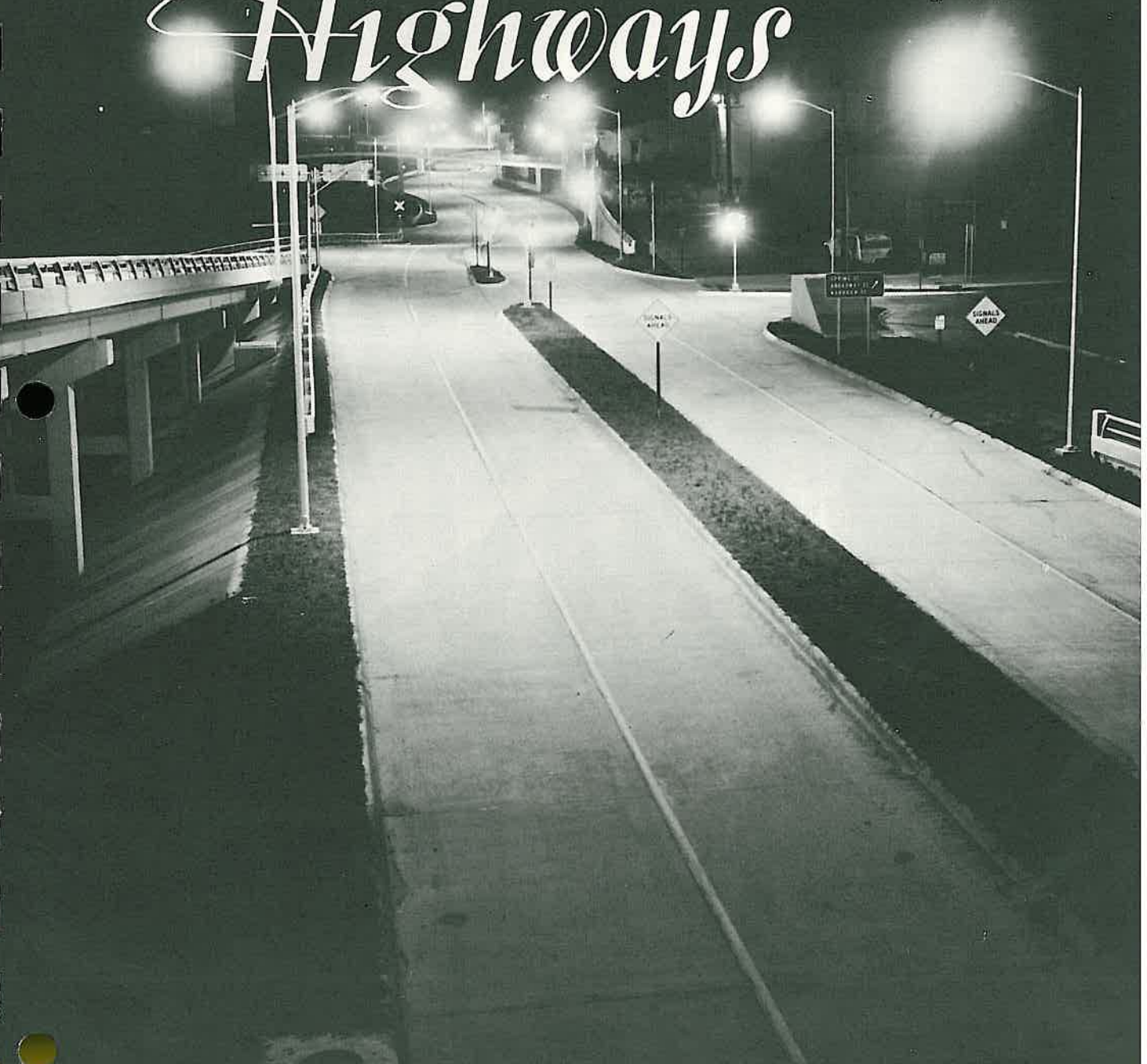


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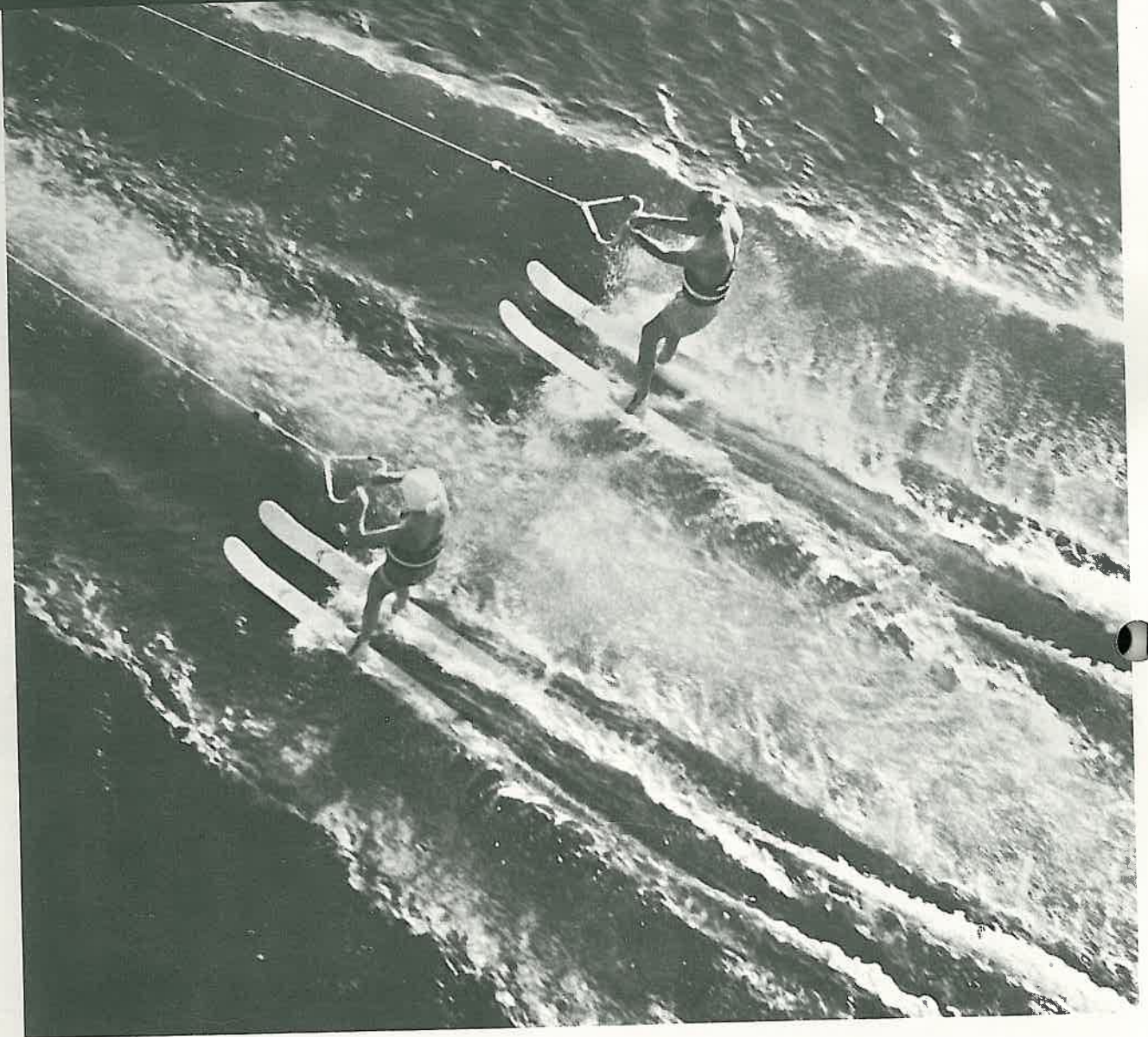
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PICTURE OF THE MONTH: This cooling scene is being duplicated every day by thousands of Arkansas residents, who have become more water-sports-minded within the past few years. The couple are Mr. and Mrs. John Honea. Mrs. Honea is the former Leta Leslie who worked in Accounting.

COVER PICTURE: Looking east, this night scene shows LaHarpe Boulevard in all its glory, shortly after the section was opened to the public. The location is just north of the rear entrance of the Robinson Auditorium.



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ARKANSAS HIGHWAYS - 1929

Only recently was it learned that the Highway Department had a publication prior to this one.

By a strange coincidence, the magazine was called "Arkansas Highways" then also. A contest was held for the selection of a name for this one and out of the many names sent in, "Arkansas Highways" won out, almost as if the old one were reincarnated. At any rate, the magazine was interesting to read, and the issue brought to our attention was the Special Bridge Number of July, 1929, which makes it exactly 30 years old.

Besides being interesting, it was informative. The lead article of the old magazine pertained to the Dardanelle bridge which had opened up earlier in the year. Titled, "Dardanelle Bridge is Notable Engineering Triumph," the article stated: "the contractors, the world-famous Lakeside Bridge and Steel Company, and the Arkansas Highway Department, under whose plans and supervision the bridge was built, has received high praise in the engineering world for the methods used the the results attained." Apparently the methods used were the innovation of assembling first, the steel spans on the river bank and floating them on barges out into the river and into position on the concrete piers. The article further stated: "It was hard for the laymen to understand how these gigantic spans of heavy steel 216 feet long and weighing more than 350,000 pounds ever could be moved into the river and raised up into position on the piers." Under the revolutionary methods the bridge was open to traffic on January 17, at which time it was dedicated by Governor Harvey Parnell, and the Highway Commission Chairman Dwight H. Blackwood. You will note that the chairman's last name then is very similar to our Highway Commission Chairman now, Lawrence Blackwell.

The bridge, 2,045 feet long with a 20-foot roadway and a five-foot sidewalk on the downstream side, cost \$581,000. Today that bridge would not be constructed with a 20-foot roadway, but if it were, the cost would be \$1,452,500, or \$710 per lineal foot. Quite a difference. The bridge would be designed and constructed with a 28-foot roadway at a cost of \$1,848,640, or \$900 per lineal foot.

N. B. Garver, bridge engineer for the Highway Department at the time and a "nationally-known authority on bridge construction," designed the structure. Actual supervision on the work was given by R. C. Gibson, assistant bridge engineer, together with C. A. Dunn, resident engineer, and R. E. Hiles.

"For many of the old-timers there has been a touch of sadness in the passing of the historic old pontoon bridge," quoted the magazine. "For Dardanelle citizens, before the day of the automobile, it was a very popular trysting place and under the magic of the moon, which rose out of

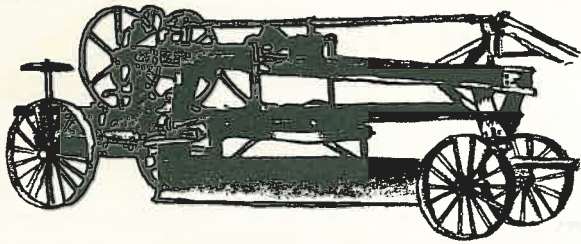
the river which it bridged, many of the fathers and mothers of the present generation sealed their life-time pledges there." It will be necessary for the entire present generation of citizens in Pope and Yell Counties to pass away before the tender memories clustering about the venerable structure can be entirely erased."

More than a bit of nostalgia for "the good old days" would be felt to read another article. It's the letting of 23 contracts which total \$2,055,000, and the costs of them are highly indicative of the change the old buck has made in dollar value.

On the cover there is pictured the Ouachita River Bridge on the Glenwood Road near Hot Springs. The picture is also featured in connection with an advertisement of the Lutten Bridge Company, which had offices in the A.O.U.W. building. The bridge is 1,302 feet long with a 20-foot roadway; two 40'-0" concrete deck girder spans; one 80'-0" concrete deck girder span; five 185'-0" deck porch spans; and one 80'-0" deck girder span. It was built in 1928 at a cost of \$244,906.30, or \$188.06. Today the cost of the same type bridge would be prohibitive. For a 20-foot roadway, it would cost \$612.265 or \$470 per lineal foot. To build a 28-foot roadway the amount would be \$635 per lineal foot at a total cost of \$826,560. Another example of the changing times, money-wise, is the Twenty-Fifth Street overpass on Roosevelt road near the Barton Collisium. The overpass was completed in February 1935 at a total cost of \$104,428.75, at \$169.79 per lineal foot. The structure is 40 feet wide. To widen it now to 60 feet would cost approximately \$245,000 - over half the original overall cost!

A picture of Mr. Garver (typical of the photography of the day, but a very good likeness) appeared in another article on bridge building and included names of personnel in the Bridge Department, many of which are familiar and still in the Department. J. H. Knott who is a senior bridge designer, was then the assistant office engineer, according to the old issue, and among the bridge designers were H. F. Bastian, now assistant bridge engineer; and L. P. Carlson, bridge engineer over the Bridge Design Division. E. A. Williams was structural draftsman and some of the resident engineers were G. W. Allen, E. P. Douglass, Walter E. Hicks and L. A. McCain. Ward Goodman, E. E. Hurley and J. C. Webb were inspectors at the time.

Another item of interest is "Recipe For Greater Safety," in which are rules and regulations of bus drivers of privately-owned vehicles of the day. To quote a passage, "The big companies require that the driver of a bus must prove beyond question his ability and skill in handling of cars under all conditions. The driver is forbidden to converse with his passengers; he is forbidden to smoke while driving and to bring his vehicle to a complete



- Stockland Grader - 1929 Vintage

stop before crossing any railroad track." Contrast this with the generally prevailing situation among private drivers of today. Quite often children are permitted to operate expensive and powerful cars upon the highways. Both men and women attempt difficult drives before they are at all familiar with their cars. The average driver spends a great deal of his time laughing and chatting with his passengers and quite often turns completely around to engage in conversation with them, and he *smokes* while driving."

The new Harahan viaduct in Crittenden County was due to open in September of 1929, "if Arkansas enjoys normally dry weather the remainder of the summer." The structure was under construction for over two years. At that time, the United States had over 23,000,000 automobiles, buses and trucks in operation. In the United States today, that figure has almost tripled - a preliminary estimate in 1958 shows there are 68,470,000 vehicles on our streets and highways.

Some of the jokes of the era were included in a laugh column. One of the gems goes like this "Remember when we first met in the revolving door at the postoffice?" "That wasn't the first time we met." "Well, that's when we began going around together." Shades of old-time vaudeville here.

The magazine subscribed to ads and some of them were: Dixie Culvert Manufacturing Company, Big Rock Stone and Material; Sherman Concrete Pipe Company; Arkansas Foundry, Shoemaker-Bush Auto Company, whose motto was "The More Roads - The More Fords"; Fones Brothers Hardware, White Transfer Company, and Kern-Limerick, whose ad featured the Stockland grader shown as it was pictured.

If anyone happens to have any of the other issues, we'd appreciate looking them over. So far we've been unable to find out the name of the editor of the old magazine or how long it was in existence. Any information regarding it would be appreciated.

--M.A.

In the 54-hour period from 6 p.m. Friday, May 29, to midnight Sunday, May 31, at least 304 persons lost their lives in traffic accidents. The prediction for the week-end toll, according to the National Safety Council, was 260. The Memorial Day week end of 1959 had the distinction of establishing another record for the holiday. The previous high for traffic deaths in a two-day Memorial Day week end was in 1953, when 251 persons were killed.

Make Safety Your Business

Some of us are pretty poor businessmen and women when it comes to SAFETY - which should be everybody's business at all times, whether we are at play, at home, or *on the job*.

Wouldn't you think long and hard before making some decision that would affect you or your family financially? A big business deal, perhaps? You are thinking of their future; a college education for the children; a comfortable little nest egg when you retire, maybe. Yet, do you really think about the chances you take every day, by not being as physically alert as you should be?

You might say that "it's all in the cards." Yeah. And maybe you're the joker, paired off with the big black Ace of Spades. Is it really "all in the game?" For instance, if you are on the job building or maintaining our highways, don't you think you're asking for it when you carelessly pull off the pavement onto a shoulder, leaving the rear end of the vehicle a foot or more on the highway? Sure you are. That sort of action is not conducive to good Safety Rules in the SAFETY BUSINESS.

There has been a rash of accidents recently, involving Highway Department equipment, according to C. Don Hayes, who is of the opinion that they are caused, in many cases, by nothing more than not thinking on the part of the operator. An inflexible rule when parking off a highway would be to pull over, making sure the vehicle is parallel with the highway, and not at a 45 degree angle, and at least 18 inches off the pavement. Consider this a business proposition the next time you start to park, for actually that's what it is. It may mean that you will either stay in business yourself, or "fold up." Minor accidents can also be plenty expensive in terms of repair costs to the Department when vehicles are damaged. Lives aren't measured in dollars and cents by your family however, except in the sense that they may often be deprived of it if you should be unable to work. You owe it to them and their futures we mentioned, to MAKE SAFETY YOUR BUSINESS, and if someone else is careless in his working habits, help him to also MAKE IT HIS BUSINESS and "butt in." It's the one concern where you have a perfect right to, so what do you care what people think? --M.A.

REPORTERS! ATTENTION!

NEWS DEADLINE

IS AUGUST 10th

Be Prompt! Please?

OZARKS MOST 'LOVABLE' ENTERTAINER -THE CHIGGER



The Ozarks are noted for their hospitality - for the warm welcome that they give to their thousands of visitors. Among the local hosts none is more active in his attentions than our native chigger. He establishes immediate and close contact, and his personal touch does much to make the trip memorable. The article below was originally published in The Missouri Conservationist, and gives us an intimate acquaintance with this dispenser of vacation cheer and happiness. We were granted permission by the Ozarks Mountaineer who reprinted it in their June issue, to reprint it here.

*There is a little chigger
And he isn't any bigger
Than the point of a very small pin;
But the bump that he raises
Itches like blazes
And that's where the rub comes in.*

by Nova Nash
Conservation Commission

Summer is with us and with the warm weather it's time for fishing, time for camping, time for picnicing, time for berry picking and time for itching.

Now there are different itches caused by different things - ticks, poison ivy and poison oak do pretty well. But the really Big Itch (one writer has described it as the "most exquisite" itch) comes from that little, rollicking, red rascal, the chigger.

Professionally he's known as *Eutrombicula alfreddugesi*, and he's found about everywhere in the country except the west. One of his relatives covers most of Central and South America.

The adult is a rather staid, respectable individual which does its feeding on organic matter found in low, damp places, well shaded by vegetation. It's his off-spring that causes the trouble. They've been called delinquents, but that term isn't quite right either, because they all act the same. However they calm down after their wild youth and become adults, respectable except that they mate and bring on a new crop of hungry little chiggers.

Let's start the life cycle of the rascals in the fall. They hibernate for the winter in a little cell of earth about an inch or so below the ground. They emerge in the spring and Momma Chigger usually lays her eggs in a humid, shady spot.

The eggs hatch into larval chiggers which have no shame and latch themselves onto almost any host, ranging from snakes to birds and man.

After about a three day feeding (if he's not interrupted), the chigger drops off, sheds its skin and enters another phase of life in which he begins being respectable, feeding on organic matter instead of us humans.

But let's go back to when he grabs onto us. Experts who have studied the matter say he races around over us a while before he settles down to his meal. (If man could run as fast as a chigger size for size, he could race along at over 170 miles per hour.) When he finds a tight spot in the clothing, he sits down and goes to work.

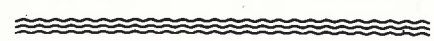
It's hard for us victims to believe, but he doesn't burrow into our skin and he doesn't suck blood. He attaches himself with his mouth-parts to a depression in the skin. He doesn't chew. He injects a fluid, something like that used by a mosquito, into the skin and it causes the cells to break down into a semi-liquid mass, which is sucked into the chigger's mouth. And it's that fluid he uses that causes the itching later.

If you've been out among them, it's good to take a hot, soapy bath. That helps get rid of some of the rascals, but it won't affect the fluid he used on you. However, rubbing alcohol, ammonia or camphor help some.

The best thing is to prepare for them before you go into their home grounds. There are a number of repellents on the market that help. Those containing dimethyl phthalate, dimethyl carbate, indalone or ethyl hexanediol are nearly 100 per cent effective when used right. Putting it on sock tops and trouser cuffs help, but for more complete protection you should treat all openings in your clothing.

The chigger has a natural enemy, the snout-bug, which has a beak-like snout and does in the chiggers by the dozens. You might carry around a number of snout-bugs to keep them away.

If you don't want to do any of these things you have two alternatives: either stay indoors, or "scratch 'em."



Sign on a florist's delivery truck: "Drive carefully or the next load may be for you."

SO YOU'RE GOING ON A VACATION?



Let's face it - the same old grind, day in and day out, seems to get rather monotonous after the long winter months of confinement, and it occurs to you that it's been a long time between vacations. In fact, you're in a rut and the only difference between it and a grave is a matter of depth. With such extreme thinking, a vacation to "get away from it all" is long overdue.

When deciding about a trip or when you're going to go, under no circumstances *plan* for it. You may be disappointed. Now don't go getting practical and say, "careful planning is the only way to have a successful vacation." If you do, it's a lead pipe cinch that things really will go wrong. And a few of them could even be situations such as these:

You decide when and where after several knockdowns and dragouts with your spouse, and a compromise, which is what the spouse wanted to do in the first place. All the things to take are listed and checked off: fishing gear; golf clubs ("I just may get in 18 holes someplace"), bathing suits, tennis rackets. That's that. Now - you've let your food supply in the refrigerator dwindle down to nothing (you ate corn flakes last night), in order to have nothing spoil; you've disconnected all the electrical equipment outlets; made arrangements with the neighbors to water the plants and feed "Fido", or either you've boarded him at the vet's where he's howling mournfully in his cage. All set? O. K. So start the car since you're in it. The reason you don't is that another car with an unfamiliar license plate has pulled into the driveway blocking you. You freeze when all the kids in the strange car pile out, and two adults whom you don't recognize call out gaily "Hope you got our wire - we were not certain about the address until after we'd sent it, and then discovered it on a slip of paper. We just decided to take a chance and come on, and if you've planned on a trip, go on. We can just turn around and go back. Of course the kids are pretty hot and tired." Who are the trespassers? Some distant kin you haven't seen in years who live close to 2,000 miles away and decided to "drop by" for a "few days." The only place you're going brother, is to the nearest grocery store to load up.

Pretty horrifying, isn't it? But how about this? Everything's ready - everything's checked. In the excitement, and eagerly looking forward to leaving no one notices that the usually rowdy one of the

kids has been exceptionally quiet and looks flushed. On final inspection of the kids however, you do notice that something's wrong. I'll say. Plenty. After a quick call to the doc you're informed it's probably measles as "it's going around." It sure is and in this household it will make the rounds - to all three of the children. Bed rest states old "bearer of glad tidings" and how can he have bed rest cruising along the highway? He can't. This vacation is postponed indefinitely.

You don't have any kids, so it couldn't happen to you? You have a car, don't you? So o.k., you get in it with the better half, and thinking, "at last," you DO LEAVE. Next thing is to stop at the service station to get the old buggy serviced. There seems to be a new noise in the engine. One you've never heard before. Probably nothing to be alarmed about. You hope. Still undaunted you drive in feeling confident and greet the attendant with a cheery, "Fill'er up, check tires, oil and water...off on a trip and there seems to be a knock or something in the front someplace. Mind giving it a quick check? I'm sure it's trivial and we're anxious to get started. Been planning a long time for this - yes sir." After awhile the attendant returns. Is that a sadistic gleam he has, you wonder. Rubbing his hands together and his eyes resembling dollar signs he returns with "you've got bad plugs and shocks and your muffler pipe is broken. Gonna' take some time of course, sure oughta have it done. Oh, it won't be too much don't reckon. Don't rightly know til we start - ha-ha, never know what else we'll run across that needs fixin'. O' course you gotta figure your labor in, too. Yep, labor's the most expensive part about a job like this. But you understand that the cost of livin' has gone up. But my boys are thorough. If they find something wrong other than those things, they'll fix 'em up for you. Yes sir, cash on the barrel head. Haven't run any accounts since an old boy left town owin' me five dollars one time."

Enough of this gay optimism. As I say, when you start thinking about a vacation just GET UP AND GO. And if you can sneak off without telling anyone, so much the better. If the old car breaks down you may be at some glamorous place where you couldn't care less. You may be on a beach and having such a good time you'll say, "transportation? Who needs it? The main thing is to hurry up and get away before Aunt Tessie or Uncle Hiram show up.

HAVE FUN!

--M.A.



NEWS BITS....

Acting Director R. B. Winfrey, Chief Engineer Ward Goodman, and Engineer of Statistics and Analyses J. R. Henderson, were in Pine Bluff on July 16, for an informal meeting with the Pine Bluff Planning Commission, Chamber of Commerce and other interested citizens, to discuss and explain the new plans for re-routing the city streets there. The new plans are the result of an extensive study conducted by B. K. Cooper and Robbie Parker of S&A. Others attending were Lawrence Blackwell, Commission Chairman, P. E. Schenke, J. W. Courter, and J. L. VandenBerg, Bureau men.

The Highway Department had a prominent visitor from a neighboring highway department recently when Richard L. Burton, assistant maintenance engineer with the Oklahoma Department stopped by to see his friend of long standing. Acting Director R. B. Winfrey.

Mr. Burton, a native of Arkansas from Marvell, and his attractive wife and two children, had been vacationing in Arkansas and were enroute back to Oklahoma. He worked under the supervision of Mr. Winfrey when our acting director was with the Oklahoma Department prior to returning to Arkansas two years ago. Mr. Burton who has been with the Oklahoma Department for 26 years, is pictured below with his family and Mr. Winfrey in front of the Little Rock Building.



We think the new lettering design of the magazine title on the cover is quite attractive. Bill Moore, senior cartographer in Statistics and Analyses, worked it up for us. Bill has helped us with other designs in the past, and we do appreciate it, Bill.

Thanks to Arnold Weese and Roosevelt Franklin, employees in Building and Grounds, of Personnel Division, the Little Rock Building is made more attractive by a lavish display of color and beauty.

The two have worked diligently on their private project of flower beds filled with petunias, zinnias and marigolds. The flowers are on the south, east and west sides of the main building and also Data Processing Center. Mighty pretty, fellas.

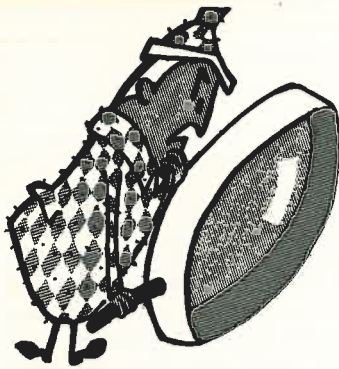


Two directors of the Highway Department are shown above. The young lady seated at Mr. Winfrey's desk is Miss Patty Lee, Jonesboro, Arkansas, who was appointed Highway Director of Girls State when it convened at Camp Robinson in June. The Girls Staters were very busy seeing the various buildings on the Capitol grounds and were in and out of our building before we had a chance to know how many visited us. Most of them however, toured Data Processing Center and were fascinated with the IBM equipment which was explained by Art Johnson, an expert on the machinery, and Fred T. Leebrick, director of Accounting.

HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS on United States highways during 1958 caused more than 2,825,000 injuries, although deaths decreased by five per cent, according to statistics recently released by The Travelers Insurance Companies.

The record number of injuries represented a 12 per cent increase during the year over 1957 totals - more than twice the percentage increase a year ago.

Highway deaths for the year totaled 36,700. Travelers' statisticians estimated that for every highway fatality there were 77 injuries. They estimated, also, that more than 60,000,000 Americans have been killed or injured in traffic mishaps since the advent of the automobile, approximately half a century ago.



AROUND the DEPARTMENTS

STATISTICS AND ANALYSES

Mary Ann Crow

A new face in S & A is Jewell Dewey Patton, Jr., who is working in the Economic Section. Jewell was recently graduated from the University of Arkansas where he majored in marketing.

Barbara Rider is back at work in our office now. She returned on July 1. We're all glad to have her back with us.

Mignon Bescancon went with Barbara and Edwin Rider on a camping trip to Lake Ouachita over the Fourth of July week end. Mignon and Barbara reported that they did most of the chores as they were the first to arrive at the camp site. They chopped down trees (small ones), pitched a big tent several times (they kept finding better locations for it), and did a lot of cooking and dish washing. They even fished a little! A good time was had by all and the girls returned to work with nice sun tans.

Mayo White also went on a fishing trip to Lake Ouachita on the holiday. He went with his minister and we've had reports that they did a lot of water skiing.

Pete Powell has no time for fishing now that he has moved into a new house. He is spending most of his spare time painting.

Quite a few folks in our office went out of town during the July holiday. Aline Daniel went to Shreveport; Johnny Longcoy went to Mineral Springs; Y. W. Whelchel drove to Blanchard Springs; and Bill Phelps (who seems to go down there often) drove to Dallas.

Bea Davis visited her relatives, the Kaplans, in Dyersburg, Tennessee during the holiday. She was met at Memphis by her niece who drove her into Dyersburg. Bea enjoyed being with the family and attending a cook out.

Your reporter and husband spent the Fourth moving into a new apartment closer to the medical school. We're now domiciled at 4112 "B" Street.

Ruth Cantley had visitors over the Fourth. Her daughter Alyce and her family, and son Russell and his family, all drove in from out of state. The Leroy Becketts also had relatives visiting when Mary Ruth Beckett's family drove up from Texas.

Jim Carvell's son, Jim, is home from Vanderbilt for the summer and is working for AHD.

Our congratulations go to Billy K. Cooper who is now a registered professional engineer, having passed the Registered Professional Engineers Examination given in April.

ACCOUNTING

Jimmy Shores

Welcome to Peggy Keedy, our new file clerk from Prattsville, who is replacing Margie Wallace. Margie retired to go with her husband who has been stationed at the Little Rock Air Force Base, but has been transferred elsewhere. We shall miss Margie.

We were visited the first part of July by Margaret Allen's son John and three grandchildren, John III, and the twins, Nancy and Cindy.

Jim Watts was at Marine camp in Bridgeport, California and from what we heard he enjoyed it - swimming, skiing and fishing.

Johnny Beavers had started on a Fourth of July vacation in Missouri, but he, Molly and their son Donald, ran into a party in Batesville who was enroute to Little Rock to visit them, so they turned around and headed back to Lakewood.

Irene Hawkins and family went to Houston and Galveston, Texas where they visited friends.

Peggy Eldred spent the Fourth of July in New Orleans...Wonder what she found to do there, of all places?

Ann Porter, her two dogs, and last but not least, her husband Doc, went to Lake Ouachita for a week. She reported she wouldn't think of going any place without the pooches. As for Doc, who knows?

Peggy Keedy had a slight accident. While she was driving her car a truck which was pulling a boat ran into the back of her car, pushing her into another car. No serious injuries to anyone.

Our July was a white one...We were all snowed under with work.

MATERIALS AND TESTS

Julia M. Halliburton

It's a boy! George Robert Peevy was born June 3 to Lt. jg. and Mrs. Peevy. The baby weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces. George was an employee with our division before joining the navy. Congratulations!

Several have taken a few days vacation recently: H. Sneed, Doyle Havens, George Allen and J. C. Crabtree...J. C. has also been on military leave.

Happy Birthday to E. A. Wilkinson who celebrated on July 24.

Leslie Grady, Jr., summer employee, resigned to attend ROTC camp. He will return to work in August.

When things go wrong....don't go with them.

What this country needs is a lady's shoe that is larger on the inside than on the outside.

ROADWAY DESIGN

John Hicks

A. B. (Bud) Smith and wife Ruth, spent the Fourth of July with relatives in Jonesboro; Marvin Bunch spent the day carpentering and several others herded lawnmowers around the house.

Pat and Jane Witherspoon spent the Fourth water skiing at Lake Ouachita and returned with a nice sunburn. The Witherspoons are the owners of a new Volkswagon.

John and Peggy Hicks enjoyed a visit from Peggy's sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cates of Chicago the first week in July.

BRIDGE DESIGN

Virginia Tackett

Everyone here agrees that our recent fish fry was one of the best we've had. The food was excellent, the company the best and the facilities and surroundings at Burns Park very pleasant. It looks like we will have to plan another before the summer is over.



It looks as if Bob Maddox and Jake Knott are doing all the work at the fish fry. Those lending their moral support are Lem Tull, Curt Mahla, and Veral Pinkerton.

Frank Battisto's brother Steve, from Tulsa, brought his family home for a visit and we were very pleased to have them join us at the fish fry.

Other visitors to the state were Harold Bastian's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Earle Bastian, and their daughter, who were on a month long tour of the Southwest and California. The brother is an engineer with the Illinois Highway Department and their daughter graduated from High School this spring and plans to enter Illinois State Teachers College in the fall.

Ann and Baldy Vinson gave June guests, sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mhoon and family, of New Iberia, Louisiana, a fair sampling

of the recreational facilities we have here. The Mhoons' son and daughter brought along a friend and they all enjoyed boating, water skiing, fishing, swimming, some shopping, and there was even time for a little quiet visiting.

W. E. Ruby Wilson's son Bill spent a week with them the last of June, taking time out from his duties at the Johns Hopkins Physics Lab in Washington, where he and his colleagues are doing research on missile fuel and related activities.

Bob and Willette Cartwright spent their early June vacation visiting friends and relatives and just resting and enjoying the children. Willette had a birthday on July 7, Bob reports. Happy Birthday, Willette.

Eddie and Ester Williams have returned from their Florida vacation and Eddie has the same wonderful tan he always brings back.

Two of the few lucky ones who were able to get a boat at Maumelle since it's dock has opened were Alice Joe and husband Don. They brought back a fine string of bass and crappie and report that the lake is beautiful. Tommy Bond, our summer draftsman, got out on the lake with his father, but didn't have the fantastic luck his parents reported on opening day. On one plug with one cast they hooked and brought in two sizeable bass. First reports of the weights were 3 and 4 pounds, but a week has gone by and the fish have grown since then and now weigh in at 4 and 5 pounds. Almost every fisherman in the division tried his luck somewhere over the long weekend of the 4th.

Curt and Lucille Mahla interrupted their weekend of househunting long enough to make a holiday trip to San Antonio to visit Curt's family. They said it was a very pleasant trip and not at all tiring.

Jim Matthew's Teeny League Team, which plays in the Geyer Springs League, is having a most successful season. In the same league but on a different team is Eddie Rownd, who pitches, and is the son of Bert Rownd, Bridge Maintenance Engineer. Some interesting intra-division rivalry has sprung up which keeps us all watching the standings in the papers.

PURCHASING

Amy Tedford

This past month has been chockful of happenings in the Purchasing Office...On June 8, the gang treated Hilda Shirley to a birthday luncheon at Hank's Doghouse.

On the evening of June 19, a lawn party was given, honoring Jon Shaw at the Meredith's home in Lakewood. A dinner of charcoal broiled chickens was enjoyed. Jon, who is leaving to await the arrival of the stork, was presented an engraved silver tray. Others attending besides Jon and Jim Shaw and the Merediths were John and Sue Plegge, Hilda Shirley and Ray Costello, Linda Vassaur, Willene Gray, and this reporter and husband. Lee Tedford.

Purchasing (cont.)

Jim Meredith presented 5-year Service Pins and Certificates of Merit to Jon Shaw and John Plegge this month. C. Don Hayes was on hand and spoke briefly to the office members.

The long Fourth of July week end was thoroughly enjoyed by all of us. The Plegges went golfing and fishing; the Merediths were camping and fishing on Lake Ouachita; Linda Vassaur and friends visited in Pangburn; the Tedfords visited relatives on Lake Ouachita; the Shaws entertained out of town guests; Hilda Shirley picnicked and swam; and Willene Gray enjoyed having her mother spend the holidays with her. Willene also had her vacation recently and spent it relaxing on White River. (A very nice place for it.)

John Plegge has been enjoying piloting his dad's new airplane. He's promised us all a ride but everyone seems hesitant about going up.

Another, and final affair for Jon Shaw was a dutch luncheon in the office on her last day, July 8. Ann Woody brought a delicious chocolate cake, which she says was home made. A gift, the baby's first rattle, was presented to Jon. We surely are going to miss you Jon - and we wish you luck and happiness. (We, too, hate to lose one of our neighbors on the fourth floor and all the luck and happiness to Jon and her family on the coming attraction. - Ed. and Personnel Division)

RIGHT OF WAY

Nancy Conrad

With summer here it seems that everyone is taking a vacation..Our boss, Eugene Nelson, director of Right of Way, is spending three glorious weeks in Europe. He and Mrs. Nelson are visiting their sons who are stationed in Germany with the army - one in Stuttgart and one in Frankfurt. The Nelsons will have four memorable "firsts" on the trip. It's their first time to fly in a helicopter - when they are transported from one New York air terminal to another; their first ride in a jet airliner; their first trip to Europe; and lastly, both have flown before but it is unusual that this will be their first time to have flown together. We know they are enjoying their trip and we shall be happy for their return.

Nancy Sipe, Mr. Nelson's secretary, is spending her vacation at this writing at their cabin on Lake Hamilton for a week. We understand that she was expecting company there all week, so she will be taking the following Monday off to recuperate.

The Gip Robertsons and the A. C. Ledbetters spent a thrilling four days in New Orleans. Most enjoyable were the "girly" shows on Bourbon Street.

The Nathan Garretts and daughter Donna Lynn, visited Texas and Mexico on their vacation. Upon his return, Nathan had something new - a moustache - Mexican influence, maybe? This apparently inspired A. C. Ledbetter to try to grow one, too. It didn't last very long, though.

Other vacationers were Lois Bumpass and

husband Dudley, who spent a week visiting relatives and sightseeing in Chicago...A wonderful time they said...Linda and Don Colbert and children Debbie and Donnie, spent a week in Kansas City visiting Don's brother and family.

Helen Hackett is vacationing in California sunshine. (And smog?)

NEW FACES: Fred Williams is a new draftsman in our engineering section. He is married to the former Nina Milam of Prescott, Arkansas and they awaiting a visit from the stork in August. Fred came to us on May 18, from Max Mehlburger Engineering Firm. He attended Little Rock University for two years studying engineering. Mrs. Sarah Neel, his aunt, is employed in the Personnel Division. One of the two new appraisers we have is Charles Scott, whose home is Prescott, Arkansas. He is married and has a daughter. While in the navy he was an appraiser with the Bureau of Yards and Docks. Before coming to the Department he was supervisor of appraisers in the Tax Reassessment Program in Nevada County...The other appraiser is John W. Ford. John is a bachelor and his home is Junction City, Arkansas. He has a Bachelor of Science degree at LSU, and was a special agent with the Farm Department of Home Insurance Company, in Tennessee and Alabama. Welcome, fellas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bradley are the proud parents of a baby girl, Karol Ann, who made her arrival June 17, 1959. Mrs. Bradley is the former Rose Bivens, who was employed in our accounting section before their marriage. Congratulations to the happy couple.

Evalena Holmes who is in appraisals, had an enjoyable trip through the Middle West. She traveled through five states and viewed such sights as the Grand Canyon in Arizona, and Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico, She accompanied her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Ripley, and her cousin on the trip.



The girls in Right of Way are such close friends that when one has an ache, the others have sympathy pains. In this case Tommie Parish has the "sore head" and the other girls applied bandages to keep her company. Pictured from left are: Nancy Conrad, Tommie, and Nancy Sipe. Evalena Holmes also sported a bandage but we couldn't get her in the picture.

EQUIPMENT AND PROCUREMENT*Mary M. Hill*

Red Shaw and his wife were in Austin, Texas, over the Fourth of July weekend. They were called to Austin because of the serious illness of Mrs. Shaw's brother-in-law, Frank Marchick.

Congratulations to James E. Bratcher who received his 5-year Service Pin and Certificate of Merit on June 19, 1959. The awards were presented to Mr. Bratcher by C. Don Hayes.

Mrs. James E. Hardcastle has been a patient in St. Vincent's Hospital for the past several days where she had eye surgery. We are glad to report she is much improved and will be going home in the near future.

Several of our employees have enjoyed vacations recently. Buddy Davis and his family were visitors in El Reno, Oklahoma for a week with Mrs. Davis' sister and family...Lee Von Hoffman and family were in Arkadelphia and fished some while there...G. G. Carter spent a week of his vacation (he says if you want to call it that) painting his house...Clyde Thomas took a week and fished part of the time - the other time loafing. Martha Pearle and her family went to northwest Arkansas over the Fourth of July.

Our sympathies go to Kay Bonnell in the loss of her mother, Mrs. H. W. Brewer who passed away June 6, in Wichita, Kansas, after a brief illness.

PERSONNEL DIVISION*Sue Barnes*

Fourth of July celebrations took some of our employees to the lakes for outings and others just stayed at home...Among the celebrants were: Billie Ruth and Bubba Hatcher, who with several other couples, spent the day at Lake Conway fishing and having fun. Billie Ruth was pretty thrilled to catch four fish - bream. Carma Dunn went home to Bradford, Arkansas and just enjoyed being there relaxing...Sarah and Walter Neel drove over to Memphis to spend the week end with their son and family. the Walter Neels, Jr., and Bill Hays spent most of the holiday at Lake Norrell in his boat. Jackie Wallace was at Lake Ouachita and Lake Hamilton and caught a big fish while trolling...The Ivan Daes and son Ricky had Verna's sister and family, and Ivan's sister and family from Illinois and Indiana, and took them over to their cabin on Lake Hamilton...Sibble Cox and family picked chuckers (?), drove down to Dumas, Arkansas, and supervised and helped on the finishing-up of the new home they are building. The Tanners spent the week end quietly at home...Mr. Tanner is working on a "project" of some kind...Jim and Grace Zinn had an outing and reunion at Burns Park in North Little Rock - a lot of fun they say...Birdie Wright, not one to take to the crowded highways, decided it would be safer to stay at home - and did. Marty and Harry Adams had guests from St. Louis and had a house party at Martha's sister's house. One of the guests was a college classmate of Harry's. This reporter

had an outing at Lake Katherine and got a beautiful pair of sunburned shoulders.

Marty's niece and son, Mrs. Ken Markle and Stephen, from Lincoln, Nebraska, have been visiting her and other relatives in the vicinity and in Memphis.

Congratulations to John Ball of the Buildings and Grounds crew. John became a very proud grandpapa on June 22. A baby boy was born to his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leland West of North Little Rock, at St. Vincent's Infirmary. The little one weighed 5 pounds, 9 ounces and is a Junior.

Bill Hays was a guest of the Benton Kiwanis Club luncheon on June 30.

DATA PROCESSING CENTER*Jones-Tunnell*

Charles Nichols of our division surprised us with matrimony! He and Martha J. Davis were married in the Assembly of God Church in Jacksonville on Wednesday, July 1. They are now residing at 2102 Louisiana street. Best of luck to the newlyweds.

Lane, son of Erma Jetton and Robert, and Miss Jenny Luck were married in April and are now living in Little Rock. They moved into an apartment on South Taylor and Lane is attending the summer semester at Little Rock University.

Millie Willard, James' wife, has brought their baby boy by for us to see several times when she was waiting to pick James up from work. Everyone has fallen in love with the little darling.

Mr. Leebrick presented Billy Ratliff with her 5-year Pin and Certificate of Merit recently. Congratulations, Billy!

Henry Williams, vault custodian, spent his vacation at Paradise Landing in Conway. Had a nice time and caught lots of fish.

Happy Birthday to Gladys Plunkett, who celebrated the big day this month.

Best wishes go to Lana Tunnell on becoming engaged to Bob Holland on June 27. You should see the gleam in her eyes as well as on the third finger, left hand.

Frances Jones and husband took a trip to Vicksburg, Mississippi over the Fourth of July and had a wonderful time.

DIVISION 2 - PINE BLUFF*Ouida Grimes*

Congratulations to Woodrow Wilson and W. C. "Bill" Yearian on receiving their 20-year Service Award and Pin.

Happy Birthday to "Blondy" Goins, who will celebrate his birthday July 30. We hope you have many, many more.

We ate happy to report that James "Red" Goins' broken leg is improving. He has been in to see us several times lately.

Selma Chavis took a weeks vacation recently. She went to Dallas, Texas, where one of her sons is now living, and spent the rest of her time fishing in Arkansas. She had real good luck.

Here are a couple of the many ladies in Drew County who are responsible for the delicious food at the annual picnic at Monticello. Cutting cakes are Mrs. Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. E. J. Rabb.



And here, the men are preparing the piece de resistance at the "barbeque table" at the new Area Headquarters Building. From left are Willard Johnson, Lester Rabb and Bob Sawyer.

DIVISION 3 - HOPE

Olive Jackson

Sam and Dorothy Fay Huckabee with their three children, have recently returned from a wonderful trip to points in Texas and Mexico. After visiting relatives in Fort Stocton and Pecos, Texas, they drove to Carlsbad where they visited the White Sands of New Mexico. They drove on into Jaurez, Mexico where they went shopping and sight-seeing. Some of the many interesting sights on the trip included the Old Spanish Trail and Old Butterfly Trail in New Mexico. The climax of the trip was a tour through the famous Carlsbad Caverns.

Miss Betty Sue Cox, daughter of Mrs. Noah Cox of Patmos became the bride of Brooks Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Lee. The ceremony was performed in the home of the groom's parents by the Reverend James Shaddox on June 5. Betty Sue and Brooks are making their home at Spring Hill.

Congratulations to the following employees who received their Service Pins and Certificates of Merit in the month of June: William Edgar Ferguson and Howard Lee Wright, 15 years; Phil Holbert Sutton and Clovis G. Tittle, 10 years; and Mack Clyde Hicks and Harold Johnson, 5 years.

Miss Margie Clark, president of the Student Arkansas N.E.A., attended the 1959 N.E.A. Leadership Conference at the University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas. After participating in the conference Margie went to St. Louis, Missouri for a convention of the organization which ended July 3.

Clovis and Nettie Tittle are again in receipt of a letter from Ralph A. Phelps, Jr., president of Ouachita College, advising them that their son, Charles Ray, was listed on the President's Honor Roll for having made all "A's" for the 1958-1959 school term. Mr. Phelps stated that only three in a total student body of over 900

made a perfect record as Charles Ray did.

Edna Lewallen has had as her guest for three weeks, her little grandson, Russell Edward of Dallas, Texas.

T. H. and Amy Jones of Fouke are the proud parents of a little daughter who arrived June 11. She has been named Reba Annette.

Miss Wanda Huskey Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Clark, became the bride of Shelby Haynie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Haynie on January 24. The wedding was solemnized in the chapel of the First Methodist Church at Arkadelphia by the Reverend J. W. Dunlap. Both Wanda and Shelby are 1958 graduates of Prescott High School and attended Southern State College. They will live in Little Rock where Shelby is employed by the Fagan Electric Company.

DISTRICT 5 - HARRISON

Shirley Morton

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray who were married at the home of the bride in Mountain View, Arkansas on June 7. A picnic was held at Woodland Park in honor of the newlyweds and attended by the District and Construction personnel in Harrison. Billy Ray and Nellie were presented with two lovely gifts.

Happy Birthday to V. O. (Jim) Selby who celebrated in June!

Several of the boys can testify to the efficiency of the newly-acquired radar equipment of the Arkansas State Police.

Jim Caviness is the proud owner of a brand new boat and motor which he is enjoying very much. Jim manages to get over to Bull Shoals lake several times a week and has been having pretty good luck.

The Fourth of July week end was enjoyed by all. Many of us headed for lakes to fish, ski and just loaf. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Matthews spent the holiday in Lake Village and Hot Springs visiting with friends and relatives and to bring home their daughter, Charlotte, who had been visiting in Hot Springs... Vacationers have been Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lowder and family, who spent a week in Hot Springs; Marion Downs, Billy Joe Woods, Raymond Cantrell and John Ed Smith and family, have all been on vacation leave also.

Bennie Edwards, V. O. Selby, Glen Stewart and Ivan Fletcher spent two weeks on military leave.

Ray Crouse and family moved into their lovely new home on North Highland street in Harrison. We are sure they are going to enjoy it very much.

Gary and Georgia Godfrey are busy as beavers building their new house on Highway 7. They are making good progress and hope to move in in the early fall.

Certificates of Merit and Service Pins were awarded recently to James Leray Eakin and Charles Sherley. Congratulations, fellas.

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Law-abiding motorist: One who slows down as he passes a stop sign.

## DIVISION 5 - BATESVILLE

A. L. Moser

Roland B. Keene and W. Jones, auditors out of Little Rock, were here the first week in June. Also visiting were Bert Rownd, bridge maintenance engineer from Little Rock, and Dodson Leonard from Statistics and Analyses Division, Little Rock. Come back again.

Ruby Masner, fuel clerk, and husband W. B., reported a swell vacation June 8-12 on the Gulf Coast in Mississippi.

Earl Hobbs, area foreman in White County, had a heart attack June 13. He is in Rodgers Hospital at Searcy. Hurry up and get out of there, Earl. We all miss you...Bernard Bice, maintenance superintendent, underwent surgery June 17 at St. Vincent's Infirmary at Little Rock. He is able to be up and around again now, and we are glad to have him back with us.

Leo Todd, truck driver in Clebourne County, was on military leave for two weeks with the National Guard at Nashville, Tennessee. Much K. P. duty, Leo?

A. L. (Dugan) Jones, heavy equipment mechanic, is on vacation at this writing and we hope he is having a good time.

G. C. Anderson is wearing a big smile. He landed a five and three-quarter pound bass in Wolf Bayou on Highway 14-9 in Stone County. Good catch, G. C.

O. D. Syfert and family spent their vacation visiting his mother and friends in Illinois. His mother accompanied them home for a visit.

The following employees received service awards recently: Brooks Barnes, C. A. Qualls, Mary Lee McCown, and Gordie Hicks, 10 years; C. M. Defreece, L. G. McGinnis, R. W. Reynolds, Drexel Evans, Troy Cook, and Ewell Scribner, 5 years. Congratulations!

Your reporter and wife celebrated their forty-second wedding anniversary on June 13. Those helping to celebrate were their son, Fritz Moser and family from Little Rock, and Mr. and Mrs. Jean Chasteens, Little Rock.

## DIVISION 9 - HARRISON

Edris Hulsey

J. C. Perkins, Jr., Curtis Gardner, Neal Taylor, Ertie Lawrence, Forrest William "Slim" Porter, Tom Phillips, Paul Byrom, Clell Deakins, and Pete Sims all had a big fishing expedition recently. Don't think they had much luck though. Speaking of fishing - J. C. Perkins, Jr., would like to advise all Little Rock fishing friends *not* to bring light tackle for fishing on Bull Shoals and Lake Norfork. For further 'info' and details, you may check with Hurley Perkins.

Forrest and Vivian Williams enjoyed a vacation trip to various spots in Oklahoma the latter part of May. Hillman Watkins was also on vacation a couple of days to visit with relatives who were here from New Mexico.

Ertie Lawrence's crew, with the assistance of Paul Byrom and Dwight Cantrell, have been very busy on new area headquarters buildings at Gentry and Marshall.

Otis Vaughn, equipment supervisor at Springdale, has been absent from work for the past three weeks due to illness. Hope you are feeling better now, Otis, and will soon return to work.

The stockroom floor and filing cabinets have a new shine these days, thanks to a new coat of paint and Curtis Gardner, who wielded the paint brush. Looks nice, Curt.

Tom Phillips has moved from Flippin to Harrison. Hope you enjoy your new home, Tom,

Glenn Head is the proud poppa of a bouncing baby boy!

Your reporter enjoyed a recent vacation trip to Houston, Texas for a visit with brother and sister.

Our most sincere sympathies are extended to Minnie Shinn, whose husband, Jarvis B. Shinn, passed away on July 1.

## SICK LEAVE, PLEASE

The following letter from the Miscellany column of the Manchester Guardian is a letter received from a bricklayer in Barbados by the firm for which he worked:

Respected Sir,

When I got to the building, I found that the hurricane had knocked some bricks off the top. So I rigged up a beam with a pulley at the top of the building and hoisted up a couple of barrels of bricks. When I had fixed the building, there were a lot of bricks left over. I hoisted the barrel back up again and secured the line at the bottom. and then went up and filled the barrel with extra tom, and then went up and filled the barrel with extra bricks. Then I went to the bottom and cast off the line. Unfortunately, the barrel of bricks was heavier than I was, and before I knew what was happening the barrel started down, jerking me off the ground. I decided to hang on and halfway up I met the barrel coming down and received a severe blow on the shoulder. I then continued to the top, banging my head against the beam and getting my fingers jammed in the pulley. When the barrel hit the ground it 'bursted' its bottom, allowing all the bricks to spill out. I was heavier than the barrel and so started down again at high speed. Halfway down, I met the barrel coming up and received injuries to my shins. When I hit the ground I landed on the bricks, getting several painful cuts from the sharp edges. "At this point I must have lost my presence of mind, because I let go of the line. The barrel then came down giving me another heavy blow on the head and putting me in the hospital. I respectfully request sick leave."

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Members in the Retirement System of the Highway Department will soon be furnished a statement by V. E. Scott, Chairman of the Board, of its financial condition. The System completed ten years of operation on July 1, 1959. For the benefit of the employees who are not members, we are printing the following report so that they may see how the money is spent.

Average weighted yield (Interest plus Discounts) on all bonds owned by System

3.1348%.

|                             | 1958         | 1959         | Increase     |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Number of Members           | 2474         | 2578         | 104          |
| Number on Retirement        | 82           | 96           | 14           |
| Cost of Annuities per year  | \$ 78,298.45 | \$ 92,782.92 | \$ 14,484.47 |
| Average Monthly Benefit     | 79.57        | 80.54        | 0.97         |
| Total Benefits Paid to Date | 151,389.81   | 237,088.64   | 85,698.83    |
| Total Refunds Paid to Date  | 323,622.70   | 389,909.23   | 66,286.53    |
| Par Value Bonds Owned       | 3,051,000.00 | 3,790,000.00 | 739,000.00   |
| Cost of Bonds               | 2,914,964.07 | 3,614,434.07 | 699,470.00   |
| Discounts                   | 136,035.93   | 175,565.93   | 39,530.00    |
| Annual Interest Earnings    | 81,520.00    | 102,658.75   | 21,138.75    |

## WORKING CONDITIONS 80 YEARS AGO.

You think you got troubles? You think you're being pushed around or you're getting the raw deal on your job? From the desk of Joe Prismo comes the following set of rules established 80 years ago in a carriage shop. Get a load of them and perhaps you may look upon your lot more kindly.

1. Employees working here shall dust the furniture, clean their desks and sweep the floor daily.

2. All windows shall be cleaned once a week.

3. Each employee shall bring his own bucket of water and scuttle of coal for the day's work.

4. Lamps shall be trimmed and chimneys cleaned daily.

5. Working hours shall be 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. every evening but the Sabbath. On the Sabbath, everyone is expected to be in the Lord's House.

6. Employees are expected to trim their own pen nibs to suit themselves.

7. It is expected that each employee shall participate in the activities of the church and contribute liberally to the Lord's work.

8. All employees must show themselves worthy of their hire.

9. All employees are expected to be in bed by 10:00 p.m. except:

Each male employee may be given one

The figures below give satisfying proof of the sound financial condition of the system which will be still further improved through the investment of \$250,000 or more by the close of the 1959 calendar year.

The Retirement Board is both proud and pleased to present you with this report and solicits your continued interest and support in the System.

evening a week for courting purposes and and two evenings a week in the Lord's House.

10. After an employee has been with our firm for five years, he shall receive an added payment of 5 cents per day, providing the firm has prospered in a manner to make it possible.

11. It is the bounden duty of each employee to put at least 10% of his wages for his declining years, so that he will not become a burden upon the charity of his Betters.

12. Any employee who is shaven in public parlors, frequents pool rooms or uses tobacco shall be brought before the management to give reasons why he should be continued in employment.

### Did 'Ya Know?

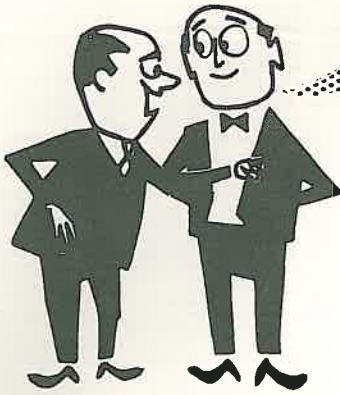
About 85 per cent of all vacation trips in the United States are made by auto. The average mileage per round trip is 978.

Each day around 500,000 to 600,000 cars operate on the streets in a five-mile area of New York City.

Despite the millions of new cars, many persons still love antique autos...the older the better.

Many a man owes his rise in the world a kick in the pants.

The best place to find a helping hand is at the end of your arm.



by

Jimmy Zinn

"Use your noodle, lady, use your noodle," roared the traffic cop.

"Oh, my goodness! Will you show me where it is? I've pushed and pulled everything in this car."

Hostess to little boy at party: "Why don't you eat your jello?"

Little Boy: "I'm afraid to, ma'am, it's still alive."

A soldier who had returned to civilian life wrote as follows to his officer: "Sir: After what I have suffered for the past two years it gives me great pleasure to tell you to go to hell."

In due course he received the following reply:

"Sir: Any suggestions or inquiries concerning movements of military personnel must be entered on Form MF-3412, a copy of which is enclosed."

"I'm Mr. Brown's wife," said a brunette, introducing herself to a blonde at a party.

"I'm his secretary," said the luscious blonde.

"Oh," said the brunette, arching her eyebrows slightly, "were you?"

Recently widowed gal to her attorney: "If I had known you could get me off this easy, I'd have shot him a long time ago."

The inveterate golfer finally arrived home for dinner. During the meal his wife remarked, "Our Willie tells me he acted as your caddy today."

"So that's it," said the father, "I knew I'd seen that kid somewhere before."

Two gambling girl friends had drawn up to the roulette wheel. The one woman had placed her bet while the other hesitated, being unable to decide on a number. "Why don't you play your age," suggested the first. There was a bit of hesitation for the other woman and then she coyly placed a \$2 bet on number 27. The wheel was spun and stopped on 36. "Oh, No!!" she screamed, and fainted.

Lunch time had come and the elderly clerk had opened his lunch box and looked in at his sandwiches: "Cheese sandwiches! Always cheese sandwiches!"

A sympathetic colleague asked, "Why don't you ask your wife to fix a different kind of sandwich?"

"Who's married?" said the clerk indignantly. "I make these sandwiches myself."

A doctor and his wife were strolling along the street when they met a vivacious blonde who spoke to the doctor. His wife, being extremely jealous, asked the doctor where he had met the girl. He replied, "Strictly a professional acquaintance, my dear." Whereupon his wife curtly asked, "hers or yours?"

# THIS'LL KILL 'YA...

Through an error a blank check got in Mr. Jones pay envelope. Gloomily, he presented it to his wife. "Just what I've been expecting, my deductions have finally caught up with my salary."

That sly, insidious monster called Typographical Error crept into a telegram which a gentleman (vacationing at the seashore) sent his wife. "Having wonderful time; wish you were her."

"Your wife must be a remarkable woman. Married 20 years and you still call her 'Angel'."

"Yep. She's always up in the air, constantly harping on something or other, and never has a thing to wear!"

Little Carolyn wanting to be a helpful assistant hostess with her mother as she entertained at a tea party, insisted that she be allowed to serve alone. So mother, with fingers crossed, consented. However, she became annoyed by the long delay and asked, "Why did it take so long, child?"

"I couldn't find the tea strainer," answered Carolyn.

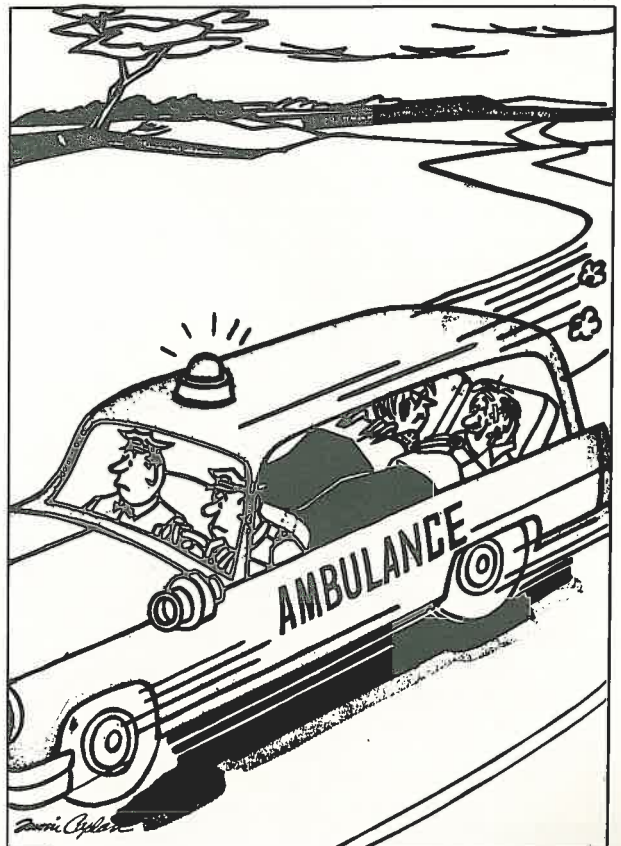
"Then how did you strain it so well?"

"Oh, I used the fly swatter."

At a small garden party the Mrs. admonished her husband, "Walter, that's the fourth time you've gone back for ice cream and cake. Doesn't it embarrass you?"

"Why no" replied the husband, "I keep telling them it's for you!"

IS THIS HOW YOUR VACATION WILL END?



EXCEPT FOR THE FEW MINUTES WE LOST WHILE THEY CALLED AN AMBULANCE...WE'RE REALLY MAKING TIME THIS TRIP!

