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THE SERVICE CLUBS

DURING the year 1939 Milwaukee Road Service Clubs have carried on in a praiseworthy manner the activities begun in the previous year. Although some Clubs—particularly those covering sections of line where there are few employes and those located some distance apart—have experienced difficulty in getting together frequently or regularly, the Club plan as a whole has received fine support from Milwaukee Road people.

Much has been accomplished by keeping constantly before the members the importance of sending in Traffic Tips; by stimulating interest in the affairs of their railroad and obtaining suggestions for improvements in service, and by promoting a cooperative spirit in dealing with the public and with one another. Some Clubs have held special get-together meetings with local business men, which have been very helpful.

The plan was adopted by employes as a means of helping their railroad and the success of the movement is most gratifying and promises much for the future.

As a matter of interest to Club members I am giving some figures with reference to this road's operations last year:

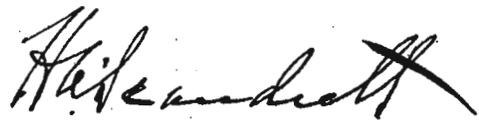
Operating Revenues for 1939 amounted to \$106,875,380, an increase of \$7,438,534 over 1938. Operating Expenses were \$85,511,814, an increase of \$4,838,627. After deducting Ordinary Taxes, Retirement Taxes, Unemployment Taxes, Hire of Equipment and Joint Facility Rents, there was left as Net Railway Operating Income \$8,124,194, an increase of \$2,849,655 over 1938. This was less than in 1936 and 1937, and far less than is required to pay fixed charges.

Going into some of the details of operating performance, you may be interested in knowing that the average net tons per loaded freight car last year was 26.1 tons and per train 732 tons. Freight Traffic Tips help to increase the train load. The average distance each ton was hauled was 273 miles. Average Revenue received for hauling a ton of freight one mile was \$.0096, or slightly less than one cent.

Average number of passengers per train was 41. Traffic Tips have helped in this and can help still more. Average distance each passenger was hauled was 167 miles. Average Revenue received for hauling a passenger one mile was \$.0186—a little less than two cents.

Last year it cost us an average of \$1,508 to maintain a mile of main track. We spent \$5,633,810 for Coal; \$523,067 for Fuel Oil, and \$1,014,216 for Electric Power. Average Number of Employes in 1939 was 30,224 or 1,236 more than in 1938. Their compensation last year amounted to \$54,939,000, an increase of \$2,140,000. The latter figures show the effect of increased business upon employment.

I hope all Club members will continue their fine efforts for the benefit of the railroad and themselves.



NUMBER OF TRAFFIC TIPS REPORTED BY TRAFFIC TIP SUPERVISORS ON THE DIVISIONS SHOWN BELOW DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1940								
Division	Pas- senger Tips	Freight Tips	No. of Tips per 100 Employes	Division	Pas- senger Tips	Freight Tips	No. of Tips per 100 Employes	
Dubuque & Illinois.....	73	245	24.4	La Crosse & River.....	89	20	5.9	
Madison Division.....	128	14	22.0	Kansas City Div.....	17	18	5.0	
Iowa and Dakota Div..	136	89	15.0	Milwaukee Div.....	18	35	4.5	
Seattle General Offices.	45	3	14.7	Trans-Missouri Div. ...	24	7	3.7	
Superior Division.....	21	57	13.2	Twin City Terminals...	49	11	3.4	
Hastings & Dakota...	70	45	11.0	Miscellaneous.....	1	16	2.8	
Iowa & S. Minnesota...	29	39	9.4	Terre Haute Div.....	3	19	2.5	
Iowa Division.....	14	112	9.3	Milwaukee Terminals..	75	15	2.2	
Chicago General Offices	62	50	6.6	Chicago Terminals....	40	24	2.1	
Coast Division.....	63	21	6.4					
Rocky Mountain Div...	48	4	6.1					
				TOTALS.....	1,005	844	7.1	

The Snoqualmie Ski Bowl

Attendance Surpasses Last Year's Total

BEING a rather sedentary, non-skiing sort of person, the writer cannot say for certain whether there is any mark to distinguish a female ski from a male ski, but he saw about two thousand, three hundred and ten assorted ones at the same time when the two sections of the Ski Train returned to Seattle from the Snoqualmie Ski Bowl on February 4th.

Allowing two skis to the person (the normal person, that is, with only a normal number of feet), that meant that there were 1,155 skiers of both genders and all ages coming through the Seattle Union Station after a day of real, rough-and-tumble fun at Snoqualmie. Then, when you add to the 2,310 skis 2,310 ski poles and toss the aggregate over the shoulders of the march-

ing skiers, you have what Wordsworth might just as well have been talking about when he said:

"Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in spritely
dance."

But the ski heads were not the only ones that were being tossed around. The writer for one, not having a pair of skis with which to joust back, was doing a bit of fancy head tossing and ducking, because a mass of people surrounded by a mass of people they know, and all carrying a mass of skis which describe a wide and vicious arc every

time the bearer takes a notion to talk to the fellow behind him, can be something of a menace.

The day at the ski bowl had been a dandy, which likely explained the high spirits on display on all sides even after a hard day. And a hard day it must have been for fair, as most of the skiers were not masters at the business; being novices, they skied on all parts of their anatomy with a fine indiscrimination. He who, temporarily, was up, didn't know when he would be down and he who was down often seemed neither to know nor to care when he would get up.

The entire 1,155 returned whole, though; apparently in skiing bruises don't count.

The crowd that day was next to the largest ever to swarm over the snow-padded terrain of the Ski Bowl. The largest showed up two



Upper Right: Donning Skis for the Day's Sport

Lower Right: The Beginners' Run



weeks before, on January 21st, when the Penguin Ski Club held its annual slalom race; there were 1,372 there that day.

By the way, this might be as good a place as any to explain the meaning of "slalom" to those who, like the writer, know no more about skiing than they have seen in the news reels and the hospitals. A slalom race is to winter sports what broken field running is to football; there are a lot of obstacles in the way. Designed to test the validity of the accident insurance policy and the immortality of the soul, the slalom race is a downhill dash in which the skier must zig this way and zag that way, around poles set up for the explicit purpose of making things difficult. The one who makes it in the shortest time under his own power wins.

It would seem that there must have been some special occasion to bring out 1,155 on Sunday, February 4th and sure enough, there was an occasion, as there usually is, but it was not of such a special nature as to account for the size of the crowd. The features of the day were a cross-country race and other special events for the Seattle chapters of Demolay and Rainbow Girls, the junior auxiliaries of the Masonic and the Eastern Star Orders.

Naturally, the Demolay boys and the Rainbow Girls were there in a body, but there were many others, too. There were so many, in fact, that there were two sections of the train required to

get them up into the Cascade Mountains; one of the sections had 19 cars on it, one of which was used as a "church car," wherein Rev. Paul B. James of the Episcopal Church conducted religious services for all who cared to attend. The train left Tacoma at 7 a. m. and Seattle at 8:30, making it practically impossible for many of the skiers to attend services before leaving.

Despite the fact that the increasingly ski-minded populace of Tacoma, Seattle and surrounding cities has several places to do its skiing, the

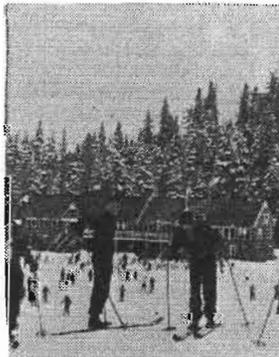
everybody had a good time because in such a contest a nimble brain is as handy to have around as a pair of nimble skis.

That was the last event which had taken place at this writing, but for Saturday, February 17th, the Milwaukee was scheduled to be host to the Seattle Times Free Ski School for all Seattle high school students. It was also to be the date of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Carriers' annual winter outing trip. The Post-Intelligencer is one of Seattle's leading daily papers, familiarly called the P.I. by the local folks.

For Sunday, February 18th, was scheduled the second event of Demolay-Rainbow Annual Ski Championships—the downhill races. Too, there was to be a special train party consisting of the Everett (Wash.) Ski Club and the Everett High School Ski Club and another special train for the Cardinal Club and the Tacoma Ski Club. It is days like that (weather permitting) that attendance records get broken.

The really big day, though, was scheduled to be Thursday, February 22nd, when the Seattle Ski Club, and the Seattle Chamber of Commerce were to inaugurate and dedicate the new jumping hill (which, by the way, is longer, higher, steeper, and generally more scary-looking than you would ever think

from looking at pictures of it). By the time this ap-



Upper Left: Jumping Hills

Lower Left: Heading for the Lodge

Milwaukee's Ski Bowl at Hyak, Washington, is proving more and more popular as the week-ends roll by and the snow piles up. The fact that by February this year we had carried more skiers than during all of last year gives a fair idea of the trend of things.

Saturday, February 10th, was Seattle's Broadway High School Student Day.

On Sunday, February 11th, a treasure hunt was held, with handsome prizes offered; it proved to be very popular and

pears the grade will have been appropriately dubbed "Olympian Hill."

That will about end Snoqualmie's



Chapel Car

1939-1940 season, as the snow in the Cascades usually doesn't last much after March 1st, but it has been a very successful year. Better still, it has served to get Seattle and Tacoma peo-

ple familiar with the place, as well as with Milwaukee service generally, with the result that we can look forward to still larger crowds at the Ski Bowl in the future.

mirror," a collection of Audubon plates; lovely portraits, statues and other art treasures have come back to live in Villa Louis and if one had the seeing eye or the hearing ear, would he not see gay ladies of old crinoline days, gentlemen in peg-topped pants and long-tailed coats, dancing together the rhythmic quadrille or the stately minuet. Haunted house, indeed, haunted by memories of gracious living and bounteous entertainment.

Colonel Dousman a partner of John Jacob Astor, was probably the first man west of the Alleghenies to be entitled to be called "millionaire"; and his house was open house to all the important travelers that way, of his day. Military officers, government officials and those on exploration bent, came and went through its doors. The ladies of the garrison danced in its spacious parlors with the gay young officers, among which latter, was a certain young Lieutenant, Jefferson Davis, by name, who had come across country with the army, from farther up the Wisconsin River; and there stationed at the Fort, was Colonel Zachary Taylor, commandant, with his pretty daughter, "Knoxie" with whom the young Lieutenant Davis fell violently in love, and a bright romance became a part of Villa Louis' history. Other guests of distinction at the Villa were General Winfield Scott, another young Lieutenant, Ulysses S. Grant, shy and taciturn; John Jacob Astor, baron of the fur trade; Henry Hastings Sibley, to become Minnesota's first governor, and many others of prominence in Wisconsin frontier days.

Colonel Dousman died in 1868 and for a number of years the widow and son lived on at the Villa, keeping up its traditions as best they might. With changing times and new customs, the old mansion had little in common, and it finally fell into disuse until, in 1938 the Dousman family brought about its restoration, donated from their own family treasures, much of its splendid furnishings, then with brilliant ceremonial, the presentation was made, and the old mansion was ushered back to its old time dignity.

The Old Agency House

A landmark with a background peculiarly Wisconsin's own is the old



A facsimile of the sign placed on the judges tower alongside the jumping hill and unveiled February 22nd when the hill was officially dedicated. The sign itself measures 14'8 1/4" by 17'5".

Old Wisconsin Mansions

Two Historic Landmarks

AN old deserted mansion is a haunted house; there may not be clanking chains and blood curdling shrieks to startle the midnight air, but if you should wander about in such a house, the ghosts of its past are following you, make no mistake; and every gust of the wind that rattles the windows says "as plain as a whisper in the ear,—'the place is haunted.'"

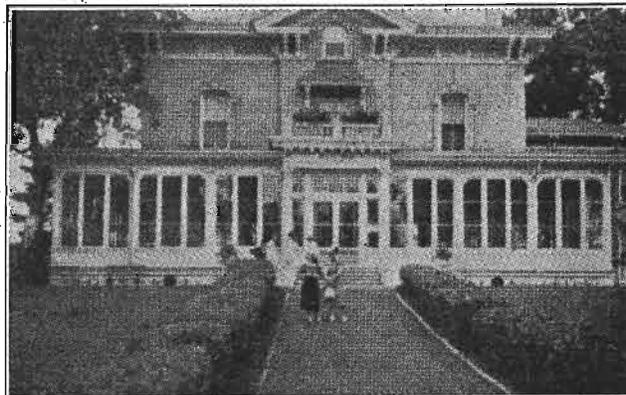
Fine old mansions with historic backgrounds, fallen into disuse and decay are found everywhere, and Wisconsin has its share,—but a few of these have been acquired and "restored," possibly by some certain patriotic society devoted to perpetuating this history and legendry of Wisconsin in the days "way back when" the Mississippi River was the frontier boundary.

A notable old landmark of this kind is the Villa Louis at Prairie du Chien, built and lived in by Colonel Hercules Louis Dousman, foremost pioneer of fur-trading days, of Indian warfare and Fort Crawford, oldest military post on the upper river; days when explorers and discoverers traveled up and down the great river or came overland through Wisconsin's wilderness.

The latchstring was always out at Villa Louis and a generous hospitality

was dispensed. The old house was in a miraculous state of preservation despite its many years of idleness or of an occupation less distinguished than that of its early founder,—when the descendants of the Dousman family took over the property and refurnished and restored it to a state of its pristine grandeur, then presented it to the city of Prairie du Chien where it is now a Mecca for thousands of travelers from far and wide, who may follow through its stately halls and salons and repicture the days of a real frontier aristocracy such as the Dousmans gathered about them and whom they entertained lavishly.

The house was built in 1845, and furnished with all the care of a people "to the manor born." Ornate chandeliers, graceful rosewood and mahogany highboys, elegant sofas, marble topped tables, deep-piled carpets, a magnificent "pier



Villa Louis—Prairie du Chien



Entrance Hall—Villa Louis

Agency House at Portage, reclaimed, refurnished and opened to the public by the Society of Colonial Dames.

The house was built in 1832 by the Federal Government for John Kinzie, the state's first Indian Agent, on the highland between the Wisconsin and the Fox Rivers. Fort Winnebago was the garrison and the Winnebago tribe lived on the reservation. Many were the guests of renown entertained at the Agency House, by the Kinzies, who were known for their hospitalities, the excellent cooking, and the fine dinners given by the chatelaine. Lieutenant Jefferson Davis, was stationed at Fort Winnebago for a time, before he followed down river to Fort Crawford, and was said to have helped lay out the plans for the Fort.

Another guest of distinction of the Kinzies, was young William S. Hamilton, son of Alexander Hamilton, first Secretary of the Treasury.

After the Kinzies left the Agency House, and the Indians having been moved on down the river, the old house was unoccupied or tenanted by tavern keepers, farmers, etc., until it was purchased by the Society of Colonial Dames in Wisconsin, restored and re-decorated in its original period patterns. The Agency House has been the recipient of many pieces of old furniture of the period, which had been kept as prized relics of olden days by pioneer families of the state. There is an authentic old cabinet built by Lieutenant Davis, and there are four-poster beds, an iron fire-place kettle, old bone-handle knives and forks and many other interesting mementoes of that by-gone day. The Agency House was formally opened to the public in June, 1931, just one hundred years after it had been occupied by the Kinzies.

Painted white, with green shutters, it stands out in its simple beauty overlooking the waterways that so nearly converge at Portage.



The Agency House on the Hill

stance will probably be more explanatory. Before arriving at Milwaukee on Sunday afternoon a conductor called out in a very friendly and deliberate voice, 'Milwaukee next stop—don't forget your baggage—and a Merry Christmas to you all.' The effect of this small courtesy on the passengers was most profound.

"It is a pleasure to travel on the 'Hiawatha.'

"Yours truly,
"(Signed) H. HARRIS."

Green Bay Chapter Sponsors Essay Contest

IN VIEW of the fact that all departments of the Milwaukee Road have agreed to double their efforts to make 1940 a banner year in the progress of Safety, the Green Bay Chapter of the Milwaukee Road Woman's club, will lend a hand to further promote this program.

Fifty-two dollars and fifty cents was set aside by the club for cash prizes for the best school essays on how boys and girls may aid in railroad Safety. This work is under the direction of Mrs. E. J. McMahon, newly appointed Safety Director of the chapter.

This contest is in conjunction and will be based on talks which Lieutenant E. J. McMahon, of the Milwaukee Road Police Department, is giving in schools throughout the district as part of the system's safety program. In addition to general safety topics, his talk stresses the dangers to children in trespassing on railroad property, particularly yards where switching is in progress, or flipping rides, both practices which take many youthful lives each year. Other hazards include danger to passengers and trainmen caused by thoughtless pranks such as placing objects on the rails, stoning trains, or breaking insulators on telegraph and signal lines. Still a third source of danger is brought out, in the hazard to morals resulting from pilfering on railroad property, or association with the questionable and often criminal characters found riding freights and in the jungles.

The contest is open to every grade school, high school and junior high school, public and parochial, in the territory covered by the club: from Thiensville to Crivitz, the Neenah, Menasha, Appleton branch and the Crivitz, Marinette and Menominee branch. Essays must not exceed 500 words.

For the best essay from a high school student the club will give \$10, with a second prize of \$5. Best junior high school essays will receive similar awards. For the best essay from a grade school pupil the first prize will be \$5, and the second \$2.50. In addition there will be a grand prize or sweepstakes of \$15, for the best essay submitted in the contest, regardless of school grade.

This contest has created much interest and favorable comment, in fact, to such an extent that the Plymouth, Wis.

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H. M. Larson



M. A. Oberg

MR. H. M. LARSON, general agent of the passenger department, Minneapolis, was elected to the 1940 presidency of the Minneapolis Passenger Traffic Club at that organization's annual meeting on January 11th.

Mr. M. A. Oberg, general agent of the passenger department, Kansas City, was elected to the presidency of the Kansas City Passenger Agents' Association for the year 1940 when the group met on February 5th.

Centenarian Heads Own "Milwaukee Family"

IN LAURENS, Iowa, on January 18th, Mrs. Mary Jane Kemp celebrated her 100th birthday, with congratulations being sent by the governor of the state, Mrs. Franklin D. Roose-

velt and practically everyone who knows the gentle old lady generally referred to in Laurens as "Grandmother Kemp." Mrs. Kemp is the mother of Curtis E. Kemp, of Mason City, roadmaster of the I&D Division and a grandmother of A. E. Kemp, of Marquette, Iowa, roadmaster of the D&I Division, Second District. In one sense of the word, Mrs. Kemp has reared a "Milwaukee Family" of her own.

A Bouquet for Hiawatha Service

TO GIVE credit where the writer of this letter feels it is due is his object in writing. It is a nice compliment for "Hiawatha" service and is passed along so that we may all know that the efforts of our personnel to give the best of service are duly appreciated by travelers.

"December 26th, 1939

"Superintendent, Milwaukee Road,

"Chicago.

"Dear Sir:

"It seems to me that when a person has a compliment or a word of appreciation to pass along he should make it his business to do so.

"I want to state how efficient and courteous your service is on the 'Hiawatha.' Particularly, the friendly atmosphere created by your conductors. They make traveling very pleasant for the passengers. One particular in-

Service Club News

350 Attend Railroaders' Annual Good-Will Mixer in Madison, S. D., Armory

Party for Business and Professional Men Enjoys Fine Attendance, Despite Frigid Weather

SUB-ZERO weather notwithstanding, warm good fellowship was radiated at the second annual business men's Mixer sponsored by the Madison Service Club in the city's armory on the evening of January 23rd. Although some of the Road's officials from distant points were unable to attend the turnout from Madison and neighboring towns swelled the attendance to about 350, which was considerably greater than at last year's party.

There were sizable delegations present from Pipestone, Colman, Winfred, Howard and Junius.

The object of the Mixer was, of course, to give business and professional men a chance to rub elbows with each other and with the Milwaukee employes for the purpose of improving the already close cooperation existing among them.

L. G. Atherton of Flandreau presided as toastmaster; brief talks were made by several of the men, notably A. G. Dupuis, assistant public relations officer of Chicago, and Lisle Young, public relations representative of Aberdeen.

The last speaker on the program was Hon. Dwight Campbell of Aberdeen, former state supreme court judge and now solicitor for the Milwaukee, who extended greetings.

One of the outstanding entertainment features was a demonstration of a model steam locomotive and a tractor by LeRoy Brakke, employe in the Chicago shops and brother of Al Brakke, of Madison. The models were built by Mr. Brakke and operate perfectly, generating their own steam.

A selection by D. H. Buller's harmonica band and a tenor solo by Duane Doan of Fedora were among the items of entertainment on the program. Music was furnished by the Gold Star orchestra before and after the program and the evening was concluded with the serving of a lunch by the local fire department.

The Madison employes seem to have a talent

for staging this sort of affair. Certainly everyone appeared to have a fine time and future meetings of a similar nature are already being looked forward to.

Attention

The paper which is quoted below was read at a meeting of the East End Wisconsin Valley Service Club on February 12, 1940.

IT WOULD be quite possible to write a large book on the one little word "attention," because it is applied so much in our daily work.

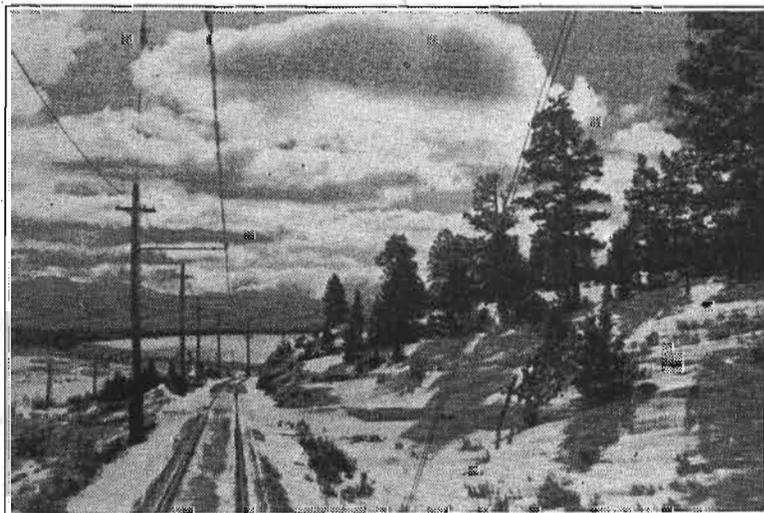
Attention is the fundamental constituent of good salesmanship. The basic factor of pleasing the public, gentlemen, is giving them attention! You can show neither courtesy nor politeness to a prospective customer unless you give him attention.

When a person enters a business establishment he expects to be greeted cordially and have people endeavor to please him. This is accomplished only by paying heed to his desires. If a person walks into a place of business and no one seems to notice him or notices him but does nothing to help him, he feels antagonistic before he is even waited on. But on the other hand, if he is received with an attentive approach by a smiling salesman or saleslady, he is more likely to buy. This means buying transportation as well as it does buying a hat or a pair of gloves.

Thus attention is applied in selling and we are all salesmen trying to sell our product—transportation.

Calvin W. Smith.

Below: Mid-Winter Scene on the Olympian Trail



Club Notes

Outgoing Officers of Marion-Cedar Rapids Club Issue Bulletin

ON THE first day of February, R. G. McGee, chairman; C. T. Rowe, vice-chairman, and K. K. Taylor, secretary-treasurer of this club issued a mimeographed bulletin to all members, thanking them for assistance rendered throughout the preceding year.

Among other things, the bulletin announced that the January dance had been quite successful, around 275 attending; of that number about 65 represented other industries. The bulletin also reminded the members that on February 15th there was to be a "smoker" for the men of the organization—a business meeting for the purpose of electing officers to take office in March. By way of giving assurance that there was to be a struggle for offices at this "changing of the guard," the bulletin made it clear that none of the outgoing officers would be a candidate for reelection.

Puget Sound Club

With N. A. Meyer, of Seattle, patron saint of the Snoqualmie Ski Bowl, on hand to give a timely and engrossing account of the progress of his pet project, the Puget Sound club got off to a rather flying start for its 1940 season on January 19th. There were 39 present when the club met in the Union Station, Seattle.

In view of the fact that this issue carries a special article on the subject of the Ski Bowl, it is not necessary to give a detailed report of Mr. Meyer's talk. He did mention, however, that when the new ski jump was tested on January 14th, Dick Durrance, America's ace skier, now employed at Sun Valley, Idaho, was on hand to do the testing and take some pictures for a "Life" magazine article called "Life Goes to a Ski School." It was Mr. Durrance's expressed opinion that there is nothing like the Snoqualmie Ski Bowl scenery in this country.

Following Mr. Meyer's talk, motion pictures were shown, depicting the very things he had been talking about.

In the Public Eye

It is always a pleasure to see a set of club minutes start off like this:

"A meeting of the Mount Olympus Service

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The Veterans' Convention

August 14th and 15th, 1940

A N NOUNCEMENT is made of the Veteran Employes Convention which is to be held at Hotel Sherman, August 14th and 15th, the coming summer. This convention marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Association, and will be a red-letter affair to celebrate its silver jubilee. A large gathering is expected, and there will be special events for both days.

Routine procedure for the members on the first day, ending with the usual banquet and entertainment in the evening. A special luncheon with probably a style show for the ladies, during the time of the business meeting in the afternoon of the first day. The place for holding of this special feature will be announced later.

The second day program includes a special surprise which will not be known until the arrival of the members at Hotel Sherman, but all are assured of something of particular interest and enjoyment.

Members are advised to begin laying plans to attend this twenty-fifth year celebration. There are some few of the charter members of the Association, and it is hoped there may be a one hundred per cent turnout of these veterans. Special recognition of charter members is to be accorded at the meeting and the annual dinner. Charter members are therefore, requested to get into communication with Mrs. Williams, secretary-treasurer of the Association, signifying their intention of being present.

W. E. Beck

M R. W. E. BECK, who was recently promoted from the public relations department to Supervisor of the Personal Record Bureau, was born at Canton, South Dakota, where he attended high school and Augustana College, later completing a general law course.

He was employed as telegrapher and station agent on the Iowa and Dakota division from 1900 to 1938 and also acted as local chairman for the telegraphers for about ten years.

In 1933, while agent at Geddes, South Dakota, Mr. Beck organized the Platte-Stickney Lines Traffic Club, acting as its chairman for five years and assisting in the formation of The West End club and the Sioux Valley club, thus completing club organization on the second district of the Iowa and Dakota Division.

In 1938 he was appointed field representative under Mr. F. H. Johnson, Public Relations Officer, with instructions to spread the club organization over the entire Milwaukee Road. This was accomplished with more than one hundred service clubs formed in less than nine months.



Middle Weight Champ Rides The Olympian

A L HOSTAK, the middle weight boxing champion of the world, is shown here (center) as he returned to Seattle on the Olympian after his fight with Tony Zale, Gary, Indiana's, contender for the throne. The fight took place at the Chicago Stadium on January 29th.

Hostak's bandaged left hand was broken in the fifth round of the non-title fight, thus explaining (according to the sport writers) why the champ lost the decision at the end of the ten-round contest. The two boys will probably get together again in the summer, with a title involved.

Shown in the picture (left to right) are Mr. and Mrs. Page Brown, Al Hostak, Manager Eddie Mareno and the fighter's brother, Henry Hostak, all of Seattle. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are faithful patrons of the fight game as well as of the Milwaukee Road.

Manager Mareno said that he and Al always like to ride the Olympian on their trips to and from Chicago.

Eight

In Memoriam

William C. Sievert

T HE announcement of the sudden death on February 1st of Mr. William C. Sievert, which occurred in the Oak Park Hospital shortly after sustaining injuries in a traffic accident while walking in the vicinity of his home, came as a great shock to his fellow employes of the overcharge claim office and to his host of other friends.

Mr. Sievert was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on February 11, 1864, receiving his education in the public schools of his community in the city of his birth. On April 29, 1887, he entered the service of the Milwaukee Road, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin—later transferring to the Chicago general office, where he remained in continuous service for 53 years.

Mr. Sievert served the company faithfully, having had an intimate knowledge of freight tariffs and overcharge claim rules. His good judgment and able counsel were greatly valued and his genial personality and devotion to all tasks assigned to him commanded the admiration of his associates.

Surviving Mr. Sievert are his widow, one daughter, Adele, and one son, Elmer. Funeral services were conducted on February 5. The pallbearers, each having more than 35 years of service with the Milwaukee Road, began their careers in the claim department under the tutorship of the departed.

David Fisher, Montevideo, Minn., Agent, Retires

56 Years with Railroad

H AVING completed 56 years of faithful service to the Milwaukee Road, David Fisher, agent at Montevideo, Minnesota, for the last 37 years, retired on January 15th and, with Mrs. Fisher, left for a well-deserved trip to Mexico.

It was in the fall of 1883 that young David Fisher started working for the Milwaukee at Hastings, Minn. He recalls that when he started work wood burning engines were operating between Hastings and Farmington. From Hastings he was transferred to Winona, Minnesota, where he stayed for 18 years on various jobs, coming to Montevideo in August, 1902. While there he has been a very active and well-liked citizen; he also dealt in real estate and built five residences and remodeled several more.

TRANSPORTATION—SERVICE

While transportation is the only commodity the Milwaukee Road has to sell, it is not mass transportation in the ordinary sense for each passenger and freight shipment with a different destination is an individual transaction.

In our business, situations frequently develop unexpectedly that require more than routine handling and the employe who rises to the occasion not only gains good will for the Milwaukee Road and adds the touch that makes our service distinctive, but proves the truth of that old axiom that a satisfied customer is still the best advertisement.



Chief Operating Officer.

Terre Haute Division Employees Receive Fire Prevention Award Banquet Marks a Notable Record



Fire Prevention Banquet

WITH Milwaukee general officers, Terre Haute city officials, insurance representatives and many railroad employes on hand to mark the occasion, a banquet was held in Terre Haute on February 20th for the purpose of presenting the 1939 Fire Prevention Award. It was a fitting celebration, for the employes of the Terre Haute Division, through 24-hour-a-day diligence have established an enviable precedent—a record the more noteworthy because 1939 was the first year for which the award was offered. During the year the division suffered *no fire loss*.

The trophy, a silver loving cup, 14 inches in height, was personally presented by L. J. Benson, assistant to the chief operating officer, to W. J. Whalen, division superintendent. The presentation was made following the fine banquet in the Mayflower Room of the Terre Haute House, at which more than 200 persons were present.

Added recognition to the 100 per cent fire prevention record was provided in the attendance at the meeting of C. A. Smith, state fire marshal, and a number of his deputies.

In his presentation address, Mr. Benson said, in part:

"The railroad has saved money through its fire prevention activities—but the money saved has not been hoarded. All of it has been spent for property betterments and on increased payrolls, made possible by this saving.

"It is significant that the Terre Haute division did not contribute one penny to the railroad's fire loss of \$150,000 in 1939—and that is why we are here today.

"We have clean shops and safe places in which to work on the Terre Haute division and, with all due credit to division supervisors, it is the rank and file of employes which are responsible for these conditions.

"I am glad to see a representative group of these employes here today to
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Left to Right: L. J. Benson; Hon. Joseph P. Duffy, mayor of Terre Haute; W. J. Whalen, Car Department Office, Tacoma

Club Notes

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Club was held at Port Angeles in Goneis' Cafe dining room, Tuesday evening, January 23rd. The business meeting was preceded by a dinner at 6:30 p. m., for which 31 covers were laid."

The reason it is a pleasure to read such minutes is because there can be no doubt about whether the railroad employes are getting themselves in the public eye. A lively, interesting program is always to be desired, naturally, but even if the members do little more than dine together in a cafe, hotel dining room or any place where they can make their presence known, the meeting has been a success.

There are many reasons for that. In the first place, the restaurant owner is made more railroad-conscious. In the second place, nearly any kind of a gathering meets with greater success when there is a little food mixed in somewhere. And in the third place, wives would rather husbands would eat out in the first place.

Sioux Valley Club Plans Large Time

While on the get-together-and-eat theme, it would be well to quote the following notice sent by the officers of the Sioux Valley Club to "all concerned" on February 16th:

"Owing to inclement weather, our regular meeting for the month of February has been postponed until March 18th.

"The pleasure of holding a meeting this month having been denied us, we are taking the next best course and arranging for twice as big a meeting in March.

"This meeting will be March 18th and will be held in the dining room of Vick's Hotel at Canton, S. D.

"As you may have surmised, the meeting will be in the form of a banquet and all members, wives and sweethearts are cordially invited, as we are planning an entertaining program. This will be our really big get-together event of the 1940 season.

"Now, this is what we wish you would do: Put yourself or any talented member of your family on the program. If that cannot be done, please contact someone who would like to appear. We would like one or two numbers from each station.

"Please see that the section crews are notified, as we are certain they have taken in their families."

There is an event well worth attending!

La Crosse Club

Here are only a few of the things which took place when this aggregation met at the Knights of Pythias Hall in La Crosse on January 16th:

The secretary reported on the dance which the club had held about a month before. The dance and the contest conducted in connection therewith brought in a total of \$87.60. Of course, there were some expenses, but everyone had

a good time, so why worry about what it cost?

There was an election of officers, reported elsewhere in this department.

Bob Valiquette was delegated to gather up ideas and lay plans for a Milwaukee Road float for Labor Day parade.

After the business meeting, ten games of free Bingo were played—with prizes. In addition, four door prizes were then given away (two for women and two for men).

A delicious lunch of sandwiches and coffee was served at the end of the evening's entertainment and everyone went home in a jovial mood.

Stone City Club

The old rule of business before pleasure was observed when this club met in their club rooms in Bedford, Indiana on January 9th.

After an interesting meeting, the 78 in attendance retired to the dining room for a pitch-in supper, the tables being beautifully decorated in red and white. On the speakers' table was a huge angel food cake inscribed "Stone City Service Club"; it had been presented to the club by Mrs. Marie Tyler, daughter of yard conductor B. Foddrill. Favors in the form of Indiana limestone paper weights were given the division officials.

After the supper there was a social hour with dancing, the music being furnished by the Hawkins Band.

Changes in Club Officers Since Last Report

IT will be noted in the following list that in some instances there has been a change in only one or two officers of a club. In such cases it is understood that the other officers have been re-elected.

Mount Olympus Service Club—Chairman, C. S. Warner, conductor, Port Angeles, Washington; v.-chairman, S. L. Alderson, agent, Sequim; secretary, J. P. Rothman, chief dispatcher, Port Angeles.

Inland Empire Service Club—Chairman, Fred B. Beal, operator, Spokane, Wash.; V.-chairman, A. L. Schlatter, agent, Worley, Idaho; secretary, Mrs. C. J. Shook, wife of engineer, Spokane, Wash.

Blackhawk Service Club—Chairman, J. G. Pronoid, agent, Genessee, Wisconsin; v.-chairman, E. E. Smoot, conductor; secretary, B. L. Eller, agent, Palmyra, Wisconsin.

Marion-Cedar Rapids Service Club—Chairman, W. E. Failor, ticket clerk, Marion, Iowa; v.-chairman, R. J. Burke, yard clerk, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; secretary, H. J. Murphey, trainmaster's clerk, Marion, Iowa.

La Crosse Service Club—V.-chairman, A. O. Sundet, agent, La Crosse, Wisconsin; treasurer, C. J. Knapp.

Liberal Payment

They had decided to marry, and walked into the parsonage. The clergyman performed the ceremony, and afterwards gave the bridegroom a word or two of advice.

"Thank you a thousand times, sir," the bridegroom returned, fervently. "I'm awful sorry I cannot pay you as much as I would like, sir, but—"

"That's all right—that's all right," interrupted the clergyman.

"If you'll take me down to your gas meter," continued the other, "I'll show you how to fix it so it won't register!"

To Shawndu

Requiescat in Pace

SHAWNDU has been dead for two years now. He was a model Boston terrier, though, when he was dogging the tracks of his master, Al Pentecost, general foreman of the locomotive shops in Tacoma, and for that reason his memory has been kept alive by the tidy little memorial erected in his own private cemetery just outside the Store Department Building in Tacoma.



Al Pentecost

The inscription at the head of the grave will not be quoted here, as it is a rather personal piece of rhyming, a return gesture of affection from the master to his once-faithful Shawndu.

If you are still curious about what it says, though, you should make a point of going down to the Tide Flats and seeing for yourself the next time you are in Tacoma. Anyone can tell you where to find it—even reporters from the local newspapers.

Fire Prevention Board

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witness the presentation of the fire prevention trophy to their superintendent as their representative."

In addition to Messrs. Benson and Whalen, some of the officials who attended the luncheon meeting and who spent the day not only in inspecting the road's properties, but also in greeting employes, were—A. J. Elder, assistant general manager, Chicago; W. H. Penfield, chief engineer, Chicago; F. J. Newell, assistant public relations officer, Chicago; J. E. Bjorkholm, assistant superintendent motive power, Milwaukee; F. A. Shoultz, assistant superintendent car department, Milwaukee; William Snell, general car department supervisor, Chicago; R. T. Shields, general inspector, division of fire prevention, Chicago; M. J. Carlson, system fire inspector, Chicago; Geo. M. Dempsey, general inspector, safety division, Chicago.

To keep the trophy a division must win it three years consecutively.

Gallatin Gateway Honeymoon

Milwaukee's Color, Sound Movie Being Shown in East



The Honeymooners with "Father and Mother."

THE Passenger Traffic Department has produced a remarkably beautiful and travel-inspiring motion picture in brilliant color and sound.

Previewed at the Union Station in the latter part of December, all the many employes who saw it went away from the showing with a feeling of pride, because the picture serves to inform potential customers and remind employes that the Milwaukee Road's own Gallatin Gateway is unrivaled as a scenic entrance to Yellowstone Park.

Early in January Dan Young, inn keeper at Gallatin Gateway, and Walter Jankowski of the Advertising Department took the picture on tour through the east, south and southeast, unreeling it with their fine gift of showmanship before civic groups, pro-

fessional clubs and various societies and conventions where they feel it would be to our advantage to "let our light so shine." They will be showing the picture throughout the winter.

Titled "Gallatin Gateway Honeymoon," the film has to do with a handsome pair of newlyweds who are given a trip to Gallatin Gateway by the groom's thoughtful father. The real meat of the picture, naturally, is the glorious scenery which they have as a background for their happy honeymoon. And glorious it certainly is. The photographer apparently did not miss a thing—and neither did the newlyweds, for they fished, panned gold at Virginia City, Montana, went on pack trips through Gallatin Canyon, visited Morrison Cave, took a fling at the dude ranches and generally enjoyed the typical western recreational activities at the Milwaukee's Gallatin Gateway Inn.



Off for Gallatin Gateway Inn!

The picture, which is available in either 16 mm. color or 35 mm. black and white, has already been shown at some of Chicago's motion picture theatres.

Calling All Amateur Radio Operators

In line with a move to build up a Milwaukee Road Emergency Radio Net, a call is hereby being sent forth for all employes who operate amateur radio stations to register as an emergency unit. It is hoped that a network of stations can be developed to take over the task of communication during periods of stress when other modes of communication might be out of commission.

Interested radio operators on Lines East are asked to get in touch with C. A. Conklin, operator at Madrid, Iowa, for application blanks; if located on Lines West, Howard Pyle of Mercer Island, Washington, is the man to contact.

The Cover

Pictured on the front cover is Miss Alice Gray, Queen of the Iron Mountain—Kingsford, Michigan, Winter Sports Association. She arrived in Chicago on February 2nd on board the Copper Country Limited to attend the National Boat and Sports Show.

Appointments

Effective February 1, 1940:

Mr. G. E. Lanning is appointed Trainmaster of the Iowa Division, with headquarters at Marion, Iowa, vice Mr. L. R. Shellenbarger, assigned to other duties.

Effective February 16, 1940:

Mr. C. C. Burns is appointed Traveling Freight and Passenger Agent, with headquarters at Philadelphia, Pa., vice Mr. W. F. Critchfield, transferred.

Interesting Facts About the Railroads

OUT of every dollar of railroad revenue, 36 cents goes to pay the cost of owning and maintaining the roads on which their trains operate.

On January 1, 1939, there were 231,400 highway-railroad grade crossings, 1,805 having been eliminated and 641 added in the preceding year, or a net reduction of 1,164.

The average rail haul of freight in 1938, was 356 miles, compared with 304 miles in 1920.

Railroads began to carry letter mail about 1832, but extended it to paper mail about 1869.

In 1860, there were 30,626 miles of railroad in the United States, fifty per cent of which were on the Atlantic seaboard.

Tracks, terminal yards, station grounds, warehouses and other structures used in the transportation service by the railroads of the United States cover about 31,000 square miles.

About sixty million tons of steel rails are in use by the railroads of this country.

LOOKING BACKWARD THROUGH MAGAZINE PAGES

Twenty-five Years Ago

"The Panama-Pacific Exposition, at high noon, San Francisco time, swung wide its gates. It is, by all accounts, the greatest, grandest and most beautiful of all international affairs.

Forty-one nations and forty-three states and three territories of the United States are taking part in the display which the President of the United States set in motion with the same gold-studded-nugget key by which the (then) president gave the opening signal for the Alaska-Yukon Exposition held in Seattle in 1909."

Twenty Years Ago

Birthday Celebration of La Crosse Get-Together Club: "On January 20th the La Crosse Get-Together Club attained its first birthday and the event was celebrated with a dinner and an open meeting held at the Masonic Temple in that city.

Ever since its organization on January 20th, 1919, this most efficient and energetic club of La Crosse terminal employes has made an enviable record. . . . Every meeting has been well at-

tended, every committee has brought reports of things accomplished, and discussed things to be accomplished.

. . . Full and free opportunity to talk things over, and wherever any club member has thought he could see an opportunity for betterment of service, for greater safety, for reduction of loss and damage, or any other detail making for efficiency and economy; and for greater goodfeeling among all members, he was invited and expected to state his views and ideas in the fullest measure. Such a spirit with an able leader is the very essence of the Get-Together Ideal which has been upheld by this club. . . . Mr. C. L. V. Craft is the president and resourceful leader."

Fifteen Years Ago

The appointment of E. H. Bannon as superintendent of the S. C. & D. Division, effective February 1st.

Mr. E. F. Rummel appointed superintendent, Idaho Division.

Mr. A. J. Elder appointed assistant superintendent Twin City Terminals.

Mr. J. H. Valentine appointed trainmaster Kansas City Division.

Safety First

By Leo Mattlen,
Storekeeper, Terre Haute, Ind.

NOT until your home or my home, your loved ones or mine, are threatened do we fully value the teachings of Safety First.

Accidents are a menace to the peace of our homes and families. We must take steps to protect our families and loved ones as part of a good citizen's duties.

Not until one of us or our associates loses a leg, arm, or eye—perhaps fatally injured, with the resultant sorrow descending upon the families—do we realize the utmost value to be received from doing our work in a safe, sane, and intelligent manner.

The protection and confidence a safety-minded worker inspires in us is beneficial to him as well as to you and me, and the ones who are dependent upon us. It is comforting to us who work side by side with a safe man to realize that here is one who will think twice before he performs a move that may result in injury to another. Here is one who will make the safest move.

Untold millions of dollars are lost every year through the loss of wages suffered by the working men who are disabled, due to accidents. In a major part of these accidents the fault lies close to home. Due to the employes carelessness, he and his are made to suffer. On the other hand, accidents may be due to faulty equipment or the thoughtlessness of another workman. In either of these cases someone has to be at fault.

It is my firm belief that if every man would start from home with his mind made up that even though yesterday was a safe day, today is going to be safer, accidents would soon be on the way out as Public Enemy No. 1.

For wasn't it Cato, the ancient philosopher, who said, "Constant repetition of a single good idea before all the people, all the time will work wonders for humanity."

What could be a finer gift for humanity, than to imbue in all the people the teachings of Safety First?

Safety Thoughts to Commence the Day

By A. Lowe,
Storekeeper, Council Bluffs, Ia.

MUCH has been said and written on accident prevention with the expressed purpose of avoiding pain and suffering through unnecessary injuries. Investigations show that in the majority of cases, injuries are caused through **MAN FAILURE**. The percentages of injuries incurred through defective tools is proportionately small. Therefore it seems that the performing of each piece of work in the safest manner possible ought to be the uppermost thought in every man's mind at the beginning of each day's labor.

We often become over-anxious in performing some piece of work assigned to us and are apt to take short cuts with

Why Not Think?

It's a little thing to do,
Just think.
Anyone, no matter who,
Ought to think.
Take a little time each day
From the minutes thrown away;
Spare it from your work or play—
Stop and think!

You will find that men who fail
Do not think.
Men who find themselves in jail
Do not think.
Half the trouble that we see,
Trouble brewed for you and me,
Probably would never be
If we'd think.

Shall we, then, consider this?
Shall we think?
Shall we journey, hit or miss,
Or shall we think?
Let's not go along by guess,
But rather to ourselves confess,
It would help us more or less
If we'd think!

—Anonymous.

The Sure Way to Prevent Accidents
Is to **THINK**.

the thought in mind of completing the work more speedily, overlooking the fact that in so doing we are courting danger and the possibility of meeting with an otherwise avoidable accident.

Start each day right by remembering there is a safe way to perform each particular piece of work and when another fifty-two weeks have rolled around and are but past memories, we can look back over that period of time with a feeling of satisfaction that every effort has been worth while and has set an example for some fellow worker.

Safety—A Mental Attitude

By J. V. Anderson, Dist. Storekeeper
Minneapolis, Minn.

FOR a good many years Safety First has been recognized as essential to efficient and successful handling of transportation, and of course we are all vitally interested in transportation. If we reduce our accidents, it is a big advertisement for the railroads.

The most important safety qualification an employe can have is proper mental attitude. A good employe or a good workman must have the proper attitude toward himself and his work, as well as toward his fellow employes and the public which he serves. The difference between a safe workman and a careless one is largely mental. The railroads have put in all kinds of devices to prevent accidents, but the best-known safety device is a careful man.

All employes should have their minds on the work at hand; they should study the job and perform it in a safe and orderly manner. They should think particularly of the new, inexperienced

employe, as he is the employe needing advice. We should show him how to do the work safely.

The life of railroad employes in any and all departments puts them in contact with hazardous conditions. It behooves every one of us to be a safety inspector and to call to the attention of others every unsafe act we see them perform. If an employe knows of an unsafe condition, he should report it to his supervisor for correction, or correct it himself.

Whenever you caution an employe and he resents it, don't feel hurt and upset about it. If he is the right kind of a fellow, he will thank you. You are your brother's keeper—you can't get away from it and neither can I. Sometimes it seems discouraging but a good cause was never won without a lot of hard knocks and a lot of hard work.

We must believe in Safety First. We must recognize our personal responsibility. Whenever we reach that point of safety consciousness which we are aiming at, we will see this safety work in an entirely different light, and continue to improve our record and reduce injuries to a minimum. However, we must not become too self-sure. Whenever we reach that point, then we get a little careless and slide back.

The causes of the most common injuries are carelessness, ignorance, haste or disregard of safety rules.

Safety Rules: There is no excuse for disregard of safety rules. They are as important as the book of operating rules. Don't forget—"Safety is of first importance in the discharge of your duties!"

Carelessness: Well, a careless employe has no place on a railroad.

Ignorance: There is no excuse for this, as each employe is given a book of safety rules which he is expected to study and become familiar with, as they are easily understood and as simple as A, B, C, which, by the way, stands for Always Be Careful.

Haste: Without proper safety methods or practice, haste is inefficiency, and does not help output, as the chances are you will only have to do the job over again—if you are able.

By having the right mental attitude, studying and following safety rules, doing our work in an orderly and safe manner, and co-operating with our fellow employes, supervisors and safety committee, we can do a lot of good for humanity by giving the best that is in us for the preservation of human life.

Dzudi—I wonder why fat men are always so jolly and good-natured?

Bunchuck—That's easy. They can't run and they can't fight.

Mrs. Gabber—I've had such a cold I was unable to speak for three whole days.

Mrs. Blabber—Why, you poor dear! How you must have suffered.

Bosco—You say that girl doing the exhibition jitterbug has a cold? What's she doing for it?

Rosco—She's trying to see if she can shake it off!

The Retirement List

John Sill.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Henry Chris Jarnecke.....Coon Rapids, Ia.
 Henry Seeger.....Morley, Ia.
 Charles Robert O'Connor.....Portage, Wis.
 Axel Adrian Carlson.....Sioux City, Ia.
 Ezra Isaac Bartley.....Milwaukee Wis.
 Charles Henry Bush.....Racine, Wis.
 William Sherman Hood.....Chicago, Ill.
 Nels Nelson Quandahl.....Mitchell, S. D.
 Albert Gardner.....Chicago, Ill.
 John Joseph Honel.....Tomah, Wis.
 Frank Alexander Monty.....La Crosse, Wis.
 Edward Wuestneck.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Raymond Farewell McCulloch.....Wausau, Wis.
 Julius Carl Fallbeck.....Rapid City, S. D.
 Oscar Sigfrid Forsberg.....Tacoma, Wash.
 Gustave Vincent Grube.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Louis Alonzo Klumph.....Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 Frank Charles Birkholz.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Charles Albert Nelson.....Aberdeen, S. D.
 Geo. Benjamin Sartwell.....Minneapolis Minn.
 Wm. Cornelius Ennis.....Seattle, Wash.
 Harvey Grant Mazwell.....Bellingham, Wash.
 Charles Augustus Wilson.....Terre Haute, Ind.
 Ignatz Ender.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Louis Kupferschmidt.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Dominic Fisch.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Mathias O'Halloran.....Dubuque, Ia.
 William McDermott.....Janesville, Wis.
 Joseph Franklin Miller.....Terre Haute, Ind.
 Peter Schiltz.....Dubuque, Ia.
 William Emmett Patton.....Bedford, Ind.
 John Craig Ross.....Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 Edwin Frederick Nelson.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Otto Paul Berger.....Portage, Wis.
 William Hyde.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Charles Thiede.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Ole Johnson.....Tacoma, Wash.
 George Brown George.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Arrie Walter Brown.....Terre Haute, Ind.
 James William McGuire.....Sanborn, Ia.
 Charles Clement Kamlah.....Chicago, Ill.
 Charles Joseph Peters.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Mrs. Mary Isabell Carr.....Ottumwa, Ia.
 John McMahon.....Dubuque, Ia.
 John William Schneider.....Mauston, Wis.
 George Andrew Bennett.....Miles City, Mont.
 Harry Wilson Johnson.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Ludwig Kuthlow.....Tomah, Wis.
 Frank Charles Slager.....Elgin, Ill.
 Charles Golden.....Savanna, Ill.
 August Anton Reback.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 William Rochford.....Seattle, Wash.
 Peter Haupt.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Edgar Royal Harville.....Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 John Hackett.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Charles Edward Betts.....Abrams, Wis.
 Max Frederick Porath.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Frederick Carl Maas.....Tomah, Wis.
 Charles Edgar Fields.....Mason City, Ia.
 Lou Currier Tenny.....Auburn, Wash.
 Eugene Leonard.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Thomas Peters.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Adolph Ernest Hoffman.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Walter Alexander Johnson.....Rockford, Ill.
 John Lynn Newland.....Tomah, Wis.
 Samuel James Robbins.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 William Riley Welch.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 John Stanley Szczepanski.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Jacob William Ulmer.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Hubert (Bert) Corus Klumph.....Marion, Ia.
 David Vincent.....Green Bay, Wis.
 Edgar Elijah James.....Tacoma, Wash.
 Joseph John Beranek.....La Crosse, Wis.
 George Adolph Flick.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Peter August Olson.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Leslie Joseph Barry.....St. Paul, Minn.
 James Richard Grimsley.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Nils Lovstuen.....Watson, Minn.
 George Henry Watling.....Portage, Wis.
 Wm. Edward Pilkington.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Joseph Blrner.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Frank Martin Laren.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Frank Judge Otis.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Leslie Jos. MacCormick.....Deer Lodge, Mont.
 Orrin Thomas Welch.....Savanna, Ill.
 John Frank Krivak.....Savanna, Ill.
 George Steven Kleinfeldt.....Chicago, Ill.
 James Thomas Butler.....Three Forks, Mont.
 Fred Pichotte.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Frank Gust Lander.....Tacoma, Wash.
 John Thomas Brindel.....Albert Lea, Minn.
 Merton Dale Sellers.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Harry Howard Hendricks.....Tacoma, Wash.
 David DeRosier.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 John Frank Babicky.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 John Baldwin Hunt.....Ottumwa, Ia.

William Frederick Johnson.....Marion, Ia.
 Fred Henry Pfohl.....Tacoma, Wash.
 Otto Samuel Eberhart.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Frank Miller.....Seattle, Wash.
 John Russel Somerville.....Chehalis, Wash.
 Frank Eastman.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Harry James Hayes.....Wabasha, Minn.
 Charles Arthur Glazier.....Sanborn, Ia.
 John Andrew Carmichael.....Monticello, Ia.
 Edward Charles Taylor.....Madison, Wis.
 Geo. Francis Sunderland.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Christopher Walter Hansen.....Ladd, Ill.
 James Gilford Blodgett.....Mitchell, S. D.
 Joseph Frank Scheideler.....Watertown, Wis.
 Henry George Dettmann.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Victor Yarnutowski.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Ervin Leo Pfeifer.....Mauston, Wis.
 John Rediford Pierce.....Ottumwa, Ia.
 Paul Silas Mantonya.....Chicago, Ill.
 Louis Edward Hauer.....Mauston, Wis.
 John Thomas Donovan.....Dubuque, Ia.
 John Jos. Wisniewski.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Edward Richard Killian.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Edwin Willis Staring.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Sidney Aaron Northrup.....Janesville, Wis.
 Alvin Henry Ivey.....Manilla, Ia.
 William Stansfield.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Magnus Larson.....St. Paul, Minn.
 Joseph Henry Jensen.....Savanna, Ill.
 Sam Crum.....Clinton, Ind.
 Frank Southerland.....Terre Haute, Ind.
 Charles John Foster.....Dakota, Ill.
 David John Miller.....Milwaukee, Wis.
 Julius Frederick Bergman.....Janesville, Wis.
 Peter Matts.....Great Falls, Mont.
 William Henry Bohlen.....Mason City, Ia.
 Henry Louis Reif.....Portage, Wis.
 Henry Kissler.....Sanborn, Ia.
 John Anskar Ostrom.....Minneapolis, Minn.
 Thomas Michael Brady.....Miles City, Mont.
 William Edward Finnane.....Butte, Mont.
 Winthrop Benton Holcomb.....Chicago, Ill.
 Ferdinand Bentz.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Arthur Ivan Dale.....Marmarth, N. D.
 John Andrew Seitz.....La Crosse, Wis.
 Samuel Arthur Frazine.....Sioux Falls, S. D.
 August Henry Wm. Schumann.....Lawlor, Ia.
 William Theodore Oswald.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Winfield Scott Starbuck.....Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 Joseph Fenwick.....Dubuque, Ia.
 Frank August Kranz.....Ionia, Ia.
 John Patrick Duffy.....Mason City, Ia.
 John Philip Doonan.....Dubuque, Ia.
 John J. Waldron.....Spokane, Wash.
 John Henry Jones.....Portage, Wis.

The Sponsored Essay

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station force, has offered to contribute \$5, to be used as prize money for a simple poster on railroad safety, to be made by the little tots, who are too young to write an essay and yet are desirous of showing that they too know what we mean by railroad safety.

Essays will be judged by Mrs. F. T. Buechler and Mrs. E. J. McMahon of the Woman's club, B. J. McClosky and A. J. Long of the Brown County Safety Council and A. D. Murphy of the Green Bay Association of Commerce.

It is the belief of the club that much good will be derived from this contest, as there has been a considerable amount of trouble from children of school age in this territory, in hazards, such as stressed by Lieut. McMahon in his talks at the schools. In being permitted to aid in the safeguarding of the life, limb and morals of a child, the club believes that the money spent will be a grand investment.

Financing this contest, will be from proceeds of various entertainment events. So far as known, it is the first club on the system to sponsor such an activity.

Driving Mules by Milwaukee Rules

The following is an original poem by Walter V. Cushing of Portage, Wis., contributed to the Milwaukee Magazine. Mr. Cushing is an old Milwaukee road fireman, having fired engines back in the 90's on the LaCrosse Division.

John Pate was an honest farmer lad
 Who lived at home with mother and dad.
 He got an idea in his head
 That he could earn his daily bread
 An easier way than from early morn
 'Till after sundown plowing corn.
 The Portage freight passed every day
 Where John plowed, near the right of way.
 He saw the "tallow" with bended back
 Keeping her hot, on a tank of slack,
 And "Lumberline Tearney" sitting down
 Inside,

John thought all he had to do was ride.
 But the easiest job of them all yet
 Was the "brakie" on top with a cigarette.
 Then John turned around to plow some
 more;

The sun was hot and his feet were sore,
 So he made up his mind a job he'd get
 Like the "brakie" on top with his cigarette.
 He saw an ad in the *Farm Bazo*
 How he could learn to become a "screw,"
 And quickly rise from the ranks of fools
 By taking a course in the Scranton schools.
 He took a course in trainmen's rules
 And taught the signals to his team of
 mules—

Hung a bell on the tung, threw the lines
 away
 And worked by signals while he plowed
 all day.

Two rings from John and they would go,
 Four rings, they'd ease down slow,
 Five rings and they would strike a trot
 And two while going would make them
 stop.

He made up his mind when that day was
 done

That the mules would see no more of John.
 So he hiked to town for a job to try
 And the corn leaves waved a fond goodbye.
 John's dad said to his wife next day,

"I think the boy has run away,
 "Because, you know, his youthful brains
 Are clotted up with running trains.

"I hope he comes to no real harm—
 He never would have learned to farm.
 "So I must get busy at work today—
 Finish the corn and mow the hay.

"Where John hid the lines he never did tell
 So I'll use that gosh-blamed rope and seal."
 He hitched the mules, jumped on the seat,
 Got hold of the rope and braced his feet.

He gave two rings and they started to go
 But he thought their gait a little slow.
 He pulled again and gave five rings
 And the mules began to scatter things.

Over the garden and through the hay,
 They stopped for nothing in their way.
 They kept a-galloping round and round
 With the corn plow ripping up the ground.

The dust was flying everywhere
 And cuss-words coloring up the air.
 His wife heard the racket and came to
 the fence.

Shouting, "Heavens above, ain't you got no
 sense?

What are you trying to do with the mules?
 You know only John understood the rules!"
 As a wheel hit a stump with an awful boom
 He said, "I'll ride till crack o' doom!

Go in the house and find the rule
 That tells how to stop a gosh-darned mule."
 She went inside at the rules to look
 Then came outside with the open book.

By this time they were out in the rye.
 "Two rings," she hollered, as they galloped
 by.

Two bells he gave and it stopped the mules,
 Just as it said in the book of rules.
 Now John is a "con" on the streamlined
 cars;

Wears buttons of gold and service bars.
 But the happiest days of his life he'll tell
 Were when driving the mules by rope and
 bell.

Condensed

"Yes," said the newspaper reporter, "I
 always carry my notes in my hat."

"I see," said Fogg. "News in a nutshell."

The Milwaukee Railroad Women's Club

Attention Club Members

The biennial meeting of the Milwaukee Railroad Women's Club will take place at Hotel Stevens, Chicago, May 17th and 18th. This will be a gala event. Plan to attend.

Dubuque Chapter

Mrs. J. A. Litscher, Historian

DUBUQUE Chapter was very active during the month of December. At one meeting the following officers were installed for 1940: president, Mrs. W. W. Graham; 1st vice president, Mrs. W. M. Thurber; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Geo. Lasky; secretary, Mrs. J. Chaloupka; treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Litscher; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. W. Keefe; historian, Mrs. J. Benzer. The following chairmen were named: relief, Mrs. H. Kaiser; good cheer, Lucille Millar; membership, Mrs. D. Wellman; program, Mrs. P. McGough; publicity, Mrs. G. Boyd; audit, Mrs. J. Thomas; safety first, Mrs. H. Kreamer; by-laws, Mrs. A. Bensch; ways and means, Mrs. J. Duggan. Cards and refreshments followed.

On December 19th our annual Christmas party was held in the club rooms. A beautiful Christmas tree stood in the bay window, and it could be seen for several blocks. When No. 38 stopped at the depot, Santa Claus (some thought he bore a remarkable resemblance to Harry Kreamer) stepped off the train and was greeted by 75 Milwaukee Road children. He had well filled stockings of candy and nuts for each youngster.

The program included the following numbers: a welcome from our president; carol singing by the entire group; recitation by Robert Swingle; song by Harry and Mae Sullivan; song by Shirley Blossch; piano solo, Harriet Spear; guitar solo, Richard Sullivan; acrobatic dance, Bonnie Frisch; accordion solo, Douglas Taylor; recitation, Ruth Ann Olson; song, Lillian, Florence, Viola and Stella Freiburger; song, Judith Taylor, and recitation, Janet Swingle. Ice cream and cookies were served to 175 children and grown-ups. Plants and cheer boxes were sent to the sick and aged, and baskets filled with a fine Christmas dinner were sent to seven worthy families.

Mrs. J. A. Litscher and Mrs. H. Kreamer were in charge of arrangements assisted by members of the Board.

To all chapters over the system we extend a greeting and wish for a happy and successful New Year.

Mason City Chapter

Mrs. C. E. Kemp, Historian

November meeting was held on the 28th, being called to order by the president, Mrs. Balfanz. The club motto was repeated and one verse of "America" sung, Mrs. Etta Fowler at the piano. The various chairmen gave their reports as follows: Treasurer Mrs. Goltz, balance, \$535.88; good cheer, Mrs. Smith, made 30 personal calls and 25 telephone calls; membership, Mrs. Blackmarr, 184 voting and 259 contributing members.

The nominating committee reported as follows and accepted by the chapter: President, Mrs. John Balfanz; 1st vice president, Mrs. Guy Davis; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Oscar Larson; recording secretary, Mrs. Jess Mathewman; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. R. I. MacGregor; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. S. Pack; historian, Mrs. C. E. Kemp.

Special mention should be given both Mrs. Mathewman and Mrs. Burns for their outstanding programs this year, which have required a great deal of time and thought.

Mrs. John Balfanz, president, and Mrs. Mathewman, program chairman, had charge

of the Christmas party for members of the club in the club rooms Monday evening. A short musical program was given by eight pupils from St. Joseph's parochial school. Also a violin solo by Duane Murphy.

Next was an I. Q. program with a biographical sketch of our chief dispatcher, Mr. Meuwissen.

In the stunt program the honors were won by Mrs. W. T. Cross, and Mr. R. L. Goltz in the dance, "Irish Washer Woman."

Tim Phalen, our county sheriff, as Santa Claus distributed gifts to all and promised all ladies present a generous hug when they came to accept their gifts.

The chapter entertained 100 children of the Milwaukee families at a Christmas party at the club rooms. Many of the youngsters recited while others soloed on the piano and violin. Santa Claus told stories and presented each child with a gift of candy and a toy.

In charge of this party were Mesdames John Nelson, Sizer, C. E. Kemp and Mrs. Barbara Gross.

Terre Haute Chapter

Our chapter held its annual turkey dinner at the Edgewood Grove Cabin, our own club rooms being too small to accommodate the large crowd. About 220 were in attendance. Nine turkeys, weighing in all 150 pounds, were roasted, and with all the trimmings it made a grand dinner. Each family brought a salad or covered dish, and the tables were loaded with an abundance of food. The tables were festive in decorations of yellow mums and yellow tapers. The chairman was Mrs. Huffman; the cooks were Mmes. Whalen, Bentley, Glass, Wilson and Russel.

Our honor guests were Miss Lindskog and Mrs. Anna Bowes Wiley of the Terre Haute Tribune-Star, who gave us a wonderful writeup in the paper, telling of our organization and the work it does. After dinner a short business meeting was held and the following officers were elected: president, Mrs. Dave Colwell; 1st vice president, Mrs. Walter Glass; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Charles Draper; secretary, Mrs. Robert Bentley; treasurer, Mrs. E. L. Kenney; recording secretary, Mrs. H. Patton; historian, Miss Mary Whalen; welfare chairman, Mrs. W. Whalen.

Chicago Union Station Chapter

Erma B. Oberg, Historian

OUR Benefit Party for the Christmas Basket Fund was held on November 4th in the Crystal Ballroom of the Sherman Hotel, and judging from the flattering comments we have heard, as well as our own personal experience, a most enjoyable time was had by all. The attendance exceeded all expectations, and those not wishing to dance to the strains of the Lil Hawks' delightful orchestra, played cards. Miss Grace Baldwin, ways and means chairman, and her committee, are to be highly commended, as the party was a success financially as well as socially.

We hope 1940 will prove to be a banner year for the Milwaukee Women's Club, and the new officers and chairmen of Union Station Chapter will endeavor to do everything possible to make it so. It may be of interest to know that during the year 1939 this chapter spent over \$900.00 for welfare work.

Installation of officers took place on December 6th in the club room, after a delicious turkey dinner in Harvey's Restaurant. The officers and chairmen are as follows:

President, Miss Mary von Colln; first vice president, Mrs. E. W. Soergel; second vice president, Miss Marilyn McNicholas; recording secretary, Miss Grace Doyle; asst. recording secretary, Miss Martha Karch; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. B. Finegan; treasurer, Miss Elsie Hoffman; historian, Mrs. Erma Oberg.

Chairmen: Constitution and By-Laws, Mrs. Ina Trewin; welfare, Mrs. H. A. Wicke; sunshine and good cheer, Mrs. J. L. Brown; scholarship fund, Miss Vera Snapp; membership, Miss Martha Prestin; ways and means, Miss Vila Graves; social, Mrs. W. R. Dolan; program, Miss Gussie Weinrich; house and purchasing, Miss Loretta Kuhn; publicity, Mrs. Bea Morrison; safety, Mrs. G. M. Dempsey; library, Miss Julia Sachen; auditing, Miss Grace Baldwin.

The installation was followed by a "White Elephant" card party, each participant bringing some article that to them was a "white elephant" and everyone took home a prize. Dunno whether anyone drew her own "white elephant" or not.

As has been customary in past years during the Christmas holidays, we held "Open House" in the club room on December 23rd, where coffee and delicious sandwiches and cake, prepared by the members, was served to Milwaukee employees and their friends.

At the January meeting luncheon was served at Harvey's, after which the program was taken over by Mrs. O. W. Dynes. On her topic, "Here, There and Everywhere," Mrs. Dynes presented Mrs. Ramona Hayes Healy, owner and operator of the Hayes-Healy Travel Bureau. Mrs. Healy's subject was "Two Fairs via the Panama Canal," illustrated with colored slides, and was much enjoyed and appreciated, although those of us who were so fortunate as to hear Mrs. Healy are now suffering from an acute attack of wanderlust.

Montevideo Chapter

Elizabeth May, Historian

OUR chapter resumed its meetings in September after the summer recess, which ended in a picnic at the John E. Hills cottage at Green Lake. This function has become an annual event with our chapter. Mrs. Hills, a royal entertainer, greeted the members and opened the way for a wonderful day's outing. It was a "perfect day," at the end of which all were most too tired to leave for home.

The October meeting was called off on account of very bad weather. Our president, Mrs. Williams, entertained those who did venture out at luncheon at her home and cards afterward.

The November meeting was called to order by our president. Regular reports were heard and a coin march was held as usual. The attendance prize went to Mrs. Edward Nemitz. Hostesses were: Mmes. Harry Ryman and Herman Fandy. Mrs. S. S. Lofdahl gave a delightful, interesting and timely program made up of Milwaukee R. R. young folks; a dialogue by Lannis Moe and Hedwig Libowski; a reading by little Joanne Moe; selections by Douglas Lofdahl and Byron Burchard; community singing with Mrs. Lofdahl at the piano. At this meeting arrangements were made for a luncheon and card party, which turned out a great success. Ten tables of Bridge and Whist were in play. Prizes were won by Mrs. F. L. Starbeck and Mrs. D. P. Hunt. Hostesses were Mmes. C. N. Williams, Thomas Dregan, M. P. Golie, Leo H. May and James Murphy.

It was voted that the chapter should send out several Thanksgiving baskets of fruit to the sick as well as flowers and good cheer cards.

Election of officers was held. Mrs. C. N. Williams was again elected president. In accepting the position for another year, Mrs. Williams asked for the continued co-operation of the members and thanked them for their good work during the past year. The other officers elected were: 1st vice president, Mrs. Frank E. Wilcox; 2nd vice

president, Mrs. T. E. Warner; treasurer, Mrs. Thos. Dugan; recording secretary, Mrs. M. P. Golle; corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. C. Bingham; historian, Mrs. Geo. H. May.

After the meeting luncheon was served and cards played.

Our December meeting was called to order with a goodly attendance. As this was our Christmas party, a program of singing of all the old favorite songs was given; also a recitation by little Robert Ryman. A beautiful tree lighted and decorated, and exchange of gifts followed. Hostesses were Mmes. Henry Helgson and S. S. Lofdahl. Attendance prize was won by Mrs. Arnold Moe.

Baskets of fruit, flowers, cards of greeting, telephone calls and sick visits were made at Christmas time.

All in all, our chapter has had a very successful season, and we are looking forward to a busy winter.

Montevideo extends its best wishes to all for a very prosperous 1940 and to express its appreciation of all the good which has been accomplished.

Channing Chapter

Mrs. J. R. Krause, Historian

OUR annual birthday party was held on October 14th of last year, to which the Iron Mountain Chapter was invited. A fine dinner was served at 6:30 p. m. to 96 persons, 22 of these being guests from Iron Mountain.

After dinner cards were played and dancing enjoyed at the Community Building. The committee in charge of this party, working with the president, Mrs. Charles Porterfield, were: Mmes. Gus De Baker, A. Rasmussen, Donald Harvey, Henry Bolton, Herbert Johnson and J. R. Krause.

At the December meeting, at which 32 members were present, plans were made for the annual Christmas party to be held December 16th. Pot luck dinner and exchange of small gifts. Also a party for the children on December 24th. At this time our chapter unites with three other organizations, each one donating \$5 toward the expense. Sacks of fruit, nuts and candy are distributed at that time. The children all look forward to this party.

On January 2nd our regular meeting was held with new officers in charge. Our president, Mrs. Wm. Porter; 1st vice president, Mrs. Gus De Baker; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Donald Harvey; treasurer, Mrs. W. Meyers; recording secretary, Mrs. Taylor Witters; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. Tezlewicz; historian, Mrs. J. R. Krause.

Plans were made for a series of card parties. After the meeting a social hour was enjoyed and lunch served.

New Lisbon Chapter

Mrs. G. Oakes, Historian

ON Tuesday, November 28, 1939, the forty-third regular meeting of New Lisbon Chapter was called to order by the president, Mrs. R. Zellsdorf, at the American Legion Hall.

Twenty-five members responded to the reading of the club motto. One visitor was also present.

Reports by the secretary and treasurer were read and approved.

The good cheer chairman reported eleven families contacted and ten good cheer calls made.

Our sunshine fund for the day was \$1.53. The following were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. J. Barnes, president; Mrs. R. Zellsdorf, vice president; Mrs. Andrews, secretary; Mrs. J. Stoker, treasurer; Mrs. G. Oakes, historian.

After adjournment, luncheon was served by Mesdames E. Karner, D. Bogart, G. Cade, B. Bowman and E. Smith.

On the evening of December 12, 1939, the voting members of our chapter held a Christmas party at the American Legion Hall. Twenty-five cent gifts were exchanged, penny bingo played and luncheon consisting of cake, ice cream and coffee was served.

On the afternoon of December 16, 1939, from three until five o'clock, the chapter gave a Christmas party for the children of the railroad employes, grandchildren and to any other children whom each member was allowed to bring if they had none of their own.

Games were played and enjoyed by the children.

Light refreshments were served, after which each child was presented with an orange and a large sack of mixed candy.

Kansas City Chapter

Merle Hatchitt, Historian

ON December 13 we served over 200 at our annual turkey dinner given in honor of our retired veterans. Quite a lengthy program was rendered and enjoyed by all.

Our new officers for the year are: Mrs. Henry Banta, president; Mrs. Floyd Louthan, 1st vice-president; Mrs. James Lord, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Gus Westman, secretary; Mrs. John Dobson, treasurer; Mrs. Larry Boyle, corresponding secretary; Mrs. R. A. Woodworth, good cheer; Mrs. Clyde Hatchitt, historian.

January 22, a luncheon and card party was held at Sears, Roebuck and Co.

Our chapter met in regular session Feb. 6. It was voted to have on Feb. 22 a Washington's birthday card party at the home of Mrs. R. A. Woodworth.

At the close of the meeting, tea and dainty sandwiches were served by Mrs. Banta, Mrs. Louthan and Mrs. Westman.

Spokane Chapter

Mrs. W. H. Hunter, Historian

HAVEN'T you missed us? You haven't heard from us in some time, but we have been active, busy, alert and much alive, we think.

We have been busy with our regular monthly meetings and social times. On the other hand, we have tried to be useful! Our regular meeting held Jan. 23rd was the first in the new year 1940.

We met in the club room for a waffle luncheon. About 75 attended. Under the direction of Mrs. F. McDowell, social chairman, a neat sum for our treasury was realized.

A good report for welfare in 1939 was given. The philanthropic committee under sunshine, gave cheer to sick needs in way of cards, plants and cut flowers.

At the last election the president of last year was reelected and with her courage and enthusiasm and efficient board and co-operation of each club member we go forth to do our duty as it presents itself, giving cheer, relief, being a friend; in short, to do as our president urges, "Live up to our club motto," which is all inclusive.

This is the list of the Board: President, Mrs. Edward Breeden; 1st vice-president, Mrs. W. H. Ashton; secretary, Mrs. Clem Shook; treasurer, Mrs. J. R. Reagan; corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. E. Harris; publicity, Mrs. Geo. H. Hill; welfare, Mrs. W. H. Ashton; ways and means, Mrs. H. Fallscheer; social, Mrs. Frank McDowell; program, Mrs. Joe Lawrence; telephone, Mrs. F. E. Worth; membership, Mrs. E. R. Berkey; by-laws, Mrs. P. L. Hays; house and purchasing, Mrs. S. A. Skinner; sunshine, Mrs. W. H. Hunter; historian, Mrs. W. H. Hunter.

February 6th the club sponsored a benefit card party. A hundred attended, proceeds going for welfare work. Bridge and pinochle were played: In pinochle, Mrs. S. Larsen, Mrs. W. J. Dillenworth, Mrs. Florence Beal, Edward Breeden and S. A. Skinner held high score; while in bridge, Miss Dorothy Breeden, Mrs. Wm. Schultz, Mrs. H. A. Daniels, Mrs. M. C. Cox and Mrs. A. E. Morissette were the winners.

In drawing for the door prizes Mrs. Al Meeks and Mrs. P. M. Larsen were the lucky persons.

After the games were finished doughnuts and coffee were served. The faithful committee arranging this party were Mmes. H.

Fallscheer, W. A. Snure, A. E. Gist, W. H. Ashton, W. P. Skinner, J. R. Reagan, C. J. Shook, Dennis Scanlan and J. Lawrence.

The president announced that similar card parties will be held for several months, the object being to secure funds to replenish our treasury.

Lewistown Chapter

LEWISTOWN Chapter gave a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. O'Dore Dec. 18th in the club rooms.

A Christmas party for all Milwaukee members and their families was held Dec. 18th at the Milwaukee Depot. Gifts from a beautifully lighted tree were exchanged. Entertainment and dancing were enjoyed by all.

The Chapter met Jan. 4th at the club house and after a dessert luncheon a business meeting was held by Mrs. W. J. Retallick, the new president.

The chairman of the following committees were appointed:

Membership, Mrs. Roy Gilham; welfare, Mrs. J. L. Lindbloom; social, Mrs. J. J. Danehy; ways and means, Mrs. Neil Grogan; house and purchasing, Mrs. C. P. Warner.

At the Feb. 1st meeting it was decided to have a hot lunch on our next meeting day to raise funds.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smeltzer are visiting in California. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Short are spending the winter in Arizona and Florida. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lindbloom recently returned from visiting their daughter, Mary Alice, in Cleveland, Ohio.

Harlowton Chapter

Mrs. Dale Middleton, Historian

A MOST enjoyable Christmas party was given for the children the evening of December 23rd in the club rooms. Mrs. Welch and Mrs. Thompson had charge. The program consisted of piano selections, vocal solos and recitations. Afterwards, popcorn balls, candy and apples were distributed.

The first meeting of the new year was held Monday, Jan. 8th, with our new president, Mrs. Tom Welton, presiding. Other newly elected officers are Mrs. C. E. Welch, vice-president; Mrs. Geo. Holmes, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. R. Coward, treasurer; Mrs. L. Gallaher, recording secretary; Mrs. E. Burrows, corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. Middleton, historian.

We were glad to have our retiring president, Mrs. Tom Wilkerson, back at our meetings again after being absent because of injuries received in an automobile accident. She was given a rising vote of thanks for her splendid work last year.

After an interesting meeting cards were enjoyed, with Mrs. Eadus winning high in pinochle and Ruth Welch in bridge.

At the close of the evening, delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Boyles.

Minneapolis Chapter

Mrs. J. G. Nordale, Historian

MINNEAPOLIS Chapter met January 6th for its regular 6:30 o'clock supper, serving 120. Mrs. Matzold was chairman. Our president, Mrs. Berg, called the meeting to order. After our regular order of business the annual reports were heard. Mrs. Peterson, welfare chairman, reported giving relief to 54 families, 16 Christmas baskets. An expenditure of \$273.71. Mrs. Peterson's expense was \$15, which she donated back to the club.

Mrs. Fiedler, good cheer chairman, reported having called on 147; 11 telephone calls; sent 101 messages of cheer.

Mrs. Hauser, membership chairman, reported total membership of 927.

Mrs. Berg presented our new president with the gavel.

Officers for this year are: Mrs. L. A. Hindert, president; Mrs. C. L. Matzold, vice-president; Mrs. H. M. Hauser, second vice-president; Mrs. R. E. Risberg, treasurer; Mrs. J. J. Murphy, recording secretary; Mrs. S. F. Philpot, assistant recording sec-

retary; Mrs. A. G. Neese, corresponding secretary; Mrs. John G. Nordale, historian; Mrs. R. E. Donehower, constitution and by-laws; Mrs. F. C. Fredrickson, welfare; Mrs. M. J. McDermott, good cheer; Mrs. Paul Gehrig, ways and means; Mrs. A. G. French, refreshments; Mrs. Eric Gehrke, program; Mrs. C. F. Holbrook, publicity; Mrs. R. E. Melquist, membership; Mrs. Hurzeka, safety; Mrs. Wm. Fawcett, library; Mrs. F. D. Gitz, auditing; Mrs. Bagnell, house and purchasing.

Please, members, cooperate with the new officers to make 1940 a successful year.

A tea was given in honor of the retiring president, Mrs. O. H. Berg, at Mrs. L. A. Hindert's home, January 23, with Mrs. Holbrook and Mrs. Donehower assisting. A beautiful corsage and a fitted traveling bag were presented to Mrs. Berg.

The board held its regular meeting at this time: discussions of relief and other business was taken care of. February 5th ushered Minneapolis chapter to another one of our potluck suppers, with a delicious beef roast for the meat course. Mrs. J. W. Johnson was chairman; 146 persons were served.

Mrs. L. A. Hindert called the meeting to order; minutes and reports read. Mrs. Gehrig announced a dessert luncheon and card party to be given Feb. 20 to raise money for welfare work; also a dance April 5th at the Curtiss Hotel. The membership drive is on, so, members, if Mrs. Melquist does not reach you, come and join anyway. Mrs. Fredrickson, welfare chairman, reported coal and clothing had been given several families. The meeting adjourned; music and dancing were enjoyed by all.

Tacoma Chapter

Mrs. H. L. Wiltrout, Historian

TACOMA chapter is glad to report it is still busy and happy. Last year's work closed with an increase in all departments. We had a very full and interesting year. The 1940 year starts with great interest. The new officers have taken the work over and are anxious to begin. They are:

Mrs. R. W. Beal, president; Mrs. E. P. Allen, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Susie Spencer, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. McGraw, recording secretary; Mrs. T. E. Corbett, assistant recording secretary; Mrs. Sowles, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Carl Hoffman, treasurer; Mrs. H. L. Wiltrout, historian.

Committee Chairmen: ways and means, Mrs. Russ; welfare, Mrs. Love; good cheer, Mrs. Buchen; membership, Mrs. Beachwood; social, Mrs. Remmel; program, Mrs. Devlin; auditing, Mrs. Goldbrough; safety first, Mrs. Wiley; constitution and by-laws, Mrs. Sorrensen; house and purchasing, Mrs. Van Devander; sewing, Mrs. Lupton; nominating, Mrs. Stambaugh; general luncheon, Mrs. Miles; telephone, Mrs. Montague; publicity, Mrs. Moxness; librarian, Mrs. Schleusner.

The ways and means chairman and her committee put on a Valentine card party and luncheon Feb. 13th at the club rooms. Many things have been planned for the coming year.

La Crosse Chapter

Mrs. Arthur N. Johnson, Historian

THE closing meeting of the year was held on December 6th with a Christmas party at the Loretto club rooms, the regular meeting place of the Milwaukee Club. A covered dish luncheon was served after which gifts were exchanged by drawing numbers. The gifts were arranged under a beautifully lighted Christmas tree. Later the club was entertained by five gaily dressed girls from the Loretto Dancing School, who gave a program of tap and fancy dancing. The penny march brought a total of eighty cents. The attendance award of one dollar was won by Mrs. F. C. Miller.

The first meeting of the new year was held January 3rd. The treasurer reported \$101.36 on hand to begin the new year. Seven Christmas baskets were sent to glad-

den the hearts of seven Milwaukee families. One hundred and twenty-eight voting members were reported and one hundred and seventy-three contributing members. Penny march was a total of \$1.10. The attendance award of one dollar was received by Mrs. Betts. Before closing the business meeting the president introduced the new officers and committee members as follows: president, Mrs. H. J. Troger; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Victor Hanson; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. A. Sundet; secretary, Mrs. C. J. Wethe; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ed Goggin; treasurer, Mrs. Clair Carrier; historian, Mrs. Arthur N. Johnson.

Committee Chairmen are: social, Mrs. C. Higgins; good cheer, Mrs. John Newcome; welfare, Mrs. John Rogowski; constitution and by-laws, Mrs. Alfred Young; auditing, Mrs. Joe Burns; house, Mrs. Ed Maloney; membership, Mesdames Sainsbury and Donovan; telephone, Mrs. Jensen; ways and means, Mesdames Saley and Wells.

A dessert luncheon was served, followed by a social hour of cards.

The February meeting was held on the 7th with the new officers and committees present to do their part. A motion was passed to donate five dollars toward the Finnish Relief. It was decided to have a public card party at the March 6th meeting. Contract and Auction Bridge, Five Hundred and Zionschek to be played.

Penny march totaled seventy-six cents. The attendance award was received by Mrs. W. C. Givens. Two of our members will be greatly missed: Mrs. Ellis Schmitz, who left last month to reside in St. Paul; also Mrs. G. S. Hanser, who now resides in Wausau, Wis. A dessert luncheon was served, with Mesdames Victor Hansen, Leo C. Jensen, W. C. Givens and Mrs. A. M. Martinson as hostesses. A social hour of cards closed the meeting.

Milbank Chapter

Mrs. J. R. Cauthorne, Secretary

THIS is a brief summary of the activities of the Milbank chapter for the year 1939. We have concluded a very successful year under the leadership of our president, Mrs. Geo. Eastman.

We attended the service meetings held in the club house, and on various occasions took part in the program. After the meetings we entertained at dances in the waiting room of the depot. These social gatherings were enjoyed by everyone.

In March we attended a good will dinner and program with the Commerce and Community club of Milbank.

During the summer months we, as a club, purchased shrubbery for the depot park, and nearly every member was responsible for trees, flowers and shrubbery that were planted. The old English mill stands in this park. The city of Milbank had the mill painted and it has made a very pleasing sight. We were very proud of our park.

This was our second year for receiving the \$55 cash membership award.

After the annual reports of the general governing board are received, notices are put in the local papers telling of the club's activities.

At house cleaning time this fall we put up new curtains and had new linoleum laid in the kitchen and cloakroom.

We had an average attendance of 17 members during the year. There were about 50 telephone calls and 70 personal calls made on club members; personal donations of food given to the value of \$10.30.

We held a Christmas party in the club house. A program and Santa Claus with his sacks of candy, nuts and fruit were much enjoyed by the young and old alike. We gave several large baskets of food to the needy members.

Butte Chapter

Mrs. R. M. Fields, Historian

AFTER a somewhat disrupted beginning of the new year, we hope our present officers will remain as is. At our December meeting, Mrs. A. W. Herwin was installed as president and had no sooner taken office

when her husband was transferred to Miles City. Our first vice-president, Mrs. J. R. Mahon was then automatically made president for the coming year. The remaining officers are as follows: second vice-president, Mrs. Gill Byrne; secretary, Mrs. C. R. Strong; treasurer, Mrs. Chris Olson; historian, Mrs. R. M. Fields. The office of first vice-president is still vacant.

Our president was in New York in January and second vice-president had illness in her family, making it impossible for us to have a meeting in January. However, on February 5th, our first meeting under our new president, was held. Mrs. Mahon, president, presented each member with a neatly typewritten program for the coming year. Judging from the outline she has given, I am sure our chapter will have many busy and pleasant months ahead of us.

Mrs. Beers, our retiring president, was presented, by her board members, with a lovely gift, which she most graciously acknowledged. The past year was an exceptionally pleasant and harmonious one under her able leadership. One of the worthwhile projects under our past president's term of office, was a flower garden planted at the passenger station in such a location that travelers on the train might enjoy the beautiful blossoms, which lasted throughout the summer until late fall. We received many compliments both from passengers and local citizens. We also had quite a number of shrubs planted in front of the depot, which, in a short time will add greatly to the appearance of the grounds.

On January 1, it was our misfortune to lose two of our valuable members, namely Mrs. Sorensen, who has gone to Tacoma to make her home, and Mrs. A. W. Herwin, who went to Miles City. Both ladies have been extremely active in our Butte Chapter and we shall miss them greatly from our meetings. We all wish for them continued happiness in their new locations. Many delightful showers, luncheons and parties were given for them before leaving.

We are sorry to report our treasurer, Mrs. Chris Olson, is in Rochester, Minn., where she underwent a major operation. We are pleased to hear she is recovering nicely and all are anxiously waiting her return home.

Every other month, which is an evening meeting, we hold a joint meeting with members of the Milwaukee Service Club. This joint meeting is conducted at the close of our meeting. We all thoroughly enjoy these meetings and feel we can accomplish much by our combined efforts in securing more business for the railroad. After the meetings we stay for a social hour, after which refreshments are served.

Black Hills Chapter

Mrs. Fred Diehl, Historian

BLACK HILLS Chapter is beginning the New Year with a new club house. The building, an old section-house, came into the possession of the club a few months ago and was enthusiastically received and remodeled under the efficient supervision of C. I. Smith, Martin Christianson and round-house foreman, Thos. Hickson. Every member is working to make the house a real club home. First meeting in the club house was on Feb. 12th, with a pot-luck supper, followed by regular meeting.

The January meeting was held at the Stanley Core residence. The new officers took over as follows: President, Mrs. C. I. Smith; first vice-president, Mrs. Thos. Hickson; second vice-president, Mrs. Stanley Core; secretary, Mrs. A. M. Saxer; treasurer, Mrs. C. L. Grube; ways and means, Mrs. M. Christianson; good cheer and aid, Mrs. Carl Zickrick; social chairman, Etta Patton Feuerhelm; membership, Mrs. Stanley Core.

The Christmas Anniversary party was held on Dec. 17th with an attendance of 130. A turkey dinner was served, followed by program and treat for the children. Francis Warner Wintrode baked the birthday cake, decorating it with 13 candles and a tiny engine. Party was arranged by social chairman, Etta Feuerhelm.

ON THE STEEL TRAIL

THE DIVISION NEWS-GATHERERS

Ruby M. Eckman.....Care Chief Dispatcher, Perry, Iowa
 John T. Raymond.....Care Superintendent, Marion, Iowa
 Miss O. M. Gohmann.....Care Superintendent, Ottumwa, Iowa
 Miss E. Stevens.....Care Superintendent, Savanna, Ill.
 C. W. Dunaven.....Care Yardmaster, Mason City, Iowa
 Mrs. O. M. Smythe.....Care Car Department, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Ira G. Wallace.....Clerk, Red Wing, Minn.
 H. J. Swank.....Care Superintendent, Austin, Minn.
 Mrs. Lillian Atkinson.....Care Asst. Superintendent, Wausau, Wis.
 E. L. Wopat.....Care Superintendent, Austin, Minn.
 J. B. Phillips.....Care Superintendent, Green Bay, Wis.
 Miss C. Hammond.....Care Superintendent, Terre Haute, Ind.
 Miss F. A. McCauly.....Care Local Freight Office, Minneapolis

Lucille Millar.....Care Store Department, Dubuque, Iowa
 Mrs. Dora M. Anderson.....Care Local Agent, Moberge, S. D.
 F. B. Griller.....Care Ticket Office, Sioux Falls, S. D.
 Mrs. Pearl B. Huff.....Care Superintendent, Miles City, Montana
 Mrs. Nora B. Decco.....Telegrapher, Three Forks, Montana
 R. B. Thiele.....Care Agent, Tacoma
 K. D. Smith.....Operator, Portage, Wis.
 H. J. Montgomery.....Mechanical Dept., Milwaukee Shops
 J. C. Steele.....Care Davis Yard, Milwaukee, Wis.
 V. C. Williams.....Care Agent, Council Bluffs, Iowa
 O. E. Taylor.....Care General Agent, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
 C. D. Wangness.....Care Dispatcher, Mitchell, S. D.
 Leonard Jahnke.....Fullerton Ave., Chicago
 Raymond F. Huger.....Care Superintendent, Aberdeen, S. D.
 Gil Garrison.....Care Car Department, Seattle, Wash.
 Mabel Newberry.....Care Agent, Lewistown, Mont.

Chicago Terminals

Spark

FRRIENDS and employes were shocked and saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Charley Thorncroft, switchman, on Jan. 10th. Charley was seized with a heart attack, while at work, and succumbed shortly after at the Boulevard Hospital. Four children and his wife survive Mr. Thorncroft and to them we offer our sincere sympathy in their sorrow.

Julius H. Bigelow, former agent at West Ave., who retired Dec. 19, 1939, passed away during the latter part of January, at the Hines Hospital. Mr. Bigelow served in the Spanish-American War. He was 67 years old and leaves a wife and one son, Earl. We express our sympathy to them.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cady announce the birth of a 7-lb. boy, named Lawrence John Cady, on February 6th. George is a member of the Milwaukee Police force—and Lawrence is a grandson of J. J. McCluskey, switchman.

F. M. McPherson, agent at Union St., retired Feb. 1st. The boys, as a token of the high regard they held for him, presented "Mac" with three traveling bags. Mr. McPherson leaves a host of friends who wish him many happy years to come. R. G. Larsen succeeds Mac as agent.

Mr. Chambers, retired general foreman of the Union St. Freight house, was on the receiving end of a beautiful radio—a gift from the boys at Union St.

L. Gerhart, supervisor of telegraph and signals—located at Western Ave.—retired Feb. 1st. O. J. Foberg succeeds Mr. Gerhart.

Al Starke, switchman, had a tough time in the hospital, caused by ulcers—and was knocking at the pearly gates for a time. He is now on the road to recovery, and getting along fine.

We regret to report the death of Edward Horn, switchtender, on Feb. 5th. Mr. Horn had been suffering from a cancer for the past few months. The funeral was held in Maywood and the body was taken to the Oakridge cemetery for cremation. Mr. Horn worked for the railroad for 35 years, and leaves besides his wife, one son and two daughters, to whom we extend our sympathy.

Engr. Phil Jacobs has been laid up for the past week with a heavy cold, and a run-down feeling, and that is news—because Phil carries a bag to and from work every day—containing one of the most remarkable collections of pills ever assembled in an engineer's kit. Vitamins A-B-C-D-G are all there—and a motto "Day by day I'm getting better, etc.," greets the eye when he opens the bag. All of which proves you can't fool the flu germ.

Several of the Terminal employes have been confined to their beds during the past weeks with colds, flu, pneumonia and other winter troubles: Ben Miller, Elmer Woods, Frank Burnath, Ed. Smith, Mike Wiltse, Andrew O'Malley, all switchmen, are some of the lads who were pretty sick. Geo.

Bruns and Geo. Hall, engrs., also were on the sick list.

Crado Williams, car inspector, west yard, burned his hands on the furnace grates. He was home for two weeks.

There seems to be considerable curiosity around the Union St. offices, as to when Charley McIntyre, ticket carrier, will get his new teeth. On investigation we find that he has been measured for same—and should be displaying a swell piece of crockery about the time you read this.

Pat Carey is modeling a new suit of overalls at the Bensenville roundhouse. A preview of the spring styles.

R. P. Hayes, yardmaster, Halsted St., spent some of the cold weather in California. He was relieved by Joe Hogan.

H. George, retired GYM at the puzzles, never fails to mail cards containing pictures of the bathing beauties in Florida, to the boys—and they always arrive when mercury is zero. Some fun.

Morris Fairchild, foreman at the Milwaukee Boom, recently hurt his right hand with a cable so badly that he was off duty for some days; however, the damaged hand is fast improving and he will be back to work.

N. V. Engman, who has served as assistant trainmaster on the Coast Division for some time, has been transferred to the Terre Haute Division as inspector of transportation. We were sorry to see him go but hope he will make good and be promoted again before long.

Dick Wende, who has been away, with Mrs. Wende, for six weeks' vacation trip, spent Christmas with his daughters at Los Angeles and returned home via Washington, D. C., and New York; incidentally he had the pleasure of a visit to Mr. C. H. Buford, who is now with the American Railway Association in a leading position.

Katherine Bell of the district accountant's office, has been temporarily shifted to Frank Opie's desk as timekeeper and Ruth Phelps is on her desk as stenographer for the time being.

Mr. Hopkins, who used to be agent at Raymond, but is now with the American Railway Association, was a caller at Tacoma lately on official business.

Eddie Herzog, assistant superintendent's clerk, lately celebrated his moving to Day Island by attending a smoker at University Place, near there, and getting acquainted with his new neighbors.

On January 1st the Bellingham line was taken over by the branch line dispatcher at Tacoma, who is now handling the trains; otherwise the business remains as before.

The Milwaukee Bowling League went to Bremerton recently to pay a visit to the Bremerton bowlers; we hate to tell how it came out, but you may be sure that the Milwaukee bowlers did not have to pay for the trip. However, the Bremerton folk are coming over here in the near future and will try to even the account then. By the way, the Milwaukee Bowling League will have real competition next season, for five ambitious girls from the District Accountant's office are now practicing up for admission to the league next season; they are Catherine Powers, Caroline Davis, Marie Benson, Ethel Jennings and Vera Hansen. They will give the Ticket Office and the Bollermakers a run for their money. Watch results next season!

J. S. Johnson, retired conductor, is seriously ill at this writing, being confined to St. Joseph's Hospital for a major operation. We haven't heard of the prospects yet, but we hope he will recover. He was honored, by the way, by the Retired Railroad Men's Association of Tacoma, which held its annual banquet at the Hotel Winthrop of this city, by being elected vice-president for the ensuing year.

E. J. Collins, machinist, of Tacoma Shops, is at present on a vacation trip to Phoenix, Ariz., and August Carlson and wife are planning a visit to Hanford, Calif. Pleasant visit and a safe return!

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Notes from the Local Freight Office, Tacoma, and the Coast Division

R. R. T.

WE regret to register the death of Mrs. H. W. Cooper, wife of conductor T. E. Cooper, who died January 11th, quite suddenly, due to a heart attack. We present our sincere sympathy to the survivors.

It is also our sad duty to chronicle the death of James L. Moore, locomotive engineer of the Idaho seniority district, who died suddenly on January 18th, following an operation performed at Tacoma. He was unmarried and made his home at Spokane, although of late he had been running out of Cle Elum.

C. L. Rhodes, brakeman in the Main Line ring, is at St. Joseph's Hospital, owing to serious illness. We hope that he may be out again before long.

Fay Clover, the cashier at the local office, and Miss Mildred Fetters, stenographer at the same office, are goodnatureedly arguing over the new adding machine which is gracing the office, but we imagine Fay will prove ownership by preferred use.

Brakeman E. H. Bowers has been promoted by being appointed to a good position on the Public Relations Committee at Chicago. Mr. Bowers has a fortunate combination of good looks and a pleasant gift of gab and should make good on the new job. Here's wishing him success!

Burr Herrod of the Tacoma Yard force is off on leave of absence, having gone to Parsons, Kansas.

Conductor H. J. Neff has applied for pension, due to disability. We wish him a long and happy retirement age.

R. G. Freeman has taken E. H. Bowers' place on No. 16 as brakeman.

Otto Tomany was relieving conductor Cooper during his wife's sickness and death.

E. L. Kittleson served as brakeman, but after one trip on the ski trains he went back to the rural quiet of the farm.

Tubby Cleb, of the local freight office, had an automobile, which filled the bill, despite some groaning and creaking due to advanced age, until recently his mother made a miscue and damaged it to that extent that it wasn't worth hauling away as junk. Now Tubby is negotiating for another one, but is trying to persuade his mother to accept a second-hand car—with what luck we do not know as yet.

Jake Falk of the Tacoma Shops and wife spent the holidays at Los Angeles, Calif. Strange to relate, he came back alone—only for a time, though.

Among those who have been, or are at the present writing, off from duty on account of the prevailing epidemic of "flu" are: Mr. Connor of the relay office. Train dispatcher William Monroe, off about Christmas time. Mike Grinnell, mill foreman, and William Sommer, tinsmith. John Nevins of the Tacoma Yard force; Louis Brunner, and Al Monald of the store department; roundhouse foreman J. F. Brady and H. L. Lemm of the Tacoma yard force. These are reported improving, and probably before this appears in print, all will be back to work. Brakeman C. L. Rhodes of the Main Line Ring is at St. Joseph's Hospital, seriously ill. We hope he may soon be improved.

Tacoma Bowling League

	Won	Lost	Total Pins
1. Ticket Office	10	2	6213
2. Boilermakers	8	4	6665
3. Pipe Shop	7	5	6819
4. Machinists	7	5	6719
5. Extra Gang	7	5	6175
6. Supervisors	6	6	6844
7. Accountants	6	6	6537
8. Roundhouse	5	7	6508
9. Store Dept.	2	10	5956
10. Blacksmith Shop	2	10	5372
High Individual Game—Kimose,			271;
Stansbury, 271.			
High Individual 3 Games—Kimose,			758.
High Team Game—Supervisors,			1167.
High Team 3 Games—Supervisors,			3362.

Northern District Car Dept.

O. M. S.

THE Car Department employes at Minneapolis are showing much interest in the Milwaukee Service Club. Over 200 members have joined the club and over \$100.00 has been turned over to its treasurer. (Dues are 50c per year).

Equipment maintainer, J. F. Kasak, who has been in California due to ill health, returned to his position at Hastings on Feb. 1st.

Stanley Olson, carman, from Minneapolis Shops, has been relieving Mr. Kasak.

Carman Wm. Peck, from Minneapolis Shops, also relieved equipment maintainer, J. M. Hemsey, at Wabasha due to automobile accident.

Trygve Magnuson, carman helper, Minneapolis light repair yard, is traveling in the southern states of Louisiana, Florida, Texas and New Mexico.

Olaf Anderson, who has been unable to work as carman on Minneapolis light repair yard for over a year, has applied for railroad pension.

"Lucky" Einar Hauger of car dept. office was the winner of a delicious chocolate cake at the Carlson restaurant on Lake Street, Feb. 6th.

Council Bluffs Terminal

V. C. Williams

THE "Back to the Rails" movement is again getting under way for the various chapters, both in Omaha and in this city, which holds the honor of being the original chapter.

T. P. Schmidt, car foreman, was elected president of the club, and Roy Wichael, engine foreman, elected chairman for this company's members in a general election of officers held at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. early this month. Ted, former vice-president, has always been one of the loudest boosters, and gained inter-city recognition during the big celebration held here last fall, notably in his reproduction of the Hiawatha which was really a honey. So good luck, and may the coming season of this club's activities see as pronounced a success as did the last.

And while on the printed page pertaining to T.P.S., we might also casually mention that he took unto himself a wife, joining in holy wed-lock to Miss Marie Christensen of this city and journeying to Minneapolis for a short honeymoon. Congratulations!

While the GYM has been singing the proverbial winter "Short-Handed" Blues, what with about one-third of the switchmen unable to work on account of illness, who should pour oil on the bonfire of hard luck but old man Colburn. Here is the story told by "FC" himself, so take it for better or worse. It seems one bright sunny P. M. after his day's toil, he decided to take a little work off Mother Nature's shoulders and climb on the roof, chop a little ice clogging a drain or two and then climb back down. He got down all right, but it also got him down in bed. Did he catch a cold? No. Did he slip and fall? No. He twisted a muscle or two in his manly chest, and after a perfunctory exam by the family Doc, he was told to hilt himself to the covers and stay there until daily rubbings with Sloan's got rid of the soreness. A week at home with the Mrs. was his honorary reward for his attempted noble deed. "Never again," quoth our oldest man in service.

Received a card from Glen Smith, son of the GYM, who is temporarily stationed at Fort Slocum in New York, where he is rated as a radio technician with Uncle Sam's gobs, passing his entrance examination tests with highest honors, and seemingly liking his new position. After primary training on this side, he may be transferred to Panama for active service. Quite an honor, Glen, and good luck.

The Sister of Mercy Hospital was the proud recipient of a new patient the early part of February in the person of Adolph Peterson, west end conductor, who entered for a minor operation. At this time he is doing very nicely after a pretty bad scare, for it was more serious than at first appeared, but it takes more than a saw-bones to get the Dane off his feet for long.

This paragraph of the Magazine wants to take this opportunity to toss an orchid or two in the direction of Mrs. Nels Jensen, newly elected president of the Women's Club, who formerly served as secretary. As a go-getter, she rates tops, and while not only are memberships steadily on the increase, she is inaugurating a system whereby if an employe or member of his family is ill, a card of condolence or sympathy is sent to this member. Also, she is installing new interest and that get-together feeling among all the employes, and plans are under way for many card parties, pot-luck suppers and other social activities whereby the members, new and old, are welcoming this

newly formed combination. And with Mrs. Floyd Lacy and Mrs. W. J. Black in there backing up the line as treasurer and new-member committee-woman, it has all the ear-marks of being very successful.

Chuck Milner, the answer to a section boss' dream, has also been getting himself the honor of being one who is after the biz. He was named subscription-getter or something to that effect for the yard employes' Back To The Rails club. And so far he has been doing nicely, thanks to his Irish humor and wit to be able to talk a Russian out of a Fin. Keep it up, Chuck, and your name will go down in history, not only as a pep-talker but as one who can foretell the outcome of all championship boxing matches. So far your score on that particular matter is exactly zero.

Fullerton Avenue Building—Chicago

L. G. J.

THE wedding of Evelyn Nastali to Dick Kane took place at St. Robert Bellarmine Church February 3, 1940. There was a huge attendance as the nuptials were performed. On the Thursday preceding the wedding their Milwaukee Road friends presented them with a fine radio, not to mention the scrub brush and other things given to Dick personally. The best of luck to both of you.

Al Hale returned from his yearly sojourn to Florida looking fit as a fiddle and ready for lots of work. Al reports tarpon fishing is quite the popular sport this year down Miami way. How about some fishing poses, Mr. Hale?

The building employes were surprised and shocked to hear of the death of William Seifert of Mr. Heuel's office. Pop, as he was known to most of us, was fatally injured when struck by an automobile while out strolling with his dog in Mont Clare, where he resided. Although 76, was still very active in his work and had many interests out of the office. We extend our sincere sympathy to his family.

Bowling is one of our most popular pastimes here and so we list a few of the results of the mixed doubles sweepstakes between the men and the women leagues held Saturday, January 20, 1940. Handicap scores are shown:

First Place—E. Weidner, 493; M. Lundgren, 693. Total 1,186.
Second Place—L. Koch, 460; A. E. Peterson, 635. Total, 1,095.
Third Place—E. Collins, 497; C. Kemnitz, 573. Total, 1,070.

High Single Game—I. DeCamp, 177; J. Jacobsen, 223. Total, 400.

Consolation—N. Cauwood, G. Walling. (Why show their scores; they feel bad enough.)

Idle Chatter: Ed Ludwig and Bill Condon have just become proud papas. Ludwig has a future president and Bill is content with a future Madeline Carroll. Congratulations.

... When we said Edith Lamont was wearing a band on her finger we meant an engagement ring. We shall be more definite in the future, especially in dealing with the ladies. ... Bowling isn't Marge Porten's only hobby. From the colors in the sky and with very little aid from an almanac she very accurately figures weather changes. Marge, please, what may we expect during the first two weeks of August?

... "Cowboy" Kroil is really wowing the local people with the ten gallon sombrero he is sporting of late. ... The basketball game in Elgin brought out many features. Notable among them were Ed Wilwers (the tap dancin' kid) taking flashlight photos of the game and Otto Hieman's troubles while en route. ... The basketball team hasn't won a game yet but their social prowess is without peer. ... The Lakeview Alleys threw a party for the Mixed Doubles Sweepstakers and if you have ever been to one of their shindigs you'll know the fun that was had. ... Reinhart and Burke report a nice week-end in Memphis, Tenn., but their southern accents should really be called sudden accents. ... After "Wagon

Wheels' has shown those pictures of himself dressed as an Indian, it's no wonder Stowell wants to scalp him. . . . Larry Mull-holland returns from the Mardi Gras looking like it was some soiree. Where did you get those eyes? . . . Frank Von Trom is our horse sense expert. He guesses the most right. . . . We are told Renaldi loses on the average of one fender or bumper a month. . . . Confucius' brother say Confucius talk too much, and that's our cue to sign off.

The New Hub of the I&D

F. B. G.

THE Service Club of Sioux Falls took part in soliciting funds for the Finnish Relief among the employes which netted \$19.95. This amount was turned over to the Minnehaha County Chairman who expressed thanks for the club's interest and co-operation in this nationwide drive.

Switchman Roy Leeper, Sioux Falls, visited his brothers in Chicago and Rock Island the latter part of January. Switchman Frank Henderson of Sioux Falls returned from visits in and around Canton, Ohio, on February 4th.

A few months ago when the I&D Divn. made first place in Tip Cards, chairman H. B. Olson, of the Sioux Valley Service Club, made up a large poster advertising the fact that we were all proud of the fact, however, if the I&D fell out of first place the poster would have to be reversed, which would not be so pleasing. Anyway, someone stole the poster but the chairman is now making another and a more elaborate one, telling the whole world the I&D Division has made "tops" again in tip cards in no uncertain terms. The poster will be on display in the Canton clubroom in a few days.

Charles Henry Dondelinger, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Dondelinger, died in a hospital, January 28th, after an illness of a week. Charley is pipefitter at the Sioux City shops and we extend our sincere sympathy to him and his family.

Congrats, Grandpa! This goes to switchman Jay Erlewine, Sioux Falls, which title became effective as of January 30th, when his daughter at Manila gave birth to a fine eight pound girl.

Retired boilermaker's helper, John Anderson Eide, Sioux City, passed away at his home following a lingering illness. Born February 10, 1863, at Bergen, Norway, Mr. Eide came to this country when he was 32 and lived a year in Michigan before coming to Sioux City. He was in the employ of The Milwaukee for 42 years and had retired from service in 1934.

Mrs. W. S. Foster, wife of section foreman, Avon, visited her mother in Rockford, Ill., the fore part of February.

Gene Deveney, second trick operator, Yankton, was on the sick list and relieved by Geo. B. Smith, later by Harry Bahr and Smith moving over to West Yard.

The response this month for news was very disappointing. It is your co-operation that will make the magazine and your division column interesting.

Frank Welchbrod is beaming these days due to his daughter having recovered from two very serious operations. She is back at work now and her friends are glad to see her cheerful smile again.

Twin City Terminals

F. A. M.

A BABY daughter recently arrived at the Gus Reuland home. Understand the name is to be Virginia Anne.

Congratulations are extended to Glen Nicollin, formerly diversion clerk in the Minneapolis traffic department who has been promoted to rate clerk in the St. Paul office, and to Bob Bach, formerly office boy, promoted to diversion clerk. We also wish to welcome Darrell Newcomb, the new office boy.

From all reports Bob Bach is now known about town as "The Champagne Kid!"

The latter part of January James Rezag, traveling claim adjustor, who was making

a business trip through Idaho, fell and broke three ribs. He was laid up for some time but at this writing he is coming along fine.

Gladys Mirocha, Elizabeth Hessburg, Elavi Conroy and Kitty Carl were among the bowlers who participated in the tournament January 28th at the Hawkins Alleys in St. Paul. Gladys and Elavi walked away with cash prizes. Leda Mars and Katherine McBride were in the rooting section. Chicago bowling teams were here also, and won over the St. Paul teams.

Willard Wilson has a baby girl now—Gail Wilson, born Feb. 5th.

All the men, with the exception of a very few, are bowling on Tuesday nights at Bryant & Lake. Rumors are that Bill Saylor shows all indications of being high man at this writing.

Dayton Johnson has taken a leave of absence and he and Rubye are going out to look California over.

Seattle Terminals

Gil Garrison

General Offices

A. W. BIGHAM is back from the hospital and looking fine again.

N. A. Meyer is our candidate for the next speaker on the Hobby Lobby program. He has a fine woodworking shop at his home in Edmonds with the latest tools for turning out workman-like jobs, and has many fine exhibits of his handicraft around the home.

Mack Barnhart, of the city office, also has a hobby of interest to his neighbors and friends, and that is the raising of fine tulips. He has a beautiful garden of several hundred different varieties, some of them being early blooms which are well in advance of others shown in this district. He also specializes in delphiniums, and the bouquets from the Barnhart estate are always worth waiting for.

Local Freight Office

Don Hayes of the yard office has taken over the position of chief claim clerk, effective February 1st, vice Chester MacLennon, having accepted a position in the claim department. Stanley Holtum has been working the job for the last couple of months.

Lowell W. Brundage is our new messenger effective February 5th, vice Clarence Allgaur, transferred to other duties. Young Brundage has been working in the bill room for the last three or four months.

Our own Rose P. King, famous for onion soup, has taken over the position of abstract clerk, in place of Mrs. Daisy Heester, who is off on sick leave. We are informed that Daisy is getting along nicely.

Frank Berg of the Oriental Department has just returned from a two months' visit in Old Mexico. He reports a wonderful time and that since the war in Europe, Mexico is getting her share of the tourists.

Our popular warehouse foreman, Dr. De-foe Machlem, is proud to announce the addition of quintuplets to the warehouse force. The old cat gave birth to five baby girl kittens early this month and about all of the Machlem's spare time is now being devoted to their care. He insists on raising all five of them.

Car Department and Yard Office

We regret to chronicle the death of Harry Thomas, former roundhouse hostler at Seattle, who died at the family home January 17th. He is survived by a widow.

Jim Murray, former assistant section foreman at Seattle Yard, died January 26th. He had been on the sick list since February, 1938.

We miss Stanley Eriksen, our Car Department coach cleaner, who is at the present writing at home, sick with the flu.

Celly Cellyham, yard clerk, has recovered from his recent auto accident and returned to work and believe me he has also recovered from his 1939 betting slump. Celly's betting now seems to be guided by a mysterious power.

H&D Division—Where the Olympians Meet

By Billy

STAN LUCE, traveling passenger agent of St. Paul, was a caller at Aberdeen on the 18th of January.

Pat Cully repeated himself when he won another 10 and 25 dollars respectively in recent drawings. Must be the Irish, Pat.

Another of our well-liked railroad boys met his death at the hands of fate. Lester E. (Slim) Mills, 44, brakeman on the West H&D, was killed while performing his duties at Bowdle, S. D., on the 15th of January. Lester started his services for the Milwaukee in April, 1916. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the immediate family, of which two other brothers are brakemen for the Milwaukee Road.

Rose Cummings will observe her birthday on the 2nd of March. She will be (?) years young. She expects, hopes, and wishes to receive \$1,500 as a birthday present. Hope you won't be too disappointed, Rosie. Many happy returns of the day.

Freda Taylor Lessler and husband are now settled in Pueblo, Colorado. Henry is working as office engineer for the D&R Railroad. Freda at one time was correspondent for the employes' magazine and a stenographer for Evan Hall at Aberdeen. More power to you, Freda and Henry.

Lisle Young was recently promoted public relations representative in connection with organizing service clubs. Lisle was employed as machinist at Aberdeen roundhouse previous to the change. He has been very instrumental in the welfare of the local service clubs. Our best wishes are with you, Lisle.

Ward Fischback and wife are the parents of a daughter, born January 5th. Congrats, Ward.

Bill Steinlicht, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Steinlicht, recently underwent an operation for appendicitis in the local hospital. He returned to his home January 25th and we are glad to report is coming along fine.

We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Neal Jones, who are the proud parents of their first. An 8-pound boy was born to them January 22nd. Thanks for the cigars, Casey. The son has been named Jerome Neal.

John P. Herzog has been promoted to assistant warehouse foreman at Aberdeen; vice L. D. McCormick promoted to foreman.

Hurley Madsen returned to Aberdeen January 24th from Minneapolis, where he visited friends and relatives. Understand there is a blonde that you were interested in while there.

Engr. A. J. Anderson and wife plan an extended trip to Brownsville, thence to New Orleans, St. Louis, Memphis, Chicago, and then home to Aberdeen.

Engr. Wm. Lovell Johnson will make the same trip.

J. L. Morley, boiler foreman at Aberdeen roundhouse, recently was laid up at his home, sick. The boys at the roundhouse and the rest of the terminal hope for a speedy recovery.

The Earl Martin family has left our vicinity and are now located in Butte, Montana, where Earl is manager of the interstate lunch room. Hope you both are getting along fine and I do hope to hear from you occasionally. The best of luck to you both.

Engr. A. R. Davidson and wife are planning a tour of Omaha, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle in the near future.

The lady trainmen's annual dance is to be held March 15th in the city Armory. This is the 51st annual affair sponsored every year by the lady trainmen at Aberdeen. A good time is always had and a large turnout is expected again this year.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Frank R. Robinson, 64, who passed away February 8th. Frank had been an employe for the Milwaukee for 42 years. He had been in ill health for nearly a year.

W. L. Bill Schroeder, engineer on the West H&D, was recently appointed to the



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general chairmanship of the B. of L. F. & E., with headquarters in Chicago. Congratulations, Bill, and the best of luck to you in your new position.

Thomas E. Dewey, aspirant for the Republican Presidential nomination, stopped at Aberdeen and made a rear platform speech while the Olympian stopped for 10 minutes. Dewey was en route to Portland, Oregon, via the Milwaukee Road. Mr. Richardson and others from the local freight office were there to welcome Mr. Dewey. What are your thoughts on Dewey, Johnny P.?



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Freight Shop News

S. G.

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Here it is the month of March and the Freight Department's Bowling League is going into the 21st week, and we find the "dark horse" of the league, the "Grain Cars," leading the pack. In a dead-lock for second place, one game behind the leaders, are the "Ore Cars" and the "Cattle

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Cars," while the "Bunk Cars" reign alone in the third place. The standings are as follows:—

Team	Won	Lost
1. Grain Cars	36	24
2. Ore Cars	35	25
3. Cattle Cars	35	25
4. Bunk Cars	32	28
5. Pickle Cars	31	29
6. Auto Cars	30	30
7. Box Cars	29	31
8. Flat Cars	28	32
9. Repair Cars	24	36
10. Tank Cars	20	40

In individual averages we find Elmer "Lucky" Blankenberg with a fat 185.36 sitting on top. Following him are Keller with 177.26 and in third place is Soapy Glazer who, it is rumored, makes the ball fly as a racing pigeon. Blankenberg also has a death hold on high single and high triple with 244 and 626, respectively.

The Ore Cars have captured team high triple and high single with scores of 2463 and 899. Work hard, boys, those scores are not so hard to beat!

Apprentice Carman, Dick Bausch, deserves a word of praise for the very fine way he manages the League, but you wonder why he is in such a hurry to get out after it's all over. Well, what single fellow hasn't a heart throb waiting for him?

One Friday evening Ed Krueger brought his family, and he had an awful time trying to bowl and keep his eyes on his boys. If I'm not mistaken one of the boys got away on him. Poor Ed, after reaching the point of exhaustion, found him trying to set up the pins on a closed alley. Ed resolved to come alone after that experience. I'll bet the boys had their pants dusted plenty that night.

Philosophy is exceedingly difficult. It rejoices in technical terms and hair splitting distinctions; it employs subtle and refined arguments, and it won't be hard to understand why just this particular question has been selected for your information. I hope, however, to give the reader a general conception of Harry Popek and Soapstone Glazer's main problems which are discussed between them nearly every day in the week, and the reason why they are problems.

We shall begin with a brief consideration that these two raise pigeons, sometimes called squabs, homers, doves, etc. It seems that every time a bird is born Popek or Glazer provides one of the easiest paths into the philosophical maze of what the bird will do in the races to come. The reader would be surprized if he could only hear of all the ancestors the bird has and what they have done, and so every day it goes on and on.

A majority of us have been wondering about our Shakespearean electrician, John Miller. There has been one opportunity after another for the uncovering of some of his poems. What we want is a copy of the publication of one of his poems if it is humanly possible to get one.

Recently, Tim Reidy passed away. Tim, as many of us knew him, was always possessed by the desire for knowledge, in the best sense, a man who was always in love with his work. His friends join in expressing their sympathy to his bereaved family.

As a result of a great many requests from shop fellows, who are only now becoming aware of the coming baseball season and its excitement, it seems necessary to summarize the progress which has been made so far by discussing the various teams which will be in the league.

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A 7½ lb. baby boy really caused John Jennings to smile from ear to ear. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Jennings.

Joining the ranks of young women wearing engagement rings is Helen Wawrzyniak whose engagement to Eddie Wasielewski was recently announced by her parents at a surprise party given in their honor. Eddie, who works on the second shift already has named his friend, Chester Warczyglowa, as best man.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. Tony Milazzo, Jr., who were married on February 10th. May all their troubles be little ones. They are honeymooning in Miami, Florida, beneath the palms.

Easter lilies will be in full bloom about the time Matt Plamenig will wed a charming young lady by the name of Ange Pasler. Matt, who operates the new spot welder, is a fine fellow and deserves a nice girl.

Charles Tacke, who is spending his winters in sunny California, sends his best regards to all his friends at the shops.

General foreman, Frank Swanson, proudly showed his friends from Minneapolis what makes the wheels go around at the Milwaukee Shops. I'm sure their visit was a pleasant one.

Iowa (East) Division

J. T. Raymond

MRS. W. G. BOWEN of Marion returned February 3rd after a ten days' visit with her three sisters at St. Louis, Mo.

Agent W. T. Bright of Elwood was absent from duty early in February on account of illness. R. M. Emerson was acting agent.

Oliver Fohey of Marion has been transferred to Chicago and is succeeded by Melvin Schmidt as supervisor of the Signal and Telegraph Department headquarters at Marion. Mr. Fohey, who has been located at Marion for some time, has made many friends on the Division who much regret his leaving and wish for his future success.

The Milwaukee Veteran Employees' reunion is to be held at Chicago August 14 and 15. This is the twenty-fifth anniversary. The Iowa Division will be largely represented. Hope to see you.

Wm. Zimmerman, retired roadmaster, died suddenly at Portland, Ore., the latter part of January and his remains were brought to Delmar, Iowa, for burial, which occurred January 27th. The outstanding characteristics of Mr. Zimmerman as noted by many old friends on the Milwaukee road were, capability, faithfulness and friendliness. His death is much regretted.

H. L. Steen, 79 years, of Delmar passed away at his home Thursday, January 25th. He entered the Milwaukee Railway service

as operator and agent at New Lisbon, Wis., in 1881. During his long career with the Milwaukee road he had made many warm friends among patrons and fellow employes, always affable and accommodating. His death is greatly deplored by many friends. The funeral services were held at Delmar Sunday, February 28th.

Miss Alice McGuire of Marion departed Thursday, February 8th, to spend two weeks' vacation in Mexico City.

Chester S. Cornelius of Marion was appointed February 15th to the Truck and Safety division of the Interstate Commerce Commission and has gone to Washington, D. C., to receive his training after which he will be stationed at some other city to carry on his work.

G. E. Lanning of Savanna was appointed acting trainmaster of the Eastern division and branch lines January 1st on account of the illness of Mr. Shellenbarger. Mr. Lanning is well known and will have fine cooperation.

Train dispatcher H. M. Thayer of Milwaukee was in Marion several days early in January, relieving N. J. Gorman, who was ill for a short period.

Roadmaster George Barnoske of Marion enjoyed his January vacation so much that he has had it extended to include February. Mr. Whalen is a very capable substitute.

J. L. Shipman was transferred from Seattle to the division engineer's office at Marion, January 1st.

Ralph C. Seager of Marion, chairman B.R.T. for this division, went to Chicago January 15th to attend a general committee meeting.

The Marion Chapter of the Milwaukee Railway Women's Club met at the Hallwood Cafe Thursday, January 11th. Mrs. E. C. Fox, the new president, presented Mrs. L. R. Shellenbarger, the retiring president, with a gift on behalf of the chapter. She also presented a gift to Mrs. Oliver Fohey, who has moved to Chicago.

Kansas City Division

K. M. G.

AT this writing the Milwaukee Railroad bowling team leads the Industrial league of Ottumwa and holds the high series score so far this season. The league bowls each Monday evening at 6:45 at the Red Crown alleys and it seems their efforts are deserving of an audience of Milwaukee employes and some good rooters. Captain of the team is Dave Luman; other members are M. L. Fromm, J. Seals, Wm. Wilson and M. Findlay. Judging from the weekly writeups in the sport section of the daily Ottumwa paper the outstanding bowler is M. L. Fromm, dispatcher. Understand they have sort of a social club among their team members and each Monday after bowling, assemble in the home of one of their group (wives also present) and put on a good feed. Hope the end of the season will find them still leading the league.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reed were in Council Bluffs for the "Capping Service" at 8:15 p. m. on February 2 of the student nurses in the auditorium of the nurses' home of the Jennie Edmundson hospital, Council Bluffs, their daughter Gloria being among the group, having entered the hospital as a student nurse last September.

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Nell Bowen was installed as Worthy Matron of the Ottumwa Chapter of the O.E.S., Ottumwa, on January 8 and on January 30 and 31 attended the Eastern Star school of instructions at Muscatine.

A guest at the Milwaukee Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark., is Engineer Elmer Rudolph of Kansas City, who is enjoying his annual sojourn at the Springs.

Agent R. G. Larson, Kansas City, has been transferred to Union Street, Chicago, and O. R. Lambertson has been assigned as agent at Kansas City; E. Ferguson, for many years joint CRI&P and Milwaukee agent at Muscatine, recently retired and H. L. Toussaint has been appointed as acting agent; joint M&STL and Milwaukee agent, C. O. Daubenberg, Hedrick, has been transferred to Ackley, Iowa, succeeded by H. Botts.

Notice was received of the death of Mrs. Mary Hengel, aunt of Mrs. H. C. Fritsche, Ottumwa, whose death occurred at her home in Cabool, Missouri. Mrs. Fritsche departed on February 8 to attend the funeral services.

Several office employees were off duty during January account of being victims of influenza; chief clerk J. W. Sowder was away for ten days during January; yardmaster R. H. Washburn and wife were ill and Mr. Washburn was off the week of January 21; T. A. Richards, storekeeper, West Yard, was off duty during the third week of January; roadmaster P. M. Loftus was off several days during the last week of January; H. G. Johnson of the engineering department was compelled to remain at home for three days in the latter part of January account of a severe cold; Mrs. O. A. Beerman, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Whiteford, roadmaster F. M. Barnoske, Mrs. J. W. Sowder and Mrs. M. L. Taylor were also ill.

Engineer Geo. Kissinger, retired, who has been spending the winter with his daughter in Tulsa, Okla., Mrs. Hugh Evans, will continue his trip out to the west coast in February, including stopovers at Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle and Spokane, returning to Ottumwa via the Northwest route.

Agent C. D. Busick and wife are planning spending a few days during February with their daughter and family, Mrs. Ed Lee, in Amarillo, Texas, where Mr. Lee is in the radio service of the Braniff Airways.

Several days in the early part of Febru-

ary were spent by Mrs. Ed Kiburz of Cedar Rapids as a guest in the home of roadmaster F. M. Barnoske.

Mr. and Mrs. Thor, Sr., of Minneapolis are visiting for an indefinite time in the home of their son, trainmaster A. O. Thor, Ottumwa.

On February 11, yard conductor, D. E. Chambers, accompanied by his wife, departed from Ottumwa for Denver, Colo., thence will go to Salt Lake City, Spokane and other western cities; expect to be away a month.

Word has been received from Mrs. J. A. Tomlinson, who is wintering in Miami, Florida, that the temperature has been very low and the flowers are not blooming as profusely as in past years because of the cool weather.

The mother of condr. L. O. VanDyke and Mrs. Frank Chrisman of Ottumwa, Mrs. Frank Van Dyke of Meadville, Missouri, was a visitor recently for a month, dividing her time with her son and daughter and their families.

Engineer J. L. Cupp died very suddenly on January 18 at his home in Ottumwa. He had been in service on January 17, working as engineer on the 3:30 p. m. switch engine shift at West Yard. Funeral services were held the following Sunday afternoon. He entered the services of the company on August 25, 1914, as a fireman and was promoted to engineer on August 3, 1928.

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MRS. GEORGE HILTON, who has been a patient at the Lowe Hospital for several weeks has now sufficiently recovered to be removed to her home. During her illness, George's mother, Mrs. Joe Hilton, of Rapid City, came to care for little Carol Ann.

John C. Fuller, night baggageman, is also back on the job again after a long illness.

Theodore S. Johnson, first trick car clerk, is spending some time visiting friends and relatives in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Nath have returned from an extended trip to California,

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where they spent some time with their daughters. They also stopped at New Orleans, San Antonio and El Paso, Texas, and St. Louis. On their return trip they visited their daughter Betty at Omaha, who is taking nurse's training there.

Mrs. Jennie O'Hern, agent at Firesteel, S. D., is taking a two months' vacation from her duties. During her absence her position is being filled by George Dimick.

Conductor Louis Larson, wife and daughter Edna of Marmarth, have returned from a month's vacation spent at Eagle Rock, Calif., and Los Angeles, visiting his son and family.

Telegraph lineman Ivan N. Kern is sporting a brand new 1940 Plymouth de luxe coupe.

Mrs. Ivan N. Kern returned from a three weeks' visit at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Erickson at Seattle.

Mrs. Ed Sandals and Mrs. Tom Milligan were called to Panora, Iowa, by the death of their father, Dan Brown. Their mother Mrs. Brown, returned with them and will make her home with the Sandals family for the present.

Roy Van Dyne of Roseburg, Ore., bid in the position as agent at Havelock, N. D., and is now keeping bachelor quarters in the depot there.

Mrs. E. E. Finch and Mrs. Ferd Olson attended the wedding of their niece, Dolores Rose Vachreau of Harlowton, Mont., to Mr. Carlton Holtan, on Sunday, January 28. Dolores is a former Moberidge Girl and has a host of friends here who congratulate them and wish them all the happiness in the world.

J. E. Langenbacher left for Los Angeles, where he will spend the next few months just taking life easy.

Mrs. Alice Aiello passed away at Aberdeen, S. D., on Monday, February 5th. She was formerly Alice Helmey of Moberidge and the remains were brought here for burial. She was laid to rest in Moberidge cemetery beside her father and brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lentz spent the weekend at St. Paul visiting their daughter and also took in the ice carnival while there.

Vaughn Hoehn, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hoehn was operated on at the Moberidge Hospital for appendicitis and is coming along fine.

Conductor Ed Sandals was taken sick while on his run to Faith and was brought to his home, where he is quarantined for smallpox. At the present writing he is convalescing nicely.

Special Officer L. D. Lyons is improving in the Holy Rosary Hospital at Miles City from the effects of a recent operation. Mrs. Lyons is spending a few days there with him.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard W. Clark on the passing of their son Gordon, whose death occurred at Redfield, S. D., on December 17th. He was buried in Greenwood cemetery beside his brother Kenneth.

Mrs. Leo Middleton of Kirkland, Wash., spent a few days here with her husband.

From here she went on to Chicago for a brief visit.

Miss Dorothy Morris, who underwent an appendectomy at the Moberidge Hospital, has now fully recovered and is back on the job again as cashier at the J. C. Penney store.

John Hilt was a hospital patient for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sweda have returned from a trip to Chicago where they visited George's mother and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scott left for Fort Collins, Colo., where they will visit his mother and also a brother in Wyoming.

Mrs. Percy Sherman returned Sunday night from Rochester, Minn., where she underwent a goiter operation. She is now much improved.

Our genial express agent, R. N. Bangs, was transferred to Anaconda, Mont. Mr. William Cotton from Glasgow, Mont., is our new man.

Spokane and Inland Empire

By Jay Kay

GREETINGS. Did not the cold snap in January remind you quite a bit of Florida?

On the 24th day of January, with the thermometer at 16 above, a pretty robin flew down on what we usually call the lawn in summer time, and began pecking around for whatever might turn up. After that he was a regular caller.

The Milwaukee bowling team in Spokane broke every possible record in the Railroad league on January 24th. High single game of 267 was taken by Gene Boyd; high three games individual of 667 was rolled by Wm. Gunn; high single team of 1137 and high three team of 3275 were both new records. Previous high three games of 3140 had been held by the Great Northern, so the score of 3275 established by the Milwaukee will, we think, give the other roads something to shoot at from now on.

Agent W. W. Cutler, Spokane, was under the weather for several days around the first of the year.

Several extra men were put on in Spokane Yard section during the snow in January to sweep and keep the switches open, etc.

Richard Isitt, helper in the roundhouse, Spokane, thought he would cut down on his smoking expense, so he bought a new corn cob. One noon he was caught trying out a new tobacco. After the smoke cleared away, everyone came back into the lunch room and on inspection it was found the new tobacco was called "Waste-obac."

On Sunday, Feb. 4th, Chris Finsand, inspector at the Union Station, started on his annual vacation trip to California, where he will visit relatives in San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

It is with the deepest regret that we announce the death on the night of Feb. 2nd, of roadmaster Rodger W. Gallagher of St. Maries. Mr. Gallagher was at Avery, Idaho, and left there on his gas car for St. Maries after train 15 pulled out. Shortly after 9 p. m. his car was seen going through

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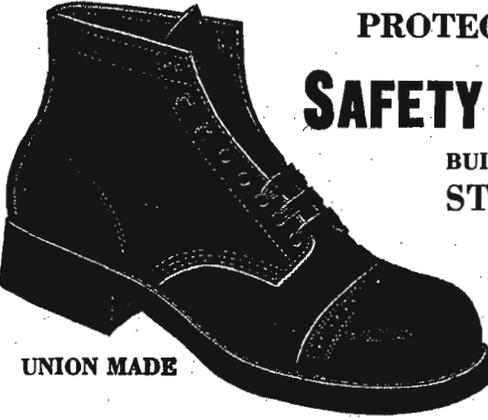
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Car inspector Nels Nelson and wife of Spokane made a round trip to Missoula and Butte, Mont., last month.

Henry "Curley" Bowers of Spirit Lake, Idaho, former hostler at that point, passed away the latter part of January. Mr. Bowers for the past several years has been employed by the Panhandle Lumber Co., at Spirit Lake.

A general safety meeting for the supervising officers, Lines West of Moberge, S. D., was held in Seattle, Wash., on January 30th. The meeting which was attended by about one hundred Division officers, was presided over by L. J. Benson, asst. to chief operating officer, Chicago. Also in attendance were Messrs. H. B. Earling, V. P., N. A. Ryan, gen. mgr., of Seattle, and Frank A. Shoutly, asst. supt. car. dept. at Milwaukee.

One frosty morning, with just a little fog in the atmosphere, a figure dressed in a sort of striped whitish colored suit was seen walking through Spokane Yard. Some of the boys thought perhaps a city street cleaner had lost his way, or that beyond the hazy mist from whence it stalked, some snow might perchance be falling, which had not as yet become universal. All was nicely clarified when our yard foreman, D. R. Doyle, passed by, all togged up in a brand new suit of overalls and jacket. Let's see. Yes, there was a sale up town a few days before.

Car foreman Earl Medley, Spokane, and Joe Barrett, Othello, attended the AAR Rules meeting in Tacoma Feb. 6th.

Tommy Quinn and Tyler B. Copelan had quite a heated argument as to who would make the best yardmaster—a regular office clerk, or a yard clerk. After some correspondence back and forth, which included

some first class poetry, Tyler finally squared off the matter by explaining that he had wide experience in both fields, so Tommy let it go at that.

J. R. Boughman, operator, relieved on second trick, St. Maries, Idaho, during part of January and February.

Supt. L. K. Sorensen and asst. supt. G. H. Hill were in Boise, Idaho, on Feb. 8th, in conference with the State Railroad Commission, in connection with discontinuing train service between Bovill and Elk River, Idaho, on the St. Maries branch, for the balance of the winter.

Agent Frank G. Socwell, Ewan, returned to work on Feb. 3rd, after being off for some time account of sickness.

Agent F. M. Sever, Cusick, Wash., has been granted a ninety-day leave of absence. Mr. Sever went to Arizona for his health.

Elmer Brunett, carman from Deer Lodge, is working on the car repair track, Spokane, during the absence of Chris Finsand.

Cement for Coulee Dam is again moving from the plant at Metaline Falls, Wash. Our inbound and outbound movements of freight have shown quite a little improvement during the past thirty days. After the usual shut-down of the lumber mills for the end of the year, it is again encouraging to see movements of lumber, match blocks, poles, etc. Shipments of grain, seed peas and general merchandise are holding up very nicely. In general, the outlook is quite favorable.

Ever hear of the Anti-Aggressive War League (or something like that)? Well, there is such an organization in Spokane, and our own Tyler Benny Copelan is none other than the sergeant-at-arms of same. Tyler ran up quite a light bill studying over a speech which he delivered before this organization one meeting night. "Vus you dare, Tommy?"

The B&B outfit of R. B. Campbell is now "wintering" in Spokane.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Roland McIlmoyle, claim clerk, local freight house, Spokane, who passed away the morning of Feb. 12th. Roland was taken to the hospital on Feb. 4th, having contracted a very bad case of pneumonia. He showed some improvement and was later taken to his home. His wife found him dead in bed the morning of the 12th.

Howard Jensen and Sylvan Lang of the Milwaukee bowling team in Spokane, started off the Spokane City Bowling Tournament by rolling their doubles on Sunday, Feb. 11th. These boys got a total of 1301, which isn't bad for a starter.

The special car of Thomas E. Dewey, candidate for President, arrived in Spokane on February 11th, over the Milwaukee. Messrs. C. E. Wood and F. H. Campbell of Milwaukee were riding the train, and Messrs. G. H. Hill and J. A. Wright of Spokane boarded it at Avery.

We enjoyed a visit from associate editor Marc Green of the Milwaukee Magazine in February.

As We Caught Them:

Al Meeks without a cigar in his mouth. Billy Smith trying to throw the K-O punch to a bad cold.

Grover Pierce inspecting wheel on wheelbarrow.

D. R. Doyle cutting brush that is "growing" on right-of-way.

John Stiltz hoping that "Irish Sweepstakes Dream" comes true.

Earl Medley whistling "Tipperary."

Tommy Quinn looking for seal on car load of logs.

W. W. Cutler trying to figure out who Ef Jay Kay is.

Sylvan Lang trying to raise that 132 bowling average.

Ursula Hill with both arms full of Company mail.

S. A. Skinner playing Amateur Photographer in Spokane Yards.

Phil O'Neill kidding a fellow who thinks he can bowl.

Jack Paris taking inventory of the Extra Board at Spokane Roundhouse.

Bill Keenan testing a bad order radio.

A. E. Gist burning the "Midnight Oil" in the city office.

R. B. Campbell with hands on his pocket-book while walking with Jim Holmes.

Good Old Dubuque Shops

Lucille Miller

"THE friendly faces gone before!" To the family of Anthony Wagner, locomotive engineer on this division, our sincere sympathy.

"Tony" passed away at his home in Dubuque, after a very brief illness, January 6th. His service with the Milwaukee Railroad dates back to 1894 and was promoted to a locomotive engineer Sept. 18, 1900.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter, one son, two sisters and a brother.

Sympathy also to Charles Pullen whose father passed away at his home in McGregor after a long illness.

And to Clarence Hallahan in the recent loss of his mother.

Two more of our veteran employes have made application for annuity under the Railroad Retirement Act: Locomotive Engineer Martin Boleyn, and Samuel Muir, former Dubuque Shops machinist. (Take it "aisy" boys—you got it coming!)

Captain John Ames reports on his "Bowling Bulletin" dated January 10th, that his "Milwaukee Road Team" is tied for FIRST PLACE. "Penny" and "Horses" are consuming an extra supply of grain foods so that they can catch up with Emil and Johnson. Taft is leaving the Dismantling Plant to operate a crane elsewhere and the team will be a good man short. We'll be missing you, Fred! "Red" B. is now in training.

Melvin Utterback is joining the D&R Store force at Dubuque Shops as crane operator. Our "Key City" extends its welcome to the Utterback family. Do you want your pipe inspected?

Are you sure your tobacco is just right? Ask Merlin McKinney (just a side line with him!)

But he'll test 'em with all his might.

As we dig ourselves out from under fourteen to sixteen inches of snow we admit that it's just what the soil needed, but it makes the trekking tough. Ye scribe doesn't mind it so much but feels sorry for the boys who can't drive their cars these days because they are REALLY suffering. (They don't like being mere pedestrians.)

Foreman Harry Kreamer has changed his title a bit this past week—he now answers to the familiar term—"Grandpa." Gary Alan Hammerstrom is the new arrival and, of course, he's the only boy in town!

As this illustrious New Year dawns on us we find a new society in our midst; it is formulated for the protection of bachelors, and charter members enrolled to date are: Stanley Lange, Alvin Buehler and Bill Rosenberg. Titus Maus has made application for membership and Frank Schaefer is investigating. (Woe is me once more! Ye Scribe.)

When Louis Hauth retires next month he threatens to buy Walter Keck a dollar watch to add to his collection of good timepieces.

LaCrosse-River Divn.—First District

Scoop

OUR division is again saddened by the passing of three veteran employes:

Veteran retired section foreman, Albert W. Grunke, aged 79, passed away at his home in Portage after a short illness.

Veteran retired express messenger, R. B. Tobin, aged 79, passed away suddenly at his daughter's home in Portage due to a heart attack.

Veteran storekeeper's clerk, Harry Race, passed away at St. Saviour's hospital in Portage due to complications resulting from a recent sickness.

Mr. Grunke had been section foreman in Portage yard for many years and had lived in his home on the hill above the yard tracks where he could see the changes oc-

curing from year to year to improve the working conditions and labor as he used to have to contend with when he started railroading some fifty years ago. Two of his sons are railroad men on this division. Albert, Jr., is a fireman and William R. is a switch foreman, both working at Portage.

Mr. Tobin followed the express business as a messenger and retired after some fifty years of faithful service with the Express Company to reside in Portage with his daughter, Mrs. Herman Ambros. He was active up to time of passing away, being a familiar figure on the streets where everyone hailed him as "Uncle Dick."

Mr. Race, who was a World War veteran, aged 50, had served the store department as a clerk here, and was known by all for his accommodating manner and willingness to help anyone and his friends were many. Our division extends sympathy to the families of these veteran employes.

At Portage Feb. 13 the Portage Triangle Service Club held another successful meeting presided over by vice chairman George Linscott. The instructive speeches by traffic representatives Laik and Bornfleth were well received. Preceding the business meeting a delightful lunch was served by a committee consisting of Mrs. Ralph Jorns, chairman, and Mesdames Gothompson, Burns, Sullivan Dittberner, Owens, Davis, Bublitz and Atkinson. A play, *The Winner*, was given by Friendship Village players. In the cast were Thomas E. Fairchild, Miss Margaret Mulcahy, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Amend. Miss Gertrude Gloeckler was director. Chairman Linscott stressed the motto of our Milwaukee Road—that every employe should make it his personal duty to see that patrons receive all that "Safety First—And Friendliness, Too," implies.

The depot force at Watertown, Wis., have adopted a homeless cat, being kind-hearted to the limit. Being a mascot, there is a controversy going on as to what must be the proper name. Ticket agent John Steen claims Pocahontas it is and nothing else, but lineman Marquardt begs to differ, inasmuch as the cat appeared as a rover and therefore should be called Capt. John; to date the cat still responds to "Kitty" when called.

Seeing that it is winter and I don't fish in winter, maybe I shouldn't mention it but a fish story has leaked out from Punta Gorda, Florida, where some of our Portage residents are holed up for the season. Bill Stafford writes that during the recent cold snap he roped a 250-pound sea bass as it swam to the top of the water, being rendered practically inert by the cold and he didn't get any fight until he had the fish on shore. Page Ripley and Wicke Lueck on that one.

The sun's getting higher every day and our recent snowstorm some sixteen inches on the level is melting away, which reminds me of the fellers we used to see this time of year sidling up to the hitching posts along the street to scratch their backs when the old red woolen hugmetights began to itch in the January thaw.

Milwaukee Terminals

G. W. E.

YARDMASTER Malcolm P. Haslam was confined to his home for two weeks with illness from January 15th. He has now recovered and is back on the job.

Engineer Franklin V. Babcock died January 17th, at the Soldiers' Home hospital, after a short illness. He was a Milwaukee Road veteran of 32 years and a mighty fine man. He was a member of the American Legion, Hartford Lodge No. 120, F.&A.M. Lodge, No. 130, B.of L.F.&E., and the Veteran Employees' Association. He is survived by his wife, father and mother and one sister.

Engineer Herbert G. W. Meyer died at his home at Pewaukee, Wis., January 18th, after a short illness. He had been employed by the Milwaukee Road 38 years as engineer and fireman and was a member of the B.of L.F.&E., and Veteran Employees Association. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

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Machinist helper Lawrence Butler died January 27th. He was injured in a hit-run auto accident while on his way to work January 24th. He had been employed by the Milwaukee Road 45 years and was a member of the Veteran Employees Association. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and three sons.

Supt. of freight car division, Timothy J. Reidy, died January 23rd. He is survived by three sons.

Mrs. Julia Niskern, wife of engineer George C. Niskern, died at her home, 719 South 31st St., February 3rd. She is survived by her husband and one son.

Engineer and Mrs. Edward L. Pugh arrived home from a six weeks' western trip January 25th. They were looking for a fine fruit farm for a home when Eddie retires on pension a couple of years hence.

Chief dispatcher and Mrs. Roy E. Daly visited friends and relatives at St. Paul and Minneapolis January 31st for three days. Roy, who had never ridden in a sleeper, thinks that the PIONEER LIMITED is just fine.

Engineer and Mrs. Glen L. Walker returned February 8th from a two weeks' trip to New Orleans, Florida and Cuba. Glen, who has never been south of Chicago, says that they enjoyed the trip except the boat ride to Cuba, when they were sea-sick.

A card from yardman Wm. F. Murray says he is enjoying the sunshine in California and hopes to stay on until April 1st.

Engineer Edward J. Heth and yardman Harley McMurtrie left Tucson, Arizona, February 8th, for a four weeks' trip into Mexico.

Machinist John L. Geisler and machinist David Knowles were visitors at the Shops January 25th. Come again.

Engineer W. S. Gilker has been entertaining his father from New Richmond, Canada, since Christmas.

Engineer Goldwin S. Coad died January 24th at Sacred Heart Sanitarium. He was employed by the Milwaukee Road as engineer and fireman 45 years. He is survived by one sister and one brother; his wife died in 1934. He was a member of Excelsior Lodge, No. 175, F.&A.M., the B.of L.F.&E., and V.E.A. Funeral 1:30 p. m., January 27th, from Voth & Anderson's funeral home. Interment Yorkville cemetery, Union Grove, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Helen Splittgerber, wife of shopman Otto Splittgerber, died February 7th, at her home, 3002 West Canal St. She is survived by her husband, 6 daughters and 4 sons.



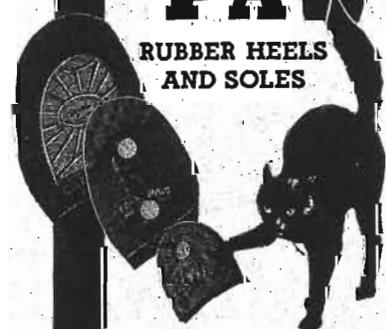
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SINCE skating has been the pastime for a number in the general agent's office, we are at a loss to know who should be in line for the silver skate award; we understand the P. E. I. Tom Manton is a regular Hans Brinker, and assistant agent McGee is a close rival, to say nothing of the transit clerk and the messenger.

We wish to extend our sympathy to the family of engineer George W. Grennan, who passed away Saturday, Jan. 20, in a local hospital after a short illness. George had worked for the Milwaukee for 36 years and his passing will be keenly felt by all who knew him.

Relief P. F. I. Martin Manton stopped in Cedar Rapids for a few days the latter part of January to visit with his brother, Thos. Manton, and family. From Cedar Rapids Martin departed for the Sunny

South, various points in Texas and other southern states.

Switchman J. W. Chermak has returned to work in Cedar Rapids yard after an extended layoff, due to serious injury suffered early in the fall.

Switchman Fred Chermak went to Chicago, Feb. 10, for a little look around the Big Town. We understand he returned with quite a sore neck; however, we have not heard just what caused this trouble.

General yardmaster Geo. McNabb was confined to his home for a few days in January with the "flu." During his absence relief yardmaster L. B. Williams was in charge.

Yard clerk C. W. Williams and family were called to the "Old Home Town," Council Bluffs, Ia., during January account the illness and death of Mrs. Williams father and to attend the last rites which were held at that place. We extend our sympathy at this time.

Switchman Frank Freeman returned from a very pleasant vacation in the west—California and other points. He reports a most pleasant time. We wonder how it seems to arrive home in the midst of all the snow and ice we have had for some time.

Machinist Kenneth Hillerege has been off work since Feb. 1 and is at present in Washington Blvd. Hospital, Chicago, for observation and treatment.

H. W. Warren and Wm. Rink of Des Moines were in Cedar Rapids early in February on business.

News from the West I&D

C. D. W.

ROADMASTERS Core of Rapid City and McMahon of Mitchell attended the safety first meeting at Minneapolis the latter part of January. Both stated that if you thought it was cold here you should have been in Minnesota.

A large number of our local employes have been confined to their homes during the recent cold spell due to the flu.

Mrs. Paul Smock, wife of Conductor Smock, was called to Mason City account of the death of her sister. We extend our sympathy.

About fifty members of the service club held a very interesting meeting at the passenger station the first of the month. Our new traveling engineer and asst. trainmaster, Mr. Wolf, was introduced and after a brief talk by him talks were made by Mr. Young of Aberdeen and Mr. Van Maren of Mason City. Discussions relative to traffic tips and other business was held and after a short business session coffee and doughnuts were served by the committee.

The big hook from Sioux City was in our territory twice the latter part of January due to derailments in the Mitchell yard and also near Belvidere.

Former machinist foreman, E. O. Wright, of the local round house has retired on the pension and with his family have moved to Cedar Rapids where they will make their future home. We all wish you many years of health and best wishes, Ed., and we all know that you have earned a deserved retirement. Mr. Wright has been succeeded by former machinist, J. Sundquist and we wish him the best of luck in his new position.

Mr. and Mrs. John Enwistle have returned from a visit with their daughter in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moulton have again taken up their residence in Mitchell, where Mr. Moulton will be employed at the round house.

The many friends of former yardmaster Chas. Winters were grieved to learn of his sudden death last Tuesday. Mr. Winters was one of the pioneer railroad men of the city and had been on the retired list for the past two years. We extend our sympathy to his family.

Brakeman James Hill resumed his duties the first of the month after several months' vacation.

Special agent, W. B. Carrick, and wife returned from Chamberlain where Mr. Carrick's mother had been confined to a hospital. We are glad to learn of her recovery.

The Interstate lunch room has been treated to a new coat of paint and is all spruced up for future business.

Supt. Ingraham and asst. supt. Hansen spent several days at Mitchell the latter part of January.

Horses, horses, horses. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of any good horses that are for sale, please wire chief dispatcher Platt, as we understand that he is in the market for a good saddle horse, but we all want to know who is going to ride the horse if he does get one.

Well, boys, it's pretty nice to see the I&D on top in the traffic tip program again, isn't it? What ya say if we keep her there for the rest of the year?

Former traveling engineer Neelings of Aberdeen paid this city a short visit the first of the month. And did you notice the big sheep-lined coat he was sporting? Howard says the further north you get the colder it gets.

The B&B department have a number of men working in the city remodeling the company property.

Why not send in some news from you boys on the division? We are always grateful for what news we can get and will appreciate hearing from all of you.

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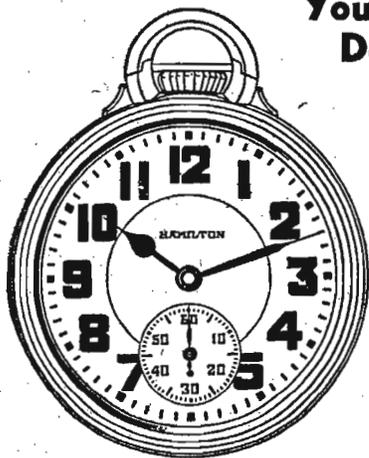
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Iowa (Middle and West) Division

Ruby Eckman

GEORGE DISBURG, who worked for many years as operator at Manilla before his retirement, died suddenly on January 26th. Funeral services and burial took place at Manilla. A number of friends of the family from Perry were in attendance at the last rites.

Conductor A. E. Peterson was off duty February and was a patient at Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs for an operation.

Mrs. Laura Crouse, mother of Charles Crouse of the Perry round house force, died at the home of her son on January 17th. She was 83 years of age and had been in poor health a long time.

Charles Brown, for many years a passenger brakeman on the Iowa Division, died the fore part of February. He retired some time ago on account of ill health.

Marlow Stotts, day yard clerk at Perry yard, who was a patient at the University Hospital in Iowa City for several weeks for an operation and treatment, was brought to his home in Perry the fore part of February. Marlow's condition is not good.

Machinist Thos. Connell and wife and daughter joined Mrs. Connell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benton Stitzel, in Long Beach, Calif., the fore part of February for a two weeks' trip. Mr. and Mrs. Stitzel and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Krohnke have been spending the winter in California.

Mrs. O. J. Atkins, wife of the agent at Ferguson, suffered a stroke while visiting at the home of her daughter in Neola, and has been in a serious condition.

Howard Lee, agent at Fostoria, who has been breaking in as a train dispatcher in the Perry office, was in Perry Feb. 6th to take the book of rules examination given by the Train Rules examiners.

Extra brakeman Lloyd Peel had the misfortune to slip on the icy pavement and injure his arm the fore part of February.

Iowa division employees learned with regret of the death of William Zimmerman, retired roadmaster, who died in Portland, Oregon; also retired agent H. L. Steen, who died at Delmar the latter part of January. Both men were buried in Delmar.

Ted Carney was appointed foreman of the Waukeee section in January.

B. C. Snyder returned to work at Dawson in January, following a several months' layoff on account of sickness.

Frank Houston, who has been working as yard clerk, bid in the night ticket clerk's job at Perry depot, when Clarence Council was appointed to a regular day job.

February 3rd Virginia Rogers, daughter of engineer William A. Rogers, was married to Jack Ellis, of Perry. The young people will live in Perry, Jack being associated with his father in a dry cleaning establishment.

Engineer Frank Keith was off duty during the latter part of January on account of the death of his father which occurred at a Monticello hospital. Burial took place at Hopkinton, where the family has lived for many years.

Mrs. H. L. Balsbaugh, mother of engineers George and Orville Balsbaugh, died

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Robert Bostwick, father of Floyd Bostwick of the Perry yard section force, died at his country home near Perry the latter part of January.

I&D Division

C. W. D.

WELL, here goes for a few items for the I&D news. By the time this is out, we will all be busy getting our fishing tackle checked over to see if it will stand the strain of pulling in those big ones again this year. Our home garden farmers are all busy looking over the seed catalogs and picking out a selection of seeds that will produce a wonderful crop with the least amount of labor. One gardener told me he was going to plant snap dragons all through the garden this year. When I asked him why, he said he read that they would snap off all the weeds as they came up. May be worth trying and it sure will save a lot of weed pulling if it works.

We have had a lot of sickness this winter. Quite a few of our employes have been laid up with flu, colds, and a few cases of pneumonia. "Spud" Frank Murphy was confined to his home for three weeks. Don Jean, son of D. W. Woodhouse, was at the hospital for a week, but we are glad to report everyone is getting better and we hope all will soon be well again.

"Heine" Troening, switchman, is getting along fine but still unable to work. He has been in the hospital since Dec. 26th but hopes to be out soon.

"Flukey" Conway Range had a serious attack of Berwiscamitis (a new form of the flu), but at present he is able to be out and on duty again after a week under the doctor's care.

Not to be outdone by our yardmaster, one of our smiling officials made arrangements by parking his car in a restricted zone to get the honor (?) of attending traffic school. He reports he sure enjoyed it, and by taking teacher (Police Judge) a nice red apple

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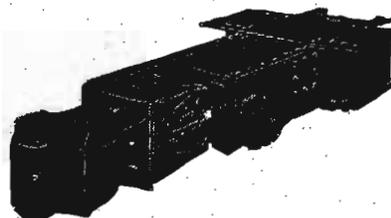
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he got off easy. He also states we have better traffic schools here than in Aberdeen. Three guesses, who was it?

"Doc" Harold Phillips of the Engineering Dept. can't take it this winter. Only 10 below and coming to work wearing a cap. What's the matter, Doc, getting old so soon?

George Nelson, car man, is back to work after being off work for a couple of weeks sick with pneumonia.

C. R. Seifert, conductor, has returned to work after being off the past three months, having had several operations while confined to the Washington Boulevard Hospital in Chicago. We are all glad to see you back again, Charlie.

We are sorry to report the death of the mother of Homer J. Young, roadmaster's clerk, Algona. We extend our sympathy to Homer and others of the family in their bereavement.

The supply train was through here the last of January and everyone has plenty of supplies for a while now, except what few they were short of.

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We are sorry to report the serious illness of Mrs. Fred Siessiger, mother of Marie Randall of the superintendent's office. Last report was that she is some better. We hope she continues to improve and soon will be out of the hospital again.

We understand Dan Walters, agent at New Hampton, is a real basketball fan and has the job of ticket-taker at all the games. He says he picks up quite a few tip cards by attending the games.

Our Service Club held its February meeting and a nice crowd attended. Election of officers for this year was held and our very capable and efficient chairman, R. L. Goltz, was re-elected by a Roosevelt landslide. Mr. Walter Thompson of the Car Dept. was elected vice-chairman; Harold ("Doc") Phillips of the Engineering Dept. was elected secretary. A fine meeting was enjoyed by all and we look forward to a wonderful year and a good harvest of tip cards.

A. L. Kirby, I&D conductor, has returned from attending a meeting of General Grievance Committees, Lines East, held in Chicago the past two weeks.

V. K. Drury, operator, Spencer, has taken the fatal step and taken unto himself a wife. At present they are on a honeymoon trip to the southwest. We all extend our best wishes for a long, happy married life.

F. M. Chase, agent, Hartley, is on a vacation trip to Florida, combining business with pleasure, looking after his orange groves. We understand he took a few char-

coal heaters with him to thaw them out after a mild (?) winter down there.

I wish to thank the employees along the line for the news items they did not send in. Come on and jar loose and let's find out what is going on along the line. We hope to hear from you for next month's items.

Northern Montana Division

M. N.

WE are pleased to report that brakeman H. R. Bernett is back at work after several weeks' absence due to sickness.

Section foreman John Petro recently returned from California, where he had taken Mrs. Petro for her health. We hope she will be sufficiently improved to return to Lewistown in the spring. While in California Mr. Petro visited with former conductor E. S. Ford, who is pleasantly located in Alhambra. Mr. Ford asked to be remembered to all his friends on the Rocky Mountain.

We are very glad to report an increase in business of about 25 per cent over last year in plaster and plaster products at Heath. We are advised that this is due to an anticipated building boom in the Pacific Northwest in 1940.

The North Montana Service Club of Great Falls held a meeting Feb. 12th. There was a nice attendance and it was an interesting meeting.

W. L. Reeser, agent at Winnett, and Mrs. Reeser left Feb. 13th for Tacoma to visit their daughter. Relief agent W. F. Stetzner is relieving Mr. Reeser.

G. L. Beall, agent at Hilger, returned recently from a week's visit with his daughter, who is attending school in Bozeman, and his son, who is attending school in Missoula. Relief Agent W. F. Stetzner relieved Mr. Beall.

Neil Grogan is back on the job at Lewistown, having returned from Miles City Sunday, the 11th.

La Crosse-River Division — Second District

Frank O. Anderson

OWING to the fact that Mr. Wallace received a well deserved promotion to the traffic department in St. Paul in November, there has not been much news heard from this district for some time. We are indeed glad to report that Mr. Wallace, since working at St. Paul, has received another promotion, that of agent at Chicago Heights. We all wish him well in his new position but are going to miss him at our service club meetings.

The January meeting of the service club was held at Red Wing on Jan. 24th on short notice. Even though the weather was bad, we had a turnout of some 40 members.

Understand a fast aeroplane trip was made to the west coast by the chief clerk in our asst. supt.'s office recently.

We regret to report the passing of cond. J. S. Fitzwater on the Eau Claire Line. Mr. Fitzwater passed away at an Eau Claire hospital on Feb. 2nd following an operation. He has been an employe of the Milwaukee Road for over thirty years, operating as conductor for the past 25 years. The entire division extends their sympathy to members of the family.

Would appreciate it very much if any news would be sent to me at Red Wing. There certainly must be some item of news value happening along this division and wish they would be reported to me so as to get them in the magazine.

Father Knows

Little Billy, aged 4, was being shown the shape of the earth on a globe atlas by his mother. After pointing to all the countries with their peculiar shapes, she asked:

"Now, Billy, what shape is the world?"

Billy, looking very wise and happy, beamed on her with: "It's in a terrible shape, daddy says."

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C ARROTS!! Carrots!! Raw Carrots!! For further information see Herb Matji and "Papa Jay" Fedler, our vegetarians. It seems their latest motto is—"When you need a lift, reach for a raw carrot."

On the night of January 29th the Mechanical Engineers bowling teams, the Marquette and Tomahawks clashed in a match game. The Marquette won by 11 pins even after spotting 16 pins a game. Some of the nite's high lights: H. W. Chandler—96 first game—Odegaard with 8 strikes—a mere 212—Armstrong bowling with a glove on—Art Schultz with a double up batters down 3 pins and comes back to take one more on next shot.—Best gunners were Cochrane, Weatherall, John Fedler, and Odegaard and H. W. Chandler. You just can't beat a good team like the Marquette.

Word comes from friends "across the way" at the Store Dept. that Ray Koepf has accomplished the fine art of "Bingo Calling." Anyone interested or knowing of any club that is interested, get in touch with Ray. He admits too, only a few more months and he will be ready for broadcasting tobacco ads on the favorite "Hit Parade."

Jay Fedler passed out twice on Sunday, January 28th. When notified he was the father of a son, it was too much. Later, he passed out cigars as all proud fathers do. Mrs. Fedler is doing nicely as is the 7 lb. 8 oz. Spahr William Fedler. We offer our heartiest congratulations.

"Roll out the Barrel" Ed Watts really rolled 'em (down the alley) last week to the tune of 665. A big 255 game helped a lot. He says he owes his "good form" to pitching baseball, hay and horseshoes. This big splash (the 665 count, I mean) is good for tie for top honors of league.

New comer—Welcome!

William Vierthaler—machine shop, son of Frank Vierthaler, former foreman of Loco. Air Brake Dept. putting in 3 mos. on drawing board.

The office toboggan team will have to wait until next year to see how good they are because lack of snow has thrice cancelled the City toboggan meet. Capt. "Eas" Zastrow, Bob Engelke, Ernie North, "Daddy" Fedler, and that outdoor he-man, Richard Cowper, composed the "potential new champion" squad.

On December 21, 1939, J. Robert Harris became the proud father of 9½ lb. Richard A. Both son and mother are doing nicely. Congratulations from we all to you all.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved kin of Joseph Guschl, who passed away Jan. 22 at the age of 46 years. Joe was a brother of Armin (Sky) Guschl and Ross, and son of Joe Guschl, the Upholstering foreman up to 15 years ago.

And Santa Blushed

I hate to say it just because.
It sounds so mean and shocking;
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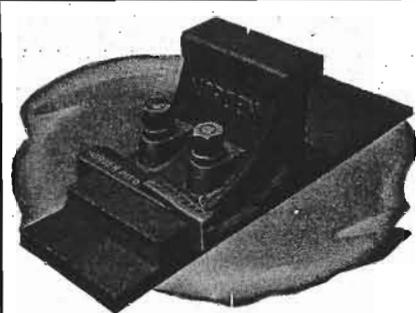
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1. Tomahawk	43	17	.717	45,625	760-25	863	2458
2. Arrow	39	21	.650	42,868	714-28	835	2332
3. Sioux	36	24	.600	43,367	722-47	868	2335
4. Varsity	34	26	.567	44,258	737-38	844	2355
5. Fast Mail	32	28	.533	42,746	712-26	806	2267
6. Southwest Limited	31	29	.517	41,963	699-23	870	2345
7. Hiawatha	25	35	.417	42,260	704-20	894	2329
8. Olympian	25	35	.417	41,716	695-16	828	2326
9. Pioneer	23	37	.383	42,300	705	845	2341
10. Chippewa	12	48	.200	40,067	667-47	829	2423

Terre Haute Division

C. H.

ON February 1st, I. G. Wallace of the St. Paul freight traffic department, became agent at Chicago Heights, Illinois, in lieu of Agent J. G. Springer, transferred. We are glad to welcome Mr. Wallace to the division.

Division Engineer Pajari was suddenly called to Butte, Mont., the latter part of January, due to the death of a near relative.

Just about the most exciting thing to happen on this division for many years was the winning of the Fire Prevention trophy for 1939 and the presentation of the trophy at a luncheon held in the Mayflower Room of the Terre Haute House at Terre Haute on Tuesday, February 20th, attended by various general officers from Chicago and Milwaukee, including Asst. to Chief Operating Officer L. J. Benson and his able aids, Messrs. Carlson, Shields and Dempsey; Assistant General Manager A. J. Elder; Chief Engineer W. H. Penfield; Asst. Public Relations Officer F. J. Newell; Asst. Supt. Motive Power J. E. Bjorkholm; Asst. Supt. Car Department F. A. Shoutly; Gen. Car. Dept. Supervisor W. Snell; also various supervisors and other employes from all points on the division. Also attending the luncheon were a number of interested state, city and civic representatives, including the Mayors of Terre Haute, Linton and Jasonville, state fire marshal, representative of the Indiana Public Service Commission, and presidents of the Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club. In the presence of these one hundred fifty enthusiastic employes and friends, the trophy, a beautiful silver cup, was presented to Superintendent W. J. Whalen by Mr. Benson as an award to the Terre Haute Division for the best fire record in 1939. Proud to have received this award, it is the aim of the division to retain it the next two years, thereby making it a permanent possession of the Terre Haute Division.

Division Engineer W. Lakoski of Mason City, Iowa, and Roadmaster L. H. Wohlert of LaCrosse, Wis., were visitors on the division February 20th. Both having been recently transferred from this division, Messrs. Lakoski and Wohlert came down to attend the luncheon for the presentation of the fire prevention award.

We are all glad to see Dispatcher Bill Allen back on the job after an illness of several weeks.

Motoring on the Milwaukee

Up and Down Hill on the Rocky Mountain Division

Nora B. Decco

WHAT with 30 below weather, and snow everywhere, and selecting such a time to make over the kitchen so I will be a contented housewife, and all excited about Mr. Thomas Dewey selecting our railroad to travel over enroute to the coast and going over with everyone else in the town to see "Gone With the Wind" at Butte, well the past month has been real busy and I don't mean maybe...

No use in thinking back on that kitchen and bathroom and other things, but I would like the opinion of a few of the members of my sex who have gone through

the same experience. I did not mind it too much when my dishes were all set on the floor, I recovered when I couldn't find a clean place in the whole house to eat in, I didn't say a word when the shavings got a foot deep for 10 days over the floors and I was almost normal when the dining room window cracked, but the primer coat, and why this paint was better than the other and why this shade had to go on 10 days after the shade before it and the flat white and the six coats of enamel... well, that just about got me down... will some of my readers please let me know if I am, "well queer" or if they too react in the same manner under these conditions, or if there never were these same conditions before.

Word has been received that cond. H. H. Jenkins, who has been ill in the Seattle Hospital for over a month, is somewhat improved. Mrs. Jenkins has returned home from several visits there to be with Mr. Jenkins. We will all be glad to see him out and home again.

Fireman Otto Helm and family have returned from a trip east visiting home folks in several states and spending a few days with the Ivanhoff family in New York City, which they enjoyed very much. Mr. Ivanhoff was at one time a fireman on the Rocky Mountain division and will be remembered by all here.

Mrs. A. E. Barnes, wife of engr. Barnes, spent a week in Seattle visiting during February.

Nick Listarhus of Ringling section bid in the Bozeman section due to Foreman Royhs retiring on pension, did not learn who bid in the section at Ringling, but understand when he and his family moved from Loweth to Ringling, the school at Loweth was left without pupils, as his six children were the school and he was a member of the board... the teacher is now waiting to see what will happen next.

Mrs. W. H. Thompson, wife of engr.

Thompson, was called to Flint, Mich., January 16th, due to the death of a sister there. We extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. Thompson.

Fireman Sam Haffner and Mrs. Haffner made a two weeks' visit to California in January. They spent part of the time with their nephew, Ellsworth Klahr, who is at medical school there.

Engr. A. E. Barnes spent a week early in January in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Peter Pogreba, wife of cond. Pogreba, has returned home from a week's visit with her sister and husband in Opportunity, Washington. She reports green grass and other spring signs and has nothing on us at that. Of course, I should say where the snow has given up the ghost on the south side of the house and other warm places.

Engr. Shaw, who has been on the sick list the past month; took a trip up to Seattle about the middle of February and is feeling much better at this writing.

We were honored with a short visit from Assistant Editor Marc Green of the Milwaukee Magazine, while out this way first week in February. We like him; in fact, we like all editors, or part editors, so far not having met so many except via U. S. mail in which their names were written, or stamped in some cases, even printed at the bottom of those things which read, "We regret..." but why bring that up. Mr. Green is not that kind of a person, we feel sure. He spent some time in Tacoma, and on the coast division, and stopped off at Deer Lodge to look our part of the country over. Now we will relax and lean back in the biggest chair and see what he has to say about his trip, and it better be nice, or else...

Mrs. Wm. Coffin, wife of cond. Coffin, has been on the sick list the past month, reported improving and on the road to well ville now, for which we are glad.

The old Milwaukee hospital building, which has stood empty for several years here, has been purchased by out-of-State people and has now been reopened. They will care for patients who wish fruit or vegetable diets, and expect much interest in this undertaking, as there is a large country to draw from in this vicinity and this is the only hospital of its kind west of Chicago. We wish these people the greatest success in this work as we are all glad to again see the hospital open its doors.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sterling visited in Three Forks last of January for a short time. Mr. Sterling was for many years a Rocky mountain conductor and lived in our city. They now have their home in Minneapolis.

Terre Haute Chapter

M. A. Whalen, Historian

IN spite of the "way below zero" weather, a large crowd attended the January 18 potluck supper held by the Terre Haute chapter. After the supper, a program was given by members of the Lambda Delta Phi sorority of Indiana State Teachers' College. Jerry di Prima played the accordion and Evelyn Yansky and Dorothy Pearce, daughter of F. G. Pearce, chief clerk, sang. After the musical entertainment, a business meeting was held. Officers for the year were installed. They are:

Mrs. Dave Colwell, president; Mrs. Glass, first vice-president; Mrs. Draper, second vice-president; Mrs. R. Bentley, secretary; Mrs. Patton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Kenney, treasurer; Mary Adele Whalen, historian.

Reports of all committees for 1939 were given. Mrs. Colwell thanked the officers and chairmen of the past year for their assistance in carrying out the club program.

Mrs. Colwell named the following as chairmen for the coming year:

Mable Volport, ways and means; Mary A. Whalen, auditing; Mrs. C. Wilkinson, membership; Mrs. A. Cornell, safety; Mrs. W. J. Whalen, relief; Mrs. F. E. Galvin, program; Mrs. W. J. Russell, house and purchasing; Mrs. R. Mulhern, publicity.



One of the reasons why Gallatin Gateway is so popular: Marcel Gilpatrick, daughter of conductor Gilpatrick and Gerry Carlson, daughter of conductor Carlson, all set for a tour of Yellowstone Park.

The Sioux City Chapter

Mrs. Ben Rose, Historian

OUR chapter started the 1940 ball rolling with a record attendance for January, at the first potluck dinner of the new year. This "all-time high" seemed to call for something expressive, so Mr. Jess Jamison led a hilarious chorus in singing "Hail, hail the gang's all here," and other old-time favorites.

Following the dinner, the Heinz Company gave a very interesting and educational moving picture of the history and development of the canning business, which originated when Napoleon Bonaparte needed a means of preserving food for his soldiers; was later to become a summer job for housewives, until such firms as the Heinz Company took it up scientifically and were able to put on the market a highly developed pure food. As an advertising plan they offered a free can of soup to every woman present who would buy two other cans at the grocery store. And, best of all, for each woman participating in this offer the Heinz people gave our club ten cents. We realized \$4.60 from this unique plan.

Our new president, Mrs. W. L. Eckert, and Mrs. Earle Murphy, 1st vice-president, entertained the January board in the home of the former. Mrs. Eckert introduced and welcomed the new board members and the membership campaign was outlined.

Mrs. Homer Snow, chairman of the ways and means, started two traveling baskets that are really going places, with a celerity that should be brought to the attention of the Hiawatha, if it wishes to retain any speed championships.

The 1940 officers are as follows: president, Mrs. W. L. Eckert; 1st vice-president, Mrs. E. A. Murphy; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. C. H. Emblick; treasurer, Mrs. C. L. Bushnell; recording secretary, Mrs. B. M. Gallas; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. T. Hansen; historian, Mrs. Ben Rose.

The chairmen of the committees are: constitution and by-laws, Mrs. H. F. Hoffman; welfare, Mrs. A. S. Elder; good cheer, Mrs. John Carney; ways and means, Mrs. Homer Snow; membership, Mrs. R. L. Robson; program, Mrs. A. G. Class; refreshment, Mrs. Arthur Nelson; publicity, Mrs. M. R. Burrell; auditing, Mrs. B. J. Mitchell; safety, Mrs. John McGrane; house and purchasing, Mrs. B. Brashear; hostess, Mrs. Jess Jamison; telephone, Mrs. L. R. Cotter.

We regret to announce the following deaths among our Milwaukee families: Mrs. J. Townley, sister of engr. Arthur Little; Mr. Rifenbark, father of conds. Clarence and John Rifenbark; Mr. Hugh Carney, retired engineer; Charles Donelinder, son of shopman Charles Donelinder; and the young daughter of Ray Bolton of car dept. The sympathy of the club is extended to these bereaved families.

Marmarth Chapter

Mrs. G. B. Childers, Historian

MARMARTH chapter met December 14th in the club house for the members annual Christmas party and to complete plans for cheer for other members of our club families at Christmas time. Cards were signed to be sent to out-of-town members. Program chairman, Mrs. Fagan, had arranged an enjoyable program and the ladies, in their exchange of inexpensive gifts, were happy in the Christmas spirit which prevailed.

A nice lunch was served by Mesdames Maxfield, Richey, Hedges, Ashley and Miss Kornek.

On December 28th the regular meeting of the chapter was held with Mrs. P. J. Carolan presiding. Treasurer reported \$71.08 on hand.

The good cheer chairman, Mrs. R. C. Rushford, reported that for the Christmas cheer for the children of members of our club, her committee had arranged with the manager of the local theater to feature a special picture and that the children were delighted to attend the show as their Christmas treat from the club. She also reported the shut-ins had been remembered with flowers or good cheer baskets and let-

ters of appreciation were read from them. With the reading of a very beautiful installation service the following officers and committee chairmen were installed for the year: President, Mrs. Harry Wood; 1st vice-president, Mrs. A. A. Childers; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. S. L. Richey; secretary, Margaret Fagan; treasurer, Mrs. O. Maxfield; historian, Mrs. G. B. Childers.

Committee Chairmen: constitution and by-laws, Mrs. W. Gorman; welfare, Mrs. G. Williams; good cheer, Mrs. C. D. Tarbox; membership, Mrs. S. L. Richey; ways and means, Mrs. A. Childers; social, Mrs. A. Bude; program, Margaret Fagan; house and purchasing, Mrs. P. J. Carolan; publicity, Mrs. G. B. Childers; safety, Mrs. O. Maxfield; library, Mrs. W. Childers; audit, Mrs. L. Rushford; refreshment, Mrs. J. Boyer.

In the drawing for attendance awards Mrs. Richmond received the voting and C. D. Tarbox the contributing awards. The silver fund award was received by Mrs. C. D. Tarbox; which was donated by Mrs. Wood.

Several interesting games were enjoyed and Mrs. R. C. Rushford and Mrs. G. B. Childers were winners.

At 6:30 a very delicious pot-luck supper was served for members of the club, retired veterans and escorts.

Jan. 31st the chapter met with the president, Mrs. Harry Wood presiding. Mrs. Wood was president in 1937 and 1938, so it seemed like old times to again have her in the chair.

Treasurer, Mrs. Maxfield, reported receipts \$33.75, disbursements \$2.45 and a balance on hand \$89.44.

Librarian, Mrs. W. Childers, reported the receipt of many books for our circulating library.

Mrs. Dernbach reported \$3.24 in the silverware fund.

One of the interesting features of the program was the reading of the helpful suggestions of the married members to the unmarried members of our club on "How to

propose." Of course this being leap year, we are sure if there are yet any eligible "bachelors" on our R. R. they'd better beware as Margaret Fagan and Eileen Maxfield knows all the "secrets."

A nice lunch was served by Mesdames L. Rushford, Dernbach, Wood, Boyer and Williams.

St. Paul Chapter

Mrs. Marion Cashill, Historian

ST. PAUL Chapter met December 12th for the annual Christmas party to members and their children. Nine children took part in the program, enjoyed by the youngsters and grown-ups as well. All joined in singing "God Bless America." Santa Claus led the children in a march around the beautiful Christmas tree and distributed fruit and candy. Refreshments were served by social chairman, Mrs. Sitzmore, to more than one hundred persons.

The first meeting of the year was held on January 9th, which was opened by the president, Mrs. O. D. Wolke. Roll was called for officers and chairmen. Treasurer's report was read and approved. Mrs. Wolke presented a very lovely prize for perfect attendance at all the meetings for the past year to Mesdames Sitzmore, Washburn and Martin. The prize, which each and every one of us would like to possess, was a Milwaukee Women's Club pin. A potluck supper was served to fifty members.

We regret to report the tragic death of car inspector, Nick Wojtawic, who was hit by an automobile on his way home from work December 28th. He is survived by his wife and ten children, to whom the Women's Club extend their deepest sympathy.

We extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Geo. Brew, who is at home after spending two weeks in Bethesda Hospital, also to Mrs. H. L. Tabor, who is also at home now after a long time spent in a hospital.

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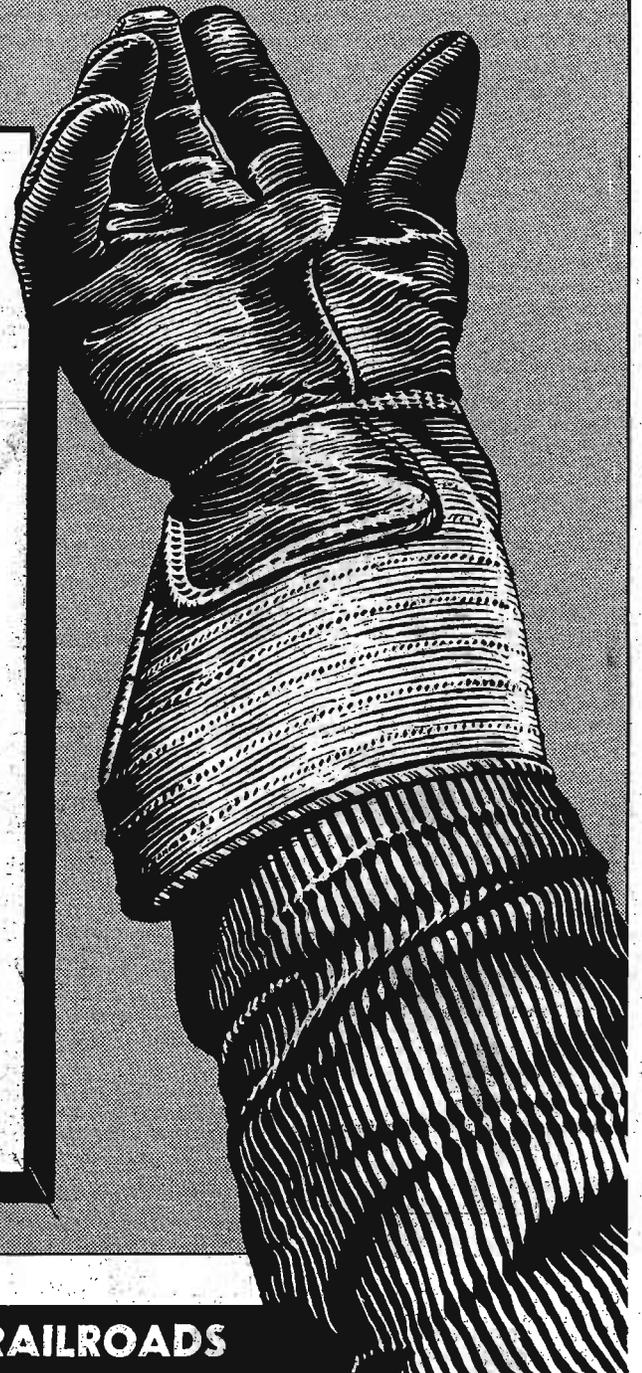
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