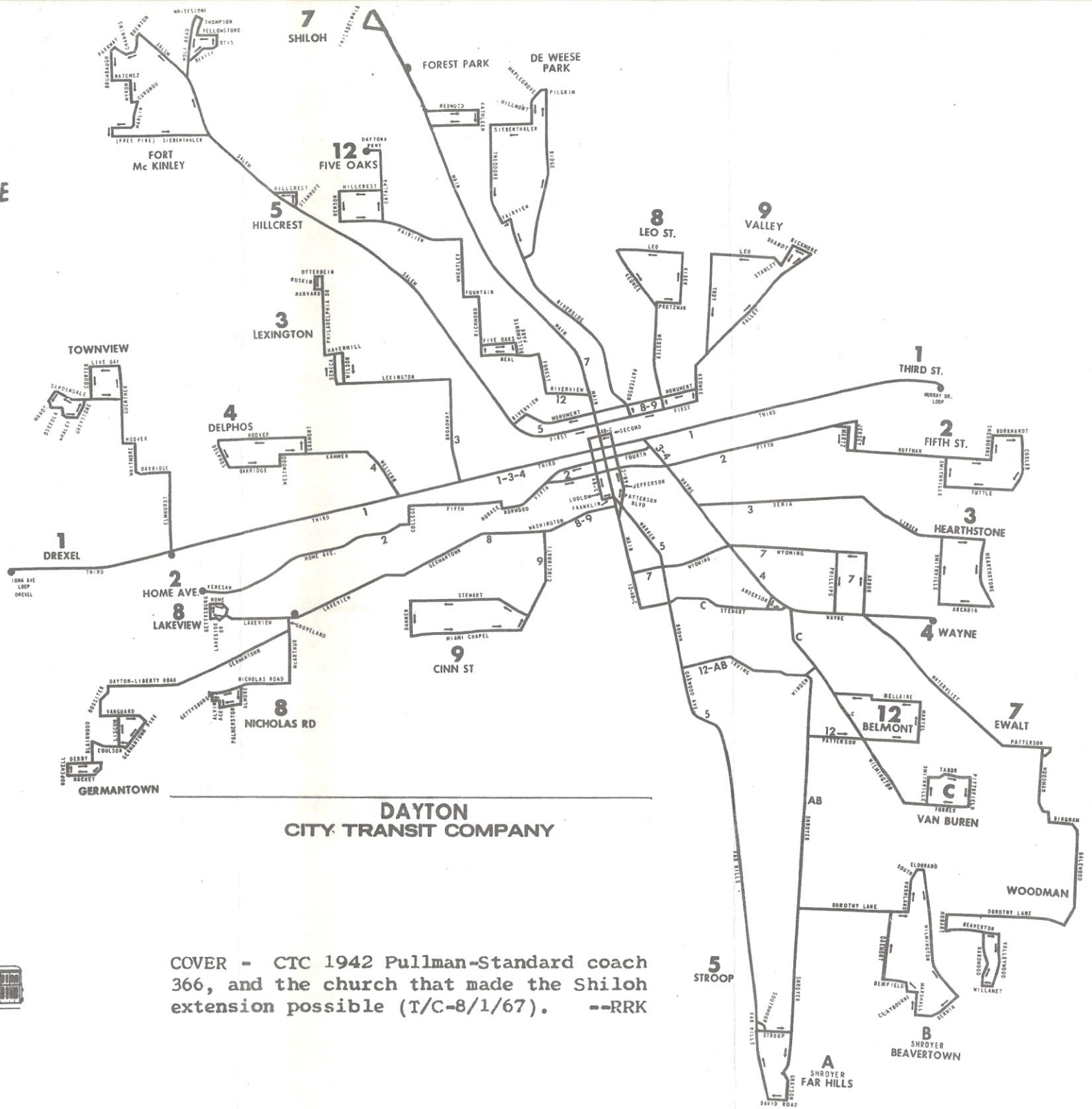




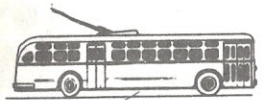
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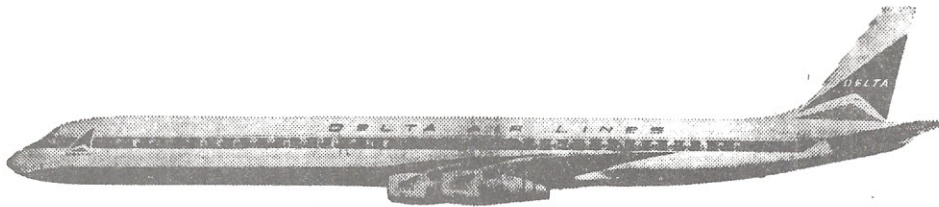
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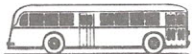




Everything seemed based on a "bigger and better" theme in mid-August. Even as Pablo Picasso's five-story sculpture was unveiled on Chicago's Civic Center Plaza, another kind of "bird" was quietly winging its way into service. Just past noon on August 15, while the speechmaking and merriment attending the birth of a new Windy City symbol was reverberating throughout the Loop, Delta Air Lines' first Super DC8 was taxiing down a busy O'Hare Field runway, preparing for takeoff toward sunny Miami.

The Super DC8 cost 8½ million to build, and Delta is using two for Chicago-Miami service. Flight #3 leaves O'Hare at 12:30 PM, and arrives in Miami just 2 hours and 33 minutes later, while its evening counterpart flight #119 departs at 10 and arrives at Miami International at 1:33. Returning, the Douglas "stretchouts" leave Miami at 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM, with the same 2½ hour flight time.

While the normal Super DC8 cabin can accommodate better than 250 passengers, Delta has purposely limited First Class and Tourist seating to 195, served by an enlarged crew of six stewardesses. But, the more and more of the "big birds" are finding their way into the Delta fleet, the Atlanta-based carrier still operates some smaller planes as well. Piston powered Convair 440's, DC-6's, and DC-7's and jet Super DC-9's help to fill out the Delta roster.



The Ontario Municipal Board has given its formal approval to a four-mile extension of the Yonge Subway from Eglinton to Sheppard Avenue in North York. The extension is to be mostly in subway beneath Yonge and will cost about \$80,000,000, shared by Metro Toronto and the province of Ontario (70%) and the Toronto Transit Commission (30%).

TTC has already begun design work on the new subway line, which is to have three stations. Actual construction work is expected to begin next summer. Scheduled opening of the two (east and west) extensions of the Bloor-Danforth line in December is being delayed until at least March, 1968, due to a series of strikes still in progress.

The Commission has reluctantly abandoned plans to equip all TTC vehicles with two-way radios. The total cost of nearly \$2 million was found to be prohibitive for Toronto's 1600 streetcars, trolley coaches and motor buses.

Elsewhere in Ontario, Kitchener's Public Utilities Commission has reported profits from its trolley coach operation, but losses from the motor bus side. The PUC, feeling that trolley coaches are the only vehicles capable of making a profit, is inquiring about French and Italian-built vehicles for possible use on the system. KPUC's current fleet of CCF-built coaches is 20 years old.

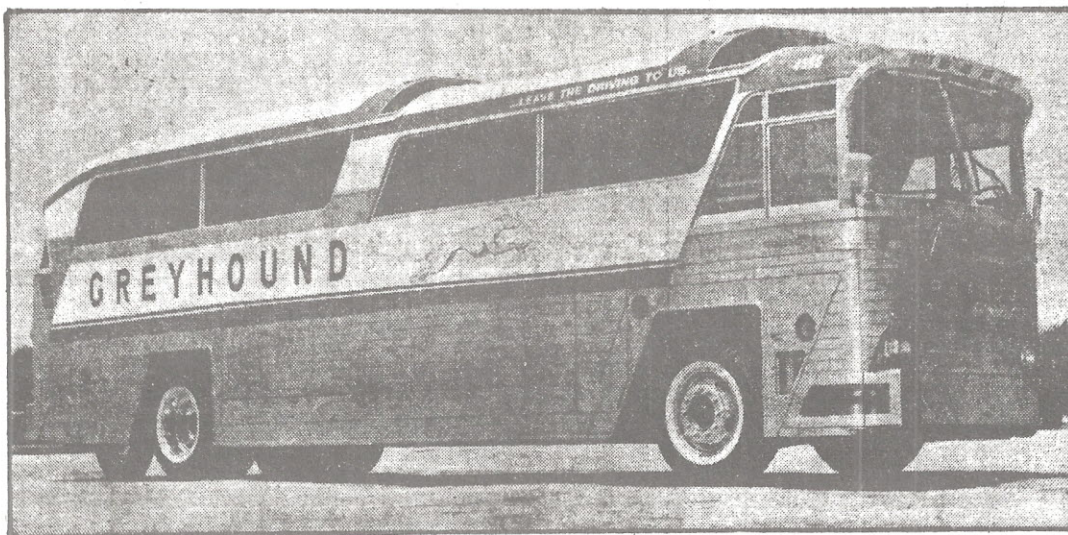
B R I E F S

Sixty new GM coaches, equipped with "after-burner" type catalytic mufflers are to make their appearance on the streets of Cleveland soon. The new

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Trans World Airlines, anticipating the day when Boeing 747 superjets and SST's will form an important part of its fleet, is constructing a \$33 million Technical Services Center in Kansas City to care for the giant aircraft. Four 100-foot-high shell-shaped hangar bays will protrude from a large shop and office building which in turn will be built out from an existing airframe overhaul structure... Hippies are out at Chicago's O'Hare Inn, adjacent to the northwest side field. No longer will the bearded, sandal-clad cult be permitted at the posh hostelry, according to the management... Chicago's American reports that more than 10,000 servicemen pass thru O'Hare Field weekly, most bound to or from Vietnam... Department of Transportation Secretary Alan S. Boyd, in a policy reversal, is recommending a head tax on airline passengers to finance preparation of U.S. airports for the crush of future traffic. Boyd advocates a surcharge of \$1 or \$2 per passenger, which is expected to net \$110 to \$220 million yearly... For some months the Civil Aeronautics Board has been looking into fare structures on domestic airlines. A preliminary report released by the CAB August 13 indicates overall satisfaction with the situation, but with some downward (and upward) adjustments advisable... A new \$3 million wardrobe is in store for United Air Lines' 5100 stewardesses, the tenth since 1930.

anti-pollution device adds \$275 to the cost of each new bus. CTS has sold its Superior operating station to the city for redevelopment. The depot began serving East Side runs in 1915, and closed last December... The Central Oklahoma Parking and Transportation Authority of Oklahoma City has boosted ridership since taking over operations of the former City Bus Company last year. Fares were lowered and service was increased in an attempt to bring back riders, an attempt that has been fairly successful in COPTA's first year... Davenport (Iowa) City Lines (NCL) is cutting evening and Sunday service. Few protests have been received over the changes... A new Dallas Transit express line from the Oak Cliffs area to downtown has proven most successful. System revenues as a whole are also up... The contractors for Toronto's two "New Look" trolley coaches (T/C 7/15/67) will be Western Flyer and Canadian Car... City Transit, Inc., of Mason City, Iowa, recently purchased 6 GMC TD-3206 and 2 TDH-3207 units from Interstate Power Company operations in Dubuque and Clinton, as well as Marshalltown and Fort Dodge. Plans call for retaining the remaining eight Marmon-Herrington motor buses for school trippers until major repair work is needed... West Suburban Transit Lines of the Chicago suburb of Lombard hiked its fares 10% August 7. The company links western suburbs with Chicago's Loop... Credit for the photo on last issue's cover goes to Pullman-Standard and the Cleveland Transit System. The tag line was inadvertently omitted, for which we offer our apologies to Pullman and CTS.



The latest version of the "bus of tomorrow" (see cut) found its way to an hour of public view at the La Salle Hotel in Chicago on August 9. Greyhound's brand-spanking-new Pembina-built MC-6X has been under development for about four years, and has been undergoing road testing in actual service on the Chicago-New York Turnpike Express since just before August 1. Forty feet long, twelve feet high and 102" wide, the super-king-size unit cost a cool two million dollars to develop, but its extra-large cargo space is expected to double the 'Hound's freight business.

An additional prototype is expected to roll off the assembly line in Pembina early this fall, and 1968 will see full production, to eventually total 1,000 units, costing \$80,000 each. 43 passengers can be comfortably accommodated in the MC-6X, and the coach has available 425 cubic feet of under-floor luggage and package express space. The cargo space more than doubles that usable in a single-level PD-4104, -4106, or MC-5A Challenger, and increases by 81 cubic feet the space available in a dual-level PD-4501 Super Scenicruiser. Greater fuel economy is also promised for the big coach.



The Illinois Commerce Commission has set September 14 for a public hearing on the Illinois Central Railroad's abolition of 10 and 25 ride commuter tickets. The railroad discontinued sale of the multiple-ride tickets last month, with commission permission but without public hearings or prior notice to its riders, intending to simplify use of its automatic ticket processing system. The unique, after-the-fact hearing was decided upon when the Illinois Central Commuters Association and the village of Park Forest filed complaints with the commission.

On the through train side, IC dropped the Land O' Corn trains after they completed their August 4 runs to and from Iowa. The six domes IC acquired from the Missouri Pacific will be awhile in getting into service, as some rehabilitation is necessary.

BRIEFS

More than 500 persons are now involved in the Illinois Prairie Path, an organization devoted to the improvement of the right-of-way of the now-defunct Chicago Aurora & Elgin interurban electric line. The IPP acquired the right-of-way west of Elmhurst about four years ago and set about converting it into a nature path. Presently, about 75% of the line is under development as a hiking trail...The Southern Industrial Railway of Centerville, Iowa, once one of the hardier electric lines which dotted that state and one-time home of NRHS' Iowa Chapter

operating museum has gone bankrupt and is now out of business. A fire last winter destroyed part of the Chariton River trestle, isolating the northern half of the former Southern Iowa Railway, and eroding business did the rest...The C&O/B&O "Good Guys", a 12 man team sporting white ten-gallon hats and wearing blue blazers, grey slacks and "Chessie" ties, will visit Cincinnati, Akron, Youngstown, Charleston and Huntington, W. Va., and Ashland and Lexington, Ky., in a push for more passengers, offering a round trip to and from any C&O/B&O point, for the price of a one-way ticket, plus a sweepstakes with the prize of a roundtrip for two from each city to Washington...The mail is coming off of the Milwaukee's Madison trains...The Burlington is planning to reduce the number of its Chicago to Twin Cities trains from seven to five. Four trains are to lose their RPO's, hence the cutback. Specific casualties have not been decided as yet, but schedules of the remaining runs will be revamped.

Toronto's Globe and Mail reports that the Ontario Government has a winner on its hands with the initial GO Transit service along the lakeshore. 24 trains were added to the initial 21 train schedule each day on June 26, and traffic went up 55%. Auto use of the 10 parking lots is increasing to the point where expansion is necessary. Six additional trains are to be added September 5, and other extensions and improvements are planned for the future.