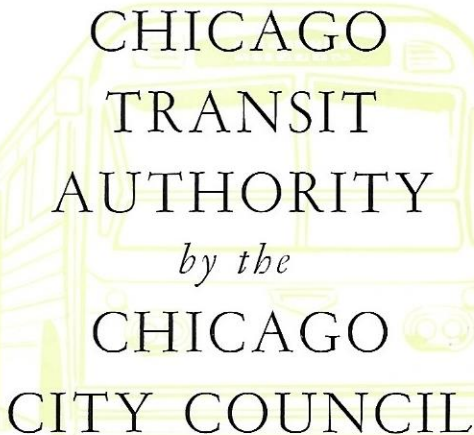


1945

*The
Twentieth Anniversary
of the Formation
of*

1965



CHICAGO
TRANSIT
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by the
CHICAGO
CITY COUNCIL

LUNCHEON MENU

Fancy Fruit Cocktail

*Braised Beef a la Bourguignonne
or*

Broiled Whitefish

Potatoes Gratinees

Buttered Peas

Caesar Salad

Bisquit Castellana

Mignardises

Coffee

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The Grand Ballroom

CONRAD HILTON HOTEL

Friday, April 23, 1965

CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Highlights of

Twenty Years of Progress . . . 1945 - 1965

April	12, 1945	Chicago Transit Authority created by the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act.
April	23, 1945	Authorization by City Council for CTA to operate local transportation.
June	4, 1945	Metropolitan Transit Authority Act approved by referendum.
October	1, 1947	Purchase of Chicago Rapid Transit Company and Chicago Surface Lines. CTA became an operating entity.
December	4, 1949	New Beverly bus garage opened.
May	28, 1950	New North Park bus garage opened.
July	27, 1950	500 propane-fueled buses ordered—the largest propane bus order in world transit history.
September	7, 1950	349 trolley buses ordered—largest trolley bus order in the United States.
February	25, 1951	Milwaukee-Dearborn-Congress subway opened.
October	1, 1952	Purchase of Chicago Motor Coach Company.
May	30, 1954	Last old red streetcar operated.
December	4, 1955	New Forest Glen bus garage opened.
June	21, 1958	Last streetcar operated.
June	22, 1958	Service in the median of Eisenhower expressway inaugurated.
December	8, 1960	Order placed for initial 300 "New Look" buses.
July	12, 1962	Order placed for 300 more "New Look" buses.
July	27, 1962	Congress terminal inspection shop opened.
October	28, 1962	Elevation of Lake rapid transit route between Laramie Avenue and Harlem Avenue.
June	13, 1963	Fleet of 180 air-conditioned rapid transit cars ordered.
October	1, 1963	New South Shops facilities opened.
April	20, 1964	Skokie Swift service inaugurated.
April	23, 1965	250 additional "New Look" buses placed in operation.

*Today there's a NEW look — a MODERN look
and even greater plans for the future!*