

Buses Replace Trolleys As Washington Modernizes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Street cars no longer clank past the White House, where they have traveled since the days of Abraham Lincoln.

Buses now roll down Pennsylvania avenue, replacing the trolleys that replaced the cable cars that replaced the horsecars that first started over the route 97 years ago.

The switchover on this and two other routes took place Sunday. The last of the capital's street cars is to go out of service in 1963.

Old Washingtonians, who have a deep love for their city's past, viewed the passing of the street cars with regret.

It was in 1862 that the first horse-drawn street car trundled along the track from Georgetown to the Capitol. During the intervening years, not only Presidents, but distinguished guests in Blair House across Pennsylvania avenue from the White House, could hear the harsh clatter of wheel against rail in the still of the night.

President Theodore Roosevelt made an occasional trolley trip, but so far as is known, no other President ever rode one of the cars. In the early days, however, congressmen and some Supreme Court justices were frequent passengers.

Big changes in transportation on Capitol Hill are also taking place this week. Tuesday a new subway system connecting the new Senate office building with the Capitol will be officially put into service.

It's only a 55-second ride, but the senators who have been hoofing it from the new building for a year have been eagerly awaiting its completion. There has been subway transportation from the old Senate office building to the Capitol for 50 years, but it will shortly be abandoned in favor of the new system. Two cars,

each carrying 18 passengers, will serve each building.

Although they are just as far from the Capitol as the senators, members of the House have never had a subway from their two office buildings. They have a tunnel, but they have to walk it.

One veteran congressman was trudging along the tunnel the other day. About halfway through he stopped and sighed, "This thing gets longer every year."

"You know," he told a colleague, "I think I just might have to run for the Senate so I can get on that subway."

Shoeshiner Starts Fire

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP) — A shoeshine boy asked a service station attendant Sunday whether some spilled gas would ignite if he threw a match into it. The attendant said it would. Out of curiosity the boy threw a match. A car was badly damaged, three pumps ruined and four firemen slightly hurt when fumes from the main gas tank exploded.

No matter what members of Congress may say on the floor of the House or Senate, they cannot be sued for libel.

SAPS Planning Revolution; Want Day Made Full Week

CHICAGO (AP) — A group of women calling themselves SAPS think they've been saps too long — they want to make Mother's Day a full week.

SAPS is short for Society for the Appreciation and Preservation of Spouses, a feminist movement which got off Sunday to a determined if unofficial start in Chicago.

In this case, "spouse" refers only to wives.

The SAPS are foursquare for a

National Spouse Week, seven full days in February in which the wives tie the aprons on what they consider the already overappreciated, overpreserved spouses, the husbands.

Mother's Day just isn't enough, according to SAPS founder Margaret Jane Fink, 31, of Chicago, a wife five years and a mother three.

"Mother's Day is just one day a year while men enjoy Father's Day 52 weeks a year," said Mrs. Fink. "Besides, we have to cook on Mother's Day anyway."

Organized a few weeks ago, SAPS already claims some 30 housewives and mothers in the Chicago area and Wisconsin.

"Papa should be Mama once in a while," said Mavis Agerhelm, 31, of Racine, Wis., in what easily could be taken as the SAPS motto. The SAPS program: Hubby does all the chores normally done by the underappreciated, underpreserved wife—from diaper changes to breakfast in bed—for the first seven days in February.

7 Survivors Reach Safety

SINGAPORE (AP) — The captain and six survivors of the wrecked American freighter Valley Forge safely reached an island 50 miles south of Singapore, the Indonesian air force announced today.

The 30 other crewmen were picked up earlier by rescue craft after they abandoned the 7,202-ton freighter, which foundered on a reef New Year's Eve and broke up in a gale sweeping the South China Sea.

Capt. Peter F. Petrone of Absecon, N.J., and six crewmen with him in a lifeboat had disappeared in the mountainous seas.

With Petrone reportedly were chief mate Carl B. Vineyard Jr., Waveland, Miss.; 3rd mate John M. Frangos, Brooklyn, N.Y.; boatswain James C. Mitchell, Gettysburg, Pa.; deckmaster Paul O. Hansen, San Francisco; steward Kenneth R. Hayes, an Australian of Seattle; and radio officer Edmund W. Crull, Everett, Wash.

The Valley Forge was carrying a cargo of wheat from Portland, Ore., to India.

Cal Motorists Get Warning

SACRAMENTO (UPI) — California's 6,500,000 car owners have been asked to get their 1960 license plate renewals well before the lines begin to form near the Feb. 4 deadline.

Robert McCarthy, director of motor vehicles, made a more urgent appeal this weekend to the 250,000 car owners who will present special problems, such as change of address or registration of an out of state or foreign car. He said that any car owner who does not receive his renewal notice by Jan. 10 and who has changed his address should take his last year's registration card to the local motor vehicles office before the rush begins.

TRUANT CALLS
STERLING, Colo. (AP)—Assistant Principal Jack Stephens says absences at Sterling High School have been reduced by 30 per cent. The reason is simple, Stephens picks up the telephone and calls the homes of absent students.

Cold, Winds Cover Nation

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Icy air and gusty winds spread across wide areas of the country today but stormy weather diminished in most sections.

It was a frigid 26 degrees below zero at International Falls, Minn., on the Canadian border. Readings far below zero were reported in other parts of Minnesota and the Dakotas and Montana. The mercury failed to climb above zero in parts of the cold belt Sunday.

The arctic air, sweeping southward from Canada, maintained its pace as it advanced through the eastern half of the country and the northern Plains. New England was battered by high winds, heavy rains and snow Sunday as the storm which hit the Midwest surged eastward. Temperatures dropped along the entire Atlantic seaboard from Maine to Florida. It was below freezing in Tennessee but most of the South and East reported readings in the 30s and some 40s. The freezing mark also extended westward across Oklahoma. It was slightly above zero to near 20 across the Rockies and plateau region.

Cold air chilled sections of Southern California, threatening damage to citrus crops. The mercury dropped to the 30s in Phoenix, Ariz., and was around freezing at Atlanta.

It was 44 at Anchorage, Alaska. Auto manufacturers know that 88 per cent of America's families get a newspaper every day. That's why they advertise in newspapers. One leading manufacturer increases its newspaper advertising 53 per cent in 1958 over the previous year, and upped its sales 80 per cent.



"The first few days of the new year are always rough. My parents always make their New Year's resolutions about ME!"

Four Rescued From Auto After 38 Hours In Snow

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. (UPI)—A sailor hiked 12 miles through bitter cold and snow drifts in Sequoia National Forest to bring about the rescue of four persons in a stalled auto, including a 20-year-old woman suffering from shock and frostbitten feet.

James Guy Reynolds, 22, attached to the USS Bousell at San Diego, made his hike Saturday over mountainous terrain in zero temperatures to end a 38-hour ordeal for the four who were stranded on a back road in the forest 60 miles northeast of here.

The four, Clarence Long, 21; his wife, Wanda, 18; Richard George, 22, and Lynn Vineyard, 20, left their Bakersfield homes Friday, planning to "visit a snow area." They did not say where they were going and they were not dressed for freezing temperatures.

They drove until about 3 p.m. Friday when a tire on their old auto broke. About six inches of snow crusted with ice covered the dirt road.

The four waited vainly in the car for two hours for someone to come by and then got out and started to walk as darkness fell. They walked about nine miles before Miss Vineyard lost her shoes and her feet became so frostbitten she could no longer walk. She was not wearing stockings. George carried her back to the car accompanied by the other

couple. The four shivering young persons huddled in their auto throughout the night. The car's engine would not start, so the heater didn't work, they had no food, no matches and spent most of the time fighting sleep for fear they would freeze, they told sheriff's deputies.

Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Reed, 28, and their daughter Cindy, 4, came on the stalled car with the four persons huddled inside about noon Saturday. But the Reeds and Reynolds were in a small foreign car and they were low on gas.

They punctured the gas tank of the stalled car, which also was low on gasoline, and then started off for help with ailing Miss Vineyard in with the Reeds and Reynolds. The car soon ran out of gas, however, and Reynolds volunteered to make the arduous hike through the snow and cold for help. He was warmly dressed and finally reached the ranch of Jim Beard where deputies were telephoned.

Miss Vineyard was taken to Bakersfield Memorial Hospital where her condition was described as fairly good. The others were treated and released.

Army Admits Head Shaving

SEOUL, South Korea (AP)—The U.N. command admitted today that two American soldiers, acting on the orders of their company commander, shaved the heads of two Korean women found on their military base.

The announcement was expected to provoke indignation reaction from South Koreans.

An Army press statement said the shaving was done by Sgt. Ora Curnutte, 30, of Chillicothe, Ohio, and Sgt. Harry K. Saunders, 37, Kansas City, Mo., on the orders of Capt. John W. McEnery, 34, of Cheyenne, Wyo.

The command said the women—Ae Soon Kim, 30, and Jong Jon Kim, 22, "were apparently not authorized to be within the military reservation at the time of their apprehension."

The U.N. provost marshal's office began an investigation.

Russia Scores Test Decision

MOSCOW (AP) — The publication of Soviet Russia today asked why the United States had made a decision freeing itself to resume nuclear weapon tests just when agreement on a summit meeting had finally been reached.

The article by commentator Dadyant said the U.S. decision was more than strange and described it as a fly in the ointment. Dadyant blasted President Eisenhower's assertion that the Soviets were blocking agreement at the Geneva negotiations on a permanent ban on nuclear tests.

Boulder City Severs Ties With Federal Government

BOULDER CITY, Nev. (UPI)—This city, founded as a construction camp for nearby Hoover Dam, cuts its direct ties to the federal government today after 29 years and becomes a self-governing municipality.

Congress, after a 10-year federal study, enacted a law of emancipation for this community of 3,300 residents as a kind of New Year's gift.

The majority of residents welcomed the change and in the true chamber of commerce spirit hope to build up the area as a tourist attraction and recreation area

with majestic Hoover Dam and fishing, water skiing, and boating on Lake Mead as lures.

Last Sept. 29, 1,500 residents went to the polls, approved a city charter, and elected five councilmen. The council subsequently elected Robert Broadbent, 33, a druggist, as mayor. The election was held in advance so the council could be ready to go into office today.

Emancipation won the approval of the voters with a solid 5-1 margin.

A ceremony will be held in the elementary school gymnasium here with Nevada Gov. Grant Sawyer and other officials on hand to signal Boulder City's autonomy.

The charter which goes into effect is unique in this gambling state—it prohibits games of chance and the sale of hard liquor. But this will not be a change for the residents since federal regulation banned the same activities.

There's one legal beer parlor in town, a few motels and a half dozen retail business establishments which prosper on the tourist trade.

Mayor-elect Broadbent said approximately two million persons a year pass through here en route to view Hoover Dam.

Broadbent who came here 10 years ago from his birthplace in Ely, Nev., said main opposition to incorporation as a city came from Los Angeles which operates a power installation at the dam with 100 employees.

"The Los Angeles people," he said, "seem to be afraid of incorporation simply because they did not like a change. They like to think of us as still a construction camp."

St. Augustine, Fla., will celebrate its 400th birthday in 1965.

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NO PARACHUTE, EITHER

LOCKPORT, N.Y. (AP)—A pole-sitting raccoon may have set some kind of bail-out record here when utility workers tried to rescue it from atop a 40-foot pole where it was perched. The raccoon merely jumped the 40 feet to the ground and waddled off, apparently none the worse for the leap.

Coffee beans are not beans, but berries. They were first used as a food when discovered in Africa during the Middle Ages. Last year the coffee and tea industries told Americans about their beverages with 7 million dollars worth of newspaper advertising.

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