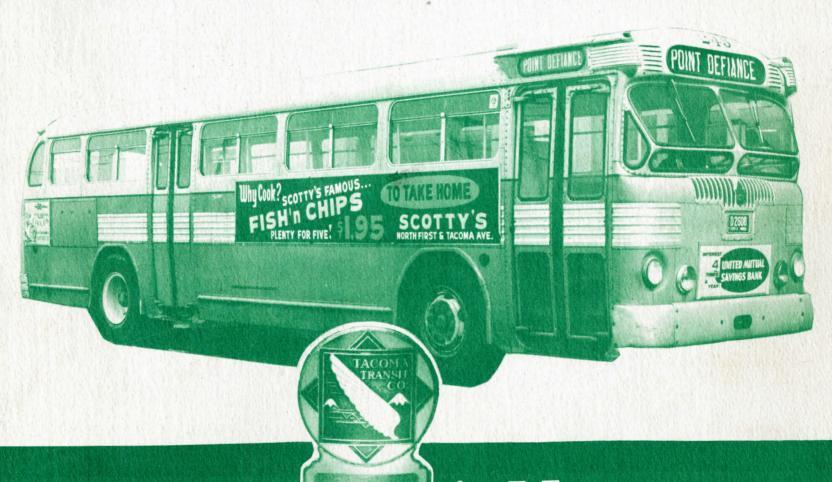
## Tacoma Transit



1959

Album

By L. O. Trueblood

## THE BEGINNING

Back in 1880 Tacoma was just a little town, in fact it was two little towns, one was in what is now old Tacoma, and the other clustered around Pacific Avenue from 7th to 25th Street, and ran up the hill as far as Tacome Avenue. There were no paved streets and sidewalks were made of planks. As the city grew the need began to be felt for a transportation system. In February 1887, Nelson Bennett conceived the First Street Railway.

The first building, in connection with the Street Cars, was built by Mr. Mason and Mr. Bennett and stood on the east side of "A" Street at 13th.

The traffic was very far from excessive in those days as it was not considered unusual to take in less than \$2.00 a day on the Tacoma Avenue Line. The nearest approach to a rush hour was the last car at 8:00 PM when the Steamer "Greyhound" came in from Seattle.

The first electric car was operated on January 10, 1890, and electrification of the lines in operation was completed by March 1890.

As time went on changes were made in the system and service was extended into sparsely settled districts by means of motor busses running from the end of the Street Car tracks to a given destination.

The Street Cars became outmoded and in 1939 Tacoma changed to Buses and the Buses we are using today were acquired in 1947 and 1948.

The Transportation Industry all over the U.S.A. is now on the down grade. Buses are necessary to all communities including Tacoma and good transportation at a reasonable cost will always be furnished by cooperation between the Bus Company and the Public.



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L. Thomas



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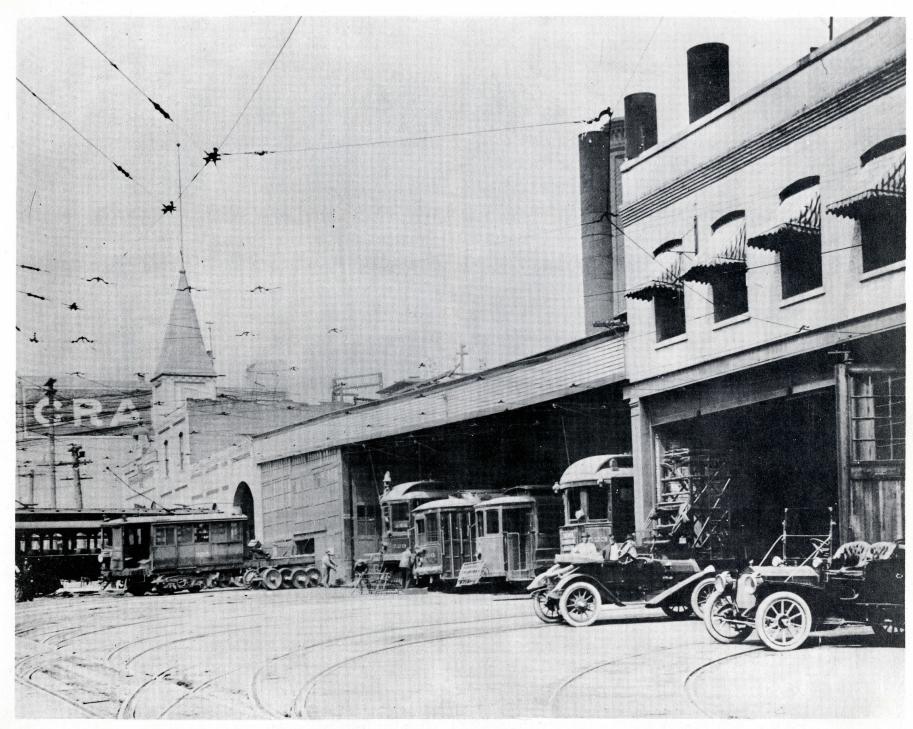
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M. Snure



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Lemm, C. J., Insp.





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Jacobson, H. B., Insp.

11-19-47



Lewtas, A. G., Chief Disp. 10-2-17



Latour, A. M. Insp.





Plewa, P. A. Insp.



Gordon, T. F., Insp.





Terrien, T. J., Inst.





Walsh, C. R., Disp.



Cook, E. S., Disp.

2-24-41





Douglas P. Hendry, Asst. Supt.

Anthony, D. R., Insp.

1-8-48





Olsen, G. T.



2-2-42

Eby, L. G.

1-27-42



Johnson, J. H.



Baker, B. E.



McMakin, B. E.

2-25-42





Weekman, R. G.

3-14-42



Hoard, E. V.



8th & A South End Term



Clary, R. W.





Murphy, J. H.

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Rohr, W. R.

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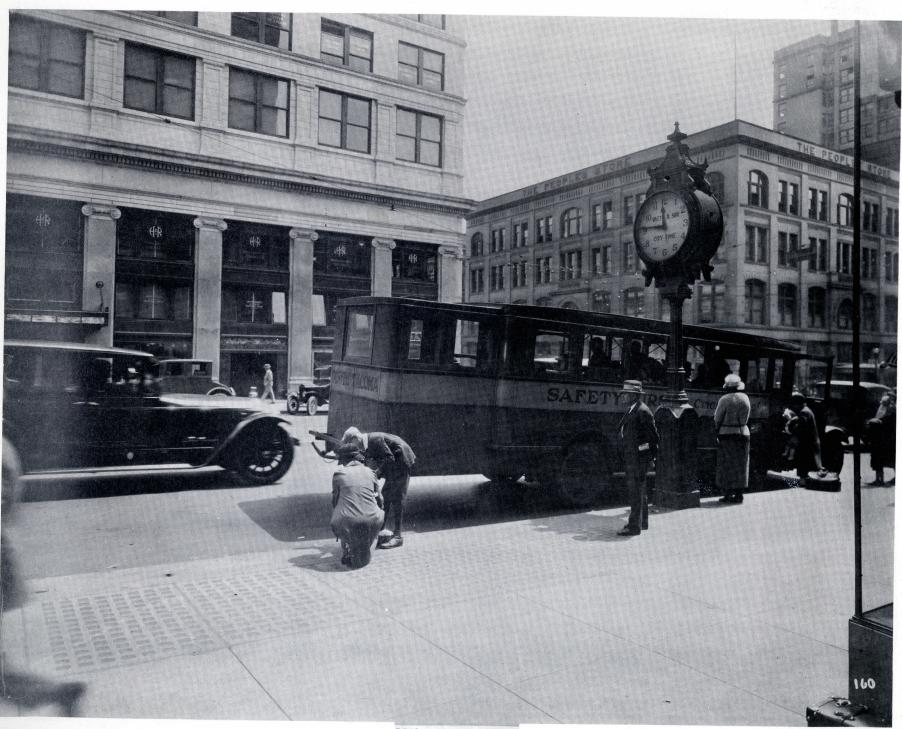
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11th & Pacific 1925





6-6-44

Brown, E. W.

























Pugh, E. F.

Rhoads, G. D.

5-28-45

Stuermer, C. B.

5-4-45



May 6, 1891



Fortner, G. J.

7-9-45



Wydra, W.

11-20-45



Gloor, J. M.

4-5-46



Failner, E. B.

4-23-46



64th & McKinley



19th & Adams



Taylor, G. A.

G. A. 7-1



Tessier, R. L.

41



Parr, J. L.

4-22-46



Chapman, J. A.

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Coffee Break





Walker, C. E.

4-30-46



Reynolds, G. E.

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Ballard, A. W.

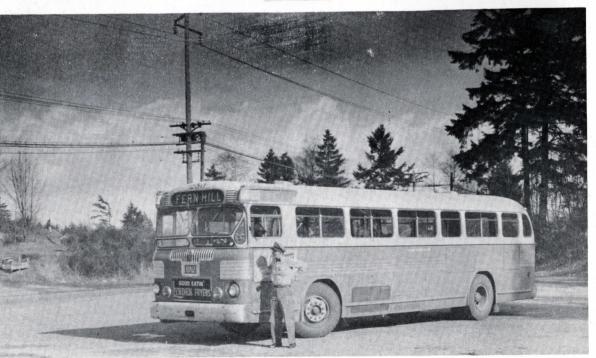


Batka, J. F.

11-2-46



11th & Pacific



96th & Park Ave.



Dalton, A. F.



DeVaul, L. E.



Chandler, R. H.

8-20-46



Rogers, R. E.

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LeMoine, L. A.



Harrell, W. P.

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End of Huson St. Line



Burr, W. C.

6-20-49



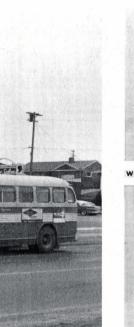
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Pt. Defiance





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Nelson, K. G.

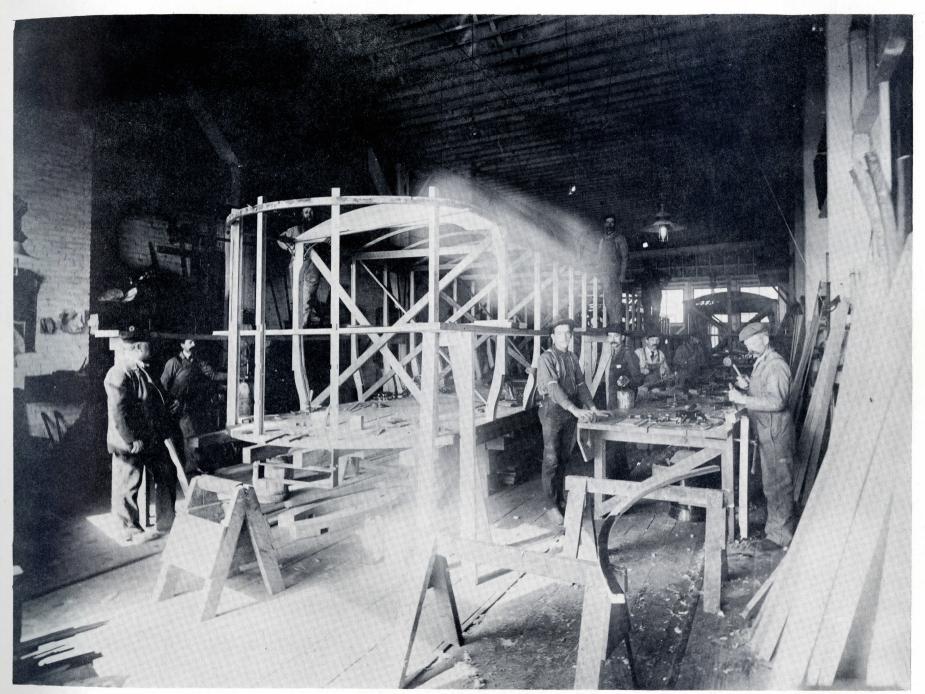
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Bridges, J. P.

8-16-50



**Assembling Street Car** 



Ehrler, J. C.

8-16-50



Usher, R. H.

9-1-50



10-17-50



Krilich, C. M.





17th & Br. No. End Terminal



University Place



Proctor, H. E.



Brallier, A. W.

9-20-50

8-30-50



Burton, A.

11-28-50



Messer, P. I.

4-30-51



Near End of Pt. Def. Line



5-7-51



Zitzman, J. E.

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Spanaway



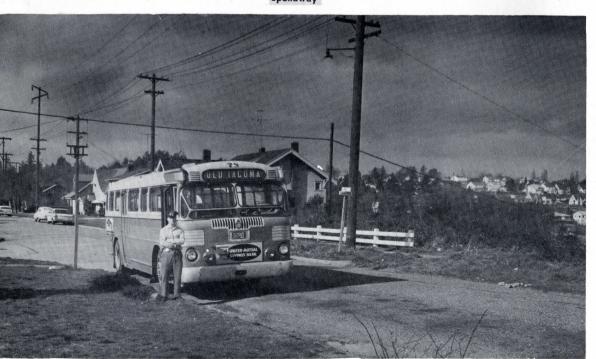
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Smalley, R.

1-25-56



31st & Lawrence



Erickson, E. L.



Grabinski, P. R.

4-14-53



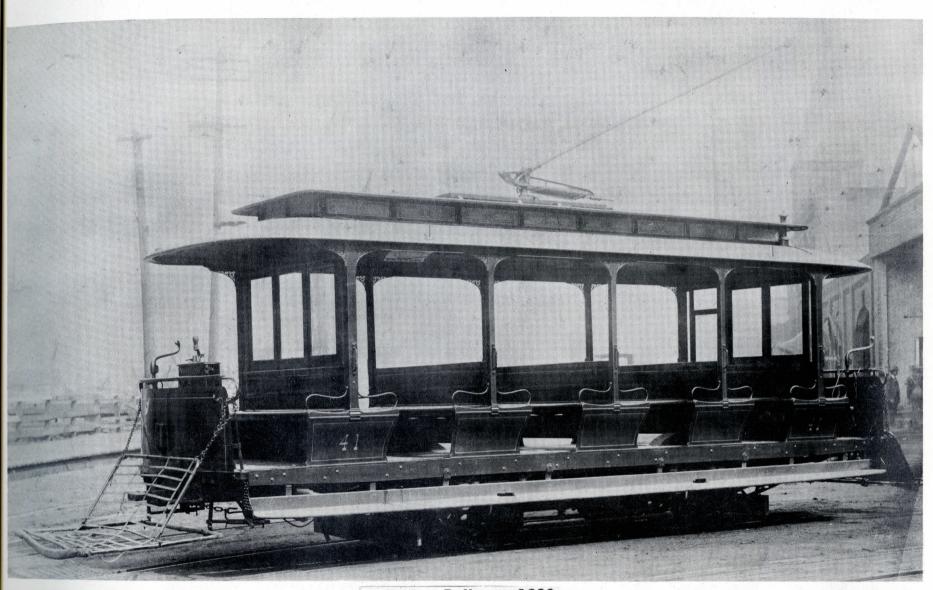
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4-26-54



Metcalf, K. E.

2-28-56



Built by Pullman 1890



Smith, A. L.

11-19-56



Carter, K. J.

3-25-57



Duncan, W. E.

4-8-57



Robinson, R. D.

7-24-57



96th & Pacific Ave.



26th & Proctor



Hayes, E. J.





Lovell, J. R.

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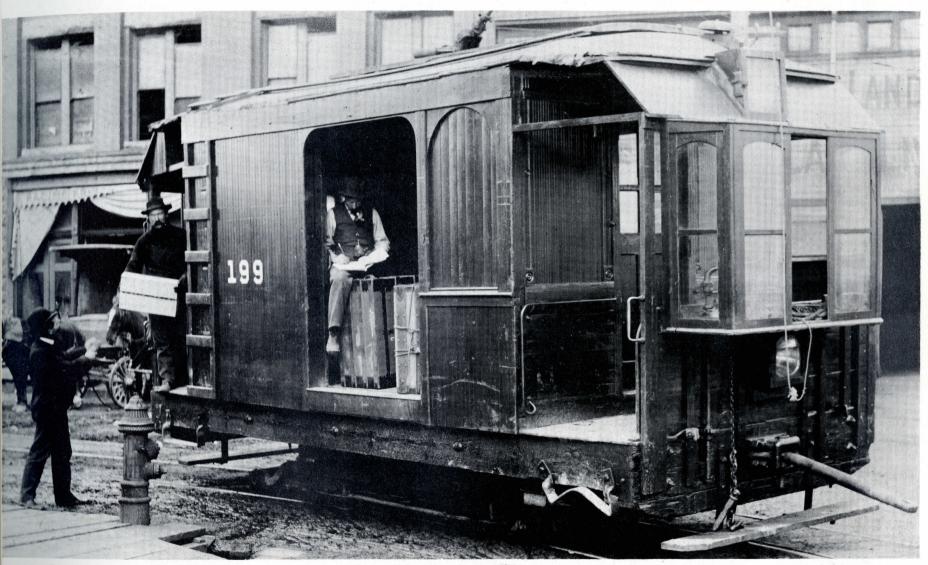
Zeutschel, R. L.

R. L. 4-10-51



Taylor, W. J.





Express Car



Lindsay, J. B.



Stephens, C. E.



Brodigan, D. J

3-17-58



Brage, K. D.

3-31-58



8-25-58

Nelson, R. A.

4-14-58



Hansen, D. T.



Schmith, R. A.

12-15-58

3-13-58



Bruneau, A. N.

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Trueblood, L. O.

3-23-59



Fircrest



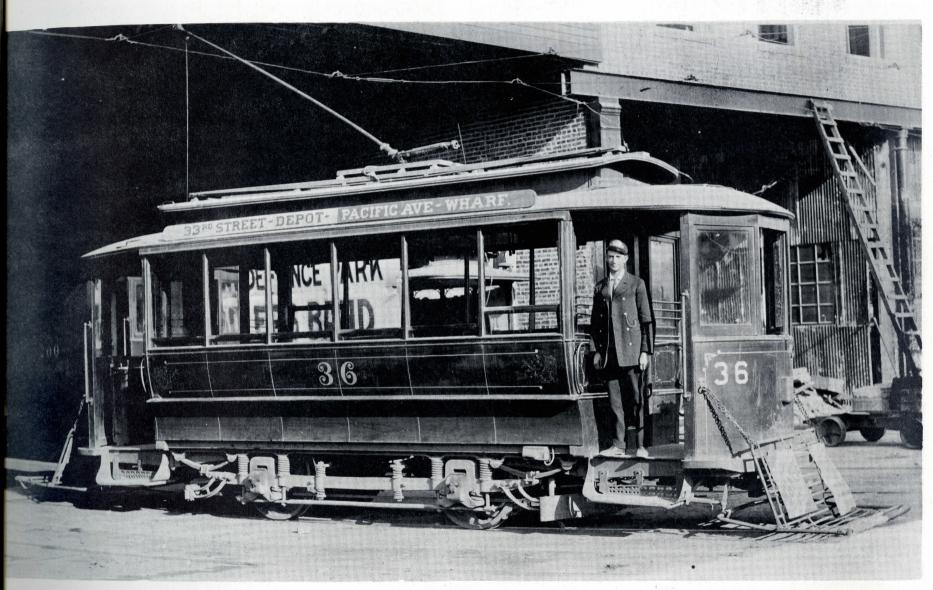
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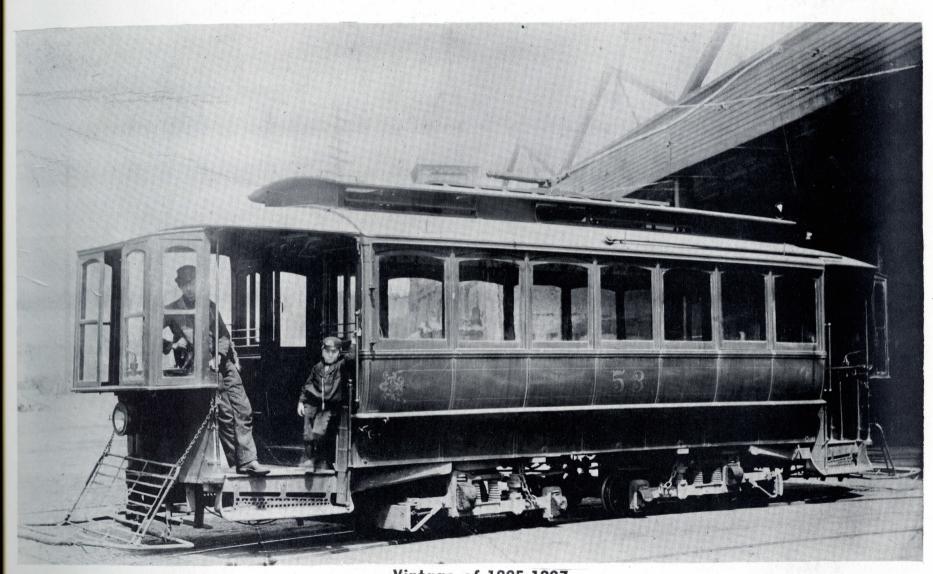
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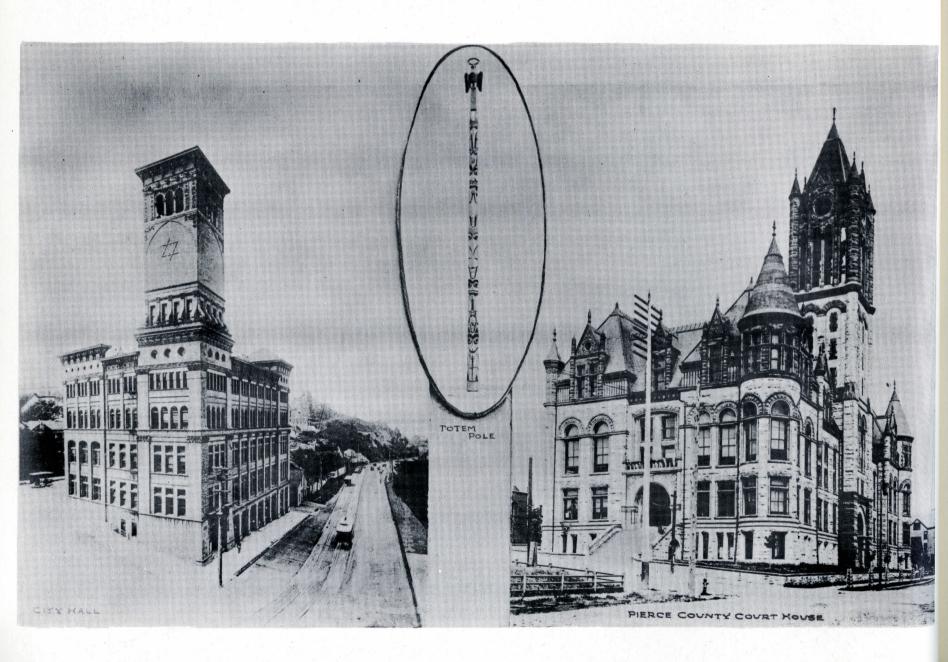
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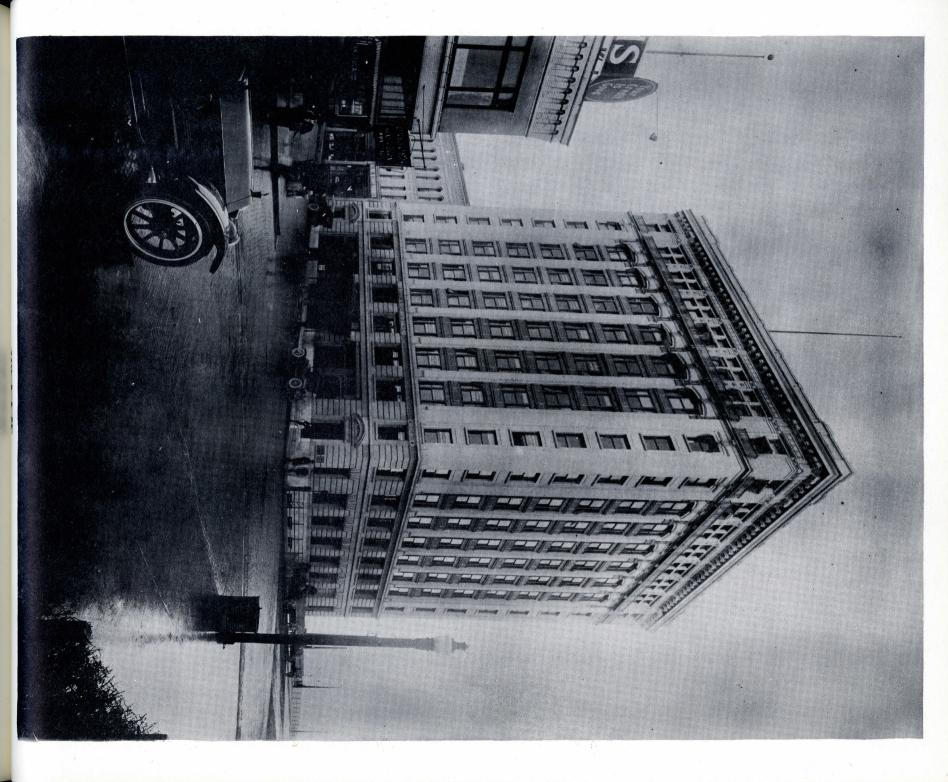


Vintage of 1895-1897





Sign-up Time





Sabol, J. P.

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Running, J.

7-15-18



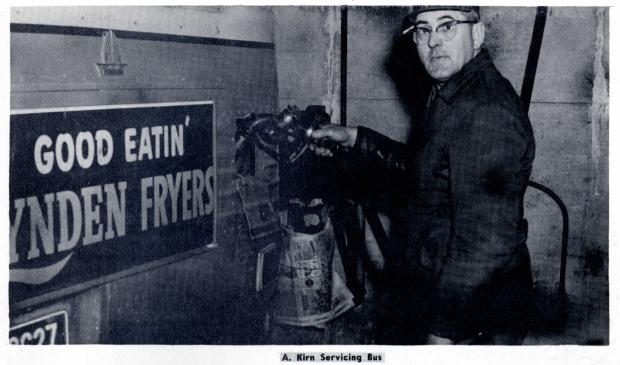
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DeBolt, C.





Wrecker



Verderico, F.

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Pryor, G.

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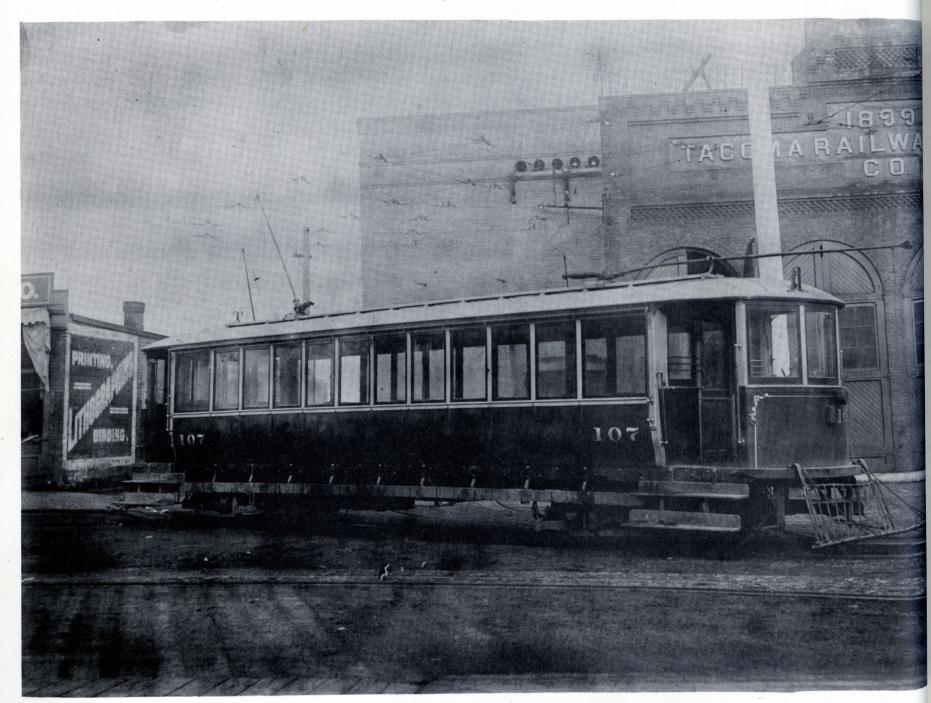
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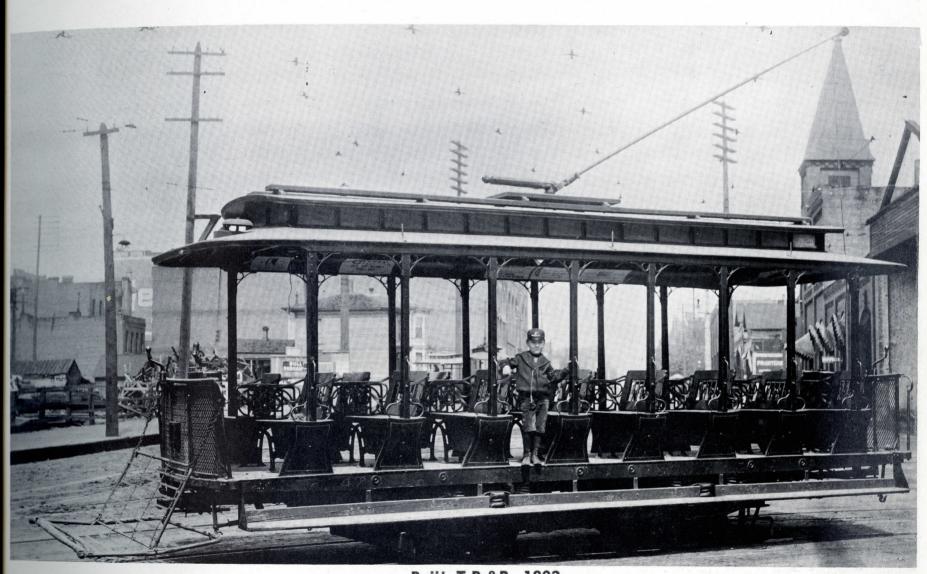


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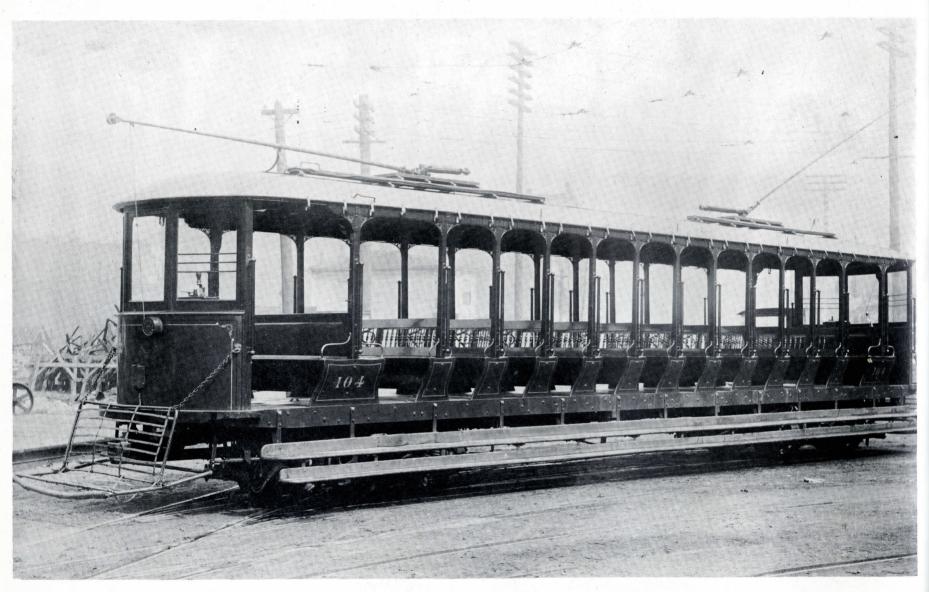
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Built by T.R.&P. Co. 1902



Built T.R.&R. 1892



Built 1900 T.R.&P.



Anslow, B.

10-17-27



Pohlman, P.

8-5-29



Thayer, B.

5-16-42



Vandervest, L.

10-26-42



Gas Station



Vetter, A.



Vandervest, R.



Hominda, Peter

8-1-29



Lattin, Hiram

2-8-42



Smith, B.

6-29-42



Money, J.

7-18-43



Carlson, Nels

9-29-43



Post, J.



Krznovich, M.

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Moore, W.



Machine Shop



Still, J.



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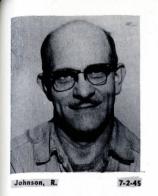


Seidelman, J.

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Robinson, E.





Triffitt, N.



Sypher, R.



Petorak, J.



Miller, W.

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Gennow, L.



Parks, R.

5-27-46 Paul, J.



Uhl, F.

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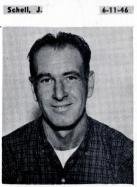


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DiRaddo, J.





Wash. Room



Toebbe, J.

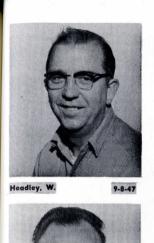


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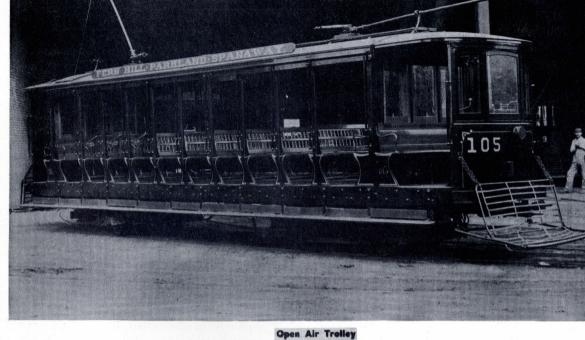
19th & Cedar





Nesbitt, K.

2-25-49





Seinkiewicz, E.

4-17-50



Kirn, A.



Brierley, M.

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Clayton, A.



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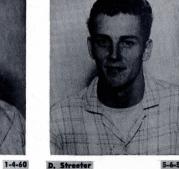
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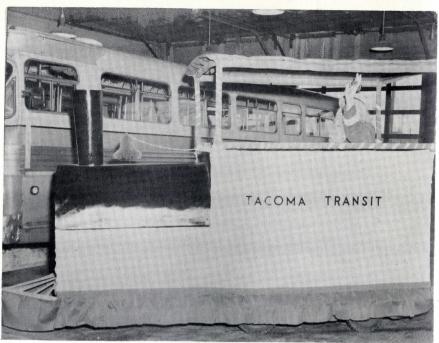




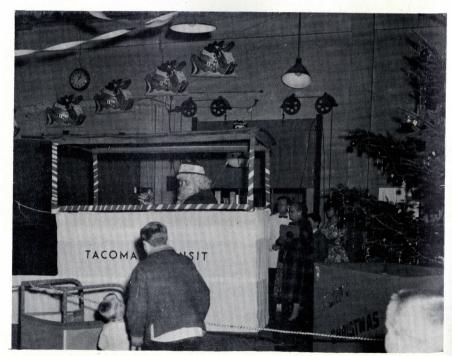


Southwell, J.









Tacoma Transit Christmas Party 1959