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Melvin Rensch, blacksmith committee-man and blacksmith in the blacksmith shop, has been called back to work after being off for some time due to reduction in force.

On Friday night, May 1, Local No. 1 held an entertainment and banquet at the American Legion Home. They had as their guest 100 members of the Monett local and their supervisors and also the supervisors of the north and south shops here. J. W. Surles, superintendent of motive power, and H. E. Burgess, general chairman of the system board, made short talks. Other talks were made by C. H. Garrison, general foreman at Monett, President, Walpert of the Monett local, and President Houger of Local No. 1. Eight hundred fifty plates were served. There was also an excellent entertainment provided by the Ladies' Auxiliary of Local No. 1. Dancing followed the entertainment.

Machinists Charles Rippee, Bud Daily and Machinist Apprentice Erskine Carlin were called back to work May 4 after being off for some time due to a reduction in force.

R. J. (Dick) Tyack, machine shop committee-man, lost a new hat at the entertainment May 1. He was informed that M. B. Turner, lead man on the valve motion, was wearing one the next day. Of course, that's between you and I.

My "accomplish," in writing this column, Alex Watt, sheet metal worker, has gained ten pounds this week. Why? Because of the rich milk he has been drinking since he bought a jersey cow.

Machinist Hans Neilson has been off for some time on account of illness. We hope for a speedy recovery. For the last few days he has been able to walk on crutches.

Orville Armstrong is back at work after an absence of about six months on account of injury to one of his hands.

There are several of the boys who are on the sick list at this time.

Edd Canderer of Lake Side, California, brother-in-law of James Strade of the brass foundry, will spend the summer here. Mr. Canderer will attend the State Teachers' College while here. He will return to California in the fall, where he will resume his teaching.

Since our last report Mr. and Mrs. Levi Newkirk are the proud parents of a boy. He has been named Vernon Dale.

L. H. Baker is improving the looks of his residence by giving it a new coat of paint.

Frank Austin and wife visited a daughter in St. Louis the week-end of, May 8.

LOCAL NO. 1—SPRINGFIELD, MO.

J. F. WASSON, Reporter

Local No. 1 gave an entertainment and banquet on Friday, May 1, at the American Legion Home in honor of the Monett Local No. 6, 100 coming from Monett. They arrived on train No. 4 at 5:10 p. m. in an extra all-steel coach which was furnished them through the courtesy of the Frisco management. They were met at the station by a fleet of cars which took them on a sightseeing trip of the city, after which they returned to the hall, where a dinner was served to 850 people. Supervisors from Monett who attended were Clarence Garrison and P. A. Carter. Supervisors from the north shop and reclamation plant, Springfield, were also present. Interesting talks were made by J. W. Surles, superintendent of motive power; H. E. Burgess, general chairman of the association; William Walpert, president Local No. 6, Monett, after which all enjoyed dancing, for which music was furnished by the Gibbs Orchestra. The dancing ended just in time for them to catch their train, which left at 1 a. m. All present declared it the end of a perfect day. We hope that we may have many more such occasions. Local No. 6 of Monett has extended

an invitation for the Frisco annual picnic, which is always held in June, to be held there.

Local No. 1 met in regular session on Friday, May 8, which was strictly a business meeting. A new sick committee was appointed. Anyone knowing of anyone sick should report to their committee.

The following list contains the names of patients confined in the Frisco ward of St. John's Hospital at Springfield, Mo. They will be glad to hear from their friends:

Miss R. Stephens, stenographer, Kansas City.

Mrs. L. Lewis, waitress, Vinita, Okla.
J. Winchester, retired, Winona, Mo.
W. Crain, section foreman, Aldrich, Mo.
J. W. Burns, clerk, Springfield, Mo.
O. H. Akin, steel worker, Springfield, Mo.

J. R. Frank, electrician, Springfield, Mo.
George Messick, station master, Springfield, Mo.

L. Butler, section laborer, Springfield, Mo.

R. H. Yelvington, carpenter, Springfield, Mo.

J. Murphy, engineer, Springfield, Mo.
W. M. Huesgen, boilermaker, Springfield, Mo.

Buck Smith, watchman, Springfield, Mo. The reclamation plant employees should feel proud of their bowling teams. The plant boasts two full teams, both members of the Frisco Bowling League.

The St. Louisans, whose members are employed in the office, and the B'ue Bonnets, whose members are all shop employees, made a very good showing in the league for the 1930-1931 season that just closed.

The St. Louisans, captained by H. E. Brown, chief clerk to the superintendent, won the five-man championship at the Great Frisco Tournament, that was held during February, over 23 teams representing different departments of the railroad from points over the entire line. They also won the last half league championship and the championship for the entire year, winning sixty-three and losing thirty games. Four members of their team scattered over fifteen thousand pins each during the year, being the only members of any team in the league to reach that total. Brown and Mongold of the St. Louisans and Frank Feven of the Oil Field Special team were the only bowlers to roll every game scheduled during the season.

The Blue Bonnets were a new team in the league this season, but made a very good showing, winning twenty-four and losing twenty-seven during the last half season to go into a tie with the Texas Specials for sixth place in league standing.

J. W. Thompson, general foreman at the plant, is a member of the Texas Special team, being one of their highest scorers.

Much interest was shown at the plant during the season and great things are expected next season.

LOCAL NO. 33—HAYTI, MO.

E. B. WHITENER, Reporter

M. W. Rhodes, machinist, is on the sick list at this writing.

J. J. Appling, machinist, was in Chaffee one day recently.

Claude Willis, boilermaker, was here one day recently. Claude was cut off some time ago at this place.

The youngest son of Richard Hayes, car inspector, at this place, was laid to rest in Braggadocia Cemetery on Sunday, May 3.

The youngest daughter, which is a twin to the one that passed away, is reported some better at this writing. The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community.

Theon Strack, machinist, moved in the house vacated by Sox Allsup. Theon will now be closer to his work and likes the community in which he will live.

NORTH SIDE SIDELIGHTS

EMERY HAGUEWOOD, Reporter

The entertainment and banquet given by Local No. 1 Friday evening, May 1, was a great success. A large number of the membership of Local No. 6 of Monett were welcome visitors. The program of music and entertainment was very pleasing and the feed was enjoyed by all.

Bro. H. E. Burgess, general chairman of the F. A. of M. C. & C. D. E., was a welcome visitor to the roundhouse Friday morning, May 1.

Edward Roue, machinist on air work, was absent from work several days during the past month due to illness, but he is back on the job again and feeling fairly fit.

Mrs. James Barton has been confined to a local hospital, where she underwent a serious operation. We are glad to note her condition has improved to such an extent as to permit her to be taken to her home. Mr. Barton is a machinist on the second shift.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schellhardt recently made a trip to Warrensburg, where they attended a piano concert given by Paderevski. Mr. Schellhardt is a machinist on the third shift.

Lewis Taylor, machinist on the day shift, is at present off on account of illness. We hope it is not serious and that he will soon be on the job again.

John Fairley, machinist on the third shift, recently visited with relatives at Pratt, Kan. Mrs. Fairley accompanied him.

Mrs. George Alward has been making a visit with her folks at Kansas City. Mr. Alward is a sheet metal worker on the third shift.

Mrs. Silas Snider has the sympathy of the roundhouse employes in the death of her brother, who met a tragic death by drowning in a near-by river several nights ago while setting a trout line. Mr. Snider is a machinist on the day shift.

T. E. Jackson, machinist on cab work, second shift, is sporting a new Chevrolet coupe, which he has purchased during the past month.

Luke Watson, cinder pit man, is also a new owner of a Dodge coupe. Luke says that if one wants to try out the speed of their new car they should get outside the city limits.

Gorden Yowell, special apprentice, has been granted a two years' extension and will take up machinist work.

Richard A. Seamon, machinist apprentice, has been transferred here to put in the final year of his apprenticeship getting roundhouse experience. He came from the west shops.

Roscoe Stone, extra man, and Miss Lorene Hoover, of this city, are this month's victims of Cupid. They were married May 14. The roundhouse employes extend their congratulations.

ST. LOUIS—LOCAL NO. 5

R. W. REED and E. R. McNABB, Reporters

Recent increase in membership of Local No. 5, due to the Frisco taking over the coach work at Jefferson avenue coach yard, by transfer of members from other points, are: N. E. Ball, H. E. Campbell, E. W. Fleeman, J. M. Howe, O. L. Harvey, J. R. Hoover, T. J. Hagen, Floy Jones, R. W. Kellogg, W. C. Moore, R. G. Ruggles, C. L. Smith, A. J. Thomas, G. W. Turner, H. Walters and S. S. Umphries.

A. J. Thomas has been elected by the crafts affected to serve as committeeman at the Jefferson avenue coach yard.

All hail the new fast freight that was put in service daily out of St. Louis commencing May 6, and each employe has appointed himself a committee of one to see that this train leaves on time each evening.

Your correspondent, E. R. McNabb, wishes to take this opportunity to thank the editor of the Frisco Magazine and the efforts of the officers of Local No. 5 for the new system pass, of which he is very proud.

On April 24, during the absence of General Foreman W. J. Flicke and Mrs. Flicke, thieves entered and robbed the home of articles and cash to the tune of \$250.00. However, the thieves were apprehended and the loot recovered and the culprits placed in jail for safe-keeping.

Coy Barnett, boilermaker, has been promoted to welder, and his vacancy filled by E. M. Shelton, formerly from Springfield.

Jesse C. Davis, brown hoist engineer, has returned to work after being off sixteen days suffering with the measles.

Allie A. Jones, welder, is also back at work after being in the Frisco hospital under treatment for six weeks.

Enloe Hume, mechanical laborer and assistant to the "Gold Stripper," is back on the job after having his tonsils removed at the Frisco hospital.

To help keep up prosperity some of the employes at this point are doing their bit by spending a little more now and then.

Albert Spachek, machinist, has had installed in his home a new electric ice box of a standard make.

Lee (Speedy) Williams, inside hostler, has also had an electric ice box installed in his home.

Alonzo M. (Mick) Hallack, blossomed out this month with a brand new model A sedan and says it is his hunting and fishing hack.

J. H. (Farmer) Sanders, machinist, has purchased a new Ford truck equipped with an ice box to enable him to take sweet cool milk to the boys for noonday lunch. Also has had his farm home equipped with an electric water system.

R. F. (Hoot) Gibson has also purchased a new Chrysler gas buggy.

Walter W. Massey is the proud owner of a new Studebaker sedan.

W. J. (Bill) Henry does not have to consult the sun any more as he has purchased a new 21-jewel timepiece.

W. C. (Bill) Sturling, tankman in the passenger roundhouse, is learning this month to drive a brand new Chevrolet sedan.

Excitement ran very high at the lunch period on May 2nd on the occasion of E. S. (Eddie) Homewood, machinist and extra roundhouse foreman, having driven his new 1931 special model Chevrolet sedan to work. The car was certainly well inspected, but no MP45 was made out.

V. H. Light, wife and daughter spent the first ten days of May on a visit at Salem, Mammoth Springs and Calico Rock, Ark.

Geo. M. Fitch, boilermaker, and his family motored to Springfield and spent five days with relatives and friends.

Sidney Williamson, machinist, and wife visited recently with relatives and friends in Amory, Miss.

Quite a number of the boys at this point took advantage of May 10th and spent the day with mother, among which was your reporter, E. R. McNabb, who visited with mother and the rest of the folks and friends and attended a picnic near home, where well-cooked spring chicken filled the center of the table. "Yum, yum."

M. M. Lutes, boilermaker, visited two days at the old home town of Lutesville, Mo., with relatives and friends and also on the occasion did a little fishing.

Ted Barnett, boilermaker, and coon hunter, reports a wonderful time and plenty of fish while on a recent trip to Herman, Mo.

Fishing parties are now being organized for the season's outings. W. C. (Tubby) Melton, the boy from Nixa, reports a nice catch of frogs and catfish from the Mississippi puddle.

Mrs. E. W. Peters, wife of machinist, recently made a two weeks' visit with

home folks and friends at Jonesboro, Ark.

Mrs. W. B. Smith, wife of boilermaker, visited thirty days in Springfield, Mo.

Mrs. Neal O. Garner and daughter are visitors in Springfield this month.

COACH YARD—KANSAS CITY, MO.

J. J. SULLIVAN, Reporter

W. R. Edmisson, brother of Coach Foreman C. O. Edmisson, has resigned his position as Frisco special agent and is devoting all his time to his farm, which adjoins Lake Tapawingo. One of his recent additions to the barnyard family is a 400-pound sow, very appropriately named "Cleo" in honor of the giant hippo in Swope Park zoo.

A pall of sorrow was thrown over the coach yard on Sunday, April 19, by the sad news of the death of Assistant Yardmaster Tom Graff. Tom, or "Dutch," as he is known to his many friends, was fatally injured while on duty in the Rosedale yard, and leaves a host of friends in the coach yard, who mourn his loss.

The vacation season was officially opened on May 1, when Louis Langel, head coach cleaner, accompanied by Mrs. Langel, left for an extended visit on the West Coast, stopping en route at the Grand Canyon, Los Angeles and San Francisco. During Louie's absence Tom Conway is battling for him.

When thieves visited the employes' automobile parking grounds adjoining the coach yard recently, Machinists Dave Wright and Artie Berry were the unfortunate ones to have all the wheels stolen off of their cars.

Barney Scanlon recently found a pocketbook containing several checks and a large amount of currency, which was promptly returned to the passenger who lost it on train No. 112.

LOCAL NO. 24

RAYMOND F. DEES, Reporter

C. W. Kerr, our efficient storekeeper, is back on the job after being confined in Springfield hospital, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

W. L. Peeler, rip track air man, paid home folks a short visit recently.

Locomotive Inspector J. V. Adams is the purchaser of an electric refrigerator. Joe says no more ice worries now.

Miss Annie Dorris Gouldsby has returned home after a two weeks' visit in the home of Mrs. R. F. Dees.

Night Machinist F. F. Woolf and Miss Mavis Boozer were quietly married May 5th. The bride is the daughter of Dr. A. I. Boozer, prominent physician of this city. We congratulate both and wish them many happy days together.

Roundhouse Clerk A. R. Holmquist and wife made a short visit with friends in Mobile, Ala., and report an enjoyable time.

Mrs. John T. Bolding, wife of machinist, and her father were recent visitors in Arkansas and Tennessee.

MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT THAYER, MO.

F. M. PEEBLES, Reporter

Mrs. F. M. Peebles and son, Charley, of St. Louis, Mo., were visiting here.

R. I. Piggott, age 52 years, brakeman, after a lingering illness, passed away at Thayer April 13, 1931.

Pinkie Whitby, brakeman, was operated on at St. Louis hospital.

E. B. Harris, brakeman, who was severely burned by a stove explosion at his home, died April 25 at Springfield hospital. The explosion occurred while he was pouring kerosene into the stove on what he believed to be dead embers, burning his body frightfully. This happened January 24.

R. J. Ratzinger, wife and daughter, Lilly, clerk at Fordland, Mo., are now visiting F. G. Schratz's family.

Ray Millman, hostler, and family of Jonesboro were visitors here.

T. S. Creager, porter, visited at Hoxie. J. W. Davidson, brakeman, has now moved his family to Springfield.

Jack Blain, water service foreman of Birmingham, is now located at this station.

I. W. Hill, car inspector, and wife are now on a trip to Potts Camp, Miss., to see their daughters.

WATER SERVICE DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

CLAUDE HEREFORD, Reporter

Earl Getchell has been working on the high line recently, doing routine repair work.

He and Henry Potter also made repairs to the deep well pump at Cluquot.

John Sumner and James Stephens have been doing general repair work between Springfield and Newburg.

Charles Robinson has been working the Monett job recently.

W. D. Collins has been making an extended visit in Texas since the layoff in January.

W. E. Phillips is able to be around considerably after being confined to the hospital for some time.

Arthur Buck has been staying "down on the farm" since the reduction in January.

Mack Pressley and Wm. Marrs have been called to work some recently.

Herman Hereford, son of the writer and wife, is a member of the graduating class of Springfield High School.

BRIDGE AND BUILDING DEPT. EASTERN DIVISION

ARTHUR BUNCH, Reporter

Roy Smith and family recently paid a short visit to their relatives in Willow Springs, Mo.

Zadock Breshears is still absent from work at this time on account of illness.

Bud Peck was off a few days on account of sickness.

Jim Carter and gang are rebuilding bridges at Brownington, Mo.

Bridges on the Salem branch are being repaired by Ebb Nease and gang.

General repairing in St. Louis and vicinity is being done by Bill Skyles and gang.

Charley Wallace and gang are repairing buildings and stock pens between Springfield and Lebanon, Mo.

General repairing in Springfield is being done by Baron and gang.

CAR DEPARTMENT FT. SCOTT, KAN.

JAS. N. HARGROVE, Reporter

Fishing is the pastime sport for the boys in this department with the usual report that all the big ones get away.

Tom Lybarger, car carpenter, is sporting a new Essex sedan.

Leo Struble, car carpenter, and wife are very happy over the arrival of a little stranger, who has come to live with them. They have given him the name of Donald Lee.

Alvin (Slats) Smith, car inspector, has been confined to the St. Louis hospital for some time. We understand he is getting along fine and we all hope to see old Slats back with us again soon.

Mrs. L. L. Graham and Juanita, wife and daughter of lead car man, spent a few days the first of May in Birmingham visiting Mrs. Graham's mother.

Mrs. A. H. Smith, wife of car inspector, made a trip to the St. Louis hospital to be with her husband while he was undergoing an operation.

We notice James Sullivan, triple rack

man, has shaved off his little mustache. We have not been able to find out the cause, in fact, we do not just understand why he ever started to wear one.

Competition is getting very keen between James Sullivan and Leo Struble to see which one can catch the largest and most fish. Leo claims he hooked the largest one, but in getting him out broke his line, letting him get away, but he is still trying for another one.

The boss, Eugene Moore, put his overcoat in white lead some time back, but on account of the severe weather was forced to get authority from his wife to get it out again and put it into service.

YALE CAR DEPARTMENT

A. R. SPRINGER, Reporter

The wrecker crew are all smiles since wrecking outfit has been given a class 5 and painted red instead of the old gray. Bert Holmes, painter, thinks it looks good.

The Frisco baseball team is doing fine, having won three out of five. They put down the Butchers' Union May 10 with a score of 8 to 4, with Roy Meadows, yard clerk, doing the pitching and S. C. McKee, blacksmith and farmer, doing the catching. Manager Ware says they have a game booked with Jonesboro at Jonesboro, Ark., May 30. Let's all go.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Dubberly, machinist, second class, and wife, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Dubberly, are on a two weeks' vacation in Georgia. The trip is being made by motor and the party will visit all points of interest between here and around Savannah.

Walter Dold's Uncle Zeak and cousin of Paragould spent a week with him recently.

NEWBURG, MO.—LOCAL NO. 32

E. F. FULLER, Reporter

Fred Flagg, who was confined to the Frisco hospital, is much improved and able to be back to work.

Wm. Murrell, third-class boiler-maker, who had the misfortune to break his arm, is back to work after several weeks.

Mack Robinson, car man, had his foot badly mashed and was confined to Frisco hospital, is able to be around on his crutches.

H. W. Bunch, Frisco fireman of Springfield, visited his relatives around Newburg in his new Nash.

Orville Fite visited home folks the week-end.

Walter Howard has accepted the position as third-class car man.

Mrs. H. W. Fuller and son Errol visited Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Painter of Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sisco are the proud parents of a baby, born April 22, 1931.

Shopmen extend their sympathies to Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson account of the death of their baby.

Mrs. Fred Flagg, who was confined to Rolla hospital, is back home much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ward and sons, Charles and C. D., Jr., motored to Springfield the week-end.

Mrs. Jack Hill and daughter, Gale, were shopping in St. Louis the week-end.

RECLAMATION PLANT

T. O. CHAPMAN, Reporter

Mrs. Leonard Clark was called to Thayer recently to attend the funeral of her grandfather.

John Bowman claims the fisherman championship for this season by bringing back from White River a 12-pound channel cat. Come on fellows, who can land a larger one, and be sure to let us know about it.

John Carnahan was under the spell of Old Man Sickness for three weeks, but finally broke loose from his hypnotic power, and is again operating the radial drill press as usual.

Joe Bill Wood, former office boy, has accepted a position and is now in the employ of the S. S. Kresge Company at Aurora, Ill. We wish him every success in his new line of employment, and sure do miss him on his daily rounds through the plant.

William Mattocks has been off duty the past three weeks, due to a severe attack of acute indigestion, which came upon him suddenly while at work. He is convalescing at his home under the doctor's care, but we hope to see him return to work soon.

Henry Warren, valve machinist, has returned to work after a long siege of sickness, diagnosed mostly rheumatism, from which he has suffered for the past six months. He informs us he spent part of his time recuperating at the home of his son-in-law at Tulsa.

Weldon White, who lives on his farm near Plano and drives to the shop to work, increased his bank account \$31.00 this month by capturing and turning over to Greene County authorities a mother wolf and seven young ones. The bounty being \$10.00 on the grown animal and \$3.00 each for the cubs. Weldon had quite a little sport in digging out and capturing the wolves and created considerable interest among fellow employes when he brought them to the shop.

When the "big blowout" was pulled off on the night of May 1st by Local No. 1 at the American Legion Home, Albert Weaver was there with his big helicon sousaphone to fill his place in the splendid orchestra. Those of the Frisco family who know Albert, and have heard him play, know how to appreciate his presence on an occasion like that, for his service is always performed with a smile, and his music would do credit to Sousa's band.

While Paul Preston was traveling a few miles out of Springfield on highway 66 recently, he took a notion to light a cigarette, so trusting to Henry to steer the straight and narrow way by himself for a few seconds, he proceeded to light up. He also alighted with Henry in the ditch beside the road, with his head in the top and his body across the steering wheel. He was lucky to have but three ribs broken, and was not off from work but a short time. Try it again, Paul, and better luck next time.

William Osmon and Perry Lissenby are fine "buddies" working together on the big steam hammer. "Bill" made Perry a present last year of what he said was a fine pedigreed pear tree. Perry very graciously accepted the valuable gift and planted it in a chosen spot on his lot. Under his care it thrived and made a fine showing in growth, but now just imagine what he said and how he looked when he said it, when he was informed by much experienced and unmistakable authority this spring that the tree was not a pear tree, but a common slippery elm.

LOCAL NO. 8—ENID, OKLA.

H. H. FULLER, Reporter

M. A. Wagner, machinist, returned to work May 1st after being off past sixty days with an infected hand, resulting in the loss of the index finger of his right hand.

Frank Holman, former roundhouse foreman, has bumped back on the rod job account roundhouse foreman's job abolished May 1. Sure sorry these reductions are necessary, but glad Frank is going to stay with us.

B. G. Adams, electrician, wife and baby daughter, are leaving June 1st for Los Angeles, Fresno and other California points, where they will visit with Mrs. Adams' parents in Fresno. They expect to be away about one month.

Mrs. Karl Recknagel, wife of Karl Recknagel, timekeeper in Mr. Foley's office, left on the 8th for Los Angeles to visit her sister, Miss Florence Foglesong. She will be joined by Mr. Recknagel in about fifteen days. Together they will tour the West Coast.

A welcome addition to our ranks is that of Horace Ackerman, machinist apprentice, from west shops, Springfield.

The ball team is shaping up in good order and with a few more days of practice will be ready to take the field. T. L. Bently is manager and with the right kind of support from the bunch we will have a winning team in the field, so let everyone boost.

Conditions on the Western division seem to be picking up. The car department resumed operations May 1st, getting the rolling stock in good condition in anticipation of a bumper wheat crop to move; and with another 1,000,000-bushel elevator under construction on Frisco trackage things are looking brighter.

"Bill" Venable, tool room attendant, employed Joe James, boilermaker, to give his Ford a class 5 overhauling. Joe managed to get it all apart and scattered all over the back yard, but up to date has been unable to get the pieces all back in it and thinks he will have enough parts to make at least two Fords. If Joe tries to sell you a car you will know where he got it.

LOCAL NO. 30—PITTSBURG, KAN.

N. T. MAHAN, Reporter

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs. Mary L. Wright, mother-in-law of H. F. Lacey, general roundhouse foreman. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family.

Dave Dewar, machinist, was off duty a week or two with a badly burned hand. Stanley Wood, machinist of Springfield, has been working in Dave Dewar's place for a few weeks.

Fireman Emmett Fultz was off duty for a week visiting his brother in Jackson, Miss.

We are sorry to report the death of Fireman Earnie Wills' mother, who died in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Mahan are spending two weeks visiting relatives in Oklahoma and Texas.

B. & B. DEPARTMENT SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

J. C. WOODS, Reporter

S. H. Dean and bridge gang, also George Simpson's paint gang, are laid off through the month of May. All other gangs are working four men on a six-day week basis.

W. E. Fountain and men are renewing bridge near Ft. Sill; also looking after new work in connection with the building of the new Union Station at Oklahoma City.

Virgil Leak and men are keeping up the light repairs on Okla Sub.

O. V. Smith and men are busy planking the tracks and doing other work in connection with the finishing of the new Union Station at Tulsa, which the Frisco expects to occupy on and after May 10.

W. A. Lantz and men are doing general repair work on stock pens and bridges in vicinity of Okmulgee.

E. F. Maggi and men are finishing sidewalks at Ada; also expect to do quite a lot of repair work on South Washita, near Woodville.

Wm. Everage is back at work after a visit to the Mayo Sanitarium at Rochester, Minn.

Wm. Briggs is back in neighborhood after a short visit to hospital, where he underwent a minor operation.

Carl Smith, who left the B. & B. department, has located with his mother on a farm in McDonald County, Missouri.

MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT KANSAS CITY, MO.

W. A. BULLARD, Reporter

George Stroble, pipefitter, who unfortunately was the victim of a motor car accident a few days ago, is recovering at St. Mary's hospital. We hope to see him back with us soon. Pipefitter Davis, who was in St. Mary's hospital for some time with a bad case of pneumonia, is filling the vacancy caused by Mr. Stroble's absence.

It has always been our understanding that motorcycle patrolmen were very grouchy. However, T. E. Bushmeyer, tank man has proved we are all wrong. Owing to the fact that his regular transportation was off its usual route one evening, Mr. Bushmeyer climbed the hill to the street car line. Reaching that point, he found he did not have the necessary coins to board the car, and meeting a friendly motorcycle patrolman, "mooched" a dime. Must have been a nice patrolman. That's all we've got to say. However, we have been informed that hereafter he will carry car fare with him.

Tom Davis and family will soon move into their beautiful new home at Shawnee, Kan., which was completed just recently.

Elmer Young, who was operated on for appendicitis at St. Mary's hospital a few weeks ago, is back on the job again just as good as ever.

Our brown hoist was five years old the 18th of May, and Mike Murphy, brown hoist operator, says it is still going strong. How the years fly by.

Walter Medlock, our general foreman, is back with us after an absence of some several days due to an operation for sinus trouble.

Joe Souper and Louis Connelly, who were operated on for sinus trouble recently at the Frisco hospital in St. Louis, are back on the job again.

J. J. Grueninger, tin shop foreman, was given a very pleasant surprise on his birthday, which occurred April 3. Twenty-four relatives were there and showered Mr. Grueninger with many useful gifts, among them all kinds of fishing tackle, from hooks to wooden crawdads of all sizes and shapes, he being a great fisherman. Now let's all hope he will have some real fishing and catch some "honest-to-goodness" fish, and not so many suckers. Our congratulations are rather late, Mr. Grueninger, but we hope you will have many more happy birthdays.

The Frisco baseball club has been organized and is preparing for a successful season. The first game was played May 17th at Rosedale field.

MRS. L. M. CHEW HONORED

Launa M. Chew, secretary to D. F. McDonough, traffic manager at Birmingham, Ala., was elected treasurer of the Women's Traffic Club of Birmingham, Ala., on April 23.

Mrs. Chew has been actively associated with the club, having aided in its organization in April, 1929. She served as its first president and last year, as retiring president she was made a member of the board of directors. Her new duties as treasurer began on May 15. This club is one of the most wide-awake women's organizations in Birmingham and has thirty-two members.

TO THE FRISCO

By MINNIE H. PRESTON

So much has been written in story and song,

Of the brown country roads all bordered with grass

Where the wild roses swing and mocking birds sing,

And bob-o-links hide their wee ones as you pass.

The stately green Elms, that meet high over head,

Cathedrals grand arches bring fresh to the mind.

Yes really they do and they're beautiful too,

But what of the dust that swoops up from behind?

And what of these roads when the "silver rain" falls

Filling every rut with a thick muddy ooze?

The singer don't say, but I will if I may,

You get out and push in your very best shoes.

And your beautiful car, that twinkled and gleamed

Reflecting the sun, like a great lustrous crow,

Is muddy and dull as a terrapin's hull,

And you'd like to say something you shouldn't you know.

So it's easy to see that these much lauded roads

For each bit of pleasure, exact heavy toll.

It is mud or its stones, to bang up your bones,

Or ditches that yearn to receive your poor soul.

Now I'll sing of a road that is different quite,

But beautiful too, in its own perfect way.

Its steel ribbons run, all a gleam in the sun

O'er many and many green hills and away.

Away and away, over mountain and plain

North, East, South and West, runs this road firm and wide.

Through woods cool and green where the silvery sheen

Of rivers and lakes can be glimpsed as you ride.

It stalks on high stilts, through deep canyons and flings

Its bridges where swift waters eddy and cry.

AN UNUSUAL SERVICE

Frisco employes are noted for their loyalty, but few instances come to light in which an employe evidences a more wholehearted interest than did Agent Greenup of Columbus, Kan., on April 11 when he was advised that a 15-year-old girl must wait for a train at his station from 4 a. m. until 7 a. m.

The young lady was Miss Millie Baldwin of Sioux City, Iowa, who was en route to Latham, Kan., leaving Kansas City on No. 111. The girl must wait at Columbus from 4 o'clock until 7 the next morning.

Agent Greenup was selected to see to the young lady's comfort and this accommodating agent was not content with merely seeing that she waited for her train in safety, but took along Mrs. Greenup and they met the train together, taking Miss Baldwin to their home where they allowed her to sleep until time for her train, gave her breakfast when she arose, then saw her safely away on No. 311. The young patron was deeply appreciative of the attention given her.

At a marvelous pace, it's great engines race
While flying their banners of triumph on high.

They seem almost human these beauties of steel
And proud of the long line of coaches in tow.

That the Blue Bonnet and the famed Sunny Land
Are the pride of the Frisco they certainly know.

All down through the Ozarks this busy road runs
Like an artery, bringing new life where it goes.

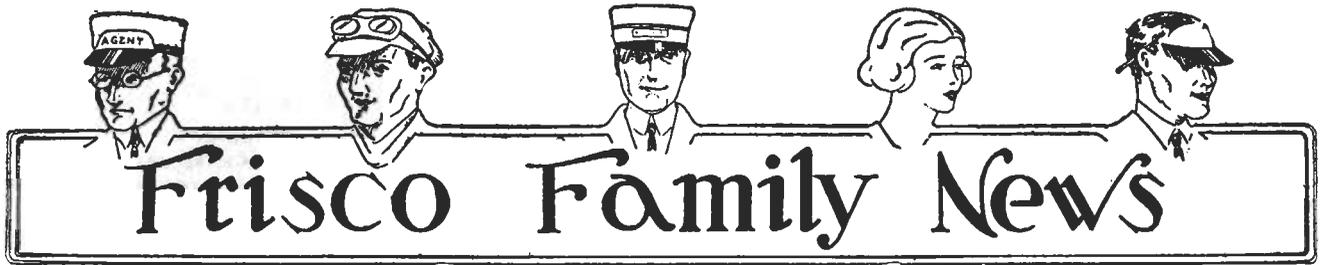
It stops at quaint towns, where the green hills come down
Where the blackberry gleams and the strawberry glows.

If you want a vacation that's free from all care,
Why worry with mud and an automobile?

When you easily could, if only you would,
Glide away to your play, on these "ribbons of steel."

So if you are seeking a place to grow young.

—Folks always have eagerly sought it, it seems—
For tickets, just go, to the Frisco depot;
And find in the Ozarks, the Land of your dreams.



Frisco Family News

EASTERN DIVISION

CLINTON AND OSCEOLA SUB

MRS. A. W. LIFEEE, Reporter

Mr. Wm. Knapp, engineer, was in Kansas City on business recently.

Chess McKean, fireman, and family have returned from California after several weeks' vacation. They report Missouri still looks better to them.

Dr. H. W. Inslay, one of our popular and efficient doctors, was married April 9 to Mrs. Eva Pernick of Pittsburg, Kan. Best wishes are extended to them for a happy wedded life.

L. B. Mack, fireman from the main line, has taken a job up here. He spent the week-end in Springfield.

Mr. J. L. Harvey was here this week, looking after business.

Mrs. Joe Meirotto, wife of Fireman Meirotto, left for California to visit relatives.

We see C. S. Kline, conductor, is sporting a new Ford.

A new supply of electric lanterns are being furnished to the Clinton sub trainmen.

Dan Hurlburt, caller, was in St. Louis the eleventh, having his eyes tested. Dan was formerly in the train service and was taken out on account of his eyes. He is trying to be reinstated, in which effort we wish him the best of luck.

C. S. Kline had the misfortune to hurt his foot and was off several days.

C. A. Yeager, fireman, layed off and is spending a few days with his wife and baby in Springfield.

We are glad to report Mrs. Chess Staples, wife of Engineer Staples, is improving after several weeks of illness.

A. W. Liffée, fireman on the south local layed off over a recent week-end.

Jim Carter, bridge foreman, and gang are at Latour this week.

W. S. Graham, conductor, is attending the O. R. C. convention in Kansas City. Mrs. Graham spent the first of the week in Kansas City.

Mrs. J. H. Temple, wife of Engineer Temple, entertained the Fairview Quilting and Sewing Club.

Wm. Balke, roundhouse foreman, has been trying to beautify North Clinton by building a lily pool and making flower beds.

H. W. Baldock, brakeman, and wife are both on the sick list.

H. C. Franklin, brakeman, has remodeled his Buick. It now is equipped with a wood saw.

We all regret the death of Conductor H. L. Douthat, who died suddenly on May 6, while on duty at North Clinton. We offer our sincere sympathy to his family. Mr. Douthat had been in the service for 30 years and was beloved by all his associates and friends.

C. A. Duggins, emergency brakeman, relieved his father, R. A. Duggins, the seventh, so he could attend the Douthat funeral. R. A. Duggins was Mr. Douthat's brakeman.

Mr. T. B. Coppage was up from Springfield to attend the funeral of Mr. Douthat.

Cashier Hart, Operator Perkins and Freight Clerk Shaw bought Dan Hurlburt, the caller, six pieces of pie one day last week. Yes, he ate them, and said he didn't like pie, either.

NEWS SERVICE DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

J. P. BRIGGS, Reporter

We extend our sympathy to Mr. E. C. Sooter, manager of the Springfield news stand, whose mother passed away April 17th.

Miss Justice, comptometer operator, visited in Aurora, Missouri, on April 10th and reported having a fine time.

Mr. Berry, manager of the Springfield agency, has finally found a place where he believes people go to bed before the wee hours in the morning. We hope he can now get all the rest he requires.

Mr. W. W. True, vending machine repairman, was in the office last week and while here, repaired all our relief machines.

It seems as though our Storeroom Manager Bert Ferbrache is never going to see the ball game in St. Louis. He has planned to go for the last two or three weeks and it happens that he was required to be in Springfield each time. Well, Bert, we all wish you luck and hope you see a good game when you do go.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Reid spent the week-end of April 19th visiting in Kansas City. Joe says that he likes the town of Springfield, but that he still craves to be in old K. C.

R. C. Osborne, superintendent news department, spent the usual time on the road and also checking various agencies and stands.

Miss Justice has been all smiles the last few days, accounted for by the reason that she is going to visit her sister at VanBuren, Missouri. We hope you have a swell time, Vivian, and that you let the smiles continue.

Mr. Al Davidson, traveling auditor, dropped in the office for a few minutes last week. We always like to have visitors even though only for a short time.

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT ST. LOUIS, MO.

W. L. RITTER, Reporter

Clarke Pinkerton says he intends finishing his musical education by taking up saxophone lessons. He brags of being musically inclined, claiming at the early age of 5 he played on the linoleum and went so far as to make a flute out of a pea blower.

Martin Hickey says he likes music too, but the harmonica he had when a boy is now broken so he hasn't played for quite a spell.

Grace McEvoy wants to know if a batter hits a home run if he runs all the way home and stays there or if he just kisses his wife and comes right back.

Lewis Cunningham is somewhat put out because we didn't mention his name in the news last month. Since his "Tin Lizzie" is in the cemetery and he is unable to take his Sunday school girl friend home, what can we say about him.

Since hearing Prof. Wagner talk at the

Frisco Men's Club meeting we have gathered a few points of our own.

If it starts raining and you drop into a store for an umbrella, the maid pops up and says, "Well, sir." You say, "An umbrella, please." She, "What color and what do you want with it." You, "Any color, I'm color blind anyway," and she throws an icy stare—Beat it!

You decide to get a rain coat and the guy slips up and says "Howdy Pal—fine day for fishing, think the Cardinals will win today; are you going to see the Derby?" Hand him a fast good right. He's selling weather tickets.

Herb Clay informs us the only remedy for a person with an ailing stomach is to drink soup. However, he can't understand why the restaurant owners, after hearing the different gargles, don't furnish a faucet with each bowl.

Mary Graddy says when R. B. McBride is telling her how to play golf, Bernice Hower chimes in, and when Bernice is telling her how to play bridge, Mac butts in. Never mind, Mary, we'll buy each one of them a big horn and you take a correspondence course on each game.

Anyway, there being no engagements, birthdays or otherwise to announce this month, suppose we'll close.

AGENT'S OFFICE—MONETT, MO.

PEARL E. LEWIS, Reporter

Treva Lea, yard clerk, has deserted the ranks of Ford owners and is now driving a classy looking Chevrolet.

Clarence Heying, who has been working as clerk at Pacific, has returned to Monett and displaced Caller Paul Kirby.

Miss Marie Brite has been employed as extra telephone operator at this station and we welcome her as a member of the Frisco family.

The tulip bed in the Frisco garden at this station is in full bloom, and adds much to the appearance of the station grounds.

The strawberry season will be in full swing by the 25th and you folks, who have never tasted an "Ozark Strawberry Short Cake," had better come over and try one.

W. B. Green, retired conductor from the Central division, who has made his home in California since his retirement about six years ago, passed away in a hospital at Lomita, Calif., April 30.

Conductor H. Kirk is again on duty on the motor car between Monett and Fayetteville, after a lay-off of several months.

Yardmaster E. O. Gillette and wife attended the opening of the new Frisco Station at Tulsa, May 12.

Caller Don Lavy has at last carefully laid away his red sweater in moth balls for the remainder of the summer.

As a fleet of 67 airplanes were seen nearing Monett, May 14, some people thought it might be strawberry pickers coming to the Ozarks. Those who have seen the coming and going of these pickers will not be surprised to see them arriving in a few years in that manner, as they already come in cars all the way from Fords to Packards.

The quest for fish worms is increasing daily and with an epidemic of spring fever around here, the creek banks are having lots of company.