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## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the regular monthly meeting of the Chapter held on Thursday, April 17th, the following officers were elected to serve until April 1948:

PRESIDENT	David Cope
VICE PRESIDENT	Harry P. Albrecht
SECRETARY	Harry S. Myers
TREASURER	William Blakslee
EDITOR	Henry Dickinson
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HISTORIAN	Willard Hart

The Editors of "CINDERS" would like to use this space to extend thanks to our retiring President, James F. Dillon, who so capably fulfilled his duties, and to wish the best of luck to Dave Cope our newly elected chief.

Following the election, an informal quiz program was presented. Leslie Ross walked off with the grand prize (a Trains pictorial album of the PRR) for outwitting the other contestants.

## MA & PA TRIP

Negotiations are already under way for a Maryland & Pennsylvania RR trip during June. This 77 mile short line railroad running from Balto. to York has always been a favorite with the NRHS. And the management of the M&Pa has always been most cordial to railfans. Fare will be approximately \$4.75 including Federal tax for the round trip. (If you think its a bit steep, remember the regular round trip fare to Balto. alone is \$4.80.) More details will be available at the informal get-together on Tuesday, May 6th. See you then!

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## PENNSYLVANIA RR TRIP

Sunday, April 13th, marked the resumption of railroad trips operated by your Chapter. For many of the 540 railfans and thier families the trip was a new experience; for others it left recollections of similar runs before the war. Our trip was widely publicized in the local press and national publications and brought visitors from such far-off places as Winston-Salem, N.C., Buffalo, N. Y. and Waltham, Mass. to participate

The local press was well represented and both the Inquirer and Bulletin carried illustrated feature stories of the event.

Your Editors are still curious to know how many passengers were able to get off the train at Frankford Junction. How about it Al Pfeiffer?

## ELECTRIC ITEMS

(by Joseph M. Mannix, Jr.)

FLASH--A Federal Grand Jury has indicted National City Lines on charges of conspiracy to violate anti-trust laws in the sale of buses and allied products thru the giant trust combine. Among the individuals and corporations named in the suit are E. Roy Fitzgerald and Foster G. Beamsley of NCL, Phillips Petroleum Co., General Motors, Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., Mack Mfg. Co. and Federal Engineering Co.

PTC Rt. 23 conversion to PCC cars takes place on May 11th. Already 25 new cars have been assigned to Rts. 13 and 42 and are now in daily operation. Cars are all-electric (no air brakes) and have stand-ee windows. Rts. 14, 73 and 78 will soon be busted. Plans are being laid to reroute subway-surface cars when the new Market St. subway work begins. Louisville Ry. will convert its 2 remaining rail routes to bus and trackless trolley. Street cars in Oklahoma City, Chattanooga and the interurbans between Parkersburg and Marietta and Bluefield and Princeton in W. Va. have ceased operation. The New York Central has offered Cleveland a high speed system right-of-way for 7 millions. Wilkes-Barre will operate trolley coaches over the Georgetown route soon. Chicago & West Towns Rys. busted 2 car lines recently. Pullman-Standard completed Birmingham's order in March. Pittsburgh is placing PCC's on 2 lines as loops are completed. Baltimore city officials want to set up a bus franchise tax due to the large number of street car abandonments planned by BCo.

## SCHEDULES CHANGED APRIL 27TH

With the advent of Daylight

Saving Time drastic cuts and revisions have been made in rail schedules.

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## INFORMAL MEETING

Our next informal get-together will be Tuesday, May 6th, Come and hear your fellow member's latest tall tale.

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

A hearty welcome is extended to the following new member;

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