

J. FITZGERALD, BUILDER OF BUS LINES, DIES AT 65

John M. Fitzgerald, 65, of 1915 E. 74th st., one of five brothers who built a bus transportation empire, died yesterday in Palm Springs, Cal. He suffered a stroke earlier in the day in the El Mirador hotel of which he was a part owner. He was a director of National City Lines, Inc., 616 S. Michigan av., and before his retirement in 1947, headed Southern, Ltd., a branch of the giant bus holding company which operates services in 98 cities.

With his brothers, E. Roy, W. Ralph, Kent, and Edward, Fitzgerald went into the bus business here in 1919.

Fitzgerald also is survived by his widow, Vada; a daughter, Mrs. Marian James, and a son, William J. Mass will be said at 10 a. m. Thursday in St. Philip Neri church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.