

Seated: C. J. Adolphson, C. A. Hill, Yardmaster; W. E. Flower. Standing: T. Doolittle, W. R. Houts

"Superintendent Dickey of Division Two may have the best looking bunch of Switchmen, but while our boys may not be much for looks, they rank among the most efficient, and often prove this fact by marking up one car on three different train runs at the same time," says Superintendent Williams of Division One.

C. A. Hill, Yardmaster, is a teamster by profession, but he gave up driving mules to run street cars for the Company way back in 1904. He was made a regular switchman in 1910.

C. A. Adolphson, of Swedish descent, is noted for his jovial disposition and rapid fire car changes. He entered the services of the Company in 1920 and was promoted to Switchman in 1923.

Tom Doolittle is just a little over-size, but Tom was formerly a member of the Switch Repair Gang, which probably accounts for it.

W. R. Houts's chief pastime is duck hunting. Houts always keeps the Division well supplied with stories about his duck hunting in the Salton Sea.

W. E. Flower is the baby member of the force. Flower says he has worked the night shift so long that he can now see much better at night than he can in the daylight.

More Bus Service

Service has been increased during the morning rush period on the Mines Avenue bus line.

Four Has New Stunt

A new accident chart, which shows at a glance the exact increase or decrease of accidents over the same day of the previous month and the total accidents to date for the current month against the total accidents to the same day in the previous month has aroused great interest at Division Four and it is hoped the men who have been having an overdose of accidents lately will use a little more precaution and see if they cannot make the chart look more favorable. Slow up a little if necessary. Safety must be given first thought at all times on the road.

Hollywood Bowl

The Hollywood Bowl Association is starting on the third week of the Symphonies Under the Stars. This season is even greater than last and many world famous artists and conductors will be heard.

The Saturday night programs are of a popular nature, the music being lighter, and these evenings are proving very interesting.

Admission by ticket is twenty-five cents, on the Ten Dollar season ticket, and as there is no restriction as to the use of the book of tickets, several persons may club together and buy the book and use it as they wish.

Needs of Many Met By New Department

By George Baker Anderson, Manager of Transportation

Some time ago, the attention of the management of this Company was brought to the need existing among the employes of the Company for assistance and advice of a legal nature concerning the problems which confront the individual. A plan was proposed and adopted by the management for the establishment of a definite department where the employes of the Company could receive such legal assistance by personal call. A little later it was found that it was a hardship on many who really needed help to come up to the building, so the columns of Two Bells were opened for the questions and answers by mail. The space set aside has been called "The Legal Question Box," and all questions of any kind or nature, so long as they relate to legal matters, are answered in the issue following their receipt.

A series of articles have been printed on contracts. It has been found that many of the applicants for legal assistance have entered into contracts without reading and understanding them. Many have borrowed money from loan sharks. Some have bought property, the title of which was not clear. Through this department many situations which would have proved disastrous to the men have been ironed out and adjusted.

Only recently an employe of the Company bought a house and lot on the installment plan, receiving for the down payment a contract which contained the following clause: "Do not record this contract." The purchaser thought on account of this clause being in the contract that he could not record it. This is not true. Every contract of any kind whatsoever should be recorded. In looking up this particular case it was found that the same house and lot had been sold twice. The matter was finally straightened out by this Company employe taking another piece of property.

Another case handled by the Company was where a man had bought a lot on a contract. The description was uncertain and did not give a definite number of feet. No book or page of County records was given. When the property was finally located on the records of the County, it was found that the lot did not stand of record in the name of the man who sold it.

These are only samples of the cases handled by the Company for the benefit of its employes. Between three and four hundred cases are handled every month. This advice is given free. The Company realizes that in giving this free legal advice, the employe is relieved of worry and is thus enabled to give his attention to his work with a free mind. And further, the management realizes that the welfare of the individual employe is the welfare of the Company.

Division Meetings

The regular bi-monthly Division Meetings will start Monday, July 25th, and run through the week at the various divisions as usual.

L. A. Recappe, Superintendent of Schedules, and W. B. Adams, Director of Traffic, are the main attractions. Mr. Recappe says he does not know what he is going to talk about, so his talk will undoubtedly be a surprise, and judging from the past, it will be good. Mr. Adams says he knows what he is going to talk about, but is going to keep it a secret, so this will be a surprise, too, and no one who has ever heard him needs to be told that W. B. can give an interesting talk. So be sure and be there on time and avoid the rush.

The time of the meetings is 10:00 A. M., 2:00 P. M. and 8:00 P. M. at the various divisions, and the schedule is as follows:

Monday, July 25.....Division One
 Tuesday, July 26th.....Division Two
 Wednesday, July 27th.....Division Three
 Thursday, July 28th.....Division Four
 Friday, July 29th.....Division Five

"C" Line Turnback

The cars on the "C" Line which have heretofore been turning back at Clinton and Virgil are now scheduled to run on out to Fountain and Virgil, a new turnback point. This became effective Sunday, July 17th.

Engineers Busy

Another big track job is under way. On Broadway, between 7th and 10th Streets, a complete reconstruction of track is being made. Ties, roadbed and paving are all being put in new, and the old 87-pound rail is being replaced by the new 116-pound steel girder rail.

Another engineering job is the renewing in conjunction with the Santa Fe of the crossing at Central and Slauson Avenues.

Ball Game Sunday

Pacific Sash and Door vs. L. A. Railway, Vernon Yards, July 17th, 2:30 p. m.

TWO BELLS

Published by and for the Employes of the Los Angeles Railway

A Herald of Good Cheer and Cooperation

Janett Converse - - - - - Publicity Manager

As Others See You

Last week we asked you to step out and take a look at yourselves from the standpoint of an observer, but this time won't you take a look from the viewpoint of your prospective patron?

One feature of our operation which has resulted in considerable criticism is that of a motorman calling for signal bells and starting his car, knowing that a traffic signal is about to change.

This results in the starting of the car either before passengers are afforded a proper opportunity to board, or just after the first traffic signal bell has sounded. In such cases the motorman often contends that he made proper mirror observation, that his passengers were properly loaded before he called for starting bells and that his car was under way before the "stop" traffic signal bell rang.

Unfortunately, however, the starting bell was called for while some passenger (especially a lady or elderly man) was still on the steps or on the ground just in the act of boarding, or the car was started either just as the traffic bell rang or just an instant after it rang, in either case the car being started while there was still a possibility of danger to the passenger, or he was left entirely behind.

From his viewpoint, how does it look to you?

BOUQUETS

"Most of the joy of life is in contact with pleasing personalities. A grouch is worse than a rain at a garden party.

There isn't a business anywhere, worth working for, that won't pay a premium for a smiling face and a governable temper.

Business today is totally a matter of co-operation. There isn't room for the sour individual who can't work unless he has a private cave, cut off from human contact.

This type is passing out—with the horse and buggy, the Saturday night bath and the farm-hand breakfast.

Just doing our little job well isn't enough. We must do it cheerfully."



Left to right: F. S. Holland, W. R. Hobdy, H. F. Erdman, B. B. Bowman, H. Yardley, F. O. Hebert, E. C. Secrist.

For Conductor F. S. Holland of Division Two from George Roger Chute for his courtesy in directing him when he had lost his way. Mr. Chute says: "I would appreciate it if you would let the conductor know that his genial kindness has been appreciated by one who is ready to take the time justly to credit him."

For Conductor W. R. Hobdy of Division Three from Mrs. H. L. Miller for his extreme courtesy and kindness in helping her. Mrs. Miller states that she is practically blind and if it had not been for Conductor Hobdy's thoughtfulness and care she would have been quite helpless.

For Conductor H. F. Erdman of Division Two from Joseph Overton for his kindness and consideration to a woman on his car who appeared to be ill. Mr. Overton says: "When she wished to alight he came and assisted her in the kindest manner possible. He not only helped her off the car, but went with her to the sidewalk."

For Conductor B. B. Bowman of Division Three from Nurse Miriam Jean Rollins for his pleasant smile and un-failing courtesy to everyone who rides his car.

For Conductor H. Yardley of Division Two from Mrs. Susan M. Gorgas Wheeler for his kindness and courtesy to her, and his pleasant manner toward all his patrons.

For Motorman F. O. Hebert of Division Three from Mrs. M. Mills for his thoughtfulness in waiting for passengers who are hurrying to catch the car. Mrs. Mills says that Motorman Hebert is always on the lookout for passengers and that she appreciates it and feels that others must feel the same way.

For Motorman E. C. Secrist of Division Two from Eddie C. Larson, Fireman, for his kindness and consideration in returning endorsed check which he lost while on his car. On his return trip, Motorman Secrist stopped at the fire station and returned the check to Mr. Larson.

Legal Question Box

Q. Is there any way that a person can avoid prior judgments and still purchase a home? J. B.

A. Yes, by buying a home on the installment plan and plastering a homestead on it just before the title passes to you.

Q. House was on land when mortgage was made. Later a flood floated the house away. The mortgagor tried to sell it and mortgagee wants injunction restraining him from selling it. R. E. M.

A. Mortgagee cannot get injunction. When the house was moved from real property it became personal property and is not subject to mortgage.

Q. I gave an option to a man in this city, for a valuable consideration, on my separate property (I am a married man) and before the option ran out, my wife, with the actual knowledge of the option, put a homestead on the property. A short time after she placed the homestead on the property, the man who held the option offered to buy it and exercise his option. Does the homestead prevent him from buying the property under option? C. L.

A. No, the option takes priority.

Q. Does release of one surety release the others? W. T. M.

A. No.

Q. If the mortgagee is in possession under an outlawed mortgage, can mortgagor bring ejectment suit to get him out? H. D. M.

A. No.

Q. I own a piece of property in the city on a side hill and am about to begin excavation for building purposes. Just over the line from my property a man has a house which I fear will tumble down on my land if I attempt to excavate as I desire. What can I do? W. P.

A. The term used in that respect, which we are bound by the law to keep, is lateral support. We are

bound to give adjacent lands lateral support, but lateral support goes to the land and not to the building. Before excavating where there is a building, notify the owner of the building that you are going to excavate and he must protect himself.

Q. Can a married woman sue without her husband being joined? W. McN.

A. Yes, a married woman may sue or be sued without her husband being joined, in all actions including those for injury to her person, libel, slander, false imprisonment, malicious prosecution or for the recovery of her earnings or concerning her rights or claims to the homestead property.

Q. Suppose I mortgage my property for someone else's debt. Am I liable for a deficiency judgment? D. L. L.

A. No, unless you expressly assumed the debt.

Q. What does a buyer get at Sheriff's sale? W. S.

A. He gets Sheriff's certificate of sale and if not redeemed in one year, Sheriff's deed is issued to him.

A Jungle Jingle

A lion met a tiger
As they drank beside a pool,
Said the tiger, "Please inform me
Why you're roaring like a fool."
"That's not foolish," said the lion,
With a twinkle in his eyes,
"For I am called the King of Beasts
Because I advertise."
A rabbit heard them talking
And he ran home like a streak,
He thought he'd try the lion's plan,
But his roar was but a squeak.
A fox came to investigate;
Had luncheon in the woods,
The Moral—When you advertise,
Be sure you've got the goods.



LARY LAFFS



Mike: "This is a great country Pat."

Pat: "And how's that?"

Mike: "Shure, th' paper sez yez can buy a foive-dollar money order for siven cints."

"Early to bed,
Early to rise,
And your girl goes out
With other guys."

"Jack, here's the dollar I borrowed from you last week."

"Great Scott, Tom, I'd forgotten all about it!"

"Hang it! Why on earth didn't you say so?"

A bleary-eyed man entered a savings bank and hurried to the teller's window.

"Lemme have two cases right away," he said, pushing a \$50 bill through the grating.

"What do you mean? Two cases of what?"

"Hanged if I know what name you give it," was the reply, "but I saw a sign outside that said 'four per cent,' and I'll drink it whatever it is."

"Do you believe a rabbit's foot ever brought good luck?"

"You bet! My wife felt one in my pocket once and thought it was a mouse."

Two negroes were telling about their ability to see and hear. Then one said:

"Does you see dat house ober dar on dat horizon?"

"Yes."

"Can you see dat fly walkin' around on de roof?"

"No, niggah, but I kin heah de shingles crack when he steps on dem."

Young Lady: What kind of sandwiches do you have?

Soda Clerk: Ham bread, ham roll, cheese on bread, cheese on roll, chicken salad on bread, tongue roll, tongue on bread, egg salad roll and bread, tomato on bread, combination salad rolls, hot dogs.

Young Lady: All right, bring me a dish of chocolate ice cream.

Fussy Old Lady: "Can you give me two good seats in the coolest part of the house?"

Ticket Seller: "Sure, here are two in Z row."

A spinster encountered some boys in the old swimming hole, minus everything but nature's garb, and was horrified. "Isn't it against the law to bathe without suits on, little boys?"

"Yes'm," announced freckled Johnny, "but Jimmy's father is a policeman, so you can come on in."

Bulletins

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STREET CAR

NO. 102—NOTICE TO CONDUCTORS

The following passes are reported lost: Pass No. 4142, issued to A. Biederman, Motorman, Division No. 5; Pass No. 7085, issued to B. E. Johnson, Motorman, Division No. 3; Pass No. 3294, issued to Mrs. Alberta M. Pierce, wife of F. H. E. Pierce, Watchman; Pass No. 1154, issued to H. H. Leibelt and men of Way and Structures Department. If presented for transportation, take up, collect fare and send to this office with report.

NO. 103—NOTICE TO CONDUCTORS

Firemen's Pass Book, No. 35807, issued to Fireman James M. Fourong on April 11, 1927, has been reported lost. If presented for transportation, take up, collect fare and send to this office with report.

NO. 104—NOTICE TO CONDUCTORS

Please note 1927 "Instructions to Conductors." The next to the last paragraph on Page 10 states that void or over-punched transfers are to be turned in to the Division Clerk with the stock of unused transfers. Some conductors have been enclosing these with the collected transfers and some have been turning them in to the Cash Receiver in a separate envelope.

In the future, these transfers must be enclosed in a separate envelope, bearing conductor's name and number and turned in to the Division Clerk, as per the above rule.

R. B. Hill

BUS

NO. 49

Bus Operators when operating past street car zones at Hill and Fifth, Hill and Sixth, Hill and Seventh, Hill and Eighth, must approach these zones carefully and run not faster than five miles per hour, keeping a sharp lookout for any persons stepping from zones or from curbing in the pathway of the bus.

Conductors must be on rear platform when turning the corners at Hill and Fifth and Hill and Eighth and give warning to any pedestrians where necessary to stand back in the clear of the bus when turning the corner.

Stan Shanken

Back to Work

Miss Margaret Phelps from the office of the Assistant to the General Manager returned last week from a vacation trip spent at Yosemite and the Sequoia National Park.



Here are the two reasons Motorman M. L. Hart of Division Four hurries home at night. Marvin Lee and Laura Katherine are waiting for a glimpse of daddy. The little fellow is two years old. Laura is four.

Bob Pierson Turns His Troubles Inside Out

To Show The Silver Lining

The editor was short of news this week and nosed around among the various offices to see what he could dig up. He ran into Bob Pierson. Now, our Superintendent of Merit System usually greets his visitors with a smile and never loses it, no matter how serious the occasion, but this time he didn't have any smile, so the editor scented a story. Here it is:

The report for this month shows a big increase of demerits. Getting the worst one out of his system first, Bob pointed to the figures on number seventeen, Giving Bells Too Soon or not making observation when giving bells. Whew! but this is a big one, an increase of 267 cases. The other increases are as follows:

Failing to make safety stop.....	48
Starting too soon or without bells....	46
Running ahead of time.....	44
Not stationed at fare box.....	33
Opening gates too soon.....	29
Leaving terminal late unnecessarily	26
Violation of road space.....	8
Miscellaneous	171
Increase in the total number of cases handled	675

The increase on miscellaneous dovetails into the increase on seventeen because there is no classification for motormen calling for bells too soon, so it is classed as "Miscellaneous."

Wedding Bells

We wish to present Mrs. J. E. Worthan of the Auditing Department. Mrs. Worthan is probably better known as Miss Pearl Laughlin, stepdaughter of E. C. Fleming, Supervisor of Way and Structures, Engineering Department. She was married June 19th and has succeeded in keeping it a secret until just recently. Mr. Worthan was formerly an operator in the Bus Division.

Why a man wants to—and thinks he can—keep his marriage a secret, we all want to know. Here's Conductor Bill Langdon of Division Five, who was married last Tuesday, July 12th, and still thinks that nobody knows about it. Too bad, Bill, but you told everybody not to tell, so we'll help you out and tell all the boys to keep it under their hats.

And still another one from Division Five, Conductor L. E. Harper, who passed out of the bachelor ranks one days last week, also tried to hold back the good news. Good luck to you, boys.

The next one from Division Five will be Conductor Champ Clark if he hasn't already done it. Keep your eye one him.

We were beginning to fear that this season was going to close without a single wedding announcement from the Shops, but not so. Carpenter W. A. Jones let the cat out when he signed the dotted line for Catalina rates for himself and his wife. The happy pair spent several days at the Island and returned home to Los Angeles. Jones says the cigars are ordered.

APPRECIATION

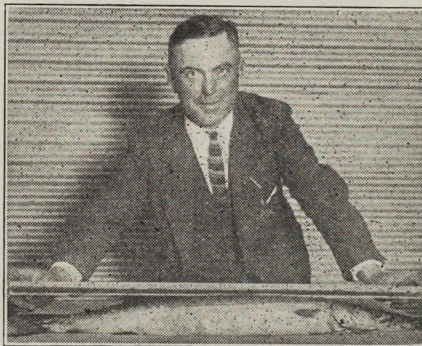
I want to thank the members of the Co-operative Association for the help extended to me on the death of my wife. My children and I are very grateful.

W. R. T. Hensley.

Trust Bob to find a bit of silver lining in any cloud. He showed that the number of credits issued for the month of June had an increase of 53.

"Now I know that the record for the month of June is not up to the usual standard of the trainmen, but I know the boys well enough to feel that every individual will take it upon himself to be more careful and alert next month and that every one of them will take pride in bringing the conditions back to normal. The Company just has to deliver safe and efficient operation," concluded Bob, "and we want every one of the boys to feel that this is the biggest job we have. If violations of the rules are tolerated by the Company, the condition gets worse and worse and pretty soon the Company would have a reputation for bad service. This, we are determined, shall not happen.

"Why," said Bob, as he pulled out some files, "I have letters from all over the country from men in the electric railway game which show that this Company is considered as being one of the best operated companies in the country for safety and efficiency. Gee whiz!" he said, earnestly, "we don't want to lose that record, do we?" and the editor agreed.



A fish story is a fish story, but a yardstick is proof positive. "Captain" Tommy Maitland, formerly Conductor Maitland of Division Five, now proud and successful partner in ownership of the "Red Star Fishing Boats" running from the main dock at Hermosa Beach, shows the kind of small ones caught from any of his boats. Tommy is on the job from daylight until dark and will gladly welcome all the fishermen, or near fishermen, who will call on him. Tommy furnishes the yardsticks.

Introducing New Men

The following men have been sent to their divisions during the week ending Wednesday, July 13th:

To Division One: Motormen G. E. J. Harrington, O. G. Logan, Conductor H. L. Solomon.

To Division Two: Motormen H. A. McKown, C. B. Chilton, Conductors K. P. Johns, M. C. Matthews, M. S. Miller, E. R. Rodefer.

To Division Three: Motormen T. O. Ainsworth, P. Noren, Conductors E. R. Morrison, G. M. Roberts.

To Division Four: J. M. Holman, M. H. Steele, Conductors E. F. Hadley, J. E. Rodgers, M. E. Fuller, J. S. Edwards, O. B. Willis.

To Division Five: H. F. Kyser, A. T. Porterfield, Conductor W. R. Bennett.



This typically feminine bit of sweetness is Virginia Louise Honor, three-year-old granddaughter of Conductor M. C. Perl of Division One.

Vacationing

A. H. Charlton, Accountant, Treasury Department, is spending his vacation in his new home, entertaining his father and mother, who are visitors here from Philadelphia.

From the Auditing Department: Mrs. Nellie Ressler, at home; Mrs. Traini, in Humboldt County; Charles Delo, local beaches and mountains; Irma Watkins, in Inyo County; William Taylor to Northern California.

From the Engineering Department: E. C. Fleming, Supervisor of Ways and Structures, whereabouts unknown; Edna Horn, short trips.

From the Schedule Department: G. H. Campbell will go touring.

From the Merit System Department: Marie Goldstraus, whereabouts unknown.

From the Employment Department: Miss Gale Stewart, Clerk, left on July 11th for a four weeks trip to visit relatives in Minneapolis, Minn.

From the Instruction Department: Instructor J. H. Miller to San Diego and points in Mexico.

From Division One Staff: Superintendent E. C. Williams left on Sunday, July 17th, for his cabin in Carbon Canyon.

From Division Two Staff: R. C. Hoyle, Clerk, building a home.

From Division Five Staff: Fred J. Mason, Stenographer, will spend one week visiting Catalina, Redondo, El Segundo, and if he has any money left he will make a short visit to Tia Juana.

Doc Stork Does His Stuff

Motorman H. C. Fowler of Division One is full of smiles and he was most generous with his cigars last Monday, on account of the arrival at his house of a fine eight-pound boy.

The following bulletin comes from the Garage:

"The stork made two calls July 8th on two mechanics of the third shift, delivering a girl weighing seven pounds to the home of L. G. Hargrave, and a girl weighing eight pounds to the home of R. Lewis. Both report mother and daughter doing fine. The boys of the Garage extend congratulations to both mamas and papas."

Division Two

E. A. MOXLEY

George Coulter is at present in New York City and getting his car ready for the return trip to Los Angeles. He spent several days in Washington, D. C., found everything running smooth and decided not to make any changes. The President was out of town so he didn't go to see him, but says they are fixing his shack up pretty nice.

Several of the boys received cards from Jack Alder from Yosemite Park. He says there are all kinds of trout up there, but the next thing is to catch them. The roads and weather are ideal. He and family are going to take in the sights at Lake Tahoe next and then on to Washington and Oregon.

All the boys are envious of Conductor Stewart, who was granted sixty days to visit relatives in Canada. They want to watch his baggage when he returns.

H. P. Chaffee has been off sick with a sore throat for several days.

L. E. Priestley sprained his back several days ago and is laid up at home.

Line Instructor T. C. Strobel is breaking in on the different shifts in the office. At present Mr. Paine is showing him the ropes on his shift.

Conductor L. Rogers has been entertaining friends from Illinois the past week. Last Sunday he took them on a trip to Riverside, Corona, Redlands and San Bernardino in his new Chevy.

Division Three

L. VOLNER

Conductor J. E. O'Rourke has given up his run and is working trippers while he is going to school learning to be a grocery salesman. He will soon resign and devote all his time to that business.

Motorman P. H. Castle was a caller at the division this week. He has been on the sick list for some time and is not yet able to resume duty.

Motorman G. M. Nankervis is also on the sick list.

Stenographer A. Fontaine is now off on his vacation, which he will spend in and around the city. During his absence from the office, S. H. Deane is taking his place.

Conductor E. G. Guyle has asked for a week off the latter part of the month. We can't find out just where he is going or what he is going to do—but anyhow, we all smoke.

The Switchmen's house has been re-decorated. That is, the outside of it has, and the boys are very proud of their office.

Conductor J. R. Holland is very happy in having his father, Mr. W. J. Holland of Big Sandy, Texas, as a visitor.

J. A. Martin and family have gone to Colorado for thirty days, during which time they will sell all their property, after which they will return to make this their home.

FOR SALE

Portable Brunswick and 12 records. Used only two months. \$25.00. B-87. Chiffonier, five drawer with glass. Brand new. \$15.00. B-88.

TRADE

1924 Durant Sport Touring, in good condition, for Ford Coupe. B-89.

Division Four

C. J. KNITTLE

Many of us have heard about the absent-minded conductor who punched the passenger and asked the transfer to please move forward, and now Motorman Louis Wall cops the cookie for front end forgetfulness. It was relief time on the high, dry and dusty. Arriving at First and Hill, Louis signed off and made a bee line for a "3" Line car. Dashing after him with frenzied determination came Beckman, his relief. Half way across the street he caught him and the mystery was solved. Louis was taking the control handles with him.

A general choice of runs was held Wednesday night. "P" line lost three runs and "C" line two. A feature of the shake-up was the choosing of straight nights and owls by old timers.

Some bad news has been received from the Sacramento Valley region. Motorman Freddie Cunningham, who has been hunting, fishing and prospecting up there with his conductor, J. A. Weathers, had an accident which will probably cost him the sight of one eye. In some manner a chip of rock got in it and could not be immediately removed. He was taken to the Sutter Hospital in Sacramento.

Safety Operator C. W. Allen was given a three-day rest starting last Monday. A few weeks ago on the front page of Two Bells he showed us how a conductor should stand when giving

Shops

JACK BAILEY

L. H. Sawyer, Machinist, is manipulating a vacation, parts unknown. George Stein of the same department is on the sick list.

J. Steenrod and H. Turner, both of the Master Mechanic's office, are on vacation. Clerk Ovens has just returned.

A. Taylor, Truckman, is leaving the service the first of next month. Best wishes for his future success are extended by his many friends. He will spend 30 days en route to Toronto, Canada, where he will make his future home.

L. Foth, Apprentice in the Machine Shop, has just become one of the boys. He is now eighteen years old and is entitled to a man's size lunch, a pipe, nine full hours per day, and maybe a mustache.

Speaking of mustaches, have you noticed that K. O. patch of fuzz being cultivated by Clerk Cinnamon in the Truck Shop. The secret is in that song, "My Wife's Gone to the Country." In this case, Mrs. Cinnamon is spending two weeks at Catalina.

E. Kinion of the Truck Shop is on a vacation trip to his native state, Missouri.

Carpenters E. Dahlholm and A. L. Dellinger went Buicking over the week-end and bought two acres of chic-en farms. Bane going to get rich quick.

W. Wedgewood of the Truck Shop has been on the sick list for several weeks. He would appreciate a call now and then from his many friends.

We have had some occasion to mention this estimable young man several times in our columns, but this time we can't pass him by. We have with us Truckman John Viana, who has been long contemplating buying a rabbit farm. All hopes were lost when he walked to Lawndale to have a friend dress one of the beasts. We may term this as the "chicken-hearted rabbit propagator's weakness."

bells. Next week he will give us a little talk on "Rock Pile Etiquette."

Motorman P. H. Kelly, on leave to Texas, writes from San Antonio and tells us it is blazin' warm down there.

Conductor P. Muller was granted a ninety-day leave and has left for Frisco and other northern points.

A small gang of trainmen started for Redondo in a roadster last Tuesday morning. At Fourteenth and Main they swerved around another machine and Conductor J. Bassett, who was riding the running board, fell off and was knocked unconscious. So he was given a seat inside, and when he came to, they proceeded toward the beach, but at Slauson and Santa Fe, Bassett became so ill he had to be taken into a receiving hospital. He is still on the sick list.

Motorman G. G. Heiser has left for Buffalo, N. Y. He was granted a ninety-day leave.

Conductor W. W. Warren was also given a ninety-day leave to make a trip up the Redwood Highway between Frisco and the Oregon line. He will camp and fish along the route.

The following other trainmen are on vacation: Motorman W. H. Wisdom, 60 days; E. P. Adams, 17 days; R. Q. Stanford, 15 days; H. Sydenstricher, 15 days; Safety Operation E. C. Blodgett, 8 days.

Division One

H. N. COLE

Conductor J. P. Corson says he never did like an automobile, and on account of his recent experience, his aversion to this particular vehicle will be more deeply seated than ever. He had a Ford wished on him some time ago and last Thursday, while driving to work, a fellow with a bigger machine tried to encroach on his rights at an intersection. The bigger machine was abruptly forced to see the error of his way, and came out badly damaged. Corson had a bruised shin and ditto the Ford. Corson says: "Never again."

Conductor J. W. McCurry of the "R" Line is being brought to a not too fond recollection of bygone days. He has entered a two months' period of bachelorhood, Mrs. McCurry and daughter having been called to Dallas, Texas, on account of the illness of her mother.

An apology is due Motorman R. J. Orphan. In last week's issue we quoted him as having an Essex coach, when as a matter of fact, it is a Chrysler coach. Glad to make the correction and solemnly promise a similar mistake will not occur again.

Motorman J. H. Fagin has taken thirty days off and is trying out a job with Uncle Sam as letter carrier.

Motorman J. F. Berry has resigned and is now conducting an oil station at 5396 Whittier Boulevard. He will be glad to have any of the boys drop in to see him when motoring out that way.

Conductor Ed Urban is taking three weeks off and is driving to some point in Oregon, but it is quite probable that he will stop at the first good fishing stream he sees.

Conductor M. H. Boswell is taking a ninety-day vacation. He expects to drive to Old Kentucky.

Motorman A. L. Goodrich had a hankering to see the old United States first, so he has taken ninety days off and will visit practically every state in the union.

Bus Division

ELMER WOOD

We are glad to see Operator F. C. Smith back with us again after being off for fifty days. Fred was on a sick leave for twenty days, during which he was also married. He then was called to his mother's bedside in Kansas City and was granted a thirty-day leave of absence. He found his mother improving upon his arrival, and when he left she was getting along nicely.

Operator C. E. Pratt has returned from twenty-one days on the sick list.

Word has been received from Operator A. W. Warnick, who is at the Hillcrest Sanatorium in Tucson, Ariz., and he says "Hello" to the boys. We all send our regards to Warnick and wish him a speedy recovery.

Night Clerk W. S. Campbell is on his two weeks vacation, which he will spend in Texas.

Operator L. L. Bandle is also taking fourteen days off to rest up, and will take a trip up north.

It was recently learned that former Conductor W. U. Littlefield was killed when his automobile was struck by a train at a railroad crossing in Illinois.

GARAGE NEWS

The new telephone operator is Mrs. Gladys Nolff, wife of Wesley Nolff, Mechanic on the first shift.

Mechanics E. C. Mara and S. Holz, now working the bus service truck No. 64, have qualified for the city license and are entitled to operate a bus with passengers, which is only done while making repairs to the bus in service.

George Oliver and Claude Simmons, formerly mechanics on service truck No. 64, have been transferred to the Garage on the first shift.

The following mechanics have been, and are, on vacations: H. T. Lock, fourteen days, and J. M. Fox, seven days, both men spending their time visiting friends and relations in Oakland. R. N. Penny also spent one week trying out his new car and went to San Francisco. E. Herra spent one week at Catalina with his mother, who is here on a visit.

Jack Stewart of the third shift was off sick last week as a result of eating the popular beach food.

J. R. Mason and H. M. West have been changed over from the third shift to the first shift.

M. E. Bowen is the new watchman at the gate, replacing Mr. Mooney, who has been transferred to flagging.

Division Five

FRED MASON

Switchman Charlie Worley is leaving on an extended automobile tour in the Dodge. "Boston" Safford said he heard him talking about going to Azusa, El Segundo, Pomona and other sporty places.

Cashier Mac McCarthy is now chewing Beechnut chewing tobacco. He always used to bite a chunk out of a big plug, but them days are gone for a little while. When he gets his teeth back, though, what a party he'll throw.

A couple of cards have been received from Motorman Rufe Farmer. One from Wichita, Kan., and t'other from Ripley, Okla. He writes: "Had lots of rain and mud, but scarcely used any gas." We presume that he must have been towed quite a way.

Motorman M. E. Shanahan is back on the job after a nice vacation at Yosemite.

Motorman "Heine" Heinzman blew in from Sonoma last Tuesday looking like he had had a very nice time. That is, he was all tanned up.