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PROGRESS (?) OF METRO CONSTRUCTION

In the June 1 issue of Southwest Seventh, it was projected that within three weeks or so, "D" Street would be closed between 6th and 7th Streets for resurfacing. Since that date, a strike by construction workers halted all but minimal activity on this construction and it is not known at this time when it will be resumed. Slattery Construction Company estimates that within ten days to two weeks after resumption of work, "D" Street will be closed. Traffic leaving the north ("D" Street) garage ramp will have access to Sixth Street, and Virginia Avenue will be open to two-way traffic. Slattery plans to have flagpersons on duty during rush hours to assist traffic flow. Shortly thereafter, the Seventh and "E" Streets intersection will be lowered to grade level and the street resurfaced. The entire schedule hinges on the settlement of the strike.

CREDIT UNION IN HEADQUARTERS BUILDING TO CLOSE FOR THREE DAYS

The Transportation Credit Union, Room 3248 of the Headquarters Building, will close Monday through Wednesday, July 21-23, for remodeling and will reopen on Thursday, July 24. Their offices in FOB-10A (Room 532) and Trans Point Building (Room 3600) will remain open for business.

DOT HAS A NEW GENERAL COUNSEL

John Hart Ely, a former professor at Harvard Law School, is the new General Counsel for DOT. Mr. Ely succeeds Mr. R.E. Eyster who resigned as of June 30, 1975. Ely had been a member of the Harvard Law School faculty since 1973. From 1971 to 1973, he was a professor of law at Yale Law School and an associate professor of law there since 1968. Ely was graduated summa cum laude in 1960 from Princeton University, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He received his LL.B. degree magna cum laude in 1963 from Yale Law School. He was staff attorney for the President's Commission on the Assassination of President John F. Kennedy during 1964, and then served as law clerk to Chief Justice Earl Warren from 1964 to 1965.

DOT EMPLOYEE RECREATION ASSOCIATION

The DOT Employee Recreation Association now has discount tickets available to members for:

- . Busch Gardens (Adults \$5.95 - Children \$4.95)
- . Kings Dominion (\$6.50)
- . Wildlife Preserve (Adults \$3.40 - Children \$2.40)

The office is located in Room 4338, DOT Headquarters Building, and the hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

NEW MATERIALS TRANSPORTATION BUREAU ACTING DIRECTOR AND KEY PERSONNEL NAMED BY THE SECRETARY

Secretary Coleman appointed Herbert H. Kaiser, Jr. Deputy Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Consumer Affairs to be Acting Director of the Materials Transportation Bureau (MTB), which was established on July 1, 1975.

The MTB was established to coordinate the Department's increasing operational responsibilities concerning hazardous materials and pipeline safety and will be responsible for these operational functions as they relate to regulations and exemptions; those functions of an intermodal nature; and, compliance functions pertaining to packaging manufacturers. Modal administrations in DOT will be responsible for compliance and enforcement functions pertaining to their individual mode. The Bureau will consist of the Office of Hazardous Materials Operations, Director Alan I. Roberts, and the Office of Pipeline Safety Operations, Acting Director Cesar DeLeon.

In establishing the MTB, the Department abolished the Offices of Pipeline Safety and Hazardous Materials under the Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Consumer Affairs (TES). However, policy guidance and evaluation over DOT's hazardous materials program will be in TES in the newly created Office of Hazardous Materials Policy. Its Director will be William J. Burns, former Director of the Office of Hazardous Materials. Pipeline safety policy guidance and evaluation will be provided by the TES Office of Safety Affairs.