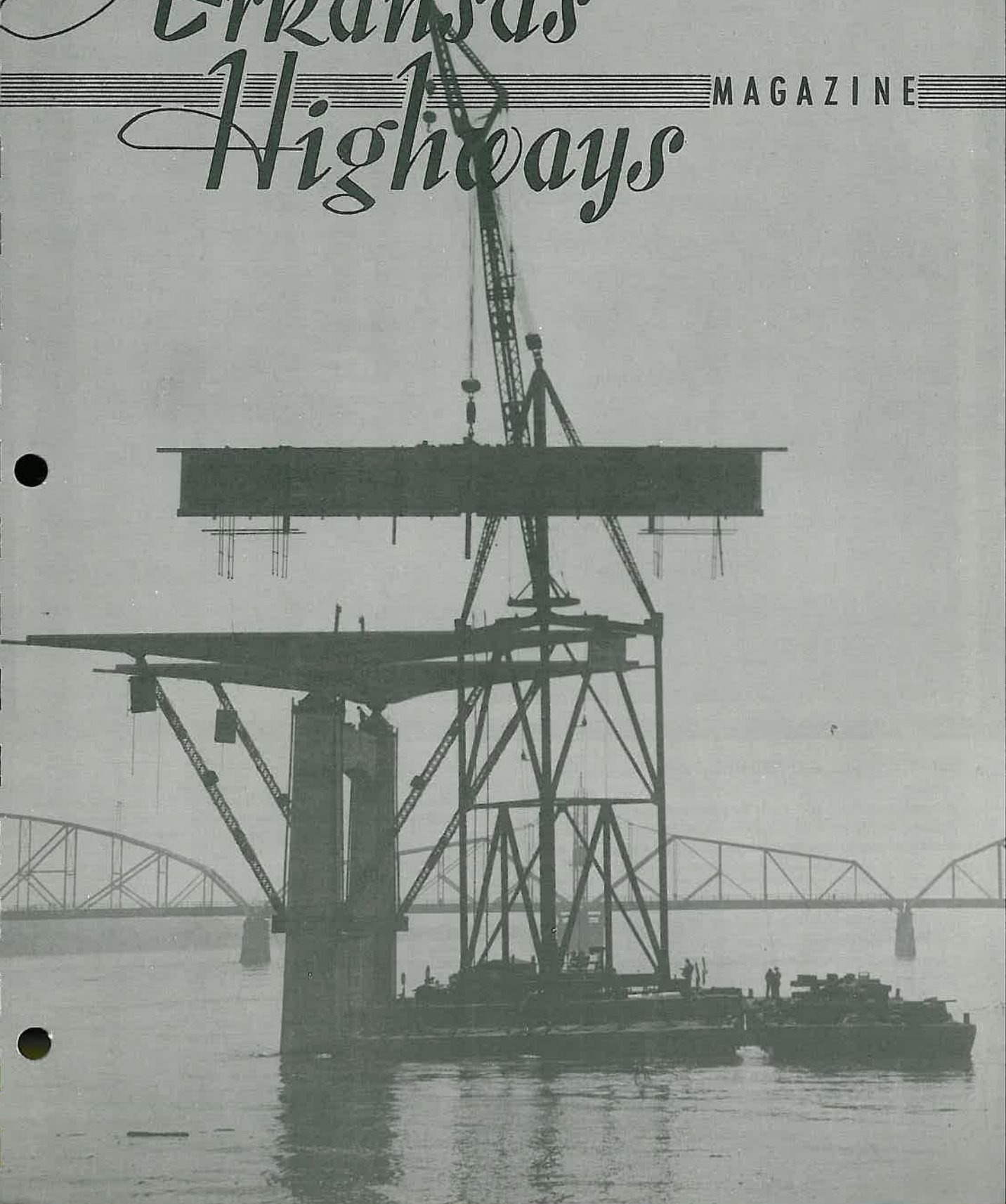


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PICTURE OF THE MONTH: Gone, but not forgotten are the carefree days of the past summer for school children in Arkansas who resumed their studies of the Three R's a few weeks ago. The children boarding the bus are at the access road on the Bauxite Interchange on U. S. Highway 67-70.

COVER PICTURE: The fog-enshrouded railroad bridge in the background lends an aura of desolation to the skeleton-like structure on the Arkansas River. Workmen were preparing to erect a plate girder on the pier of the Third Bridge, long-awaited by harried commuters in the Little Rock-North Little Rock area, who will have to wait even longer due to the steel strike now in effect.

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ORGANIZATIONAL EXPERTS APPRAISE AHD SYSTEM

Two men, experts in their field, were at our Highway Department on August 12 and 13, at the request of the Highway Commission to appraise our Department in regard to the need for a complete organizational study.

Carl Fritts and J. P. Buckley, with the Automotive Safety Foundation at Washington, D. C., returned an incomplete report of their findings in a letter to Highway Commissioner Lawrence Blackwell.

Before the organizational experts began their study of the departments, they met with Commissioners Blackwell and Parkin, Director Oliver, Chief Engineer Ward Goodman, and most of the department heads for a briefing of their methods.

The letter stated in part:

"First, let me say we had the complete co-operation and a very cordial reception from Mr. Oliver, Mr. Goodman and the several division heads whom we had an opportunity to talk with.

As we told you, we could not possibly carefully review the Department in a two-day period, but we did talk to enough key people to gain a general understanding of your organization and operations.

Frankly, we think you have a good Department, very competent people and we did not find any serious problems. As always, there are organizational improvements that are possible, but Mr. Oliver and Mr. Goodman are completely aware of these possible improvements.

We did not have time to get very deeply into your district and division organization, or to visit one of the field offices. Therefore, we will have to reserve judgment on this problem.

We are not too sure that we can be of too much assistance to you but if our other commitments permit and we have staff available, we would be glad to take a more careful look at your organization, going into more detail if you so desire. It probably will be at least a month before we can determine our total commitments and availability of staff. We will be in touch with you as soon as that is determined.

We enjoyed seeing you and Mr. Parkin again in Little Rock and appreciate very much the courtesy and cooperation of the Department personnel."

Sincerely yours,

J. P. Buckley,
Chief Engineer
Highway Division

CONTROLLED ACCESS Part II Circuity of Travel Doctrine

Circuity of travel, or the additional travel distance required, because of the construction of highway facilities has been another highway controversial point in recent years.

As long ago as 1943 a California court in a ruling case pointed out: "Not every depreciation in the value of property by reason of a public improvement can be made on the basis of an award for damages. For instance, diversion of traffic is not a proper element to be considered in computing damages. (See last month's article.) Regulations such as the prescribing of one-way traffic or the prohibiting of the left-hand turns may interfere to some extent with right of access without furnishing a basis for recovery of damages even by an abutting owner."

In that particular case the point of argument was the circuitous travel resulting from the construction of an underpass on a street near the complainant's place of business - a street on which that place of business was not located but to which the street serving the place of business connected.

California, because of the early initiation and development of her freeway program, has dealt with a considerable number of these cases and has held that compensation must be paid where there was either physical injury to an owner's property or a physical impairment of access from the property to the street but that damages resulting from the exercise of police power are not compensable. Other states have generally recognized the same principle.

Thus, in one California case arising from the construction of a median strip in an expressway the court stated:

"It seems quite clear that the division of a highway is an exercise of the police power being directly intended for public safety."

"The facts pleaded herein show that the highway upon which plaintiff's property abuts is not closed and that plaintiffs, once upon the highway to which they have free access, are in the same position and subject to the same police power regulations as every other member of the traveling public. Because of a police power regulation for the safety of traffic they are like all other travellers, subject to traffic regulations. They are liable to some circuity of travel in going from their property in a northerly direction. They are not inconvenienced whatever when traveling in a southerly direction from their property. The re-routing or diversion of traffic is a police power regulation and the incidental result of a lawful act and not the taking or damaging of a property right."

Controlled Access (cont.)

And again:

"Diversion of traffic or mere circuitry of travel, even when they result in impairment of values, are not compensable." **** "We also know that the State, under its police power, may regulate traffic without becoming liable for damages for impairment to business that may be adversely affected."

The early development of the circuitry of travel doctrine was stimulated by the growth of limited access facilities and was focused largely upon the cases arising from construction of medians which required that segment of a business place's traffic bound to or from the traffic stream on the far side of the median from the place of business to travel a circuitous route to and from that traffic channel. The weight of authority is consistent in a non-compensable element of damage, i.e., *damnum absque injuria* or damage without legal injury, and that the test of damages must be limited to those which accrue by reason of legal injury which would justify compensation.

Very few of the courts have gone into the question of how long a circuitry of travel is permissible under the police power without requiring the payment of damages. However, a New York case of considerable interest held that five miles is not unreasonable. This was in an area adjacent to the New York City Metropolitan Area where distance has a much greater proportionate connotation than in most of the nation. The facts developed in this case showed that a center dividing strip of median barrier was placed on a heavily traveled highway for the purpose of eliminating grade crossings and signals. Complete or "U" turns were permitted only around designated plazas and left turns were permitted only at signed locations. The complainant, an abutting owner, in order to proceed to the left from his property, was forced to travel five miles in the opposite direction in order to reach a turning place. The court held that the five mile circuitry was not unreasonable and pointed out that the right of access to the highway means a right to enter upon it but not to use it differently or in violation of the driving regulations imposed upon other users of the highway, adopted to speed up traffic and eliminate danger then noted that:

"The plaintiff once upon the highway is treated no differently than is any other member of the traveling public."

These older cases were, as already noted, largely concerned with the barrier effects of the medians in divided highways. The fully planned access concept that evolved later and was applied by law in the design of the Interstate System extended the circuitry of travel doctrine quite a bit. The Interstate application of the doctrine was crystallized in Iowa law in a late 1958 decision by the Iowa Supreme Court.

In this case the plaintiff owned two tracts of farm land abutting on an east-west county road and operated as a unit. The two tracts were separated by more than 900 feet of intervening land. A north-south Interstate highway was constructed on

this intervening land so located that the right-of-way was more than 300 feet from each tract of the plaintiff's land. The county road was closed off at the Interstate right-of-way and the plaintiff was compelled to travel a circuitous route of about three and one-half miles between the two tracts. The Supreme Court held that the circuitry of travel was not unreasonable and that the damage was not compensable. Some interesting points from the decision are:

"It is evident that the closing of the road will put her to considerable amount of inconvenience, additional effort, and expense. On the other hand, it is apparent that if intersecting secondary roads and city streets cannot be closed without payment to those who may suffer such inconvenience, who may be forced to travel by circuitous routes instead of the direct ways they formerly had, the expense to the general public will be tremendous."

"Many Iowa cases have dealt with some facet of the question presented here....one whose right of access from his property to an abutting highway is cut off or substantially interfered with by the vacation or closing of the road has a special property which entitles him to damages. But if his access is not so terminated or obstructed, if he has the same access to the highway as he did before the closing, his damage is not special, but is of the same kind, although it may be greater degree, as that of the general public, and he has lost no property right for which he is entitled to compensation."

"It is not sufficient that the injury is greater in degree than that suffered by the public. It must appear that the kind of injury sustained is different from that suffered by the general public...It is not shown that the obstruction of this highway in any way affects ingress or egress....It is the matter of convenience that is the gravamen of complaint."

"The principle evolving...is that one whose property abuts upon a roadway, a part of which is closed or vacated has no special damage if his lands do not abut upon the closed or vacated portion so that his right of ingress and egress is not affected. If he has the same access to the general highway system as before, his injury is the same in kind as that suffered by the general public and is not compensable. It is *damnum absque injuria*."

(Next Issue: The Cul-de-Sac Doctrine.)

Good Drivers are not born on their eighteenth birthday. They are developed under careful teaching through childhood and early adolescence. Given a normal intelligence and a fine example set by the older drivers of the family, any adolescent boy or girl will be able to drive safely.

Young people should learn early that cars are not toys. They are useful and beautiful machines that make life happier, easier, and more flexible if used understandingly. They are dangerous, deadly things in the hands of the stupid and the unfit.

A car is no wiser than its driver. Its brains are supplied by the man at the wheel.

Olive Jackson Our Lady Of The Month



Olive Jackson, bookkeeper in Division 3 at Hope, was 14 years old when she first applied for a job at Hope, and in spite of "fudging" on her age, she didn't get it - not then anyway. Last year she received her 25-year Service Pin and Certificate of Merit from the Highway Commission. With the exception of one month, these years represent continuous service. They also represent many memories - some which Olive recalls fondly and others with amusement.

Olive was born "over 30 years ago" in Jonesboro, Jackson Parish, Louisiana, to the late Marshall Parks and Josephine Ross Jackson. Her father was a civil engineer who made the first map of Union County when the family lived in El Dorado after leaving Louisiana. Olive's sister, Mrs. H. L. Petty, resides at Marianna, Arkansas.

When Olive was turned down on her first try, she returned to school and graduated from Arkadelphia High School and went on to Wadsley Business College at Texarkana, after which she became associated with a bank in Arkadelphia, where for eleven years, she gained invaluable experience in bookkeeping and secretarial work. In April, 1933, she began working in Division 3 at Hope for \$100 per month. Olive now holds a responsible position and is considered a definite asset to the office. Office equipment and machines are as familiar to her as a deck of cards when she is playing bridge. She knows her job thoroughly - is conscientious and helpful to others in their work. She checks and double checks her work and records, and working overtime during the week, as well as Saturday work is routine with her. Some of the men who have supervised her are: Homer Hill, G. Rives, W. L. Elam, D. B. Cutler, J. G. O'Neal, Kent Brown, and many others.

When Olive first started working in Division Three, the office was in an old wooden structure sans any kind of a cooling system - and hot as

all get out. Most of her time in the summer months was spent waving a turkey feather trying to keep cool.

When the office moved into a new brick building the office force celebrated that very night with a dance which Olive recalls vividly. The building was air conditioned which should have solved the heat problem, but didn't, since "some liked it hot and some liked it cold." Olive, calm and resourceful as always merely took her topcoat along to work, in case she should need it.

Over a year ago Olive bought a house in Hope and all her spare time (when she isn't playing bridge) is spent on improving it, and pampering her yard, which is a profusion of color in azaleas and camellias. She is said to start watering her yard from the time she gets home until late at night. Olive takes an active part in her church - The First Baptist, and is secretary of her Sunday School Class. She is a good cook and entertains with small dinners and the inevitable bridge parties. Her enthusiasm for the game is such that on week ends she often plays all day and all night.

Olive has been a friend to the magazine staff. She is considered the Star Reporter for never having failed to have her division represented in the editions since the magazine's beginning in 1953. This is just one more example of her efficiency when she is given a job to do.

Her cheerful personality and sense of humor has won her many friends in and out of the Department. They consider her a wise and gentle one, who offers encouragement and help when the going is rough and one who rejoices when the road is smooth. -M.A.

There is one vehicle for every 700 feet of every lane in both directions of all streets and highways in the U. S. today.

COUNTY ROADS OPERATIONS AND PROCEDURES

by Harry M. Wright
Engineer, County Roads

(The following article is one received by the magazine in response to Administrative Circular 59-56, August 1959. Others will be published in the following issues. -Ed.)

In order to get a picture and a clear understanding of the function, duties and obligations of the County Roads Division it is first necessary to name and review briefly the various systems of our State Highways. The order of this review is on the basis of money spent or to be spent, rather than the importance of the various systems. All are important and all dovetail to make our State and National Highway System.

First is the Interstate System, which we will name only, as it is so well publicized that all who can read know something of it. It is spectacular and its very vastness, coupled with the expert propaganda behind it, keep it well before the public. It is, we hope, the ultimate, to tie together and to take care of the through or long distance travel developed by our other systems.

Next is our Primary System, the money-making work horse of our roads, which virtually finances all the others. This system is a necessity without which the rest could not be, except in a very restricted way. It also is well known to John Q. Public.

Now comes the State Secondary System, less known but dear to the hearts of our local officials and of inestimable value to their constituents; of this system our Commission and Director hear much and from it they learn the meaning of the word pressure. This system of roads is the one local people who do not want to travel but just to make a living use most. This system is getting close to the grass roots.

Next is our County Secondary System. This is the grass root system. It goes in front of almost man's door. This system is the foundation on which all the rest is built and without which the other systems could not be, except to a limited extent.

The function of our department is to coordinate the road building activities of the Counties (which go back to early days when each house holder worked the road in front of his house, through township roads built by Township road overseers and local free labor, then the three mill tax and the head tax in lieu of labor).

Then as Highway consciousness increased came the County Turnback from the gas tax. This brings us to comparatively modern times and the organization of the County Roads Division of the State Highway Department, brought about primarily by the Federal subsidy which is 50% of the Secondary allotment to the State. Basically of course this so called subsidy is merely a return of our own tax money with a service charge taken out, apparently based on the premise that higher authority knows best.

In the County System the elected representative of the people, the County Judge (as should be and as of now) is supreme on County Road matters (the grass roots again and the will of our founding fathers).

Our Department must not only coordinate, but must also regulate the use of the County Secondary Fund, mentioned above, in accordance with certain standards set up by the American Association of State Highway Officials and concurred in by the State and Federal Government and also certain policy memorandums set up by the Federal Government, as regards the spending of Federal Funds.

We must bring the thinking of our County Judges (the elected representatives of the people at the grass roots) into line with the various regulations and standards mentioned above. Since the Counties must match 50-50 the Federal Funds allotted naturally the County Judge, as Administrator of County Funds tries hard to make the best possible deal for his constituents. Our job is to reconcile the views of the Judges with the regulations, as set up and to explain and try to convince them that the counties will benefit by building County Roads to certain set standards. In this connection we must always realize that the Judge knows more about the local road needs of his county than any one else. We must also show the judges that it is not a giveaway program and that for every dollar of secondary money received, there must be a dollars worth of work.

As we see it the program is educational and actually more good accrues than the benefit of a better road. The knowledge gained by the use of standards higher than those used in the past on county roads, new ideas as to materials, new methods of construction, ect., all tend to elevate the thinking of the county administrator on road matters and to better the performance of the County Road employees.

Further, all must remember that everything built, if it is to stand, be it a house, a government, or a road system, must be on a solid foundation, all should be built from the grass root up if permanency is desired.

SUMMARY OF PROCEDURE

As regards the procedure to be followed if and when a County Judge is sold on the County Secondary Program we give the following brief resume:

- (a.) Log Project.
 - (b.) Note drainage structures, etc.
3. Make estimate and forward to judge.
- (a.) If County can finance, judge to request that project be programmed.

Tragedy in a Texas Town

The catalogue of mistakes a driver can make on the open road is long. Some are so rash only the wildest ever make them. Some are so casual that few realize the trouble they can cause.

One of the most dangerous in the casual category is swinging onto a main highway from a side road or roadside stop at an ill-fated moment.

In a Texas town, that happened recently with terrible result. The driver of a Cadillac whipped onto a main artery smack in front of a big gasoline truck.

Cut off, the truck driver jammed on his brakes causing his tank-trailer to jack-knife and skid sideways across the road. Behind the truck drove a woman with her four children.

She, too, hit the brake pedal hard, but she couldn't stop, and plowed broadside into the truck.

The gasoline exploded, the truck swayed and toppled onto her car. The woman, her four children and the truck driver died in raging flames.

Probably unaware of what had happened, the driver of the Cadillac drove off down the road. On him - or her - rests the responsibility for this tragedy.

It occurred because that driver, like countless others, either was too thoughtless and impatient to observe the rules or never learned how to enter the main highway.

The rules are simple - rooted in common sense. You never spin out directly in front of an oncoming car. You wait for a space big enough to slip into without forcing the next car on the road to reduce his speed sharply.

Admittedly, these judgements can sometimes call for delicate calculations of speed and distance.

But such measurements are the very heart of good driving. If you can't make them, any highway is a death trap for you and the others you might involve.

To be responsible for a highway death and know it is very bad. To be responsible and not know it is even worse.

None of us should ever drive onto a main road as if other drivers either could or should stop for us. To assume that is to invite disaster like that which struck in a Texas town.

"Highways carry not only people, not only goods, but also ideas. We have seen this very plainly in the United States. That rapid diffusion of ideas, that development of common national aims and mutual understanding may well be the greatest value received from our investment in the highway system." -Peter V. Moulder.

"Next to the automobile itself, the most important part of motoring is the road. In the broadest possible sense good roads mean prosperity and bad roads mean the reverse."

-The Automobile, Sept. 28, 1911

Upon request from County to Program:

- (a.) Make up sketch map showing location of project.
- (b.) Send copies of Map and Estimate to Bureau of Public Roads and request program item inspection.
- (c.) Make trip with Bureau of Public Roads and County over project.

5. When Program is approved by Bureau of Public Roads:

- (a.) Secure survey money from County (100%).
- (b.) Arrange for survey (District or Central Office).
- (c.) Survey notes received.
- (d.) Make up preliminary plans.
- (e.) Plan-in-hand inspection.
- (f.) Complete plans.

6. When final plans are made:

- (a.) Send 1 or 2 sets of plans to County with request for information on materials (gravel, chips, asphalt, etc.).
- (b.) Receive information from County.
- (c.) Prepare new Estimate based on Unit Prices we would expect if the project was let by contract.

7. Arrange date to negotiate project:

- (a.) Negotiate unit prices with County. (10 to 15% under new estimate.)
- (b.) Send Project Agreement Estimate to Bureau of Public Roads.
- (c.) When Project Agreement is received, send Contracts, Bond, Forms, R/W Order, etc., to County for execution.

8. When copies come back from County:

- (a.) Secure Director's signature.
- (b.) Check Bond Forms and Court Orders.
- (c.) Request Work Order.

1. Plans and Contracts to Office Engineer
2. Allotment to Assistant Chief Engineer.

9. If project is to be constructed by Contract:

- (a.) When Final Plans are completed, send one set of plans, together with R/W Order and Maintenance Agreement to County.
- (b.) Authority to advertise from Judge.
- (c.) Plans to Office Engineer for Advertising.
- (d.) Judge to approve or reject low bid.
- (e.) If Judge approves Low Bid write letter to County requesting 50% of Construction Cost (including Engineering and Contingencies).
- (f.) Upon receipt of County check turn over complete file to Office Engineer.



Jimmy Irby Brannan is shown setting up a transit in his work as senior instrumentman in District Five.



NEWS BITS...

Director F. R. Oliver and J. R. Henderson, engineer of Statistics and Analyses Division, attended a meeting at Harrison September 3, to discuss the location and improvement of U. S. Highway 65, in that city. The meeting was similar to the one held at Pine Bluff at which city officials and businessmen gathered to hear the Department's proposed traffic operation plan. The meeting was held at the Harrison Municipal City Hall.

Mr. Oliver addressed the Little Rock Chapter of the American Society of Appraisers on August 17, at a luncheon at Hank's Dog House.

Fred C. Tanner, personnel director, attended a Community Chest luncheon at the Little Rock Club on August 28. Mr. Tanner represented the employees of the Highway Department of which Ward Goodman is chairman for the organization.

The Director of the Oklahoma Highway Department, Lee Washbourne, and the Personnel Director, Bob B. Jones, were visitors to our Department on August 18, when they stopped by to view our operation. They conferred with Director Oliver and Fred Tanner, personnel director, who hosted the two officials at a luncheon at Hank's Dog House.

J. T. Pendergrass was in Houston, Texas August 31 through September 3 with Mr. Courter of the Bureau of Public Roads, attending a Right-of-Way Public Relations Conference with Texas Highway Department Officials.

The 1959 AASHO Annual Convention will be held October 12-17 at Boston, Massachusetts, and those tentatively planning to attend are F. R. Oliver, Ward Goodman, Harry Wright, W. C. Johnston, E. F. Nelson, C. A. Shumaker, George Fry, H. R. Lucas, E. E. Hurley, Fred Leebrick, and Fred Tanner. Most of the wives will attend the convention with their husbands.

Jim Meredith, director of Purchasing, was guest speaker at the North Little Rock Lion's Club on August 20. Jim's subject was "Highway Department Purchasing."

Travis Orton flew to Tallahassee, Florida on August 17. On August 18 he attended a Soil Stabilization Meeting, sponsored by the International Paper Company. He learned about a stabilization process, the purpose of which is to quickly establish sod on roadway embankments by spraying exposed surfaces with a green mixture of a specially prepared wood pulp, grass seed, and fertilizer, all in one application.

To accomplish the above a specially built truck with blower would be driven along the roadway. It would pull a slurry tank properly

charged with mixture to serve the blower. An operator would direct the blower as a truck moves forward. In this process the fibrous mixture is blown on the ground and adheres to it, protecting it from erosion, while the grass grows through.

Travis states that the meeting was instructive and that he especially appreciated the hospitality of the International Paper Company.

The Arkansas Chapter of the Associated General Contractors held their thirteenth annual picnic August 26 at Barton Coliseum. The picnic, a stag affair, was attended by many engineers and department heads of AHD.

W. I. Rainwater, Jr., engineering assistant in the division of Office Engineer, was recently awarded a certificate of achievement for his work in the summer training camp at Fort Smith, of the 95th Division of the United States Army Reserve. Bill holds the rank of Major with the division.

Maj. General Paul Bell, division commander, said the certificate was for Major Rainwater's "pre-camp planning and outstanding performance of duty" during the summer program. Bill is the operations and training officer in the 379th Regiment, and has been a member for the last ten years. The regiment's headquarters are in Little Rock.

Bill, our hats are off to you for this commendable work and certificate.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Mrs. Freida S. Goodman, mother of our Chief Engineer, Ward Goodman, passed away in a Little Rock Hospital on August 16, after a lengthy illness.

Survivors also include a daughter, Mrs. Clyde Swann, and one grandchild. The Highway Department expresses deepest sympathies to the family.

Earl Palmer Hobbs, 58, died August 21, at Bald Knob after a lengthy illness. Mr. Hobbs was a foreman in the Maintenance Division, White County, and had been with the Department since 1941. He had been on sick leave since June 15.

He was a native of Bald Knob and lived there all his life. Our sincere sympathies are extended to his family.

An auto-train accident took the life of John William Joplin, temporary employee in Division One on September 7. The accident occurred when Joplin's car stalled on a railroad track.

He had been with the Highway Department since July 1, 1959 and worked in Cross County.

Our sympathies are extended to his family.



AROUND the DEPARTMENTS

RIGHT OF WAY - LEGAL DIVISION

Betty Grimes

Nancy Conrad, reporter from this division, is leaving us to resume her education at the Little Rock University. Nancy will take her Major in Music, and it is her secret ambition to be in Show Business. We will miss her, but we wish her the best of luck and success.

Hazel McPherson has been employed to fill Nancy's position as file clerk, and we wish to make her welcome among us. Hazel comes to us from Reed Music Company.

Bill Demmer, attorney, is leaving the Department to take a position with the First Pyramid Life Insurance Company as General Counsel. All of us will miss Bill, but his snooker buddies, Les Evitts, Dowell Anders and Bill Donham, will miss him most of all. Applications are being taken to fill his position in the Noontime League, and understand "Snooker Sharks" need not apply.

A. W. Hardy is "up to his neck" in preparation for the Arkansas Utility Conference scheduled for September 23. The Conference is sponsored by the Arkansas State Highway Department in cooperation with the Bureau of Public Roads.

Lullabys are being sung in many of the homes of Right of Way employees. The most recent additions being two daughters and one son: Jim and Freida Giles, a daughter, Dinah Arlene, born August 22. Dinah is their fourth child. Fred and Mary Jo Spencer (Mary Jo was secretary in the Engineering Section), a daughter, Kristiana De Witt, born August 24. Fred and Nina Williams, a son, Stephen Eugene, born September 3. Sarah Neel of Personnel is the very proud Great Aunt of little Steven.

Linda Colbert, Legal, has left us to await the arrival of her third child.

Carolyn James has been at home with the mumps. She and her three daughters had them on both sides. Ouch!

Retha Griffin and Bob Johnston are both back on the job after having had operations, and both are feeling much better.

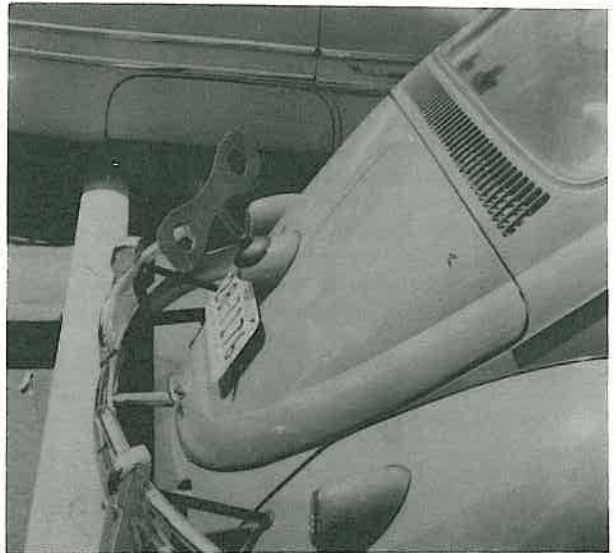
Norman McLeod had a scare when he was hospitalized with what appeared to be appendicitis. We are happy to report that it was not so serious as it first appeared and he is back at work.

The Appraisal Section is the scene of two sparkling engagement rings and two beaming smiles. Maxine Robertson is engaged to Richard Wagner of Chicago, who is presently stationed at the Little Rock Air Force Base. Their Nuptials are scheduled for October 10. Evalena Holmes is engaged to Joe Ray Squires of North Little

Rock, and they are planning a November wedding.

It's been Vacation Time for many of us and several of our employees have enjoyed extended trips. Dowell Anders and his family took a trip along the Gulf Coast with the high spots being Pensacola, Biloxi, and New Orleans. Bill and Jane Demmer toured the Southwest and found Phoenix's golf course a delightful spot. Dwight Little visited his three grandchildren in Alton, Illinois and his mother in Percy, Illinois. (Dwight said his daughter still won't let him take those babies home with him so he can 'spoil them properly.) Bob Evans broke in his new "hoopie" with a trip to Kansas City. Remond and Norma Schafer are visiting relatives in Albuquerque and Denver. Virginia Lewis, after daughter Ginger's wedding, is taking a delayed honeymoon of her own with hubby Gib.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Art Emmerling whose mother, Mrs. Edward M. Emmerling passed away in Albany, New York; and the family of Mr. George Troutt, father-in-law of Les Evitts, who passed away while on a Labor Day vacation trip to West Memphis.



Glendol Jackson of the Engineering Section seems to have solved the transportation problem. He claims that he gets 35 miles for each turn of the key.

Between 750 and 1000 Americans are killed and nearly 100,000 injured annually when the cars they occupy strike objects carelessly thrown into the road or are swerved in an attempt to avoid them.

CHIEF ENGINEER

Leontee Connelly

Office Engineer W. C. Johnston and wife, Capitola, returned from a vacation of two weeks in Long Beach, California, where they visited with their son, James, who is in the U. S. Navy.

Joe Hughes, our summer employee, left on August 31 to enter Medical School. At noon the same day the Chief Engineer's office gave a "box chicken" luncheon in the Commission Room in honor of Joe, and Bobby Kindy of the Reproduction Section, who also left to attend school. Our best wishes go with both of them.

On August 28, Jimmy West took his physical examination in preparation for entrance into the army in November. Don't know what we'll do without Jimmy.

On August 21, the entire office enjoyed a belated birthday party for Don Martin. The lovely birthday cake, decorated in yellow and white, and coffee, were enjoyed by all. Better late than never, Don.

Jack Keilch was on sick leave for three days the week of August 31. We missed you, Jack.

E. G. Hampton, who was resident engineer for La Harpe Boulevard during its construction, has been transferred to our office since the completion of that project. Mr. Hampton is division assistant to Mr. Johnston. Welcome, and we are very happy to have you with us, Mr. Hampton.

We have a proud new "Father" in our office. Last month, Hub Holland was greeted with a son, Russell. Hub is really losing weight...walking the floor at night just doesn't agree with him.

Office Engineer personnel are really busy - with seven million dollar lettings every five weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Boen left Friday, September 4, for a vacation in the Ozarks. While there they visited Mrs. Boen's mother and sister.

Ferol Jones and her family drove to Conway September 6, to take son Jerry, who entered Hendrix College as a pre-med student.

An item of interest to all Office Engineer personnel, which has previously been unreported is Bob Andrew's new Pontiac. Mrs. Andrews made Bob build a new garage to house it. Sure is a pretty car, Bob.

Another item which has been omitted, is that we have a new employee, Virginia Deckard...she's been with us a few weeks now and we're glad to welcome her as one of our regular staff.

If you have noticed Ward Goodman, chief engineer, hurrying out of the building each day at 5 p.m. sharp, don't wonder any longer...it's the call of Lake Maumelle, and his sporty new red and white runabout boat which is anchored there.

The geographical center of the United States is no longer a spot in the midwest. It is now a town far out on the West Coast, Pondosa, Oregon. Alaska pulled it toward the north and Hawaii toward the west.

PERSONNEL DIVISION

Sue Barnes

Well, the Personnel Office has everyone accounted for this Tuesday, after Labor Day. For a couple of weeks our office had only a skeleton crew with several taking vacations - those several stating that it's rather hard to get back in the swing of things after taking life easy....

Billie Ruth Hatcher left on August 21 to join Bubba while he was down in Gulfport, Mississippi at National Guard Camp. They had a gay time there and drove down to New Orleans to visit Billie's aunt and uncle, Sergeant and Mrs. Harlon H. Hopkins. Billie Ruth got her first glimpse at New Orleans and her report was: "OO la la." They all had nice tans from the gulf sprays and sun.

Verna and Ivan Daes with another couple, spent the week end of August 21 in New Orleans...Verna and family have also been vacationing the past week at their cabin on the lake at Hot Springs. Verna, an expert water skier, took a tumble while there and hurt her head and neck.

Sarah Neel was off for about a week with a bad cold but is back now feeling much better.

Mr. Tanner took a couple of days off before Labor Day and accomplished what he wanted - doing some odd jobs around the house that needed to be done, and relaxed.

Sibble Cox is happy to be moved into their new home. She is staying busy putting the finishing touches and buying new things to go in it. What with that, plus their quail they raise, she keeps pretty busy.

Jim Zinn spent the week end of August 29 in Hot Springs with United Commercial Travelers, doing some promotional work. Knowing Jim as we do, we bet he promoted too.

Birdie Wright spent the Labor Day week end doing just that - at home laboring and "slinging a sweeper."

STATISTICS AND ANALYSES

Marjarine Turner

The division is sorry to lose Mary Ann Crow, from the Drafting Section, who resigned September 1 to teach school in Wakefield Village elementary school. The girls in the division honored Mary Ann with a luncheon at Tony Massa's August 27 and gave her a little going-away gift.

Jim Carvell resigned September 1 to return to Nashville for his third year at Vanderbilt University.

Several employees in our group chose the Labor Day week end to begin their vacations: The Bill Tricketts left for a week at Rockaway Beach; the Buddy Lewters' trip to Nashville, Tennessee and Decatur, Alabama, included plans for sight-seeing and visiting friends and relatives; Katy Brasel's itinerary included New Orleans and the Gulf Coast.

John Longcoy took over Elmer Smith's job as Office Manager August 1, the date of Mr. Smith's retirement. Mr. Longcoy has been in the Road Life Section for the past seven and one half years.

The Pete Powells recently made the float trip from Bull Shoals to Cotter, Arkansas. Pete's son won first prize for catching the biggest fish on the trip. Pete caught 0.

Y. W. Whelchel and family vacationed at Lake Ouachita the first week in September.

John Hume has been on vacation - spent a week in Mobile, Alabama, and other points south.

Bill Moore celebrated his birthday on September 4. His 39th of course! Congratulations, Bill.

Pete Benetz is building a new home on Chicot Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McEarlane spent the last week end in August at Blanchard Springs.

Alyene Daniel and her family visited relatives in Huntington, Tennessee over the Labor Day week end; the Karl Huffs attended a wedding and visited relatives in Texarkana; Bea Davis spent the week end in Dyersburg, Tennessee with her niece and family.

D. Leonard's kitty, Smoky Ann, entered the hospital August 26 for minor surgery. After a three day stay, the kitty is now at home, frisky as ever.

The sympathy of this division goes to Lukie Atkinson in the death of his father.

ROADWAY PLANS

John Hicks

We have a new man, Delbert Ray Van Landingham, a recent University of Arkansas graduate, from Redfield, Arkansas. He is undergoing the initiation of a new man in the Cross section department. Welcome, Delbert; We're glad you joined us.

R. B. (Bud) and Ruth Smith are visiting with relatives on Lake Norfolk. Get ready for the stories of the fish that got away.

Arlo Waggoner spent the holiday (Labor Day) with his parents at Amity.

Frank and Betty Hutchinson are now suburbanites, having moved to 27 Bellmar Drive, in Meadowcliff.

Labor Day was just that for Duane Reel and your scribe. Duane got in a lot of work, while said scribe trimmed a 100 foot hedge and cleaned a nine-year accumulation of junk out of the garage. And we thought Labor Day was a holiday!

EQUIPMENT AND PROCUREMENT

Mary M. Hill

We are happy to have Delbert M. Pearl with us in the Equipment Office at Jacksonville. Delbert replaces Harry C. Castleberry who resigned on August 7 to accept a position in Little Rock. Our best wishes go with Harry in his new position.

Shirley Ann Leeds who has been employed in the Procurement Office at Jacksonville for the summer months left August 28 and will attend State Teacher's College in Conway this fall.

Several of the employees in E&P have enjoyed vacations in Northwest Arkansas recently. They include Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Price, Mr. and Mrs.

W. M. Padgett and family, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Harden and daughter Andra Kay.

We will all miss John B. Plegge who resigned from the Little Rock Office on September 4, and we take this opportunity to wish him much success in his new venture. John was replaced by L. M. Wade, formerly assistant shop superintendent, and also employed in the Procurement Office at Jacksonville.

J. H. "Rube" Roberson, who has been employed in the Department since January, 1942, retired on August 31. Rube has always been affable and well liked by all of his associates and we will miss having him around. We all hope you will come and see us in your spare time, Rube.

A 10-year Service Pin and Certificate of Merit was presented to Lem Kirkpatrick on August 31, by C. Don Hayes and Bernie Cox. Congratulations.

ACCOUNTING

Jimmy Shores

Lee Wagner and family spent a wonderful vacation in his home town, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where they visited his family and friends.

Johnny Beavers and wife Molly, enjoyed a vacation in Florida where they stayed at the Monte Carlo Hotel. Johnny, the Arkansas Commander of the DAV, represented our state at the DAV Convention.

We are sorry to report Alene Bcysen's daughter, Betty, received a fractured ankle this summer. As a result Arlene spent her vacation at home taking care of Betty so she could start school on time.

Ed Orsini almost dropped his teeth when he had to pay 95 cents for a coke while he, wife Dorothy, and family were in Florida. To brighten up that sad note, Dorothy was elected secretary-treasurer of the American Bar Association Convention, which was the business end of the combined business-pleasure trip for the Orsinis. That is quite a position and our congratulations to her.

Welcome to our new member, David Johnson. He is taking care of the mail room now.

Congratulations to Leta Leslie Honea and husband John, on the arrival of a baby boy. Leta is one of our former members in Accounting.

Nebraska Droughter, our mail messenger, took his vacation this month. I'm sure Jim Stringer is glad to see him back as he had to do the delivery.

Sam Foster has been ill this last month in the hospital but is at his home now and we all hope he is feeling much better. We miss him.

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FATIGUE...When a Massachusetts traffic crash which killed six people was investigated, it was found that the driver who crossed the center line (and died) had worked a double shift ending at midnight, driven 125 miles to the seashore and fished all day, and driven back home while he and his companions drank a case and a half of beer.

DATA PROCESSING CENTER*Lana Tunnell*

James Willard of our division was elected vice-president of the Southwest Handicap Bowling League on September 3.

Gladys Plunkett and family reported having a wonderful time on their vacation at their cabin on Lake Hamilton.

We are sorry to lose three of our employees who have resigned; Charles (Nick) Nichols, Robert Tucker, and Verva (Penny) Pennington. Best of luck to all of you - we will miss you.

Blessed Event: A bouncing baby boy was happily welcomed by Tony Yandell and his wife on September 3. Congratulations.

BRIDGE DESIGN*Virginia Tackett*

Glen Buchanan, a former Bridge Designer, recently became the father of a new daughter. He and Lois have named the little girl Glenda and say she seems quite happy with her name.

The Vinsons are back home again after a visit to New Orleans and to New Iberia where they spent a few days with Ann's family. They found about as much rain there as we have had here, but enjoyed their visit anyway.

Not only Bridge Design, but the whole building, is pleased over Jake Knott's recovery and return to work. He feels fine, looks very fit, and intends to keep it that way.

Our division was very proud to learn that Lem Tull in his MG placed 4th in his class at the Gymkana, a driving event sponsored by the Arkansas Sports Car Club and held on the Highway Department parking lot. On being congratulated on his success, Lem replied, "It was nothing, really, compared to the trophy I saw Frank Neighbors win in the Army Reserve Golf Tourney at Fort Polk this summer. In competition with a large field of Officers and enlisted men, Frank turned in a score of 72 to win the event and a handsome trophy, which I understand has been on display at the South Bypass field office where it has attracted a great deal of comment."

PURCHASING*Amy Tedford*

A farewell dinner party at the Brown Jug was given in honor of John Plegge, who has accepted a position with the General Adjustment Bureau of Little Rock. John will be greatly missed by this office as well as by all his other friends in the Department. A handsome, engraved brief case was presented to him. Those attending the dinner were Edith and Don Hayes, Jim and Martha Meredith, John and Sue Plegge, Amy and Lee Tedford, Willene Gray, Hilda Shirley and guest Ray Costello, and Linda Vassaur.

Lewis Wade from the Jacksonville Office, has replaced John, and the Purchasing Office personnel welcome him most heartily.

Jim, Martha and Conley Meredith, and Emmett Hayes, a friend of Conley's, spent a week camping and fishing up on Lake Nimrod and Bull Shoals. ...no large catches were reported, but lots of fun. Martha and Jim had a very narrow escape on Lake Maumelle the last day of their vacation as their boat was swamped, Luckily they were not hurt, but they did lose all their fishing equipment.

Labor Day week end activities included a trip to the Smoky Mountains and North Carolina by Hilda Shirley; an Eastern Arkansas trip for the Meredith family; a trip to White River by Willene Gray; re-roofing house by Lewis Wade; attending the florist convention for the Tedfords; and just loafing for Linda Vassaur.

Jon Shaw, a former employee, is a frequent visitor to our office. On her last visit she brought two delicious home made lemon pies...come by anytime, Jon.

Willene Gray was presented with her 5-year Service Pin and Certificate of Merit on September third. Congrats, "Widow."

DIVISION 2 - PINE BLUFF*Ouida Grimes*

Dixie House, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe House of Monticello, will represent the Junior 4-H Homemakers in the Drew County Fair Queen contest September 17. She is a senior at Monticello High School and a very pretty one, we might add.

Dorothy Tatum, daughter of Mrs. Violet Tatum of our District Office, was married to Gene Wilson Caldwell of Thornton, Texas August 22 at 8 p.m. The vows were exchanged in First Baptist Church of Pine Bluff. Dorothy's father, the late Dr. W. B. Tatum, was pastor of this church until his death.



Here is the new asphalt plant at Monticello which was rebuilt and remodeled by J. L. Goins and his mechanics.

We were happy to have W. C. "Bill" Wood join us at Division 2. We hope he and Mrs. Wood will be happy with us. We also are happy to have Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cook back in Pine Bluff.

Our best Get Well Wishes to Rose Lynn Pierce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Pierce, who had major surgery at the Davis Hospital August 14. Also to the following: Brewster Shalmy's mother,

o has been in a Lake Village hospital; Mrs. George D. Barnes, Selma Chavis's mother, who had major surgery August 24, and Lisa Rawls, 19-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Rawls, who is in the Davis Hospital.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Lee Fox who are the proud parents of a 9 pound, seven ounce girl, Barbara Louise, born August 13.

Charles Emerick left us to go to the Maintenance Office in Little Rock. We miss him but wish him much good luck in his new job.

Charles Russell Gaddy made his annual visit to Broken Bow, Oklahoma over the Labor Day week end. He attended a Square Dance Convention while there.

DIVISION 3 - Hope

Olive Jackson

Floyd and Earline Pharris and two children, Richard and Linda, have returned from a nice trip to Abilene, Texas, where they visited their daughter Ann and husband Doyle Mauldin. While there, Floyd and Earline made the acquaintance of their two-month-old granddaughter, Stacey Lynn Mauldin.

We are happy that Otha Ira Black's daughter, Peggy Sue, who was critically ill with spinal meningitis in St. Michael's Hospital, Texarkana for sometime, has now been released and is convalescing at her home.

Buford and Eunice Johnson and children, Billy Fred and Vonceil, report a wonderful trip to points in Tennessee. Some of the places visited by them were Chattanooga, Knoxville, and Nashville. They also drove up Old Smokey Mountains, 6000 feet high in Rock City, Tennessee.

Congratulations to Forrest B. Lee who received his 5-year Service Pin and Certificate of Merit in August.

Clifton Loyd Sharp had the misfortune of breaking his left foot while playing ball recently. We wish Clifton a speedy recovery and hope he is able to return to his job soon.

Janet Sutton of El Paso, Texas, recently visited her parents, Phil and Ruth Sutton. Janet, who chaperones the Girl Scouts of El Paso on trips each summer, made a trip to Mexico before visiting her parents.

William C. Irvin, who has been with the Department for about eight years, retired on July 23. We will all miss seeing him around as he always kept our office looking very nice. We hope he enjoys a long and happy retirement.

Schley and Syble Carter have returned from a visit with daughter Lydia, and husband Ted Lemser in Tulsa, Oklahoma. They also visited in Claremore, Oklahoma and saw the Will Roger's Memorial Building and Monument.

DIVISION 5 - Batesville

M. L. Moser

Dedication ceremonies for the new Area Headquarters Building at Mountain View were held

August 21. A delicious barbequed chicken supper was served to the guests, who were introduced by Master of Ceremonies, Bernard Bice. Those attending were Gerald Sisk from Little Rock; C. M. Matthews, Jim Lowder, J. C. Perkins, Hillman Watkins, Ertie Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Davis, from Division 9. Those attending from Division Five were: Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Logan, Heber Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Epter McElrath, Newport; Mr. and Mrs. Bice, Batesville; Mr. and Mrs. John Young and daughter Kathy, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar McCown, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Anderson, Batesville, Mr. and Mrs. Freece Kimmer and son Irvin, your reporter and Mrs. Moser, all of Batesville; and Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Stanbrough and daughter Vicki, Mountain View. Hale Hayden, area foreman, has one of the nicest headquarters in Division 5. He has a nice lawn and flowers all around the building and shade trees in front. He is very proud of it and with just cause. Thanks again for a fine supper, Hale.



Man, dig those crazy flowers. One of the flower beds in front of the new area headquarters building at Mountain View was used as a temporary barbeque pit for the hundreds of chickens, which were consumed at the dedication ceremonies and picnic held on August 21. We'd like to have some of the seeds.

Fred Johnson was on a five day vacation this month. Reported a good time.

C. M. Matthews and our new Maintenance superintendent, Jewell Whitaker, visited us this month.

Freece Kimmer, bookkeeper is having good luck catching big bass this year. He caught a fine string August 8. The catch included one 5½ pound; one 3½ pound and three 2 pound bass. Of course the big ones got away.

Division 5 (cont.)

Ray McKinney and wife vacationed this month Oklahoma.

Clyde Nast is back on the job after being off for three weeks for an operation on his arm. Glad you are back, Clyde...Mrs. Mutt Reding, wife of one of our men, underwent surgery at the North Arkansas Clinic. She is doing nicely.

Dean Bolin is in the coon dog business now. We understand he has bought a high priced coon dog this month, and is expecting old "Red" as he is called, to keep the table stocked with wild meat this winter. Good hunting Dean and old "Red."

Congratulations to C. L. Bradbury and his wife, who are the proud parents of a 7 pound, 12 ounce boy, born August 22. Mother and infant, Billy Max are doing fine.

Jack Singleton, a retired heavy equipment operator in White County, died August 14. Uncle Jack, as he was called, was well liked by all the employees who knew him. Our sympathies to the Singleton family.

We were all saddened by the passing of Earl Hobbs, area foreman in White County. Earl had been in poor health for the past year. He shall be missed by his co-workers and friends of the Department.

U. E. Tomlinson was called to Oklahoma City because of the death of his brother. Our sincere sympathies are extended to the family.

DIVISION 8 - RUSSELLVILLE

Netha Brown

Ewin Caudle, one of our job superintendents, and Cecil Gilmore, the area foreman in Yell County, are well on the way to recovery after recent surgery. Everyone was glad to see Cecil back on the job, and we hope to see Ewin return soon.

We welcome Charles Irwin to our office as book-keeper, Charles is a former school teacher and he and his wife Jewel have four children - one girl and three boys. They are living in Pottsville, but Charles has been house-hunting in Russellville and Dardanelle, with hopes of moving soon.

Blake Towery, Van Buren County, Rudy Baswell, Perry County, Guy Edwards and W. D. Hickey, Pope County, are still on the sick list and unable to work. They are all improving and expect to return to their jobs soon however.

Carroll Wayne Norris has just returned from guard camp sporting a new blue and white Chevrolet, and there seems to be a glint of matrimony in his eyes. When he isn't talking about his new car, he is raving about the little brunette he has been "keeping company" with.

W. F. Turner, our district engineer, attended the Men's Club meeting in Dover August 20. Highway Commissioner Armil Taylor of Clarksville, was guest speaker. Mr. Turner was introduced and spoke briefly.

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If you want to know what is meant by a spitting image, try feeding cereal to a baby.

## FOR SALE ITEMS...

Carolyn Wilkerson - Ext. 284, has a Teeter-Babe and stroller in very good condition.

One 13 ft. wooden Runabout with windshield and upholstered seats. One 25hp Johnson motor with controls and gas tank. Skis and Trailer.  
See Don Legate, County Roads or call Ext. 265.

## TWO WEEKS OF TRUTH

If you have been wasting vacation time thinking up charming half-truths to write on picture post-cards, the following messages will be helpful. They use a neglected angle: Facts.

"Wish you were here - and we were home."

"There are many women on this tour. Most of them remember Lincoln."

"We are having a wonderful time. Who are we to question an authority like the guide book?"

"Yesterday we crossed Texas. Even worse, we'll have to cross it again to get home."

"The first thing we want to do when this vacation ends is visit the library to search out more fiction by the fellow who wrote the advertising for this trip."

"We have seen so many magnificent sights although not as plainly as on television."

"On this trip we're making miles, but our leg muscles are making knots."

- George M. Dodson



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Can you guess who this is? We're not telling, but we'll give you a clue. He's a division head and has been with AHD many years.



by
Jimmy Zinn

The small boy was bragging about his uncle's newest promotion. "And," he concluded very proudly, "the longer he stays in the army, the ranker he gets."

A construction worker from Texas, newly arrived in England was playing poker with a couple of natives. He was pleasantly surprised upon picking up his hand to see four aces in it.

"I'll wager a pound," said the Britisher on his right. "Ah don't know how y'all measure your money," drawled the Texan, "but ah reckon ah'll have to raise you about a ton."

"Are you sure that you have shown me all the principal parts of the car?" asked the woman prospect.

"Yes, all of the main ones," replied the salesman.

"Well, then, where is the depreciation? My husband told me that was one of the biggest things about a car."

The teacher was trying to impress upon her class the advantages of peace and disarmament. "How many of you object to war?" she asked.

Up went several hands. "Jimmy, tell us why you object to war."

"Cause wars make history," replied Jimmy soberly.

"Did you miss your train, Sir?"

"No, I didn't like its looks, so I chased it out of the station."

A father was telling his son what a good shot he was and probably exaggerated the truth somewhat. However, to prove his point, he took the boy out duck hunting with him one day. Ducks were scarce but finally a lone duck flew overhead and the father took careful aim and fired. The duck kept right on going. Turning to the boy he said: "Son, you've just witnessed a miracle. There flies a dead duck."

Brash young clerk: "Since one of your vice-presidents just died, do you think I could take his place?"

Boss: "It's all right with me if you can arrange it with the undertaker."

An Iowa farmer went to Chicago to buy a bull. He wanted to get the best bull he could find, so he looked and looked. Finally he found a beautiful specimen, so he spent all his money on it. When he had made his purchase, he found he had only 7 cents left. Now his problem was how to get the bull home. 7 cents wouldn't go very far so he decided to send a telegram. When he got to the telegraph office he was informed that the name and address were free but the words were 7 cents each. After much thought he finally decided on the one word that would relay his problem. When the telegram arrived at his home it read, "COMFORTABLE!"

"Is Jim a confirmed bachelor?"

"He is now. He sent his picture to a Lonely Hearts Club they sent it back with a note saying, 'We're not that lonely.'"

"Believe me, Tip has cut his drinking in half." "Wonderful."

"Yep, he eliminated the chasers."

THIS'LL KILL 'YA...

Says a wit: "Her dress is rayon, her stockings are nylon, her coat is orlon, her gloves are dynel, and her slip is dacron. Nobody is going to pull the wool over her eyes."

"Doctor," said the obviously disturbed young man to his psychiatrist, "my biggest problem is that I always dream about baseball. Nothing but baseball."

"Don't you ever dream about girls?" asked the headshrinker.

"I don't dare," said the young man. "I'm afraid I'll lose my turn at bat."

A four-year-old watching television suddenly turned the set off. When asked why, she explained: "I don't want to miss anything while I take my bath."

A sweet young thing sat in a train depot, crying steadily. A sympathetic young man watched for a while, then went over to comfort her. He gently put his arm around her and spoke soothingly. Still she sobbed on. "Isn't there something I can do," he asked, "to make you stop crying?"

"I don't think so. It's hay fever," the girl answered. "But don't stop trying."

"There is nothing in the world that can't be done!" shouted the man giving the strong pep talk.

Came a voice from the back of the hall: "Have you ever tried pushing toothpaste back into the tube?"

The professor returned to his class with the examination papers and requested that all the students sit down.

"If you stood up it is conceivable that you might form a circle - in which case I might be arrested for maintaining a dope ring."

Wife to disgruntled job foreman just home from work: "Judging by the expression on your face, I'd guess the people in your section had a very hard day."

The elevator operator was experiencing a hectic day and her patience was strained.

"What would happen if the controls broke...would we go up or down?" a woman asked.

"Madam," the operator sighed, "that would depend entirely on what kind of a life you've led."

Sue: "I hear you told Bill yes. Did he happen to mention that he had proposed to me first?"

Lulu: "Well, not exactly. But he did say he did a lot of foolish things before he met me!"

"How did the trouble start?" asked the judge.

"Well, Your Honor, she asked me to play a round and I didn't know she was a golfer."

The beautiful blonde strolled into the psychiatrist's office. He immediately swept her into his arms and kissed her.

"Now, that takes care of my problem, what's yours?" he asked.

Following an evening of merry-making, an inebriated gentleman realized he was in no condition to find his way home by himself. So he staggered into one of the phone booths on the street and called his wife to come get him. He couldn't tell her where he was, however, and on his wife's instructions, he left the booth to get his bearings. When he returned to the telephone he explained: "Come get me honey, I'm at the corner of Walk and Don't Walk."

Slogan of a Diaper Service: "Rock a Dry Baby."

