



# Southwest Seventh

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HEADQUARTERS BUILDINGS

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### Interim Parking Arrangements in new DOT Headquarters Building

To provide for employee parking until January 1st when the centralized DOT parking contract goes into effect, PMI has agreed to accept requests for parking in the new headquarters building at \$35.00 per month through December 31, 1969. This will be a private arrangement between the employee and PMI on a first-come, first-served, month-to-month basis and through December only. Holding such a parking space will give no priority in regard to obtaining an official parking permit after December 31st when the contract is signed, and equalized parking rates of approximately \$24.00 per month go into effect. The criteria for such official parking is being formulated and will be published at the earliest date available.

Although the building is still being worked on, PMI assures us there will be the normal parking lot protection and insurance. The hours of operation will meet the demand, but over-night parking is strongly discouraged.

Arrangements may be made at this time through the PMI Office at 1725 DeSales Street, N.W., (Mrs. Lyons, tel: 628-0630). To assist the employees in the Matomic Building who are scheduled to move in mid-October, PMI will have a representative in Room 418 of the Matomic Building (code 189-2410) from October 1st to October 15th. After October 15th, a PMI representative will be in

**This bulletin will be issued periodically during the consolidation of the Department of Transportation headquarters into two buildings -- 400 Seventh Street, S.W., and 800 Independence Avenue, S.W.**



the Nassif Building on the second floor. Arrangements will be made to have PMI located in the USCG Building prior to their move.

#### PROGRESS OF MOVE TO THE NEW DOT HEADQUARTERS BUILDING.

The first occupants of the Nassif Building moved to the second floor over the weekend of September 12, 1969. Our tentative schedule occupancy of subsequent floors is given below.

Current Target Dates  
for occupancy of  
DOT Headquarters Building

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>FLOOR</u>	<u>*DATES</u>
OST	2	9/15 - 10/1
FHWA	3	10/10 - 10/23
FHWA	4	10/24 - 11/6
FHWA & FRA	5	11/7 - 11/20
USCG	6	11/21 - 12/4
USCG	7	12/5 - 12/18
USCG	8	12/19 - 1/1
OST & UMTA	9	1/2 - 1/15
OST	10	1/16 - 1/31

\*All dates contingent upon completion of construction of the 3rd floor and GSA acceptance of each floor on schedule.

There are many complex problems relating to construction, materials, special facilities, safety features, and others which influence maintenance of schedules; however, this is our best current estimate. Any changes to this tentative schedule will be published as they occur.

#### PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN THE SOUTHWEST AREA.

Many Department employees, about to be reassigned to the Nassif Building, have inquired about public transportation service to Southwest Washington. Adequate-to-good transit service is already available, and recently several steps have been taken to assure that bus travel to S.W. will be quick and convenient.

To help improve commuting to the S.W. the Department of Transportation has awarded a grant of \$116,183 to the District of Columbia government for the construction of a Central Southwest Bus Terminal capable of serving up to 165 buses and 100,000 riders each hour.

The sheltered terminal, the first of its kind in Washington, is being built by the City's Highway Department on the north side of D Street between 9th and 10th Streets, S.W. Buses from all major transit companies will operate from the new depot, tentatively scheduled for completion on November 1, of this year.





## *The Inner Court*

All four transit lines are planning schedule changes in connection with the new terminal but details are not yet available. Headquarters employees desiring detailed schedule information are asked to contact the bus companies directly.

D. C. Transit and W. V. M. lines which currently serve S. W. from every section of Washington and much of Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties, as well as a large portion of Virginia, can be reached by dialing 832-4300. Or you can write the D. C. Transit - W. V. M. Information Desk, 2250 26th St. N. E., Washington, D. C. 20018, and schedules for your area will be mailed to your home.

W. M. A., which presently serves S. W. with four round-trips each working day at 8:30 and 5:30 from Greenbelt Belair via Route 450, Penn-Mar and Suitland, and Eastover and Glass Manor, is planning 7:30 and 4:30 service to and from the new terminal. The W. M. A. information number is 584-3000 or you can write them at: 4421 Southern Avenue, S. E., Washington, D. C. 20019.

The A. B. & W.'s Route #7 from the Edsal-Van Dorn area and Southern Towers via Shirlington and Memorial Bridge currently serves S. W. and operates every nine minutes during rush hours. A. B. & W. is considering additional service to S. W. and more information may be obtained by writing A. B. & W. at 600 N. Royal Street, Alexandria. A. B. & W.'s phone number, 549-7800, is usually busy.

The General Services Administration has assigned an urban planner to work full time on S. W. transit needs. He is working closely with the bus companies to assure good bus service for S. W. He is confident that, after a brief period of adjustment, service to the southwest will be as good or better than for any other major employment center in Washington.

#### BANKING SERVICES FOR NASSIF BUILDING

The First National Bank of Washington has established temporary quarters in a trailer on "E" Street, S. W. between 6th and 7th Streets. The hours are 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. The telephone number is 554-7035.

#### PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Most of the bus lines have informed us that they will be changing schedules and adding service when the Central Southwest Bus Terminal opens in November. A supply of current schedules from the four bus lines serving the Southwest Mall area was provided to Matomic Building employees prior to their move and arrangements are being made to have similar schedules available to Coast Guard personnel this week.

#### BUS TERMINAL STATISTICS

A great number of fans have commented on the statistics given for the service capacity of the new bus terminal. The error was not in our mathematics but in our typing. The maximum capacity should have read "165 buses and 10,000 (not 100,000) riders each hour."

#### COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

Secretary Volpe is CFC Chairman for the National Capital Area and Mr. Alan Dean is Special Assistant to the Chairman. Let's all help make this an over-the-top campaign! How about making your payroll deduction today.

#### QUESTIONS

Any questions you have on the new building or subjects you would like covered in future Bulletins should be jotted down and forwarded to TAD-47, Room 2318, Nassif Building.