assistant Freight Traffic Manager from 1922 to 1928. In the latter year he was appointed General Manager of the Harbor Belt Line Railroad at Los Angeles Harbor, and served in this position until, in 1933, he was appointed General Superintendent of the Pacific Electric Railway Company.

### OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Coincident with the appointment of Mr. Squires to the position of Assistant to the President, President O. A. Smith also announced several other changes in the executive roster of the Transportation Department, all effective August 1.

These included the appointment of *T. L. Wagenbach* as General Superintendent; *C. H. Belt* as Assistant General Superintendent succeeding Mr. Wagenbach; the appointment of *H. L. Young* as Superintendent of Instruction and Safety succeeding Mr. Belt; and the appointment of *R. R. Wilson* as Superintendent of Motor Coach Operations.



**T. L. WAGENBACH**, General Superintendent of the Transportation Department, succeeding Mr. Squires.



**C. H. BELT**, Assistant General Superintendent of the Transportation Department, succeeding Mr. Wagenbach.

### GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

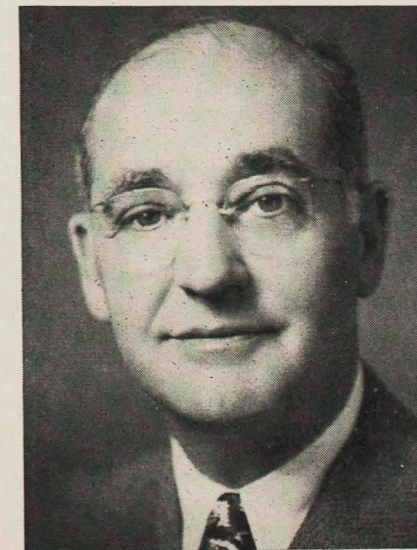
As General Superintendent, Mr. Wagenbach assumes the duties of operating officer in charge of the Transportation Department. He has been with Pacific Electric for 21 years in various executive capacities, following thirteen years with the Southern Pacific in various positions, the last of which was as special representative of the General Auditor.

His Pacific Electric service began in 1925, when he was made Office Manager of the Engineering Department. Continuing in this position until 1933, he was then made Assistant Superintendent of the Transportation Department. In 1937 he became Superintendent of Freight and Car Service; in June, 1940, became Assistant to the General Superintendent; in December of the same year was appointed Assistant General Superintendent; and on November 24, 1944, was created Senior Assistant General Superintendent, as Mr. Squires' executive officer. This latter position

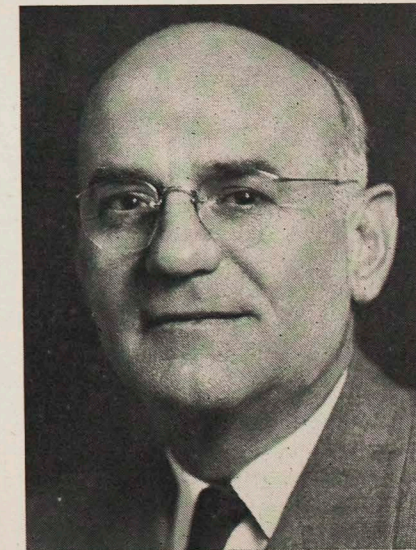
he held until his present new appointment, which carries with it the responsibility for the smooth run-

ning of all functions of the Transportation Department.

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**H. L. YOUNG**, Superintendent of Instruction and Safety, Transportation Department, succeeding Mr. Belt.



**R. R. WILSON**, Superintendent of Motor Coach Operations, Transportation Department.

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#### ASSISTANT GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Belt, new Assistant General Superintendent, was Superintendent of all rail service from 1933 until he took military leave to go on active duty with the Army in February, 1941; and has a long record of train service which began in June, 1903, when he started as a Conductor. Promoted to Dispatcher in 1905, in 1910 he became Trainmaster; in 1913, Assistant Superintendent, where he remained until 1933. After his return from Army duty, from which he retired as colonel in December, 1943, he was appointed Superintendent of Instruction and Safety, at a time when it was necessary to train more new men in a short time than had ever been done before.

As Assistant General Superintendent, Mr. Belt is Mr. Wagenbach's chief executive officer, and is in charge of the Department in the absence of the General Superintendent.

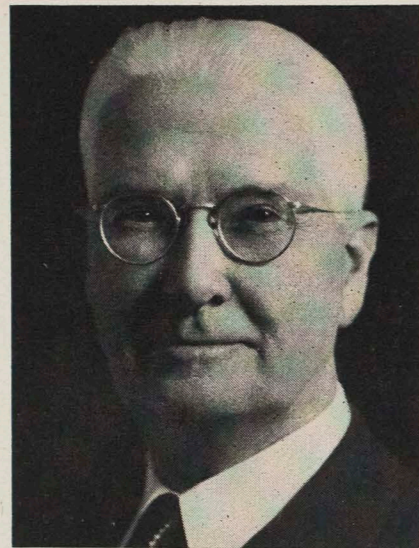
#### SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTOR COACH OPERATIONS

R. R. Wilson, the new Superintendent of Motor Coach Operations, returns to a position he held from 1936 until he entered the Army in 1942. Mr. Wilson held the position of head of the Land Transportation Division of the U. S. Army in Australia, returning after 2½ years to a position as Superintendent of Passenger Operations with the company, a position he held from November 24, 1945, until his present new appointment on August 1.

He has a long record of transportation experience, and was, for many years before coming over to Pacific Electric, Superintendent of Operations for the Motor Transit Company. His work in that capacity began September 16, 1917, and continued until December 15, 1920. He then left for 13 years to assume important positions with several other motor coach and trucking concerns, the last position being that of Division Superintendent of Pacific Greyhound Lines from 1929 to 1933. He returned to his Motor Transit post as Superintendent of Operations on April 1, 1933. When the Motor Transit Company was taken over by Pacific Electric, Mr. Wilson came with it, and in 1936

## Charles K. Bowen, Assistant to President, Retires August 1

AFTER a railroad career totaling 47 years, *Charles K. Bowen*, Assistant to the President, retired from active duty August 1 to take a



**CHARLES K. BOWEN**, Assistant to President, retires from active duty after 43 years with Pacific Electric. He pioneered in constructing the Pacific Electric Railway system.

leave of absence whose expiration on September 30 will be followed by his official retirement.

#### STARTED FOR PE AS DRAFTSMAN

A graduate civil engineer from Texas A. & M. in 1899, he worked for the Santa Fe from 1899 to 1902, rising to the position of assistant engineer in charge of construction.

#### HE ENTERED THE SERVICE OF THE PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY IN 1903 AS DRAFTSMAN, WHEN PE HAD A SYSTEM OF ONLY 107 MILES OF TRACKS. DURING HIS EARLY YEARS HE WAS ENGAGED IN DRAFTING PLANS FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE SYSTEM, AND LATER BECAME A FIELD ENGINEER IN THE ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION WORK WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT THE EXPANSION OF THE SYSTEM TO 1,200 MILES OF TRACKAGE, MAKING PACIFIC ELECTRIC THE LARGEST INTERURBAN ELECTRIC RAILWAY IN THE WORLD. DURING THIS TIME, MR. BOWEN WAS CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH THE LATE HENRY E. HUNTINGTON, FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

He entered the service of the Pacific Electric Railway in 1903 as Draftsman, when PE had a system of only 107 miles of tracks. During his early years he was engaged in drafting plans for the extension of the system, and later became a Field Engineer in the actual construction work which brought about the expansion of the system to 1,200 miles of trackage, making Pacific Electric the largest interurban electric railway in the world. During this time, Mr. Bowen was closely associated with the late Henry E. Huntington, first President of the Pacific Electric Railway.

ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT SINCE 1938

In 1918, Mr. Bowen entered military service as a captain in the U. S. Engineers. After the war he returned to Pacific Electric as Field Engineer in charge of construction. In 1921, because of his proven engineering ability, Mr. Bowen was sent to Mexico as chief engineer of the Southern Pacific Lines in Mexico to rebuild the railroads destroyed by the revolutionists. Returning to PE in 1922, he continued his engineering work in the capacity of Special Engineering Assistant to the President. In 1938 he was appointed Assistant to the President, and continued in this position until his retirement.

#### PIONEER IN RAILROAD DEVELOPMENT

Perhaps no living individual in Southern California has been so closely associated with the development of transportation in this area as has Mr. Bowen.

#### HE LIVES AT 717 FAIRMOUNT ROAD, BURBANK.

All honor and best wishes to Old-Timer Charles K. Bowen.

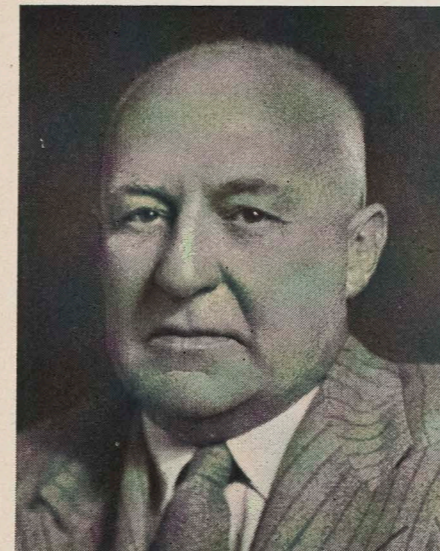
#### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

Employees congratulate each and every one of these executives on his new position, and extend cordial wishes for the success of all.

## Dr. Weber Retires September 1; Succeeded by Dr. A. M. Scholz

### Dr. Kidder Also Retires

THE MANY HUNDREDS of Pacific Electric employes who have benefited by the surgical skill of *Dr. William L. Weber*, Chief Sur-



**DR. W. L. WEBER**

geon of the Pacific Electric Hospital Association, and the thousands more who have profited by his advice and treatment during the past 33 years, will regret to learn that he has retired from service, the effective date having been September 1.

#### CAME TO PE IN 1913

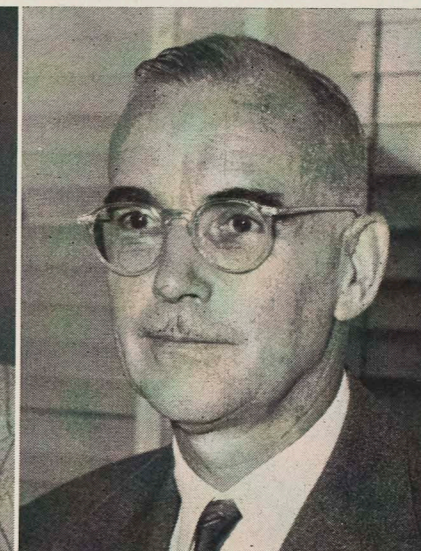
Invited by Dr. George L. Hutchinson, then head of the Medical Department, to join the staff in 1913, Dr. Weber, at that time beginning his medical career as Assistant Surgeon at the Los Angeles Receiving Hospital, accepted the offer. He became Assistant Surgeon on July 1 of that same year. The Medical Department had been only recently organized, personnel at that time consisting only of Dr. Hutchinson, Dr. Weber, Dr. F. W. Kidder, and Miss Elizabeth Brahm.

A year and a half later Dr. Weber was appointed Assistant Chief Surgeon, and in 1917 won the title he bore with such distinction until his retirement.

#### TRIBUTE PAID

Says his successor, *Dr. A. M. Scholz*: "Dr. Weber built the department from almost nothing to a well-functioning medical organiza-

tion which the American College of Surgeons has pronounced to be among the country's best. On the wall of the waiting room a plaque from the College giving the department a Class A rating a number of



**DR. A. M. SCHOLZ**

years ago is testimony to the untiring efforts of Dr. Weber. It has been through his keen medical and administrative ability that the department has become what it is."

Three facts about the Pacific Electric Hospital Association are sources of the greatest pride to Dr. Weber: recognition by the American College of Surgeons; the cooperation he has always enjoyed from his colleagues and assistants; and the recognition by and willing services of the top specialists in Los Angeles and surrounding areas.

#### RETIREMENT PLAN

The retiring Chief Surgeon stated that he will also retire from private practice, although he intends to keep on reading the latest in medical theory and practice. He plans to rest awhile, spending his time between his Los Angeles home and his 25-acre ranch in Indio, where he raises dates, grapefruit, and grapes. Mrs. Weber has a bungalow court in Indio which the doctor proudly says is recommended by Duncan Hines, the well-known connoisseur.

All employes extend to this grand old-timer and splendid surgeon their very best wishes for his happiness in a well-won retirement.

## Dr. Scholz Gifted as Physician and Surgeon

Dr. A. M. Scholz has been chosen as Chief Surgeon succeeding Dr. Weber.

Assistant Chief Surgeon for the past several years, Dr. Scholz is likewise an old-timer with the company, having been associated with the Medical Department since September 11, 1916, when he entered service as Assistant Surgeon. His skill with the knife and his abundant competence as a physician are well known to all who have consulted him, and his excellent reputation to many more.

He is a graduate of the University of Southern California Medical School, having received his M.D. degree in 1914. After internship in the Los Angeles General Hospital for a year, he practiced for a year in an Arizona mining town before entering Pacific Electric service. In World War I, while on military leave from Pacific Electric, he served in the Army for 13 months.

Best wishes for his continuing success come from all employes of the company.

## Dr. Kidder Built Up Fine X-Ray Department

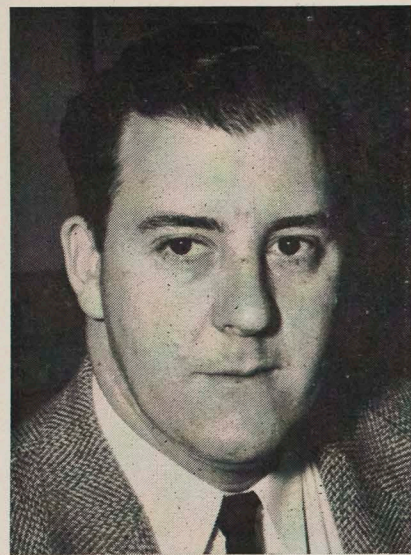
Coincident with the retirement of Dr. Weber come news of the retirement of *Dr. F. W. Kidder*, roentgenologist, who entered Pacific Electric service as Assistant Surgeon at the same time as his chief.

To Dr. Kidder was assigned the task of building up an X-ray department. With natural talents in the field, he combined special studies at home and abroad, and, in addition to organizing a successful department which at this time employs five full-time assistants, achieved considerable prominence for his research in roentgenology.

Best wishes of employes go to Dr. Kidder for a speedy recovery from his present illness, and for a happy retirement.

## The New Railroad Retirement Law

It had been planned to include in this issue of the Magazine an interpretation of the new Railroad Retirement Law (the Crosser Act). Investigation revealed, however, that many of its provisions were not entirely clear even to those most nearly concerned with its administration. Hence, rather than make statements which might later prove to be misleading, it has been decided to wait until the November-December issue for a clear statement.



U. GEORGE PERRY, new Business Manager for the Hospital Department.

### Hospital Association Gets Business Manager

U. George Perry, formerly Tax Accountant for Pacific Electric, was appointed Business Manager of the Hospital Department as of August 1. He will handle all business transactions for the department.

A new office has been fitted out for him at 965 Pacific Electric Building, near the X-ray department.

### ACCOUNTING CAREER

Mr. Perry came to work for Pacific Electric in 1922 as a Junior Clerk in the Accounting Department, and remained in that department until his new appointment. After holding various clerical positions in the Disbursements Bureau, he was promoted to the post of Head Clerk of the Bureau in February, 1943; Chief Accountant in the Immediate Bureau in April, 1944; and Tax Accountant in September, 1945.

### CONSTANT STUDENT

Educated in the Los Angeles schools, Mr. Perry has constantly sought further training to fit himself for his career in business. He has taken many night school classes toward this end. He's also an enthusiastic radio amateur, and has his own short-wave transmitter.

### ALWAYS ON THE JOB

Keen of mind, serious in purpose, always on the job, he's characterized by a genial personality, easy friendliness, and quick willingness to help the other fellow out—all of which qualities spell success.

His many Pacific Electric friends are happy to learn of his new and very responsible undertaking.

## Increase in Fares Starts Aug. 20

All fares and commutation tickets (with few exceptions) on Pacific Electric rail and motor coach lines were increased approximately 15%—except that five-cent fares went to seven cents—on August 20.

The reasons, as outlined by the Passenger Traffic Department, are as follows:

There were no fare increases on Pacific Electric during the war period. Constantly increasing operating costs, primarily from increased wages and cost of materials, were offset by increased wartime traffic during the past few years.

Large wage increases in 1946 of approximately \$3,500,000 a year, however, plus increased material costs and concurrent decrease in travel of approximately 14% compared with travel a year ago, have resulted in present operating costs exceeding revenues. This condition has made an increase in fares imperative.

The Railroad Commission of the State of California in its Decision No. 39302, dated July 31, 1946, clearly analyzes the situation in these words: "This record is conclusive that applicant's revenue under prevailing conditions is not sufficient to meet the increased operating expenses resulting primarily from wage increases; in fact the record shows that even under the proposed fare increase the company will still fail to meet its passenger service operating expenses, including depreciation, without any return on the investment."

### Helen M. Freedle Now Heads Employment; Mrs. Kipp, Interviewer

With the new appointment of H. L. Young, former Superintendent of Employment in the Personnel Department, as Superintendent of Instruction and Safety, comes news from L. R. McIntire, Manager of Personnel, of other changes within that department.

The position of Superintendent of Employment has been abolished, and the office of employment at room 217 closed. Miss Helen M. Freedle, formerly Superintendent of Personnel Records, is now Supervisor of Personnel Records and Employment. Mrs. Evelyn Kipp, formerly Personnel Clerk under Mr. Young, has the new title of Interviewer, and interviews candidates for employment daily between 8:30 and 12:30 in room 206.

Congratulations to both ladies on their new positions.

## TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

By Suzanne Margot Jacquemin Smith



Having bid in a job working directly for Terminal Trainmaster J. G. Blake, at Eighth Street, this column will originate here instead of State Street. Trolleyman R. Herr's trip to Yosemite resulted in some very scenic photos. Brakeman G. Osman visited Canada. Conductor L. H. Keene attended his son Richard's marriage in Ohio. Nathan Foster spent his vacation fishing and showing relatives the town. Conductor H. J. Beck, minus his African hunting hat, just couldn't be "Herman." Engineer W. Spangler went to Sterling City and drove 1250 miles on his vacation. When Katherine Salmon and Mildred Johnston presented me as a new bride with a cook-book, little did they know that the first receipt I'd try would be for "mackerel." Motorman A. D. Terfinger's trailer was completed and he is on a six-months all-state tour. Andy and Mrs. Moreno celebrated a 15th wedding anniversary. Preston Jones, minus the red hair of his dad, Brakeman R. N. Jones, works at the Freight House. E. W. Hayes visited his sister in Spokane, Washington. Conductor Earl Johnson has his panama hat in the safety deposit vault, so he says, due to the fact that it is so rare! J. G. Sprowl, "Silent Jim," brought his twins to the office, and they're darlings. H. G. Bracken vacationed in Seattle. L. Taylor liked his trip South of the Border, but says he couldn't stay long enough. Lucky Art Nasher won the cutest French doll at Chico's Restaurant, and his wife just won't part with it. (Thanks for "them kind words" in your column last month, Art!) R. V. Calvett and H. A. Gode's hobby is making artistic wood and copper lamps and ashtrays. C. W. Coutts returned from Missouri, smiling and happy. E. V. Stevens is at Eighth Street again. Dorothy Hillman took a trip to Oregon. Bobby and Joe Antista are mighty happy these days. Charmaine Nittinger, O S & D Clerk at L. A. Freight, is aglow over her sparkler which she received on August 9 from Everett Gauthier. W. E. Craig vacationed at Sequoia and Don Houston headed out for Yosemite. Jack Sim-



LLOYD H. COVELL seated in his new easy chair presented by many Pacific Electric friends, some of whom gathered in T. L. Wagenbach's office for the presentation. Left to right are Bill Scholl, Laurel S. Jones, Bob Forcier, H. E. Foskett, E. B. Griffin, Art Nasher, Tom Nolan (directly behind Mr. Nasher), W. D. Pinkston, Frank Con-

verse, C. B. Smith, L. J. McGrath, T. L. Wagenbach, Gordon Hall, Charlie Hill, J. R. Worthington, Mike Levin, G. F. Squires, H. W. Bradbury, C. H. Belt, Ray Harmon, Harry Young, George Jehl, E. B. Whiteside, Lonnie Campbell, Charlie Shook, Fred D'Arcy, H. A. Bates, Paul Durbin (behind Mr. Bates' ear), Oliver Steuernagel, V. C. Prettyman, and Ivan Erhardt.

### Lloyd H. Covell Retires from Service August 1

Old-timer Lloyd H. Covell, Supervisor of Dispatchers, retired August 1. That's sad news for many of his innumerable friends in all departments of the company.

### TWICE FETED

He was the guest of honor at two parties: one in the office of (then) Senior Assistant General Superintendent T. L. Wagenbach, on July 17, attended by between 40 and 50 friends in the various offices; and the second in the form of a chicken-barbecue picnic on Sunday, July 21, at the home of Dispatcher Lee Bartula, 5245 Almont Street, El Sereno. At the party in Mr. Wagenbach's office, Mr. Covell received a beautiful easy chair. Attending the Bartula party were C. B. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fenwick, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hraback, Mr. and Mrs. Ove Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pulliam, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Smith, the guest of honor and Mrs. Covell, and the host and Mrs. Bartula. Messrs. Bartula, Griffin, and Jensen provided jolly musical entertainment.

### HIS PE HISTORY

Mr. Covell had worked for Pacific

mons, at L. A. Freight, is the father of a lovely little girl. D. W. Yeager rode the choo-choo train to Wyoming and says the fishing is superb in his home state. A. L. Robertson had an eventful month: vacation, an automobile accident, and then a promotion to Trainmaster. Eleanor Lifur still claims that the South Rim is better than the North Rim of the Grand Canyon.

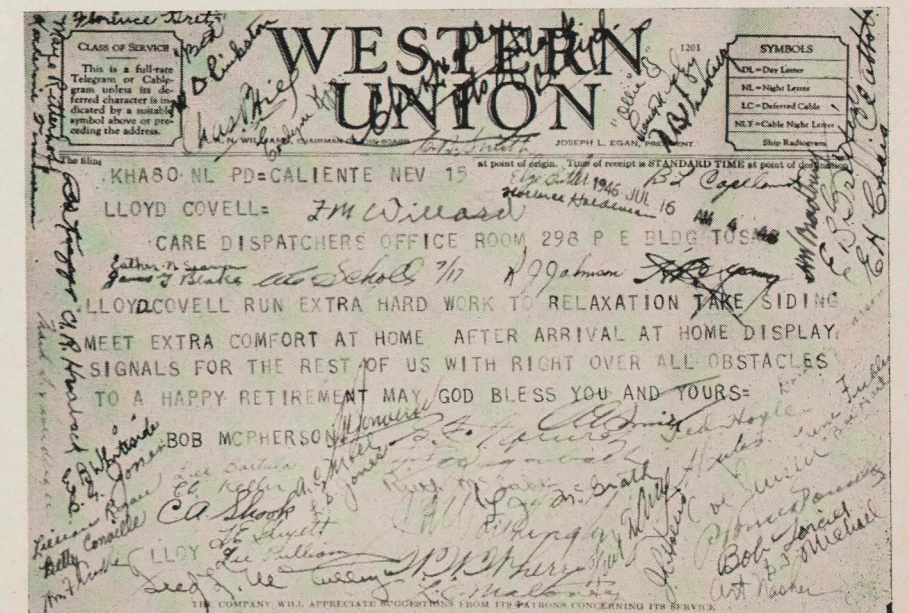
Electric since June 1913, when he became a Conductor on the Southern District. In 1927 he was Assistant Trainmaster on the South for six months, and in the same year qualified as Depotmaster and Dispatcher. In 1918 he was called out of the Dispatcher's office to substitute for Claim Investigator Archie Brahm, who was in military service until 1919. Back as Dispatcher in August, 1919, Mr. Covell remained there until February, 1943, when he was asked to take the job of supervising Collectors, who were hired during the war to help keep trains running when men were scarce. On September 1, 1945, he was placed in charge of

Dispatchers, and remained in that capacity until his retirement.

### ACTIVE CLUBMAN

Mr. Covell was very active in club work. He organized a PE bowling team in 1914, and finally got a league started in 1925. Half a dozen times he was high average bowler for the PE league. He was one of the organizers of the Pacific Electric Club back in 1916. In 1920 he won the PE system pool championship, successfully defending his title 12 times within a year. During the years when the company picnics were held at Redondo, Mr. Covell used to have charge of the races.

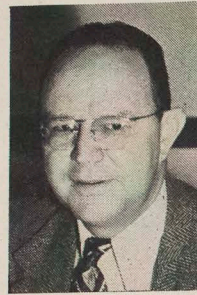
Employees wish this grand old-timer many years of happiness.



CLEVER IDEA—Telegram sent to Lloyd Covell on his retirement.

### Sein Appointed Time Supervisor; Hanna New Head Clerk in CTB

The appointment of Charles Sein as Time Supervisor in the Transportation Department was announced in August by General Superintendent T. L. Wagenbach. Mr. Sein, who had been Head Clerk in the Central Timekeeping Bureau, assumed his new duties on August 16. He was succeeded in CTB by A. E. Hanna.



Charles Sein

The principal duties of the new Time Supervisor, as outlined in the official announcement, are to see that crew assignments in freight and passenger operations are

made in conformity with BRT agreements, to investigate time claims, to study conditions at the various terminals with a view to effecting economies in operations, and to make reports and recommendations, as the result of his studies, to the General Superintendent.

#### WELL ADAPTED BY EXPERIENCE

For these duties Mr. Sein is well fitted by his long service, which has involved matters related to time allowances and has required a thorough knowledge of union agreements.

Beginning as Office Boy in the

Accounting Department in 1924, he transferred in 1928 to Engineering as Payroll and Material Clerk. In 1933 he transferred again to Accounting in various clerking positions, entering the Central Timekeeping Bureau in March, 1934, as Timekeeper, continuing through the years as Lead Checker, Senior Timekeeper, Statistical Clerk, Assistant Head Clerk, Special Accountant, and finally, in September, 1945, as Head Clerk in charge of final examination of pay rolls and deductions.

#### HANNA HISTORY

Mr. Hanna, new CTB Head Clerk, began work with the Motor Transit Company in August, 1929, as a Clerk in the Accounting Department. When the Motor Transit Company



A. E. Hanna

became a part of Pacific Electric, Mr. Hanna was appointed to various clerking positions in the Pacific Electric Accounting Department, beginning in 1932. In September, 1942, he was made Assistant Head Clerk, Central Timekeeping Bureau; in 1944 became Special Accountant in the Immediate Bureau, working on disbursements; and just a year later, while retaining the title of Special Accountant, began special work in the Central Timekeeping Bureau, which he continued until his appointment as Head Clerk.

Best wishes from all for the success of both men.

### RETIREMENTS

Best wishes to the following employees, who, according to the Treasury Department, have retired during the months of June, July, and August:

NAME	Occupation	Department	Years of Service
Howell M. Ayres	Conductor (West)	Transportation	25
William A. Chappell	Section Foreman	Engineering	21
Lloyd H. Covell	Dispatcher	Transportation	33
Lewis J. DeWitt	Motorman (West)	Transportation	26
Jesse B. Green	General Foreman	Mechanical	44
Thomas H. Higgins	Car Repairer	Mechanical	25
Dr. Frank W. Kidder	Roentgenologist	Hospital	33
Benjamin W. McCullough	Motorman (North)	Transportation	26
Henry M. Mosher	Conductor (North)	Transportation	27
Emil Neprasch	Conductor (North)	Transportation	26
Charles E. Ridgeway	Conductor (South)	Transportation	20
Archie W. Ross	Conductor (South)	Transportation	27
Bert F. Sherman	Millman	Mechanical	30
Fred B. Spencer	Asst. Agent	Terminal Freight	23
Addison A. Stace	Brakeman (South)	Transportation	26
Frank T. Taylor	Draftsman	Mechanical	31
Lynwood A. Toothaker	Motorman (North)	Transportation	33
Dr. Ashby Willmott	Doctor	Hospital	23

## PASSENGERS APPRECIATE

J. G. Sprowl, Motor Coach Operator, Alhambra-Arcadia Line, for his "cheerfulness and pleasantness." Letter from Mrs. F. L. Dougherty.

Raymond A. Hightower, Motor Coach Operator, Pasadena-Long Beach Line, for his courtesy and consideration in answering questions by passengers, and his patience in dealing with elderly people. Personal visit from a passenger who observed Mr. Hightower's actions.

H. H. Ferrell, Motor Coach Operator, San Bernardino Line, for his "extreme courtesy to everyone," and for "operating the coach in an efficient and safe manner under trying circumstances." Personal visit from Mrs. Sadie Smith on August 3.

H. N. Story, Motor Coach Operator, Redlands Line, for his courteous treatment in assisting a lady to leave the bus. Letter dated August 7, from Miss Elaine G. Du Val.

L. C. Kimrey, Motor Coach Operator, for being "one of the most pleasant and accommodating" drivers Mrs. G. M. Barclay has ever ridden with. Letter dated August 10.

Henry Van Den Brink, Conductor, Glendale-Burbank Line, for his coolness and perfect gentlemanliness during an emergency when a passenger who had just left his car fell in dead faint. Mr. Van Den Brink administered first aid, summoned an ambulance, and put out protection, all without exciting passengers or causing appreciable delay in service. Telephone call from Supervisor of Personnel, Western Air Lines, August 16.

Ralph L. Alcock, Motor Coach Operator, Western-Franklin Line, for courtesy to all passengers, and especially to Passenger Gary Landry, author of commendation letter dated August 14. Mr. Alcock suggested possible sightseeing trips for Mr. Landry's visiting friends, and called out places of interest.

T. M. Lloy, Motorman, and L. T. McCabe, Conductor, El Monte Line, who both together helped an apparently heat-stricken passenger onto the car and off again at his destination. Letter dated August 18 from Sidney H. Harding.

### MOTOR TRANSIT DISTRICT

By Bill Shrewsbury

Vacations, marriages, and blessed events are coming so fast we can't keep track of them. Here's a belated item that came as a surprise to us. Nick Basura was married May 18 to Barbara Neilson, Dental Technician from upstairs. They were married in St. Anthony's Church with reception held afterward at the bride's home. Elizabeth Baker, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Alfred Panzick, lifelong friend of Nick, was best man.

Although we knew about this one, we couldn't get it in time for the last edition. Harold R. Roff, working out of Sunland, was married to Miss Mary Pauline Pusey on June 27 at 8 p.m. in the bride's home in La Crescenta. The marriage was a double-ring ceremony.

On vacation at the time of this writing:

Hugh N. Chambers, 10-day fishing trip.

Buryl Calahan, 30-day leave to Kansas City. Upon returning, he will transfer to the West. Past records show, though, that he will be back to MT inside of 30 days.

K. L. Stevens, a trip to Portland. Ernie Lawrence now on leave.

C. P. Hendricksen, no information as to where he has gone for his vacation.

C. C. Arbogast, 30-day leave, taking the family back to Michigan.

B. L. ("Fly Boy") Mutz, also on vacation, says he intends to spend it in the air.

M. M. ("Mile a Minute") Stoner spending his vacation with his folks in Oceanside.

### SIXTH & MAIN TERMINAL



By N. H. Olson

Motorman Jake Ousterhoudt rounded out a most pleasant vacation in July visiting relatives in New York.

Conductor Roy Crist and family returned August 7 from an extended trip to the East Coast. Roy reports excellent accommodations at all points except Detroit, where he had



THRICE BLESSED OPERATOR — Frank Runa, blessed by his passengers for his courtesy, anticipating a blessed event, and blessed if he wasn't amazed by all the to-do, gets a shower of baby gifts on his Santa Ana run.

## Operator Frank Runa's Courtesy Wins Him Baby Shower on Bus

Courtesy again!

Probably the most publicized Motor Coach Operator on the system in August was Frank Runa of the Santa Ana Line. He had a three-column picture in the Santa Ana Register, two-column pictures in both the Los Angeles Times and the Los Angeles Examiner, plus appropriate stories describing the baby shower he received on his bus as the result of a discovery on the part of his regular passengers on the run leaving Los Angeles at 8:15 a.m. that he was about to become a father.

As each passenger boarded the bus at the various stops, he—or she—handed Mr. Runa a beautifully wrapped present for the baby expected in the Runa family in September. According to the Examiner, Miss Tommy Todd, of Fullerton, originated the

idea of the shower, and the other passengers heartily approved.

"Runa," the Examiner quotes her as saying, "is one of the most courteous bus drivers we've ever known—a real rarity these days."

According to the Times, the secret of his popularity is that "his passengers had always been pleased with his friendliness and his willingness to wait a minute or two when one of his regular customers was late at his bus stop. Too, he had learned the names of his 40-odd passengers."

"Because we love him," the Santa Ana Register says was the reason given by his passengers for the shower.

On the Santa Ana run since February, 1945, Mr. Runa has been with Pacific Electric since August, 1941.

Nice going, Frank!

a good night's rest on a bench in the Central Station.

Motorman O. C. Saddoris visited Omaha and vicinity during the month of June and reports Nebraska fried chicken is served in great abundance. O. C. came near becoming a gentleman of the soil, but decided to return to the PE.

Dispatcher Jess Osborne is again calling at 6th and Main. Jess says he is still a little under the weather but gaining. Be glad to have you back on the job, Jess.

Dispatcher Robert McPherson returned August 25 from a vacation in New York, Chicago, and other points east.

Conductor Grady ("Sugar") Cain of the Santa Ana Line always has a

news item for us but never wants to divulge any names. Let us in on the full secrets, Grady! Maybe we can use some of them.

The drama of life is constantly being enacted on 6th Street Viaduct, but the feature attraction of the show is the golden voice of Assistant Stationmaster E. M. Dustin. When he yodels, the world stops to listen.

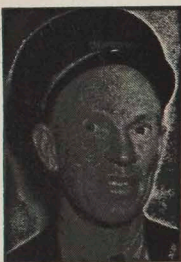
Conductors on the Southern District are more than pleased with the manner in which the public has fallen into the swing of the new tariff arrangement. Very little difficulty has been experienced during the change.

Conductor Paul Sanno is due to return to work about September 15. Paul has been on the sick list for a

long time and his many friends will be happy to see him return.

This tired old man will be vacationing in Kansas, Nebraska, and Missouri during October. He will be thinking of you when he is sitting around a platter of country ham, fried chicken, and Missouri River catfish. So long!

### MACY STREET TERMINAL



By  
Ted  
Harrison

The most interesting news seems to be the new runs, new faces on different lines, now extra boards.

Too many bumps to mention half of them, though I should say that one outstanding example is Motorman Charlie Yaple working a regular run and his side line of that collection agency has been taken over by Motorman Raph Pohl and then there are lots of good fish stories going about as well as travel stories such as Conductor Oscar Gough and Motorman Polzien making fast trips to New York and back in one week and then someone said our genial Foreman D. B. Van Fleet must have retired but he was just taking off his annual two weeks to mow his lawn and trim his hedge while Ed Fox adjusted his dark glasses so he could see in daylight and took over Van's job while Motorman Bever and Conductor took care of the second shift at Macy St. and that folks seems to be the news available at this time and maybe later when the excitement has died down we can give you a more detailed report of some of these big vacation stories and now bye for now I'm all out of breath see you later about the tenth of November.

### Former Editor Drops In

Paul T. Porter, Editor of the PACIFIC ELECTRIC MAGAZINE for eight years "way back when," dropped into the current Editor's office in August. Says he is now in the butcher supply business in Long Beach, selling heavy equipment. He has his own business, Porter's Butcher Supply, at 1405 East 4th Street, which address we insert because he would like the old-timers to drop in sometimes for a chat.

### Children of PE Workers Aided by MECCA Fund Through Hospital

Have you wondered just where your contributions to MECCA go? If so, here is one place—the Children's Hospital Society.

Writing to President O. A. Smith, Mrs. Majl Ewing, president of the Society, said in a letter dated July 5: "You will be interested to know that during the past twelve months thirty-four children of employes in the Pacific Electric Railway Company were cared for in Children's Hospital clinic. We could not give this free and part-pay service to your employes and to thousands of workers in other firms, were it not for the federated Community Chest appeal each year."

Mrs. Ewing goes on to state that the success of the Community Chest campaign this fall is of unusual importance, in view of the fact that the Children's Hospital is faced with the same problems of rising costs as every business organization.

Let's all do our share by joining MECCA—the plan whereby you authorize 30c a month, to be deducted from your wages for charitable purposes.



MOURNED — Joseph G. ("Joe") Rovai, Head Switchman at the Pasadena Car House for the past quarter-century.

### PASADENA TERMINAL

By  
D. B.  
Gardner



We received a great shock with the passing of Joseph ("Joe") Rovai, Leader Switchman, on July 18. To Joe's many friends he was more than a Leader Switchman or a friend—he was an institution. Joe has held this same position for the past twenty-five years, having come to Pasadena from the San Diego Electric. He is survived by his 82-year-old mother, a brother, and a sister, all of San Diego.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woodford recently entertained a number of friends and relatives at their home in honor of Terminal Foreman and Mrs. Edward C. Fox, on the occasion of the Foxes' 34th wedding anniversary. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Wing; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kiniry; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Newman; D. E. Walsh; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Elderkin; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Young; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox, Jr., and family of Salt Lake, Utah; and Mary Fox. Games were played and a lovely supper was served.

Many friends were saddened to hear of the passing of Louis Bowers, retired Conductor, on August 12.

For a small state, Massachusetts is well represented in Pasadena, with William and Lawrence Hunt, Gilbert and Arthur Reid, Lee Strople, Ed Thorne, R. M. Steele, R. C. Walker, J. F. Kiniry, Mrs. Laura Stevens, and your humble servant, all being former bean-eaters.

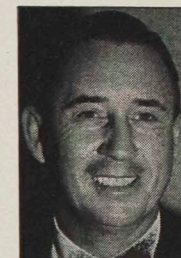
We are happy to report that E. L. Gulden is making steady gains after a long illness.

Word has been received from Santa Barbara that Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McKee were involved in a traffic accident. Mrs. McKee suffered a broken leg and severe shock. At the time of this writing we are unable to determine the severity of Mrs. McKee's injuries; however, we trust that she will soon be on the road to recovery.

Motorman John Ream passed out cigars in August when he heard that his daughter in Minneapolis had become the proud mother of a 9½ pound boy on August 17.

### QUESTION AND ANSWER BOX for PASSENGER CONDUCTORS AND OPERATORS

By  
W. J. Fenwick



Supervisor,  
Northern and  
Southern  
Districts

William A. Daley, Car Cleaner at the Pasadena Car House, returned to duty September 3 following a two-weeks stay in St. Vincent's Hospital as the result of an accident in which he was struck by an automobile in Temple City.

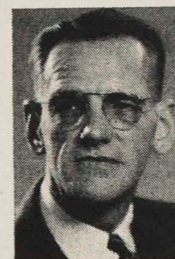


Wm. A.  
Daley

"All the nurses treated me fine," says Mr. Daley.

### OCEAN PARK CAR HOUSE AND BUS LOT

By  
D. L.  
Graadt  
van Roggen



Looking over the Board we find that Conductor R. R. Hinson is back with us to work as a Motorman-Conductor. A. A. Kuhn may now be seen on the front of a "1000." Good luck to both!

ODDITIES AT OPCH: Conductor H. E. Roberts with his red motor



EXHIBIT "A"—These three OPCH men claim that this picture proves that they caught the fine string of big-mouth bass they're happily displaying. Left to right are Conductors C. G. ("Backlash") Keller, R. C. ("Kola") Rainey, and Terminal Foremen William ("Blue Gill") Kennedy. They allege that this picture was taken at Hanson Dam after they had caught the legal limit. The MAGAZINE refuses to accept responsibility.

Q. "In your last article in the Magazine you said to collect tax on all combinations of tickets, but in a previous article you said not to collect on a 35c ticket and 5c given in payment for a 40c fare. I don't see any difference since they are both in payment of a taxable fare. Please advise me the correct procedure." D. F. Quinlan—B-5382.

A. In surveying the results of the article on Internal Revenue Transportation tax in June and July-August issues, Mr. Quinlan's question regarding the collection of tax on a combination fare of a commutation ticket and cash of less than 36c appears to be the one question still misunderstood by many Conductors and Operators. The fine point between a 30-ride commutation and other forms of tickets is the destination. The article in the June Magazine quoted your tariff rule as well as the por-

tion of the law exempting commutation tickets of "less than thirty miles or the amounts paid for commutation tickets for one month or less." With the exception of commutation tickets, tax will be collected when combination of fares are presented amounting to 36c or more on that portion of the total fare on which tax has not previously paid. We do not know just why your tax committee exempted 30-day commutation tickets. We can only surmise that consideration was given the daily commuter because the committee felt that such travel was necessary. No doubt consideration was given the business man who is forced to travel in his line of business. Poor health to himself or family may force a commuter to live at the seashore or the country. Whatever the reason, Congress has seen fit to exempt the 30-ride commutation ticket and we must be governed accordingly.

scooter and his pups. Tizzy, the OP cat, with her litter of six-toed kittens.

CORRECTION: Who am I to place Tipperary in County Cork, while the latest reports are that it still can be found in County Munster, Irish Free State S'cuse, please.

VISITOR: Ex-Conductor Jim Gowan. He told us that he now lives in Marysville, California, and works in a furniture store.

BACK ON THE JOB: Motorman S. R. Ferrula back to roost at OP after jockeying trains on the Santa Ana run. It's good to see you again, Sammy!

Motorman F. Winder returned from a trip to Buffalo, through the flood district at Elmira. N. Y., and Williamsport, Pa., and had a grand time visiting relatives.

Conductor R. H. ("Pop") Nissley has returned from a visit to Omaha, Neb., where he chewed the fat with his old cronies at the Burlington R.R. Pop worked for the B.R.R. 31 years and was night general yardmaster

until he came to Los Angeles to work for the PE.

Motorman P. Nordquist returned from a trip to Iowa and North Dakota, to see his family and friends.

CONGRATULATIONS: To Motorman G. E. Franklin and his wife Bessie, who celebrated a quarter of a century of wedded bliss on June 29; to Operator M. G. Vernack, who announced the birth of a son on August 6. Young Master Vernack weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz.

IN MEMORIAM: On August 9 we received word that Motorman L. G. Washford passed away.

MIX-UP: Conductor R. B. Beach did not go to Australia. He had one foot on the gangplank, when he received a telegram saying: "Stay where you are; am in sight of U.S.—Your wife," or words to that effect. So, like a good husband, R. B. stayed until the ship docked. Welcome home, Mrs. B.

I hope to be back in time for the next deadline, as Mrs. V. R. and I are about to make a trip to the Middle West.

## LONG BEACH FREIGHT HOUSE



By  
**Jack  
DeLaney**

Vacations were in the offing the past several weeks. Our good old friend Frank Howe, Motorman, took three weeks off, and he and his wife journeyed up in Northern California and Oregon and Washington, visiting friends and relatives. His first trip up North in fifteen years.

Agent H. P. Clark tried to keep his birthday a secret, but we found out the date; and the employes at the station presented him on July 15 with a fine electric clock.

Walter Somerby, Revising Clerk, left July 15 for the East for a little checking up at the Mayo Clinic. Arrived back to work August 14 all fixed up.

Jimmy Connors, Assistant Cashier, took 30 days of vacation with wife and family. Spent his time at Yosemite. His job was relieved by Brittan Lawrence, recently returned war veteran.

Madeline Somerby, Interchange Clerk, has taken up horseback riding for her hobby. Says she has gained 10 pounds but the horse lost 50.

Dan Perdue, Bill Clerk, is going into the rabbit business. Some one presented him with a real live rabbit July 30. Says he is going to beat this high-priced meat situation.

Bill Carey, champion bowler while not working on the Interchange Desk, bats the pins down with an average score of 200. Bill recently came to this station from Indio.

Al Luden, Car Clerk just announced his marriage to Betty Hargett at San Pedro, May 26. Best wishes, Al.

### PASSENGER STATION

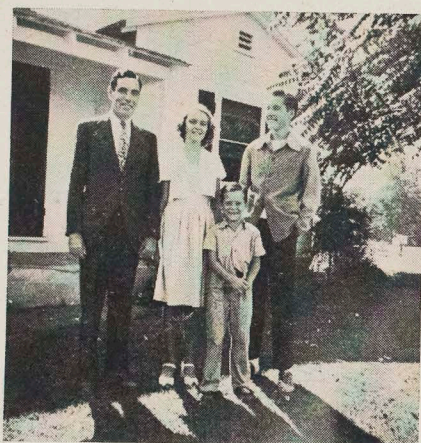
Joe Blackburn, District Freight Agent, sojourned awhile at Catalina Island. Joe was so happy a few weeks ago when he found a house to rent that he took time off for a vacation. In the meantime, A. C. MacDonald held down the fort.

Fred Boren, Ticket Clerk, is in a tizzy. Someone saw in an article in the papers that Fred had taken a vacation, but after buying up several issues, Fred was unable to find it. Anyone seeing this news item please report it to Fred.

## "PE Gets in the Blood," Writes TRAINS Editor

"It seems as if the road gets in your blood," said Frank P. Donovan, Jr., Research Editor of Trains Magazine, as he wrote in last July 10 to ask for a photograph of Butte Street Yard at night, our June cover, which he thought "is a dandy."

Mr. Donovan worked as a Trucker-Clerk in the Los Angeles Freight House during the summer of 1942.



**WORKERS AND FAMILIES—Here are three office workers of 221 who, off the job, devote much time to bringing up their families. At top, Emory Hanlon, Secretary-Clerk, with his three children: Judith, 13, Gregory 6, and Emory John, 15. In center picture are two more Secretary-Clerks, Pearl Burress, left, and Ruth Barney; below are their respective daughters: Mary Ann Burress (left), 10, and Patricia Barney, 8.**

## ROOM 221 AND VICINITY

By  
**Rosanne  
Smith**



Vacationers during July and August: "Bubbles" Jackson, File Clerk, Room 220, at Arrowhead and in Canada—stopped at Niagara Falls. Irene Nordquist, Freight Car and Order Clerk, and Katherine Salmon, our Pass Clerk, leisured on the shores of Santa Catalina.

June 23 brought home Pierce Mayo, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kipp. He was released from the Army in LeHavre, France before they left for Independence, Missouri. Mr. Kipp is a Motor Transit Supervisor, and his wife, Evelyn, is our Personnel Interviewer. Helen Semnacher, Secretary to Mr. Belt, spent her stay in San Francisco.

Lamentation on the loss of, but best wishes to Lloyd H. Covell on his retirement July 18.

Ex-Supervisor A. P. Smith is now definitely married, the ceremony having taken place on July 7. The lucky lady is Miss Edna M. Wright, formerly of Pasadena. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Smith!—They're living at 305 Pal Mal Avenue, Temple City.

## Payroll Deduction For Glasses Authorized

The company management has announced that a payroll deduction plan in connection with procurement of glasses, repairs to glasses, etc., has just been made with Dr. Walter F. Morrison, 818 Pacific Electric Building, Los Angeles, for the convenience of employes.

Dr. Morrison has been located in Los Angeles for many years, has a very high reputation, and has made glasses for many of the employes during the past. His services are of particular advantage to Pacific Electric employes because of the convenience of his office and the promptness of his service. Glasses are furnished within a few days after examination; new lenses to replace broken ones, as well as other repairs to glasses, are made promptly. Dr. Morrison maintains his own lens grinding facilities.—Adv't.

## J. B. Green Retires: Was General Foreman of System Bus Repair

J. B. Green, General Foreman of Automotive Maintenance for the Pacific Electric system, retired August 1, after a long and useful career with the Mechanical Department of this company.

### PARTIES GIVEN

In Mr. Green's honor, two parties were given. One on July 16 at Macy Street Garage was attended by several hundred, including employes from Macy and representatives from various points on the system. At this gathering he received a handsome assortment of salt-water and fresh-water fishing tackle, a target rifle, and a check with which to buy an auto radio. The second party was in the form of a banquet at Taix Restaurant, given on July 25 by Superintendent of Equipment F. E. Geibel, Assistant Superintendent E. A. Stevens, and Foreman and Assistant Foreman of the Mechanical Department. At the banquet a chicken dinner preceded a discussion of old times and the presentation of a pipe and tobacco to the guest of honor. Present besides Mr. Green, Mr. Geibel, and Mr. Stevens were George Evans, Frank H. Markley, R. L. Mankins, William R. Tingler, T. H. Green, E. W. Randig, T. J. Clifford, and E. H. Harper. Walter G. White was ill and unable to be present.

### HIS CAREER

Mr. Green began his work with the Los Angeles-Pacific Railway in February, 1900, at Sherman (now West Hollywood) as Car Repairer. In those days there were no busses, and his work was all with electric rail cars. First becoming a General Foreman in 1912, on the Western District, Mr. Green held various positions at the General Foreman level until, with the expansion of Pacific Electric's bus fleet, he was made, in 1941, General Foreman of Automotive Maintenance for the system—a man-sized job—with office at Macy Street. Here he continued until his retirement, having the pleasure of seeing the new Macy Garage built in 1942 with modern equipment to expedite bus repair work.

Mr. Green's wife organized the Pacific Electric Women's Club in 1928.

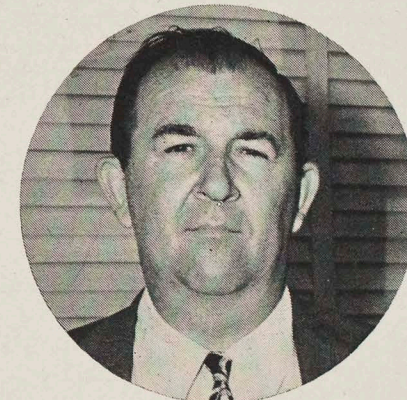
Best wishes for a long and happy retirement go to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Green.

Doctor: "How is the boy who swallowed the half dollar?"

Nurse: "No change yet, doctor."



**RETIREMENT PARTY for J. B. Green (inset), General Foreman of Automotive Maintenance and Repair for the PE system, was held at Macy Garage July 16. Mr. Green, attired in double-breasted suit, stands to left of carton containing some of the fishing tackle presented as a farewell gift. Second to right from Mr. Green is Roy L. Mankins, General Foreman of System Car Repair; behind him is the new General Automotive Foreman, E. W. Randig.**



**E. W. RANDIG, new General Foreman of Automotive Maintenance.**

## Randig Follows Green as General Foreman of Automotive Repair

Congratulations to the new General Foreman of Automotive Maintenance, E. W. Randig, who succeeded J. B. Green on August 1.

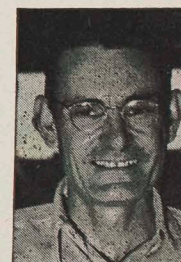
Mr. Randig began his automotive career as Garage Helper for the Motor Transit Company back in 1920, when Motor Transit busses ran to Bakersfield and San Diego. He remained with them as Mechanic, Relief Foreman, and Foreman until Motor Transit was taken over by Pacific Electric in 1938, when he was made Foreman at Riverside. On May 17, 1940, he went to Pasadena as Assistant Foreman for a brief two months, transferring to Ocean Park as Foreman on July 16. On September 3, 1942, he went to Macy Street as Night Foreman; and on May 1, 1945, became Foreman of Bus Motors Overhaul at Torrance. During his

sojourn at Torrance, as readers will remember, he wrote an excellent article on bus motors overhaul for the July, 1945, issue of the PACIFIC ELECTRIC MAGAZINE. Last June 16 he became Assistant General Foreman at Macy Street, a position which has been followed by his present one.

E. H. Harper, former Foreman at West Hollywood, is Mr. Randig's new Assistant General Foreman. A. J. Fitzgerald, former Leader, has succeeded Mr. Randig as Torrance Foreman.

## SYSTEM GARAGES

By  
**A. L.  
Bristow**



So many vacations I can't keep up with them—shan't even try—just join with everyone else in wishing each and all a very good time.

At Washington Street ("Bills") Garage several interesting events happened, foremost among which was Bill Shortt's becoming the father of a fine girl. He survived well. Then he moved the family to San Pedro. Since Bill is quite an expert on photography, we will be looking for some pictures later on.

The reason it's called "Bills Garage" is that there are so many "Bills" there. If you want service,

just holler "Bill!" and they come running from all directions.

Then of course there is the daily lunch period discourse on politics, the Einstein theory, etc., led by Alvin ("Senator") Caddin.

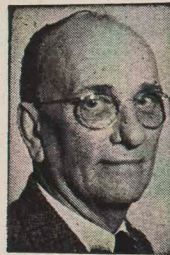
Back at dear old Macy Garage there is plenty happening every day—even though Sam<sup>1</sup> has taken The Little Chum<sup>2</sup> under his wing, tastes all the salted peanuts, checks the chewing gum, etc. Little Chum had a whale of a time on his vacation, though; ask him about it.

<sup>1</sup> Rinkus, Leader.  
<sup>2</sup> Bill Richards, Auto Machinist.

Sleepy Editor has just caught on to the fact that Al Bristow, former Leader at Macy Garage, is now a Foreman who visits the various system garages, observes techniques of maintenance and repair, and teaches mechanics the last word in new methods. A mighty fine mechanic himself, he has been reinforcing his knowledge by studying the latest theory and practice. Works under General Foreman E. W. Randig. His column henceforth will cover all garages.

## MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT

### North and South Districts



By  
Guy F.  
Gehde

A highlight among summer events was the marriage June 30 of Virginia Mankins, daughter of General Foreman Roy L. Mankins, to Donald Coe Rolf, recently released from military service in Germany. A host of friends attended the ceremony in the Congregational Church, Pasadena.

During July we had a card from James Briggs, retired General Foreman, who enjoyed a trip to Lake Tahoe.

On August 18 in Highland Park Lutheran Church was the marriage of Mildred Holtz to Lead Clerk Ralph P. Murphy. Many friends attended the reception following the wedding. After a trip to San Francisco and Yosemite, the couple were at home September 3.

August 1 Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Mankins left for Club San Moritz Beach, Lake Gregory, for a vacation and rest.

Percy Butler and family left August 19 for Yellowstone. Harold Johnson and his "better half" just tour-

ing. Kenneth ("String Bean") Perry, after a visit with his brother in New York, returned September 9. Foreman J. W. Wilcomb back after a rest, and from all appearances fully recovered.

Returning to the job the last week in August after vacation were Ludwig Otterstedt, Frank Sirchie, and Gilbert Boswell.

Irving Mankins, Watts Foreman, went on vacation August 2, plans and destination unknown—trout fishing, no doubt!

On September 23, Assistant general Foreman Wm. R. Tingler, Cy Maddill, Nick Sirchie, and Joe Garcia will hunt deer in Alpine County. Good Luck!

### MACY REPAIR SHOP

During July, M. C. Hernandez welcomed 1st Class Seaman son Rudolfo home from the Navy.

Visiting relatives in the Eastern U. S. are Virgil G. Clemons, and Mr. and Mrs. John R. Jones and son.

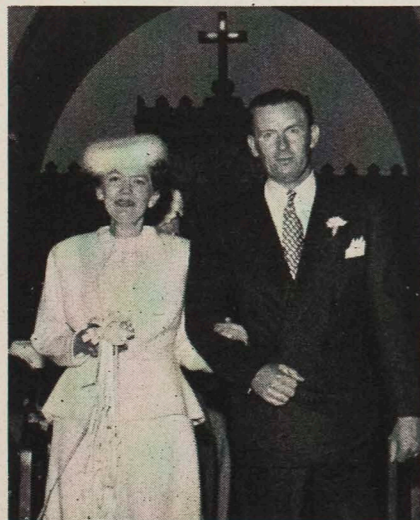
Vacationing during the last period in July were Leader Ray G. Burk, Machinist J. R. Mudie, and Car Repairers J. J. King, A. E. Danek, B. R. Patten, and S. N. Viramontes.

J. J. Huemerich, J. W. Chapman, C. Lugnalo, Bill Hennon, Frank Pickering, Dan Madrigal, and Cliff Martin vacationed in August.

Arthur Washington has named his new daughter Pauline.

Much joy to Alfred J. Turner and his bride Betty, wed June 18. Alfred, son of Car Repairer Alfred Turner, has enlisted in the Marine Corps for four more years.

Frank Bickley's daughter thoughtfully included an extra piece of pie marked "for Hugh Jones" in her father's lunch. Mr. Bickley, without his glasses to read the note, ate both pieces of pie. Sympathy for Mr. Jones.



MR. & MRS. RALPH P. MURPHY

## ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT Eastern District

By  
Mabel E.  
Forsberg



All of us here on the Eastern District take this opportunity to wish Rudolph Widman, Assistant Engineer, recently in charge of this District, great success in his new work as Assistant Engineer in charge of Field Engineering in Los Angeles.

At the same time, we are also glad to welcome back to San Bernardino H. R. Searing, Assistant Engineer, formerly in charge of this District from August 1, 1944, until January 15, 1945. His return to San Bernardino will give us all a chance to renew our friendship.

During the past month our Signalmen have been working in conjunction with the Line Crew at Gary Ave., North Pomona, and at the Fulton Road curve, transferring junction poles and rewiring automatic flagmen. All signal and telephone lines were moved, owing to the installation of span construction.

We have been asked if Rene Hunckler, Signalman, is planning on joining the House of David. Perhaps some of the fellows are just jealous of that good crop of whiskers, Rene!

Bill Mapstead, Line Foreman, and Art Soderberg, B & B Foreman, were on vacation the first half of August and their absence was greatly noticed around the Engineering Office. Soderberg went with wife and son to Duluth, Minnesota, visiting with his parents; and, strange as it may seem, Mapstead and his wife went to St. Paul, Minnesota, and vicinity. We are still waiting for some nice shipments of bass, wall-eyed pike, etc.

John Elkins, Carpenter, and his Mrs. have just returned from a vacation trip to Kansas City, Missouri, visiting relatives. Elkins reports bumper crops and signs of great prosperity.

Others who are either on vacation at the present time or have recently returned are: Charles C. Shunk, William Burton, Dionicio Ortiz, A. J. Miller, Guy Hetrick, Earl Martin, Clell Spohn, Antonio Contreras, Ralph Coons, Carmen Macias, Santiago Copas, Antonio Padilla, Aurelio Hernandez, Bruno Palacios, Gonzales Trujillo, and yours truly.

However, it isn't everyone who goes on a vacation trip who has smooth sailing. Trainmaster Fred Sauerwein's car was stolen half way between San Bernardino and his vacation destination. It was located several days later at Mojave. With all the necessary keys stolen, there was nothing else to do but have it hauled into the next town. If you would like to know the difficulties connected with doing business with a small-town locksmith, just ask Fred.

## INFORMATION PLEASE



By  
Deane H.  
Koch

Yours truly has been substituting for Helen Drew, now Chief Clerk of Los and Found, with Lenore Topley as assistant. Miss Drew spent part of her vacation at Sunset Beach.

Evelyn Cook, who was vacationing, previously enjoyed a visit with her daughter and family at Patterson, California.

Fay Phillips, former Lost and Found Clerk, returned from her vacation to be transferred to Conductors Accounts Department.

Carolyn Dalthrop will also be found in that department.

Adeline McIntyre was in San Francisco seeing the sights and paying the increased trolley fares in that city.

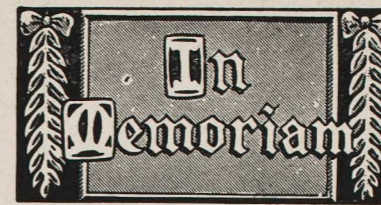
Florence Spaulding is on leave of absence and under the doctor's care. We hope she will soon be her own sweet self again.

Death has once more saddened our hearts in the passing of Neva Cooper Dimon, a former Information Clerk. Neva passed away July 22, following an operation performed at the Hollywood Hospital a few weeks earlier. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

It was quite a change to come to work after vacationing for a few days at a cabin of a friend near Blue Jay. Just to sit by the side of the mountain stream where all was calm and peaceful was a real treat. Then, after a few hours' ride, to arrive where all this flurry caused by fare changes is taking place!

## NEWS SERVICE AND RESTAURANTICS

By  
J. A.  
Degerman



James Enon Macdonald, Electric Engineer for the Pacific Electric Railway Company from 1902 to 1907, was taken by death on August 8. An active participant in the early rail expansion of the company, he later resigned to act as first Secretary of the Joint Pole Committee, organized in 1907. He held this office until his retirement in 1940, and was instrumental in expanding the membership of the Committee from four to 28 utility companies.

He was a life member of the American Institute of Engineers, of which he was once president of the local branch.

## GENERAL CLAIM DEPARTMENT

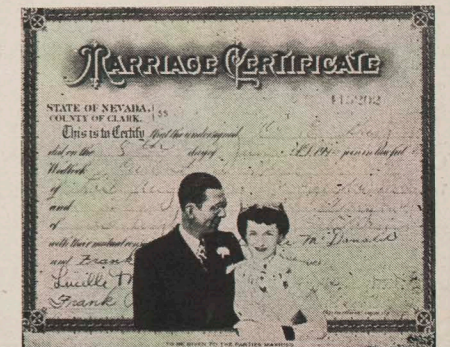
By Bert Kosak

The general routine here came to an abrupt stop on Saturday, July 20, the reason not being, we assure you, that we'd run out of claims and claimants. On the eventful day, Lucille Tielens, affectionately known to her friends as "Little Lulu," was instrumental in getting the Claim staff to roll down their sleeves, don their best bib and tucker, and travel out Pasadena way to witness her exchange of vows at the Church of the Angels with a grand fellow; namely, Leonard Arndt, veteran of five years in Alaska and the South Pacific, native of Missouri, and now residing in Long Beach.

At three o'clock sharp the bride-to-be made her entrance into the church's chapel in a lovely formal of powder blue marquisette with a stiff sheer wide-brim headgear of white straw that would have put even the Parisian models at the end of the class. The accessories were of white, the bouquet consisting of pink bud roses.

Evelyn Baker, our Receptionist here in the office, made the bride's entrance one that shall not soon be forgotten by singing "I Love Thee" as few of us have been privileged to hear it sung before.

A small but gay reception followed at the home of the bride's sister in Altadena, after which Lucille and Leonard disappeared to enjoy a week's vacation and honeymooning at Atascadero Lake.



**NEWLYWEDS**—Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Hill, who were married June 8 in Las Vegas. Mrs. Hill is the former Miss Gladys McCaffery, of PE Newsstand 121A. They are at home at 1828 Santa Ynez Street, Los Angeles. Cut is a half-size reproduction of their novel wedding announcement. Though somewhat late in arriving, congratulations are nonetheless hearty and sincere.



## ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT



By  
**Dorothy B.  
Dunn**

Irene Hurlbut, Frt. Accts. Clerk, is making a rapid recovery. It is not known when she will return to work but she is able to be up a couple of hours a day now.

Ann Garvin had a baby girl July 2. The baby is named Anna Marie after its mother.

Ethel Carruthers, Head Typist, Disbursements Beau, spent her two-week vacation at home and at San Diego.

Eddie Uecker, Asst. to Auditor, spent two weeks in Yosemite last July.

George Watson spent his vacation at Lake Arrowhead and came back with the most beautiful tan.

Charlie Masterton, Disb. Clerk, went to Mexico on a short vacation. He stayed at the Del Mar Hotel in Ensenada. He speaks Spanish fluently so got along famously.

Lucky Kenny Pomeroy, Disb. Clerk, has his own cabin at Blue Jay near Arrowhead. He spent his vacation there in July and of course spent some week-ends there.

Margaret Zimmer won a jitterbug contest at the Compton City Hub Club School Dance for Veterans. For a prize she got a lovely Revlon Fatal Apple Manicure Set.

Dolores Gunnell, Typist, and Eloise Klages, Frt. Accts. Clerk, both have added a sparkler to third finger, left hand. Eloise and her future husband appeared on the radio program Hope Chest August 4. They were presented with six sheets, an electric clock, 4

aluminum pans and a set of sterling silverware.

Frances Lambuth, Misc. Accts. Clerk, left the last part of August to be married. She and her future husband, Keith Ellis, plan to take a three-months trip.

Was Marilyn Hawkins' face red when she accidentally bumped one of the water jars against another and water went all over the floor. Most of the water settled under Walt Heck's desk, but Walt rolled up his pants legs and continued working. Pennsylvania can have their Johnstown Flood as long as California has the Hawkins Flood.

Our sincerest sympathy is extended to Jimmy Gould, whose father passed away last August.

Lola Agin left for an extensive tour of the Middle Western States August 18. Lola, her brother, and a friend took turns driving and carried sleeping rolls to combat the tourist camp shortage. They did not know how long they would be gone.



MR. & MRS. LESLIE NIX

## CENTRAL TIMEKEEPING BUREAU



By  
**V.B.  
Tellechea**

Women: Can't keep a secret, huh? Doris Grave deluded and otherwise hoodwinked us. Announcement of marriage to Mr. James La Bounty, March 30, made in June. To assuage our chargin, we presented couple with table-model radio.

Bride: Mildred Woods. Bridegroom: Mr. Leslie Nix. Church of the Recessional. Made June 30 deadline. (Dunno about word "July" in last issue. Ask the ed!) Bride wore—bride carried—hmmm—nobody knows—everybody too excited—bride asking for piece of gum before ceremony. Finishing touch: Harry Shea. Song or two. Fine voice. Honeymoon in Iowa—no, not Harry. Bride back at desk Aug. 19. No shivering this winter—present of blanket comes in handy. Luck to everyone!

Al Manhart: Two socks of a different hue—whew!

Margaret Hines: Two black shoes—mismates! What goes?

Marie McAllister: Flew in a private plane to S. F. over the 4th of July.

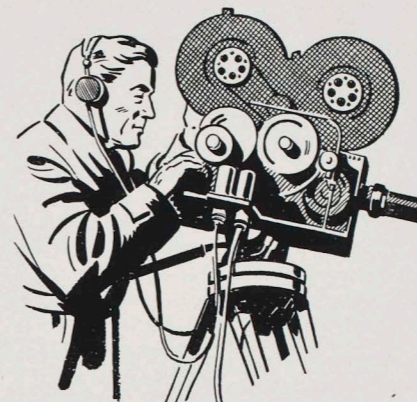
George Gambatese: New Checker. Vacations: Phyllis Bonner: Lake Gregory. Mr. & Mrs. F. Hardesty: Russian River. Madeline Mathews: Various nearby places. Dale Hyde: Balboa. Chas. Sein: Boulder Dam. Frances Wilson: Yosemite, S. F. Al Manhart and wife: Catalina. Harry Shea: Home. Frances Houston: Lake Tahoe. Lucy Wilkins and family: Oregon. Helen Sawyer and son, Roger: Catalina. Hugh Chesnutt: Las Vegas. Mildred Franse and husband: Grand Canyon.

### R. A. Martin Dies

R. A. Martin, retired Senior Traveling Auditor, died suddenly on Friday, August 23. Only a day or two before his death, he had been in visiting his many friends in the Accounting Department.

Mr. Martin retired in December, 1945, after 40 years of loyal service. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, and two grandchildren. All sympathy is extended to the bereft family.

## PACIFIC ELECTRIC ROD & GUN CLUB Presents TWO 16MM MOTION PICTURES • PRODUCED IN KODACHROME



With Commentary by Charles A. Rucker

# 'ALASKAN HUNTING'

This gripping account of a hunting trip taken last Fall by Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Rucker, includes actual scenes of hunting and shooting big game. Among the rare trophies taken were moose, sheep, goats, caribou, Kodiak, Glacier and Black bear, American eagle, hair seal and smaller game.

also

# 'QUAIL HUNTING in OLD MEXICO'

Accompanying "Alaskan Hunting" will be another film of equal interest to sportsmen. Shots in this picture were taken below Mexicali.

ADMISSION by ticket only. Tickets available from the secretary of the P.E. Rod & Gun Club, Bob Dornor, Room 651; TUcker 7272, Ext. 2901 or at either of the two Entz & Rucker Hardware stores, 220 E. 5th St.; or 5905 S. Vermont. Entrance to Auditorium, west side of Los Angeles St., near Sixth.



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**HERE AND THERE**  
*With THE WOMEN'S CLUB*



By  
**Ruby Gallacher**

September finds most of us home again and ready for a season of good fellowship. Let us all rally around Mrs. Frank Palmer, our new President, and give all the help needed to make her term in office a success. Mrs. Wm. Smart, the outgoing President, had a very fine year to her credit; not even a broken collar bone could keep her down, and she has been cheerful in spite of all kinds of bad luck this summer. She has probably been the most constant visitor at St. Vincent's for six weeks, as husband "Billy" is a guest there. We send greetings to him, and fond wishes for a speedy recovery.

Club activities during June, July and August boiled down to card parties every first and third Thursdays, and three picnics. On June 27 the ladies met at Echo Park for pot-luck lunch. Mrs. T. Stevens, of Wilmar, was honored on her golden wedding anniversary with a lovely cake and yellow flowers as the motif.

July 19 eleven ladies met at PE Station and took the 10:05 a.m. train for Long Beach to help Mrs. W. B. Newby celebrate her 45th anniversary, and Mrs. Chas. Glick her 51st. Hearty congratulations to two grand couples!

Many of our members had vacation trips this summer. Among those who are known to have returned are: Mrs. Lloyd Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palmer, Mrs. D. C. Noggle, and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wheeler. Welcome home and we hope to see all of you at the opening meeting Sept. 12.

**STAMP COLLECTORS!**

The PE Club is sponsoring the revival of a Philatelic Club. Numerous requests have brought to light the desire of many to get together in a free-for-all stamp-fest of swapping and trading.

Get in on the king of hobbies—the hobby of kings. Bring your duplicates and pitch in at the first meeting on Wednesday, September 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the PE Club rooms, 917 PE Building.

**PACIFIC ELECTRIC CLUB BULLETIN**

- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17:**  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3956 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18:**  
PE Masonic Club Regular Meeting — 7:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19:**  
PE Women's Club Afternoon Card Party Bridge & 500 — Prizes to winners — 1:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20:**  
Opening matches at PE Bowling League. Matches at 6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m. Arcade Recreation Center.
- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:**  
American Legion Post No. 321 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 321 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25:**  
Organization Meeting of Philatelic Club. All interested in Philatelic Club work are urged to be present—7:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26:**  
PE Women's Club Afternoon Business Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27:**  
PE Bowling League Matches—6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.—Arcade Recreation Center.
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1:**  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3956 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3:**  
PE Women's Club Afternoon Card Party Prizes to winners—1:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4:**  
PE Bowling League Matches—6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.—Arcade Recreation Center.
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8:**  
American Legion Post No. 321 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 321 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9:**  
PE Rod & Gun Club Monthly Meeting. Added attraction: the Club is sponsoring an interesting Motion Picture Show in PE Club Theater—Families and friends invited—7:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10:**  
PE Women's Club Afternoon Business Meeting and Program—1:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11:**  
PE Bowling League Matches—6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.—Arcade Recreation Center.
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15:**  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3956 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17:**  
PE Women's Club Afternoon Card Party. Bridge & 500 — Prizes to winners — 1:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18:**  
PE Bowling League Matches—6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.—Arcade Recreation Center.
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22:**  
American Legion Post No. 321 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 321 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23:**  
Philatelic Club Meeting—7:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24:**  
PE Women's Club Afternoon Business Meeting & Program—1:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25:**  
PE Bowling League Matches—6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.—Arcade Recreation Center.
- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1:**  
PE Bowling League Matches—6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.—Arcade Recreation Center.
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5:**  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3956 Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Semimonthly Meeting—8:00 p.m.
- THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7:**  
PE Women's Club Afternoon Card Party. 500 & Bridge — Prizes to winners — 1:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8:**  
PE Bowling League Matches—6:00 p.m. & 8:15 p.m.—Arcade Recreation Center.

**REPORT OF VITAL STATISTICS**

June 21, 1946, to August 20, 1946

**DEATHS**

NAME	OCCUPATION	Died	Group	
			Insurance	Mortuary
*Haproff, Alex	Driver Groundman	6-16-46	No	No
Edwards, Oliver B.	Trainman (Retired)	6-27-46	Yes	Yes
Oliva, Felix G.	Laborer	7- 7-46	No	No
Sippelle, Scott T.	Checker Clk. (Retired)	6-22-46	Yes	Yes
Bowers, Louis G.	Conductor (Retired)	7- 8-46	Yes	Yes
Perry, James M.	Carpenter	7-10-46	Yes	Yes
Ohlinger, Walter G.	Electrician (Retired)	7-15-46	Yes	Yes
Rovai, Joseph G.	Trainman	7-17-46	Yes	Yes
**Foster, Fred	Switchtender	-46	No	No
*Hayball, Sidney J.	Trainman	7-17-46	Yes	Yes
Madden, William J.	Trainman	7-24-46	No	No
Confer, LeRoy	Laborer (Retired)	7-28-46	Yes	Yes
Salimbene, Pasquale	Laborer (Retired)	7-28-46	Yes	No
Zimmer, John	Trk. Clk. (Retired)	8- 8-46	Yes	Yes
Washford, Leonard G.	Trainman	8- 8-46	Yes	Yes

**EMPLOYEES' WIVES' DEATH BENEFIT FUND**

NAME	DIED	WIFE OF	DEPARTMENT
*Dillon, Lena Maude	6-16-46	James D. Dillon	Mechanical
Robertson, Cora E.	7-15-46	E. C. Robertson	Transportation

\*Reported subsequent to last publication.

\*\*Date of death unknown.

### PACIFIC ELECTRIC BOWLING NEWS

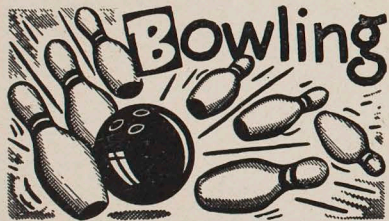


By  
**Charlie Hill**

The keglers are anxiously awaiting the starting whistle on Friday, September 20, when the fall and winter season will get under way at the Arcade Recreation. At this time 20 teams have signed up. One-half of the teams will bowl at 6:00 o'clock and the other half at 8:15 o'clock. Several of last year's teams will be replaced with newly organized aggregations, including the PE Rod and Gun Club, Special Agents, Motor Transit, Lucky Strikes, and L. A. Motor Coach. Several of the Lucky Strikes team were members of the Scrubs for the past two seasons.

The annual meeting on August 7, had a much larger attendance than any previous meeting, and judging by the interest and enthusiasm shown during the three-hour session, the coming season should be one of the most successful.

The entire staff of officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, i.e., **Charlie Hill**, President; **Archie**



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**Brahm and Jimmie Rankin**, Vice-Presidents, and **Charlie Gonzalez**, Secretary. **Gonzalez** was again appointed Treasurer, and **Burleigh Manley** and **Dick Prettyman** were selected by the Club management to serve as umpires for the First and Second Branches, respectively.

This is the fourth term as prexy for your scribe, and despite the fact that he was not seeking the honor, which involves work and time, he fully recognizes the responsibility, and with the continued co-operation of the other officers and members, will endeavor to carry on.

### Summer Scratch League

The Summer League was closely contested throughout. High team series was rolled by the Bears (25-82); high individual series was taken by **Clyde Henry** (643) for the men, and **Ruth Harrison** (493) carried off the honor for the ladies. High individual average went to **Ollie Steuernagel** (186).

### Appreciation

Editor  
PACIFIC ELECTRIC  
MAGAZINE

Dear Sir:

I wish to express through the Magazine my sincere appreciation to all my Pacific Electric friends for the gift presented to me upon my retirement from service, and for their many kind and thoughtful comments for my future well-being.

It is with the deepest regret that I leave the service, and I wish to leave with each and every one my sincere thanks and wishes for their future happiness and success.

Sincerely,  
**L. H. COVELL**

### PACIFIC ELECTRIC ROD AND GUN CLUB

By  
**Arlie Skelton**



Notice—Big Show—Wed., Oct. 9, 8:30 p.m.

**Charles Rucker**, of Entz and Rucker Hardware Company, will show his latest moving pictures of western wild life at the PE Club Auditorium, to members of the PE Rod and Gun Club, their families and friends. Admission by free tickets only. Tickets unclaimed by members of this Club will be given to other guests, so this good show will not be wasted on a lot of vacant seats.

Attendance at our July and August meetings was far below par. Maybe it's due to vacations. Yours truly spent a hot three-weeks vacation in Arkansas the last three weeks of July.

**Dick Prettyman** still doing a swell job as Chairman of the Membership Committee, having turned in 16 new applications at last meeting. Welcome, men. Come to your Club meetings and let's get acquainted.

Warning, Sportsmen—Before you go afield to hunt for any Game birds or animals, better check up with local authorities on changes in game laws and bag limits. Several changes have been made this year which we are sorry to say space in this column does not permit mentioning.

**J. B. Rogers**, Captain of the PE Rod and Gun Club Bowling Team, reports through **C. G. Gonzalez** that he has the team organized now, decked out in new shirts and emblems and raring to go. Understand **Harold Smith** and **L. L. Lloyd** are members of the team. Also First Vice President, **Frank Converse**, and other members not known at this writing.

Ocean fishing very good so far, both from surf and deep sea. Understand **O. A. Smith** and **W. G. Knoche** are tied with 95 surf fish each for the season to August 14. That's a lot of fish.

Don't forget your regular monthly meetings.

We need your attendance.

Wiseman: "Changing a tire, eh?"  
Hotstuff: "No, I just gct out every few miles and jack it up to give it a rest."

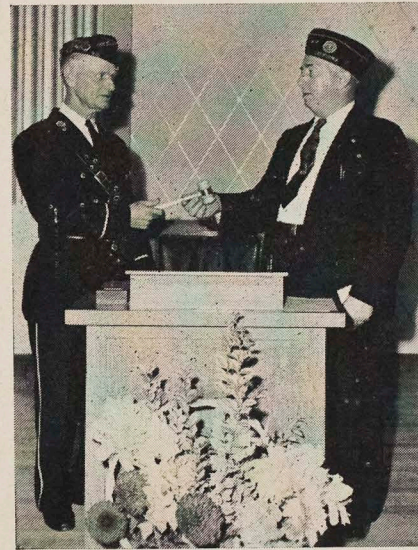
### P. E. POST 321 AMERICAN LEGION

By **John L. Morris**

Most of the newly elected officers and several other comrades were present for the installation August 5 at Veterans Memorial Building in Long Beach. Sandwiches and coffee were served immediately following adjournment.

We have one new comrade as of August 13—**Joseph E. Travers**. Welcome to the post, Comrade Joe! You may freely call upon any of us for aid at any time.

Comrade **Robert E. Clark** was present at the first August meeting. First time Comrade **Bob** has been with us in quite some time. Comrade **Clark** has been appointed to serve



on the Membership Committee, and on a committee to assist fellow comrades and other veterans in making application for terminal leave pay.

Honorable mention was made at the installation meeting of Comrade **Roy Mead** and his service work, and especially of his assistance in obtaining members.

An invitation has been given to members of this post to attend the installation of officers meeting of the O'Keefe-Merritt post, at Long Beach, Veterans Memorial Building, in Hall 3, at 8:00 p.m. September 13.

**AT JOINT INSTALLATION of officers of Legion and Auxiliary. AT LEFT: New Commander, Ray Withee (left), receives gavel from retiring Commander, A. W. Bone. AT RIGHT: New Auxiliary President, Lydia Shelton, receives gavel from retiring President, Ellen Bryant. BELOW: The officers. Front row: Auxiliary officers, left to right, are Sylvia Morris, Historian; Phyllis Withee, Secretary; Ellen Bryant, Junior Past President; Lucille Withee, 1st Vice President; Bernyce Rose, Sergeant at Arms; Lydia Shelton, President; Kathryn Brown, proxy for Bernice Nichols, Chaplain; Doris Crossley, Marshal; Cora Newhouse, proxy for Ray Trowbridge, member Executive Committee; Myra Belle Clemons, Treasurer. Back row: Legion officers, left to right, are K. M. Brown, Finance Officer; John L. Morris, Historian; O. E. Newhouse, member Executive Committee; George Withee, Adjutant; William Parker, Chaplain; F. W. Nichols, member Executive Committee; Charles Rose, delegate to Department Convention; A. W. Bone, Judge Advocate; B. P. Heath, 2nd Vice Commander; C. E. Wilcox, 1st Vice Commander; Ray Withee, Commander.**

Post Commander Comrade **A. W. Bone** gave a report on the civil service positions available and ex-service men's preferences.

Your scribe was honor guest at Post 134 August 19.

### ATTENTION, EX-GP'S!

The Legion will be ready to help you with your terminal leave pay claim. You must have a certified copy of your discharge or a photostat of discharge. By having this paper ready, you will expedite the filing of your claim.

**ROY E. MEAD**  
Service Officer



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY P. E. Unit No. 321



By Ethel M. Heath

A joint installation of officers of the Post and Auxiliary was held Monday night, August 5, in the Veterans Memorial Building in Long Beach.

The new officers are Lydia Shelton, President; Lucille Withee, 1st Vice President; Juanita Braley, 2nd Vice President; Phyllis Withee, Secretary; Myra Belle Clemons, Treasurer; Bernice Nichols, Chaplain; Sylvia Morris, Historian; Bernyce Rose, Sergeant at Arms; Doris Crossley, Marshal; Alice Newman, Musician; Ellen Bryant, Junior Past President; Ethel Heath, Elsie Dement, and Ray Trowbridge, Executive Committee.

The installation was conducted by Leonard Wood Unit No. 125 Drill Team, with Mrs. May Waner, 23rd District President, as the installing officer.

The Auxiliary extends sympathy to Maple Malmborg, whose mother passed away recently.

Lillian Lyons is spending the summer in Canada.

Juanita Braley and Martha Harper spent a two-weeks vacation, starting July 26, visiting friends in the northern part of the state.

Lydia Shelton, Phyllis Withee, and Ellen Bryant were elected delegates to the Department Convention which opened in Sacramento August 24.

Ethel M. Heath (Mrs. Byron P.), correspondent for the Auxiliary till next July 1, joined the group last December as the result of Byron's military experience as MP in the 106th Infantry — three years, mostly in France, Belgium, and Germany. Born near Utica, N.Y., Ethel came west in 1941 to see what it was like, and married Byron in August, 1942.

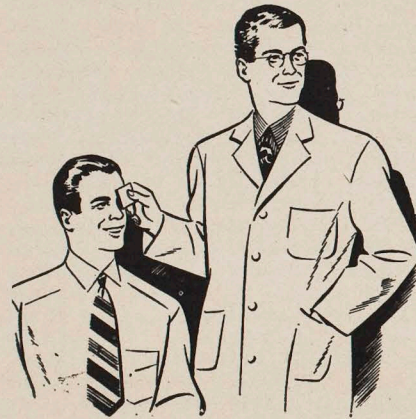
A motorist, who was picked up unconscious after a smash, opened his eyes as he was being carried into a nearby filling station. He began to kick and struggle and tried desperately to get away. When he was afterwards asked the reason, he explained that the first thing he saw was a "Shell" sign and "some fool was standing in front of the 'S.'"

FIRE! FIRE! FIRE! 3-Bell Alarm!

Last year there were over 210,000 out-door fires. The majority, over 90% of them, were caused by careless American citizens—folks who threw away lighted matches or cigarettes and who left camp fires burning. These 210,000 fires destroyed enough lumber to build 215,000 five-room homes for our service men.

Only you can prevent fires and here's how. Crush out your cigarettes, cigars or pipe heel. Blow out your match. Make your camp fire only in a safe place, then drown it with water before you leave.

Remember it's just as important to prevent fires now as during the war, and you alone can prevent them. Be careful!



EYE TO EYE, How Do You Rate?

Eyesight is the most precious of all our senses, yet it is perhaps also the most neglected. Too many of us fall into the familiar rut of taking our eyes for granted.

In other words, we like to think our eyes are O. K., so we just don't bother to have a checkup. Or we may be bothered by some supposedly minor trouble with our eyes, but we never take the time to find out the real cause.

Properly-fitted glasses or medical care can correct many kinds of eye trouble. We ought to pay attention to signs which say "See an eye specialist." Some of them are: persistent headaches, eyeaches, watery eyes, blurred vision, soreness of the eyes or lids, dizziness, tired feeling on using the eyes, persistent squint, and a tendency to hold work too close or too far from the eyes.

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS P. E. Post 3956

By Jim Boswell



At our meeting held Tuesday, August 20, 1946, Chief Chef George Roberts, assisted by Fred Fluss, furnished our group and the ladies of our proposed new Auxiliary with some very tasty java and doughnuts.

ATTENTION, LADIES:

Mrs. Gladys Fisher, of Department of California Ladies Auxiliary, who is helping to organize our Ladies Auxiliary, states that any woman employe of the Pacific Electric Railway who was in foreign service or whose husband, father, or brother is a veteran of foreign wars, is eligible to join the Pacific Electric Ladies Auxiliary. Those joining now will have the honor of being charter members. Any additional information concerning eligibility may be secured at the Pacific Electric Club, Room 917.

SALUTATIONS, NEW MEMBERS:

Ernest E. Lowery, U.S.S. Arkansas, has seen action in both theaters of war. He is the proud wearer of four Battle Stars. Ernest now works at Macy Street as a Car Repairer.

George E. Roberts, U.S.S. Hercules, is back with us again after an absence of 3 1/2 year, two years having been spent in the South Pacific. George says he is very happy to be back with the old gang at the L. A. Freight Station.

It is very gratifying to see so many of the World War II boys joining our organization. Our group has grown by leaps and bounds this past year, but new members are always welcome. Our meetings are the first and third Tuesdays of each month, and we are looking forward to seeing some more new faces, as well as some of the old faces who have not been attending the meetings. We dare some of you old guys to come!

The really good news is that a large number of seeing troubles can be corrected. Fumbling, slow learning, mistakes due to neglected eyes can be overcome with proper scientific skill and professional care.

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THEY SAW MECCA AT WORK

As evoked by a tour of three Community Chest agencies on Thursday, August 8, here are a few of the enthusiastic comments made by employes who accompanied the Editor and Photographer Harley Talbott:

"ENLIGHTENING," says Conductor Ira H. Ford: "This was a very interesting and enlightening tour that I wish everyone could go on, as I know it would help us all to bend our efforts more and more to donating to the cause that the Community Chest represents."

"WONDERFUL WORK," says Charles Sein, Time Supervisor, Transportation Department: "It is gratifying indeed to see and know that we share . . . in the wonderful

work that is being done for the welfare of those who through no fault of their own are so handicapped . . . I sincerely hope that every employe will . . . assist these (agencies visited) and other organizations in their own communities by subscribing to the MECCA plan through pay roll deduction."

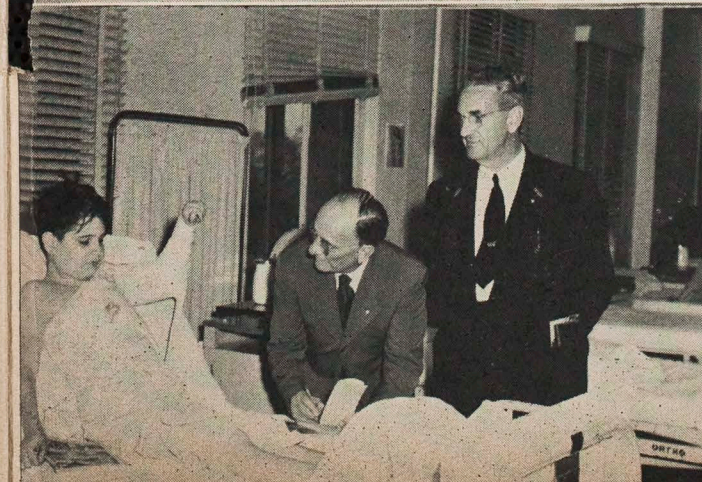
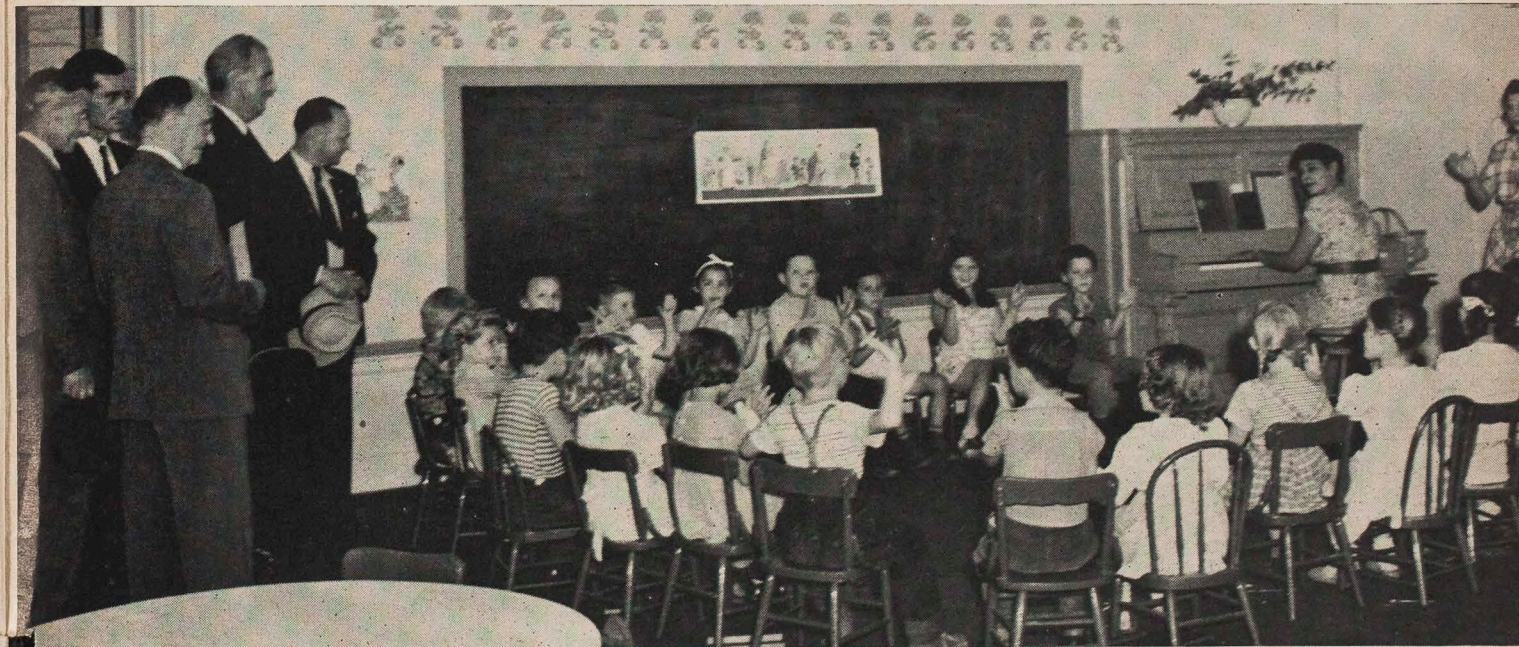
"SEE FOR YOURSELF," says B. H. Grant, Engineer in Field Engineering: "The clearest and most useful report I can make of my visit is to suggest that those who question the value of the service of the funds of the Community Chest drop in and see what I saw on August 8, 1946, at the Children's Hospital Society, the Assistance League Day Nursery, and the Boys' Club of Hollywood."

"MOST INFORMATIVE," says Guy Gehde, Lead Clerk, Macy Street Car House. Of the Children's Hospital he says: "One is immediately impressed with the scientific and efficient care and operation." Of the Assistance League Day Nursery: "One's attention is arrested with the incredible control and discipline." Of the Boys' Club: ". . . everything that is necessary for diversion and developing trades."

"I WAS SURPRISED," says Conductor Loyal F. Green, "that they were doing so much; if alone their work consisted wholly of the Children's Hospital I would say they were doing a grand job, but I saw they were doing much more."

TOUR OF COMMUNITY CHEST AGENCIES: At top, mental of group cooperation through group play. At left, League Day Nursery in Hollywood are taught fundamentals of group cooperation through group play. At right, B. H. Grant, Field Engineer-bottom left, Messrs. Gehde and Green talk to Tom Smith, PE visitors watch while pre-school children at the Assistance League Day Nursery; L. F. Green, Conductor, South; and 11, who entered the Children's Hospital, Hollywood, three

years ago with polio; he hopes to go home soon to Mother and Dad. At bottom right, Messrs. Green, Ford, and Sein watch while David Weiler (making shot) and Joe Pope play pool at the Hollywood Boys' Club, where recreational and vocational training is given boys 8 to 18 to help them discover their talents. These are but three of the hundreds of agencies of all kinds supported in part or entirely by Community Chest funds to which MECCA contributes.



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*Sam M. Akers, Assistant Research Engineer, is the latest addition to the Bureau of Research, having begun his work here on June 1, following four years in the Army Transportation Corps. While with the Army, he helped dispatch troops to shipside in England in preparation for D-Day, worked on the "Red Ball" military motor freight in France, and served on Continental railways in Holland, Luxembourg, France, and Belgium. Sam is a 1936 graduate of Monmouth College, Monmouth, Illinois, and was a member of the varsity football, baseball, and basketball teams, besides editor of the college annual. He says railroading is getting into his blood.*

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I tell you that virtue is not given by money, but that from virtue come

money and every other good of man, public as well as private.

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—Socrates

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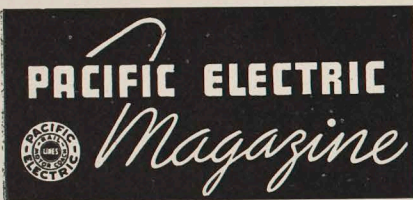
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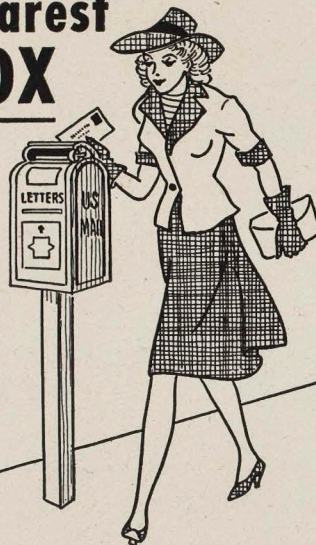
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