

A Herald of Good Cheer and Cooperation Published by and for Employes of the Los Angeles Railway

Temple Block Track Job Planned

MACY BRIDGE OPENING AN ELABORATE FUNCTION

The new Macy Street Viaduct, was formally opened on Saturday, April 17. At this time the contractors for this work, Atkinson and Spicer and their associates, tendered a luncheon to the members of the Board of Public Works, to the city officials, the city engineer's office, and to others interested in the bridge, among whom were the Santa Fe, Union Pacific, and Los Angeles Railway Companies. About two hundred were present at the luncheon and talks were made by the different members of the Board of Public Works, the city engineer's office, and representatives of the Railways. P. B. Harris, chief engineer of the Los Angeles Railway responded for the Railway.

The total amount expended for the bridge and track changes will be in the neighborhood of \$850,000.00. The sum which the Los Angeles Railway will pay for its portion of the bridge and track changes will be somewhere near \$175,000.00

At one time the Los Angeles Railway Company owned and operated over the old Macy Street Bridge.

TEST FINISHED OF POWER METERS

The electrical engineering department has completed the regular semi-annual test of "A C" meters which register all power purchased from the Southern California Edison Company. Every six months it is necessary to calibrate and check meters for 12 separate delivery points and install them with their current transformers replacing those which have been in service for the previous six months.

An "as found" check is made on all meters removed. These tests are made at the Edison Laboratories in Alhambra. After this work is completed tests are taken and installations made for 11 circuits where "D C" current is registered on the system. The check of "D C" meters is being made at the present time.

Philadelphia Mayor Honor L. A. Ry. Man



W. T. TRAVERS

W. T. Travers, flagman, who has been ill for about two years but is somewhat recovered, is leaving on May 25 for a visit to his old home in Philadelphia. His friend, the Hon. W. Free-land Kendrick, Mayor of Philadelphia, has sent him another souvenir, this time the official Sesqui-Centennial Souvenir Key to the City of Philadelphia. This key is quite elaborate, is eight inches long and on one side there is a thermometer.

When Mayor Kendrick attended the Shrine Convention held here in June of last year, he brought Mr. Travers a small block of oak from the beam of the floor of the Declaration Chamber, in Independence Hall. This beam was removed by the city when the Hall was restored in 1897.

Mr. Travers is a fellow member with Mayor Kendrick of Lulu Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine, Philadelphia.

Cashier and Mrs. Cashier Will Go on Vacation Trip

Mr. J. C. Reckard, our genial cashier, with Mrs. Reckard, is leaving on April 29, on the Ruth Alexander for Victoria, British Columbia, for an extended vacation. They are taking their car along and expect to have wonderful time enjoying the scenery. Friends from the North have reported that the season is at least one month ahead of time and the flowers are beautiful.

New Two-Ton Trucks for Track Department

B. H. Eaton, engineer of ways and structures, has replaced two delivery trucks with two Macks and one dump truck with a Mack four yard dump.

The first two trucks are two ton trucks and are equipped with pneumatic tires. They are used in delivering material from the Vernon yards. The dump trucks are used in the pavement patching gang.

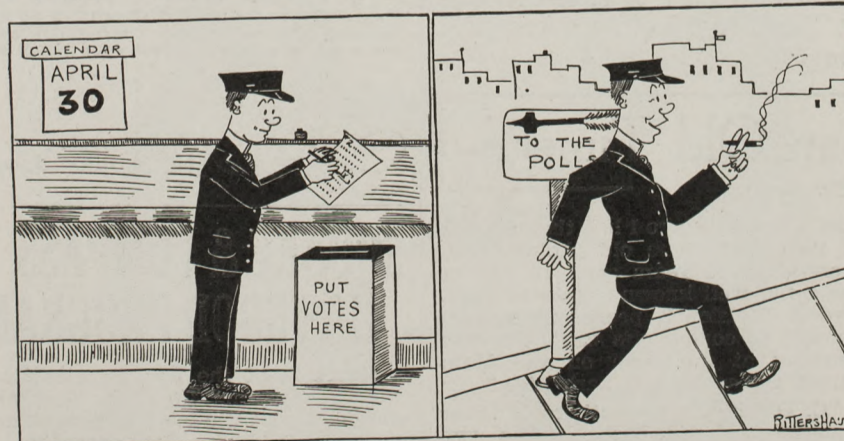
SPECIAL WORK AND CURVES TO GO AT ONCE

Plans have been made and work will be started in the near future on extensive improvements at the Temple block which will involve immediate removal of special work and curves connecting Spring and Main streets, as this section of track is no longer in use due to the closing of Spring street in the vicinity of the civic center buildings now under construction.

Removal of the safety islands now located along the track at Main and Temple streets and construction of new concrete platforms will be an important part of the improvements. A loading platform 150 feet long by 5 feet wide will be built for southbound passengers on Main street, which will serve three cars.

Pedestrian safety and relief of traffic congestion will be furthered by construction of a safety island of concrete midway between the present tracks on Main street and the west property line. The intersection there is so wide that the distance from sidewalk to safety zone is a hazard for pedestrians, and the platform contemplated will serve the double purpose of dividing southbound vehicular traffic on Main street and westbound traffic on Temple street, and will make a safe stopping place for the pedestrians crossing this wide intersection.

Cast Your Ballot on April 30th



TO MAINTAIN the benefits of our present government, which all the world acclaims and wishes to share, the supreme political act of depositing a marked ballot must be exercised by all the eligible voters. "The greatest danger to our society does not lie in violence and crime," said President Coolidge in a recent speech, "but in a far more serious danger which lurks in the shirking of those responsibilities of citizenship, where the evil may not be so noticeable, but is more insidious and likely to be more devastating."

"The whole system of government," he asserted, "rests on the ballot box. Unless citizens perform their duties there, such a system of government is doomed to failure."

Political authority was placed in our hands by the efforts of our ancestors. If it is not exercised it will pass to those who will use it for their own selfish purposes.

SENTOUS PUMP HOUSE REBUILT

The old pump house at the Sentous substation is to be completely remodeled and reconstructed into a thoroughly up-to-date structure, according to B. H. Eaton, engineer of ways and structures. When completed, the building will conform strictly to city specifications.

Baby Granddaughter Dies

We regret very much to hear that the little granddaughter of Mr. George Campbell, who began life on April 5th, passed away Wednesday, April 21.

Editorial Comment

Two Bells Is The Official Paper of The Los Angeles Railway

It's All In The Day's Work

WHEN Adam's four-handed ancestors lived in the trees they learned to move quick. If they did not grab with speed and precision they supplied an easy meal for the hungry brutes below. When you take that first airplane trip you will know what is meant.

Disregarding the argument between Mr. Bryan and Mr. Scopes, however, a good motorman does have to move fast.

The other day an "M" car passed down Broadway at a good fast clip.

From between a line of stalled cars on the east track a figure on a bicycle flashed in front. A shuddering crash indicated that the car was "slugged." It did not stop, but the instant retardation was enough to save the boy almost certain death.

The chap never even looked back; perhaps he enjoyed the thrill. The motorman proceeded, grumbling about the fools that deserve being hurt, and, believe me, you would have sympathized with him. It was all in the day's work, of course, but it was a fine example of service. It showed the results of efficient organization, training and discipline. Here was a dramatic "cut" in a prosaic story of every-day industry.

The moral is that a good motorman must not only have the capacity of instant reaction but also that ability of unflickering attention to his job which requires an exercise of will-power.

No one is devoured in our streets but the vehicles there move with jungle speed and destructiveness. No driver should control these movements who lacks a profound sense of responsibility for the safety of Adam's descendants.

Give Help to the New Man

IT is both a pleasure and a duty. We owe him this consideration. Remember, too, it is not a one-sided proposition, for the help you give him causes him to look upon you as his friend.

Save him from "getting bit" unnecessarily, just because he is new at it.

Show him the dangerous places in your department.

Show him how to do his work in the safe way.

If he is still a boy take a bit of interest in him. A word of advice may prevent serious injury.

Thousands of new men in workshops have learned the lesson of safety by bitter experience. Are we older employes not responsible for some of these hard earned lessons?

"Am I my brother's keeper?" was Cain's reply as he endeavored to disclaim responsibility for Abel. Do we refuse to shoulder this present-day responsibility by asking "Am I my brother's keeper?"

HELP THE NEW MAN.—Exchange.

The Musings of an Old Timer

By George E. Ferguson

"WELL" said the old timer as he selected a nice soft cushion out of the rack and seated himself thereon, "I see that the list of flagmen is growing steadily, and I want to go on record right now by saying that the Los Angeles Railway Corporation has surely got a heart as big as the L. A. Railway building when it comes to looking after the welfare of their employees. Do you realize that wages for the flagmen alone means about \$72,000 per year? It's not a pension or charity because the men work for what is paid them, but the positions thus furnished add years of life to these old timers, who, on account of advanced years, and poor health, are unable to stand the strain of platform work. It is indeed a pleasure to be at these regular 'shake-ups' and see the hollow places on their smiling faces rapidly filling up. The nervous strain is gone and a look of contentment is in their eyes.

"It's strange," the old timer rambled on, "how times do change conditions.

Just a few days ago I had the pleasure of inspecting some old photos taken more than 20 years ago. In one of them the well known visage of Supt. Dye of Division 3, peered forth from beneath a conductor's cap: He was working at the time on the Main Street & Agricultural Park Line."

"C. D. Clark was another old timer who affected side-burns and a two visored English walking cap. That was a sheik outfit in the days when men were men and beer was 5c a glass."

"Another picture in the old album is that of our well known assistant superintendent of operation, R. R. Smith. A large sweeping moustache adorns his upper lip and in those days the top of his head was crowned with a luxuriant growth of brown hair. The same kindly look gleams from his eyes but advancing years has taken away most of his hair, and what remains is tinged with gray, but mentally and physically he is still the same 'Dick.'"

BULLETINS

Issued April 26, 1926

BULLETIN NO. 61

Notice to Conductors

The following Firemen's Pass Books are reported lost:

No. 23025, issued to Fireman Roy E. Owens.

No. 29249, issued to Fireman Amos H. Maddox.

If presented for transportation, take up, collect fare, and send to this office with report.

BULLETIN NO. 62

Notice to Conductors

Pass No. 3388, issued to Mrs. Laura Gray, sister of J. A. Gillespie, motorman Division No. 5, is reported lost. If presented for transportation, take up, collect fare, and send to this office with report.

P. B. Hill

BUS BULLETINS

BULLETIN NO. 428

Bulletin No. 423, issued April 6th, is hereby cancelled. Beginning at once Operators of Yellow Coach Buses numbering from 1002 to 1005, inclusively, and also Yellow Coach Single Deck No. 1501, will not use low gear when starting except when doing so on grades. When starting on the level, do so in second gear.

BULLETIN NO. 429

Operators will discontinue taking gasoline from outside service stations except on buses numbering from 801 to 807, inclusive, and then only when these buses are operated on long runs and there is not enough gasoline to complete the run. When it is absolutely necessary, gasoline may be taken from the same gas station as heretofore.

BULLETIN NO. 430

The matter of permitting more than 40 passengers at any one time on a Single Deck Bus, where the seating capacity is 25, or more than 44 passengers on Single Deck Buses where the seating capacity is 29 under normal operating conditions must be stopped immediately. A few in excess of this number may be permitted on school buses which handle students exclusively.

BULLETIN NO. 431

Santa Fe trains disregard the Acme Signal at Slauson and Figueroa Street. Bus Operators must make a safety stop at this Steam Railway crossing the same as at any Steam Railway crossing as provided for by rule regardless of whether Acme Signal shows "stop" or "go."

BULLETIN NO. 432

The entrance doors on some of the Fageol Buses fly open if Operators do not securely and completely close them with the lever. Give this matter your attention.

J. Van Vranken

SQUARE & COMPASS HAS GOOD PROGRAM

Members of the Los Angeles Railway Square and Compass club who did not attend the meeting a week ago Saturday missed a lot, according to those lucky enough to be there, as there was an excellent vaudeville program and music furnished by the company orchestra.

Atmosphere Is Now Brightened Again

"Bill" Saager, the traffic officer who brightens the atmosphere at Eleventh and Broadway, was welcomed back at his post last week after an enforced absence, looking just as good as new, in spite of injuries received in his unequal battle with a street car.

13 TRAINMEN RATE BELOW 93 PER CENT PERFECT

Only thirteen men rated below 93 percent in efficiency April 1, as 44 out of 57 men who were below 100 percent were between 93 and 99 percent, according to the report of the Merit System for March.

An increase of demerits over February shows in the March report, but this may be accounted for to a degree by the greater number of days in March.

Missing out is once more the cause of the greatest number of demerits, there being 197 for this cause during March to 163 in February. Running ahead of time brought 139 demerits or almost double the number given in February for this fault, which totalled 75. Giving bells too soon is next in line with 97 demerits for offenders.

Eighty-three credits were given for courtesy to passengers in March, which is a cause for gratification as only 10 demerits were given for discourtesy, thus continuing the good record in February of 77 credits for discourtesy.

There were no automatic dismissals.

40 "L" CARS TAKEN FROM MAIN STREET

Line "L" cars were re-routed April 21 to terminate on Spring street just north of First, near Court street. The change has simplified the movement of cars of Lines "2," "G," and "W" over the curve at First and Main streets during the evening rush hour, as 40 cars were removed from traffic at that point by the re-routing.

Fare Boxes to Go On Double-Deckers

Fare boxes that will receive dimes only, and only one at a time, will be placed on all double deck buses today, April 26. The fare boxes are the Johnson full-automatic type, which has been tried out on one of the double-deckers for a month past.

Schedules to Allow More Bus Service

Schedules are being prepared which allow for increased service on the Melrose bus line and on the Wilshire Boulevard line. One bus will be added to the service on Melrose for the evening rush period.

Mrs. Rees Joins Two Bells Staff

"Two Bells" has added to its staff a most competent and charming member in the person of Mrs. Edna S. Rees. Mrs. Rees was the wife of Bert Rees, who was in charge of the Company library from its inception to the time of his death. The many friends of Bert will be pleased at this advancement for his wife, who is as well liked as her husband was.

13 Lose Clear Record

Just one-half of one percent, or an unlucky 13, failed to hold a clear record for courtesy in March, and 317 failed to receive a clear record for safety.

Bouquets And Things

(Hand Picked)

When an average of nearly two commendations a day for trainmen has been maintained over a period of months, as it has been, "bouquets" accumulate faster than they can be printed in this column. To catch up a little bit, we have condensed a number of them as below:

DIVISION ONE

For Mtr. F. F. Long, from Mrs. M. D. Elvers, 118 N. Ave. 19.—Unusual courtesy and intelligent manner displayed in handling passengers.

For Condr. A. J. Hathwell, from P. C. Schooley, 1919 W. 7th St.—Pleasant manner and distinct calling of streets.

For Condr. J. H. Morrissey, from Jack Shorter, Room 558, New Russ Hotel, 521 San Julian St.—Kindness to small school girl who had lost her money in the water.

DIVISION TWO

For Mtr. J. A. Wear, from J. L. Spigle, R. F. D. Box 411, Ingleswood.—For kindness in escorting a blind passenger to the safety of the sidewalk and for distinctness in calling out the streets.

For Condr. C. E. Lange, from C. M. Dennison, 1010½ W. 47th St.—For clear enunciation and calling out names of streets at ALL stops.

DIVISION THREE

For Condr. V. R. Febton, from May E. Shaw, 1041 Elden Ave.—Kindness in lending passenger the amount of her fare.

For Condr. M. V. Howell, from Nellie S. Ehlers, 1185 N. Berendo St.—Kindness in carrying passengers through the water to the car.

For Condr. W. F. Carpenter, from Robt. F. Tracy, 1671 Lafayette Road.—Courtesy to the old and thoughtfulness for all passengers.

For Condr. E. L. Jandro and Mtr. A. E. Russell, from Mrs. Frances E. Brady, Cor. 10th and St. Andrews Place.—Great courtesy to the general public and to all old people in particular.

For Mtr. A. Bauman, from Frederick Hodgson, 6408 Crescent St.—Ability to maintain service during the height of the storm by clearing the track himself, of the sand and stone which had washed on to the track to a depth of a foot or more.

For J. W. Allen, Clerk, acting as loader, from Emma A. Kropp, 860 North Main St.—Solicitation for the safety of all passengers while the Macy Street Viaduct was being built.

DIVISION FOUR

For Mtr. W. G. Brooks, from Mrs. E. A. Dobbins, 730 N. Boyle Ave.—Courtesy and gracious manners to all in crowded car.

DIVISION FIVE

For Condr. W. A. Walsh, from Bessie E. Kill, 818¾ W. 84th St.—Kindness in paying fare for passenger who had forgotten purse.

For Condr. R. Gilbert, from Mrs. G. J. Ellis, 204 W. 46th St.—Polite attentions to the aged.

For Condr. R. H. Gardner, from Barney Lewis, 3427 London St.—Prompt work in removing lady and small girl from the track and so preventing an accident.

For Condr. H. M. Mayo, from Alice V. Swanson, 100½ E. Elk St., Glendale, California.—Kindness in paying fare for passenger without money.

THE MOTOR BUG

Old Bill was quite a critic
Of others on the road,
Of reckless ways of driving
Against the safety code.
"Now look at that!" he shouted.
"Those glims are much too bright!
That guy should be in prison
To drive with such a light."
But soon he heard a siren,
He was not long in doubt;
Bill had no glaring headlights,
But one, you see, was out.
A man forgot to signal
When Bill was just behind;
The language flow that followed
Was anything but kind.
But Bill was so disgusted
At what went on ahead;
He missed the words so torrid
The man behind him said.
It's usually the driver
Who calls all others "fools"
Who is the worst transgressor
To break the traffic rules.
—National Auto Club Weekly.

"Daddy, did Solomon have seven hundred wives?"

"Yes, my boy."

Pause for reflection. Then:

"Daddy, why did they call him the wisest man?"

Pencil Pushers Have a Picnic--but It's No Picnic Pushing Pencils



That hard-working bunch from the auditing department, with their families and friends too numerous to mention, held a basket picnic at Orange County park Sunday, April 18. Various sports, particularly the lunch, occupied the day and "a good time was had by all."

The seedless banana face-feeding contest was won by Elsie Greenamyer, who was as a result unable to take part in the athletic events. The women of the party out-pulled the men two to one in the tug-of-war, with Minnie Brown at the anchor position. In the women's free-for-all 100 yard dash, that "Ray of Swedish Sunshine," Rose Maloney, nosed out Ethel Gorman for first place by a gnat's knee.

Rose and Mary Duffy tied for first place in the little ladies' 50-yard race.

In the men's free-for-all 100-yard dash, Al Broughton beat Gladstone MacDonald to the tape by a cat's whisker. A. A. Tavener, Doheny's chief building inspector, claimed that Chief Clerk MacDonald fouled him in the Old Man's race, and has challenged Mac to run it over at the next picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. Gorman, Rose, and others put on some fancy rope-skipping. A thunder storm came up about 2:30 and all the wild flowers faded from view except "Pat's Wild Irish Rose." Songs and piano selections were indulged in at the pavilion during the rain, star entertainers being Walter Born and Minnie Brown.

A Stretcher Was at One Side But They Didn't Have to Use It



Mrs. N. M. Stearns, in charge of the emergency hospital, and F. O. Rowbottom, of the Carpenter shop at South Park shops, who has placed himself with all confidence in the hands of the capable nurse for vaccination. (See Story Next Column)

On The Back End

(Contributed)

UNIFORM POETRY

A little pressing now and then
Is relished by the best dressed men.
If a uniform you need,
To Room 225 with all speed,
No better service can you get;
No squarer fellows have you met;
They're there to give you satisfaction.
Come, you shieks, let's have some action.
—You Win Sir.

Conductor Frank Deuber, of Division Four, says that next to kosher signs, the most popular business symbol is three gold balls.

Passenger: "Conductor, give me the loan of a match."
Passenger then goes through his pockets and gives Conductor a gentle hint that he has no tobacco.
Conductor (a Scotchman): "Give me back the match."

A lady complained to Conductor Frank Shuster of Division Four that every time she rides his Crown Hill car, she gets "C" sick.

The man on the back end says that lots of people will say that their lives are an open book, but someone has surely torn a lot of pages out.

Some one on Bus No. 64: "How long a leave did you get, Erskine; two months?"
Erskine: "No, sixty days."

199 NICKELS

A woman got on a trolley-car and, finding that she had no change, handed the conductor a ten-dollar bill.

"I'm sorry," she said, "but I haven't a nickel."

"Don't worry, lady," said the conductor, "you'll have just 199 of 'em in a minute."

Send in Your Votes for L. A. Ry. Orchestra

The Los Angeles Railway orchestra, broadcasting regularly every Wednesday on radios KHJ and KMTR, is competing in the radio popularity contest being conducted in the morning papers. Their standing is favorable compared with other entertainers of their class.

THE EMERGENCY DID NOT EMERGE

(Illustration at Left)

AN EMERGENCY hospital with full equipment and a most pleasing nurse are part of the extensive facilities of the South Park Shops. Mrs. N. M. Kearns, chief clerk in the office of the master mechanic, has had charge of the hospital during the eight years that she has been with the company.

All the lesser injuries, from skinned knuckles to broken crowns, are taken care of by Mrs. Kearns. She is very much interested in first aid work, having studied for the medical profession a number of years ago. "I'd have been a doctor," Mrs. Kearns said the other day, "But I married, instead."

Men from other divisions of the system as well as from the shops are quick to come to the emergency hospital for treatment, as its work, under the general supervision of the company doctor, has been valued and greatly appreciated by everyone. In cases of serious injury, however, an ambulance is called to carry the injured one to the receiving hospital at once.

During several weeks past, vaccinations and caring for vaccination patients have kept the emergency hospital busy, but Mrs. Kearns is now finishing up the last of such cases.

Looking 'em Over at the Divisions

DIVISION 1

D. B. Kohl

Conductor M. B. Stewart walks in with his chest expanded and his hat on one side of his head and wearing a big smile. Says Mr. Stewart, "We got a nine pounder at our house this morning." We thought at first that he meant he had been fishing and caught a nine pound fish, but when pressed for details he exclaimed, "Naw, this is no fish story. I mean a nine-pound baby girl, born on the 19th and everybody is getting along fine." Congratulations.

Mack the barber, was given the honor of giving Supt. Williams' twins their first shingle bob on their first birthday. Mack says when he asked them what style they wanted they said, "Give us a Bob A-La-France." They both seemed quite tickled with themselves when they looked in the mirror.

Conductor Head says he has got it all figured out about like this. When he waits for a car to go home it's "Sus-pense." When he gets on the car it's "Expense" (if he forgets his pass) and when he reaches his destination it's just plain "Spence." If you have trouble in figuring this out just ask the Information Man on the corner.

Come on everybody, turn in your coupons from the Illustrated Daily News and help the L. A. Railway Orchestra win the Radio Popularity Contest. BOOST!

The division stenographer was missing from his desk a couple of days last week, owing to an attack of indigestion, caused by eating sixteen of Pete's hot dogs without coming up for air. Take a tip from yours truly and don't try it.

DIVISION 2

H. F. Nelson

Those two young fellows you see standing up eating their meals are the Skinner Brothers. Saturday P. M. they took a trip out into the country and tried their luck at riding horses. It was fun for a couple of hours, but they weren't laughing about it Monday morning. Better take a few pillows along next time, boys.

Mother: "Where did you put your hat and coat?"

Youngster: "With Daddy's."

Mother: "How many times must I tell you to hang them up?"

Conductor B. I. Furbish took a thirty day leave to work on his ranch near Pomona.

S. J. Napierski—ten days to visit relatives in San Diego.

Hurry up, boys, and get over your vaccination arms. Limber them up a bit and the get started on your questionnaires.

And—DON'T FORGET TO GET WITNESSES.

RAMBLINGS

Tia Juana jockey caps introduced by Howard Lock who drives "Dinkey" in the morning handicap race. Frank Lawler and Stanley Wehn can have my proxy on a hand raised mustache, because it's all off. But why should Geo. Cleland buy a new Oakland while T. Gray's little old Ford still rambles along? I'll have to go back to misplaced eyebrows. Julian De la Torre is waiting for Mr. Hathaway to give him the price of a shave. That's that.

Who's Who



WALTER EDWARD FLOWERS was born in the same state as President Coolidge, in the village of Bethel, but he came to us from Lynn, Massachusetts, where he had been employed by the Eastern Street Railway as a one-man car Operator and Conductor. His war record is O. K. as he served in the United States Army from July 1917 to December 1918, being discharged with rank of Sergeant. Flowers also saw naval service from November 1920 to March 1921.

Since he came to this company in August, 1922, his record has been excellent, always rating between 100 and 155 per cent. Beginning as a Motorman in 1922, he continued as such until he was made a regular switchman in June, 1925.

SHOPS

By Jack Bailey

The cost of carefulness is nothing, but carelessness may cost you your life.

"Take this gun, Mr. Officer. I've just had an awful dream. I'm not a hold-up man, I'm the guy that sells the new Jail gas. The gas with the quick get-a-way." So says Janitor Robert Conley and believe me he sure is going to vote yes on "No. 2."

And to those who donated toward the requirements of the chicken dinner so complimentarily planned by the Switchman's Swindler Club, let that be a lesson to you. The line up on this resulted from a chicken to be disposed of by raffle. Switchman Swanson was the original owner. Switchman "Tex" Bourland did the raffling and another Switchman named Forsythe won the fowl. It is a rumor that a switchman drew the ticket. Looks like an open switch.

Verne Hathaway, Foreman of the Machine Shop, sees biggest musical comedy show in the West.—Complimentary.

The Boys of the Shops extend their deepest sympathy to J. E. Schnell, Repairer, Electrical Repair Department, on account of the death of his wife, which occurred April 11th.

The cooperation of traffic officers in the interest of street car riders and operators is an invaluable factor in the efficiency of service, and it is essential that trainmen do their share toward making the traffic man's work easier.

DIVISION 3

Dan Hanley

"You may have off today if you want it," said Clerk Allen to Motorman Hall the other morning, "and it gives me great pleasure to let you know that we have plenty of men."

"Thank you," replied Motorman Hall, "but I will come back and work a tripper for you this afternoon, as I don't want you to get stuck," and just then the alarm went off.

Extra man's lament: "The spring is here; now for a mattress."

Mr. Owens, our foreman, is quite enthused over vaccination.

If you are in doubt, step in some day and ask him, "How's your arm?" then duck.

Don't forget your questionnaire.

"I've got a swell car now," Conductor Horne remarked.

"What's the name?" asked Clerk Miller.

"It's made by the same people who make the Lincoln," replied Conductor Horne.

Motorman Skinner returned Wednesday from a two weeks' vacation. His mother and father-in-law were here on a visit, so he spent some time showing them around.

BUS DIVISION

Elmer Wood

On Monday, April 12th, Operator F. H. Walters and Miss E. Harames journeyed to Santa Ana, the object being matrimony. The best girl and the best man, Conductor V. G. Smith, helped to make the wedding a success. They say Smith in trying to locate the ring searched all of his pockets and finally located it in his vest pocket of course.

Thanks for the smokes, Walter, and our best wishes for a smooth voyage.

Who will tell E. A. Hagen what an umpire is talking about when he calls a player "out?"

—Contributed.

The latest sensation was caused this week by W. S. Campbell, Relief Clerk, falling heir to a little trick hat. Quite becoming, don't you think?

Conductor E. L. Herbel is taking 30 days to visit relatives in his home town in Iowa.

A queer sight on Wilshire Boulevard was observed when Conductor L. W. Walters stepped off of the back end to help some ladies on and at the same time was making change, a school kid gave Operator F. Kramer two bells, on which he started up. Walters, having a couple of dollar bills in his hand and making change, of course missed the bus. After running half a block, the operator noticed the conductor and six women chasing the bus, through the reflection in his rear sight mirror.

I bet that was a funny feeling to see your bus going down the street and not be able to catch it. Boys will be boys.

Introducing new men:

V. R. Smith, formerly a truck driver, and R. S. Wildung, H. Look, and R. E. Kanka, the new men in the garage.

DIVISION 4

C. J. Knittle

The bul-wark of "Two Bells."

Conductor Dempsey wishes to correct a wrong impression which prevails regarding his Ford. It is not a 1915 model. It's a late '16.

It appears that Motorman Perego has given his mustache to Motorman Rex Boardman.

Just to show that men of great minds can make mistakes (the same as we conductors), Foreman B. B. Boyd had lunch at the Pico shack last Thursday, handed the waiter a five dollar bill and walked off with the change for a dollar.

Words Unheard: "If you cannot make the change, conductor, just give me a few extra transfers."

Man (at Pico and Grand): "Going west, Conductor?"

Conductor: "Yes sir."

Man (walking away): "Thanks. I always lose my direction around here."

The police patrol just went by.

DIVISION 5

Fred Mason

As the little boy said to the big drummer "Can you beat it?" Three days this year we have had No ACCIDENTS. Two of them this month, namely, FRIDAY, April 16th, and Sunday, April 18th. Boys, that's going some, especially so on account of the fact that one of these days was a weekday. Now how about a "No Accident Week"? All right. Starting tomorrow, Sunday, April 25th. Let's go.

Don't forget to bring in those coupons.

Here's hoping that the habit of tipping waiters with \$5.00 bills, created by Foreman Boyd of Division 4, does not spread to this division. I said "Waiter" too, not "Waitress," so it can't be blamed to the women, and I know darn well it wasn't the wine, 'cause there was none.

Harry Goodman of the mechanical department, wields a wicked golf club, or says he does. He was telling one of the boys that there was just one habit he had to overcome and that was standing too close to his ball before he struck. His listener said, "No, Harry, you mean after."

Frank Adams says that "Shorty" Hague must have been brought up on Crisco. "Why Crisco?" asked one of the boys. "It's shortening," replied Frank.

We regret to announce the sudden death of Motorman C. L. Fridd on Friday morning April 16th. Mr. Fridd was enjoying perfect health up until this time and worked his run on the day previous. He entered the service March 20th, 1904, during which time he made many friends, both at Divisions 1 and 5, and at the main office where he worked in the Lost Article Dept. The boys of this division take this opportunity of expressing their heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Fridd in her bereavement.

Hazen Price, formerly a motorman at Division 5, has sent us an announcement of his marriage to Miss Nellie Althea Ford on Sunday, April 4th, at Zephyrhills, Florida.