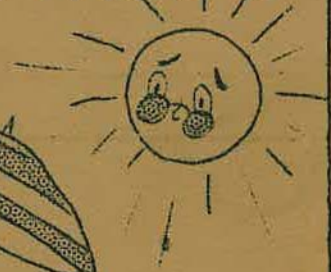


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# PUBLIC SAFETY

Submitted by Ceceil Byrns  
Maintenance Division

If everyone who drives a car  
Could lie a month in bed,  
With broken bones and ugly wounds,  
Or fractures on the head,  
And then endure the agonies  
That many people do  
They'd never need preach safety  
Any more to me or you.

If everyone could stand beside  
The bed of some close friend  
And hear the doctor say "no hope"  
Before that fatal end,  
And see him there unconscious,  
Never knowing what took place,  
The laws and rules of traffic  
I am sure we'd soon embrace.

If everyone could meet the wife  
And children with Dad gone,  
And step into the darkened home  
Where once happy faces shone,  
And look upon the "vacant chair"  
Where Dad was wont to sit,  
I am sure each reckless driver  
Would be forced to think a bit.

If everyone who takes the wheel  
Would say a little prayer,  
And keep in mind those in the car  
Depending on his care,  
And make a vow and pledge himself  
Never to take a chance,  
The great crusade for safety  
Would suddenly advance.--Anon.

# ADVISORY COMMITTEE

H. B. Matthews was appointed to serve as chairman of the Employees Advisory Committee July 1, with Ona (Mrs. George) Foster and G. E. Williams as members. This Committee will serve for the 6-month period July 1 through December 31.

Our new Committee has started out with a "bang" and we will have quite a bit of news for you in our August issue on their actions. We wish them success in their undertakings and offer the Magazine for any announcements and the whole-hearted cooperation of its staff.

We take great pleasure in commending the retiring Advisory Committee, Jake Knott, Nancy Snapp, and W. K. Bartleson, on a good job well done. During an interview Mr. Knott asserted that every suggestion given to the Director for screening was recommended, acted upon, and accepted except one, and that one is now being processed. It strikes us that such a record speaks loudly of 100 per cent cooperation all around.....and, who could ask for more?

No one has a monopoly on good ideas. The more the merrier and the better the program when everyone cooperates to promote the best interests of our Department employees. Send your written suggestions to the Committee. Yours could be the one praised by all.

# WHAT MAKES A MAGAZINE ---

by Hazel S. Erdmann, Editor  
Arkansas Highways Magazine

The candid truth of what really makes a magazine can be expressed in two words, "the reader." Not that there isn't more to the actual publication than that -- still and all, without you, the reader, there would be no justification for the magazine's existence. Most organizational publications have a purpose, and your "Arkansas Highways" is no exception to that rule. The main purpose of your magazine is to bring about a better understanding between the employees and the Commission, a better understanding of the various functions of the Department and the accomplishments which it hopes to attain.

You may ask yourself, "Why? Why should anyone care whether or not I understand what the Commission is doing--or the other Divisions, for that matter?" The answer is very simple: Not just "anyone" but many people are interested in you as an individual because you are important to the Department. It is scarcely believable how little the average employee of a large organization such as ours knows of the work being done in the next Division or section. Often an employee does not see clearly the manner in which his own job fits into the

work pattern of the Department as a whole. By giving you information regarding the work being done by the other employees and your Commission, you may have a better conception of your own work and the vital contribution it makes to the Department's success.

As an employee of the Arkansas Highway Department; regardless of which job you hold, you are in reality more than just an employee. Consider this: "Who are our employers?" The public, of course. "And who is the public?" As an Arkansas citizen, aren't you part of the public? Certainly, you are. So, that makes you a "Boss" doesn't it? We of the Highway Department hold the interesting position of being both employer and employee. Thus, we cannot put ourselves in one class or another for warring purposes without hurting ourselves. So the truth of the matter is that our best interests lie in what's best for all. The Commission and our Highway Officials know this and want you to know it so that by mutual understanding of the various problems to be overcome we can all pull together to achieve our common goal: maximum efficiency within a minimum of time.

Your "Arkansas Highways" magazine made its initial appearance in November 1953. There have been many problems to work out and obstacles to overcome, which is only to be expected with any new enterprise. We have tried to improve with each issue of the magazine and hope to improve even more in the future. The format (general makeup and layout) of the magazine is the same as that of our first issue and will continue to remain the same. So far, the improvements have consisted of better typewriters, stencils, paper and, with the June issue, colored stock for the covers. We plan to use pictures and a better grade of paper for the body of the magazine beginning with our September issue.

## News-Magazine

Ours is not a newspaper, house organ, bulletin, or a technical publication. It is best defined as a News-Magazine, because we not only carry news of the Highway Department but we also carry informational articles as well as personals of the employees and their activities. We cannot carry spot news in a monthly magazine, however, this disadvantage is not serious since magazines, as a rule, are taken home to be read at one's leisure and are often kept for re-reading. This type of publication was chosen not only because it is

by and for the employees of the Arkansas Highway Department, but also because ours is a very large organization. There are over 2,700 employees on our payrolls today who receive each issue of the "Arkansas Highways." The magazine is also sent to all retired members of the Department, employees on leaves of absence, and many others whose requests for the magazine have warranted placing their names on our mailing list. Unfortunately, we cannot fulfill all requests as our mailing list would soon become prohibitive.

A great deal of time and effort goes into the preparation of each issue of your "Arkansas Highways" magazine. So far, it has been necessary to have a flexible deadline because we could not foresee a delay until the difficulty occurred. It is our intention to set a definite date for the issuance of future magazines just as soon as we have mastered the majority of our problems and can meet such a deadline date.

## Preparing Copy

In preparing a magazine of this type, a "Dummy" is first made up signifying the articles, news items etc., to be used for the particular issue, and the number of pages, columns or lines to be used on each page. Space will not permit the usage of long articles, so when

these articles are received they must be rewritten and condensed to fit into the allotted space. However, it is a much simpler process to condense an article than it is to try and enlarge one, when no extra information is given to help fill the assignment. In this case, research must be undertaken so that all additional information will be accurate.

Unlike the preparation of copy which goes to commercial printers where the mechanics are done by the linotype or monotype operator and compositor, copy can seldom be used in our magazine with the exact wording in which it was originally written. The entire magazine is prepared for stencil usage and the body typed on manual typewriters without the aid of a justifier, consequently, the mechanics of each issue are time-consuming in that all word characters must be counted. Some words will not split for carryover to the next line, therefore the words of that sentence, and sometimes an entire paragraph, must be rearranged or rewritten in order to conform to column requirements.

Good magazine style does not allow margin for "widows" (a single short word or half a word on a line by itself) or for words to be split for a carryover of a suffix of only two characters such as: "ed," "er," "en," "ly," "ty," etc. Too, "rivers" (the spacing between

words which happen to fall one under another in such a manner as to make a seemingly white river down through the type on a page) are to be avoided. In some instances, it is necessary, in order to eliminate rewriting several sentences, to delete conjunctions, adjectives or definite articles where their omission is clearly understood and does not detract from the meaning intended.

## Final Layout

After the writing to be used in the magazine has been arranged in even columns, the lines are counted and then adjusted to fit into the pages. They must be cut or filled as the case may be. Nothing ever "just happens" to fall into an allotted space, it must be made to do so in order to maintain balance. Each page is planned logically for reader interest and treated as a separate and important problem to avoid the monotony usually attributed to magazines where pictures are not used for "breaks."

The pages are assembled, properly paired, and pasted on  $8\frac{1}{2}$  by  $14$  layout sheets, which are marked in detail for final typing and used as master sheets. Each layout sheet carries paste-ups on both sides for ready reference in correctly backing up the pages during the process of mimeographing. When all sheets have been printed, they

are gathered in sequence so that each folio will follow in numerical order when folded. After this process has been completed, they are stapled and become your individual magazines ready for delivery.

## Mutual Concept

It is only human for any person to want to be proud of his job, the organization for which he works, and to be loyal to his supervisors. He also wants to know where his organization is going and just what it's course will mean to him personally. Your Commission and Highway Officials appreciate this because that is exactly the way they feel about it, too. So, by using your magazine as spokesman, they wish to take you into their confidence by explaining objectives, problems, and interpreting policies, simply, fully, and reasonably, so that you may understand their side of the picture. Thus, when you know why certain steps are taken, certain rules and regulations are set forth, you have a concrete example of what is expected of you, and why.

Cooperation, however, is a fifty-fifty proposition, and if you fail to respond by explaining your side of the picture the whole theory disintegrates. Through the medium of your "Arkansas Highways" magazine, you have the opportunity of offering suggestions on new ways to

increase productive efficiency, as well as expressing your views and opinions regarding the policies which have been inaugurated. Most of these policies have been put into effect in order to afford more favorable working conditions for you, so that your work capacity may reach the maximum.

If you have just cause for complaint, don't grumble where it will do no good. Instead, let the people who can change this condition know of it either through your magazine or Employees' Advisory Committee. Rest assured that it will receive serious consideration. If you are pleased with the present set-up, let that be known, too. The people who made these things possible will appreciate knowing that their efforts in your behalf are justified.

By mutual understanding and cooperation, and pulling together as one team, we will achieve results beyond our most imaginative dreams. It behooves each of us to keep uppermost in our minds that what hurts the Department hurts us, and by striving to give our best at all times we not only protect the Department but we protect ourselves, our paychecks, and our security.

Your news and views are needed as contributions to the "Arkansas Highways." Since "you" make our magazine, without your assistance it will surely die. Let's keep our magazine not only going, but "glowing" with our enthusiasm.

# NEW ACCOUNTING DIVISION CREATED

The Federal Aid Division, Accounting Division, and Fuel and Inventory Section of the Maintenance Division were merged for administrative purposes July 1, and will be known as the Accounting Division. J. R. Henderson, has been appointed Director of Accounting and will be directly responsible for the administrative supervision of our new Accounting Division.

Mr. Henderson is well-qualified for the position he now holds and has, in a sense, "grown up" with the Highway Department. During his 27 years with the Department, he has served as Rodman, Instrumentman, Resident Engineer, Location Engineer, Federal Aid Auditor, Senior Statistician, Economist, Assistant Statistics and Analyses Engineer, and, of course, Federal Aid Engineer, the position he held prior to his new appointment. He is a professional engineer, registered with the Arkansas State Board for Professional Engineers.

Mr. Henderson informed us, with a big grin on his face during a recent interview, that he took a part-time job with the Department in 1927, and has been working at it ever since. "I got my engineering the hard way," he divulged, "by correspondence courses, home work, and a deep-rooted interest in the subject."

He disclosed that the Commission has given him a year to study and view all operations, during which time plans will be made to develop a modern accounting system that will result in an economy of time and create greater efficiency.

"The work of all three departments is similar," Mr. Henderson explained, "and will be geared together in an even closer relationship by the end of the year. A survey will be made of the whole fiscal set-up, which will probably require the assistance of outside experts. We have grown much like 'Topsy' over the years, and while some changes have been made of the Accounting System, there has been no major overhaul. By viewing the entire situation from all angles, thoroughly studying the present procedures, and taking consideration of all new methods, we feel that a modern system can be established which will more than compensate for any expense involved."

Mr. Henderson is making plans on a long-range scale so that no innovation will become obsolete before maximum usage has been obtained. This seems to us to be very clear thinking. We join his many friends in congratulating him on his appointment and in wishing him the greatest success as our Director of Accounting.



# PINE BLUFF ORIGIN-DESTINATION STUDY

An origin and destination survey began operations July 12 at all primary points of entry to the Pine Bluff urban area and will continue operations until July 28. This survey is being conducted by the traffic engineering staff of the Statistics and Analyses Division of our Highway Department, with local Pine Bluff assistance.

This origin-destination survey is being made to provide a guide for long-range planning of the streets and highways in and around the Pine Bluff area. By obtaining direct information from the people on where they are going, and where they are coming from, a pattern is formed, from which sound estimates can be derived on the future needs in streets and highways.

Statutory authority gives the cities of Arkansas planning jurisdiction for a distance of 5 miles beyond their corporate limits, which enables them to protect the rights-of-way for a system of major streets and highways. The ever-increasing traffic volume has congested our urban centers to such an extent that there is a critical need for long-range planning and study. Only in this manner can we assure that the streets and highways we are building today will be protected for future expansion as the needs arise.

An interview station is set up each day at one or two points of entry to the Pine Bluff area, and is operated for an 8-hour period. During the first half of the field survey, the stations are operated between the hours of 6 a.m. and 2 p.m., and during the second half, between 2 p.m. and 10 p.m.

The inbound traffic through a station is lane-bound by yellow and black striped rubber cones along the center line of the pavement, with the interviewers standing between the cones wearing yellow sun helmets with the letters AHD prominently displayed in black.

Advance publicity was given to inform the citizens of Pine Bluff and their out-of-State guests of the purpose of the study to avoid confusion and delay. Some of the activities at the interviewing stations have been Televised which helped acquaint the public with the interviewing procedure.

Cecil S. Lynch, Vice Chairman of the Highway Commission, spoke to the people of Pine Bluff over Television. He explained the need of the survey, its purpose, and what its outcome can mean as an investment in the future. Mr. Lynch asked for the cooperation of everyone so that the desired information could be obtained in the briefest possible time.

# E. S. DUDLEY SUCCUMBS

Edward Saylor Dudley, 70, Purchasing Agent and Assistant Director of Equipment and Procurement, died of a heart attack July 29 in a Little Rock hospital.

Mr. Dudley was born in Columbus, Ohio, but made his home in Arkansas at an early age. He had served the Department since March 1949, and endeared himself to all who knew him. He was a big man with a big heart, always kind and generous.

His work with our Department is best expressed in Highway Director Eldridge's own words, "While I had known Mr. Dudley only a short time, I had the greatest admiration and respect for him. It will be difficult to replace him as he was a man who certainly knew his business and he was doing an excellent job for us. He was as loyal and faithful as a person can be and we will surely miss him."

Prior to his service with the Department, he had acquired vast experience in the administrative, managerial, sales, purchasing, and auditing fields. He was a member of the Methodist Church and life member of the Lafayette Masonic Lodge. His was a capable and active mind, and his ready wit and thoughtful consideration of others won him innumerable friends. It can truly be said of him, "Well done, thy good and faithful servant."

Mr. Dudley is survived by his wife, Mrs. Helen Faust Dudley; two stepsons, F.C. Kyte and R.E. Kyte; a daughter, Mrs. John L. Peters; a brother, R.L. Dudley; two sisters, Mrs. E. T. Bjorn and Miss Carrie Dudley; and three grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church in Little Rock with burial at Pine Crest Memorial Park. Our Highway Commission were honorary pallbearers.

We extend our deep and heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved family, and offer the words of James Whitcomb Riley's beautiful poem with the thought that it may help bring comfort to their hearts.

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We cannot say and we will not say,  
That he is dead

---he is just away!

With a cheery smile,  
and a wave of the hand,  
He wandered into an unknown land,  
And left us dreaming how very fair  
It needs must be

since he lingers there.

And you, O you, who wildest yearn  
For the old-time step

and glad return,

Think of him faring on.....

As dear in the love of there

As in the love of here.

Think of him we say,

He is not dead,

He is just away!

# AROUND THE BUILDING

Director of Highways Herbert Eldridge addressed the Rotary Club in Stuttgart June 29. In a recent interview with Mr. Eldridge we discovered that while the general theme of his speech was "highways," more specifically it contained a vast amount of informational data on our primary and secondary road systems. When and why these systems came into being, how they operate, and why one system must, of necessity, draw life from the other.

Since this subject has not been discussed in our magazine, we plan to give you a resume of this phase of Mr. Eldridge's speech in our August issue. We believe you will find this information of value in forming a better understanding of the problems confronting us today.

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A. E. Johnson, Chief Engineer, will make a 3-day trip to Washington D. C., July 25, to attend a conference on the proposed Presidential Highway Program.

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The June issue of the Missouri Highway News carried a group picture which included C. Don Hayes, Director of Equipment and Procurement, and two State Finance and Administration Officials. These men were in Jefferson City to study the Missouri equipment and procurement methods.

Our feminine personnel got together for another luncheon at Hank's Dog House July 22 to give Marilyn McKinney, secretary to Otha Hewitt, a good send-off. Marilyn resigned from the Department to accept a position in Washington, D. C. Jean Redwine, Nancy Sipe, and Zelda Riggs worked like little Trojans making arrangements as a surprise to Marilyn. Our reliable standby, Jesse Lee Perry, was right in there pitching, too. Mr. Hewitt joined into the spirit of the occasion and 'made believe' he and a mutual friend would take Marilyn to lunch. By this device, she never suspected a thing until she was ushered into the Pirate Room. The girls presented her with a gift of lingerie, but not to be outdone, the men insisted on contributing for her corsage. Marilyn received a lovely hat and shoe bag in Samsonite to match her other luggage from her friends in the Center Signs and Stripes Section in North Little Rock.

Nancy Sipe, who always writes the poems for these occasions, composed and read a poem titled, "Especially for You." There was no formality involved during the luncheon, a procedure which seemed to meet the approval of all guests present. We all wish Marilyn good luck and success in her new job.

# Party Line Parade

## — HEADQUARTERS —

### CONSTRUCTION DIVISION

Doris Parks - Reporter

A birthday party was held Friday morning, July 2, during our coffee time, for W. E. Carter who was to celebrate his birthday on July 4. He was presented a decorated cake with "Happy Birthday to our Pappy" written on it.

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On Monday night, June 14, the Construction Office had a picnic at Boyle Park. All members of the Division and their families and guests attended. Among our guests were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Eldridge and Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Shumaker and family. The menu was highlighted with foot-long hot dogs! Eugene Ashcraft was in charge of the entertainment and Doris Parks in charge of the music.

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We are happy to welcome Jim Milner to the Final Estimate Section of our Division. Jim is replacing Van Bratten who has been transferred to the field and will work under Gayle Gunn at Hamburg. Good luck, Van.

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ATTENTION: "Doc" Oliver! We're ready, July 30!

### ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

Betty Lane - Reporter

Joyce Spencer returned to work after a week's vacation at New Orleans with a good sun tan. Joyce says a week of sleeping until 9 o'clock every morning, swimming, and seeing the sights was really hard to take. She did add that the trip was a wee bit warm and she missed the air-conditioned building on the way down to New Orleans. Our thanks go to Nina Crook in Personnel for helping out in the Director's office while Joyce was on vacation.

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Ferol Jones' son, Jerry, is leaving for Boy Scout Camp at Camp Quapaw for two weeks. Watch for those surprise indian attacks when he returns Ferol.

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Margie and Herman Shirley spent the second week of July visiting Herman's aunt in St. Louis. Margie reports that they "went places and saw things" which included seeing "The Mikado," going to the Opera, and attending the baseball game between the St. Louis Cardinals and Cincinnati. In fact, the whole trip was definitely "wonderful."

# Party Line Parade

There certainly were plenty of fishing stories going around this department on Tuesday, July 6. Seems Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Thrasher did pretty good over the holiday at Clarendon. Mr. Thrasher never tells just how many he catches and how many she catches, but we're pretty sure that she manages to hold her own when competing with her fisherman husband. Now about fisherman Scott; he and Charley Emrick caught, and I quote, "14 beautiful bass" over the July 4 week end in Cache River. Speaking of fish, this reporter also went on a fishing jaunt, and came back with a "numerous" amount of---you guessed it---chigger bites!

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Betty Lane's 9-year-old son Jimmy has been taking swimming lessons at the Fair Park pool, sponsored by the Red Cross. Jimmy wasn't too interested in the idea at first, but after a few lessons when he learned (of all things!) the "tadpole" float and other very fascinating floats, he soon became enthusiastic. Jimmy is learning to dive (well, jump in the water, anyway!) as well as to swim.

## REPORTERS—NOTE!

The DEADLINE for our next issue of "Arkansas Highways" is AUGUST 10.

## MATERIALS AND TESTS

Julia Mae Halliburton - Reporter

Congratulations to the newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Irwin. Joseph, material inspector, and Iris Jean Baker, of Mena, were married June 30 in the Presbyterian Church at Fort Smith. After the ceremony, the couple motored to the Boston Mountains for a brief honeymoon and they plan to make their home in Little Rock.

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Many happy returns of the day to Albert E. Guthrie who celebrated his birthday July 17.

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie W. Hayes, who are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.

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"Get well quick" wishes to Grady Putman's wife, Toby, who was hospitalized for surgery July 3. Grady is material inspector at Mena.

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We are happy to welcome Bob Slaughter, of Sheridan, to our Highway family and our Division.

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We were sorry to lose Material Inspector John G. Davidson who resigned July 1 --- doctor's orders. John recently returned to the Department after serving overseas with our Armed Forces.

# Party Line Parade

## ROADWAY DESIGN DIVISION

Peggy Beck - Reporter

O. A. Flowers spent a June vacation in Heber Springs. He reports that his vacation was so enjoyable he is ready for another one.

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Congratulations to Elizabeth Ann and Frank Lemons who proudly proclaim the birth of a lovely 7-pound 7-ounce daughter on July 7. The young queen of the Lemons' household must be happily content as she has already gained 6 ounces.

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We hear from Bob Merrill that the fishing is really grand at Lake Conway and he has been bringing in plenty of fish lately.

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Sydney Lee went to St. Louis recently for his vacation and reports that he didn't drink any beer. Since no further information was given we can't help but wonder just what he did do???

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We were all glad to see Aileen Bishop when she visited the Department July 9. We have missed her since her husband returned from overseas and took her away from us. Bill is stationed at Fort Leavenworth and he and Aileen were in Little Rock for a short vacation. Aileen was full of sunshine

and sparkles and readily admitted that it was wonderful to have "her Bill" with her again. She also announced a new addition to the family -- One cuddlesome black cocker spaniel puppy!

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Bud Smith was in Jonesboro during the July 4 holiday for a visit with his mother. Bud reports having spent a "safe and sane" week end but even so, a most enjoyable one.

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We are happy to welcome the following new employees: James Smith, Frank Lemons, Frederick Eison, Bob Redmond and Johnny Gordon. We also wish to welcome Travis Orton "back home" after a 19-month absence.

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We welcome the following students to our Drafting Room for the summer: Pat Thompson, Dan Dowdy, Mike Pendergrass, Jim Blackstone, Dayton Covington, Alfred Johnson, Paul Hayden, Buddy Orton, Robert Murray, and a feminine "draftsman" Frances Robey.

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This reporter would like to go on record as saying that Ralph Rogers would be the ideal reporter for our Division as he knows all the "gen!" (For the reader's information "gen" means gossip! We admit we had to inquire for the meaning, too!)

# Party Line Parade

## BRIDGE DESIGN DIVISION

Norma Monroe - Reporter

Happy birthday and many more too! This wish is for our boss, Ward Goodman, who celebrated his birthday July 11.

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We also wish many happy returns of the day to W. H. "Bill" Hodgins, on his birthday July 22.

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Speaking of birthdays--there is another July 22 birthday coming up that is sorta extra special. Helen and Frank Battisto's little daughter, Cathy Lou, will be 1 year old on that date, and we all wish Cathy Lou a very happy birthday.

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Now who enjoys fish fries more than the personnel of our Bridge Design Division and their families? Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening of June 25 when we got together for another fish fry at Boyle Park. We were very happy to have Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Eldridge as our guests for the occasion.

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We are happy to welcome Jewell B. Holloway and Louis W. "Billy" Hart, Jr. to our Division. We also extend the welcome mat to Walker C. Haigh, who is back with us after a year's absence. Walker had been living in New Mexico.

The employees of this Division would like to thank Virginia Tackett for taking over Norma Monroe's desk while she was away for 2 weeks enjoying herself. (We decided not to let Norma get away with only a bare mention of her vacation, so we did a little investigating! It seems that Norma and Gene had a really wonderful time--did quite a bit of fishing and even camped out two nights on Lake Ouachita which was a lotta fun.)

## ACCOUNTING DIVISION

Jimmy Zinn - Reporter

Ida Jane Uekman has returned from her auto-tour vacation, which was most enjoyable. She can tell you more about Cincinnati, St. Louis, and Normandy, Indiana. She declares that she did no fishing while away. Why -- Ida Jane!

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We welcome John Covington, retirement expert, into our office family. Glad to have you, John.

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Earl Stuart has a new home in the west end of town. Earl has been an "Eastsider" for a number of years. Stuart Pattillo also has a new westside home on North Arthur Street. Obviously, the men went "West!" We wish both families much happiness in their new homes.

# Party Line Parade

## STATISTICS AND ANALYSES

Bill Headrick - Reporter

The personnel of our Division and their families enjoyed a picnic at Boyle Park the evening of July 2. There was more than enough food and "goodies" with plenty of liquid refreshments. Bingo was played after the picnic dinner with cut-glass novelties given as prizes. There were over 125 people present for the outing. It was a grand party and everyone enjoyed it so much that we are planning on getting together for another picnic party very soon.

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Congratulations to Jesse B. Thomas who received his Bachelor of Laws degree from the Arkansas Law School June 4. Judge Guy Amsler gave out the diplomas and Judge George Rose Smith, Arkansas Supreme Court Justice, delivered the Commencement address. The best of luck and may you one day be a Supreme Court Justice yourself, "Judge." Barrister Thomas is now enrolled in some special courses at Little Rock Junior College, but we feel sure there is no connection between that action and the fact that the college president resigned almost immediately thereafter. Just kidding, Jesse, we are all proud of you.

We welcome Dorothy Simmons, new employee on the drafting board. Dorothy has just moved to Little Rock from Jackson, Mississippi.

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Welcome back home Buddy Lewter! We are all glad to have Buddy back with us after a year's absence.

## COUNTY PROGRAM

Zelda M. Riggs - Reporter

Congratulations to Naomi and Freeman Johnson, of Texarkana, who are the proud parents of a 7-pound 8-ounce daughter, Martha Sue, born July 6. Grandmother Zelda Riggs has really been beaming and reports both mother and daughter are getting along splendidly. Great-grandmother Martha Ann Allen is anxiously awaiting the time when Martha Sue can come visit her.

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There were two birthday celebrations in our Division in June. The whole gang on our floor got together and "happy birthday'd" Zelda Riggs on June 11 with a fancy cake and coffee during the morning break. Then June 25, the same group helped Consulting Engineer Guy Cobb celebrate his birthday with more cake and coffee. The Right-of-Way Division contributed the incomparable hospitality of their offices, for which we wish to thank them.



# Party Line Parade

REPRODUCTION

Billie McHughes - Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Carter left town July 3 for a 2-week visit with their son, Jesse, and his family in LaGrange, Georgia. Mr. Carter told us he would try to eat a few Georgia peaches while there. The Reproduction "staff" is carrying on the work despite the "big boss" being gone, and we hope to "do him proud."

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We are happy to welcome Patsy (Mrs. Archy) Hebb, to our staff in the Reproduction Section.

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Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Lucille Huffstutlar have been her brother, Billy Morgan and family of Toole, Utah, and her son, William Huffstutlar, of the United States Army, who is stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

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Mamie Fanning was happy to have her two sisters, Mrs. J. O. Powers and Miss Rena Johnson, of Rocksboro, North Carolina, with her for a visit recently.

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We wish to express our thanks to all of the Highway Department employees for their many kindnesses during the illness and death of our daughter. --The Huffstutlars

Anonymously submitted  
by an AHD Employee

There are four members of the Arkansas Highway Department organization who are very well known to a few and not known at all by many. These members have no records in the Personnel Office and they do not receive a salary but, regardless of this, they have been faithfully serving our Department since it first occupied the present office building.

The on-the-job service record of these members of the Highway Department was furnished by W. W. Mitchell, County Program Engineer and former Director of Highways. Mr. Mitchell emphasized that the loyalty and reliability of these four members are above question.

It is most inconceivable that the Arkansas Highway Department would ever desire to terminate the services of these members. However, in case such a thing should happen there are more job opportunities available to them than they could ever take into consideration.

Do you enjoy guessing?

Who are these members?

Send your guesses to The Editor, "Arkansas Highways," New Highway Building, Little Rock. The answer will be given to our Editor for publication in the August magazine.

# Party Line Parade

DISTRICT I WYNNE

Mildred Stacy - Reporter

Sealing operations began July 6 in our District and we should make rapid progress since all the mineral aggregate has been stockpiled at various places throughout the District.

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Oh, happy, happy air conditioning! It's wonderful! The recent installation of air conditioning in our office has been thoroughly appreciated these hot days.

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We announce with pride that our forces, under the supervision of James Hamilton, have completed 4-inch concrete decks on 4 bridges. These bridges are all on Route 86 in Monroe County.

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We are happy to report that Mrs. Dempsey Young, wife of one of our mechanics, and also W. B. Simpson's daughter and granddaughter are all making rapid progress toward recoveries after being stricken with polio, recently. We offer our best wishes for continued improvement.

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Lindley on the arrival of their first grandchild; a daughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lindley of Memphis.

Theresa and Lloyd Davis and their four children were recent visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelly of Wynne.

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We will miss Donald Elmo Bridges who left our District July 2 for a sojourn with our Armed Forces. Good luck and best wishes, Donald.

DISTRICT 3 HOPE

Olive Jackson - Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Taylor celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary at their home June 6 with Open House. Quite a few of our employees called to extend congratulations and best wishes. We are happy to have this opportunity to add more congratulations and our warmest wishes for many more "happily married" years together.

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W. T. Jeter, Jr., son of our District maintenance superintendent, who is stationed at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida, spent a week end recently with his wife, daughter, and parents.

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We extend our deepest sympathies to J. E. Collum in the loss of his father who died on June 18. We also wish to express our heartfelt sympathies to Jack Hicks whose mother passed away on June 21.

# Party Line Parade

Morris Turner and Neil Buchanan, while hauling gravel on Highway 53, hit a sandbed in the road which caused their truck to overturn. Morris received a severe ear injury but Neil was more fortunate and escaped with only a few minor bruises. The truck was completely demolished.

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S/IC Don Crews, who has been stationed in Korea for the past 2 years, embarked for America on June 17 and is expected home July 4. Don is the son of C. Crews, Maintenance Foreman of Sevier County.

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Has anyone mentioned the "terrid" weather we've been having? Needless to say our office force is very happy that air conditioning is being installed. We hope our appreciation is showing!

DISTRICT 7 CAMDEN  
Sula Burnham - Reporter

We offer our warmest congratulations to Linda Goodwin and Brooks Nichols who were married the first of June. Good luck to the new Mr. and Mrs. and our best wishes that they will be very happy.

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We are happy to extend the welcome mat to Fredia Cook who joined our District Office force June 1.

We are glad to report Maude Fultz, wife of Jim Fultz, District maintenance foreman, is able to be at home after spending several weeks in the hospital following a very serious operation. We offer our best wishes to Mrs. Fultz that her shut-in days will soon be over.

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It is with deep regret that we report that Lois Burton, laborer in our District wide crew was struck by an automobile while repairing blacktop. The accident resulted in amputation of Lois' left leg above the knee. There must be some way to protect our men from careless drivers.

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We extend our deepest sympathies to Mildred Silcox and her family in the loss of her grandmother, who passed away June 12.

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Several laborers, truck drivers and heavy equipment operators have enjoyed their first paid vacation with the Arkansas Highway Department. We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Eldridge, our Commission, and all those who made this personnel policy possible.

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It is such a pleasure to come to work early and to stay late..... Hurrah! for air conditioning...how did we ever live without it???

# Party Line Parade

DISTRICT 8 RUSSELLVILLE

Mary Alice Poteet - Reporter

We are very happy to report that Fred Lynch, who was injured in an accident recently, is back on the job with us again.

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We extend our very best wishes for a speedy healing process to Millard Fillmore Hall whose leg was broken in an accident June 19.

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We offer our heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brown, proud parents of a wonderful little daughter, who arrived at their home on June 16.

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Mr. and Mrs. Aud Chronister, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, spent the July 4 week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ragsdale, Dover.

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Get well quick wishes to Fred Williams who is unable to work because of a broken leg. We sincerely hope that you will soon be up and about, Fred.

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All of the fellows working in our District are really pleased with their new trucks.

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We gladly spread the welcome mat to Margaret Hamm who is back with our office force again.

We are happy to welcome the following new employees to our District 8 Highway family: Tom D. Robinson, Russell Owens, Stanley McCoy, David K. Strickland and George Williams.

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Welcome back to the fold E. A. Woods, we are glad to have you with us again. E. A. is replacing Ott Ising, former Shop Foreman, who is now employed in Fort Smith.

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FLASH!! We announce with great pleasure that air conditioning, that wonderful, wonderful summer heat disperser, has been installed in our offices. Our entire office force is most appreciative.



# Party Line Parade

DISTRICT 10

PARAGOULD

Lottie Brown - Reporter

We are happy to have Caroline Rush, daughter of Jess Rush, assistant district maintenance superintendent, as our new payroll clerk while Lottie Brown is away on vacation. Lottie and her family will leave July 11 for New Jersey to visit with relatives and friends. Happy vacationing, Lottie.

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"Western Atmosphere" has been prevalent throughout our city and the surrounding neighborhood during a recent 4-day Rodeo. Elb White's son, Robert Earl, and Paul McLerkin's daughter, Ann, took part in the Rodeo which we all thoroughly enjoyed. Both Ann and Robert rode in the parade arrayed in the traditional western dress of cow-girl and cowboy.

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We are all looking forward to a big fish fry to be given at the new bridge which has just been completed on Highway 25, 2 miles north of Lynn. This bridge is one of John Killingsworth's masterpieces of draftsmanship, we think. We are very proud of John and the enthusiastic and untiring efforts of the crewmen working under the supervision of Lester Wycoff and Ed Edmondson.

The First Aid courses have been going very well, according to Instructor, Jess Rush. He has been instructing 4 classes each week in District 10.

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T. E. Hill of Piggott is back on the job after being off several days because of a broken toe. Glad to see you back again, T. E.

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Margie Bramlett, stock room clerk, has been on vacation. Ha! Some information, that! What did Margie do? where did she go? and why haven't we heard more? and aren't vacations wonderful? We want to thank Lottie Brown for pinch-hitting while Margie was away.

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Oh Happy Day! We are all more than elated at the thoughts of our new air conditioning unit which is to be installed soon. And you may quote this as being an understatement. Bless the inventor of that "summer reviver."

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New principles are inexhaustible  
sources of new views.

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He who suppresses a moment's anger  
may prevent a day of sorrow.

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A life spent worthily should  
always be measured by deeds,  
Never by years!

# AHD CROSSWORD PUZZLE

## ACROSS

1. Obscure
9. Pensions
16. Cam
22. Quibblers
23. Coil
24. Tiny island
25. Accelerators
26. Press part
27. Dose
28. Prefix
29. Silkworm
30. Trick
31. Ghostly
33. Transacted
34. The things
36. Part of ship
38. Farm basket
39. Priest (Fr.)
40. Burned clay
42. Instruct
43. Hovers
44. Sounder
45. Given name
47. Rodent
48. Germans (slang)
49. Pepluck
50. No voices
54. Reasons
56. Properly
57. Cultivator
59. Marbles
60. Large umbrella
61. Sick
62. African river
63. Work unit
64. Compensating
69. Exclamation
71. Accuses
73. Weight
74. Catapult
75. Wine
77. Neck part
78. Carousing
80. Color
81. Vine genus
83. Neither
84. Fault
86. Snow
87. Occult science
89. Cesspool
90. Suppositioned
92. Extinct tribe
93. Telegraph

94. Frolic
95. Mongrel
97. Yield
101. Baton
103. Cook again
104. Sir name
105. Stem
106. Arab garment
108. Three
109. Endured
110. Situated
111. Expiate
113. Maxin
117. Sailor
118. Waist
119. Sandy
121. Paridise
122. Period
123. Intended
124. Man's name
125. Stationary
127. Sick
128. Sea nymph
130. Lift
132. Kafirmen
134. Riddle
135. Spirits
136. Repeats
137. Big man
138. Over plurality
139. Algae air vesicle

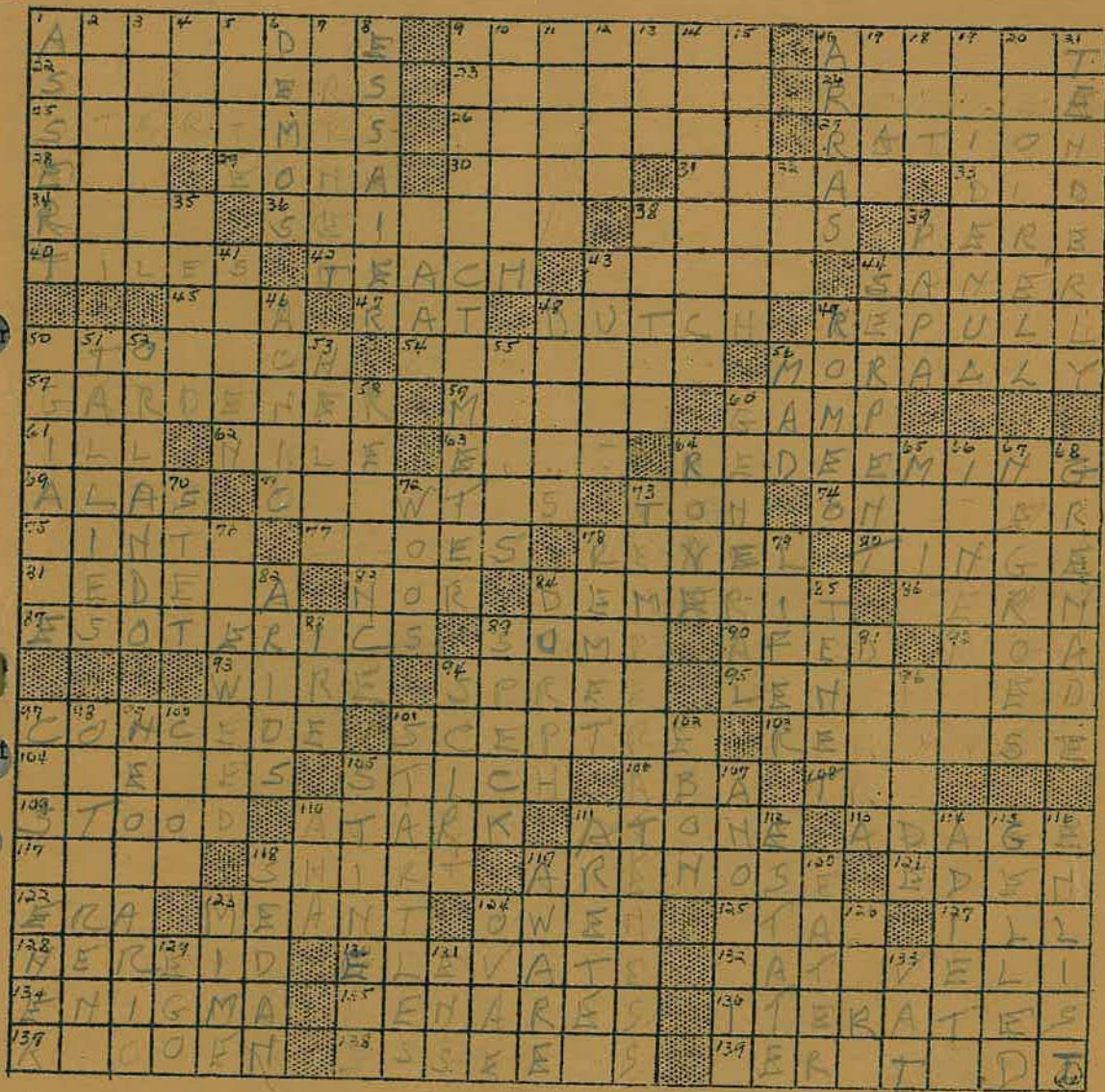
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1. Affirm
2. Cat (slang)
3. Impure metals
4. Article
5. Drive
6. The public
7. Removed
8. Trier
9. Light Measurer
10. Influx (var.)
11. Virginal
12. Stood
13. Breed
14. Beauticians
15. Respects
16. Tapestry
17. Lily
18. Pan
19. Proud
20. Fiction name
21. Lovingly
32. Professors
35. Night table
37. Madam
38. Ulcers
39. Dad
41. Farewell
43. Dike
44. Viper

46. Pimpled
48. Maggie's love
49. Lover
50. Girl's name
51. Scores
52. Florida town
53. Goddess
55. Bores
56. Angered
58. Reopen
60. Comprehensive
64. Wander
65. Stray
66. Rectifier tube
67. Africans
68. Bomb
70. Let it stand
72. Addresses
73. Moderation
76. Seaweed
78. Rematched
79. Prisoner
82. Dries
84. Hamlet (var.)
85. Dogma
88. Temper
89. Particle
91. Portuguese coin
94. Border
96. A loop
97. Dance Rhythmer
98. Organism history
99. Modern
100. Sate
101. Scares
102. Black
105. Prickle
107. No smell
110. Exclamation
111. Mountain range
112. Property
114. Subject to diets
115. Congealed
116. Join
118. Portable chair
119. Alert
120. Diner
123. Imitate (Gr.)
124. Eggs
126. Tropic plant
129. Self
131. Type measures
133. Cistern

## JUNE PUZZLE SOLUTION

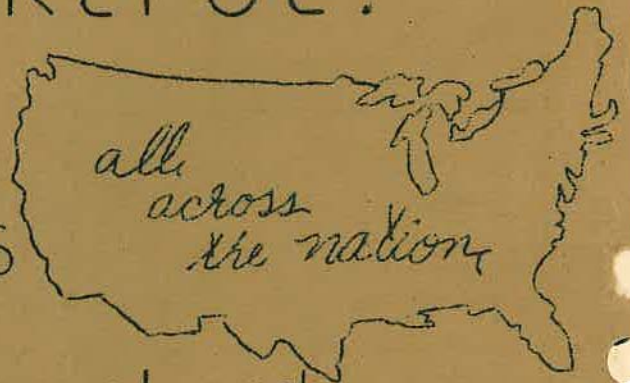
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Several people have mentioned that they thought the crossword puzzles were a little too easy to solve. Your editor started this little number about 5 years ago, laid it aside and promptly forgot it. Now we offer you the finished product with a challenge: Anyone submitting the correct solution before August 15 will receive VERY SPECIAL MENTION

TO SAVE YOUR LIFE  
YOU CAN'T BE TOO  
CAREFUL!

SUMMER  
TIP  
OFFS



Increased travel and  
preoccupied  
motorists  
demand greater caution by all  
drivers!!!