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## Our Cover

The southern tip of Manhattan Island, home of New York's historic financial district, which is undergoing modernization on a large scale. The new head office building of the Chase Manhattan Bank, 1 Chase Manhattan Plaza, (at right) rises 813 feet into the downtown skyline. A World Trade Center is planned for fifteen acres in the area along the East River, a heliport serving the city's three major airports has already been opened, and next year our new headquarters building at Broad and Beaver Streets will add still another skyscraper (39 stories) to the Manhattan skyline.

## Short Hauls . . .

Did you know that the letter "e" is the most used letter in the alphabet? That is why it is the first and most easily accessible letter on the linotype keyboard — a keyboard much more wisely and scientifically arranged than that of the typewriter. It is also said to be the most unfortunate letter in the alphabet, because it is always out of cash, forever in debt, never out of danger, and in torment all of the time. All of which is true. Still, it is never in war, always in peace and always in something to eat. It is the beginning of existence, the commencement of easy, and the end of trouble. Without it there would be no love or heaven. It is the center of honesty and it is always in love!

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Sign in a self-service laundromat:  
"Please remove your clothing after  
you've finished your laundry."

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We must spend less time telling  
the world what America makes  
and more time telling the world  
what makes America.

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Some people would like to take  
a trip to the moon but are afraid  
to sit in the front row at church.

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Nothing else so brightens the  
day of a news writer or editor as  
a request for an article that ap-  
peared either in his journal, or some  
other one — about two or three  
years ago, and somewhere between  
January and December.

# Social Security Changes

Changes in the social security law signed by President Kennedy on June 30, 1961 marks still another step forward in improving the social security system for the American people. Significant changes will directly affect many thousands of people giving them benefits for the first time or increasing benefits already payable to them, the Social Security Administration announced recently. A look at these changes can be very important to you.

1. *Men now have an option of retiring at age 62 with slightly lower benefits or of waiting until age 65 and collecting full benefits.*
2. *Aged widows' benefits are increased by about 10 percent.*
3. *Minimum benefits are raised.*
4. *The amount of work under social security needed to get benefits is lowered.*
5. *People who receive only part of their benefits for a year because they earn over \$1500 will have a smaller amount deducted.*
6. *Social security taxes go up slightly beginning January 1, 1962.*

Under the new provisions, men can begin collecting benefits at age 62 if they choose, just as women have been able to do since 1956. But workers who decide to take benefits before they are 65 will

get less per month than they would if they waited until age 65.

The sooner a worker takes his benefits after age 62, the greater will be the reduction in his benefits. However, the reductions are figured so that on the average people may expect to receive about the same amount if they take reduced benefits beginning before age 65, or wait until they reach 65 and collect higher monthly amounts.

Dependent husband's benefits if taken before age 65, will also be reduced, but dependent widowers and fathers can receive full benefits at age 62.

The new amendments raise the aged widow's benefit from the present 75 percent of the husband's retirement benefit to 82.5 percent — a 10 percent increase in benefits, beginning August 1, 1961.

The same increase will be made in the benefits of aged dependent widowers and those of aged parents if there is only one dependent parent surviving.

An increase of up to \$7 in the minimum old-age, survivors, and disability insurance benefits is due beginning with the benefit check for the month of August 1961. The present minimum is \$33; the new minimum payment will be \$40.

Another change in the law makes it possible for people eligible for

social security benefits to get more in combined earnings and benefits than he would have had under the old law.

Under both the old and the new law, a beneficiary can earn \$1200 a year and receive all of his monthly social security benefits. The old law however, required \$1 in benefits to be withheld for each \$2 earned from \$1200 to \$1500, and \$1 for each \$1 earned over \$1500.

Under the new law, \$1 is withheld for each \$2 earned from \$1200 to \$1700, and then \$1 for each \$1 over \$1700. Thus, under the new law only \$250 in benefits is deducted when the beneficiary earns \$1700 during the year. Under the old law \$350 would have been withheld.

To help finance the changes, the amendments call for an increase in social security taxes beginning January 1, 1962. Employees and employers will each pay an additional one-eighth of one percent on earnings up to \$4,800 a year—a total of three and one-eighth percent in social security taxes.

The disability insurance program remains unchanged, except that workers with long-standing disabilities are given another year, until June 30, 1962, to file claims for benefits.

If you have any questions we suggest you get in touch with your local social security office. The address can be found in the telephone directory under "U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Social Security Administration, District Office."

## **Credit Union Declares Semi-Annual Dividend**

The New York Employees Federal Credit Union declared a semi-annual 4½% per annum dividend payable on all accounts on record as of July 1, 1961.

George Barberio, Treasurer of the Credit Union reported that this action was the result of a recent change in the Federal Law affecting the operations of Credit Unions in the United States which now permits the payment of semi-annual dividends. Prior to this ruling dividend payments were made only once a year to shareholders on record as of December 31st.

As of June 30, 1961 employees in the New York offices have a total of \$271,765.38 invested in Credit Union shares.

## **25-Year Club Reunion Dinner October 27**

The Eighteenth Annual Reunion of the Twenty-Five Year Club of RCA Communications will be held at the Hotel St. George, Brooklyn, New York, on Friday, October 27.

Similar reunions are planned at other offices and stations around the system. This year twenty-seven new members will be welcomed into the ranks and receive gold watches to commemorate a quarter century of service with the Company. The total membership of this "exclusive" club, including active and retired personnel, now stands at 609.



## They Give Blood To Help Others

When the Red Cross Bloodmobile pulled away from our New York offices on the afternoon of July 21 they carried with them 164 pints of blood donated by RCA employees. This was their annual contribution to the Company-Union Blood Bank which was established fourteen years ago.

This year, employees of the Electronic Data Processing Division, here in New York joined our bank

and made generous contributions to this worthy cause. They have now become associate members of our Blood Bank along with the Stock Records Division and the Frequency Bureau.

All personnel are reminded that when the need for blood arises, simply call Howard Moyer on Ext. 310 and arrangements will be made to handle your requirements.





## DESK-FAX

Desk-Fax is a method of transmitting and receiving an exact reproduction of printed or written copy by wire.

The derivation of the word stems from the fact that it is a miniature facsimile machine so compact that it can be placed on top of a desk. The instrument measures 12½" wide, 7" high, and 12½" deep. It is designed primarily to accommodate the small business firm with a limited volume of message traffic.

Desk-Fax is a product of the research and development laboratories of the Western Union Telegraph Company. W. U. introduced this system on their domestic network several years ago, and it proved so popular that some of the international carriers made ar-

rangements to lease or purchase the equipment from Western Union in order to provide similar service to their customers. The first RCA installation of Desk-Fax went into operation in July 1958. Today, we have more than 160 machines installed in customers offices throughout the city, and they have become an important adjunct to our regular messenger pick-up and delivery service.

RCA Desk-Fax customers are served through five New York City branch offices at the present time, WS, SK, LX, FA and BV. Together they handle upwards of 6,000 Desk-Fax messages a month. Each of these branch offices, with the exception of WS, is equipped with a 30-line concentrator operating ter-

Two thirty-line concentrators at the WS office, 5 Beekman Street, can accommodate 60 Desk-Fax customers. The RCA Operator is shown here making a customer connection through the switch-board prior to the transmission of a message.



minal. These concentrators act as the transmitting and receiving center between the customer and the local RCA branch office. The customer is tied into the system through private tie-line connections. At the WS Office we maintain dual 30-line concentrators capable of accommodating 60 customers in that area. While our present Desk-Fax network serves approximately 160 customers we have a potential capacity for 180.

This service is especially adapted to the needs of the business firm where the international message volume is not sufficient to warrant a private teleprinter installation. However, Desk-Fax is gaining in popularity even among potential teleprinter customers. This is especially true where the customer's requirements are limited



Operator Henry Russo locks the message on a vertical drum transmitter and prepares to make the customer connection at the Desk-Fax turret position in WS Office.

entirely to message traffic with no demand for Telex. Some of the advantages of this service immediately becomes apparent to the customer. A Desk-Fax machine can be placed almost anywhere in his office, and the operation of the equipment is so simple that a secretary, telephone switchboard operator or an office clerk can handle the transmission and reception of message telegrams. The equipment is attractive, noiseless, and affords easy push-button operation. It has some

of the advantages of a private tie-line connection since it gives the customer instantaneous connection with the local RCA branch office where each message receives personalized attention. Since the machine will transmit telegrams as well as record them, it eliminates the time required for messenger pick-up and delivery.

Desk-Fax has proved to be one of the most popular additions to our customer installations since the advent of the messenger call box system.



This is a typical Desk-Fax customer installation. Here the secretary is shown removing an incoming radiogram from the drum of the machine.



# Labor and Management As Human Beings

Both labor and management are usually preoccupied with their own views on wages, prices profits and other factors which affect the economy. There is the labor "side" and the management "side." This is not likely to change, and it wouldn't be a good thing for labor and management to cease to have any differences at all. Because that could happen only in a totalitarian state where no "sides" are allowed to exist, and nothing counts except the dictatorship's orders.

It is interesting to learn how someone who is on neither "side" looks at labor-management controversy. Recently we came across a statement by Rev. Dr. Abraham J. Feldman, of Hartford, Connecticut. His words are well worth some thought, whether you are on labor's "side" or management's:

"Labor and management are not 'We' and 'They.' They are interdependent. They are not natural enemies. They are and should be co-workers. The world is dependent upon both. Labor and management are, to change the figure of speech, the obverse and reverse of the same medal. Neither can exist without the other and neither can be creative without the other. Labor and management must accept this — if I may use a word that is not considered Kosher nowadays — 'coexistence' — and strive to make it work in good faith and for the good of all the people of our society.

"What then does labor have the right to expect of management? Labor has the right to expect that management look upon it not as an impersonal commodity, not merely as a matter of statistics or an abstraction, but to look upon it as people, as human beings; not 'hands' not 'automats,' not 'robots,' but as **human beings** subject to the same needs and entitled to the same human rights as are those who constitute management.

"And management has a right to expect of the human beings who constitute labor to be looked upon not as stereotypes, not as the distortion which the cartoonists have given it during the years, not as conniving beasts, but as human beings who are subject to the same needs and are entitled to the same rights as those which labor claims for itself.

"They both must realize that it is not a case of 'We' or 'They.' Both are 'We' — the producers together of the nation's products, the creators of the nation's wealth, and that both, labor and management, are investing their lives in the economic aspect of our existence. Both must cooperate to mutual advantage, if the oft-forgotten party of such strife, the public and the public's welfare — which is neither secondary nor minimal — is to be adequately protected and nobly served."

# People and Jobs

*The following changes on the staff were announced last month:*

**Charles Grech** from Senior Clerk to Supervisor, Accounting, Tangier.

**Christobal C. Sanchez** from receiving Electrician to Maintenance Technician, Tangier.

**Manuel Blanco Gonzales** from Receiving Electrician to Maintenance Technician, Tangier.

**Robert Rivera** from Engineering Assistant, Tangier to Administrator, Subscriber Services, New York.

**Elizabeth Braddy** from B/O Automatic Operator to Secretary, Public Offices and Sales.

**Arthur Greenberg** from Operating Technician to Technical Supervisor.

**Solomon Cohen** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Gerald Glen** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Seymour Kogelman** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Charles Martino** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Bernard McQuillan** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Lester Millman** from Operating

Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Arthur Pearson** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Edward Primus** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Milton Zwilling** from Operating Maintenance Technician to Switching Technician.

**Ila M. Ward** from Supervisor, Tie-Lines to Traffic Assistant, San Francisco.

**John P. Clark** from Service Writer to Clerical Chief.

**Richard Skowronski** from P/T Messenger to Office Boy, General Accounting.

**William Mackey** from Messenger to B/O Clerk.

**Carl Ford** from Check Clerk II to Router.

**Harold Conaty** from Combination Technician to Supervisor of Technicians.

**Robert Joakimson** from PTL Printer Chief to Supervisor, PTL, San Francisco.

**Kenneth Morris** from P/T Messenger to Key Punch Operator.

**Angela Ardizzone** from Investigations Clerk to Dicto-Typist.

**George Gibson** from Porter to Check Clerk II.

**Audrey Mead** from Key Punch Operator to Secretary, Terminal Facilities Construction.

**Anthony Quintiliano** from Check Clerk II to Automatic Operator.

**Patrick McKenna** from Check Clerk II to Automatic Operator.

**George Lubniewski** from P/T Messenger to Office Boy, Executive Offices.

**Richard Konian** from Jr. Design Engineer to Design Engineer.

**Alexander Veder** from Engineering Assistant to Jr. Design Engineer.

**Thomas McCarthy** from Design Engineer to Construction Engineer.

**Gerald Offholter** from Combination Clerk to Storekeeper, San Francisco.

**Vincente Hernandez** from Bicycle Messenger to Counter Clerk, Manila.

**Federico Cristobal** from Bicycle Messenger to Counter Clerk, Manila.

**Francisco Espiritu** from Delivery Clerk to Counter Clerk, Manila.

**Henry Edwards** from Traffic Engineering Assistant to Satellite Communications Systems Engineer.

## 48 Year Veteran Retires

**Frederick Wilhelm**, Manager San Juan Operations, retired on September 1 after more than 48 years of service.

Mr. Wilhelm joined the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company in 1913 was employed as an operator until World War I when he enlisted in the Navy. After serving as a Chief Electrician until 1920 he rejoined the Company as a member of the San Francisco operating staff. He held positions of increasing responsibility on the operating and commercial staffs, and in 1945 he was assigned Assistant District Manager, Manila. One year later he was transferred to the sales staff in New York. In 1947 he took over the duties of Superintendent, San Juan Office.

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## In Memoriam

**Juan A. Tanega**, Superintendent of Operations, Manila passed away on July 16 at the age of 60.

Mr. Tanega had more than 36 years service with the Company. He joined the Radio Corporation of the Philippines in 1924 as an operator. In 1929 he was appointed Traffic Supervisor, and in 1951 he was promoted to the position of Superintendent of Operations.

**John Brumshagen**, Combination Technician, New York, died suddenly on July 23 at the age of 54.

Mr. Brumshagen had been a

member of the maintenance staff since 1944. He is survived by his sister, Mrs. Virginia G. Aswad of Brooklyn, New York:

**Daniel A. Moran**, former Manager of the Purchasing Division (retired) passed away on July 31 at the age of 72.

Mr. Moran joined the Company in 1923 as a Clerk in the Sales Accounting Section. He later served as a Bookkeeper, Cashier and Paymaster. From 1931 until his retirement in 1954 he was in charge of the Purchasing Division.



## They Need Your Help

What happens to a child who suddenly finds himself parentless, with no one to feed, clothe or care for him . . . or a toddler who because of a family split-up or because he was born to an unwed, mother — has no home?

The problems of these children, whether they be newly born or a few years old, are not simple ones. How to make them feel wanted, stay healthy both physically and mentally, and grow up to be productive citizens are challenges that Greater New York Fund agencies specializing in these problems are faced with every day. The Fund agencies provide homes and care as well as adoption service for thousands of children in the Greater New York area.

One of the Fund's participating agencies, the New York Foundling Hospital, is the largest child-caring agency in New York City. In addition to providing institutional care

for children under two years of age, it also furnishes them with boarding and adoption service from birth to the age of 18, and gives temporary shelter to mother with babies. The Foundling Hospital serves parents and children of every faith and race, giving each the medical, dental and personal care they require.

Another Fund agency, the Infants Home of Brooklyn, also cares for dependent and neglected children ranging in age from newly born infants to six. In addition to providing them with fully equipped outdoor play areas, expert medical care and suitable clothing, the Home maintains a kindergarten run by trained nursery school teachers.

Service for children is just one facet of help provided by Fund agencies. The health, medical and welfare services supported by the Greater New York Fund are many

and varied. Almost four million persons are helped each year by 125 affiliated agencies, making the Fund the largest local network of its kind in the world. Clinics, camps, youth clubs, legal aid, visiting nurses, adoption services, 22 employment and vocational guidance agencies, 10 sheltered workshops, 11 temporary shelters for children, 59 day care centers, nursery schools and kindergartens, 45 neighborhood houses and settlements, 69 voluntary hospitals and dozens of others stand ready to render assistance to the millions working and living in New York.

To maintain and continuously support such vital and worthy activities, money is needed. The Fund raises its money through the efforts of close to 145,000 volunteers from the business community, who devote their energies to seeking contributions. These volunteers include top business executives, office workers, members of organized labor and civil service employees. The Fund never solicits contributions in the home or on the street. The individual New Yorker can give to the Fund only at his place of business.

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During the week of September 18 we will conduct our annual campaign for the Greater New York Fund. This once-a-year charity appeal deserves your support. When your employee representative calls on you, open your heart and your pocketbook and help those less fortunate than most of us. Give generously to this worthy cause.





# Are You An "If Only" Driver?

With traffic accidents in the United States topping the 10 million mark annually, the people whose business it is to help keep you safe point out that only around 2 million of these accidents involve normally reckless or irresponsible drivers. Around 8 million involve the usually proficient, normally conscientious, comparatively accident free group, known as "good" drivers.

If you fit in this group — and most of us do — then beware, lest you become one of the nation's burgeoning crop of "If-Only" drivers.

An If-Only driver is a term devised by traffic engineers of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company after their studies revealed that nearly all of the country's 10 million annual traffic accidents could be prevented! An If-Only driver, they say, is one who gets involved in a traffic accident that could have been prevented if **only** he had acted, or reacted, differently.

Before you eliminate yourself from the ranks of If-Only drivers check yourself against this list of five psychological driving types. If you fit into even one of these categories you have the makings of an If-Only driver:

1. **The Power-Packer.** The very young and the very old sometimes try to play this role. They use all their cars' power — and especially enjoy sudden bursts of speed — because it makes **them** feel more powerful.

2. **The Big Wheel.** This man seeks a feeling of skill rather than power, is fond of shifting lanes and riding very close to the car ahead — trying to "outsmart" the normal traffic.

3. **The "Teacher."** This driver seeks to "teach that guy a lesson" (often, by cutting him off) as a public service. Secretly, the teacher is really trying to boost his own ego!

4. **The Gambler.** To this fellow a car is like a ride at an amusement park. He takes chances, enjoys the thrill of danger, and one day he'll run smack into his own fate on the highway.

5. **The Economist.** This penny-pincher delays replacing burned-out lights and worn-out windshield wipers and probably won't have his brakes adjusted until he's crawled up on your back bumper. In the long run his attitude will cost him more money than the repairs would have.

Attitudes like these, when the driver recognizes them, are easy to change. The chances for a lifetime of accident-free driving can also be increased by adhering to the simple fundamentals of driving; those basic rules that often are disregarded simply because they are so very common. Here are 10 reminders that can help you avoid If-Only driving, and perhaps save your life in the process:

1. *Keep speed under control. Legal speed limits are set for ideal conditions. When traffic*



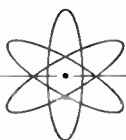
*is heavy or weather conditions poor, lower your speed, because driving too fast for conditions is the biggest single factor in accidents.*

- 2. Keep to the right of the center line. Sounds elementary, but head-on collisions are the most deadly type of accident.*
- 3. Yield the right-of-way, even if it's legally yours. Who wants to be dead right? When in doubt — Yield.*
- 4. Obey traffic signs every time. Nine times out of ten is no good: The time you don't is the time you wish you had.*
- 5. Check rear-view mirror and then be extra careful when changing lanes. Never pass on hills or curves, and watch out for those who do!*
- 6. Long before turning, ease into the proper lane and give a continuous signal until turn is completed.*
- 7. Keep a comfortable distance from car ahead. On open highway keep a car-length behind*

*the car ahead for each 10 mph of speed. Keep your eyes and mind ahead of the car ahead. Sudden stops bring sudden death from front or rear.*

- 8. Never drive after drinking. Alcohol figures in one out of every three fatal traffic accidents.*
- 9. Keep your car in good shape. Replace worn tires, keep brakes, lights, horn and windshield wipers working for your safety.*
- 10. Drive defensively — that is, so skillfully that you do not create accident situations nor get trapped into those created by others.*

These common-sense rules can keep you safe if only you observe them all the time you are driving. Behind the wheel there is no such thing as being "half-safe." One momentary lapse — one error in judgment — one failure to anticipate — can ruin your perfect record and plunge you into a lifetime of If-Only regrets.



## Briefly Told . .

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**SILENT DOCTOR:** Electronic computers can be invaluable tools in determining critical fatigue levels and alertness of astronauts, airmen and motorists, an RCA scientist told the Fourth International Conference on Medical Electronics.

Dr. D. S. Himmelman, Administrator, Advanced Product Planning, RCA Electronic Data Processing Division, said research indicates an electronic "brain" can be used to excellent advantage in weeding out accident-prone individuals from among applicants for driver's licenses. At the same time, he said, a computer can be employed in pinpointing the critical fatigue levels of astronauts and commercial airline pilots.

**RADIO "PILL":** A new medical research technique using tiny passive radio "pills" implanted permanently inside the bodies of monkeys may shed new light on the little-known nature and timing of functions in the human female ovary, according to a report by a team of specialists of the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Medicine and the Radio Corporation of America.

The experiments are aimed at determining the physical changes that occur at ovulation — the recurring periodic production and expulsion of the egg, or ovum, from the ovary. Up to now, according to scientists, no reliable method has been developed for determining just when ovulation is about to occur or has occurred, or for continuously monitoring the functions of the ovary.

**NEW TEST EQUIPMENT:** A new power-line monitor that responds continuously to fluctuations and changes in power-line voltage is the latest addition to RCA's test equipment line.

This power-line monitor can bring faster, more convenient servicing to the service shop, ham shack, industrial or photo lab, as well as electrical maintenance departments.

**RADIOCARDIOGRAPH:** Tomorrow's hospital patients may have their temperature, pulse, and breathing under constant watch from one central point on each hospital floor by means of a simple "building block" system of tiny electronic measuring and radio transmitting devices.

An experimental RCA radiocardiograph uses a sensitive transmitter only slightly larger than a lump of sugar. Placed against the skin at the fingertips, on the arm, or elsewhere, the miniature unit detects heart action from the associated electrical changes in the body and transmits the information to a receiving antenna elsewhere in the room for display as a visible cardiogram on a viewing tube or an inked pattern on recording paper — thus eliminating the need for wire connections from the patient to the recorder.

**MICROWAVE SYSTEM:** The world's most advanced microwave communications system recently was placed into operation in Western Canada.

Built by RCA Victor Company, Ltd., under prime contract to Canadian National Railways, the \$25 million system provides greatly improved telephone and telegraph facilities along the Alaska Highway, stretching 1,300 miles from Grand Prairie in northwestern Alberta to Mount Dave on the Yukon-Alaska border.

This communications marvel initially will be able to provide up to 600 telephone voice channels — their performance substantially exceeding the recognized standards for such communications systems.

**SATELLITE TEST SYSTEM:** A contract for the construction and installation of an automatic programmer and test system for monitoring and testing satellites in an environmental chamber was awarded to RCA by the Lockheed Missile and Space Division.

Called APATS, the equipment initially will be used to check the MIDAS and Discoverer satellites. The satellites will be tested in a vacuum chamber that simulates outer space environmental conditions.

Irving K. Kessler, Vice President and General Manager of RCA's Airborne Systems Division, said the contract "marks another significant step forward in RCA's program to provide automated test systems for advanced space vehicles."

## A Remarkable Lady

# **The Woman Who Never Grows Old**

The woman of whom we write is an awesome beauty. Her vital statistics are 42'-35'-39'. She always wears a handsome copper sheath. High in her right hand she carries a torch—symbol of her love affair with the tired, the poor, the hopeful, the huddled masses.

The lady has a mouth three feet wide, but she never talks. There is no need for that. Her full name is the Statue of Liberty Enlightening The World.

This Fall—on Saturday, October 28th—the lady known as Liberty will be 75 years old. There will be important doings at her home base—Liberty Island—in New York's harbor.

Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, the French sculptor who conceived the idea of the colossus (the largest statue ever built—she's 305 feet, 1 inch high from pedestal foundation to torch), will be memorialized when a Bartholdi statue will be unveiled near the base of his greatest work of art.

Like the Statue of Liberty, the statue of Bartholdi will be a gift from the people of France to the people of the United States.

Seventy-five years ago come October 28th, the statue was dedicated and unveiled after more than 12 years of preparation.

The statue was built by popular subscriptions in France—and de-

signed by Bartholdi there—to commemorate the 100th anniversary of American independence. The American pedestal for the statue was not started until 1883—and it was built by popular subscription, too. Total cost of both added up to between \$500,000 and \$600,000.

Forty persons can stand together comfortably in Liberty's head; her torch will hold 12 people. Annually, some 800,000 visitors go to Liberty Island to visit the statue by ferry from the Battery in Manhattan.

The 12-acre island was known, until 1956, as Bedloe's Island, after its first owner, Isaac Bedloe, a Walloon. (His wife sold the island for 80 pounds.) On August 3, 1956, a joint resolution of Congress changing the name to Liberty Island was approved by President Eisenhower. The joint resolution of Congress said of the statue:

"The symbol of the dreams and aspirations which have drawn so many millions to America and... stands eternal as the symbol of Freedom which has been made a living reality in the United States."

And from the National Park Service of the Department of the Interior, which administers the Mother of Exiles, comes this remarkable statement:

"Time has improved the physical appearance of the Statue of Liberty."







**Stephan R. Bolha**  
New York  
35 Years



**Edmund Morrissey**  
San Francisco  
35 Years



**John Meany**  
New York  
25 Years

## *Emblem Awards*



**Warren McKinney**  
Balinas  
20 Years

## *For September*



**John Schiano**  
New York  
20 Years



**Stanley Jones**  
Washington  
20 Years



**Saul Feurman**  
New York  
20 Years

# BROAD STREET BREVITIES

Lena Madonna (NY Plant) announced her engagement to John McKeon on July 22 . . . John Sharp (Check Clerk) became engaged to Barbara Peluso (NY Plant) on Aug. 1, the wedding is set for next May . . . Automatic Operator John Nave was married to Patricia A. Brimlow on July 22.

Pat Mileti (Credit) gave birth to a baby boy, Anthony, on July 11 . . . James McDonald (Operations Engineering) and Nancy McDonald (Traffic Engineering) be-

came the parents of a daughter, Diane Lynn, on July 20 . . . Louis Bell (Tab Operator) and his wife Mary Ann Bell (Key Punch Operator) announced the birth of a baby girl, Anna Mathilda, on July 20 . . . Lillian Sealy (Key Punch Operator) and Leonard Sealy (Automatic Operator) call their new daughter Lydia Angela, born on Aug. 5 . . . James Murphy (Controllers) calls his daughter Dona Leigh. This is Jim's first girl, he has four boys . . . Rudy Masseria (Operating Technician) recently announced the birth of his 10th child, a girl, Laura . . . Andrew McNerney (Engineering Assistant) became the proud father of a son called Andrew Patrick on August 5.

Operators Leon Baumlin and Armando Villamor of Station WNY recently played a significant part in an exchange of MEDICO messages with a ship at sea. The Transport Tanker "Naess Leader" requested help and instructions for the removal of a sick seaman who required immediate medical attention. As a result of the help and assistance offered by the two RCA operators the seaman was taken off the vessel by the U. S. Coast Guard and rushed to local hospital. A letter of thanks was sent to the company by Hugh M. Stephens, Marine Superinten-



Kathleen Shenton, 18 year-old daughter of Harry Shenton, Manager Commercial Research, will attend Cortland State Teachers College this fall on a Scholarship Award received from Bay Shore High School.

dent of the Naess Shipping Company, commending Baumlín and Villamor on a job well done.

We are glad to welcome back Ellen Sinnott (Traffic Accounting) after recuperating from an automobile accident.

#### **ADDITIONS TO THE STAFF:**

Terminal Facilities welcomes Tom McCarthy. Station Facilities welcomes Erling Lande, Patrick J. Buckley and George L. Kwok. George Lubniewski is the new Office Boy in the Executive Offices replacing Billy McGinnelly who is on Military Leave.

Ernie Amato (Ex Office) returned from his honeymoon in San Juan Puerto Rico and reports that he visited the fashionable night clubs the Tropicoro and La Concha, and the El Comandante race track. Ernie describes San Juan as one of the most beautiful places he has ever seen.



Secretary Kay Fay pins a 25-year service emblem on William J. Gaffney the day he celebrated a quarter century of service with the Company.



## **\$100 For Thinking**

Combination Technician Harry Hoppe (left) receives a \$100 suggestion award check from M. L. Hutchins, Manager New York Plant. Mr. Hoppe suggested a modification on Customer Control Units which will minimize trouble calls and reduce outage time on customer teleprinter installations.

# Around The System

## ROCKY POINT

*By Bob Oliver*

Carl Baumgardner is the Director of the Port Jefferson Fire Department Drum and Bugle Corps, a championship marching group that has won many competitions. Carl is also an instructor of the brass section, and is to be congratulated for his fine double-duty work in this field.

Wilbur Watson visited Cleveland, Ohio to see his son, Robert, graduate from Fenn College. Rob-

ert, who has five children of his own, received his Bachelor's degree! A B. A. to be exact.

James H. Taylor, son of our EC, Harold A. Taylor, has been elected to Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering society at the University of Rochester. Taylor, who is majoring in electrical engineering, is feature editor of the Rochester Indicator, student engineering magazine, a member of the marching band and pep band at the University, and a member of the Engineering Student Council.

Jack Newton's son, Bill, who is attending Cornell University Department of Dairy and Food Science, won the 1961 Virginia Dare Award. This consists of both cash and a handsome plaque, and is awarded to the student who shows the most potential as a future professional judge of cattle and livestock.

Neil Beck's daughter, Kathryn was the Salutatorian of her graduating class from Center Moriches High School. She was awarded a N. Y. State Regents' scholarship. She is Secretary of the National Honor Society and was Editor-in-Chief of the high school magazine, "Keyhole." Her brother, Neil, Jr., also won a N. Y. State Regents' scholarship two years ago, and has just completed his sophomore year at Alfred University.

Vacation postcards from E. Olsen who toured seven states in his new Tempest, the highlight of



Linda Fletcher, 20-year-old daughter of Lowell Fletcher of Rocky Point, is an Adelphi College student who will spend six-months in Europe studying in Holland, Denmark and Spain, as part of her preparation for a teaching career.



the trip was a stop-over at historic Williamsburg, Virginia.

Elvar Lawson went to Maine again, but varied the routine considerably as he and his family left Quebec, made the three day drive of the very scenic Gaspé Peninsula; visited Nova Scotia, and took the long ferry ride from Yarmouth, N. S., to Bar Harbor, Maine.

## RIVERHEAD

*By Connie Mattie*

Lennie Nedosik, himself the father of twins, became the grandfather of twin granddaughters presented to him by his daughter, Margie.

John Guy, one of Riverhead's active firemen, was painfully burned at a recent local fire. John's softball team is currently battling for second place in the Riverhead Softball League. One local sports enthusiast has dubbed our John, "the Casey Stengel of Riverhead."

Linda Tyte, daughter of Mechanic Harry Tyte, bowled a 500 series in local league competition. Her high game of the series was a 212 game for which she received a trophy. This was the second 200 plus game for Linda.

Latest members of the 25 Year Club from RD are Grant Adams and Walter Olsen.

## WASHINGTON

*By Fred Libby*

Shortly after the bowling season ended, the baseball season began, and many of our sports minded became spectators rather than participants. Rabid fans Lee Morgan and Bill Farr have joined other local residents in beating a path to the local ball park.

RCA Board Chairman General David Sarnoff was the principal speaker at a luncheon given by the National Press Club at which members of the Morse Telegraph Club were honorary guests. The purpose of the luncheon was to commemorate the centennial of the military telegraph. General Sarnoff transmitted a message in Morse code and later displayed the latest RCA marvel — an AM FM television receiver no larger than the human



Technician R. E. Page (right) of Rocky Point receives a suggestion award check from Supervisor L. E. Fletcher. Mr. Page suggested installation of level indicators at microphone positions of the p. a. system.

brain, capable of receiving both color and black and white. Bob Hurley, President of the Washington Chapter of the Morse Club and former Relay Correspondent now retired, congratulated General Sarnoff on his speech and on his expert telegraphy — the General still has a wonderful "fist."

Vacation Notes: Dick and Helen Moynihan vacationed at Hampton Beach, New Hampshire, which is close to the home town of both — they are natives of Massachusetts . . . Edgar Van Buskirk's vacation card complained of all sorts of unfortunate occurrences, but we think he was pulling our leg and we'll wait for a personal report upon his return.



Mr. Yuji Kurachi, American Honda Motor Company, Los Angeles, California was the winner of a recent golf tournament held at the Antelope Valley Country Club in Palm-dale. Mr. Kurachi's net score was 82. The trophy he is holding was donated by RCA Communications.

## POINT REYES

*By C. M. Cherrigan*

The last remaining banks of receivers at RS have been converted over to A. C., thus terminating the use of batteries for filament voltages. At 10:05 a. m. on July 25, the batteries were shut off after 31 years of service.

Recent visitors to our station were Design Engineer Clyde Backus from New York and District Engineer Arthur Z. Smith from Guam.

Congratulations to Technician Stuart Ireland who recently returned with his new bride from Ellensburg, Washington. The Ireland's are residing in Inverness.

At Station KPH it was old home week recently when Operators Charles Ashling and Sydney Parks returned to the fold after several years at sea as shipboard operators.

Looking over the vacationing personnel we find the Bill Theils visiting in Colorado; the Richard Flints traveling through Northern California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia; Dud Dixon and his son enjoyed a pack trip in the Sierras around the Yosemite Area; Claude "Big Bear" Meloney languished on the white sands of Santa Cruz; the Elgin Bakers sojourned to old Mexico; the Eben Colliers motored to Los Angeles.

With the return of large schools of striped bass in Tomales Bay, anglers Walt Matthews, Joe Sciallo and Lee Richardson are bringing in some nice catches.



This was the scene at the RCA Press Center during the recent Governors Conference in Hawaii. Automatic Operators Nalani Schine (left) and Florence Taketa (right) stand by to accept an RCA message from correspondent George Remington.

## HONOLULU

*By Bruce Flood*

Hawaii played host to the 53rd annual Governors Conference which was held at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel from June 26 to June 28. And simultaneously we were honored with visits by Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson and Prime Minister Ikeda of Japan.

We were amazed at the preparations required for such an occasion. An entire fleet of white Chevrolet convertibles, sedans and station wagons were imported from the mainland and fitted with special license plates bearing the name of each governor. The Sheraton

Corporation, owners of the Royal Hawaiian, had room and entertainment schedules laid out that would rival the plans of a general taking an army into battle. John Felix, Administrative Assistant to Governor Quinn, and Roger Coryell, Press Secretary, deserve particular acclaim for their untiring efforts to coordinate the entire program. Honorable mention also to Barbara Rickels of the Sheraton public relations office who did a fine job of handling the requirements of the press corps.

RCA was on the job to furnish

communication services for the press and diplomatic corps. A special RCA office was established in the ballroom of the hotel to provide around-the-clock service to newsmen and government officials. Manning this office on the various shifts were: Nancy Diamond, Nalani Schine, Florence Taketa, Louella Oshiro, Lorraine Montgomery, Larry Haae, and Marion Kai. Approximately 50,000 words of press traffic was generated, plus a large file of government and diplomatic messages were handled. We had

the pleasure of working with some of the top political writers in the country, and we enjoyed serving all of them.

One of the Governors was heard to mention that he was tempted to introduce a resolution making Hawaii the permanent site of this annual conference. All we can add to that is, "We're all for it, Governor!" RCA Communications in Hawaii is and always will be prepared to provide the best communications service in the Pacific for any and all special events such as this.



Local troops stand guard outside the RCA office in Ciudad Trujillo, D. R. This precaution was taken following the assassination of Generalissimo Trujillo. The news of his death was sent Via RCA to all parts of the world, and it served to mark the first time that RCA Radiophotos were transmitted from the Dominican Republic to the United States.

