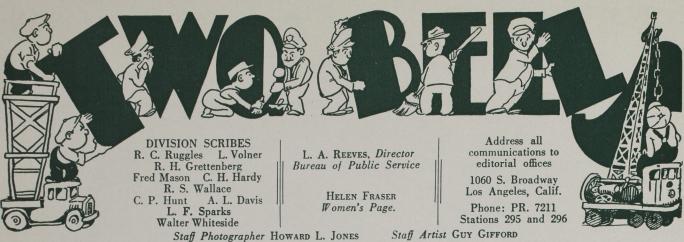
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| Name            | Occupation                       |
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| G. E. Potter    | Operator—Motor Coach Div.        |
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| S. A. Collins   | . Operator—L. A. Motor Coach Co. |
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| V. E. White     |                                  |
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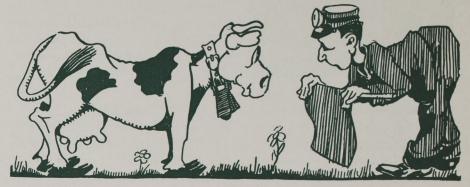
# 'WAY BACK WHEN, OR "23 SKIDOO"

TWO BELLS presents the Fourth in a series of transportation stories of by-gone days, some of which have been told to us by older trainmen and others unearthed from Company records.

WHEN difficulties arose between rival horse car companies along about 1875, it was not uncommon for either company to indulge in a little after dark finagling, as was the incident between Judge Widney, owner of the East Los Angeles and San Pedro Street Railway, and Judge Hubbell, controller of the Spring and West Sixth Street Company. Hubbell threatened to secure an injunction against Widney if the latter crossed his tracks at the Plaza on the grounds that to introduce a cut in their rails for the flange of Widney's car wheels would impede traffic and would interfere with service. Besides, they weren't pleased with the cross rails in the center of the tracks for the horses to stumble over. Having a lawyer's acuteness and a good degree of executive ability, Judge Widney, in the dead of night aided by a crew of fast workers, placed two short pieces of steel between his opponent's rails. This crossing raised his rails sufficiently to give clearance above the other lines and allowed free passage for Judge Hubbell's horse cars. The next morning Judge Hubbell, upon learning what had been done, inspected the situation and recognizing his opponent's victory, tore up the injunction, though he sacrificed his horse's shins. A few days later, a properly constructed crossing was laid.

When Mr. Doheny built his first oil well, he was given credit for opening a new field, but long before he visited this city, Mr. E. H. Hutchinson, Superintendent of the Second Street Cable Railway, found a use for the seepage of brea oozing from the ground at Colton and Lakeshore Coal used in the power Avenue.

house sold at the exorbitant price of \$13.00 per ton and was eating into the profits of the cable line. Mr. Hutchinson cut the fuel bill in half by excavating a supply of brea, mixing it half and half with coal. Hailed as a Messiah, he furthered the cry for the use of oil as a fuel, developing crude burners to operate the power house boilers, the first to use oil in the city.



### A SAGA OF THE **OLD WEST**

By L. F. SPARKS

Once upon a time, not so many moons ago, there was a cow named Ferdinanda, who, like Ferdinand, dwelt in peace and contentment among the beautiful flower strewn hills of California. But-unlike Ferdinand she browsed also on thistles and an occasional loco weed and having lost an eye, became a female Cyclops, a regular one eyed ogress. Also being a muley and thus deprived of nature's armament, she had learned the blitzkreig tactics of sudden assault and all out effort with feet and forehead.

Came the day when bossy was slated for that final haven of all cows, good and bad, the packing house. En route, Ferdinanda had her own ideas and being a stubborn and determined creature and withal having a cunning and evil mind, she detoured and sought sanctuary in Vernon Yard.

Unaware of the painful antecedents and history of the pretty white faced animal, Sam Cohen turned from car whacker to cow whacker. Encouraged and abetted by George Ramsey, he armed himself with a big stick and proceeded to get Ferdinanda hemmed up in a corner, and hold her for the drug store cowboys with the ten gallon hats and riding pint sized ponies, to come and claim their own.

They were stalemated for a while with Sam doing an adagio and the cow, with lowered head and sullen mien, sulking in the corner. The rooting section was safely ensconced atop a work motor and with true sportsmanship was cheering both contestants impartially.

Again Ferdinanda showed characteristic signs of having her own ideas. With a snort and a beller and a flick of her tail; with figurative steam gushing from flaring nostrils, she decided to go places, the only place to go being where Sam with futility was waving his baton. Sam also decided the time was ripe for him to go places but one foot, of its own volition, took out for points south while the other with equal determination headed N.N.E. Sam was left holding the sack.

The rest is short and snappy. "Stick struck cow and popped, Cow struck Sam, who flopped, Alarm showed on spectators faces: Sam then struck the ground And the cow with a bound. Struck out for wide open spaces."



With the passing of L. B. Yeager, Superintendent of Lines, on June 4, 1941, the railway lost one of its ablest and most beloved employes. He died as he would have wanted to, with his "boots on", having had a heart attack while on the job. He was active with the company for thirty-eight years and had made many friends among the employes.

Mr. Yeager was born in Jefferson, Missouri, September 26, 1876. He entered the service as lineman September 9, 1903, and was appointed Foreman later in 1903, and General Foreman in 1910. Mr. Yeager was appointed Superintendent of Lines in 1920 and held that position until the time of his death.

Funeral services were held on June 7 at 3 P.M. at the Utter and McKinley Mortuary. Interment at Inglewood Cemetery.

### **OBITUARY**

Henry Willever Crevling, on the Special Roll, died June 1, 1941. He was born in Washington, New Jersey, June 29, 1865, and entered the service as Car Repairer, March 3, 1909, appointed Watchman, June 16, 1929, and placed on the Pension Roll, September 16, 1932.

The wife of Michael C. Finn, Foreman, Way & Structures Department, died June 16, 1941.

The wife of Guy E. Whiting, Conductor, Division 5, died June 20, 1941.

Francis Byard Slaughter, Conductor, Division 5, died June 5, 1941. He was born in Kansas City, Missouri, June 15, 1886, and entered the ser-

vice as Conductor, June 11, 1920, appointed Clerk, Division 2, December 28, 1927, and returned to platform service July 31, 1932.

The wife of John E. Connell, Conductor, Division 1, died June 28, 1941.

Frank Charles Dunn, Motorman, Division 1, died June 29, 1941. He was born in Rupert, Idaho, October 21, 1911, and entered the service as Motorman, Division 1, October 14, 1939.

### **BELLS**

Coach Operator (16th Street) C. E. Grace married to Miss Anne Main on March 8.

Conductor L. W. Tietgen (Division 4) married to Miss Dorris L. McDonald on June 18.

Mechanic Oscar Miller (16th Street Garage) married to Miss Liscetta Walther on June 21.

### YELLS

Helen Sue, born to Conductor (Division 4) and Mrs. Sidney Goldy on May 21.

Judith Ann, born to Motorman (Division 5) and Mrs. J. W. Kilgore, on June 7. Motorman (Division 5) and Mrs. M. McConnell are proud Grandparents.

Gilbert Orville, born to Conductor (Division 5) and Mrs. C. P. Daerr, on June 13.

Teressa, born to Lineman helper (Line Department) and Mrs. E. Rios on June 13.

Rex Michael, born to Conductor (Division 5) and Mrs. W. L. Simpson, on June 14.

Bonnie Kathleen, born to Car Repairer (Division 5) and Mrs. T. W. Lambert on June 16.

Laurie Ann, born to Conductor (Division 5) and Mrs. J. W. Seggar, on June 16.

Wayne, born to Conductor (Division 5) and Mrs. K. G. Strobel, on June 18. Motorman Tom Strobel (Division 5) is proud Grandpa.

Suellen, born to Motorman (Division 4) and Mrs. Richard Hitchcock on June 20.

## RESEARCH DEPARTMENT EMPLOYES UNITED

Slipping away quietly over the weekend, H. A. Perryman, Director of Research, and Olive Chaffey, Secretary of the Research Department, were married Saturday, June 28.

Miss Chaffey, born in Australia, spent the early part of her life in California. She is the daughter of Charles F. Chaffey who, with his brother, founded the towns of Upland and Ontario and pioneered the Imperial Valley. The Chaffey High School bears their name.

Joining the Company in 1928 as Mr. Perryman's assistant, Miss Chaffey later became secretary to Mr. Perryman with the founding of the Research Department in 1930.

H. A. Perryman came to the Railway in 1922 where he was attached to the Auditing Department in analytical studies of revenue, expense and general economy. Establishing the Research Department in 1930, Mr. Perryman was appointed Director of Research.

The couple were married in Santa Ana and flew to San Francisco for a brief honeymoon. TWO BELLS joins their many friends in expressing hearty congratulations and best wishes to this grand couple.

### PENSION ROLL

Robert Clinton Lawson, Motorman, Division 5, has been retired, effective April 16, 1941. Mr. Lawson was employed as Motorman, January 20, 1921. His present address is 2656 S. Normandie Ave., Los Angeles, California.

### **APPRECIATION**

For the sympathy and kindness extended them during their recent sorrows, the Company has received acknowledgements expressing appreciation from G. E. Whiting and family; Mrs. May Crevling and family, Mrs. Wilma Closson and Mrs. Gussie Smith; Mrs. Naomi Slaughter and family; and Mrs. Lloyd B. Yeager and Laurence M. Yeager.

# DEAN STATE

# What to Send the Boy in Camp

The boy who is away from home training for his country appreciates little kindnesses. We can send things that will keep a smile on his face. Of chief importance in remembering the boy is to see that he receives mail from you, and often. Also, send him the home town paper. Frequently, send him a surprise package that you know he will like, and don't forget to include some favorite delicacies in the food line, such as cookies, candy, etc.

As the Government supplies foot lockers for under a cot, the boys can use towels, soap and soap box, extra handkerchiefs, a clothes brush and laundry bag, toilet articles, underwear and socks, hangers for both coat and trousers, and a sewing kit (this is no joke, it's a necessity.) A windbreaker, high-speed camera, or a good flashlight are also handy.

### Remember When Packing Your Your Suitcase

Put the heavy things on the bottom and the frilly ones on top.

Spillables like perfume, lotion, etc. will be more secure if you paint over the cork with nail polish or use adhesive tape to keep cork on. Also, surround bottles with clothing or something soft so that they will not rattle in suitcase.

Use lots of tissue paper. Put between folds of garments, in puff sleeves and stuff holes and cracks to keep contents from shifting around in transit.

Take plenty of stockings, handkerchiefs and gloves as you never can tell what will happen to them.

Pull fine pleats through a card-

board roll; the kind that tissue paper comes on. When unpacking suitcase, hang the garment up, clipping a few clothes pins on hem to pull it out.

Pack odds and ends inside your shoes. Make shoe covers out of cutoff feet of old stockings, which are especially fine for white shoes.

# Lary Families Favorite Recipes



### FRENCH FRIED CAULIFLOWER

1 medium sized cauliflower

2 egg yolks

1/2 cup sweet milk

½ tsp. salt

3/4 cup flour

Wash cauliflower and separate into flowers. Boil until tender in salted water, then drain. (A slice of lemon boiled with cauliflower will keep it white). Beat the egg yolks until light. Add the milk, salt, and flour. Beat smooth with an egg beater. Dip each section of cauliflower in batter. Drop in deep hot fat and fry a golden brown. Variation: Cauliflower may be dipped in beaten egg and cracker crumbs instead of batter if preferred.

Submitted by Mrs. L. A. Bagley, wife of Conductor L. A. Bagley, Div. 4

### PINEAPPLE CREAM PIE

1½ cups milk

3/4 cup sugar

6 tbsp. cornstarch

1/4 tsp. salt

3 egg yolks, slightly beaten

l tbsp. lemon juice

Grated rind of one lemon

l tbsp. butter

l cup crushed pineapple

3 egg whites

6 tbsp. sugar

l baked pie crust

Scald milk in top of double boiler. Combine sugar, cornstarch and salt and mix thoroughly. Add slowly to scalded milk and cook until thick, then cook 15 minutes longer. Stir a small amount of mixture into beaten egg yolks. Add to the rest of the mixture and cook 3 minutes. Add lemon juice, rind and butter, then blend. Stir crushed pineapple into custard and pour into pie crust. Beat egg whites until stiff, adding sugar gradually. Put lightly on top of filling and bake until a light gold in color.

Submitted by Mrs. O. C. Bullock, wife of Operator O. C. Bullock. Motor Coach Div.

### VEGETABLE TAMALES

Large loose-leafed head of cabbage; put in boiling water to wilt. Don't allow to boil. The following ingredients should be raw:

2 lbs. ground beef

l cup corn meal

l cup washed, uncooked rice

1/4 lb. butter

3 med. potatoes, finely diced Small amount of red pepper

Salt and pepper to taste

l large finely chopped onion (optional)

Pour 1 cup boiling water over all. Take enough of the resulting mixture to form oblong shape in the palm of hand; roll each tamale in a wilted cabbage leaf; pack firmly in cabbagelined kettle. Just cover with water, after covering tamales with cabbage leaves. Place plate on top to hold firmly. Then lid and cook slowly until done. (Approximately 3 hrs.)

Mrs. J. A. Bladel, wife of Blacksmith J. Bladel, Dept. 9, South Park Shops

Have you been trying the recipes published on this page? Perhaps you will be called for one soon.

Helen

Editor of "Dear Ladies"

# SPORTS

By W. WHITESIDE

### COACH IN FIRST PLACE

By virtue of their victory over Vernon, Coach took undisputed lead in the 1941 LARY loop. Each of these teams will be in the preliminary playoff and each should break into the finals without too much trouble.

### Coach Defeats 4

Timely hitting and fine pitching by Murray enabled the Coach team to whip Division 4 by the score of 10 to 3. Pitcher Vance of 4 had his usual stuff but 9 errors along with poor fielding ruined any chance he had of defeating Coach. Murray had 12 strike outs.

|                       | n.   | п.    | L.   |  |
|-----------------------|------|-------|------|--|
| Coach                 | 10   | 14    | 3    |  |
| Division 4            | 3    | 7     | 9    |  |
| Batteries: Murray and | l Ba | aller | nger |  |

# Vance, Sanders and McTaggart. South Park Wins

Hitting the winning column for the first time this year, the South Park team really found themselves. Timely hitting and airtight fielding in the pinches enabled pitcher Burgess to gain the 10 to 3 victory over Division 3.

|            | R. | H. | E. |  |
|------------|----|----|----|--|
| Division 3 | 3  | 9  | 0  |  |
| South Park | 10 | 12 | 3  |  |
|            | ~  | -  |    |  |

Batteries: Christensen, Stotlemyre and Bestwick; Burgess and Oliveri.

### Five Shades One

Timely hitting by Charles Templin enabled Division 5 to defeat Division 1 by the score of 3 to 2. Templin drove in all three runs.

|            | ~~ |     |      | -  |     |     |      |
|------------|----|-----|------|----|-----|-----|------|
|            |    |     |      |    | R.  | H.  | E.   |
| Division   | 5  |     |      |    | 3   | 6   | 2    |
| Division   | 1  |     |      |    | 2   | 8   | 3    |
| Batteries: | L  | and | reth | an | d 7 | Cem | plin |

Vernon Runs Wild

Scoring 21 runs on 25 hits, the Vernon team subdued the last year's Champs 21 to 3. Most all of Vernon's hits went for extra bases, 6 being home runs.

|            | R. | H. | E. |  |
|------------|----|----|----|--|
| Vernon     | 21 | 25 | 3  |  |
| South Park |    |    |    |  |

Batteries: Peralta and Quihuis; Burgess and Arnold.

### One Outscores Three

Barnett and Broman accounted for 6 of their teams 14 hits but to no avail as Division 1 went on to win 14 to 8. Fine play by Duncan of Division 1 was one of the highlights of the game.

|                         | n.   | п.  | L.   |
|-------------------------|------|-----|------|
| Division 1              | 14   | 13  | 4    |
| Division 3              | 8    | 14  | 6    |
| Batteries: Means a      | and  | Tr  | acy; |
| Stotlemyre, Costello, I | Matz | ner | and  |

### Shops Wins Another

Bestwick. Barnett.

South Park made it two in a row by beating Division 5 to the tune of 6 to 5. After a miserable start, the Shop team seems to be hitting its stride and might make trouble in the playoff.

|            | R. | H. | E. |
|------------|----|----|----|
| South Park | 6  | 11 | 0  |
| Division 5 | 5  | 11 | 2  |

Batteries: Burgess and Oliveri; Thomas, Landreth and Clark, Templin.

### Vernon Loses to Coach

Trailing throughout most of the game, the Coach team forged ahead and defeated a determined Vernon team 10 to 7 in a thrill packed ball game.

Catcher Ballenger of Coach was a

thorn in Vernon's side all afternoon, two triples, a double and a single in five trips to the plate, driving in 5 runs. One of his three baggers came in the 7th with the bases bulging and two outs, the hit scoring 3 runs. Stoner and Smith of Coach each collected 3 for 4. Mendez of Vernon got 3 for 5 to pace his team. Each team executed two double plays during the contest.

|        |  |  |  |  |  |  | R. | H. | E. |
|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|----|----|----|
| Vernon |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7  | 12 | 3  |
| Coach  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 | 17 | 2  |

Batteries: Saiza, Peralta and Quihuis; Murray, Widick and Ballenger.

### TEAM STANDING June 29, 1941

| W | on I | Lost                  | Pct.              |
|---|------|-----------------------|-------------------|
|   | 6    | 0                     | 1.000             |
|   | 4    | 1                     | .800              |
|   | 3    | 3                     | .500              |
|   | 2    | 3                     | .400              |
|   | 2    | 4                     | .333              |
|   | 1    | 4                     | .200              |
|   | 1    | 4                     | .200              |
|   |      | 6<br>4<br>3<br>2<br>2 | 4 1<br>3 3<br>2 3 |

## THE GAMESTER By W. W. Webb, Coach Div.

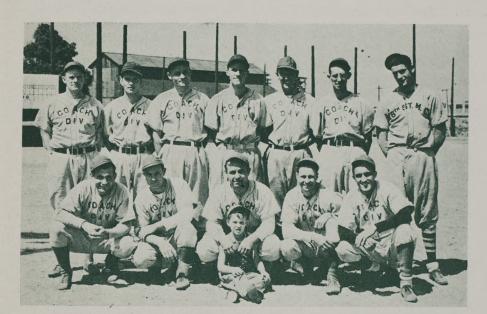
Knowin' you've coopted Every trick, That teaches a man How to live; You won't worry about The kinda hand Which the final dealer Death, will give. You'll have a hunch You'll be standin' pat, You've just one thing To tell. You not only played A good hand right, But, also played a Poor hand well.

Means and Tracy.

### VERNON YARDS

RIGHT—Front Row, left to right: Joe Saiza, Joe Miranda, Louis Paralta, Nickas Escobido, Geo. Manrikas, Joe Castro- Back row, left to right: Frank Quihuis, J. Arballo, Sal. Burgos, W. J. Fisher, J. Mendez, E. Villalobos, N. Carpio, G. Rodriquez.





### COACH DIVISION

LEFT—Front row, left to right: M. M. Stoner, A. D. Robinson, O. L. Murray, R. Aikens, H. H. Little. Back Row, left to right: W. Widick, L. Lusk, L. R. Cook, C. Smith, M. B. Smith, H. Anderson, H. Thomas, Mascot, Wayne Smith.

### DIVISION FIVE

RIGHT: Front Row, left to right: S. Enstine, D. E. Thomas, P. Hill, W. Landreth, G. O. Burlingame. Back Row, left to right: W. E. Clark, C. C. Templet, B. A. Aslin, J. Carlin, D. S. DeWitt, B. Smith, O. E. Lund.

Scorekeepers and Mascot, left to right, Gertrude Carlin, Jackie Hill and Bess Carlin.





Soccer Team celebrates successful season at annual banquet.

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# COPERATING RESULTS MAY, 1941 vs. MAY, 1940

| MAY, 1941 vs. MAY, 1940  |             |                | 1941                          |
|--|-------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| TOTAL RECEIPTS: (Amount received on cars and coaches for Fares, Car  | 1941        | 1940           | Increase+ Decrease- Over 1940 |
| Card Advertising, Etc.)  | \$1,097,560 | 1.051.096      | + 46.464                      |
| Less:  | \$1,037,300 | 1,031,030      | 40,101                        |
| OPERATING EXPENSES (Amount spent for wages, maintenance, supplies, power, injuries and damages, employes' sickness, accident and life insurance payment and provision for renewal and replacement of property) | 914,361     | 912,048        | + 2,313                       |
| TAXES (Amount necessary to pay Federal, State and City governments including Company's share for employes' Old Age Pensions and Unemployment Insurance)  | 84,275      | 81,333         | + 2,942                       |
| INTEREST CHARGES (Amount necessary to pay for the use of borrowed money as represented by mortgage bonds and equipment trust cer-  |             |                |                               |
| tificates)   | 65,497      | 65,946         | - 449                         |
| Total Expenses   | 1,064,133   | 1,059,327      | + 4,806                       |
| Leaves Net Profit or Loss  | 33,427      | <b>— 8.231</b> | + 41,658                      |

# Clubs and Vets

### SQUARE AND COMPASS CLUB

By C. J. KNITTLE

If President Jimmy Inman thought vacation time would put a dent in Square and Compass attendance, he must have chuckled a bit Saturday evening, June 14, when 54 members (almost normal quota) gathered at Van's Cafe to dine, laugh, and talk a little business.

The Square and Compass Club is, unquestionably, the best place for LARY Masons to become acquainted. Among the members present, whom we have not had the pleasure of meeting in recent months was Brother T. Y. Dickey, formerly Superintendent of Division 5 and now retired. Brother Dickey addressed the members with timely remarks and promised to be present next meeting.

Brother Jimmy Murray, Sr., who had just arrived from a trip East, hurried from the train and was in time for the Club dinner.

Brother William Brotherton was welcomed after a long absence and Brother W. J. "Scotty" Thomson was reinstated. It was also a pleasure to greet our Masonic Brothers Charles Agin, Master of Hollenbeck Lodge, and Elmer A. Spincher, Senior Warden of Hollenbeck.

The recent deaths of two outstanding Club members, Brother F. B. Slaughter, Past Master of South Park Lodge, No. 563, and Past President of this Club (1927), and Brother L. B. Yeager, our Club treasurer, is deeply regretted by their fellow-Clubmen. Junior Past President Herb Peterson, addressing the members, paid beautiful tributes to both the departed brothers. Brother Moser also commented on the loss of Brother Yeager in the Department where, for many years, they worked side by

side. We can understand Brother Moser's feelings for a man whom we are all going to miss, a man who loved his fellow-men and reaped abundantly of Life's goodness for the kindliness and love he put into it.

Vice President Billy Greenwood spoke of coming events and reported for Brother Evans on membership. Brother Herb Peterson was appointed Treasurer. It was a pleasure to hear that Brother Frazier has returned to work after being laid up by a serious accident.

### AMERICAN LEGION

By LEO L. LEASMAN

On Friday, June 27, at 9:45 A.M. the graduation exercises were held at Berendo Jr. High School, 12th and Berendo, with the Los Angeles Railway Post taking part as usual. They made their 9th semi-annual school award presentation assisted by the Auxiliary who made their 8th semi-annual second and third awards. This program of the American Legion is one in which our post has taken a keen interest for the past  $4\frac{1}{2}$  years



"The man hanging on the strap next to mine keeps making gurgling noises! It's very annoying!"



LOS ANGELES RAILWAY LEGION POST SCHOOL AWARDS

First row, left to right: Leo Enright, Gene Mauch, Joe W. Knox, Rev. Comrade Soderstrom, 17th Dist. Chaplain, Charles M. Detrick, Commander of 541, Frederick W. Shoemaker, Principal of Berendo Jr. High, Miss Rogers, Vice Principal, Mrs. Betty Lukomski, Dept. Education Commission, Cora Rae Foster, Amy Yoshinaga, Norma Amarillas. Back row, left to right: Leo L. Leasman, Bettie Leasman, Mae Carson, Bobby Carson, Mrs. Metcalf, Mrs. Detrick, Lona Davis, Budura Davis, Frances Davis.

and the good it has done is well worth every bit of effort all of us have put forth. This last presentation far excelled any of the past, although previous presentations were fine.

We had as our speaker on AMERI-CANISM Comrade Buron Fitts, Past Department Commander of California American Legion, who a few years ago was a student at Berendo. The blessing of God was invoked by Rev. (Comrade) Phillip Soderstrom, 17th. District Chaplain. Also with us was Mrs. Betty Lukomski, member of the Department Education Commission of California, American Legion Auxiliary.

Honor Awards were presented by Leo L. Leasman, 17th. District School Awards Chairman (also post chairman) to Joe W. Knox and Cora Rae Foster. The second awards were presented by Mrs. Lukomski to Gene W. Mauch and Amy Yoshinaga, third awards by Bettie Leasman, Auxiliary Community Chairman, to Leo E. Enright and Norma Amarillas, and Honorable Mention to Bill Dougherty and Dorothy Cornell.

Mr. Fredrick Shoemaker, Principal, is one of those grand fellows who gives our post 100% cooperation, and, in return, we are at his

service in any way. You would really have to meet him to appreciate what a fine person he is.

The time has come again when we elect the officers of the post, the men to serve us for the year 1941-42. When you read this item, they will have been elected, and we now extend an invitation to all of you to attend the Installation on Tuesday, July 15th, at 8:00 P.M., Patriotic Hall. We also are looking forward to the Department Convention at Sacramento August 10 to 13 inclusive. Some of us will be there to represent the post, and have a grand time as usual.

### LOS ANGELES RAILWAY WOMEN'S CLUB

By Mrs. H. A. DEWEY

Secret pals were revealed by the members of the board at Knotts Berry Farm on May 29. Those attending enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner.

Mrs. S. T. Brown, president for the coming year, presided over the meeting on June 5. Mrs. J. F. Mc-Cormick, recording secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting.

On June 12, Mrs. L. B. Meek entertained with a luncheon in her new home. During the afternoon a hand-

kerchief shower was given for Mrs. Meek, while those present received a hand embroidered towel from her.

The Red Cross Benefit Party, held June 14, was a financial success with the large crowd having a full evening of good, clean fun. The "Hi-Junks" by the Drama Section was well received. Mr. B. E. Timbs held the lucky number for the pie. Miss Louella Roselle received a cake as second prize. Mr. O. G. McDermith held the lucky number on the pillow slips. The games played during the evening were won by Mr. O. G. Mc-Dermith, Mrs. F. C. Andrews, Mrs. O. G. McDermith, Mrs. A. C. Stover in Bridge. Mrs. B. Price, Mr. L. M. Coe, Mr. Hendriks, Mrs. E. V. Athenous in Pinochle. In 500 Mr. E. J. Miller, Mrs. Mae Monroe, Mr. G. M. Rose, Mrs. E. J. Miller. High and low scores in Chinese Checkers were made by Mrs. Frances Taylor and Mrs. M. E. Brown. Bobby Coe, Mr. R. F. Dwyer, Mrs. Chas. Gump, Mrs. J. W. Inman and Mrs. Chas. Gump were winners in Bunco. The auctioning of the cakes was great fun, especially to Mrs. H. A. Dewey who bought Mrs. O. G. McDermith's angel food; Mrs. Chas. Gump, the sunshine cake baked by Mrs. A. R. Hemm: and the white cocoanut cake baked by Mrs. A. P. Rucker was sold to Carl Dewey.

At the Card Party, June 19, Mrs. C. H. Lewis and Mrs. J. J. Inman won prizes in Bunco. The prizes for 500 went to Mrs. C. M. Cavanaugh and Mrs. Mae Monroe. The winners in bridge were Mrs. E. C. Peters and Mrs. S. T. Brown. The prizes were selected by Mrs. E. J. Miller. A colorful fruit salad served before the games was prepared by Mesdames Rowbottom, MacKay, Thun and Russell.

Regular meetings will begin September 4th. Still, you must remember Red Cross meetings are being held every Tuesday during the summer in the club rooms. This great work must go on, so remember from 10 to 3 in the Club Rooms at 962 W. 12th Place.

### VETERANS' CLUB AUXILIARY

By MARIE FREIVOGEL

The auxiliary met on June 10, in Patriotic Hall, for its regular meeting. Due to vacation-time, several officers were absent.

The group is saving labels for the label saving plan of the Homemakers Club. If you do not have your card and list of products from which to save labels, Call President Susie Hannon. She will give you the list and tell you what part of the carton, bag, glass, label, etc. to save. Her address and phone number is 148 W. 109th Place, phone PL-6883. Remember we have a chance to win \$150 if we get busy.

Chaplain Gladys Taylor received word of the death of her mother in Cleveland, Ohio. The auxiliary extends Gladys its heartfelt sympathy.

Gifts are beginning to come in for the linen hamper which the club is filling and later will raffle. It does not have to be an expensive gift. Anything will be appreciated.

The illness of Grace Hollenbeck caused her to resign her membership. Members are asked to drop her a card of cheer. Her address is 114 W. Ave. 28.

Refreshment committee for the July meeting is Theresa Madigan, Amy Jackson, Norma Rowe, and Betty Roche.

The auxiliary, following suit with the Mens' Club, will hold no regular meetings in July and August. Ladies please take note of this! We hope you enjoy a pleasant summer vacation, and we will see you in September.

### VETERANS' CLUB

By JAMES MADIGAN

The final meeting of the Veterans' Club for the summer season was held on Monday, June 23, and was very well attended. Following a very short meeting, Past Commander Hollenbeck, as Chairman of Entertainment, put on an interesting program. At the finish of the entertainment, the Comrades retired to the Mess Hall, where Comrade Charlie Det-

rick served one of his famous Chile Bean dinners. The affair was a big success—so much of a success that it has been suggested it be continued each year. Comrade Cavanaugh of Vernon Yards won the final Jack Pot. The next meeting will be held in September, notice of which will be sent to each Comrade by the Adjutant.

Comrade Detrich, who is also Commander of LARy Post 541, American Legion, and the Comrades of that Post, conducted Memorial services at Sawtelle on Memorial Day at the grave of Past Commander George Coulter, of the Veterans' Club, a gesture which was deeply appreciated by all members of the Veterans' Club.

The last news we had of Comrade Hannon, was that he is in Honolulu, and looking for mail. His address, U. S. S. Louisville, care of the Postmaster, Honolulu, T. H.

No meetings will be held until September.

### TRADING POST

FOR SALE—24" x 48" bird aviary. Also canaries, singers, and mated pairs. See Mrs. C. L. Gerrard, 10114 Buford Avenue, Lennox.

FOR SALE—Fog lights, with brackets, \$4.50 to \$7.00 per pair; Yard Floor Lamps, \$1.00. See I. Mendoza, Blacksmith Shop, South Park.

FOR SALE—Player piano, mahogany

FOR SALE—Player piano, mahogany finish, good condition, including a good, large assortment of classic and popular music rolls. \$45.00 complete. Call R. H. Alley, CE. 23569.

FOR SALE—Spark circulating gas heater. Looks like a radio. A-1 condition. \$10.00. W. Trombley, 418 W. 120th St.

Traveler: "Which platform for the New York train?"

Station Attendant: "Turn to the left and you'll be right."

Traveler: "Don't be impertinent, my man."

Station Attendant: "All right, then, turn to your right and you'll be left."— Exchange.

Woman (to cook): "Jane, I saw the milkman kissing you this morning. In the future I'll take in the milk."

Jane: "It won't do you any good, ma'am. He's engaged to me."—Exchange.

"I hobe you don't mind me standig here, bud I dod an awbu code and I don' wah to gib it to anybody."



lenty of room on this barbecue pit of H. E. eaver, operator at 16th Street Coach Division.



eaceful comfort is found in the patio of William D. Smith, carpenter, South Park Shops.

The patio of A. J. Bowen, Division 4, consists of arches, vines and fish pool.



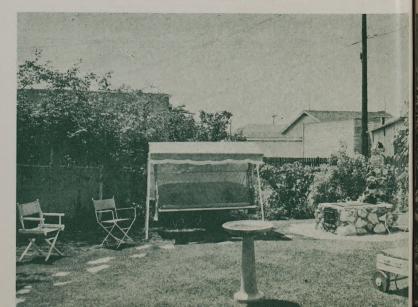
# BUSY BACK YARDS

TWO BELLS boosts you over the into the yards of employes' homes to show you how some of their after-work hours have been spent in building barbecue pits, fish pools, patios, cement wor rock gardens and how they peacefully enjoy the fruits of their completed its. For particulars on back yard improvement and beautification, consule accompanying authorities who, you will agree after seeing their handicratured on these pages, are very capable craftsmen.

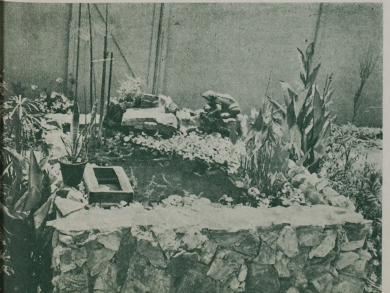


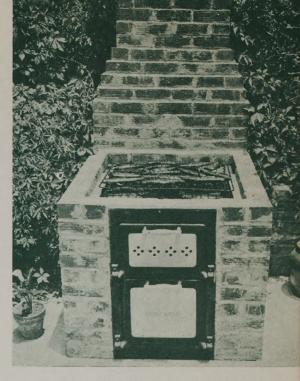
Fish ponds, rock gardens, cacti beds in trees in yard of B. F. Walters, car repaired in 3.

Pretty nice, this barbecue pit of an employe's in the Meter and Mileage Dept.



Tropical fish enjoy the colorful pond in the yard of W. W. Craig, mechmanic, 16th Street Garage.



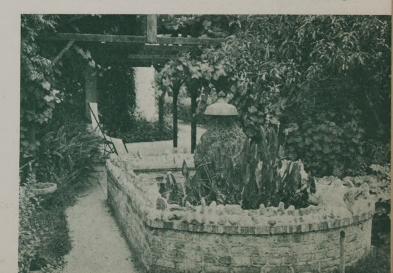


Smoking fish on barbecue pit of C. L. Nickels', machinist, South Park Shops.



A. G. Dickenson, car repairer, Division 3, has gone in for rock and cement work in a big way.

Who wouldn't appreciate this grape arbor and fish pool of Percy Bosanko's, mechanic, 16th Street Garage.



# COMMENDABLE COMMENTS . . . .



### Thanks to Conductor 109 ...

'Monday, about 5 p.m. I boarded your car at 7th and Main (F car), just after leaving the dental chair. Car was packed to capacity with no chance for a seat and my destination was Manchester and Vermont. My gums gave me considerable trouble because of their incessant bleeding, which made my holding onto the strap almost impossible, having to use my kerchief continually to take care of the blood. I was at front door of the middle section and had no idea the conductor even saw me but he did. He came to me after I rode some few blocks, told me to follow him to end of car and there he asked a passenger to please get up from his stool (the conductor's chair) to let the lady sit down. By that time I was pretty weak and do not know how I could have stood on my feet much longer.

"This act of consideration and kindness deserves to be noticed, and it is therefore I am penning these lines, I want you to know you have one fine and noble conductor—No. 109 (A. B. Craver, Div. 5) on the F line. I wish I knew his name which is worthy of remembrance.

"With kindest thanks to No. 109 and sincere respects to your company. A grateful passenger."

Mrs. Hattie W. Hudgens, 8836 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles

# Mindful of Passengers' Comfort . . .

"While a passenger on an inbound Sunset bus on Friday of last week at 4:00 P.M. I witnessed an act of courtesy on the part of one of your drivers, No. 806 (E. L. Welch) to an elderly lady.

"It seems to me that a driver who is alert to the comfort of his passengers as this man was is deserving of every consideration that can be shown him,

"Such acts as the above tend to the comfort of all passengers and I am quite sure such an employe is an asset to his employers.

"I take pleasure in calling your attention to the above."

L. H. WHEDON, 1319 N. Gordon St., Hollywood, Calif.

### Fine Deed Recognized ...

"I will introduce myself merely as one of your daily riders on line 7. Although my time is very limited, I can't help but spare a little of it to commend the unusually fine service rendered by one of your motormen.

"This morning while riding to work, I noticed a young mother with two small children waiting to alight from the car. The motorman, after stopping the car, jumped to the steps, assisted the woman and her children from the car and was back at the controls without any unnecessary delay. Only a few people witnessed this act of courtesy yet it made an impression that will not be forgotten.

"I don't know Mr. "3221", except as a new face on this line (N. L. Johnson, Div. 5). He may have been giving this fine type of service for many years. I am sure it will be a pleasure for you to let Mr. 3221 know that his courteous service is appreciated."

Frank Stumpf, Jr., 10954 So. Figueroa St., Los Angeles

# A Good Word for Driver 708 . . .

"I want to send a good word for your bus driver 708 (T. G. Scott) on Riverside Drive. I am a partial cripple and old. He has always aided me getting on and off as I go to hospital for treatment several days, always pleasant and does the very same pleasant manner to one and all. I am glad to be able to send this note of appreciation to you. Such kindness and pleasant manner comes really from within an individual and not a copied one."

Mrs. Abbie Barea, 2225½ Meadowvale Ave., Los Angeles

### Honesty Commended . . .

"It gives me pleasure to mention your conductor No. 1649 (D. C. McCormack, Div. 1) for his strict honesty when he rectified a mistake in fares that I had made and which could have been readily overlooked. On S car June 10th."

G. E. CANDEE, 1055 N. Kingsley Dr. Los Angeles

### From Our Mail Sacks Also Come Letters of Commendation to:

### TRAINMEN

L. H. Bates, Div. 4

F. J. Bevis, Supervisor

R. W. Birchell, Div. 4

J. D. Brewster, Div. 3

G. T. Bucher, Div. 4

C. W. Burnett, Div. 5

J. R. Butler, Div. 1

R. A. Byers, Div. 4

T. C. Chase, Div. 5

R. Chase, Div. 4

F. D. Connolly, Div. 4

J. C. Considine, Div. 1

H. D. Copp, Div. 1

P. A. Draus, Div. 4

G. H. Drinkwater, Div. 5

J. G. Feaster, Div. 3

J. Y. Flemming, Div. 3

J. M. Gilleese, Div. 4

H. S. Grove, Div. 5

L. E. Grubb, Div. 4

J. M. Gwynn, Div. 1

J. W. Hanchey, Div. 4

W. H. Hollenbeck, Div. 3

D. G. Hunsaker, Div. 4

M. F. Hurst, Div. 1

V. Impusene, Div. 1

E. J. Johnson, Div. 4

R. J. Johnson, Div. 4

H. J. Kelsey, Div. 4

G. LaCreaux, Div. 4

H. V. McNabney, Div. 3

R. Meggison, Div. 5

A. H. Middleton, Div. 1

C. A. Miller, Div. 1

J. H. Miller, Div. 3

\*\*R. G. Monahan, Div. 3

J. W. Nester, Div. 5

J. W. Nichols, Div. 1

H. Pierre, Div. 3

J. W. Prutsman, Div. 4

R. P. Robertson, Div. 3

N. C. Rupe, Div. 3

H. M. Schenck, Div. 4

F. T. Schiller, Div. 4

H. A. Sharp, Div. 3

L. T. Staten, Div. 3

L. H. Stephens, Div. 4

R. G. Stevers, Div. 4

D. E. Thomas, Div. 5

J. L. Tinsley, Div. 4

V. E. Vaughan, Div. 1

G. E. Wakefield, Jr., Div. 3

W. Watson, Div. 5



\*J. A. Wear, Div. 5

R. M. Welch, Div. 4

R. H. Wendt, Div. 1

M. L. White, Div. 3

O. W. Willits, Div. 3

J. B. Woodland, Div. 4

### **OPERATORS**

T. H. Allison, Wilshire

R. J. Bloodgood, Crenshaw-Vine-La Brea

R. R. Campbell, Melrose

S. H. Collins, Wilshire

G. D. Owen, Sunset

C. M. Fazel, Sunset

W. M. Fraser, Florence-Soto

\*\*R. D. Foxe, Western

A. G. Gribling, Beverly

A. J. Grode, Manchester

H. R. Harrington, Olympic

A. V. Hitch, E. 9th St.

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F. Kees, Maywood-Bell

E. S. Keitzman, Bell

R. M. Mills, Sunset

O. O. Obenshain, Eagle Rock

J. P. Pennington, East 9th St.

W. E. Rinker, Verdugo Road

J. M. Roberts, Alvarado

T. G. Scott, Sunset

R. F. Smith, Fairview Hts.

J. R. Spangler, Olympic

W. S. Swanson, Eagle Rock

W. C. Ulrich, Western

H. A. Walters, Wilshire

K. R. Wehinger, Vermont

P. C. Youngman, Wilshire

Note: Each asterisk represents one additional commendation.

### **Attention Given Commuters**

"This morning I found myself in the embarrassing position of having boarded the N car manned by conductor 2319 (R. E. Lynn, Div. 4) and unable to pay my fare because I had 6 cents and a \$20. bill.

"He was gracious and even supplied the needed cent.

"I have observed his competence and courtesy several mornings. Such attention to your commuters recommends your service.

"I am very appreciative of the fine men you are employing. Please extend my thanks to the gentleman. The stamp will refund the cent I owe my conductor."

> SARAH G. KEMP, 921 So. Berendo St., Los Angeles

### Faithful Worker ...

"I want to inquire about one of your employes who worked at the corner of Lincoln Park Ave. and No. Broadway. Starter No. 3 (L. P. Booth-Supervisor's Dept.). He worked there for sometime, until about a month ago, and we have all missed him and sure would like to have him return if possible. May I express my sincere appreciation of the willingness and courteous way your employe, Starter No. 3, who worked here and of his way of handling the public, his kindness and consideration shown all school children helping them on cars, and his faithfulness in seeing that they got on safely. We all so often remarked about it, and express our desire to tell you how we appreciated such a faithful worker at all times.

"And above all else want to express my appreciation of how he helped the "old folks" both old ladies and old men on the cars and every one remarked of how careful and kind he was to them.

"I live in the block here and operate a small coffee shoppe on the corner and must say that this man is a loyal employe, and its my belief that you should know of his courtesy, and loyalty to his company whom he represents.

"And we all want our No. 3 starter back here if you can conveniently send him back."

> MARY-JEANNE ADAMS, Mary Jeanne Coffee Shoppe, 3602 N. Broadway, Los Angeles

### Favor Appreciated ...

"Please permit me to write to you directly. I am one of the Los Angeles citizens who enjoys your service every day.

"Taking this opportunity I wish to express my sincere appreciation for very generous and kind attitude taken by one of your employes. His name is not known to me as he only told me his cap number, which was 957 (V. K. Tomlinson, Div. 4).

"The incident happened on June 19 about 7:45 a.m. when he was conducting "P" car toward downtown. I got on the car at East First and Fresno without slightest idea that I had no money

at all with me. As I told the conductor all the facts he was so kind that he loaned me 7c. I surely thanked him from my heart.

"You and your concern should be proud of yourselves to have such a man with such refined personality as your employe.

"At this time I wish to ask you a personal favor. Please pass to the conductor whose cap is 957, the attached envelope containing 7c which I wish to return to him.

"Thanking your favor in advance I am."

C. Nakano, 3134 Gleason Ave. Los Angeles

# Consideration Shown to Riding Public . . .

"It has been my intention for sometime to write this letter thanking you for your good service and to call your attention to one of your employes. His cap number is 2877 (O. W. Andrews, Div. 4) and he is on the J line. We are more than grateful to him for his alert and cheerful manner, also for his helpful attitude. At no time have I seen him at anything but attention to serve his riding public. It only seemed logical to me that if the cars were operated in a smooth and careful manner they will give better service over a longer period of time."

T. S. BERGMAN, 2626 Grand St., Walnut Park, Calif.

## Crowds Handled Courteously . . .

"This card is sent you to compliment you on the fine type of personnel on your cars. In particular conductor 2550 (E. A. Burgess, Div. 4) whose unfailing courtesy and cheerful handling of peak hour crowds on the "P" line have been noticed by many regular passengers. He manages to call streets, help mothers with small children and make change, always smiling."

Mrs. Arthur Johnson, 1329 S. Hudson Ave., Los Angeles

# Newsmen Report . . .





James Richard, age 3, is the devoted son of Elevator Operator Roy Clement (Main Building).

### **OFFICE**

By W. WHITESIDE

The ending of the bowling league found the two office teams placing out of the money. The Schedule team finished sixth and the Auditing seventh in an eight team league. This was a highly enjoyable affair both for the players and spectators.

Among the frequent rooters were T. G. Duvall, Earl Wilson, Charles Egan, George MacDonald, Mae Stevenson, Mae Bass, Eileen Justice and Barbara Lafleur.

What would you do if a person called you on the telephone and when you answered the party that did the calling said "Who are you calling?" Ask Lawrence Grimm for the right answer.

A speedy recovery is extended to everyone's good friend, Joe Finn. Joe

was assisting a friend to gain an entrance into her home as she had left her key inside. He climbed the porch and in attempting to reach a window stepped onto a flower box, it giving way and hurtling Joe approximately thirty feet to the ground.

### **DIVISION FIVE**

By FRED MASON

On Saturday, June 7, Division Five staged another big Safety Rally and Show at the Pacific Electric Auditorium. As usual, the attendance was large and only a few empty seats. In the absence of Mr. Clinton E. Morgan, Manager of Operations, who was on his way back East to Michigan, Superintendent W. H. Snyder led in the singing of "Smiles" and did a real swell job. Mr. Snyder read a telegram received from Mr. Morgan from Des Moines, Iowa, in which he congratulated Division Five for maintaining first position for the year 1940 and during the first five months of 1941 in operating with less accidents per car miles operated than other Divisions, and wished all a very enjoyable evening, regretting his inability to be present to assist in singing "Smiles".

Vacations seem to be the chief topic these days and here's who's who and what they are doing.

Conductor J. A. Bontty is away for three weeks and is tripping back to Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Conductor C. E. McCarthy may do a little fishing and will make his headquarters at Bishop, California. He will be gone for three weeks.

Motorman P. R. Mossman is back from a two weeks' trip to Portland, Oregon, and reports a very nice time.

Conductor H. J. Gibson took an

extra week with his regular week to go to San Francisco.

Motorman Jack Alder is off for three weeks and is cavorting around Seattle, Washington.

Motorman A. P. Williams is just back from a three weeks' jaunt to his old stomping ground, Lichfield, Minnesota.

Conductor Jim Bunch is just about finishing up a four weeks' hunting trip. He made Grant's Pass, Oregon, his headquarters, and is due back July 16.

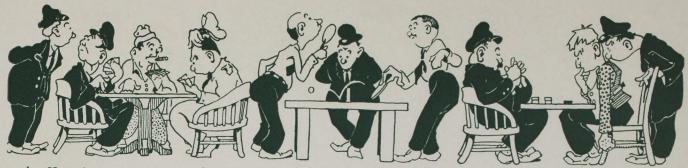
Just back from the big city, New York, we find Conductor L. E. Barnett, reporting an excellent trip both ways and a very enjoyable time in New York City.

Motorman Jimmy "Scotty" Waddell is having such a good time up in Vancouver, Canada, that he hasn't had time to drop us a postcard. Anyhow, Scotty would sooner talk about his trip than write, so we are in for quite a session when he gets back.

Several of the boys have left us during the month of June for other



Motorman Jack Limes (Division 5) holds record of being the youngest grandfather at Division 5. Here he is with his two granddaughters, Barbara Limes on the left and Beverly Gordon on the right. Also in picture is Jack's prize chow, Sunnee Sin.



work. Here they are: Conductors W. K. Nichols, C. E. Jones, C. R. Blankenbaker, J. A. Whittaker and F. O. McDonough. Motormen D. E. Fredburg, R. C. Beale, J. L. Ellis, H. M. Carter, R. A. Whitby, H. F. Weber, and A. H. Moore.

Motormen Murray McConnell and Tom Strobel have been seen with their heads together recently and it appears that they have really got something, and here's what it is. They want a "Grandpa's Day". Look under our column "Yells" and you will see why.

Conductor C. L. Thompson, who has a ranch somewhere around Redlands, wants a horse. However, said horse must be black. A horse of any other color will not do.

### ELECTRICAL

By W. WHITESIDE

Several of the fellows have taken extensive trips for their vacation enjoyment this year, taking them throughout the East and Midwest and also into Canada.

Adam Knaus enjoyed a visit with friends and relatives in Canada. He reports an enjoyable time.

L. Crounse found out first hand what makes this government click on his trip to Washington, D.C.

Dick Payne stopped a day here and a day there visiting throughout the Midwest. He returned home a week early to rest up.

Joe Marshall took in the races at Hollywood Park. We suppose he was taken also.

Julio Linares has a nice new garage to show for his two weeks' vacation.

W. D. McArthur visited the old gold mining country endeavouring to find that which was overlooked in 1849. R. F. Walton enjoyed a swell trip to northern California visiting friends and relatives.

Roger Rees, Austin Herring and Jack Wilson took in the sights of So. California. During their time off, the Wilson's had an addition to their family—a puppy dog.

E. Rios spent his vacation washing diapers for his new born baby.

Lots of success is extended to Don Varley now with the Telephone Co. and Benny Lent now with Uncle Sam.

### **DIVISION THREE**

By L. VOLNER

For some time, on Saturday nights, the different Rail and Coach Divisions have been enjoying entertainments and dances at the Pacific Electric Auditorium. "Smiles" was always the opening number, in which all joined. On Sunday, June 15th, at the same place there was a meeting and while it was not opened by singing "Smiles", smiles were much in evidence at the close of the meeting —this was the meeting called for the men to hear the answer the Company had made to the request for an increase in pay and other working conditions. That the men were very much satisfied with what they heard at this meeting was proved by a secret ballot taken a few days later, when the vote was 2005 to 72. A very good raise in pay was secured and was admitted by some outside organizations; in fact, it was more than they would have asked for. Some of our men are leaving the service and securing jobs in different kinds of work where the rate per hour is higher, but when one considers the permanency of the job, the number of hours he may work if he wants to, he will find by the end of the

year that the street-car job wasn't so bad after all.

Now that vacation time is starting on a larger scale, two of our conductors are filling the position of Supervisor. Messrs. R. P. Martin and A. E. McGown successfully passed the requirements for this position and we know they will do a good job of it.

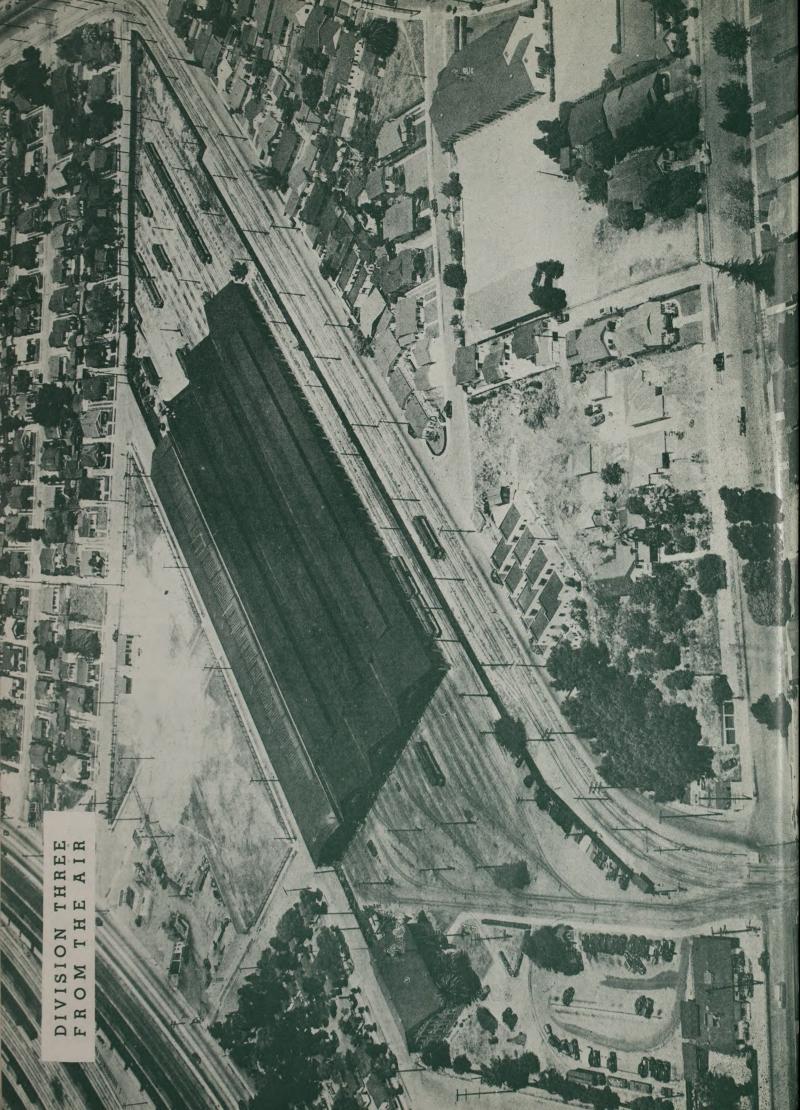
While many men have already been called into the service of "Uncle Sam", and more yet to go, one can tell a difference in his load on the cars, early in the mornings. Several regulars riders have been commenting about the increased number of women going to work.

Some of our men, in having their teeth extracted, have to get off duty and have one or two pulled every few days; in fact, take several weeks for the complete operation, but not so with Motorman C. Larson. After having completed his day's work, he went down to the dentist and had half of them removed and was back on the job the next day. In about one week he went down again and finished the job and never missed a minute from work.

The 24th of May will be a date long remembered by Conductor C. O. McGann and family, for on that date he and family moved into their new home at 4059 Sinova Street.

As this is written we have sixteen new men breaking in. Our best wishes to each of them, and trust they will find the work to their liking.

The photo on the following page is the Third of a series of air photos of Company properties that will appear in issues of TWO BELLS.



### VIRGIL

By C. P. HUNT

Here is one for the book. Operator C. S. Grigory of Virgil graduated from high school at the age of 18 years. Since that time he has worked for only one organization. He has worked for L. A. Ry. for  $10\frac{1}{2}$  years and L.A.M.C. for  $7\frac{1}{2}$  years.

Byron Stevens, when arriving at Laurel Canyon and Sunset one evening, was relieved of \$15.00 by a passenger.

"Charlie" Kenley is in the "red", and how! What "vanity" won't do. He didn't like his hair turning gray, so he resorted to a "henna pack."

If you are interested in flying kites we suggest you don your "shorts", gather up your "trappings" and hit for the Valley. There you will find Floyd Kraner engaged in just such a pastime. But that is not all that boy can do. Phil Harris, the popular dance orchestra leader, has two of Kraner's songs. Namely, "Never Again" and "Don't Believe All You Hear." So has "B. M. I." (a music publishing concern) another of Kraner's. It is called "As Go My Dreams, So Goes My Heart."

Mr. Canning, Mr. Troutwine and Mr. Miller spent the last Sunday in June fishing. If there is anything in names, the fish certainly were in a bad spot.

Shh—Vinyard may open the middle of July! Have you seen "Pretty Boy" Baker in his "Cad" Fleetwood?
—"Windy" Gilland in his red "Olds"?—"Test Pilot" Stewart on his "Blue Steak" put-put?—And last but not least, who has the '31 "Flivver" adorned with "tie-back" polka dot curtains?

"Pop" F. W. Summers, receiver of mysterious notes while on duty, has just moved into his new home in Temple City.

"Red" Atkins moved into his new home the first of the month. It is in Burbank.

"Bob" Crandel reports that the L.A.M.C. Pistol Club's bulletin board is an invitation to all to attend the clubs "shoots." The club, states its President, anticipates a "hook up" with the National Defense Program. They have the range, and the guns, but are desirious of more "trigger" men.

The sick list has suddenly reduced, due perhaps, to the change of weather. But there are still some men who are sick. Pay them a visit men-their summer won't be spent like the rest of us will spend ours. Also, greetings are in order to the following new men, J. G. Ligon, number 674, B. C. Sawyer number 750. L. E. Johnson, number 774, B. E. Goss, number 594, L. J. Dixon, number 635, and W. F. Shafer, number 569. If a little more time and helpful suggestions were offered these new men, their attitudes and work would be more harmonious. True it is, too, that the older men are lax in this respect. If the two groups would tear down the "barrier", this condition could be rectified, and an understanding could be attained that would create peace and happiness for all.



This sweet little miss is Betty LaRue, nine-year-old daughter of Dispatcher R. L. Woodrow (Virgil Coach Div.)

### DIVISION ONE

By R. C. RUGGLES

Summer is with us once again and vacation is uppermost in the mind of everyone, our traveling public being no exception to this. Let us try to cut down our accident record by thinking for the other fellow, whether he is a passenger or a passing motorist.

Vacation time for the kiddies, beach weather for old and young, tend to increase accident hazards, so let us watch our step and hold our accidents to a lower level.

John Hunsaker returned from his vacation, driving a new car home. While in Kansas City he visited the Railway Division where Mr. O'Hare was a former superintendent.

At the T.U.C. picnic held last month in Catalina, all reported a fine time except R. B. Means who insists they moved the pier, causing him to miss the boat.

Our sympathy is extended to Ed Urban upon the loss of his sister; J. E. Connell whose wife passed away after a long illness; and Chas. Groth whose brother died suddenly of a heart attack.

Switchman Bill Smiley had the misfortune to fall in the pit on June 24, injuring his shoulder. We hope he will be back with us soon.

Conductor H. E. Anderson, motorman J. T. Hoffman, and motorman S. N. Duncan have been off duty this past month on account of injuries.

Motorman L. E. Adkins visited us last month, but has not recovered sufficiently from his auto accident to return to work.

Motorman T. P. Doolittle, who was in St. Vincent's Hospital for an operation, has returned to work after a month's absence

The following men are still on the sick list: D. M. Wiltse, A. G. Witzel, L. L. Smith, G. E. O'Bar, A. Haley. H. W. Fisher, V. C. White and C. M. Beard.

The following men are on extended vacations:—L. W. Martin, R. W. Peterson, C. H. Engstrum, C. C. Car-

rigan and R. A. Hogan.

Foreman Frank Ervin has been relaxing in Yosemite Valley on his vacation. Upon his return, Clerk D. B. Kohl went on his vacation visiting Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon and the Grand Canyon.

Men who have left the service last month for other employment are:—
J. Minear, J. T. Horner, P. F. Loveridge, L. L. Neal, A. F. McIvor, R. E. Schrock, E. E. Du Pee, A. F. Leahy and J. N. Orender.

The Army took two of our men, B. J. Darneille and W. A. Phillips, while V. E. White went in the Marine Corps.

### SOUTH PARK

By R. S. WALLACE

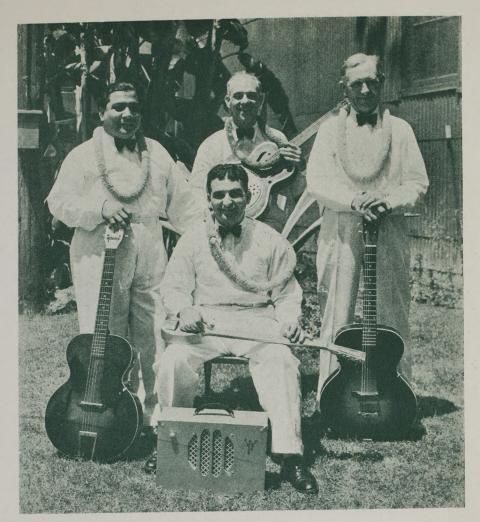
The Shop's vacation period has come and is now almost gone. Many, perhaps, are homeward bound. We hope all have enjoyed the rest in the fullest and return safely.

Our monthly entertainment, held June 27, was a grand success. The high light of the event was a demonstration by Mr. Chester Harris, a visiting artist, of his Electric Music box, attached to and played with the piano. Mr. Austin Kilgore, after great persuasion and a bribe of a box of candy bars, was induced to give a rendition of Vacation Blues. Mr. Bradley says they never had to coax him with a piece of candy.

Some of the more extended vacation trips were those of Wesley Savoy to Canada; Mr. Luther Griffith to Toronto, and Arthur Robey to Oregon. F. A. Pauley will spend two weeks at his cabin on the desert with the lizzards and rattlesnakes.

Speaking of Old Timers—or were we; however, on September 8, Philipe Villalobos will celebrate his 28th year in the service of the Company; on May 10 Billy Maitland celebrated his 30th year, and on July 5, Mr. Joe Spearing celebrated his 36th year.

Some of the boys think that John Cook should get a lighter vehicle to use in coming to and returning from work, especially when he has to get out and push it. Perhaps a motor-



South Park Shops' Own

Have you heard the Los Angeles Railway Hawaiian Quartet? Those who have will agree that the four romantic strummers of strings from the South Park Shops really have talent. The members of the quartet are Billy Pinder, steel guitar, Tommy Rocha, first guitar and vocalist, Charles Matthews, second guitar, and Roy Blaize, third guitar. The quartet is a part of a group who have been giving benefit programs to collect money in order to send hard of hearing children to camps during the summer months. The quartet participated in the Redondo Beach, Long Beach, and Glendale entertainments. Their latest program was at Polytechnic High School on June 28. The quartet also entertains employes at the South Park Shops at their Friday noon programs. These men deserve a great deal of credit for giving their time so generously to such a worthy cause.

ized scooter would meet John's requirements.

Billy Leisure didn't like the cats' serenade a few nights ago and decided to do something about it. He pounced out of bed in his sleeping habiliment and proceeded to break up the concert. He located the vocalists in the neighbor's yard, and swiftly sped to the attack. En route,

however, his foot crashed into the edge of a brick walk, both knees contacted the other edge, and his face slid across the lawn like a Polar bear down an iceberg. Bill forgot the cats and returned home to take inventory. He found a busted foot and two skinned knees; and while he repaired the damage, the cats howled with glee.

### **VERNON YARD**

By L. F. SPARKS

Vacations still remain the big topic of the day, despite war alarms throughout the world.

Kelly Holmes enjoyed a trip through northern California along the Redwood Highway and on to Crater Lake, Oregon, returning home via Klamath Falls and the new Shasta Dam.

Cleave Traywick is on the way to Yellowstone and points beyond. Cleave says the extent of his trip will depend on how long his money lasts.

Shouting "Look out, fish! Here I come" Ed Fleming is taking the usual month of July to relax and fish at his beach house at Anaheim Landing.

Harold Shelford was camping in Yosemite when he was called home on account of the serious illness of his mother.

Mike Finn had the sad duty of taking his deceased wife to Springfield, Ohio, for interment.

George Ramsay spent two weeks in Oceanside, going out on the live bait boats every day but he had very poor luck.

### GARAGE

By C. H. HARDY

The Garage Bowling Team playing in the LARY League won 22 games and lost 6, winning the high team series and the high team game 6 out of 7 weeks. Manager Riggs is also well pleased with the rooting section.

Among our most recent vacationists we find E. K. Harris who returned from a vacation trip to Boulder Dam, through to Idaho and down the coast. Tom Marks vacationed with his family in and around Bishop. Tom Casey, we understand spent his vacation up north. Jesse Doerr experienced one of life's darkest moments while bringing his new car from the East. In Salt Lake City, another car running through a stop signal, crashed into the front of Jesse's car. Necessary repairs to the new car amounted to about \$200.

When J. C. Kennedy showed up for work in that "get-up", everyone thought that he was going to a party after work. However, later the cap and all proved to be his working togs.

N. Leiser has left the Garage and is now employed by Hall Scott Motors. New men in this department are W. O. Hicks and R. N. Sparlock.

Steen Parker now has the horny hands of a son of the soil. He hopes that a new lawn will grow after all of that hard spading.

We understand that the Los Angeles Astronomical Society has appointed J. H. McCornack chairman of the committee which is to design and construct a  $12\frac{1}{2}$  inch Schmidt camera. This will be a valuable addition to their collection of astronomical apparatus.

Oscar Miller, formerly No. 1 bachelor of the Garage, has just returned from his honeymoon. Thanks for the eigars, Oscar.



The young fellow above is Eugene Cobb, Jr., son of E. Cobb, janitor at the Sixteenth Street Garage. Eugene recently graduated from McKinley Jr. High School.

### 16TH STREET COACH

By C. H. HARDY

Vacation time is here and we expect to hear great stories of fishing and camping, of good mileage in new cars and of sunburn and poison oak. For obvious reasons we hope that all fishing stories submitted will be accompanied by unretouched photographs.

While it is not uncommon to be cut off from the rest of the world while in a telephone booth, D. Ladhoff recently had the trying experience of being locked up in the restroom at the Westwood terminal. He was finally released by another operator who was able to open the lock from the outside.

P. Brakebill visited from Arkansas recently and seems to be enjoying good health.

When E. Phillips checks in, he really checks in. The other day his mind was far away from the cashier's window when he placed all of his spare change together with the fares on the turn-in tray.

L. E. Woodworth also seems to be burdened with money. Recently he gave a lady passenger five dollars in change and let her keep her five which she probably spent joyfully on a new hat.

T. N. Marks, who is recovering from severe burns, is now at home at 8915 San Luis Street in Southgate and will welcome visitors.

G. E. Potter has been called for Army service and G. E. Peterson for Naval duty.

We welcome the following new men in this Division-N. H. Glines, W. S. Westwood, J. G. Northrup, L. E. Trainor, J. R. Loudon, V. T. Smith, R. H. Harkens, W. P. Austin, W. O. Ballenger, D. S. Maynard, J. C. Chandler, O. E. Erickson, R. M. Saul, W. S. Kagarice, H. E. Elsas, L. C. Cordes, C. Q. Dean, R. E. Johnson. We also extend our welcome to the new men on Wilshire and Olympic lines—R. F. Chestnut, J. B. Ellis, R. R. Harger, D. C. Roberts, W. L. Stanton, A. I. Bell, L. H. Wine, A. L. Searls, H. A. Margrave, C. F. Wolfe, C. F. Conrad, K. Corry, H. J. McDermott, F. R. Schackleford. E. L. Webster, W. B. Painter and H. F. Lee.

As this goes to press the men in this Division are patiently awaiting the arrival of "Nip" Whitman from the East in a new Austin. It is rumored that it will be equipped with a conning tower.

Our Coach Baseball team, playing

in the LARY League, defeated the Vernon Yard Team with a score of 10 to 7, Sunday, June 29. This victory places the team in first place in the league standing. A lot of credit is due Manager L. W. Lusk for the good showing and also the fine cooperation of the whole team this vear. Fred Ballenger was so nervous during and after the game that he didn't know whether he was coming or going. Play-offs in the League will start July 13. LET'S ALL TURN OUT FOR THE NEXT GAME AND GIVE A REALLY FINE TEAM A LITTLE SUPPORT.

### WILL YOU HELP?

Vacation days are here. From now on many of your week-ends will be spent at the beaches and in our mountains.

For you who plan to visit our mountain areas, the United States Forest Service has provided camp grounds for your convenience. Those in the higher mountains are particularly attractive. All are equipped with tables and fireplaces. No charges are made for their use. All that is asked is that you be careful with your fires and with your matches and cigarettes there and on the way.

The rains of last winter have resulted in a heavy growth of grass and plants that is now highly inflammable and will become more so during the warm, bright summer days ahead.

A fire started by a carelessly flipped match or cigarette from a car or in camp may cause a conflagration that will deprive you of the enjoyment of thousands of acres of vacation lands.

Will you help by being careful yourself and by cautioning others?

WM. V. MENDENHALL, Supervisor, Angeles National Forest

### **DIVISION FOUR**

By BOB GRETTENBERG

MORE STRAIGHT RUNS! Judging from the trend of casual conversation around the division, everyone is quite contented with the new schedules now in operation and I might add-"brought about by the T.U.C., through negotiation." New Summer schedules went into effect on June 29 but did not meet with the approval of all or a majority of the men. As a result, another general choice of runs was held the following week. Now that the runs are revised with more straight runs, evervone seems quite satisfied and pleased with his new run.

At the time of writing, our division has shown a marked decrease in the fall-in-car accidents, and Superintendent E. H. Ellis wishes to take this opportunity to express his sincere appreciation for the fine cooperation shown by the men in combating this one great hazard. Mr. Ellis feels that the men have been most cooperative in the many phases of the work and that they are to be highly commended.

Conductor L. W. Tietgen unexpectedly took about ten days off a short time ago. Later we found out that he got married during his time away. He has been working a couple of weeks now and seems to be weathering the trials and tribulations of matrimony very well. Good luck to Doris and L. W. on their new undertaking.

Conductor A. B. Chambers just returned from a thirty day leave of absence. He spent some very enjoyable times touring around Big Pines and the Red Woods. Chambers really has something to celebrate. On July 22 he will have been with the company 27 years, and has achieved a very good record during that time.

A miss-out at 9:30 in the evening is the latest! Conductor R. J. Rowe went to sleep while riding the "P" car down to make relief on the Owl Car. He woke up at the end of the line 40 minutes after time to make

relief. He finally made relief although somewhat later!

Conductor L. J. Gable is on extended leave visiting relatives in Idaho and probably will return about the middle of the month.

Foreman C. A. Evans is on his vacation. However, he is not taking a trip this year as usual; instead he plans to use the time working—landscaping his newly completed home.

Receivers J. M. McKevitt probably will be a little out of sort for a few weeks. It will be up to each of us to humor him along until his wife returns from the East with their new car. Probably after he gets a few good home cooked meals, he will come out O.K.

## MECHANICAL DIVISIONS $B_{\gamma}$ A. L. Davis

### CAR HOUSE ONE

J. B. Mathis, Jr., and family spent an enjoyable three weeks', visiting their relatives in Alabama. J. B. said he did plenty of fishing while he was there, but fishing doesn't necessarily mean any fish were caught.

R. E. Jones has been off on the sick list for several weeks, and we are hoping that he will soon be able to be back with us again.

J. L. Simmons spent his week's vacation building a garage.

### DEPARTMENT TWO

Very little news around Department 2.

George Ramsey is conspicuous by his absence, and to date we have been unable to get even a slight rumor as to how the fish are making out at Oceanside.

T. Hartley is doing a fine job of pinch-hitting for G. Ramsey at Vernon Yard.

### CAR HOUSE THREE

B. F. Walters returned to work again after a month's vacation back through the middle western and southern states. He reported a fine vacation with no car trouble during the entire trip.

- B. J. Hancher is a new temporary car repairer at this car house, and we welcome him to our gang.
- H. Sparks and R. H. Wescombe have a new technique for testing the power on the trolley wire, by shaking hands with each other via trolley poles and pliers. Both boys testify that there was no weakness of power or the line at that time.
- P. R. Davis and P. Lathrop just returned to work after a week's vacation visiting the local resorts.

### CAR HOUSE FOUR

- I. J. McIntyre and J. Parker spent their vacations just resting.
- H. J. Boardman has returned to work after being off some time due to a sinus operation.

The wife of R. J. McIntyre is in New York for a three months' vacation visiting relatives and friends.

J. W. Johnson is the new vacation relief man at Car House No. 4.

The school conducted by Mr. F. H. Markley is over for the year, and we are now trying to put into practice what we have learned.

Ray Scudder is on a soup diet for the next few weeks after having all of his teeth removed.

O. Howard and G. Lendy spent their vacations visiting local points of interest.

We extend our sympathy to Leeoma Battle whose mother passed away recently.

### CAR HOUSE FIVE

"Jerry" Lyons painted his garage and spent the balance of his vacation just resting.

Our carpenter Bert Heywood, who retired a short time ago, pays us a visit now and then, and he looks in the best of health.

Ben Burgess is back on the job after spending an enjoyable vacation just resting.

P. Booth is back on the job having been absent for a tonsil operating.

Harry Hunt traded his Plymouth in on a brand new DeSoto with

fluid drive. Pretty fancy-I call it.

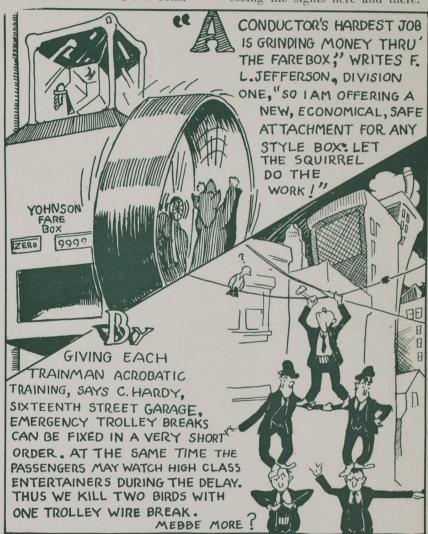
- B. G. Allen spent his vacation camping out in Yosemite National Park.
- C. R. Fulton spent his vacation making short trips and constructing a brick incinerator.
- E. F. Hess is finishing an additional bedroom for his two sons.

H. J. Roberts was transferred to South Park Shops.

R. W. Morris is the new car cleaner at this car house, and we are glad to have you with us.

C. Howard has resigned for a Civil Service assignment.

Tom Cosgrove is on his vacation seeing the sights here and there.



### SCREWLOOSE CONTEST

### A New Corner for Inventors

Perhaps you too, have a screwy idea for improving our jobs which has been bouncing about just waiting for the chance to pop out. Why not enter it in the Screwloose Contest. Fame and Fortune will be yours. TWO BELLS will pay one dollar for each idea nutty enough to be printed. Send in your idea. Let's show the whole world just how crazy we can be. Here are the rules:

Knock your head seven times on the floor, just to get that idea in shape, take a piece of paper, write your name and cap number at the top, then go to it. Simply say, if you don't care about writing long letters, "How about a harness for loading large people on cars?" or "Why not a chute so passengers can be slid off at their stops?" There, see how easy it is. And we're no crazier than you are—but maybe we better not go into that.

