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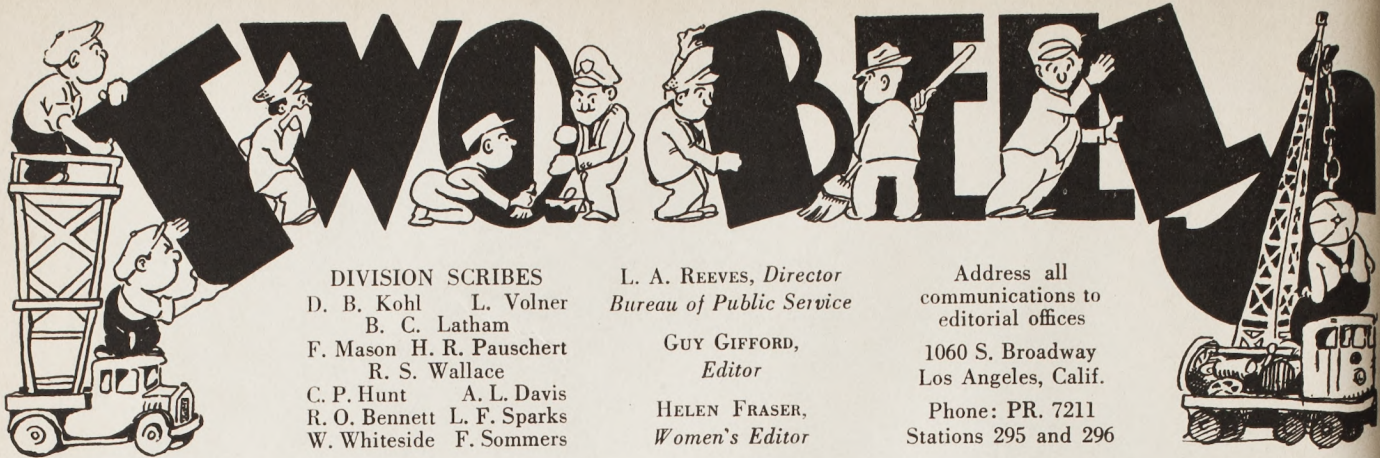
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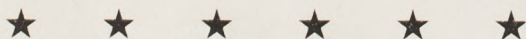
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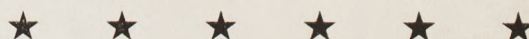
STOP GROWLING

By Former Operator
 JIM AITKEN

Division 4
 Somewhere In——



Hey mister, I just dreamed you growled,
 'Cause you worked overtime, last night
 You only got time and a half
 For doing your job up right.
 It seems you drew just fifty bucks
 On a check the boss gave last week
 Because you felt you were too tired
 And stayed home twice to sleep.
 Now I'll make you a proposition
 Let me have your job for a night,
 You take mine for an hour
 And see that you do it right.
 Out here we have no starting gong
 There is no boss that has to yell
 You can go on a trip anytime you wish
 Yeah, a one-way trip to hell.
 And you'll find out the pay isn't bad
 For I make fifty, too.
 But I only get it once a month.
 How does that appeal to you?
 I never have to report on time
 Or strive for production goals
 And my "reward" for overtime
 Is a head full of holes.
 So give your petty cares a rest
 Till you hear the firing cease
 And my folks at home won't get a note
 Reading, "Your son rests in peace."





Grow War Bonds In Your Victory Garden

Prizes in War Bonds totalling \$1350 will be given to the employes for their efforts in the production of Victory vegetables. Your garden, regardless of size or shape, can win one of the Grand \$100 Prizes or your Departmental Grand Prize of \$50, and the vegetables you have produced may win any or all of thirty \$25 Bonds.

Enter this contest today. Clip the attached coupon, attach a snapshot of your garden, if possible, or a description. Turn it in to the contest editor of your department. Contest editors for the eight departments are listed on the back page. These editors will be the judges for all prize drawings. Gardens will be judged not upon their size, but upon the care given them—so baby those beans. They will be judged upon the effort which has been put into each particular plot. Contest

judges from your department will be ready and willing at all times to explain the rules.

Straight rows, well placed plants, well irrigated plants, good cultivation, surroundings, such as borders and freedom from weeds will add to the value of your plot in the final judging. New ideas in planting, trellising, fencing, building scarecrows and methods of cultivation also add to the value of your garden and may win for you \$50 from your department or the \$100 Grand Prize for home gardens or the \$100 Grand Prize for the company plot garden.

Largest Vegetables

Thirty War Bonds amounting to

ABOVE:

"So—this is where you spend your time off," says Mama, Sharon and Lowell Brown to Operator Ed Brown, Division Five.

\$750 are to be given as follows:

Two, first and second prizes, for the biggest bell pepper, the largest squash, tomato, cabbage, biggest onion, beet, the largest ear of corn, the best head of lettuce, the biggest turnip, string bean, radish and longest carrot, so pamper that garden plot and baby that carrot. It may bring you a \$25 War Bond.

Canned Vegetables

Two War Bonds, first and second prizes, will be given for the best jar of canned vegetables—must be home grown and home canned.

Unique Garden

Two War Bonds, first and second prizes, for the most unique garden. A unique garden includes anything which embodies new, unique ideas. For instance, a garden where the man has turned his baby's play pen on its

side so that the cucumbers would have a natural trellis would be eligible for the unique garden prize of a \$25.00 War Bond. Or the fellow who planted his garden in such a way that he could push his hand cultivator down one row on his way to work and back the next row on his way home at night.


Tallest Tale About Gophers

Two War Bonds, first and second prizes, for the tallest tale about a gopher. Write out your tall tale and submit it with your entry blank. This contest will really bring the liars to the forefront. The tallest tale about gophers can embody gophers as to size and activities and so forth. Here is a sample:

Once upon a time there was a kitty whose name was Elizabeth.

**ROBY AND
THE BEANSTALKS**

Conductorette Roseberta Roby dons shorts and digs for Beans and Bonds in her garden plot at Division Five.



She had five small kittens and when rationing came along they were faced with the dark problem of getting along without any meat because no ration coupons had been issued to Elizabeth. However, there were many, many

gophers on the property where Elizabeth stayed, but they were very wild gophers and very seldom came out of their little homes. Elizabeth thought and thought and she finally conceived the idea of sending her smallest kitten, Hortense, down into the holes to chase the gophers.

So Hortense went down and chased the gophers. The mama kitty and the four little kittens became fat and sleek, but Hortense got thinner and thinner. One day when she came upon a nest of juicy gophers, she said to herself, "Why should I chase these gophers out for those lazy cats on top of the ground? Why not eat them myself?" So Hortense had meat for dinner. But she ate so many gophers that she got stuck in the passage way and couldn't move. Hortense stayed there until she died, and the other cats on top of the ground got hungrier and hungrier, and finally had to go on relief.

FURTHER RULES

Further rules and names of departmental judges pertaining to this contest may be found on the back page of this issue. All prizes will be awarded by Mr. P. B. Harris in his office. Bulletins pertaining to the contest will be posted at all divisions, and for additional entry blanks, etc., contact E. E. Kenway, Superintendent of Personnel, Room 210.

ENTRY BLANK

**LOS ANGELES RAILWAY
VICTORY GARDEN CONTEST**

I wish to enter my garden in the LARy Victory Garden Contest:

Name.....
 Division or Department.....
 Home Address.....
 Telephone.....

\$100.00 HOME GARDEN PRIZE

Location.....

**\$100.00 COMPANY PROPERTY GARDEN PRIZE
(Give Plot Number)**

Location.....

NOTE: Above gardens are included in the \$50 departmental contest also.

CANNED VEGETABLES

Number of Entrees.....
 What Vegetables Canned.....

UNIQUE GARDEN

Location.....
 What makes it unique?.....

TALL GOPHER TALE

Attach story to this blank.

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Thirty prizes for largest vegetables will be given July 15. Bring produce to department judges.

SIGN AND ATTACH THIS ENTRY BLANK TO VEGETABLES.

TRANSFER TALES



Early transfer issued about 1906. Back of transfer carries advertisement of Montgomery Bros. Note place for punch mark when dog was carried. Some old timers claim this point was punched for conductor's description of certain passengers, but that of course, is legendary.

WHEN FIDO GOT A TRANSFER

By Tom Braxton

The first local transit line was started in New York in 1827 by Abraham Brower. His horse-drawn omnibus rattled up and down Broadway as far as Bleeker Street at a fare of twelve and a half cents. From that humble beginning a romantic story of the growth of the transit industry through the horse cars, cable cars, electric cars, trolley buses, streamliners and motor buses has been written; but that history fails to devote very much space upon the subject of transfers although the methods of fare collections have been given prominence.

The Peridromophilic Society, transfer collectors to you, inform us that the transfer and the ticket has been very instrumental and necessary in the development of transportation. They point out that transfers represent incidents between animate things—from conductor to passenger and passenger to conductor—while the streetcars, horse-cars and buses were simply inanimate vehicles.

First Ticket . . .

In spite of the progress of transportation the establishment of the contract between company and passenger—tickets and transfers—remained a slow, complicated affair where the con-

ductors and clerks wrote out by hand on each ticket and its counterfoil everything relating to the passenger and his journey until 1836. On that date a small station master of Milton, England, who worked for the Newcastle and Carlisle Railway, invented the first tickets which still bears his name. Two scraps of paper, the railway ticket due to Edmondson, the station master, and the second, the postage stamp, invented by Roland Hill, have held a very important place in the civilization of man. Edmondson's ingenious idea applied a principle whose importance is not inferior to the inventions that put it into practice. He was the first to issue impersonal tickets. He identified the railway's patrons by the simple means of dating and numbering his tickets. The type for the first ticket was fixed in a wooden block and the impression was transferred upon cardboard with a blow from a mallet. The ticket was then cut from the strip with a pair of scissors.

Quite a difference between the mallet-pounded ticket and the tickets of today which are consumed by the billions. The stupendous consumption of transfers daily by the transportation companies can be imagined when one pictures the Bell Punch Company

of London, which, it is true, is the largest ticket printer in the world, running a line of machines, each which prints 12,000 tickets per minute. The transfer developed from the train ticket becoming necessary when the public clamored for single fare over a system of interlocking streetcar lines. Transfers have been since then all shapes and sizes. For instance, the California State Cable Railroad Company in San Francisco has for years issued a tiny slip, hardly 1¼ by 2¼ inches, while the Lang Transportation System of Long Beach prefers the 3¼ by 8¼ transfers, almost poster size. Transfers have come in reels, pads, and as simple tickets, the most simple being a blank sheet of paper with printing on it, "From Milton to Carlisle," and a space left for the conductor to put in his number.

Faces Have Changed . . .

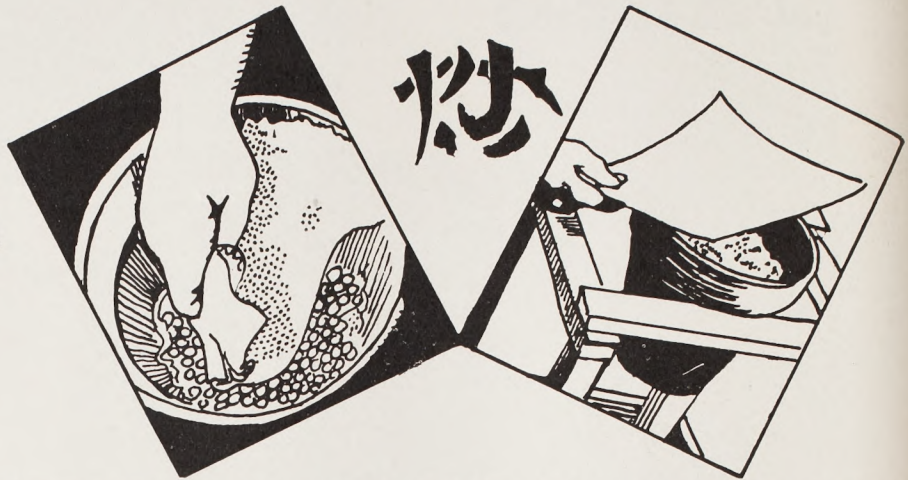
"A transfer for my dog, please. He's only a puppy." Yes, early Los Angeles Railway transfers issued in the year 1907 had the word "Dog" printed upon them. If you were carrying a dog when you got on, the transfer was punched accordingly. The faces of transfers have changed considerably and will probably be changed for time immemorial. For instance, in the 1890's and early 1900's transfers were issued which had a description of the passenger to whom they were issued printed upon them to prevent their misuse. The transfers of the Binghamton Railroad Company in New York had five pictures of men and two pictures of women printed on the transfer. The men wore different

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Dear Ladies...

Let's Look to China



RADISHES in your Victory garden come up in three weeks, and bean sprouts in your kitchen come up in three days. Sprouted soy-beans are a good meat substitute as they are high in protein and fat, are not starchy and have a higher vitamin C content than unsprouted beans.

Bean sprouts have been grown by the Chinese as a table delicacy for 4000 years. They can be used in so many appetizing dishes, especially those of Chinese origin.

A Chinese dish consists of three parts—meat; secondary vegetables, such as Chinese water chestnut, bamboo, celery, Chinese mushroom and sometimes other vegetables according to the season; and the third part, the garnish on top of each dish, consisting of Chinese ham, chicken, or roast pork cut up into small dice or into small bars about an inch long, with enough parsley to aid the taste as well as to ornament the dish.

The amount of meat, in accordance with the hygienic law of Confucius, is about one-third that of secondary vegetables, and should be the same size and shape as the vegetables. It may be cut into dice, bars or fragments. Judgment must be used when the size of the vegetables is limited.

To prepare secondary vegetables which are dry, such as dry mushrooms, dry chestnuts, etc.,

Bean sprouts, traditional ingredient for Chinese food, can be grown in your home in three days without soil or sunshine. A 10-inch flowerpot, piece of cardboard, bucket, homemade rack and cheesecloth are all that is required. The first step is to pour your soybeans into lukewarm water and soak for 10 hours. (Left) Cheesecloth is placed in bottom of flowerpot, then pour beans in and cover with several layers of cloth. (Right) Cardboard is placed over top, after planting, to assure total darkness. This helps to hold humidity and keeps light from beans which would induce an undesirable leaf growth.

always soak in cool water for one-half hour.

The three methods used in Chinese cooking are steaming, frying and boiling. In steaming, always drain off any water or other liquid substance and add just enough primary soup to cover the material. Primary soup is used for gravy and for the final cooking instead of using water. The recipe is given on this page. Steam until just soft, for in that state the food has its most delicious taste. Before eating, pour off the primary soup, take off all oil on surface and put into steamer again for a few moments, and salt to suit taste. A hot fire should be used in steaming.

In boiling, the fire should be only sufficiently hot to keep the food at the boiling point.

Frying should be done over a very hot fire, and the food should be turned constantly with a cooking shovel so that every particle will receive the same amount of heat.

There are articles in Chinese cooking which are to be found only in Chinese grocery stores. Try the stores in the downtown China towns or those listed in the telephone directory under "Groceries".

Nearly everybody likes Chinese food, so here are some recipes which you might try with your home-grown bean sprouts:

Egg Roll (Dan Gun)

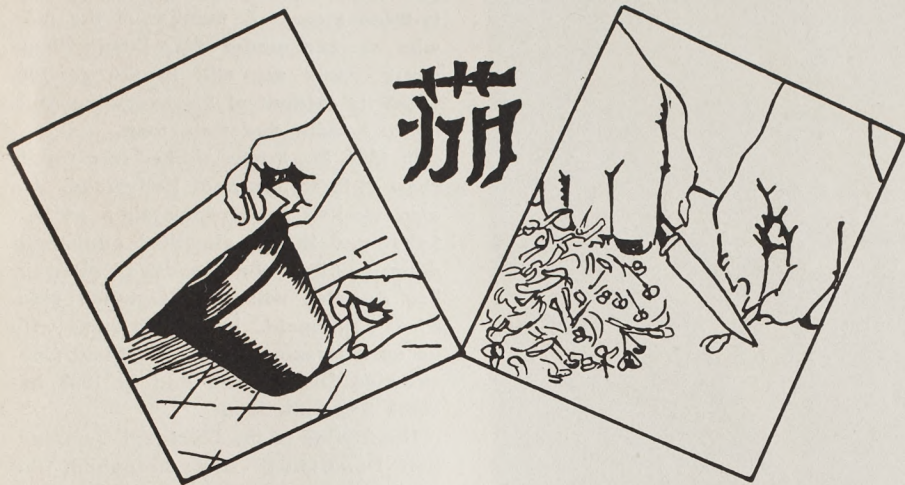
- 6 eggs
- 2 tablespoonfuls dry mushrooms
- 2 tablespoonfuls bean sprouts
- 2 tablespoonfuls chicken meat
- 2 tablespoonfuls Chinese ham

Break the eggs into a bowl. Beat well with oil and salt. Have a low fire. Oil pan. Place in it one tablespoonful of well-beaten egg. Take hold of the pan and let the egg run all over the surface of the pan. A layer of egg will be formed.

Cut the mushrooms, Chinese ham, bean sprouts, and chicken into threads. Fry for 5 minutes in an oiled pan. Salt to suit the taste. Add enough water to cover and cook until dry. When nearly dry, turn constantly to prevent burning.

Roll this in the egg, making the roll

Confucius say: Bean sprouts
velee good . . . Nutlitious and
easy to glow . . . Jfast, too . . .



(Left) By tipping pot and placing small blocks under it allows oxygen to escape if this project is attempted on sink or other flat surface without rack. No oxygen can escape from the hole in bottom if the container is set flat.

(Right) Three days later the vitamin-rich sprouts have become two or three inches long and are ready for harvesting. After cutting remnants of beans from the sprouts, shown above, the sprouts are ready to be served either raw or cooked.

1 inch in diameter and as long as the egg layer. Use white of egg for paste. Cut carefully into the desired length.

Add Chinese gravy.

Bean Sprout Patties

- 1 cup bean sprouts
- 1 cup mashed potatoes
- 1 small chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon soy sauce
- Cracker crumbs

Mix bean sprouts, mashed potatoes and chopped onion and add soy sauce. Form into patties and roll in cracker crumbs. Saute in butter over a slow fire until brown on both sides.

(Chow Lon Fon)

Fried Rice

- 4 bowls cooked rice
- ¾ pound chicken or pork (cubed)
- ¾ cup minced celery
- ¾ cup minced green pepper
- ¾ cup bean sprouts
- 1 small onion, finely diced
- 5 eggs
- 1 cup primary soup

Fry rice slowly until it browns lightly. Fry the chicken or the pork in hot fat with the vegetables for 3 minutes. Add cold water and cook for 15 minutes. Pour off the water and add the rice. Add the primary soup and continue to cook with the well beaten eggs until the egg appears to be done. Serves 4.

Primary Soup (Sun Tong)

- ½ lb. chicken
- 1 pint water
- ½ lb. pork

Chop the meat into small pieces. Cook slowly for 2½ hours, or until about half the liquid has evaporated. Strain through a thick cloth until the liquid is as clear as water. If there is any oil, skim it off. Cool and place in the refrigerator until ready for use.

Chinese Gravy (Hin Tout)

- 1 cup primary soup
- 1 teaspoonful cornstarch.
- 1 teaspoonful Chinese sauce (This sauce may be bought in any Chinese grocery store).
- Salt, sugar and a few drops of sesamum seed oil.

Mix the cornstarch well in a little cold water; then stir into the boiling primary soup, and let boil until it thickens. Add the Chinese sauce, salt, sugar, and sesamum-seed oil, and stir well.

Shrimp Chop Suey

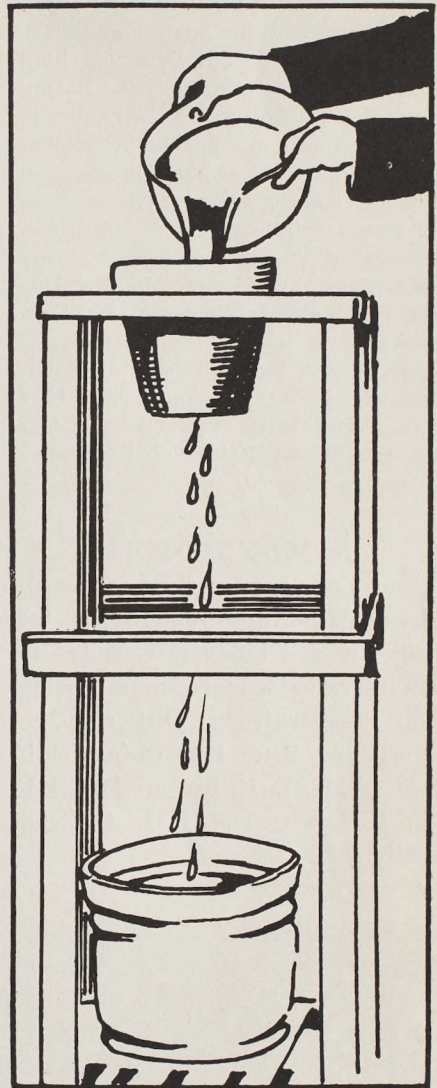
(Chow Har Yun)

- 2 lbs. shrimp with shells off
- 2 cups dry mushrooms
- 2 cups bean sprouts
- 1 piece of onion cut into threads

Fry mushrooms, bean sprouts, and onion in an oily pan for 10 minutes. Add enough water to cover. Boil for 15 minutes.

Fry the shrimp in a hot, oiled pan and add the Fun Wine. Keep frying until the shrimp turns red.

Mix the shrimp with the mushrooms, bean sprouts, and onion, and add 2 cups of primary soup. When it boils, add Chinese gravy.



On this homemade rack, the flower pot is supported by cleats across the top. About a quart of lukewarm water should be poured over the beans every four hours, except at night. Bean sprouts will develop with only one or two waterings daily, but frequent moistening hastens the harvest. It is not necessary to use Soy beans if you would prefer the Chinese Mung bean. The Mung bean can be purchased at any Chinese market.

Helen

Editor, "Dear Ladies."

PERSONNEL NEWS

END OF THE LINE

Four members of the Railway family passed away recently. Our sincere sympathies are extended to the bereaved.

James Alfred Dye, formerly of the carpenter shop at the South Park Shops, died on June 1. Mr. Dye was born in Liverpool, England, in 1882. He entered the railway as a carpenter in the mechanical department in October of 1923, and also worked in the mechanical department at Division 4 as car cleaner and car cleaner foreman.

Three of those was passed away were wives of employes. **Mrs. Dawkins** wife of Operator **William F. Dawkins**, of the Motor Coach Division, passed away May 2, **Mrs. Ott**, wife of Motorman **John L. Ott**, Division 3, died May 16, and **Mrs. R. G. Nokes**, wife of Car Repairer **R. G. Nokes** of Division 5 passed on May 30.

APPRECIATION

The Company received acknowledgements of appreciation for the sympathy and kindness extended to the following bereaved ones during their recent sorrows: Dick and Jim Brown and Betty Lou Ewing, children of Mr. E. C. Brown; Mrs. Edwin L. Lewis; and J. L. Ott and family.



O. R. PAYNE

THE STORK REPORTS

Patrick Joseph, born to Conductor (Division Three) and Mrs. Tommy V. Collins on May 6.

Joyce Diana, born to Mechanic (16th Street Garage) and Mrs. Charles Thomas on April 27.

Twins, **Rietta Marie** and **Robert Leonard**, born to Mechanic (16th Street Garage) and Mrs. J. Van Mourik on May 17.

RETIREES . . .

The retirement of **O. R. Payne**, Superintendent of Electrical Construction, left a vacancy which is hard to fill.

Mr. Payne spent twenty-three pleasant years in the service of the company and was compelled to retire because of ill health, or he might have spent twenty-three more. A number of the men who worked under Mr. Payne those many years are still in the service, which is evident of his executive ability to handle and train men.

In 1904, Mr. Payne worked in a repair shop at Sherman, near Hollywood. He also worked in a repair shop at Salt Lake, and in the electrical equipment department at the Goodyear plant in Los Angeles where he installed electrical equipment. In 1920 he came with us as a foreman in the Electrical Construction Department, and in 1926 became Superintendent.

His friends in the Electrical Construction Department, and throughout the company, wish him a quick recovery from his ill health.

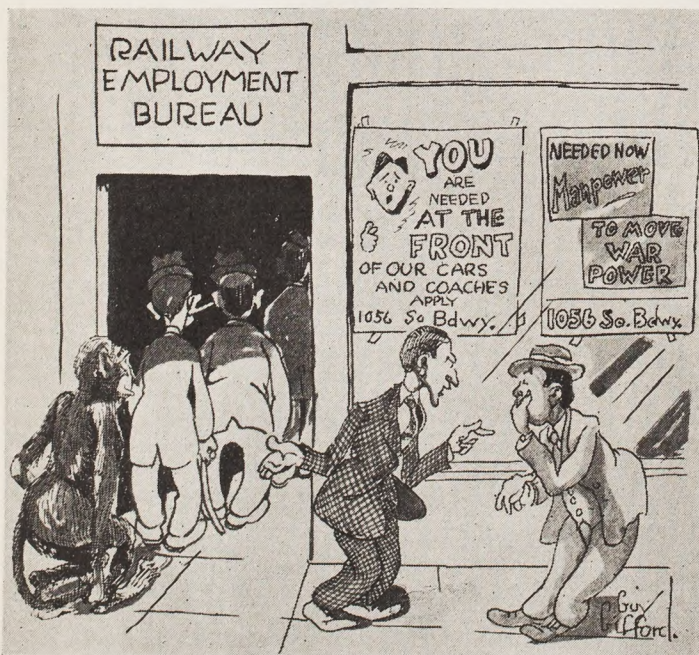
PENSION ROLL

James Waddell, Motorman, Division 5, was placed on the Special Roll June 3, 1943. Mr. Waddell was employed as a Motorman, Division 2, November 9, 1920, transferred to Division 1, July 31, 1932, transferred to Division 5, July 18, 1927, transferred to temporary Flagman, Transportation Department, October 1, 1941, and back to Motorman, Division 5, June 1, 1942. His present address is 411½ East 69th Street.

Joseph Kendrick Hagan, Messenger, Division 4, was placed on the Special Roll, May 7, 1943. Mr. Hagan was employed as a Car Repairer, Mechanical Department, November 1, 1921, transferred to Instructor, Transportation Department, October 1, 1923, transferred to Inspector, Instruction Department, June 16, 1937, transferred to Messenger, Division 4, January 1, 1942. His present address is 1060 Queen Anne Place.

DOWN THE AISLE

Conductor **J. H. Stanley** (Division Five) married to Mrs. August C. Scheau, of Hollywood, on May 13.



"FRANKLY
YOUR
ADVERTIZING
CAMPAIGN
IS TOO
D—
GOOD!"

Uncle Sam's Print Shop

Library Notes By Gertrude M. Clark

In an average year Uncle Sam publishes some 65,000 titles with an output of 127,000,000 copies. They are issued from the Government printing office which was established as early as 1860. Its main purpose is, as has been said very aptly "the dissemination of useful, general and statistical information to the public of the United States". There is no field of human interest in which you cannot find material printed by our government and there is no question which is not covered.

Up to the present there has been no promotion or advertising for any of these books, pamphlets or magazines, except incidentally by some other party. They are usually sponsored by a department or office in response to letters of inquiry and there is some free distribution by this issuing agency. Each congressman has a right to one free copy of most publications and also to 12,500 Department of Agriculture bulletins and leaflets. He may distribute them among his constituents, free of charge. All copies are printed for an estimated sale by

V - MAIL

Dear Mr. Harris:

I received two cartons of cigarettes from the company with your card enclosed, and wish to say "thank you." They were mailed last December, but the package mail here is very slow, though always welcome.

During my travels I have run across some railway systems that would make anyone from our company laugh, but they seem to do all right. They still think that all cars must be two-man even if they carry only a few passengers, and the conductor doesn't seem to care if the fare is paid or not. I would like to have the fares missed in one day. The equipment and methods are about like ours in 1910. Air brakes are the exception and hand brakes the rule.

The war here is something we can't talk about, but the American newspapers reflect accurately the happenings here. In fact, we read them to find out ourselves.

Yours truly,
R. E. Elmore,
Ex-Motorman, Division 3.

the famous "Sup" or Superintendent of documents. This practice is contrary to the practice of most governments, such as the English government, which distributes nothing free. We, in the United States, have some 500 depository libraries which receive all current material free.

If you want to keep informed about government publications, this can be done very easily by writing to the: **Superintendent of documents, Government printing office, Washington, D. C.** and asking for the "Weekly list of selected U. S. government publications" which is available free to everybody. There are also 76 "Price lists" in such fields as: Transportation and Panama Canal, or Engineering and surveying, which are sent free for the asking. If you order a publication, never send stamps. Money or bank orders are accepted, or special vouchers can be purchased for \$1.00 or more. The exact title of a publication is necessary and preferably the order number. This is important because of the terrific volume of business which keeps some 500 people busy sending out 5,000 mail orders per day.

For anyone connected with the company, the Library will be glad to take care of all these details. As you know, we have a standing offer to order any book or pamphlet for you—and government documents are no exception. Don't feel shy to call on us,

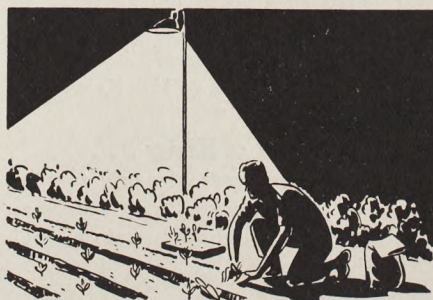


even if you are not at all sure what you want, or if you feel that your problem is not very important.

We receive a lot of government publications in all the fields in which we are interested. There are the War department's **TECHNICAL MANUALS** on: Hand measuring and power tools, on lubrication, on brakes etc., or a very good new course in the **FUNDAMENTALS OF ELECTRICITY** which intends to give training in the basic principles of magnetism, batteries, generators, telephones etc. We also have an interesting pamphlet on **PERSONAL AFFAIRS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL AND AID FOR THEIR DEPENDENTS** in which you can find all the regulations for income taxes, wills, allotments of pay and transportation allowances for the families of service men.

SELECTIVE SERVICE IN
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SUCCOTASH BY NIGHT



Under a ruling of the Office of Civilian Defense, you may enjoy the healthful and profitable exercise of working in your Victory Garden during the evenings by illuminating your garden plot with shaded light. The

light you use must not beam upward above the horizontal, and it must not cast more than one footcandle of light on the ground.

In proper reflectors, the following give about one footcandle of light on the ground: A 25-watt lamp in a reflector six feet high; a 40-watt lamp ten feet high; a 60-watt lamp thirteen feet high; a 75-watt lamp sixteen feet high; a 100-watt lamp twenty-two feet high.

A very limited number of outdoor lighting units are available through your local Edison office.

—Electrical Times



PATS ON THE BACK . . .

A PAT ON THE BACK FOR THESE:

Division One

- M. F. Hurst helped people carrying bundles.
R. K. Rose watches over everyone.

Division Three

- H. J. Kelsey cheerful on crowded cars.
L. T. Staten pleasant and courteous.

Division Four

- H. C. Baker perfect gentleman.
G. E. Grasser above average.
P. W. Hodges calls streets.
L. L. Leasman knows how to move passengers back.
M. D. Livingston courteous and efficient.
D. L. Lowen gets cooperation from passengers.
D. N. Smith always wears a smile and is good natured.
M. C. Sonner helped elderly woman to sidewalk.
J. B. Woodland very courteous.

Division Five

- F. H. Duncan very honest.
Jeanne Kennedy handled car better than a man.
C. J. Peterson (1) 100% efficient and (2) helped a sick man.
J. A. Wear (1) kindness shown passengers and (2) assisted women with children and elderly ladies and (3) showed extra kindness and courtesy.

Diesel Pilots

- J. W. Gordon, Wilshire, waited for passenger.
R. J. Hoffman, Beverly, called doctor for injured lady.
M. A. Martel, Olympic, a fine driver, as well as courteous and pleasant.
J. Schmidt, Vine-La Brea, very considerate to passengers.
V. L. Tunnell, Alvarado, courteous and gentlemanly.

YOU CAN STOP A LAW SUIT . . .

The falling in safety zone accident can be very costly to the company. The reactions of people who have fallen after alighting depends largely upon the attitude of the operator with whom they have been riding. If he is a good salesman and knows psychology and how to handle the people, the situation will end, not in a lawsuit, but in a "thank you" letter as follows:

"Just want to thank and highly commend trainman 1042 for his great kindness at the time of the accident to my sister, Nettie P. Kennedy, on the morning of April 15, just as we were alighting from the car at the building where I work. She seemed to lose her balance and fell, while standing waiting for the conductor to help me down, which he always did so carefully. He was so very kind and helpful, as he always has been, and just tell him please that she's getting along fine. Her hip was broken, but a pin has been put in and they promise she will be walking again in a month or more. But it will necessarily be a long time

before we are able to return to our work, but we are hoping when we do that 1042 will be our conductor for he will have two to help.

"The trainmen on the car or no one connected with it was in anyway to blame, as X-Ray showed break came before she fell.

"Again thanking 1042 for all his kindness, and all conductors have always been so kind in the 33 years we have been traveling on L. A. lines, and we will hope to be again."

ELLA M. KENNEDY

Better Than a King . . .

"It gives me great pleasure to send you my appreciation for motorman No. 3250 who was unfortunate enough to be handling a "W" car today when school let out.

"There was a mad rush for the car by a swarm of near heathens, but fortunately your man handled them better than a king could have, and I certainly wish we had more citizens like him. God bless him."

MISS M. A. BRAY

Gracious Gesture . . .

"Last Wednesday evening I was coming home on an "N" car about 8:45. Somewhere around Sixth and Spring Streets four soldiers—sad, tired looking boys, not the usual gay, smiling ones out looking for a pretty girl—got on the car and asked the motorman to please call Valencia.

"When the motorman arrived at Valencia, he called it two or three times. Then, noting that no soldiers left the car, he stepped through the inner door and shouted, 'Where are the soldiers who wanted off at Valencia?' It was a gracious gesture, and other passengers, as well as myself, left the car with a blessing for the motorman.

BLANCHE J. PENCE
2881 FRANCIS AVENUE

Snoods Are Snappy . . .

"As a commuter I take the Wilshire Express back and forth to Beverly Hills, and lately I have noticed a woman driver who is quite outstanding in her behavior and in her appearance. She should be congratulated for her neatness and the way she puts a net over her hair.

"You ought to encourage all the other women on your staff to wear a snood as Number 95 does. It should be part of their uniform. Bobbed hair is all right but if women are to take men's jobs they should keep just as trim and neat"

MME. BOUVET DE LOZIER
671 So. Coronado St

Puts Him Right . . .

"I want to commend the operator on a "3" car Saturday morning who stopped his car at an abandoned safety zone to pick up a serviceman who was evidently a stranger in the city.

"After stopping, the operator explained so politely to the soldier that it wasn't a car stop at that particular point. He also told him how and where to look for the stops. I think any company should be proud of such an employe."

MISS MATT DRAPER
2505 W. SIXTH ST.

WE LEAD

WITH OUR CHIN

Poor "Rookie" . . .

"Let the conductors teach the conductorettes. I should like to call your attention to an incident which happened on Vermont Avenue in which an older conductorette was teaching, or attempting to teach, a younger girl the various angles of her profession. The older girl was perched on something where she could look over the whole car. She chewed gum continually, and when she was not scolding the recruit—whom she was supposed to be training—she was singing or leaning down to talk and laugh with a man in uniform.

"The poor rookie was doing her best, but the older girl had given her the jitters by telling her, 'If you don't do better, you will be fired,' and 'you will never get another job,' she kept up that sort of talk loud enough for everyone in the car to overhear. The young girl was very capable. She always had the side doors closed before the car started. The car was packed with people going to the Coliseum, and the poor rookie had her hands full with fares and transfers, but try as she could it wasn't being done fast enough to suit the instructor."

Dangerous Curves . . .

"I realize that good bus drivers are hard to get, and I must compliment the Railway upon the group of men whom they hire as a whole, but there is one thing the bus drivers, especially on the Florence-Soto line, have yet to learn and that is that it is just as important to notify standees in their busses that a curve is coming as it is to call streets and stops.

"We don't care how fast the bus driver wants to swing into the hospital grounds as long as we are notified that he is going to swing. If it weren't so hard to bend down and watch where one was going, we could probably look out for ourselves.

"May I suggest that you advise all coach operators to shout, 'Dangerous curve ahead,' just before they swing into the hospital grounds . . . please."

WOLF IN OPERATOR'S CLOTHING

"On Wednesday, May 26, I had the misfortune to be riding on a car which turned into Broadway from First at exactly 4:09½ p. m. I quote the exact time because the operator behind whom I sat mentioned it to a young girl with whom he was in constant conversation all the way from Soto Street. He told her that he was due at the corner at 4:09 and was one-half minute late. This young girl, about seventeen, stood beside him during the entire journey and was later joined by another girl. The three were hilarious. The operator turned his head constantly toward the girls.

"Because I felt that these actions prevented a safe operation of the car, I asked in a low, courteous voice if he would not obey the rules and avoid unnecessary conversation with passengers. He at once became abusive tell-

ing me to mind my own business, and that I was myself breaking the law by making the request which I had. He stated that he would have me fined if I reported him, which I said I would do.

"He spent the rest of the journey turning his head frequently to glare at me. He was angry and his conversation with the two girls stopped. Doubtless, he wanted to show them how he could bully a complaining passenger.

"I am aware that the labor shortage has made a certain type of employe hard to handle, but I believe that the whole war effort would be greatly enhanced were this "wolf" doing the line of work where the lives of passengers were not entrusted in his hands.

"I can substantiate my statements by a respectable witness."

O U C H !

Torture This Year . . .

"I have been riding your cars for many many years, and bad as it has been, this year it has become a torture that is unbearable.

"Please teach your motormen to drive the cars carefully. At present they are so poorly trained that they stop and start with a terrible jerk instead of handling the car gradually. The result is that some of us are thrown wildly against the seats and injured.

"What's more, you don't have enough straps in the cars and we have nothing to hang on to. Some day you will have a law suit on your hands or some passenger will beat a motorman half to death if you don't make these blacksmiths driving the cars handle their equipment more gently. People are getting fed up with these impudent and indifferent motormen.

"I myself saw an old lady thrown on her face and a cripple badly hurt from being thrown against the iron seats."

Let's Uncork the Bottleneck . .

"I have read with interest your advertising efforts to encourage people to move to the rear of the car. Personally, I believe that that job is definitely up to your operators and your conductors. I think they should be more insistent, and that can be done politely in their requests to passengers asking them to move away from the entrance doors. The crowded seats around the doors is very annoying to people. I have not, as yet, learned to push my way through, and the conductor on an "A" car this morning made no effort to ask people to make a passage. I was pushed off the step when alighting, after a terrific struggle in getting to the door. From that incident, I have a very painful right arm which prevents me from working.

"Please explain to your men that as soldiers on the home front, it is part of their job to clear bottlenecks."

OUR SOCIAL SIDE



INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Front Row (left to right) Mesdames S. Ashworth, A. H. Setterberg, J. F. McCormick, President, E. J. Miller, C. S. Wise. Back Row (left to right) Mesdames H. A. Dewey, A. C. Stover, J. T. Watts, M. S. Thomas, A. R. Hemm, L. B. Meek, W. G. Clardy, A. G. McDermith.

"HEALTH FOR VICTORY" CLUB

Railway women listen in as Ann Martin, Home Economist, Bureau of Power and Light, with Mercedes Gaffney and Epsie Haymond (maid) demonstrate many processes of putting up "home grown."



WOMEN'S CLUB

Editor's Note: Mrs. H. A. Dewey, who has been the scribe for this column, is turning the typewriter over to Mrs. J. T. Watts. Mrs. Dewey has done a marvelous job and deserves much praise. We welcome Mrs. Watts to the staff.

The Women's Club announces their third "Health For Victory" club meeting, June 10, at 962 West Twelfth Place, the women's club rooms. New canning and drying methods will be demonstrated. This is the place to go ladies to brush up on your canning so that you can win that War Bond in the Vegetables For Victory Contest.

For those who like a variety of work—sewing, knitting, quilt making and crocheting for infants, and making amusement books for convalescents, you are urged to join the Red Cross Auxiliary and assist by doing your bit.

An event long to be remembered was the colorful installation, with the Harmony Art Studio as the theme, when Mrs. E. J. Miller presented the gavel to Mrs. J. F. McCormick on Thursday, May 20. Mrs. McCormick came to California thirty years ago, and has worked in women's organizations since that time. She is a drama enthusiast. Mrs. McCormick was the

recipient of a General Federation pioneer medal in recognition of her capable public relations work for the Hollenbeck Ebell Club. A past president of the Hollenbeck Ebell Club, a member of the Eastern Star and a great grandmother, Mrs. McCormick is well able, we feel, to lead us at a time when leadership is so much in demand.

Proof that the little knitted caps which the Women's Club is sending to service men and men in the Merchant Marines have been well accepted is offered in this letter recently received.

U. S. MARITIME SERVICE

Long Beach, Calif.,

Saturday, March 6.

Dear Mrs. Kiefer:

Thank you for the warm watch cap. My old one is on the bottom of the ocean with my last ship, but yours is much thicker and warmer. I know from bitter experience how much they are missed when we don't have them.

We are leaving for foreign duty within a few days so your cap should see a good deal of the world.

Very truly yours,

Harry E. Hennessey,

Able Seaman.

U. S. Merchant Marine.

Square and Compass Club . . .

H. F. Nelson writes that the Past President's meeting on May 8 was well attended. Five past presidents were able to be with the group. A delicious dinner was enjoyed by all and the entertainment, which followed the short business meeting, went over in a big way.

A good crowd turned out on Tuesday, May 25, when the degree team conferred the Third Degree on F. L. Wildish of the Instruction Department. This event was held at Glassell Park Lodge.

American Legion Auxiliary . . .

Mrs. Bettie Leasman says that with another American Legion Auxiliary year closing on June 9, an all day meeting was held at Patriotic Hall when all units in the district made the yearly unit reports.

Another big event will be in the latter part of June when the ladies will assist the Post in making school awards at Berendo Junior High School.

Thanks to everyone for the cooperation given the Legion Auxiliary on the Poppy drive. The drive turned out to be a great success, and we are happy to state that our unit placed second in the district for Poppy posters. The poster chosen by the Railway for use on their weekly pass was drawn by Miss Maxine Rosen of Berendo Junior High School. This design received many favorable comments from professional artists.

Forty-one wheel chair robes have been given to the Veterans' Hospital at Sawtelle, a fact for which the Auxiliary is very proud.

American Legion . . .

Leo Leasman advises that the Le-

CLUB CALENDAR

Women's Club,

June 10—"Health For Victory" Club. 1:15 p.m.
962 West 12th Place July 8—"Health For Victory" Club. 1:15 p.m.
Every Tuesday—Red Cross Auxiliary. 10 to 3.
(No other meetings until September 2.)

American Legion July 6—Patriotic Hall, 816 So. Figueroa.

American Legion Auxiliary July 6—Patriotic Hall, 816 So. Figueroa.

Square and Compass Club June 12—Time and place to be announced by special notice.

gion year is almost over and the time has come to elect officers for the coming year, so don't forget the meeting of July 6. Make your plans to help nominate our leaders.

All members of the Legion extend an invitation to all soldiers of this world war to come and join with us. You will meet a real bunch of fellows. If you have an honorable discharge, this is an invitation for you to visit and see for yourselves the kind of a post we have. You are urged to join.

Employes' Emeritus . . .

P. C. McNaughton, Secretary, reports that at our meeting on May 13, our last meeting for the fiscal year, Mrs. Macgowan, vocal teacher and accompanist, brought several of her students who furnished the musical part of the entertainment. We also had with us Miss Jerry Jay, comedian, who gave several humorous readings. We were happy to have Mr. McRoberts, our president, with us for ten minutes. He opened the meeting.

YESTERDAY

Maude Campbell of the Complaint Department was recently featured in the Western Air Lines magazine SPEED in a story called "Yesterday". The Western Air Lines, on April 17, 1943, became the first airline to complete seven-

SEA BEES

Now all you girls take a tip

For I'm giving it to you,
Just get yourself a seabee.

There's nothing he can't do.

He has set up many tables

And many a dish has dried,
He has learned how to make a bed
And the mop he sure can guide.

He has peeled a million onions

And twice as many spuds,
And spends all his spare time wash-
ing

Out all his dirty duds.

And when he goes to heaven

To St. Peter he will yell,
"Another seabee reporting sir
"I've served my time in h---."

You think I'm kidding?

Seabee Travis E. Stuckey
Somewhere in Virginia

teen years of continuous service to the people. Maude Campbell was the first woman passenger in a Western Air Lines transport. Her flying costume was in sharp contrast to the one she wore boarding a Western Air Lines transport in 1941.





Carhouse

STREAMLINERS



By B. C. LATHAM

It is with reluctance that Division Four loses Foreman "Charlie" Evans to Division Five. His merry quips and smart repartee will certainly be missed. Even though we are losing "quite a guy", we want to congratulate "Steve" Cooper, who is stepping into his place, and all at Division Four pledge our cooperation to our new Foreman.

About 50% of Division Four was all set for a fish dinner when Ray Baudisch announced the "one and only" fishing trip of the year. Sherman Beals sat up all night for fear of oversleeping, but it was worth the loss of sleep as he won the jackpot with a five inch fish, and we all used our red stamps for dinner.

Speaking of points, many fresh garden vegetables will soon be paying for the blistered hands and sore backs so many have suffered in their earnest desire to do their bit. C. C. Dalzell would have had a wonderful crop soon had it not been for Mr. Gopher, who enjoyed the 'taters, beans and tomatoes very much. As soon as C. C. discovered the damage, he set a trap for Mr. Gopher which soon ended his career.

The following letter was received from Pvt. L. C. Kady, A.S.N. 39566197, Co. 'M', 3rd, BV 290th Inf. A.P.O. No. 451, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.:
"To the Gang at Div. No. 4:

Dear Fellows:

Well here I am in the Army. We don't do very much here. I lay in bed till 5 A.M. then I have a whole 15 minutes to do nothing but dress, shave, check my equipment and go you know where. After breakfast we don't do a

ONCE OVERS FROM ONE



MEET D. B. KOHL

Editor's Note—Mr. Kohl has been an inspiration and a help to the boys at Division 1 for twenty-three years. This is his second writing job for TWO BELLS as he once held that honorable position as scribe in the good old days when TWO BELLS was a weekly. So don't let him down fellows, bring him all the news and all the stories (printable) that you can think of.

Mr. Ruggles has been given a new job with the Personnel Department and when you get sick, Roy will probably be around to see you and give you some pep talk that will get you right back on the job, (we hope). I know I speak for everyone here at Division One, when I say that it is with a feeling of regret in seeing Mr. Ruggles leave Division One and we all wish him success in his new undertaking.

It is a funny thing about these streetcars but they have a peculiar habit of not wanting to run without "juice", and so it goes that one got to acting up in the yards the other day and the operator had to call on a certain instructor, (name censored) to help him start it. Said instructor played around with all the gadgets and still it wouldn't move. Mr. Ervin, our Foreman, and one-time Switchman at Division Four, happened by and from force of habit looked to see if the trolley was up—it wasn't.

We have a number of good ping pong players here, but I believe the

undisputed champ is E. J. Brahan, who ran up a score of 77 straight games without defeat. Several of the players are interested in organizing a tournament with other divisions. Does any other Division have a Ping Pong Champ?

We have a Operator on the "R" line, T. C. Smith, who has made a hit with the ladies of Lockheed by his pleasant and accomodating manner. As a token of their appreciation they all chipped in and bought him a birthday present, just how they knew it was his birthday remains a dark secret.

A letter has been received from W. D. Smiley, now a sailor with Uncle Sam, who is stationed at—well it took fourteen days for it to get here, so you guess. He says he is feeling fine and getting three squares a day, lucky feller. I bet he gets bacon every morning.

We have a new man breaking in for Office Clerk, A. M. Ginn. Mr. Ginn looks so much like Charlie Farrah, one time Clerk, and now Messenger, that everybody calls him "Charlie". We wish you success Ginn.

Our Transfer Clerk Mr. Hickey is thinking of organizing a circus, not a flea circus, but he has a good variety of cock roaches that he feeds every day and with a little training he hopes to be able to put them to good use. Heavens what hobbies some people have!

Switchman Bill Houts left this week on his vacation. He expects to spend most of it in Hot Springs just resting and sweating. Don't know why he goes anywhere else to sweat. There's plenty here.

The Stenographers and Cash Receivers offices are sporting new electric clocks, a present from the Management. Mebbe now they'll get the window opened in time.

Carols

darn thing but a little sweeping, mopping, making beds, getting ready to kill another day.

We begin with a few calisthenics, such as reaching down and touching your toes with both feet off the ground, or lifting yourself up by the hair and holding yourself out at arm's length for 6 minutes.

There are only two ailments you can get here. You either have a cold or athlete's foot. If you have a cold they paint your feet with iodine. If you have athlete's foot, they paint your throat with iodine. If you claim you have both you get 2 weeks K.P. If you say you don't have either they throw you in the guard house for impersonating an officer.

For breakfast we have some fried bread soaked in a 14% solution of cal-somine, which is known as "French Toast". The Mess Sergeant says the cooking is just like Mother's, but if Mother ever cooked like that, Father would have killed her.

Our 1st Sergeant is tougher than anyone you ever read about in Bugs Baer's column. He organized a baseball team that uses hand grenades for balls and rifles for bats. They use "Booby Trap" mines for bases.

Well "Keep 'Em Rolling" till I get back on the "Board" and don't take any out-of-town transfers."

Sincerely,
Pvt. L. C. Kady

We have also had letters from V. P. Jensen, EM 2/c, U. S. Coast Guard, Honolulu, TH.; Pvt. W. L. DeGeere, 39293254, 531st Armored Inf. BN, Camp Cooke, Calif.; Pfc G. D. Howard, Co. A, 127th Ord BDR, Ft. Wayne Ord. Depot, Detroit, Mich.; and Cpl. John T. Ball, 314 TEFTGP, RAFS, Roswell, New Mexico.

The Vitamin Tablets have sold 100% at Division Four and are now called "Tripper Pills" by the trainmen. We think they will help us to keep up our good record in getting out more car hours; however, it might be advisable not to take an overdose of these "pills" as it is reported that one of the trainmen took home a bottle for his aged father. Instead of following directions, the old gentleman took the whole bottle before going to bed. He slept very soundly and when he

was awakened the next morning and was asked if he was going to get up, he replied, "Yes, I'll get up, but I'll be darned if I'll go to school."



Linda Fay Wetmore, daughter of V. A. Wetmore, Division One, watches her daddy mow the lawn, a strange sight at the Wetmore domicile.

UNCLE SAM'S PRINT SHOP

(Continued from Page 9)

PEACE TIME is a whole book on the history of selective service in this country. It includes the earlier National lottery, present-day induction quotas and credits and the function of local reemployment committees. The author is no other than Lewis B. Hershey. Every draft-age man should take a look at the War Manpower Commission's LIST OF ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES which is much more complete than any statements in the newspapers.

The U. S. GOVERNMENTAL MANUAL tells about creation, authority and general background of all federal departments. Its latest supplement by the Office of War Information is the HANDBOOK OF EMERGENCY WAR AGENCIES which lists all the newly created offices and also contains a personal name index which should be valuable for

anyone trying to contact officials in OPA or ODT. The Office of Defense Transportation sends us regularly all orders and press releases and also new publications, such as, STATE LEGISLATION AFFECTING WOMEN WORKERS IN TRANSPORTATION or FITTING TRAFFIC CONTROL TO WARTIME.

Like any other publisher, our government has a number of **best sellers** on his list. "Infant Care" has been given away and sold more copies than any other publication. Other popular titles are: "Sol Bloom's Story of the Constitution", the "Manual of First Aid Instruction", "Common Colds" and "Furniture—Its Selection and Use." There is also a complete catalog of U. S. postage stamps; beautifully illustrated portfolios of the National Parks and the "Congressional Cook Book" with recipes of the wives of presidents and congressmen. We have two recent best sellers in the Library; BATTLE STATIONS FOR ALL, the story of the fight to control living costs and PEACE AND WAR, which covers the United States foreign policy during the fateful decade of 1931-1941.

Of government magazines, the Library subscribes to the much publicized VICTORY BULLETIN which gives the weekly developments in legislature, new regulations, production orders, penalties, etc. It also contains the week's development of the war and any other pertinent official information to be brought to the attention of both producer and consumer.

YARDBIRDS

By L. F. SPARKS

Extra Gang Foreman, Patrick Jinks retired after forty years and one month. Pat entered the service on April 1, 1903, and retired to the Special Roll on May 1, 1943. "Well done, thou good and faithful." Like an old fire-horse answering the call, Pat has been seen quite a few times visiting the old gang to see that they do their work properly.

Plumber Foreman Harold Shelford is back to work after being off four or five weeks on account of an appendix operation. He is looking well but will have to lay off heavy lifting for a few more weeks.

Yard Machinist Louis Schmidt says his Victory garden has cost him money. After weeks of nursing and care, Louie found a strawberry in his



"Ramon ees groweeng the Mexican jompeeng beans. Thees roof, she ees for the harvesteeng."

garden and triumphantly took it home to show his wife. She decided that one strawberry, not even one from Vernon Yard would be enough for a meal so she sent Louie to the market to buy a box to go with it (35c). And they say it's the woman who pays.

Our various gardens are now paying dividends in a big way, with turnips and beets, lettuce and radishes being harvested daily. Every one knows how much better and sweeter vegetables are when freshly picked. Most market vegetables are at least a day and maybe two or three days old by the time we buy them. Beans are about ready to pick and it won't be much longer till we can gather corn and tomatoes.

Former Asst. Supervisor, Lt. Bert Schaubert of the State Guard was in for a short visit the other day and looked fit as a fiddle. Since the State Guard has been demobilized, the gossip is that Bert has received a commission in the regular Army. We have not seen him to confirm this.

Joe Crawford who worked in this

department for a number of years and then transferred to the garage enlisted in the Navy and was assigned to the Chicago. After days of combat duty the Chicago was finally sunk and Joe escaped and only ruined his wrist watch when he had to jump for it. He was later assigned to another ship and at last reports was on duty in Alaska. More power to you Joe, and the best wishes from all your many friends for a speedy victory and a speedy return.

Many of the boys in the Way and Structures Department have increased their bond deductions to \$18.75, a pay day. Good work boys—that spirit will help the return of boys like Joe and Bill Weeks and all the others. Keep it up. A bond a day will keep the Japs away.

OFFICE MEMOS

By WALTER WHITESIDE

June, the month of brides, is now better known as the time of year that Victory gardens are starting to produce.

A number of the fellows are reporting abundant crops of carrots and beets and lettuce.

In fact, N. H. Greenwood covered his garden with burlap sacks to keep the birds from eating the young leaves, but the first day he uncovered it the birds had a field day devouring all visible signs of growth.

We wish to welcome Minnie Kellogg to the building. Minnie formerly

worked at the South Park Shops and is now secretary to Mr. P. B. Harris. Congratulations Minnie.

Guy Campbell went on his usual fishing vacation, this time to San Gabriel Canyon. Not as good fishing as the High Sierras, says Guy, but not as many gas coupons needed either.

Miss Herr has taken a needed rest and journeyed to, of all places, Washington. Such a place for a rest. During her absence, Miss Warren is taking her place.

Elevatorette Virginia Swanson is altar bound. Her soldier boy friend popped the question and she readily accepted leaving a certain party in the building rather crestfallen. The new girl taking her place is Ruth Konold. We also have another new elevatorette in the person of Marie McGann.

The building fire brigades have had regular drills and practice incidents which have proved very successful. They are now waiting for the time when a general building evacuation practice will be held, so they can see how well trained they really are.

Harold Nelson, the only person in the building who is on a Civilian Defense Corps Auxiliary Fire Brigade, is not on the office brigade. He says he will always be available for technical questions.

Robert S. Bliss, good will messenger for many, many years in the Personnel Department, is now on extended sick leave. Mr. Bliss is well known in the company as he has been here forty-three years and his job was that of visiting the employes who were hospitalized or those who had sickness in the family. He delivered courtesies in time of trouble, arranging details and attending funerals, and carried on his slim shoulders all the tribulations that come with tragedies in life. We think it is only fair that all men in the company, if it is possible for them to do so, take a little time off and drop in on friend Bliss at his home, 4520 Orchard Avenue, Los Angeles.

Mr. R. C. Ruggles is handling Mr. Bliss' job at present. Mr. Ruggles has been clerk at Division 1 since 1920 and was one of the best liked men at that division. Most of the boys heaped their troubles upon his shoulders, so his new duties will not be different from what he handled while working as a clerk at Division 1. Both Mr. Bliss and Mr. Ruggles are human "trouble shooters".

DECEASED

Just before going to press, we were notified of the passing of two members of the LARY family.

George Frank Ritter, Conductor, Division Five, passed away June 3.

James Flavin of the Special Roll died June 3.

To the bereaved ones we offer our sincerest condolences.

"V" NOTES

By FRED MASON

We are always very glad to receive a visit from our boys in the Armed Forces and were happy to see Corporal George Trammell, Private W. R. Sparks and Private D. D. DeMary when they dropped in on us recently. All three are looking as fit as a fiddle and are enjoying army life.

Our best wishes are extended to Extra Clerk D. R. Munro, L. W. Frey, Motorman W. A. Clapp and R. E. Huddleson, who left us during the past month to serve with Uncle Sam's Forces.

And we welcome back from nine months of army life, Private Harold J. Gibson, who was honorably discharged on account of his age, and is now happily putting in his time on the "V" line.

To those of you who haven't yet paid a visit to our Victory Gardens, may I suggest that you do so. You will be pleasantly surprised at the wonderful change that has been brought about and it is a very pleasing sight.

The gopher situation out there is just about under control according to head trapper Ed Moxley. The whopper that Andy Dimitri caught sure helped out. It was about the size of a cat and must have been the daddy of them all.

X. Bryan uses a sure hit method. He uses a box trap and poison. He got one the other day in an unsprung trap via the poison method. It does save wear and tear on the trap at that. Switchman Ray Lovelace has his own system. He serves them pink pills, and not for their complexion either.

Radishes, onions and lettuce have been plentifully picked, and do they taste good???

Bill Dugger, who works a run and a tripper always takes time out to go out and look over the gardens. Things look so good to him that he's now going to take time out to work one. You just can't tire that old boy out.

Our Division Superintendent, Mr. W. H. "Bill" Snyder wishes to express his thanks and appreciation to you men who are so ably helping out by working trippers and making extra trips during these trying times. So to each and every one of you he says "Thanks a million".

THE FAMILY ALBUM



Here's an emergency gang from way back in 1920. The fast wagon they are leaning up against is a late model Ford. They didn't push street cars around in those days, but they did keep them running. From left to right, Charles Fields, now deceased; Bill Hildebrand, now captain of the Police Department and famous fingerprint expert; Walter Cupps, now switch repairer; Jimmy Talleo, and Bill Riggins. Mr. K. W. Holmes was the crewman at that time who took this picture.

SOUR GRAPES FROM VINEYARD

By F. W. SOMMER

For the benefit of other poor coach operators, let me take this opportunity to warn them that there is an epidemic of motor cycle cops running the streets loose and they aren't missing a thing. I know!

C. P. Hunt left the Crenshaw line and has gone over to Olympic. He says all you need over there for change to start the day is twenty-five cents in pennies and fifty cents in hard cash. Where did you raise that much money C. P.?

Henry Morgenthau didn't have the coach operators' troubles in mind when he pulled that stunt in having pennies made of a light metal instead of copper. There are hundreds of people who daily try to pass them off for dimes.

I wonder who the driverette was who had the hand brakes set and couldn't pull over the hill at Westwood University.

Supervisor Dossey is a busy man these days. He is working Bill Terry's shift while Bill is on a vacation. Dossey has a summary in one hand checking the busses and carries an almanac in the other to check the moon to find out when he should plant his next radishes.

The Vineyard economist, Vern Lacey, of the mechanical depart-

ment, is giving talks on how a family of four can live on \$30.00 a month. Vern has quite a large class of interested fellows. For their benefit there is a catch to it, if I know Vern. I think if you will check you will discover that he is talking about a Japanese family, as they get \$30.00 a month to spend, and of course we furnish the food and lodging.

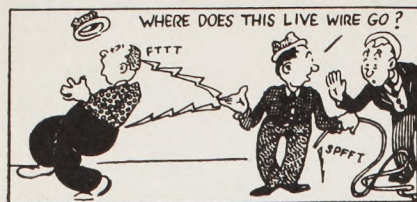
Supervisor E. B. Lodgson had a piston rod pushed through his crank case, so now he has been walking to work. He says he saves gas tickets but loses shoe points. Well, there is no law against going barefooted E. B.

Bob Shannon received a letter from Don who has been pinning the ears of the Afrika Korp back in Tunisia. Don says he will soon be paying us a visit and asks that we leave the door open and have some chickens ready to eat.

The Victory gardens in the San Gabriel Valley, from what I gather, are away ahead of the San Fernando Valley plots. Supervisor Guy Dossey claims he has potatoes which are the largest in the valley. Some weigh four pounds. That's a lot of potato.

Bill Goodale is now working for the old fellow with the long whiskers as a marine. Bill will make a tough marine—Wilshire brought him up that way.

SHORT CIRCUITS



By WALTER WHITESIDE

Although many of the boys are working their vacation and receiving the extra pay, a number are old-fashioned (or rich enough) to take time off.

William Banbury, on the start of his vacation, hurriedly jumped on a train marked "Oklahoma Limited." He was sure anxious to visit with his daughter. Of course he had to sit around the depot for eighteen hours in Kansas City waiting for connections, but such is life on the railroads nowadays.

Charles Fancher just loafed around the city for a two weeks rest cure.

Harvey Zehner intended on "saving" a lot of money by doing his own concrete work around his place. We understand he spent a few dollars for liniment, but such is vacations.

R. F. Walton worked most of his vacation, but he finally managed to take a few days off.

Jessie Howell just rested for one week. She will take the balance of her vacation later in the year.

John Danek's brother, along with the rest of a bomber crew, are reported missing in Kiska. We hope the report* is reversed John.

Elmer Thorp has a mile long pedigree dog now. Ask him the dog's name, I couldn't spell it.

Howard Jones used stamp No. 17 for some new kicks. He had the shoes laying under the back seat of the car where he could keep an eye on them while he worked his tripper. On arriving at Hawthorne, Howard left the car to put the fender and trolley down. On getting back on the car he noticed his shoes were missing, and saw a fellow walking down the street with the package under his arm. Howard took out after him and when he caught up to the fellow, he said, "Hey you! ! xx —, give me my shoes." The fellow never turned around; he just handed them back to Howard.

VIRGIL VENOM

By C. P. HUNT

We will start the "Virgil Venom" this month with some venom directed toward the editor who misspelled Captain Al Tieman's name in the last issue of TWO BELLS for the Motor Reserve line up. There were many tears over the spelling "TIERman". Our apologies are offered to the Captain for we don't proofread the copy. (Well, well, what's an "R" more or less between friends —Ed.)

We also mentioned some venom about M. S. Chapdelian attempting to corner onion sets. Operators who have been very close to the aforesaid claim that the onion sets cornered him.

While reminising, the article by Pop Sommer, under the heading, "Sour Grapes", was very sour last month.



Little Jimmy is happy as he looks over the brand new world. Jimmy is four months old and is the son of Margaret and Al Hickey, 16th Street Coach Division.

I am referring to an item regarding my own personal technique in "running hot". Why did he have to make it common knowledge? You can draw your own conclusions about this Pop Sommer from this: Pop Sommer broke down at Fifty-fourth. His second follower stopped to help him get started which caused the second follower to leave a couple of minutes late. Then when his second follower arrived at Long Beach and Adams, there was Pop leaning against his coach smoking a cigarette. And that "ain't" all—that Wilshire bus, which everyone saw, pulling up to the side of the road the other day with a speed

cop's motorcycle at the front end and one at the rear with two cops making out a speed ticket, was operated by—guess who? None other than Pop Sommer. And he paid the fine too. Think it over folks, think it over.

Looks like T. E. Carpenter was "fixed up" the first day C. W. Courtney was back on the line.

Carl Kuhlman's face became red the other day when he was giving vent to an oath a mile long and then realized a lady was present during his outburst. The story is that Charlie Dummer had a hand in egging him on, but Charlie says he thought Carl had more control.

I guess you have heard Bill Kaufman relate how his son won extra points for sharp shooting in an army test. Well, the boy surely comes by it naturally because when Bill isn't sharp (shooting), he is off sick.

"Frenchie" Martell forgot he had a vacation due and when he appeared in the morning to work his regular run, he said he noticed a sly look on the clerk's face when he was handed the transfers. He worked his run the whole day before he realized that something had been put over on him. "Frenchie" is still boiling.

The statement that if the motor coach operators donated anything to the Red Cross it would probably be crank case grease is untrue, as a total of sixty-seven operators went to the Blood Bank in a coach and donated good red blood to the cause for Victory.

STORY OF THE MONTH—To start with, this incident wouldn't have happened on a "3000". One day last week O. W. Manuel stopped his coach in front of a shoe repair shop, entered the shop and took off his shoes which he left to be repaired. He returned to the coach and made the whole trip barefooted. He didn't think that any of the patrons would notice it, but he admits now that four people handed him No. 17 coupons.

W. M. Burge had \$35.00 removed from his shirt pocket, so now he is having flaps, which button, put on all his shirts. This should be a warning to the other fellows who carry paper money in their shirt pockets. Personally, what paper money I might lose would not affect me too much.

H. R. Young reports that these speed cops are very stubborn people. He said he lost several minutes out Burbank way trying to prove to a cop that his coach couldn't do forty-one miles an hour.

Any day now you are liable to see a picture of Claudette Colbert in "SCREEN GUIDE" magazine shooting a picture of a good looking driverette. The good looking driverette is Betty Donahue. Hope you get a movie contract out of it, Betty.

Much as we dislike our competitors, we have to give Pop Sommer credit for starting something about the new uniforms for the driverettes, when he mentioned they wear everything from shorts to shirtwaists. Anyway comes a new uniform for them—but soon.



16TH STREET EXHAUST

By H. R. PAUSCHERT

The rock polishers and stone cutters of the garage brought back the ribbons from the Lapidary Society show. Everyone who attended spoke of the very fine display of "hard to get specimens".

J. Van Mourik had the right to bring two boxes of cigars and to throw out his chest, for Van is the proud father of twins, a son and a daughter.

Fred Yenour spent his vacation with his automobile, but not in it, as he was a little short on gas tickets, so he gave the old bus a shiny coat of paint.

Jerry Smith spent a very enjoyable vacation. He will need it as it will be his last one before entering the army, as he is expecting his call within the next two weeks.

Major C. J. Lynn and Catherine Widstrup are the new foreman's clerks. Major Lynn was a former employe of the Motor Coach in the stores department.

J. M. King and W. Manigault, coach cleaners, returned to work after two weeks of absence, due to illness.

B. P. Mathis, who served six months in the U. S. Army, has been honorably discharged and is back on his old job.

Laura Tuller has been transferred from the foreman's office to the main office.

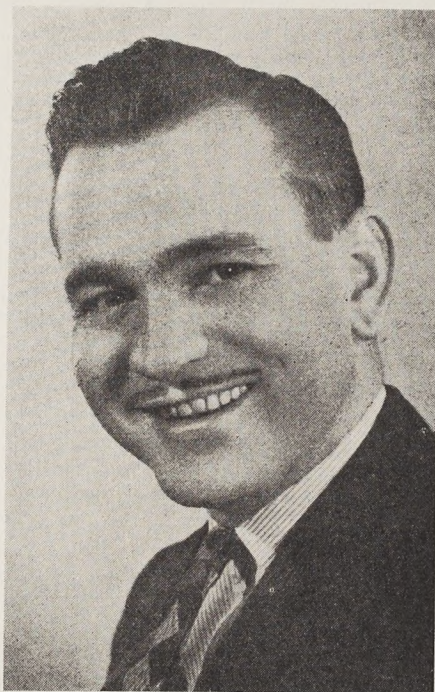
Henry Pree reported one hour late last Monday morning. His clock had been moved back to standard time,

and Henry did not know the difference until he boarded the streetcar and was informed by the conductor that war time was still in effect.

Max Myers, a former employe, now 2nd Lieutenant in the Air Corp, and who has been stationed at Albuquerque, recently paid us a visit before departing for an unknown destination. Max was some attraction to a certain employe who called Mr. Holmes just an old "meanie" for not negotiating an introduction.

We have received word that our former chief clerk, F. O. Rowbottom, is improving after a long illness.

At last, "Old Glory" will wave over the garage, as a pole for our flag will be erected at the west end of the storage building.



Introducing Merle "Bud" Stoner of the 16th Street Coach Division, the recent winner of the singles in the Ping-Pong Tournament, has quite an athletic background. "Bud" in the past won the California Horseshoe Pitching Contest in 1930. The year 1931 he won the Pacific Coast Horseshoe Pitching Contest, and after that he toured the United States in exhibitions taking on all comers. He has also been every active as one of the Coach Divisions baseball stars since his sojourn with the Los Angeles Railway. The other winners in the Ping-Pong Tournament are as follows: H. H. Little, 2nd; D. J. Braund, 3rd; and F. J. Masterson, 4th.

Captain (to gunner): "See that man on the bridge five miles away?"

Gunner: "Yes sir."

Captain: Put a twelve-inch in his eye."

Gunner: "Which eye, sir?"

LOOSE SCREWS



Mechanical Divisions as reported
by A. L. DAVIS

News of Loose Screws Is Scarce This Month. . . .

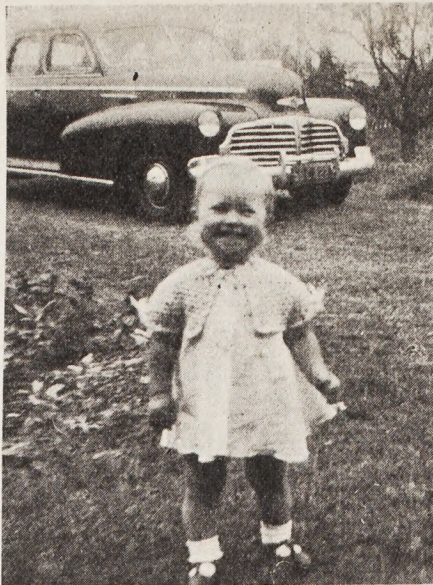
From **Car House No. 1** we hear that William Slade is back on the job again after being laid up several months with an injured back. . . . E. L. Swartz came to work the other morning with a badly cut ear. He claims that he walked into a door post in the dark. It looks more like he lost an argument the hard way.

The boys at **Car House No. 3** are toying with the idea of Victory mushroom gardens planted in the pits. It is dark enough to grow good mushrooms it is claimed, and "grease monkey" work would become more pleasant if a guy could munch on a mushroom while tightening a hand brake. That's all the news from Car House 3. Those hillbilly mechanics make very little noise.

Joe Campbell of **Car House 4** is either one of the world's champion liars or else prize gardener. He claims he planted some pole beans in his yard and then got to wondering how high they would grow, so he got some string and strung a trellis over the house. Believe it or not, he claims he picked beans on the other side of the house. . . . We are all wishing C. G. Furrer a speedy and complete recovery from his illness. C. G. is now on extended sick leave. . . . Also Day Forelady G. N. Mason has been off sick for some time, but we hear she is much better and will soon be back on the job. . . . R. J. McEntyre intended at first to work his vacation, but finally decided to take it just to see how the world looks in the day time. . . . Elee Smith is back from sick leave after her upper lip healed. She came out second best in a bout with a rooster. . . . Clara Winn is our new forelady outside cleaner. She has been doing a splendid job. . . . Car House 4 has gone strong for vitamin pills. I wouldn't be surprised to see a bunch

of supermen and superwomen working those cars over in a few weeks.

Car House 5 welcomes back L. F. Wallace from his stay on the desert due to doctor's orders. The desert put him in swell shape and he looks like a new man. . . . From all indications there will be a bountiful harvest from the Victory gardens at 5 although I think some kind-hearted soul should cut the weeds between the gardens and the line of streetcars. . . . Has anyone noticed how well the rose bush, which is in the center of the gardens, has been bearing? This is the first time in history that most of the men around the division have been wearing roses in their buttonholes. . . . Speaking of weeds, Bob Hammond swears that he will never again cut weeds in his back yard. Reason—Bob had allowed the weeds to mature and die. His wife made him cut them. When the last weed was on the pile, Bob really wiped the sweat from his brow, knocked the ashes from his pipe, went into the house, took a nice hot bath and crawled into bed. About 11 p.m. friend wife shook him saying, "Something is burning!" Bob put on his slippers and bathrobe and went out to discover the large weed pile was on fire in the back yard. More hard work, more sweat, more sore muscles. All the neighbors were up kibitzing, but at last the fire was out. "Another bath and now to bed," said Bob, when he knocked the ashes from his faithful old pipe. But the story doesn't end there. About 2:30 a.m. Bob was awakened by a heavy pounding on both front and rear doors. Through sleepy eyes he noticed a bright light shining in at the kitchen window. After donning his bathrobe and slippers once more, he rushed out the back door into the arms of two large policemen. Fire trucks were parked in front of



Marjorie Irene has blonde hair, blue eyes, twelve teeth and at fifteen months weighed twenty-nine pounds. Marjorie is the daughter of L. W. Duncan of Division Five.

his house. More were coming. Firemen were trampling through his Victory garden, neighbors were climbing over the back fence and flames were leaping ten feet high from the old weed pile. "Never again", says Bob. . . . Jim Inman spent his vacation, he claims, chasing live jack rabbits off his ranch at Lancaster. He says he caught two of them with his bare hands, but the other boys around the car house insist that he is fibbing. They say he doesn't move quite that fast.

Believe it or not but over six hundred vitamin pills have been sold according to the Personnel Department. The pills are now known among the car house employes as "tripper" pills.

THE HILLBILLY BOYS



By L. VOLNER

When our ping-pong tables were first installed Sam Taylor seemed to be too much of a player for most of our men, easily winning over all who dared encounter this husky player. However, along comes R. E. Costello, a young, wiry gentleman, who took Mr. Taylor for a cleaning. At the end of their playing the score was eight games in favor of Mr. Costello and none for Mr. Taylor. Sam says he can't imagine what was wrong with him at that time but that he will come back.

The sympathy of the division is extended J. L. Ott over the death of his wife last Sunday, May 16th. The funeral was held at the W. A. Brown Mortuary on Wednesday, May 19th, with interment in Inglewood Park Cemetery.

Mr. C. E. Vassar, the Division Three messenger, was called back to his old home in Virginia.

May 20th was a red-letter day for H. F. Smith, for it marked thirty years service with the Los Angeles Railway. Mr. Smith relates many changes during that time. When he entered the service he was paid at the rate of twenty-five cents per hour and by working regularly could make about sixty to sixty-five dollars per month, but that amount would go about as far as two hundred dollars does at present. He has seen many changes in the streetcar system, and feels that the present system is better for the platform men than at any time during his thirty years of service.

Several weeks ago the Management secured a quantity of vitamins, which the men could purchase at cost through the Superintendent's office. The way we eat during these busy times causes us to be deficient in some vital element, and with the extra strain on account of increased business, etc. it has caused some of our men to miss some time. Would advise all to look into this matter, as Ye Scribe thought he was getting plenty of the right kind of food but, on visiting a doctor,



"Not only does he keep the birds away, but the government sent him ration book Number Three!"

was told I had herpes zoster, or shingles, which is caused by a deficiency in diet and a nervous condition. So would say again—watch your diet, so you will be able to carry on at a time when your services are needed so badly.

Plenty of green vegetables is one of the best ways to get needed vitamins, and that is why the Victory Gardens are so important. Some of our men have eaten their first crop of radishes, lettuce, mustard and other real early vegetables, and are now planting a second crop, and it won't be long until they will have plenty of beans, carrots, beets, cucumbers and other vegetables.

HAW! HAW!

It was at a charity ball and a couple of young women were holding an indignation meeting over a third one.

"Here we are," remarked one of the girls, "selling kisses to raise money and she's black-marketing them free back of the booth."

A businessman visiting Washington met a young lady and took her to dinner and a night club. Later in the evening he put his arm around her and whispered in her ear. "No!" she screamed. "Positively no!" And she slapped his face. He fainted. When he revived she asked, "Was that slap such a hard one?"

"Not at all," he replied. "I fainted because, after all these months, that's the first definite answer I've received in Washington."

Coed: "I'd like to see the captain of this ship."

Sailor: "He's forward, Miss."

Coed: "That's all right. This is a pleasure trip."

CAR HOUSE CLASSIFIED COLUMN



Division One

FOR SALE

Leather changer back, new. Punch holder 4 pockets 16 inches, \$2.75. Farrah, Div. No. 1 Office.

1939 Willys 4-door sedan; mileage 26,500 miles. Body and tires. \$400.00. \$200 down. J. E. Alverson No. 83.

19-jewel B. W. Raymond Watch (Elgin), \$35.00. W. J. Ogle, 3701 Siskiyou St. Tel. AN. 11913.

Uniform trousers, long. Price \$9.00. See stenographer, Div. No. 1.

Johnson Changer with Penny Extension and Trip Sheet Holder, \$5.00. Supt., Div. No. 1.

WANTED

Alarm Clocks, good, bad or indifferent. See F. Hawley.

WOULD LIKE TO BUY

Vacuum Cleaner, Baby Carriage. B. G. Ruiz.

Division Four

FOR SALE

1931 Ford Panel Truck. 5 tires, \$20.00 Cash. C. D. Clark.

17-Jewel Elgin Watch. \$20.00. No. 733.

Baby's Bathinette. \$7.00 Cash. No. 2049.

5 barrel Johnston Changer box and watch band No. 2592.

WANTED TO BUY

Child's 3-wheel Tricycle. No. 2839.

Division Five

FOR SALE

19 Jewel—Ball Official R. R. Standard Watch, \$35.00. W. A. Clapp, 4813 1/2 S. Wilton Place. Phone AX. 26765.

17-Jewel Illinois Watch \$25.00. T. Nichols.

21-Jewel Waltham Watch, \$25.00. E. Sullivan.

1941 Studebaker Champion Club Coupe. Clean Perfect Running. V. E. Munyer.

Division Three

WANTS TO SWAP

1936 Ford Coupe for Motorcycle. P. M. Tilli, No. 2168.

FOR SALE

28-inch Balloon Tire Bike, \$25.00. Trainman F. A. Nordyke, No. 3322.

WANTS TO BUY

Small Lathe, for cash. Geo. C. Gladback, 13619 Inglewood Ave., Hawthorne.

APRIL, 1943 vs. APRIL, 1942 OPERATING RESULTS APRIL, 1943 vs. APRIL, 1942

	1943	1942	1943 Increase+ Decrease— Over 1942
TOTAL RECEIPTS: (Amount received on cars and coaches for Fares, Car Card Advertising, Etc.)	1,630,720	1,237,379	+393,341
Less:			
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)	1,113,702	1,003,218	+110,484
TAXES (Amount necessary to pay Federal, State and City governments including Company's share for employes' Old Age Pensions and Unemployment Insurance)	296,896	216,978	+ 79,918
INTEREST CHARGES (Amount necessary to pay for the use of borrowed money as represented by mortgage bonds and equipment trust certificates)	51,540	67,468	— 15,928
Total Expenses	1,462,138	1,287,664	+174,474
Leaves Net Profit or Loss	+168,582	—50,285	+218,867

SHAVINGS FROM THE SHOPS

By R. S. WALLACE

The tragic death of James A. Dye of the carpenter shop grieves everyone in the company. Mr. Dye was struck down on May 24 by a street-car and suffered compound fractures in one arm and leg, and also head injuries. Mr. Dye had been with the company since October of 1923. To the bereaved we offer our sincere condolences.

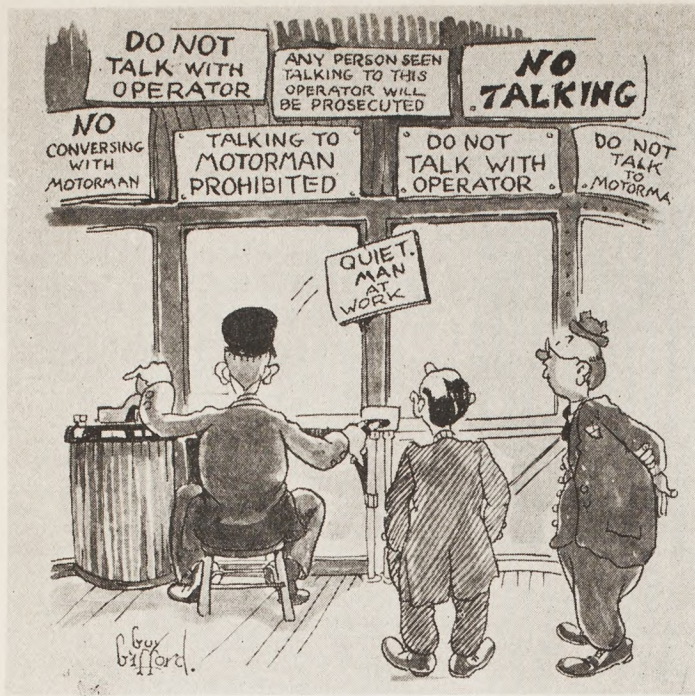
Vandalism has been rampant in the South Park Victory gardens, not by a thief seeking food, but by one far more degraded, ruthless and insane. Someone has been pulling up, throwing aside and trampling down those plants which have been so carefully propagated and cultivated. The gopher, born vandal, is an angel compared to this person who is half-witted, and dictionary words are inadequate for a complete description of the perpetrator of such acts. The Victory garden enthusiasts out here have words that fit, but they of course are unprintable—though very colorful.

Mr. Jordan's office doesn't look quite the same since Minnie Kellogg has moved uptown. We wish Minnie all the luck in the world as secretary to Mr. Harris, and we know that she will handle everything capably, but we do miss her here. Minnie has been at the shops since 1928.

Clifford Oglesby, son of Ted Oglesby, Paint Shop Foreman, has just returned from a five months tour in the U. S. Merchant Marines. He visited Australia, Tasmania and India and had a two weeks stay in Bombay. Experienced a severe tropical storm between Australia and Tasmania which was very exciting, as it blew everything overboard that wasn't securely fastened. Brought home many interesting souvenirs. When he landed at Baltimore recently he had been gone five months to the day, and was glad to be back in good old U. S. A. He wishes to be remembered to all his many friends.

RATION POINTS

"Our forefathers did without sugar till the 13th century; coal fires till the 14th; buttered bread till the 15th; potatoes or tobacco till the 16th; coffee, tea or soap till the 17th; pudding till the 18th; gas, matches, or electricity till the 19th; canned goods till the 20th; and we have had automobiles for only a few years. Now what was it you were complaining about?"



"Evidently the Railway has been having trouble with labor pirates."

FLUID DRIVE

By R. O. BENNETT

We have had several letters from our former co-workers now in the Armed Forces asking for the monthly issue of TWO BELLS. It certainly seems good to think that we can even do this little favor, after all they're doing for us.

Corp. J. D. Burns when last heard from was well on his way overseas to lick the ——— out of the Japs so that he can hurry back and pick a run on Beverly Boulevard. Another of our men, W. P. Eunson, Radioman, 3rd class, has also gone on a little trip. L. M. Graves, F 1/c, Main Dispensary, Medical No. 2, Camp Peary, Va. has asked to hear from some of his friends. He's in the hospital and rather lonesome.

Mr. Fred Ballenger sent me a couple of letters he had received from James T. Outlaw stationed at Naval Training Station, Farragut, Idaho, and Corp. Clarence P. Kruse at Boca Raton Field, Florida. These fellows send their regards to us all.

Ray A. Wardlow, while working the "Owl" on Lincoln Park, broke the hands off his watch, so one of the residents of "Happy Valley" kindly loaned him his alarm clock. Mr. Wardlow used the clock until around 10:00 o'clock in the evening, when the gentleman aforementioned returned and told him that he was sorry, but Ray would have to borrow a watch or clock from someone else because he

had to go to bed and get up early.

We stopped in to see L. D. Ulmer at the Queen of Angels Hospital. Ulmer broke his leg falling off a ladder and he is really tied down now. The traction splint on his leg practically covers his whole room. He looks as if he were practicing to be a trapeze artist for the circus from the looks of the above description.

Harry Tibbils of the Auditing Department, working a morning Lockheed tripper, evidently has had little experience on any coach other than Deisels. The other morning he stopped in to have coffee and caused quite a sensation. Mr. Tibbils was covered from heat to foot with grease and when Sidney Dupree asked, "How come?" Harry said that he had been trying all the way over to get his bus, a "500", into direct drive.

R. L. Griffith, still one of our favorite "Swabbies", has another promotion. He is now Boatswains Mate, 2nd class. This is really the McCoy this time. He's wearing his own blouse and not his superiors. Nice going "Wabbitt".

The coach division has been brightened up by the presence of Mrs. Mabel Carlson, who made the ticket office in the main building a beauty spot on Broadway by her charming smile. The wolves in coveralls are cleaning off the grease spots and brushing their teeth—funny what a new addition will do to some of the boys.

TRANSFER TALES

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styles of whiskers and the ladies had different styles of hats. The conductor took a look at the party paying the fare and put a punch-mark through the whiskers or the hat of the picture most nearly descriptive of the passenger.

Advertisements have appeared on transfers and have continued on some up to the present day. The most common ads, of course, were those pertaining to the transit companies own services, featuring scenic points along the lines and a general plea to the public to ride the cars and buses. At one time the Pacific Gas and Electric Company of Sacramento had printed on the back of the transfer in large red letters, "WE NEED MORE PASSENGERS," probably a simple statement of the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

Hardware stores and other merchandising establishments sometimes used car transfers for the advertisements. A particularly interesting one in the early 1900's was the ad of Siegal Cooper Company on the New York City Railway transfers. That enterprising firm featured a daily "Transfer Bargain" which was advertised solely upon the backs of that day's transfers. On August 31, 1906, the "Transfer Bargain" was ruffled curtains, 2½ yards in length, 29c. It was their 39c curtain, too.

No one has ever figured why, unless some energetic advertising manager had listened to the streetcar riders' conversation and had decided that the usual topic was the weather, but the New York City Railway in 1906 included on all their transfers the maximum temperature for the preceding five years. A collection of transfers would have served as a weather report as well.

Have you ever heard of the International Transfer? There is one, and it's good in two countries. For instance in Juarez, Mexico, you can board the El Paso Electric car lines and be presented with a transfer riding from Mexico to various lines in El Paso. These cars cross the international bridge and you can pay your fare in one country and use your transfer in another. An interesting transfer, while we're on the subject of foreign countries, is the Montreal Tramways transfers which are printed in both English and French. This is

IF IT'S AVOIDABLE—AVOID IT



There's Two Ways To Use Your Head—

DECISIONS ON MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL ACCIDENTS IN MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT

Description of Work and Nature of Injury	Employee	Statement of Safety Com.	Foreman
Employe tightening bolt. Wrench slipped, injuring right knee	Unavoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Injured ribs while changing brake shoe	Unavoidable	Unavoidable	Unavoidable
Employe washed hands in gasoline which caught fire from lighted torch	Unavoidable	Avoidable	Unavoidable
Employe struck by coach on right knee	Unavoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Brake drum mandrel fell off brake drum machine, striking employe on toe	Avoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Truck handle fell, bruising right foot	Unavoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Piece of metal in right eye	Avoidable	Unavoidable	Avoidable
Burnt fingers applying trolley rope	Avoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Cuts on chest while removing glass from coach window	Unavoidable	Unavoidable	Unavoidable
Fall from shock from trolley pole, strained back	Avoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Struck head on crane motor lifter	Avoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Chip of steel struck employe above left eye	Unavoidable	Unavoidable	Unavoidable
Employe slipped on wet surface, falling into pit	Avoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Cut head while coming out of pit	Avoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Particle in right eye	Unavoidable	Unavoidable	Unavoidable
Sliver in third finger of right hand	Unavoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable
Knocked from car roof by grounded trolley	Avoidable	Avoidable	Avoidable

the law of French-Canada and applies to all railroad tickets, notices and many other things. In Belgium one transfer reads, "This ticket is given to enable the passenger to prove that the price of the journey has been paid."

In Chicago customers validate their own transfers. Transfers issued by the Chicago Rapid Transit Company for use on the Chicago Surface Lines must be stamped at the transfer point by the passenger with the stamp machine provided there for that purpose.

And believe it or not but the Los

Angeles Railway issued what is known as the "funeral transfer". This ticket was given on the Los Angeles Railway funeral car to passengers so that the car could return the mourners to the funeral parlor where they were picked up, and the passengers could go home on another streetcar. This transfer was discontinued because it began showing up at Seventh and Broadway and throughout the city. Very few funeral transfers are now in existence and if you have one in your possession, consider yourself very fortunate.



Contest Rules

1. *All entries must be in by midnight, July 15. Mr. P. B. Harris will award all prizes.*
2. *Departmental prizes will be judged first. Grand prizes will be chosen from departmental prize winners.*
3. *You may enter all or any contest.*
4. *Only employes of the Los Angeles Rail way may enter contest. The employe's whole family may help with gardening if they wish.*
5. *Description of plot is necessary, as per sample—size, 20 by 40 feet, 3 rows corn, 2 rows beets, 10 rows of beans, etc. List how many*
6. *from Company seeds. A photograph is preferred wherever possible.*
7. *No one person is entitled to win both Home Garden or Company Garden prize. If you have both, enter the one with more chances of winning.*
8. *If you work in one Division and have a garden on Company property elsewhere, your garden will be judged by your department, unless agreement reached between both department judges.*

Contest Judges

1. *Building (including Instruction and Electrical Departments. Personnel and Public Service not eligible), Mr. H. A. Perryman.*
2. *South Park Shops, Mr. H. E. Jordan.*
3. *Vernon Yard, Mr. B. H. Eaton.*
Operating Dept. under direction of Mr. C. E. Morgan.
4. *Division One (including Mechanical Divisions, at this Division) L. F. O'Hare.*
5. *Division Three, (including Mechanical Division) Jim Bodley.*
6. *Division Four, E. H. Ellis.*
7. *Division Five, W. H. Snyder*
8. *16th Street (including Garages, Motor Coach Lines), Fred Ballenger. Vineyard judges will be appointed.*
Voluntary assistants will be appointed by the above judges for each Division. Their names will be posted by bulletin.

