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# Smokers Attract Record Crowds

# TWO CAR LINE **EXTENSIONS** BEING

Work has started on the extension of Melrose Avenue from Normandie Avenue to Western. The extension will serve a territory that is well built up with residences and business dis-

Immediately after the Shrine convention work will start on the Fifth Street extension. The city plans to make Fifth a through street from the downtown district to a point where it will connect with West Sixth at the top of the hill. Track has been installed from Grand Avenue to Flower Street. The next job will be laying the track from Olive to Grand and making the connection with the presmaking the connection with the present track at Fifth and Olive.

When this work is completed the line "C" cars will run west on Fifth to Flower, according to the present plans, thus relieving Sixth Street of one car line.

The arrangements for rerouting lines "U" and "D" can not be decided until the city completes its plans for the opening of the street west of Flower. The legal steps for this opening are under way, but have not been completed.

#### Yellow Route Books Sent To Divisions

supply of the small yellow route books prepared for public distribution has been sent to each division. Many trainmen have found it beneficial to carry a few of these books and give them to passengers who express a desire for such material.

A new supply of the "Salesmanship books" have been sent to the divisions and the instruction department. This little book contains a talk which was prepared by George Baker Anderson, manager of transportation, and given to trainmen at meetings last year. The booklet is full of practical information and inspirational material on the subject of selling street car service. It ject of selling street car service. It has been reprinted by street car companies throughout the country.

From The Beach at Waikiki? No! a Street Car on Line "D"



LATEST reports from Washington are that the state department does not outwardly oppose the appearance of an Irish street car conductor in a Hawaiian quartet, but requests that none of the Japanese car cleaners be placed in the organization without consulting the United States ambassador to Hong Kong.

The appearance of the Hawaiians as one of the amazing features of the division smokers held during the week, and there were many. prises not smokers.)

The quartet came into being through the formation of an orchestra and particularly through the interest of Noah Allinikov, conductor of Division Four, who is an expert on the steel guitar and leads the group. The music the boys turned out was lustily applauded as it was as fine as could be asked. Congratulations are due to the four The quartet came into being through

applauded as it was as fine as could be asked. Congratulations are due to the four.

The picture above shows, left to right: C. E. Jewett, who plays the taro-patch and the Tia Juana ponies; Noah Allinikov, steel guitar; Ed Hahn, guitar, and M. J. Mesquit, fly swatter.

## Purchasing Agent Goes East Got Your Requisition Ben?

BEN SCHUPP, who has charge of The purchasing department of the Los Angeles Railway, left for Milwaukee last Friday to attend the convention of the national purchasing agents association, May 25 to 28. He is one of the official delegates of the Los Angeles purchasing agents organization. Los Angeles is endeavoring to Los Angeles is endeavoring to

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bring the convention of the national body to this city in 1926.

A lot of high-powered clerks at the main offices are wondering if a purchasing agent has to have requisitions signed on the pink, blue, green and spotted forms if he wants some ginger ale or a shoe shine in a convention city.

Who conducts the car conductor's daughter When the car conductor's busy conducting cars?

# AT PEPPY

Humor, tobacco, music and sound advice were mingled in right proportions to produce three first-class smoker meetings at Divisions One, Two and Four, during the week and from them came pledges of trainmen to give the very best that is in them during Shrine week when thousands of visitors and increased traffic will present a transportation problem unequalled in the history of Los Angeles. Record crowds attended. equalled in the history of Los geles. Record crowds attended.

The feature of the meetings was the The feature of the meetings was the appearance of the company's musical organizations consisting of the orchestra and the Hawaiian quartet and Conductor Charles E. Hodges of Division Two playing the piano-accordion. Some of the officials of the company were present at each meeting to speak now and then so that the players might have a rest.

#### Other Entertainers

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Those who spoke at the various meetings were, George Baker Anderson, manager of transportation; P. B. Harris, chief engineer; C. M. McRoberts, general claim agent; R. R. Smith, assistant superintendent of operation; J. G. Jeffery, director of public relation; W. B. Adams, director of traffic; L. J. Turley, electrical engineer, B. H. Eaton, track engineer.

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Mr. Anderson spoke on his observation of street railway service in the East, emphasizing the fact that the courtesy and general high standard of Los Angeles trainmen is recognized throughout the industry and the su-periority over many of the Eastern systems has been frequently conceded by visitors.

#### What Makes Them Go

Mr. Harris and Mr. Turley spoke of the work of the engineering depart-ment as it dovetails with the transpor-tation department and invited trainmen to visit the shops and substations to get a better understanding of the large scale upon which Los Angeles Railway service is conducted.

Particular emphasis was placed on accident prevention during the week of Shrine convention by Mr. McRoberts. He took the opportunity to con-

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#### Editorial Comment

Two Bells Is The Official Paper of The Los Angeles Railway

### "On Parade" Shrine Week

THE Los Angeles Railway and all Los Angeles will be ' ade'' during the first week of June when prominent men from every city in the country will be here for the Shrine convention. The special service that will be operated to Exposition Park is to be given publicity that the thousands who desire to view the spectacular parades and demonstrations may be accommodated. The Los Angeles Railway has promised adequate service to the park and it will be provided as far as the number of cars is concerned but the spirit that goes into it is in the hands of the men. The company feels that every man will do his part in showing the visitors every courtesy.

Courtesy is to be emphasized not for a single week but for the year. There cannot be a courtesy campaign any more than there can be a breathing campaign and it must continue day after day. During Shrine week the Los Angeles Railway is not going to "show off" with anything spectacular but it is going to have the typical Los Angeles Railway spirit of courtesy and service on parade for the approval of not only Los Angeles but representatives of every city in America. Every man will do his full share.

## As Good As Any of Them

HE appearance of the company's orchestra and Hawaiian quartette at the division smokers indicates to a considerable degree the high grade of men on the Los Angeles Railway cars. R. B. Hill, superintendent of operation, who was responsible for the organization of musicians said that there was some question in the minds of officials whether there was a sufficient supply of good music talent to make an orchestra creditable to the company. The problem soon became not one of finding enough good talent but of selecting the best from the many musicians uncovered. A number of those in the orchestra have played professionally but they are at present in street railway work because it appeals to them.

There was a frequent comment in the army that a man never knew whether he was talking to a blacksmith or a banker because the uniform put them on a common plane. Although street car men wear uniforms, they have the opportunity to demonstrate their individual ability and thus move up the line of promotion, as have practically all of the executives of the transportation department.

A motorman may not know whether his new conductor was a banker, blacksmith or bootlegger. Like all other men in the company, he is principally concerned in seeing that the man delivers good street car service, but such an incident has the organization of the orchestra from the ranks of trainmen demonstrated promptly the high grade of the average Los Angeles Railway trainmen and indicates why the service given here, particularly the civil relations between the public and the trainmen, attracts the attention of electric railway executives throughout the country. We have a force of men on the cars with which street car men anywhere in America might be proud to associate.

#### Music, Cigars and Speeches Make Good Division Rallies

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gratulate trainmen upon the increasing number of witness cards they have turned in since the general campaign to raise the average number of witnesses per accident was started last

year.

The place of the barn-storming vaudeville expedition usually filled by the acrobats was occupied by the editor of Two Bells, who thanked trainmen for keeping up their subscriptions to the paper with such regularity as had made it possible to publish it every week for the past five years.

#### Dick Smith, Property Man

Mr. Smith acted as property man for

Mr. Smith acted as property man for the troupe and emergency chairman.

The real purpose of the meetings were best expressed by Superintendent Hill, who reviewed briefly the plans for Shrine week service. He gave warning that cars will be operated over foreign lines from all parts of the city to Exposition Park and that millions of questions may be expected from residents of Los Angeles

as well as visitors. He pointed out that half an answer is almost as bad as none at all and urged trainmen to make every possible effort to give in-quirers full information and give it to them accurately. "It is the aim to them accurately. "It is the aim of the Los Angeles Railway to go through Shrine week without a single complaint of discourtesy being lodged against trainmen," said Mr. Hill. "I know that it will be a real than a read when the crowds come thick job and when the crowds come thick and fast and foolish questions are shot at you, you will need every bit of your ability to keep up the courtesy record, but you have delivered the goods in previous emergencies and I appeal to you individually to meet this greatest transportation job of all with the service that I know you can deliver."

#### Orchestra the Feature

The orchestra, under the direction of Motorman Harold M. Padden of Division Three, was a real hit. Most of the men have been outfitted with

# BULLETINS

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BULLETIN NO. 77 Notice to Conductors

Fireman's Pass Book No. 21737, issued to Raymond Ross, is reported lost. If presented for transportation, take up, collect fare and send to this office with

a. B. Hier

#### **BUS BULLETINS**

LOS ANGELES RAILWAY BUS DIVISION

May 12, 1925. BULLETIN NO. 248

It is absolutely necessary that the exact nd correct information be given on the ccident Report Blanks.

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When entering the information under the proper headings and answering the questions do not omit any of them where it is possible to make the proper entry. Particular attention is directed to accidents occurring with Double Deck buses to the end that the reports made by the Operator and conductor compare one with the other insofar as it is possible. It is also very essential that the names of witnesses and their addresses be secured and turned in with the report.

There must be no delay in making out accident reports as it is very necessary that the Claim Department receive them as promptly as possible.

BULLETIN NO. 249

In all cases where a bus is turned back short of destination or a diversion from the regular route or becoming late to the extent that a trip will be lost, operators of the single deck buses and conductors of the double deck buses will make out the regular form miscellaneous report addressed to the Supervisor and turn it in with their regular turn-in at the Bus Division.

May 20th, 1925 BULLETIN No. 250

No waste paper, rags, or any refuse material must be thrown behind the gas tanks on the Double Deck Buses. It is not ruleable and is also dangerous from a fire standpoint.

BULLETIN No. 251 May 20th; 1925

In every instance where it becomes necessary to back a bus, and especially single deck buses, operators will be held responsible for every accident where it was possible to avoid it. If it becomes necessary in order to see that the way is clear Operators must leave their seat and go to a position where full observation can be made.

F. VAN VRANKEN,

#### No New Men To Be Hired Till After Shrine Convention

employment department has discontinued hiring new men has discontinued hiring new men until after the Shrine convention, as it is recognized that the full attention of all qualified men will be required to meet the transportation problem that the thousands of visitors will create. The last class was handled by the instruction department, May 15, and no more students will be given training until June 9.

uniforms and make a fine appearance. The orchestra was formed last February and the progress that it has made is a credit to Mr. Padden and the players.

Conductor Hodges, with his piano-ecordion, was well received. He exaccordion, was well received. He explained that he had been out of practice for several months due to an accident and had picked up his instru-ment again especially for these meet-

The remaining meetings are to be held at Division Three, Tuesday and Division Five, Thursday.

# CHIEF CAUSES **OF DEMERITS** IN APRIL

Omission on mileage or report cards continued as the leading cause for demerits during April, according to a detailed summary compiled by the clerks of the merit and bonus system records. An even 300 cases in this classification, was reported, with Divi classification was reported, with Division Two leading the list with 83 and Division Five the lowest with 48. Missouts or reliefs created 168 demerit slips. Running ahead of time merit slips. Running ahead of time brought 145 of the small messages of bad news, and giving bells too soon was the cause of 140 cases of demerits. demerits.

Special efficiency in reporting accidents and procuring witnesses was the principal source of credits during the month. 67 cases of particular co tesy brought forth credit awards.

Divisions Three and Five lost two men each by automatic dismissal, the efficiency ratings of these four men having dropped below 75 percent.

When the report was issued only 20 men on the entire system had records lower than 90 percent but 146 had records between 90 and 99 per-

THE SOFT ANSWER

"Liar! Persistent Interrupter:

Speaker: "If our friend will give me his name instead of his profession, I shall be delighted to make his ac-quaintance."—London Humorist.

#### PRESERVING A HUSBAND By Clara Bennett

Be careful in your selection, do not choose too young and take only such varieties as have been reared in a good moral atmosphere. To secure when a warieties as have been reared in a good moral atmosphere. To secure when a trifle green is rather to be desired, as they will mature very satisfactorily in the home sunlight. When once decided upon and selected, let that part remain forever settled and give your entire time and thought to preparation for domestic use. Some insist in keeping them in a pickle, while others are constantly keeping them in hot water. Even poor varieties may be made sweet, tender and good by garnishing with patience, well sweetened with smiles and flavored with kisses to taste. Wrap them well in a mantle of charity, keep warm with a steady flow of domestic devotion and serve well with peaches and cream. When thus prepared they will keep for years.

"I just paid the doctor another ten dollars on his bill."

"Oh, goody! two more payments and the baby's ours."—Saturday Evening Post.

#### EVEN BLARNEY SOMETIMES

FAILS

Terence: "'Tis a fine lad ye have here. A magnificent head and noble features. Could ye lend me a couple of dollars?"

Pat: "'

Pat: "I could not. 'Tis me wife's child by her first husband."—London

#### JUSTICE IS NOT ALWAYS SLOW

Judge to Prisoner—"Seems to me I have see your face before."

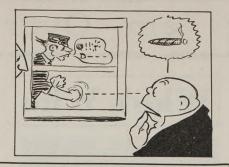
Prisoner—"Yes, sir, I'm the young man who helped your son build a radio set."

Judge—"Twenty years."

#### Conductor Ding and Motorman Ding Ding

DING GAVE DING DING A CIGAR WITH A RUBBER BAND IN IT YESTERDAY THEY HAVEN'T SEEN EACH OTHER SINCE!







# Bouquets

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For Condr. C. B. Haggard, Div. One

Los Angeles Railway, Gentlemen:

Gentlemen:

This morning about 12:30 going south on Grand Avenue on a "J" car, I accidentally dropped my nickel on the floor, instead of the box, and it so happened that I had no other money with me.

Conductor 278, very kindly paid my fare for me. Courtesy and kindness like that is not easily forgotten.

I am enclosing the five cents.

Sincerely and gratefully, MRS. C. W. HORTON, 224 West 21st St.

For Condr. W. N. Shippen, Div. Three

Los Angeles Railway,

Gentlemen:

Permit me to voice my approval of car conductor No. 3128, on a north "2" car.

He is courteous, considerate and cheery—the latter is a big asset at any time or place, but it is appreciated a thousand-fold to find it bubbling over in a crowded street car.

Yours respectfully

Yours respectfully IDA WONES WIARD, 1101 Lincoln Bldg., 742 South Hill

For Condr. T. McInturff, Div. Two

Los Angeles Railway,

Gentlemen:

Please compliment Conductor 2760 for the pleasant manner in which he directed a gentleman that got on the wrong car.

Yours very respectfully,

T. W. JONES,
622 H. W. Hellman Bldg.

For Condr. J. R. Holland, Div. Three

Los Angeles Railway,

Gentlemen:

I wish to commend Conductor 1434
"W" line, car 300, for courtesy and kindness shown a lame lady.

Very truly,

E. L. HOBBS,

1029 South Hope St.

For Condr. W. A. Rickstein, Div. Two

Los Angeles Railway, Gentlemen: Gentlemen:

I wish to commend Conductor 1656 on
the "U" car line for his courtesy, attention to duty and his pleasant attitude
toward his passengers.

It is indeed a pleasure to see a man
who seems to enjoy his work under such
trying conditions.

Yours very truly, GRANT GOODALE, Harbor Dept., City of L. A Byrne Bldg.

For Condr. C. E. Hollar, Div. One

Los Angeles Railway, Gentlemen:

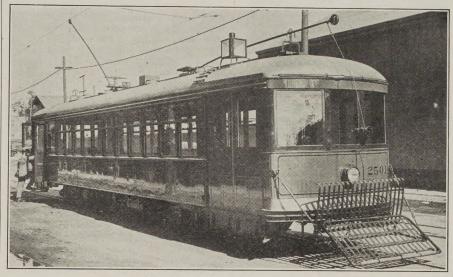
Because of a fine courtesy on the part of a conductor on the "R" line, last Sunday morning, going into the city, I wish to send in a kindly word for him.

It was car marked 736 on the inside, and time 11:45 last Sunday A. M., February 22nd.

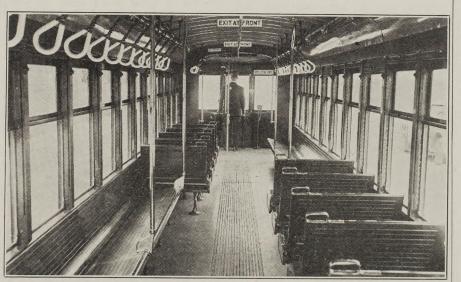
The conductor assisted a mother with three very small children. Getting off and lifting the two tiny children himself and caring for their safety until the mother with her infant had reached the ground also.

so. Sincerely yours, MRS. M. ALLISON, 721½Euclid Ave.

## NEW MODEL CAR READY FOR VARIED LINE TESTS



See What's Coming Our Way!



#### Looks Like This Inside

Car number 2501, the new model with low floor and folding steps and doors, has been pronounced ready for test trips and will be put through several runs to determine the efficiency eral runs to determine the efficiency of the new equipment. Interest is centered particularly in the variable load brakes, which are the first used on the Los Angeles Railway system. The principle of these brakes is explained by the name. The brake equipment automatically adjusts itself to varying loads on the cars. Extensive tests will be made, using men from the shops to provide the light and

the shops to provide the light and heavy loads.

The car is equipped with 26-inch rolled steel wheels. Four 514 L motors are used. The variable load brakes are of Westinghouse Traction brakes are of Westinghouse Traction Company design. The body is built of steel and the seats are arranged in alternate blocks, cross-seats and longitudinal, as shown in the picture above. The seating capacity is 46, the length of the car is 48 feet over all. It was designed by the Los Angeles Railway Engineers and built by the St. Louis Car Company Car Company.

#### Increased Church Travel Adds Cars

The world is getting better and as a result a new Sunday schedule is effective on Line "V," May 24. The increasingly heavy travel to and from churches during the morning and the growing afternoon travel to Exposition Park resulted in the change. Four cars are added to the line to meet the increased travel increased travel.

#### Courtesy Credits Go To All But 23 Men

Only 23 trainmen failed to receive the extra credits allowed for clear courtesy records during April. This is bringing the figure close to a rockbottom. All but 432 received the extra credits for going through the month without being involved in acci-

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This is Miss Watcha Hula who en-This is Miss Watcha Hula who entertained trainmen at the Division Eight smoker last week, while music was furnished by the Hawaiian quartet. The attractive shredded wheat skirt was imported from North Main street. She was followed by 347 trainmen and the information men's quartet which sang "Show Me the Way."

Motorman Knudson just told us of being up in Frisco once. Oh yes, Mrs. Knudson was with him. They walked up to a hotel clerk and asked if he had any rooms.

"Have you got a reservation?" asked the clerk.

"What do you think I am?" yelled Knudson, "an Indian?" . . .

Cash receiver Kelly is studying up to be a County Motorcycle Officer, so while he was out Sunday taking a little spin he thought day taking a little spin he thought he would see just how fast an auto has to go before getting tagged by a motorcycle cop. He stepped on the gas and soon found the answer to his question. Now Kelly has to journey to Ventura and tell the judge just how it happened. Maybe if he tells the judge he is studying to be an Officer, the judge will be lenient with him and let him off at \$25.00.

A Brooklyn Ave. car turned over an auto the other night and as the motorman and conductor went up to the machine they discovered a man underneath. Just as they were about to say something, another gentleman rushed up and hollered "OUI Abe, are you hurt?"

Abe (under the car)—"No." Other gentleman—"Has the claim agent been here yet?"

Abe (still under the car)-"No." Other gentleman—"Then let me underneath."

#### BEYOND HELP

Workman: "Mr. Brown, I should like to ask for a small raise in my wages. I have just been married."
Employer: "Very sorry. my dear man, but I can't help you. We are not responsible for accidents which happen outside the factory."

#### AT THE COFFEE CLUB

Wolf: "What's a ten-letter word meaning a hold-up?" Weitzel: "I'll bite. What is it?" Wolf: "Suspenders."

TWO BELLS

# DIVISION 1

Speaking of obtaining witnesses, Conductor H. J. Cormier and Motorman S. B. Prancevich win the prize, (try and get it) this week. Out of 20 passengers on their car they got 15 witnesses to an accident. Conductor Cormier says the reason they couldn't get the other five was because one of them was blind, one was deaf and dumb, and the other three deaf and dumb, and the other three said, "No sabe."

Old Dame Rumor has it that Dick Rowe, the sheik of Whittier Boulevard, was secretly married some time ago. Could it be that he is trying to give us the slip? We all appreciate good cigars you know, Dick, so what say. This info comes from a very reliable source, so there must be something to it. something to it.

Cond. R. W. Brigham is getting the fishing tackle out and greasing up the old Ford for another jaunt into the tall and uncut in the near future. Brighten the contract of the brighten back. ham says he expects to bring back some fish stories that will surpass anything heard around Division One and that's saying a lot.

Motorman C. H. Robinson is leav-Motorman C. H. Robinson is leaving soon for a three months' visit with relatives in the East. Motorman Robinson was back East last summer and liked it so well that he is going to take another chance at it this year.

Conductor H. M. West, who has been trying out with the police force, is back on the cars again. He is satisfied now that no job can beat that of a trainman for the L. A. Ry.

#### DIVISION 2 H. T. Hansen

Conductor E. L. Corwin, recently acquired a new auto of the species Flivver, and took his family for a tour of Imperial Valley and part of Arizona to try it out. The Ford was fine, but he found the weather a trifle too warm to suit him too warm to suit him.

Conductor L. Rogers finds that night life does not agree with him, so he threw up the Maple Owl and is now trying out the bottom of the extra

Among recent comebacks to this Division, we find Conductor R. E. Thompson, who has been gone about two years; Motorman E. A. Graham, who years; Motorman E. A. Graham, who came back from Division Four, where he was Safety Operator; Motorman R. R. McFall, the little short fellow, who has to get a chair to copy his run. But in the words of the prophet, "The best stuff comes in small packages!" What say, Mac?

Another visit from the stork ported recently by Conductor W. Mc-Kernon. The new arrival is a seven-pound baby girl. Mother and baby doing fine.

Conductor W. W. McFall, resigned about the same time his brother R. R. McFall came back to Division Two. W. W. has gone back to his home in Colorado to give farming a whirl. Here's good luck to him, but he'll be back about the time the snow begins to fly back there. They all do it.

Conductor C. O. Ashton of the "S" line has recently had his wife in a hospital for a slight operation. He reports, however, that she is home again and getting along fine.

The distinguished-looking gentleman whose likeness adorned last week's issue of Two Bells, rises to remark that every mileage card that passes through his hands, is a first-class piece of work, and a thorough examination of the records proves his claim. There may have been a time

## Who's Who



Here's another young fellow who celebrated his second year in street car service this month, having started May 8, 1923 at Division One but was later transferred to Division Three where he is one of the regular family today. Carl Paul Lazar was born in Minneapolis and graduated through the grocery business to the street railway.

which when Mr. Welch was a poor mechanic, but not now. No sir!!!!!

Brush 'em up boys and save the dinero. This applies to the uniforms as per recent paragraph in Two Bells. Somebody told me that elbow grease would save you money. I tried it out and ruined a perfectly good pair of shoes with a pick—while trying to make a garden.

We were pleased to see that each of the smoker meetings were well attended. The smokes were fine, and the music by the band was very fine.

Now boys we are all set to handle these big crowds during the convention. Let's set an example for the rest of the Divisions, and see if we can get a high mark for courtesy during ing the convention. Remember there will be a lot of strangers in town, so it is up to us to show them the way.

# BUS DIVISION Elmer Wood

Here are the telephone numbers of

Here are the telephone numbers of the Bus Division and the Garage. (Better copy 'em down.)

Bus Division, ATlantic 3808, night and day. Garage, MAin 4174.

Note: You can only get the garage with this number (MAin 4174) between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. daily except Saturday and 8 A.M. to 1 P.M. then, as the switchboard is closed the rest of the time. You can always get the dispatcher from an outside phone the number is MEtropolitan 4629. politan 4629.

Hagen: "Who were the three wise

Bolles: "I don't remember." Hagen: "Stop, look and listen."

"There's always a first time," but E. C. Fitts couldn't stand it alone, so he brought his dog along to "shine"

Operator D. H. Weaver is on his ay to Denver, Colorado, as he re-eived a telegram that his mother ceived

L. C. Clark doesn't trust anyone else with the bus he pulls out, so was bringing it back to the garage from San Pedro when he was supposed to be relieved, but his relief saw him and phoned the garage to

## DIVISION 3 By Dan Hanley

Concentrate — Read — Remember There are three important events in a man's life

Marriage Birth

The first and third we cannot get away from, the second is a 90 per cent gamble that it will get you. Yet there is going to be another impor-tant event added to the platform men's

lives of this company, namely:

"A Smoker"

"The men of Division Three will gather on Tuesday, May 26, 1925" to discuss the ways and means of handling the company guests of our city. the "Shriners." So when they have spent a pleasant week in Los Angeles they will depart with the best of feeling toward our city and in particular towards the wonderful street railway system that this company has built up, through the efforts and co-operation of all in its employ and when the Shriners get back home and tell the folks what a wonderful time they had and of the things they saw, they will say something like this "And the street car system, gee it was sure great to ride those cars and the men courteous, neat and so painstaking, TH.
GREATEST WE HAVE EVER SEEN and boys, believe me what a testimonial that will be for they visit about every city in the U.S.A. So let's listen to all that is said and learn what is expected of us and let's put is expected of us and let's put it over in the one and only way, that is, as the boys of the L. A. Railway are capable of doing and I know we will enjoy our cigar that much better, so be sure and be there.

I found this letter in the mail box the other day.

the other day:

DAN:

"I have a 5-tube radio set, how do I get out of town? I am not expert enough on radios to give much advice, but I'll answer this one any way. "Make all your payments and remember trains leave the S. P. and Santa Fe stations every day."

After a short spell of inactivity, old bird stork flew out Division Three way and tagged conductor Wall a 7½pound baby boy, and conductor Russell an 8-pound baby girl. Every one is well and doing fine. Hooray for our side.

Then we have the "Love, HONOR and wash the dishes" guy come along and grab off Motorman Savage and Motorman Wells, so with the smoker and the above events, the office force is going to smoke for some time, when is going to smoke for some time, when we get them.

Lady to traffic man at Temple Block -"How do I get to 6th and Hill?"

Traffic man to lady—"Take '2' or '3' cars going south.

Lady to traffic man—"I am not a gang and I will certainly report you for discourtesy."

Who'll take care of the transfer as the transfer transfers the passengers that transfer.

The company is going to put an electric button on the fare boxes so there will be no cranks on the cars.

Meetya at the smoker.

turn him back, which they did in a very short time.

So it happened—Supervisor Morris was riding on Melrose, when L. Novak, asked to get off Sunday, as he wanted to take a bath. (Morris said it's the first time he's wanted off in a year.)

Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

Introducing new men: H. E. Rainey, E. J. Minazzi, A. B. Hooper, J. F. Graham and W. B. Steel.

#### **DIVISION 4**

May 25, 1925

C. J. Knittle

"Ye Scribe" would like to start the column this week with an apology. It is almost a crime to attempt writing a whole week's news of a whole live division, when one has only seen the place one of the seven days. And that is "Ye Scribe's" predicament. Been traveling around the system with the orchestra. Only saw Division Four one day—last Monday. But any-how—let's go! The "Two Bells" mail box yielded a few cracks.

About the orchestra, though, the other day we had just finished playing, "California, Here I Come," when Mr. Padden, our director, noticed a spectator weeping over in the corner. Going over to him he asked sympathetically, "My good man, are you a Californian that this music so affects you?" "No, mister," he replied reaching for his hat, "I'm a musician."

Conductor Bailey is the most efficient man we know. In order to save on his laundry bill, he hides his socks in the pockets of his pajamas.

Motorman Frazier says most wives are like umpires—they never think you're safe when your out.

A girl dressed in her father's clothes Eloped one day to France. he headlines in the paper read: "Flees in father's pants."

Conductor Pete England went into a store last Wednesday and says to the clerk, "I'd like to try that suit on in the window."

"Sorry," says the counter-jumper,

"you'll have to use the dressing room.

Molly and Tommy trod the beach In bathing suits—(What folly?)
The sand was hot to Tommy's toes,
And the sun was hot tamale.

That's all there is, Izzie, there isn't any more.

#### **DIVISION 5**

F. J. Mason

Motorman S. B. Smith, after a round-trip with a two-car train, reports real estate business on Hoover Street as slowing up. Says a Ford truck loaded down with a real estate office slowed him up five minutes.

Thursday, 28th, 10:00 A.M.

An engineer on "M" line,

P. Tanis was his name, Tried to straddle a puddle of water, But slipped and fell in same. The water was deep and slimey,

Went almost to his neck And he worked his run a'standing up, To sit down it felt like heck.

Thursday, 28th, 2:00 P.M.

No. That's not a milk man doing the switching. That's Heine in his yachting suit.

Thursday, 28th, 8:00 P.M.

A UNION JOKE

Why is a telegram like a California marriage.

Because it's a Western Union.

Thursday, May 28th, at 10:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Good cigars—Inspiring music—Educational talks. Come—smoke—listen and learn. Everybody present.

Motorman T. A. Golish of Division Motorman T. A. Golish of Division Five, as a sideline, is offering three and four-room new duplexes for rent, with garages. Never been occupied, latest built-in conveniences for the housewife and "June Brides." Splendid location, near cars, schools, etc. Reasonable rent. See them at 7012 S. Denver Avenue, one block west of Figueroa. Owner, T. A. Golish, 7015 S. Denver Avenue.