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Cover:

St. Joseph, Missouri in August 1932 as electric trolley busses have just started service. I am not sure if the "streetcar" in the view is a city car or a suburban type used on an interurban line. Since Kansas City transit expert Ed Conrad is on "SLRE" I am sure we will know for sure by next month what the service was on this line. The ETB says "Jules Street", but the electric car's sign is difficult to see. Ironically, Ray Gehl of St. Louis rented the last ETB line for a day in, I think, 1961 before the wires came down.

Contents:

- DJN's usual excellent ramblings and news bits.
- Metrolink issues brought on my I-64 construction work.
- "Riding the Butler Day Express" by Bruce J. Russell.
- "Engineer Jones and the Dead Cow" from the Bill Volkmer archives.
- Article about Kansas City light rail.
- Lots of great photos.