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chat with the editor

JF YOUTH means physical appearance that slyly subtracts ten or so years from "the record," then our Frisco veterans are getting younger by the year.

But our Frisco veterans aren't fooling anybody: Because the passing of well-lived years carves character into the face; it lends dignity to bearing and poise to manner.

This observer couldn't help but be impressed with these qualities in those of our senior employees who gathered together May 25-27 in Dallas for their 29th annual meeting (see story page 13).

A certain calm content . . . deep bonds of companionship between snow-topped couples . . . a quiet dignity, but with a twinkle in the eye . . . Sadly, these things are beyond the reach of youth.

But don't get us wrong. All was not calm and dignified with our senior employees. Confidentially, they acted at times like a bunch of kids playing hookey from school. When they were supposed to be seeing Dallas on a bus tour, for example, they got to talking and laughing so much among themselves that the bus driver gave up calling out the points of interest. Can you imagine that!

So we don't quite understand how these "cut-up kids" made such a good impression wherever they went in Dallas, but they did. The headwaiter at their hotel said, "Those Frisco people are the most courteous group we've EVER had here." The owner of the ranch they visited had a special word of appreciation for the group's courteous treatment of his employees.

You can quote this because it's official: The Company is proud of its senior employees.

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The Safety Department is thinking about making some changes in the contents of its Safety Page. They feel that a change from time to time helps keep ideas and interest freshened up. *All Aboard* would like to hear from you concerning likes and dislikes for the Safety Page (or any other page for that matter).

If you have a good idea, please don't keep it to yourself. Safety is a tough thing to promote 12 months a year. Some folks don't like to see too much "safety stuff" in their magazine. On the other hand, these same people probably dislike having accidents as much as the next fellow.

What's the answer? Certainly the purpose is worthy, and safety deserves the most creative promotion we can give it. ●

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THE COVER—A Frisco veteran goes Western. C. W. Turner, conductor between Fort Smith and Kansas City, looks for all the world like an old cow hand dressed up for some lively square dancing down Texas way. Or, he could be a tough old prospector who just "packed in" from the Panhandle. Turner, who joined the Frisco as brakeman in 1917, reminded *All Aboard*: "You can photograph a man off the Frisco, but you can't take the Frisco out of the man." (Color photo by Berger.)

BETTER THINK TWICE WHEN YOU ADDRESS LETTERS to our traffic men, particularly those in Sales and Service posts. As of July 1, the general freight traffic manager is now called general manager-sales. Freight traffic managers of our five regional offices are now called regional manager-sales. (The five are located at Atlanta, San Francisco, and Pittsburgh, plus two in St. Louis.)

In our 65 local traffic offices throughout the United States and in Cuba, the traffic managers and general agents have changed their business cards to read district manager-sales. Our traffic representatives retain their present title. Why the change? It's Frisco's new look again: "We are certainly emphasizing selling these days," explained J. E. Gilliland, vice-president-traffic St. Louis, "and we think our job titles should reflect this. It's also part of a trend in the railroad industry to standardize sales titles for the benefit of the shippers."

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PLEASE DON'T GET SICK . . . but just in case . . . here's a reminder: July 1 marked the start of a new benefit year for payment of unemployment and sickness benefits. If you earned at least \$400.00 (any wages over \$350.00 per month can't be counted) for railroading in 1955, you're eligible for benefits until June 30, 1957. Benefits range from \$17.50 to \$42.50 per week, starting after a one-week waiting period. You should have your "Certificate of Service Months and Compensation" (form BA-6) by now, which should accompany any application for benefits. If you don't have it, the Railroad Retirement Board says file your claim anyway, to avoid loss of benefits by late filing.

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"RECIPES FROM FRISCOLAND," a handy little book of favorite dishes from Frisco wives all over the System, is still available. You'll know why Frisco family socials mean good food when you try this collection of sure-fire recipes. No doubt about it, Frisco families harbor top caliber cooks, according to a professional test kitchen director, who studied these recipes.

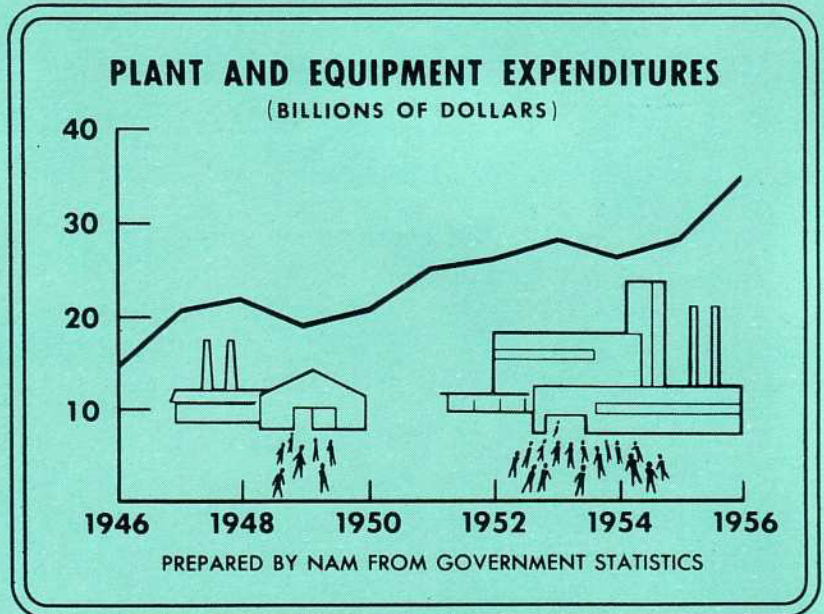
Send \$1.00 to the Director of Clubs, Room 110, Frisco Building, St. Louis. Or order a copy from your local club president. Either way, the dollar you pay winds up in your local club treasury, because the Company pays the cost of the book.



IT'S A FACT, RAILROADS TOP THE ENTIRE LIST of the nation's industry groups with indicated confidence in America's future—and their own! The National Association of Manufacturers reports that U. S. business has already earmarked \$35 billions of projected expenditures for plants and equipment this year—that's more than 20 per cent above what they earmarked in all of '55.

The largest increases are being planned by the railroads, says NAM, with a whopping 42 per cent increase of capital outlays planned.

What's behind all this spending? An important factor, says NAM, is geographical dispersal of plants as our growing population requires more productive facilities. Then there's the hot competition for bigger shares of markets old and new, plus a high level of defense spending.



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RISING OPERATING COSTS of the Frisco Employees' Hospital Association have forced its Board of Trustees to raise dues from \$5.00 to \$6.80 per month, beginning Aug 1 (see latest FEHA bulletin of July 2). The increase is necessary to offset operating losses due to reinstatement of out-patient medicine benefits; also to help pay for added x-ray, air-conditioning and other improvements at the Frisco Hospital in St. Louis, according to FEHA President G. L. Clutter.

The Company absorbs the increase for those members for whom it has agreed to pay hospital dues; but members who pay their own dues will find the extra \$1.80 deducted from their paycheck the first half of each month. Clutter emphasized that furloughed employees can hold membership for 12 months, if they sign up for such membership within 30 days of being furloughed.

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YARDSTICK OF FRISCO INCOME for May '56 compared to May '55: Operating revenues were up \$144,000; operating expenses up \$355,000; net operating income down \$40,000; and balance after fixed and contingent charges, down \$73,000.

'Their work goes on and on'



G. L. OLIVER

His father told him to defend the right, regardless of personal advantage.



H. P. NORDEN

His grandfather told him to quit any job he didn't like—but never get fired.



C. B. MICHELSON

His calling card was integrity.

TRAFFIC TESTIMONIAL

See additional picture page 20

C. B. MICHELSON started with Frisco 1903 holding series of supervisory posts in agricultural department . . . Helping farmers develop and market products, he became known as "dean" of agricultural agents . . . General agricultural agent since 1950 . . . Retired May 1 after 53 years' Frisco service.

G. L. OLIVER, born in Hawick, Roxburghshire, Scotland, educated at Lorretto College, Edinburgh, and came to America 1905 . . . Started with CRI&P same year as office boy . . . Joined Frisco 1911 as rate clerk, rising to traffic manager on FtS&W Ry. . . held same post on Frisco from 1927 . . . Became assistant freight traffic manager 1934 . . . Freight traffic manager since 1944 . . . Retired June 1 with 51 years' railroad service (45 on Frisco).

H. P. NORDEN joined the Frisco in 1907 as an office boy, subsequently holding a series of clerical posts before rising to assistant general freight agent 1924, assistant freight traffic manager 1934, and freight traffic manager 1944 . . . General freight traffic manager since 1952 . . . Retired July 1 after 49 years' Frisco service.

IT WAS like "Homecoming" for that close-knit fraternity on the Frisco known as traffic men when they gathered at the Hotel Statler in St. Louis May 28 to honor three highly-esteemed brothers entering into retirement after successful careers spanning half a century on the Frisco.

The testimonial dinner accorded C. B. Michelson, G. L. Oliver and H. P. Norden—who retired in May, June and July, respectively—was significant. It marked the high stature attained by the three men in their field. It was sort of a summing up of their contributions day by day through the years—with deep respect and affection from their associates as the final return.

A. G. Anderson, general agricultural agent Springfield, said in his testimonial to Michelson: "My boss' calling card was integrity." In referring to the recent award Michelson received from the grape growers of Southwest Missouri, Anderson said that "he could have

received such awards many times before."

A. L. Bardgett, freight traffic manager St. Louis, declared that Norden had "left an indelible mark of value on his post, because Mr. Norden's motto was, 'Whatever your job is, handle it as though it is the most important one on the railroad'."

J. E. Nash, assistant freight traffic manager St. Louis, in presenting the testimonial on Oliver, said that "he (Oliver) demanded forthrightness and had a marked disinclination to (as Oliver phrased it) 'give away the railroad'."

A. L. Kreamelmeyer, formerly Frisco traffic manager Kansas City, and now general traffic manager Eagle-Picher Company in Cincinnati, said in tribute to the three men: "They had much to do with the rating and pricing structure under which we operate today. Their work will go on and on."

Oliver's account of his youth in Scotland and how he landed in America to eventually launch his career with the Frisco, was an absorbing story to his associates, as he related with a combination Scottish brogue and Texan drawl.

Master of Ceremonies was T. H. Banister, vice president-executive department St. Louis, and formerly vice president-traffic. Banister presented biographies of the three men, and read letters and wires of congratulations from various people and organizations. (One was from Mrs. Oliver to her husband.)

Banister then presented retirement gifts to the trio on behalf of his associates: a watch to Norden; a lawnmower to Michelson; and golf clubs to Oliver (plus one golf ball, because, Banister said, he "was reported to have quit playing golf when he lost the one he had").

H. V. Cook, general freight traffic manager St. Louis, was in charge of arrangements for the testimonial dinner.



The Frisco looks to the folks in many communities for its livelihood. In return

WE PAY OUR WAY

WHAT kind of a citizen is your railroad? What does it contribute besides transportation service to the communities and states through which its rails extend? Does it contribute anything other than local payrolls to the employees who make up its far-flung family?

It would take considerable time and space to answer all these and many other questions that may arise as to what kind of a citizen the railroad is. But when it comes to the tax contribution the railroad makes to the operation and maintenance of government, the answer is much easier to pin down. The figures are there for all to see. And when you figure what the Frisco pays out each year to the various governments in the nine states of Friscoland, you come up with impressive amounts—real money.

Each year, the Frisco plunks down its taxes in state, county, and city tax offices just like any other good citizen—though in most instances, the Frisco's contri-

bution to the tax coffers is considerably larger than Mr. Average Citizen or Mr. Average Businessman.

Let's take the Frisco's tax contribution to local and state governments in the nine Frisco states last year—and this, by no means, includes the taxes its pays to the Federal Government.

Write down these figures:

\$4,616,879.22

and you get the total contribution the Frisco made to the various governments.

Of course the tax varies in different states, depending on the amount of property owned by the Frisco in each state, but when you start breaking down this hefty figure, you begin to realize that Frisco's taxes

State	State Tax	County Tax	County Rd. & Bdge.	School	City	Ad Val.	License, Franchise	Total
Alabama	\$57,569.85	\$ 50,330.32	\$ 22,125.74	\$ 66,708.31	\$ 20,698.64	\$ 217,432.86	\$73,444.08	\$ 290,913.73
Arkansas		38,901.29	15,133.45	194,656.12	7,478.79	256,169.65	16,375.03	314,215.85
Florida		29,356.91	14,134.81	38,868.00	3,483.78	85,843.50	1,824.07	87,667.57
Kansas	53,525.54	114,747.52	109,724.54	353,786.26	54,357.71	686,141.57	15,165.97	709,783.66
Mississippi	20,000.00	57,609.57	42,183.28	121,379.97	16,286.22	257,459.04	23,849.90	281,380.39
Missouri	26,578.92	208,011.51	118,051.12	638,906.88	99,839.10	1,091,387.54	65,240.58	1,183,385.94
Oklahoma		283,892.69	31,067.86	1,120,350.52	74,318.10	1,509,629.17		1,542,062.88
Tennessee		20,900.00	12,100.00	24,750.00	64,542.19	122,292.19	11,599.87	133,892.06
Texas	6,894.75	9,974.73	6,464.17	25,044.01	22,053.69	70,431.35	2,841.80	73,604.14

go a long way toward the education of a good many young citizens in Friscoland; they go an equally long way toward maintaining the county roads and bridges in numerous counties through which our tracks travel; they help finance the many-sided operations of county governments, city functions such as police and fire protection, and they help keep at lot of state governmental wheels turning.

In many counties, the Frisco is by far the largest individual taxpayer in the county. Indeed, in some of these counties, the combined payments made by all the railroads bear most of the operating costs of the county government.

Missouri, home state of the Frisco, gets the second largest slice of our tax "pie" with a total of \$1,183,385; Oklahoma gets the biggest slice with a total tax take of \$1,542,062.88. Kansas gets a good slice with \$709,783.66; and Arkansas follows with \$314,215.85. The

other states share as follows: Alabama, \$290,913.73; Florida, \$87,667.57; Mississippi, \$281,380.39; Tennessee \$133,892.06; and Texas \$73,604.14.

Schools in each of the states get the largest share of the individual tax. Oklahoma schools, for instance, get two-thirds of the total tax contribution made by the Frisco in that state. Their take is \$1,120,350.52 out of a total slice of \$1,542,062. Arkansas schools receive considerably more than half of the total, getting \$194,656.12. Kansas schools split about even with the rest of the beneficiaries of Frisco taxes in that state with \$353,786.26 out of a total \$709,783. Missouri schools obtained more than half of the total tax paid by the Frisco there, or \$638,906.88.

The accompanying table lists the total tax paid in each state in each of the principal taxing categories. The table clearly shows the Frisco pays its own way through the states and communities it serves.



Switchman G. O. Henderson delivers valedictory address at Birmingham graduation.

*On the Frisco,
self-improvement for its own sake
is still in fashion.*

Carnegie Grads

AFTER 14 weeks of intensive table-thumping and direct eye contact—not to mention tough homework in writing speeches—some 158 Friscoans were graduated “cum loud” last month from their respective Dale Carnegie courses around the System in effective speech and human relations.

The classes and their number graduated are: Memphis, 38; Birmingham, 40; Kansas City, 40; Fort Worth, 22; and Fort Scott, 18.

Kansas City held its commencement June 18 with a dinner at the Wishbone Restaurant attended by students, wives and guests. The program included two-minute talks by each graduating employe on such subjects as “An Unpleasant Moment,” and “My Home Town.”

Graduates singled out for special class performance awards were: Dale Bennington, Joe Siebolt and Gil Smith. Jerry Fox, who spoke on “Early Day Problems of Railroad Communications,” received the class gavel of leadership.

Class officers were D. E. McKeithen, president; L. E. Hobbs, vice-president; C. E. Campbell, secretary; and T. M. Mahon, Jr., treasurer. Invocation was by Al Breshears and class song was composed by Jack Read, A. C. Thompson and Art Adams.

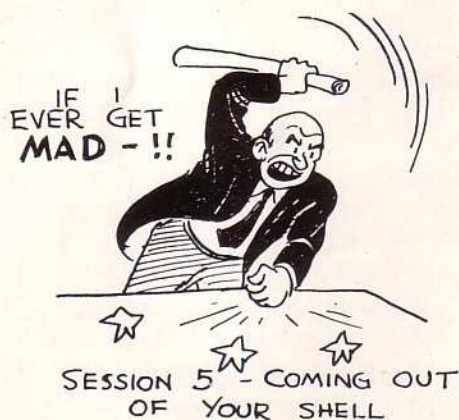
C. P. King extended congratulations to the class on behalf of President Hungerford, who sponsored all of the Frisco’s Carnegie students around the System.

Memphis held its commencement June 20 with a dinner at the Claridge Hotel for students, wives and guests. This is the second class held there.

Numerous students were cited throughout the course for best speech, most improvement, and for special awards at each class session. W. Y. Jackson was the three-time “speech champion” of the course in both prepared and impromptu speeches, and one entitled

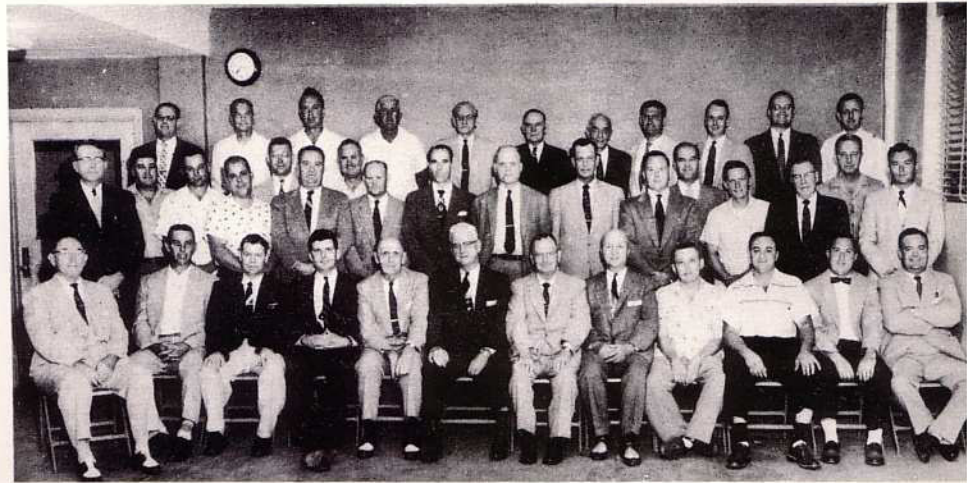


Officers of second Carnegie class at Memphis (l to r): J. R. Rowan, historian; W. O. Hanshaw, secretary and treasurer; E. E. Williams, Jr., poet; R. C. Dodd, president; C. L. Coley, wrote class song (along with Myrl Sallee, not in photo); and B. L. Stephens, prophet.





for '56



The first Dale Carnegie class of graduates at Kansas City.

"What I Got Out of the Course." (See further story in Memphis Terminal news.)

Birmingham also held its commencement June 20, with students, wives and guests assembled for a banquet at Gulas Restaurant. Numerous awards were made throughout the 14-week course for best speech, most improvement, achievement, and human relations.

The class' prepared speech champion, J. L. Godsey, was nosed out in his field graduation night by W. F. Williams. Williams also out-talked C. A. Hall in the prepared speech category.

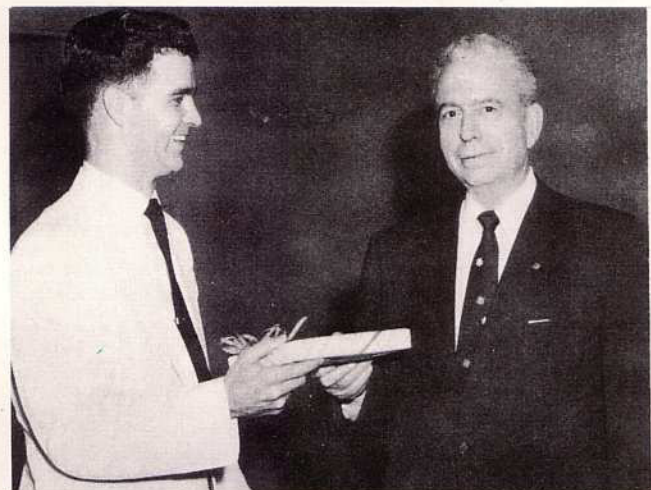
Other competition that night saw C. W. Hullett talk faster on his feet than A. M. Ball and G. G. Hale, Jr., in impromptu speeches. Also, T. D. Wages outscored John Marsh and O. T. Hyde on the subject, "What I Got Out of the Course."

Master of ceremonies was A. S. Johnson, Jr., with welcome by B. C. Andrews, Jr., valedictory by G. O. Henderson, benediction by E. E. Keeton, invocation by T. R. Monk, and singing by J. A. Cargill. The cartoons on these pages are from the Birmingham graduation program.

Frisco students at Fort Worth, who were part of a Carnegie class open to the public, were graduated at a class banquet June 25.

The 18 Friscoans in the Fort Scott class, also open to the public, were graduated last month. They are reported to have since formed a "graduate alumni association," to carry on the fellowship they enjoyed during the course.

The recent classes are a continuation of the human relations program begun by the Frisco in 1953, which started with the first all-Frisco "pilot" class in St. Louis. The success of this class resulted in more classes conducted in early 1954 at Springfield, Memphis, Tulsa and again at St. Louis.



Switchman O. T. Hyde (l) receives award from C. P. King, vice president-personnel St. Louis, for "most impressive performance" at Birmingham graduation.

Claim Agent M. G. Cooper (l) receives diploma from R. K. Harrison, managing director, local Carnegie Institute of Leadership, at Birmingham graduation.





J. W. MAHANAY



A. L. BARDGETT



H. V. COOK

(All appointments effective July 1, unless otherwise shown.)

TRAFFIC

J. W. Mahanay, assistant to vice president-traffic St. Louis.

H. V. Cook, general freight traffic manager (in charge of freight rates) St. Louis.

A. L. Bardgett, freight traffic manager St. Louis.

J. T. Walker, assistant district manager-sales, Washington, D. C.

J. V. Flaig, district manager-sales Detroit.

W. R. Keeley, assistant district manager-sales Seattle.

GENERAL CLAIM AGENT

A. R. Maxwell, Jr., claim agent Fort Scott.

J. H. Johnson, claim agent Tulsa.

ENGINEERING M of W

C. L. Holdaway, assistant roadmaster

Fort Smith.

E. F. Swope, assistant roadmaster Amory.

D. F. Holt, assistant roadmaster Fort Scott.

COMMUNICATIONS & SIGNALS

M. R. Steele, signal inspector (in charge of field construction) Springfield, effective June 16.

C. C. Evans, signal supervisor Fort Scott, effective June 16.

Retirements

R. H. Ballard, conductor, 425 W. Davidson, Chaffee.

E. F. Brittain, train dispatcher, 1455 N. 39th, Fort Smith.

O. L. Butler, car inspector, 1805 Wood, Kansas City, Kans.

T. S. Carter, track laborer, 1040 Nooney, Poplar Bluff, Mo.

J. Caldwell, roundhouse laborer, 938 N. Bellevue, Memphis.

W. Clingsmith, crossing flagman, 1014 Good Hope, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

R. A. Dodgen, switchman, 1624 Graymont, Birmingham.

E. F. Eastburn, counterman, 2143 N. Ramsey, Springfield.

W. A. Elchelberger, assistant track foreman, Box 82, Gunter, Tex.

R. J. Ketchum, conductor, 6008 O'Dell, University City 5, Mo.

W. R. Lone, track laborer, 213 County Road, Monett, Mo.

C. B. Michelson, general agricultural agent, 7487 Kingsbury, St. Louis.

L. Mitchell, track laborer, 231 West Hobson, Sapulpa, Okla.

E. Mitchell, coach cleaner, 1005 7th N.E., Paris, Tex.

S. H. Oglesby, boilermaker, 1403 E. Brockett, Sherman, Tex.

F. J. Owen, agent, 4405 East 7th, Kansas City, Mo.

R. L. Patrick, trucker, 409 S. Fifth, Hayti, Mo.

B. A. Relaford, car inspector, Lot D 66, Lake Tspawingo, Blue Springs, Mo.

A. Stephenson, B&B carpenter, Box 335, Okmulgee.

F. Taylor, track foreman, Box 364, Cache, Okla.

F. D. Thayer, conductor, 1129 N. Jefferson, Springfield.

G. W. Vincent, agent-telegrapher, Box 91, Depew, Okla.

C. R. Wehres, carman helper, 613 Cheyenne Trail, Route 11, Box 271-A, Fort Worth.

W. B. Wilson, track laborer, 312 Cross St., Tupelo, Miss.

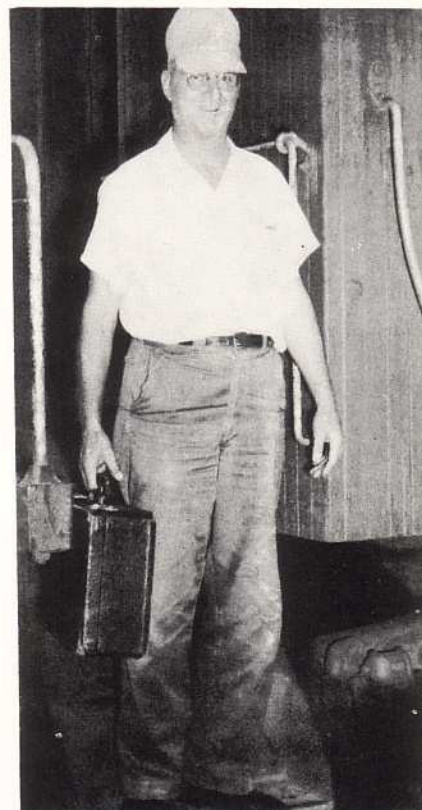
S. L. Wyse, watchman, 20 So. Coyle, Pensacola.

TERMINAL

JOHN E. JONES, 83, station agent at Atlanta, Kan., until his retirement in 1939, died at his home, 1808 Jeanette, Wichita, June 27. A veteran of 49 years Frisco service, Mr. Jones is survived by his widow, and son J. O. Jones, agent-yardmaster Arkansas City.

C. A. Adkins, March 9, at Parma, Mo.
W. Belsiegel, April 14, at Springfield.
W. J. Bell, March 14, at Memphis.
G. W. Bowers, April 1, at Elmhurst, Ill.
J. W. Brown, March 13, at Springfield.
F. B. Casner, March 8, at Webb City, Mo.

H. C. Clermont, April 12, at Kirkwood, Mo.
W. F. Davis, May 8, at Amory.
J. Drennan, March 21, at Columbus, Kans.
T. Duncan, April 23, at Fort Smith.
F. Emmons, May 23, at Frederick, Okla.
M. Faber, May 13, at St. Louis.
E. Ferrell, March 2, at Burbank, Calif.
E. L. Fletcher, April 11, at Fort Smith, Ark.
H. Fox, April 26, at Enid.
J. O. Gass, March 22, at Rogers, Ark.
E. Gilmore, February 24, at Okmulgee.
E. Glover, May 3, at St. Louis.
J. A. Harley, April 21, at Enid.
I. N. Harris, at Springdale, Ark.
W. S. Helsley, May 21, at Mountain Grove, Mo.
E. E. Herman, April 27, at Cape Girardeau.
F. A. Jarrett, March 10, at Sapulpa, Okla.
C. P. Jennings, at Springfield.
C. E. Johnston, May 3, at Newburg, Mo.
J. W. Kastler, March 15, at Springfield.
C. E. Ormsbee, April 1, at Poplar Bluff, Mo.
T. F. Orrell, April 14, at Oklahoma City.
L. M. Ramey, April 30, at Springfield.
L. E. Randol, May 8, at Cape Girardeau, Mo.



B. E. LUTZENBERGER, conductor on Train 236, Magnolia, Ala., to Amory, steps down from caboose on his last run. He retired May 30 after 45 years on Frisco, marked by an exemplary safety record and faithful Company service.

our people and what they're doing

What are Frisco Employee Clubs for? Here's one good answer:

Friscoans at Sherman, Tex., read in their local newspaper recently that three-and-a-half year old Larry Coleman had cancer. His days were numbered, said the doctors, but meanwhile everything was being done to help the little fellow. But expenses were becoming as heavy as the hearts of Larry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coleman of Sherman.

Marvin Barr, a past president of the Employees' Club of Sherman, called a special meeting at his home. From contributions of members came the nucleus of a Larry Coleman fund. When the town read about the Frisco project, contributions poured in from Sherman, and even out-of-town people.

The fund is still growing and is being used to finance trips for Larry and his family to the Cancer Research Foundation at Houston. The local newspaper, the Sherman Democrat, vigorously pushed the fund started by the club. And many folks telephoned to praise the employees at Sherman for their good neighborliness.

Another award to the Frisco for actively supporting National Defense: President Hungerford accepted a certificate of appreciation June 2 from the Navy on behalf of the Frisco's "definite contribution to the U.S. Naval Reserve by authorizing military leaves of absence for employees." Captain W. W. Boyd, commanding officer of the U.S. Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Training Center in St. Louis made the presentation. Also present were Commander Gerhardt Kramer (USNR), Commander of Brigade 9-7, Naval Training Center at St. Louis, and Commander S. J. Wolff, the brigade's training officer. The Frisco received a similar award from the Army last April (see *All Aboard* June '56).

E. O. Daughtrey, superintendent Amory, was elected third vice president of the American Association of Railroad Superintendents at its annual convention in Chicago recently.



Larry Coleman: with the aid of Frisco friends . . . still able to smile (see story).

The famous "surrey with the fringe on top" carries Warner Castle, Jr., and sister, Linda, children of Demurrage Clerk (Tulsa Freight Office) and Mrs. Warner Castle. Warner, Jr. and Linda drove the buggy in a June 7 parade promoting the southwestern premiere at Tulsa of the new film production of "Oklahoma!" Clothes they are wearing are same as those worn in the film by stars Shirley Jones and Gordon McRae.





CAREFUL CAR HANDLING

from E. P. Olson

It is the tariff obligation of the consignee participating in the movement of a stop-off shipment to adequately rebrace or level-off the shipment after he has removed his lading.

It is the duty of the Agent at stations receiving stop-off shipments to make inspection of lading after the part unloading is completed to see that remaining lading has been placed in proper condition for forwarding.

The Freight Loss & Damage Prevention Section of the Association of American Railroads has found that more than one-half of the claims paid by the railroads for loss and damage to freight result from overspeed impacts. One can think of many ways that monies thus expended could be used for much better purposes.

The situation is serious. More and more shippers and receivers are using the condition of their freight shipments at destination as a basis for future routings.

All industry has increased output. Railroad operations must be geared to the demand of present-day conditions, and we too, must increase production to keep in step with the times. This improved service requires switching with a minimum of delay—and at the same time, better freight protection so as to deliver our customers' freight in good condition.

Lading Well-Braced? So What!

This carload of cedar pencil stock arrived from West Coast to consignee on our Line. To insure arrival in good condition with reasonably careful handling, lading had been bulkheaded, crossbraced, and further safeguarded with steel bands. The best efforts weren't enough, as is obvious below, to keep overspeed impacts from: (1) making unloading more expensive for consignee; (2) causing claim for lading damaged; and (3) raising consignee's blood pressure.

ALL THE STOP-OFF POSTERS AND CONSCIENTIOUS LOADING JOBS CAN BE FOR NOTHING IF COUPLINGS EXCEED 4 MPH!



TO RECEIVER OF THIS STOP-OFF CAR

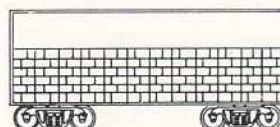
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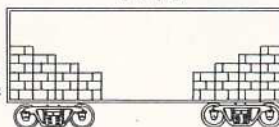


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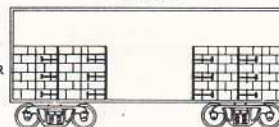


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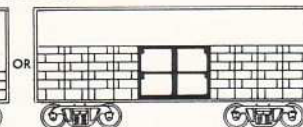
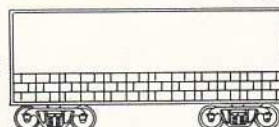
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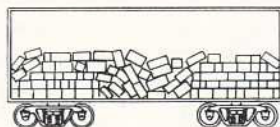
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REPORT OF IMPACT REGISTER TESTS MAY, 1956

TERMINAL	No. of Tests	No. of Over-Speed-Impacts	No. of Impact Units	Ratio	Rating
Birmingham	42	84	3,049	72.59	1
Tulsa	61	166	5,791	94.93	2
Kansas City	32	96	3,645	113.91	3
Springfield	87	302	11,287	129.74	4
St. Louis	36	138	5,357	148.80	5
Memphis	72	260	11,138	154.69	6
DIVISIONS					
River	46	21	608	13.22	1
Central	32	20	648	20.25	2
Southern	89	92	2,617	29.40	3
Northern	78	85	2,403	30.81	4
Western	35	41	1,318	37.66	5
Eastern	131	165	5,059	38.62	6
Southwestern	58	94	3,075	53.02	7
WESTERN DISTRICT					
Terminals	93	262	9,436	101.46	1
Divisions	203	240	7,444	36.67	2
EASTERN DISTRICT					
Terminals	237	784	30,831	130.09	2
Divisions	266	278	8,284	31.14	1

NOTE: Number of impact units is determined by adding the square of the speed of all overspeed impacts (5 MPH or more).

Ratio is determined by dividing the number of impact units by the number of tests.



HOTEL STATLER-HILTON

Dallas 1956 : a fine

VET-TOGETHER

GT WAS Friday, May 25, when some 160 Frisco veterans — from every Frisco state except Florida — descended from special Frisco pullmans on the Texas Special, to be greeted by the big, bustling Texas City of Dallas. They whisked away in taxi cabs to the city's brand new Statler-Hilton Hotel. Within minutes everyone was registered and oohing and aahing over their ultra-modern surroundings.

The planners' plans were working extra smoothly for this year's "vet-together." The morning was scarcely underway when the Friscoans had assembled in one of the luxurious hotel meeting halls to hear esteemed FVA president (retiring) Bob Rice rap out a long-awaited statement: "I now declare the 29th annual session open to whatever business may come before it."

And with that, the lid was off on what was possibly the most memorable vet-together in FVA history. Indeed, spirit was so high this year that another group, also meeting at the hotel, completely failed to "put the lid" on Frisco merrymaking. This happened to be a group of undertakers, who had an elaborate display of caskets in the adjacent meeting hall.

After formal welcomes by city officials and the hotel, the vets rapidly disposed of old business. The arrangement committee was cited by Rice for its fine planning this year, and a memorial service was conducted by Mrs. L. R. Frankenfield of Springfield for FVA members who had died since the last annual meeting.



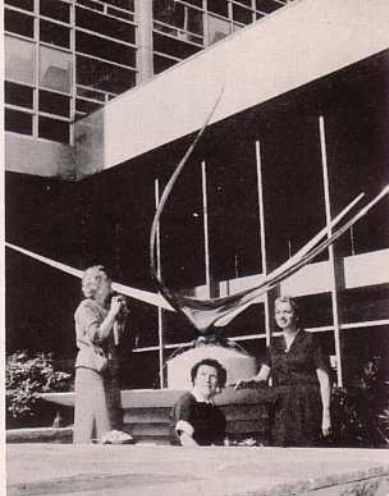
Dancing at the Lazy Stephen Ranch . . . and away we go, my fair Frisco lady!



Betty Basman and Bill Fisher register first-year vets C. B. and Mrs. Michelson. That's E. W. and Mrs. Hayes looking on.

A pretty guide at the ultra-lavish Republic National Bank shows vets the view from a penthouse conference room.





L to r: Alberta Huelskoetter, Betty Basman and Bernice Daenzer pose prettily for All Aboard in the hotel garden.



"We're on target this year," says Gene Horner, using dart board to make his point to friends. Horner's badge indicated he was "aide-de-camp, captain of busses, sergeant-at-arms, superintendent of tickets, and director of miscellany."



Comedian Tiny Grant (l) looks like he's having more fun than Frisco contestant.



Vets were big fans of the famous Sportsmen Quartet at the hotel banquet.



With her fascinating hat, Grace Jochum was easily the "belle of the ranch," with appropriate comments by cowboy Hollie Negus.

'Let's show everyone . . .

A spirited discussion arose on the location of next year's meeting, with J. B. Allred of Tulsa, eloquently outlining the attractions of that city for the vets. The assemblage finally voted on New Orleans, Savannah and Tulsa as first, second and third choices respectively.

C. P. King, vice president-personnel St. Louis, acknowledged thanks for the Company's financial contribution to the three-day affair in saying: "Mrs. King and I are very happy to be here. The fine Frisco spirit so evident here more than repays your Company, we feel, for any help we as management are privileged to extend to FVA."

Among other Frisco officials who attended the meeting were: H. E. Tenholder, general agent passenger department, and Mrs. Tenholder; J. "Pat" Casey, vice-president Frisco-Texas Lines; H. H. DeBerry, assistant general manager Western District Springfield; and E. F. Tuck, chief mechanical officer Springfield.

The morning session concluded with Martha Moore, director of employees' clubs St. Louis, outlining the full week-end program, and warning one and all that "if you don't laugh and have fun, I will personally stick a pin in you."

Friday afternoon saw Mrs. H. P. Bromley of Springfield, president of the System Auxiliary, presiding over the women's session, which was addressed by Mrs. Marlene Millican of the Dallas Frisco Traffic Office. New Auxiliary officers were elected (see page 18).

At the men's session, new FVA officers for the coming year were elected (see page 18). C. B. Cook, locomotive engineer Birmingham, who with Mrs. Cook, was cited as the vet coming farthest for the meeting. Four vets with the most Frisco service cited were: T. E. King, locomotive engineer Thayer, 57 years (see p. 18); Louis Buchert and W. H. Hengist of St. Louis, and W. L. Freemon of Fort Smith, all 51 years' service.

Newly-elected President Murray outlined plans for an intensive membership drive this year. The goal is five new members to be brought in by each present member. All members will receive five applications to distribute later.

"Let's keep up the enthusiasm generated at this fine meeting," said Murray, "and let's show everyone that we are not just a bunch of old fogies. Let's show prospective members that we do things."

Mike Robinson, clerk-steno Dallas Traffic Office, furnished gardenias for all the ladies at the opening session.

The business sessions were completed in time for most of the vets to visit the fabulous new Republic

... that we do things'

National Bank of Dallas. V. C. Tustison of Fort Smith and Grace Jochum of Springfield returned to the hotel with a story of how their elevator got stuck between floors at the bank, with the Frisco passengers having to climb out. But all agreed they had seen a bank built in truly lavish Texas style.

Friday evening saw the vets all dressed up and (don't tell the folks back home!) "nightclubbing" in the Statler-Hilton's beautiful dining and dancing room. The banquet menu featured pheasant (but not under glass), and exceptionally good entertainment by the Sportsmen Quartet from the Jack Benny Show.

Saturday morning saw most of the ladies looking through the famous Neiman-Marcus department store, and other shops, while the men renewed old friendships around the hotel garden, lobbies and coffee shops.

Saturday afternoon started off with a bus tour of greater Dallas, before the vets were deposited some 50 miles out on the open range at the Stephen F Ranch. There followed a lazy afternoon, with some dancing and horseshoe-playing—but mostly just sitting and talking with old friends under the blue Texas sky.

The outing was climaxed by an excellent barbeque supper, prepared by the ranch owner, Dr. Frank Austin and his wife, who made everyone feel at home. Somehow, Hollie Negus, superintendent of stations Springfield, managed to appear in time to enliven the supper program as toastmaster. Rumor had it that Negus came by pony express the last 20 miles to contribute to the program.

Sunday morning was church-going time for most of the vets and their wives; and many crowded into the little hotel chapel to hear Mrs. Leo Blakely and Bob Rice conduct devotional services.

What did the vets think about this year's meeting? Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gladson of Tulsa, who have missed very few meetings in the last 29 years, said, "It's one of the nicest ones we've ever had!"

Mrs. C. B. Michelson especially voiced the opinion of the ladies when she said, "I had hardly a minute to enjoy the wonderful hotel room we had—it's sheer luxury!"

After "brunch" at noon, the vets had a whale of a time participating in "truth or consequences" antics, conducted by local comedian Tiny Grant.

Then, all too soon, train time approached. The vets, looking at least 10 years younger than when they arrived, told each other, "Wait 'til next year!" But they'll be talking about this Dallas meeting for a long time to come.

Horseshoes at the ranch: Louis Buchert follows through on a toss under critical eye of Al Knelle.



Jim Murray thanks Dr. and Mrs. Frank Austin, owners of the ranch, for a memorable outing, Texas-style.



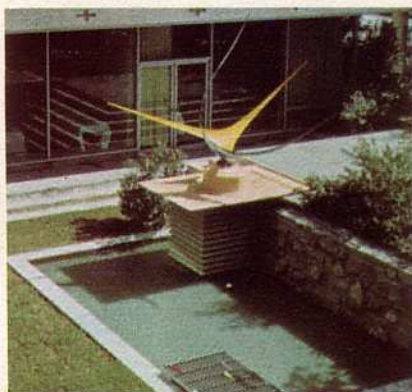
Vets crowded into hotel chapel Sunday morning, overflowing into corridor (above), to hear devotional conducted by Mrs. Leo Blakely and Bob Rice.



"Truth or Consequences" show was a barrel of laughs. John Sumner couldn't answer this one: Q. Why does a hen lay an egg? A. If she threw it, she'd break it.

aint life grand among Frisco friends!

It's mighty nice to be
wise in both years and
experience because:



Ultra-modern hotel gardens
were a favorite strolling place.

. . . from the swanky hotel life
in big, bustling Dallas . . .



Sunday morning: some went to
churches, and some preferred
quiet meditation in this hotel
chapel.

Just two kids away from home:
Mrs. A. W. Enderle of Chaffee
teases her husband about "rub-
bernecking" up at the new 20-
story Statler Hilton Hotel where
the veterans stayed May 25-27.



Beauty is everywhere: Mrs. W. L.
Freemon of Fort Smith sits entranced
amid lush greenery at Lambert Gardens
outside Dallas.

At the Stephen F Ranch a lone rider looms against the darkening sky: the end of a perfect day.



A tough hombre: Jim Murray of St. Louis, new FVA president.



... to life on the
wide open range, pardnuh ...

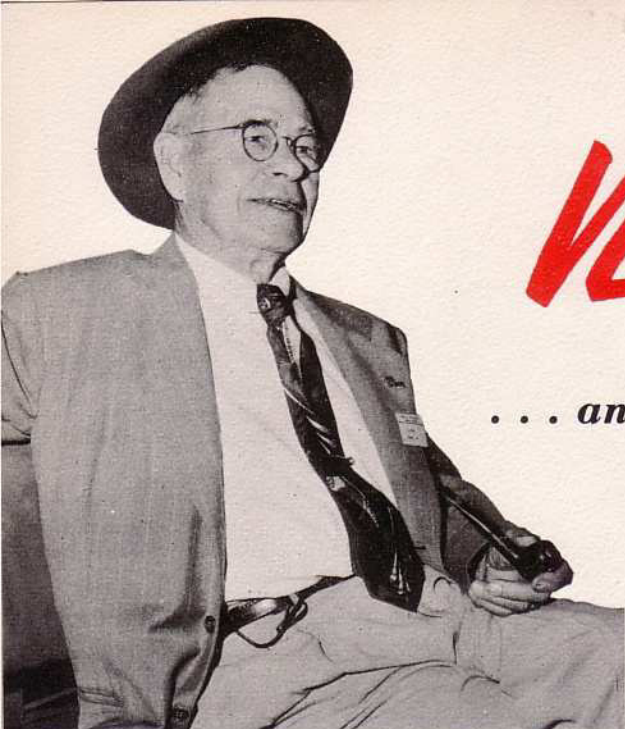
On a ranch, you always have to have a picture of dudes a-settin' on a corral fence.



... nobody, but nobody knows how
to have more fun than Frisco Veterans!

Just sitting around in the shade with old friends.





VET-TOGETHER

Sidelights

... an old-timer

T. E. King, senior employe at meeting with 57 years' service, started as a messenger in 1894 on the old Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Line, later taken over by the Frisco. The 76-year-old Spanish-American War Veteran still chuckles over experiences when he was a raw recruit in the U. S. Army of Occupation in Cuba, enlisting in 1897. He returned from the wars to Thayer, where he's been railroading ever since, except for about 10 years at Jonesboro. An engineer, King still pulls No. 101 and 102 between Thayer and Memphis.

... a warm welcome

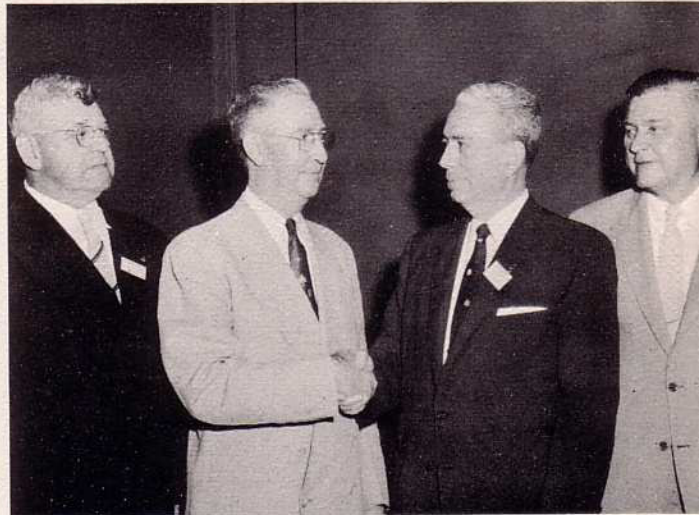


Welcoming the Frisco vets to Dallas at the opening session were: Father Charles Mulholland (l) of the local Catholic Diocesan Headquarters, and R. L. Miller, president and director of public relations for the Dallas Mercantile National Bank. Miller appeared on behalf of the city's Mayor R. L. Thornton. At right is Mrs. H. P. Bromley and Bob Rice.

... new officers

New System Auxiliary officers (l to r): Mrs. Henry Gaddy of Tulsa, first vice-president; Mrs. H. P. Bromley of Springfield, president, is congratulated by Martha Moore; Mrs. L. R. Frankenfield of Springfield, secretary; and Mrs. R. P. Hawkins of Fort Smith, second vice-president.

New FVA officers (l to r): A. H. Knelle, vice-president; Jim Murray, president, is congratulated by C. P. King; and W. H. Fisher, re-elected as secretary-treasurer. All are from St. Louis. Bob Rice was retiring president, and Murray moved up from vice-president to the top post.



Auditor Revenues Department

Betty Basman, Correspondent

Wedding: Another Frisco romance was culminated in the June 16 marriage of Traveling Auditor Max L. Lamkin and Midge Schmuelling, secretary to auditor disbursements. Congratulations and best wishes for many happy years together from their Frisco friends.

Appointment: Recheck Clerk James R. Murray became traveling auditor June 10 . . . Claim Investigator Jack Bernard's father died June 16.

Military: David Harms, ticket filer, is on three months' leave attending Naval Training School. Cecil Dunn and James Stiffler, claim investigators, reported for tour of duty July 16.

Illness: LeRoy Poelker, claim checker, was in the Frisco Hospital due to a virus infection . . . Edna Roy, local ticket clerk, was the winner of a cedar chest raffled by the Frisco Women's Club.

Vacations: Claim Censor and Mrs. Gus Gabauer, Recheck Clerk and Mrs. Julius Schepflin went to Quebec and cruised on the St. Lawrence and Saguenay rivers. Claim Investigator and Mrs. George Meyers were off to Milwaukee. Local Ticket Clerk and Mrs. Louis Greiwe went to the Wisconsin Dells. Claim Investigator Walter Fischer and family were headed for the Lake of the Ozarks—and a big fish catch, we hope. Stanley Cretin, C/N account poster, spent two weeks at William Leitner's cabin at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Western Division

E. C. Swantner, Correspondent

Sympathy is extended to the families of L. K. Hines and Irvin Townley, conductors (ret.); W. B. "Bill" Manson, clerk, Enid; and M. J. Schlais, section laborer Enid. They died recently.

Another bumper wheat crop for Oklahoma saw the Frisco participating in a big haul of more than 4000 cars. The crop is reported 25 per cent better than early estimates. We would like to thank all our officers and employees who assisted so ably in handling this crop.

Your correspondent was elected Grand Knight, Enid Council Knights of Columbus, for the coming year . . . Engineer W. W. Webster was in the St. Louis Hospital. . . Mrs. W. B. Burner, wife of carman Burner, was hospitalized recently.

River Division

Elizabeth Grieshaber, Correspondent

Conductor L. C. Shoemate fractured his hip in a fall near his home several weeks ago. He is reported in satisfactory condition, being in Frisco Hospital for treatment. Roadmaster D. L. Walker, is receiving treatment in Frisco Hospital for injuries received Decoration Day near Pocahtontas.

D. J. Brashears and E. W. Venable, extra telegraphers, joined the Navy April 27 and are in training at Great Lakes.

Ray Fatchett, file clerk, and wife spent the first part of June vacationing with their son-in-law and daughter, Commander and Mrs. Robert Delezene in Detroit. Ray also expects to get in a little fishing at Wappapello Lake before returning to work.

E. A. Williams, road foreman of equipment, and wife spent their vacation at Fort Scott, Springfield, Forsythe and Table Rock near Branson; Frank Jones, B&B Foreman, and wife visited Mr. Jones' mother, Mrs. Mary Jones, at Everton, Mo., for a week, and Mrs. Jones parents at Stockton, Mo. Their grandson, Lloyd Jones, 6, returned with them to spent the summer in Chaffee.

Conductor and Mrs. C. F. Weidman have returned after a vacation

A Scheduled stops

FOR CORRESPONDENT NEWS

St. Louis Accounting Department

R. F. Daley, Correspondent

Timekeeper Frank Walsh and his wife will leave Miami just about the time Ruby Lawrence, Clerk, and her husband, Ray, arrive . . . Traveling Auditor Stanley Smith and Frances Phillips were married at Stockton, Mo., June 10.

Auditor Disbursements and Mrs. A. E. Hoehle vacationed in San Francisco and points west, following the Annual A.A.R. meeting . . . Fred Morgan, timekeeper, and typist Pearl Broer are still on the sick list.

Former Filer Jean Rudolph announced the arrival of Jane Lynne on May 27 . . . Shirley Hahn, filer, acquired a beautiful tan on her jaunt to Lake Tanneycomo . . . Filers Martharose Adams and Barbara Dattler paid their first visit to Dallas.

Comptometer Operator Norine Conway covered her machine June 29 and henceforth will receive her mail at Phoenix, Ariz. At a dinner party at the Missouri Athletic Club, friends presented Norine with a watch and a purse and "cash" which will remind her for some time to come of her many office associates. (See St. Louis Club news.)

Rosemary McLafferty, pension clerk, reported a wonderful time in California.

in Detroit, Niagara and New York City.

Francine Whitesell, steno, spent a recent week-end in Springfield visiting Mr. and Mrs. Warren Rankin.

Lt. and Mrs. Don Rowland and children have returned to their home in Montgomery, Ala., after visiting Mrs. Rowland's parents, Conductor and Mrs. J. E. Montgomery.

Those from Chaffee attending Frisco Veterans' Reunion in Dallas were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Heltibrand, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Enderle, Mrs. George Bienert and Henry Hawkins.

Congratulations to Brakeman N. G. Bullinger and Glenda Green who were married in St. Ambrose Catholic Church, Chaffee, June 9.

Brakeman H. L. Halbert and wife became parents of their first child, Harold Leonard, Jr., born June 11.

W. B. Thomson, 95, retired machinist, died at his home in Chaffee May 25. Mr. Thompson retired in 1931.

Southwestern Division & Tulsa Terminal

Lois Flanagan and Edna Wooden,
Correspondents

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE: Bill Francis, son of Superintendent and Mrs. W. W. Francis, was in an automobile accident June 18, receiving a broken left wrist. He was hospitalized for a few days.

Vacationers: Ella Burd and Lennie Reeves had a wonderful time in Oregon, Canadian Rockies, Lake Louise, and points west. Chief Clerk Madison enjoyed a short vacation in his old home town of Willow Springs, Mo.; and in Springfield, Mabel Spence enjoyed a vacation at home and in the Ozarks.

WS-B&B Foreman V. Leak, Dispatcher John McMillan and wives are enjoying a vacation in the Ozarks of Missouri and Arkansas. John Adcock, bridge inspector and



Judge F. A. Thompson (c), chairman of the Frisco Board of Directors St. Louis (l), looks on as Master of Ceremonies Banister (l), presents gifts to Oliver, Michelson and Norden at testimonial dinner (story on page 5).

wife, were deep sea fishing in the Gulf of Mexico, with their son, a Marine from Camp Pendleton. R. M. Faupel, WS mechanic, was fishing in the Illinois River. Assistant Engineer and Mrs. H. C. Moffitt visited points west including Yellowstone Park and the state of Washington, where their daughter resides.

Engineer Charles York and family vacationed in Vinita with relatives and friends; also went to Kansas City.

Welcome to the Engineering Department, W. H. Thomas, and Dick Sparks. Dick is our Frisco-Harvard boy, who works in the office during summer vacation.

Engineer Bill Springston recently returned from the St. Louis Hospital and was looking forward to a Texas vacation.

FREIGHT OFFICE: Warner "Hy" Castle spent his vacation "hobnobbing" with movie celebrities in connection with the Tulsa Premiere of "Oklahoma." His son and daughter drove the original "surry with the fringe on top" buggy in the parade, and Hy did

some driving himself.

Phillip Martin, clerk, took six Boy Scouts to Explorer Base Camp at Fort Gibson Lake for a week, where they learned canoeing, enjoyed skeet shooting and other activities.

Clarice Benson is back on the job after surgery in the St. Louis Hospital.

TRAFFIC: V. P. Rodgers, traffic representative, was recently given an award by the Lions Club for nine years of perfect attendance.

Florence Kirk, secretary, was vacationing in Clearwater, Fla. Jack Cox, rate clerk, spent his vacation house painting and fishing—says he preferred the fishing!

TULSA TERMINAL: Sympathy is extended to the family of Brakeman Paul Spain, who was fatally injured May 30, near Verdigris River Bridge . . . Mrs. V. J. Deckard and children enjoyed visiting in Memphis with relatives and friends . . . Terminal Trainmaster P. E. Odom recently received his master's degree in administration at Washington University, St. Louis.

Goodbye to B. L. Lutzenberger and family, who were transferred to



Surrounded by past presidents of the Women's Club of St. Louis, singer Jack Hill appropriately serenaded the ladies with "The Tender Trap" during the club's participation on a KMOX radio show June 27 (see story in club news). L. to r: Ruth Daley; Dorothy Flavin; Martha Moore; Ella Eckelkamp; Mary Stein; Dorothy Heede; Arlene Wolf and Jo LaGrotta (current president).

Birmingham. Their Tulsa friends wish them well . . . Congratulations to R. L. Akins, recently appointed safety supervisor Tulsa.

The many friends of Mrs. E. V. Denniston of Tulsa will be glad to know she is recovering from a recent fall, in which she suffered a broken knee. Mr. Denniston, now retired, was formerly an Oklahoma City employee.

C. A. Corbin, demurrage clerk, has been in St. Johns Hospital here; and Yard Clerk W. L. Jeffrey in the hospital at St. Louis.

Engineer Bill Bolling is back at work after two major operations and weeks of convalescing.

Pat Paulsell, night chief in the Wire Office, made his expert "ham" radio technique pay off for Lois Flanagan. One morning last month Correspondent Flanagan talked to

her sister's family on one of the far-off Bonin Islands about 600 miles southeast of Japan. Her sister's husband, a Navy chief yeoman, is stationed on a tiny island $5\frac{1}{2} \times 2$ miles in area. Paulsell made short contact through a fellow "ham" enthusiast in Tulsa.

Freight Office, Memphis

Virginia Griffin, Correspondent

Last April 23, H. H. Buchanan, Jr., expense clerk, received a certificate in traffic management, given for a course sponsored by the Men's Traffic Club of Memphis. He has since received a \$25.00 U. S. Savings Bond for having the highest grade and not missing a single class of that course.

Mrs. Walter C. Stephenson, wife of Clerk Stephenson, was in Baptist

Hospital the first part of May for X-Rays and treatment, following an automobile accident.

W. G. Cary, report clerk, entered the St. Louis Hospital May 6 for a checkup and returned to work May 15.

Team Track Clerk Robert S. Harrison and wife visited relatives in Dahlgren, Ill., while on vacation May 7 to 25, and during that time he went to the St. Louis Hospital for a checkup.

Mrs. Edith S. Gullett, extra clerk, and her husband, Warren, motored to Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Las Vegas, on vacation May 17 to June 3.

Norris O. Almon, receiving and check clerk, went on vacation May 28 for three weeks. On June 1 he was graduated from the Memphis Evening High School with 32 other students.

Daniel E. Creeden, retired clerk, died recently at the Catholic Club. He was found dead kneeling beside his bed. Mr. Creeden retired in 1944, and was loved by all in this office and his many friends in the terminal. He worked in the Yard Office as disposition clerk, before joining the Freight Office.

Miss Mabel Berentz, cashier's clerk, enjoyed her vacation June 4-25, with the flowers and other things around her home. Mrs. Mabel Covington relieved as cashier's clerk.

Disposition Clerk and Mrs. W. Humphrey are proud of their nephew Troy Lee Armstrong, residing with them. Troy was awarded a medal of honor June 5 by the Memphis Optimist Club for outstanding achievement in school and outside activities for an eighth grade student. He made "A" in all subjects during the year. His school, Bellevue Junior High, received a plaque of merit in his honor.

Troy visited his cousin, P. W.

Humphrey, in Washington last month and spent several days in New York City visiting an uncle in New Castle, Del., before returning home in July.

W. M. Houston, clerk, visited relatives in Lansing, Mich., June 11-25 . . . Report Clerk and Mrs. W. G. Cary spent a two-week vacation last month with their son in Baltimore. They also visited in Washington and New York City.

Fort Worth

Annie Laurie Needham, Correspondent

Leda Belle Durrett, Engineering Department, told of the wedding her nephew, Robert Durrett, Jr., to Miss Bobbye Russell June 6 at St. Andrews Episcopal Church here. They are at home at Odessa, Tex.

A fond farewell to Jim Thompson, steno Traffic Department, who accepted a position with the Central of Georgia as chief clerk Dallas Traffic. His Frisco friends wish him well.

Vacationers: Craig Taylor and Bill Harris, Traffic Department; Switchmen Roy K. Cunningham and D. W. Reams; Conductor Tolle Williams; Engineers Jap Galbreath, Buddy Miller, Carl Smith, R. E. Vaughn, and Ed Stone; Firemen J. W. Milligan, W. L. Burton, R. C. Yowell, and O. B. (Jack) Skinner.

Secretary - Treasurer W. O. Moore is now vice-chairman of the Midwest Sectional Group of the Treasury Division of the AAR, which met at Kansas City June 13.

New Papa Department: J. C. Bains, Accounting Department, is on Cloud No. 7 these days because James Paul was born June 13. Weight: seven pounds, one ounce.

Verne Barber, Freight Office, is a proud grandfather as of June 9. Lovely little Laura Anseth Barber made her "debut." Weight: seven pounds. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Barber, Jr.



The cast of "No Time for Sergeants," about the biggest thing in theatrical comedies these days, were caught by an AA photographer as they changed from Frisco to Wabash at St. Louis: Actors John Dutra and Barney Biar, of the travelling company check tickets with Frisco Traffic Representative J. E. Aschbacher and W. H. Peithmann, Wabash city passenger agent.

General Claim Agent and Mrs. J. R. Parker and son, Robert, attended the wedding June 16 at Sherman of Mr. Parker's niece, Miss Jane Spindle, to Jim Hart. Mr. and Mrs. Hart will reside in Spartanburg, S. C., where Mr. Hart is completing work for an electrical engineering degree.

Special Agent G. W. Dulaney reports he has a "sweet girl graduate" in the family. Daughter, Carol, was graduated May 30 from Paschal High School.

Eastern Division Mechanical Department

Jack Kirby, Correspondent

Assistant Master Mechanic Hugh Seamon, Locomotive Shop, retired June 1 after 48 years' service. Best wishes for happy days go to both Mr. and Mrs. Seamon on their days to be spent at Point Lookout, Mo., overlooking beautiful Lake Taneycomo.

Machinist W. H. "Bill" Schaller retired after 50 years' service.

Proud Fathers: Bill Thomas,

machinist apprentice, a new son, Richard, born June 12; R. V. "Rocky" Dodson, crane operator, twin boys, Duane and Dwight, born May 31. This makes five for "Rocky," all boys.

June weddings—we have our share of these, too: Charles Duncan and Judy Amos were married June 2 at Woodland Heights Presbyterian Church, and spent a brief honeymoon in Western Kansas.

Dale Snodgrass, sheet metal worker apprentice, was married June 22.

R. B. Green, sheet metal worker helper, suffered a heart attack while on vacation at Santa Rose, N. M. Bob is now recovering at home.

Recent vacationers: Machinists Cliff Keiser, George Hartsock, J. F. Korn, Ira Cantrell, Zena Rountree and O. A. Dennis. Machinist Helpers Alva Bunch and Franzo Stever.

Machinist Wade Fullbright is a busy man not only remodeling his home, but helping his wife with flowers. (Mrs. Fulbright is active



L. W. Menk, general manager, accepts award from Springfield Optimist Club on behalf of Frisco for support "freely and unselfishly" given the McLaughlin Youth Center, an Optimist project there. Presentation was made May 17 by Lynn Temple, retiring club president. The Frisco made one of its buildings available for the youth center set up for underprivileged children.

in the Frisco Garden Club.)

A recent house guest of Machinist Eli Hasler was his daughter, Mrs. Tom Watling, and her family. A recent returnee from Bessemer, Ala., where he was inspecting new freight cars, is Machinist Hosea Pfeiffer.

Fishing has been reported good recently on White River and Lake Bull Shoals . . . Electrical Foreman R. H. Stracke was recently promoted to First Lieutenant in the 750th Railway Battalion, an army reserve unit affiliated with the Frisco.

Mechanical Department Northern Division

Leota Friend, Correspondent

R. D. Lager has returned from military service, and is now car clerk at Kansas City. Bob took basic training at Fort Bliss, Texas, then served 13 months overseas at Verdun, France. He was released from service May 25.

Charles Colovin, son of Engineer Colovin, was graduated from high school last spring and has entered the Junior College in Kansas City.

Sympathy is extended to Chief

Clerk Evert Hansen on the death of his father at Willow Springs May 9. Mr. Hansen, a retired Frisco employe, was section foreman at Willow Springs for a number of years.

A tragic accident occurred at Clever, Mo., May 9 when Mrs. Alberta Arndt, driving an automobile, was killed in a grade crossing accident. Mrs. Arndt was the mother-in-law of Eddie Nelson, car clerk of this office.

H. J. Riggs and his family are vacationing in Colorado, enjoying the fishing and cool weather there.

Lloyd Hobbs, assistant to the roadmaster, Kansas City, was to relieve Roadmaster E. C. Smith at Chaffee during Mr. Smith's absence because of injury.

Birmingham

Frank Gray, Correspondent

Retired Agent and Mrs. M. E. Walsh were in Los Angeles recently to visit sons, Mike, Jr., and Jack. While there they inspected the "Sammy" award Mike, Jr., received from the Los Angeles Sales Executives Club as one of the 10 top salesmen of that city. More than 25,000 salesmen competed. A hearty handshake, Mike, on this splendid accomplishment.

June and Karen, daughters of Secretary to Superintendent of Terminals Joe and Mrs. Cargill, have recovered from recent tonsillectomies.

We hope that Mrs. Smith, wife of Roadmaster H. W. Smith, is doing nicely after her stay in a local hospital. Best wishes for good health goes to you, Mrs. Smith.

Bob Kilpatrick, steno-clerk to superintendent car service, completed his Masonic work in May on becoming a member of the Scottish Rites Order. He also joined Jamora Shrine. Congratulations, Bob.

Assistant to President A. M. Ball was recently appointed to serve as one of the directors of the Birmingham

ham Chapter of the American Red Cross.

We welcome James L. Sanders to our growing Frisco family. Jim is a traffic-trainee here. Good luck in your new work, Jim.

Our East Thomas artist, Terminal Accountant R. W. James, laid aside his brush at the end of a week of painting the sides of his house. He's back at the desk now.

I wonder how many of our Birmingham folks noticed the picture in the Birmingham News May 25 of Traffic Representative B. F. "Tommy" Thompson's two fine looking grandchildren with their prize-winning Dachshund "Mr. Hopkins." Grandpappy is certainly proud of these two youngsters and he has reason to be. Dave and Stephen Thompson are the best looking boys in Birmingham—to be sure!

We extend deepest sympathy to Fireman A. O. Harden on the recent death of his mother. We also regret to learn of the death of Mrs. W. B. Roberson. Our sincere sympathy to Mr. Roberson.

Clerk Bobby Lee McCurdy's baby underwent a serious operation, but we hear that the child is doing nicely.

Switchmen George Hale, H. D. Lucky, E. L. Brown and W. E. Davis were all away from the job due to illness last month.

The brother-in-law of Switchman R. W. Ritch died recently from injuries received in an auto accident. Our sincere sympathy is extended the family.

Steno-Clerk Elaine Box was in a local hospital for an operation. She was doing nicely at last report.

Gene Harris, rate and relief clerk, in trying to retrieve one of his children who darted across a heavily-traveled street, suffered a serious fall that just about put him out of commission. At this writing he was doing all right.



Bosses were not forgotten at annual installation banquet of Birmingham Chapter of Railway Business Women's Association June 9. The ladies called it "Bosses' Night," too. L to r: H. J. Brown, district manager-sales, and Mrs. Brown; A. M. Ball, assistant to president in Birmingham and principle speaker of the evening; Mary Ingram, secretary to general agent passenger department, who introduced speaker Ball; and C. A. Hall, general agent passenger department and Mrs. Hall.

Welcome to Birmingham is extended new Trainmaster B. J. Lutzenberger and his family. Mr. Lutzenberger comes to us from Tulsa where he was a safety supervisor. Birmingham will now have two trainmasters.

Clerks Nick Campanotta, Earl Keeton, Jimmy Battles and Ralph Wallace have learned that fly fishing is the only real way to catch fish. They learned it from a man who knows—Bob Gulledge.

Assistant to President A. M. Ball was guest speaker at the annual installation and Bosses' Night Banquet of the Birmingham Chapter of the Railway Business Women's Assn. at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel, June 9. Miss Mary Ingram, secretary to general agent, passenger department, introduced Mr. Ball to the group.

Mrs. Elyone Cole and her two sons, Jimmy age 7 and Kerry age 5, have set sail from New York for Europe on the French Liner *Liberte* to spend their summer with Mrs. Cole's parents in Belgium. They will return to the United States on the French Line *Ile de France* on August 16. Mrs. Cole is the wife of J. T. Cole, Frisco passenger pilot.

FRISCO'S FRIENDLIEST FOLKS:

Mary Ingram, secretary to general agent, Passenger Department

Al Chivers, special officer
J. S. Ritter, brakeman

Southern Division Mechanical Department

Gertrude E. Sims, Correspondent

THAYER: Recent vacationers are: Engineers P. O. Freeman, J. W. Coleman, Fireman Joe T. Mooney; Hostler G. W. Mitchell; Machinist V. F. Crisham; Night Foreman Eddie Belongy; Laborer Howard Pomeroy; and Car Inspector Amon Decker.

Engineer D. D. Adams was home recuperating from surgery at the Frisco Hospital in St. Louis . . . Supplyman (ret.) Sam Reaves was in St. Bernard's Hospital at Jonesboro . . . Extra Machinist Raymond L. Beach was working vacation reliefs at Thayer.

YALE LOCO: Sheet Metal Worker George Morie, a recent patient in the St. Louis Hospital, was a visitor in the general foreman's



"A-bomb casualties," ready for "evacuation" in this emergency Frisco box car, are being treated by Red Cross workers. Occasion was a mass Civil Defense preparedness test April 27 at Springdale, Ark., with National Guard, Civil Defense and Red Cross Units participating. The test, observed by high state and CD officials, saw successful coordination of disaster teams among thousands of "casualties" amid organized confusion.

office in June . . . Machinist-Lead Man Thomas W. Chapman was home from the St. Louis Hospital, his friends were hoping to see him back at work soon.

F. E. and Mrs. Boultinghouse, with daughter, Judy, and sons, Richard and Dan, motored to Afton in June to visit relatives; then to other points west before returning to Memphis . . . C. W. Beck, who relieved for Mr. Boultinghouse, is always welcomed back to Memphis by his friends.

Yale Enginemen on vacation: R. O. Steele, J. W. Coleman, G. D. Blakely, J. E. Coke, C. O. Tate and G. T. Roberts . . . R. T. and Mrs.

Boys have returned from their Washington, D. C., vacation.

YALE CAR DEPT.: On vacation and doing a lot of fishing is Foreman Sam McKee. Foreman H. G. Krone was also on vacation during June, spending part of it as a delegate to the Methodist Convention in Memphis.

Chief Car Clerk and Mrs. E. E. Morgan motored to points east during their June vacation. Filling Mr. Morgan's vacancy was Mrs. Billie O'Kelly, always a welcome employee to the department.

AMORY MECHANICAL DEPT.: Mr. and Mrs. K. I. Dyche and family were vacationing in

Springfield . . . Chief Clerk to Master Mechanic and Mrs. T. W. Scruggs enjoyed their vacation trip to Vicksburg and Memphis. Mr. Epperson is relieving for Mr. Scruggs.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. R. J. Sullivan whose husband died June 17. Mr. Sullivan, a retired boilermaker from Amory, lived there 25 years, and was loved by many. Mr. Sullivan died in Springfield, where he moved shortly after retiring.

Mrs. G. M. Jessee visited Caldwell, Idaho, attending the wedding there of a friend, Sandra Stringfield . . . R. H. and Mrs. Cook, car inspector from Amory, visited their son, T/Sgt. C. H. Cook, and his family at Albany, Ga. They also went to St. Marks, Fla., for deep sea fishing, that saw catches totaling 70 pounds the first day and 104 pounds the second day.

BIRMINGHAM LOCO DEPT.: Sympathy is extended Fireman Joe Boston on the death of his mother. She was 106 years old and left 155 direct descendants, including 12 children . . . Sympathy is also extended Engineer (ret.) Lawrence Stevens on the death of his brother.

Several "old grads" visited lately, each indicating they wouldn't exchange places with any of the "unfortunates" still unretired. The old grads included: Engineer Walter Connell (looking very trim after spending the winter in Florida); Hugh Warren, electrician, another winter Floridian; Louis Westerhouse, general foreman, back from an extended trip to Key West; and Electrician Pete Crouch.

Fireman Raymond Askeu graduated from Birmingham Southern College in June . . . Fireman Leon Westerhouse, a student at Alabama University, majoring in music, is to take part in the Summer Opera at the Atlanta Municipal Theater this summer.

PENSACOLA: The Mechanical Department recently was honored with a safety dinner to mark its record of 2890 days without a reportable injury.

Engineer Bicker and Fireman Ed. Brunson were enjoying vacations . . . Switchman R. W. Kilcrease passed out cigars upon the arrival of a new son.

The Irish potato movement from Atmore is reported fine this year . . . R. V. Waldron, chief clerk cashier, was in the Frisco Hospital in St. Louis.

Southern Division Transportation Department

Sue Stuart, Correspondent

Switchman C. W. Johnson spent a few days' vacation the first part of June in Roadhouse, Ill., and attended a major league ball game between the Cardinals and the "Phillies" in St. Louis.

Retired Switchman and Mrs. C. L. Eddings attended the North Mississippi Methodist Conference in Grenada, Miss., June 3-9.

Conductor Joe Liddell and family enjoyed a few days' vacation in Alabama early in June. Included on their itinerary was the popular summer resort, Gulf Shores.

We'd like to extend a welcome to J. W. Tinkle, who joined the Frisco family as an operator May 27 at Amory.

During May and June the following folks enjoyed a vacation of fishing and other sports: Brakemen E. M. Brown and R. W. Row; Yardmaster H. L. Ritter; Switchman A. R. Greenhill.

Conductor and Mrs. E. E. Herington were among many vacationers in Florida the first half of June.

Mrs. J. C. Wilkinson of Memphis was visiting with her son, Frank Wilkinson, yard clerk Amory.

Gail Fears, daughter of Junior Engineer and Mrs. Charles Fears, Amory, recently appeared on Trent

Work Equipment Office took it Wood's "Playhouse" over radio station WMC, Memphis.

Superintendent E. O. Daughtrey began a busy vacation June 9: While visiting his son in Washington, D. C., he golfed at the Army-Navy Country Club. He also returned to his "old Kentucky home" in Louisville for a few days.

We're all mighty glad to have Mrs. Bessie Fuller, division engineer's clerk, back to work. Bessie was ill quite some time . . . J. A. Wiygul, secretary to superintendent, is enjoying a few days of his vacation the first half of June in Pensacola.

During his short stay in Amory June 16, Mr. Kraehe found that the freight trains on the Southern Division run right on schedule! (This is a veiled reference by Correspondent Stuart to an undignified dilemma concerning two *All Aboard* staffers. While riding No. 135 from Kansas City to Birmingham, the intrepid newsmen somehow got left at the Amory depot in the fast shuffle accorded trains there. Moral of story: If No. 135 ever gets home late, it won't be Amory's fault.

—Ed.)

General Manager's Office

Grace Jochum, Correspondent

Mrs. W. L. English, wife of former FTC General Manager English, and mother of Elizabeth English, Car Accountant's Office, died April 18, after an illness of several years.

Billy Woods, Car Accountant's Office, returned to work the first part of June after several weeks' layoff due to a head injury. He was struck by a club while he and his brother were practicing golf.

Maude Mills, Car Accountant's Office, entered the Frisco Hospital early in May for eye treatment. Florence Lyons, IBM Department, entered St. Johns Hospital here in June, suffering from bursitis.

Congratulations to: Bob and Mrs. Boyd, whose daughter, Rebecca Ann, was born March 11. Mrs. Boyd is in the Car Accountant's Office. Also to R. H. and Mrs. Hawk on the arrival of Patricia Darlene June 7. Mr. Hawk is freight claim investigator.

J. E. Collins was appointed chief clerk Machine Bureau April 1, succeeding Bob Wilhoit, assigned to special work.

Charles Matlock succeeded Ed Jackson June 1 as secretary to L. B. Reed. Jackson resigned to work on his master's degree at the University of Indiana, where he is also serving as assistant professor in the Commerce Department.

P. B. Peck, chief clerk General Manager's Office, and Mrs. Peck went to Louisville the last of May. They attended the graduation services of their daughter, Polly, and son-in-law, Don Riddle, who both received their master's degrees in religious music from the Southern Baptist Seminary. Mr. and Mrs. Riddle have been called to serve with the Emanuel Baptist Church Alexandria, La., as organist and choir director.

Mrs. Ruth Ramey returned to work as file clerk June 11 after a leave of absence. Her young son, Mark David, will be three months old June 30.

Bertha Schumacher of the Typing Bureau ranks first as a flower gardener when it comes to sharing her blossoms. There are not many days from early spring till late fall that she does not bring bouquets to the office. She starts with forsythia and violets in the spring, and ends with chrysanthemums, her favorite flower.

June vacations: A. L. Staples, Freight Claim Department, drove to Minnesota; H. B. Stierwalt, assistant to general manager, took his family to Port Aransas on the Gulf of Mexico; Wade Wasson of the Work Equipment Office took it



T. F. Underwood, passenger representative Oklahoma City, assists Martha Jane Shoemake from a Frisco train at Fort Sill, Okla. Martha Jane arrived to tour the post with a group of other students from Putnam Heights Elementary School in Oklahoma City. Frisco representatives cooperate with Fort Sill officials in acquainting many such groups with the interesting activities on this Army post.

easy at home; K. I. Brown, IBM supervisor, visited his family at Sullivan, Mo.; Bill Bacon, secretary to general manager, visited relatives at Wichita.

Oklahoma City Freight Office

Ella Thrasher, Correspondent

Vacation time was in full swing with Juliet Baskett and Hugh Aiken early "vacation birds." . . . Warehouse Clerks Charles Baker, W. L. Curtis, Jim Williams, and O. Harper enjoyed their vacation at home and about . . . E. F. Decocq visited Wichita, then spent the remainder of his vacation in the St. Louis Hospital.

J. A. Moss, cashier, thought he would stay home to entertain his two cute granddaughters from Louisiana . . . General Agent Y. J. Turner is sporting a new cream and brown Oldsmobile—Wonder where he will be heading?

We welcome a newcomer in the office, Ovie Mullins, formerly of Henryetta, who recently took over

the assistant bill clerk position . . . Relief Clerks Nona Mize and Esther Gray were on the job recently. Good to see them again.

Mrs. Key F. Wilhelm, widow of Key F. Wilhelm, recently returned from visiting her hospitalized grandson in New Jersey . . . A. C. Nash, office porter, who spent his vacation in the city because his wife was undergoing surgery, reported she was on the road to full recovery.

Memphis Terminal

Billy L. Welch, Correspondent

Add to recent parents in the Memphis Terminal: Switchman and Mrs. J. C. Puckett, who welcomed a son, John Wesley, May 22 at the Methodist Hospital in Memphis. A daughter, Katharine Webster, arrived May 3 at Methodist Hospital Memphis for Switchman and Mrs. W. S. Magee.

Orville E. Wheeler, 23, son of Engineer E. L. Wheeler, recently received his master's degree in engineering and his ensign's commission at the University of Missouri. On the same day Orville was married at the Methodist Church in Columbia, Mo., to Miss Mary Bea Rychlik. Young Wheeler was named outstanding midshipman of the Navy's summer cruise.

Commencement exercises of the second Dale Carnegie class, to be completed in the Memphis Terminal, was conducted Wednesday night, June 20th, in the Claridge Hotel. Thirty-eight certificates were awarded. Dinner was served at 6:30 pm to the graduates and their wives. Class President R. C. Dodd, claim agent, served as toastmaster and Yard Clerk Billy L. Stephens read the Class Prophecy. The Class History was prepared by Apprentice Traffic Representative Fred Rowan, and a class poem was written by Engineer E. E. Williams.

The Class Song was composed by Engineer Myrl Sallee and Switch-

man C. L. Coley. Special guests in attendance were Superintendent Terminals and Mrs. W. B. McCaffrey, and the following class instructors: Jim Null, Mrs. Betty Ratcliff, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tiedemann, George Maness and Jack DeBerry.

Seventh Street Station

M. Lyng, Correspondent

James Burton, check clerk, who was seriously ill the early part of June, was returned home and reported doing nicely. His many friends at this station wish him a speedy recovery . . . George Mertensmeyer, clerk, has returned to duty after undergoing surgery in the Frisco Hospital.

Assistant Agent G. E. Matthews spent a week in June visiting relatives and friends in Chaffee . . . Walter Grate, clerk, spent three weeks' vacation in June redecorating his home, inside and out. He reports he really has something to show for his efforts, including a good suntan . . . Ray Donnerberg, accountant, and his wife spent three weeks in June around Miami, enjoying the sights.

We are beginning to wonder what the big attraction is down Florida way, as two more clerks in the Seventh Street Office plan to vacation there in July: Roland Lutz, open item clerk, and Larry Gerwitz, rate clerk.

Auditing, Refrigeration, Transportation

Ila Cook, Correspondent

This is a good time to advertise the lovely Ozarks for new business, with fishing the number one sport here . . . Jack Henry, secretary to superintendent transportation, and his wife are enjoying the Smoky Mountains. G. R. Hooper is relieving in Jack's post.

Harold Barclay, clerk, was taking

a number of short trips, including a visit to the St. Louis Zoo and Memphis. Mrs. Eppa Lutz, extra clerk, is working in Harold's absence.

W. B. Hudson, B&VC, spent a delightful week recently entertaining his two sons: Walter from California, and Charles' family from Illinois.

C. T. Rogers, assistant superintendent refrigeration, was called to Jefferson City due to the serious illness of his daughter, Mrs. Joel Alexander there . . . Sorry to report that C. A. Lucas, general clerk, is in the hospital.

Ila Cook, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. W. Fay, Miss Yolande Bennett, and Mrs. J. A. Moran of Memphis, motored to Wisconsin Dells for a week, returning via Salem, Ill., to visit Lincoln's home.

Mrs. Marie Malette, clerk, received word that Mary Burrell is now living in San Jose, Calif. Miss Burrell formerly was secretary to W. L. English, then superintendent Refrigeration Department. ●



Women's Club, St. Louis

The Women's Club of St. Louis celebrated its 29th Anniversary June 27 as participating guests on "Matinee," a popular two-hour radio show that's one of the few "live" talent shows left on daytime radio.

"Matinee," broadcast daily by Station KMOX, played to an audience of 160 club members in a special afternoon recording session in a big, gayly-decorated radio studio.

The recorded program was then broadcast that same afternoon.

The club held a luncheon in the studio, preceding the recording session, and the Frisco ladies conveniently remained at their tables to watch the KMOX radio stars perform. Invocation was given by Rosemary McLafferty and the welcome by club president Jo LaGrotta.

It was a toss up as to who had the most fun—the "Matinee" cast or the club members, whose party balloons, hats, horns and laughter made it an extra merry show that day.

The cast included emcee Curt Ray, who introduced Miss LaGrotta to the radio audience; singers Jack Hill, Dottie Bennett and Paula Richards (recent Godfrey talent show winner); comedian Ollie Ramon; guest recording star Sylvia Sims; and the KMOX orchestra.

The program was two hours of chatter, patter and songs, with frequent "plugs" for the Frisco, as well as the show's many sponsors.

A source of high glee to the Frisco audience was the "blooper bowl" used by the cast. Each time a performer muffed his lines, following the show's custom he added money to the bowl, slated for charity.

The club has 23 past presidents, beginning with Loretta Connor in 1927, the first president, and ending with Mary Klaskin in 1955, the last outgoing president.

The "Matinee" arrangement committee included: Chairman Mary Mourtton, Margaret Anderson, Agnes Koenig, Betty Patton, Jean Pierce, Lois Pipkin, Micki Vukovich, and June Wadlow.

Special guests at the celebration were: R. A. Grosch, chief clerk of the key punch bureau; P. M. Morris, director of public relations; J. M. Sachen, general agent; G. R. Wood, assistant to general auditor; and W. A. Young, traffic manager.

On June 13 the club held a "Hobo Sandwich" sale in the General Offices, selling 485 of these formidable inventions, and netting \$82.67 on the culinary caper.



Division Engineer Chaffee and Mrs. W. A. Schubert left New York by liner June 29 for "la grand tour" of Europe to visit relatives and friends. The Schuberts last visited Europe in 1936, when they saw the Olympic Games in Berlin, and they'll return from this trip Aug. 13.

Southwestern Division Picnic

The annual Southwestern Division picnic, given June 16 will long be remembered there as the outstanding Frisco event for 1956. A special train of nine cars left Tulsa at 7:15 a.m., and trains left Fort Worth and Sherman to meet at Sulphur and Platt National Park. Approximately 1000 employees and their families rode the trains. Whenever the engineer saw a family with picnic basket at stations along the way, the train was stopped and the picnickers got aboard. The event was sponsored by the Frisco Employees' Clubs of Tulsa, Dallas, Fort Worth, Sherman and intermediate points. Presidents who worked together for the success of the event were: C. C. Vassar, Tulsa; E. E. Barnes, Fort Worth; and L. W. Surratt, Sherman.

Upon arrival at Platt National Park, every courtesy was extended to the group by Sulphur officials. Trucks met the trains and took the well-filled picnic baskets to the park. By 11:30 a.m. tables were already spread abundantly with food. Through the courtesy of the Shy



Roundhouse Foreman and Mrs. Art Thompson of Kansas City (recently from Springfield), are generating much enthusiasm among Kansas City employes in square dancing. The couple is instructing a regular class in the colorful pastime.

and Shi Company of Sulphur, there was plenty of ice water on the picnic grounds, and tickets to all concessions at Joyland Park and the swimming pool were issued to the children.

The Sulphur Public Schools donated buses for sightseeing tours, as well as the loud speakers. To the delight of the children, 2000 balloons were provided by the Sunray Mid-Continent Oil Company.

Thurman Webb, mayor of Sulphur, gave the welcome and assured the group that Sulphur appreciated being host to the Frisco employes that day. Dick Jennings of Sulphur, was master of ceremonies.

Music was provided by Jess A. Thomas, Jr., and Eugene McDowell of Tulsa, who also entertained on the Tulsa train enroute.

Certificates of award were presented to the train crews. The crew from Tulsa was: William Black, engineer; R. E. Stone, fireman; Wesley E. Spain, conductor; H. F. Hendricks and John Self, brakemen. From Fort Worth: A. C. Miller, engineer; Bob Yowell, fireman; R. H. Holton, conductor and J. T. Hurst, brakeman. From Sherman: C. L. Trice, engineer; H. L. Kilgore, fire-

man; C. Baxter, conductor and Johnbilly Mathis and Jack Duke, brakemen. The awards were presented to the crews by the three employe club presidents.

A certificate of appreciation was presented to Mayor Webb, for the many courtesies and favors extended to the employes.

There was also an attendance prize drawing with Mrs. J. W. Rheuark of Tulsa winning the electric skillet; Mrs. Tom Herzer of Sapulpa won the rotisserie, and Mrs. E. A. Russell, a rod and reel.

Sunnyland Auxiliary, Kansas City

The Sunnyland Auxiliary met June 11 at Gus' Restaurant, with Mrs. Dan Cronin, president, conducting the business meeting.

Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. John Davis, president, succeeding Mrs. D. B. Cronin; Mrs. T. M. Mabon, vice-president; Mrs. Chas. E. Campbell, recording secretary, and Mrs. A. C. Thompson, treasurer.

The members extended sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Evert Hansen in the loss of Mr. Hansen's father, Martin Hansen of Willow Springs, Mo.

Following the business meeting, the guests enjoyed luncheon. Hostesses for the day were: Mrs. Charles Vogel and Mrs. A. C. Thompson. Mrs. Elmer Linderman, social chairman made a beautiful table centerpiece of roses and small American flags, in keeping with "Flag Week." Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and a prayer preceded the luncheon.

Women's Auxiliary, Springfield

Approximately 70 members of the Women's Auxiliary of Springfield met June 11 in the Springfield Recreation Hall for a covered dish luncheon. Hostesses were: Mrs. Harold Spain, Mrs. Geo. Jury, Mrs. Charles Ellis, Mrs. Steve Bell, Mrs. Frank Beighley and Mrs. Barney Henderson.

The Ceramic group displayed

their work, drawing much praise for the articles on exhibit. The display was the result of six months' work by those attending Ceramic instruction classes.

As an added surprise, the program chairman asked each new officer to give a history of her life. Mrs. Howard Hoke, retiring president, installed these new officers: Mrs. R. E. Pipkin, president; Mrs. Henry Stierwalt, Mrs. J. R. Warfield and Mrs. Enodi Freeman, first, second and third vice-presidents; Mrs. L. J. King, secretary and Mrs. V. C. Williams, treasurer.

Prior to the installation, the club voted to give two "campships" worth \$16.00 each for two children from the McLaughlin Youth Center, to enable them to attend summer camp.

Following Mrs. Pipkin's installation, she appointed committee chairmen for the new year: Mrs. L. M. Hendry, sunshine; Mrs. Giles Walker, by-laws; Mrs. Charles Ellis, membership; Mrs. H. C. Barnett, charity; Mrs. Fulton Smith, entertainment; Mrs. Howard Hoke, historian; Mrs. Marvin Sledge, publicity; and Mrs. Everet Bash, safety.

Employes' Club and Auxiliary, Wichita

The members of the Wichita Employes' Club and Auxiliary held their annual club picnic June 17 at Linwood Park. The thermometer soared to 100 degrees, but a windstorm with impending rain, provided a cool atmosphere at the park.

Tables were set for a fried chicken dinner at 5:00 P.M. Before the meal the men enjoyed games of horseshoe pitching and the children enjoyed the swings and various games set up especially for them.

Following the meal, there were bingo games, prizes being "white elephants" furnished by the auxiliary members.

A fishing rodeo was discussed as a possible function for the men and a tea in the fall for the women, with prominent club presidents of Wichita as guests.

Women's Club, Springfield

Many business matters were taken up in the meeting of the contact women held in the general office building on June 27, Virginia Smith, president, presiding.

Each summer, once a week at noontime, members of the club sell ice cream in the lobby of the building, and a report from the treasurer showed that sales from this project had so far netted the club \$42.85.

Upon invitation, members of the club helped with the expense of serving coffee and doughnuts to Frisco officials at a meeting held in the assembly room for the purpose of launching a fund raising campaign for Burge Hospital.

Learning that lawn chairs were needed at Sunshine Acres (a charity home near Springfield), the club spent \$22.40 for four chairs.

Miss Smith made the following appointments from the membership, of women who would serve as chairmen of the ice cream committee for July: Rosemary Witt, Elva Fulton and Marie Malette.

Men's Club, Kansas City

Members of the Men's Club of Kansas City prepared and served a big barbecue dinner at Kensington Park June 16. Art Adams, Frisco special agent, was chairman of the food committee which provided barbecued ribs, chicken and ham, radishes, onions, celery, baked beans, bread, coffee and punch, to approximately 250 employees and their families.

Assisting Mr. Adams were: Casey Hogan, in charge of children's events; Lloyd Ables, adult entertainment; Louie Ponsic, sales and B. A. Thomas, publicity.

The Frisco Softball team played an exhibition game following the meal, then three prizes were raffled. Argus C-3 35 mm Camera was won by Joe Chopp of the Sunshine Biscuit Company of Kansas City with

second prize, a clock radio, going to Flora Lackowky of the same firm. Al Westerman won the Parker pen and pencil set.

The entire proceeds of the raffle, as well as any money made over expenses at the barbecue, were given to the Frisco Softball team, to help defray their expenses to the Tournament in Springfield in July.

Following the game and raffle, many remained to square dance, under the direction of Art Thompson and his wife, who are instructors of square dancing for Frisco employees at Kansas City. Mr. Thompson is roundhouse foreman. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were recently presented with \$50.00 in appreciation of their instruction of a class of square dancers, recently graduated. A second class is in training.

Auxiliary, Memphis

The Frisco Ladies' Auxiliary met in the Frisco assembly room May 24 with the president, Mrs. Clint Andereck, presiding. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mrs. J. H. Krewson. Plans for summer activities were discussed. At the regular June meeting it was decided to visit patients at the Shelby County Hospital. A picnic was scheduled for Aug. 18. Mrs. Clarence Stout was in charge of the program which featured square-dancing by a children's club. Refreshments were served to the 23 members present.

Employees' Club, Neodesha

Over 50 members of the Employees' Club of Neodesha enjoyed a basket picnic at the Waterworks Park June 10. The meal was enjoyed by all and there were some interesting horseshoe pitching games.

There was no formal program, but everyone enjoyed the visiting. Guests who attended included: Mr.

and Mrs. Roy Farr and daughter Elaine of Dante, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lane of Mandar, N. D.; Ray Carpenter of Neodesha; and the Tommy Orr family from Cherryvale.

Plans are to have a watermelon feed in July.

Employees' Club, Muskogee

There may not be many employees at Muskogee, Okla., but the employees' club can boast of 100 per cent attendance at practically all the meetings.

Mrs. F. E. Erke, secretary, advises that regular meeting nights have been changed to the third Tuesday of each month.

Club members have been very busy equipping the kitchen in their club room (over the Frisco freight office at 3rd and Elgin), and wish to thank Frisco management for equipment, now installed, for serving refreshments and covered dish dinners.

Other officers of the club are: W. V. Layman, president, and Melvin Osborn, vice-president

Employees' Club, Joplin

The regular monthly meeting of the Employees' Club of Joplin, Mo., was held at McClelland Park, June 26 where 36 members and visitors enjoyed a fried chicken spread.

A discussion followed the dinner, when the members were asked if they would like to join the Neodesha Club in a picnic this summer, going by train to that point. All present were enthusiastic over the suggestion and the trip will no doubt be made later in the summer.

Employees' Club, Amory

The regular monthly meeting of the Frisco Employees' Club of Amory was held in the veterans' Hut on June 20, with 96 members and 64 guests in attendance. Gene Harris was in charge of the program. ●

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For Your **SAFETY'S** Sake!

by Roy P. Hamilton, Superintendent Safety

H O N O R R O L L

May, 1956

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Division	Official in Charge	Ratio
Kansas City Terminal	D. B. Cronin

MAINTENANCE OF WAY DEPARTMENT

Northern Division	F. E. Short
Eastern Division—E&W	H. M. Booth
Western Division	G. E. Warfel
Eastern Division—N&S	O. E. Fort	3.05
Southwestern Division—N	K. E. Henderson	3.86

MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT

Kansas City	J. A. Reed
St. Louis	E. S. Wood
Sherman	B. W. Swain
Amory	G. M. Jessee	2.05
West Tulsa	W. C. Reddick	2.79
Springfield	T. Murray	3.82

GENERAL

Dining Car Department	O. T. Hall
Communications & Signals Department	R. W. Troth	3.43

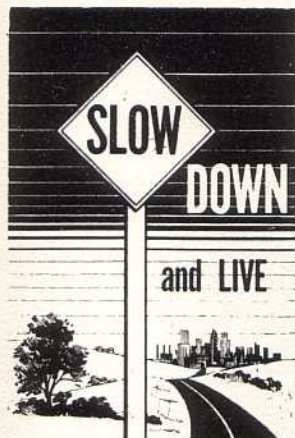
Just How Long is Your Luck?

It does little good to make a good "living" on the Frisco if we lose it on the increasingly crowded highways. Last year 38,300 Americans lost their lives and 1,350,000 were injured on the nation's streets and highways. The National Safety Council reports an 11 per cent increase in traffic fatalities and injuries during the first three months of

this year compared to the first 1955 quarter.

"So what?" We may ask as we read about the unluckier ones, "I only hope my luck continues to hold out. What else can I do?"

The Code of the Road being promoted (C. F. Carr) by the National Safety Council can be a big help in stretching your "luck"—which may be shorter than you think.



CODE OF THE ROAD

Courteous driving will save lives. My Code of the road is COURTESY.

I will not be the cause of an accident.

I WILL . . .

*share the road by driving in the proper lane
allow ample clearance when passing
yield the right of way to others . . . to pedestrians
give proper signals for turns and stops
dim my headlights when meeting or following vehicles
respect traffic laws, signs, signals and road markings
adjust my driving to road, traffic and weather conditions.*

MAKE COURTESY YOUR CODE OF THE ROAD

SAFETY STANDINGS

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

*Mechanical
Maintenance of Way
Transportation

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY

Dining Car Department
Communications & Signals
*Stores Department

VICE-PRESIDENT'S TROPHIES

Transportation
*Eastern District
Western District
Maintenance of Way
*Western District
Eastern District

*Denotes 1955 Trophy Winners

GENERAL MANAGER'S TROPHIES

Eastern District
Memphis Terminal
Springfield Terminal
St. Louis Terminal
*Southern Division
Eastern Division
Birmingham Terminal
River Division

Western District

Kansas City Terminal
Southwestern Division
Central Division
*Northern Division
Western Division
Tulsa Terminal

CHIEF ENGINEER'S TROPHIES

Western District
Northern Division
Western Division
Southwestern Division—North
*Southwestern Division—South
Central Division
Eastern District
*Eastern Division—E&W
Eastern Division—N&S
Southern Division
River Division

CHIEF MECHANICAL OFFICER'S TROPHIES

Kansas City
St. Louis
Amory
West Tulsa
*Springfield
Sherman
*West Coach Shop



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