As the snow and ice that gave Birmingham a white Xmas also made him ride a street car to his home instead of his automobile.

R. A. Allen, demurrage clerk, spent the holiday at home with family, as he did not have to tour the railroad tracks and check the old freight cars in the snow and ice.

## STEEL BRIDGE DEPARTMENT

LESTER ROGERS, Reporter

Mr. F. J. Ketchum and gang returned to the Salem branch after Xmas vacation, and they probably will be down on that line about sixty days.

Mr. B. A. Kilburn and gang are working at Alabama River. Will leave there soon and go to Pensacola, Florida.

Mr. Claud Lambeth failed to come back to the steel bridge department. We hated to lose him as a fellow workman, but glad to hear of his success with the mattress company, rebuilding old mattress made like new, I am sure he would appreciate your patronage. He is located at 1934 N. Prospect avenue, Springfield, Missouri.

Mrs. Steel is on the sick list. Mr. Steel was called home from Coy, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wingo spent Xmas vacation with daughter at Marshfield, Missouri.

Mr. John Tennison is the proud owner of a new Essex sedan.

Mr. O. E. Morris and gang are working at Springfield, Missouri.

Mrs. Lester Rogers is cooking for steel bridge gang.

## JOPLIN, MO.

ROGER C. FLETCHER, Reporter

G. L. Seanor, general foreman at the roundhouse, was in Monett on business, December 29.

A. C. Defries was a visitor at the store department on the 30th.

C. W. Kerr, former storekeeper here, now of Amory, Miss., visited friends here during the holidays. His many friends were glad to see him—"spats and ever'thing."

Miss Gladys Nelson, daughter of A. W. Nelson, inspector at the roundhouse, spent the holidays at home. Miss Nelson, at present, is instructor of voice and public school methods at the Hastings College Conservatory of Music at Hastings, Neb.

The job of Walter B. Haselton, "Loco," locomotive carpenter at the roundhouse has been abolished. Walter has been on the job about seven years and was well liked by all who knew him. We all hate to see the job abolished, and especially to see Walter leave our association. Walter was president of the shop crafts here last year and is at present secretary. May misfortune follow you always, Walter, but never catch up with you.

The Employes' Club met at the freight house on the second and elected officers.

A. L. Allison, engineer, was elected president; L. S. Baney was elected vice-president. There was a vice-president elected from each department. Following the election, the ladies of the Auxiliary played the men a game of dart ball and some of these ladies sure throw a wicked dart. There was a good attendance and all seemed to have an enjoyable time.

Mr. Edgar L. Sharp, night machinist, has been sick for fifteen days. He returned to work the night of the 15th O. A. Rea has been working in his place. E. S. Richards has had Rea's place and Bryan Garber was in Richard's place and Bill Geltz was in Garber's place.

A. R. Duncan, of the storeroom at Ruth Yard, left Joplin for Kansas City, having bid in a job of counterman there. The Ruth Yard job has been temporarily held by James Leary. The job will be permanently filled by Joseph Crane of Wichita.

Mr. Frank Langston of the Hunt-Spiller Company was a visitor at the store department the first of January.

Monday night, January 6, the dart ball teams of the Bethany Church and the office force of the freight house played two games and the church team won both games—the first one to the tune of 29 to 9, and the second, 40 to 39. These games are enjoyed by all and help make the Frisco popular with the public. This dart ball game is sure some game and the Joplin Club recommends it to all Frisco Clubs as a popular, pleasant sport.

Tuesday night, January 14, the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Employes' Club, held a tacky party in the club rooms at the freight house. The largest crowd of the season attended and all had a fine time. The evening was spent in games, dart ball, cards and dancing. Those who failed to dress "tacky" were fined for the offense. Mr. Jess Wilson, inspector at Sixth Street, won first prize for the gentlemen and Mrs. Downer, mother of Mrs. Harry Wilson, won first prize for the women. Everyone present had a most enjoyable evening.

On the fifteenth day of December Mr. R. S. Young, father of Mrs. Earl C. White, wife of inspector at Sixth Street, died at Mr. White's home. He was found dead in bed. Funeral services were held from the South M. E. Church on the 19th. Burial was in Forest Park Cemetery.

The mother of Mrs. Wilson Wade, wife of Engineer Wade, died at Sapulpa, Okla., on the 21st of December. Funeral services were held at Sapulpa.

## WEST SHOP LOCOMOTIVE DEPT. SPRINGFIELD, MO.

A. E. GODFREY, Reporter

J. A. Cooper and family spent the Christmas holidays in California. Mr. Cooper reports a wonderful trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rose visited home folks in Denver, Colo. Mr. Rose reported a lovely trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Heytman spent the Christmas holidays in California. They also visited Old Mexico. Jesse reports a wonderful trip.

L. H. Knighter, boilermaker, made a flying trip to Los Angeles, Calif. He came back smiling over his wonderful trip.

E. H. Schlegel, boilermaker, spent the vacation in Topeka, Kans.

Al. Jacobs, boilermaker, spent the Christmas holidays in Topeka, Kans., with his mother.

Jake Womack, boilermaker, spent Christmas in Kansas City, visiting home folks. He reports a lovely trip.

John Pickering, tank truckman, was in Mountain View, Mo., visiting home folks, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Humble visited in Eureka Springs, Ark., during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Connon spent the Christmas holidays in St. Petersburg, Fla. Reports a nice trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burch spent the Christmas holidays in Norfolk, Va. Mr. Burch reports a lovely trip.

Mark Marsh, electrician, has a grin on his face. No wonder, just look at his new gas bus.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Palmer are the proud parents of a fine baby girl, born on the 24th of December. Santy sure was good to them.

M. Henry, boilermaker, visited his old home town in Paducah, Ky. Reports a lovely trip.

H. E. Baer and family spent the Christmas holidays in Des Moines, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Green spent a few days in St. Louis the week of December 30.

George Law and family spent the holidays in Memphis, Tenn., visiting relatives. George is all smiles over his hunting trip. He says there are lots of ducks on the Mississippi River.

We are very sorry to announce the death of J. O. Cavner, which occurred December 24. The Cavner family have the sympathy of the West Shop boys.

Geo. Herren, boilermaker, spent the holidays in Chicago, Ill., visiting home folks.

Matt Schmidtlein spent the Christmas holidays in Topeka, Kans., visiting home folks.

Leo Herberger and wife spent the Christmas holidays in Haskell, Okla., visiting home folks.

E. H. Jones and family spent the Christmas holidays in Pensacola, Fla.

O. C. Skelton, boilermaker, made a flying trip to Ava, Mo.

Victor Westman and family spent the Christmas holidays in Willow Springs with home folks.

E. E. King, painter, spent the holidays hunting.

Clarence Bradshaw, boilermaker apprentice, spent the holidays at Cabool with home folks.

W. E. Bell, pipefitter, and son, W. E., Jr., spent the Christmas holidays in Houston, Texas, with home folks.

Joe Bandon, sheet metal worker, made a flying trip to St. Louis.

Nordene Wilson ,sheet metal worker, made a flying trip to Joplin, Mo. He reports a lovely trip.

Oscar Lee and Jeff Brazile spent Christmas butchering hogs. Looks like they would invite us all out to a feed.

J. D. Cullen, tin shop foreman, has purchased a new radio.

We are sorry to announce the death of Mrs. Cain, December 9, mother of Albert Cain, boilermaker. The Cain family have the sympathy of the West Shop boys.

## CHAFFEE, MO., ROUNDHOUSE

JAS. E. STOUT, Reporter

John M. Sheeley, division chairman of the F. A. M. C. & C. D. E., spent several days in Springfield on association business, the early part of this month.

Stationary Fireman Hawkins was called to Kennett a few days ago on account of the serious illness of his mother. We are glad to learn his mother is very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Norris are the proud parents of another fine boy, who arrived a few days after Christmas.

Have you noticed that smile which Uncle Bud Baronosky has these days since Bob Watson has returned Bud's old NEW lathe from Springfield Shops? Boy, that sure is some machine now, and Uncle Bud has a right to be proud of it.

Dad Newell has been on the sick list for several days. We fear the strain was too much for his nerves while the boy was in the hospital.

The writer can sympathize with Rube Norris, Joe Porter and several others, as I have had all my molars, cuspids, and, oh, well, just all my teeth removed.

## MECHANICAL AND STORES DEPT. FT. WORTH, TEXAS

J. D. WACEY, Reporter

We are having some real winter weather here, this part of the "Sunny South" has not been very sunny for the last few days.

Well, Christmas has come and gone. Old Santa seems to have been pretty good to the most of us. The Christmas tree given by the Frisco Club was a big success, and R. W. Courtney, as Santa Claus, was a hit.

Local No. 25 F. A. of M. C. & C. D. E., at their regular meeting on January 7, elected W. P. Saringer as vice-president in place of H. A. High, resigned. W. M. Witt, car man, was presented with a billfold, for attending the most meetings in 1929.

Miss Frances Blentlinger, daughter of our car foreman, and Wiley Williamson, were married on December 21. They left after Christmas to make

their home in Long Beach, Calif.

Miss Esther Plummer, daughter of M. V. Plummer, car man, and Kirby Ables, night supply man, were married on December 22. We wish both of these young couples a long and happy married life.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fooshee were called to Forestburg, Texas, on January 2, by the death of Mr. Fooshee's sister. We extend to them our heartfelt sympathy.

J. R. Newsom, north side inspector, who has been off several months with an infected thumb, has returned to work.

L. M. McMahon, car man, has been off sick, but has returned to work.

C. R. Wehres, oiler, is off sick. We hope he will soon be able to return to work.

C. H. Rhea, car man, made a short visit with relatives in Granbury, Texas, during the holidays.

Geo. C. Best, car man, spent a few days with relatives in Shreveport, La., during the holidays.

Haskell Fooshee, son of J. G. Fooshee, car man, who is working in Houston, Texas, spent Christmas with his parents.

H. A. High has been appointed night roundhouse foreman, relieving B. Boydstun, who has been asigned to other duties.

C. H. Dingman, traveling locomotive inspector, paid us a visit about the middle of December.

Mr. Bryant, traveling airbrake inspector, and Mr. Fisher, traveling painter, spent a day with us last week.

Mr. H. L. Worman and Mr. G. W. Moore paid us a visit on December 17, and were greeted by a genuine "Texas Norther," the wind around 18 degrees and a hard north wind making it seem twenty degrees colder.

If anyone off the Parent Line comes to Texas and contemplates driving on the Fort Worth-Dallas Highway, will be a good idea to get in touch with our general foreman, Mr. L. K. Spafford, as he has some valuable information which he might put out. Will be more about this in the next issue of the Frisco Magazine.

## SOUTH TRAIN YARDS SPRINGFIELD, MO.

JESSE L. BRANDON, Reporter

Springfield is having one of the worst sleet and snowstorms of the season. The Frisco trains are running about on time.

Mr. J. F. Bunch, interchange inspector, with his wife and son, Otho, spent Christmas visiting with relatives in St. Louis and while there visited several places of interest. Reports very enjoyable time.

Louis Sweetin, stevedore, was off several days on account of the sickness and death of his brother, D. W. Sweetin, who was an engineer for the Frisco out of St. Louis, Mo. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved in their great loss.

A. P. (Mack) Wells, check clerk, who has been off for some time on account of pneumonia fever, is now improving.

Miss Marie Brandon, daughter of Jesse L. Brandon, spent the Christmas vacation visiting her sister in St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bock.

Fred Snow, a platform employe at the freight house was off a few days with a very severe toothache, and did not get any relief until he had it extracted.

Mrs. Trantham of Tulsa, Okla., spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Prophet of Springfield, Mo. Mr. Prophet is a truckman at the freight house.

Joe Walls Hastler was off a few days. Joe Saunders worked his job while he was off.

Joe Hacker is also off.

Members of the Free Will Baptist Church on West Dividion Street Road gave a surprise birthday dinner to their pastor, Rev. W. E. George, who is a coach repair man at the South Side.

## WATER SERVICE DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

CLAUDE HEREFORD, Reporter

C. E. Teeter, ex-general B&B foreman, made this place a short visit recently. We are always glad to welcome "Teet," and we are sure that it always seems like home to him, he having spent a good many years here.

We received our 1930 correspondent's pass promptly, and wish to thank those responsible through these columns, and will endeavor to show our appreciation by our efforts throughout the coming year by trying to make our Magazine a bigger and better publication than ever.

James Jones, assistant foreman, has been transferred to the Southwestern division as water service foreman, with headquarters in Tulsa, Okla.

Mr. O. H. Reynolds, of the division engineer's office, has been appointed to succeed "Jim."

Andy Baker, has purchased "hisself" a wonderful coon "dawgg" and spends all his spare time at home training and hunting with him.

Jim Jones wants Andy's picture taken with the hound, but says that unless "Bink" keeps his hat on, it will be difficult to distinguish which is the dog.

Virgil Losey, extra fireman at the heating plant, who is filling the place of Andrew Porter, who is in the Frisco Hospital here, has been on the sick list.

Bill Marr's temperature has just about subsided to normal again, now that the hunting season has closed.

The bunch around here seem to be "teething" again, as several have been having more or less trouble from that source.

W. E. Phillips recently had six extracted, Claude Tuck had six extracted, Brooks Day had one, the writer, two, and Charles Baron of the B&B department, not to be outdone by the W. S. gang, went and had one pulled, although there is some doubt as to whether or not it was essential.

Seriously speaking, though, it is no joking matter.

## MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT PARIS, TEXAS

N. B. PALMERTREE, Reporter

Paris has had lots of cold weather during the month of December, the coldest being seven above zero, with a northeast wind, and a fellow sure had to wrap up good to get out side. The cold weather brought lots of sickness to the Frisco folks, the changeable weather causing colds, etc.

Mr. E. S. Olson, master mechanic, was sick with a cold for several days, but did not give up and stayed on the job. Mrs. Palmertree's sister's baby was very sick for several days, while they were visiting Mr. Palmertree, car inspector, and wife, from Lake Charles, Louisiana.

J. A. Nelson, laborer was sick Christmas day, so he did not enjoy his day off, nor the holidays very much.

W. J. Fletcher, hostler helper, has been off since December 13, sick, and we think that it must have been on account of December 13 being Friday, the unlucky day that he was off so long.

Mr. Earl Thornton, hostler, was sick with a cold several days, but did not lay off, as we needed him badly during the holidays.

Mr. T. R. Jackson, chief clerk, and wife and daughter, Gloria Lloys, spent four days during the Christmas holidays at Ballinger, Texas, visiting both of their parents, and the visit was enjoyed very much; however, too much turkey won't agree with anyone, Mr. Jackson.

Mr. J. D. Fry, switch engineer, has been off for a week account of personal business and he also stated that he was going to visit his daughter in Houston, Texas. We hope Mr. Fry and wife will enjoy their trip.

Car Inspector J. L. North's mother has been real sick for several weeks and Mr. North layed off to be with her, however, at this time we are glad to state that she has improved considerably, and was taken to one of her other son's home, for a rest and change of climate.

Mr. H. H. Taylor, engineer, had an accident the other morning—at least the other fellow had the accident, a bread wagon was hit at the Bonham Street crossing, there was no one injured and no serious damage done to the car.

Mr. Hert Allen, grandfather of Mrs. T. R. Jackson, is seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. May Smith, Paris, route 2. Two of Mr. Allen's sons are with him, also Messrs. Tom and Will Allen of Plainview, Texas. Mr. Allen is very old and there is not much hope for his recovery.

Paris was honored several days ago with a visit from Messrs. J. E. McQuillen, mechanical superintendent of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway, and A. T. Lohman, master mechanic of the Santa Fe. They both reported everything O. K. at Paris and we hope they enjoyed their short stay here, regardless of the extreme cold weather we had that day.

The transportation department employes were entertained during the holidays at parties at the homes of Miss Faye Heckleman, general clerk, and B. C. Derrick, chief clerk, and all reported an enjoyable time.

Mr. H. B. Messer, night yardmaster, attended the American Legion dance held at the Coliseum at Paris, and, believe me, he was all there and then some.

Mr. H. L. Dismukes, head check clerk, was called to Farmersville last week account of the serious illness of his sister, and we are glad to report that at this time her condition has improved and "Slim" is back on the job.

The crate factory and box factory of Paris have begun to make shipments of crates and boxes and it will make a decided increase in our revenue business out of Paris. Swift & Company, packing house, has begun building a new branch plant at Paris, estimated cost to be $150,000.00, and we are looking forward to their business.

Mr. A. H. Bearden, former chief clerk at Paris, has just returned from the St. Louis Frisco hospital for a minor operation, and he is now feeling fine.

## LOCAL No. 29—FT. SCOTT, KAN.

VERNE JONES, Reporter

On December 19, 1929, Local 29 had a supper at the Y. M. C. A., for employes and their families. Mr. Frank Junkins, general chairman, was present and made a fine talk, and Mr. P. J. Moore, general foreman, acted as toastmaster. Good eats for all.

We are glad to hear that Cecil Padgett likes his new home. Mr. Padgett, formerly a machinist at Fort Scott, accepted a new position at Yale, Tennessee, recently.

The new son which arrived at the home of Joe Sellars, machinist, has been given the name of Joseph Robert. Needless to say, he is quite proud of the little fellow.

Just recently, the Y. M. C. A. furnished a new baseball board for the entertainment of employes during lunch period. The board is quite a novelty, and some of the boys are getting to be experts at hitting the spot.

Among the New Years day visitors in Springfield, were William Bryant and Verne Jones, machinists, and Emil Kerlin, boilermaker.

Verne Mahan, formerly of Fort Scott, but now of St. Louis, Missouri, was visiting here recently, and we are glad to hear his new boy is doing fine.

Night Roundhouse Foreman John McPeters has just returned from a trip to Corpus Cristi, and other points along the coast. He reports having had a very enjoyable trip.

Machinist Helper Otis Sellars, wife and daughter, spent the holiday week in Henrietta, Oklahoma, visiting relatives.

Buford Norris, car man at Fort Scott, has taken a job at Neodesha.

Local 29 has received their new attendance cards for the year 1930, which will make it more convenient for members to check their attendance.

## WEST SHOP MECHANICAL NEWS

JOHN R. FRANK, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Blume are the proud parents of a baby boy born December 23, 1929.

Mr. F. J. Reynolds, electrician foreman, who was confined in the Frisco Hospital in St. Louis, has returned to Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bird, report a very nice holiday spent at Lockwood, Missouri, Christmas.

The west shop is again running in the lead in the American Legion Membership Contest. Geo. W. Morrison, lead man in the pipe gang having won the $10.00 cash prize offered by Herman Lohmeyer —and is many votes in the lead for the grand prize. We are looking forward with great interest to the building of our new Legion Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Garrison and family enjoyed a very pleasant Christmas spent with Mr. Garrison's brother in Knoxville, Tenn.

We are glad to report that Jack Redyard, traveling motor car inspector has left the hospital where he recently underwent an operation for appendicitis and will soon return to work.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matney spent the holidays with relatives in Illinois.

Mr. Ormond Johnson recently returned from a big-game hunting trip in Ark.

Mr. Allen Mitchell has charge of the electrical department during Mr. Reynolds illness.

Mr. Harvey Slentz and family were recently called to Springfield by the death of Mr. Slentz's nephew.

Employes of the west shop will be interested to know that Sam Burger, former machinist apprentice, is employed by the Empire Oil Company, at Rock Springs, Wyoming. Sam was recently injured in an explosion in one of stills in the refinery and was under the care of physicians for about six weeks. However, he is recovered now and back at work.

The daughter of J. J. Williams, blacksmith helper, Miss Ruth Williams and Mr. B. G. Strain, were married December 21, 1929. Miss Williams was a graduate of Teachers College and taught five years in Senior High School in Springfield. Mr. Strain is employed by the Standard Oil Company, in Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Strain will make their home at 1095 S. Boulevard, Springfield. We wish them all the joy in the world and may they live happily for ever and ever.

Roy (Monk) Thomas and Everett (Posse) Arthur, are the rabbit catching champions of the west shop, it is nothing uncommon for them to bring real live rabbits into the forge shop, that they have caught on their way to work. The boys won't tell the secret of their success, but it is rumored they are fast of foot and that once they sight a cotton-tail they proceed to surround him and then it's just too bad for mister rabbit. Anyway their method produces results.

Several of the forge shop boys went bye-bye during the holidays, John Richey went to Montana to visit his mother, James F. Irvine went to Apopka, Florida. John Koepke and wife went to Pensacola, and by the way, it looks like John was the only one who had nerve enough to take his wife along, anyway he said he liked the Ozarks well enough to stay here after seeing Florida, and George P. Freeman got as far as the southwest corner of the square at Springfield, where he managed to divide his time between the two ten cent stores. Earl Webb, went to Idaho where he has some relatives, but most of the force stayed in Springfield and enjoyed the wonderful weather.

## LOCAL No. 32—NEWBURG, MO.

E. F. FULLER, Reporter

Ollie Drown, third-class machinist, who was operated on in Frisco Hospital, is back home very much improved.

Marvie Simms, extra laborer, is back to work after five weeks of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Trotter are the proud parents of a baby girl, Betty Belle, born January 6th, 1930.

Mr. O. J. Painter and wife of Springfield visited R. L. Painter and H. W. Fuller, Christmas.

L. A. Fuller, wife and son Leroy, of Kansas City, visited Mrs. F. A. Fuller and Dr. Breuer, Christmas.

William Davis, first-class machinist, turned his car over on highway 66 near Pond, recently.

E. F. Fuller, wife and son Ronald, visited J. W. Vinson of Springfield, Christmas.

D. B. Ege, wife and son Bobby, visited Marionville and Springfield during the holidays.

Henry Hodge, stationary engineer, is back to work after a two weeks' lay off on account of the illness of his father.

Grover Helms, cinder pit man, is back after 10 days' lay off.

Mrs. Frank Short is slowly improving from a sprained ankle.

Maxine Stroup, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Stroup died of membraneous croup, December 26th, 1929, 10:30 p. m. Interment was made at New Hope Cemetery near Phillipsburg. Shopmen extend their sympathies during the sad hours of bereavement.

Walter Howard, third-class blacksmith, requests this article printed in the Frisco Magazine of his grandparents:

50th wedding anniversary.

Were married December 29th, 1879, at North Spring Creek.

Lived on one farm all the time except about two years.

Mr. John Gollahon, 78.

Mrs. John Gollahon, 73.

Nine children.

Three boys and three girls living.

All present except Chas.

Thirty-six grandchildren.

Thirteen great-grandchildren.

Seventy-one present.

Table heavy ladened with food. Large cake with fifty candles in center of table.

Mr. Gollahon born in Linn County, Tennessee.

Mrs. Gollahon born in Franklin County, Missouri, maiden name Eddleman.

## LOCAL No. 15—OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

E. W. GEE, Reporter

Local 15 did not meet first meeting night in 1930, it being New Years night.

Several of the men at this point have been laid off account reduction in force. Hope to see them all back on the job soon.

Oklahoma City has been enjoying real winter the past several days, 11 inches of snow and 2 below zero January 10. Very unusual for sunny Oklahoma.

The writer is glad to report the wife at home and well on the road to recovery after six weeks in the hospital.

J. H. McMains, formerly assistant yardmaster at south yards, has bid in position of foreman train yard engine at east yard. We are sorry to lose him from south yard.

Mr. E. L. Phelps, our general car foreman from Tulsa was with us this week.

D. L. Estes has made several trips to Cement lately to see the oil well drilling on his farm. Here's hoping Dave gets oil.

D. M. Bronson, main line hostler, is back on the job after about three weeks absence on account of injury to his shoulder. Glad to see him back.

Guy Pafford, west end passenger brakeman, has been off several days account of infection in his foot. We are glad he is back on the job.

Ford plant at this point has resumed operation. We are glad to see this as they are located on our line and we get the biggest part of the business.

Regret to report that Engine Inspector Ed Lynne's wife is confined to hospital for appendicitis operation. Hope she will soon recover.

## LOCAL No. 4—KANSAS CITY, MO.

DORAL L. DENISON, Reporter

John W. Stiefer, locomotive inspector, who is seriously ill at St. Mary's Hospital is reported to be getting along as well as could be expected at this writing.

Charles Glover is the proud owner of a new Ford coach, which he traded for his Oakland recently.

Scott Lipsey, fire cleaner, is off for a week to be spent at home resting.

Con Sullivan, is back on the job after being off for a number of weeks with a fractured arm.

James Paffe is back on the job again after being off for a few days with a fractured rib.

Leslie McGown, who has been off on the sick list the past month, is now back on the job looking none the worse for his sickness.

Frank Bertina, suffered an attack of ptomaine poison recently, but is now able to be back on the job.

Earl Hicks, machinist helper, is off on the sick list, but is reported to be doing nicely at this writing.

Kansas City had its biggest snow of the season January 7, 8 and 9, and the roundhouse and yards were almost snowed under, but everything got out on time, with the help and the co-operation of all the employes and the expert management of the supervisors.

Nick Vidovich has taken supply job, vice Andrew Frederickson who was bumped back to the extra gang.

William Bullard is the proud owner of a new Ford sedan and also a pair of new leggins which he purchased at a bargain.

John Purtle is the proud owner of a set of false teeth, having worn his old ones out during the holidays eating turkey.

## MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT THAYER, MO.

F. M. PEEBLES, Reporter

Rodney Wilcox and wife, of Memphis, Tennessee, were visitors here.

Mrs. P. A. F. Ingle, wife of agent, visited at Guin, Alabama.

Sam Woolridge and wife visited their son at Springfield, Missouri.

John Reeves, son of Sam Reeves, pumper, visited his grandmother at Jobe, Missouri.

Anda Swatzenback and wife, retired engineer, spent a few days in Springfield, Missouri, visiting his sister.

Miss Pearl McCourtney of Memphis, Tennessee, daughter of Geo. McCourtney, foreman water service, visited home folks.

W. N. Andrews, coal shute laborer, has traded in his Essex coupe for a new Ford sedan.

Born to Walter Myers, machinist, and wife, formerly of this place, now located at Birmingham, Alabama, a daughter named Vera Louis on December 30th,

1929. Weight 7 lbs. and 1 oz. Incidentally this now makes our congenial night Roundhouse Foreman F. C. Williams a step-grand-father.

Mack Beird, pumper, is on a visit to Cardova, Mississippi, visiting home folks.

John Paragoe, boilermaker, and wife, of Yale, Tennessee, was a visitor here.

C. Jones, car inspector, is now on the sick list.

On December 31, 1929, the stork arrived at the domicile of I. W. Hill, car inspector, and wife, a son weighing 8¼ lbs. named Owen Webster.

R. L. Rotzinger, clerk at the freight house, and wife, of Memphis, Tennessee, visited F. G. Schratz, car inspector.

Earl Payne was the successful bidder on one of the baggage jobs at Hoxie, Arkansas, and reported for work December 20th and worked 3 days when job was abolished. He is now at Norwood, Missouri.

M. W. Manning, extra platform man, is back on the job again.

Fred Smith was the successful bidder on the freight job here and reported for work January 9.

J. A. Beck, yard master, has now been pensioned. E. Banks has been appointed in his place.

P. A. F. Ingle, agent, was off a few days, and F. L. Conley was acting agent.

E. E. Roberts, yard clerk, is now back at work after being off for the past month and a half.

I omitted last month to state that we had our regular meeting of the metal craft and car department employes, for the purpose of electing officers. I. W. Hill was elected president for the second time and R. Holmes, secretary.

## LOCAL No. 24—AMORY, MISS.

RAYMOND F. DEES, Reporter

John Garner, son of roundhouse foreman, was painfully injured recently when run down by a motorist.

R. L. Stevison relieved A. R. Holmquist, roundhouse clerk, during his recent illness.

F. F. Wolfe visited home folks at Montgomery, Alabama, during the holidays.

Storekeeper C. W. Kerr and wife spent the holidays with friends in Oklahoma City.

Staybolt Inspector R. J. Sullivan and wife were visitors at Springfield, Missouri, during the holiday season.

R. H. Lamm, wrecker engineer, after spending several weeks in Oklona Mississippi Hospital, due to an accident by a hit and run motorist, has been removed to St. Louis Hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Well, folks, the writer will have to confess, it is another boy! Thanks.

O. B. Holmquist, air man, is on the sick list at this writing.

F. R. Tomas, supplyman, is also on the sick list. We hope to have both of them back on the job soon.

J. H. Braman, machinist second class reports a wonderful time during his visit back home recently.

Geo. Beggs, night locomotive inspector, is still off due to an accident received some time ago.

## RECLAMATION PLANT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

T. O. CHAPMAN, Reporter

Mrs. Vance Blakely has been ill at the St. John's Hospital, but recovered sufficiently to return to her home.

Arthur Hayhurst, laborer, has resigned with the Frisco and will try his luck again on a farm, which he owns near Clever.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Fuerst, on December 22nd at St. John's Hospital, a Miss who has been named Shirley Jean. The little lady weighed 8¼ lbs.

Charles Mikeswell was called to Madison, South Dakota, by the death of an uncle. He stopped in Iowa on the return trip and visited some relation and old acquaintances before returning.

Elery Sanford had to make another trip to the Frisco eye specialist at St. Louis this month. He is much encouraged and improved considerably, and thinks that he will not be compelled to return for further treatment.

We are informed that there is a new boy at the home of Lester Davis. Lester is a blacksmith helper and being on the night shift, have been unable to secure the name of the youngster.

Finis Litrell, Jess Minnick and George Gippert made a trip into the Boston mountains in Arkansas to "see what they looked like." The trip was made in Littrell's new DeSoto Six, sedan, which performed wonderfully, they reported.

Ira Jones, blacksmith helper, informs us he has purchased a very up-to-date 44 acre poultry farm near Fordland, Missouri. Ira says he does not intend to leave the Frisco, and anyone wanting to trade or buy a farm is welcome to talk to him.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garland are spending some of their time in the sunny south, while we are experiencing some of the roughest weather of the winter. They intend visiting at Pensacola, Florida, Memphis, Tennessee and also spending some time in Alabama before returning.

Jess C. Potts, labor gang foreman, has been confined in the St. John's Hospital with an attack of rheumatism, has recently recovered sufficiently to travel, and is at this time at his old home in Memphis, Tennessee, where he expects to recuperate for some time before returning to work.

John Bowman took a ten day trip to southern Texas. He reports he basked in the warm sunshine along the coast at Port Isabell, and made his diet sea food exclusively while there. He had splendid luck fishing and thinks that would not be a bad part of the world to inhabit.

Before returning he crossed the border at Brownsville and went over into Old Mexico to see how the hombres looked over the line. He reports he saw many pretty senoritas, but being unable to sabe their lingo he didn't have very good luck with his flirtations.

About Christmas when we were having beautiful weather, but a few pessimistic weather prophets prophesied that we were to have an Xmas storm, some of our fellow workers philosophized: "Why not go south while we can and escape King Winter's breath"? Those from our shop who went were, Hugh Doran, Clarence Sissel, Wesley Faught and Robert Lewis, and they each took their families. Before we had hardly missed them they were all back again, each saying he was glad to return, for instead of the storm being here, it was in the land to which they had journeyed. Any way they all report a pleasant trip to Pensacola, Florida, and that they had the experience of riding the waves of the Gulf of Mexico, and seeing a part of Uncle Sam's navy training station located there.

## LOCAL No 7—FORT SMITH, ARK.

LEE W. CAVINESS, Reporter

Dan Cupid is getting his work in early this year; Brother C. I. McFadden, triple rack operator, and Miss Ada Calvert, of this city, were married January 11th. Local No. 7 extend the happy couple best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Account of the bad weather we are having, our meetings are not being attended as well as we would wish, however the "faithful few" that are coming out, are doing their best to carry on the business of our organization to the best of our ability.

We feel that the Central division was highly honored in having our good friend and able representative, H. E. Burgess, elected to the office of secretary of the System Committee. Brother Burgess has been a tireless worker in our organization ever since becoming a member, his fair and impartial manner of handling the affairs of our membership has earned for him the respect of all.

Brother George C. Shields, boilermaker, and family, were recent visitors in Springfield.

Brother Al Sweet, machinist, and family, were called to Springfield recently account of a death in Brother Sweet's family. Local No. 7 extends our sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Brother Willie McGee, tank truckman, reports the arrival of a new son. Congratulations, Bill, you'll soon have enough boys to carry on the farm work.

The "stork" also paid a visit to Brother and Mrs. Mike D. Hodges. Twins were born, but one of them died after living only a few hours.

Brother O. N. Wright, machinist, spent several days with home folks at Hugo, Oklahoma, during the holidays.

Much interest is being manifested in regards to the System Baseball League, being organized by our old friend Doc. Seabough of Springfield. The writer being personally acquainted with Mr. Seabough and knowing his love for baseball, anticipates a successful season for the Frisco League.

## OKLAHOMA CITY AUXILIARY No. 15—NEWS

MRS. JESSE C. BRYANT, President

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Frisco Metal Crafts and Car Department Employes' Local No. 15, held a Christmas program in the I. O. O. F. hall on the evening of December 18, 1929. A one-act play, "The Marriage of Santa," was enacted and directed by Mrs. Jess Moore, who has established a reputation as being very adept at this work. Following the play, a number of readings were given by Frisco children; a Christmas song was sung by little Bernice Bryant; a tap dance was given by Misses Vita Thompson and Gladys Harvell. Incidentally, Santa Claus arrived with the lighting of the Christmas tree at 9:15 p. m., and thrilled the children, as well as the grown-ups with the presentation of candy and a varied line of fruits to suit the taste of everyone present. The men were generously treated with cigars and many expressions of goodwill and thanks have been received from Local No. 15, congratulating those responsible for the high-class program and other features that helped to make the meeting such a wonderful success. Many jolly good times are planned for the coming year.

We hope to see something in the Magazine as to what some of the other Auxiliaries are doing in a social way. I believe the Ladies' Auxiliary to every local can be a wonderful help and serve as a sort of stimulant to help keep the locals wide-awake and doing something all the time to keep up interest and enthusiasm in the Association. I hope every local on the Frisco will get busy and organize a Ladies' Auxiliary and do your bit to make a bigger and better organization.

## LOCAL No. 1—SPRINGFIELD, MO.

JOHN O'BRIEN, Reporter

Local No. 1 has held two successful meetings since last writing, at which the first one Mr. Frank Junkins gave a very forceful talk on the necessity of belonging to the association. At the last meeting, which was on January 10, it was decided to give the Ladies' Auxiliary $50.00 for their treasury, and to also give a supper at the next regular meeting, which will be on January 24, the big feature being that the men are to do all the cooking. This has the ear marks of being one of the best suppers ever given.

J. A. Davis, machinist at the reclamation plant, has the sympathy of the employes in the death of his brother at Clinton, Mo., December 31, 1929.

There is a certain fat machinist at the reclamation plant who makes a

specialty of working on Brown hoists in the **Cold-Cold** roundhouse.

We understand that Jack Stewart, formerly of the reclamation plant, and who is now with the drafting room of the signal department, is driving a new Whippet coupe.

W. A. Mongold, of the St. Louisans, showed the true spirt of his team, January 10, by coming over with a neat 594, starting out with 229 for the first game. James Adams, also a star bowler, aided the good work by rolling 573. Boys, you can't beat that, they have just got it.

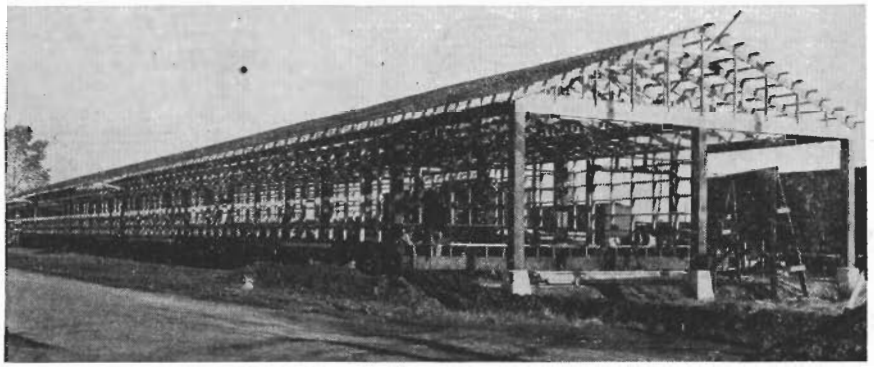
With all of the talk of moving the north roundhouse to the west shop, we are wondering what will become of the dear old RC plant. But no matter, wherever you go, whatever you do, we will **always** be there, too. Signed, "The Force."

George Thompson, machinist, RC plant, is on the sick list at the time of this writing. We hope George will soon be with us again.

There is a movement on foot to get rid of an Elgin watch, this being sponsored by the Tomato King.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Furest are the proud parents of a brand-new baby girl, born December 28, named Shirley Jean.

Finis Littrell, Geo. Gippert and Jesse Minnick took a trip over the Boston Mountains. Finis reported that his back spring was sagging when he got home account George sitting on one side too long, but in all, it was a very interesting trip.



*The accompanying photograph shows a furniture warehouse being constructed in the center of the furniture manufacturing district at Ft. Smith, Arkansas.*

*The warehouse was primarily built for the storage of radio cabinets, pending their shipment to the various radio manufacturers in carload lots. The building is 320 feet long by 40 feet wide and when completed, will be well ventilated, electrically lighted and provided with modern sanitary facilities. This building will be served by a spur track and a 275 foot by eight foot loading deck. The sides and roof of the building will be covered with corrugated iron and it will be lined throughout with Celotex.*

*The building was constructed from plans prepared in the offices of Mr. E. L. Collette, Frisco division engineer, by company forces, at a cost of approximately $11,000.00.*

## LOCAL No. 11—CHAFFEE, MO.

MRS. FRED DOHRMAN, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Whitker had as their guest over a recent week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Tanner, of Granite City, Ill.

Mrs. W. F. Proffer is in the Southeast Missouri Hospital at Cape Girardeau Mo. for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hamilton visited friends and relatives in Kennett, Mo., recently.

Mrs. John Ponder shopped in Cape Girardeau, recently.

Mrs. G. A. Proffer, of Advance, Mo., has just returned from an extended visit with relatives in Muskogee, Okla.

Mrs. W. H. Pryor visited friends and relatives in Sikeston, Mo., recently.

S. F. Musgraves transacted business in Brownwood, Mo, recently.

We wish to extend sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Grover White, in the loss of Mrs. White's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Rube Norris are the proud parents of a baby girl, whom they have named Vera.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morrie visited friends in St. Louis over a recent week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Simpkins visited the latter's father, Mr. J. E. Pryor, of Tallapoosa, Mo., recently.

Mrs. Frank Yount visited friends and relatives in Granite City, Ill., over a recent week-end.

Mrs. G. A. Reeves has as her guests Mr. and Mrs. Tom Reeves of Granite City, Ill.

Mrs. John Harrison who recently underwent a major operation in the Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Mo., is reported to be slowly recovering.

## OFFICE SUPT. TERMINALS SPRINGFIELD, MO.

NORMAN HINDS, Reporter

Ralph Rimbey has been off duty for several weeks, due to illness which has forced him to become an inmate of the Employes' Hospital in St. Louis. Ralph's many friends wish him a quick and complete recovery and a speedy return to his position.

The death of J. A. McKeon, veteran yardmaster, saddened his many friends and grief was shown by the funeral, which was attended by one of the largest crowds ever to attend the services of a local railway employe. The death of Mr. McKeon, which occurred January 2, followed a short illness and was a shock to the terminal employes. Condolences is tendered the family of the deceased in their bereavement by the employes of Springfield terminal.

Dollie Hinkle has returned to her duties after an absence of a week, due to illness.

The marriage of Miss Maxine Player to Mr. Charles Wasson, which occurred December 24, created considerable interest among the local employes, as Mr. Wasson is employed in the north yard office. The best of god wishes were bestowed upon the young couple by their numerous friends.

Walter P. Gustin, Jr., son of W. P. Gustin, general yardmaster of Springfield terminal, has been tendered an appointment to the national military academy at West Point, New York. This is an unusual honor and we all hope "Junior" will successfully pass the entrance examinations, which are the most difficult of any American educational institution.

J. P. Kerr, at present, is laying off on account of sickness. We hope Mr. Kerr will soon be able to resume his duties.

Charles Willis has been appointed an assistant yardmaster, succeeding J. A. McKeon, deceased.

G. H. Viggers has virtually completed negotiations whereby he will trade his suburban home for one located within the city.

Archie Lamb recently returned from the Employes' Hospital in St. Louis, where he received medical treatment.

W. H. Ritter, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is reported as convalescing. Mr. Ritter is at present confined to the Employes' Hospital at Springfield. We hope for a speedy recovery for Mr. Ritter.

Mrs. L. L. Glore, wife of Switchman Glore, is visiting relatives in Denver, Colo.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE—WEST SHOPS, SPRINGFIELD

JOE GOODRICH, Reporter

The "Memphians," West Shop bowling team, captained by C. E. "Oley" Grundburg, are in first place in the Frisco League and give every promise of giving the boys a run for their money in the second half contest. Mike Conlon has hit his stride and, though he is a southpaw, is knocking 'em for a loop on every attempt. Walt Shackelford has staged a big comeback and is turning in excellent scores. W. E. "Deadeye Dick" Stucki, whose specialty is spares, is hitting on all twelve, and with W. T. McFarland and Captain Grundburg bowling their usual consistent games, prospects are very bright for a championship.

Talk of the proposed Frisco System baseball league is keeping baseball interest higher than ever before at West Shops. Even the snow and ice have failed to dampen the enthusiasm and most of the team is only waiting for the chirp of the first robin to begin spring training. West Shops have unusually good prospects for a championship team with "Speed" Nelson, strike-out king, back in the box and an unlimited supply of good material in all departments.

F. J. Reynolds, electrical foreman, spent most of the holidays in the St. Louis hospital with an attack of appendicitis. Fred is back on the job, however, and feeling much better at this writing.

M. A. Herzog, chief chemist, reported a white Christmas in Atlanta, Ga., where he spent the holidays. Mr. Herzog stated snow in Atlanta is a very rare thing.

T. E. Boal, timekeeper, is confined to his home account of illness. His condition is much improved, however, and we expect to have Trace back with us in a short time.

Claude Wills, boilermaker, is having great sport pulling the gag about the fellow who was seen wearing a bright red overcoat (Santa Claus) on his friends.

Fred H. McDaniel, sheet metal worker, recently returned from California and is very enthusiastic about the wonderful scenery and balmy climate he enjoyed there; especially since our recent snow and ice storm.

Jas. T. Walsh, general boiler foreman, is driving a new Dodge.

Wilson Mills, shop distribution clerk, spent Christmas in Osceola.

Virgil E. Endecott, distribution clerk, is paddling his own canoe, so to speak, while Mrs. Endecott is visiting relatives in California.

C. E. Bradshaw, boilermaker apprentice, finished his time January 10.